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TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

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ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Date.	Place.	Date.	Place.
1879.....	Louisville, Ky.	1895.....	Meridian, Miss.
1880.....	Nashville, Tenn.	1896.....	Washington, D. C.
1881.....	St. Louis, Mo.	1897.....	Birmingham, Ala.
1882.....	Nashville, Tenn.	1898.....	Greensboro, N. C.
1883.....	Lynchburg, Va.	1899.....	Nashville, Tenn.
1884.....	Kansas City, Mo.	1900.....	Paris, Tex.
1885.....	Knoxville, Tenn.	1901.....	Asheville, N. C.
1886.....	Augusta, Ga.	1902.....	Charleston, S. C.
1887.....	Catlettsburg, Ky.	1903.....	Memphis, Tenn.
1888.....	Nashville, Tenn.	1904.....	Jacksonville, Fla.
1889.....	Little Rock, Ark.	1905.....	Muskogee, Okla.
1890.....	St. Louis, Mo.	1906.....	Opelika, Ala.
1891.....	Fort Worth, Tex.	1907.....	Richmond, Va.
1892.....	Lexington, Ky.	1908.....	New Orleans, La.
1893.....	Kansas City, Mo.	1909.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1894.....	Atlanta, Ga.	1910.....	Clarksville, Tenn.

GENERAL CONVENTIONS OF THE WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSION SOCIETY

1893—St. Louis, Mo.	1896—Little Rock, Ark.
1894—Nashville, Tenn.	1897—Louisville, Ky.
1895—Asheville, N. C.	1898—Knoxville, Tenn.

ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

1899—Dallas, Tex.	1905—Montgomery, Ala.
1900—New Orleans, La.	1906—Asheville, N. C.
1901—St. Louis, Mo.	1907—Houston, Tex.
1902—Richmond, Va.	1908—Louisville, Ky.
1903—Atlanta, Ga.	1909—Savannah, Ga.
1904—Kansas City, Mo.	1910—Nashville, Tenn.

ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

1911—St. Louis, Mo.	1921—Richmond, Va.
1912—Washington, D. C.	1922—San Antonio, Tex.
1913—Birmingham, Ala.	1923—Mobile, Ala.
1914—Fort Worth, Tex.	1924—Tampa, Fla.
1915—Little Rock, Ark.	1925—Tulsa, Okla.
1916—Atlanta, Ga.	1926—Raleigh, N. C.
1917—New Orleans, La.	1927—Shreveport, La.
1918—Knoxville, Tenn.	1928—Nashville, Tenn.
1919—Memphis, Tenn.	1929—Washington, D. C.
1920—Kansas City, Mo.	1930—Amarillo, Tex.
	1931—Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Lee Britt

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

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Editor

Miss Estelle Haskin, Literature, *Missionary Voice*, and *World Friends*.

RULES OF ORDER

Committee

A committee is a group of persons appointed or elected to consider, investigate, and prepare recommendations concerning some matter of business placed in its hands. Unless given power to act, it reports to the body which created it.

Commission

A commission is a group of persons appointed or elected to study a matter requiring fact finding and research. It is expected to prepare a digest of the assembled facts, which, together with the thinking of the commission, forms a basis of conclusions or recommendations to be presented to the body creating it.

Bureau

A bureau is a subdivision of an organization which develops and supervises special lines of work which have emerged through experience or from the studies of research and fact-finding groups.

Committee Rule

As far as possible all committee business shall be assigned to standing committees, thus obviating the appointment of special committees.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Reading of the minutes.
2. For the first three days only the presentation of memorials, resolutions, etc.
3. Reports of officers.
4. Reports of standing committees.
5. Reports of annual session committees.
6. Reports of special committees.
7. Calendar of business.

CALENDAR RULES

1. A Calendar shall be used in the transaction of the business at the annual session of the Council.
2. Recommendations, memorials, resolutions, and other papers requiring legislation—except in the reports of the Executive Committee and Standing Committees—shall be referred to session committees.
3. Reports of the Executive Committee and Standing Committees shall be placed on the Calendar and copies distributed to the body.
4. Report of session committees shall be placed on the Calendar in the order in which they are presented to the body.
5. Three copies of all papers to be sent to committees shall be sent to the Calendar Clerk when they are presented to the body.
6. Committee reports shall be manifolded in such numbers as may be necessary to supply a copy to each member. Under direction of the Calendar Clerk, copies shall be distributed, without reading, at close of the session in which the report is placed on Calendar.
7. Business to be considered by the session committees must be presented to the body not later than the close of the business meeting of the third day.
8. Business shall not be acted upon at the session in which it is placed on the Calendar.
9. Business shall not be brought up out of Calendar order.
10. A two-thirds vote of the body shall be required for the suspension of any of the above rules.

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(The President of the Council is *ex officio* a member of all committees.)

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5. *Williamsburg, Va.*—Mrs. Lee Britt, Mrs. N. V. Coleman, Mrs. J. W. Downs, and three local members.

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President Woman's Missionary Council

1923-1931

Died February 17, 1931

Twenty-First Annual Meeting
of the
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL
of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

THE Twenty-First Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council was held in Memphis, Tenn., March 11-17, 1931.

Preparations for this meeting, which began with enthusiasm and high hopes for the further development of an enlarged program of service, were completed beneath the shadow of a great sorrow. Suddenly, a scant month before the date of the meeting, the Council President, honored and beloved, had answered the call to join that company who have walked in the light of God, and who now stand before Him in joy. This President, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, a woman of rare intellectual and spiritual gifts, was a virile leader with clear vision and undaunted courage, ever pressing forward into wider and more comprehensive paths of service.

Thus the Council faced its changed condition, chastened, yet confident in hope, and conscious of the quickening power of the inspiration of a consecrated life freely given in devotion to its purpose.

With unanimity of appreciation the women chose as their President for the remainder of the quadrennium Mrs. J. W. Perry. Through twenty years Mrs. Perry has been connected with the Council, all the while endearing herself to the members and proving her qualifications for this greater responsibility by the readiness and efficiency with which she has carried forward the work of all offices intrusted to her.

A common grief and a mutual dependence in the effort more nearly to share the responsibilities of the meeting added a new quality to the fellowship, which is always one of the high privileges of the annual gathering of the Council and, if possible, provided a more hospitable atmosphere for the central thought of the program.

The pivot around which all else revolved may be found in the general theme of the noonday worship periods—"Drawing on Our Spiritual Resources." Led by Dr. Henry T. Hodgkin, these and the meditations of each morning, led by Mrs. J. L. Cuninggim, lifted high the standards of the Christian life and raised each day to the level of a holy season. Dr. Hodgkin is a member of the Society of Friends, a man of varied missionary experiences, including that of medical missionary. He is now director of the New Quaker Center for Research and Study of the Thought and Practice of the Life of the Spirit, located at Wallingford, Pa. For three years the Council had earnestly

desired his help in an annual meeting, and their persistence in calling him was more than justified by the ministry of his noon messages, his illuminating address on Christian Leadership on Sunday evening, and the assistance given by him in three of the discussion groups representing widely different interests, yet all devoted to the winning of a world condition or ideal for Christ.

Mrs. J. L. Cuninggim is one of our own, from Scarritt College for Christian Workers, and each morning was blessed by the quiet season of prayer and meditation led by her.

On the Sabbath, one could rightly sing "Welcome, delightful morn," for the privileges of this day began with the celebration of the Holy Communion at seven o'clock. At eleven the annual sermon was delivered by Bishop A. Frank Smith, who spoke on "The Challenge of To-Day for the Church," from the double text: "Can ye not discern the signs of the times?" "I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." He sees in the world to-day many conflicts and says that unless civilization is Christianized, it will destroy itself; yet conditions are favorable to the spread of the gospel. The responsibility rests with the professed followers of Christ and their ability to read the signs of the times and lead in the greatest spiritual movement the world has ever seen.

Christian Citizenship and Law Observance received an impetus in the opening address of the meeting delivered by Col. Raymond Robins, LL.D., of New York, social economist and Vice President of the Citizens' Committee of One Thousand for Law Observance and Enforcement. This address was a stirring appeal for the maintenance of the integrity of the Constitution and the public law of the United States, one thought of which was: "To select one portion of the Constitution or the public law for obedience while rejecting others, is selective anarchy and contains the seed for the breakdown of all law and order and the establishment of mob violence."

The stories of the organization of the autonomous Churches in Mexico, Brazil, and Korea were told with zest on Friday evening by the Commissioners who, since May, 1930, had assisted in the creation of these National Churches. Imagination enabled one to accompany Miss Mabel Howell to Korea, Miss Case to Brazil, and Dr. Goddard to Mexico on these great missions. Thus has our Church seen the beginning of the realization of one of its objectives in the creation of three independent, self-governing, self-propagating Churches.

Monday evening was devoted to messages from the missionaries and deaconesses. Miss Grace Gatewood, from First Church, Shreveport, La., Miss Ruth Bartholomew, from Paine College, Augusta, Ga., Miss Willia Duncan, from Kingsport, Tenn., Miss Dreta Sharpe, from Eliza Bowman School, Cienfuegos, Cuba, Miss Anne Herbert, from Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, China, and Miss Sallie Carroll, from the "House of Neighborly Love," Oita, Japan, gave with enthusiasm intimate, first-hand glimpses into the daily life of a Church

deaconess, a Dean of Women in a Negro college, a deaconess in a thriving, busy industrial town, a teacher in a none to well-equipped boarding school in a foreign country, a nurse helping to train Chinese nurses, and an evangelistic worker in a foreign Social Center. Intensely interesting is it to hear and thrilling to realize that even when working in an auxiliary at home, in my own town, I have a share in it all.

A new and important feature of this session of the Council was the holding of eight sectional meetings, four each, Saturday and Monday afternoons. This afforded the desired opportunity for special presentation and discussion of questions involving the activities which will help in establishing the Christian order around the world. All these are a part of the Enlarged Program of Work initiated and launched at the Annual Meeting in Amarillo, March, 1930. The group meetings were spirited sessions. No findings of the discussions are incorporated in the record of the meeting, but the results will be seen and felt in the development and influence of the Committees on Spiritual Life and Message, the Status of Women, the Bureau on Cooperation and Extension, and the Bureau of Christian Social Relations which embraces the phases of Social Service included in Interracial Relations, Industrial Relations, Rural Development, International Relations and World Peace, and Christian Citizenship and Law Observance.

The meeting reached its climax and its close in the Consecration Service, which witnessed the setting apart by Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs of eleven radiant young women for foreign service and five for service in the needy homeland.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Twenty-First Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council was held in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Memphis, Tenn., March 11-17, 1931, Mrs. J. W. Perry, Vice President, presiding.

The first day and the morning of the second day were spent in executive session.

The executive session Wednesday morning, March 11, was opened with a devotional service dedicated in loving remembrance to Mrs. F. F. Stephens, President of the Council, who passed to her heavenly home Tuesday morning, February 17 last.

The hymn, "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go," was sung, and the devotions continued under the leadership of Mrs. W. B. Landrum, Conference Secretary of the Central Texas Conference. She read passages of scripture from 1 Thessalonians 4: 13, 14, 15 and Ezekiel 34: 31 with comments thereon, including a tribute to Mrs. F. F. Stephens, and led in prayer.

Then followed a group of appreciations by those who had been last with the beloved President or had attended her funeral as representatives of the Woman's Missionary Council or of the Board of Scarritt College. Miss Daisy Davies spoke of Mrs. Stephens' visit to the North Georgia Conference the first week in February, and of their journey to Columbia, Mo., as she accompanied her home from the Committee Meetings in Nashville but a little more than a week before her entrance into the new and more perfect life. Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker spoke of the visit in the home with Mr. Stephens and to the chapel where Mrs. Stephens' body lay during the afternoon until the hour of the funeral; Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb told of the funeral; Mrs. Henry S. Owen gave an intimate glimpse of Mrs. Stephens in her home, and Mrs. W. J. Piggott paid the tribute to this dear friend now translated. Prayer was offered by Mrs. J. C. Handy.

The Secretary then read a letter of sympathy from Mrs. H. E. Goodman, President of the Woman's Board of the China Medical College, Shanghai, China, and resolutions from this Board on the death of Mrs. Stephens, who was a valued member of the Board.

The service of loving appreciation of the leader who for nine years had devoted her time and talents to opening the way for the womanhood of the Church to an enlarged vision of service, closed with the hymn, "How Firm a Foundation."

Bishop J. W. Tarboux, of the Methodist Church of Brazil, was in-

roduced and expressed his happiness in his privilege of being present at this session of the Council Meeting.

Mrs. J. W. Perry briefly stated the changes in the roll of Conference due to General Conference legislation, as follows: Korea, Mexico, Brazil, Central Brazil, and South Brazil in receiving autonomy were severed from the mother Church; East and West Oklahoma Conferences had become the Oklahoma Conference; the Denver Conference had been absorbed by the New Mexico Conference; and the Western Mexican, the Texas Mexican, and the Cuba Mission Conferences had been organized. Of the last three only in the Western Mexican Conference have the women been organized into a Conference Missionary Society, and from that group there is a woman representative on the Board of Missions.

The roll was called by the Secretary. Eighty-nine members responded. During succeeding sessions others reported, bringing the total attendance up to one hundred.

The complete roll was as follows:

OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL

Vice President, Mrs. J. W. Perry.
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 Secretary of Children's Work, Miss Constance Rumbough.
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 Superintendent of Coöperation with Women in Other Lands, Miss Bess Combs.
 Calendar Clerk, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins.

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Miss Daisy Davies,	Mrs. R. L. Hobdy,
Mrs. E. B. Chappell,	Mrs. Henry S. Owen,
Miss Mabel Howell,	Miss Louise Young,
Mrs. J. C. Handy,	Mrs. A. B. Smith.

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Arizona	Mrs. M. E. Mackey.....	C. F. Vark.....
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Louisiana	Mrs. W. H. Martin*....	Mrs. D. B. Carré.
Louisville	Mrs. W. J. Piggott....	Mrs. A. C. Johnson.
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Mississippi	Mrs. L. W. Alford....	Miss Ella W. Ormond.
Missouri	Mrs. W. P. Graham....	Mrs. W. E. Hillyard.
New Mexico	Mrs. J. H. Walker....	Mrs. G. C. Carver.
North Alabama ...	Mrs. I. Morris.....	Mrs. J. R. Turner.
North Arkansas ...	Mrs. E. F. Ellis.....	Mrs. B. E. Snetzer.
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North Georgia ...	Mrs. L. M. Awtry†.....	
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North Texas	Mrs. S. M. Black.....	Mrs. John S. Terry.
Northwest		
Northwest Texas ..	Mrs. Nat G. Rollins....	Mrs. J. Frank Potts.
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Pacific		
Poland		
St. Louis	Mrs. A. R. Walker....	Mrs. E. A. Kitchell.
South Carolina ...	Mrs. W. I. Herbert....	Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood.
South Georgia ...	Mrs. C. C. Sapp*.....	Mrs. Dan C. Harris.
Southwest Missouri	Mrs. J. E. McDonald....	Mrs. F. H. Naylor.†
Tennessee	Mrs. J. P. Harvill....	Mrs. George Morgan.
Texas	Mrs. J. W. Mills.....	Mrs. J. M. Quinn.
Upper S. Carolina	Mrs. T. I. Charles....	Mrs. J. P. Byars.
Virginia	Mrs. Lee Britt.....	Mrs. N. V. Coleman.
West Texas	Mrs. R. R. LeMaster ..	Mrs. Seth A. Craig.
Western Mexican ..		Mrs. R. J. Parker.†
Western N. C.....	Mrs. C. C. Weaver....	Mrs. H. A. Dunham.
Western Virginia	Mrs. Charles N. Clark ..	Mrs. T. A. Bennington.
Deaconess	Miss Rena Murphy.....	Miss Mae C. Sells.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBER

Mrs. Tsiang Zak Nu Nyok

*Alternate seated the entire session.

†Member present only a part of session.

‡Alternate seated only a part of session.

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Home Department: Mrs. J. W. Downs.

Secretary of Education and Promotion: Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb.

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Mrs. Homer Tatum, Memphis Conference.

Mrs. J. H. Walker, New Mexico Conference.

—, Northwest Conference.

Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Northwest Texas Conference.

Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, St. Louis, Conference.

Mrs. Fred A. Lamb, Southwest Missouri Conference.

Mrs. J. P. Harvill, Tennessee Conference.

Mrs. J. W. Mills, Texas Conference.

Mrs. Lee Britt, Virginia Conference.

—, Western Mexican Conference.

The Vice President, Mrs. J. W. Perry, then introduced the new members: Miss Contance Rumbough, Secretary in Charge of Children's Work; Miss Bess Combs, Superintendent of the Bureau of Coöperation and Extension; Mrs. F. B. Godfrey, President of the Florida Conference; Mrs. J. M. Stinson, Conference Secretary, Little Rock Conference; Mrs. W. H. Martin, alternate from Louisiana Conference; Mrs. W. E. Hillyard, Conference Secretary, Missouri Conference; Mrs. B. E. Snetzer, Conference Secretary, North Arkansas Conference; Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Conference Secretary, North Georgia Conference; Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, President, and Mrs. S. T. King, Conference Secretary, from the new Conference of Oklahoma; Mrs. C. C. Sapp, alternate from South Georgia Conference; Mrs. J. M. Quinn, Conference Secretary, Texas Conference; Mrs. N. V. Coleman, Conference Secretary, Virginia Conference; Mrs. R. R. LeMaster, President, West Texas Conference; Mrs. R. J. Parker, Conference Secretary, Western Mexican Conference.

On the nomination of the Secretary, the following Assistant Secretaries for the session were appointed: Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins.

The ad interim minutes of the Executive Committee were presented by the Secretary. (See page 62.)

The following special committees for the session were announced:

Publicity.—Mrs. Maud M. Turpin, Mrs. J. E. Cole.

Resolutions.—Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. W. P. Graham, Mrs. Fred Lamb.

Public Worship.—Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. Walter Taylor, Mrs. Felix R. Hill.

Prayer.—The Spiritual Life Committee of the Council: Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. T. J. Copeland, Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. Seth A. Craig, Mrs. Harwell Wilson, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Miss Mabel Howell, Miss Estelle Haskin.

Courtesies.—Mrs. Homer Tatum, Mrs. J. S. French, Mrs. J. C. Handy.

Consecration.—Miss Daisy Davies, Miss Mary Ora Durham, Miss Mabel Howell.

To Fill Vacancies.—Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Mrs. F. S. Parker.

Daily Announcer.—Mrs. W. B. Landrum, Mrs. J. E. Cole.

The following list of sessions committees were read:

Committee on Foreign Fields.—Miss Esther Case, Miss Ann Herbert, Miss Mabel K. Howell, Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. H. S. Owen, Mrs. S. T. King, Mrs. J. M. Stinson, Miss Ella Wayne Ormand, Mrs. W. P. Graham, Mrs. J. W. McEachern, Mrs. S. M. Black, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood, Mrs. J. E. McDonald, Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Mrs. Charles N. Clark, Mrs. T. C. Banks.

Committee on Home Field.—Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. T. H. Tyson, Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Mrs. T. A. Tynes, Mrs. J. C. Lewis, Mrs. D. B. Carré, Mrs. Homer Tatum, Mrs. A. R. Walker, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. R. P. Neblett, Mrs. C. C. Sapp, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, Mrs. T. I. Charles, Mrs. R. R. LeMaster, Miss Rena Murphy, Mrs. Fred A. Lamb.

Committee on Education and Promotion.—Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. Harwell Wilson, Mrs. Johnson Tiger, Miss Elsie Wright, Mrs. F. N. Peters, Mrs. W. H. Martin, Mrs. L. W. Alford, Mrs. W. E. Hillyard, Mrs. B. E. Snetzer, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mrs. J. H. Walker, Mrs. J. P. Byars, Mrs. S. T. King, Mrs. Dan C. Harris, Mrs. J. M. Quinn, Mrs. N. V. Coleman, Mrs. T. A. Bennington, Miss Mae C. Sells, Mrs. J. H. Stewart, Miss Eloise Bradshaw.

Committee on Children's Work.—Mrs. M. E. Mackey, Mrs. T. J. Copeland, Mrs. W. B. Landrum, Mrs. S. M. Bernard, Mrs. J. C. Jones, Mrs. W. P. McDermott, Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs. Walter Taylor, Mrs. G. C. Carver, Mrs. J. R. Turner, Mrs. Ernest Moore, Mrs. John S. Terry, Mrs. J. Frank Potts, Mrs. F. H. Naylor, Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. Seth A. Craig, Miss Constance Rumbough.

Committee on Christian Social Relations.—Mrs. W. A. Newell, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. J. W. Mills, Miss Daisy Davies, Miss Louise

Young, Mrs. Lee Britt, Mrs. E. W. Berry, Mrs. I. Morris, Mrs. A. B. Smith.

Committee on Literature.—Miss Emma V. Peppler, Mrs. F. B. Godfrey, Mrs. E. F. Ellis, Mrs. W. I. Herbert, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. Boone Moss Bowen, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Miss Bess Combs, Mrs. W. A. Newell, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Miss Estelle Haskin.

The motion prevailed that the minutes be approved by a committee and that the reading of the minutes before the Body be omitted.

The motion prevailed that a committee be appointed by the chair to approve the minutes.

The Committee to Approve the Minutes was appointed as follows: Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Mrs. Ernest Moore, Mrs. W. J. Piggott.

Mrs. T. J. Copeland, Assistant Chairman for this morning session, took the chair while the Vice President, as Chairman of the Program Committee, presented the report of that Committee. The report was received.

A memorial from the Florida Conference concerning a worker at the Florida State Teachers' College was presented and referred to the Committee on Home Field.

The following reports and recommendations were placed on the Calendar: Reports Nos. 1 and 2 of the Committee on Estimates, and Recommendations from the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message.

Reports of Commissions and Committees included in the Bureau of Christian Social Relations appointed at the last session of the Council were made by their respective Chairmen: The report of the Commission on Industrial Relations, by Miss Constance Rumbough; Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas, Mrs. Lee Britt; Commission on Rural Development, Mrs. J. W. Perry. At this time Mrs. T. J. Copeland again took the chair. Commission on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Mrs. J. W. Mills; Committee on International Relations and World Peace, Mrs. E. B. Chappell; Committee on Interracial Relations, Miss Louise Young and Mrs. Ernest Moore.

From these reports the Council received a wealth of suggestions for a progressive procedure during the days ahead.

Mrs. W. D. Reeves, District Secretary of the Memphis District and General Chairman of Entertainment of the Council, was introduced.

Bishop J. W. Tarboux, on request that he speak to the Council, brought a message from the new Methodist Church of Brazil, which needs the love and sympathy of the mother Church, her prayers, and her help.

The morning session then adjourned with prayer offered by Mrs. A. M. Gates, President of the North Carolina Conference.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The afternoon session Wednesday opened with a worship period led by Mrs. M. E. Mackey, President of the Arizona Conference. The hymn, "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me," was sung, a scripture lesson from the fourth chapter of Mark was read, and the service closed with prayer.

Hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," was sung and the business of the day resumed, Mrs. Perry in the chair, and Mrs. J. H. Stewart, President of the Central Texas Conference, serving as Assistant Chairman for the afternoon.

Members who had arrived since the morning roll call were seated as follows: Mrs. Johnson Tiger, President of the Indian Mission Conference; Mrs. R. J. Parker, Conference Secretary of the Western Mexican Conference.

The following reports were placed on the Calendar: Report of the Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws and the Report of the Special Committee on Financial Policy.

Reports of the following committees were made by their respective Chairmen: Committee on Research and Status of Women, by Mrs. J. C. Handy; Committee on Coöperation with Civic Welfare Organizations, by Mrs. W. A. Newell; Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, by Miss Daisy Davies.

A pleasant interlude occurred at this time when the Council paused to answer the question, "Where shall the Council meet next year?"

Mrs. J. N. McEachern, President of the North Georgia Conference, presented the attractions of Atlanta and urged the Council to accept an invitation to this city. This call was seconded by Miss Davies, who yielded her place to Dr. and Mrs. S. C. H. Bergin. Dr. Bergin, pastor of St. Mark's M. E. Church, South, brought an invitation from that Church, which wished to be the hostess of the Council. These most gracious invitations were followed by Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Conference Secretary of North Georgia, who through letters from thirty-six civic and religious organizations, including the Governor of the State, the mayor of the city, and the President of St. Mark's Missionary Society, gave assurance of the welcome awaiting the Woman's Missionary Council in Atlanta. The appreciation of this invitation was indicated by the unanimous rising vote with which it was accepted.

It was moved by Mrs. Homer Tatum and seconded by Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood that the election of a President of the Council be made the order of the day for Thursday morning immediately following the taking of the pledges and preceding the election of Board members of the Executive Committee. The motion prevailed.

A forum for the discussion of the Children's Work was conducted by Miss Constance Rumbough, Secretary of Children's Work.

At the close of the discussion, the following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the changes in the Constitution and By-Laws for Children's Work offered by the Secretary in charge of that work did not reach the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws sixty days before the meeting, as is required; and

"Whereas the Executive Committee has been granted the privilege of bringing the Constitution and By-Laws in line with changes made necessary by enactments of the General Conference; and

"Whereas this has not yet been done by the Executive Committee for the Children's Work; therefore

Be it resolved, That the Council approve changes in the Constitution and By-Laws for Children recommended by Miss Constance Rumbough.

MISS EMMA V. PEPPLER,
MISS MABEL HOWELL."

(See Plan of Organization for Children, page 369.)

On motion the time was extended for the consideration of the next item of business.

Explanations were made by Mrs. Boone M. Bowen of changes in the Young People's Work, which had by action of General Conference been absorbed by the new Board of Christian Education, and a plan outlined to provide for Circles for Young Women in the Adult Auxiliaries. A general discussion of this question followed.

The Secretary read a message of sympathy for the Council and the members of Mrs. Stephens' family in the great loss that has come to them, from the missionaries at Roberts College, Saltillo, Mexico.

Announcements of Commission and Committee Meetings were made, and the afternoon session was dismissed with prayer led by Mrs. C. N. Clark.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Woman's Missionary Council continued its executive session through Thursday morning, Mrs. J. W. Perry presiding and Mrs. Lee Britt, President of the Virginia Conference, serving as assistant chairman for that morning.

The opening worship service led by Mrs. S. M. Black, President of the North Texas Conference, consisted of the hymn, "Sweet Hour of Prayer," messages of promise from Matthew 7 and John 15, prayer, and the hymn, "O Jesus, I Have Promised."

The Committee to approve the minutes reported that the minutes

of Wednesday morning and afternoon sessions had been examined and found correct and moved that they be approved. The motion prevailed.

Members who had arrived since Wednesday afternoon's session were seated as follows: Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Member at Large; Miss Elsie Wright, alternate for the Conference Secretary of the Kentucky Conference; and Mrs. F. N. Peters, President, Los Angeles Conference.

The following reports of Standing Committees were placed on the Calendar: Committee on Scarritt College for Christian Workers and Committee on Research and Study of Status of Women.

On motion, Calendar Rule No. 9 was suspended that the report of the Committee on Financial Policy might be taken from the Calendar for immediate consideration.

The report was read by Mrs. D. B. Carré, Secretary of the Committee, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 158.)

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Treasurer, came to the platform and spoke of the pressing need for a generous pledge from the Conference, then called the roll and received the annual pledge from each Conference.

The plan followed at this time of omitting the Week of Prayer offering from the pledge given by each Conference moved Mrs. J. N. McEachern to raise the question of the right of the Executive Committee of the Council to change a By-Law that had not been affected by General Conference legislation. The question was freely discussed, and the chair ruled as illegal the action of the Executive Committee in creating the By-Law in question without reference to the Council as a whole.

It was moved by Mrs. McEachern and seconded that the Conferences be privileged to state their pledges again and include the Week of Prayer offering. The vote was taken; the chair being in doubt, a division was called for and the motion was carried by a vote of 49 to 34.

The Treasurer then called the roll of Conferences and the pledges for the year were given, including the Week of Prayer offering, as follows: Alabama, \$33,000; Arizona, \$2,205; Baltimore, \$40,000; Central Texas, \$30,000; Florida, \$37,500; Holston, \$38,000; Illinois (absent); Indian Woman's Missionary Society of Oklahoma, \$300; Kentucky, \$24,000; Little Rock, \$24,500; Los Angeles, \$5,600; Louisiana, \$38,680; Louisville, \$26,000; Memphis, \$40,000; Mississippi, \$31,000; Missouri, \$11,000; New Mexico, \$7,500; North Alabama, \$50,000; North Arkansas, \$21,750; North Carolina, \$52,250; North Georgia, \$62,500; North Mississippi, \$27,500;* North Texas, \$34,000; Northwest (absent); Northwest Texas, \$24,500; Oklahoma, \$26,000; Pacific (absent); South Carolina, \$26,200; South Georgia, \$58,000; Southwest Missouri, \$11,000; St. Louis, \$12,000 plus Week of Prayer; Tennessee,

\$30,000; Upper South Carolina, \$32,000; Virginia, \$61,500; West Texas, \$30,370; Western North Carolina, \$63,000; Western Virginia, \$16,700. A grand total of \$1,061,555.

The order of the day being the election of a President, preparation was made to proceed with the election.

The following tellers were appointed: Mrs. L. A. Tynes, Chairman; distributing tellers, Mrs. T. C. Banks, Mrs. W. P. Graham, Mrs. M. E. Tilly; collecting tellers, Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Mrs. E. F. Ellis; counting tellers, Mrs. D. B. Carré, Mrs. J. Frank Potts, Mrs. Dan Harris.

The Body was counted—eighty-nine present. The ballot for President was taken and the tellers retired.

By special request, Dr. Cram led in prayer of thanks to the Father in heaven for his leadership, for the blessing of God upon the Chairman of the Body, for the presence of God in the deliberations, and for a vision from God in our forward-looking program.

Mrs. L. A. Tynes, Chairman of tellers, reported the vote for President: 88 votes cast, 72 for Mrs. J. W. Perry. Mrs. Lee Britt announced the election of Mrs. Perry and graciously presented the new President to the Body, at the same time pledging to her the whole-hearted support of the women.

With equal grace Mrs. Perry acknowledged the confidence shown by the women and pledged to them her service to the fullest extent.

The ballot was taken for Vice President to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Mrs. Perry as President.

The question of other changes made by the Executive Committee in the Constitution and By-Laws was raised and discussed.

It was moved by Mrs. Lee Britt and seconded that the Council approve the action of the Executive Committee in amending the By-Laws as submitted.

It was moved by Mrs. Newell and seconded to amend Mrs. Britt's motion by adding "that the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws shall list the changes in proper form to be voted on by the Council."

Miss Mabel Howell then moved the following as substitute for the amendment and the motion, which was seconded:

"Whereas the Executive Committee agreed to changes in By-Laws that were not necessitated by General Conference legislation; and

"Whereas the publication of such action in the Handbook can be construed as the required sixty-day notice on the part of the By-Laws Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council.

"We recommend that the Committee on By-Laws of the Council be requested to incorporate the changes in By-Laws in a report to the Council at this session as the basis of action by the Council."

*Later the request of North Mississippi Conference to add to the pledge a Special of \$1,000 for a Rural Worker was granted.

This substitute motion was adopted.

The Chairman of tellers reported no election in the last ballot taken.

A second ballot for Vice President was taken.

The motion prevailed that the Woman's Missionary Council adjourn for a period of time sufficient for the holding of the annual meetings of its predecessors, three Woman's Boards of Missions, and thus preserve their legal status.

The Council adjourned.

The Woman's Board of Missions, which is the Board of Directors of the Woman's Missionary Society, was called to order by the Vice President, Mrs. J. W. Perry. The roll was called by the Secretary, Miss Mabel Howell. Reports were made by the officers.

Mrs. J. W. Perry was elected President to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. F. F. Stephens, and Mrs. E. B. Chappell was elected Vice President. This Board adjourned.

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions was called to order by the Vice President, Mrs. J. W. Perry. The roll was called; Mrs. Perry was elected President to succeed Mrs. Stephens, deceased, and Mrs. A. B. Smith was elected Vice President. Report of progress on the fields was made by the Corresponding Secretary, also that money from the sale of property in Anadarko, Okla., had been received and passed on to Dr. J. W. Perry, Secretary of Home Work, General Department, thereby providing for the erection of three churches. The Treasurer reported that only this money mentioned by the Secretary had passed through her hands. The Board adjourned.

The Woman's Missionary Council was called to order to hear the report of the tellers.

The Chairman of tellers reported that the last ballot had resulted in no election. The ballots were distributed and a third vote was taken for Vice President. On motion the Council adjourned.

The Woman's Board of Home Missions was called to order by the Vice President, Mrs. J. W. Perry. The roll was called by the Secretary. Mrs. J. W. Downs reported concerning a piece of property in Florida for which she has had a number of offers, none of which had been accepted.

The motion prevailed that the President of the Board be elected by acclamation to fill the vacancy caused by the sudden death of Mrs. F. F. Stephens. Mrs. J. W. Perry was nominated and Mrs. H. R. Steele, second Vice President, put the motion. Mrs. J. W. Perry was elected. Mrs. J. P. Harvill was elected first Vice President to succeed Mrs. Perry.

The Board then stood adjourned and the Council was again called to order.

A message of appreciation was brought to the Council by the Secretary from Miss Elizabeth Hughes, retired missionary, and her

request for prayer granted through prayers offered by Misses Howell and Case for God's presence with this consecrated fellow worker in her trial of illness and feebleness.

Chairman of tellers reported that the last ballot for Vice President had given a majority of the votes cast to Mrs. J. C. Handy. Mrs. Perry announced Mrs. Handy elected Vice President and presented her to the Body.

Resolutions endorsing the Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry, read by Mrs. J. W. Mills, were reread by the Calendar Clerk. Mrs. W. A. Newell, Miss Louise Young, and Mrs. J. N. McEachern spoke of the value of the work of the Southern Council of Women and Children in Industry and of the importance of its indorsement by other strong Southern organizations. The resolutions were passed as read, as follows:

Resolutions of Endorsement of Southern Council of Women and Children in Industry

"Whereas industry is now firmly established and steadily increasing in the Southern States, insuring that development of natural resources which is necessary for the creation of wealth and the furtherance of social progress; and

"Whereas the Southern States have not as yet adopted such legal safeguards as have been found socially wise and have been enacted into law in older industrial countries and states; and because there is urgent need of a united South-wide movement to secure better and more uniform legislation, in order to remove the fear of each State that near-by and competing States may fail to enact similar laws; and

"Whereas the Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry has been created by women from Southern States for the purpose of stimulating and unifying interest among Churches and organizations for more adequate protective laws for women and children; and

"Whereas all of the leading Churches and the majority of national and State women's organizations have indorsed even more progressive social legislation than that suggested by the Southern Council; now therefore

"1. *Be it resolved*, That the Woman's Missionary Council indorse the program of the Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry and commend it to the Conference Societies for indorsement and that this indorsement include representation on State committees and general council.

"2. *Be it further resolved*, That since the Southern Council seeks to make more nearly Christian an unredeemed area of life that the Woman's Missionary Council go on record as recognizing the program of the Southern Council as an integral part of the missionary program.

"3. *Be it further resolved*, That the Woman's Missionary Council

request the Estimates Committee to include in its estimates a financial contribution to the Southern Council in Industry as soon as financial conditions make it possible to add such an obligation.

"4. *Be it further resolved*, That Council representatives be selected from the membership of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

LOUISE YOUNG,
CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH,
MRS. J. W. MILLS."

The ballot was taken for the members of the Board of Missions on the Executive Committee of the Council.

On motion, Calendar Rule No. 9 was suspended and the Report of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message was taken from the Calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 145.)

On motion, the time was extended to complete the election.

The ballot was cast to fill the vacancy as Member at Large, caused by the election of Mrs. J. C. Handy as Vice President.

Mrs. L. A. Tynes announced the vote for Board Members of the Executive Committee: Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, and Mrs. J. W. Mills had received the necessary majority of votes cast and were declared elected.

As a question of personal privilege, Mrs. B. M. Bowen, Superintendent of Young People's Work, presented the following recommendations, which were read and adopted as read, as follows:

Young People's Work

"Whereas the sub-committee, Young People's Division, of the Joint Committee on Missionary Education of the General Board of Christian Education and of the General Board of Missions has agreed that the young people's work of the Board of Missions shall continue until the 1931 summer assemblies for young people; and

"Whereas the summer assemblies for young people begin in May and continue into August,

"We recommend:

"1. That in those Conferences where the young people's assembly is held in May the young people's work shall continue through the June meeting.

"2. That the second quarter's report of the Conference Superintendents of Young People to the Council Superintendent shall be the closing report of the year 1931.

"3. That in those Conferences where the assemblies are not held until July or August the young people's work shall continue until the assembly.

"4. That in every Conference the superintendent and young people

shall attend the assembly meeting and actively participate in the set up of the new organizations and program.

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB,
MRS. B. M. BOWEN."

The Chairman of the tellers, Mrs. L. A. Tynes, reported that the last ballot had resulted in the election of Mrs. Boone M. Bowen as Member at Large.

After prayer led by Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood, Corresponding Secretary of the South Carolina Conference, the morning session stood adjourned that members might meet in Session Committees after the noon recess.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

The first evening session, also the first open session of the Twenty-First Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council, was held Thursday evening, March 12, the Council President presiding.

Seated on the platform with the President, Mrs. J. W. Perry, were Mrs. J. W. Mills, Chairman of the Council Committee on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Bishop J. W. Tarboux, of the Methodist Church of Brazil, Dr. Felix R. Hill, presiding elder of the Memphis District, and the speaker of the evening, Mr. Raymond Robins, LL.D., Vice President, Citizens' Committee of One Thousand for Law Observance and Enforcement.

This great meeting in the interest of civic righteousness opened with the singing of the hymn, "Great God of Nations Now to Thee, Our Hymn of Gratitude We Raise."

Bishop Tarboux read the scripture lesson and offered the opening prayer, and special music was rendered by the large vested choir of the First Methodist Church.

Dr. Raymond Robins was then introduced by Mrs. J. W. Mills. Taking for his text, "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" Dr. Robins spoke on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance. Being also a sociologist and a student of political science, he placed his chief emphasis upon loyalty to the Constitution, saying with telling illustrations that "Through the whole history of our government there has been a struggle between constitutionalists and nullifications." Then stressing righteous citizenship, he said: "Great principles are not in need of great men, as much as great men are in need of great principles."

The service was dismissed with the benediction pronounced by Bishop Tarboux.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Friday morning, the session opened in blessed quietness. A prelude by the organ led the way for the first of a series of worship periods led by Mrs. J. L. Cuningim, of Scarritt College.

Heeding the command contained in Matthew 6: 6, silent prayer of confession and meditation was observed, then all joined in singing the hymn, "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts." This was followed by a spoken meditation in which Mrs. Cuninggim set forth Life's Patterns—Jesus Supreme.

The service closed with prayer.

The hymn, "Once More We Come Before Our God," was sung while the doors were opened.

The following report of the Committee on Minutes was read and approved:

"The Committee on Minutes have examined the records for Thursday morning and afternoon sessions and have found them correct.

MRS. E. A. KITCHELL,

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT,

MRS. ERNEST MOORE."

Miss Eloise Bradshaw and Miss Ann Herbert, alternates from the China Woman's Missionary Society, were recognized and seated, their credentials having been duly received.

Telegrams, letters, and resolutions of sympathy were presented by the Secretary, from Mrs. L. P. Smith, long a leader in the missionary activities of the women of Southern Methodism; Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, the first to serve as Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Council. She held this position of trust for fifteen years. The Prescott District of the Little Rock Conference, and the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Secretary was instructed to reply to these messages and to others previously presented to the Body.

It was further ordered that a special telegram of love and sympathy be sent to Dean F. F. Stephens.

Reports of the following Committees were placed on the Calendar: Special Committee on Deaconess and Missionary Rest Home, Special Committee to Coöperate with a like Committee from Scarritt College Board on Missionary Training, and the Sessions Committee on Literature.

The President, Mrs. J. W. Perry, saying that she would bring not a message but an "Introductory Statement," gave the important events in the history of the Council for the past year and traced the progress of the work for that period. In closing, she read the message contained on the last Christmas card sent out by Mrs. Stephens:

With God

"To walk with God no breath is lost;

Talk on!

To walk with God no strength is lost;

Walk on!

To toil with God no time is lost;
 Toil on!
 Little is much if God is in it;
 Man's busiest day not worth God's minute.
 Much is little everywhere
 If God's business does not share.
 So work with God—then nothing's lost;
 Who works with him does best and most."

On motion, this paper was accepted. (See Statement, page 58.)

Inspiring reports of the officers of the Department of Education and Promotion were made by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb for the work with adults. (See Report, page 100.) Mrs. Boone M. Bowen for the last months with the Young People. (See Report, page 108.) Miss Constance Rumbough for the Children. (See Report, page 112.) Miss Estelle Haskin for the Publications. (See Report, page 117.) In closing, Miss Haskin's request for criticism inspired many expressions of praise for the output of this office beginning with the *Missionary Voice* on down to the least of the leaflets.

Mrs. Hume R. Steele reported for the Candidate Work and in closing presented the candidates present at this meeting for consecration on Tuesday evening:

Deaconesses: Miss Erlene Swanson Aylor, Virginia Conference; Miss Mary Fisher Floyd, North Georgia; Miss Jewell Elizabeth Matthews, Alabama; Miss Marion S. Needham, Northwest; Miss Ruth Patton, Oklahoma.

Foreign missionaries: Miss Marjorie Beaird, Texas Conference, under appointment to Korea; Miss Lucie Clark, North Arkansas, to China; Miss Marie Gertrude Feely, Missouri, to Japan; Miss Martha Lucile Lewis, South Georgia, to China; Miss Edith Ellen Martin, North Arkansas, to Congo Belge; Miss Susie Mayes, North Georgia, to China; Miss Carrie Ava Martin, Louisiana, to China; Miss Norene Delroes Robken, Little Rock, to Poland; Miss Mary Alberta Simmons, Oklahoma, to Brazil; Miss Martha Elizabeth Sneed, North Carolina, to Brazil; Miss Myrtle Dora Zicafoose, Baltimore, to Congo Belge.

This group of young women were received by the President with gracious words of appreciation, then in prayer she gave thanks for the consecration of young life and for the opportunities of all for service.

It was understood that the acceptance of Mrs. Steele's report carried authorization for the consecration at a later date of those now ready, but delayed for health reasons. (See Report, page 120.)

Miss Martha Lawrence, of the Service Department of the Board of Missions, Nashville, present in Memphis as head of the Council's clerical office, was presented by Miss Haskin.

The President introduced Dr. and Mrs. J. S. French, pastor and wife of our hostess Church and host and hostess of the Council for the second time.

Others presented were Miss Capitola Dent, Publicity Chairman, Woman's Missionary Council of the Colored M. E. Church, Paine College, Augusta, Ga., and Mrs. A. E. Kelly, Social Service Chairman, of the Woman's Missionary Council of the C. M. E. Church, M. and I. College, Holly Springs, Miss.

The report of the Home Department was made by Mrs. J. W. Downs, Administrative Secretary. (See Report, page 79.)

The report of the Foreign Department was made by Miss Esther Case, Administrative Secretary. (See Report, page 83.)

Dr. and Mrs. Henry T. Hodgkin were introduced. The Council had eagerly anticipated the coming of Dr. Hodgkin, Director of Pendle Hill, a Quaker Graduate Center for Religious and Social Study, and doubly happy were they to greet him with Mrs. Hodgkin.

The noon worship period opened with the hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Dr. Hodgkin led in the responsive reading of the one hundred and thirtieth Psalm. Vocal prayer followed silent prayer; then taking Faith as the topic for the day, Dr. Hodgkin developed the first of his series of noon messages related to the general topic: "Drawing on Our Spiritual Resources." He said that the keynote of the Christian religion is faith, and based his lesson on the miracle of Jesus, who through the faith of the father healed the epileptic son, the man with a divided personality. Jesus himself lived around the central conviction of truth. Thus he opened the door of faith in two ways: in its attitude as it takes God for granted, and in action, for the courageous soul is adventurous. The message closed with prayer completed by the hymn, "Breathe on Me, Breath of God," and in quietness the morning session stood adjourned.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE

While the organ gave the melody, "Going Home," the Friday afternoon session began with a "Service in Remembrance" of beloved and honored members who since March, 1930, had joined the Triumphant Host: Mrs. F. F. Stephens, connected with the Woman's Missionary Council twenty-one years; Mrs. Mary Lipscomb Hargrove, Secretary Woman's Board of Foreign Missions fourteen years; Dr. W. W. Pinson, connected with the Board of Missions twenty years; Mrs. Julia Gaither, missionary in China thirty-four years; Mrs. Marie Raffo Barr, missionary in China nine years.

This impressive ritual service led by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, President of the North Carolina Conference, included a responsive reading based upon scripture, carrying messages of faith and hope, and a Litany of Dedication, the hymns, "For All the Saints" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee." (See Memoirs, page 168.)

The following reports were placed on the Calendar: Sessions Committee on Home Promotion, Sessions Committee on Christian Social Relations, Sessions Committee on Home Field, and the report of the Bureau of Coöperation concerning course of study at Scarritt College.

Dr. W. G. Cram, General Secretary of the Board of Missions, spoke of the General Work especially as related to intersectional relationships of the Board of Missions; Equity of Women in the Doctors' Building, Nashville; the outlook toward a great forward-looking work; special activities in Industrial Centers; the financial conditions in the world, and its relation to the cause of missions; plan of advancement in the school in Hiroshima; and readjustments of missionary advancement in all the fields.

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Treasurer, made the financial report for the year, prefacing it with the statement that the treasury has not lost anything in the many bank failures. The report closed with a summing up of the grand total of receipts since the organization of the work, \$24,791,896.86. (See Report, page 86.)

Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College for Christian Workers, reported for that important work. (See Report, page 139.)

Following the order of business, Report No. 1 of the Committee on Estimates was taken from the Calendar, read, and considered by items.

Miss Case made a statement regarding the Young J. Allen Fund and the interest thereon involved in this report.

The second recommendation was amended by the addition of \$3,000 to the sum available, making that sum read \$22,000.

The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 156.)

The Estimates were taken from the Calendar. The basis of appropriation was read and explained by Mrs. Fulton, Treasurer: For Education and Promotion, \$66,988; for the Foreign Department, \$602,052.75; for Home Department, \$290,594.57; a grand total of \$341,145.86.

On motion, the total basis of appropriation for the Education and Promotion, \$66,988, was approved.

Mrs. J. C. Handy explained certain items and terms related to the Education and Promotion Department. The total for Administration, \$29,400 was approved.

Sections of this Department were represented by Mrs. Handy, Mrs. Lipscomb, and Miss Haskin.

For Education and Promotion \$37,498 was voted, a grand total for that Department of \$66,988.

The report of the North American Home Missions Congress held in Washington, D. C., in December was made by a group of those who attended this meeting. Mrs. J. W. Perry stated the plan and purpose of this Congress. The high lights were given by Mrs. Homer Tatum, who gave thoughts from Dr. White's address; Mrs. A. R.

Walker, from the City Group; Mrs. C. N. Clark, Impressions on Coöperation from the Town and Country Group; Mrs. T. I. Charles, Rural Life Sunday; Mrs. S. M. Bernard, the spiritual note in all reports; Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. Bronson's early experiences contrasted with the fact of the Congress; Mrs. J. N. McEachern, Dr. Johnson's address; Miss Emma V. Pepler, Church Unity a Factor in Winning the Frontier; Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Dr. John R. Mott's address. The Forward Look of the Congress was summed up by Mrs. J. W. Downs.

The afternoon session was dismissed with prayer led by Dr. W. G. Cram.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

The Friday evening session was devoted to messages concerning the three autonomous Methodist Churches established since the session of the General Conference, May, 1930.

After the singing of the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," the Rev. Richard L. Ownbey, D.D., pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, Memphis, read the Scripture lesson and led in prayer.

Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, President of the Northwest Texas Conference, presiding officer for the evening, in introducing the three speakers, each a member of one of the three commissions to create these new Churches, stated: The final objective of all missionary endeavor, as viewed by Southern Methodist leaders, is to create a self-governing, self-propagating, and self-supporting Church. The mother Church can never supply all the preachers, teachers, doctors, nurses, and social workers needed in non-Christian lands. Native leadership has been the goal which missionary leaders have sought to attain. Recently in three of the mission fields—Brazil, Mexico, and Korea—this ambition has been realized.

Miss Esther Case, Administrative Secretary of Foreign Work, in speaking for the Brazilian Methodist Church, said that in its establishment a new day has dawned for Protestantism in Brazil, also that the mother Church in America will be called upon to fulfill her promise to contribute as much as and perhaps more than it has given to the support of the work in the past, both in missionaries and money.

Dr. O. E. Goddard, Administrative Secretary of Foreign Work, General Board, in speaking of the establishment of the Methodist Church in Mexico, said: "A Church with the earmarks of a foreign country is handicapped in any country, and the sooner it takes the apparel and form of the nation, the sooner it ceases to be exotic and becomes indigenous, the better.

"Autonomy in Mexico not only means coöperation between Mexican and American Methodists, but unification of Northern and Southern Methodists in that country. There no longer exists the anomalous situation of the Northern Methodist Church working in the South of Mexico and the Southern Church in the North, but, instead, all the Methodisms are united into a national Mexican Methodist Church,

which has a native Mexican Bishop, the Rev. Juan Pascoe, at the head."

Miss Mabel Howell, Professor of Foreign Missions at Scarritt College, described the process by which the Churches of Korea supported by the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, had been united to form the Methodist Church of Korea, and she spoke of the loyalty of the Koreans to their "beloved Mother Church."

Democracy is emphasized in the formation of this Church to the extent that it was decided to have a four-year term of episcopacy, allowing but one reelection, and the pastor elected to this office, the Rev. J. S. Ryang, will be called General Superintendent, not Bishop. "In the Methodist Church of Korea there is no discrimination against woman because of sex."

The service closed with the Doxology and the benediction pronounced by R. L. Ownbey.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The worship period Saturday morning, a season of silence, meditation, and refreshment, was led by Mrs. J. L. Cuninggim, who, in the spoken meditation from the Gospel story of Zacchæus, vividly portrayed our Christ as Saviour of all. The service closed with prayer, and the hymn, "Saviour, More Than Life to Me," was sung while the doors were opened.

Report of Committee on Minutes, read by Mrs. Ernest Moore, was adopted and reads as follows:

"The Committee on the Minutes have examined the records for Friday morning and afternoon and have found them correct.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT,
MRS. ERNEST MOORE,
MRS. E. A. KITCHELL."

The following members, who had arrived since the last session, were seated: Mrs. F. H. Naylor, Conference Secretary of the Southwest Missouri Conference, and Misses Dreta Sharp and Lucile Lewis, alternates from the Cuba Conference. Their credentials had been filed.

Messages of greetings were read from Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, former Council Treasurer, and Mrs. Frank Siler, former Recording Secretary, also a telegram of appreciation from Dean F. F. Stephens.

The Secretary was instructed to reply to these messages.

The following sessions reports were placed on the Calendar: Report of the Committee on Children's Work, report of Committee on Foreign Fields.

The following resolution in regard to the filling of a vacancy on

the Board of Trustees for property owned by the Council in Kansas City, Mo., was passed unanimously:

RESOLUTION FILLING VACANCY IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES

"Whereas, by a certain deed dated October 18, 1920, by and between Annie E. Hendrix and others, as parties of the first part, and Edward L. Scarritt, Fredus N. Peters, Isaac P. Ryland, James R. Dominick, Charles W. Moore, Murray H. Davis, and William M. Reed, as trustees, as parties of the second part, duly executed by the parties thereto and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds within and for Jackson County, Missouri, on January 21, 1921, in Book B, No. 2174, at page 13, to which deed reference is made for its contents, the parties of the first part therein named conveyed upon the trusts therein stated unto the said parties of the second part therein named the following described real estate situate in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, to wit:

"All of lots numbered one hundred thirty-nine (139), one hundred forty (140), and the west sixty (60) feet of lot number one hundred forty-one (141) in East Melrose, an addition to the City of Kansas, now Kansas City, Mo., as the same are marked and designated on the recorded plat of said addition, together with all buildings, and improvements now situated thereon; and

"Whereas, the said deed, among other things, provided and recited substantially as follows, to wit: When a vacancy or vacancies shall occur in said Board of Trustees, by death or otherwise, said vacancy or vacancies shall be filled as follows—namely: Said Woman's Missionary Council, at one of its regular or duly called meetings, shall by formal resolution elect another party or other parties to fill said vacancy or vacancies, which said resolution shall be attested by the signatures of both the President and Secretary of said Woman's Missionary Council, and the party or parties thus selected shall fill said vacancy or vacancies and hold the same title to said parcel of land and be subject to the same limitations as the original trustees; and.

"Whereas, said William R. Reed named as a member of the Board of Trustees constituted by the said deed has departed this life, and a vacancy has occurred in the said Board of Trustees established by the said deed; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved by the said Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South (said Woman's Missionary Council being an unincorporated, voluntary association having the control and management of the Missionary Societies and missionary enterprises of the women of the said the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and having its headquarters in the City of Nashville, State of Tennessee), at a regular annual meeting thereof duly called and held at the City of Memphis in Tennessee on March 14, 1931, does hereby elect

Nathan S. Hendrix as the successor of the said William M. Reed, deceased, to fill the vacancy occurring as aforesaid, and he shall hold the same title to the said parcel of land and have the same powers and be subject to the same limitations as though he were an original trustee named in the said deed.

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *President*;

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*."

The following resolution authorizing the sale of lands in Kansas City, Mo., was unanimously passed:

RESOLUTION—RESALE OF LANDS

"Whereas, by a certain deed dated October 18, 1920, by and between Anne E. Hendrix and others, as parties of the first part, and Edward L. Scarritt, Fredus N. Peters, Isaac P. Ryland, James R. Dominick, Charles W. Moore, Murray H. Davis, and William M. Reed, as trustees, parties of the second part, which said deed is recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds within and for Jackson County, Mo., on January 21, 1921, in Book B. No. 2174, at page 13, to which deed reference is made for its contents, the parties of the first part therein named conveyed upon the trusts therein stated unto the said parties of the second part therein named the following described real estate, situate in Kansas City, Jackson County, Mo., to wit: All of lots numbered one hundred thirty-nine (139), one hundred forty (140) and the west sixty (60) feet of lot number one hundred forty-one (141) in East Melrose, an addition to the city of Kansas, now Kansas City, Mo., as the same as marked and designated on the recorded plat of said addition, together with all buildings and improvements not situated thereon; and whereas, the said deed, among other things, provided and recited substantially as follows, to wit: Said Board of Trustees shall have power to sell and convey said land or any part thereof only on the following conditions, to wit: That said Woman's Missionary Council by resolution, duly passed and recorded at one of its regular annual or duly called meetings, shall order said Board of Trustees to effect such sale of either the whole or a part of said parcel of land, which said resolution shall be signed by both the President and Secretary of said Woman's Missionary Council; now, therefore be it

"Resolved by the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South (said Woman's Missionary Council being a voluntary, unincorporated association having control and management of the Missionary Societies and missionary enterprises of the women of said The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and having its headquarters in the city of Nashville, in the State of Tennessee), at a regular annual meeting thereof, duly called and held, does hereby request and order the said Board of Trustees named and constituted in the deed hereinbefore described, and their survivors and suc-

cessors, to effect a sale and to sell and convey the whole of said parcel of land for \$7,000, payable at such times and on such terms as they may approve.

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *President*;

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*."

The following resolution authorizing the sale of lands No. 2 in Kansas City, Mo., was passed unanimously:

RESOLUTION—RESALE OF LANDS No. 2

"Whereas, by a certain deed dated July 17, 1928, by and between Charles W. Scarritt, Mattie M. Jones, and Elliott H. Jones, parties of the first part, and Lulu Guthrie Emberson, Blanche H. Stephens, and Ida Bohannon, Trustees, parties of the second part, which said deed is recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds within and for Jackson County, Mo., on September 5, 1928, in Book No. 2004 at page 563, to which deed reference is made for its contents, the parties of the first part therein named conveyed upon the trusts therein stated unto the said parties of the second part therein named the following described real estate situate in Kansas City, Jackson County, Mo., to wit: The east thirty (30) feet of lot one hundred forty-one (141) and the west fifty (50) feet of lot one hundred forty-two (142), all in East Melrose, an addition in Kansas City, Mo., as the same are marked and designated on the recorded plat of said addition; and whereas, the said deed, among other things provided and recited substantially as follows, to wit: And upon the further trusts that the said trustees shall, from time to time, and as often as they shall be thereto requested by said Woman's Missionary Council, mortgage or otherwise encumber or sell or exchange the said tracts and parcels of ground and any and every part thereof for the use and benefit of said Woman's Missionary Council; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved by the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South (said Woman's Missionary Council being a voluntary, unincorporated association having control and management of the Missionary Societies and missionary enterprises of the women of the said The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and having its headquarters in the city of Nashville, in the State of Tennessee), at a regular annual meeting thereof, duly called and held, does hereby request and order the said Trustees named and constituted in the deed hereinbefore described, and their survivors or successors, to sell and convey the whole of said parcel of land at and for \$2,000, payable at such times and on such terms as they may approve.

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *President*;

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*."

The following resolution granting the power of attorney to Mrs. Geneva B. Owen as agent of the Woman's Missionary Council in matters related to the Scarritt Training School property in Kansas City was passed unanimously:

RESOLUTION GRANTING POWER OF ATTORNEY

"*Be it resolved* by the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session duly assembled at Memphis, Tenn., this the fourteenth day of March, 1931, as follows:

"That Mrs. Geneva B. Owen be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed as agent of said Woman's Missionary Council, an unincorporated, voluntary association, to act as agent and attorney in fact for and on behalf of the said Woman's Missionary Council, for the following purposes, to wit:

"The said Council is the owner of the property hereinafter described, and the same has heretofore been sold by the Trustees holding title to said property, to wit, Edward L. Scarritt, F. N. Peter, I. P. Ryland, James R. Dominick, Charles W. Moore, Murray H. Davis, Lula Guthrie Emberson, Blanche H. Stephens, and Ida Bohannon; said hereinafter described property having been heretofore sold by said Trustees to Charles R. Simpson and Etta Simpson, by a certain contract of date the twenty-sixth day of November, 1930, to which reference is hereby made; and the property by said contract sold is described as being located in Kansas City, County of Jackson, and State of Missouri, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

"All of Lots 139, 140, 141, and the west fifty (50) feet of Lot 142, all in East Melrose, an addition to said city, as the same are marked and designated on the recorded plat thereof;

"Subject to the Zone Ordinance of said city, Number 45608, approved June 4, 1923, and any amendments thereof.

"And it is further resolved and ordered by said Woman's Missionary Council that the said Geneva B. Owen be, and she is hereby, clothed with all necessary power and authority to act for and on behalf of said Council in the closing of said sale of said real estate, and she is hereby authorized to receive all notes provided for in said contract, to receive all deeds of trust, to pay all of the necessary costs and expenses to be incurred by said Council in the closing of said sale, and to issue all necessary and proper receipts and releases and discharges for and on behalf of this Council, and to receive all monies, checks, or other evidences of debt in accordance with the purchase price plan set out in said contract; and she is further hereby clothed with all necessary power and authority to act for and on behalf of this Council in the consummation of and final closing of said deal or trade, as per the said contract, to which reference is hereby made.

"And be it further resolved by said Council that all of the acts, doings, and conduct of the said agent and attorney in fact be, and the same are hereby, now expressly ratified, confirmed, and approved by the said Council, all of which is ordered and done, this the fourteenth day of March, 1931.

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *President*;

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*."

On motion it was voted to send a letter of thanks to Mr. W. C. Scarritt, of the firm of Scarritt, Jones and North, of Kansas City, for assistance graciously rendered by him in the carrying forward of these legal matters.

A motion also prevailed that the Secretary send messages of appreciation to the Memphis friends of the Council, Mr. J. E. Holmes for legal help, and Mr. Ben H. Carr for notarial service, given without charge during this meeting.

The agenda for the day was resumed.

The report for the Bureau of Christian Social Relations was made by Mrs. W. A. Newell, Superintendent of this Bureau. (See Report, page 126.)

The report of the Bureau of Coöperation and Extension was made by Miss Bess Combs, Superintendent of the Bureau. (See Report, page 133.) This report closed with a message of greeting read by Miss Combs from the Cuban Missionary Conference saluting the Woman's Missionary Council.

The Estimates for Foreign Work were taken from the Calendar and the Foreign Missionaries were seated on the platform.

The basis of appropriation for the Foreign Department, \$599,052.75, was read.

It was moved to amend the basis of appropriation by adding \$3,000 indicated in Report No. 1 of the Committee on Estimates, as adopted on Friday, thus making the basis of appropriation \$602,052.75. The motion prevailed.

Miss Daisy Davies, Vice Chairman of the Committee on Estimates, made general explanations concerning the Estimates. Mrs. E. B. Chappell explained items related to administration, and \$15,688 for administration was voted.

Estimates for China were read. Miss Esther Case spoke to these items. Miss Martha Pyle, missionary in China since 1892, and who was to receive the emeritus relation at this meeting, spoke of her joy in the work.

The following missionaries from China were presented to speak of their work in China: Miss Lucie Clark, contract teacher for five years, present now for consecration as full missionary to return to China; Miss Laura Mitchell, from Huchow; Miss Annie Bradshaw, who spoke of the high standard of scholarship maintained by the schools of the Council in China; Miss Ethel Bost, who told of the music departments in the schools; Miss Lelia Tuttle, Dean of Women at Soochow College; and Miss Anne Herbert, from Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai.

The total appropriation for China, \$134,461, was approved.

Total appropriation for Japan was read. Mrs. Boone M. Bowen spoke to these estimates and presented Mr. S. A. Stewart, who for five years had served as President of Hiroshima Girls' School, Hiroshima, Japan.

Miss Catherine Stevens, missionary in Japan since 1920, music teacher at Hiroshima and sister of Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, expressed her thanks and those of the faculty and students of the institution for the gift of the concert grand piano sent out by the young people.

Miss Mary Finch, of Hiroshima, told of the high-school needs at this school.

The total for Hiroshima District, \$38,946, was approved.

For Makuyama District, Miss Sallie Carroll spoke of conditions at Beppu and of the work being done there.

Miss Mabel Howell spoke of her recent visit to Japan when she was privileged to have an interview with Kagawa, the great leader in evangelism. He had said to her: "Japan is more open to the gospel of Jesus Christ to-day than it has been for forty-five years. Japan's sixty-nine millions of people need the help of American Christians, and when you hear that Japan has a million full Protestant church members, you may stop sending missionaries; until then the Japanese Christians are not strong enough to stand the tide of thought. The best missionaries are those who are greatest in the power to sacrifice."

The total for the Japan Mission, \$105,771, was approved.

The total appropriation for Korea was read.

Mrs. R. L. Hobdy spoke to the first items on this list.

The following missionaries from Korea were introduced: Miss Euline Smith spoke of six Bible women and forty-eight schools that are included in her work; Miss Bertha Smith spoke of rural work; Miss Agnes Graham, of woman's evangelistic work; Miss Ida Hankins, Vice Principal of Holston Institute and Principal of Mary Helm, spoke of educational work; Miss Carrie Una Jackson, rural worker, Choonchun District, told of that work; and Miss Olive Smith, of Choonchun District, of the Bible women.

The total for Korea, \$132,899, was approved.

The following were introduced: Bishop Frank Smith and Sra. Marie Q. de Frausto, fraternal messenger from Mexico.

Mrs. Clyde Park, of Memphis, led the way for the noon devotions in a message in song, "His Eye Is on the Sparrow."

Dr. Henry T. Hodgkin read a psalm written by Thomas Story, a Quaker, thus making known to the Council one of the great souls of his faith. Preceding his message with prayer, he spoke of a second door opening toward God, that of Hope. The Christian's ideal of hope contains expectancy, and the missionary movement is full of hope. "Hope alone may be possible for carrying. We should be Hope bringers."

The message closed with prayer and the session in silence.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Saturday afternoon session opened with a worship period led by Mrs. Homer Tatum, President of the Memphis Conference. This consisted of the hymn, "Lead on, O Eternal King," and prayer.

The estimates for the Siberia-Korea work were read. This work was represented by Miss Louise Young, and the total for the Siberia-Korean Mission, \$2,820, was voted.

Estimates for Brazil were considered, Miss Mabel Howell speaking of these items in general.

Miss Layona Glenn, who went out to Brazil in 1894, spoke of the People's Institute in Rio de Janeiro, which she said was one of the two big things in the work in Brazil; Bennett College at the other end of the social scale is the other.

Lydia Ferguson spoke of Bennett College and its standards of work.

Miss Howell called attention to the degree of self-support that is practiced in the schools of Brazil.

Miss Ruth Merritt spoke of the old Peracicabana and O'Peracicabana, the oldest of the schools in Brazil that represent the Woman's Work. It is fifty years old.

The grand total for Brazil, \$48,618, was voted.

Announcements were made and the body dismissed to meet in sectional groups for the discussion of themes related to the four Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus appointed at the 1930 session of the Council for study and research: Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, Bureau of Coöperation with Women in Other Lands, Committee on Interracial Relations, and the Committee on International Relations and World Peace.

EARLY SUNDAY MORNING

The observance of Sunday, the fifth day of the Council session, began at seven in the morning with the celebration of the Holy Communion.

Bishop A. Frank Smith, assisted by the Presiding Elder, local pastors, and Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, had charge of this gracious service in remembrance of Jesus, our Lord, the

"Bread of the World in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead;
Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be thy feast to us the token
That by thy grace our souls are fed."

SUNDAY MORNING

For the eleven o'clock service Sunday morning, First Church was filled before the large vested choir sang the call to worship: "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple." This was followed by the hymn, "O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," the Apostles' Creed, recited in unison, prayer offered by the Rev. A. C. Millar, Editor of the *Arkansas Methodist*, and the anthem, "The Sabbath Call," by the choir. The service continued with the Scripture lessons: Psalm 34, read responsively, and the New Testament lesson, Matthew 16: 1-20. The offertory, a solo, "Open the Gates of the Temple," was sung by Mr. George R. Kester, choir leader.

The annual sermon was delivered by Bishop A. Frank Smith, who based his subject, "The Challenge of the Church To-Day," upon the texts Matthew 16: 3 and 18, "Can ye not discern the signs of the times?" and "I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

He said, unless civilization is Christianized, it will destroy itself. It rests with the followers of Jesus whether materialism or the gospel of Jesus Christ shall prevail. It is not an easy day for the Church, but it is a promising day, a day of developing potentialities which, if taken advantage of, will lead to great spiritual victories. The mind of to-day is fixed upon the worth of the individual; various trends of the times emphasize this value of human personality, but only Jesus made the human soul the rock bed of faith. The Church consists of a body of regenerated believers whose purpose is to proclaim the gospel to every man. This calls for religious experience. This is a glorious day, the day when the fulfillment of time has come—"The sun is rising, let us go."

The hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," was sung, and the service closed with the benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

SUNDAY EVENING

The Sunday evening worship began with a gospel song service led by Mr. George R. Kester; and with Dr. J. S. French, pastor, presiding, continued with the hymn, "O, Zion, Haste," prayer led by Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, and the anthem, "Lo, a Voice from Heaven Calling."

Dr. French read the Scripture lesson from John 13: 1-17.

The male quartette then sang, "Remember Me."

The evening message on "Christian Leadership in the New Day" was delivered by Dr. Henry T. Hodgkin, Director of the New Quaker Center for Study and Research. He said: "The term, leader, does not belong to the genius of religious democracy, democracy the word to which the future belongs." Focusing attention upon Leadership as exemplified in the methods of Jesus, he read: "I am among you as one who serves." The spirit of humble, loving, suffering service leads out into power and joy. Four requisites of leadership he named:

The listening ear, open to the voice of God, open to the need of one's neighbor; the penetrating eye, which may discern the possibilities of those about us; which will see God behind the disappointments of the world. The world needs this seer, the man of vision. Dedicated lips to speak the vital truths in a fresh way; the directed life, a purpose that can be offered to God. If we would be Christian leaders, "We should be to the Eternal Goodness as a man's hand to a man."

With the hymn, "Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of thy tone," followed by the benediction, the evening service closed.

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

The third of the series of worship periods led by Mrs. J. L. Cuninggim marked the beginning of Monday morning's session. The hymn, "Make Me a Captive, Lord," was sung. After a pause for quiet and meditation, Mrs. Cuninggim read Scripture passages from John thirteen, the fourteenth and fifteenth chapters, and in the spoken meditation turned the thoughts of the morning to the meaning of the word, "Christ as Lord."

Hymn 545, "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult," was sung while the doors were opened.

The report of the Committee to Approve the Minutes was read and approved as read, as follows:

"Your Committee on Minutes have examined the record of Saturday morning and afternoon sessions and have found them to be correct.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT,

MRS. ERNEST MOORE,

MRS. E. A. KITCHELL."

The absence of Mrs. Henry S. Owen was noted. Mrs. Owen had been compelled to leave for home Sunday night.

A message was read from Dr. J. W. Perry, Home Mission Secretary; therefore a member of the Woman's Missionary Council. He regretted his inability to be present.

Consideration of the estimates for the work was resumed. The total amount for Mexico was read. In the absence of Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Miss Esther Case spoke in general of items covered by this amount, then introduced Miss Ellen Cloud, R.N., missionary, who represented the evangelistic work in Mexico. Miss Eula Winn represented the educational work.

Mrs. Maria Q. de Frausto, teacher and evangelistic worker in Mexico and fraternal messenger from the Missionary Society of Mexico, brought affectionate greetings and appreciation from her society and spoke in detail of the changed lives of many who had come under the influence of the Christian message received through the mission schools.

The sum of \$72,954 was voted for Mexico.

The grand total for Cuba was read. Miss Daisy Davies spoke of these estimates and called on Miss Dreta Sharpe, who spoke with especial reference to the organization work—field secretary, native deaconess, translating. She expressed thanks for the Week of Prayer Offering directed to Colegio Eliza Bowman in 1930 and appreciation for the ability to rent a house, which has added so much to the comfort of the workers.

Miss Lucile Lewis, former contract worker at Colegio Buenavista and present at this session for consecration as a full missionary, in speaking of the many provincial schools which are closed because of unsettled conditions in Cuba, said that all of the mission schools are open. She, too, expressed thanks for the Week of Prayer Offering, which has enabled the educational work to move forward.

The grand total of \$38,012 for the Cuba Mission was voted.

The total for the Congo Mission was read.

Mrs. A. B. Smith spoke to the items covered by this amount. Mrs. C. T. Schaedel told of her work in the Congo, especially that of translating the catechism and some of the hymns of the Church. She read a letter from Lusala Augusta, a little boy in the Congo Mission called "Feather," thanking the children of the Junior Missionary Society for the piano sent out to Africa last year.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Moore told of the medical work in the Congo, especially of the readiness with which the native boys learn to assist in this work with the sick. The women, lacking even the little education that the men and boys have, are not so easily trained in this service. She spoke of the missionaries' pride in their Woman's Missionary Society.

The total appropriation of \$18,306 for the Congo Mission was voted.

The estimates for the Polish Mission were read and then explained by Mrs. E. B. Chappell. The total amount, \$9,924, for the Polish Mission was voted.

The appropriation of \$2,500 for interdenominational work was read and adopted as read.

The appropriation for Scarritt College, \$20,000, was read and adopted as read.

This completed the estimates for Foreign Work, and the grand total of \$601,962 for Foreign Work was voted.

The basis of appropriation for the Home Department, \$209,594.57, was read. An appropriation for Administration, Home Department, \$11,905.27, was voted.

Mrs. J. W. Downs, while speaking to the estimates for Mountain Work, said that Sue Bennett School is now making a larger contribution to the education of the people in the mountains than ever before.

She said conditions had changed in North Carolina with the development of the public-school system and that this year the new plans

outlined for Brevard Institute by the Council in March, 1930, would be set in motion.

Forty-two thousand and seventy-six dollars for Mountain Work was approved.

Of the appropriation for Holding Institute, one of the oldest institutions operated by the Council, Miss Carmen Blessing spoke, saying it is a lovely school, one of the institutions of which we may be proud, which is helping Mexican pupils of our own land as well as those of old Mexico. She said: "Holding is not only a school, but a semi-orphanage."

Mrs. R. L. Hobdy spoke in general of the Mexican work, and Mrs. J. H. Walker, President of New Mexico Conference, in particular of the work in the Mexican Community Center in El Paso.

Mrs. Todd, President of the City Board of San Antonio, Tex., expressed the appreciation of the Board for the deaconesses sent by the Council to carry on this work.

Miss Rena Murphy, deaconess, told of the love of the deaconesses for the Mexican people. She sees great hope in the "splendid" Mexican young people.

Deaconess Lila Mae Campbell, kindergarten and children's worker in San Antonio, Tex., told of the work with the children.

The three representatives from San Antonio emphasized the great need for an orphanage.

Total appropriation of \$32,723.50 for the Mexican work was approved.

The appropriation for the Gulf Coast work was read.

Miss Wortley Mooreman told of the Clinic at St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, where friendships are formed among the patients, and of other varied by-products touching the culture of mind and heart which are produced through this healing agency.

Miss Maggie Marshall said that St. Mark's has had a large part in the improvement of conditions in that section of the great city of New Orleans.

Miss Lillie Hendricks spoke concerning MacDonnell Wesley House and French Mission School at Houma, La., saying that the latter is so much more than a school. In this section many are reached by boat, as there are few good roads. Near by is a Chinese village of which few have ever heard. Teachers hold Sunday schools in several places, and the main object of all is to put Jesus into the life of the people.

Miss Davies spoke to the work of the port missionary, Mr. J. E. Reifschneider.

Mrs. Handy took the chair.

Total voted for Gulf Coast work was \$22,317.

Cuban work in Florida was presented by Miss Davies.

Appropriation for this Cuban work, \$15,491, was approved.

Miss Margaret Young told of work at Bethlehem Center, Nashville,

Tenn., where they have their largest enrollment in clubs, classes, and that an outstanding feature of the work here was giving groups a summer outing.

The Augusta Bethlehem House was represented by Miss Davies and Miss Ruth Bartholomew, who added to the encouraging report made by Miss Davies.

Miss Capitola Dent, a member of the Paine College faculty, said that Paine College will now receive credit for four years' college work. She expressed appreciation for what is being done at Paine College and elsewhere for the Negro and pledged the coöperation of those of Paine College and of the C. M. E. Church to this work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem, N. C., was represented by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, who stated that on January 1, 1930, this Bethlehem House had opened its doors for work.

Mrs. J. W. Downs spoke of other Negro work, and an appropriation of \$37,740 was voted for Negro work.

Miss A. B. Smith spoke to the appropriation for Dependent Girls, for which work \$18,325 was voted.

Mrs. J. W. Downs spoke of the Bible Teachers in State Colleges—Denton, Tex.; Williamsburg, Va.; Durant, Okla.—and Mrs. Nat Rollins spoke for that of Lubbock, Tex., where Miss DeBardeleben is doing a fine work in the Texas Technological School.

A total of \$7,200 for Bible Schools in State Colleges was voted.

Announcements were made.

The hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee," was sung.

A duet bearing the gospel message preceded the noon worship period.

The hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee," was sung.

Dr. Hodgkin led the third of his devotional series, in which he opened a little wider the way into God's grace through the third great door of Love. Exemplifying this and thereby drawing his auditors nearer to those of his faith, he told the story of James Naylor, a Quaker. He said by the sharing of the richest experiences of life a fuller life is obtained. Love begins with God, but it goes on in the response of the human heart—a response, not anything that we can imitate. Love's strength standeth in love's sacrifice. The problem of love has many difficulties to meet: (1) distance; (2) finding its way, (3) economic system. If we want to open the door to the great resources above, we must open it to these things.

Prayer and the hymn, "Saviour, teach me day by day love's sweet lesson to obey," closed this session.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Monday afternoon worship service, led by Mrs. W. D. Taylor, consisted of the hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," and prayer.

The following committee reports were placed on the calendar: Report No. 2 of Committee on Christian Social Relations and Report No. 2 of Committee on Home Field.

Consideration of estimates was resumed.

The industrial work was represented by Deaconess Willia Duncan, worker at Kingsport, Tenn.; by Deaconess Connie Fagan, working at Hamp Stevens Church, Columbus, Ga.; and Miss Kate Herndon, worker at the Moore Community House, of Biloxi, Miss.

Miss Mabel Howell listed the three mines at which the Council has work. Deaconess Adline Peeples spoke in detail of the work at Picher, Okla., and Deaconess Sara Kee of the work at Bluefield, W. Va.

A total of \$15,268 was voted for Industrial Work.

Mrs. A. B. Smith presented the work for Delinquent Girls, and Miss Mary L. Freeman told of the work at the Virginia K. Johnson Home, Dallas, Tex., and requested the continued prayer and support for this institution.

A total of \$12,027 was voted for Delinquent Girls.

The afternoon session then stood adjourned that members and visitors might meet in the following four sectional groups for the remainder of the afternoon: Status of Women, Rural Development, Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, and Industrial Relations.

MONDAY EVENING

Monday evening was missionaries' evening, a time and a program which is ever a delight to every member of the Woman's Missionary Council.

The Scripture lesson was read and the opening prayer offered by Dr. Boone M. Bowen, Professor of Old Testament at Scarritt College.

The President of the Council presided, and seated with her on the platform were the speakers of the evening and the Secretaries of Foreign and Home Administration, Miss Esther Case and Mrs. J. W. Downs, while behind them, seated in the choir facing the audience, were missionaries and deaconesses representing every field and type of service in which the Council is employed. As Mrs. Perry called these one by one, the following women rose, each giving her name, her field, and her period of service, the sum of time amounting to 728 years: Miss Annie Alford, Home, 12 years; Miss Mary Lou Branwell, Home, 4 years; Miss Ethel Bost, China, 5 years; Miss Carmen Blessing, Home, 9 years; Miss Jessie Mae Byers, Home, 2 years; Miss Eloise Bradshaw, China, 20 years; Miss Ruth Bartholomew, Home, 4 years; Miss Lule Bell, Home, 12 years; Miss Mamie J. Chandler, Home, 6 years; Miss Jennie Congleton, Home, 10 years; Miss Lucie Clark, China, 5 years; Miss Lila May Campbell, Home, 8 years; Miss Ellen Cloud, Mexico, 18 years; Miss Ethel Cunningham, Home, 17 years; Miss Sallie Carroll, Japan, 4 years; Mrs. Grace Driver, Home,

14 years; Miss Willia Duncan, Home, 9 years; Miss Mary Ora Durham, Home, 21 years; Miss Pearl Edward, Home, 5 years; Miss Minnie Lee Eidson, Home, 14 years; Miss Connie Fagan, Home, 20 years; Miss Lydia Ferguson, Brazil, 20 years; Miss Mary Finch, Japan, 5 years; Miss Helen Gardner, Home, 16 years; Miss Leona Glenn, Brazil, 31 years; Miss Grace Gatewood, Home, 17 years; Miss Ola Gilbert, Home, 8 years; Miss Addie Greely, Home, 8 years; Miss Nellie Howard, Home, 8 years; Miss Anne Herbert, China, 5 years; Miss Lillie Hendricks, Home, 8 years; Miss Dora Hoover, Home, 20 years; Miss Frances Howard, Home, 11½ years; Miss Martina Hyde, Home, 2½ years; Miss Ida Hankins, Korea, 20 years; Miss Carrie Una Jackson, Korea, 20 years; Miss Sarah Kee, Home, 6 years; Miss Lucile Lewis, Cuba, 5 years; Miss Sarah Lowder, Home, 22 years; Miss Lora Long, Home, 6 years; Miss Rena Murphy, Home, 16 years; Miss Laura Mitchell, China, 17 years; Miss Mary Elizabeth Moore, Congo, 3 years; Miss Ruth Merritt, Brazil, 5 years; Miss Inez Martin, Home, 1½ years; Miss Bessie Miller, 5 years; Miss Sophia Mount, Brazil, 2½ years; Miss Susie Miller, Home, 20 years; Miss Maggie Marshall, Home, 4 years; Miss Martha Pyle, China, 38 years; Miss Adeline Peeples, Home, 23 years; Miss Willie May Porter, Home, 3 years; Miss Dorothea Reid, Home, 7 years; Miss Euline Smith, Korea, 5 years; Miss Olive Smith, Korea, 5 years; Miss Dreta Sharpe, Cuba, 5 years; Miss Eugenia Smith, Home, 25 years; Miss Etta Lee Schaedel, Congo, 11 years; Miss Una Smith, Home, 2 years; Miss Annie Trawick, Home, 25 years; Miss Lelia Tuttle, China, 22 years; Miss Louis Tinsley, Home, 19 years; Miss Alaska Terry, Home, 4 years; Miss Emma Vogle, Home, 8 years; Miss Blanche White, Home, 2 years; Miss Eula Winn, Mexico, 5 years; Miss Margaret Young, Home, 8 years.

The hymn, "Watchman, tell us of the night," was sung antiphonally, the congregation making the request and the missionaries singing in reply the words of promise.

This was followed by a solo, "Comfort Ye, My People," sung by the choir director.

As the speakers were introduced, they spoke as follows: Miss Grace Gatewood, church deaconess at First Church, Shreveport, La., told of this "most difficult, varied, delicate, challenging, and heart-pulling work" and "the most satisfying and spiritual in which anyone ever engaged." Miss Willia Duncan, industrial worker at Kingsport, Tenn., where she finds plenty of work to do, serves a city in which there are fifteen industrial plants, where 5,000 of the 18,000 inhabitants are employed. Many of the people have no interest in church; in eighteen months 1,000 people have professed conversion, but it is a difficult problem to hold the people to the Church.

Miss Ruth Bartholomew, Dean of Women at Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga., said that "Paine College should be viewed in the light of its three particular functions—education, religious training, and race coopera-

tion." Paine College has recently been placed by the North Carolina State Board on the list of four-year A-grade colleges. To keep up the standards Paine needs an adequate endowment. This is necessary in order to gain recognition from accrediting agents.

Miss Anne Herbert, R.N., of Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, which is under the management of three Christian Mission Boards, said this hospital has become a training school for nurses and doctors as well as a refuge for healing. Its equipment makes it a fine experiment station for Christian work.

Miss Dreta Sharpe, from Eliza Bowman School, Cienfuegos, Cuba, brought the thanks of Miss Frances Moling, Principal, the faculty, and the students for the Council's gift of the 1930 Week of Prayer Offering to this school. This will enable the educational work to move forward and greatly increase the comfort of all. An enlarged future awaits this, the only Protestant school in the city of Cienfuegos.

Miss Sallie Carroll, from the social evangelistic center, the House of Neighborly Love, in Oita, Japan, told of the types of work carried on there, where the kindergarten, the center of this work, is making real contribution to international friendship. She said on reëxamination in the light of four years of service: "I find that it is the same place God would have me be. It is the place in which I feel he can take the little essence of this Kingdom he has planted in my heart, and use it to bring his message to other hearts who do not know him."

The service closed with the benediction.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

The last morning session opened with a call to consecration, to which, the fourth in the series of worship periods led by Mrs. J. L. Cuninggim, was devoted. After quietness in meditation and prayer, the hymn, "Something for Jesus," was sung. Mrs. Cuniniggim, basing the spoken meditation on passages from Philippians, third and fourth chapters, spoke of "What Shall Be Our Consecration?" as we lay hold of the infinite resources of God at our disposal, to make our lives what he wants them to be.

The service closed with prayer and the hymn, "O love that wilt not let me go."

The report of the Committee to Approve the Minutes was read and approved, as follows:

"The Committee for Approval of the Minutes has examined the Minutes for Monday morning and afternoon and has found them correct.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT,
MRS. E. A. KITCHELL,
MRS. ERNEST MOORE."

Attention was called to the absence of Mrs. J. N. McEachern, President of the North Georgia Conference, who had left for home Monday evening, and Mrs. L. M. Awtrey, her alternate, was seated.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws and the report of the Special Committee to Fill Vacancies were placed on the Calendar.

Consideration of estimates was resumed. Mrs. J. C. Handy listed the Western Work, and Mrs. J. W. Downs spoke of the Wesley Community House in San Francisco. Mrs. M. E. Mackey told of the work at Phoenix, Ariz. Miss Blanche White spoke of Spofford Home, Kansas City, Mo. A total of \$9,410 was then voted for the Western Work, including Walsenburg, Colo.

The Rural Work was represented by Mrs. Downs, and a total of \$4,000 for Rural Work was voted.

Home Mission Specials was represented by Mrs. Downs, and the total for that work, \$15,480, was approved.

For miscellaneous expenses in the Home Field, \$18,905 was voted.

Mrs. Downs spoke to the appropriation for Scarritt College, and \$23,000 total was voted to this institution.

City Missions and Conference Appropriations were represented by Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, and the total for these items, \$10,643, was adopted.

Mrs. E. W. Berry, President of South Alabama Conference, spoke of the Cajan work in her Conference, for which \$893 was voted.

A grand total of \$341,145.86 for Home Appropriations was then approved.

The Report No. 1 of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was read, considered, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 164.)

The report of the Committee on Scarritt was read. (See Report, page 163.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Status of Women was read, considered, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 160.)

The report of the Joint Committee on Deaconess and Missionary Rest Home was read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 163.)

The report of the Committee on Literature was read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 151.)

The report of the Joint Committee on Missionary Training, stating progress and a request for a continuation of time, was read and the request granted. (See Report, page 163.)

The report of the Committee on Promotion and Education was read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 149.)

The Report No. 1 of the Sessions Committee on Christian Social Relations was read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 152.)

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Home Field was read and considered *seriatim*.

On motion, Item III, was amended by the insertion of the words, "be asked," so that the recommendation shall read: "We recommend that Dr. Tucker be asked to delay his request for a year," etc.

The motion prevailed that Item IV be amended by striking out the words, "An outgoing farewell service for new deaconesses be held in," and "And that the constituency be given opportunity to provide some personal articles for each deaconess," and inserting the words, "provide a recognition service" and "deaconesses going out from their Church for the first time," so that it shall read: "We recommend that the local churches shall provide a recognition service for deaconesses going out from their church for the first time." The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 154.)

The recommendation from the Bureau of Coöperation and Extension was read, considered, and adopted as read. (See recommendation, page 163.)

The report of the Committee on Children's Work was read, considered by items.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary be instructed to substitute the correct list of Conferences carrying on Rural Work. The motion prevailed.

Item I was amended on the motion of Miss Rumbough by making the sentence read that "We further recommend for this year."

The motion of Mrs. H. R. Steele that Item 8 of the report be deleted was lost.

The report on Children's Work was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 150.)

Announcements were made.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Mrs. A. M. Gates, Chairman of the Committee, and adopted by a rising vote. (See Report, page 165.)

Dr. Hodgkin, in gracious words, expressed his appreciation of his privilege in being with the Council.

The hymn, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," was sung, and the body entered into the final intimate worship period of the session. Stating that this day, which began with a call to consecration, would close with the bringing in of consecration, Dr. Hodgkin then gave as his message for the midday a study of two aspects of consecration: Discipline and Joy. The first embraces self-examination, concentration (the bringing of our wandering thoughts into captivity to Jesus) and patience. Discipline and Joy are partners. Joy embraces creation and sharing.

After prayer, a hymn was sung as a closing exercise of worship.

The morning session was then dismissed with a solo, "The Garden of Prayer."

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The worship service at the opening of the Tuesday afternoon

session, led by Mrs. A. R. Walker, President of the St. Louis Conference, consisted of the hymn, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," and prayer.

The following privileged resolution from the Sectional Meeting on Status of Women, read by Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, was passed:

RESOLUTION

"Whereas the Methodist Church of Korea has granted the privileges of full church membership to women missionaries, including the right of clergy, and a number of women missionaries desire to take advantage of these privileges; and whereas special terms of admission to the clergy have been granted to women missionaries who have served effectively eight years in Korea, provided they take advantage of the privilege before the year 1932; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the Woman's Missionary Council request the College of Bishops to take such action as will allow women missionaries in Korea to take advantage of the new privileges granted by the Korean Church while they retain their membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in America, that sends them out as representatives.

MRS. J. C. HANDY, *Chairman;*

MRS. E. A. KITCHELL, *Secretary."*

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Foreign Field was read and considered by items.

It was moved and seconded that Item 2 be amended by striking out the words, "To one of the following," and the sentences under sub 2 and sub 3, so that the recommendation shall read: "That the Week of Prayer Special for the Foreign Fields be directed toward taxes, repairs, insurance, and general upkeep of buildings and properties on foreign mission fields." The motion prevailed. The report was adopted as amended. (See Report, page 155.)

Report No. 2 of the Sessions Committee of the Bureau of Christian Relations was read and considered by items:

Item 1 was amended by the insertion of the word "Federal" before the word "Department."

Item 3 was amended by striking out the words "recommended to," "that," and "endorse" and substituting the words "request of," "the," and "endorsement."

The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 153.)

The Chair was requested to name the two women to represent the Council on the Association of Women of the South for the Prevention of Lynching as recommended in this report.

The Report No. 2 of the Committee on Home Field was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 155.)

It was moved, seconded, and carried that Mrs. Fulton be authorized to add the amount, \$1,000, named in this report, to the pledge of the North Mississippi Conference.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was read and considered by items.

Concerning By-Laws of the Woman's Missionary Council, Amendments of By-Laws 5 and 6 were accepted without discussion, as follows:

"Strike out By-Law 5, which provides for a Superintendent of Young People's Work, and insert as By-Law 5 the following new By-Law:

"There shall be a Calendar Clerk, whose duty it shall be to prepare the Calendar Rules and to take charge of the business Calendar at the Annual Council Meeting." (See By-Law 5.)

"Amend By-Law 6 by substituting the words, 'Secretary of Children's Work,' for Superintendent of Children's Work." (See By-Law 10, Item 2.)

On motion, the item concerning Council By-Law 9, which recommended the insertion of the words "Children's Work" after the word "Organization," was amended by striking out the word "Church," so that the By-Law shall read: "The Secretaries in charge of Organization, Children's Work, Literature, and Candidate Work shall provide suggestive plans and policies for missionary education through the Woman's Missionary Societies." (See By-Law 9.)

On motion the item dealing with Item 3 of Council By-Law 10, recommending the addition thereto of the words, "She shall act as Editor of the *Missionary Voice*," was stricken out.

Amendments to By-Laws 11, 13, 14, 16 were accepted without discussion, as follows:

"Amend By-Law 11, Item 1, by inserting after the word 'Discipline' the word 'Calendar Clerk,' thereby making the Calendar Clerk a member of the Executive Committee." (See By-Law 11, Item 1.)

"Amend By-Law 11, Item 3, by striking out the words 'Notified of all meetings and requested to attend and present the work of their respective Departments' and substituting, 'The Secretaries of the Woman's Work of the Home and Foreign Departments of the Board of Missions shall be members of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council.'" (See By-Law 11, Item 3.)

"Amend By-Law 13, Item 1, by inserting after the words 'administration' and 'education and promotion,' so that it shall read: 'The Council, in annual session, shall make recommendations to the Board of Missions of appropriations for the maintenance of Woman's Work in all fields, for the expense of administration, for education and promotion, and for a contingent fund.'" (See By-Law 13, Item 1.)

"Amend By-Law 14 by substituting for the word 'officers' the words 'members of the Executive Committee.'" (See By-Law 14.)

"Amend By-Law 16 by striking out Item 2, creating a Committee on Candidate," etc.

"Amend By-Law 16, Item 5, by adding to the Standing Committee on Literature the Secretaries of Organization and of Children's Work

and by striking out the words 'and assist in their preparation.'" (See By-Law 17, Item 6.)

"Amend By-Law 16, Item 6, concerning the Estimates Committee by striking out the words, 'Treasurer, Departmental Secretaries, and Secretaries of Literature and Candidate Work,' and substituting the words, 'and the ten members at large of the Council'; so it shall read: 'There shall be a Standing Committee on Estimates for Woman's Work, consisting of the President, the Vice President, and the ten members at large.

"Amend further by adding to the item a new paragraph, which shall read: 'It shall be the duty of this committee to receive and act upon the estimates as presented by the Treasurer and the Secretaries. It shall transmit its recommendations to the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session.'" (See By-Law 17, Item 7.)

"Amend By-Law 16, Item 9, concerning Committee on Lectureships, by striking out the words 'and one, the President of Scarritt College for Christian Workers.'" (See By-Law 17, Item 10.)

Concerning Constitution for Conference Societies, it was voted to amend the committee's amendment to Article 3, Item 5, by inserting the words, "which includes Woman's Work," between the words, "Mission Board" and "located," making the sentence read: "The ranking woman officer of any Mission Board which includes Woman's Work located within the bounds of the Conference." (See Article 3, Item 5.)

The amendment to Article 3, Item 6, was accepted, as follows:

Amend Article 3, Item 6, by substituting the word 'Conference' for 'corresponding' and adding the words, 'Secretary of Young Women's Groups,' after the word 'Treasurer.'" (See Article 3, Item 6.)

The motion to further amend Article 3, Item 6, by adding "the Chairman of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message" was lost.

Concerning By-Laws for Conference Societies: Moved by Mrs. Mills that the amendment in the report to By-Law 1 be amended by substituting the word "five" for the word "majority."

It was moved to amend the amendment by inserting the word "officers."

The amendment to the amendment was lost.

The amendment restoring the word "five" as a quorum of the Executive Committee was adopted. (See By-Law 1.)

Moved to amend By-Law 2 for Conference Societies by striking out the word "District Secretaries." The motion was carried.

On motion the Committee's recommendation to amend Conference By-Law 2 by striking out the word "nominated" was carried.

It was voted that the Committee's further amendment to By-Law 2, by adding the "District Secretaries" to the Executive Committee, be stricken out. (See By-Law 2.)

On motion the amendment to By-Law 3, substituting the word

"officers" for "members of the Executive Committee" in selecting alternates to the Woman's Missionary Council, was stricken out. (See By-Law 3.)

Amendments to By-Laws 4, 7, 10, and 13 were accepted, as follows:

"Amend By-Law 4, by changing the word 'Corresponding Secretary' to 'Conference Secretary.' (See By-Law 4.)

"Amend By-Law 7, by striking out in lines 5 and 6 the words 'report each new organization to the Secretary of Home Cultivation in charge of Organization to whom she shall also.'" (See By-Law 7.)

"Amend, by striking out entire By-Law and substituting: 'The Secretary of Young Women's Groups shall, through the Auxiliary President or the Chairmen of Young Women's Groups, actively cultivate young women in the Conference for membership in adult auxiliaries. She shall report quarterly the status and progress of the work to the Organization Secretary of the Council.'" (See By-Law 10.)

"Amend By-Law 13, by striking out from lines 7 and 8 'and shall collect clippings of missionary news,' etc., so that the second sentence of the By-Law, beginning in line five, shall read: 'She shall be responsible for the distribution of the literature throughout the Conference and shall promote the dissemination of missionary news through the Church and secular press.'" (See By-Law 13.)

Moved by Mrs. Downs and seconded to amend the recommendation dealing with By-Law 15, by inserting the word "institutions" in the place of "deaconesses and missionaries."

Moved by Miss Case and seconded, as a substitute, that the amendment recommended in the report be deleted. The motion prevailed.

The recommendation of the report concerning By-Law 16 was accepted—namely, to amend by striking out line 5, "and all-day meetings wherever practicable," and by inserting, "Districts may be divided into zones according to their size and leaders provided for each zone." (See By-Law 16.)

The motion to amend the item touching By-Law 20, by striking out the recommendation of the Committee report that "the Week of Prayer Offering shall be in addition to the Conference Pledge to the Council, was carried. (See By-Law 20.)

The recommendation of the report was approved to delete the By-Law 22: "The last half hour of each forenoon of the annual session of the Conference session shall be devoted to Bible Study."

Concerning Adult Auxiliaries, amendments to Articles 3 and 4 were adopted.

The amendment to Article 3 of the Constitution for Auxiliaries was discussed freely. To make of Article 3 two articles. To strike out in the first line the word "anyone" and substitute "any woman, twenty-four years old and over," and to strike out the word "auxiliary" and that this first sentence be called Article 3, as follows: "3. Any woman, twenty-four years and over, may become a member

of the auxiliary by giving, prayer, service, and a contribution to the annual budget." Of the second paragraph make Article 4; amend by striking out after the word "payment" the lines one to seven, as follows: "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 a pledge from the auxiliary. The dues, pledge, and other undirected funds shall be prorated by the Council, forty per cent for the Home and sixty per cent for the Foreign Work"; and substitute the following: "Of a definite pledge to the Conference, which shall include membership offerings (covering retirement and relief and Conference expense funds), a freewill offering from the auxiliary, Scarritt maintenance, and scholarship. An offering shall be taken during the Week of Prayer for special objects designated by the Council."

Further amend by striking out the words "individual donors" in line 8 and substituting "by auxiliaries and individuals" and by adding after the word "work" the words "approved by the Council," and strike out the last sentence: "The special offerings by individuals shall not be prorated"; so that article 4 shall read: "The auxiliary shall assume the responsibility of the payment of a definite pledge to the Conference which shall include membership offerings (covering retirement and relief and Conference expense funds), a freewill offering from the auxiliary, Scarritt Maintenance and Scholarship. An offering shall be taken during the Week of Prayer for special objects designated by the Council. Opportunity shall be given for offerings to be directed by the auxiliary and individuals for the support of special work approved by the Council."

The amendment to delete Article 4, touching the appointment of Extension Committees in each auxiliary, was accepted.

It was moved and seconded to further amend the Committee's amendment to Article 5 by striking out the sentence: "Such money not to be included in the pledge nor in any special assumed by individuals or that has been assigned to the auxiliary." The motion prevailed.

The recommendation to delete entire Article 7, touching the relief and retirement fund and Conference expense fund, was accepted.

The Committee's recommendation to amend Article 8, by striking out the words "which shall consist of the care of the parsonage and the charity work of the Church," so that it shall read: "The auxiliary shall carry on local work. This work may be done through a committee, the funds to be raised as the auxiliary directs." The recommendation was accepted.

The Committee's recommendations concerning By-Laws for Adult Auxiliaries 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12, and 13 were accepted, as follows:

"Amend By-Law 2, by striking out in the second and third lines the words 'spiritual resources, including intercession, family altars, and,' also in line five the word 'corresponding.' Further amend by

deleting the last sentence, 'She shall send her books to the district meeting for further examination,' so that the By-Law shall read: 'The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the auxiliary and shall develop Christian stewardship. She shall send to the District Secretary full reports the first of January, April, July, and October. She shall send to the District Secretary and Conference 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.'

"Amend By-Law 4, line one, by substituting the words 'missionary money' for the word 'moneys,' so that the By-Law shall read: 'The Treasurer shall collect all missionary money of the auxiliary, keep an account of the same,' etc.

"Amend By-Law 5, by striking out the word 'only' in the fourth line between the words 'treasury' and 'upon,' so that the latter half of the first paragraph of the By-Law shall read: 'She shall pay out money from the local treasury upon an order signed by both the President of the auxiliary and the Chairman of the local committee.'

"Amend By-Law 7, Item 2, by substituting in line four the word 'send' for the words 'turn over,' and further amend by substituting in line five the words 'Conference Treasurer' for the words 'Treasurer of the adult auxiliary,' so that the latter half of the item shall read: 'She shall send all moneys, properly designated from each division, to the Conference Treasurer. These funds shall be included in her quarterly report to the Conference Treasurer as the offering of the Children's Department.'" (See By-Law 6, Item 2.)

"Amend By-Law 9 by inserting the words 'Literature and' between 'of' and 'publicity' in the first line. Further amend by striking out the words 'secular press' in fourth line and the words 'and collect clippings of missionary news to be forwarded to the Conference Publicity Superintendent.' Further amend by deleting second paragraph, beginning, 'In small auxiliaries,' so that the By-Law shall read: 'The Superintendent of Literature and Publicity shall be responsible for the dissemination of missionary news throughout the Church and community. She shall present the *Missionary Bulletin* in the auxiliary meetings and send items to the Church and secular press. She shall be responsible for the promotion of the *Missionary Voice*, in co-operation with an agent to be elected by the auxiliary, wherever desirable. She shall make quarterly reports to the Conference Superintendents of Literature and Publicity.'" (See By-Law 8.)

On motion the Committee's amendment to By-Law 11 was stricken out.

Amend By-Law 12 by striking out after the word "parsonage," in the third line, the phrase, "and she shall give special attention to the shut-in and the unchurched," so that it shall read: "The Superintendent of Local Work shall have charge of the social features of the

auxiliary. She shall supervise whatever share the auxiliary may have in the care of the church and parsonage. The Assistant Treasurer shall be a member of the Committee on Local Work." (See By-Law 11.)

By-Law 13: Delete the entire By-Law: "The Secretary, Treasurer, and Superintendents shall make written reports at the regular meetings."

The report as a whole was adopted as amended.

It was moved and seconded that, inasmuch as the report of the Committee on By-Laws is long and all changes must be included in the Constitution and By-Laws as printed in the last pages of the Annual Report, the Secretary be instructed to omit this report from the group of reports in the Annual Report. The motion prevailed.

The motion prevailed that the report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws be printed in the *Council Bulletin*.

It was moved and carried that this motion be reconsidered.

Moved and seconded that the report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, as amended, be printed on a separate sheet for distribution. The motion prevailed.

The report of the Committee to fill vacancies on Standing Committees was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 164.)

The report of the Committee on Laws was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 164.)

The following Committees were appointed by the Chair:

Committee on Program for 1931 Annual Meeting: Miss Mabel K. Howell, Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. J. N. McEachern, Miss Louise Young, Miss Estelle Haskin.

Women to Represent the Woman's Missionary Council on the Association of Women of the South for the Prevention of Lynching: Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. W. A. Newell.

With prayer of thanksgiving and for God's help in carrying on the work, offered by Mrs. F. N. Peters, President of the Los Angeles Conference, the afternoon session adjourned.

TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE

Tuesday evening the Council Session reached its climax in the annual consecration service.

The candidates, foreign missionaries, and deaconesses entered the Church singing the processional, "Lead On, O King Eternal," and the sixteen candidates took their places on the platform.

The Rev. J. L. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College, read from Philippians 3: 7-14 a selection indicating the centrality of Christ, the theme on which Scarritt College is based. He led in prayer, after which Mr. George R. Kester sang "I Know That Christ Is Mine."

In an impressive ceremony, including the statement by Mrs. J. W. Perry, President, of the rules governing the emeritus relation and the presentation by Miss Esther Case of the certificate, this honor was conferred upon Miss Martha Pyle, in recognition of her service in China through the years 1892-1931.

The congregation joined in the hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers! Living Still."

Miss Eloise Bradshaw, on furlough from China, addressing the candidates, greeted them warmly, then stated to them the missionaries' reasons for going to the foreign field, the types of workers needed, and the nationals' attitude toward Christian missionaries. In reply, with Miss Gertrude Feely leading, the eleven foreign candidates told briefly why each had made her decision to devote her life to this particular service.

Deaconess Margaret Young welcomed the candidates for Home Mission work and interpreted to them the great need for Christ of the portion of the world close at hand. Miss Mary Floyd led this group of five candidates in giving their reasons for deciding to become deaconesses.

Mrs. J. W. Perry then, in the name of the Woman's Missionary Council, presented to Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs for consecration the class of candidates, as follows: The young women to serve as foreign missionaries: Miss Marjorie Beaird, from the Texas Conference, under appointment to Korea; Miss Lucie Clark, from the North Arkansas Conference; Miss Carrie Ava Morton, from the Louisiana Conference, and Miss Susie Hayes, from the North Georgia Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Marie Gertrude Feely, from the Missouri Conference, under appointment to Japan; Miss Martha Lucile Lewis, from the South Georgia Conference, under appointment to Cuba; Miss Edith Ellen Martin, from the North Arkansas Conference, and Miss Myrtle Dora Zicafoose, from the Baltimore Conference, under appointment to Congo Belge; Miss Dolores Norene Robken, from the Little Rock Conference, under appointment to Poland; Miss Mary Alberta Simmons, from the Oklahoma Conference, and Miss Martha Elizabeth Sneed, from the North Carolina Conference, under appointment to Brazil. The young women to serve as deaconesses in the Home Field: Miss Erlene Swanson Aylor, from the Virginia Conference; Miss Mary Fisher Floyd, from the North Georgia Conference; Miss Jewell Elizabeth Matthews, from the Alabama Conference; Miss Marion S. Needham, from the Northwest Conference; and Miss Ruth Patton, from the Oklahoma Conference.

The congregation participated in the responsive reading led by the Bishop, who then offered prayer for the candidates.

The congregation joined in singing the hymn, "Lord, in the Strength of Grace," and a male quartette gave their message in "Steal Away."

Bishop Dobbs then read the charge to the candidates and received their response to the vows, after which he commissioned each to take the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ into all the world, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The service closed with the hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee."

The benediction was pronounced by the Bishop, and the Twenty-First Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Council stood adjourned.

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *President*;

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

MRS. J. W. PERRY, VICE PRESIDENT

"Each Council Meeting means a retreat or an advance. We cannot retreat; we must go forward." (Belle H. Bennett, 1914. Quoted by Mrs. F. F. Stephens, 1923.)

This place on our program in past years has been anticipated with eager interest and has commanded closest attention. It is the time when our President, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, gave her annual message. In it she brought clearly before us the outstanding events of the year's work, calling attention to the trends in great world movements affecting the missionary enterprise, and pointed the way to new paths of service and new fields of endeavor. The greatest honor we can pay her memory to-day is to pledge anew our love and loyalty to the purpose of our organization—the hastening of the kingdom of God throughout the world.

Events have moved swiftly since the Woman's Missionary Council met a year ago. The General Conference followed within a few weeks. The adjustments made necessary by General Conference legislation are never coveted experiences. Old and familiar methods are sometimes disturbed, new and untried plans must be developed. It has been true, however, that often these changes, hard and difficult, have proved to be wise and have contributed largely to the progress of our endeavors.

What were some of the changes made by the last General Conference which affect the Woman's Missionary Council and woman's place of service in the Church?

The creation of the Board of Christian Education has brought about a different situation from any we have hitherto faced. In the past, the interest and attention of the women have centered largely on legislation affecting the Board of Missions and the relation of the Missionary Society to this one Board. The relation between these two organizations remains practically unchanged.

It was the legislation setting up the new Board of Christian Education that has given rise to radical changes and that is destined to have a far-reaching effect on Woman's Work in the Church.

Provision is made in the constitution for twenty lay members on the Board of Christian Education, "half of whom shall be women." Thus it is by legislation that women are privileged to make their contribution to the framing of plans and policies of another large Board of our Church.

Because of the intimate and important relation between the Board of Missions and the Board of Christian Education, a Committee of

Coöperation was authorized, which is composed of an equal number of representatives from the two Boards, with the provision that two members of the Woman's Missionary Council, one of whom shall be the President, shall be included in the representatives of the missionary group.

In outlining the financial policy of this new Board with reference to the missionary offering, the funds of the Woman's Missionary Society are carefully safeguarded; no change in the law governing our funds was enacted.

The legislation regulating the Conference Board of Christian Education makes no provision for women members, or for any relation between this Board and the Conference Woman's Missionary Society. A number of the Conferences, however, have elected women to membership on their Boards of Christian Education. In the local Church the Woman's Missionary Society is counted as an organized group in the Adult Division, and the Local Church Board of Christian Education includes in its personnel the President of the Woman's Missionary Society. This places an increased responsibility upon the President of the auxiliary and gives her the opportunity to render a large service to her Church.

The duties of the Local Church Board of Christian Education as outlined in the Discipline are vital and comprehensive, and every woman who becomes President of the Missionary Society can be of invaluable service to her Church by becoming familiar with the duties of the Board and by entering heartily into its activities. We cannot emphasize too strongly this new and enlarged responsibility which comes to the President of the Missionary Society.

The change most vitally affecting the Woman's Missionary Council lies in the fact that the Department of Young People's Work has been lifted out of our organization. The young people from twelve to twenty-four years will be the special care of the Board of Christian Education. We shall hear at this meeting the last report of the Superintendent of Young People's Work. This department has grown and developed under the wise and efficient guidance of the Superintendent, Mrs. B. M. Bowen. The inspiration of her life and leadership will abide upon the young people with whom she has been associated. We shall ever hold her in tender affection.

This transition period when the young people are to be transferred to the new Board is calling for patient and sympathetic coöperation. Through the Board of Christian Education a unified program of religious and missionary education is to be provided for the Young People of the Church. The deep concern of all should be for a program that will challenge the youth of our Church and win them for Christ and his kingdom. By virtue of the fact that the President of the Missionary Society is a member of the Local Church Board of Christian Education, she is privileged to share in the promotion of

the program of Christian and missionary education for all the young people of her Church.

Many of the Young People's Missionary Societies are composed of young women past the age of the young people's division in the local Church school. These groups are to become young women's circles of the adult missionary society. As young women reach the age when they may come into the missionary society, it will be of vital concern to see that no young woman fails to be invited to join and to become enlisted in the activities of the young women's circles. No more important and imperative responsibility is upon us at this time than to make plans for reaching the young womanhood of the Church with an appealing challenge for service through the Woman's Missionary Society.

Authorization is continued for the Woman's Missionary Society to organize the children. The plans outlined by the Council remain unchanged. Disciplinary recognition is given to the Children's Missionary Societies as organized groups in the local Church program. Work with the children is an important department of our organization.

The formation of the autonomous Churches in Mexico, Brazil, and Korea makes it necessary to drop from our roll five Conferences—namely, Brazil, Central Brazil, South Brazil, Mexico, and Korea. The relation to the women in these new Churches, though changed, will be none the less intimate, and we shall feel a keen interest in the progress of their societies. We shall welcome fraternal delegates from them at any time.

On each of the Commissions appointed to participate in the organization of these new Churches, there was one member of the Woman's Missionary Council. We shall hear reports during this meeting from these Commissions.

A memorial was sent by this Body to General Conference requesting such changes in the Discipline as would remove the restriction limiting ordination into the ministry to men. The memorial received most courteous and favorable consideration both by the committee to which it was referred and by the General Conference. It failed, however, to receive a two-thirds vote of the body, and since the bishops declared it a constitutional matter, it was not remanded to the Annual Conferences. This may not have been an ill mind, for the necessary process of education to insure its ratification had not been carried on throughout the Church and this quadrennium will make possible such a course.

A year ago an enlarged program of study and activity was adopted by this Body. New commissions, committees, and bureaus were formed, and to each was assigned definite duties. The deep interest and seriousness of purpose with which these groups have entered upon the work committed to them is most gratifying. Some new

features in the program of this meeting are indicative of the splendid beginning which has been made. To Christianize all human relations, to inquire more perfectly into the way of the "abundant life" is the goal of this enlarged program. Its attainment can only be approximated through the consecrated effort of every member. We must not falter at this time when the way of duty seems clear and human needs are calling loud and long.

The year just closing has been a testing year. Never has our country suffered greater financial depression. The long, hot summer and the continued drought have occasioned untold hardships and suffering. It was to be expected that these conditions would affect the offerings of the Missionary Societies. In many cases the women have put forth heroic effort, and we come to-day with no discouragement because of our financial shortage; rather we come rejoicing and with understanding appreciation of the love and loyalty which the offerings of the year represent. The conditions we must face at this time should send us to our knees in earnest supplication and in deeper consecration. We would turn to the future with courage and renewed strength to undertake larger and more heroic tasks in His name.

**CONDENSED REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
1930-1931**

Since the last Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council the Executive Committee has held two meetings, the first a Called Meeting, in June, to transact business made necessary by enactments of the General Conference in Dallas, Texas, in May, and those of the Board of Missions in session after the adjournment of the General Conference. These enactments dealt chiefly with the Constitution and By-Laws and the personnel of the office staff. In conformity with the elections by the Board of Missions Mrs. Hume R. Steele, who had been elected Secretary in charge of Missionary Education by the Council in Annual Session, became again Secretary in Charge of Candidate Work, and Miss Constance Rumbough, elected Candidate Secretary by the Council, was given the place of Miss Rebecca Caudill as Superintendent of Children's Work. The second meeting was the Annual Mid-Year Meeting held in Nashville, Tenn., in November.

CALLED MEETING, JUNE 23, 24, 1930

The Executive Committee met in Called Session at Monteagle, Tenn., June 23, 24, 1930, Mrs. F. F. Stephens presiding.

The following members were present: Mesdames F. F. Stephens, J. W. Perry, Ina Davis Fulton, W. A. Newell, B. W. Lipscomb, H. R. Steele, E. B. Chappell, R. L. Hobdy, J. C. Handy, Henry S. Owen, J. W. Mills, Helen B. Bourne; Misses Estelle Haskin, Esther Case, Mabel Howell, Louise Young, Julia Lake Stevens, Daisy Davies, Constance Rumbough, and Bess Combs. The remaining four members were detained by illness.

1. Careful consideration was given to the report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

(a) It was voted that no change be made in the Constitution and By-Laws for the Children's Department, and that a sheet of simple instructions regarding plans for this work be prepared for use during the remainder of the year.

(b) In accord with the action of the General Conference in setting up the Board of Christian Education which includes the promotion of missionary education among the Young People, which has been done by the Woman's Missionary Council, the Constitution and By-Laws for Young People were deleted.

(c) The Constitution and By-Laws for Conference Societies and Adult Auxiliaries were amended, adopted as amended, and ordered printed in the Handbook for Adult Auxiliaries.

(d) By-Laws for the Council, including provision for Bureaus,

Commissions, and Standing Committees, were amended, adopted as amended, and ordered printed in the Handbook for Adult Auxiliaries.

2. The date for the Mid-Year Meeting was fixed for November 18-20.

3. The following were appointed on the Program Committee for the 1931 Annual Meeting: Mrs. J. W. Perry, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. W. D. Taylor, Mrs. Homer Tatum, Miss Mabel Howell, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. F. S. Parker.

Suggestions concerning speakers were made to the committee.

4. It was voted to observe the following order for the Council Meeting: Tuesday evening, March 10, Executive Committee meeting; Wednesday, March 11, Executive Session of the Council; Wednesday evening, meetings of Bureaus, Commissions, and Standing Committees; Thursday morning, Executive Session; Thursday afternoon, meetings of Sessions Committees; Thursday evening, Opening Session.

5. It was voted that the Council be self-entertaining during the days of Executive Sessions.

6. A committee composed of the following women was appointed to secure information regarding hotel headquarters, rates, etc., for the Council Meeting, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. W. D. Taylor, Mrs. Homer Tatum.

7. Mrs. Henry S. Owen made a report on the Scarritt property in Kansas City which dealt with the difficulties attendant upon the carrying out of a sale of the property and an application for a rebate on insurance; Mrs. Owen was authorized to examine the laws of Missouri to determine whether a trustee can be forced to sign a deed of sale.

8. Mrs. W. A. Newell was authorized to prepare a form for a letter to Representatives in Congress urging a vote for Brookhart and Hudson bills concerning moving pictures: Senate bill 1003; House bill 9986.

9. Miss Esther Case presented the necessity for the purchase of property for Bennett College in Rio de Janiero and stated the approximate price as \$82,000.00 with no funds available. It was then voted,

(a) To urge the sale of Petropolis property in order to secure funds to be applied to this purchase.

(b) That Bennett College take steps to purchase a strip of this property, described by Miss Case, which is jeopardizing the college property, provided it can be financed on the field, and that the price shall not exceed \$25,000.00.

(c) That Miss Case be granted authority to advise a financial campaign for Bennett College while in Brazil with the Commission to organize the Autonomous Church.

10. Mrs. J. W. Perry brought a most interesting report from the conference on Social Welfare in Boston at which she had represented the Woman's Missionary Council.

11. The following letter prepared by the committee on plans for the relationship of the Woman's Missionary Society in Autonomous Churches to the Council was indorsed heartily and unanimously and referred to the President and Secretary to be sent to the fifteen members of the three Commissions appointed by the General Conference to set up Autonomous Churches in Mexico, Korea, and Brazil:

"Members of Commissions Setting Up Autonomous Churches,
Mexico, Korea, Brazil.

"Dear Brethren and Sisters:

"Whereas the General Conference has granted permission for the establishment of autonomous Churches in Mexico, Korea, and Brazil, and has appointed Commissions whose duty it is to carry out the wishes of the General Conference in setting up these Churches: and

"Whereas the Conference Woman's Missionary Societies of these countries have been integral parts of the Woman's Missionary Council, sending delegates to the Council meeting with full voting powers: and

"Whereas the relationship so long in force between the Conference Societies and the Council has been one of vital Christian helpfulness necessary to missionary progress as a world-wide organization;

"Be it resolved by the forty Council members assembled at Dallas during the General Conference, That in setting up the autonomous Churches the Commissions be requested to keep this union in mind, and to provide for as close connection as possible between the Woman's Conference Societies in Brazil, Mexico, and Korea, and the Woman's Missionary Council.

"Signed: SENORA ELIZA DE PASCOE, *President*

Woman's Missionary Society, Mexico.

DONA ODETTE BARBIERI, *Past President*

Woman's Missionary Society, South Brazil.

MRS. J. S. RYANG, *Seoul, Korea.*

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *President*

Woman's Missionary Society, Texas Conference.

MRS. J. N. MCEACHERN, *President*

Woman's Missionary Society, North Georgia Conference."

12. A communication from the Czechoslovak Woman's Conference requesting (a) Membership in the Sisterhood of the Council and (b) one or more missionaries to conduct work among women was referred to the Board of Missions with assurance of the concurrence of the Council.

13. It was voted that Mrs. F. S. Parker and Miss Estelle Haskin be instructed to correct errors on the second page of the printed Report of the Council, these errors being due to a change in the personnel of the officers in the Board election after the Report had been printed.

14. Voted that the consecration of Miss Ruth Lawrence, appointed to Poland, be held at Scarritt College.

15. A cablegram was read from the Woman's Missionary Society in Belgium, and a letter of congratulation upon their enlarged status was ordered sent to them.

16. A letter regarding Negro achievements was presented and referred to the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

17. In reply to a letter requesting the Woman's Missionary Council to have a part in the Eva Clark Waid Memorial Fund for World Peace it was voted to reply stating that only as individuals could we participate in this Memorial.

18. Whereas a discussion of the question of Jubilee Scholarships revealed the fact that under the present regulations some most desirable applicants are not eligible, it was voted that Misses Case, Haskin, and Howell form a committee to interpret the words "its equivalent" in item (b) of act 36, page 66, of the Council Minutes for 1930.

19. Concerning the expenses of Bureaus, Commissions, and Standing Committees, it was voted: (1) That the stipend of the Superintendent of the Bureau on Coöperation and Extension shall be \$360. (2) That expenses for meetings and office expense of Bureaus, Commission, and Standing Committees shall be paid from the treasury.

20. Mrs. F. F. Stephens announced the election by correspondence of Mrs. J. W. Mills to membership in the Executive Committee from the women members of the Board of Missions.

21. A ballot taken for the remaining two members of the Executive Committee from the women members of the Board of Missions resulted in the election of Mrs. W. J. Piggott and Mrs. J. P. Harvill.

22. Miss Estelle Haskin was elected to membership on the committee on Conference and Coöperation with the Board of Christian Education.

23. The following changes were made in the personnel of committees and commissions: Committee on Literature, Mrs. F. B. Godfrey was added; Committee on Estimates, the Ten Women at Large were substituted for the Secretaries and Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Council; Commission on Industrial Relations, Mrs. J. W. Perry and Miss Constance Rumbough were added; Committee on Interracial Relations was revised as follows: Miss Louise Young, Mrs. Ernest Moore, Mrs. Fred A. Lamb, Mrs. E. W. Berry, Mrs. C. W. Chadwick, Mrs. T. C. Banks, Mrs. C. E. Castle, Mrs. J. H. Walker, Miss Estelle Haskin.

MID-YEAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 18-20, 1930

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council met in Mid-Year Session in the committee room of the Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn., November 18-20, 1930.

The following members were present: Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Mrs. J. W. Perry, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Miss Estelle Haskin, Miss Julia Lake

Stevens, Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. W. A. Newell, Miss Bess Combs, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Miss Louise Young, Mrs. A. B. Smith, Miss Berta Ellison, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, Miss Esther Case, Mrs. J. W. Downs. Mrs. Harwell Wilson of the Florida Conference, Mrs. C. C. Weaver of the Western North Carolina Conference, Miss Eliza Perkinson and Mrs. H. Beach Carré of Louisiana were each present during a part of the meeting.

The President reported briefly of the activities in her office since March, making special reference to a visit to MacDonell Institute, Houma, La., and its vicinity where fine work is being accomplished through the threefold interests carried on there, Social Settlement, Educational, and in assisting the pastor of three small churches.

Mrs. J. W. Perry made her report as Vice President, emphasizing the contacts she had had with the women of the C. M. E. Church which had enabled them to plan for the programs for their work for 1931.

The report of the Recording Secretary included a statement in regard to the printing of the annual report of the Council.

25. She emphasized the fact that by action of the Board of Foreign Missions, these are the permanent records of the Council.

26. She announced the vote, taken by correspondence, appointing Mrs. J. C. Handy as fraternal delegate to the Jubilee Meeting of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the M. E. Church in Cincinnati, Ohio, in October.

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton made a full report of receipts for the first three quarters of the year and with true optimism declared that she expected the Conference pledges to be paid in full.

Miss Esther Case reported in general for the work in the Foreign Department, speaking particularly of special cases in each field under her care.

Mrs. J. W. Downs reported for the Home Department, beginning with the schools and on through the various phases of work under her care. In relation to this work Mrs. C. C. Weaver spoke of the new Bethlehem House in Winston-Salem, N. C., which it is hoped will be ready for occupancy early in 1931.

Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, reporting for the Department of Education and Promotion, sounded an encouraging note. She stressed particularly the development of the summer schools, and the increasing interest of Southern Methodist women in the study of missions. She spoke of the study on Peace—"The Turn toward Peace," by Florence Brewer Boeckel, prepared by the Missionary Education Movement at the request of the women of Southern Methodism. Then of the carrying out of membership campaign as planned the spring of 1930, in which 20,000 women had received four invitations to join the Woman's Missionary Society. As a result of this work nearly 4,000 new members were reported the third quarter.

Miss Constance Rumbough, Secretary of Children's Work, spoke of her efforts to prepare an ideal plan for the Children's Work and to plan for the necessary literature. She reported the purchase of an ant-proof piano for Africa with the 75,000 pennies sent in by the children, also the large number of treasure chests sent out by them. Her statistical report for the first three quarters of the year showed \$29,064 contributed by the children.

The rules for the organization of the Children's Division were then read, amended, and adopted as amended. (See Ad-Interim Record Book, also leaflet "Guide for the Children's Division.")

Mrs. H. R. Steele made her report as Candidate Secretary. She called attention to the potential candidate, to the young people of to-day and their attitude toward and thought concerning religion.

Miss Estelle Haskin, Secretary in Charge of Literature, distributed packages of literature for 1931 and spoke of the duties and privileges of her office.

Miss Julia Lake Stevens, Secretary in Charge of Young People, stated that this office and work is to be continued until the summer Assemblies of 1931, by which time the Board of Christian Education hopes to be able to make necessary provision for the work. Miss Stevens spoke of the gratifying success of the Young People's Summer Conferences, and of the increase in auxiliaries and members in spite of the uncertainties of the period of transition through which the Young People's organizations in the Church are moving.

It was voted that in each Conference the Young People shall have the privilege of directing their pledge for the six months of 1931, their last period under the care of the Woman's Missionary Council.

The presentation of the report of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations was led by Mrs. W. A. Newell, Superintendent in Charge. She spoke of her happiness in the growing conception of the meaning of Interracial Coöperation and of Social Service problems in general. She sketched some plans for the carrying on of this work and spoke of the success of the summer schools, then of her renewed hope in the efficiency of the Bureau through the organization of its various committees and commissions. She read that part of the report of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations which contained recommendations as they had been transmitted to the Bureau by the Chairmen of committees and commissions and indorsed by the Bureau: Christian Citizenship, Interracial Relations, Civic and Welfare Agencies, Rural Development and Industrial Relations, International Relations and World Peace.

The discussion of the reports of these committees and commissions of the Bureau were led by their respective Chairmen, as follows: International Relations and World Peace, Mrs. E. B. Chappell; Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies, Mrs. F. F. Stephens; Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Mrs. J. W. Mills; Un-

occupied Mission Areas, Mrs. A. B. Smith and Mrs. C. C. Weaver; Interracial Relations, Miss Louise Young; Industrial Relation, Miss Constance Rumbough; Rural Development, Mrs. J. W. Perry.

The recommendations from the Bureau of Christian Social Relations were then read in sections by the Assistant Secretary, amended, and adopted as amended, as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BUREAU OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

I. On International Relations and World Peace the Bureau recommends:

1. Indorsement of the Preamble, the World Court, the Naval Building Program, the Traffic and Arms Convention, the Prohibition of Poison Gas in Warfare, the Economic Barriers to Peace, the Co-operative Educational Policies and the Colcord Proposal.

2. That the Executive Committee of the Council be requested to wire the following message to the President of the United States and to the Secretary of State: "We urge a prompt ratification by the United States of the World Court Protocols as essential to the further development of peaceful methods of settling disputes."

The Bureau further recommends:

3. That the mission study book for the spring quarter shall be "The Turn Toward Peace," by Florence Brewer Boeckel.

4. That the Literature Committee be requested to reserve a place in the Children's program for 1931 for specific peace lessons.

5. That through the woman representation on the Subcommittee on Missionary Education of Young People (of the Joint Commission of the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Missions) we ask that provision be made for including lessons on peace.

6. That the Bureau of Christian Social Relations be requested to make provision when practicable for the appointment of a woman within the auxiliary committee on Christian Social Relations whose responsibility shall be to promote education for peace.

7. That we coöperate with some of the larger publication agencies that are preparing peace material and secure from them up-to-date material for use in the auxiliary.

8. That the privilege of purchasing posters for use in the auxiliaries be extended to the Committee.

9. Because of the success of the Peace Booth at the Council Meeting in Amarillo, we recommend: That the same plan be followed of exhibiting peace programs and materials at the Council Meeting in Memphis, also that a sales department and mailing accommodations shall be provided.

II. On Coöperation with Civic and Welfare Agencies, the Bureau recommends:

1. That the Council comply with the request from the General

Conference Commission on Spiritual Life and Message to appoint five members to serve with the Commission for the Quadrennium.

That the five women to serve shall be Miss Daisy Davies, Miss Bess Combs, Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, and Mrs. F. F. Stephens.

2. That, since the Council is expected to send ten corresponding delegates to the Federation of Foreign Missions Boards of North America the Executive Committee ask for volunteers to fill these places.

3. That, since a large delegation of Council members have been appointed to attend the National Congress of Home Missions to be held in Washington, D. C., December 1-5, the Council omit the naming of the ten corresponding delegates to the Council of Women for Home Missions for the year 1930.

4. That volunteers be invited to represent the Council at the sixth annual meeting of the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War to be held in Washington, January 16-21, 1931.

5. That in response to the request made by Mrs. W. H. C. Goode, President of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, providing for a joint committee of Women on Home Missions, we express gratification for the proposed alliance and provide for representation at the proper time.

6. That because of our vital interest in rural work and the fact that we are seeking wider contacts and coöperation with other agencies within the Church engaged in that field, we suggest we seek for the chairman of the Council Commission of Rural Development a coöpted membership on the sub-committee of Rural Education of the Joint Commission of Coöperation and Council of the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Missions.

7. List of organizations in which the Council is represented in various ways.

1. By virtue of integral membership—

Federation of Women's Boards of North America. (Four officers and ten additional delegates.)

Council of Women for Home Missions. (Four officers and ten additional delegates.)

2. By appointment of Council—

Conference on the Cause and Cure of War. (Indefinite number of delegates.)

World Alliance International Friendship. (Indefinite number of delegates.)

Foreign Mission Institute at Chautauqua. (Representation declined.)

Joint Committee Coöperation Boards of Missions and Christian Education. (Haskin.)

Federation of Methodist Women of the World. (Stephens, Perry, Parker.)

- Federation of Christian Women of the World. (Stephens.)
 General Conference Committee on Spiritual Life and Message.
 National Conference for Social Work.
3. By selection of representation by outside agencies—
 Christian Herald Institute of Church Unity.
 National Federation of Women's Clubs. (Stephens invited to represent W. M. C.)
 Associate member Executive Committee Federated Council of Churches of Christ. (Stephens.)
 Woman's Church Committee International Goodwill. (With Federal Council.)
 Woman's Committee of 100 on Law Enforcement. (Stephens.)
 National Committee of 1,000 on Law Enforcement. (Stephens and others.)
 National Committee on The Churches and World Peace.
 Advisory Council of Churches and World Peace. (Stephens.)
 National Committee on American-Japanese Relations. (Stephens, probably others.)
 Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry. (Newell, Young.)
 Anti-Lynching Committee. (Newell, Young, and others.)
 Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, Associate Membership Commissions on the Church and Social Service, including Committee on Marriage and the Home, Committee on Industrial Communities. (Newell.)
 Commission on International Justice and Goodwill. (Newell.)
 Commission on Race Relations, including Church Women's Commission. (Newell.)
 General Commission on Interracial Coöperation, including the Women's Administrative Committee. (Newell.)
 National Conference for Social Work. (Newell.)
 Woman's Trade Union League of America. (Newell.)
 Survey Associates.
 American Social Hygiene Association. (Newell.)
 National Child Labor Committee.
 American Association for Labor Legislation.
4. By appointment from the Board of Missions—
 Foreign Missions Conference of North America.
 Home Missions Council.
 National Congress of Home Missions 1930.
 General Missionary Council M. E. Church, South.
 Executive Committee Board of Missions. (Piggott, Harvill, Kitchell.)
 Board of Directors Shanghai Medical College. (Stephens, Case, Fulton.)
 Ginling College. (Case.)
 Ewah College. (Case.)

Committee on Coöperation in Latin America. (Case.)

Joint Committee on Coöperation Board of Missions and Christian Education. (Lipscomb.)

5. By selection of the General Conference or the Discipline—

Board of Temperance and Social Service. (Newell.)

Commission to set up Autonomous Churches, Mexico (Piggott), Korea (Howell), Brazil (Case).

Joint Committee on Coöperation Board of Missions and Christian Education. (Stephens.)

30. III. On Christianity and Law Observance the Bureau recommends:

That from studies made it seems that two lines of work may be profitably undertaken: First, Coöperation; second, Education.

1. Coöperation. Many other organizations are working along the same lines, and since this is an objective for all Christian people to unite on, we recommend:

That we coöperate in every possible way with the other bodies working for Christian Citizenship and Law Observance.

2. Organization: a. That each Conference and auxiliary be requested to have one or more women appointed who shall, in connection with the Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, study and advance the work of good citizenship and law observance in Conference and auxiliary and in association with other groups doing the same lines of work.

b. That where there is more than one Conference in a State, the Superintendents of Christian Social Relations and their committees for Christian Citizenship and Law Observance unite in studies on this question, and make the State a unit in such legislation as is proposed for benefiting the Christian social order.

3. Education: a. For Adults:

Recognizing that we need to reach adult missionary women, children, the Church, and people in general with suitable material, we recommend:

(1) That a program on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance be given at an open meeting of our next Council session.

(2) That a Yearbook program be devoted to this subject, providing a leaflet and helpful articles in the *Missionary Voice*.

(3) That brief reminders and items be given in the *Missionary Bulletin* on such subjects as "Pay Your Poll Tax," "Necessity for Christian Voting," "Law Observance," and news of vital interest to our women who have not realized their responsibility as citizens.

(4) That the four books, "What's It All About?" "When the Brewer Had the Stranglehold," "How Came Our Constitution?" and "Save America," prepared by the Woman's National Committee on Law Enforcement, with syllabus for study, be the *next course* for Missionary Study Classes.

b. For Children:

That special studies on Citizenship and Law Observance be prepared for the Children's Division of the Woman's Missionary Council.

4. Legislation: It is widely recognized that education on the evils of alcohol, tobacco, and narcotics on the body did much to advance the cause of temperance. Since the 18th Amendment has been passed much of this teaching has been discontinued and ground lost there—therefore, we recommend:

That our auxiliary women unite in an effort to reestablish such teachings in State textbooks and to be more diligent in Temperance Sunday school lessons and all opportunities for such instructions.

31. IV. On Interracial Relations, the Bureau recommends:

In order that more emphasis may be given to the present program of this department of Christian Social Relations in both Conferences and auxiliary societies, that this department be stressed at all annual meetings of Conference societies in the following ways:

(1) There shall be at the annual meetings a special program given over to the Department of Christian Social Relations.

(2) The auxiliary superintendents of Christian Social Relations shall be urged to attend the meeting of the Annual Conference Society.

(3) The Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations shall hold at the same time of the annual meeting training hours for the auxiliary superintendents of Christian Social Relations.

(4) The Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations shall be urged to join the State Association of Social Service Workers, and we request the Conference Societies to furnish for their superintendents of Christian Social Relations transportation and membership dues in the State Association of Social Service Workers.

We recommend that the packet, "Race Relations," price twenty-five cents, be secured from Literature Headquarters and that a definite time in January be set aside for the study of this packet by the auxiliary committees of Christian Social Relations. We suggest that auxiliaries ask their pastors to observe in February "Race Relations Sunday," the material for which will be found in the packet.

We urge the women of the Conference, district, and auxiliary to seek more energetically contacts with C. M. E. Church groups and other negro Church groups and to cooperate with them in their projects. We call attention to the packet of programs and studies prepared for use of women seeking to help negro auxiliaries in their program work. We also call attention to the possibility of making known to colored auxiliaries the program material now to be found monthly in the C. M. E. Church paper, the *Christian Index*, prepared jointly by women of the M. E. Church, South, and of the C. M. E. Church.

We call attention to the aggressive methods outlined by the

"Anti-Lynching Conference" sponsored by the Interracial Commission, and call on all missionary women to lend their influence to the eradication of lynching.

Since one of the major benefits of the Leadership Training Schools for colored women has been the understanding and sympathy growing out of interracial contacts in local communities, we urge conference officers in their annual meetings to give publicity to the training school nearest them as a project in which each auxiliary should assume responsibility.

32. V. On Rural Development, the Bureau recommends:

1. That this Commission shall be authorized to coöperate with other agencies of the Church in promoting a District Round-Up in one or more districts as an experiment in the study of community conditions.

2. That a leaflet be prepared as a guide for local community study to be used in zone meetings.

3. That we seek to have incorporated in the courses of Mission Study in the near future a book on Rural Life.

32. VI. On Industrial Commission, the Bureau recommends that:

1. We recommend to the Council the selection of a text or securing the writing of a text on the general subject of Industry and the Christian Ethic to be used as a mission study text.

2. We recommend that missionary women wherever possible take the lead in promoting in their own communities institutes and conferences on industrial relations, the coöperation of Church, civic, business, and government agencies being sought.

3. We recommend coöperation in the promotion of the Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry.

4. We recommend the study of Workers' Education as carried on in the summer school in Industry at Arden, N. C.

Mrs. J. C. Handy made an informal report of her visit as Fraternal Delegate to the Jubilee session of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the M. E. Church, held in Cincinnati, Ohio, in October.

Miss Esther Case, member of the Commission to aid in setting up the Methodist Church in Brazil, made a detailed report of the work of the Commission and the establishment of this Autonomous Church.

33. Miss Daisy Davies, Chairman of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, reported for that Committee. The report was adopted as read, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

The Committee on Spiritual Life and Message recommend:

I. Organization:

A. Conference.—That the Executive Committee of each Conference be asked to appoint a chairman of a Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, and in consultation with this chairman select two women to serve with her.

B. Auxiliary.—That the Conference Committee on Spiritual Life and Message shall ask the Executive Committee of each auxiliary to appoint a chairman of a Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, and in consultation with this chairman select two women to serve with her. This Committee in the auxiliary is privileged to form one or more groups in the auxiliary to be known as Spiritual Life Groups.

II. Literature:

A. That a short leaflet of plans for organization be sent to auxiliaries.

B. That a booklet containing detailed suggestions for group meetings, Retreats, and the Spiritual Cultivation of the individual life be prepared and sold at a small price.

C. That inexpensive devotional pamphlets for the Cultivation of the Spiritual Life of individuals and groups be made available at a small price.

III. We further recommend that this Committee be authorized to conduct a Retreat at some suitable place during the early autumn, the personnel to be chosen from a limited list provided by each Conference.

Miss Bess Combs, Chairman Bureau of Coöperation and Extension, gave a general statement concerning the work and plans of this Bureau, speaking in particular of the Indian Mission. Miss Rumbough spoke for Korea and the Russian woman in Manchuria; Miss Combs, Mexico, with whom we have a fraternal relation, and for Belgium. Miss Esther Case spoke of our relation to the women of Brazil; Mrs. Nat Rollins of Czechoslovakia; Mrs. Helen B. Bourne for Japan; Miss Combs for Cuba and Latin Work in Florida and Cuba.

The report of the Program Committee for the next annual meeting of the Council was read by Mrs. J. W. Perry.

34. While considering this report, approval was voted of tentative plans for having group meetings one or two afternoons during the Council meeting. The Program Committee was authorized to work out the details of these plans.

35. *Voted:* That the conveners of Council Sessions Committees, with Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb as Chairman, be authorized to appoint these Committees.

Prof. Alfred Barnett of Scarritt College made an interesting report of Scarritt College, noting a substantial growth in enrollment in the six years since removal of the College to Nashville, and a steadily increasing number of graduate students.

An informal report of the Standing Committee on Scarritt College was read by Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Chairman. Three suggestions concerning scholarships were left with the Executive Committee for thought and discussion at another time.

The following historical report of the Committee on Status of Women was made by the Chairman, Mrs. J. C. Handy:

STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND STUDY OF THE STATUS
OF WOMEN

The Committee met for organization at the close of the Council Meeting in Amarillo. Mrs. J. C. Handy was elected Chairman, and Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Secretary.

The Committee has had no meeting, due to the fact that the Chairman could not attend a meeting before the Executive Meeting, but the Committee has been in correspondence.

A course of reading has been used by the new members preparatory to the discussion intended in the meeting.

By correspondence the Committee has agreed upon two lines, both implicit in the constitutional provision for this work.

I. Research and study.

1. Women in the Family; Economics; Education; Government and Politics; Church and Religion.
2. Growing Status in the Church.

II. Activity.

The promotion of women in the ministry on the same basis as men.

1. By education and cultivation of our own constituency.
2. By education in the Church at large.
3. By presentation of a memorial to General Conference.

A brief informal report of the special committee on Negro Work was made by Miss Louise Young.

The report of the Committee on Retirement Home was made informally by Mrs. J. W. Downs.

In speaking for the Committee on Industrial Opportunity School, Brevard, N. C., Mrs. J. W. Downs raised the question of the advisability of carrying out plans outlined for this school since there is a school of this kind in operation in that section of North Carolina.

The question of property in Kansas City was reported by Mrs. Henry S. Owen. She had discussed the question of equity with legal Council (Mr. Smart) whose opinion was set forth in the paper read by Mrs. Owen. (See file, Secretary's office.)

In response to a letter from Mrs. Thomas Nicholson, President Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, it was voted that we accede to her request seeking the coöperation of the Woman's Missionary Council in the establishment of an International Department which it is hoped will become a clearing house for exchange of reports, problems, plans, and programs. The committee requested was named as follows: President, Vice President, and Secretary of the Council.

The memorial from the Louisiana Conference requesting that the definition of the Gibson Membership be clarified was presented by the Secretary. This clarification was accomplished in a discussion in which the Louisiana Conference Secretary participated.

36. Voted that the Secretary be authorized to write the Manager of the Claridge Hotel (Headquarters Hotel for Council Meeting) to reserve the necessary number of rooms for delegates and guests.

37. Mrs. C. W. Turpin was unanimously elected Editor of the Council Bulletin.

38. Voted: that the *Daily Announcer* be continued for the Council Meeting, and that Mrs. C. W. Nichols be requested to serve as Editor. (Mrs. Nichols found it impossible to render this service and Mrs. Helen B. Bourne was requested to assume the responsibility.)

A letter was read by the Treasurer from Mr. Williamson, a lawyer of Monticello, Ark., concerning a bequest of \$3,024.93 and personal articles from Mrs. Jossey Pope Bennett to the Woman's Missionary Council. The check for the full amount had been sent to the Treasurer and Mr. Williamson had asked what disposition should be made of the personal articles.

39. It was voted that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Pope, Mrs. Bennett's only living relative, and executor of the will. And voted further that the personal articles referred to—a wrist watch, Bible, and clothing—be given to Mr. Pope.

40. It was voted that the portion of Mrs. Jossey Pope Bennett's bequest allotted to the Foreign Department be placed in the Special Fund ordered in item 3 of the Report of the Estimates Committee, Annual Report, 1930; and that the portion allotted to the Home Department be left undirected for the present.

41. It was voted that the 1930 Week of Prayer Funds be divided fifty-fifty between the Home and Foreign Departments.

42. Attention was called to vacancies on Standing Committees, Special Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus.

It was voted, 1. That two members be added to the Special Committee on Financial Policy. 2. That vacancies on Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus be filled as follows:

a. On the Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Women, Miss Daisy Davies and Mrs. Nat G. Rollins.

b. On the Commission on Rural Development, Miss Mabel Howell.

c. On the Commission on Industrial Relations, Mrs. H. A. Dunham.

d. On the Committee on Financial Policy, Mrs. Henry S. Owen and Mrs. A. M. Gates.

e. On the Committee on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton and Mrs. W. P. McDermott.

f. On the Bureau of Cooperation with Women in Other Lands, Miss Rena Murphy.

43. Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb read a letter from Dr. Lillian Gilbreath, Secretary of President Hoover's Emergency Committee on Unemployment.

It was voted that the letter be referred to the Commission on In-

dustry; that a reply be sent to the Emergency Committee; and that an emergency letter be sent out to the constituency of the Council.

Volunteers to attend the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War to be held in Washington, D. C., in January were listed as follows: Mrs. W. A. Newell, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. E. B. Chappell. The following were suggested: Mrs. J. N. McEachern, Mrs. T. J. Copeland.

44. Miss Rumbough stated that the children had been invited to furnish a living room or playroom for the children at Holding Institute. Voted that Miss Rumbough be authorized to seek this extra gift from the children.

45. Voted that Mrs. W. F. Tillett be sent a message expressing the happiness of the Committee in Dr. Tillett's recovery from his recent severe illness.

Miss Louise Young spoke of the Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry.

Mrs. Downs spoke of the Glide Foundation.

46. A letter was read by Miss Case from the Committee on Arrangements for the Foreign Mission Conference which in the interest of economy suggested a limited attendance of delegates at the Conference January 13-16, 1930. In response to the call for volunteers to attend this conference Mrs. Downs' name was listed.

MARCH 10, 1931

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council met in the Claridge Hotel, Tuesday evening, March 10, 1931, at seven-thirty o'clock, Mrs. J. W. Perry, Vice President, presiding.

The meeting opened with a devotional service led by Mrs. Perry.

To the roll call all members responded except Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, and Miss Berta Ellison.

1. The Secretary was instructed to send a telegram to Dean F. F. Stephens, conveying assurance of sympathy.

2. In the absence of Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Mrs. W. B. Landrum was elected Editor of the *Daily Announcer*.

3. Mrs. J. E. Cole, of Memphis, reported on bids for printing the *Announcer*, and at her recommendation the lowest bid, that of \$35.50, was accepted. (Later, because plans were made to carry announcements on the regular Sunday Church bulletin, the printer reduced his charges to \$16.)

4. Mrs. J. E. Cole was elected assistant to Mrs. Landrum.

5. Special committees for the Council Session were appointed.

6. The report of the Special Committee on Scarritt Funds, especially the Maintenance Fund, was read and discussed. It was voted to defer action on this paper until copies could be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee and more information secured upon which to base action. The Committee was continued to make further study

of questions involved, and the membership of the Committee increased to five, the two additional members to be chosen from Council members of the Scarritt Board. The members added to the Committee were Mrs. Hume R. Steele and Mrs. Henry S. Owen.

8. Inasmuch as the Memphis Broadcasting Station, WREC, had extended an invitation to the Council for three speakers for twenty-five minutes Friday and Monday mornings, it was voted to accept the invitation with appreciation, and a committee of three, Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, Miss Louise Young, and Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, were appointed to select these speakers.

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

REPORTS

HOME DEPARTMENT

MRS. J. W. DOWNS, SECRETARY

It is natural that Christian women who regard every human life as a reflex of divinity and recognize in each the possibility of fashioning out of the lowly clay a pattern of grace and perfection that, with this conception of human possibilities, they would be moved to undertake the tasks which are recorded in the history of their missionary work.

With a knowledge of the people in many sections where our Church is organized, these women undertook to chart the needs and seek the means of meeting them, not depending on money values alone, but realizing that the education and development of a constituency was necessary in order to make the best provision for less favored people.

They became aware, they could hardly tell how, of an increasing consciousness of the hurt and wrong of racial prejudices, and through a period of years of contact and coöperation they have grown to know that "races were not superior one to another, but that some of them have been less favored by circumstances, by geographical positions, and by natural resources of the country in which they live."

This growing and increased consciousness has led to a sisterhood with people of the many nationalities in the United States. They began with the larger groups of New Americans in a few cities where the needs were most apparent and developed, through their missionary organization and through the effort of women who were willing to give their lives and who were especially trained for the service, many types of work, out of which naturally grew institutions. They realized in the time of beginnings, when the funds to be spent were very limited, that an institution grew up to meet a need and to serve the people of the community in which it was placed.

It was natural that they should undertake to teach little children. It was natural that they should make contacts with mothers whose responsibilities were such that they could not give full time and attention to their homes and the rearing of their children.

This service was, and continues to be, rendered through the Day Nursery, the Nursery School, and the Kindergarten, in which the mental, physical, social, and spiritual development of childhood was and is given careful attention.

From these has gone forth into our nation and into other countries an army of men and women who, coming from less favored environments, have had opportunities to develop character which has helped to change for good the thinking, the attitude, and the actions of nations.

This plan of sharing became a constantly unfolding and developing process in the lives of women, and the opportunities for service, with the increasing consciousness of need, brought together women from every section of our Church in a sisterhood, which in turn became an opportunity for self-development; and the small beginning with limited numbers in a restricted area has become a world sisterhood in which the members know that life is not bound by oceans, continents, nor nationalities, but by environment and opportunity and lack of knowledge. They have clasped hands across what had been a chasm to find the response of sisterhood the world round strong and true and understanding.

If it were possible to bring before us to-day the thousands of little children who have found friendship, sympathy, love, understanding, and opportunities for education through the efforts of these women, we would be amazed that we had been allowed to share with them the good things which have come to us, often through no conscious effort of our own, and we would realize that increasingly we must recognize the difference in opportunity for the enrichment of life through an educational process. We are sure this recognition will lead us to put forth a greater effort and will make us more self-sacrificing and understanding as we share with the whole world to-day.

There has grown up in connection with the institutions that have been established a volunteer service which has enlarged the lives and increased the capacities for sympathy of many persons. This has been especially true in the service rendered through clinics. The professional medical men and surgeons have given most freely of their time and able service, first, in relieving and making fit people who, through lack of understanding, had need for physical rehabilitation; and, later, in the field of preventive medicine and such care of the body as would enable it to function normally through a long life. Nurses, too, have been most generous in sharing their skill and service.

In the communities where States and counties were not able to provide training that was needed by special groups, this organized sisterhood has shared in making possible the opportunities that would be most helpful by providing schools which offered the courses that best fitted them for the life that they were to live. Women were taught the art of making a home, of caring for a family, of economic values, and the necessity for cleanliness, beauty, and order.

With the development of machinery and the changes which it brought the necessity for releasing little children from the wheels of industry became more and more apparent. They felt that this service could be best rendered by teaching them to discern the true from the false, the real from the unreal, and that the Golden Rule was applicable both in the lives of employer and employee.

They recognized, too, in this time of mechanical development the sister on whose shoulders the burdens of our economic order laid heavily, and they have sought to instill loyalty to the teachings of

Jesus in his dauntless proclamations, as they stood for justice, for the relief of the oppressed, for the putting away of all wrongdoing and of dealing with every person on the basis of appreciation for human personality, recognizing in each kinship to the divine.

There has been a constantly increasing purpose to adapt plans and programs to meet any need that may develop.

In this period of change the necessity for knowing the whole community, all of the people, and the conditions under which they live has been recognized. This process has kept both the worker and the plans from becoming static. There is an expectation of growth and development, and to those who are intrusted the management of institutions and the work to be done there a sense of alertness and dependence has become necessary which has made us know that there must be a confidence, a sureness, and a feeling of "at-homeness" that will give stability and poise if they are to guide human ideals and human lives.

We realize that those who share life so largely and so constantly could not go forward to the task fully equipped unless they were conscious of this sureness and of the value of peace and of beauty and that they dwell in the universe where God reigns and where all things are linked together by one divine purpose.

Edwin Booth is quoted as saying to aspiring young actors: "The king sits in every audience. Play to him." It is true that each of us listens for his approval. We need the friendly smile, the cordial handshake, the "well done, good and faithful one," and, when it comes, we are alight with the glow that is not of this earth. Our strength is renewed; we sing in our souls; and as we work we know our work is good and life is sweet.

In this time, when everybody seems to be talking of a changing world, when the "patient religionist" is irreverently jostled by the feverish and restless crowd, we will be strengthened for the task if we remember the king is always present and that it is to him we are to play, for we must be able to place at the disposal of the world's less favored ones, not bread alone, but the strength which we may have, with its experience and its wisdom.

The report of our Home Work for 1930 will not show a marked difference from that of 1929. The number of commissioned workers is practically the same. A few names are added to the retired list each year, but the group that comes in annually is much larger than the retiring group. A few are released each year for personal reasons, so we just about maintain our balance.

As the number of retired workers increases, the need to provide a home free from rent in which they may live becomes more apparent. Many of them have no families to which they could go; others have lived separately so long that their interests are not common, and they would be more content in a Church home, and this provision

could be made so that the small stipend allowed retired workers would more nearly meet their needs.

The number of institutions has been increased by a new Bethlehem House in Birmingham, Ala., and in Winston-Salem, N. C., and the beginning of another one in Spartanburg, S. C., where an interested group of women have undertaken to meet a long-felt need.

There is an increasing interest in the rural needs and a real desire to meet them. We are learning to evaluate our needs and to make our program with the needs distinctly to the foreground in our thinking and planning.

Adult education is being carefully studied, and in a number of places day and night classes have been opened and are well attended.

The feeling of responsibility for helping to develop right attitudes and Christian character increases as we are confronted by the needs and recognize our responsibilities for educating and preparing youth to live joyously, helpfully, and sympathetically in a world where good and bad are side by side.

Through the organized efforts in the Home Section of our work there are to-day thirty-six Christian community centers. They are located in thirteen States and minister to thousands of people daily, reaching the many nationalities which are gathered in the United States and call it home.

There are nine schools in six States with more than a hundred teachers.

There are ten communities in six States in which rural work is being done.

There are fourteen Churches that have the services of Church deaconesses in nine States.

There are seven Christian homes for business young women in six States.

There are four teachers of Bible in State schools located in three States.

There are five homes on the campuses of State schools in which the young women live and are given opportunity for social and Christian development.

There is one home for problem children where a scientific study of each child is made and provision made so that child may be placed where normal development is possible.

There is a missionary at Galveston, Tex., whose service to those who come to us from other lands and who must be returned, under the laws of our country, that cannot be overestimated. He is brother, friend, counselor, comforter, and helper to thousands.

There is one home for the rehabilitation of young women who, through circumstances for which they were not wholly responsible, have become delinquent.

There is one deaconess assigned to our Tubercular Hospital in

Tucson, Ariz., who devotes her time to the many lonely ones who are disappointed and sad who are much in need of Christian comfort and encouragement.

Many of these institutions have their own governing boards. Each of the others has an advisory board. The women of the Missionary Societies feel for each a personal interest and love.

It would be impossible to do the work that has been done and that must be done in these centers if it were not for the group of splendid women who have pledged themselves to Christian service. One hundred and eighty-four of them are now enrolled in this capacity. Among them are many of the brightest, the most capable, the most enthusiastic, and the best trained women of our Church. While standing back of them are those who have given devotedly, sacrificingly and lovingly of their lives to this service, and associated with these are more than a hundred trained people who have volunteered to enter this field of service. They are sure that Christ's method of changing the world into the kingdom of God, making the transformed individual the unit, has a place for every one of us, and employs such simple means as love and good will and brotherliness, the graces of the common life and that God is allowing each of us to share with him in high spiritual adventure.

FOREIGN WORK

ESTHER CASE, SECRETARY

UPON rereading my report, written a year ago, I am struck by the fact that some conditions mentioned then are practically unchanged, while marked changes have taken place in others. New buildings and equipment are asked for again by workers whose hearts are made sick by "hope deferred." Increase in the missionary personnel is still a great need, but greater than the need of new missionaries is that of adequately trained national workers in sufficient numbers to assume a larger share of responsibility. There has been deplorable lack of vision on some fields and at home. Otherwise, we would have provided educational advantages for girls above high school on each of the six older fields. We are contributing to Ewha College and the Union Bible School in Korea, with missionaries and a share in maintenance; in China, we coöperate with other Boards in Ginling College, Bible Teachers' Training School, and Shanghai Woman's Christian Medical College; in Japan, we have our own Hiroshima College for Girls; recently, the recommendation has come from our workers in Brazil to make Collegio Bennett a union college for girls, but unfortunately it has come in the lean years, when we are unable to finance any new work, and other Boards are unable to join with us in the expense of setting up a college. Our neglect, through failure to provide for leadership training in the Latin-American fields, is

brought home to us forcefully in this new day of autonomous Churches, which is demanding readjustments and a larger sharing in the administration of the work with nationals.

Conditions have prevailed at home and on some of the foreign fields that have tried the souls of men and women and tested their faith. Political affairs are still unsettled in China, and vast multitudes of her people are stricken by famine. Economic conditions are difficult in Japan and Korea. Brazil has had a revolution which resulted in the overthrow of its government. Cuba is still trembling on the brink of a political and economic revolution. The task of reconstruction has not yet been completed in Mexico, and perhaps the same statement might apply to some of the territory where our workers are located in Poland. Demands upon the Industrial Department in the Congo, incident to the building program of the new Leper Colony near Minga, and unexpected situations have caused delay in various lines of work on the stations. The extended drought, which blighted a large portion of our own fair land, and the panic caused by bank failures, have made it difficult for many of us. Let us look beyond the borders of our own country and realize that our losses increase the problems of our coworkers at the ends of the earth. Let us take care not to complicate the difficult situations they are facing by failure in prayers and financial support.

At its meeting in Dallas, Tex., in May, 1930, our General Conference took action authorizing the establishment of autonomous Churches in Mexico, Korea, and Brazil. In the case of Mexico and Korea, it granted the right to unify with the Methodist Episcopal Church, upon requests from the Churches on the fields. These acts, and the subsequent setting up of the three Churches by the commissions charged with that responsibility, launched fully a new era that was initiated in China when a Central Council composed of missionaries and nationals was formed and began to function in 1928, by making recommendations concerning missionaries, estimates, and policies for the work. It is probable that soon such a Council will be organized in Cuba. Bishop J. W. Tarboux, of Brazil, has a long record of efficient service as a missionary to his credit. We cannot help a feeling of satisfaction because our Southern Church has furnished the two bishops of the unified Churches—Bishop J. W. Pascoe, of Mexico, and Bishop J. S. Ryang, of Korea, and that Bishop Akazawa, of the United Methodist Church in Japan, is a product of our Church. It was a blessed provision that in this year of the material difficulties referred to above, the Churches in the mission fields should have the inspiration and encouragement and this expression of confidence from the "Mother Churches." They are timorous lest our support may be withdrawn before they are able to provide for the needs. They are humble folk, and it is a great undertaking to try to support the Church and all its organizations. We have built up some great in-

stitutions which are vital to the ongoing of the work, but the infant Churches would be crushed if we were to drop this financial burden upon them now.

The relation of these new Churches to our Church is fraternal, but a vital connection is provided for in the "Central Councils," or "Councils of Coöperation," as they are called in some fields. The relation of the women's societies to our Woman's Missionary Council is fraternal, also. In Brazil, the Missionary Societies, the Ladies' Aids, and Layman's Movement were disbanded, to be reorganized into Methodist Adult Societies, which are to provide the program of Church activities for adults. These societies may be for women, for men, or for both. Provision was made for local, Conference, and national organizations. The women missionary leaders are happy over this larger opportunity which lies before their organization. In Korea, women were granted clergy rights, and both men and women belong to the Missionary Society. In Mexico, a Secretary has been elected for the Missionary Societies, and committees are working to prepare a unified program to be used in both sections.

After the work of the Commission to Brazil was finished and the General Conference of the new Church had adjourned, I started on an itinerating trip to the various stations. I found that our schools were enjoying full enrollment, in spite of the troublous times. The revolution broke out while I was in the "Northwest," and travel was interrupted to such extent that I could not go to Bello Horizonte. Nobody could foretell what the end of the movement would be, so after waiting for about two weeks in Rio, upon the advice of Bishop Tarboux and the missionaries, I sailed home sooner than I had anticipated. None of our people suffered bodily harm during the disturbances, and when the steamer was in mid-ocean the news was received by radio of the end of the revolution.

It is no surprise, surely, to announce a great decrease in funds for the work. Mrs. Fulton and the Estimates Committee will present the situation clearly before the Council. I dread to hear of the disappointment of workers over cuts in their estimates, but I dread more the spiritual loss that will come to our own Societies and Churches if we fall into the attitude of poverty and become hardened to appeals for our Lord's work. This difficult time may prove to be a blessing in disguise, if it results in reevaluation of our task, the cutting off of some institutions in the fields that are no longer contributing what they should to the whole missionary program, and the revitalizing of the whole. What greater opportunity could a Kagawa have to present the gospel message to needy souls! When did we, ourselves, ever need so deep a work of grace in our lives?

FINANCIAL REPORT

MRS. INA DAVIS FULTON, TREASURER

RECEIPTS BY DEPARTMENTS

CONFERENCES	Adult	Young People	Juniors	Baby	Primary	Totals
Alabama.....	\$ 34,577 95	\$ 948 03	\$ 682 44	\$ 477 35	\$ 348 23	\$ 37,034 00
Arizona.....	2,066 56	18 98	86 75	41 06	22 99	2,236 34
Baltimore.....	34,986 25	4,828 03	2,415 18			42,229 46
Brazil.....	17 03					17 03
Belgium Missionary Society.....	20 00					20 00
Central Texas.....	25,300 50	262 78	398 33	41 53	31 63	26,034 77
Czechoslovakia W. M. S.....	50 00					50 00
Cuba.....	150 78					150 78
Denver.....	548 43		50 00	2 50		600 93
East Oklahoma.....	14,470 26	305 51	161 68	186 65	290 54	15,414 64
Florida.....	35,763 91	720 84	578 79	256 31	193 48	37,513 33
Holston.....	35,552 00	4,654 50	981 29	362 95	442 46	41,993 20
Illinois.....	1,069 42		74 75	17 05	2 74	1,163 96
Indian W. M. S.....	203 40		15 00			218 40
Kentucky.....	20,317 43	1,496 77	346 85	98 10	182 67	22,441 82
Little Rock.....	22,148 62	889 30	467 04	153 03	189 70	23,847 69
Los Angeles.....	5,286 34	52 00	145 41	9 15	6 75	5,499 65
Louisiana.....	34,052 83	463 76	495 82	147 82	159 79	35,320 02
Louisville.....	21,032 49	1,090 50	547 75	179 29	101 48	22,951 51
Memphis.....	35,887 57	2,993 49	1,428 05	744 26	643 74	41,697 11
Mississippi*.....	15,808 86	108 70	346 92	150 18	221 99	16,536 65
Missouri.....	11,690 19	491 93	169 90	32 40	34 00	12,418 42
New Mexico.....	6,757 66	255 00	145 52	19 00	22 82	7,200 00
North Alabama.....	44,935 49	1,276 00	953 20	419 24	416 07	48,000 00
North Arkansas.....	19,062 37	427 09	398 43	72 64	86 10	20,046 63
North Carolina.....	40,288 81	644 59	1,384 98	761 80	1,439 49	44,519 67
North Georgia.....	53,299 86	2,503 50	2,203 05	1,495 44	1,431 94	60,933 79
North Mississippi.....	25,176 55	736 79	1,355 79	28 98	33 63	27,331 74
North Texas.....	32,568 73	622 30	374 32	447 94	147 85	34,161 14
Northwest.....	1,250 35	19 65	16 71	3 08	24	1,290 03
Northwest Texas.....	24,190 04	500 00	423 34	114 90	71 76	25,300 04
Pacific.....	3,747 99	31 25	132 94	6 80	5 04	3,924 02
South Carolina.....	23,310 16	647 23	629 20	72 60	58 11	24,717 30
South Georgia.....	53,961 14	650 20	958 15	410 51	263 66	56,243 66
Southwest Missouri.....	12,013 70	552 13	339 97	42 33	107 45	13,055 58
St. Louis.....	11,085 17	1,000 00	191 69	35 87	57 27	12,370 00
Tennessee.....	30,039 75	1,408 47	936 77	250 05	238 23	32,873 27
Texas.....	34,096 40	500 00	600 00	500 00	400 00	36,096 40
Upper South Carolina.....	26,594 89	690 43	559 36	122 97	148 29	28,115 94
Virginia.....	50,580 72	3,381 88	1,178 49	352 23	470 10	55,963 42
West Oklahoma.....	11,157 26	499 17	319 71	123 55	51 31	12,151 00
West Texas.....	30,595 23	530 38	557 18	390 85	148 39	32,222 03
Western North Carolina.....	55,326 18	3,317 14	1,634 83	504 28	872 53	61,654 96
Western Virginia.....	15,130 44	1,011 80	337 41	117 01	104 04	16,700 70
Total.....	\$ 956,169 71	\$40,530 12	\$25,022 99	\$ 9,191 70	\$9,346 51	\$1,040,261 03
1929.....	1,008,604 43	51,341 34	28,979 43	11,369 43	9,933 32	1,110,227 90
Decrease.....	\$ 52,434 72	\$10,811 22	\$ 3,956 44	\$ 2,177 78	\$ 586 81	\$ 69,966 87

*Mississippi fourth quarter report failed to reach office in time to be counted in the income for 1930.

†This is to give Northwest Texas credit for \$300 for which they failed to receive credit in 1929.

RECEIPTS FOR 1930

CONFERENCES	Foreign	Home	Scarritt	Totals
Alabama.....	\$ 21,701 45	\$ 14,657 51	\$ 675 04	\$ 37,034 00
Arizona.....	1,362 30	829 04	45 00	2,236 34
Baltimore.....	24,925 99	16,470 10	833 37	42,229 46
Brazil.....	17 03			17 03
Belgium Missionary Society.....	20 00			20 00
Central Texas.....	15,687 11	9,176 05	1,171 61	26,034 77
Czechoslovakia Woman's Missionary Society.....	30 00	20 00		50 00
Cuba.....	150 78			150 78
Denver.....	352 40	236 53	12 00	600 93
East Oklahoma.....	8,721 11	5,642 58	1,050 95	15,414 64
Florida.....	20,317 41	16,215 92	980 00	37,513 33
Holston.....	24,634 41	16,940 07	418 72	41,993 20
Illinois.....	686 52	477 44		1,163 96
Indian Woman's Missionary Society.....	129 96	88 44		218 40
Kentucky.....	12,684 28	9,134 66	622 88	22,441 82
Little Rock.....	14,323 48	9,260 76	263 45	23,847 69
Los Angeles.....	3,516 96	1,612 69	370 00	5,499 65
Louisiana.....	18,907 47	15,577 50	835 05	35,320 02
Louisville.....	13,585 84	9,017 82	347 85	22,951 51
Memphis.....	24,606 96	15,640 15	1,450 00	41,697 11
Missouri.....	7,052 50	4,763 92	602 00	12,418 42
Mississippi*	9,697 06	6,419 14	420 45	16,536 65
New Mexico.....	4,245 22	2,765 43	189 35	7,200 00
North Alabama.....	28,879 06	18,387 78	733 16	48,000 00
North Arkansas.....	11,921 61	7,722 67	402 35	20,046 63
North Carolina.....	26,502 57	16,749 49	1,267 61	44,519 67
North Georgia.....	33,064 15	24,330 99	3,538 65	60,933 79
North Mississippi.....	15,993 11	10,668 53	670 10	27,331 74
North Texas.....	19,561 97	13,601 29	997 88	34,161 14
Northwest.....	758 25	531 78		1,290 03
Northwest Texas.....	14,535 43	9,403 95	1,360 66	25,300 04
Pacific.....	2,407 90	1,203 09	313 03	3,924 02
South Carolina.....	14,565 92	9,351 38	800 00	24,717 30
South Georgia.....	31,595 74	23,502 80	1,145 12	56,243 66
Southwest Missouri.....	7,853 04	4,744 64	457 90	13,055 58
St. Louis.....	6,707 12	4,306 88	1,356 00	12,370 00
Tennessee.....	19,236 19	12,837 17	799 91	32,873 27
Texas.....	19,872 46	15,166 04	1,057 90	36,096 40
Upper South Carolina.....	16,627 14	10,553 82	934 98	28,115 94
Virginia.....	33,684 24	20,573 93	1,705 25	55,963 42
West Oklahoma.....	7,062 92	4,448 68	639 40	12,151 00
West Texas.....	18,786 07	12,964 28	471 68	32,222 03
Western North Carolina.....	35,040 94	24,135 88	2,478 14	61,654 96
Western Virginia.....	9,372 41	6,718 69	609 60	16,700 70
Total.....	\$601,384 48	\$406,849 51	\$32,027 04	\$1,040,261 03
Other Sources.....	42,887 55	58,128 55	2,853 96	103,870 06
School Funds.....		31,874 60		31,874 60
Total.....	\$644,272 03	\$496,852 66	\$34,881 00	\$1,176,005 69

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

ALL DEPARTMENTS

Cash balance January 31, 1930 \$ 443,891 18

1930 Receipts:

Annuity Bond	\$	100	00
African Piano Fund		979	97

Bequests:

Mrs. Jossey Pope Ben-			
nett		3,034	93
Mrs. Sue T. Cameron.		324	73
Mrs. Addie M. Graham		2,000	00
Mrs. Julia A. Gaither.		450	00
Mrs. Sarah M. Magness		100	00
Mrs. Sallie D. Philpott		2,350	25
Bible Women		33,319	72
Day Schools		2,832	50
Dues		397,302	22
Dormitory Funds		10,520	95
Interest		42,221	30
First payment of equity			
in income from Doc-			
tors' Building prior to			
to January 1, 1931 ...		8,033	85
I n s u r a n c e from St.			
Mark's Hall		185	00
Jubilee		2,755	50
Junior Magazine Income		80	00
Literature Sales		9,800	32
Life Members		6,480	00
Missionary Voice Salary.		983	29
Memorial—Martha Watts		100	00
Pledge		453,206	02
Refunds		13,444	55
Rent		410	00
Maria Lyang Gibson			
Fund for Retirement			
and Relief		17,631	17
Scholarships—Foreign .		13,719	18
Scholarships—Home ...		15,926	51
School Funds		31,874	60
Specialized Training ...		853	53
Scarritt Scholarships and			
Maintenance		34,881	00
Specials		9,073	47
Home Mission Specials .		2,903	00
Swindell Memorial, North			
Carolina Conference .		150	00
Week of Prayer		57,692	05

Miscellaneous	\$ 311 08
Centenary—Foreign	3,631 44
Centenary—Home	1,025 54
Christian Education — Home	793 67
Christian Education — Scarritt	442 97
Bennett Memorial	446 00

Total Receipts \$1,626,261 49

Funds Collected:

Sale of Bonds	\$ 4,975 00
Sale of certificates of de- posit	30,799 90
Sale of stock	7,474 00
Notes collected	52,076 57—\$ 95,325 47

Balance transient funds on hand 228 00

Total deposited 1,277,923 78

\$1,721,814 96

Disbursements:

Regular Work	\$1,054,935 27
Scarritt and Bennett Memorial	47,617 77
Notes purchased	64,000 00
Bonds	87,523 31
Certificates of deposit	11,064 00
Advances on 1931 less \$70,031.03 Out- standing Drafts	107,803 36— 1,372,943 71

Cash balance January 31, 1931 \$ 348,871 25

CASH BALANCE AVAILABLE AS FOLLOWS

Foreign:

Regular	\$ 55,996 95
Centenary	56,276 94

Home:

Regular and Centenary	236,486 28
Educational	1,574 27

Scarritt:

Regular	3,421 38
Educational	442 97

354,198 79

*Bennett Memorial: (Over-
drawn) \$ 74 73*

*Education and Promotion:
(Overdrawn) 5,252 81*

5,327 54—\$ 348,871 25

DIVISION OF DISBURSEMENTS, 1930-1931

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

Appropriations:

	1930	1931
<i>Brazil:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous	\$ 51,088 68	\$ 11,832 64
<i>China:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous....	\$ 92,085 29	27,696 88
Woman's Union Medical Work	14,600 00	3,557 28
<i>Congo:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous	20,860 61	7,958 84
<i>Cuba:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships and miscellaneous	32,115 27	7,468 75
<i>Japan:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous	101,802 16	24,528 49
<i>Korea:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous	128,614 44	32,619 68
<i>Siberia:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous	2,820 00	705 00
<i>Mexico:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous	83,086 32	18,716 92
<i>Russia:</i> Maintenance, salaries, scholarships, and miscellaneous	6,029 17	2,154 60
<i>Scarritt College</i>	20,500 00	5,125 00
<i>Inter-Board Work</i>	3,124 00	818 50
<i>Contingent</i>	5,594 52	124 50

Liabilities:

Annuities	\$ 2,626 54
African Piano Fund ...	977 57
Hiroshima, Japan, Special for piano	2,778 22
Jubilee Fund	1,337 25
Scarritt—Interest from Belle H. Bennett Bequest (Library)	315 00
Scarritt Interest—Sallie J. Hendricks scholarship	300 00
Special for sterilizer ...	600 00
Special for Dowdell Memorial	10,000 00
Specials	512 00
Specialized Training ...	4,857 16
Maria Lyang Gibson Fund	6,796 65

Isabella Hendrix:

Week of Prayer—Interest on money borrowed \$	2,125 00	
Miscellaneous	242 27—\$	33,467 66

Investments:

Notes	\$ 37,350 00	
Bonds	50,025 25	87,375 25

Total for Foreign Department	\$ 683,163 37	\$ 143,307 08
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HOME DEPARTMENT

Appropriations:

Bible Teachers	\$ 9,063 49	\$ 727 26
City Mission and Conference Appropriations ..	\$ 9,658 00	
Birmingham City Mission Board	600 00	50 00
Fort Worth City Mission Board	999 96	83 33
San Francisco City Mission Board	399 96	33 33
		11,657 92

Cuban:

Ruth Hargrove	\$ 2,541 00	195 00
Rosa Valdez	6,052 61	425 33
Wolff Settlement	7,345 75	590 25
		15,939 36

Delinquent Girls:

Virginia K. Johnson Home	12,318 35	1,046 30
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Dependent Girls:

Vashti Industrial School	25,011 69	1,532 50
Repairs	256 35	

Gulf Coast:

Galveston, Tex.	\$ 2,400 00	200 00
Biloxi, Miss.	6,849 85	800 92
Houma, La.	13,620 70	1,056 00
New Orleans, La.	8,986 92	467 16
Pascagoula, Miss.		100 00
		31,857 47

Home Mission Specials:

North Mississippi Conference	\$ 1,200 00	100 00
Kentucky Conference ...	300 00	75 00
Alabama Conference ...	375 00	75 00
Virginia Conference ...	400 00	100 00
West Texas	325 00	75 00
Louisiana	1,380 00	115 00
South Georgia (Hamp Stevens)	900 00	75 00

Western Virginia	\$ 1,075 00	\$ 75 00
Louisville	1,100 00	100 00
North Georgia	1,100 00	100 00
South Georgia Rural ...	1,041 67	100 00
North Texas	1,400 00	125 00
Cntral Texas		100 00

\$ 11,596 67

Mexican Work:

Holding Institute	\$ 13,252 42	923 75
Homer Toberman	4,014 36	333 33
San Antonio	3,300 00	275 00
Valley Institute	6,495 17	419 12
Community Center, El Paso, Tex.	5,300 00	556 25

32,361 95

Miners:

Hartshorne	\$ 749 97	
Picher	900 00	75 00
Lyra	999 96	75 00
West Virginia Coal Fields	6,300 00	425 00

8,949 93

Mountain:

Sue Bennett College	\$ 39,399 72	1,906 00
Brevard Institute	23,423 71	1,563 33

62,823 43

Negro Work:

Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga.	\$ 4,290 17	625 00
Nashville Bethlehem Center	8,468 00	691 25
Paine College	11,633 69	966 00
Winston-Salem	900 00	75 00
Teachers, Social Training Committee on Interracial Work	600 00	75 00
Bethlehem House Building Fund, Augusta ..	2,000 00	
Birmingham Building Fund	3,670 51	
Winston-Salem Building Fund	13,883 05	
Winston-Salem Building Fund	13,727 06	

59,172 48

Western Work:

Tucson, Ariz.	\$ 900 00	75 00
Walsenburg, Colo.	991 63	83 33
San Francisco	2,200 00	180 00

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Phoenix	\$ 900 00	\$ 150 00
Spofford Home	3,600 00	300 00
	\$ 8,591 63	
Scarritt College	23,000 00	5,125 00
Contingent	6,310 52	

Miscellaneous:

Deaconess Expense and		
Travel	\$ 5,120 47	85 00
Furloughs	13,400 00	3,300 00
Council of Women	600 00	
Rural Work	4,375 00	410 00
Industrial Workers	1,725 00	175 00

25,220 47

Liabilities:

Annuities	\$ 796 34
Centenary—work on Gulf Coast	3,091 92
Centenary—work at Paine College	15,000 00
Centenary—work, Nashville Bethlehem Center	650 00
Dormitory Expense	35,538 13
Educational Work from Miller Bequest	375 00
Holding Building Fund	380 00
Jubilee Fund	1,634 78
Scarritt—Interest from McKenzie Endowed Scholarship	300 00
Scarritt—Interest Brevard Spencer Scholarship	271 57
Scarritt—Interest South Georgia Endowed Scholarship	300 00
Scarritt—Interest Belle H. Bennett Bequest ..	240 00
Scholarships	21,172 50
Specials	2,481 68
Nashville Bethlehem Center Building Fund ..	26,693 30
Maria Lyang Gibson Fund for Retirement and Relief	8,119 32
Miscellaneous	423 90
Repairs on Jo Johnson Property	477 90
Vashti Funds—Furnishing a room	933 81
Week of Prayer	
West Virginia Coal Fields	47 50
Building barn at Brevard	1,861 40

120,789 05

Investments:

Notes	\$ 24,250 00
Certificates of deposit ..	11,064 00
Bonds	37,498 06

\$ 72,812 06

Total for Home Department	\$ 537,732 82	\$ 27,314 74
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ADMINISTRATION

Salary and Clerical Help: General Secretary	\$ 2,976 71	\$ 166 70
Salaries: Secretaries and Treasurer....	10,800 00	800 00
Bishops' travel	2,125 30	
Clerical Help: Office expense and travel.	11,736 56	839 04
Board meetings	2,782 49	67 69
Rent	3,762 12	
Regional Conferences	972 81	

Total for Administration	\$ 35,155 99	\$ 1,873 43
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EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

President of Council: Office expense and travel	\$ 1,500 00	\$ 375 00
Vice President: Office expense and travel	250 00	50 00
Recording Secretary: Office expense and travel	204 41	50 00
Superintendent of Social Service: Office expense and travel	2,200 00	550 00
Superintendent of Young People and Children: Office expense and travel ...	5,957 15	449 81
Secretaries' salaries	10,200 00	950 00
Clerical Help: Office expense and travel.	15,353 39	1,409 37
Committee meetings	5,799 37	148 33
Service Department	8,015 00	842 83
Publications	20,356 79	2 25
Schools of Missions	2,192 24	
Council meeting	8,277 55	
Missionary Education Movement	168 00	332 00
Junaluska Building Expense	223 77	
Rent	3,593 41	96 22
General Secretary and Clerical Help		83 33

Total for Education and Promotion. \$	84,291 08	\$ 5,339 14
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UNITED FUNDS

Scarritt College:

Scholarships and Maintenance	\$ 44,448 52
Investments	2,400 00

\$ 46,848 52

Bennett Memorial 769 25

Total for United Funds		\$ 47,617 77
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SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS, 1930

Foreign Department	\$ 683,163 37
Home Department	537,732 82
Administration	35,155 99
Education and Promotion	84,291 08
United Funds	47,617 77

\$1,387,961 03

Less advances in 1929 on 1930 work 122,820 68 \$1,265,140 35

SUMMARY OF ADVANCES ON 1931

Foreign Department	\$143,307 08
Less drafts outstanding ..	70,031 03 \$ 73,276 05
Home Department	27,314 74
Administration	1,873 43
Education and Promotion..	5,339 14

107,803 36

Total Disbursed in 1930 \$1,372,943 71

Board of Missions,
Methodist Episcopal Church, South,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Gentlemen: According to instructions, we have made an examination of the books and records of account of Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Treasurer of the Woman's Work of the Board of Missions, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the year 1930 ended as of January 31, 1931, and submit the following statement of Income and Appropriations for the year 1930 and Balance Sheet showing the financial condition of the Woman's Work at the close of January 31, 1931, as shown by the books.

All cash recorded in the Cash Receipts Book for the year was traced into the respective depository banks and bank balances verified, and all paid and canceled checks compared with entries for same in Cash Disbursements Book.

The Investments in Certificates of Deposits, Stock Certificates, Bonds, and Notes Receivable were verified by an inspection of the securities or receipts therefor.

The Drafts Outstanding are as shown by the Draft Register.

Note Payable to the American National Bank for \$50,000.00 was verified from the bank's records.

The Advances to Funds and Institutions, and Advances on 1931 Appropriations, together with the Funds Held for Restricted Uses, are as shown by the Ledger.

The foregoing statements are from our audit report, which presents schedules and supporting exhibits giving details of the assets and liabilities, and also covers examination of the funds of the Scarritt College and Bennett Memorial handled through the office of the above Treasurer and report on same. The records were efficiently kept and no discrepancies were disclosed.

Respectfully submitted.

HOMER K. JONES & COMPANY.

BY THOMAS PICKENS,

Certified Public Accountant.

Nashville, Tenn., February 23, 1931.

WOMAN'S WORK, BOARD OF MISSIONS, METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TENN.

BALANCE SHEET, REGULAR WORK, JANUARY 31, 1931

<i>Assets</i>				
	Total	Foreign	Home	Education and Promotion
<i>Current:</i>				
Cash in Banks (Overdraft*)	\$ 345,081 63	\$112,273 89	\$238,060 55	\$5,252 81*
<i>Investments:</i>				
Certificates of deposit	134,859 98	21,000 00	113,859 98	
Stocks and Bonds	176,150 81	107,885 25	68,265 56	
Notes Receivable	411,315 11	178,019 63	233,295 48	
	<u>\$ 722,325 90</u>	<u>\$306,904 88</u>	<u>\$415,421 02</u>	
<i>Advances:</i>				
To Funds and Institutions	\$ 57,795 73	\$ 57,795 73		
On 1931 Appropriations	176,723 06	144,424 21	\$ 27,046 04	\$5,252 81
	<u>\$ 234,518 79</u>	<u>\$202,219 94</u>	<u>\$ 27,046 04</u>	<u>\$5,252 81</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,301,926 32</u>	<u>\$621,398 71</u>	<u>\$680,527 61</u>	
<i>Liabilities and Surplus</i>				
<i>Current:</i>				
Drafts Outstanding	\$ 70,559 03	\$ 70,559 03		
Note Payable	50,000 00	50,000 00		
	<u>\$ 120,559 03</u>	<u>\$120,559 03</u>		
<i>Funds for Restricted Uses:</i>				
Annuities	\$ 47,438 98	\$ 35,700 14	\$ 11,738 84	
Bequests	109,111 49	51,363 06	57,748 43	
Undirected Bequests	5,308 77	5,308 77		
Permanent Endowments	55,450 00	6,700 00	48,750 00	
Centenary	177,667 91	85,999 07	91,668 84	
Restricted contributions and credits, Sundry	650,353 84	276,082 67	374,271 17	
	<u>\$1,045,330 99</u>	<u>\$461,153 71</u>	<u>\$584,177 28</u>	
Total Liabilities	<u>\$1,165,890 02</u>	<u>\$581,712 74</u>	<u>\$584,177 28</u>	
<i>Surplus:</i>				
Surplus January 31, 1930	\$ 197,352 20	\$ 85,547 46	\$111,804 74	
Adjustments increasing	209 80	59 80	150 00	
Adjusted January 31, 1930, surplus	\$ 197,562 00	\$ 85,607 26	\$111,954 74	
Deficit for year 1930	61,525 70	45,921 29	15,604 41	
Surplus January 31, 1931	<u>\$ 136,036 30</u>	<u>\$ 39,685 97</u>	<u>\$ 96,350 33</u>	
Total Liabilities and Sur- plus	<u>\$1,301,926 32</u>	<u>\$621,398 71</u>	<u>\$680 527 61</u>	

BALANCE SHEET, OTHER FUNDS, JANUARY 31, 1931

	<i>Assets</i>		
	Total	Scarritt	Bennett Memorial
<i>Current:</i>			
Cash in Banks (Over- draft*)	\$ 3,789 62	\$ 3,864 35	\$ 74 73*
<i>Investments:</i>			
Certificates of deposit ..	\$ 6,150 00		6,150 00
Stocks and Bonds	500 00	500 00	
Notes Receivable	7,200 00	7,200 00	
	<u>\$ 13,850 00</u>	<u>\$ 7,700 00</u>	<u>\$ 6,150 00</u>
<i>Advances</i>	<u>\$ 320 96</u>		<u>\$ 320 96</u>
Total Assets	\$ 17,960 58	\$ 11,564 35	\$ 6,396 23

Liabilities

Restricted contributions and credits, Sundry ..	\$ 17,960 58	\$ 11,564 35	\$ 6,396 23
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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND APPROPRIATIONS, REGULAR
WORK, YEAR 1931

	Total	Foreign	Home
<i>Income:</i>			
Dues	\$397,302 22	\$238,395 78	\$158,906 44
Pledges	453,186 22	270,853 42	182,332 80
Bible Women	33,319 72	33,319 72	
Scholarships	13,619 18	13,619 18	
Interest	13,934 64	5,417 68	8,516 96
Life Members	6,480 00	3,888 20	2,591 80
Day Schools	2,832 50	2,832 50	
Specials	6,631 45	1,081 45	5,550 00
Total Income	<u>\$927,305 93</u>	<u>\$569,407 93</u>	<u>\$357,898 00</u>

Appropriations:

Field Work	\$827,963 35	\$535,464 76	\$292,498 59
Scarritt College	43,500 00	20,500 00	23,000 00
Education and Promotion ..	71,265 76	35,223 18	36,042 58
Administration	34,199 98	18,549 26	15,650 72
Contingent	11,902 54	5,592 02	6,310 52
Total Appropriations	<u>\$988,831 63</u>	<u>\$615,329 22</u>	<u>\$373,502 41</u>
Deficit for Year	\$ 61,525 70	\$ 45,921 29	\$ 15,604 41

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	17,553 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	23,737 31		
1909-10	254,554 75	139,799 19	42,770 68
Sale of Property	10,007 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	277,569 09	186,747 68	81,160 91
1915	292,629 61	199,384 26	76,584 95
1916	318,395 94	212,314 75	69,540 54

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

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1917\$	350,545	95	\$	225,581	62	\$	76,687	12
1918	410,277	42		264,205	25		81,418	77
1919	481,114	52		386,052	13		88,906	92
1920	.....	556,342	56		400,292	31		98,420	67
1921	.....	544,738	16		402,749	68		135,500	76
1922	.....	529,547	08		397,029	80		105,448	00
1923	.....	544,225	66		412,762	28		64,093	66
1924	.....	562,656	01		451,654	16		59,258	89
1925	.....	629,672	80		455,857	57			
1926	.....	631,590	77		464,313	50			
1927	.....	678,404	19		490,851	11			
1928	.....	640,703	26		481,314	68			
1929	.....	686,654	10		535,602	68			
1930	.....	644,272	03		496,852	66			
Jubilee, 1927	.....	100	00						
Jubilee, 1928	.....	52,198	31		52,198	30			
Jubilee, 1929	.....	1,247	41		1,247	40			
Centenary, 1920	.....	498,511	35		174,583	12			
Centenary, 1921	.....	479,490	31		164,501	94			
Centenary, 1922	.....	152,311	70		27,594	34			
Centenary, 1923	.....	285,678	84		106,430	29			
Centenary, 1924	.....	78,683	48		3,152	25			
Centenary, 1925	.....	81,348	26		24,471	26			
Centenary, 1926	.....	39,184	18		18,986	81			
Centenary, 1927	.....	7,448	74		2,746	03			
Centenary, 1928	5,392	40		1,331	64			
Centenary, 1929	7,109	85		1,137	05			
Centenary, 1930	3,631	44		1,025	54			
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		\$14,545,647		55		\$8,714,078		21	
								\$1,378,008	
								42	

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
1920		16,791	38
1921		27,095	55
1922		25,228	50
1923		22,078	42
1924		32,757	15
1924 Centenary		331	32
1925		22,284	16
1926		24,424	92
1927		27,862	26
1928		34,540	14
1929		30,618	38
1930		34,881	00
	\$	334,402	66

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CAMPAIGN FUNDS

1921: Home schools	.....\$	6,101	82
1922: Home schools	.....	12,102	80
1923: Home schools	.....	9,131	95
1924: Home schools	.....	7,512	20

1925: Home schools	\$	7,720	81
1926: Home schools		6,074	69
1927: Home schools		1,899	36
1928: Home schools		1,013	16
1930: Home schools		793	67
1921: Scarritt		2,806	00
1922: Scarritt		9,279	90
1923: Scarritt		7,096	45
1924: Scarritt		6,527	26
1925: Scarritt		4,596	04
1926: Scarritt		4,399	80
1927: Scarritt		578	00
1928: Scarritt		50	00
1929: Scarritt		760	34
1930: Scarritt		442	97
		\$	88,887 22

BENNETT MEMORIAL FUNDS

1923: Bennett Memorial	\$	46,325	07
1924: Bennett Memorial		80,228	92
1925: Bennett Memorial		124,673	57
1926: Bennett Memorial		388,356	99
1927: Bennett Memorial		9,725	11
1928: Bennett Memorial		3,901	11
1929: Bennett Memorial		1,308	27
1930: Bennett Memorial		446	00
		\$	654,965 04

Grand total\$24,791,896 86

MRS. INA DAVIS FULTON, *Treasurer.*

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

Organization

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB

THE activities of the year have been unusually varied, interesting, and significant. They consisted of:

I. The working out of the membership extension effort planned at the last Council Meeting. This has extended over all of the remaining months of the year. All of the Conferences except three gathered lists of names numbering from a few hundred to more than a thousand. The names sent to the office totaled more than twenty-one thousand. To each of these women, four letters have been sent extending the privilege of membership in the woman's missionary society on behalf of the Council, Conference, district, and auxiliary. The coöperation on the part of the participating Conferences was thorough and there is every evidence that the plan was thoroughly carried out. Whether our hopes for increased membership seemed to have materialized or not the effort has been a vital piece of cultivation and furnishes material for future efforts. Slow-

ly the list of names of those who have responded are coming back to the office, and a welcome is being sent to each.

There are several difficulties in the way of any exact exhibit of the results: such as changes of officers in the interval since the effort was begun; failure to report new members because the financial returns were not commensurate, etc. The effort has certainly over-balanced the annual loss from death, change of residence, and other causes. A statistician has recently summed up the following figures to show the per cent of loss in church membership: out of one hundred in ten years seventy-six are lost; 10% death; 49% removal; 41% unaccounted for. Hence there must always be a counter effort whether the gains are net or not. Like Alice, we must "run to keep standing still" or "run twice as fast" if we gain.

II. The educational program through Mission and Bible Study. The statistics are as follows: Number of mission study classes reported during the year, adult, 8,106; young people, 1,060; children, 1,784. Total, 10,950. A gain of 513 over 1929. The membership in the classes as reported is adult, 161,674; young people, 15,688; children, 46,771. Total, 224,133. Conferences leading in Mission Study for the year North Georgia, North Mississippi, and Western North Carolina. "Trailing the Conquestadors" was the leading book. "The Turn Toward Peace" will have a large use this year. For the Bible Study the figures are as follows: Adult, 5,868, young people, 862. Total, 6,730. Total number of members in these classes 146,426, which is 15,873 less than last year. The South Georgia, North Mississippi, and North Georgia Conferences have led.

There has been the most gratifying coöperation in this work on the part of Conference leaders, and the results in the standards of class work has been encouraging. The Leadership Schools at Sequoyah and Junaluska and the seven Pastors' Schools for which we have furnished teachers have been occasions of preparation from which leaders have gone to train teachers for local classes. Many Conference mission study superintendents have held training days for local leaders of classes that have helped greatly in raising the standard of work done in the classes. The Missionary Education Movement has commented most enthusiastically on the large sale of their books we are making. In their statistics of sales the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is exceeded by only two denominations, viz.: Northern Baptist and Northern Presbyterian. And this large use of the Missionary Education Movement books does not prevent a fine coöperation on the part of our women in the book issued for the united cultivation period of the Boards. Far-reaching plans for this department of our work have been arrived at as the result of the work of the leadership sections of the committee on Conference and Coöperation between the Board of Missions and the Board of Christian Education. While the school of the future will be con-

ducted and diplomas and credits granted by the latter Board, the courses and instructors in missions will always be jointly agreed upon. The most far-reaching result of these Conferences is that a leadership course in current mission study text has been listed as an elective among the missionary courses. This gives a recognition to the current studies by other boards that they have not enjoyed before.

III. Coöperation with the Board of Christian Education.

It is logical after the above discussion that the work as a member of the joint committee on Conference and Coöperation be listed, for it has constituted perhaps the most noteworthy feature of the year's work. The creation of the Board of Christian Education has brought significant changes to the organization. The adult society remains intact with all privileges and obligations to its overhead bodies, but the young people's department passes into the Young People's Department of the New Board, and the Children's work must be carried forward under definite conditions.

The passing of the Young People's Department raised for the adult section a new responsibility for the young women of the Church. If the adult organization is to remain an entity, it must depend upon the young women as its source of supply, and in order to do this must cultivate them with a tact and zeal which we have not exhibited before. The introduction of this group with its spirit of adventure and youthful ardor into our women's ranks should infuse new life into the Woman's Missionary Society, and should mean a rejuvenation of the organization. There should be a constituency of young women, as a circle or integrated into the membership, in every adult society in our organization. Upon these young women should be laid their proportionate part of the responsibility of leadership, and they should have an opportunity for much initiative in making the plans for the work.

Now and then the question arises as to the right of the women to hold their district meetings. We must keep clearly before our district leaders the fact that we are an integral part of the Board of Missions whose promotion plans are in no wise limited under the new relationship. Meetings held to advance the interests of our organization are as vital and necessary now as ever before.

IV. The Extension of our Sisterhood.

The most thrilling event of the year was the attendance of the Secretary upon the Mexican Conferences. The Texas Mexican Annual Conference was visited and with the cordial support of Bishop Sam Hay and Brother Frank Onderdonk and wife the claims of the Woman's Missionary Society were presented. A sympathetic hearing was given and the brethren and sisters of the body committed themselves to the active advancement of the interests of the organization. The conditions were not favorable to the formation of

a Conference Woman's Missionary Society, but we can confidently look forward to the organization in the present year.

At the Western Mexican Conference meeting conditions for organization were propitious, and with the gracious support of Bishop Arthur Moore and Rev. R. J. Parker and wife, the Woman's Work was presented and a Conference Missionary Society organized with four officers. The president of the Society is Mrs. Hernandez, whose presence was a blessing and inspiration as the Jubilee guest from Mexico. Her home is now at El Paso, and she is active in the work of Methodism among the Mexican people on this side of the border.

A simplified constitution has been translated into Spanish for the Mexican auxiliaries, and we are trying to compass the problem of other literature for them.

V. Interdenominational Contacts.

As denominational representative on the Board of Managers and Committees of the Missionary Education Movement and Federation of Woman's Foreign Boards of North America, I attended the meetings in New York during the autumn. These meetings furnished helpful contacts with leaders of other denominations and an opportunity to participate in the plans for the lines of work in which we are mutually interested. Especially valuable are our relationships with the Missionary Education Movement in the promotion of the Educational Work.

The Secretary has greatly enjoyed the membership on the Committee of the Federation which prepares the programs for the World Day of Prayer. Our own missionaries are giving a large service to the committee by receiving and passing on the program to be translated and adapted to the fields in which they work. The program is outlined each year by a woman of one nation, while the Call of Prayer is prepared by a woman of another, so that two women of different countries guide our thought and prayer. The women of our own Church take a leading part in promoting the observance of the day.

SUPPLIES

A table is appended in which is tabulated the results of the work of the year in the department of supplies. Every figure bespeaks the painstaking activities of the earnest group of Conference women in charge of this work, and every item expresses comfort that has been brought to ministers in needy charges, to missionaries and deaconesses personally or as they have been prepared for a larger ministry to their people.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The Life Membership pin which the Virginia Conference designed and so graciously presented to the Council at our last session has been widely used by the women of the missionary society and has given much pleasure. We trust it will be more generally used as the

years go by. A life membership is greatly appreciated by the recipient, and the funds resulting from this honor make a most satisfactory income for the Council, since they build up the fund for the maintenance of the work. This is an extra which every society can easily add to its funds for the year, and which will help in reaching the pledge while it brings pleasure to some interested missionary woman. Let's keep it before our auxiliaries.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO-DAY

As we survey the situation that confronts us to-day, we feel that the organization occupies a place of usefulness among the organized forces of the Church that is gratifying. The reevaluation studies convinced us as leaders that that which was the prime objective in the beginning is of first importance to-day, and that the plans of work which have evolved with the years are in the main satisfactory. The enlargement of the program to enable the womanhood of the Church to make a fuller provision for fulfilling all Christian social relationships has given every socially minded woman an interest in the organization. The Bureau of Coöperation and Extension has made it possible for all women of our Church to realize their sisterhood. As a whole, we have an organization that is a fit instrument for the service of Christ to-day. However, we need closely to scrutinize our organization to find whether it contains the spiritual power necessary for the task. Never has the need of such power been so evident. There may have seemed to be times when the money raised, the missionary sent, was a sufficient substitute for ourselves, and we were lost sight of. To-day, at home and abroad, we are known for what we are, and there comes to each of us individually and to the organization a demand for an exhibit of the Christ Spirit and way of life, a demonstration of our professed motive that will convince those whom we seek to help by our ministry. Because this is true, the spiritual life is a subject of great concern and an effort is being made to build up a new consciousness of God in the personal life of our constituency and a new power of God in our organized life. It is our privilege to have a large part in coöperation with other groups in the Church, in building spiritual centers in the Church: in raising up groups of people who shall study the deep sources of spiritual life and power and demonstrate it in lives of love and sacrificial service. Only as this is done can we as an organization and the Church as a whole supply the spiritual force for the task of to-day.

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSES (ADULT, YOUNG PEOPLE, AND CHILDREN) IN
MISSION AND BIBLE STUDY BY CONFERENCES FOR 1930

CONFERENCES	Mission Study Classes	Members	Bible Study Classes	Members
Alabama.....	299	6,342	172	3,518
Arizona.....	14	219	6	127
Baltimore.....	227	3,841	122	2,467
Central Texas.....	367	7,947	306	7,153
Denver.....	172	3,207	96	1,616
East Oklahoma.....	510	14,267	246	9,608
Florida.....	480	9,566	372	9,743
Holston.....	1	15	2	30
Illinois.....	15	12	12	1,774
Indian Women.....	139	2,221	90	2,889
Kentucky.....	212	3,665	113	789
Little Rock.....	28	565	18	4,023
Los Angeles.....	196	4,766	161	1,766
Louisiana.....	165	2,963	95	6,959
Louisville.....	405	6,806	323	2,504
Memphis.....	147	3,597	114	1,866
Mississippi.....	151	2,852	91	594
Missouri.....	64	926	48	8,503
New Mexico.....	448	10,006	281	2,831
North Alabama.....	255	4,318	148	2,152
North Arkansas.....	313	4,411	135	12,227
North Carolina.....	1,109	39,409	424	6,642
North Georgia.....	889	14,709	494	6,471
North Mississippi.....	441	9,683	295	2,916
North Texas.....	1	7	1	607
Northwest.....	297	3,789	249	1,136
Northwest Texas.....	68	1,172	29	2,693
Pacific.....	134	2,336	71	8,589
St. Louis.....	123	1,988	108	898
South Carolina.....	354	6,005	496	752
South Georgia.....	96	1,627	41	3,042
Southwest Missouri.....	254	4,220	55	5,282
Tennessee.....	317	5,157	175	6,493
Texas.....	264	4,540	241	7,908
Upper South Carolina.....	474	8,916	367	4,296
Virginia.....	703	13,619	317	2,696
Western North Carolina.....	310	5,847	205	2,261
Western Oklahoma.....	303	4,799	150	
West Texas.....	153	3,044	112	
Western Virginia.....				

REPORT OF SUPPLIES BY CONFERENCES FOR 1930

CONFERENCES	Number Donations to Institutions	Number Donations to Missionaries and Needy Preachers	Total Number Donations	Value of Donations
Alabama.....	211	88	299	\$ 4,329 06
Arizona.....				97 11
Baltimore.....	187	31	218	5,456 08
Central Texas.....				6,857 74
Denver.....		(No	Report)	
East Oklahoma.....	30	33	63	1,362 75
Florida.....	203	66	269	2,664 89
Holston.....	53	12	65	800 89
Illinois.....	7		7	90 45
Kentucky.....	37	15	52	827 98
Little Rock.....	40	30	70	1,441 40
Los Angeles.....	24	36	60	933 25
Louisiana.....	611	8	619	4,556 07
Louisville.....	56	157	213	5,119 85
Memphis.....	389	75	464	5,575 78
Mississippi.....	157	2	159	3,703 91
Missouri.....	155	2	157	2,056 01
New Mexico.....	40	3	43	444 05
North Alabama.....	105	133	238	6,463 07
North Arkansas.....	36	31	67	854 76
North Carolina.....	57	65	122	712 00
North Georgia.....	447	55	502	10,466 23
North Mississippi.....	149	44	193	3,356 27
North Texas.....	1,292	99	1,391	13,147 17
Northwest.....	6	3	9	63 85
Northwest Texas.....	95	32	127	2,439 43
Pacific.....				250 00
St. Louis.....	107	20	127	3,331 39
South Carolina.....	65	180	245	1,659 76
South Georgia.....	166	54	220	3,302 14
Southwest Missouri.....	118	6	124	2,929 32
Tennessee.....	99	44	143	4,013 51
Texas.....	150	21	171	2,266 77
Upper South Carolina.....	163	58	221	2,938 78
Virginia.....	245	81	326	8,876 93
Western North Carolina.....	155	7	162	1,935 44
West Oklahoma.....	43	15	58	4,325 95
West Texas.....		(No	Report)	
Western Virginia.....	31	16	47	995 97
Total.....	5,729	1,522	7,251	\$120,646 01

STATISTICS FROM CONFERENCES FOR 1929

CONFERENCES	Adult Auxiliaries	Adult Members	Young People's Auxiliaries	Young People's Members	Junior Epworth Societies	Junior Epworth Members	Primary Divisions	Primary Members	Baby Divisions	Baby Members	Auxiliaries Observing Week of Prayer	Auxiliaries on Honor Roll
Alabama.....	229	5,331	49	626	91	2,016	67	1,016	91	1,894	206	114
Arizona.....	24	543	2	36	14	218	5	59	8	83	19	5
Baltimore.....	225	6,447	126	2,299	128	2,474	54	677	73	872	289	82
Central Texas.....	211	5,777	19	445	99	1,494	42	448	40	361	....	33
Denver.....	7	151	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	....
East Oklahoma.....	121	3,313	20	590	36	725	18	210	25	600	90	29
Florida.....	245	8,833	36	797	102	2,568	67	1,027	54	1,060	198	61
Holston.....	221	7,803	88	2,358	98	3,051	70	1,392	71	1,180	289	109
Illinois.....	22	192	....	....	7	236	....	....	5	....	16	....
Indian Women.....	22	149	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....
Kentucky.....	127	3,445	34	541	32	551	28	396	21	223	90	23
Little Rock.....	130	3,648	29	726	54	1,151	41	470	25	295	91	20
Los Angeles.....	23	1,052	2	79	5	135	....	....	15	22	15	....
Louisiana.....	198	5,139	11	255	97	491	42	262	42	201	148	61
Louisville.....	206	4,931	44	733	46	923	27	386	40	385	116	53
Memphis.....	229	8,152	91	1,679	129	1,281	124	1,003	157	1,195	296	168
Mississippi.....	225	4,744	15	248	59	1,110	47	593	45	482	223	108
Missouri.....	118	2,930	36	698	47	238	15	171	22	448	99	34
New Mexico.....	56	1,034	7	154	7	200	5	115	3	38	44	....
North Alabama.....	279	8,198	119	2,904	133	3,182	97	1,205	115	1,241	226	117
North Arkansas.....	171	4,215	24	229	58	721	33	173	25	209	114	28
North Carolina.....	326	8,602	40	667	135	2,753	136	2,276	83	1,377	314	117
North Georgia.....	359	11,713	70	1,468	273	4,457	258	3,792	308	5,361	242	42
North Mississippi.....	246	5,187	36	579	92	1,163	62	624	57	492	146	99
North Texas.....	179	6,687	18	543	56	1,254	22	311	40	700	154	17
Northwest.....	23	305	4	24	10	115	1	5	1	6	17	....
Northwest Texas.....	226	5,485	22	387	64	1,577	37	511	34	354	155	54
Pacific.....	44	1,015	4	48	31	510	11	128	6	67	34	....
St. Louis.....	110	3,109	24	534	54	116	17	248	15	247	73	12
South Carolina.....	182	5,403	29	501	18	395	6	95	5	60	106	....
South Georgia.....	273	8,270	29	529	109	2,129	69	1,012	54	859	58	26
Southwest Missouri.....	107	3,060	13	626	22	470	12	103	12	108	78	5
Tennessee.....	201	5,719	43	745	91	1,526	54	652	70	869	164	78
Texas.....	233	5,264	18	289	42	1,132	42	501	58	672	179	55
Upper South Carolina.....	219	5,343	27	431	84	935	36	454	38	447	102	30
Virginia.....	422	14,593	156	3,629	158	3,146	97	1,596	116	1,484	391	132
Western Mexican.....	1	52	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Western North Carolina.....	279	9,484	93	1,774	119	2,139	82	1,434	62	836	158	81
West Oklahoma.....	134	3,784	20	581	39	685	22	247	18	238	111	37
West Texas.....	191	5,516	31	521	91	1,888	53	773	61	884	165	75
Western Virginia.....	81	2,328	26	515	32	585	24	293	19	192	55	....
Total.....	6,925	196,946	1,455	29,798	2,762	49,740	1,823	24,658	1,934	26,062	5,260	1,905

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

JULIA STEVENS BOWEN

THE year 1930 marked a decided change in the young people's work of the Woman's Missionary Council. For over fifty years the women have built into the minds and hearts of a selected group of young people principles of love and of friendship, of service and of sacrificial giving. Their thought was not to perpetuate an organization but to offer the young people an opportunity to share in the beautiful task of extending the kingdom of love throughout the world. Thousands of missionary women threw themselves into this program with the devotion and enthusiasm that characterizes every phase of their work. The young people quickly responded to their interest, and during these years they have worked together in Missionary Societies throughout the Church, building Christian values into their own lives and into the lives of others which will live throughout the ages.

Many of our missionary leaders while appreciating the values of their young people's department realized the need of bringing the youth of the Church into one organization and of making possible for them a unified and enriched program of religious and missionary education. And so it was with a sense of rejoicing that we heard the General Conference decree that our young people should be united in one organization and should be given a program that would challenge their deepest loyalties, that would build Christian character, and that would offer full opportunity for development of leadership.

WORK OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

The unification of the young people's organizations naturally affected the work of our department. It was the thought of the Board of Missions that the General Board of Christian Education should take over our work immediately. The Board of Christian Education was not ready to do this, and requested the Board of Missions to continue its young people's department until the fall. A request came later that the department be continued until December and the final request was that it be continued until the young people's summer assemblies of 1931.

The regular set-up of the young people's department has been continued and on Miss Haskin's invitation I have prepared the young people's literature for the first six months of 1931.

In spite of the uncertainty of the time for the merger many of the superintendents held their summer camps, district meetings, and the

Virginia Conference held their second young people's annual meeting. Nevertheless, there was a bit of restlessness in the local societies which resulted in a few disbandments, several groups merging with the Epworth Leagues, and some being advanced into the adult auxiliaries. However, the majority of the societies continued through the year, the superintendents and young people bringing the year's work to a satisfactory close. In fact, the loyalty, alertness, and untiring efforts of the superintendents and young people were superb.

The statistical report gives the year's record of each Conference. The young people had their Mission and Bible study classes, continued their social service work, in many instances raised their pledge in full, and a large number met the requirements for the honor roll. The drought and bank failures had their effect upon the young people's Council pledge, but in spite of these handicaps and the uncertainty of their organization they raised over forty thousand dollars of their Council pledge.

I shall always be thankful for these five years of association with the women and young people of our department, but I would not be keeping faith with the young people if I did not rejoice with them in the larger opportunities for fellowship, for study, and for service that will come to them through the new program. As one superintendent beautifully expressed it, it is as if the young people were being graduated into something that will be finer and richer and more challenging. They graduate with our prayers and our love and with an assurance of our lifelong interest in them and in the youth of every generation, for they are our friends, our daughters and sons, the future leaders of our Church.

A STEINWAY CONCERT GRAND PIANO FOR HIROSHIMA

During 1929 the members of the Young People's Missionary Societies decided that they would like to present to the Hiroshima Girls' School some gift as an expression of their love for and interest in this school, which had been their foreign special for four years. Department-wide interest was taken in the project and at the close of the year the young people had raised \$2,729.70 which they decided to use for a concert grand piano.

Mr. Rittenberry, the purchasing agent for the Houck Piano Company, of Nashville, became interested in the young people's project. He negotiated with the managers of the Houck Piano Company in Memphis and New York, and later announced that the Houck Piano Company wanted to coöperate with the young people in placing in the Hiroshima Girls' School a Steinway Concert Grand piano. The amount of money that the young people had with accumulated interest was \$2,778.22. The price of the Steinway was \$3,050. The duty on the piano was \$630 and the freight charges \$200. However, the Houck Piano Company agreed to deliver the piano at the Hiroshima Girls' School for the \$2,778.22. A Steinway Concert Grand piano is

on its way to Hiroshima. No love gift that the school has ever received will carry with it more love and be received with more genuine appreciation than will this gift from the young people.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CIRCLES

As the women relinquish responsibility for missionary education of young people, they are turning their attention to the task of enlisting the young women of the Church in their missionary work.

The age grouping of the young people's division of the General Board of Christian Education is from twelve through twenty-three. An effort has been made to conserve all of the young women over twenty-three in the Young People's Missionary Societies for the woman's work. This has resulted in seventy-one Young People's Missionary Societies being advanced to the adult auxiliaries. Many of these became young women's circles of the auxiliaries. While some aspects of this work have not been perfected, the Executive Committee of the Council has agreed that the young women shall be either members of the regular circles of the adult auxiliary, members of the Business Woman's circle, or may form themselves into separate circles which will be integral units of the auxiliary. The young women will have their own literature. (It has been my privilege to prepare their programs for 1931.) The finances of the young women's circles will be on the adult basis. All reports of the circle will go through the officers of the auxiliary to the respective Conference officers. A Conference Secretary of Young Woman's Groups will be elected at each of the 1931 annual meetings. She will enlist the young women of the Conference for membership in the circles and promote this department of work. She will be a member of the Executive Committee of the Conference with voting powers. She will report the progress of her work to Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, the Secretary of Education and Promotion of the Council.

CONCLUSION

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the members of my department and of the Woman's Missionary Society for the privilege of serving with them in this great work. This has been one of the most enriching and rewarding experiences of my life. How deeply I do appreciate your love and friendship and I shall cherish them throughout the years.

YEARLY REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK, 1930

CONFERENCES

	Number Societies	New Societies	Number Members	New Members	Mission Study	Members Mission Study	Bible Study	Members Bible Study	Week of Prayer	Honor Roll Societies	Boxes of Supplies	Value of Supplies	Pledge for 1930	Paid on Pledge 1930
Alabama.....	49	6	626	140	30	421	25	436	15	8	16	\$ 233 59	\$ 1,000 00	\$ 948 03
Arizona.....	2		36											18 98
Baltimore.....	126	4	2,999	373	97	1,165	77	1,080	60	130	71	737 68	5,400 00	4,828 03
Central Texas.....	19	3	445	84	22	556	23	586	9	9	24	98 00	560 00	262 78
East Oklahoma.....	20	4	590	101	29	384	20	317	10	7	9	112 10	300 00	305 51
Florida.....	36	5	797	221	28	288	27	233	8	4	6	30 80	850 00	720 84
Holston.....	88	6	2,358	520	145	2,361	124	2,526	65	57	89	1,080 07	5,200 00	4,654 50
Kentucky.....	34	1	541	83	35	333	31	307	14		9	87 75	2,200 00	1,436 77
Little Rock.....	29	2	726	247	32	619	23	453	13	10	13	254 89	1,300 00	1,496 77
Los Angeles.....	2	1	79	37	2	35	2	30						889 30
Louisiana.....	11		235	35	24	250	26	262	3	2	13	90 00	800 00	463 76
Louisville.....	44	2	733	150	40	462	35	505	19	3	30	238 02	1,600 00	1,080 50
Memphis.....	91	7	1,679	506	77	887	59	790	58	36	40	385 80	2,900 00	2,963 49
Mississippi.....	15	4	248	116	10	83	6	87	3	1	4	53 60	424 00	108 70
Missouri.....	36	6	698	103	38	463	32	474	15	7	14	175 90	650 00	491 93
New Mexico.....	7		154	31	10	160	5	65	5	4	3	11 25	250 00	255 00
North Alabama.....	119	33	2,904	1,083	76	1,764	70	1,641	36	25	25	156 05	1,600 00	1,276 00
North Arkansas.....	24	6	229	88	18	228	13	149	7	4	9	50 00	700 00	427 09
North Carolina.....	40	13	667	189	20	274	6	80	18	2	5	39 10	1,000 00	644 59
North Georgia.....	70	7	1,468	474	107	1,882	103	1,655	19	10	43	324 35	3,500 00	2,503 50
North Mississippi.....	36	6	579	72	37	496	31	435	12	8	17	175 65	1,000 00	736 79
North Texas.....	18	1	543	176	28	531	15	241	8	10	21	232 90	800 00	622 30
Northwest.....	4	2	24						2		2	14 00	25 00	19 65
Northwest Texas.....	2		387											500 00
Pacific.....	4		48						5	3	12	66 50	55 00	31 25
St. Louis.....	24	6	534	126	23	608	18	217	7	9	13	113 40	1,000 00	1,000 00
South Carolina.....	29	4	509	74	22	217	8	271	14	5	4	21 00	800 00	647 23
South Georgia.....	29	10	529	240	38	404	29	379	16	4	17	65 80	500 00	650 20
Southwest Missouri.....	13		626	69	17	246	19	348	6	3	11	115 18	500 00	552 13
Tennessee.....	43	7	745	258	41	644	36	546	12	9	25	295 00	1,500 00	1,408 47
Texas.....	18	6	289	103	21	338	14	221	5		3	11 50	500 00	450 00
Upper South Carolina.....	27	3	431	52	29	226	18	190	13	7	6	65 00	1,000 00	680 43
Virginia.....	16	15	3,629	535	93	1,594	94	1,638	48	46	7	732 58	4,600 00	3,381 88
West Oklahoma.....	20	7	581	147	41	565	47	515	10	10	10	116 25	465 85	409 17
West Texas.....	31	3	521	88	32	438	39	685	13	6		149 80	500 00	530 38
Western North Carolina.....	93	15	1,774	272	119	1,873	109	2,134	32	39	34	167 25	4,000 00	3,317 14
Western Virginia.....	26		515	104	29	494	13	289	9	10	8		1,000 00	1,011 80
Total, 1930.....	1,455	210	29,796	7,173	1,424	21,565	1,219	20,084	591	409	606	\$6,560 76	\$48,989 85	\$40,530 12
Total, 1929.....	1,615	300	31,127	8,404	1,436	23,628	1,201	20,967	721	455	702	8,163 27	49,819 00	48,611 64

CHILDREN'S WORK

CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH, SECRETARY

*"When children's friendships are world-wide
New ages will be glorified."*

OUR PURPOSE—WORLD FRIENDSHIP

WORLD friendship is the spirit and theme of the children's organizations of the Woman's Missionary Society. Sharing and working together are the keynotes of its plan and purpose. Wherever our Church is at work an effort is being made to organize the children that they may have an opportunity to share with each other the best they have—their games, folk songs, stories, and customs—and that, working together, they may help to make the world for children everywhere a better place in which to live.

ADVENTURES IN WORLD FRIENDSHIPS DURING THE PAST YEAR

In keeping with this spirit, our boys and girls have been thrilled to enter into world-wide adventures in friendship. One of the most interesting of these during the past year was the sending of Friendship Treasure Chests to the Philippine Islands. This project was conducted by the Committee on World Friendship Among Children, of the Federal Council of Churches in America, boys and girls all over the United States taking part in it. More than 29,000 attractively decorated chests, filled with books, pictures, toys, and games, were sent to the children of the Philippines by the children of America. This project came at an opportune time for our work, fitting in with the study on the Philippines conducted by the Vacation Schools of Missions last summer. Three hundred chests were reported sent by our children, though many more were sent than reported.

Of equal interest was the sending of an ant-proof piano to the children of the Congo. The need for such a piano was presented last year at the Council meeting in Amarillo by Miss Dora Jane Armstrong, of the African Mission. Since our boys and girls had recently studied "In the African Bush," this project was also appropriate. The children were delighted to take part in the sending of such an unusual piano to a country so far away. Pennies began pouring into the treasurer's office. By hundreds, by thousands, and by ten thousands they came. When the final count was made there were found to be 93,107, or \$931.07. A piano was purchased, properly treated with chemicals to make it ant-proof, and sent with outgoing missionaries to Africa in January. Hearing of the gift being sent to them, the children in Africa at once began writing their thanks. Letters beautifully and painstakingly written have already been received. Trans-

lations will be in *World Friends*, but the letters themselves are being passed around from Auxiliary to Auxiliary, to the thrill and delight of the children.

During the fall Russia and Poland were studied by the juniors. As a climax to these lessons Christmas gift packages were sent to Russian refugee orphans in Harbin, Manchuria. Gifts of toys and warm clothing were received, not only enough for the Christmas tree at our stations. An article telling of the joy of the boys and girls over receiving these gifts has been written by the Russian teacher in charge and will appear in *World Friends* for all the children contributing to read.

Giving has not all been on one side. In answer to the good will school bags sent to them, two years ago, the boys and girls of Mexico made forty-nine beautiful cabinets—one for each State in the Union and one for the District of Columbia—filled them with their own beautiful work, and have now sent them to the children of the United States. These exhibits, starting from a central point in each State, are going from city to city to express to American boys and girls a message of good will from the children of Mexico.

Besides these special adventures, the work of the children is centered each quarter around some world friendship project. For instance, the study for the first quarter, 1931, was on Korea. The funds the children raised during the study will be sent to grade schools in Korea to provide, first of all, for the fuel bill for these schools. When the Finance Committee of the Council made out the budget of expenses for 1931 they felt that they must cut somewhere. They decided to strike out the fund asked by the Korean missionaries to heat their schools. This so distressed the missionaries that the women left the item in the budget, hoping that the amount asked for could somehow be raised. The children, hearing of this need, accepted it to take care of themselves. In some Conferences their collections are taken in little sacks with "Coal for Korea" printed on them.

VACATION SCHOOLS

One of the most important as well as the most attractive features of the Children's Work for several years has been the Vacation Schools of Missions. Taking advantage of the summer months when school is out, our superintendents gather the boys and girls together in morning sessions for a period of intensive mission study over eight or more days. Books suitably and attractively prepared for children by the Missionary Education Movement are recommended each year for this work. In connection with the study projects of keen interest to the children and of far-reaching significance in the development of attitudes of world friendship are worked out. Last summer there were organized in our Auxiliaries 1,415 Vacation

Schools of Missions with an average attendance of 21,752 children. Nearly all of the classes studied the Philippine Islands and sent Treasure Chests with gifts to Filipino children. Besides, many opportunities were also found for training in social service in local communities.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Drought and hard times did not dampen the ardor of the children during the past year. They put their heads together to think up ways of making others happy, and many and ingenious were the ideas they had. A list of the various schemes they thought up and worked out totals forty-five. Besides employing the usual social service methods of visiting the sick and sending groceries and clothing to the needy, they made swings and benches for playgrounds, ovens and tables for rural church yards, gave a program of music and stories in a colored Sunday school, got new members for the Golden Cross, filled bags for good will industries, collected victrola records for a soldiers' hospital, took care of babies for tired mothers, and in many other ways found joy for themselves and happiness for others.

MEMBERSHIP

From the East and from the West, from mountains and city and country the girls and boys—36,118 of them—have come into our Auxiliaries for the first time this past year. The North Alabama Conference leads with 3,196 new members and 204 new divisions. North Carolina has second place with 2,733 new members and 135 new divisions. The total membership of the Children's Division of the Council is now 100,240, while the present total divisions are 6,380.

THE CHILDREN'S SPECIALS

The boys and girls have their own special part in the big work of the Woman's Missionary Council. Primaries and juniors help to support grade schools for boys and girls of their own age on seven mission fields and in the United States, while all funds of the Beginner Department are used for kindergartens on home and foreign fields. Last year, though their entire pledge was not raised, the children paid a larger proportion than the women did of theirs. Of the \$46,908.54 pledged, \$43,561.20 was raised. The Children's Division of the following Conferences paid their pledge in full:

Arizona
East Oklahoma
Florida
Los Angeles
Memphis
North Texas

Northwest Texas
Tennessee
Texas
West Virginia
Western North Carolina

INTERESTING NEW CLUBS

A Boys and Girls World Club was organized during the year at Lusambo, Belgium Congo, Africa. The club started off with an enrollment of eighty-five. A club of fifteen bright Japanese boys and girls was formed in Oakland, Calif. Children's Auxiliaries have also been reported from Korea and Japan.

BOYS AND GIRLS WORLD ADVENTURE BOOK

A new handbook, called the "Boys and Girls World Adventure Book," has been prepared for the juniors themselves. It contains a list of officers, their duties, programs for special meetings, international games, folk songs, and other material of interest and importance to the members of the Boys and Girls World Club.

THE NEW CONSTITUTION

During the past quadrennium the Epworth League Board and the Woman's Missionary Council jointly conducted the children's organization, known as the Epworth Junior Society. With the withdrawal of the Epworth League Board from this work and the acceptance of the full responsibility by the Woman's Missionary Council, the writing of a new constitution was imperative. The constitution was written at once and passed by the Executive Committee of the Council at its meeting in November. As it stands at present the constitution is simple, short, and flexible.

Important Changes in the Constitution

The Division as a Whole:

Name: The Epworth Junior Society is now called the Boys and Girls World Club. The Primary Missionary Society is called the World Children's Circle.

Reporting: The Children's Superintendent sends the financial report of the division with all moneys collected directly to the Conference Treasurer.

Promotions: Promotions have been changed from January to October to conform with Promotion Day in the Sunday school.

The Beginner Department:

Parents' Classes: There are to be no more mothers' meetings. Instead, parents are urged to take advantage of the courses offered for parents by the Board of Christian Education on Sunday morning in the Sunday school.

Offerings: Twenty-five-cent enrollment fees for babies are no longer collected. Instead, parents are given an opportunity to make an offering in the name of a child at birth or later with an understand-

ing and appreciation of the fact that this gift will be used in kindergartens in home and foreign fields. Certificates are provided in recognition of this offering.

World Children's Circle:

Meetings: Weekly meetings, it is hoped, will take the place of monthly programs as in the past. Superintendents, however, may be guided by local situations and have monthly or semi-monthly meetings as the need and opportunity allow.

Programs: Each quarter a series of twelve weekly lessons presenting a new topic and project selected from the budget of the Woman's Missionary Council is provided.

Boys and Girls World Club:

Ages: The ages for promotion has been changed from 12 to 11 years to conform with the ages of the junior department of the Sunday school.

Meetings: It is hoped that the superintendent will continue to have meetings weekly as did the Epworth Junior Society in the past. If this is impossible, meetings may be monthly or semi-monthly.

Programs: As formerly, programs for weekly meetings are printed in the junior magazine. All four meetings of the month, instead of one as in the past, are now planned and supervised by the superintendent elected by the Woman's Missionary Society.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR YEAR 1930

New Divisions:

	1930	1929	
Baby	338	370; increase,	18
World Children's Circle	432	369; increase,	63
Boys and Girls World Club..	646	516; increase,	130

New Members:

Baby	7,853	10,897; decrease,	3,044
World Children's Circle	9,438	8,614; increase,	824
Boys and Girls World Club..	18,827	17,274; increase,	1,553

Total Divisions:

Baby	1,899	1,902; decrease,	3
World Children's Circle	1,809	1,687; increase,	122
Boys and Girls World Club..	2,672	2,643; increase,	29

Total Members:

Baby	25,770	28,041; decrease,	2,271
World Children's Circle	24,634	23,332; increase,	3,302
Boys and Girls World Club..	49,836	51,529; decrease,	1,693

Amount pledged	\$46,908 54	\$51,031 38
Amount paid:		
Baby	9,191 70	11,369 48
World Children's Circle	9,346 51	9,933 22
Boys and Girls World Club	25,022 99	28,979 43
Total paid	\$43,561 20	\$50,275 13

Red and Blue Letter Conferences

	Red	Blue
New World Clubs	No. Alabama 80	So. Georgia 61
New World Club members	No. Alabama 1,972	So. Carolina 1,229
New World Childrens Circles	No. Alabama 56	No. Carolina 52
New World Children's Circle members	No. Carolina 952	No. Alabama 585
New Baby Divisions	No. Alabama 68	No. Carolina 32
New Baby Members	No. Alabama 639	No. Carolina 552

PUBLICATIONS

SARA ESTELLE HASKIN, SECRETARY

THE work of 1930 has been accomplished under the usual handicaps of a General Conference year. Because of adjustments and other engagements the literature committee was unable to hold a meeting; consequently plans were worked out by the Secretary and submitted to the committee by correspondence.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Adult. The theme adopted for 1931 is: The New Day in Missions, treating of our newest enterprises in both the home and foreign fields. A new plan was worked out for the *Yearbook*, which was dedicated to Mrs. Luke G. Johnson. Instead of the detailed programs being furnished, the topics are all listed together, and a number of pages devoted to suggestions and materials. This leaves to the Auxiliaries the necessity of working out individual programs suited to their own particular needs. Very few objections have been offered to this plan; on the contrary, much satisfaction has been expressed. By the middle of February we had sold almost as many copies as we sold during all of 1930.

In addition to the regular monthly leaflets, packets on Temperance, Peace, Stewardship, the Southern Highlander, Home Mission Institutes, and Social Service have been prepared or purchased and are being sold at a small price as extra program material for such Auxiliaries as may have more than one meeting a month.

Young People. Because of the request of the Board of Christian

Education officials it was decided to continue our work with young people longer than had been planned, which necessitated furnishing program material for six months of 1931. This was carefully prepared by Mrs. Bowen. To save printing, the material was sent out in multigraphed sheets, for which very attractive covers were furnished. The same plan was carried out for Young Women's Circles.

Children. In the readjustment of the Children's Work the Junior division has been given the name, World Friendship Clubs. To suit the change, the children's magazine, *Juniors*, which formerly had been published jointly with the Epworth League Board, has been changed to *World Friends*. The literature department is now entirely responsible for the editorship of this children's magazine, and it is being devoted wholly to missionary material. The Publishing House still takes all responsibility for its publication. In addition to this magazine, we are furnishing pamphlets of stories for the leaders of the junior age group. This became a necessity because of the demands from the field for fresh material which the children had not already read in the magazine. It will be necessary to print three sets of stories, twelve each during the year.

The material for Primaries has also increased. Three sets of Primary lesson material, twelve in each, is called for under the new plan. While the literature for Young People will no longer be needed, this will not balance the extra demands for Children's and Young Women's Circles.

Week of Prayer. The Week of Prayer material was again prepared to meet two needs: for the presentation of the Week of Prayer specials and for an urge to new spiritual adventuring on the part of the Auxiliaries. The leaflets for worship and meditation were prepared by Mrs. J. L. Cuninggim. They have been received with the greatest satisfaction on the part of many.

Costs. The cost of all leaflets and booklets, including those enumerated above, together with organization leaflets, books, and materials, is given below:

EXPENSE OF PUBLICATIONS

Council Minutes	\$ 3,939 56	
* Council Bulletin, Reports, Estimates, and Programs	864 94	
Bulletins (Adults' and Young People's)	1,909 57	
Program Material:		
Adult—Yearbooks	\$ 1,565 65	
Leaflets	2,523 56	4,089 21
Young People	301 88	
Children	681 20	
Week of Prayer Programs, Envelopes, etc...	1,811 10	
Organization Material for all divisions.....	3,891 22	
Studies in Prophecy (Reprint)	145 05	

Woman's Place of Service in the Church.....	692 00	
Material purchased from other agencies:		
World Day of Prayer Material.\$	153 22	
Plays, pageants, and miscella- neous leaflets	192 94	
Y. P. M. S. pins	99 50	
Packets	742 01	
	<hr/>	1,187 67
Mite Boxes	367 01	
Unclassified materials and incidentals.....	601 23	\$20,481 64
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* The following items of Council expense were paid from the Council Meeting Fund:

Re-evaluation of Missionary Task	\$203 00	
Service of Remembrance	35 00	
Council Programs	112 50	
Worship Service Programs	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$403 50

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

A large share of the work of the Service Department is devoted to sending materials to our Auxiliaries. During 1930, 23,628 packages were wrapped, stamped, and mailed to individuals and societies. This number does not include the mailing of quarterly material, which is sent to Conferences directly from the Publishing House. This Department serves the General Section of the Board as well as the Woman's Section. Work is also done for individual Secretaries, such as multigraphing letters, etc. The receipts for the sale of literature and the expense of the Woman's Section is given below:

SERVICE DEPARTMENT EXPENSES

Pay Roll	\$4,962 96	
Postage	2,447 00	
Wrapping Supplies	465 75	
Hauling and Incidentals	311 24	\$8,186 95
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Publicity. The Conference Publicity Superintendents are more and more becoming a necessary factor in our work. Many of them are putting their best into the work and often with a seemingly limited response. We are sure, however, that the results of their work is much larger than they know. They enter upon this quadrennium with a new duty. The *Missionary Voice* is now their conference responsibility. We are expecting large results from their efforts.

The Missionary Voice. The *Missionary Voice* Committee, composed of staff members, has decided to make the *Missionary Voice* count for the very most in missions. Last year we increased the number of pages and added the rotogravure section. This year we have increased

the printing space by adding a cover, printed in four colors. This has greatly increased its value, since the appeal of beauty is one of the strongest of human appeals, and its use in Christian enterprises is invaluable. We wish we might share with you all the expressions of appreciation coming constantly to our office, such as:

"This is surely a gem. I want to congratulate you on the marvelous improvement in the magazine. I could not get along without it."

"For some unknown reason we here at B—— have failed to get the last issue of the *Voice*. This is worse than not hearing from home."

"It's a mighty encouraging *Voice* you are sending us."

"The *Voice* seems to grow better with every issue. Long may it live."

"The December *Voice* is the most beautiful magazine I have seen this blessed season."

"The *Voice* is fine. I have always liked to have it, and it has been a great help. But it is so much better than ever, since you have carried out your new plans, that I not only enjoy it and depend upon it, but am proud to have such a magazine seen on my table. I wish you all success in the world, and I am glad our Council has such a periodical to represent it."

CANDIDATE WORK

MRS. H. R. STEELE

YOUR Secretary invites your attention to the candidate, the potential missionary, the volunteer—the hope of the future of the missionary enterprise.

THE MISSIONARY

It is commonplace to say that the missionary is the heart of the missionary enterprise, and yet this is true to-day in a way which means more to the future of the Church's program than at any former period. The success of the missionary enterprise largely depends upon the selection, the training, the placement of the missionary in foreign work and the deaconess in the homeland.

It is important that young people adequately prepared and with the spirit of service, even of sacrifice, shall be selected to carry forward the Church's program and to coöperate with the National Churches in strengthening these Churches and developing Christian nations.

The kind of training that these young people shall have demands our best thinking and, I believe, some modification of our training program. The placement of these workers is now, as it has ever been, of supreme importance. The Boards are aware of the growing importance of the selection and training of Christian workers, and committees have been appointed to study the same, and conferences are being held for the sharing of experience and the formulation of programs.

As we know, the General Conference of our Church placed the

responsibility for developing the religious life of students in the Board of Christian Education. The Secretary in charge of Church schools and colleges and his assistant have sought several conferences with the Candidate Secretary of the Council, to share experiences and to plan for the cultivation of the Christian life of students.

One of the objectives of the program of Christian Education will be to relate the student to the local church. It is an interesting thing to note that this objective indicates a realization on the part of the Church and other agencies, that students have suffered loss in being approached as a separate group.

There has been a sentiment that students were in a class by themselves, that a different kind of appeal must be made to them, a different challenge put up to them; and this separation from other young people has made it difficult for students after college to find service in the local church, and in many instances to serve in communities in which they live and have an opportunity to make their contribution to their day and generation by the will of God.

The program of the Board of Christian Education will cover week-end conferences to be held in the church, in communities where colleges and universities are located, so that the students may be led to feel their oneness with the young people of the church.

In the program of these conferences, emphasis will be made on the great essentials of the Christian faith, that the students may be led away from the mechanistic philosophy of life which many of them get in the classroom. The Church's program at home and abroad will be presented, also opportunities for service under the Church. There will be opportunity for group discussions and personal interviews.

The Secretary of the Department of Schools and Colleges is looking for an expert in vocational guidance who will direct the work of helping young people find the right vocations, and guide them in the preparation for their life work. We believe when this program becomes articulate that the young people of our Church will be better prepared for service through the Church at home and abroad.

We are glad to note a more cordial response on the part of the students in schools and colleges under our Church and in a given number of state institutions. A letter was sent out early in the school year to the institutions that we have been in touch with during the past quadrennium, and among other things the question was asked, "Do you wish to receive the literature of our Boards?" A large number of students have responded and have indicated their desire to receive the literature and their purpose to use it.

We have the names of the young people to whom the literature should be mailed and who will be responsible for the use of same in World Fellowship meetings, of the Y. W. C. A., and for special programs.

As a result of these letters we have a new list of young people who

are interested in missionary work at home and abroad; also in social service work and in religious education.

The last quadrennium marked a change in attitude toward life service on the part of students. They are more interested in world affairs and internationalism and less willing to pledge their whole life in service under the Church in any form of missionary work. They are eager for service and will gladly give a period to foreign missionary work or to work in the home field; but they are very frank in saying that they are not willing in their youth to pledge their whole life to any one field of work.

For a time there was a marked decline in the number of young people signing the declaration card of the Student Volunteer Movement and in the number of missionaries sailing to foreign lands. In the last eighteen months there has been an increase in the number of volunteers and in the number of missionaries going to the field.

The work in the colleges has been most interesting. More students have come for personal conferences than for conferences in the interest of missionary work. Group discussions on the social problems of our day have been held in the colleges and in summer conferences.

AFTER-COLLEGE GIRLS

An effort will be made to cultivate more systematically detained volunteers. It is in this group that the greatest loss to the Church has occurred. Many girls have a debt upon finishing college and must teach to cancel it; many others have an obligation for the education of younger brothers and sisters; many have been weaned away; some have married; others have given up their purpose.

Letters have been sent once a year to after-college students in an effort to sift the list of volunteers registered in the office and to keep in touch with young people who hope eventually to go to the field.

The Student Volunteer Movement has a definite plan for the cultivation of detained volunteers, and through the Movement we have a list of after-college secretaries. From these secretaries we have received lists of volunteers who hope to go to the field. We hope from the cultivation of this group to secure a number of missionaries.

INTEGRATIVE COUNSELING

In May your Secretary went to Shreveport, La., and spent a weekend. The Secretary of the Louisiana Conference had through correspondence arranged for the volunteers in the Conference who seemed to be immediate prospects to come into Shreveport for personal conferences. Two days and a half were spent interviewing these young people and planning with them for their specialized training. This plan was most satisfactory, and we hope may be repeated in other Conferences.

ENROLLMENT AT SCARRITT COLLEGE

You will be interested to know that we had a twenty per cent increase in the enrollment at Scarritt College at the opening of this school year. We have a larger junior class than we have ever had. This was partly due, I think, to the fact that it is difficult to get teaching positions, and a number of young people who were interested in service and who would have taught could they have secured positions applied for scholarships and entered Scarritt.

There was a rush at the end of the summer which we will try to avoid in the future. A number of the Conferences had their full number of scholarships, and we had to apply to other Conferences. The Memphis Conference and the Western Virginia Conference each gave a scholarship to a young woman for whom her own Conference could not provide support.

HEALTH

Health is a problem. Very great care is being taken to discriminate in the selection of missionaries, and greater care is being taken in examination after they enter Scarritt.

It is a difficult thing to discourage a girl on account of her health before she makes her application for a scholarship.

Several girls have come with satisfactory health certificates from physicians in the home town, and the Board physician has discovered serious physical condition after arrival at Scarritt. Greater care should be taken in the Conferences in the point of health. If it were possible for the Conference officers to select a physician in the Conference, and where it is practicable to have the applicants examined by one doctor, it would avoid embarrassment to the Board and to the Conference and disappointment to the young woman. If one physician in a Conference could be selected, and the Board physician could write to him setting forth the necessity for physical health and strength and nervous control, and the Conference officers could explain to him all that is involved in training young people for service and in sending young people as missionaries and deaconesses, greater care would of necessity be exercised by the physician in filling out the health certificates.

NEED FOR MISSIONARIES

Of very great interest and of importance to our Board is the number of missionaries needed in the future. With three National Churches established, there is a question as to the number of missionaries which shall be asked for and the number of Nationals which are available for service. We are receiving requests from the fields for missionaries for different lines of work. We had urgent requests from China for four teachers of English. Your Secretary corresponded with two dozen women with Bachelor and Master degrees and experience in teaching English. The opportunity for

service was presented as an opportunity for international friendship that would challenge the best that a young woman had to give, that would greatly enrich the life of the teacher; but not one heard the call.

The salary of \$750.00 gold and \$850.00 gold, seemed so inadequate in the light of what their education had cost, especially to young women holding Master degrees. As there was no margin in it over and above expenses, no one was willing to go on this salary basis.

This is a problem which seems to your Secretary to need discussion. If a teacher with a Master's degree goes to the field for five years of service, should she not receive the same salary as a missionary in that field? We know her relation to the Board and to the Mission is different, but her service in the Mission would seem to justify the salary of a missionary.

It is not difficult to secure contract teachers for Cuba. While we ask them to go for three or five years, in an emergency we send them for one year. They seem more willing to do this than to go to China, Korea, or Japan for five years.

We have combed our Church for music teachers. The attitude of music teachers is that stated above for English teachers—with the cost of preparation and after several years of experience in the homeland, they are not willing to go for the salary offered.

The call for missionaries is for the best we have. We realize the importance of this when we think of the next span of service.

We have come to the place, I think, where we need to look at our work as it is organized at home and abroad, so that we may advise young people as to just what the opportunity for service really is. There has been so much propaganda that many young people are utterly confused as to what foreign missions and home missions really mean to-day.

CONFERENCES

Your Secretary attended a Conference of Candidate Secretaries held in Atlantic City in connection with the Foreign Missions Conference, at which time the selection and training and placement of missionaries for foreign service was discussed in light of the needs of the fields to-day and in recognition of certain trends of student thinking.

Your Secretary was invited to attend the meeting of the Student Volunteer Council in Granville, Ohio, September 1-5. It was said at that Conference that we need:

1. *A more realistic presentation of human needs.*

Because of the comfort and security of American student life, we feel it increasingly important for them to understand human needs and to feel definite personal responsibility for putting into operation the principles of Christ for society.

2. *A campaign for more realistic study of world missions.*

We earnestly desire, in the face of the acute problems in our own and other countries, that the Christian forces on the campus concentrate every educative process on making students aware of the work of Christian missions at home and abroad. Discussion is not enough; conversation is not enough; we need more real study.

3. *A campaign for more sacrificial giving.*

The Christ dynamic has always found expression in whole-hearted giving of talents, energies, and money. We would especially emphasize service in terms of the present day, in the many opportunities for decisions and sacrificial investment of energy and money.

Few people as a result of our educational policy get a picture of the needs of the world which will lead them to conviction. In our challenge there must be a call for sacrifice. We must have a program of creative education; we must make God real to students. The new missionary apologetic can only come through a creative experience. There must be new insight into the unchangeable values of Christianity and the uniqueness of Jesus Christ.

STUDENT CONFERENCES

Your Secretary attended the Southern Y. W. C. A. Student Conference at Blue Ridge, N. C., in June, 1930. A denominational rally was held at which more than one hundred students were present. Many students came for interviews with the Secretary.

Your Secretary attended a Young People's Assembly held in connection with the Pastors' School at Walsenburg, Colo. Your Secretary taught the course, "Organization and Methods," Woman's Work.

Your Secretary attended the School of Missions at Lake Junaluska, N. C., July 28-August 14, 1930, and taught "Principles, Materials, and Methods of Missionary Education."

STUDENT VOLUNTEER UNION CONFERENCES

Representatives of the Board and the Woman's Missionary Council visited the North Texas and South Texas Volunteer Union meetings.

CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence in the office has been regular and systematic. I have a great many letters in reference to service under the Church; many from mature people who desire special term service.

CANDIDATES ACCEPTED BY THE CANDIDATES COMMITTEE

Fourteen young women were accepted by the Candidates Committee of the Board and recommended to the Council for consecration and to the Board for appointment.

Four young women were accepted pending further study of health conditions and a satisfactory certificate later.

Two contract teachers were accepted as missionaries by the Ex-

ecutive Committee of the Board of Missions and recommended to the Council for consecration.

Thirty-nine young women were approved by the Committee and recommended to the Conferences for scholarships at Scarritt College. Five were detained and did not enter Scarritt.

The following young women are hereby presented to the Council for consecration at this meeting:

Deaconesses:

Aylor, Erlene Swanson	Virginia
Floyd, Mary Fisher	North Georgia
Matthews, Jewell Elizabeth	Alabama
Needham, Marion S.	Northwest
Patton, Ruth	Oklahoma

*Conference**Foreign Missionaries:*

	<i>Conference</i>	<i>Field</i>
Beaird, Marjorie	Texas	Korea
Clark, Lucie	North Arkansas	China
Feely, Gertrude Marie	Missouri	Japan
Lewis, Martha Lucile	South Georgia	Cuba
Martin, Edith Ellen	North Arkansas	Congo-Belge
Mayes, Susie	North Georgia	China
Morton, Carrie Ava	Louisiana	China
Robken, Delores Norene	Little Rock	Poland
Simmons, Mary Alberta	Oklahoma	Brazil
Sneeden, Martha Elizabeth	North Carolina	Brazil
Zicafoose, Myrtle Dora	Baltimore	Congo-Belge

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

MRS. W. A. NEWELL, SUPERINTENDENT

IN reviewing the work of the year 1930 two factors are noted that make it different from any other year. First, the reorganization of the Bureau by which it becomes a unifying medium for certain committees and commissions and the channel by which their constructive recommendations may reach the auxiliaries without crowding or competition. In this we are conducting an experiment in which the several lines of interest which have been cultivated slowly and in a somewhat fragmentary way by the Bureau of Social Service are now to be cultivated consecutively and much more thoroughly by groups of women under capable leadership of chairmen. Each of these groups is quite independent of the Bureau in its researches and recommendations, but the several chairmen of the Committees on International Relations and World Peace, Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Coöperation with Welfare Agencies, and of the Commissions on Interracial Coöperation, Industrial Relation and

Rural Development, together with the Superintendent, make up the Bureau, and in conference decide on the recommendations to be submitted to the Council for action.

While it is too soon to deliver a judgment on the success of the new plan, it is not too soon to predict that it will bring to all our women a more definite realization of our responsibility to and interdependence with all sorts and conditions of men. The enthusiasm of these six groups as they came together in November for study and conference gave promise of a wider and deeper consciousness of the needs of people in all the relations of life—racial, industrial, rural, national, and international. This is a crucial time. These relationships are in a state of flux in a rapidly changing social and national life. It is a time when women may play an influential part in bringing them more and more under the domination of our Lord's ideals.

The second factor marking the year is the tendency toward a larger interest in nation-wide and world-wide affairs, due to the fact that these affairs have been in public consciousness, in the press, and also that the attention of the women in the auxiliaries has been directed to these matters through a long period of years, as opportunities for Christian service. This is illustrated in the quarterly messages.

QUARTERLY LETTERS TO AUXILIARY SUPERINTENDENTS

These quarterly letters from the Council Superintendent to the Auxiliary Superintendents are the most direct means that we have found for enlisting the cooperation of the women of the Auxiliaries in projects that we select both for their importance, out of the many that press on us for attention, and as projects in which the Auxiliary woman can share. The letters are sent to the Conference Superintendents in packages from Literature Headquarters and distributed by them to the Auxiliary Superintendents of Christian Social Relations. Each letter contains this request: "Please bring this to the attention of your Auxiliary."

During the year the letters have been on the following matters:

First, Law Observance in the Local Community. This called for investigation and report on the extent to which the prohibition laws were being obeyed and enforced, on the extent to which children in the public schools were being taught the effects of alcohol, and the extent of social drinking.

Second, World Peace, through attention to the text of the Peace Pact, its significance, and the desirability of securing beautiful copies of the Pact and a "Pledge of Acceptance," prepared by the Commission on International Justice of the Federal Council for use in Churches.

Third, Federal control of the production and distribution of motion pictures, with a request to use their influence with their Congressmen for a favorable consideration of Hudson House Bill 9986, and a re-

quest that the superintendents promote a reading of the Eastman pamphlet, "Menace of the Movies," and our own stock leaflet and questionnaire on this subject.

Fourth, A call to protest to the Association of Motion Picture Producers against a revival of the "Birth of a Nation" as a talkie. This was signed by the Council President, Organization Secretary, Chairman of the Commission on Interracial Coöperation, Chairman of the Committee on Christian Citizenship, and Superintendent of the Bureau.

A fifth letter went out in November, at the instance of the Executive Committee, containing a message from the President of the United States concerning emergency relief and the part women's organizations might play, signed by the Organization Secretary and the Superintendent.

Nearly all Conference Superintendents have reported a very general response to these messages in the shape of many letters to Senators and Representatives about the Hudson Bill, and to Mr. Hays, protesting. These latter have apparently gone forward in floods. The Superintendents have also enlisted coöperation of other organizations in the local Churches. Letters to Mr. Hays were signed by lawyers, judges, and business men as members of Sunday school adult classes, while the ceremony of the Peace Pact Pledge has formed a beautiful service, in one instance made a part of the pre-Christmas musical service.

STUDY AND EFFICIENCY

An efficiency standard which carried Council recognition for social service was adopted at the Council meeting of 1929 and was won by a few auxiliaries in 1930. This year there will be hundreds that will receive it. For this recognition it is required that the Superintendent and her committee shall have studied the Handbooks; participated in the Home Mission Study class; studied the contents of one of the packets of literature on Social Welfare topics kept on call at Literature Depository; sent four quarterly reports on time to the Conference Superintendent; and engaged in some definite service activity.

To the packets on Child Labor, Race Relations, Play and Recreation, Social Hygiene and Child Care were added this year one on Peace, one on Temperance, and "Menace of the Movies" was offered as an alternate. A second packet on Race Relations and a second on World Peace will soon be ready to take care of progress in these fields.

Many Auxiliary Superintendents are glad to take advantage of this opportunity for definiteness and information in their work. Conference Superintendents seem to think it a distinct advance. The "Recognition" takes the form of a simple certificaté.

INTERRACIAL CO-OPERATION

Our coöperation with the Woman's Council of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church has gone forward under the direction of a Joint Committee composed of their General Secretary, Dr. Mattie Coleman, and two other officers, with Mrs. J. W. Perry, Miss Louise Young, and the Superintendent of the Bureau. Mrs. Lipscomb has given her time and experience also to the colored group with the result that for the first time they have regularly planned monthly programs for missionary societies, appearing in their Church paper.

We responded to their urgent appeal for help at the meeting of the Council in Louisville, during their General Conference in May, by sending Miss Margaret Young, who gave daily work in Organization and Methods. Our Superintendents in and near Louisville were asked to assist in any possible way.

Three Leadership Training Schools for colored women were projected at Lane College, Jackson, Tenn., Paine College, and Holly Springs, Miss. The officials of the Colored Methodist Church recalled the Pastors' School at Paine College because of its nearness to their General Conference; so, in spite of the fact that our publicity had gone out to the women of our auxiliaries in the two Georgia Conferences, no school was held there. Dr. Peters is enthusiastic about the project and is actively at work with us in planning for the first week in June, 1931. As in the previous year the Conference officers of the North Mississippi Society did the major work of teaching under the direction of Miss Juanita Brown, and took most of the responsibility for the task of publicity in their own Conference. More societies than at any previous time were active in helping colored women to attend. They report the students as better prepared than before, but that they could have accommodated more. Those who attended continue to write their instructors for advice on their problems, in Sunday school and missionary societies.

Your Superintendent and the Chairman of the Commission on Interracial Coöperation continue to work with the General Commission on Interracial Coöperation and serve on the Women's Administrative Committee that meets quarterly in Atlanta under the direction of Mrs. Ames. We assist as far as possible in furthering the projects of this Committee. Two of these projects are the study of rural schools and the formation of Associations for the Prevention of Lynching in each Southern State. The Methodist leaders have been notified to give all assistance in their power to Mrs. Ames during her organization meetings in their respective States, and they have responded. We have been instrumental personally in organizing these Associations in North Carolina and Tennessee. The rural school survey project is in its beginnings and needs much cultivation, as does another project for securing coöperation of our women with those of other denominations in districts, under the leadership of a se-

lected denomination. We hope to pursue this more vigorously in the present year. The Schools for Delinquent Negro Girls projected by the Federations of Colored Women's Clubs in Southern States need a support that we could give through our Conference and Auxiliary societies. I question whether we have been as thoroughgoing as we should have been in this matter. This fall the Conference Superintendents were asked to secure information on the general status of these schools in their respective States and aid wherever efforts are being made to have them taken over by act of legislature by the States. They have taken some steps in this direction.

We keep contacts with the Commission on Race Relations of the Federal Council through the Woman's Committee and their Secretary, Miss Katharine Gardner. Miss Juanita Brown was sent to their annual Interracial Conference at Oberlin last summer in response to their urgent request for a representative from the Bureau. Finding the plans of that Commission for the observance of Race Relations Sunday in the Churches particularly usable, copies were sent each Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, with the request that she try to use some of the suggestions in her own Church, since appropriate plans were offered in this packet for missionary societies, young people's societies, and adult classes as well as for the Church service.

I chose to attend the Negro section at the Home Missions Congress in Washington and profited by a study of the character and training shown in the Negro directors of work in Negro Churches, especially of those in the South. It was interesting to note that of the eleven white persons attending a session six were Southern white women.

The Auxiliaries are continuing their work both *with* and *for* Negroes much as in the past. Helping Negro women in their missionary societies is still a favorite form of association, though health work is frequently reported, securing Public Health nurses, clean-up campaigns, and some work for sanitary facilities in cities and towns. The following summary taken from the report of the North Carolina Conference Superintendent is typical:

"Sent Negro boy to East Carolina Training School. Gave a prize to best all-around pupil in that school. Sent Negro boy to sanatorium. Helped get glasses for a boy. Had eyes treated. Interested Negro women in looking after those of their race in jail. Helped Negro women organize a club. Helped get public library for Negroes. Sent crippled Negro boy to Orthopedic Sanitarium."

INDUSTRIAL LEGISLATION

This year has seen the beginnings of a woman's movement for securing uniform State legislation for the protection of women and children in industry in which we have shared. The chairman of the Commission on Industrial Relations will tell you more of that. To

secure the needed funds and coherent groups of women in each State has been a struggle. The small group in North Carolina has been able to assist during the hearings of bills in committee at the legislature. Surely this is a missionary task for women—to lead in united efforts of all women's organizations for safeguarding by proper legislation the conditions under which women work, so that over-long hours, undue physical and mental strain, and insufficient wages will not prevent a normal, comfortable life for working women and adolescents. We shall be glad to use the facilities of this Bureau for spreading interest and information on these matters. We have worked with the American Association for Labor Legislation for Workmen's Accident Compensation Laws in Florida, Mississippi, and Arkansas.

CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

We keep our contacts with the Commission on Interracial Justice and Goodwill of the Federal Council and with other Peace organizations and derive much profit from their news letters, personal letters, and other communications. Indeed the Chairman of the Council Commission and this Superintendent are quite dependent on the research and projects of these organizations.

We still have membership in the Commission on the Church and Social Service of the Federal Council, serving on the Committees on Marriage and the Home and Revision of Social Ideals of the Churches, and participating in an Industrial Seminar put on by the Commission in Greensboro.

Mrs. Chappell went to the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War as our representative and will make her own report.

I have attended the meetings for organization of the General Board of Education, of the Joint Committee on Missionary Education and the sub-committee on Missionary Education in the Elementary Division of the Local Church, the Council Committee on Legislation at General Conference in May, and served on the Western North Carolina Annual Conference Board of Temperance and Social Service.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Two program leaflets were written for 1930 on Citizenship Ideals in the Home, and the Home as a School of International Brotherhood. The Social Service Handbook has been revised and new and simpler report blanks prepared for Conference and Auxiliary Superintendents of Christian Social Relations, also a demonstration of the relation of Committees to the Bureau for use in Annual and District meetings, entitled, "Building for the Kingdom." The treat of the year was the privilege of visiting the annual meetings of the Pacific and Los Angeles Conferences, and the fellowship with these far-away but loyal sisters.

STATISTICAL REPORT, BUREAU OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

CONFERENCES	Auxiliaries Reporting	Legislative Work	Interracial Work	Community Clubs	Work with Foreigners	Relief and Family Service	Federations	Young People's Societies
Alabama.....	205	175	150	100	.....	205	25	30
Arizona.....	22	4	12	.....	3	6	.....	1
Baltimore.....	100	4	7	15	.....	20	12	31
Central Texas.....	114	17	15	9	9	20	4	8
Denver.....	7	.....	.....	.....	7	7	4	4
East Oklahoma.....	89	12	12	2	2	89	12	10
Florida.....	137	17	30	16	12	150	22	22
Holston.....	124	12	18	7	5	124	2	73
Illinois.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	10
Indian.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kentucky.....	50	5	5	1	.....	50	2	10
Little Rock.....	117	58	50	40	.....	117	9	38
Los Angeles.....	20	20	5	7	3	20	10	.....
Louisiana.....	102	23	12	12	2	102	9	12
Louisville.....	103	17	25	.....	.....	103	.....	32
Memphis.....	141	80	50	.....	.....	141	1	55
Mississippi.....	56	5	6	4	1	56	3	3
Missouri.....	62	10	5	3	7	50	3	13
New Mexico.....	18	1	6	.....	6	18	1	2
North Alabama.....	228	55	68	24	62	182	147	.....
North Arkansas.....	81	8	8	4	3	90	7	9
North Carolina.....	119	14	16	.....	.....	119	5	11
North Georgia.....	142	53	68	6	3	142	1	36
North Mississippi.....	128	27	36	12	6	18	1	28
North Texas.....	135	37	32	14	18	132	1	14
Northwest.....	11	1	.....	4	.....	11	.....	2
Northwest Texas.....	142	25	30	2	12	142	12	12
Pacific.....	29	3	4	.....	.....	29	.....	.....
St. Louis.....	49	8	8	11	7	49	16	6
South Carolina.....	40	6	9	2	.....	40	.....	13
South Georgia.....	198	150	100	.....	10	25	17	10
Southwest Missouri.....	56	10	18	.....	16	.....	.....	10
Tennessee.....	115	8	10	2	2	6	.....	27
Texas.....	107	30	37	12	25	75	7	2
Upper South Carolina.....	132	45	35	3	.....	132	1	21
Virginia.....	236	21	32	.....	24	22	2	82
Western North Carolina.....	163	10	31	9	4	218	11	60
West Oklahoma.....	80	25	10	6	6	80	8	12
West Texas.....	118	16	16	8	12	118	3	7
Western Virginia.....	43	2	.....	.....	1	43	2	14
Total.....	3,919	1,024	1,046	345	258	2,972	350	730

BUREAU OF CO-OPERATION AND EXTENSION

BESS COMBS, SUPERINTENDENT

THIS bureau was created because the need was felt for closer contact and coöperation between the Woman's Missionary Council and the Women's Missionary Societies on our mission fields and also to help to promote and develop these societies. We bring our first year's report. Most of the work of this bureau must be done by correspondence, but we were fortunate this year in having two of our members visit the work in three of our fields and bring back first-hand information.

The only meeting the bureau has been able to have was in Nashville immediately following the executive committee meeting of the Council in November. Five of the nine members were present. Twice during the year it has been necessary to make a change in the personnel of the bureau. It has taken this first year for the members of the bureau to make the contacts with their respective fields that is necessary to have the proper background for doing constructive work.

Autonomous Churches have been set up in three of our mission fields. This has changed the relationship of the Woman's Missionary Societies in these Churches to our Woman's Missionary Council. They now hold only fraternal relations. Word has come from all these fields, however, that the women are desirous that this relationship shall be as close and as vital as possible.

AFRICA

Our missionary work in Africa is not organized into a Conference, but in each of our three stations there has been organized a Woman's Missionary Society. Very few of the members read or write, so the Bible and Mission Study are, of necessity, very simple. Many have learned to pray aloud for women of other lands. The dues are small, for the people are very poor. The dues are used in one station to send an evangelist to an outstation. They also help care for the many orphans that are brought to the stations and help in the relief work in connection with the hospitals. They have also helped in building churches and beautifying the grounds. Last year an appeal was made by the Golden Rule Foundation to aid the starving of other countries and 36.30 francs were brought by these women and a few men. Though very poor themselves, this human need touched their hearts. A missionary wrote, "The women were almost hilarious in their giving." The membership is about 150 in these three stations. The latest organization is a Junior Missionary Society. Eighty-five children were present at the first meeting. Officers were elected and the membership enrolled. They are beginning at once to learn something about the boys and girls of other lands.

BELGIUM

Because of difference in language, the women's work in Belgium is divided into two sections, Flemish and French. Mrs. Adrienne Thomas, Secretary of the Flemish societies, and Mrs. Blanche Brunarius, General Secretary of the French societies, are carrying on the work in a splendid way. They both report slow but constant progress in members and finances, but they place the greatest emphasis on the growth of the women spiritually. Their first annual meeting was held in celebration of the Jubilee in 1928. Since then they have held this meeting annually. The French group reported at their second annual meeting an increase of 50 per cent in members and 100 per cent in finances. The societies in Belgium do mostly local work, but it is their desire to do the work of regular missionary societies and they are making progress toward that end. At their annual meeting in 1929 they made their first offering to foreign missions.

BRAZIL

The woman's work in Brazil is organized into three Conference Societies. Miss Epps has been giving her full time to the missionary societies of these three Conferences. They have been sending one-tenth of all money collected to the Council treasurer for work in Africa. Their home mission interests are many and varied, some of which are: Indians in Brazil, lepers, orphanages, helping ministerial students, etc. In the new autonomous Church they no longer call themselves a missionary society, feeling that term is too limited. These women are asking that there might be the closest coöperation between this new organization and the Woman's Missionary Council.

CHINA

The China Conference held its thirteenth Annual Conference in 1930. During these thirteen years they have increased in number of societies thirteenfold, in number of members seventeenfold, in offerings tenfold. Practically 100 per cent of the Churches have a missionary society. Seventy-five per cent of all women Church members are members of the missionary society. The Conference is divided into seven districts with an active district secretary and an annual district meeting in each. They have printed leaflets and program material for the monthly meetings. They publish a quarterly missionary magazine and have recently begun a publication called the *Young People's Voice*. During these years the missionary society in China has been a foreign missionary society. They have always sent a certain per cent of their money to Africa and to Yunnan, one of the far-distant provinces. When the Chinese Church decided to open a mission field in Manchuria, the women sent their missionary, a young Chinese woman, graduate of the Bible

School in Nanking, and have supported her from their own funds. Now they are beginning their first home mission project. On the north bank of the Yangtse River, near Shanghai, new land has been made by the silting of the river. This is being settled by people very poor materially and spiritually. Our women have done some work among them but are handicapped by lack of a building. As soon as the news of the death of Mrs. Gaither reached China a "Julia A. Gaither Memorial Association" was formed, whose object is twofold: (1) To prepare a suitable program to be held at the Annual Conference which meets at Moka Garden, Soochow, April 8-12, 1931; (2) to raise a memorial fund of \$1,100 (Mexican), \$1,000 of which is to be used to build a Bible Woman's Home in the first Home Mission field of the China Conference Woman's Missionary Society. The remaining \$100 will be used to place Mrs. Gaither's name on the Honorary Memorial Roll of the Conference. The Woman's Missionary Society used the money raised during the Jubilee to buy a piece of land in this new settlement and now will build a Bible Woman's Home and Evangelistic Center in honor of Mrs. Gaither. The Conference Society will provide the salaries and support the work of the Bible women who will be placed there. The China Conference has many student volunteers, which means young women who have dedicated their lives for definite Christian service. They have organized a Student Volunteer Band. One of the outstanding pieces of Social Service work is the "Short Term School." These schools are held all over the Conference and are the means of rapidly decreasing the percentage of illiteracy among the women Church members.

CUBA

The seventh annual meeting of the Cuba Missionary Conference was held in Matanzas August 25-27, 1930. The conference was reported as a success. One missionary writes: "Our local society will take on new life because of the conference." The Cuba Conference sends 25 per cent of the funds to the Council Treasurer. The Conference has three districts but finds it very hard to hold district meetings. The great need of the Cuban work is leadership and appropriate literature. At the last Annual Conference, Senora Anita Board was elected Field Secretary, her travel and expense to be met by an appropriation by the Council. They have one young people's organization as a result of Miss Davies' visit to the island. It continues to do good work. Other young people's societies could be organized if there was sufficient leadership. At present the young people sixteen years and over join the adult society.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Our newest Conference organization abroad is that of Czechoslovakia. Twenty-two delegates from twenty-six missionary societies

met in Prague to celebrate the tenth anniversary of Methodism in Czechoslovakia. After an all-day meeting they voted to ask to be received into the Woman's Missionary Council. Officers were elected and a Conference society duly organized. From that meeting they sent their first contribution, \$50, to the Council treasurer. There are 463 members in the 26 missionary societies, and they raised last year \$1,026.62 for the local needs of the Church and for missions. One of the missionaries of the General Board writes: "These groups are the moving power in all of our congregations and prove to be a great blessing to our Church. They are accomplishing much in the program of the Church, though they are hampered by the fact that many of them come from Roman Catholic homes where they find much opposition."

JAPAN

There are two organizations for women in the Japanese Methodist Church. One is an organization found in nearly every Church, which usually meets weekly and raises funds for local work. It is composed of practically all the women of the Church and corresponds to our Ladies' Aid. The other organization is found only in the larger Churches, meets monthly, is composed of those who pay dues of about fifteen sen per month. This is the Missionary Society, but has little in the way of a program. Its work is principally to raise money for home and foreign missions. Their Annual Conference is in conjunction with the preachers' Annual Conference. These societies help to support weak Churches, employ Bible women, and also aid in the scholarships for training Bible women. Miss K. Okijo, who was a student in Scarritt in 1929, began in the autumn of 1930 to visit the Churches and chapels in Hiroshima District, in the interest of the women's work and the missionary work in particular. The number of leaders yet is small and the budget not large compared with the needs, but the type of leadership is fine, poised, dignified, capable, and tactful. The money given is the result of real devotion and understanding.

KOREA

Korea has one of our strongest Conference organizations including adult, young people, and children's societies. The Conference is divided into eight districts. The Annual Conference is always well attended and proves a great blessing to the women. Every member of the Woman's Missionary Society offers one day a week for home visitation and ten cents to support three missionaries, two in Korea and one among Korean laborers in Japan. Also, they give something for Bible women too old to work. Members of the Missionary Society teach women and girls in night schools, give a scholarship to the Theological School, contribute to the woman's dormitory at the summer conference and help with the Door of Hope Mission in Seoul.

Since the establishment of the Methodist Church in Korea the Missionary Conference is no longer a member of the Council, but they also have expressed themselves as desirous of the closest fellowship.

MEXICO

It is very interesting to note that the missionary societies in Mexico have grown since 1925 from 11 in number with a membership of 332 to 37 societies with over 700 members in 1930. Since the establishment of the autonomous Church only fraternal relations shall be maintained with the Woman's Missionary Council. During the meeting of the first General Conference of the Mexican Methodist Church the officials of the woman's organization met to study the unification of their work. The new constitution provides for a "Federation" in each of the two Conferences, which is the same as a Conference Society. The two Federations shall be "Confederation." The presidents of the Federations and the General Secretary constitutes the Executive Committee. The Federation meets annually and the Confederation every four years at the same time of the General Conference. The only person receiving a salary is the General Secretary, who is Senorita Conception Perez, a deaconess, who shall travel over both Conferences visiting all societies. The President of the Confederation, Mrs. Elisha S. de Pascoe, sends this message: "We feel more than ever that we are united to you by the sacred bonds of a world sisterhood in Christ, and by special request of the Methodist women of Mexico, I am writing to thank you for the beautiful spirit of Christian love and sacrifice which has always characterized the members of the Woman's Missionary Council. We need your prayers and help, now more than ever, and we are confident that your interest in us has not lessened."

POLAND

To be able to report seven missionary societies with 265 members in our Church in Poland is a great victory. In no field where we are working is the opposition to our work so strong as in Poland. Progress is slow, but we are progressing. The missionary societies meet once a week for prayer and Bible study and to sew. This past year Miss Brown prepared the program material for the meetings and also from October to June taught a weekly Bible class in the chapel at Wilno, which proved a real blessing in the lives of the women. July 2-8 a conference and training course for women workers of our Church all over Poland met in Wilno. This was the crowning feature of the year's work. At the Mission meeting held in Klarysew in July, Bishop Darlington appointed Miss Brown as Conference Woman's missionary worker.

RUSSIAN MANCHURIAN

There are no more loyal members of the Woman's Missionary Society on any field than our Russian sisters in Harbin, Manchuria. Since the withdrawal of the missionaries in 1927 they have carried on alone. Besides the Church in Harbin, four others were left in smaller cities and towns along the line of the Chinese Eastern Railroad. In all of these there are active missionary societies. Every Friday the women meet for Bible study. In addition, once a month they have an open meeting presenting an attractive and carefully prepared program of talks, readings, and music. Men and women both attend. The pastor often gives the midweek prayer service hour for this open meeting. These women have helped to pay school tuition for children, supported orphans, distributed food, clothing, and fuel. They have sent a small offering through the Woman's Missionary Council to Africa.

SIBERIA KOREAN

This field, which has been under the supervision of J. S. Ryang, now Bishop Ryang, has no foreign missionary, either man or woman, yet there are 26 missionary societies with 518 members. There are 13 Bible women, who superintend the work for women in this field. These are supported by an appropriation from the Woman's Missionary Council.

LATIN MISSION OF FLORIDA

This Mission was organized by Bishop Moore June 14, 1929. Prior to this it was the Latin District of the Florida Conference. Within the bounds of this Mission are five Churches, in three of which are Woman's Missionary Societies. It has not yet been decided what the status of these societies shall be.

INDIAN CONFERENCE

The Indian women of Oklahoma met in their second Annual Conference in September at Newtown, near Okmulgee. It was the privilege of the Superintendent of this Bureau to be with them for one day and evening session. It met in conjunction with the preachers' Annual Conference. This Conference sent their delegates to the Woman's Missionary Council for the first time in 1930. The women of the Conference are from five different tribes and cannot speak or understand each other's language. Many of them speak English, but all messages and business of the Conference must be translated three or four times. These women are in need of better trained leaders for the local auxiliaries and of very simple programs for their monthly meetings. Provision has been made to supply this latter need.

Many have been the expressions of appropriation from the fields for the Bureau of Coöperation and Extension. In asking the question,

"In what way can we best serve you?" the answer has come back: "First, by your love and prayers, and then by assisting us in making our organization a standard one." Without exception, when expressing the contribution the Woman's Missionary Societies have made to the work in the national Churches, the emphasis has always been on the spiritual contribution. Nothing has meant so much in the deepening of the spiritual lives and meeting the needs of the women in the national Churches as the Woman's Missionary Society. It makes an appeal that nothing else does.

The strongest organizations and the greatest progress has been made in those fields where the missionaries were interested enough and had time enough to begin, back up, and stand by the local women in their efforts to organize a Woman's Missionary Society. We believe the lack of interest on the part of many missionaries is their lack of knowledge concerning the work of the Missionary Society. Therefore, we recommend that the Woman's Missionary Council request Scarritt College to provide a course for accepted candidates which will acquaint them with the work of the Woman's Missionary Council, with the understanding that the services of the secretaries of the Woman's Missionary Council may be secured as instructors.

STATISTICAL REPORT

	NUMBER OF SOCIETIES				NUMBER OF MEMBERS				
	Adult	Y. P.	Children's	Total	Adult	Y. P.	Children's	Total	Collections
Africa.....	3		1	4	150		85	235	
Belgium.....	17			17	265			265	12,786 20 frs.
Brazil.....	112			112	3,933			3,933	\$10,172 52
China.....	76	14	29	119	2,311	455	1,740	4,506	2,052 10
Cuba.....	21	1		22	470			470	1,018 00
Czechoslovakia.....	26			26	463			463	1,026 62
Indian Conference.....	35		6	41	280		74	354	709 44
Japan.....	164			164	2,720			2,720	5,250 00 yen
Korea.....	183	8	24	215	1,607	712	930	3,249	791 28
Latin Conference.....									
Mexico.....	37			37	750			750	1,286 05
Poland.....	7			7	122			122	2,004 75
Russian Manchurian.....	5			5					
Siberian Korean.....	26			26	518			518	
Total.....	712	23	6	795	12,589	1,167	2,829	17,585	

SCARRITT COLLEGE FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

J. L. CUNINGGIM, PRESIDENT

While the record of Scarritt College during 1930 was not marked by any extraordinary achievements, the year was one of gratifying progress. In some respects it was the best year in the history of the institution.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Somewhat more attention was given to publicity and to student cultivation than usual. Partly as the result of this and partly as the

result of other causes the enrollment for the summer, fall, and winter quarters numbers two hundred as against 174 for the corresponding period last year. Of this number, 31 were registered at Peabody College and 169 at Scarritt. Of those registered at Scarritt, 28 were of junior college rank—though they are mature students doing special work—68 are of senior college rank and working for the A.B. degree, and 73 are graduate students. The wide territorial distribution of the students is indicated by the fact that the student body includes representatives from 22 States, 23 missionaries on furlough from the homeland and from various foreign countries, and eight Nationals from Cuba, Mexico, Korea, Japan, and China. Our dormitory facilities are overcrowded, but Peabody College has for the time opened its spare rooms to Scarritt students on the same terms made to its own students. We have an urgent need for additional dormitory facilities for young women and also a growing demand for a dormitory for men.

IMPROVEMENT IN COLLEGE WORK

In keeping with the action of the Board of Trustees a year ago, the departmental organization was changed and the courses rearranged. Larger emphasis has been given to the field work and provision made for closer faculty supervision. Through the courtesy of Ward-Belmont College arrangements have been made whereby our students who wish piano instruction can have the benefits of the Ward-Belmont Conservatory of Music at a greatly reduced price. In this way our students are offered exceptionally fine opportunities in the Department of Music. Another step has been taken to make the opportunities of Scarritt available to those who can be in residence for a short period by dividing the winter quarter into two terms and providing courses of special practical value. Application has been made to the Tennessee State Board of Education for the placing of Scarritt College on the list of approved colleges, and this has been granted.

SUMMER QUARTER

Our second experience in providing a summer quarter proved very successful. The attendance of students showed quite a satisfactory increase over the first summer. Through the coöperation of Mrs. J. W. Downs we were able to have Mr. Leonard Riggleman give courses dealing with the Rural Church, which were greatly appreciated. Our faculty was further strengthened by the presence of Prof. LeRoy Huff, of Drake University, who was provided by the Christian Church Foundation, and Prof. P. J. Rutledge, of Birmingham-Southern College, who was made available through the coöperation of the General Sunday School Board with Scarritt College. Our appreciation is due to the faculty and to Professor Barnett, Director of the Summer Quarter, for the splendid success of the summer quarter.

ORGANIZATION OF THE CULTIVATION DEPARTMENT

Efforts were begun early in the year to secure a suitable person to head the Department of Cultivation, but not until near the close of the year was the effort successful. In December Rev. John L. Ferguson was elected Vice President, with the understanding that his work is concerned with cultivation and finance. In the meantime Miss Juanita Brown had been secured and had begun the cultivation work on May 1st. Mr. Ferguson received his A.B. and B.D. degrees from Emory University and has done graduate work at the University of Chicago and in Edinburgh. He taught Religious Education at Millsaps College, was a member of the Secretarial Staff of the Sunday School Board for four years, and resigned that position in order to take a charge in the Mississippi Annual Conference. Miss Brown has her M.A. degree from Scarritt, where she was an outstanding student. She was a candidate for foreign mission service, but because of domestic conditions has found it necessary to remain in this country. I feel that we are exceedingly fortunate in having these two carry forward the work of our Cultivation Department.

REVIEW OF CULTIVATION WORK FOR THE YEAR

Though the Department of Cultivation was not completely organized until near the close of the year, through the efforts of Miss Brown and the members of the faculty, gratifying progress has been made. Numerous articles have been written for the press, a large mailing list has been prepared, and several important pieces of literature have been written and widely distributed. The Scarritt Associates has been inaugurated, 228 friends throughout the Church have accepted the invitation to become associates, and have pledged or paid \$646.45. In addition to the financial returns, the words of appreciation and the desire to cooperate in the work Scarritt is doing have been most encouraging. During the first part of the year Miss Emily Olmstead, employed by the Alumni Association, continued the campaign for \$50,000 for the Gibson Dormitory, and since she resigned her position the work has been carried forward by Miss Brown. During the year, \$6,912.76 in new pledges have been added to this fund and \$9,560.46 paid in cash. The total cash and pledges credited to the Gibson Dormitory fund at the close of 1930 amounts to practically \$39,000.

MOST URGENT FINANCIAL NEEDS

In speaking of our financial situation mention should be made first of the necessity of supplementing our annual income for maintenance. The growth of the institution calls for a larger budget this year while the financial depression has reduced our income. If, therefore, Scarritt is to maintain its policy of avoiding embarrassing indebtedness, it must raise approximately \$15,000 for current expenses, or seriously curtail its training program. On the side of material equipment the

most pressing need is the Gibson Dormitory. The Scarritt Alumni Association will doubtless raise the \$50,000, which is its goal, but this will leave approximately \$100,000 still to be raised. Scarcely less urgent than the dormitory is a recreational building to accommodate our Physical Education, Music and Pageantry; and also several lots which are essential to the future development of our campus plans and which we are in grave danger of losing. In the matter of instruction, we ought to broaden our social work in the direction of social case-work and rural life, we need to strengthen our Religious Education Department, especially in elementary work and in organization and supervision, and we are anxious to give greater emphasis to religious life and personal evangelism. These additions will make necessary a substantial increase in our endowment, which is also an essential condition to our admission into the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States. Scarcely less important than increased endowment is a larger fund for scholarships, for field work, and for the library. These various needs—additional physical equipment, endowment for instruction, and funds for special objects—will involve the raising of approximately \$1,000,000.

CO-OPERATION OF THE WHOLE CONSTITUENCY NEEDED

In facing the task of securing the funds necessary to meet the enlarging opportunities and needs, we are not unmindful of the obstacle that we encounter at the present time in the unprecedented financial depression. This will, of course, make our task more difficult, and require more effort and longer time to obtain the desired results. But more serious than the financial depression is a psychological condition that confronts us. One phase of this is the thought that Scarritt ought to secure larger funds from Boards or Foundations in the North just as other schools are doing. Much time and thought during the past year has been given to accomplish this, with the result, which as far as I can see is final, that Scarritt with its very distinctive character must depend upon the Southern Methodist Church for its support. But here we face another phase of our difficulty. When one approaches the Church, whether individuals, organizations, or Boards, he is met with the suggestion—and I have had it expressed to me many times—that the Woman's Missionary Society will adequately take care of Scarritt. On the other hand, when one talks with representatives of the Missionary Society he is told that Scarritt must look to the Church. But this is not all; there is still another phase of the problem growing out of the fact that Scarritt is a connectional institution. The local constituency is prone to think that because Scarritt belongs to the entire Church, it should be supported by the Church as a whole. But when one approaches those who live at a distance he finds that they have their local interests and responsibilities and feel, if they do not say, that Scarritt should be supported by those who live close by. Thus Scarritt faces the mental

attitude on the part of the various groups that make up its total constituency that somebody else will care for its growing needs. It is this state of mind, as I see it, that constitutes the most difficult problem we have in adequately financing the institution, and its solution calls for the united effort of every friend of the institution. With such coöperation, I believe that the difficult psychology can be overcome and that sufficient funds can be had to enable Scarritt to realize its large possibilities.

PROBLEM OF MISSIONARY TRAINING

Passing now from this brief report, I wish to discuss several factors that make the work of missionary training at the present time most difficult. A consideration of these will, I believe, give one a sympathetic appreciation of the service that Scarritt College is seeking to render.

THE TYPE OF MISSION WORKER DEMANDED

Mention may be made, first, of the growing demands in the range and character of training for mission workers. From all the mission fields the word is coming that the need is not so much for more missionaries as for better trained missionaries. When this demand is interpreted it includes several things. It is rightly a demand for workers who have a positive, vital, and contagious religious experience. At no time has it been more necessary for Christian workers to have a definite, radiant religious life than now. Along with such a life, mission workers are expected to have a broad, thorough education—one that will enable them to deal effectively with modern scientific, philosophical, and religious thought. The situation into which the missionary goes to-day is vastly different from that confronted several decades ago, and is steadily becoming more difficult. Therefore, the missionary must be more thoroughly trained. And along with this demand for a broad, fundamental training there is a call for more specialized vocational preparation for specific tasks of various types. Altogether then the mission worker is expected to-day to have a much greater equipment than formerly, and consequently a much larger task is laid upon the training institution.

PRESENT-DAY MISSIONARY CANDIDATES

The Christian young people of our day are, I believe, a splendid group, and certainly many of those who are offering themselves for missionary service rank very high. Yet there are certain characteristics of missionary candidates to-day that make the problem of training more difficult than formerly. For one thing, they are younger, less experienced, less mature than heretofore. This is due to the modern speeding-up of the educational process which results in young people graduating at an earlier age than formerly. There are

many more types of work open to such young people than was the case a generation ago. There is consequently more uncertainty in the minds of such young people as to their future plans. More important still, they are in general much less certain as to their religious experience. Along with these characteristics, because of the scientific spirit of modern education, the young people are more independent, critical-minded, adventurous, more inclined to reach their own conclusions. Thus the process of training to-day is quite different and more difficult than was formerly the case.

CONFUSION IN TEACHING MATERIAL

Mention should be made of a third fact that complicates the problem of missionary training to-day. I refer to the uncertainty and conflict existing in practically every subject included in the curriculum. The application of the scientific spirit and method to the various fields of study during recent years has resulted in much questioning of former views and great conflict among authorities in these various fields. In physical sciences, psychology, philosophy, social science, theology, Biblical study, the history of religion, missions, and even the Church there are many questions under serious discussion. The world of modern scholarship is full of uncertainty and confusion, and it is not a simple matter for one to find his way through the confusion to a place of confidence and peace. Yet this is the problem that confronts the young missionary candidate, for one who is to deal effectively with these conditions throughout the world cannot afford to be ignorant of them. What a task for those who endeavor to guide and train the missionary candidate for intelligent, effective service!

SCARRITT'S IDEAL

If an institution is to meet successfully such a responsibility, it must be of very high order. It must emulate the great founder of Methodism in combining a true scientific spirit and thorough scholarship with a genuine religious experience and a Christlike passion for service. It must be at once an educational institution and a demonstration of vital Christian living. Such is the ideal of Scarritt College, and to this ideal the faculty and student body are committed. It is for the increasing realization of this ideal that the friends of Scarritt throughout the Church are urged to give their hearty cooperation. Not only must the institution have adequate financial support for its maintenance and development, as indicated above; but it must have also that spiritual understanding and sympathy that will enable it to achieve its high mission.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

The Committee on Spiritual Life and Message was appointed at the Council meeting in Amarillo, Tex., in March, 1930. A short meeting was held at that time for organization.

Miss Daisy Davies was elected Chairman and Mrs. Harwell Wilson Secretary. Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb and Miss Estelle Haskin were co-opted as members.

The first regular meeting of the Committee was held in Nashville, Tenn., in November. Through the courtesy of Miss Haskin and Miss Case our meeting was held in their charming apartment.

Every member of the Committee was present. The first two days of the meeting was a retreat—deep searching of heart, confession of need, discussion of needs of individual and **Church, earnest prayer**, and waiting on God in silent meditation for forgiveness and power, made the days rich in spiritual blessing.

Two days in this quiet atmosphere, surrounded by every influence that would minister to fellowship in worship, were blessed.

There were informal discussions of the need of the Christians of to-day, of the lack in the Church of spiritual power. Professor Barnett, of Scarritt College, spent an afternoon with us discussing in a heart-searching way the social implication of the Christian life, what it really means to live as a real follower of Jesus Christ in everyday life and contacts.

On Sunday morning Dr. Thomas Jones, President of Fisk University, was with us, and led the discussion on "How to Find God." There were personal experiences and confession and prayer, with intervals of silence and meditation. No one at that meeting can ever forget the marvelous sense of the presence of God.

Throughout the afternoon there was a continuation of interchange of thought and experience with much time spent in quietness.

The vesper service at Scarritt, conducted by the choir of Fisk University, made a wonderful contribution to the day of fellowship with Him. All felt that He had indeed walked with us by the way throughout the two days.

On Monday plans were made for organizing and developing the Spiritual Life Groups in Conference and auxiliary.

The following report was later presented to the Executive Committee in mid-year meeting and adopted:

SPIRITUAL LIFE GROUPS

The Purpose and Aim

There has been a growing conviction among some of the leaders of the Missionary Society that the great missionary enterprise which

has been projected around the world is lacking in spiritual dynamic within the membership of the society itself; that we "cannot go forward until we go deeper."

With this thought somewhat to the fore, a prayer league was formed during the Bennett Memorial campaign, in which individuals were leagued together to pray for the success of this project in money and in spiritual power. This prayer league was antecedent to the Jubilee Prayer League with its broadened thought of a deeper spiritual life for the societies. When the Jubilee year ended the league was perpetuated through the recommendations of fellowship groups within the auxiliaries. Later, when the Reëvaluation Committee of the Jubilee reported, there was included a provision for the promotion of the spiritual life through a committee in the Council on Spiritual Life and Message.

The plans which this committee is now sending to the Conferences and auxiliaries were made in a three-day retreat held in the home of one of the members. Here they learned by a deep experience of God's presence something of what it is which they wish to bring to pass. Their objective is a new spiritual experience for each auxiliary member; a renewed power for the larger program of work before us; a sufficient spiritual dynamic to back the world missionary enterprise.

Realizing the Aim

The members of the Committee, as they sat in retreat, were convinced that this new power could be realized best through groups meeting together just as it was meeting—making confession of personal and corporate needs and seeking together, through prayer and conversation, to understand these needs and the power of God which can meet them.

Organization

The Committee desires to work through a minimum of organization because of the danger that groups may become lost in the machinery. But spirit must express itself through some human form, so a simple organization was formed.

The Council Committee, in a by-law, has the following provision for its work: "There shall be a Standing Committee on Spiritual Life and Message consisting of five members.

"It shall be the duty of this committee to keep in touch with the spiritual movements of the time, to develop a clearer understanding of the implications of the teachings of Jesus for every realm of thinking, to endeavor by prayerful research to develop a clearer appreciation of the meaning of Christian living. In coöperation with the Secretary of Organization, it shall make plans for deepening the spiritual life of the womanhood of the Church. It shall report to the Council."

The Conference

The Council Committee in requesting the Executive Committee of each Conference to appoint a Chairman of a Conference Committee on Spiritual Life and Message and, in consultation with this chairman, select two women to serve with her. It is hoped that the members of this committee may be those who live in sufficiently close proximity to hold frequent retreats, so that they may plan the work of the Conference and in some measure generate the spiritual power necessary to carry forward these plans.

The Auxiliary

It was also planned by the Council Committee that the Conference Committee on Spiritual Life and Message shall ask the Executive Committee of each auxiliary to appoint a Chairman of a Committee on Spiritual Life and Message and, in consultation with this chairman, select two women to serve with her. This committee in the auxiliary is privileged to form one or more groups in the auxiliary to be known as the Spiritual Life Groups.

District Secretary and Zone Leader

While the Conference Committee on the Spiritual Life is commissioned to cultivate the auxiliaries, there is a great work for district secretaries and zone leaders; they can assist by giving the most hearty encouragement to the promotion of groups in the auxiliaries of their district and zone. In order to do this, they will be greatly helped and prepared by belonging to their own local group.

The Committee on By-Laws was requested to enlarge the Committee by adding Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb and Miss Estelle Haskin as regular members.

A beginning has been made in providing literature for the use of the groups. A folder explaining method of organization has been prepared and sent with a letter to each Conference President. Many responses have come sending names of Conference committees.

A valuable pamphlet, "Suggestions for Spiritual Life Groups," has been printed. This, with a letter of explanation, is being sent to the Chairman of each Conference committee.

The page in the *Voice* is to be continued as a help in deepening spiritual life.

Pamphlets for devotional study are being selected, and others are being prepared. These will be sold at a minimum price.

A carefully selected bibliography is also being prepared that groups may know books that are most valuable in the culture of their spiritual life.

Other plans are being developed by which we hope to provide a more adequate and inexpensive literature that will be a source of in-

spiration and strength in understanding the possibilities of laying hold of God's power for our lives and through us to others.

The Council Committee is coöperating with the Commission on Spiritual Life and Message appointed by the General Conference.

Authorization was given by Executive Committee for holding a retreat in 1931. It is greatly desired to have the chairman of every Conference Committee on Spiritual Life and Message present, so that she may plan for similar retreats in her own Conference.

The definite plans for the retreat will be published at a later time, but we earnestly urge the hearty coöperation of the Council in this first Council-wide Retreat.

We believe that God is calling us to a new realization of power and fellowship—the Church needs it, and we are praying earnestly that your Committees on Spiritual Life and Message in Council, Conference, and auxiliary may help quicken throughout the entire Church a hunger for God, a seeking and finding Him that will make the Church radiant with a vital experience of Jesus Christ which expresses itself in the daily life, making all the areas of life Christian.

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *President*;

MRS. HARWELL WILSON, *Secretary*.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

The Committee on Spiritual Life and Message present the following recommendations:

1. Concerning Retreat to be held at Scarritt College September 19-21, 1931:

(a) That Conferences be requested to send to this meeting the Conference Chairman of Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, or her alternate, who shall be a member of the Conference Committee on Spiritual Life and Message; the expense of this representative to be paid by the Conference if necessary.

(b) That the Conference Executive Committee shall send to the Council Committee on Spiritual Life and Message the name of one woman who is able to bear her own expense and to whom shall be sent by the Council Committee an invitation to attend the Retreat at Scarritt College.

2. Concerning the Week of Prayer:

(a) That auxiliaries be asked to hold a Retreat during the Week of Prayer, using one whole day, or part of two days, for deepening the spiritual life of the members.

(b) That the Literature Committee be asked to make plans for the creation of suitable literature for these retreats.

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *Chairman*;

MRS. HARWELL WILSON, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION AND EDUCATION

We, the Committee on Promotion and education, recommend:

1. That the names of prospective members secured in the 1930 membership campaign be checked by Conference Officers, District Secretaries, and Auxiliary Presidents and that their cultivation be continued through the use of cards of invitations sent by the local auxiliary and a leaflet prepared by the Secretary of Education and Promotion.

2. That we commit ourselves to the plans made for the cultivation and enlistment of the young women.

3. That the Woman's Missionary Society coöperate with the Board of Christian Education in the study of elective courses offered in Sunday school and in Standard Training Schools, the auxiliary to receive credit for such study when the necessary requirements have been met.

4. That for 1931 we coöperate with the Commission on Spiritual Life and Message by selecting the Bible Study texts from books of a devotional character.

5. That the Conference and auxiliary leaders keep "Life Memberships" constantly before the societies, taking as our slogan for 1931 "A New Life Membership in Each Auxiliary."

6. That we continue through the quadrennium the plan followed in 1930 regarding the special quarterly events.

a. First Quarter—An Officers' Training Day in District or Zone Groups.

b. Second Quarter—A Membership and Enlistment Campaign.

c. Third Quarter—A Training Day for Mission Study Leadership.

d. Fourth Quarter—Week of Prayer and Harvest Day.

7. The following texts are recommended for use in the Adult Woman's Missionary Societies for the year 1931-32.

Home Missions—"The Challenge of Change," "What Is Happening in Home Missions," by John Milton Moore; "The Turn Toward Peace," by Mrs. Florence Boeckel.

Foreign Missions—"Korea, Land of the Dawn," by James D. Van Buskirk, M.D.

Bible Study—"Studies in Prophecy," by Mary DeBardeleben, 25 cents; "How We Got Our Bible," by Patterson Smythe, \$1; "The Story of the Old Testament," by Seay, \$1; "Life and Letters of Paul," by Thomas Carter, \$1; "Spiritual Adventuring," by Bertha Condé, \$1; "Jesus Our Ideal," by W. P. Whaley, \$1; "Jesus Among Men," by Henry Hodgkin, \$1.25; "Pleaders for Righteousness (A Study of Amos and Hosea)," by Winton, \$1; "Great Souls at Prayer," by Mary DeBardeleben, 25 cents; "The Teachings of Jesus on Human Relations," by Hoyland, 50 cents; "The Open Gate to Prayer," by Mabel Nelson Thurston, 25 cents.

MRS. HARWELL WILSON, *Chairman*;
MRS. L. W. ALFORD, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK

The Committee submit the following recommendations:

1. In view of the authorization granted by the General Conference of 1930 to the Woman's Missionary Society to organize children in the Annual Conferences and in the Churches in order to promote missionary intelligence and activity and to secure missionary funds, that all Conference and auxiliary officers emphasize the Children's Work as never before, making a study of the new plans and programs of this division and giving them their loyal and enthusiastic support.

2. Since the legislation of General Conference provides that children's organizations under the Woman's Missionary Society shall work in coöperation with the Board of Christian Education and with the consent of the pastor, that wherever the women organize children it shall always be done with due consideration for this legislation.

3. That superintendents avail themselves of every opportunity for study and training for their work with children and that they take advantage of opportunities presented by Leadership and Standard Training Schools.

4. That the splendid work done during the intensive mission study period of the summer quarter be continued this year, and that a selection from the following books be made for vacation study:

Cuba—Boys' and Girls' World Club: "Sugar Is Sweet," by Dorothy McConnell; World Children's Circle: "Children of the Sea and Sun," by Mabel C. Wagner.

Rural Study—Boys' and Girls' Club: Home, "Out in the Country," by Hazel V. Orton; Foreign, "Wheat Magic," by Margaret Bro; "Open Windows," by Mary Entwistle. World Children's Circle: Joint Home and Foreign books, "The World on a Farm," by Gertrude Warner; "The Friendly Farmers," by Gertrude Warner.

5. That, because of the unusual need this year, the friendship projects in connection with the study of the summer quarters be taken from the Council Budget, and that these projects be as follows:

If Cuban study is selected, Council work at Matanzas, Cuba.

If Rural study is selected, Rural work supported by the Council, this work at present being located in the following Conferences: Alabama (Cajan), Little Rock, Louisville, North Arkansas, North Georgia, North Mississippi, Louisiana, South Georgia, Texas.

6. That publicity be given at Conference, District, and zone meetings to the junior magazine, *World Friends*, and that an increase in the number of subscriptions be urged.

7. That the Children's Specials be clearly presented, as follows:

World Clubs and Circle: Grade schools under the Woman's Missionary Council in the United States and on seven mission fields.

Babies: Kindergartens under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Council at home and abroad.

8. That the women of the Missionary Societies be encouraged to enroll the babies as a means of cultivating the interest of the women of the Church in the missionary education of children.

We further recommend for this year:

1. That the privilege of estimating the amount of the children's pledge to the Council rest with the Conference Superintendents of Children's Work.

2. That, in so far as it is possible, the children in the local societies be responsible for meeting their pledge themselves.

3. That every Conference set aside a certain amount of money each year to be used for promotion work in the children's department.

MRS. GEORGE MORGAN, *Chairman*;

MRS. A. C. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

The Committee on Literature recommend:

1. That program material be published each year for the children, as follows:

(a) Three booklets of twelve lessons each for the use of leaders in the Primary Department.

(b) Three sets of stories for the use of leaders in the Junior Department.

(c) Programs, together with supplementary material, be continued in the *World Friends Magazine*.

We further recommend: That in this day of questionable stories, newspaper accounts of crime, and other forms of undesirable reading material flaunted before the eyes of our children, this body promote in every possible way the circulation of *World Friends Magazine* and encourage the reading of it by the children themselves.

Since two of the most outstanding problems which challenge the thought of the Christian world to-day are the application of the principles of Jesus Christ to our industrial and race relationships, and since we believe that these principles should be planted in the minds of our children at an early age, your Committee on Literature recommends the following program themes for the Children's Division during the year 1932:

First Quarter—Industry: Primary Department, "Children of a Mill Village"; Junior Department, "Children at Work in Home and Foreign Lands."

Second Quarter—Negroes: Primary Department, "Our Negro Neighbors"; Junior Department, "Handicapped Winners" (a revision).

Third Quarter—Intensive Mission Study.

Fourth Quarter—Brazil: Primary Department, "Children of Brazil"; Junior Department, "Children of Brazil."

YOUNG WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Because many of these groups will be made of young women who have not been in touch with the programs of work of the Woman's Missionary Society through the years, and because special material tends to stimulate and emphasize the formation of these circles, we recommend that special literature be issued for the use of the Young Women's Circles for 1932.

ADULT MATERIAL

Since our plan provides for only twelve programs a year and since we need to present many phases of the work of the Woman's Missionary Council, we would recommend that:

(a) So far as funds will permit, Committees and Commissions provide packets of material for the promotion of their own work, and that

(b) These packets be listed in the Yearbook as suggestive and supplementary program material.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

The Literature Committee heartily approves the resolution of the Spiritual Life Commission which makes provision for literature suitable to be used in retreats during the Week of Prayer and recommends concurrence.

MISSIONARY VOICE

Since the subscriptions to the *Missionary Voice* have fallen off during this period of general depression and since we recognize its inestimable value in the program of Kingdom building, we recommend that:

(a) It be featured on Conference, District, and Zone programs, and that

(b) Conference Presidents and Secretaries aid their Publicity Superintendents in every possible way in their efforts to increase its circulation, thus enabling this splendid magazine to maintain its recognized *first* place among the denominational religious journals of the present day.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT, *Chairman*;

MRS. A. M. GATES, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

REPORT No. 1

Your Committee recommend:

1. That the Council Standard of Efficiency be continued for auxiliary Committees on Christian Social Relations.

2. That the Standard shall include: The sending of four quarterly reports to the Conference Superintendent; a study of the two handbooks (Interracial and Social Service); definite service performed; a regular representation from the Committee in a mission study class; and the study of one of the special packets of literature recommended by the Bureau.

3. That to the packets already prepared on Child Labor, Play and Playgrounds, Social Hygiene, Race Relations, and World Peace, there be added one on Industrial Relations, one on Rural Life, one on Rural Schools and Surveys, one on Christian Citizenship, and a second assortment on World Peace.

4. That these packets be suggested to group and zone leaders as supplementary material for their programs.

5. That Conference Executive Committees, wherever practicable, follow the plan successfully demonstrated of holding a one-day institute on Christian Social Relations in connection with their committee meetings, and that superintendents and other interested women be invited to attend.

6. That city and district organizations consider the practicability of one-day institutes on one or more phases of Christian Social Relations, such as Peace Day, a Citizenship Day, or an Industrial and Rural program.

7. That our Literature Committee be requested to consider programs on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Industrial Relations, and Rural Schools for the Yearbook for 1932.

8. That Council members present to their Conference Societies information on the plans and goals of the Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry, inviting their indorsement of these plans and goals.

9. That our representative in the Missionary Education Movement endeavor to secure the preparation of a study text with especial reference to the labor of women and children the world around.

REPORT NO. 2.

1. Believing that scientific research in the field of education and the free dissemination of the findings of these investigations will be for the betterment of school life and child guidance and thus contribute to the solution of many social problems, we recommend the indorsement of a measure for the establishment of a Federal Department of Education whose directing head shall be a Secretary in the President's cabinet.

2. In harmony with the well-known pronouncements of the Council in condemnation of lynching, we indorse the goals and plan of action and education of the Association of Women of the South for Prevention of Lynching, and recommend that two women be appointed to represent the Council on this Association.

3. We request of Conference Societies the indorsement of goals and

plans of the State Associations for Prevention of Lynching and that upon such indorsements the Conference Superintendents of Christian Social Relations and the Conference representatives of Christian Citizenship and Law Observance be appointed to membership in these State Associations for the Prevention of Lynching.

4. We recommend to all missionary women enlistment as students in the courses given in the summer of 1931 at Mount Sequoyah and Lake Junaluska under the Board of Education in Industrial Relations and Race Relations.

MRS. LEE BRITT, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Secretary*.

HOME FIELD COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 1

1. The Committee on Home Fields had before it two requests for the money received from the Week of Prayer offering—Houma, La., and Spofford Home, Kansas City, Mo. The Committee carefully considered the method of presenting requests from the Council floor, as was done last year, and after thorough discussion decided to recommend the institution which is to be the beneficiary.

We recommend that the Week of Prayer offering for 1931 be directed to Spofford Home.

2. The following memorial from the Florida Conference was before the Committee:

"Whereas there are five hundred (500) Methodist girls at the Florida State College for Women at Tallahassee, Fla., for whom a Community Center has been built by the Methodists of Florida; and whereas the Presbyterians and Baptists have provided workers for students of their denominations; and whereas for the past three years the women of the Florida Conference have contributed (with the consent of the Council) twelve hundred dollars annually for the support of a student worker; and whereas the worker thus supported was not an employee of the Council;

"We, the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Florida Conference, memorialize the Woman's Missionary Council in session at Memphis, Tenn., to appoint a suitable student worker to Florida State College for Women, and allow the Florida Conference to channel through the Council the salary of said worker. This will not be opening new work, but conserving a well-established one."

The Committee recommend concurrence.

3. The Committee had before it a letter from Dr. Frank C. Tucker, pastor of the Church in Columbia, Mo., concerning a "Student Counselor" for student work at the University to be financed by the three Missouri Conferences. Since the Conferences had not yet planned to raise the salary of said worker, and the matter should be brought to the Home Fields Committee by the Conferences, we recommend that

Dr. Tucker be requested to delay his request for a year and consult with the Conferences in regard to the project.

4. We recommend that the local Church provide a recognition service for a deaconess going out from the Church for the first time.

5. On account of the financial stress and shortage of funds, we find it impossible at the present time to give consideration to the request brought by Miss Rena Murphy concerning the establishing of a Mexican orphanage.

REPORT No. 2

The Committee had before it the following request from the North Mississippi Conference:

"The North Mississippi Woman's Missionary Conference requests the privilege of taking as a home mission special a rural worker for the next five years. If this request is granted, the Conference will raise its pledge a thousand dollars."

We recommend that the request be granted.

MRS. A. R. WALKER, *Chairman*;

MRS. FRED A. LAMB, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN FIELDS

The Committee on Foreign Fields recommend the following:

1. That, whereas the Council is under the necessity of reducing its appropriations, owing to circumstances over which it has no control; and whereas on some of the fields plans are being made for a program of extension to cover a number of years, we recommend:

(a) That on the fields a study and reëvaluation of the whole work and institutions be made with a view not only to bringing the work within the amount recommended in the Estimates for 1932, but also with reference to the future policy of the work.

(b) That this study be made in the light of the vital contributions now being made by older institutions and lines of work and the demands for extension into new fields of activity.

(c) That courage to face the whole situation be exercised and recommendations to close some work be made if that seems necessary in order to put on the new program.

2. That the Week of Prayer Special for the Foreign Fields be directed to taxes, repairs, insurance, and general upkeep of buildings and properties on mission fields.

3. That the request for a Deaconess School in Poland be referred to the field for restudy with the recommendation that a plan of co-operation with the Bible School of the General Work at Klarisew be considered.

4. That a balance remaining in the Brazil Jubilee Fund be directed to the expenses of a set-up meeting for the woman's organization.

5. In view of the enthusiasm and success of the Missionary Society

in Cuba and since the Council is making an appropriation to organization work in that field, we recommend that a balance now remaining in the Cuba Jubilee Fund be used for the promotion of the Woman's organization.

6. That whereas the registration of Collegio Piracicabana at Piraciba, Brazil, has brought to that institution a large number of boys of high-school age, and whereas the missionaries are recommending the appointment of a man as principal; therefore the committee recommend the appointment of a man as principal, provided the Board of Missions will continue its coöperation and will allocate a missionary for principal on the same basis as now obtains; and with the further provision that this meets with the approval of Bishop Tarboux.

7. Whereas the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions voted to grant the request that Miss Layona Glenn be returned to Brazil, although she has reached the age of retirement; therefore your Committee recommend:

That the Council approve Miss Glenn's return to the field when the Board Medical Examiner gives his approval.

MRS. NAT G. ROLLINS, *Chairman*;

MRS. E. A. KITCHELL, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

REPORT No. 1

Whereas the Young J. Allen Fund, which was contributed by the North Georgia Woman's Missionary Society for a memorial in connection with McTyeire School in Shanghai, China, was directed a number of years ago to a new building for McTyeire School; and whereas the Council has been appropriating a certain amount as interest on this fund from year to year; and whereas a memorial to Dr. Young J. Allen is to be included in the new building program for McTyeire School, thus fulfilling the object of this fund; therefore

We recommend that the accrued interest of \$2,800 be placed in the basis of appropriation of the Foreign Department and that the Treasurer be instructed to close the account at the end of 1931.

Whereas there are funds in some of the foreign fields remaining from unused appropriations and from gains in favorable exchange;

We recommend that the sum of \$22,000 available from these sources be added to the basis of appropriation for the Foreign Department.

Whereas your Committee, having scaled the estimates from the fields to an amount which, in their judgment, was the minimum, find that the estimates presented for the consideration of the Council still exceed the amount available for appropriation to the extent of \$10,326;

We recommend that this deficit be shared by the six older foreign

fields on a percentage basis as proposed in the printed estimates and that these fields be instructed to reëvaluate their institutions, study their sources of income, and make such adjustments as will enable them to take care of their respective part of the deficit

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *Vice Chairman*;

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *Secretary*.

REPORT No. 2

Appropriations

BASIS OF APPROPRIATIONS

Dues, Pledges, and Life Memberships	\$ 867,161 45
Bible Women and Day Schools	36,152 42
Scholarships	28,242 84
Specials	7,126 45
Interest	16,742 89
Literature Sales	9,800 34
Balances on Field	22,000 00
Credit Balances	18,000 00

Total Basis for Appropriations \$1,005,226 39

APPROPRIATIONS

Foreign	\$ 630,511 78
Home	307,651 86
Education and Promotion	66,988 00

\$1,005,151 64

Foreign

China, \$134,461; Japan, \$105,771; Korea, \$132,899; Siberia-Korea, \$2,820; Brazil, \$48,618; Mexico, \$72,954; Cuba, \$38,012; Congo, \$18,306; Poland, \$9,924; Interdenominational, \$2,500; Scarritt College, \$20,000; Contingent, \$28,558.78. Total, \$614,823.78.

Foreign Administration

Salaries, \$5,547; Clerical Help, \$4,957; Office and Travel, \$1,684; Board and Committee Meetings, \$1,500; Bishops' Travel, \$2,000. Total, 15,688.

Home

Mountain Schools, \$42,076; Mexican Work, \$32,723.50; Gulf Coast Work, \$22,317; Cuban Work, 15,491; Negro Work, \$31,740; Dependent Girls, \$18,325; Bible Teachers, \$7,200; Industrial Work, \$15,268; Delinquent Girls, \$12,027; Western Work, \$9,410; Rural Work, \$4,000; Home Mission Specials, \$15,480; Miscellaneous, \$18,095; Scarritt College, \$23,000; City Mission and Conference Appropriations, \$10,643; Cajan Work, \$893.80; Contingent, \$17,057.29. Total, \$295,746.59.

Home Administration

Salaries, \$5,555.27; Clerical Help, \$3,167; Office and Travel, \$1,683; Board and Committee Meetings, \$1,500. Total, \$11,905.27.

Education and Promotion

Travel and Office Expense of Council Officers, \$4,460; Service Department, \$8,240; Publications, \$8,260; Council Meeting, \$7,000; Committees, \$2,813; Bureaus, \$1,050; Commissions, \$1,675; Conferences, \$300; Interdenominational, \$700; Schools of Missions, \$2,500; Inter-Board, \$500. Total, \$37,498.

Education and Promotion Administration

Salaries, \$14,547; Clerical Help, \$10,760; Office and Travel, \$4,183. Total, \$29,490.

Total Appropriations for All Departments, \$1,005,151.64.

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *Vice Chairman*;

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL POLICY

The Committee on Financial Policy submit the following report:

A study of the relation of the different funds constituting our Conference budgets is being conducted, and the Committee asks time for a more exhaustive study of these questions.

That, in view of the reduced percentage of our basis of appropriation now being given to the Home Work, a division of the Week of Prayer offering on the same basis would not yield to that department a sufficient amount for any given project in one year. Therefore the Committee recommend:

That the Week of Prayer offerings each year be divided equally between the Foreign and Home Work.

MRS. INA FULTON DAVIS, *Chairman*;

MRS. D. B. CARRE, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND STUDY ON THE STATUS OF WOMAN

During the last quadrennium, 1927-1930, a Commission of the Woman's Missionary Council, worked on the question of the Woman's Place of Service in the Church. The study of this question convinced the Commission that the whole of woman's life affected by her status needs such study as will result in some activities looking toward the Christianization of her status in special fields.

The Commission published a pamphlet which was intended to call attention to the fact that woman's status in the family, in economics, in politics, and in education has direct bearing upon her place in the Church. This study opened the whole question of woman's place in the whole of society.

At the last Council meeting in Amarillo, Tex., due to new plans for an enlarged program of commission, committee, and bureau work, a new Standing Committee was appointed—namely, the "Standing Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Woman." The members appointed are as follows: Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Mrs. W. B. Landrum, Miss Julia Durham, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, *ex officio*.

The Committee was organized at Amarillo, March 18, 1930, with Mrs. J. C. Handy, Chairman, and Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Secretary. Later at the Executive Committee of the Council, two others were added, Mrs. Nat Rollins and Miss Daisy Davies, with Miss Estelle Haskin coöpted.

The Committee is continuing the policy of the preceding quadrennium in reading all the books of any authority that are newly published, bearing upon woman's status, and in keeping the bibliography of the subject up to date. The new books studied this year are: "The Biological Basis of Human Nature," by Jennings, of Johns-Hopkins; "Sex in Civilization," a symposium prefaced by Havelock Ellis and composed of articles written by the authorities on different phases of the subject; "The Changing Family," by Fiske; "Woman at the Cross Roads," by Royden, and "Woman and the Church," by Royden; "A Short History of Women," by Davies; "Woman of To-Day," by Ida Clyde Clark; "Understanding Woman," by Wieth-Knudsen; "Women and Society," by Myers; "Bible Status of Woman," by Rev. Lee Anna Starr; "God's Word to Women," by Dr. Catherine Bushnell; "Woman in the Modern World," by Vivian Boothe.

At the first full meeting of the Committee in Nashville, Tenn., on November 21, 1930, it was decided that the question of ordination for women on the same basis that men have ordination shall be the first question for study and activity. The action of General Conference in Dallas, Tex., May, 1930, giving not quite the two-thirds vote required to refer the question to the Conferences, was yet so encouraging and the spirit so progressive that the Committee will take for its major activity the promotion of the question of women in the ministry on the same basis as men. To this end, the first year will be spent in giving to the women of the Church the facts, figures, and cultivation that will put into their hands material easy to use for the promotion of this question.

The February *Bulletin* was devoted to this end. Articles on the status of woman, the report of the last quadrennium, women actually in the ministry of other denominations, the Association of Women Preachers, and excerpts from speeches at General Conference brought essential facts within the easy reach of all the women of the Church. A leaflet containing excerpts from a book (now out of print), "Women in the Pulpit," by Miss Frances E. Willard, was purchased for distribution. This leaflet has the whole argument on the Christianiza-

tion of woman's place in the Church. A leaflet was prepared by Mrs. J. C. Handy, "Women Ask for Ordination," giving the history of the memorial which the Woman's Missionary Council sent to the General Conference, concerning women in the ministry. These two leaflets are in a ten-cent packet and may be secured from Literature Headquarters, for use in auxiliaries, zones, districts, and Conferences, as aids in preparing programs for the promotion of the question of woman in the ministry. Members of this Commission hold membership in the Association of Women Preachers.

Pursuant to this cultivation and in order that each member of the Committee might be able to make the largest possible personal contribution to the furtherance of the work and program of the Committee, the following topics for special study and research were assigned as follows: Economics, Mrs. W. B. Landrum; The Family, Mrs. E. A. Kitchell; Religion and the Church, Mrs. F. F. Stephens and Mrs. Nat Rollins; Politics and Government, Mrs. W. J. Piggott and Miss Daisy Davies; Education, Mrs. J. C. Handy.

An article published in the March issue of the *Missionary Voice*, written by our beloved and lamented member, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, concerning the ministry of Miss Bess Combs in an independent Church, is splendid material for cultivation of the subject.

The Committee arranged a group meeting with a program to be held during the Council session for the promotion of ordination of women.

In preparation for this group meeting and the presentation of the special aim and study of this Committee, much thought has been given by the members and a large correspondence carried on by the Chairman and by the Secretary. The response of those solicited to present this program has been most encouraging, indicating that the leaven is at work and that the status of woman as Jesus interpreted it should be in the Christian social order this is becoming more and more a conviction pointing toward its coming reality in the thought and programs of activity of the Christian Church in an increasingly Christian world.

With the earnest hope that all Council members will cultivate their constituency during the year in spreading facts and educational material, that they will make use of the material prepared by the Committee and ask from the Committee any help that they may be able to give, this report is respectfully submitted.

REPORT NO. 2

The Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Woman, in line with the action of the Woman's Missionary Council in relation to Ordination of Women in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, recommends to this Council body the following items which will promote the cultivation of this question among our own constituency.

The Committee recommend:

1. That Conference, district, and zone leaders incorporate in their programs a presentation of "Ordination for Women," making use of material provided and outlined in Suggested Program.

2. That in each Conference and auxiliary there shall be a committee of one or more women who shall serve as a channel of cultivation for Research and Study of the Status of Woman.

3. That each auxiliary provide a copy of "Woman's Place of Service in the Church" for the use of the local Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Woman.

4. That the members of the Conference and Auxiliary Committees on Research and Study of the Status of Woman keep a file of clippings and articles pertinent to this subject.

MRS. J. C. HANDY, *Chairman*;

MRS. E. A. KITCHELL, *Secretary*.

COMMISSION ON UNOCCUPIED MISSION AREAS

Your Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas present the following report for your consideration:

Accepting Dr. E. Stanley Jones' definition of a mission area as "one where Jesus is not known," on every hand we find fields white unto harvest.

The population of the world is one billion, five hundred million. Of this vast number approximately one-half have never heard of Jesus' plan of salvation.

In the United States, with its population of one hundred and twenty-two million, there are more than forty-three million who are not identified with any religious organization—Protestant, Jewish, or Catholic. Of this number, twenty million are young people between the ages of sixteen and twenty years who are receiving no religious instruction.

Recognizing the need in these unoccupied areas, the question comes to each of us, What is my responsibility and obligation in redeeming these areas?

To meet the obligation as Christian women, we desire a deepening and strengthening of our spiritual lives that our contacts with our fellow men may be Christlike. So numerous are these unoccupied areas that it is difficult to specialize without encroaching on the work of the other commissions.

FIRST: NEW AREAS IN THINKING

As never before, women are studying and thinking for themselves. Questions relating to community, State, national, and international life are commanding their attention and service. Their world is the whole world and is no longer bounded by the walls of their homes as in the past. Having been liberated from much that held them for-

merly, they are looking for new fields of activity and new avenues of service, and the Church must offer through its organization programs a challenge that will command their interest and attention.

SECOND: NEEDS

We believe these programs should be diversified, dealing with the great issues vital to the needs of the world.

To carry out the new program of to-day, a trained aggressive leadership is needed.

THIRD: GEOGRAPHICAL

In every State there are vast unoccupied mission fields, underprivileged groups in cities and countries, children needing better school facilities, slum groups that need attention, underchurched and overchurched communities, and foreign groups not provided with Church or school facilities.

Study your territory and suggest to those responsible the needs.

FOURTH: ORGANIZATIONS

After more than fifty years of organized missionary work, but one woman in seven in the Churches is enlisted in missionary service. These unlisted women should be more systematically and persistently cultivated, until every woman is inspired to respond to the challenge of the vast unredeemed areas at home and abroad.

FIFTH: INSTITUTIONS

Quoting from Vincent Cullen, Vice President of the National Surety Company, New York, "Crime steals six and one-half per cent of the entire income of every American; costs as much as the public school system and the Federal Budget combined, and more than six times as much as the whole Church gives."

As a result of crime, there are necessarily reformatories, jails, and penitentiaries.

That needed information may be furnished regarding these institutions, it is necessary that a careful study be made of same.

Since one of the needs of the day is to enlist and use more fully the religious forces in building moral character, thus trying to save the youth of our land from evil and crime, and make possible for them a life of constructive Christian service, we desire to express a willingness to coöperate with the Board of Christian Education in their plan to provide for the development of the youth of our Church, physically, mentally, socially, and spiritually.

It is our intention to continue our study and investigation of these unoccupied areas, both in the home land and in the foreign fields.

MRS. LEE BRITT, *Chairman*;

MRS. C. C. WEAVER, *Secretary*.

BUREAU OF CO-OPERATION AND EXTENSION

Since, on the mission fields, the strongest Woman's Missionary Societies and those that have made the greatest progress are those in which the missionaries have been interested enough, and have had time enough, to begin the work and then to back up and stand by the women in the development of it; and

Since we believe the lack of interest on the part of many missionaries is due to their lack of knowledge concerning the work of the Missionary Societies,

Therefore we recommend that the Woman's Missionary Council request Scarritt Collège to provide a course for accepted candidates which will acquaint them with the work of the Woman's Missionary Council, with the understanding that the services of the Secretaries of the Woman's Missionary Council may be secured as instructors for said course.

BESS COMBS, *Chairman*;

MRS. HELEN B. BOURNE, *Secretary*.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY TRAINING

A committee consisting of Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Esther Case, and Miss Mabel K. Howell was appointed in 1929 to act with a committee of the Trustees of Scarritt College to consider the educational requirements for missionaries and the extension of time for missionary training.

The Board of Trustees of Scarritt College appointed a committee of three: Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, Mr. J. W. Barton, and Mrs. Hume R. Steele.

This Joint Committee on Missionary Training has held three meetings during the year and has carefully mapped out its task. Progress has been made, but the Committee has not completed its work, and therefore is not ready to make recommendations at this Council session and requests extension of time.

MISS ESTHER CASE, *Chairman*;

MISS MABEL K. HOWELL, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON SCARRITT COLLEGE

The Committee on Scarritt College reports progress and requests more time for a final and more definite report on their work of investigating and restudying the whole subject of scholarships at Scarritt and candidates for missionary work under the Council.

MRS. R. L. HOB DY, *Chairman*;

MRS. D. B. CARRE, *Secretary*.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON DEACONESS AND MISSIONARY REST HOME

Your committee had before it the action taken by Woman's Missionary Council in 1930 and submit the following recommendations:

1. That the home to be built be used for retired deaconesses and missionaries and those on furlough.

2. That such a home be listed as one of the objects of the Week of Prayer for the year 1932.

MRS. J. W. DOWNS, *Chairman*;
GRACE GATEWOOD, *Secretary*.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO FILL VACANCIES

The committee to nominate members to fill vacancies on Standing Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus present the following nominations:

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.—Mrs. S. T. King.

Committee on Scarritt College for Christian Workers.—Mrs. J. W. Perry.

Committee on Lectureships.—Mrs. J. W. Perry.

Committee on Coöperation with Civic and Welfare Agencies.—Mrs. J. C. Handy.

Committee on Interracial Relations.—Mrs. R. S. Satterfield.

Commission on Rural Development.—Mrs. J. M. Quinn.

Commission on Research and Study of the Status of Women.—Mrs. G. C. Carver.

Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas.—Miss Mamie J. Chandler.

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Chairman*;
MRS. H. A. DUNHAM, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

REPORT No. 1

A recommendation was received from the standing committee on the Spiritual Life and Message:

To amend Item 14 of By-Law 17, of the Woman's Missionary Council, page 36 of the 1930 Handbook, by striking out the last two words, "five members," and adding the words "seven members, one of whom shall be the Secretary of Organization and one the Secretary of Literature," so that the item shall read:

"There shall be a standing committee on Spiritual Life and Message consisting of seven members, one of whom shall be the Secretary of Organization and one the Secretary of Literature." *

The committee unanimously recommend concurrence.

MISS EMMA V. PEPLER, *Chairman*;
MRS. WALLACE ROGERS, *Secretary*.

[*Editor's Note*.—Report No. 2, by action of the Body, is omitted here, but action on each item is included in the body of the minutes, page 50.—L. P. P.]

COMMITTEE ON LAWS

REPORT No. 1

The Committee on Laws submit the following report:

1. The Council minutes have been bound for the use of the Law Committee into five volumes with a quadrennium of reports in each volume.

2. The Committee has furnished information concerning the law of the Body when necessary.

3. All memorials and resolutions were reported out of committees, and all calendar reports have been acted upon.

REPORT No. 2

Your Committee on Laws wish to call attention to the following recommendations passed in 1913:

1. That this Body observe the distinction between the items of law and points of information or inspiration in papers sent to the calendar for action, items for legislative action only being placed in committee reports.

2. That this Body keep in mind the classification of its laws under the three heads, as adopted:

- (a) Special Rules.
- (b) Standing Rules.
- (c) By-Laws.

3. That these terms be defined as follows:

(a) A rule made for one year or expiring with the emergency which called it into being shall be known as a special rule.

(b) A special rule, which by a majority vote of the Body is made permanent, shall be known as a standing rule. A standing rule shall remain in force until amended or rescinded.

(c) A by-law is a law created by the Body that is as binding on all the Body and its agencies as is the Constitution. Being created by the Body, it may be rescinded at the will of the Body.

MRS. J. H. STEWART,
MRS. T. H. TYSON,
MRS. W. P. McDERMOTT.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Woman's Missionary Council opened its twenty-first session under the shadow of a great sorrow. Our splendid and beloved leader had fallen, and we were filled with uncertainty and fear. But while our hearts still ache with loneliness, our Master has been true to his promise, the Comforter has come and spoken peace to our disquieted spirits. He has given us strength and courage to pick up our task and go forward, realizing that "our sufficiency is of God."

Being devoutly thankful for the great inspiration and privileges of

this session of the Woman's Missionary Council here assembled, we desire to put on record our deep appreciation of the services of all those persons and agencies that have contributed to its success. In particular we hereby express our grateful appreciation to the Memphis Conference, who so graciously extended to us the invitation to meet this year in this city, so replete with the records of the beginnings of world-wide movements pertaining to kingdom building; to the chairmen and members of all of the Committees on Arrangements, who have left nothing to be desired in the way of comfort and convenience; to the speakers on our program and to the press; to Dr. J. Stewart French and the members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to whose thoughtful consideration and efficient coöperation we are indebted for the comforts and conveniences of the spacious and well-apportioned building, with its equipment, so graciously placed at the service of this Council; for the services of the ladies to whose labors we are indebted for the fellowship we have enjoyed at the noon-day luncheons, during the sessions of the Council; to the Claridge Hotel for its uniform courtesy in providing comfortable and convenient headquarters.

This Council Body is deeply grateful to all those who have contributed to its program, its proceedings, and its entertainment. And also to the men who aided so efficiently in the disposition of the Council property in Kansas City.

We would extend greetings to Mr. John R. Pepper, who has meant so much not only to the work of the Church in this his home city, but also to the work throughout the entire connection. We sincerely regret that illness has deprived us of his presence in our sessions, and we pray that he may be speedily restored to his usual degree of health and activities.

Through our daily worship periods, morning and noontide, led by Mrs. J. L. Cuniniggim and Dr. Henry T. Hodgkin, and the ministry of the Committee on Spiritual Life, we have come to a new realization of the need to heed the words, "Be still and know that I am God." We are, therefore, resolved that we will cultivate for ourselves and help others to attain a quiet spirit, which shall result in a deepened consciousness of God.

This twenty-first session of the Woman's Missionary Council takes this opportunity as one of its final acts to express its heartfelt love and appreciation of the self-sacrificing labors of our home and foreign workers on all far-flung fields of service. They are our comrades in service, and we are with them in spirit not only here in this gathering but also as we return to our various fields of labor.

We are told of "a great flock of birds that filled the trees in a grove. Suddenly they all faced in one direction, and that direction was straight into the wind, which was blowing strongly. A few minutes later they flew away with a group movement which birds have

somehow learned to follow." May we, officers, missionaries, and Conference women, be as courageous as the birds as we face the winds of difficulty together and move in unison on the long flight which we expect to make.

MRS. A. M. GATES,
MRS. FRED A. LAMB,
MRS. W. P. GRAHAM.



MEMOIRS

MRS. F. F. STEPHENS

Blanche Howard Stephens was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in 1875. Her higher education was received at the University of Chicago and at Leland Stanford University, from which institution she was graduated in 1903. In 1905 she became the wife of Frank F. Stephens, dean of underclassmen of the College of Arts and Sciences in the University of Missouri at Columbia, Mo. She was an active, vital factor in religious, education, and civic affairs in her own community and State, in addition to the broad interests and activities linking her up with organizations national and international.

Her unusual qualities of leadership were so generally recognized that her fine administrative and executive abilities were coveted by many welfare organizations, in some of which she held membership and gave service. She was a charter member of the National Committee of One Thousand for Law Observance. She was a member of the Committee on International Relations in the Association of University Women. She actively participated in the program of the National Conference on the Cause and Cure of War, and she was associated with the activities of the League of Women Voters, of which she was a charter member. While she recognized the lofty purposes of such organizations to be the redemption of certain areas of human life and gave them a portion of her time, the first claim on her strength, means, time, and ability was held by the work of her Church.

She gave herself in such unstinted measure to her tasks as President of the Woman's Missionary Council that even when stricken with her last illness while holding important committee meetings in Nashville, her only thought was to drive ahead, finish the details, and complete the task. She was characterized by a great capacity for work and a passion for detail, a passion that would leave no small thing undone that would contribute to a perfect whole. This quality of her mind and heart was outstanding through all her work from the beginning of her connection with the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in 1909 to the last work she directed in the Committee on Estimates in February, 1931.

While she had shown her ability wherever she had served in Conference and Council, it was during the trying period of Miss Belle H. Bennett's last illness, while Acting President she proved her splendid qualities of leadership needed to carry on the Woman's Missionary Work brilliantly and successfully. She was a charter member of the Woman's Missionary Council, serving as Corresponding Secretary of the Missouri Conference in 1910-11; as Council Vice President in charge of Young People's Work, 1912-16; as sole Vice President 1918-22; as President, 1923-February 17, 1931. Her membership in the Board of Missions dates from 1914, and she held membership in the Committee on Coöperation of this Board with the newly created General Board of Christian Education.

The limits of this article would not permit an enumeration of all the denominational and interdenominational agencies on which she served. By reason of her connection with the missionary operations of her own Church as well as because of her outstanding administrative and executive ability she served on the Interdenominational Council of Women for Home Missions, 1921-31. She was a member of the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America, 1919-31. She was chairman of the Board of Founders of Union Medical College, Shanghai, China; member of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America and Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Scarritt College.

With the pressure of many duties, the solution of many problems, the strain of toil and fret of care, she never seemed to grow weary, and only occasionally showed the tension from long and exacting conferences.

Her experiences compassed some of the most far-reaching movements of the present day, notable among them were the changing conditions affecting woman's activities. She bore her share in the struggle for full laity rights for women, and her unwavering devotion to the principle of the sacredness of human personality has served as a strong tower to her coworkers in their efforts to remove the last artificial restriction from woman's service through the channel of the Church.

The qualities of her richly endowed mind have been variously described as analytical, logical, discriminating, keenly accurate, and intuitive. In addition to marked executive ability, she possessed as presiding officer a calm, poised, judicial presence, she was never at a loss for the proper procedure, and she had so steady a grip on affairs that meetings over which she presided were marvels of efficiency and accomplishment. Her messages to the Council body, written in clear, incisive, forceful English, are papers of historic value. She not only led the way in matters local and technical, but she sensed to clearly the changing pattern of social relationships that her text and recom-

mentations reflect the latest developments in Christian thinking the world over.

Some strong characteristics were: A marked reserved lightened by a sense of humor, a strong spirit which could face opposition and disappointment philosophically, a lofty vision of things as they should be and will be, and a genius for crystallizing her dreams into deeds.

She fell asleep at 12:50, in the very early morning of February 17, after a brief illness in which she seemed to suffer no pain. Hers was a useful life, a well-directed, orderly life, with all its brilliant abilities consecrated to noble and holy purposes. Such lives do not end; they only begin in another sphere while their influence lives on here.

"Thy day has come, not gone,
Thy sun has risen, not set,
Thy life is now beyond the reach
Of change or death.
Not ended, but begun.
O noble soul, O gentle heart,
Hail and farewell."

C. J. P.

MRS. MARY LIPSCOMB HARGROVE

The subject of this sketch, Mrs. Mary Lipscomb Hargrove, was a person of outstanding influence in the establishment and growth of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and in Scarritt Bible and Training School for many years. She held the office of Recording Secretary in the Woman's Board and of Bible Teacher in the School. The ranks of members of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions are thinning, but those living will recall her well-stated, accurate minutes. They were an interesting feature of the Annual Meetings and Executive Sessions. With Miss M. L. Gibson as president and Mrs. Hargrove as secretary, the business of the hour was dispatched thoroughly and interestingly.

Perhaps Mrs. Hargrove's best work, the one which left the deepest impress on her generation in changed lives, was as Bible Teacher for twenty-one years in Scarritt Bible and Training School. Her preparation for the task began in childhood under the supervision and definite training of a Christian mother and continued in intensive study, including correspondence courses, residence work in Chautauqua and in the University of Chicago. Besides these outside helps was her own personal study and Biblical research carried on several hours each day.

Mrs. Hargrove's interpretation and teaching was deeply and truly spiritual, and the application she made of spiritual truths was of large practical value in the lives of her pupils. Many of them—now missionaries in home and foreign lands—left the halls of Scarritt well grounded in the history and spirit of the Scriptures.

Her forceful personality found expression as teacher of a large class of women in the Sunday school of Central Church, Kansas City, Mo. Her radiant faith and strong personal hold attracted women from all ranks and classes. One was a member of the Business Woman's Bible Class and of the Y. W. C. A., afterwards a World Secretary, who at her own expense took Mrs. Hargrove around the world, visiting missions and missionaries of the Orient.

Her last work was as Bible teacher in the Texas Woman's College, at Fort Worth, Tex. Her influence here was as it had always been, leading young women to a personal knowledge of Jesus and claiming their lives for his service.

At the age of seventy-five, she died in the home of her son, Rev. W. H. Hargrove, Linn, Mo., on June 29, 1930. The body lay in state in Central Church, Kansas City, Mo., and was laid to rest beside her daughter in Elmwood Cemetery, amidst many floral offerings, in a lot tendered by the Woman's Missionary Council. J. D. C.

MRS. JULIA A. GAITHER

Mrs. Julia A. Gaither was for thirty-four years a missionary to China under the organized work of the women of Southern Methodism. Her husband, Dr. Henry Gaither, of Oxford, Ga., died in 1891, and at the earnest desire of Bishop Haygood, Mrs. Gaither went to China in 1892, to relieve his sister, Miss Laura Haygood.

Her work as missionary was of wide scope and variety. As teacher in McTyeire School at Shanghai; as visitor and worker among the women of Shanghai; as principal of Davidson Memorial Bible School, Soochow, and later holding the same position in Hayes-Wilkins Bible School. In Huchow, she filled the positions of worker in the out-stations and day schools, as teacher in the district Bible School, and City Evangelistic worker. Her last work was in the Moka Garden Embroidery Mission, at Soochow, as teacher and evangelist, and from this position she retired from the active service of the Woman's Missionary Council in 1926. She merited and received the emeritus relation and spent her last days quietly in Atlanta, Ga. After a short illness, she died October 21, 1930, and sleeps in Oakland Cemetery beside her mother.

Miss Elizabeth Claiborne, a former missionary to China, who worked side by side with Mrs. Gaither, says of her in the columns of the *Missionary Voice* of January, 1931:

"It is impossible for anyone to tell what she meant to Miss Haygood, to Miss Richardson, to the Chinese women, to the China Mission Conference, and to the Church at home in her thirty-four years of untiring, unceasing service. The power of her influence in the new Church in China cannot be measured. She was a worthy representative of Christ in that great land."

J. D. C.

MRS. MARIE RAFFO BARR

In the class of missionaries consecrated to the work of foreign missions at the Council Meeting in New Orleans, 1917, was Miss Marie Raffo, of Tampa, Fla. She went out under appointment to China and served as teacher in Laura Haygood School until 1926, at which time she married Mr. John S. Barr and went to live in Shanghai.

"During her term of service and under her supervision," writes one of the missionaries, "the present delightful building which houses the classes for the younger girls was built. Into it and into her whole work went her understanding of child life." And adds: "Her handling of relationships with Chinese children was unerring."

The same writer in the *Missionary Voice* of October, 1930, speaks of Mrs. Barr's life in the great cosmopolitan city of Shanghai and how she made use of the opportunity she had there:

"She was American, from the South. Her marriage with a British subject, a Scotchman attached to Medhurst College in the service of the London Mission, gave the supreme opportunity for a demonstration to her friends of every nationality of what a home activated by conscious desire for international understanding might be.

"As secretary of the American Association of University Women in Shanghai, she exerted her influence for the best coöperative effort with women's organizations of other nationalities, showing keen interest in the annual international conferences of women. She had close relationships with many Chinese men and women, being especially near, in later years, to those trained in England."

The world is richer for a life like this. The Woman's Missionary Council delights to honor such an one and to count it as among the fruits of the years of patient and wise seed-sowing and cultivation.

J. D. C.

DR. W. W. PINSON

The planting of the kingdom of God in the near and the far places of earth was the passion and the purpose of the life of Dr. W. W. Pinson. There lives on no mission field the whole world round a greater missionary spirit than was his. He literally poured out his life in a libation, often of suffering, that the name of Jesus might be known to the nations of earth. His transcendent faith bore him always aloft to heights of exuberant joy and hopefulness and carried him onward and upward over all obstacles.

Dr. Pinson served his Church in many capacities. As pastor in the Tennessee, Texas, West Texas, South Georgia, and Louisville Conferences, he filled the leading appointments acceptably and left a host of warm friends in all of them. In 1906, he was appointed assistant secretary of the Board of Missions. Later, on election of the General Conference, he became General Secretary of the Board,

holding this office until it was abolished in 1922. At that time, he was elected Secretary of the Mission Fields of the Orient. He was a gifted and charming writer. His pen moved gracefully and forcefully. His life of Bishop Walter Lambuth ranks high in the field of biography. Other works have outstanding merit and are on the shelves of the readers of Church literature.

Overtopping the virtues so resplendent in his character was his fine courage, which shone in every expression and relationship of his life. Physical ills, loss of prosperity, oncoming age all fell away before his undaunted spirit and made him triumphant over them all. Death was robbed of its sting, and the grave lost its victory, for spirit, and not matter, was dominant to the end.

Dr. Pinson died October 7, 1930, at his own home in Nashville, Tenn., surrounded by his wife of fifty beautiful years and four grown sons. In Wightman Chapel, Scarritt College for Christian Workers, the last rites were held.

He lives on in the redeemed lives of many men and women.

J. D. C.

REPORTS FROM THE HOME FIELD

BIBLE TEACHERS IN STATE SCHOOLS

Lubbock, Tex.—Texas Technological College

Mary De Bardeleben, Bible Teacher, reports:

Another year has begun at Texas Technological College, the sixth of its history. One term's work is completed, and we are now entering into the winter quarter.

The Department of Bible is slowly but surely finding its way. The enrollment is not particularly in advance of that of last year, but the response of the students is better.

I have an accessible office alone on the third floor of the Administration Building, and many students not in my classes come in for friendly chats and often for advice on various matters. Not a day passes but that I have from five to ten visits. The kind of courses to take, problems of life work, domestic adjustment, financial difficulties, the kind of books to read, religious questions—all these come up for discussion.

In the classroom I find the students unusually responsive. In the Life of Christ especially the interest, enthusiasm, and search for truth have been very gratifying.

The Northwest Texas Conference is proving its loyalty and interest in the work in a most material way by the gift of \$150 during the past year. This is being used for office expense, books for the library, and social gatherings that will bring the students in the department into closer fellowship with one another and with the instructor.

The only social occasion that has been possible up to date was a party in the First Church parlors at Christmas time when games, eats, a Christmas story, carols, and the nativity dramatized formed the program, and evergreens shipped by friends from the far South made festive and beautiful the occasion.

The class in Old Testament is working now on a dramatization of Jeremiah. If it is successful, one of the teachers of the Dramatic Department will help us put it on in one or more of the small towns near by. She is interested in doing this from the standpoint both of dramatic art and of social service, she herself being a graduate of one of our Methodist schools and inspired by its spirit.

In February we are planning by way of social fellowship a colonial party.

The work is a joy, and the instructor is grateful for the privilege.

Denton, Tex.—College of Industrial Arts

McQueen Wier, Professor and Director of the Bible Department, reports:

The year 1930-1931 is offering a splendid opportunity for service in Bible teaching at T. S. C. W. The number of registrants in the college courses for the two semesters is 407.

In the fall semester sixty students registered in the Old Testament Courses and one hundred and fourteen in the study of the New Testament, totaling one hundred and seventy-four.

During this winter semester there are seventy-six students in the

Old Testament classes and one hundred and fifty-seven in the New Testament courses, totaling two hundred and thirty-three for the second semester.

The college has given to the Bible Department \$120 for the purchase of books to meet its need. It is also providing a student assistant.

The following courses are being taught this semester: Old Testament History and Prophecy, The Life of Christ, The Teachings of Jesus Christ, Old Testament Heroes, The Gospel of John, The Acts, The Prophets.

Attending these college classes are twenty town women representing the Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Christian, and Episcopal denominations.

Enthusiastic response and eagerness is evidenced in all the classes. My heart is full of gratitude as I watch the promises of the Lord being fulfilled in the students' renewed faith, their greater understanding and appreciation of the Bible, and their progress toward larger service.

Nashville, Tenn.—Ward-Belmont College

Deaconess Oscie Sanders, Instructor in Bible, reports:

My time, at Ward-Belmont, for the academic year 1930-31 has been consumed by the following interest and activities: (1) Teaching (college and Sunday school), (2) personal work, (3) sponsor of chapel, (4) member of governing board, (5) leader of discussion groups, (6) member of the chapel committee.

All of the last named have kept me in close touch with the student group.

Durant, Okla.—Southeastern State Teachers' College

Deaconess Lena Noll, Bible Teacher, reports:

The year 1930-31, though not marked by an increase in the number of students in regular classes, has been one of large opportunity and joy and satisfying in many respects.

Each year spent at Southeastern brings something new into my life, for who can live in daily contact with student life and not have new and varied experiences? Yet these are something that cannot be put in a written report. Some of these experiences have come in the classroom during the regular courses or one of the special courses offered during the School of Religion, others through activities of various kinds or personal interviews.

Three courses in Old Testament and five in New Testament have been offered during the year. Since many of the students are unable to take advantage of these courses, the college, together with the Churches of Durant, sponsored during the year two community Schools of Religion of one week each, at which time more than five hundred people received credit.

Some of the happiest and most far-reaching experiences have come through working with the Young Women's Christian Association of the College. Through this organization we learn to share our problems and joys and to think, to play, and to worship together—seeking to find for ourselves and to make possible for others "full and creative life." In this we have been aided by the National Board of the Y. W. C. A. They have sent to our campus several of their secretaries and other outstanding student leaders, besides helpful literature.

The Young People's Department of the Church, both League and Sunday school, not only affords contacts with the students but with business young people. Through this department a wholesome fellow-

ship is brought about with the two groups, both in the Sunday services and in the social life. This year through the coöperation of the missionary women we observed Student Sunday. On this day the Sunday school, Epworth League, and Church services were especially for the students, and each one from out of town had a dinner invitation into Methodist homes. We feel it was quite a success and most worth while.

There are so many avenues of approach to the student mind and heart, and each year brings new ones. Among those used, other than the above, have been the special services—pageants, vespers, and the like—held at Christmas, Easter, and during summer school; the over-night retreat or camping trips; the girls' pep club; personal interviews; correspondence; and the library, through religious books and magazines.

In everything that has been attempted I have had the most helpful coöperation from President Briggs and the faculty. I am sure few colleges have a president who is as vitally interested in the moral and religious life of the student body as is ours. It is a privilege to be associated with him.

As I have written, briefly, an account of this year of service, memory has taken me back over the year and there has come mental pictures of various students and events. Then I find my heart filled with joy for the privileges that have been mine and the blessings received. Each year by living, loving, working, playing, and worshipping together we are seeking to make Christ more real in our lives.

Williamsburg, Va.—College of William and Mary

Deaconess Zoe Anna Davis, Bible Teacher, reports:

Do dreams sometimes come true? Yes; because our splendidly equipped dormitory about which I wrote last year is now a reality, and we are accommodating seventy-five happy college girls.

My work as Religious Educational Director consists of teaching two classes in Bible each semester, acting as recreational advisor for Brown Hall, and supervising the student activities of the local Church.

The extension work which was started in Norfolk last year has grown and is now touching a number of the women who are leaders in the various Churches of the city.

The past year has been a busy, happy one, as I have worked on the campus of William and Mary. As I live, play, and worship with students, I realize the true worth of the college boy and girl. What a privilege it is to share life's best with them!

CHURCH DEACONESSES AND PASTORS' ASSISTANTS

Phoenix, Ariz.—Central Methodist Church

Deaconess Ida M. Stevens, Church Visitor, reports:

Report time always awakens a deep sense of gratitude in my heart for the privilege of service. My work has been most interesting and has filled all my time; yet, because it deals with folk more than organizations, it is hard to tell about.

This winter I am visiting in five sanitariums besides the sick and convalescents who are boarding or living with members of their family in homes or apartments.

One dear invalid said: "You bring a touch from the outside world. You are always so cheerful. Your flowers are so pretty, and I like to look at your beads."

A very sick man said: "I should not be afraid (of the future), but I am afraid."

A young woman from Toronto, Canada (a Methodist), wrote home of the Church Visitor, her only visitor, and a kindly message of gratitude came from the family because the Church cared for their dear one so far away.

Two girls from distant States slipped away between my visits. I was so glad we had talked of our Father's love and care, read his Word, and prayed together.

The ladies of our Church supply me with flowers as long as their gardens last. Several supply me with magazines, religious and secular, which are eagerly welcomed by convalescents. Most of my sick folk are members of the Home Department of our Sunday school. I supervise the Home Department and act as substitute teacher in the Sunday school.

I teach a Mission Study book in one circle of the Woman's Missionary Society and a Bible Study in two other circles.

So the days go by filled with blessed opportunities.

Mrs. M. E. Mackey, Pastor's Assistant, reports:

The past year has been a very busy but happy one. My labor has been a labor of love, and many new and rich experiences have been mine. Central Church offers a large field for service, as there are many strangers and health seekers who come to this wonderful climate from every part of the world.

Much of my time is spent in visiting in the homes of the membership, prospects, strangers, and the sick. I assist in the Church school, substituted in the Junior Department as superintendent for four months, teach Bible in two circles of the Missionary Society and Mission Study in two circles, act as financial secretary for the Board of Stewards, serve on committees of different organizations, and as a member of the evangelistic committee before Easter I brought into the Church twenty-two members. The life of the Church worker is full and varied, but always abounding in opportunities for service.

Our Daily Vacation Church School was a decided success. We had an enrollment of ninety-seven children between the ages of six and twelve years. This is an increase over the past year and included only members of our Church, with the exception of only a few. We were fortunate in having trained teachers on our faculty.

The Missionary Society is going forward in a very splendid way, carrying on a full program of work. Through the circles much relief is given, visits to the sick and strangers, coöperating with other organizations, and promoting a spirit of fellowship among the women. With the assistance of the Missionary Society, I have organized a young business woman's circle with twenty-eight members. There are now 150 members in the six circles.

I have taught two standard mission study classes, one in our local Church society and one at the Methodist Assembly on Mount Pinal.

Our Church school has an enrollment of about 600 and is fully departmentalized. Decided improvement has been seen in the Church school and the Senior and Hi-Leagues since the coming of Rev. C. P. Hardin, last October, as Director of Religious Education.

At Christmas time the different departments of the Church school sent many baskets of food and clothing to the needy. The Young People's Department took the responsibility of presenting the pageant, and the best thing done during the holiday season was the singing of carols on Christmas Eve by members of the Senior League. Hospitals

were visited and a number of homes, to gladden the hearts of those shut away from the joys of the season.

We are making close contacts with our Methodist Mexican Church people here and helping the C. M. E. women in their organization.

Baltimore, Md.—Wilkins Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Deaconess Wilhelmina Wahlroos, Community Deaconess, reports:

As the days and months pass by, I become more and more convinced that Wilkins Avenue Church is supplying a real spiritual need in this large community. I realize, too, that those who minister here must be filled with that love that beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things if they are not to lose heart and hope.

Owing to the general depression of the country and the lack of employment, the work has not been easy this year. We have had to deal with many distressing cases of need, but God in his own wonderful way through his servants, also in answer to prayer, has made it possible for us to meet every request for help and so enabled us to put our love and sympathy, not into words only, but into deeds to make it real.

Visiting in the homes constitutes a great opportunity of helping the people, praying with the sick, cheering the sad, and offering them that transforming friendship of Jesus that they so much need.

My work with the different organizations of our Church has been a time of joy and encouragement, especially in the work among the children, the Epworth Juniors, also the girls in the club, some of whom already have given themselves to the Christ. It has also been my privilege to teach two mission study classes and to give many missionary talks both in the League and in Sunday school.

"In service which Thy love appoints,
There are no bonds for me!
My secret heart is taught the truth
That makes thy children free!
A life of self-renouncing love
Is one of liberty."

Roanoke, Va.—Belmont Methodist Church, South

Deaconess Mary B. Osborne reports:

The measuring of spiritual achievements is the most difficult of all lines of endeavor. One must realize that back of all our activities souls are having contact with souls and are being drawn into a close, intimate, and vital fellowship with God, the Father.

I am painfully aware of many, many failures I have made. Many goals that I had set for myself have not been attained, and many challenges that I have flung to others have not been accepted. But, O, the joy of service! God has been so gracious to use me as abundantly as he has and has given me many rewards in seeing the enrichment of lives that I have been privileged, through the leadership of his Holy Spirit, to touch.

Our teachers in the Church school and leaders in other organizations of the Church are quite aware of the necessity of trained leadership, and ninety-five secured credits in Standard Training Schools and thirty-six young people got credits in Assemblies and Efficiency Institutes last year. We had four mission study classes in the local Church, and one qualified as a Standard Class.

Through the missionary activities, outside of the regular Church

budget, we support a native Chinese pastor, a Bible woman in Cuba, sent a box of sewing supplies to Korea, one box to MacDonell, in Houma, La., and \$150 to the League Mission Special.

This being an industrial center, the financial depression and unemployment have been great handicaps to this Church. We have given much food and clothing this winter.

I am constantly being asked, "What do you do?" I am Counselor for the Intermediate-Senior group, both in Sunday school and in League; Superintendent of the Junior Church; Superintendent of the Young People's Division in the Roanoke District; keeper of the Church files; and attend all the Official Board meetings. I taught two mission study classes in the local Church, one at Massanetta during the League Assembly, and taught in three Standard Training Schools during the year. I have office hours in the mornings and go calling in the afternoons.

It has been my happy privilege to do much evangelistic work this year and to have many personal conferences with young people. O, how I thank my Heavenly Father for the joy in service! I can truly say with Wesley:

"Lord, in the strength of grace,
With a glad heart and free,
Myself, my residue of days,
I consecrate to thee."

Belmont is a big Church and does thing in a big way. We have a membership of over 1,800 and a Church school enrollment of over 1,400. We have some of the most sincere, consecrated, and loyal folk to be found anywhere. It is a blessing to be constantly associated with them. They are pouring into my life untold blessings.

San Antonio, Tex.—Denver Heights Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Deaconess Willena Henry, Pastor's Assistant, reports:

The past year has been one of joy, service, and testing for me. It is the fifth I have served this Church, and that is long enough to begin to see some of the fruits of one's labors.

As visitor I have been in the homes of the sick, the bereaved, and the new people of the community, usually visiting five afternoons a week.

As Superintendent of the Intermediate-Senior Department of the Sunday school, with ten teachers, I have tried to help each teacher and each pupil know Jesus Christ better as a friend and as a Saviour. In the three training schools held in the city this year, I have helped in the enrollment for our Church, and, besides taking a credit, I acted as chauffeur for four other persons.

As Superintendent of the Children's Division of the Woman's Missionary Society, I have touched the Junior and Primary children, correlating their summer program with the program of the Daily Vacation Bible School. Each year for four years I have had a Daily Vacation Bible School which has been self-supporting, enrolling about fifty children. As helpers I have had two or three good Woman's Missionary Society women and quite a number of young ladies from the Young People's and Senior Departments of the Sunday school. Some of these were pupils in my first Daily Vacation Bible School. This year eleven of these Senior girls gave me splendid help in both schools.

We stress Bible notebook, memory work, and service activities; the ambition of each child being to make something for some one else. The boys made doorstops, and the girls made the following: Twelve-year-olds, baby dresses; eleven- and ten-year-olds, laundry bags; seven- and eight-year-olds, bunnies. These were all given to the Wesley House Day Nursery. The nine-year-olds made vases for the various departments of the Sunday school. Then each child made something to keep for home or self. With the closing exhibit we had a benefit playlet, "Good Will, the Magician," using some of the Mexican children with ours. This brought in \$36, which we gave to the Wesley House.

I also had a Daily Vacation Bible School for the Mexican children in a little Mexican mission in our community, with about thirty enrolled. Eight of my Senior girls helped in this school, and the expense was paid by the Daily Vacation Bible School of Denver Heights.

As Counselor of the Hi-League, I have had the same Senior group of young people and have been happy to watch and help in their development as leaders. Our League ranks as high or higher than any in the city.

Besides my Church work, I have made a home for my aged father. I count this the greatest joy of all.

Columbus, Ga.—Hamp Stevens Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Deaconess Connie B. Fagan reports:

This being my third year's report from here, I have had many and varied experiences. The days have been full of opportunities. In visiting in the homes I have many times been able to point them to the Christ, who will help them at all times. Several have been influenced to attend Sunday school and Church services. There was held a revival for the Young People, and our Father used me in helping the young folks in many ways.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was held for two weeks in June. There were eighteen volunteer teachers, who were faithful to the work. There were enrolled 250 children, with an average attendance of 175. The full program was carried out each day. I believe that the children were taught many lessons which will be helpful to them. The closing program was carried out by the children.

The Missionary Society held their regular meetings during the year and were able to meet their financial obligations. The ladies enjoy the programs and are willing to take part on them. There were nine subscribers to the *Missionary Voice*, and two boxes were sent to the Day Nursery.

The pageant this Christmas was the best, as many expressed themselves. The young people and the children from the Leagues took part. The lesson of white gifts to the King was given through the program, and at the close a group brought gifts for the Orphans' Home.

The clinic is held every week by the doctor and public health nurses. Many babies are brought each week, and we see the improvement in them. Toxin-antitoxin is given to the children. Typhoid shots are given to the adults and children. A large group of boys and girls were examined for Fresh Air Camp. The result of this work is that the health of our community is much improved.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Deaconess Dorothea M. Reid reports:

Another year's report to be made. It seems such a short time

since the last one. And yet in looking over the year's work, much has been crowded into twelve months. In spite of the depression, 1930 has been a good year. Often we have seen a revival of interest in spiritual things. A real turning away from things of the world to God. This is indeed gratifying. An unusual amount of constructive giving has been done through Centenary Church. It is our privilege to work with Wesley Community Center, Bethlehem House, and the Goodwill Industry. Calls from the workers in charge of these institutions have been met in a gracious, generous, and prompt manner by Centenary Church members. Then, too, we have ministered to those of "our own flock" who were in need. Visiting sick and strangers takes much of our time. Attending meetings, teaching a bit, an occasional talk, coöperating with agencies and groups outside as well as the many in our Church, consumes the rest of our time.

"Another year is dawning; dear Master let it be,
In working or in waiting, another year with thee."

Charlotte, N. C.—Duncan Memorial Church

Deaconess Lillie V. Wood reports:

It is often said that one's first year at a new place or work is the hardest year. I have not found this true in my case. This is my second year at Duncan Memorial, and I can truly say it has been much harder than last year. But even though it has been hard, it has been good. In spite of the hardships and obstacles partially caused by the financial depression, the year has been full of God's good surprises and blessings of mercy and love. I am sure that many of the winds of seemingly ill fate will prove to be blessings in disguise. Some of God's richest blessings come to us in just that way.

The work with the young people especially has been encouraging and challenging. I believe there is as fine a group of young people in Duncan Memorial as there is to be found anywhere. We have three strong Leagues or two Leagues and Junior Missionary Society. Our Senior and Hi-Leagues rank among the highest in efficiency of the Leagues in the Charlotte Senior and Hi-League Unions. This year these two Leagues won seventeen units of credit in the League Institute and Assemblies at Lake Junaluska. This is a gain of 200 per cent over any precious record. These Leagues have not only been active in training for more efficient leadership, but they have been active in social service, helping needy families, holding prayer services in the homes of shut-ins, and brought Christmas cheer to 200 little boys and girls in our Sunday school at Christmas.

The Woman's Missionary Society also is making great strides of progress. It is launching out on a larger scale than ever before. It is more thoroughly organized and is functioning more systematically.

The club work at the Community House has been very interesting and challenging. During the year we have had eight different clubs—one Choral Club, two Orchestral Clubs, two Athletic Clubs, two Homemakers' Clubs, Junior and Senior, and the Well Baby Clinic for babies and pre-school children. During the year 752 babies and pre-school children have received treatment at the clinics. It is impossible to estimate in dollars and cents the value of this one organization alone to the mothers and babies of this and the surrounding community.

A new project for the summer was a Daily Vacation Bible School, which covered a period of two weeks. This was our first school and was very successful. Courses in Bible, Missions, and handcraft were taught. The people expressed the hope that another such school

might be conducted this coming summer. The main handicaps were the lack of equipment and funds to finance the school.

Our new project for this year is a playground. A playground would mean as much to the young life especially of this community as any other one thing I know of.

There are many challenging opportunities at Duncan Memorial for one who undertakes to lead and direct the young life alone, to say nothing of the adult life. The task is so big, and I am so small. I am not attempting to do big things, but I am attempting many little things in a big way for God, and I am expecting great things from God.

Besides the club work and Church work that I do, I do considerable case work and help place worthy boys and girls in school. This year I was able to help place six boys and girls in school. Two of these girls are entering college next year to prepare for definite Christian service.

May God continue to bless Duncan Memorial. If I had a hundred lives to give to the Master, I do not know of any place I would rather give them than at Duncan Memorial.

Raleigh, N. C.—Edenton Street Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Deaconess Mamie J. Chandler, Director of Religious Education, reports:

The work of the past year has been a real effort to provide a program that would meet the deep needs of those to whom it is the privilege of this Church to minister. In a Church of over 2,200 members, a large part of the work of a Director of Religious Education is to bring the various organizations into harmony and coöperation so as to prevent overlapping and to reach the largest number of people with a vital message. This, under the direction and with the full coöperation of the pastor, I have tried to do. All our work during the past year has been planned in view of the new program of Christian Education under consideration and later adopted by General Conference, and we are ready now to go forward under the new plan.

In all our work with the young people the following objectives have been kept in mind: The deepening of the spiritual life of the individuals; binding the young people in loyalty to the Church rather than to any organization within the Church; to bring into active participation in the Church's program all the young people affiliated with our Church; to minister to the college students in our city. Our young people have responded in a fine way and have worked toward attaining these objectives. They have placed the emphasis upon the spiritual in all their planning, and the result has been a deepening interest on the part of the young people in the things of the spirit, in the maintenance of the Quiet Hour Covenant in the Epworth League, and in the type of programs presented in their various meetings. They have learned during the year to go about their work in an intelligent and careful manner, working through committees and councils and endeavoring to bring every member into active participation in the program. They have responded to calls made upon them by the Church, and a large number are serving as teachers and officers in the Sunday school and as leaders in various departments of the Church's work. A good percentage answered the call of the pastor for personal workers during the recent city-wide Kerhanan Evangelistic Campaign and rejoiced that they were able to win some to Christ. A committee under my direction has worked out a plan whereby the various classes in the Young People's Department of the Sunday school present the worship service every Sunday morning,

and the members of this department are coming to a real appreciation of group worship. The young people's work during the past year has been organized with a continuous program throughout the entire year, with no lapse during the summer months. Rather, they have given special attention to intensive work during the summer when the attendance is smaller. The leadership of the various organizations has been placed in the hands of the young people of the local Church, and the program is expanded to take care of the college students while they are in our city.

Membership in the Epworth League has increased, and attendance has been up to a high average at the Fellowship Hour for Young People on Sunday afternoon, the Young People's Department of Sunday school, and the Sunday afternoon devotional meetings of the Epworth League.

With the beginning of fall, the Epworth Hi-League was reorganized, and this organization is now growing in membership and attendance and interest. The boys and girls are learning to do their work in a careful manner. Every member of the Hi-League is a comrade of the Quiet Hour Covenant.

In the Junior Congregation the children are learning lessons of reverence, they are being taught how to worship, they are given instruction in the fundamental doctrines of our Church and the meaning of Christianity, they are given special missionary education and are being taught systematic giving to the support of the Church and to the benevolences.

The Woman's Missionary Society has done good work during the past year, and the women of the Church are coming to a better understanding of the great missionary program of the Church. Two new groups have been formed—the young matrons and the business girls. It is my privilege to lead the Bible study in the business girls' group. The circles are considered the local department of the Woman's Missionary Society. They have done a great work in the Pilot Mill Village, in providing lunches for the children, clothing, and other necessities, as the mill has been closed most of the year. This organization has added to its student loan fund this year. They also do the work for the church and parsonage and contribute largely to the Methodist Orphanage in our city.

In June of last year we held a Vacation Church School for the children and young people from the Beginner through the Intermediate Departments. This was the first school in three years. It was held for two weeks, with an enrollment of 160, average attendance 130. We were well pleased with the result of our work and feel now that the Vacation Church School will in future be a part of the regular educational program of this Church.

As a result of the Kerhanan Personal Visitation Campaign conducted by the Churches of the city, in October, in which our Church had a part, 137 members were added to this Church. Another lasting result of this campaign was the forming of a permanent group of personal workers in the Church. It is my privilege to work very closely with this group in winning people to the Lord and bringing them into the Church.

During the year I have instructed and prepared for Church membership thirty-nine children and twenty-two young people, who were received into membership by baptism and on profession of faith. I am at this time conducting classes for the intermediate and junior age children who will be received into membership on Palm Sunday and on Easter Sunday.

It has been my privilege to work with leaders in other denomina-

tions and Churches in the city and with the Ministerial Association, in forming an Association of Church Relief Agencies. The purpose of this organization is to prevent overlapping in social work among the organizations within the various Churches, to bring about effective coöperation between the Churches and the other social agencies in the city. The results of our work have been very satisfactory, and we have rendered a real service in helping to establish a Confidential Exchange under the direction of the Chamber of Commerce.

One of my greatest privileges has been my personal contact with my people in their homes and through their visits to my study, and my personal conferences with our young people, when I have been able to help them with their problems and win some to Christ.

My pastor was away several months during the past year. He was a delegate to General Conference and Secretary of the commission sent to set up the autonomous Church in Brazil. The past year has been one of great responsibility, but it has also been one of great joy, as I have realized in a larger way my privilege of being a worker "together with Him."

Shreveport, La.—First Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Deaconess Grace Gatewood, Church Deaconess, reports:

If I may be allowed to change the old song to suit my case, I can truly say:

"One more year's work for Jesus,
How sweet the work has been."

It has been a year that will be long remembered by many of us. We had the coldest winter in forty years, followed by a long, hot, dry summer. Then the infantile paralysis epidemic paralyzed our Church work for several weeks. We had just started one of the largest Daily Vacation Bible Schools in our history, but it had to be closed. First Church will remember it as a year of change, since our pastor, who had led us for seven years, moved on and a new minister came to assume our leadership. Personally, I shall long remember it, because I "went up to Boston" as the delegate from the Deaconess Conference to the Great Social Workers' Conference, which met there in June, and like Timothy Austin of Mother Goose rhyme,

"I arrived in a shower of rain,
But [unlike Timothy] I should love to go there again."

My work has followed very much the same general lines. I am constantly visiting the new members of the Church in an effort to help them find their own places of usefulness. I have made many hundreds of calls on those who were ill in private homes and in public institutions. No greater joy can come than is found in the inspiration and avenues of service opened to me as teacher of a wonderful group of 175 of the fine young matrons and business girls of our Church in a Sunday school class. It is also my privilege to be associated with our young people as adviser and counselor in their Epworth Leagues.

During the year I have taught two mission study classes, a Sunday School Training Class, and a Methods Class in Social Service for the Efficiency Institute of the City League Union.

Working with the women in our interracial group, I have had some wonderful experiences. Probably the thing that challenges me most is trying to find some way out for the persons who have trusted me enough to share with me their personal problems. My heart has been

drawn out in love and understanding, yet I have been forced to feel my own inadequacy for such tasks. Each one has given me a deeper and more abiding faith in God as Guide, Defender, and Comforter.

“Lord, if I may, I’ll serve
Another year.”

St. Louis, Mo.—Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, South
Deaconess Ruth Carryer reports:

One cannot know the joy of serving Centenary Church until he knows the people within that Church. There are those people who speak of America as the “melting pot of the nations,” and so I have come to think of Centenary as the religious melting pot of St. Louis.

Centenary is a down-town Church and so, of course, has many newcomers in every service. These are not all Methodists, but represent every eclectic group. Then, because Centenary is such a friendly Church, even though it is large, many of these new-found friends return time and time again and quite often join our ranks. Most every day some one will tell me about when he was formerly a Baptist, Presbyterian, Catholic, or what have you, before he joined Centenary. Then another way in which this Church is a “melting pot”: The members come from every section of the city and county, which means that the people represent every type of economical, social, and mental situation that is to be had. And yet, these people who seem to be so different are able to come together in one church and worship their Heavenly Father, then to go out from their worship services into the organizations of the Church and work together on all kinds of projects for Him.

Do you get a picture of this broad-minded, enthusiastic Christian group? No wonder I love my work and my people so much.

I am still the Counselor of the Young People’s Department of the Sunday school. This is composed of nine organized classes. For the past six months I have been training one of these classes composed of about thirty-five or forty young women. In fact, I organized the class.

Besides the Young People’s Department, I am Counselor of the Delta Alpha and Centenary Men’s Bible Class. The former class is an adult women’s class which parallels the men’s class. Both of these classes are large and are doing some very good work. Since all of my Sunday school counselorship is with organized classes, most of my work is done with the official members of these classes and with the superintendents and secretaries of these departments. This does not mean that I do not know the individuals in these groups, because I know most of them and know something of their joys and sorrows.

I coöperate with my coworker in counseling with the Senior Epworth League and our new Hi-League, which was just organized a few months ago. The Senior League has had a much fuller year than during the past year. More of the Leaguers have been actively interested, and the attendance has been better too. The programs have been well worked out and presented. The League is sponsoring a dramatic club through its Fourth Department. It means much to our young people, and it has done some very fine acting. We hope that this group will become an established part of our Church.

The Hi-League is still small but is building a very strong foundation.

We also coöperate with the work of the Adult Missionary Society and the Young People’s Missionary Society. There are five circles in

each of these societies, and they are all very active and interested in missions.

Most of the social service work of the Church is handled by the deaconesses personally or through the various organizations.

As a Church there are two efforts put forth to aid the economically depressed members of our Church. Thanksgiving morning seventy baskets of food were delivered. At the Christmas season many more baskets of food were delivered. We had so many, many requests for clothing that we had to limit those requests to the children in most cases. However, due to the depression, the giving of clothing has almost been a daily job throughout the fall and winter. I am glad that I was able to find work for several people and was also permitted to work with social agencies in the city for several of our families in need.

Since I made my last report, I have made 1,007 calls in homes, 263 in institutions, and 69 calls in places of business. This makes a total of 1,521 calls for the year and represents my afternoon work. I have attended nineteen funerals and assisted with six of them.

When all of this is said and done, the center of the thought and work of Centenary has not been spoken of in a direct way. Evangelism and Centenary just go hand in hand.

Last Easter my prayer, asking that our Easter goal of 325 new members might be met, was answered on Palm Sunday when we more than reached our goal. This past Christmas we had a goal of 125 new members, and again we more than met it. Now Centenary is praying for another great harvest of souls to be brought into Centenary this Easter season. During this past year I have been made happy many times because I was instrumental in leading ninety-five souls into Centenary. Twenty-four of these were on profession of faith. About eighty-five of these were adults.

O, the joy of working in the Master's vineyard, together with those who love the Lord. May God bless the efforts that are being made at Centenary under the kind and sympathetic leadership of her minister, Dr. C. W. Tadlock.

CO-OPERATIVE HOMES

Lexington, Ky.—Wesley Hall

Deaconess Maria M. Elliott, Head Resident, reports:

A quiet, uneventful year this has been, though one of many heartaches and disappointments for some of our girls who lost their positions because of business depression. It was hard to see them going day after day unsuccessful in attempts to find work, and it was hard on the finances of the Home to keep sometimes as many as five for weeks who were unable to pay their board; but somehow the One who kept the meal and oil from failing supplied our need. He never fails.

There was a lot of work that had to be done, such as papering, painting, a whole new system of guttering, etc.; but it was done and was paid for, and the house is fresh and clean throughout.

Financial stringency interfered with our usual large marriage record. There were only two weddings, but our health record was remarkable, donations from auxiliaries were unusually bountiful; so after all it was a good year, and so

“Another year is dawning, Dear Master, let us be,
In working or in waiting, another year with thee.”

Birmingham, Ala.—Eva Comer Co-operative Home

Deaconess Kate Walker, Superintendent, and Frances Robers, Dietitian, report:

This is a Christian home, beautiful in spirit and appearance, established by Dr. George R. Stuart for the young business girl living away from home. We have been meeting an unusual demand during this period of unemployment. Four girls have been given a home from two to five weeks or until arrangements could be made for them; three others we have had to keep from two to four months. These girls had no homes to shelter them, and no one interested in their well-being. A total of seven girls were cared for by the Home during the year.

The societies of the Conference have responded beautifully to our call for help in supporting these girls; they have added much to our comfort by their pantry showers and cash donations.

Ninety-two girls have found a happy Christian home with us during the year. Five of this number decided the home life made a stronger appeal to them than the business world; they are now in their own little cozy homes, very happy in their housewifely duties. Only one of this group had the courage to face the jokes and merrymaking of so many girls and be married in the Home. Her very beautiful little wedding was solemnized here last June. It was such fun to get the house beautiful and all things decorated, for she was one of our finest girls, coming from a nice but very humble home. We knew this was a prettier wedding than her very own mother could have given her.

Like all other lines of business, the Home has suffered greatly from this business depression; at present our little group numbers only twenty-nine. Two of this number will go home the first of February for lack of work, this making a loss of six since the first of the year.

We are striving to teach them to meet the problems and disappointments of life in a Christian spirit and to bring about a spiritual awakening in each life that spends a few weeks in our Home.

Richmond, Va.—The Wilson Inn

Deaconess Mary Daniel, Head Resident, reports:

How we wish we might so write this report as to enable our readers everywhere, especially the splendid women who have given so generously of themselves to further the work of the Kingdom, to really see with us the group that has found shelter and friendship in Wilson Inn during 1930.

From several States, from Canada, but more from our rural Virginia, have come to our door this year the girl seeking preparation for her work in the business world, as well as those out on their own, working in office, store, and factory.

Perhaps your surprise at the youthfulness of the group would be equaled by your admiration for their independence and courage, as they face life joyously and unafraid.

Continuing the report of last year, which closed with the purchase of a new Wilson Inn, the spring and summer found our Board and worker anticipating, and then busy with plans and preparations for moving into new quarters, the fourth and most desirable since its organization in 1911.

Every one was disappointed that the Annex, which will give the Inn a capacity of fifty, could not be financed this year. Then the next best thing, however, was to make the most of the space in the house

as it stood, which was done by converting the attic into an attractive room, a side porch into a comfortable sleeping porch, the addition of bathrooms, and extra lighting and heating, weatherstripping and painting of the entire place—no small task in the middle of the warmest summer we've had in years. But finally it was all finished, even to the washing of windows and polishing of floors, and the family at 2700 East Broad Street moved, bag and baggage, into the beautiful, welcoming 3208 East Broad Street. In two weeks this new home, with an enlarged capacity, was filled, and we were having to turn away girls.

The *Richmond Christian Advocate* was the medium through which we reached the parents of many girls who were expecting to live in Richmond this year for various reasons, and, however changed our world to-day, we find the mother and father heart just the same in concern for the safety and welfare of their children.

Since we've had so many applications from girls we are unable to accommodate, a Personal Service Committee from our Board, after investigating, approved a number of boarding houses in the city which we can recommend to these young people.

We are not marking time, though it may seem so, for a modern annex is our goal, and our Board is bending every effort toward the accomplishment of that object.

There have been many happy recreational features this year, since the girls are so closely confined, either in school or at work, they chose outdoor entertainment, which took the form of picnics, hay rides, wiener roasts, hikes, to which often they had the privilege of inviting their friends. These were sponsored by our splendid Recreational Committee. A Halloween dinner and a Christmas program also added variety and pleasure.

A committee of the girls assisted in drawing up the regulations under which we are living this year, and we were quite happy over the serious thought and very constructive suggestions offered by them.

The girls are responsible for one vesper service per week. A Devotional Committee of three has this program in charge. The service has been marked by a reverence and earnestness that speaks well for our girls of to-day. Almost every girl has taken part in some way and done her very best.

Friends from over the Conference have meant much to our work by sending gifts of fruit, quilts, and other things. In this way they are hastening the building of the annex, in which maybe some young friend, or perhaps their own daughters, may find a safe, happy Christian home some day.

Waco, Tex.—Rebecca Sparks Inn

Deaconess V. Maude Fall, Head Resident, reports:

The making of a home for the young business girl is one of the greatest privileges that can come in the life of any woman. Such a privilege has been mine again for the past year.

Often very gratifying expressions of their appreciation for the home life comes to us from the girls, while others take it for granted. Yet we have the great satisfaction of knowing we have done our best for each girl.

We, like every one else, have felt the financial depression, as we have had vacancies for the past six months. Some of our girls lost their jobs, while others, business college girls, have had to return home because no employment could be found for them.

We have observed all special days, and have tried ever to give a

real home atmosphere. We had a beautiful wedding in our parlor on Thanksgiving day, which made the day a real festival occasion.

Our girls conduct the weekly vespers themselves, the workers not taking part except upon invitation from the leader.

Our donations for the year have been most generous. One shower alone brought us twelve quilts. The Central Texas Conference gave us a beautiful rug for our living room. The Northwest Texas Conference gave money for our curtains, and the Waco Churches have been most liberal. For all of these donations we are truly grateful.

I cannot close this report without expressing my deep appreciation to Waco City Mission Board for their loving coöperation. It has been a joy to work with them.

San Francisco, Calif.—Mary Elizabeth Inn

Deaconess Ethel Jackson, Head Resident, reports:

Retrospect at the close of a year of service ever brings rich blessings to the Christian worker, when she realizes that she has been a coworker with God and that it is he who has given strength for the days of toil and inspired the hope of victory. Some one has said:

“Give me the thrill of the task,
The joy of the battle and strife,
The being of use, and I’ll ask
No greater reward for this life.”

It is, indeed, a privilege to be “of use”; to be needed and wanted; to have others depend on you—it is a task that angels might covet.

This year’s work has been quite different from any of the others. It began and ended with a building program, and, after all, that is about the program of life at its best—building and conserving. It may be houses, it may be character; but in each case it calls for all that is best in us.

Early in the spring of nineteen-thirty we made some very desirable changes and improvements at the Inn. The once-famed beaux parlors were taken out, and a large reception room with a homelike fireplace and new furnishings gave us a most enjoyable reception room. The bedrooms were papered, and the recreation hall was done over.

It was then time to turn to the new task, giving all the time I could spare to the Glide Foundation Building. It was thrilling to see it grow. As I moved in and out among the workmen there were many opportunities to speak of the great Master Builder of our souls. For months there were multiplied interviews regarding furnishings and then the planning and selecting of them. It was my daily prayer that I might convert each task into an opportunity and thus be spared of what could otherwise be a drudgery. As the building took shape I was eager to furnish every nook and corner. When it was all done, just to see the happy faces and hear the joyful O’s and Ah’s and, sweeter still, to sit with the new tenant and hear her say: “I could not have pleased myself so well if I had done the furnishing”; and, as one said: “I shall always feel your presence in this room.” Then you wonder if you were ever tired.

We have ten lovely small apartments for girls and thirty-six rooms with community kitchen privilege. This will accommodate fifty of the home-loving young women of our city. It is a great plant, and I thank God for my part in it. It was all rented before it was finished.

Much as I have enjoyed the task, I am glad to have all my time for my work at the Mary Elizabeth Inn.

Owing to the unemployment situation, we have not been filled to capacity much of the time during the year. Especially has this been true of the past few months. We have had to carry many of the girls who have been out of work for weeks at the time.

Then, too, we seem to have a change in type of girls. They seem restless, unsettled, and undecided. Some one has described it as the "St. Vitus' Dance Age," and well, too. It seems out of the question for them to spend a quiet evening at home; something must be doing all the time. However, there is always the heaven in the more substantial ones, and together we carry on. Some lines of the work have had to be neglected while others occupied my time.

Special days were about as usual. We had some delightful contacts with several foreign students coming to our shores. We were happy to entertain a number of our missionaries.

On the whole, it has been a good year, although I am never satisfied with results. With my hand in His and His courage in my heart, I am all eager for yet another year if it be his will.

Deaconess Glenn More reports:

Nineteen hundred and twenty-nine marked the end of the first cycle in my life as a deaconess. In September I left the Mary Elizabeth Inn where I had served for five years. These years, together with the two years spent elsewhere, entitled me to my first furlough. I entered Scarritt College at once. There I spent one of the happiest and most profitable years of my life. The joy of renewed friendships with classmates and teachers was equaled only by the happiness which came from making new friends. During the year I found complete renewal of mind, body, and spirit.

Then there came the unexpected joy of a trip to Europe, the gift of a generous sister. Two months were spent abroad, which seemed a fitting climax to a wonderful year.

Within a few days after my return I left for the Western Coast, the place and the work which had been home to me for so many years. One year and a day after leaving the Inn, I was again sitting at the old desk; working in the same church; and, sweetest of all, mingling with coworkers and old friends among the girls. There was also the added joy of meeting the new members of our household. Within a week I seemed to have become so commonplace that only I realized that I had been away.

These six months have gone rapidly, it seems, because they have been such busy ones. The building and opening of the new Glide Memorial Church has consumed much time and interest, but it is well worth while, since it gives us a better avenue of service in a spiritual way. I am happy in the outlook for the months ahead at the Mary Elizabeth Inn.

Houston, Tex.—Young Women's Co-operative Home

Deaconess Addie B. Greely, Head Resident, reports:

As I review the work of the past year there is a deep sense of gratitude for the blessings of our Heavenly Father upon us, for there have been many manifestations of his grace and strength in the lives of those who abide here.

One hundred and nineteen girls enjoyed the privileges of the Home last year, a number of whom are still with us. The unemployment situation and financial depression made it necessary for a number of these girls to return to their homes.

We were able to make a few improvements last year: refinished the

woodwork and floors in one part of the building, furnished a guest room, and added a few pieces of new furniture. We have greatly enjoyed a splendid Majestic radio for some months. The initial gifts for the purchase of this radio came from our girls, and our good Methodist friends of Houston provided the remainder.

During the fall, winter, and spring months we conduct Bible classes twice a month, and practically every girl attends. Last year we studied the parables of Jesus, and this year our girls are even more interested in the study of the Sermon on the Mount. Because these business girls could not attend regularly the pre-Easter services being held in the churches last year, we conducted a short service each evening except Saturday during the week, which proved a blessing to all.

For a number of years the deaconesses in our Home conducted a service on Sunday morning just preceding the breakfast time, but last fall we changed this to a vesper service on Thursday evening and asked the girls if they would not like to conduct these services; and our hearts were made to rejoice as we heard these girls speak out of their hearts of their devotion to the Christ and of their high ideals. Leaders for these services were selected three months in advance, and rarely does any girl refuse to take part. Seven girls united with Churches in Houston during last year, six by letter and one on profession of faith. Several girls teach in our Mexican Sunday school.

Four girls married last year, and showers were given to each of them. The marriage of one of these in our Home was a very happy and interesting occasion. Three of these live in Houston and come to see us occasionally.

Many joys and some sorrows came to us during the year, but in the sharing of these the bond of love, sympathy, and understanding has become stronger, and we go forth into another year with renewed courage and strength, praying that our Heavenly Father will continue to bless and lead.

Deaconess Esther E. Drinker, Social Secretary, reports:

An answer to prayer and the leading of God brought me to the Home the first of August instead of September, and each day I have been grateful. I never dreamed I could be as happy as I am—what a privilege and joy it is to really be a servant in His vineyard!

Forty girls, and each one (as one visitor described them) a "cup of honey." Words cannot express what each one means to the Home and the happy life we have together.

The most important part of my work is planning our recreation. Soon after my arrival we entertained the Houston Epworth League Union on our large lawn. Some of the girls sang a welcome song, and others put on a stunt, and later we had a watermelon feast. Then came a party for those having birthdays in the summer months; a picnic at Hermann Park; a Halloween party, when one of the girls entertained her Sunday school class; at Thanksgiving, immediately following dinner, we gave a pantomime of two scenes from "The Courtship of Miles Standish"; the night of the Christmas celebration twelve girls presented "The Waif," a morality play. Many of those present said it brought a blessing to them, and we were happy, for at each practice we had prayed that the Father might use us to glorify him. One of our best parties was the Valentine party, when the Home sent invitations to boy friends of our girls. As I plan and direct these good times, I am sure I have more fun than anybody.

We have a junior chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority, which is an aid to business girls in the study of literature. It gives each member opportunity to present the group topics on the lives of the

great writers, thus stimulating the minds of the girls, interesting them in good literature, and helping to overcome timidity and self-consciousness. We have splendid discussions, and our chapter is growing.

Library work is fascinating, and I have been busy recataloguing the books, buying new ones, reading current magazines, and suggesting books or articles that might be of interest to others.

One of my greatest joys is teaching the Bible twice a month. As we study the standards of Jesus and apply them to our lives, we come closer to each other and we live and grow together. At present we are trying to apply the Golden Rule in all that we do.

Being "on duty" is a responsibility, but how I love it! To greet the boys with whom our girls associate; to play games with the girls; to read poetry together; to rejoice with a newly engaged girl; to grieve with one who has a lover's quarrel and go apart and talk to the Father about it. What a full, happy life it is! But most of all, I try to *live* before these girls the Christlike life, point them to the "high" way, and help them to make a wise decision, for

"To every man there openeth
A high way and a low;
And every man decideth
The way his soul shall go."

COTTON MILL WORK

Columbia, S. C.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Constance Palmore, Head Resident, reports:

As I come to the end of another year and look back over the work I see many things I would like to change or blot out, for my health was so uncertain that I was not at myself the first half of the year. I am thankful that I am fully restored to normal health and can throw myself into the work with renewed vigor and real joy.

Prayer has been answered in the conversion of a number of our intermediate and junior boys and girls. I had prayed definitely for them for so long. One came in the night; they went to the altar and said: "Miss Palmore, your prayer is going to be answered to-night."

The little Baptist Church that was so near dead, through the leadership of a consecrated young pastor has gotten on its feet, so that the service of this worker is not needed now, and she is free to devote more time to Green Street Methodist Church. I am very glad, for Green Street needs what little service I can render. There is the same friendly feeling to the little Baptist Church members, for those are the folks I have in my club work at the Wesley House.

There has been the usual club work through the year, taking in the different age groups of boys and girls, also the mothers. The junior girls have been organized into Junior Girl Reserves with a simplified program. The Senior Girl Reserves have been taking the Junior Red Cross first-aid course. They also sent a Philippine Treasure Chest, and have been writing to some Indian girls in a school in New Mexico.

The sewing school continues to grow in interest. Some say they would like to sew every day. Several of my teachers are my graduates of last year. They are also putting into practice what they have learned. During the devotional period they are learning some of the Psalms and hymns.

During the first two weeks of August, Miss Velma Clark, of Scarritt College, came to us and superintended a Daily Vacation Bible

School for Negro children at one of the Negro Methodist Churches. There were one hundred and sixty-five children and twelve faithful teachers. They were an appreciative group, and we enjoyed working with them.

We have our girl in Vashti again this year, and as she realizes what an opportunity she is having, she is making a good record. I have another sixteen-year-old girl living with me this year, and I can almost see her grow and develop into a sweet Christian girl.

The Wesley House is loved by all the children, for they come with their joys and sorrows. They took turns spending the night and eating breakfast during Christmas time, thus getting a little touch of a Christian home. Anything accomplished through these contacts has been through the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit. This work for my Master grows sweet each day.

Danville, Va.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Mary Lou Bond, Head Resident, reports:

My fourth year in Danville Wesley House is proving to be my busiest and also my happiest year. I have been connected with about the same groups as last year. My Mothers' Club and Women's Bible Class are still favorites of mine. During the year I was President of the Woman's Missionary Society of our near-by Church. In spite of the industrial depression, they made the Honor Roll this year.

My Primary Department in the Week-Day School of Religion has grown from an enrollment last year of twenty-seven to an enrollment of forty-seven. Industrial conditions, naturally, have affected our work. More demands are made on us for relief work. Many boxes of supplies have been sent us by Missionary Societies and people interested in Wesley House. This has made it possible for us to meet many needs. Our kindergarten could not be opened last fall with our other winter classes because of financial conditions. But all the rest of our work is in a flourishing condition.

We had our third annual Daily Vacation Bible School last summer. The children now take it as an established part of Wesley House work. Our enrollment was seventy. We ran the school two weeks, and had both morning and afternoon sessions. The work was intensive, but the results were highly satisfactory.

A number of books have been donated to our library during the year. We now have about six hundred and fifty volumes. They are very much in demand by both children and adults. We are delighted that so much school reference work is done in our library.

Our playground is very popular during the vacation months. Two paid directors have charge of the playground for certain hours each day. A street shower bath is enjoyed by the children on hot summer afternoons.

It has been a joy to share both the happiness and the sorrow that has come to our people here. I can truly say that this has been my most satisfactory year of service.

Deaconess Lula M. Kagey, Club Director, reports:

The past year in Danville has been an unusual one, and the work at Wesley House has been filled with problems. As those of us who have been here serving these people during the past year look back over the year's work it is with a feeling of regret that our people have had so many trying experiences, due, of course, to the textile strike; but we rejoice that we have been here to render any service that was within our power.

In spite of the unusual conditions caused by the strike, our clubs

and classes have been considerably larger than last year; in fact, all of the classes have been full, so full that we wonder what we shall do if any more children come into the classes, but still they come, and we always manage to find a place for them. A fine interest has been manifested in all the clubs and classes throughout the year. The record made by the children at the Danville Fair is a witness to the good work done in classes. For years the Wesley House children have been entering in the Danville Fair each year articles made in cooking, sewing, and woodwork classes. This year they tried for sixteen first prizes, and out of that number thirteen were won, only one in each department having been lost. The largest number of first prizes won previous to this year was the nine won last year.

In April "Cotton Week" was observed in Danville. Every one was urged to make and wear cotton garments. Prizes were offered to various groups, ages, etc., for the most attractive garment made from cotton material bought in Danville. Our sewing school was asked to enter the contest as a group, the same as the sewing classes at the public schools. Our girls entered seven dresses and won first, second, and third prizes of \$5, \$3, and \$2, respectively, within their group.

New classes have been arranged to take care of the increase in attendance. At present we have three cooking classes, three woodwork classes, two Week Day School of Religion classes, two girls' clubs, and sewing school composed of five classes, all meeting at the same time. We have profited in the strike in one way, that of having volunteer teachers in sewing school. Several of the young ladies of the community who have been out of work have been helping us in a fine way this winter.

More was done this year at Christmas time for our children than ever before. People who could help responded in a wonderful way. Five parties were given at Wesley House, furnishing gifts and treats to about 264 people. The Epworth League Union of the city furnished us with sixty filled stockings to be taken to the children's homes, and the Y. W. C. A. gave a party to twenty of our little girls. In addition to these, there were gifts from several individuals, all of which helped to make Christmas a happy time for our boys and girls. Another very enjoyable feature of our Christmas activities was a pageant, "The Nativity," given at Sledd Memorial Methodist Church by our Girl Reserves and junior girls. The Girl Reserves dramatized the story, and about sixteen of the junior girls sang the carols.

Our outlook for the future is beginning to brighten up. We hope, with improved industrial conditions, we shall be able to emphasize the material things less and have more time to serve in a more lasting way.

Mobile, Ala.—Dumas Wesley House

Deaconess Gertrude Grizzard, Assistant Mrs. J. P. Roberts, report:

We lift our hearts in gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the privilege of serving with him the people we love. So many of them are a joy and inspiration, so appreciative of the things we try to do for them.

Our various classes and clubs have been well attended, and great interest manifested in all our activities.

At the close of the work last summer, we had a "Demonstration Program" given by children and young people of some of the work done during the year. Also an exhibit of handiwork. The public was invited to see the program and exhibit.

Most of our children did good work in sewing school and also Week Day Bible Hour.

We had our first Daily Vacation Bible School last summer. We were so proud of its success. Our children were happy to come, and altogether we felt it had proven a successful one. We put on several programs during the year. Both Easter and Christmas programs were well expressed in song and story.

Average attendance in Sunday school has been one hundred for the year.

A second White Gift Service was given during the Christmas season and was very impressive. Although our people are very poor, they are willing to help others.

The Home Makers' Club are just completing the study of the book of Genesis. It has been an interesting study to them all through the year. They look forward to each weekly meeting with renewed interest, and it is a real joy to teach them.

We are looking to our Heavenly Father for results, for we know his promise, Isaiah 55: 11: "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish this which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Meridian, Miss.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Annie L. Trawick, Head Resident, reports:

I have served in Wesley Houses for twenty-four years, but the past year has been an outstanding one. I do not allude to the financial depression or bank failures, but to the wonderful opportunities of service that have come to us at this crucial time.

Our people have flocked to us for comfort and advice. It has been our great privilege not only to clothe and feed them, but to point them to the Lamb of God. Our faith has been increased and our vision clearer, and we have "lifted our eyes to the hills of God."

Christmas our volunteer workers presented some playground equipment for the community children—swings and a slide. Such crowds come that we have them stand in line and wait for their time. The mothers come on Sunday afternoons and swing with the children. We are so glad to use our large yard as a playground and a recreational center.

We have made 2,244 visits this year. I regret that we have neglected some homes. I am sure the friendly visitation is a most important phase of our work.

The little children of the community run in quite often and chat with us. One of them very sweetly asked, "Is this the Jesus House?" God grant that we may so abide in him that every one who enters our door may be conscious of his blessed presence!

We have an unusual group of mothers in our club. They have been so faithful to come on Monday nights and study the Bible together. We have a monthly social, and they enjoy the stories and games as much as our young people.

I appreciate the invaluable service rendered by the City Mission Board, the volunteer workers, and our dependable Club Director.

Deaconess Rosalie Riffin, Club Director, reports:

The joys of a club worker are many. We have a large enrollment in sewing and embroidery classes this year. These groups meet on separate days with splendid attendance. We are stressing good work rather than the number of articles finished and are delighted with the improvement made. Many useful garments and scarfs for the Home are being nicely made.

The worship period is also stressed in these groups. Much interest

is being shown on the part of the children in memory work, songs, and stories.

The cooking class, though small, is doing excellent work. These girls have to do the cooking in their homes, so we are teaching the simple foodstuffs, their preparation, and the correct way of setting a table and serving a meal. Through the meal servings we have been able to teach them to give thanks to God for the bounties received.

The Young Women's Club is an extremely interesting group. These girls who have worked so hard, such long hours, are ready for the beautiful and for joy. We are trying to give them Christ's ideals to help make themselves into charming personalities as well as help them to have a good time through music and games.

Another interesting feature of our work is the Boys' Club. Through Bible lessons, stories, games, and handwork we are preparing them for future citizenship.

We have such a corps of volunteer workers, each one regular in attendance and vitally interested in the group with which she works. We are deeply grateful for their splendid service.

It is my privilege to work with the young people at our little church, being counselor for the Hi-League. We have been organized only four months and have won the League Union banner three months. This shows they are on the job all the time. We presented a beautiful Christmas pageant, which was a blessing to all Leaguers as well as the community. Although many of the Leaguers come from homes that receive material help, they believe "it is better to give than to receive." Through their giving we supplied one family with food and toys at Christmas.

I have a class of junior girls in Sunday school. Through an Honor Roll we are trying to help them form habits of daily Bible reading, study of lesson, and regular attendance.

It is a great privilege to work with young lives, and I pray I might be able to lead many to know Jesus as their Saviour.

Decatur, Ala.—Community House

Miss Lucy Bell, Director, reports:

The year 1930 closed with some of our hopes realized. One was the organization of the Decatur Charity Council, which has relieved our Community House of relief work throughout the city.

Our second realized hope was the moving of the Community House into the very midst of our people and into a larger and much better house. It is an old building, but after being renovated it is one hundred per cent better than where we were. We moved September 15, and on October 21 at the close of the Federated Missionary Societies' Meeting the Community House folks gave a silver tea, from which the missionary women received much inspiration and the Community House an offering of \$20.

Our work has not increased very much in numbers, but the increase in interest and loyalty has been quite pleasing. Since our move the people have developed a feeling of ownership.

Our revival in the fall was so helpful to the people. There were twenty-three conversions—real ones from sinful lives.

The regular activities were continued as usual until Daily Vacation Bible School time. The Board was especially pleased with the school. Out of an enrollment of sixty-one, there were forty-one with perfect attendance. We added a Mothers' Class this year to our school. They had their Bible period, as the children did, and for their handwork they quilted quilts which they had pieced at the Mothers' Club. Five mothers received perfect attendance certificates.

Our people are gradually becoming educated to clinics. Our typhoid inoculations increased from eighty-seven last year to one hundred fifty-six this year. It has been a fight, but they are coming.

At the close of the Daily Vacation Bible School we decided that our children needed their club work as much during vacation as at any other time, so the clubs were continued throughout the entire year, except during my vacation. The children never tire of their clubs. They prefer work to play; however, we have our play.

From early spring until late fall I stressed bathing. By fall most of the children and mothers discovered that soap and water would not kill. I am anxiously awaiting warm weather when baths will again be in order.

The Boys' Manual Training Club has been sponsored by the Decatur Rotary Club. In June, because of the lack of funds, they were forced to discontinue their support. The manual training part of the club had to stop, and, of course, that is the main interest for them. In October an individual decided to sponsor the Boys' Club, so we were all quite happy and grateful.

The Community House children are so undernourished that our Board members decided to serve soup and crackers to them on their club days. This proved of great help to the children. They were also given milk during the Daily Vacation Bible School.

This year we are not doing this, as the schools are furnishing soup for the poorer children and the Decatur Charity Council is giving the milk in every elementary school.

Last April the Decatur Rotary Club sponsored a hobby fair for boys and girls of the county. Our exhibit from the Community House won nineteen ribbons. We are hoping for even more honors this year.

The Christmas tree this year was the first real one that we have had. Heretofore there has been no room large enough. We were crowded, but it was so much better that we managed. It was lovely from beginning to end.

I have never known such a needy field, one so white unto the harvest. The conditions and locations of our community make it both a home and a foreign field.

Orangeburg, S. C.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Athalia Baker, Head Resident, reports:

"Sing unto Jehovah with thanksgiving. . . . He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of wheat." (Ps. 147: 7-14.)

While one section of our land may suffer drought, it has pleased the Lord that another shall yield an overabundance, which, when shared, is more than sufficient for all.

Many cotton mills have been closed down, but in our community, while the work has been greatly curtailed, we have continued to have from two to two and a half days a week—enough to feed our families except in cases of illness.

I am sure that during these days God has enriched and blessed in an unusual manner and measure.

An exceptionally large number of eager children, young people, and adults are enrolled in our clubs and classes this fall.

We are planning for a public service in the church the latter part of January, when the certificates will be presented to the mothers finishing the Home Hygiene Class. Also others winning rewards for the work done in 1930 will receive recognition at this time. This is the first time we have planned for a public service. Heretofore each class was remembered at the closing class meeting.

The mothers will organize a Red Cross Auxiliary in February. They have done some excellent practice work.

We are planning on organizing a Junior Music Club in the spring. We now have five pupils studying the piano and two the violin.

Coöperating with other organizations, thirty-five children were fitted out and entered the public school. Last spring eight of our children finished and received grammar school certificates. This year we have five in high school. My, how delighted I am since, this is the first time we have had any to even enter the seventh grade—with one exception several years ago.

The Christmas parties were happy times. More than a hundred were remembered with gifts. The ones at the Community House is a reward for club and class enrollment. The Lions' Club gives one for the community.

Our Christmas program this year was given on Sunday, December 21, at the church. "Peace on Earth," a pageant, was presented, more than fifty taking part. The largest crowd that ever came out was present. The church was not only packed, but there was not standing room left. The offering was for the purpose of raising our Superannuate Endowment pledge for this year. The response was most gratifying.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." (1 Cor. 15: 58.)

Knoxville, Tenn.—Wesley House

Miss Leslie L. Goddard, Head Resident, reports:

This has been a very busy year for me; the weeks and months have slipped by. I cannot realize that I have been at the Wesley House three years. We had a severe test on November 12, when all of our funds were lost in a bank failure. At this time of business depression it would have been a calamity to have closed our doors. Brookside Cotton Mills only working one and two days per week, people discouraged, hundreds out of employment. They came to us for advice and help. We feel that the Wesley House is a light in this community. Through the Churches we have been able to help some, and by helping them materially it gave us an opportunity to point many to the Great Physician who is able not only to feed the body, but the soul.

Our League work is progressing nicely. Mrs. Freeman is Hi-League Counselor, and I have charge of the Senior League. Both Chapters have brought back honors from the Knoxville League Union. For the holidays we had a large Christmas tree erected in the auditorium decorated with colored lights, and here our various parties of the Church and Wesley House were held and thoroughly enjoyed by all. We have a splendid Sunday school, with an enrollment of 356; average attendance the past three months, 207. The Young Men's Bible Class is growing with an average attendance of 26. This group of young men put on a play Sunday evening before Christmas, entitled "The First Christmas," which was very impressive. We had such crowds we could not get them all inside the church. The Ladies' Bible Class of sixteen members is doing good work. Our pastor, the Rev. H. E. Lovelace, and his wife have proven a great help to us, teachers in Sunday school, and in our Bible school at the Wesley House. Our Sunday school put on a White Christmas program this past Christmas. It was touching to see our people, although not working full time, bringing their gifts—a real sacrifice—and laying them at the foot of the cross

Our Mothers' Club, under the direction of Mrs. Freeman, has grown considerably over the last year. The Lord is richly blessing us. The Young Americans and the Boy Scouts have done splendid work. Each have their athletic group, Scoutmaster and coaches being supplied by students of the University of Tennessee.

This year we have added to our curriculum, two cooking schools which meet on Tuesday afternoon and evening, the Girls' Reserve in the afternoon, and the industrial girls and young mothers in the evening with Miss Teters, the Red Cross dietitian as teacher.

The Industrial Club, known as the "Torch Bearers," meet immediately after the cooking school. They are very much interested in athletics.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was well attended; 111 enrolled with average attendance of ninety.

Thursday evening is set aside for our Young Men's Bible Class Athletic Club. It is well attended, and our boys are at this time ahead in the City Basket Ball League, with Mr. Setliff, a University of Tennessee student, as coach.

The Girl Reserves meet on Friday afternoon with Mrs. Bennett, Industrial Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association, as leader, accomplishing great results in the lives of our girls. Last year one of our Wesley House girls, Ada Meadows, was adopted by the City Mission Board, and sent to the Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C. The Superintendent of the school writes us such encouraging letters about her work, saying she is making good, a real leader, and has been given the highest position in the school, assistant nurse.

Saturday morning our sewing school meets with an average attendance of fifty-six. All classes are making progress under competent volunteer teachers. Free baths all day on Saturday during the winter and every day during the summer months. Free clinic every day; last year 1,298 patients were treated. Total number of visits made during the year, 2,217, reaching about 1,700 homes. We feel that much good has been accomplished with this contact in the home life. Taking the work as a whole, it has been gratifying, and I feel very grateful to my coworker, Mrs. Mary E. Freeman, to our President and members of the City Mission Board, and the people of our community for the happy hours I have spent in Wesley House.

Deaconess Mary Etta Freeman reports:

Since my arrival in Knoxville the latter part of August, I have found the Wesley House a busy place with many and varied opportunities for service.

Our people, like thousands of others, have felt the stress of little or no work. Through coöperation with other organizations, many have been helped materially, thereby opening a field for spiritual help.

It has been encouraging to see the clubs grow during the fall months. Mothers' Club reached an enrollment of fifty-six, which is unusual for this club. Girl Reserves have enjoyed interesting programs and a good attendance. Industrial girls, though intensely interested in athletics, are endeavoring to broaden their program so as to include activities for a well-rounded Christian character. Their motto is "Christ, first; others, second; self, last." This group found much joy in providing for a poor family at Christmas.

Free baths and library on Saturday help to keep boys, girls, and adults physically and mentally fit. Baths are used extensively during the summer months. An average of two hundred and twenty-five books per month are loaned.

First aid supplies from the medicine cabinet have been used daily

with gratifying results. Truly we can understand the Master as he says: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Teaching in the Week Day Bible School, the Woman's Bible Class at Sunday school, and directing the work of the Hi-League has been a privilege as well as an opportunity for imparting spiritual food. My desire and prayer are that the seed sown may bring forth an abundant harvest for the Master.

CUBAN WORK

Tampa, Fla.—Wolff Settlement

Deaconess Bertha Cox, Head Resident, reports:

It seems just the other day that I learned that I had been granted a furlough for study and recreation.

One of the greatest blessings of my life came to me through the association with splendid faculty members and students at Scarritt College last winter. There I was strengthened mentally, physically, and spiritually.

The last of August found me at Wolff Settlement. Most of the days during the past four months have been full to the utmost. A special study of our Latin community has been made. Many interested men and women, from this State and other States, have been shown through our building. Many letters have been written in reply to inquiries from leaders of Missionary Societies in several Conferences.

Our own Latin people have brought in their gifts of self-denial and love through the channels of our Church organizations and the classes in the Settlement. Even the kindergarten boys and girls brought their offering. Our hearts rejoiced when we realized that these gifts amounted to *seventy dollars and thirty cents*.

We love our Latin people, and they seem to appreciate our kindness to them. It is a large community of approximately 25,000 people.

Our Boys' Director is one of our own Latin young men, who is doing good work with a large group of boys.

The women of the Florida Conference gave us a new Ford coach. We have named it "Amor," and it goes on many errands of love.

My Sunday work is varied and interesting. In the morning I teach junior boys at the Italian Church where I hold my membership. In the evening I meet with the Epworth League at the Cuban Church.

"Sow beside all waters" is our endeavor as we have the privilege of meeting our people in the churches, in our Settlement, and in their homes. The One who commissioned us to "go tell" his gospel of love and salvation assures us of his sustaining grace. We want to be worthy of his love by telling others of his great love to all mankind.

We are praying that we may have native, consecrated Christian leadership for our people.

Deaconess Elma Morgan, Girls' Worker, reports:

Mere words are far too inadequate to express all that should be told of our Father's wonderful love, grace, and power as this servant of his has seen it unfolded here during the past year in her own life and in that of her girls.

In our four weeks' Daily Vacation Bible School, the best we have ever had, with 206 enrolled, many turned away for lack of space; an average attendance of 131. His love, grace, and power were unbounded. One new feature was that of a class in World Friendship,

led by our retired deaconess, Helen Gibson, who gave valuable and faithful service each day. This class with the older girls took the place of handwork, but included lessons in art, illustrating the gifts of the nations. With such a gifted artist as Miss Gibson we were exceptionally blessed. Twelve girls completed the course, receiving certificates from the Church Peace Union.

In our two weeks Daily Vacation Mission School, seventy Epworth Juniors from our Italian churches came together each day for intensive Bible and mission study, expressing their love for their Master and his other people by sending to the Philippines two World Friendship Chests filled with attractive gifts.

In our Girl Reserve program throughout the year we have seen his love, grace, and power revealed in unfolding of character as girls have really tried to find and give the best. As usual, we participated in the annual city-wide recognition service, where lives were consecrated to the service of the King.

At Christmas our business and industrial girls showered their gifts upon some of the needy little ones, at the same time speeding on her way their own Sarah Fernandez as she entered Scarritt College.

With one-half hour in graded Bible study under an evangelist, our sewing school has, in reality, been a Week Day Bible School, with equal time for handwork, directed play, and Bible. From this group of one hundred sewing school girls, from our Sunday school class of twenty-five twelve- to fourteen-year-old girls, as well as from our group of fifty Epworth Juniors, we expect other missionaries and leaders, for they are learning to talk to God and to listen as he speaks to them.

Deaconess Dolores Diaz, Evangelistic Worker, reports:

The first seven months of last year I spent at Homer Toberman Mission, Los Angeles, Calif. After spending August at home I arrived here the last day of August. I have spent four very pleasant months here. It was a new experience to me to work among people of another race, but I am glad to have the opportunity to work with them. They are God's people and need salvation; and I am glad to do all I can to show them the Saviour.

It is a great joy and privilege to work with children. I teach the primary class in Sunday school at the Italian Church. I have four nationalities, and in order to reach the majority I have to teach the lesson in English and in Spanish.

At the Cuban Church I teach a Bible class in the Missionary Society. I also help with the Epworth Junior League and with Epworth League.

We have a rummage sale once a week. It is interesting to open the boxes as they come from the different Missionary Societies and put the price on the garments.

I am in charge of the primary department in the sewing school, and I assist in the Mothers' Club and often give the Bible lesson, and also interpret for Mrs. Bond, who is in charge of the club.

My main purpose in all the contacts I make in the different groups and in my visitation is to lead them to Christ.

I am glad to say that we have a happy home life at the Settlement. Every one of the workers are lovely.

Deaconess Martha J. Lewis, Kindergartner, reports:

When the nursery closed at the beginning of this year it seemed as if it would be impossible to keep the kindergarten open because of

the difficulty in getting the children to and from the class. But the fact that the kindergarten instead of the nursery is the main object has given us a group who appreciate the training enough to bring their children.

We get these little ones in kindergarten and then in Sunday school. My Beginner's class in Sunday school has been largely attended and is a real joy, as are my visits to the homes.

Great rejoicing has come to my heart recently over the fact that a long-felt and prayed-for need in our work here is about to be met. Brother Phillips, our new Superintendent of Latin Work, has organized work with the men—the fathers of the community. I believe this is to mark the beginning of an important epoch in our mission work here, as is also his organizing a training class for Christian workers. For years we women have worked with the children and mothers. Now fathers are to be looked after too, thus rounding out the work to meet the needs of all.

Mrs. Carrie Bond, House Director and Friendly Visitor, reports:

In July I came back to work among the Latin people after an absence of three years' work in Knoxville, Tenn. I was glad to be among my old friends again, whom I learned to love dearly, and received a royal welcome from them.

I have the supervision of our household, which at times keeps me pretty busy. Also I have the Mothers' Club, which is developing into a splendid piece of work. The women are such attentive listeners to the Bible and are putting into practice the lessons taught them. Always ready to respond to any call of mercy or need, their spirit is beautiful.

During the Week of Prayer they seemed so happy in giving specially, as they understood that a part was to be used toward a better Wolff Settlement. One woman that was absent the night the offering was taken came to me afterwards with her little mite, saying, "I want to give something to the little rock," meaning the little box shaped and colored as a brick in which they put their offering.

We have a Mission Study Class within the club, to which one night a month is given. The women seem to enjoy it very much, and it is well attended.

Our club gave a nice large Bible to the Spanish Church, as their old one was rather dilapidated.

In visiting in their homes one always receives a happy welcome, always begging you to come again soon.

We have had quite a nice number of books given to us to add to our library, and some seem to enjoy reading very much. The library is opened once a week, and the books loaned for a week or ten days.

Our Hi-League at the Italian Church is giving a good deal of time to the study of the Bible and are doing good work.

We have a splendid group of young people in our Senior League, and the interest seems to be growing better and better.

We have drawn most of the Senior Leaguers into a nice Sunday school class, and it is a joy to teach them. We do covet these young people for Christ and pray that our Heavenly Father will help us draw them to a knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Tampa, Fla.—Rosa Valdez Settlement

Deaconess Bess Sargent, Head Resident, reports:

Yes, Florida is the land of sunshine and flowers! Truly the orange trees are laden with golden fruit, but it is not to be compared with the wealth of latent possibilities wrapped up in the lives of those in-

teresting "Latin people" whom we are seeking to serve through our Settlement and Church. In our clubs and classes and through Church organizations we have one common purpose—that of bringing our people into fellowship with *Jesus Christ*.

Bill Sarmiento, a Spanish boy sixteen years of age, is our janitor at the Settlement. His mother is a widow with seven children; Bill, the only boy, is second to oldest, and he feels greatly the financial responsibility. At the same time he is very ambitious and is eager to get a college education. He works before and after school hours, earning money to supply the needs of his mothers and sisters. Last week he graduated from West Tampa Junior High, where he served as President of the student body during his senior year. On the night of his graduation he was awarded the American Legion medal for being the best-rounded student in a large class. Bill is quite mature for his years and is teaching a class of twenty-four boys near his own age in the Sunday school. He is also President of the Senior Epworth League and edits *The Target*, which is the paper for the boys' department of the Settlement.

We believe the future has great things in store for Bill and that he will be an outstanding leader.

Two of the outstanding features of our religious education program for the year were: The Daily Vacation Bible School and the Christmas pageant. Let me tell you a little about each. We had one hundred and fifty children enrolled in our Bible school, and the daily schedule included music, worship, recreation, Bible study, handcraft, habit talks, patriotic and Bible drills. (More than fifty girls learned the "Alphabet Bible Verses" perfectly. Fine, isn't it, for a child to have twenty-six Bible verses stored away in his memory?)

Then the Christmas pageant was splendid. There were prophets, shepherds, Wise Men, the Holy Family, and the choir of angels. The setting was pretty, the costumes colorful, and the spirit in which it was given was conducive to worship. Somehow foreign people add color to a Christmas pageant and cause it to be even more inspiring and effective. Mr. Gutierrez, a Cuban, who took the part of a prophet, has already asked if we couldn't have another pageant for Easter. (He had never been in one before.) He is the father of a family of splendid children, who are faithful to the Church as well as to the Settlement. Through the influence of his little girl, he came to church about two months ago. I told him he ought to come with the children every time because our Church needed some strong men. He replied: "Miss Sargent, if you think I am needed I'll be here from now on." And so he has. Later he said he was ready to join the Church when I wanted him to. I gave him a Discipline and suggested that he study it carefully. He read the Discipline through and learned the Ritual for church membership so well that he did not need to be prompted in taking the vows. After the service he came to me and said in a humble and half timid way, "Miss Sargent, won't you *learn* me to pray?" I talked with him and gave him a book of simple and practical prayers. He is taking the Sunday School Teachers' Training Course and expects to organize a men's Bible class in a few weeks. He is the first strong man to come into the Church on profession of faith in a long time. I am praying that this may be the beginning of a revival for our Church in West Tampa.

Deaconess Emma Burris, Kindergartner, reports:

My second year at Rosa Valdez Settlement has brought much joy and very gratifying results. I have enrolled forty-five children in kindergarten with an average attendance of twenty-three. Fifteen members of last year's class graduated in the spring. They were so

attractive in their little white caps and gowns and as excited and happy as any high-school graduates. It was not so hard for these children to enter public school because they had a speaking knowledge of English. Some of the mothers have told me that their children will not eat without first having the little blessing used in kindergarten. They love to say the "Good Night" prayer they have learned.

My work with the Mothers' Club and Missionary Society has been a real joy and satisfaction. One of the Red Cross nurses of the city gave a six weeks' course in home hygiene and care of the sick. This was most helpful and much appreciated by the women. We have eighteen active members of the Missionary Society who seem to be growing spiritually.

I have the Primary Department in Sunday school. One Sunday morning I told my class the story of Jesus loving all the children of the world. Then I showed them the picture, "The Hope of the World" (a picture of Christ talking to the children of all races). After I had finished a bright-eyed little Italian boy asked very earnestly: "Miss Burris, was Jesus an Italian, or a Cuban, or an American?" Then I said: "Jasper, what do you think Jesus was? His reply was, "Italian." I asked the little Cuban boys and girls, and they said they thought Jesus was a Cuban. One little American child said that she thought he was American. These little ones are thinking of Jesus as their Friend, for they have learned to talk to him and to love him. A fine Spanish girl teaches the Beginners' Class. She, with nine other interesting Latin girls, is taking a Teachers' Training Course with me to prepare themselves to be more efficient primary teachers in the Sunday school. More local leadership is one of our greatest needs.

I love my work and pray that I may help those with whom I come in contact to grow into the abundant life of fellowship and service for our Master.

Deaconess Edith Webb, Girls' Club Director, reports:

Indeed, these first four months of my work have been a blessing to me. It has been even a greater privilege than I ever dreamed it could have been. Each day becomes more interesting. I think this is because I continue to know more of the 116 girls as individuals rather than just girls in the clubs. I want to tell you about Mary Crescenzi, an Italian girl eighteen years old. Some three years ago the family owned quite a bit of property, and Mary had almost anything she desired. Since then her father took sick, and most all was spent in trying to regain his health. He was even taken back to Italy, where he died. Now Mary is in bed fighting tuberculosis contracted because of worry, overwork, and undernourishment. I found that she loves poetry and that her soul is full of the beautiful, but that she had no reading material in the house. The first book that I took her was a college English Literature. Think of it! We read Shelly, Keats, and Wordsworth together for an hour or more. It was such an inspiration to me to see those beautiful eyes sparkle as she would say: "Isn't that beautiful? Now read me one about the mountains." I found that she had a beautiful faith in God, though she had no Bible. The next time I went we read the Word of God together and talked of many things. She voluntarily told me that she did not believe in the confessional and never went. We were talking about speaking to God just as naturally as we would to our earthly father, and she said she often did that before repeating her "Our Fathers" twenty-four times. She is gaining rapidly in strength, and I am

praying that these days of rest will be days when she shall grow spiritually, and that she may be a means of blessing this community. She is, indeed, "a diamond in the rough." I hope there will be some way for her to go on to high school if God sees best to make her strong again.

How I am enjoying my "Happy Hour Girls," ages six, seven, and eight! We are studying the life of Christ and illustrating each lesson in our handwork period. So far they are able to trace Jesus' life on the maps they each have made from his birth until after he had performed his first miracle.

The thing I am most thankful for among the Hi-Leaguers is our Quiet Hour together once a week. We have met only twice, and only four girls were present; but I feel that when four come because they want to read the Word of God and pray together they are really in earnest and that by meeting before our program that night it will be more worshipful and meaningful. I am praying that this shall be a time when we shall talk confidentially and naturally together about God and about life. I long to help each girl to have a personal, satisfying, and joyful knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Key West, Fla.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Lottie Green, Head Resident, reports:

The work has grown not only numerically, but in community interest, despite the tragic economic conditions.

In September a reception given by the "El Salvador" Mothers' Club was largely attended by our own members as well as invited guests, which included the Protestant ministers. This annual meeting is proving to be an enjoyable and helpful occasion; it is bringing the Latin and American Churches into a closer contact.

The clubs and sewing classes have been well attended. The latter has had an enrollment of over a hundred. The Boys' Club has been in good condition. We were fortunate in getting splendid volunteer help—two men who have had experience in Scouting and Y. M. C. A. work. This year, for the first time, we have a basket ball team strong enough to play against organized teams.

The Hi-League, twenty-two in number, is a gay and attractive group of young people. It is a joy, as well as a responsibility, to try to lead them in the "Jesus way of living." The devotional meeting is on Sunday; the social hour, or rather hours, for we always have to send the boys and girls home, is on Thursday. The cry is always for more entertainment. We feel that wholesome recreation is one of the best and most effective ways of leading to right thinking and acting.

There is an Epworth Society for the junior age. A choral club on Friday night is enjoyed by both groups. The Supply Department gave us one hundred New Cokesbury Hymnals. The boys and girls are enjoying learning the hymns and songs. In this club, as well as all others, we are putting a religious emphasis. We are not forgetting that our work is to "make disciples." The day before Easter a girl ten years of age came to Wesley House to ask if she could be baptized on Easter Sunday. She and another girl came into the Church the next day.

The Daily Vacation Bible School held in June had an enrollment of eighty and an average attendance of sixty-six. The work done in the four departments would have done credit to a graded Church school.

The Junior Church, organized in September, has been enjoyed by

the children. We are hoping that it will inculcate the spirit of true worship and a love for the Church.

The Sunday before Christmas, instead of a sermon, the story of the "Other Wise Man" was given. It was followed by a White Christmas. It was pathetic to see children who were having one scant meal a day carry their gifts to the altar.

The civic and industrial crisis is affecting our whole work. These times test our courage and faith. Shall it be reduction, abandoned fields, surrender, or courage, faith, and sacrifice?

Miss Helen Porter, Club Worker, reports:

During the past year I have enjoyed my work. The Cuban people are so cordial when you go into their homes that it is a joy to visit them. Then, too, you find them so brave, making the most of their limited means. One young Cuban woman who has been a member of the Church for only about two years is a marvel to me. It is a privilege to watch her growth and see the joy in her Christian life. One day she told me that some of her friends asked her why she trusted in God when she had such a hard time. Her answer to them was that God was not responsible for her choice of a husband, as she knew he was poor when she married him.

Our Sunday school at "La Trinidad" has had an average of thirty-three for the year. I have a Junior League with twelve faithful members. After our devotional service, we have a sewing school. Church on Sunday night and prayer meeting on Thursday night are other Church activities.

The clubs at the Wesley House have been well attended. Most of my work has been with the juniors. There are sixteen juniors who come to Junior League and Story Hour. There are also twenty-four primaries in the latter group. I have thirty-five juniors and intermediates in my sewing classes. Every one has been interested in his or her work this year.

The most enjoyable and profitable piece of work was our Daily Vacation Bible School. I had twenty-four juniors for a four weeks' course on the "Life of Christ." We opened our school each morning with a devotional service for all four departments. The juniors then marched into my room, where we first had our memory work, then they read our Bible lesson from their Gospels. After this I either told the lesson story or discussed it with them. Our next period was devoted to the making of notebooks, in which we pasted pictures illustrating each lesson and the Scripture reading of the lesson. Music, recreation, and handwork periods concluded our day's program. The handwork proved to be one of our most interesting periods. The work included the making of waste paper baskets, embroidery work, painting vases, and coloring a library of the Bible. I have never seen more genuine interest in any group of children than in our Daily Vacation Bible School. It has been a privilege to labor for the Master in this field.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

London, Ky.—Sue Bennett College

Mrs. Kenneth C. East, President, reports:

The Sue Bennett College with the present session will complete thirty-five years of service in the mountain section of Southeastern Kentucky. The good which it has accomplished cannot be measured.

The enrollment for the session 1929-1930 was as follows:

College	199
High School	212
Normal School	89
School of Music	68
Model School	48
School of Business	92
Summer School	111
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Total	819
Individual Students	485

The enrollment to date in the Junior College alone for 1930-1931 has reached 198, and students are still coming in. In all probability we will reach two hundred and fifty in this department at the opening of the summer session. There has been a falling off in the other departments, due to the drought and the fact that the State has repealed the law granting teachers' certificates on high-school or normal-school work.

Since our last report the exterior of all the buildings on the campus has been painted, the north side of the campus has been graded, and a concrete entrance has been built leading to the entrance of the Belle Bennett Hall. The interior of the Helm Hall, as well as the dining hall, has been painted. Repairs in general have been made where necessary.

As usual, special emphasis is placed on the social and religious phases of school life. Our annual revival is now being conducted by Dr. Bedford Turner, our pastor at Lebanon, Ky., and great interest is being manifested.

Our Junior College has A-Grade standing and is a member of the American Association of Junior Colleges. Our High School is a member of the Southern Association.

Approximately four hundred of our students and former students are teachers in this section of the State, and we also have students teaching in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, and other sections of this State.

Brevard, N. C.—Brevard Institute

Mrs. J. F. Winton, Superintendent, reports:

The year that has elapsed since our last report marks progress in a number of phases of the work at Brevard Institute. In spite of the general financial depression affecting the Southeast, our enrollment has been maintained at a normal level as compared with the two preceding years. This year we are crowded for space to accommodate the number of boys enrolled, but could easily take care of eight or ten more girls. Our finances have, by careful husbanding, been kept upon a sound footing, in the face of the fact that we closed our books last year upon a larger item of accounts receivable and unpaid than for any preceding year.

Our effort during the past year has been to multiply so far as we possibly could the opportunities provided at the school for self-help. The number of applications for such opportunity seem to increase yearly. The appeal that was made before the Council last year for sustaining scholarships from auxiliaries and individuals has met with some response, particularly in North Carolina and Georgia. There is still need for further support in that line, however, for our opportunities to offer self-help are limited by the amount of work

available, as well as by the amount necessary in cash receipts in order to maintain our organization.

We feel that we can confidently assert that the scholastic and spiritual standards of the student group are improving. The ration between the number of pupils who are each month making the honor roll and those who fail to make satisfactory progress has, for the past two or three years, been steadily changing in favor of the honor group. At the same time, and perhaps as a corollary to the above stated fact, we find increased interest and activity on the part of a greater number of students in the spiritual activities of the school. Our meeting last October, under the direction of Rev. R. L. Holroyd, of the Upper South Carolina Conference, made a profound impression upon a number of our group. Actual additions to the Church at the close of the meeting numbered only nine, but the evident range of influence extended over a much larger group. We have three ministerial students, all fine, upstanding boys and leaders in school activities. Their influence is marked among the entire group, as is also that of a number of other boys and girls whose lives are characterized by a high purpose and general plane of thought above the average for high-school age. Our group is by no means a perfect one, nor free from those who create a more or less perpetual problem, but we would neither expect nor desire such a condition as that.

Our workers, both the Council group and others, have been faithful and efficient. The Council has placed four workers with us this year—Miss Frances Denton, Miss Margaret Van Lahr, Miss Lena Long, and Mrs. Selden Bryan. All are true to their trust and are actively interested in every phase of development in the school. In addition to these, mention should be made of our new Dean of Girls, Mrs. Onillee Rodman Brown. Mrs. Brown is a woman of extraordinary tact and ability, a Conference officer of the Missionary Society, and is indefatigable in her efforts to promote the welfare of her girls.

The year on the farm has been a good one. What developed into a disastrous drought in other sections of the country only served in this region of rainfall to bring on fine weather in the late summer and fall that enabled us to take care of all of our crops in the best manner. The farm produce has been a definite factor in enabling us to live comfortably and well during the most stringent period through which the school has passed in recent times. A new dairy barn has just been added to our equipment, which is a decided improvement. By using chiefly our own labor and taking advantage of the comparatively low cost of building materials during the past fall and winter, we have been able to erect a barn at low cost, which could scarcely be duplicated by contract in ordinary times for half as much again as the actual outlay entailed.

In conclusion, we express our appreciation of the continued confidence reposed in us by the Council as implied by the generous support given our work. We have tried to justify such confidence by the rendition of real service. We reiterate our conviction that the field of service to which the school must more and more adapt itself is that of supplying an opportunity to the underprivileged children of the South in providing for them both home and training. The multiplication of opportunity to children of normal homes in the spread of school facilities continues to affect the growth of the private secondary school, but there is a coincident increase in the call for aid of those who, by reason of the economic trend of the times, in increasing numbers are being thrown upon society during their juvenile and adolescent years. Brevard can easily become an important factor in the salvaging and rehabilitation of this class of

children. We are already doing a great deal in this line of work, but the demand is increasing faster than our facilities for meeting it. In our opinion, no greater field for constructive social and spiritual evangelization presents in our age than this one. Certainly it is in line with the spirit of him whose instruction was that the little children should be afforded every opportunity to come unto him.

Deaconess Frances Denton reports:

I have, since the first of September, been teaching three foreign languages—Latin I and II, Spanish I, and English to Cubans. It has been said that slang and profanity sometimes arise from strong emotions and a very limited vocabulary. Once a week we study English derivatives from a list of Latin words, with a view to enlarging our vocabularies. It seems to me that the present generation takes more kindly to this than mine used to. The socializing effect of Spanish, introduced this year, is already evident. The Cubans, most of whom are an unusually fine set of young men this year, feel they have something to give to the Spanish class in return for the English they work so hard to get. One man, who has studied international law under Bustamante, a member of the League of Nations, and who has always longed to practice the English he learned in high school with Americans, shows wonderful adaptability. Although he is the author of a treatise on municipal judges, he takes part in school frolics with as much zest as the youngest elementary pupil. We have also a student from Candler College.

Our Morning Watch, taken over by the senior girls, is now a song service. The devotional leader, a former Vashti girl, is as enthusiastic over the sunrise on the mountains and the morning star as heart could wish.

Thomasville, Ga.—Vashti School

Miss Charlotte Dye, Superintendent, reports:

Vashti School continues to show progress in each department. The type of students has improved, and the spirit of the student body as a whole is excellent. A faithful, congenial faculty is, in a large measure, responsible for this condition. An earnest effort is made to help each student to develop normally. To this end we are giving as much liberty in as many ways as seems possible, and we are placing upon them added responsibilities for the purpose of development along this line.

Everything within our power is given them in the way of recreation and for their physical, spiritual, and mental development. Supervised play three days in the week is participated in by every student. This is presented in such an attractive way that the girls love it and of course are much helped by it.

The camping season for those who do not leave the school has been a source of recreation, pleasure, and improved health.

A good friend presented us with a radio about Christmas. This added much to the usual good cheer and Christmas festivities, and is of course helpful throughout the whole year.

An eighteen-hole golf course was no small item in the out-of-doors recreation during the summer and autumn. This was almost altogether a gift of friends.

A friend made a gift which enabled us to purchase several much-needed dressers and to make a payment on an electric range for the domestic science department.

Some expansion in the department of industrial arts, music, and domestic science has proven to be well worth while, and the results are very gratifying.

The seats in our chapel have been replaced by new modern seats, adding to the comfort and saving wearing apparel of the school. In one schoolroom the rickety old seats were replaced by new ones. The school books have been exchanged to conform to the course of study of the State of Georgia.

Our little farm and garden have yielded a fair profit, and our grounds are growing more beautiful each year.

November 21 we served dinner to the South Georgia Conference then assembled in Thomasville. This dinner was in charge of the domestic science department. Because of the help of the men of the Church, members of the Woman's Missionary Society, and contributions from one wholesale firm and some other friends, this dinner cost the school practically nothing.

Contributions from friends have helped us with sewing and school supplies. Our fine herd of registered Jersey cows has furnished all our milk and butter and gives promise of doing even better in the future. It is valued at \$3,000.

The health of the school is excellent. The enrollment is one hundred and one.

With gratitude to our many friends for their support, by contributions and prayers, and to our beloved Secretary for her wise counsel and generous support, we respectfully submit this annual report.

Deaconess Martha Robinson reports:

I think this has been the best year we have had at Vashti School since I came here five and a half years ago. I have seen the entire student body change, and the type of girl we receive to-day is very different. We have a splendid group of girls, and it is a joy to work with them. I am sure they contribute much to my life as I try to help them develop into splendid Christian women.

My work this year has been about the same as in other years, but each year I come to a better understanding of the situation here and am better equipped to meet it. I have worked in the office, keeping records and doing other things as they came. I always enjoy this part of my work.

I have supervision of the playground and here come in contact with every student in the school. We organized an athletic association, and it has been functioning well. We have undertaken to have student government in a way in our work on the playground and are hoping that this system will stimulate honor and bring out the best in the girls. Miss Dye gave us a loving cup, and the junior and senior classes are working hard trying to win it on Field Day. We are offering athletic letters this year for the first time, and many of the girls are interested in securing them.

I had the supervision of the camp last summer for several weeks. The camp is located on the Ochlochnee River about seven miles from the school. We had hikes, swims, memorization of Bible passages, study of birds and wild animals, flowers, games, music, and everything that goes to make camp life enjoyable and fine. Most of us gained several pounds, due to our stay there, as outdoor life agreed with us and we had unusual ability to consume food.

I have had much joy in the privilege of conducting chapel services and prayer services when my turn came. The workers take turn about in conducting these services. This is a very helpful part of our work, and we lay special emphasis upon it.

I have been happy to serve in the work here and am filled with thanksgiving and praise for the wonders that have taken place before our very eyes.

Deaconess Florence Whiteside, Teacher, reports:

Another year at Vashti has been another year of study, even more than of teaching. Each girl is an interesting textbook as well as an opportunity. My duties have brought me into special contact with the seventh, eighth, and ninth grade girls. In the schoolroom, in the dormitory, and in the preparation and presentation of the Sunday night worship programs, there has been a challenge to consecrate myself "for their sakes."

Questions that are sometimes asked show that Vashti girls, as young as they are and with such limited experience, think thoughts which have puzzled theologians and have led to the writing of many books. There is a challenge to the best possible equipment and the highest spiritual achievement in order to meet the needs of these growing girls and help them to rise above a past influence which may have retarded their development.

One little, undersized seventh grade girl has expressed some of her deep thoughts in these lines, which she has entitled

JESUS

Clasping the land from sea to sea,
It seems the voice of friend through space;
Time, distance, seems no more to be;
We speak of him as "face to face."

A thought is echoed through the land,
A touch vibrates from shore to shore;
In thought united nations stand,
And time and space exist no more.

Yes, we have all kinds of girls, and it is a joy to discover their talents and lead them to discover their best selves and to get a glimpse of their own possibilities through the power of Christ.

Pharr, Tex.—Valley Institute

Miss Georgia Swanson, Superintendent, reports:

The Valley Institute is now in the midst of the tenth year of its school work and of its fifth year under the Woman's Work. Since it became the property of the Woman's Work a great change has resulted not only in physical equipment and building, but in its outlook and in its possibilities for service in every field of endeavor. A number of scholarships given by individuals and by Missionary Societies have brought to the school many girls of promise who otherwise should have been unable to attend. Others besides Methodists have become interested also in placing girls here. The Missionary Society of the Alamo Community Church, about five miles distant, has placed one girl from their town with us. Alamo is a Roman Catholic stronghold. They have a school there, and their house of worship is one of the largest and best in this section. This girl belongs to a Catholic family, and their priest did everything in his power to prevent her coming to us. Among other things, he threatened that neither she nor her family ever again would be permitted to worship in their church. But the girl persisted, and her mother upheld her, and all of us believe that great good will result. She has entered fully into the work of the Sunday school and Epworth League. She gladly attends all church services and expresses herself as eager to have her younger sisters come into the school as soon as a way can be found for them to enter.

Some ladies of the Weslaco Christian Church, about twelve miles from us, are helping to support another girl here. They, as well as the Alamo ladies, are anxious to develop Christian leaders among local Mexicans, and have chosen these girls and this school with that end in view.

The Missionary Auxiliaries have been truly generous to us with supplies of things needed—table linen, bed linens, blankets, comforts, clothing, and, best of all, pantry supplies have been sent us freely, and we are truly grateful. Our orchard, garden, and poultry all have aided materially in the household expenses. At this time we still are having some of both grape fruit and oranges from our orchard. Next year we should have some fruit from the young orchard provided for by Mrs. Downs. Varieties were selected which will give abundance of fruit from early fall ripening until late spring. The present law requires all fruit to be off the trees by March 1.

The buildings are in good repair, and the grounds are in good order. A Mexican man who has been with the school since 1922 has proved of inestimable value in his care of buildings and grounds.

To date we have a total enrollment of seventy-two pupils. Our first term is just closing. A number of new pupils usually enter during the second term. Our boarding accommodations have been taxed during the entire term. The majority of these boarding girls come from the Valley, but there are a number from old Mexico and from other parts of Texas as well.

The work of each faculty member gives evidence of loyalty and love for the school, in addition to true consecration to Christian living and ideals. Such conditions insure steady advance in the achievement of the ends for which the Institute was founded.

Many tourists and winter visitors to the Valley come to see the school at work. They never fail to express appreciation for and interest in what is being done here. By invitation of the President, our girls have figured prominently in programs for tourists given by McAllen Auxiliary. They wish to demonstrate to tourists what is being done to uplift and improve the local Mexican population and the results that may be obtained by such efforts.

Our little school paper, *The Chirper*, published by the students, has excited much favorable comment, and a number of our visitors have subscribed to it, and so the little paper is extending its territory to other States. By request of the editor our girls furnish School Notes each week for our local paper. These things furnish good training for the students and help to keep those interested in touch with the workings and happenings of the school.

We here are thankful for this place of work in the Master's vineyard, and we are hoping and praying and believing that under his guidance many young hearts will be directed to him and many young lives consecrated to his service.

Laredo, Tex.—Holding Institute

Deaconess Carmen Blessing, Superintendent, reports:

Early in September, Holding Institute opened its doors for its fifty-first session. The history of that first half century is one of glorious service that triumphed over many hardships and difficulties. May we who "carry on" serve as well in our day. Truly they who labored here in the earlier years "buildded better than they knew."

Holding Institute is a beautiful place, and its lovely Faith Hall, its trees, and lawns and flowers stand as a memorial to those who here, literally, made the desert blossom with roses. If so with mate-

rial things, how much greater the spiritual fruit in the lives of the people whom the school has served.

I have found this, my first year, in the work at Holding an interesting and enjoyable one. I have rejoiced in the beauty of the surroundings, for Holding is undoubtedly the most attractive spot in Laredo. I have been charmed with the graciousness and cordiality of the Mexican people, and I have been delighted with the spirit of our teachers and students; the former have labored faithfully and lovingly; the latter have given us an enthusiastic and whole-hearted response.

Holding, like every institution, has felt the current financial depression, which has been just as severe in Mexico as in our own country. Nevertheless, the year has been, all things considered, a successful one. Two hundred and twenty-five students have enrolled; about one-fourth of these come from Mexico. The enrollment shows that we have a few more boys than girls.

A school is always a place of seething activities, and Holding is no exception.

Studies are the first big consideration. Years ago the purpose of Holding Institute was stated: A school where Mexican children might effectively learn English under Christian influences. This purpose still holds, and the mastery of English is stressed in every way possible. Children who have never heard English spoken before learn to speak the language in an amazingly short length of time.

This year a high-school class in sewing has been offered for the first time; next year a class in cooking will be offered. The girls are showing much interest in the work. Only lack of space prevents our offering some kind of manual training or shopwork to boys.

This year we have attempted to give every boy and girl the opportunity to participate in outdoor games and exercises. The results have been very successful. Various activities give the students opportunity for training and developing beyond that obtained in the classroom. Mexican children love music, and an orchestra, a band, a Girls' Chorus, and a Boys' Glee Club evince this interest here at Holding. A drum and bugle corps, composed of both boys and girls, is enthusiastically supported and represents the school most worthily on public occasions. A Dramatic Club is greatly enjoyed by the juniors and seniors in high school, and while they enjoy acting, they are learning in the easiest and best way correct English pronunciation and diction.

Observation of "special weeks" and events have added to the interest and value of the school year. "Book Week" and "Health Week" were observed in the fall term with splendid results. As I write, we are busy planning for Arbor Day—observed in Texas on the twenty-second of February. Each class will plant a tree, and these will be dedicated next year on Washington's Birthday—part of the great forest of trees to be so dedicated in celebration of the Washington Bicentennial. An art exhibit and "Good English Weeks" are on our calendar for the coming months.

Sunday school, chapel, midweek services, and Epworth Leagues do their part in training and strengthening the students in their religious lives. Feeling that the little folks were not being fairly dealt with in having to attend services planned for older students, we have organized a "Junior Chapel" and a Primary Department in Sunday school, and the results have been most gratifying. This year, as for many years in the past, the Reverend Mr. Frank S. Onderdonk held our annual revival service. These services brought renewed and deepened spiritual life to students and teachers alike. But beyond our services

and organizations, we try to keep the spirit and life of Holding Christian—realizing that daily contact, associations, and example are often more effective in winning for Christ than are meetings and services.

Holding cannot be too grateful to the loyal women of the Missionary Societies and to those other friends who remember us in various ways. This year twenty-two children have been provided with scholarship money by Conferences, individual auxiliaries, Epworth Leagues, Sunday school classes, and by interested individuals. And we could use many more such scholarships, for there seems to be no end to deserving boys and girls who have no one to help them even a little. Besides this scholarship aid, eighty-three auxiliaries have remembered us with boxes of linen and clothing or with checks. The money received in this way has been used largely as an emergency fund for needy children. It also helped to make Christmas a bright, happy time for our "Holding Specials," who, having no homes, live at the school the year around.

The real success of any school, and most certainly of a school like Holding, lies in the worthy shaping of the lives of its students; and as we see boys and girls smooth off their rough corners, overcome their weaknesses in character and personality, and catch the vision which inspires them to seek a richer, fuller life, we feel that the work that has been intrusted to us here is prospering.

Deaconess Mary E. Glendinning reports:

My work this year has been similar to what it was last year. However, there has been enough change in it to make it somewhat different.

I am matron again this year at Skinner Hall, the dormitory for girls over twelve years of age. There are about forty-five girls living in this building.

As one lives with and works with these girls there are wonderful opportunities afforded for guiding them in the development of Christian character.

My teaching work this year has been entirely different from what I have had in the past. Home Economics was put into our high-school curriculum, and I was selected to teach it. I have had only nine girls in the class, but it has been a pleasure to teach them.

My Sunday school work is the same as it has been in other years, teaching a class of boys, composed of boys from the sixth and seventh grades.

It is a great joy to work in His service.

Deaconess Alice Riley reports:

My work during my second year at Holding Institute is somewhat different from that of the first. In addition to my teaching American History and English in the high-school department, I am sponsoring the Senior Epworth League, the Dramatic Club, and the English Club.

The Senior Epworth League deserves special mention, for this is the first time that there has been a thoroughly organized League at Holding. It is pleasing to note the interest that the students manifest in the social service work and in the devotional programs. Also they are conducting a systematic recreation program and a Mission Study Class. Through the Epworth League they are learning what it really means to live "All for Christ." Through the Dramatic Club and the English Club there is an unusual opportunity to train the students in the true principles of Christianity.

In connection with the English work the students are publishing a monthly school paper. They are proud of this paper, for it is a means of portraying to their parents something of the school life and the school spirit at Holding.

It is needless to say that I am enjoying my work immensely, for the more I know of the Mexican boys and girls, the more my love for them increases. I trust that the constituency of our Church will continue to realize that the Mexican people are worthy of their missionary interest.

May God bless the women of Southern Methodism as they continue to carry forward their missionary program.

FRENCH AND ITALIAN WORK

Ensley, Ala.—Community House

Deaconess Dorothy Crim, Head Resident, reports:

The problem of unemployment has not been just recently, but for the entire year. During the last quarter it became so acute that we were found working twelve to fourteen hours a day, often incessantly, to secure food and raiment for our people. The Settlement was never more in demand, and all workers have given freely of their strength and time to combat this crisis. During December 2,325 calls alone were received at the House. There has been the closest coöperation of Red Cross and other similar agencies. The Churches and all people they serve shared willingly and generously. It has, naturally, brought about a greater oneness, for one does not question when it is a hungry person to be fed or the helpless to be clothed. Thousands of garments have been given in this community. We know it has been the means of bringing some to know their Lord better and that it does not take a philosopher to make the decision that the greatest need of these asking for assistance is Jesus Christ. How wonderful! "Yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." Often with cases we have felt, if they would only eat of the everlasting Bread, they would want no more—even bread for the physical body. With the assistance of a young woman, an economic expert of the city, an intensely interesting piece of work was done in our Mothers' Club. A menu for a week, with a great variety of food, consisting of three meals a day, with sufficient calories for a family of five, was worked out with our Mothers' Club. The cost, according to Birmingham prices, was \$5.50 per week. This has met with such extraordinary success that the plan is being adopted over the city. The neighborhood women have made a great contribution, and, needless to say, the attendance has been most gratifying.

According to the Health Department of the city, the best clinical work in Birmingham has been done at the Ensley Community House. This clinic has been carried on by three specialists and two nurses. Success is due to thoroughness and ability in diagnosing cases, together with coöperation of parents and other institutions in correcting these defects and faithfulness of all working in the clinic.

The Settlement has endeavored to have a larger program of recreation owing to the unemployment. During the summer, as usual, the Park and Recreational Board of the city had a supervisor on our playground. Some advances have been made in the line of music, the Birmingham School of Music taking the musical education of one of our little talented children.

The spiritual attainment of the Daily Vacation Bible School was one of the greatest joy and encouragement to many who helped. There was an enrollment of 110 with ninety-nine per cent attendance for

the four weeks, exceeding by far the per cent of attendance of any of the fourteen schools of Greater Birmingham. Seven nationalities and eight creeds were represented. The total yearly attendance of the House was 89,208. Our Italian Church, an outgrowth of the Ensley Community House, has an American pastor, and many Americans have come into the Church. We are happy over having forty-three join this year, one of which is an Italian family, and so many of the Community House children entering the Sunday school. We feel that the poor are having the gospel preached unto them. Of the seven stewards, five are Italians. Three of our Italian families have recently joined or are attending other Methodist Churches into whose neighborhood they have moved.

Deaconess Alaska Terry, Girls' Worker, reports:

In looking over the past year's activities, there has been a marked difference in the interest of the girls. Members of the Art and Craft class made many handkerchiefs, using fabric paints. Some are interested in doing silhouettes in gold on black backgrounds. The enrollment in sewing is ninety. Out of seven classes, the two most advanced have the privilege of deciding what they should make. Several Italian girls have joined since Christmas. The majority of our volunteer teachers are from the different Churches. One is from our neighborhood and takes an interest in visiting the members of her class. Each Girl Scout, with the supervision of Mrs. Craven (one of our volunteer teachers) made her Scout uniform. The troop took part in the international pageant given by the Girl Scouts of Birmingham and Bessemer. Their mothers were interested in making some part of their costumes. Last summer one Scout was given a scholarship to Camp Gertrude Coleman. The average monthly enrollment of all classes for the year was 173.

Deaconess Myrta Davis, Boys' Worker, reports:

Boys' work has an interest and a tang to it that very few other things have. Always one's resources are taxed trying to keep up with their interest. New models must continually be found which arouse their interest as well as their creative ability. A fairly good number of my boys are really interested in learning to make things correctly. The average monthly enrollment of boys has been ninety-three.

The Boy Scouts, under Mr. Britt's direction, seem to be having pretty good work. The Cubs, or Junior Boy Scouts, have recently been organized and promises to be a very interesting piece of work.

The playground is open afternoons and nights. The children use it in the afternoon and the older boys and young men at night, with basket ball, football, or volley ball, according to the season, with a young man director. He also directs a club of middle adolescent boys.

The clubroom, with games, reading matter, and a radio, is open at night during the winter for the boys and young men.

Mrs. Ann Kron, Kindergartner, reports:

An average of forty-eight children a day for the year 1930 indicates the keen interest of both parents and children in our kindergarten.

The kindergarten has been established in this neighborhood long enough for the parents to recognize our methods in the formation of moral, social, and health habits.

We visit each home regularly, during which time the parents take the opportunity to discuss perplexing problems relating to sex habits, petty theft, fear, and numerous other questions of importance.

Our kindergarten lunch has been of great interest to both parents and outsiders in regard to manners and in the fact that they eat what is put before them. We have tried to make this a substantial lunch as well as for the purpose of training.

Our greatest efforts have been toward eliminating physical defects of the children, fearing the after effects of the depression. Each child has had a thorough examination, toxin-antitoxin, vaccination, and has been weighed twice. Each has shown a gain in weight with the exception of one.

The children have especially enjoyed their symphony band this year. All have been given a chance to develop rhythm and harmony.

New Orleans, La.—St. Mark's Hall

Deaconess Nettie Stroup, Head Resident, reports:

This, my third year at St. Mark's, has been filled with rich experiences. There have been loads to pull and mountains to climb, but the One who lightens the burdens has been my Stay and Guide and has enabled me, with the help of my staff of coworkers, to make progress along many lines.

One special feature, which has come to be an annual affair, was a musical given in honor of the old people of the community. Cars were sent for about fifty old folks whose ages range from sixty to almost one hundred years. As they came into the church each was given a flower and ushered to a special seat where the music could be heard distinctly. Many of these old people said they did not know where there was such good music being played any more since jazz had become so popular. They enjoyed it all to the very fullest and look forward to this time each year.

More than one hundred of our young people and children have taken part in the pageants and religious dramas that have been presented here the past year. We believe in the future that this will be one of the outstanding features of work in institutional churches and Community centers. It has proven a great benefit to our people. Our young people were asked to present a Christmas pageant in one of the largest churches in the city. They did it with ease, giving a sweet Christmas message.

During the summer months the swimming pool attracts hundreds of boys and girls to the Community Center. Many of them take the life-saving test and get certificates as life-savers. Many young people of other churches used the swimming pool last summer and in that way came to know more about what the institution here stands for and have learned to love it more.

The Home Makers' Club, consisting of adult women of the community, have learned to do some very beautiful knitting and crocheting. Their latest crochet work is an afghan, which will be displayed at the art exhibit to be held in May here at St. Mark's, where some twelve or fifteen different nationalities will have work on exhibition.

In the homes during the friendly visiting hours we get in close touch with our people. We find out their needs and share with them their joys and sorrows. It is then that we are most thankful that we are collaborators with our Master and sincerely desire that our daily work shall make a contribution to the building of character in the lives of our people.

We are often reminded of our Silent Partner when we read 2 Corinthians 6: 1: "Workers together with him." Our work is like that of the blind boy who was a weaver and who, when asked how he could weave, smilingly replied:

"I do my best;
I make the fabric good and strong,
And one who sees does all the rest.
O, happy thought, beside Life's loom,
We blindly strive our best to do,
And He who marks the pattern out
And holds the threads will make it true."

Deaconess Helen Shriner, Young People's Worker, reports:

It has been a joy to take over work so well organized as the Young People's Work at St. Mark's Community Center.

The Business Girls' Club is wide-awake, both as to numbers and to plans for the future. The girls have recently organized a Glee Club, under the leadership of a splendid voice teacher in the city. So popular has this singing group become that it now includes many visitors as well as club members. One week we had as many as forty-five enthusiastic singers present. For its activities during the year this group is planning to broadcast a program for the radio world and to offer a musical comedy for the entertainment of the community.

The officers of the Business Girls' Club were guests at a recent supper given by the Federation of Business Girls' Clubs at the Y. W. C. A. At this time our club was "officially" introduced.

Definite plans are being made to enlarge our program of work by connecting our club with this Federation.

The Senior League is doing splendid work. We have had as many as forty young people present for the social and devotional program of the League. Each department of the League takes its turn in preparing the supper for the social hour. Several times during the year the supper has been served in "banquet form"—long tables, place cards, speeches, etc. Each department is trying to make its "night" stand out as the most attractive and most entertaining. It is not uncommon to see a long-legged young man with a short, ruffled apron around him and a cup towel in his hand helping in the kitchen at the close of the supper hour.

The young men of the Young People's Sunday school class have had splendid baseball and volley ball teams, and they are now in the midst of the basket ball season. Under the coaching of Mr. P. L. McCreary, they have made a splendid showing in the Sunday School League of the city.

There are so many other things that might be told, because the young people come early and often stay until we "push them out" of the door at night. St. Mark's is truly a Community Home, dear to the hearts of all the young people whom it serves. St. Mark's is also a lighthouse, helping to develop the body, mind, and soul of the youth of this large city.

These few months that I have served at St. Mark's Community Center have been among the happiest months of my life. I look upon my appointment as from the hand of God. I am truly grateful for this opportunity of service, and I pray that I may in part be worthy of his trust in me.

Deaconess Maggie Marshall, Intermediate Worker, reports:

When I came to St. Mark's four years ago, I saw people of many nationalities, such as French, Spanish, Italian, and Syrian. The names looked impossible, and the language, although English, sounded different. Now the names no longer puzzle me. I can speak about

"bankets" and "armours" without realizing it, and nationalities have faded into the background, and I see "one great fellowship of love."

Nothing is more wonderful to me than growth and a part in directing it. During the time I have been here I have seen girls pass from adolescence to womanhood. For some this transition period has been a natural development, but for others it has been difficult, and I have often been able to help.

By serving on various committees in connection with the Community Chest, the Y. W. C. A., and the Union League, I have gotten an insight into the workings of other groups and a greater knowledge of city resources available to St. Mark's groups. My work this year is more specialized, and now practically all of it is with adolescent groups. I have concentrated most of my efforts on club work and Girl Reserve Triangles. The youngest group is composed of grade children from various schools in this section. Another has been held in a junior high school, which brought about a very worth-while contact. The largest group is a group of over forty high-school girls who have really caught the spirit of seeking to live the threefold life. A new group has been organized for girls who have to stop school to seek employment while still in their early teens. These groups work out their own programs, which have a direct bearing on right living. A recent project led to the drawing up of resolutions regarding honesty in school, which were signed and presented to the principal. While discussing a certain subject one girl remarked: "My whole outlook on life has been changed since I became a Girl Reserve." We have sought to put as much emphasis on the spiritual side of our triangle as on the other sides. This is done by having opening devotionals at each meeting led by the girls, a special Easter program, and other similar services, which have resulted in the Inter-Club Council asking our groups to lead this part of the program in union meetings.

The Hi-League and Intermediate Department of the Sunday school which I sponsor are seeking to coöperate and put into effect the new plans as given to us by the Church. I love my work, my girls and boys, and am happy doing "my Father's business."

Deaconess Lillian Addison, Junior Boys' Worker, reports:

This is my second year at St. Mark's, and I do like it so much. This is proving a most interesting year, as boys' work is never monotonous. The boys' activities are still gym work and manual training. Soon we are to put into our activities wrestling and boxing as added means of physical development.

The high point of interest to the boys is their hikes, parties, and their annual banquet. The banquet this year is to be a Fathers' and Sons' Banquet. They look forward each year to the summer camp, which means so very much to them.

The work in the Junior Department of the Sunday school is very interesting, for we have the Boys' and Girls' World Club after the session of Sunday school on Sunday morning. The boys and girls do respond so readily to the teachings of Jesus.

Bible victories of great men of the Bible are keeping us in this department trying to win victories over giants of Selfishness, Disobedience, and Prayerlessness. Great is my joy to be allowed the privilege to try to lead these boys and girls to a better understanding of life in Christ.

Deaconess Wortley Moorman, Nurse, reports:

A missionary nurse often has to stop and ask the question, "What is the religious and spiritual responsibility of one engaged in the min-

istry of healing?" We may well go to Jesus and ask why he spent so much time attending to the physical body of humanity when the soul was crying out for help. Did he do it for the purpose of making contacts that he might tell the people of God, that he might teach them? or did he heal their bodies because he was moved with compassion and wanted to help and relieve the physical sufferings of those he met every day?

I believe that Jesus was engaged in the ministry of healing because he loved the suffering people as individuals and was prompted through this love to make them comfortable and happy. In doing this he "taught," he spoke of a Father through his very deeds who loved and cared for his children.

It is only so far as St. Mark's Clinic does its bit of medical service in the true spirit of Jesus that it can teach of a God who understands and loves his children and who is reaching out a helping hand to all who are suffering or unhappy. This is its purpose as a clinic. May it not fall short of the ideal of the One of whom it was said: "He went about doing good."

Houma, La.—MacDonnell Wesley House and French Mission School

Deaconess Ella K. Hooper, Head Resident, reports:

The Council work in the French section of Louisiana made good progress during the year 1930. The principal advance was along lines of the development of the native leadership, the chief objective of the whole work.

The school has an enrollment and an average attendance of sixty-five. These boys and girls represent the material for leadership of the Church and community work from many communities. There is a great improvement in the quality and ability of the student body from year to year. Two new classrooms and some valuable equipment have been added during the year. Three of our students graduated from high school in May, and one of these is now in college preparing for service here among her own people. A former graduate is in his third year of college and is also planning to give his life in service to the people of this section. These two young people are the first fruits and represent what we hope to accomplish in ever-increasing numbers as the years go by. There are already many former students who have spent from two to six years in the school and who are now married and exerting a constructive influence and doing good work in many of the rural sections. These young people help to put the whole work on a higher plane and greatly assist in the spread of the gospel among those yet unreached by the Church in its organized endeavor.

The challenge of the field is indicated in the following report.

Deaconess Lillie Hendricks reports:

My appointment to the MacDonnell French Mission School was received while I was at Scarritt on furlough. I had been six years at Brevard Institute, North Carolina, and, though the change was not a surprise, a feeling of deep disappointment came over me at the realization of severing relations with the work and the folk I had learned to love so well. Though a longing to return to Brevard remained, I was soon looking forward eagerly to starting in the new work.

September first found me comfortably settled in my new home with a willing heart, but a woeful lack of understanding of this great work so different from any I had experienced before. It is impossible for one to realize from hearsay or reading just how great this French work is. It is necessary to be in it and to share the responsibilities a

while before the extent and depth of it can be grasped and the limitless possibilities.

The school and Wesley House form the center of the work, and a great, densely populated, rural field stretches out in every direction. The Wesley House, in addition to being a center for social service work, is also the home center for the school and the dormitory home of older girls. I have charge of this building and thus have the opportunity for intimate contacts with all the students during their social hours and also with their parents and others who visit the school.

Regular classroom work occupies my morning hours from 7:30 (Chapel Hour) till noon. In the afternoons, during the industrial period, I have a sewing class, a line of work I had never expected to do, but one that I enjoy greatly. Leading Chapel services in turn, teaching in the Sunday school, and working in the Epworth League and Woman's Missionary Society in the local church give opportunities for wider contacts of distinctly religious work. Whenever the opportunity comes I go with Miss Hooper to the various rural districts and have taken a keen interest in studying that department of the work. Of course, there are rest periods and days off, though the above doesn't sound like it.

I have been here only a few months, but have seen and learned a great deal about the needs of this territory and the influence of the work already done, and I know that the utmost bounds are far beyond my present vision. A visit to the home of one of our pupils on Christmas Day put me in touch with children of four different homes, not one of which had been visited by old Santa; but the children were cheerful, thankful for health and food, and greatly pleased with the little gifts we took them.

Another experience which was a revelation to me was a trip to the Gulf down Bayou Grand Caillou on an oyster lugger. Trapping season was at its height, and the shrimping season was just beginning; and it was intensely interesting to see the activities of both these great industries. We passed hundreds of huts occupied by the trappers and their families and a great many houseboats. Conditions in most cases bespoke extreme poverty and other needs, though some of the trappers and their families are above the average. The shrimp drying "platforms" were even more interesting. These are far down toward the Gulf and are really villages built out over the water. All the houses in shrimping villages are connected one with another and with the receiving and drying platform by a wide wooden "street" which begins on the water front and runs down the center of the village. About thirty families live in a village. The men bring their wives and children and leave them in these little homes built high above the water while they go back and forth to the Gulf in the shrimp boats for the "catch." Wherever we stopped along this route there were people who knew Miss Hooper, and we received a cordial welcome, always. The possibilities for Christian work among these people are wonderful, but no Church is yet attempting anything. Some day our own Church will realize the need and the opportunity, and provide a boat and specially trained workers for these far-flung and untouched villages and trapping camps.

Though the French work is still in its elementary stage and there are some handicaps, it is really a great privilege to have a share in work of such possibilities, and I can say with the Psalmist: "The lines are fallen to me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage."

Kansas City, Mo.—Institutional Church

Deaconess Elizabeth Taylor, Head Resident, reports:

As one looks back over the year trying to eliminate or forget failures and gather up achievements, she is forced to the conclusion that each is a part of the other and that it is difficult to say this was achievement and that was failure: "So, forgetting the things which are behind, we press on toward the goal."

The activities of Institutional Church have been and are many. The Church in every department is on the upward move, not a swift but a steady development. The pastor, officials, Sunday school superintendent, and teachers are faithful, consecrated men and women, each in his way and place carrying on, yet all with one aim—coworkers with the Great Master Workman to bring in his Kingdom.

The settlement activities in some instances have increased in numbers and attendance, while in others a decrease may be noted, doubtless owing to the need for new and improved program and methods; and we hope to meet the need by a forward step, believing a recognized need is a call to progress.

The Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, and Girl Reserve groups show a real development in their respective lines of work, which means more to their leaders than the increase in membership. Athletics is an important feature, and the clean sport and church attendance should mean much to these boys that will result in building true manhood. The girls also enjoy "hikes" and outdoor pastimes that very materially build up the morale and interest of the respective groups.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was an active force in the development of character. The Bible memory work, combined with Bible and character stories, will, we trust, be a real factor in the development of Christian citizenship. The handwork was also a creditable part of the training, even with the youngest kindergartner.

The Nursery is ever an interesting and important feature. These little ones and their toiling mothers have a large place in our hearts, and it is a real joy to minister to them, to bring some brightness into their lives, and help them to envision the Christ—to know their Saviour.

We are permitted to touch the lives of many others, the Italian mothers and Young Girls' Club, the mothers and their little ones in the weekly clinic, or Well Baby Station. This last is conducted under the auspices of the Visiting Nurses' Association, and two splendid pediatricians give their services.

Many come in trouble, many seeking help in securing employment; and to all a sympathetic, brotherly attitude is shown, if in no other way can assistance be given.

Surely the Master has honored us in calling us to a field teeming with opportunities, for how necessary we should "Give diligence to present ourselves approved unto God, workmen that need not be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth" in precept and works.

Deaconess M. Dorothy Dodd, Italian and Young People's Worker, reports:

It seems that the thing that counts most is the visits in the home. It is through the individual, personal touch that we get into the hearts and lives of people, and it is by this means that we find a response sooner or later. Not in the club nor the crowd here at the church, but the greatest joy has come in personal visitation. So we are trying this year to go into at least three homes every day, even those days when we have on a big program.

The Girl Reserve Club, made up of Italian girls, is organized as any other club. In the early spring they give a play at Y. W. C. A. The club's service program has been confined largely to their own schools. They presented to their own kindergarten room Chamber's beautiful picture, "The Light of the World." Last spring these girls cleared off an ugly city lot and planted flowers. We did not have very many flowers the first year, but they did clear this spot of tin cans and rubbish, and had green grass to grow there.

The outstanding event of the Italian Mothers' Club was their annual banquet, celebrating the seventeenth year of the club's organization. The speaker of the evening was one of their number—a ministerial student home from a seminary in Richmond, Va. The dinner, the program, the place cards, and favors were furnished by the group. This club subscribed five dollars to the Charity Chest and fifteen dollars for needy families at Christmas.

When Mrs. Lamb wrote on a lovely picture she presented to our League Room, "To one of the finest groups of young people in the Southwest Missouri Conference," we really believed this was true of our young people. Their annual Thanksgiving banquet was the largest in the history of the Church and perhaps the most challenging. Our annual Christmas pageant, while not as colorful as previous ones, was most impressive and carried the largest message.

The members of our Young Men's Bible Class just served a spaghetti dinner and cleared \$16 for repairs on our pipe organ. One of the members of this class came forward last Easter and gave his heart and life to Jesus and came into the Church. Since he was a little boy he had wanted to be a doctor, and since hearing Mrs. Hamilton Moore he had wanted to be a medical missionary. His was a brilliant record, both in high school and during his two years of college work. His home-going the first of January has been a great loss to the Berean Bible Class. His mother said: "The greatest comfort in my great grief is to know that Institutional Church was the means of my boy's coming to Christ and being a Christian." It is our prayer and heart's desire that others will say of us at Institutional Church, "And he brought him to Jesus."

Deaconess Ola Gilbert, Boys' Worker, reports:

I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord." This is the way I felt when I found that I was sent to Institutional Church and much happier when I was returned for my second year.

Institutional Church, because of its location and its prestige, offers a great opportunity for real service in its boys' department. This year there have been three basket ball teams of older boys and young men playing in the Sunday School League. My efforts with these boys have not been to play just for honors, but to give them wholesome recreation and clean sportsmanship; however, some of them have won some honors.

We have a growing Scout troop with a splendid man as Scout Master. On Scout Sunday they put on a splendid program at the evening services. Our troop committeemen are the leading members of our Church and are very coöperative and helpful in carrying out the Scout program. The boys under Scout age are organized in clubs in connection with the Y. M. C. A. and get the Y. M. C. A. privileges. The annual boys' banquet was a very successful occasion. We secured a splendid speaker, one of our Methodist laymen, who is a prominent lawyer of our city and a real Christian. The dinner, the program, and friendship meant much to the boys.

Because of my love for outdoor life and activities I was given the Girl Scout troop, which varies my program from boys' work. Altogether we have a splendid and working troop, and it was my privilege to be sent as a representative of the leaders' organization to the National Convention of the Girl Scouts.

In gratitude to God for this place and the opportunities of service, it is my prayer to give of my best to the Master with an effort to help hungering souls.

Deaconess Martina Hyde, Children's Director, reports:

Through the influence of the Children's Department at Institutional Church we have been able to accomplish some things for the Master. In trying to teach and lead the children to the Master we feel we are able to lead the parents, for "a little child shall lead them." Through the prayers of one of our little five-year-old youngsters her father stopped drinking and kept the home from being broken up. Not only with the parents and children do we feel like help has been rendered, but to the volunteer helpers who come to play the piano for the Kiddie Band, Brownie Club, Kindergarten, and Boys and Girls' World Club. One helper, having become discouraged with life and all it might hold for her, was about to take her life; but, as she said, she tried coming here to help with the children as her last means to find something in life, and here found Christ so dear to the children he became dear to her. Another said she started reading the Bible since coming to help the children, the first time in three years.

Our Boys' and Girls' Club is having a grand time becoming acquainted with children around the world. We had a lovely Russian party, inviting some Russian children in to share it with us, and we prepared a nice box of tablets and pencils to send to Russia. We played their games, dressed in costume, and ate food as they do. They love to learn that "It does not matter what color their friends are or whether they come from near or far, where they live or what they do, we need them and they need us."

In the Brownie Club the children from six to ten learn to give in to old folks before they give in to themselves, never throw their clothes about, but hang them in their places, to love God and their country, to help others every day, especially those at home. "To see no evil, speak no evil, touch no evil, think no evil." Their motto is to try to do as Jesus did—"grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man."

GULF COAST WORK

Pascagoula, Miss.—Christian Welfare Center

Deaconess Minnie Lee Eidson reports:

The first six months of the year were spent in the work of a pastor's assistant at Bluefield, W. Va., closing in June with a very successful Vacation Bible School.

The powers that be having decreed that my work should be changed, I arrived in Pascagoula, Miss., after a pleasant vacation time, to undertake the task of creating and putting in running order a welfare center. There was little to be seen of the center at the time, save a vacant cottage in need of paint, almost concealed by weeds. Steamy hot weather, multitudes of mosquitoes, and a general lack of interest in the proposition were the outstanding characteristics of the place.

The first month was spent in surveying the community to be served, both from the viewpoint of finding the needs and stirring up interest

in a community center for welfare work. Needless to say, it did not move rapidly and had some painful elements in it for the deaconess concerned, but progress has been made, and after four months of work the Christian Welfare Center is beginning to take on the appearance of permanency.

The house and grounds were cleaned and repairs made as needed. A kindergarten, conducted for eight weeks, did good work. A Boys' Club grew rapidly from a membership of seven to forty, while girls' sewing classes have an enrollment of fifty. Some groups which were organized were found to be not needed and were discontinued. Equipment came in very slowly, but at present is almost sufficient for our needs.

This is a coöperative enterprise undertaken by some of the Churches and civic groups, and it was necessary to organize a governing board to suit the local situation and make plans for financing the work.

The Christian Welfare Center also serves as a sort of clearing house for the charity work of the city. Not all persons or groups engaged in such work are coöperating, and a lone worker is limited by time and distance in carrying out such a program along with other activities and limited means; but some good has resulted from the efforts made, mostly by preventing overlapping and help given to the unworthy.

The deaconess supervised a Christmas pageant for one of the local churches, conducted two parties at the Center for organized groups, assisted the governing board to have a silver tea for the benefit of the welfare work, and helped the manager of a near-by factory to organize and carry out a Christmas dinner party for one hundred children.

Volunteer workers have been most faithful in their service at the Center, and various individuals have made generous donations of money and equipment for the work.

We trust that this coöperative enterprise will result in gain, not only to this community, but may help other small cities to undertake welfare work in a constructive way.

Biloxi, Miss.—Moore Community House

Deaconess Sallie Ellis, Head Resident, reports:

The past year has been a most blessed one in our work here. The people with whom we have worked show interest and appreciate what is being done for them, and the new ones are falling in line. A survey was made, which gave us opportunities to enter new homes.

Since last year we have organized a Mothers' Club, of which most are French. Some of them were very happy when they received Red Cross certificates from their Nutrition teacher.

Another new club for the "grown-ups" is the Choral Club. We were able to secure a very fine teacher from the public schools. The music for our White Christmas program was given by this club and was very beautiful. The offering was taken for the Superannuate Fund, and our hearts were made to rejoice when so many different ones marched forward with their gifts in white and laid them on the altar.

I feel that one of the outstanding pieces of work that is being done here is with the young people. We have three young people's clubs with an enrollment of ninety-one. They are from the ages of fourteen to thirty-five and enjoy their clubs very much. Most of these girls have been coming to us for more than four years, and we feel that many of them have been helped in many ways. Most of them are from Catholic homes. At the close of one of these clubs last

summer, I asked the girls whether or not they had really been helped in any way since coming here and, after many of the Protestant girls had told of the material things in which they had been helped, I was most happy when some of the quiet French Catholic girls spoke up and said that they liked the Bible talks best. I had felt many times that they did not come for this, but we never know what each girl is thinking. So many of them have come to me with their personal affairs during the year for advice.

The young people are not a problem, as some say; but I think the problem is that we fail so many times to make it our business to understand them. It has been no trouble to get them here—they just come.

Much relief work has been done this past year, as the people had very little work. The City Hospital and city clubs have coöperated with us. A large number of people have received free medical treatment through us.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was a very fine one. We had one hundred and forty-five children on roll with an average attendance of one hundred and twenty-six. Most of our teachers were from our own community. We are trying in every way possible to use our people. We find that they are more loyal and more interested.

Our Church work is moving along as well as could be expected. We had forty-two additions to the Church this year, and a good spirit is always found in our Church. We had a good Sunday school, Epworth League, and Missionary Society. The zone meetings have been the life of our society and have been the means of awakening so many women in the other Churches in this section of the country. I think they are the finest things we have ever had to put "pep" into the local churches.

The population of the Johnson Camp community has increased during the year. A recent census shows that the number has doubled since last year. We are still bringing children from this community in our car to Sunday school, and we have a sewing school and one Boys' Club in this community. A large number of the children attend our Bible school. Religious services are held twice a month for them. We feel that some good has been done in this community.

I thank my Heavenly Father for the privilege of serving such a loyal people.

Miss Katie Herndon, Club Director, reports:

I am happy to have had the privilege of still another year of service at Moore Community House. It is a joy to work with many of the same boys and girls and young people from year to year and watch their development. Although there are many who move each year and new ones are constantly coming in, yet there are many in the community who remain from year to year; and it is, of course, with this group that the greatest amount of good can be accomplished.

We feel that club work, as a whole, has gone forward this year. There has been more interest, and more real progress has been made. We notice in each group a greater willingness to do for others. Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts have been given more opportunities for real service in the community this year, and their response has been very gratifying. Our Girl Scout troop is the first to be organized in Biloxi. Another has since been organized, and now Scout leaders are centering attention upon Biloxi, having had a leader's training camp at the Camp Grounds last summer, and they are also endeavoring to assist the present troops by securing for them, and new troops to be

organized, the coöperation of the city at large. The volunteer teachers in our sewing school are all from our own community.

It is my privilege to work with many of the same boys and girls in clubs, Sunday school, and Hi-League. I feel that the Epworth League work on the Coast has been a real power in the lives of the young people. There is a strong Senior League Union, and, upon my appointment last spring as Hi-League Counselor for the Coast, I immediately began to work toward a Hi-League Union. With the coöperation of the District Hi-League Secretary, this was brought about, and a Hi-League Union organized last June. It has already meant much in the Hi-League work of the Coast. There is fine interest and much friendly competition among the Leagues for the Union Efficiency Banner. Our Hi-League has won it once out of the three times it was awarded and took second place at the last Union.

It is a pleasure to work with the people of Back Bay.

Galveston, Tex.—Immigrant Work

Rev. John E. Reifschneider, Port Missionary, reports:

The activities of the year have been much the same as in the past year, as my report shows.

The official United States immigration record shows that during the past fiscal year 1,910 vessels engaged in foreign trade arrived at ports in this district and were boarded and inspected. Of this number, 1,142 came direct from foreign ports, while 768 arrived coastwise. The total number of seamen employed on above vessels was 69,920, of whom 52,078 were aliens and 17,842 were American citizens. The total number of arrivals, including American citizens and non-statistical aliens, was 1,846, there being 1,213 of the former and 633 of the latter. Of this number, 1,041 were American citizens, and 616 aliens arrived from foreign ports, and 172 citizens and 17 aliens from insular possessions. Excluded, 18 (mostly stowaways); deported, 794 (mostly seaman). Balance in detention here at Galveston, Tex, 38. A total of 308 aliens deserted their vessels in the district during the past fiscal year, which is a decrease of 28 aliens under the preceding year. It will be noticed that a total of 90 aliens (mostly deportees) were reshipped, one way foreign, in lieu of formal deportation. This number might have been very substantially increased had it not been for a very unusual decline in foreign shipping from this port during the past year. The Immigrant Act of March 4, 1929, is an effective deterrent in smuggling activities, for in many instances the aliens involved are unwilling to risk personal prosecution, where formerly they were more than willing to risk deportation to their own countries, when prosecution was possible for the smuggler only. The reaction to this act has been very beneficial in the enforcement of other immigration acts and is causing more respect for all immigration laws. My statistical report for 1930 is as follows: Visitors at office, 409; called at office by appointment, 413; calls for work and help wanted, 245 (mostly deportees); work found, 90 (mostly deportees); visits to police station, 9; visits to county jail, 167; investigations, 92; special cases, 101; visits to foreign consuls for passports, etc., 30; secured passports, etc., 29 (mostly deportees); calls to United Charities, 42; assisted in getting naturalization papers, 19; telephone calls, information, etc., 317; letters and documents read and translated, 301; interpreter in United States hearings, etc., 101; assisted stranded aliens, 51 (mostly deportees); money, clothing, shoes, hats, etc., visits to sick in jail and hospital, 37 (mostly deportees); visits and calls to Y. W. C. A., 14; marriages, 2; burials, 2; foreign passenger vessels arrived, 37; foreign pas-

senger vessels departed, 34; deported, 794; alien funds handled, \$29,146.91.

This closes my twenty-second year at this port. It is gratifying again to report that the officials of the U. S. Immigration Service, the various consuls of foreign countries, local officials of the city, and representatives of steamship interests, as also the two local missionary societies, have coöperated most cordially at all times with us, and our relation with all of them have been most pleasant.

INDUSTRIAL WORK

Kingsport, Tenn.—Industrial Work

Deaconess Willia Duncan, Industrial Worker, reports:

The women of the Holston Conference, feeling the necessity for a more definite effort to meet the needs of this industrial center, appealed to Mrs. Downs for help. She looked the situation over very carefully and responded by sending a worker. I came to this field of golden opportunity September 5, 1930.

Kingsport, truly a young industrial city nestled among the mountains of upper East Tennessee, is unique. It was deliberately planned for a city of industrial efficiency, civic beauty, and human happiness. It has grown with great rapidity—only thirteen years ago a pasture field for cattle with a few straggling farmhouses; to-day, a flourishing city with nineteen thousand people, fifteen big industries. The city has nearly five thousand industrial workers in addition to the hundreds employed in the business sections.

Economically the status of the people varies from those who are worth thousands of dollars and live in spacious homes to those who live in huts and even tents. Educationally there is a great difference. Many of these families have recently moved down from the mountains and have not had school advantages. However, we hope that in the near future illiteracy will be practically eliminated. The Kingsport school system is recognized as one of the best in the State, and all children are required to attend school until they are sixteen years of age. Kingsport has church buildings of seven denominations located in the residential section of the city, but these do not reach the many thousands of people who are employed in the industrial plants. This has made it necessary to establish smaller Churches in the different sections of the city. It is my privilege to be connected with three of these Churches. Two have well-organized Sunday schools with an enrollment of more than three hundred and fifty each, also Senior and Hi and Junior Leagues. The Church services are well attended. Frequently many are turned away because there is not room to accommodate them. The third Church was begun last spring. The building will soon be completed, and we hope to be thoroughly organized in a few weeks.

One of our chief duties has been that of visiting the people and discovering their interests. We are working on a survey of these communities, giving attention to the following items: number of home-owners, employment, educational level, and religious interests. By doing this, we hope to be able to serve as best we can the almost overwhelming needs of these people.

Kansas City, Mo.—East Bottoms Community Center

Deaconess Margaret Hodkins reports:

East Bottoms is an industrial community with an approximate population of one thousand. The people are various nationalities:

Polish, Belgian, German, Mexican, Austrian, and American. The largest per cent is Catholic. Four Protestant Churches are trying to serve in this district.

It has been a real joy to serve these past months in a field where I gave several years of volunteer service, gaining experience and desire to serve before I entered Scarritt College. There is a splendid spirit of loyalty and coöperation among the people.

The club activities have grown in interest and membership. At present there are seven clubs and two classes in gymnasium with an enrollment of over two hundred. We are using the school gym once each week for the older boys and girls. Through the clubroom, as a center, for recreation and fellowship, we have tried to plan a program to include every member of the home. The Mothers' Club is new, full of pep and enthusiasm, unfolding in leadership. Once each month they invite their husbands to attend a night meeting.

Most of all I like and enjoy the visits in the homes. We have had much unemployment this winter. Often I have wished that some kind of fairy would create a job that the husbands might provide for their families and help to stabilize the home.

Through the settlement programs I have tried to build up the attendance for the Church and its organization. The attendance in the Sunday school, Church services, and the Epworth League has increased during the fall, remaining almost stable, practically a hundred per cent.

We have a community clinic supervised by a Catholic organization that directs a big health program. I have worked with the visiting nurse and coöperated in every way possible to encourage our people to seek advice and help through the clinic.

"The trivial round, the common task,
Will furnish all we ought to ask—
Room to deny ourselves, a road
To bring us daily nearer God."

—*Keble.*

Montgomery, Ala.—Methodist Settlement Home

Deaconess Bessie Bunn, Head Resident, reports:

The Settlement Home is located in North Montgomery in a network of railroads, mills, factories. While there are only about seventy-five white families, yet when you get into the work you realize one deaconess has her hands full.

It was with much interest that I entered upon my work in September. To have a real Church organization in connection with your settlement work was just the plan I liked. We are planning to make the building look more like a church on the outside. One young man, in speaking of his first visit to our church, said: "I went to the church, but it was a dwelling."

Miss Daisy Davies held a ten-day revival for us in October, preaching for us at nights and at Court Street Methodist Church in the mornings. Our people certainly appreciated and derived much benefit from her sermons.

Our Sunday school is self-supporting, giving the fourth Sunday offering to missions and the fifth Sunday to the orphanage at Selma.

The week-day activities have been well attended and are as follows: Girl Reserves, twelve to sixteen years; Blue Birds, five to eleven years; Sewing School, six to sixteen years; Boys' Club, six to fourteen years; visiting; giving out supplies; and sales.

The Blue Birds have such good times, and each week they are reminded of their real mission as they repeat together:

"The Blue Birds spread cheerfulness
Where'er they chance to be,
For their motto is 'Happiness,'
So they never fret, you see.
Just always smiling, happy, gay,
Scattering sunshine day by day."

Halloween parties for young people and children were full of interest. At Thanksgiving the Girl Reserves had a banquet, to which their young men friends were invited. Toasts, songs, and plenty of turkey, etc., made a wonderful combination for a happy evening.

Our Christmas was very sweet. The people were well remembered. Those without work received substantial things, and over two hundred were remembered with simple gifts, fruits, etc., from our tree at the church, at which time our children and young people gave a beautiful pageant entitled, "The Quest for the Christ Child." Each mother thought her daughter looked the prettiest.

With the trees and flowers which have been planted, we are expecting our place to be much more beautiful in the spring.

The people in the community show a sweet spirit of coöperation in so many ways—making costumes, planting trees and flowers, painting, cleaning, etc.

Of course the missionary women are very fine. The Board President, Mrs. Gustave Mertins, has been especially kind and helpful. She gave me a lovely reception soon after I arrived in order that I might get acquainted with the missionary women of the city. She is deeply interested in the Settlement Home and the people and teaching the young women's class in the Sunday school.

The boxes of clothing from over the district and from the local Churches have met a great need through these trying days when work has been so scarce.

I must mention especially one man with wife and four children who has been a living example of God's protection for his own in times of great need. His Christian faith and courage, together with untiring energy in looking for work, have stirred others to share with him in a wonderful way, and the joy they derived in helping him was very evident.

The field is a great challenge to a Christian worker. "Nothing is great without God, nothing is small with God."

"The way to God is by the road of men;
Find thy forbearance in near humanity,
Love thy seen neighbor as thyself, thereby
Then lovest Him unseen, who is the all."

Hopewell, Va.—Community Center

Deaconess Grace M. Driver reports:

This work is a new enterprise of the Virginia Conference and is located in one of the industrial centers of Virginia. It is in answer to the need of a ministry to the many young people employed in the rayon plant and other industries here. There are as many as one thousand young women employed in the rayon plant alone.

Our center is well located in the mill village in one of the company's houses given for our use. When I came here late in September we began at once to make ready this house for our work. It was furnished by the women of the Conference and a few interested people in this city. We opened for work on October 21.

It has been our hope to make here a center where young people may

come together in wholesome, attractive surroundings for their social life, where happy friendships may be formed, and where that friend of all young may be easy to find because of the spirit of our hearts and the atmosphere of our house.

The beginning of the work was slow because a "center for young people" was something brand new, but gradually contacts have been made and the object of our being here has become known. The young people have been finding here a happy place to come to, and scores of them are making it truly the center of their social life. Nor is that the end of their interest, for many of the plans for Church activities are planned here. I am beginning to feel that in a real sense a need is being met.

We recently had thirty young women from the mill dormitory in to one of our socials. The Epworth League holds a regular weekly meeting which is a mission study class followed by a social hour. We have many planned parties and many informal groups in for music and games and a friendly chat.

Altogether groups totaling six hundred have been received since the opening less than four months ago. Most of that number have been the young people, though some meetings of missionary societies have been held here also.

As far as I am able I am going into the homes and seeking every means of contact with the people and especially where the young live. I have never been more eager in all my life to render a helpful, constructive service than I am here in the midst of a promising field and a great need.

Hartshorne, Okla.—Brooks Institute: Coal Fields

Deaconess Mattie Cunningham reports:

In justice to those interested in this work in the past, mention should be made of the last months of the same. Upon hearing the work was to close July 31, three fine girls, one Polish, two Russian, who had been loyal and earnest in their sewing, were crushed with the news. They wanted to graduate. I offered them the chance, and so gladly they came and so well and happily they applied themselves that in a few weeks the work was finished and certificates were awarded at a little party given at the home of a former teacher and Board President. Those who saw their dresses and other garments they had made agreed the children deserved all praise we gave them. One child said: "I'm sorry my little sisters will not be able to have a chance to go to Sewing School. Five of us have come to it from our home."

No small effort ever gave me more joy than giving a short outline Bible course to a dear Italian graduating from high school. Receiving a Bible as a love gift from me, she asked for help in using the prized book. Soon she was going to Sunday school with me to the Mexican camp and in a few weeks helping teach a class. My, *how* she studied! So pleased was the president of the school board that he saw that she got a position in the school, and she is teaching now in this same community. A fine leader she is making.

Another feature of the summer work was steering the reorganization of Daily Vacation Bible School control from the Deaconess Board soon to be discontinued to a board of the same composed of representatives from the several Churches. No full-time superintendent could be found for the three weeks decided upon, but five leaders assumed responsibility, one for a day each week, and a good program was carried out to the gratification of every one. This good and popular Daily Vacation Bible School at Hartshorne has been a

monument, as it were, to Jennie Williams, who established it in 1921, so well did she put it over in the beginning.

Thus came to an end the love work opened by the love Deaconess Willena Henry in 1913. Some things may be remembered with regret, but during my nine years in this field some friendships were made that I trust will always be true ties that bind and remind of friends most kind.

Lyra, Tex.—Wesley Community House: Coal Fields

Deaconess Rhoda Drago reports:

In spite of the unemployment situation in Lyra, this has been a very happy year.

If the people have felt the pangs of hunger, there has been no complaint. Cactus leaves and mesquite beans can be made into a number of palatable dishes, which have helped to keep the wolf from the door.

There has been little sickness and no deaths among the children.

In September the public school took in all the six-year-old children, leaving the kindergarten twenty-five little tots five years old and under.

In the beginning of the year, forty-four men and women enrolled in the night school. Their eagerness to learn to speak and read English was pathetic. As work slowed down in the spring, most of them were compelled to leave. Those who remained in Lyra are now doing fifth-grade work.

The Missionary Societies Conference have supplied us with magazines, cardboard, bright-colored paper, bits of ribbon, etc., which the Girls' Club make into baskets, boxes, paper beads, posters, and many other beautiful things to brighten up their homes.

A five-weeks Daily Vacation Bible School was of great interest to the fathers and mothers, and the work done by the children was most gratifying, although our enrollment was small.

Christmas is always a great day with us. The Sunday school put on a beautiful program, and every one in the community was remembered.

Seco, Ky.—Coal Fields (Kentucky Conference, Lexington District)

Deaconess Pattie L. Allen reports:

After a delightful furlough year of study and rest, my lot has been cast in the coal fields of Kentucky.

September was spent in making a survey of this new field and in trying to get acquainted with the community and the work that should be undertaken.

Seco, a mining camp of a thousand American people, in the camp proper and within a radius of a quarter of a mile, affords varied opportunities for Christian service. The grade school has an average attendance of 250. There is one Union Church, with a Methodist pastor. Since last September the attendance of Sunday school has grown from 86 to 193. All denominations are represented at the various services.

My work has been to assist in all of the general Church activities—work in both Junior and Senior Leagues, have organized and teach a large class of teen-age girls and boys in Sunday school, attend Wednesday night prayer meeting and frequent cottage prayer meetings and special services. The most of my time is spent in the homes of the people; 765 visits have been made from September to January. The splendid group of fifty women who have become interested in the Missionary Society are quite an inspiration; a number of them have recently been converted and joined the Church. They assist in visit-

ing the sick and helping the needy in every way they can. The society has five circles; each meets weekly for Bible study. Various kinds of sewing is done.

For community interest, the P. T. A. has been organized and is quite active. The women recently gave a play and realized a nice sum to start a school library. We sponsor a Child Health Clinic, which is conducted by the U. S. Public Health Service.

We are praying that larger opportunities may be had for these people, and that we may be able to give them the help which they so need and for which they are so eager and grateful.

Amherstdale, W. Va.—Coal Fields (Western Virginia Conference)

Miss Mary Ogden reports:

The work in the Western Virginia Coal Fields has been and still is in its pioneer state. The vastness of the territory to be reached and the fact that there has had to be several changes in workers throughout the year has made our work somewhat slow and apparently indefinite. Miss Mary Stokes and I were on the field from the first of the year until the eighth of March. I was here alone until the twelfth of April, when Miss Ruby Daniel was sent back to the work. Miss Fannie Bame and I were appointed for this year's work.

We have visited in ten mining camps, reaching approximately one thousand homes. I have worked regularly in two Sunday schools, teaching a class in each and often serving as superintendent. We have organized and supervised three Epworth Leagues and two Junior Societies. During the summer we conducted five Vacation Church Schools with a total enrollment of 250. Bible lessons taught, 130; story sessions, 60; playground sessions, 45. We have conducted two story hours with twenty sessions and one playground with twelve sessions. We have had twenty-one entertainments in connection with Church work. We have worked in two Missionary Societies and one Ladies' Aid.

Number of visits made, 1,200; literature distributed, 1,000 pieces; garments given away or sold for small amount, 700; value of food given, \$4; money given, \$1.50; families helped with clothes, 69.

Deaconess Fannie Bame reports:

I arrived in West Virginia on September 2. It was my privilege to spend several days in the home of Mrs. C. N. Clark, President of the Conference, and also to attend one of the district group meetings before coming to my work.

We have had organized work in three places—Amherstdale, Earling, and Taplin. Our work at Earling has been turned over to the principal of the school and his wife. This means much more to our work there since it was not always possible for us to get to the meetings because of slick roads and a dangerous mountain we had to cross.

The response we have had from our work in the Sunday school at Amherstdale has been most gratifying. The attendance has more than trebled itself within the last three months. Our work in the Sunday school at Taplin has also been encouraging. This school has more than doubled itself within the last three months. Miss Ogden and I teach in both of these schools, and I superintend the Amherstdale school.

We supervise one Senior League, one Hi-League, one Junior Hi-League, and one Boys and Girls World Club. We attend two Missionary Societies and two Ladies' Aid Societies.

One of the most profitable things we are doing is teaching Bible in

the public school here. We teach over three hundred children each week, giving each group one period a week. The children are writing some interesting stories and doing some splendid handwork. We have made occasional visits to other schools, including the school for Negro children.

We gave two pageants at Christmas, using the White Gift Service along with the Christmas story. As a result of the services and the work done leading up to the services, two young women gave themselves to Christ and joined the Church. Nine needy families received food and some clothing from the gifts of substance.

We have been able to bring relief to a number of families by providing clothing and food. Selling old clothes is not an attractive job if one just sells old clothes, but I make it an occasion to do personal work.

God is surely blessing our efforts, and we are already seeing some of the results of our labors.

Big Sandy, W. Va.—Coal Fields

Deaconess Evelyn Waddell reports:

As reporting time comes and we review the work of the past year our first thought is, How wonderfully the Father has blessed us and our people this year!

The work of the first quarter was somewhat irregular, owing to the fact that we are working several camps that had to be reached by car over dangerous mountain roads that are often slick with ice in the winter time. This made it impossible to carry on regular work except in the Big Sandy Camp, where we live.

I have enjoyed very much two Junior boys' clubs at Roderfield and Big Sandy. It has been hard to find a suitable place for the meetings where we could do any sort of handwork, but the boys have enjoyed the stories and games that could be played. We have about forty boys enrolled.

The Junior Missionary Society has also been a very interesting and interested group. About twenty-eight are enrolled. Owing to the financial situation, the offerings are small, but we always make the offering a part of the worship program. They have enjoyed the stories of children of other lands and are delighted with the idea and the new name for the children's work.

We were so thankful to the Father for the conversion of six of our young people for whom we had been praying. Through the League and other Church services we felt that they were about ready to take a definite step for Christ. So when our revival came they did take the step, and six of them united with the Church.

Three Daily Vacation Bible Schools were conducted during the summer months, and we assisted with a fourth one. We had splendid coöperation from the women in each place. It was their first attempt at anything of the kind, but as we planned the courses and outlined the lessons for them, they did their best and helped to make the schools a success.

We have assisted with the three Missionary Societies on the charge. One is a new one we helped to organize during the year.

Owing to the financial depression the last quarter was very hard for our people. Practically all of our mines have been closed down for four months or more, and this has necessitated the men's going to other places to work, and many have moved away entirely. This has made it necessary to do a lot of relief work. We have been greatly blessed in this work through the help of our friends by their donations of cash and also many boxes of supplies from Missionary Societies

in many parts of the country. There will still be much relief work for the new year, and we are so glad it is our privilege to be here in the Master's service at this time.

Deaconess Cora Lee Glenn reports:

We feel that progress has been made during the year. The young people who were converted in the two revivals are members of our Epworth Leagues, and they have added a spiritual depth to all of our League activities.

In one of our camps there were many boys and girls without the opportunity of attending Sunday school, as there was none in the camp. One of the homes was opened to us, and every Sunday afternoon I had a Bible Story Hour. This has been well attended from the beginning. Later I secured a six-room house in the adjoining camp. My story hour now has fifty enrolled, as the boys and girls of Fall River come as well as those of Hampton Roads. At this house I also have an older girls' club. The handwork, games, and devotionals are meaning a great deal to these girls.

In Lynwin, another of our camps, there was a great need for a Sunday school, as there has been none for several years. In October a Sunday school was organized, with an enrollment of eighty-five. This Sunday school, in spite of its limited quarters and finances, is doing a great work and is meeting a real need.

The Girl Scout troops are increasing in interest and numbers. A Girl Scout Committee in Washington, D. C., has rendered a great deal of help, supplying materials for handwork and garments for the girls. These things have been a blessing, as they have come at a time when many of the families were finding it difficult, if not impossible, to buy the things needed. A play was given in order that the Girl Scouts might have their uniforms. This work is meaning much to the girls of Big Sandy and Marytown, giving them wholesome recreation, fellowship, and high ideals which tend toward clean living, and service and loyalty to God, country, and other people.

Christmas brought many occasions of joy and peace. We had three beautiful pageants, each one of which presented the Christmas story in a very impressive manner. In each program love, loyalty, and service were stressed. These services were truly worshipful, as each character seemed to catch the real spirit of the Christmas message. On Christmas Eve the Leaguers went to every home in the camp and sang carols. This was their first experience, and it was an occasion long to be remembered, for it was greatly enjoyed.

It is a wonderful privilege to be a coworker with the Master in this section of his vineyard. There are so many needs all around us, but the greatest need is for Christ. There are so many who do not know him as their Saviour, many who seem indifferent to spiritual things, but we are thankful for those who have so completely surrendered their lives to him during 1930, and we are trusting that in 1931 many more may do so.

Bradshaw, W. Va.—Coal Fields

Deaconess Cornelia Godbey reports:

Having spent eight months of the past year on furlough, I can report for only four months of actual work.

I came to Bradshaw late in August, taking up the work of Miss Stewart, who had already left for her year's rest.

I found much had been done by those who had preceded me, much for which I have had great reason to be thankful. But much remained to be done, for Bradshaw, with its surrounding territory of

mining camps and mountain people, is one of the most needy fields I have seen.

My first work was to get acquainted with the people and the general situation and gain, if possible, the confidence and good will of those whom I hoped to serve.

The response at first seemed slow, but, with gratitude in my heart to the Heavenly Father for his help, I can say that the walls of indifference and perhaps some opposition, have broken down, and the outlook is most encouraging.

Our Sunday school has just about doubled its members and general attendance; our preaching services are building up; and our mid-week prayer meeting is well attended. My work with the Junior and Primary grades has been most delightful, and I have never worked with more responsive children.

Our Epworth League has not fared so well, but seems to be getting under better headway at this time.

I have not been able to get out into the mountains to visit, but large numbers of people from these hills and hollows have come to me for help, and in this way I have come to have a rather wide acquaintance among them. Many of them beg me to come and visit them, and this I hope to do when the weather opens up a little more. I believe much good can be done with these mountain folk if we can only find some way to get to them.

Our great handicap here has been our lack of a proper building in which to carry on our work. We are now renting a small restaurant, poorly equipped and entirely inadequate to our needs. And we can have no assurance of holding this longer than a month at a time. If we are to continue our work in Bradshaw and make any real headway, we must have our own building. And I believe in truth it can be said of this place, "The fields are white unto the harvest." Shall we heed the challenge, or shall we lose the work of the past four years, close our eyes to the ready harvest, and move to other fields and begin all over again the work of plowing and sowing? Which shall it be?

Hemphill, W. Va.—Coal Fields

Deaconess Catherine Parham and Miss Hyda Heard report:

The year 1930 was a year of change in one of the coal camps where we work. The entire ownership changed, bringing many new people into our midst.

A recent survey has brought most convincingly to our attention the great need of this particular section. We have found that less than ten per cent of the population belongs to any Church. In this county alone there are more than 100,000 people, and many of them have come to us from other lands. In our Sunday schools and Epworth Leagues there are children from England, Italy, Poland, Hungary, Greece, Spain, Lithuania, Mexico, Roumania, and France.

This year we have had an encouraging increase in all of our groups—Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, sewing classes, Girl Reserve Club, and Daily Vacation Bible School. One of the most gratifying features of the work is the sweet spirit that prevails among our different organizations. Truly the people are hungry for the gospel.

Kimball, W. Va.—Coal Fields

Miss Emma V. Johnson reports:

Perhaps the most outstanding activity of the past year was our Daily Vacation Bible School, which was held in June and lasted fifteen days. While there was a failure to enlist all the boys and girls

of the two camps where I work, yet there was a large enrollment and attendance and a splendid interest.

Having been asked to organize a Sunday school up on the mountain, a mile and a half distant, where there never had been one, I was only too glad to help launch this organization where it was so much needed. It continued from April until October. Many homes in the community had no Bible, so quite a number of Bibles were given out. I am hoping to help reopen the Sunday school in the spring.

There has been an increased interest in the various organizations. Our Mothers' Club is a real factor of helpfulness in the camps. Garments have been made and mended for the sick and needy, and various other lines of helpfulness have been carried on. Under the auspices of this organization, a community social was held, having a display of handwork, canned fruit and vegetables; also a baby contest in which awards were given for the best babies, judged from a standpoint of health and general appearance. There was indeed a fine group of babies, and the judging was not an easy matter.

Our Girl Scouts have been active and united with the Epworth Leaguers before Christmas in repairing old toys for needy children. They took a real delight in rendering this service, and some real skill was manifested.

The Carswell Sunday School, Epworth League, and Epworth Junior Society have made progress during the year and are working toward higher goals for the coming year.

When Decision Day was held in the Sunday school, an entire class of eighteen junior girls decided for Christ and are certainly living up to their decision. While there were other decisions, yet this was the only entire class taking this step. Many of these girls are from homes where God's name is never taken in other than a light way; so it has been my earnest prayer that these precious young lives, striving to live for the Master, may be the means of bringing their parents to him.

Our White Gift Christmas services were indeed filled with a joyousness, for I believe, as never before, our people caught a new vision of the real meaning of Christmas. And though they had less to give than perhaps ever before, yet there was a sharing, and several needy families were helped by the white gifts. The gift of money, which amounted to three dollars, was sent as a love gift to the Holston Orphanage.

The Koppers Coal Company gave their usual Christmas check of a hundred dollars, to be used in a treat for the Sunday school, and the greater part for relief work.

During the year many Missionary Societies have sent clothing and other supplies, which have been a great help in sickness and need. May God's richest blessings be upon all who have helped to make it possible to aid the underprivileged and need in our coal fields.

Premier, W. Va.—Coal Fields

Miss Johnsie Hobson reports:

Upon beginning the second year's work at one place a worker has quite a feeling of satisfaction in the thought that she knows her people fairly well and can begin at once to plan her work with them.

In our camp we have no places of amusement. We have a one-room church and the school building, and should by all means have a community house.

Beside visiting and doing what I can in the regular Church organizations, I am giving most of my time to children's work. Before vacation time last summer quite a few children were already enrolled

in the different clubs. Having had a taste of club work (their very first), it was easy to line them up upon my return in the fall. Ninety-two are enrolled so far. These are divided into five groups, which meet for an hour once a week. The time is divided between periods of cultivation, handwork, and recreation.

At Christmas, club members put on a playlet portraying the Christmas spirit, after which they played Santa Claus to children of our camp, when between two hundred and fifty and three hundred were given candy and fruit or toys (made by club members). This was the only treat given in camp Christmas. Our mines had closed two weeks before, and many did not have any "goodies" at home.

Only recently we displayed an interesting exhibit of articles made by our club boys and girls.

On Sunday afternoons I meet the children for an hour of song and story, which we all love.

I have coöperated with the local P. T. A. in trying to build up a better attendance by keeping the small children while their mothers attend the meetings. The older girls of the school help in this work.

I taught in three Daily Vacation Bible Schools of two weeks each. In our own camp, another in our pastoral charge four miles below us, and another some distance across the mountain where I had helped the year before. I was privileged at the latter place to teach the same group of lovable, enthusiastic juniors both years. Good attendance and work was done in each of these schools.

We have quite a bit of tuberculosis in our camp. It has been my privilege to coöperate with the company physician, county nurse, and Woman's Missionary Society members in outfitting and sending four of these victims to the sanitorium.

Here, for the first time in my work, I have been privileged to serve those of other nationalities and am truly grateful to have had this opportunity, for I find these people responsive and splendid in many ways.

As I have gone about my Father's business at Premier I have endeavored to stand for and promote only those things which I knew he would approve. There is so much to be done here I sometimes wish I were twins or triplets and that the sun would never set. I know I have been able merely to begin to prepare some of the soil while trying to sow seed which I pray in his own time will yield abundant life in the minds and hearts of these boys and girls, men and women of Premier who are so dear to our Master and to me.

War, W. Va.—Coal Fields

Deaconess Effie Fauver reports:

Truly one cannot put into writing the real significance of Christian work to an individual or to a community. When the seed of the kingdom is sown, time alone will tell the growing and the reaping.

There are many encouraging features about the work here, and as we work in the various organizations we are reminded that the groups and classes and masses can only be reached through individual, personal contact. And sometimes the smaller the group, the nearer to the heart one can get. In a group of six women just recently, after we had had an hour of Bible study, one woman poured out her heart in honest confession and really received a blessing.

Through these organizations—the Sunday school, the Epworth League, Church services, Missionary Society, prayer meeting, Boys' Club, sewing classes, Mothers' Club, Story Hour, and in home visitation and the receiving of visitors daily—there are many contacts

with folk that give an opportunity for sowing seed that will bring abundant harvest.

We have learned to like the expressions typical to our mountain people, such as: "Hit's a sight," "over yander," "tother," "pairs like," "thar," "haint," "you'ns," "we'ns," and many others. These people are religiously inclined and even in their ignorance can teach us many things while they are learning from us. Their way of being polite when leaving your home is to say, "You'ns come and go home with me," and they really mean it, too, even though they might not have a chair for you to sit on. They are always delighted when we go into their homes.

The Daily Vacation Bible School in 1930 was good, having an enrollment of seventy-five and an average attendance of fifty-nine with thirty-nine certificates being awarded for perfect attendance and memory work. We appreciate the help and cooperation of a number of people in the community. The night of the closing program the house was full. The children did well, each class adding its contribution to the program by giving some demonstration of the work done in class. The music was especially good. I have never heard children sing like these children. Rich and poor, learned and unlearned, all sing together in harmony of voice and spirit.

We have many fine people in War who are willing to help those who are less fortunate.

We are praying for great things this year, and the prayer of my heart is that I might lead one soul to know the Christ in personal salvation.

Mrs. Tommie Z. Moore reports:

The fifteen months that I have been in War have been very happy ones. It is a glorious privilege to be in the Coal Fields, for "they are white unto the harvest, and the harvest truly is plenteous." The opportunities for service are many. It is a joy to work with the children in the Sunday school and clubs. I have two sewing clubs, one in a little mountain schoolhouse about one and a half miles from War. We meet every Friday afternoon from four until five-thirty, and one at War Community House that meets every Saturday morning from ten until eleven-thirty. These children are doing splendid work; they like to sew and never want to quit when the time is up.

The three Mothers' Clubs—John's Branch, The Cove, and Beach Hollow—are very enthusiastic in their work. They meet in each club every two weeks and have extra meetings in the way of all-day sewings and ripping parties.

One hundred and two garments have been made in the all-day sewing in the past three months. One mother said: "The all-day sewings are the greatest joy of my life." We have our lunch together, each one furnishing part of the dinner. I usually eat beans and cornbread and leave my sandwiches for the children. These mothers have a beautiful spirit. They are always ready to help the most needy first. One club has a special, a widow with several children. It is a joy to work with them, for they are so big-hearted and appreciative.

The Boys' Building Club is building and furnishing a doll house that will be complete in every detail. It will be up-to-date with all modern conveniences. There are some real carpenters, painters, and architects in this club. They meet every Saturday afternoon from two until four.

My Sunday school class of Junior boys is a real problem as well as a real joy. I am trying to instill in them Church loyalty and reverence.

There is nothing that I enjoy more than visiting in the homes and having the heart-to-heart talks with the mothers. The clubs are made up of all classes and denominations. In the sewing clubs there are Catholic, Baptist, Holiness, and Methodist. The Mothers' Club is principally Baptist, some Holiness, Adventist, and a very small per cent Methodist. We forget denominationalism in our work. We are working for the extension of the kingdom of God. As we visit in the homes and work in the clubs we forget that we have all these "isms" and work together with Him for the betterment of the community and the advancement of civilization in the coal fields of West Virginia.

There are many problems, many hardships, many ups and downs, but all in all I am very happy, for I know that his grace is sufficient and that he is able to keep all that I have committed unto him against that day.

Paul, writing to the Romans, said: "We are children of God, and if children, then heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ, if we suffer with him we will be glorified together." And I reckon that the suffering of this present time will not be worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

"O Master, let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care."

Picher, Okla.—Wesley Community House: Coal Fields

Deaconess Adeline M. Peeples, reports:

The Wesley House at Picher has undergone some changes during 1930, now being a community house, the worker living elsewhere—a much better plan, as clubs and different gatherings can meet without inconvenience. In January we had our revival during the coldest, snowiest weather known here, seventy-five or eighty professing Christ. About twenty-five of this number remained with us, mostly Leaguers and Sunday school attendants.

The church was dedicated in April, having seven services that day, attended by friends from neighboring towns as well as our own people. Though out of debt, the church building was sadly out of repair—but much work has since been done, and the auditorium is now "a thing of beauty." The social life of the Church and Wesley House has not been neglected, even though other duties have been so many.

After the closing of the public schools, the two Methodist Churches, which are located only a block apart, were opened for the Daily Vacation Bible School. Our enrollment, including teachers, was 150. Much of the work done was quite creditable, and the school closed with a good program and plenty of ice cream. The Sunday school is growing in numbers and interest.

The Junior League has been divided, those over twelve years forming a Hi-League. The membership and interest of each has grown since. The juniors sent a small box for Christmas to our Methodist children in Harbin, Manchuria. They became quite interested after Miss Rumbough's lessons in *Juniors*. In the summer we studied "Jewels the Giant Dropped."

The economic situation in Picher the past year has been acute. There has been much suffering among the poor families because of the closing of many of the mines. The money furnished by the mine operators for relief work was exhausted in the spring, and suffering became more acute. At present only fifty-three of more than the two

hundred mines are operating, and many of the men are unable to find work. There is a "soup kitchen" where crowds are fed daily. Many people have left Picher, or the demands could not be met. A number of Missionary Societies of the East Oklahoma Conference have done wonderful work in helping out the situation here by sending clothing and provisions for the needy, even though demands in their own communities were so great. God's little ones are here, and Picher has a "white harvest." Only Christ knows how very great is the need for workers.

METHODIST DORMITORIES

Austin, Tex.—Kirby Hall

Mrs. J. W. Robbins, Director, reports:

Kirby Hall opened on September 19, 1930, with sixty-seven girls. We opened under rather discouraging conditions, due to the financial depression and also to the fact that the street in front of the dormitory was in process of paving, and was closed for more than a week after school opened, making the approach to the dormitory over a side street, which was almost impassable.

Since the beginning of school we have had eleven withdrawals, for various reasons, mainly finances, and several of the girls' families have moved to Austin, in which case we release the girls to live with their parents. We have received seven new girls for the second semester, making our number at present sixty-three.

We have only twenty-four Methodist girls, twenty-three Baptists, and the remainder divided among the various denominations, including five Catholics and three Jewish girls. We have in our group this year four Mexican girls.

The girls are a very pleasant group, most of them from conservative families, and have given me almost no social trouble this year. They are, for the most part, active in their various Church activities. They also take part in the social life of the campus, many of them attending the University dances and other forms of amusement offered. The different Churches plan many parties, and the dormitory is always represented at these.

We had a very large tea in the fall, and are planning another for the spring. In addition to this, the girls have had several small parties and a number of guests at different times.

Summing up the situation, while I regret that we do not have the house full, I feel that we have been very fortunate under the existing conditions.

Columbia, Mo.—Hendrix Hall

Mrs. Adella B. Anderson, Director, reports:

A second year at Hendrix Hall has brought a fuller understanding of conditions and problems existing and a deep appreciation of the cooperation of the Board and the Dean of Women. The Business Manager has stood by and done her work efficiently.

During the regular session and the summer session the Hall has been filled until the unusual conditions of the fall of 1930 affected University attendance, thus reducing the number in Hendrix Hall somewhat.

We feel that the quality of our girls, with few exceptions, has been superior to the "curve" of the whole University, in scholarship, in activities, in character, and in every other desirable way.

A cabinet of ten selected girls, including the house officers, have acted with the Director in working out plans.

Social affairs have been largely intramural. Most enjoyed were

teas given each afternoon during examination week, for the sake of relaxation. Besides the strictly House things, open house was held on June 18 for the Methodist Women of Columbia and the Fayette District.

The short daily devotional services have had earnest participation. Once each month on Sunday evening a vesper service is held, with some outstanding speaker and special music. These are held each Sunday during Summer Session, when no daily service is held. It is felt that these things really enrich the thought and lives of the girls.

Twenty-five girls participated in an effective pageant of the Nativity early in December at the church.

All in all, we feel that it has been a good year.

Norman, Okla.—Agnes Moore Hall

Mrs. T. J. Holman, Business Manager and Director, reports:

The girls at Agnes Moore Hall have been very happy this year. The health record has been perfect, and the grades have maintained a very high average.

The newly decorated rooms have been a source of joy, for girls do appreciate pretty rooms. The kind friends who have done this may be sure they have endeared themselves to the girls and made another tie to bind them to the Church. About one hundred girls have been here this year and have come from six denominations. The majority attend our McFarlin Church, however. Brother McClure is an effective pastor as well as a good preacher and successful business manager for this great church. The girls enjoy the junior pastor, Brother Gatti, and his wife very much also, and these good people have a very successful way of giving personal attention. The individual conferences they have in the Hall with the girls cannot be otherwise than most helpful.

We are fortunate in having so much talent this year. The girls' singing in the choir, the Glee Club, and on special programs at the clubs and church meetings have given pleasure and been beneficial to the girls themselves. Various girls have been active on the committees of the Y. W. C. A., particularly the finance committee and the social service branch. At Christmas time they contributed toward and arranged a box of gifts to be sent to Indian children in an orphans' home. The House meetings have been interesting and well attended, and there is a fine spirit of loyalty among the girls.

I am appreciative of the sympathetic coöperation of the Methodist women of the Oklahoma Conferences who are taking to their hearts these girls away from home and are helping me replace their home and mother.

MEXICAN WORK

San Marcos, Tex.—Mexican Work

Deaconess Mattie Cunningham reports:

Although the Mexican Work in San Marcos is new as a Council project, it has been in existence for about three years. It was established about three years ago by the Presbyterian Church, their General Secretary of Woman's Work having made a survey of Southwest Texas and fixed on San Marcos as a most suitable location for a Mexican Social Center. The Presbyterian Board of Missions established work and paid all expenses of the work for a period of four months; and at the end of that time sought to make it an interdenominational Social Center to be kept up by local support. As such a work it has been kept alive during this period by a group of

women from the various Protestant Churches; and these women felt that it could not go forward as it should without the services of a trained worker. Application was then made to the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Church, South, for a worker. This application was made with the full consent and approval of the Presbyterian Board who had projected the work; and the Presbyterians remain among the most interested of the local workers who help with the service at the Social Center.

Mrs. John R. Morton, of the Methodist Church, is President of the local Board, and it was my good fortune to receive the appointment as the Deaconess for San Marcos.

Arriving in San Marcos September 2, to be welcomed into the home of Mrs. Mack Wren, our District Missionary Secretary, where it had planned I should room and board, was a most beautiful introduction to my new work. Mr. Wren is the popular county sheriff, no insignificant fact in the matter, as he is loved and respected by all people.

My first stroll about the courthouse square gave the impression of being in Mexico and that a few Americans were in town. In my first conference with the Board it was agreed I should make a thorough survey of the field. This was a delight, as it brought me into personal touch with the family life and home, so helpful in establishing the friendly contact upon which more successful Social Center work might be based.

This survey revealed 262 families living within the city limits, many of them large families, a few of fifteen members each, some only one; so that the average size family is four and a half. The homes vary in size and from one barnlike dark room to pretty homes of four or five rooms; some few have seven or eight rooms, but not the largest houses shelter the largest families. The average sized home is two rooms. In many of these homes *where* they sleep and *how* they sleep is still a puzzle. We have heard of beds of rags or straw, but frequently there is not even a sign of the pile of rags or straw to answer for a bed. This was true in the case of a lone old man I found ill in a garage, and a Mexican woman brought out her baby bed for him to use. A visit in some of the homes makes one feel as if in an underground world; but to come from such homes and breathe the wonderful air of San Marcos makes the interested one feel that all is not despair, that these people can be helped to much that is higher, happier life for them. Then, too, it is not only looking to our own Churches or our own race for the help these benighted people need; it is a thing of real spiritual beauty to see almost everywhere the Mexicans themselves showing a peculiar sense of bearing one another's burdens and their profound appreciation of the least favor or kindness.

The local public-school system provides a separate public school, first to seventh grades inclusive, for the Mexicans, and they have the finest teachers I ever knew, who love their tasks and prefer their work. The principal of the Mexican public school offered the splendid opportunity for me to teach sewing in this school until our Center should be opened. For two months I taught sewing to the girls for an hour a day—a happy time it was for them and for me. My survey showed 215 children to be in this public school and sixty-nine in the Catholic parochial school; however, other children from the country homes bring up the enrollment in the Catholic school. A goodly number of Mexicans are enrolled in the high school and in the Southwest Texas State Teachers' College, which is located here. From twenty-five to forty-eight attend our Social Center night school twice a week.

As to Church affiliation of the 262 families surveyed, 220 are

Catholic, twenty-five Presbyterian, fourteen Baptist, three Methodist, and four of no Church preference. The Baptist Mexicans have a fine local pastor, a San Marcos Mexican boy, much like a typical Southern gentleman. The Presbyterians have a regular student pastor from Austin, from their Theological Seminary there, who comes every Sunday. Both of these local churches are well organized and working beautifully. Their Christmas programs would have reflected credit on any church. The Methodist Mexicans have scattered during the two years in which they have had no church services, but since Conference plans have been made whereby a former regular Mexican pastor will come to them once a month; and they are now having a small Sunday school at their church. It is my joy to be with them in this work. It is a unique Sunday school in that, if the country members are hindered by bad weather from coming to town to the service, the one large, fifteen-member family in town meet at the church for Sunday school anyway. They, too, had a well-presented Christmas program and a full, appreciative house. This large Methodist family and the capable Presbyterian and Baptist folk among the Mexicans are naturally substantial help in the work of the Social Center, which we opened for service November 8. The building, 20 by 70 feet, one-half block from the courthouse square, is well located. Gratifying remarks as to the appearance and comfort of the building and the effect of its program carried out are heard from both Mexicans and Americans.

The programs of night school, sewing school, and directed play are made possible only by valued assistance, rendered as volunteered help from the college students from the Teachers' College. The President, faculty, and students all have shown an interest in this work. Other clubs and classes are organized much as in any Wesley House program. Mention should be made of the special help of the pastor of the local Christian Church, who, with his capable wife, was for twelve years in Mexico engaged in mission work. Mexican *senoritas* and some of the mothers are valued helpers.

The eleven o'clock service at our own Methodist Church is of such a helpful nature I must mention it. Brother Buchanan's message and his personal friendliness do much in preparing me for the days of work in between Sundays.

With hearty and appreciative response from Mexican people, co-operative spirit of Church and College and public-school people, friendly attitude of the pastors and business men, it is, indeed, a great joy to be the Deaconess in this appointment.

"In haunts of wretchedness and need,
On shadowed thresholds dark with fears,
From paths where hide the lures of greed
We catch the vision of thy tears."

In me may he
"Among these restless throngs abide."

El Paso, Tex.—Mexican Community House

Deaconess Josephine Berglund, Head Resident, Deaconess Nell McClain, Kindergartner, Deaconess Carrie Porter and Deaconess Anita Reil, Club Workers, report:

This, our first complete year of work in El Paso, has been very interesting and in many ways we believe it has been profitable.

We still feel the splendid spirit of appreciation and coöperation that we felt when we came last fall. Our only opposition has come

from the Catholic priests, and we always find that their control is only temporary. They threaten, and the children stop coming to the clubs, but in a short time they are back. Just why?

Kindergarten opened with eight pupils last year and with twenty-five this year.

The Vocational School has furnished us teachers for adult cooking and adult sewing classes, and the women have been most interested. They come in all kinds of weather and stay two hours or two and a half and regret that the time has passed so quickly.

One of the new activities of the year is our Mexican Woman's Club. We are trying to interest them in community improvement and have succeeded in a measure because they see that it is improving their own living conditions. But I will have to confess, since they do so openly, that playing games appeals to them more. I have never seen a group of better "sports." If we say dress in costumes, in costumes they come; and they never feel too old or too dignified to enter into any game that we suggest. They say that the inspiration and the recreation they get in their club makes them better wives and mothers.

Another new activity that we have taken up as an experiment is work with a group of children who are retarded in their school work. They make very interesting studies. I do not know in just what way the children will profit, but it will at least result in a thorough physical examination for some of them and recommendations as to their care. Some of them we find are quite normally bright children, but, because of some slight complex, they are timid, and in our crowded public schools they are pushed back to give place to those who can go through the machine.

Through the summer we were able to employ a director of boys' work, and during the cooler hours of the day and the evening the playground was full of girls and boys, and during the warmer part of the day they crowded the game room. Often the men and women would come in and sit in our cool yard and watch the children and young people play.

We told one mother that her little five-year-old daughter was underweight and suggested that perhaps she did not get enough rest, as we often heard her playing in the street at ten or eleven at night. The mother said that perhaps that was true, that their house, which is a one-story adobe, was so warm that one could not sleep in it till midnight, and she had thought that the open air might be better for the child than putting her to bed in such a warm room. We have noticed, though, that the mother has put her to bed earlier since. But the circumstance turned our thoughts again to the very poor housing conditions in the Mexican section of El Paso. They are two-room adobe tenements, old, dirty, often dark, and very poorly ventilated. In one court with which I am acquainted, about sixty-five persons use one toilet, and that is not an unusual case. Another distressing fact is that often the landlord does not employ any one to clean the premises. And where all public service must be volunteer service it is very apt to be neglected and the place become very unsanitary. That is, of course, against the law, and we are trying to get the law enforced in these cases.

Our Business Girls' Club, our two Girl Reserve groups, our piano class, our sewing class for girls, our two cooking classes for girls, and the Home Makers' Club are going along nicely, and we feel are doing good work.

We are anxious to put in a permanent department of boys' work, and we feel very keenly the need of some summer camp work.

We were very much gratified when, with a group of other social

workers and school-teachers and representative Mexican citizens, we were able to get the city to install two bath houses and dressing rooms in a (or rather in "the") playground on this side of town and to improve "the" park that is on this side of town. I believe it will take some such concerted action to improve the housing situation here.

At least our life here need not be dull; there is a challenge for every faculty and for every moment if we will accept it. May we, for the love of our Father, do our utmost for these his children.

Houston, Tex.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Eugenia Smith, Head Resident, reports:

Houston has grown by leaps and bounds for the last few years, and the Mexican population has kept pace with the growing city. The City Mission Board realized the importance of a Wesley House to meet the need, so they rented a dwelling, and I reported for "duty" September 1.

With just the kindergartner and myself, we often feel like saying: "What are we among so many?" but we do know God is leading.

Much time has been spent in studying conditions, getting acquainted in the homes, and adjusting myself to the new field. On the eighteenth of September we held open house and enrolled for our various clubs and classes.

The people are most responsive, and we are limited only by lack of room and equipment. We cannot take all who would like to come.

During the quarter we enrolled 120 in the sewing school, which is really a "school of religious education." We divide our time into three periods—Bible Study, Sewing, and Recreation. Many come into our Sunday school of those we touch first in the Wesley House. Once each month our Mothers' Club becomes a Missionary Society. They cannot pay, as the American societies do, but they are fine and true and will do their best.

We have some fine volunteer helpers from the Y. W. for Girl Reserves and some good helpers from the Missionary Societies for the sewing school. One young man has assisted with the boys.

I have appreciated the privilege of going out in the country places with the Mexican preacher and seeing the response of those out on the farm. One dear old brother keeps one room of his humble home for a chapel. One trip I considered very profitable, as through a kindly talk with the principal of the school we arranged for a group of children that had been kept out by public sentiment to go to school. I also had the privilege of attending our first Mexican Annual Conference, which met at Brownsville.

The field "is white unto the harvest," and we want to do our best.

Deaconess Sue V. Herrick, Kindergartner, reports:

It is a happy experience and a great experience to work with the Mexican people in Houston.

We have enrolled 146 children in kindergarten this past year. Sixty-two of this number have entered the first grade in some public school in Houston, while twenty-one were transferred to the near-by public-school kindergarten. Still many others were transferred to schools and mission kindergartens all over the State. Two little girls from our kindergarten entered Holding Institute, and their report cards show they are doing good work.

At present we have fifty-five children in kindergarten, ranging from three to five years of age. It is remarkable how quickly these little tots learn. This is a habit-forming period in a child's life, so we are trying to direct their hearts and minds aright; then it will be

easier for them to become Christians when they get older. Many of our children are influenced through the kindergarten to come into our Mexican Sunday school.

I am happy to report that we have a new piano now. One-fifth of the money for the piano was brought in by the kindergarten children. Nearly all the rest was given by their little friends in the American Sunday schools.

One of my greatest pleasures is visiting in the homes of our Mexican people and to try to influence them to attend our Mexican Church and Sunday school. Sometimes the mothers will say to me: "We will come to your church if you want us to, for you love our children and help them."

Since September I have had a class in Miss Smith's large sewing school and enjoy teaching these thirty-four little girls. Many of them are in my class in Sunday school.

Our work made a forward step last June when the City Mission Board secured for us a lovely nine-room Wesley House. We feel very grateful and hopeful, for already we know that we are reaching more of our Mexican people than we did in former years.

God has truly blessed my efforts here among his needy ones, and I feel like saying with the Psalmist: "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Dallas, Tex.—Mexican Mission

Miss Lula Bell, Head Resident, reports:

Another year has passed away, and I am thankful for the small part I have in the Master's service. As I look back over the year there comes to me a renewed sense of my unworthiness and of the infinite goodness, patience, and mercy of God. We feel certain that the work here is growing greater and more interesting each year.

We have an intensive seven-day program. Our schedule is as follows:

MONDAY

8:30-11:30	Kindergarten
2:00- 4:00	General Clinic
3:30- 5:00	Boys' Manual Training
7:30- 9:00 P.M.	Night School

TUESDAY

8:30-11:30	Kindergarten
9:00-11:00	Good Will Sale
2:00- 4:00	Arts and Crafts Club
3:00- 4:00	Recreational Hour (small boys)
7:30-10:00 P.M.	Young People's Social Hour

WEDNESDAY

8:30-11:30	Kindergarten
8:30-11:00	Dental Clinic (Illustration: 104 teeth extractions in one month.)
3:30- 5:00	Week-Day Bible School (small girls)
7:00- 9:00	Night School

THURSDAY

8:30-11:30	Kindergarten
1:30- 3:00	T. B. Clinic
3:30- 5:00	Piano Class
7:30- 9:00	Prayer Meeting

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FRIDAY

8:30-11:30	Kindergarten
3:30- 5:00	Week-Day Bible School (Girls)
7:00- 9:00	Night School

SATURDAY

2:00- 4:00	Story Hour (All ages)
4:00- 5:00	Library (100 books loaned out in one month.)
7:30- 9:30	Choral Club
Our Choral Club as a whole has been made a member of the Federated Music Club.	
(On every third Saturday the L. T. L. League meets.)	

SUNDAY

10:00 A.M.	Sunday school Also the Epworth League and Woman's Missionary Society.
7:30 P.M.	Sunday Night Services

Would like to mention here that at our last T. B. Clinic we gave one gallon of cod liver oil, one quart of different kinds of cough syrups, one pint of different kinds of pills, one pint of different kinds of tonics, and a pound of different kinds of salves. We had thirty-five patients at this clinic, which was an average clinic. Five of these patients were entered in the hospital.

You can see from our schedule our reason for feeling that our work is very successful this year in that we contact so many people daily in our different lines of work.

Deaconess Grace Thatcher, Club Director, reports:

Teaching handwork through clubs at the Mexican Mission is a privilege, teaching Bible lessons is a blessing, but the greatest joy is touching human lives, sharing in their joys and sorrows and in their hopes and ambitions. This has been my privilege here at the Mexican Mission.

Our clubs are all filled to the limit of our space and equipment, and the attendance has been more regular than before. Our volunteer helpers are faithful and loyal, giving so willingly and cheerfully of their time and service.

Special mention should be made of the increased interest and group spirit of our young people. They have been loyal and faithful to the Mission, the Church, and the pastor, in a way that is very gratifying. This year we have had bimonthly parties for them, which they largely plan and direct themselves.

I am indeed grateful for the privilege of service that has been mine this past year.

Mrs. Maria Moreno reports:

One more year has passed our door. Some days have been long and arduous and some have sped by on golden wings, but through it all we have heard the Master's voice urging us to greater deeds.

Times have been hard and money scarce, but in the school of anxiety and sorrow, in the struggle for the material things, our people have found a field for the development of hope and faith and trust.

Indeed, our community is growing better, but there are millions yet to be reached.

Should we stop?

In the stillness of the night, shadows are falling to rebuke our indifference:

Superstition looks to us for light.

Womanhood pleads for liberty.

Friendless girls ask for protection, and homeless children reach out to us for love.

Let us prove our loyalty by putting those pleading hands in the hands of Jesus.

Miss Mildred Louise Timberlake, Kindergartner, reports:

We are very proud of our kindergarten this year. Most of the children are coming for their first time, as the age requirement has been lowered in the schools of the State of Texas. This change is responsible for the fact that the majority of our little tots are quite young. However, we feel that this is an advantage, as we come in contact with the children much sooner than heretofore, and it is surprising to see how the little ones improve.

We stress Sunday school attendance. As a result most of our pupils have started to Sunday school and are regular in attendance.

These children are very apt with their hands, and their work is unusual for ones so young. Sixteen of our number have started to school after Christmas, and there will be about thirty-two who will graduate in June.

San Antonio, Tex.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Rena J. Murphy, Head Resident, reports:

It is indeed a real joy to have a place of service and especially among these, our Mexican people. The past two years has been a foundation-laying time. It takes time to win the confidence and get into the hearts of the people, but we feel we are making some headway in this respect. We had a splendid Vacation Bible School last summer, having to close the enrollment the second day because more children were coming than we could accommodate. We could have five hundred as well as two hundred if we only had the room. Another interesting piece of work in which I had a part last summer was an Interdenominational Mexican Young People's Conference, sponsored by the four Christian Community Centers in the city. The Conference was held at Wesleyan Institute, and though the enrollment was small, we felt it was a very successful beginning of a project we hope to continue throughout the years. The Week-Day Bible School has met each Saturday morning with an enrollment of about one hundred. In this work we have a number of helpers from our Mexican Church, whom we greatly appreciate. It has been my pleasure to be the chairman of the P. T. A. programs, which has given me a more close contact with the members, and it has been a joy to see them develop and grow. Through the work of the three Clinics we feel a splendid service has been rendered the community, especially through the educational feature where they have learned how to care for themselves and family. Many of our people have been out of work. Through the kindness of our bakeries and dairy we have been able to give milk and bread to many families who would otherwise have gone hungry. Many home problems have been brought for us to help find the solution. We have not escaped tragedy, as our Wesley House son, Pedro Lopez, met an accidental death in November, and though we do not understand, we believe God gave him to us for these few years to prepare him for his entrance into life eternal. Our only prayer is that we may be able to show many others to him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

"He knows, he loves, he cares, nothing this truth can dim,
He gives the very best to those who leave the choice to him."

Deaconess Lila May Campbell, Children's Department, reports:

The more responsibility we give our people through the P. T. A., the more we can depend upon them to put over the work. Through the P. T. A. we have been able to reach some families and do some efficient work we could never have done without the assistance of the members. They are giving five dollars a month to help with the expense of the kindergarten. It is surely true if you plant the seed in the heart of a little child, it will bear fruit. Recently one of the kindergarten children appropriated articles that did not belong to him, and after the teacher had talked about stealing, we opened God's Word and read together what he said about stealing, then placed the Bible on the piano to help us remember what God told us. Two weeks later another child took something, and the teacher was talking to him about it, and in the midst of the conversation the first offender interrupted and said: "Miss Campbell, get the Book." It has stopped the stealing. The crying need which comes to us through the day nursery is an orphanage, because there is no place in Texas to send our Protestant Mexican children. We have mothers who have to work at night, and there is no place for their children to stay. We have eight of our older Nursery children in our two Mission schools at Laredo and Pharr.

We are trying to make our Elementary Department at the Mexican Church a better department of the Sunday school, and since I have only had it just six months, I am trying to lay the foundation for Christian education. Instead of the superintendent doing all the work in the Epworth Junior Society, the helpers meet once a month to plan the program, each one taking a Sunday and each using the children, thus training both them and the helpers. We have a large membership, but our need is equipment.

Deaconess Ruby Berkley, Boys' Department, reports:

Instead of receiving a thrill, it was a great shock to me when I received my appointment to work with Mexican boys; for I had never been able to imagine myself working either with boys or with a foreign group. Even after spending six weeks in special preparation for this work, I still did not feel equal to the task.

Trying to win the confidence of these boys has been a very slow process, and still is, but I can now see some signs of sharing a little in their lives. Instead of trying to impose my ideas upon them, I am making an attempt to really share with them a more wholesome attitude toward life and help them to think for themselves. In their clubs, especially among the older boys, they are beginning to get the idea and are realizing that the responsibility of their clubs rest with them as individuals. Some of the boys are accepting this responsibility in a splendid manner, and a more wholesome attitude is growing throughout the clubs. In addition to our Friendly Indian, Pioneer, and Comrade Clubs, we have a club for the little boys from six through nine years of age and also a soap-carving club. Some of the boys have done some very nice work in this last club. Nearly all the boys look forward to the socials which their clubs have each month. The older boys' club belongs to a basket ball league with five other Mexican groups, and the games are played in our gymnasium each Saturday evening.

I assist in the Children's Clinic one day each week, try to visit in the homes of the clinic patients, as well as the boys, keep office part

of the time, and help some in the Epworth League of our Mexican Church.

Miss Mary Riddle, Girls' Department, reports:

"Truly the harvest is great." When I go through the streets of the Mexican Quarter and visit in their homes and see hundreds of Mexican people living here at our front door—Mexican people who yearn for sympathy, love, and understanding—I can truly say, "There is a great harvest to be reaped here in San Antonio for our Master."

In my contact with the Mexican girls through the various clubs, I am trying to bring them the ideals and love of Jesus Christ. There has been a steady growth in the Girls' Department since September. The girls are interested, and they are eager to carry out the ideals and standards of Jesus Christ in their clubs and daily life.

In our Junior Girl Reserves Club we carry out the Girl Reserve program, coöperating with the Y. W. C. A. We also have the opportunity of having two college students from Westmoorland College who conduct the chorus and handwork period. The Business and Senior Girls' Club are trying to beautify the Girls' Clubroom—that is their object, to have a place of their very own, where they can meet and live up to the name of their club, "The Clean Character Club."

With the faithful service of our volunteer helpers, our sewing school has made rapid progress this year. It is a great joy to see with them in their Bible classes. They always say: "O! the bell rings too soon; let's stay longer."

The young people thoroughly enjoy the social and recreational life that is given to them at "La Casa Wesley." It is a privilege to see their tired faces light with joy when we get together for just a little fun.

I have a Sunday school class of young women at the Mexican Church. There we learn about the ideals and love of Jesus Christ. One girl said: "I go home and tell my mother everything I learn in my class, and then we try to carry out the ideals of Jesus in our lives at home during the week." Truly Jesus has touched this home.

I also enjoy being a "chauffeur." By this I mean getting milk and bread for the nursery, taking people to the hospital, clinic, and the doctor. When I see how even the strongest depend on us, I pray and long to bring God into their lives.

My prayer is that the Mexican people may be anchored to the love of Jesus Christ that they may withstand all the storms of life.

Los Angeles, Calif.—Homer Toberman Mission and Clinic

Deaconess Margaret Ragland, Head Resident, reports:

We have had "a good year"—work in all departments has been effective, with meetings of clubs and classes, Vacation Bible School and Church services well attended.

We have extended and strengthened our community service by adding to our staff a part-time family visitor who speaks Spanish, knows "the Mexican," and has the spirit of the Master.

Our Dental Clinic has given a high-type service to 964 persons; our staff of volunteer dentists is of the finest, and Mrs. Harry Patton, dental assistant, is unflinching in her devotion to the clinic.

Deaconess Hazel Shick, Director of Girls' Work, reports:

Coming to Homer Toberman Mission last September was like having a dream come true. Situated as it is, between the mountains and the sea, we are ever mindful of the everlasting love and never-failing strength of the Eternal.

Negroes, Japanese, Italians, and Mexicans are being served by our community center, but our largest ministry is among the latter. The economic depression has not failed to leave its mark on the Mexican. Unemployment, with the many problems it creates, is the usual rather than the extraordinary. In a few instances we have been able to secure employment for an individual.

Some time each week is spent in family visiting. Knowledge of the home life gives one a better understanding of the child.

A large and interesting sewing school is part of our work at the Mission. The sewing school in Belvedere is being continued. Other clubs are the Little Home Makers, in charge of a faithful volunteer worker, Saturday afternoon Story Hour, and the Girl Reserve Club for teen-age girls. A devotional service forms a part of each club meeting.

One of our newest projects is a monthly social evening with the mothers.

Our center has recently become a station of the Los Angeles Public Library. The interest in the "new books" is splendid. Two afternoons a week I serve as librarian.

I teach a Sunday school class, serve as church treasurer, and cooperate with the Epworth League in every way possible. During the past six months I have made several devotional and missionary talks.

"Lord, speak to me that I may speak to others, strengthen me that I may strengthen others, teach me that I may teach others, give me rest that I may know how to give rest to others, fill me that I may fill others."

Josué M. Casillas, Playground Supervisor and Director of Boys' Work, reports:

Although it is only six months since I began my work at Homer Toberman Mission, I have seen the improvement of the boys which was effected by the other playground directors before me. This is the third time I have had the pleasure of being a worker in Homer Toberman. I remember well the activities back in 1921; they were not so satisfactory as they are now. This is because we have a definite program for every boy who attends Homer Toberman. We have now seven clubs; the boys are classified according to age and are then recognized as members of the club to which they correspond. Our main purpose is to build character which may be carried to effect through the fourfold activities of our program: service, mental activity, physical fitness, and, most important for us who work in this place, the development of religious worship and Christian living through Bible stories.

Luisa Juarez, Clinic Registrar and Club Worker, reports:

Our music class has produced many gratifying results: several inspiring recitals, the pupils' progress is an acknowledged fact by friends and parents; we see in this group a richer, nobler character, and best of all, it still has a very important place in the activities of Homer Toberman. A music club has been organized, the purpose of which is to give our pupils a deeper appreciation and understanding of the wonders of music.

It has been a privilege to serve as Registrar at the Dental Clinic, as I feel that we are doing a wonderful and distinctive work for a great number of people who are in urgent need of dental care and yet are "too poor for doctors" and "too rich for charity."

The rest of the time is divided between Children's Hour, Thrift Shop, visiting, toy orchestra, and pianist for Sunday school, League,

Missionary Society, and Church. Our Sunday school Primary Department is growing, and as a teacher I find it a great challenge to help these children grow in "wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man."

Miss Sara J. Reed, Family Visitor, reports:

This department of the work has not been tried out to the extent of its real value, for the visitor is giving only two days a week to it. However, we feel it is bringing some results.

As the neighborhood is almost entirely Mexican, it naturally follows that the Spanish language is spoken in nearly every home. In most families the mothers do not speak any English, so the visitor finds the way to their friendship and confidence by way of their mother tongue.

Most of them are nominal Catholics, so the first approach to their confidence must be along social rather than religious lines. Friendly visits soon reveal family problems that are troubling the tired mother, and soon she unhesitatingly gives her story, feeling that it will be met with sympathy and understanding.

These problems fall into the three classes so well known to social workers everywhere because they are common to the human family. The health problem is usually related to the economic problem, and both of these are often related to the behavior problem. While we always seek to solve these problems by means of the resources of our Homer Toberman staff and the House, sometimes we must appeal to related agencies, such as medical clinics, city nursing division, county welfare, or other relief agencies. Often we must seek justice through a legal aid clinic or the office of the public defender. Bad housing as a health menace must have attention. Neglected life and accident insurance must be attended to.

Through all these means we speak to our neighbors in the spirit of our Lord who went about doing good.

NEGRO WORK

Birmingham, Ala.—Bethlehem House

Mrs. J. R. White, Superintendent, reports:

As I look back over the year's work my heart is filled with gratitude to the Heavenly Father for guidance; without it we could never have solved the many problems that have come to us from time to time.

Perhaps the most outstanding event of the year was the coming true of our dreams for a greater Bethlehem House. Our new building was completed the latter part of September, and on October 7 was dedicated to the service of the Lord. In this brief report we can only mention two who had a part on our splendid program—Bishop Ainsworth, who dedicated our building, and our own Mrs. Downs. Their messages were full of inspiration and enthusiasm, encouragement, and helpfulness, and gave to us a broader, more glorious vision of our task.

In our new home the activities are much like those of other years except for a far greater attendance record in almost every department and the addition of some new features.

People of every description have been to the Bethlehem House for help during the present financial depression. Because our City Mission Board stands back of us in all efforts to serve and because the Father is "standing within the shadows keeping watch above his

own," we have been able to minister to every cry of distress. In it all we have felt the presence and glory of God with us.

Our Clinic is well attended and serves a very great need in the community. During the three months we have occupied our new building the Clinic has ministered to something over three hundred persons. The health talks given the mothers at each session, and once a month in the Mothers' Club, are a source of great help.

The Mothers' Club is doing a splendid piece of work. At the Christmas season they prepared seventeen baskets of food for destitute families in the community. They were assisted in the distribution of the baskets by some of the club boys. Their gift to the Bethlehem House was a beautiful mirror for the office.

The Day Nursery continues its ministry of tender care to the children of working mothers.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was a very important part of our work for four weeks during the summer months. Our enrollment was 150 with splendid average attendance. In addition to our own teachers, we were fortunate in having two well-equipped volunteer teachers who had been trained in Tuskegee Institute. Their contribution to the school was most helpful. The result of our contacts with the different groups was very gratifying.

In our clubs and classes we have enrolled more than a hundred boys and girls. Here they learn how to put first things first and to live together the Christlike life. The people are here, and the opportunity for service is great.

We use the playground every day except Sunday. It is a very attractive place; especially do they enjoy the basket ball court. This is the only place that is open to them in which to spend their leisure time. This furnishes a door of opportunity to us that perhaps could not have been opened in any other way. We have woodwork for the younger boys, also athletics for both the older and younger groups. The older boys are very much interested in the Bethlehem House Glee Club. Our chief aim is to make Jesus very real in the lives of the boys and girls of every group.

Thanksgiving, with its program, including all the groups, was a happy time for us. An abundance of fruit for the occasion was provided by the Junior Departments and Epworth Hi-Leagues of the different Churches. At Christmas time we had a beautiful tree, with gifts for every one, including members of our Mothers' Club. Such a generous supply of fruit was given us we were able to include all the guests in our distribution. The tree and gifts were made possible through the generosity of our City Mission Board and other friends.

In this needy field our earnest desire is to point those who come to us to "him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think." This is the task to which he has called me. May I be used of him.

Miss Carrie Lomax, Music Director and Club Worker, reports:

I come to you with a deep sense of gratitude for another year's work at Bethlehem House. My work has largely been with the kindergarten and with the junior girls in club work. It has been a great joy to watch the girls enter so gladly into the art of sewing and cooking. Even in our new building we haven't room for all who would like to come.

As I go to the task of arranging programs for the Story Hour there come visions of what this community will be in the years to come because of the lives we are seeking to point upward and onward in his kingdom.

We are happy to "attempt great things for God." We know all things are possible with him. An important part of my work is visiting in the homes of the community. Many visits have been made for the relief of the sick and destitute at our door. All our activities are for the purpose of making the love of the Father more real in the hearts and lives of those with whom we come in contact day by day. *I am praying that I may be used of God for his glory.

Miss Elizabeth Branch, Kindergartner and Club Worker, reports:

As we look into the future our task seems greater than ever before, but the way seems easier.

As I direct the kindergarten and the older girls in club work I see a decided interest in spiritual things. As I talked to the kindergarten children on the child's relation to the Heavenly Father one little girl said: "I want to be good all the time now."

In song and story we have sought to teach them love, reverence, trustfulness, obedience, and thankfulness. We have observed with appropriate programs all the special days.

At the close of the kindergarten in May a very good program was given with a demonstration of handwork by each department. With other important things we are striving to stress loyalty and coöperation in all our club activities.

It is a great joy to see the definite spiritual changes that have come into the lives of some of the club girls. One girl said: "I made some New Year's resolutions; one was that I would not dance nor play cards any more."

At each meeting of our clubs the major part of the time is given to worship, the study of God's Word, and Bible stories.

The Father has said: "My word shall not return unto me void, but shall accomplish that where unto I have sent it."

We trust that we are sowing seed that shall bear fruit in later years. May I be faithful.

Augusta, Ga.—Paine College

Deaconess Ruth Bartholomew, Dean of Women, reports:

My first year at Paine College has been most interesting and one in which I am gradually learning the problems and situations which confront a Dean and a person engaged in interracial work.

My work here has two phases: the teaching and the supervision of the girls. I have three classes in English, one in History, and one in Physical Education—all college work. These classes are a constant challenge to one to use the opportunities for influencing young people at a time when their thoughts are maturing and their standards of life are being fixed. The Physical Education class stresses healthful play.

Economic depression has lessened our enrollment this year, and hence the number of girls in the dormitory. We have just enough to make up a happy coöperative unit. We give the girls practical lessons in making and keeping a home as it should be, first in the home economic classes, and then in the laundry and dormitory. A high standard of conduct is set for the girls, but they are led to see clearly why this is necessary for a successful life. We try to inculcate not only habits of action, but habits of thought, so that the girls may direct their own lives in the best way after they leave Paine. I feel a responsibility for the town students also; and besides giving general talks to all the girls, I encourage them to come to me for personal conferences. I feel that further experience will open more avenues

of helpfulness to these girls who need so much all the wisdom they can get for the hard life before them.

Augusta, Ga.—Bethlehem House

Miss Thelma Stevens, Director, reports:

The first year's work in the new buildings at Bethlehem House has been in a large measure successful, in many instances surpassing our dearest hopes, while in many others our efforts brought disappointment. But varied experiences have whetted our interest in the task and created a keener realization of the opportunity for service.

The year 1930 has brought new workers as well as increased working facilities. One full-time worker and a part-time boys' worker have been added. These, together with four Paine College service scholarship girls, have enabled us to enlarge our program to meet many needs.

June, 1930, brought to a successful close the first period of active work in the new plant. The program included activities for all ages and both sexes, such as playground, kindergarten, day nursery, Well Baby Clinic, sewing and cooking, Girl Reserves, Home Makers, boys' clubs, men's clubs, woman's club, night school, Saturday Bible school, and case work on a small scale connected with family visiting.

The summer program for 1930 placed major emphasis on Daily Vacation Bible School and playground. The Daily Vacation Bible School enrolled 407 boys and girls and turned more than one hundred away. In spite of very crowded conditions and limited means, the school was successful. A number of local Paine students were of great assistance during the Vacation School. Six young women worked untiringly during the full session of Daily Vacation Bible School. As a small expression of appreciation for the lovely new buildings the boys and girls voted unanimously to send their pennies to Mrs. J. W. Downs to be applied on some needy project among the white children. At the close of the school \$12.46 was sent for this purpose direct from the children.

With the opening of the new winter program in September, several new and interesting projects were initiated. Among them were two Leadership Groups, one for boys and one for girls, the object of which was to give concrete ideas and practical training in organized community work. The groups total about thirty young men and women chosen from the three Negro high schools and Paine College. Some of the members of the boys' group are sponsoring a Sunday school basket ball among the various churches of the city, and they have also conceived the idea of becoming Big Brothers to some delinquent children of the Juvenile Court. The girls are working with Bethlehem House in initiating an extension recreational project in another very needy section of the city. The workers in this project have come from both the Leadership Group and from a class of college students at Paine College taught by a Bethlehem House worker. This group study attempts to cover a small scope of the social service field and some methods of organized community work. The project meets a twofold purpose, that of providing recreation for the most underprivileged and backward group of Negroes in the city and also serving as a laboratory for the student group. The project includes a sewing class, two girls' clubs, two boys' clubs, a woman's club, and a story hour for children. The Colored Probation Officer of the Juvenile Court works with Bethlehem House in sponsoring this project.

Mrs. A. W. Gardiner, Girls' Club Worker, reports:

The Girls' Club work for the year began in September with the organization of two Girl Reserve Clubs, two Home Makers Clubs, and two Sewing Clubs. This year the clubs were limited to a certain number, instead of taking as many as applied as we have done recently. Therefore the numbers in the clubs are not as large as formerly, but now intensive work can be done.

The Senior Girl Reserves include girls from fourteen to eighteen years of age. The total enrollment is twenty, with an average attendance of fifteen at each of the four meetings held during the month. All business matters and projects to be worked upon are decided upon by the club with as little assistance as possible. At present the girls are interested in basket ball and are planning to take up an intensive study of dramatics upon the close of the basket ball season.

The Hefrihago Junior Girl Reserves Club was organized in September for girls from twelve to fourteen years of age. Since their organization these girls have been endeavoring to live up to their purpose: "To find and give the best." At Christmas time they sent thirty toys to the small orphan children at Holding Institute at Laredo, Tex. They also sent a kodak picture of each Girl Reserve and a group picture, with Christmas greetings to the Junior Girl Reserve Club at Centro Cristiano in Matanzas, Cuba. At the Christmas program at Bethlehem House these girls presented the play, "Where Love Is, There Is God." They are planning to have charge of a story hour for children twice a month in a very needy community in another section of Augusta.

The Home Makers meet weekly in two groups, seven to nine and ten to twelve years. The enrollment in both groups is twenty-five. They are interested in needlework and cooking.

The sewing classes meet weekly, one for advanced pupils, 10-12 years of age, and one for beginners, six, seven, eight, and nine years. They are given lessons in plain sewing and embroidery. The total enrollment is thirty.

All the clubs are organized and, as far as possible, carry on all the business connected with their clubs. The principal aim of the club work is to develop the hand and heart, so that they may coördinate with the spiritual life in making beautiful, wholesome future lives for all the girls.

Mr. W. L. Graham, Boys' Worker, reports:

Boys' club work at Bethlehem House was formally instituted last September, and since that time it has gone steadily forward. The aim of the work is to develop the boys spiritually, physically, intellectually, and socially. This fourfold purpose has been kept constantly before both workers and club members.

At this time there are four clubs functioning regularly. They are: Knights of Service (8 to 11 years), Scout Training Group (12 to 15 years), Better Boys' Club (12 to 15 years), and Boys' Community Club (16 to 21 years). These clubs have an enrollment of fifty-nine and a very large number on the waiting list. Mr. Harold Davis has charge of the Knights of Service and has been quite successful with this younger group.

The work as a whole has been quite successful, considering the limited amount of equipment and the small number of volunteer workers. A deep and growing interest in Bethlehem House and its activities is evident among the boys.

It is a great pleasure to be instrumental in helping boys to grow "in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man."

Miss Dorothy Weber, Day Nursery Director, reports:

The Day Nursery at Bethlehem House is one of the most interesting projects that we have attempted since we have been in the new buildings. The Nursery was opened on April 6, 1930. Since that time approximately thirty babies and small children of mothers who have to work and have no safe place to leave them have been cared for. The children come to us each day except Sundays and stay from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. During this time each child is given individual attention. The mothers pay a small fee, which, of course, only partly defrays the expenses of the Nursery. The Marietta District of the North Georgia Conference came to our rescue through the influence of their Secretary, Mrs. Roy Crisler, and contributed \$15 monthly for four months, beginning in September. This has enabled us to keep the Nursery open, and we are truly grateful to them.

Following the policy of Bethlehem House, which is to coöperate with all forward-looking social agencies, an attempt has been made through the influence of the Colored Probation Officer of the Juvenile Court to lend assistance to some undernourished and dependent children. Six children from this group have had Nursery care.

The Well Baby Clinic, in coöperation with the Public Health Department and the Stoney Medical Association, continues to minister to numbers of babies and small children in the community each Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Felecia Starks, Kindergartner, reports:

On January 4, 1930, forty happy kindergartners began their work in the new Bethlehem House. The remaining months of the school year were happily and profitably spent. At commencement in June, fourteen little graduates received their diplomas, after which the Kindergarten Department presented a play, "The Sleeping Beauty."

September 15, 1930, the kindergarten opened with an enrollment of forty and twenty anxious little fellows on the waiting list. Regular and prompt attendance was stressed, and failure to observe same automatically excluded the child and gave a place for a new boy or girl whose name was on the waiting list. Simple forms of handwork, like coloring, paper cutting, or making scrapbooks, and play, story, music, and song, made up the kindergarten program.

The Woman's Friendship Community Club presented the kindergarten with \$12.50, which was used for purchasing some instruments for a toy orchestra, the same to be called the Jennie White Orchestra in memory of Mrs. Jenny White, a former worker at Bethlehem House, and the first colored kindergartner to serve in the Center. This kindergarten orchestra has made quite a record, having served on programs in local churches, played for the Bethlehem House Advisory Board and also in Fort Thomson, Ga., at the C. M. E. Annual Conference.

A new project attempted this year in connection with the kindergarten was the Kindergarten Mothers' Club, organized in October with nineteen active members. This club sponsored the kindergarten Christmas tree.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Bethlehem House

Deaconess Frances Howard, Director, reports:

At least once each year all commercial organizations take an inventory of their stock on hand in order to determine whether or not their assets are greater than their liabilities. Our liabilities are usually discouragements, which come from different sources, while our assets include the moral and spiritual development of the people and

the growth of work. Therefore I note with pride and praise our Heavenly Father for this progress in the past year.

The increased interest manifested in the sewing classes and that of the Boy Scouts compensate for any and all discouragements. So popular is the sewing department that in order to accommodate the large number of children enrolled two afternoons each week is devoted to this activity, and even then, much to our sorrow, many children are turned away because of the lack of room and equipment. Seven girls received certificates in sewing, and some forty people of the community visited the exhibit.

One of the outstanding achievements of the year has been the splendid work of our Scout Master with his five troops of twenty-one Boy Scouts—a young man of the community who has indeed gotten a vision of service for his own race and is training these boys to become better citizens. There are eleven Negro Boy Scout troops in Chattanooga. Our troop with one other troop has led in all activities of Scouting.

The medical work has continued a steady growth; two doctors and two nurses have given untiring service toward the carrying on of this work.

At the close of our clubs and classes last June I had my first experience in training Negro children for an operetta. Their singing and folk steps came naturally, and I was delighted with the spectacular effect of rainbow colors on a dark background. The sewing class and kindergarten graduation exercises were part of the closing program.

A new feature of the work is the Week-Day School of Religion, a program adapted to reach the primary and junior boys of the community. For many months these little boys have asked to come to the Bethlehem House, but we were unable to meet this need because of the lack of money and volunteer teachers. One day one of these little fellows asked me if he could come to the sewing school, and only those who are in the work can understand my feelings when we had to say, "No." We are happy to say that we are reaching fifty little boys, and two of our local churches are sponsoring this activity.

Our summer program consisted of a community Bible school. One of the Negro Presbyterian Churches went in with us in putting this work across; using their school building enabled us to have all the departments separate—namely, kindergarten, primary, and junior-intermediate.

The entire staff consisted of twelve Negro teachers who gave their services. One hundred and seventy-five children were enrolled with an average attendance of one hundred and twenty-five. This was, indeed, the finest experience of coöperation I have had in my eleven years in the work.

Many of the churches have manifested a fine spirit of coöperation, and gradually there is growing a more sympathetic feeling for this type of work. We have had a splendid group of regular volunteers from both races.

My church work has consisted in serving as Superintendent of the Beginners' Department, Trinity Church, one of our city churches.

I thank God for physical strength as well as spiritual perception that has enabled me to measure up to this responsibility of service to others, and I trust that in the years to come I may be used for great service.

Mrs. Mattie Rowe Moore, Kindergartner, reports:

The kindergarten continues to be one of the most popular phases of our work. The mothers are highly appreciative of the services rendered, both to themselves and their children, in this way. It has

proved to be the best means of reaching the families in our neighborhood. Our kindergarten children have been well and happy and the attendance good. We had the usual holiday parties. At Thanksgiving time the little folk filled a basket with their offering of groceries, and it was donated to a needy family. Twenty-seven kindergartners played beautifully their parts in "Rainbow's End," which was presented at Howard High School. They also played well in the A. M. E. Church Missionary Convention. During July, seven of the children were awarded certificates from the kindergarten. No class in a university ever felt more important than did these seven "seniors" as they sang their class song and received their diplomas. It was a great day for the parents as well as the children. Many left their work, and the entire family came to see the children graduate.

We are often asked to bring some of the children to the different churches to sing for the Sunday schools and Missionary Societies. The children enjoy this very much.

At Christmas time the Junior League made thirty-seven little folk happy. Red tarlatan stockings, decorated with green wool, were filled from toe to top and were beautiful.

The Mothers' Club is growing in interest and membership. The membership comprises all denominations. They are becoming more interested in the work as the days go by because they have a part in serving the community in which they live. They have rendered invaluable service in relief work by the way of serving in our community sewing room to help the needy school children in school.

The club has helped seven needy families during the year and donated two baskets valued at four dollars, distributed seventy-two garments, held forty meetings. We enjoy a social hour once each month. We have made many plans for the coming year, and I trust that God will enable me to profit by mistakes and experiences, failures, and successes, and be of greater value in the advancement of his kingdom as the days go by.

I pray for a clearer vision of the task before me and a deeper consecration to the God who has called me to it.

Nashville, Tenn.—Bethlehem Center

Deaconess Margaret Young, Head Resident, reports:

"I came that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." This is the inscription on the corner stone of the main building of the Bethlehem Center. Each year as we look back over the things accomplished we use the inscription as a sort of yardstick. What man or woman is living a more abundant life because of Bethlehem Center? Is there a boy or girl whose life is richer because of some influence or inspiration received at the Center? Is there any one whose body is stronger? Is there a life more radiant because of the deeper knowledge of the Jesus way of living?

We have much to rejoice over as we take stock this year. We see a steady growth in all departments of the work. The clubs are as full as they should be if the work done in them is effective. The Boys' Department has doubled its enrollment in the Boy Scout group. These boys have studied hard and are showing the influence of the fine ideals of Scouting. The younger boys are learning to be friendly as they work out their own Friendly Indian program.

The Daily Vacation Bible School is always a source of joy. The attendance and work for the summer were the best we have had since I have been here.

The summer program also included a summer camp. There were five groups attending camp for a week each. For some of these

children this was their first glimpse of the country, and many of them had never had the fun of wading a creek before in their lives. One of the most encouraging features of the summer camp was the very enthusiastic help given the boys by a white farmer in digging a swimming pool. He had as much fun as the boys, driving the old white mule down into the creek and hauling out great scoops of sand and gravel. This same farmer let us use his cider mill. The boys picked the apples from our own trees, then walked two miles to the farmer's, and had their very first taste of fresh sweet cider. This experience was not all one-sided. The farmer did truck gardening, and in the dry season his beans suffered for water. When our boys found he was watering his beans by carrying water from the creek, they went down and helped him.

The Mothers' Club is a very live part of our program. This summer they helped make a payment on the camp to the extent of fifty dollars. They also gave a coal oil stove to the camp. This coming summer they have set as their goal a hundred and fifty dollars to dig a well nearer the house. We feel they are the ones who hold up our hands in all our undertakings.

We could not close the report without telling of our new gymnasium. This is the only gymnasium in this section of the city for Negro boys and girls. It has a stage and dressing rooms, which make it possible for Bethelhem Center to do very good work in musicals and plays. Many churches and clubs are anxious to use it and do feel free to come, and for just the cost of fuel and lights use it.

Until we have another worker added to our Girls' Department, we can undertake no new activities.

The kindergarten has been under the direction of a Paine College graduate, who has done outstanding work in this department.

We are grateful for the volunteer workers from the city, Fisk University, Vanderbilt, A. and I. State Normal, and Scarritt College. We could do very little indeed without their loyal assistance.

Deaconess Annie Rogers, Director of Girls' Department, reports:

We look back with thankfulness and satisfaction over the growth in the Girls' Department in 1930.

In May we had the exercises closing our winter program. About ninety girls took part in these exercises, which took the form of a spring pageant. It was given on the lawn, the many colored costumes making a beautiful picture in the outdoor setting.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was well attended, the enrollment showing a decided growth over last summer. The attendance was steady, and we felt that constructive work was done. We had good volunteer help from the community. One woman helped that she might learn how to put on a school in her church.

After Daily Vacation Bible School came camp. Two of the five camps we had were for girls, one for Girl Reserves and one for junior girls. The number at camp was not as large as we wanted. There are several reasons for this. One is that the camp idea has to be sold gradually to the mothers. Another is that we require a strict physical examination, including Wasserman blood test. Some are not willing to take this examination. Then, though the camp fee was only \$1.25, including board and transportation, some stayed away because they could not afford it. But our enrollment is so much larger now than last year that, notwithstanding these reasons, we expect to have more applications for camp than we can accommodate this summer. The camp program included Bible verses and prayers before breakfast; nature study and handcraft in the morning; swimming or hiking in

the afternoon; vespers and camp fire in the evening. We tried to give a definite Christian challenge in the vesper talks, which had as their theme "Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life."

Our fall work opened the first week in October with a Girls' Rally, which was followed the next week by the opening of all clubs. The enrollment in all the clubs was gratifying, practically all of them being full. I believe the Girl Reserve Club showed the largest increase, closing its enrollment in November until after Christmas with eighty-five girls on the roll.

The outlook for girls' work at Bethlehem Center is very bright. The work is as large now as it should be unless others are added to the staff of the Girls' Department. To do the work as it should be done the Girls' Director could spend all of her time with just the girls of the adolescent age. But, of course, this is impossible, as the others need help just as much.

We ask the prayers of our friends that we may build this work along the lines that will do most in bringing the people of this community to follow Christ.

OTHER ENGLISH-SPEAKING CENTERS

Memphis, Tenn.—Wesley Institute

Deaconess Jennie C. Congleton, Head Resident, reports:

As it was necessary for me to leave my first Wesley House work before the end of the year, I have had the feeling that I left an unfinished task and that in coming to a similar type of work that I came to take up the task again. This work has undergone a change since last year's report, and is now the Wesley Institute, directly under the Woman's Board, with a head resident in charge instead of an assistant working with the pastor. We arrived to find things looking very fresh and nice at the Institute; quite a bit of painting and papering had been recently done.

There is a great opportunity for service in this community, and to meet the need we have found close coöperation with the other social agencies very necessary. With the splendid coöperation of the Missionary women throughout the Conference, we have been able to give a wonderful amount of material help during the months of depression and unemployment.

We have three clinics a week—Baby, Adult, and Dental—and through the services of splendid physicians and nurses we are privileged to minister to the physical needs of many.

Almost every morning before I leave my room I hear the patter of little feet and the sound of little voices—the Nursery children are beginning to come—and I involuntarily breathe a prayer of thanksgiving that we can provide a place for them. Our Day Nursery meets a great need in this community, as most of the mothers find it necessary to work away from home, and how happy they are to leave their little ones in a place where they are to receive the best of care and proper nourishment. Mrs. Goza is a real mother to them.

The kindergarten children come from various types of homes. Some are well cared for, considering the limited means. Others are from typical "slum homes." There are always a few from homes of moderate means and refinement. How interesting it is to see them together, each having his own contribution to make to the group. Women from our different churches come out each morning and serve nourishing foods, such as soup, milk, Jello, ice creams, etc. Miss Castle, the kindergarten teacher, has been here for eight years.

Many of the things these children learn in the nursery and kinder-

garten are taken back into their homes, and in many instances the home life is greatly influenced for good.

Our Adult Missionary Society meets weekly. Business meeting is held the first week, and auxiliaries from three of our churches are responsible for the other meetings. The programs and the contacts with the women of different environment means much to these mothers, many of whom rarely go anywhere else.

The children's and young people's work are well taken care of by Miss Kee. The Music Department is a part of my work, and we have twelve girls taking piano lessons from volunteer teachers.

The Wesley Institute Community Sunday School, of which the Reverend Mr. Andrews is superintendent and I assistant, meets Sunday afternoons, with a membership of around 150 and average attendance of over a hundred—154 present the Sunday before Christmas, when we had our special program. A sermonette precedes the class period. The Institute workers teach, also Mrs. Andrews and four young women from other Sunday schools.

I have never worked with a finer group of missionary women than I find here. It is always a joy to visit the auxiliaries, presenting the work, giving devotionals, and occasionally just visiting to get better acquainted.

Deaconess Sarah Kee, Girls and Boys' Director, reports:

As Church Deaconess at Galloway Memorial I found the work formerly taken care of by the Deaconess was to be shared with their first Director of Religious Education.

The social service work of the church and home visitation was assigned to me. I also assisted with the Junior and Hi-League work, the Senior League and Church Drama League, also church correspondence.

We observed the Lenten season, using the specially prepared devotional pamphlets. The whole church entered upon the Eastertide with deepening spiritual insight. Just after this I had a number of requests for yearly devotional books and found joy in placing these in a number of homes.

The annual Woman's Missionary Conference at McComb, Miss., gave me especial cause for gratitude. The wonderful privilege of rooming with Miss Hallie Buie, missionary to Korea, and the joy of association with Miss Bertha Condé, who had an adjoining room, made the Conference days a glorious experience for me. Their strong, impressive messages to the Conference gave new vision and hope and faith. Fellowship with other deaconesses and church workers made the mountain-top experience complete.

Acting as Conference E. L. Life Service Secretary during the year was a joyous, inspiring service. At assembly arrangements were made for one sunrise group meeting of the Volunteers, and the Master spoke to us in such a real way in the beginning of the day. The daily Life Service, with thirty new volunteers quietly, earnestly responding to the call, was a time of prayer and rejoicing, a rare, sweet experience. The year at Galloway Memorial closed, and after a month at home my new year began at Wesley Institute.

A club and playground worker at Wesley Institute, Memphis, finds a great variety of interests—sewing and cooking classes, boys' and girls' clubs, many types of young people's meetings, Missionary Society for Juniors and Young People. Through all of these we strive to develop fine, dependable Christian character.

The splendid coöperation of the churches in supplying teachers to help with cooking, sewing, etc., causes one to feel the great appreciation in church groups for the work we seek to advance.

The Christmas season was one of joy and gladness. Our needy families were remembered in loving kindness. Generosity and good will were manifested by the churches. Our young people sang Christmas carols in their own community.

Nashville, Tenn.—Centenary Methodist Institute

Deaconess Katharine Arnold, Head Resident, reports:

We are happy to report that the past year has been a good one at Centenary. There has been depression, banks have failed, most business has slumped; but, backed by the loyal support of our Nashville people, C. M. I. has been able to increase its service to this community since last we reported. We have grown in the number of clubs conducted, in the number of volunteer workers, and in the numbers using the building.

Several new projects have been tried. Working with the Industrial Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., a club for working girls was begun last spring. A number of them lived too far away to permit of their going home after working hours and returning in time for the meeting later in the evening. To overcome this handicap an inexpensive but wholesome plate lunch was served, cafeteria style, around the tables in the domestic science room. Pep songs enlivened this occasion, games in the gym gave the needed exercise, and the putting on of a play furnished the motive for work and study. A Mothers' Club was organized in the spring, and this fall another afternoon was given over to sewing—open to any mother who wanted help and advice in cutting or sewing. The machines were put at their disposal any morning, and several have taken advantage of this opportunity and have spent two or three hours in the sewing room. It was also discovered that two of them could not read or write, due to lack of opportunity in early life. A Scarritt student became interested and asked for the privilege of teaching them. The class is meeting twice each week, and while progress is slow, yet they are learning!

One of our promising girls who had been coming to C. M. I. for several years and who was tempted to drop out of school in order to go to work and support a frail mother and little sister before she herself was of legal working age was granted the privilege of going to Vashti School this fall. This is another time when loyal friends gave us their support—one is providing the tuition, while others are supplying clothing.

Again, through the generosity of friends, it has been possible to aid in a material way a number of families who have been "up against it because of unemployment. Clothing and fuel have been the main items supplied, while they themselves in most cases have been able to provide sufficient groceries. We have worked in close coöperation with the Charity Commission, to whom we gave office and waiting room space during this unusually trying winter, thus making possible for them a branch center in this district, which is one of the largest in the city. The size and arrangement of our building have made this possible without inconvenience to the rest of our work and have given increased opportunities to each to work out more constructive plans for family uplift.

We have coöperated with the public parks and the junior high school in the community by sharing with them the use of our gymnasium—the only one in this part of the city—and thus have added to the recreational life of another group of young people during the basket ball season.

It is not possible to write down all that comes to mind in making this report, but suffice it to say that each day brings opportunities

for service through organized groups and with individuals, and we pray that as these calls come our vision may be so enlarged and our understanding so deepened that the work at Centenary may indeed grow in scope and in power.

Deaconess Sophie Kuntz, Girls' Worker, reports:

Taking up where we left off is easier than beginning. With the situation better in hand, the needs more clearly understood, and the possibilities of meeting these needs also more evident, the opening up of the year's work with the girls at Centenary was much easier. We faced the work this fall with a determination to enlarge the program so as to make use of the splendid equipment at our disposal. A good spirit of coöperation on the part of the Nashville women has made possible the carrying out of this plan. We are now having more classes that are doing better work than in our first year here.

Our work with the children in cooking, sewing, and gymnasium is going about as usual except that we have added one new cooking class. We find our work with the Girl Reserves a little more in hand and producing better results.

Something new we have tried is our method of handling the Home Makers—little girls between six and eight years. Instead of one large class, we have divided into smaller groups of no more than eight in a group. The teacher of each class tries to put herself in the mother's place and treat the group as a family. The children are taught to make a home in a beautiful way, doing the work in a sweet spirit of helpfulness. That this plan works is more and more evident. The loving touches that are put on the miniature home and the oft-expressed wished to "live here" foretell what may some day be done when there is a real home and a real family to care for. If the little bits of Christian teaching that we try to impart stay with them until that time, we will feel amply repaid for our efforts.

From the children who play at home making to the mothers with real homes and real problems is a big jump, but not so big after all. Our Mothers' Club has been a real joy this year. Mothers young and old gather each week to do "just anything you want us to do." That "anything" has taxed the brain of the worker, but here, too, we are beginning to see results. The mothers themselves are suggesting plans for the club, and for the first time it is beginning to seem like a real club. Our Christmas party has been our outstanding social feature. Four fathers braved the dangers and came, adding spice to the affair. Our one real piece of service work was the making of a beautiful quilt, which was donated to the American Red Cross for their drought relief work. We have discovered that the devotional services that are a part of each meeting are the only religious messages that most of the mothers receive. Opportunities to talk about religious matters have been opened up. As a whole, we are encouraged with our Mothers' Club work.

Our Adult Chorus, started last year, has gone on splendidly. Two public performances have been the result of their labors this year. Interest is at a high pitch, and the weekly practices are more than enjoyed. Now we are able to tell of a chorus among the older children. This has just been formed, and for it we can only hope for great things. It is just another step toward a singing community.

Another feature of the work this year has been the addition of two art classes that promise good growth.

Our church work has been exceedingly interesting. The Hi-League is doing splendidly. We have organized a teacher training class of young men and women. When the class received their first credits, the fact was so inspiring that two other young men asked to join.

The class is studying hard and, as they expressed it, "getting a kick out of the class." We feel that it is a vital thing to train future Sunday school teachers and are putting our best into the task.

Altogether, our work at Centenary this year has been very happy, and we hope that our efforts may count for good in the years to come.

Deaconess Birdie Reynolds, Kindergartner, reports:

Another year of kindergarten at C. M. I. has passed, in many ways similar to those gone before. But each year there is much to keep the work interesting. The varied program and the freedom in the kindergarten give the child so many more opportunities to express himself and more to enjoy himself than he can have at home, and so many of the mothers are so busy looking after the temporal needs of the family that they have little time for rearing their children the right way. In many ways the kindergarten here is a blessing to the children of the community.

Several events during the year are enjoyed by the children. With the contribution given us by a Sunday school class we are able to celebrate birthdays each month. Last fall we spent one morning at the public library looking at picture books and hearing stories. At Easter time a trip to the zoo and an egg hunt at Glendale Park are eagerly looked forward to.

Since October first there have been sixty-one enrolled, twenty-nine boys and thirty-two girls, with an average attendance of thirty-nine. Constant moving in and out of the community partly accounts for the large enrollment and low average attendance.

Nashville, Tenn.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Lora Long, Head Resident, reports:

How fast time flies when we are doing the things we love! When the months fly by so rapidly it makes us realize that the children with whom we work will soon be men and women. Then we ask ourselves: "What kind of men and women will they be? Will they be finer for the touch we have had on their lives? Will they know the Christ better because they have seen him in our lives?" We are trying to answer these questions by putting the best we have into the lives of our boys and girls.

This year has been one of steady growth. The enrollment in our various activities has been larger than ever before. Nearly every club reached "capacity limit" by November 1.

We have had a fine Mothers' Club for the past year. A membership contest ran our enrollment over one hundred, the largest attendance being seventy-eight. The defeated side entertained the winners with a lovely banquet. The "Unfolding Life" was taught by Miss Una Smith, and the mothers were deeply interested. They often tell us they are trying out with their children the things they have learned here. We have a social hour at every meeting, and the mothers heartily enjoy the games and refreshments.

Our relief work has been unusually heavy this year, but with the demand has come the supply. We have never had so much given to us for relief—cash, groceries, clothing, coal, etc. A dairy is furnishing milk to several of our families who are not able to buy it. One little kindergartner said that they had milk to drink now and didn't have to drink coffee. It has been such a joy to be able to help our people through this trying time.

Last fall a member of the Big Brothers suggested we start a sewing class for mothers and let them finance it. A lady who sews

well consented to take charge of the class. For weeks before Christmas the mothers came once a week and made dainty little dresses and suits for their children's Christmas gifts. The week before Christmas they had an all-day meeting and finished everything. Each mother went home proudly carrying the pretty clothes wrapped and tied in Christmas packages. Since Christmas we have given six other mothers a chance to make a dress for each of her children and one for herself. The afternoon spent here with their friends and the lovely women who help them are bright spots in their lives.

Many of our plans for the year have not materialized, but we feel that the Lord is blessing our work, and we are happy in his service.

Deaconess Lora Lee Pederson reports:

"To-morrow, and to-morrow, and to-morrow
Creeps, in this petty pace from day to day."

These words could hardly be applied to life in a Wesley House, as the days and weeks, and even the years, fairly fly by. One feels as if each day must be filled with only the best in order that we may help our boys and girls develop into Christian men and women.

Our Little Mothers' Club had a large graduating class in the spring and gave a program for their mothers which outlined the duties of every day in the week in the life of a home maker. Instead of taking up the work of home making in the fall, this year we are building a city called "Any Town," which we plan to give to a hospital. As the girls place the buildings in the town and hear stories of boys and girls who lived there, they are learning lessons of kindness and helpfulness to those about them.

A dream of having two cooking classes, one of beginners and the other of girls who have had one year's work, has been realized this year. The girls in the older class are learning to be good bread makers and are learning about food values. We are very fortunate in having a Peabody student who is majoring in Home Economics as teacher for this class.

If you were to visit Wesley House on Tuesday evening you would be likely to see a group of forty or forty-five girls and boys fifteen and over having "Open House." The program of the evening varies according to the wishes of the boys and girls and usually includes basket ball, music, active games, and table games. It is gratifying to see the great improvement in these young people as they learn more about living with others.

The Loyal Temperance Legion, which is sponsored by the W. C. T. U., is growing in members and influence with the younger boys and girls.

Soon after Christmas our Girl Reserves started learning the intricate art of "being charming." Representatives of the different department stores, a nurse, a dentist, and others talked to the girls on the "Charm of Lovely Hair," "The Charm of Health," "The Charm of Good Manners," etc., and gave demonstrations. At the close of the project the Most Charming Girl was selected and crowned "Queen of Charm" at a May Festival which was given by the Girl Reserves and cooking classes. The two cooking classes presented an operetta called "The Farmerette" at this program, and the proceeds amounted to \$53. This has been used for draperies in our reception hall, paint, etc.

Our sewing school enrollment closed at 112 in October, when the school had met only two or three times. These girls are intensely in-

terested in Bible study, and the fact that one of them looked for the book of "Possum" in the Bible shows the need of this work.

My work in the Sunday school has been with an intermediate class of boys, and it is a joy to meet with them and enter into their discussion of "Race Relations," "Living with Our Neighbors," etc.

We could not ask for better coöperation from our volunteer helpers. This year has been a banner year in that respect.

As we review the past year our hearts are deeply grateful for our Heavenly Father's goodness to us.

Deaconess Una Smith, Kindergartner, reports:

"Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, rejoice." This has been one of the very happiest years of my life, for I have seen the influence of the kindergarten spreading farther and farther as the days sped by. Nearly one hundred children have been in the kindergarten during the year. They have carried home many stories, songs, and messages that told the love of Christ for them and for all people. Mothers have told me that they never thought of thanking God for his gifts until the children came from kindergarten and asked to do it.

We have worked hard, but our efforts have brought joy and help. About three hundred children from the two kindergartens and the Story Hour took part in a very colorful pageant last spring. It was given in one of our city parks and presented the "Joys of Every Year" in a way that all who saw were glad to live in such a world. The widespread interest in the project was shown by the fact that approximately two thousand people attended. The children and parents as well as the members of the Board of City Missions are eager for another big pageant this spring.

An added source of joy this year has been the new "Toy Symphony Orchestra," composed of fifty boys and girls between six and twelve years of age. We are planning to make our first public appearance at the pageant.

I had a change of church work this year. Fillmore Church was discontinued at Conference time, and I began the organization of a new Junior Department at Humphrey Street Church. It has been very challenging and inspiring. The department is growing steadily, and the interest is covering ever-widening fields.

In every phase of the work I have had very efficient groups of volunteer workers. Much credit is due them for the progress we have been able to make. All of us have tried to keep the words of Whittier as a motto every day:

"If there be some weaker one,
Give me strength to help him on;
If a blinder soul there be—
Let me guide him nearer thee."

Deaconess May Coburn, Lucy Moore Kindergarten, reports:

This has been a "Red Letter" year for the Lucy Moore Kindergarten. For years we have dreamed of a building large enough to accommodate all the children who were so eager to come. This year that dream has become a reality. We have a beautiful brick building with a large kindergarten room, clubroom, and a playroom for the smaller children. The tile bathroom with a shower bath is a most valuable asset. There are hardwood floors throughout, and the walls, furniture, draperies, and woodwork are harmonious and beautiful in every way. The large toy closet holds valuable treasures for the chil-

dren. They enjoy the many lovely toys because they have so few in their homes, and they feel that these are their very own. For a year or more the children have brought their nickels and pennies for the "new kindergarten." Their offering bought the shades, draperies, and a new table.

The older girls are very happy over their clubroom. There is a large group of Girl Reserves, and over a hundred younger children come to the Story Hour.

On Sundays the entire building is in use. The Cradle Roll Department in the "Baby Room," Beginners and primaries in the kindergarten room and the Juniors in the clubroom. The Humphrey Street Church takes the older ones, but we are glad we can care for the younger ones, as the church is not large enough for all.

The old kindergarten building was given to the Nashville Boys' Club and moved to the lot back of the church. The pastor of the church has charge of the boys' work. The three buildings there together make a center with great opportunities for service.

We are glad to have had a part in building up this work and feel that the Lord is blessing our efforts.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Jane Wilkinson, Head Resident, reports:

I did not think at the beginning of the year that I would be reporting from Chattanooga instead of from Brevard Institute, where I was reappointed. And, having been here only four months, I am still getting acquainted.

I found three distinct phases of work in progress—the day nursery, the clinic, the club work.

During this season of depression I do not know what our people would have done without the nursery and clinic especially. One mother, a widow trying to support her family by working in a knitting mill, said: "I don't see how people get along without a nursery." When we see such marked improvement in our children in so short a time, it is gratifying.

The clinic has ministered to many sick people during the year—over seventeen hundred. The free milk station, in connection with the clinic, has contributed inestimably to the welfare of many families by furnishing milk to the pre-school children of the home.

Nothing is so lasting as character. In fact, it is eternal. We have some fine boys and girls in our clubs who are growing in character. The sewing school has increased in character and is doing good work. We regret that the kindergarten has been discontinued.

We are thankful for the blessing in our work which has been ours through the year.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Wesley Community House

Miss Moselle Eubanks, Head Resident, reports:

The year 1930 brought new and varied experiences to me in my work at Wesley House in Oklahoma City. It was ushered in by a blizzard, the first I had ever seen. Every social agency in the city was working overtime caring for the needy people; and we did our share of it. Our friends in the city were splendid in their support during this emergency, and without them we could not have ministered to the needs of our people.

During the year the population of our community has almost doubled, so our opportunities and responsibilities have increased in proportion. Many of these new people are from the country, at-

tracted here by oil field developments. Finding no work to do, they have to stay and have become dependent upon charity for their support. Very few of these newcomers live in houses, but camp in tents, trucks, and wagon beds. Thus they present a serious health problem as well as an unemployment problem to us.

We had a Daily Vacation Bible School in June for three weeks. There had not been one here for several years, and we were not sure whether our children would be interested in it. However, our fears were groundless, and we had an average attendance of more than one hundred. None of them wanted to stop when closing time came, and during the winter I have been asked many times if we were planning for another school next summer. The success of our school was due in large measure to the women of our Board, who helped us plan for it, and to the untiring efforts of our volunteer teachers.

While we do not have an organized church here, we have a good Sunday school. It is closely graded, and many of our teachers are trained workers. Our Woman's Missionary Society is one of our best organizations, and the women cooperate in any project for the betterment of our community.

Life in a Wesley House is not monotonous. Each day brings new problems and responsibilities, but it also brings new joys and blessings. In all we do, our one aim is to make Christ known to our people. God has blessed our work this year, and I am grateful for the privilege of serving in this place.

Deaconess Inez Martin, Club Director, reports:

My work this year has been more interesting than ever. A decided growth of interest has manifested itself in nearly all activities. This interest is shown by the growth and regularity of attendance as well as general attitudes. The activities are practically the same as last year with the exception of a few slight changes.

Our group activities are as follows: For Primary children, Story Hour, conducted by Miss Eubanks; for Juniors, Week-Day Bible School for boys and girls, conducted by Miss Eubanks and two assistant volunteer helpers. Under my direction comes the Nitenel Club for Junior girls and the Friendly Indians for Junior boys; Girl Reserves for Intermediate girls; the Pioneer Club for Intermediate boys, under direction of the Y. M. C. A. Secretary; an Older Girls' Club for girls over sixteen years of age. The library has been an interesting spot in which to work this year. Helping the boys and girls choose their books has been a joy as well as a task. I have seven very efficient volunteer helpers in my work. Game Night is another interesting feature.

When we were unable to secure a Superintendent for our Primary Department of the Sunday school, I gave up my class of intermediate girls to a very efficient teacher, and have attempted to supervise that department as well as teach a class of Beginners. This has been such a joy, for little children are so responsive. My twenty-eight or thirty Beginners each Sunday are precious. Teaching these little ones has added variety to my work.

The Epworth Hi-League is under my direction and has shown very pleasing results along some lines. They are working very enthusiastically in the Hi-League Union which it was my privilege to organize last June. I am Counselor of the Union, and it has been a source of joy to me. It brings our Hi-Leaguers into contact with other Leagues, which I feel is very beneficial to them. Two of our Hi-Leaguers hold office in the Union. A growing interest in the Wesley House is developing among the young people of the city. I hope for

this is to be a means of getting recruits for volunteer workers in the near future, so that our work may continue to grow.

Louisville, Ky.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Ellen D. Gainey, Head Resident, reports:

Perhaps at no time in the history of Wesley House has there been greater need for just such a Friendly House in the community as now.

Economic conditions have induced an unemployment situation that has brought in its wake many problems and perplexities and evils, some of them far more distressing even than physical hunger, stark as that is in some instances. As we watch the outcome of it all, as it affects individuals, families, and the community, we are glad that Wesley House is here to offer through its workers and its program that which helps to keep up the morale and courage of its constituents. How many times have we heard, "I don't know what to do, so I came to see you," or this: "A friend told me to come to Wesley House; and if you couldn't help, you would know what to tell me to do, or where I could go"

When we review house activities as they are carried on from week to week, we are sure that the quality of work in most of the departments is becoming more and more constructive, and both children and adults are getting things that are fundamental.

In June, because of a budget cut, we had to let our full-time music teacher go, but in October we opened that department again with a part-time worker, who is going forward with the work in a splendid way. In addition to piano lessons, choral club, rhythm band, and harmony class with the children, she has organized a Community Chorus of adults.

This chorus has already given two sacred concerts and plans to have this as a regular fourth Sunday afternoon feature throughout the season.

Our Mothers' Club is still the *best* in the Church. Attendance has increased largely this year, and interest never wanes. To help meet the exigencies of the times they have organized a weekly Sewing Circle, and the garments made, or made over, by this group are for some club member who cannot sew or for some family in great need of clothing. This is a service well worthy of their club motto, "Others."

A corps of twenty-five as fine volunteers as could be found anywhere have given unstinted service during the year, thus making possible our heavy program. In addition, there are many others on whom we call in emergencies or for some special service.

Mr. G. S. Luce has the distinction of being the first man employed as Boys' Director, and for one year gave to the department a service that perhaps no one else could have done so well as he did just at that time. At the end of the year he felt he must enter Theological Seminary, and Mr. McIntosh succeeded him. His report follows:

"Character is a poor man's capital," said Houston Quinn. The young boy of to-day can be rich in this respect, if in no other. The Wesley Community House Boys' Department is striving to bring to each boy who comes in contact with its program the necessity of this one great richness, so important in every one's life—strong Christian character.

Through the medium of the various clubs we hope to convey to the boys, both old and young, the importance of strength mentally, morally, and spiritually.

It is a well-known fact that the surest and best way to reach boys, especially the younger ones, is through their interest in play. There-

fore the program of the youngest boys consists mainly of "gym" work, in which work clean speech and clean playing are emphasized. They are made to realize the penalties of various kinds that temper and unfair tactics, in other things as well as games, are unprofitable. No boy can be taught to be a good, clean sport too soon; therefore, the "gym" period is indispensable.

The older boys are interested in a more developed program as well as in "gym" activities. Some of this work consists of Bible classes, memory work, and projects of various kinds, to be worked out according to their own singular and collective interests.

The projects are designed to help the boy help himself. He is encouraged to advance his own ideas and to put them into practice. No person can succeed in anything unless his whole-hearted interest is centered on that particular thing; consequently the boy chooses his own work, the work that he has a natural interest in. He has a list of several subjects from which to choose and is encouraged to make his own choice, using the list merely as a guide. He gains what information he is able to obtain by his own methods before he is helped, then when his ideas are exhausted the missing links are supplied by the worker.

Other group projects, such as woodwork, hiking, swimming, and group games, are also used. Group projects, like individual projects, arise spontaneously out of the interests and purposes of the group and do not allow a set routine.

Deaconess Elizabeth Russell, Girls' Worker, reports:

No experience in life is so challenging, so interesting, or so invaluable as adventures in friendship; no place in life affords more opportunities for such than work with girls in a Community House. Because of this, the position of Girls' Worker becomes more absorbing and more challenging every year. There is so much promise, so much ahead of girlhood, one is always reaching forward. As the poet has written of it:

"Girlhood is an exquisite incompleteness, blossom foreshadowing fruit;
A sketch faint in its beauty, with promise of future worth;
A plant with some leaves unfolded, and the rest asleep at its roots;
To deck with their future sweetness the fairest thing on the earth."

It seems that no phase of the work is quite so comprehensive as that with growing girls. To the worker who is privileged to see the girl begin her contacts with the Settlement as a tiny tot in the children game and story hour; to watch her learn the fundamentals of home making through play methods in her kitchen-garden group when she is a little older; to observe her awkwardly learning to cook and sew—preparing herself for the practical side of living; to see her code of morals and religious thinking beginning to develop through the Week-Day and Vacation Bible School activities, the worship programs, handcraft service projects, and coöperative recreational activities; to watch her creative skill and love for the beautiful awaken and develop through participation in the Arts Club; to share with her the joys of the out-of-doors and an appreciation of nature in long jaunts, picnics, hikes, early breakfasts cooked over an improvised stove on some hill top or some wooded stream; to see her begin to blossom into young womanhood and enjoy the fellowship of her other Girl Reserve friends; to laugh with her as she transcends her drab living conditions, at least for a bit, by projecting herself into some other character in a play or some dramatic impersonation; to applaud as she gains physical prowess and skill and expresses herself vigor-

ously in her competitive sports, such as basket ball; and then to see her courage and high hope, in the face of all that is dark, as she is forced to forsake her school life and earn the necessities of life for herself and perhaps her whole family; and to watch her painful but satisfactory adjustment to the realities of life, there comes not only an overwhelming sense of thankfulness for the privilege which such friendship affords, but also gratitude to God that her Church has recognized the value of girlhood by planning for the girl in the program of her Community Houses.

San Francisco, Calif.—Wesley Community House

Miss Elizabeth Olmstead, Head Resident, reports:

It has been said: "One is educated when he can look out upon the universe, now lucid and lovely, now dark and terrible, with a sense of his own littleness in the great scheme of things, and yet have faith and courage."

Looking out upon the great scope of Wesley Church and Community House in its varying phases of work, now so challenging and alluring, again so depressing and discouraging, the writer is ever conscious of her sense of littleness in the great plan of things; yet, keeping faith and courage, realizes as she closes her third year of service she has become educated.

The report for the year 1930 is of much interest because of the variety of church and community service it reveals as we look back over the record. And yet to tabulate the real happenings would seem commonplace.

Church work is so closely allied with Wesley House it is hard to make a line of demarcation.

Reverend Hoover is loyal and coöperative to all interests of our department. The increase of members, especially of young people, and the interest taken by them in various departments and club work encourage us to give of our best.

The regular household duties in making the home fall to my lot plus marketing and assisting in manifold dinners, parties, and banquets in the round of activities.

Keeping office between times, receiving boxes from Conference friends with all good things imaginable to be used in needy homes. Much time and labor is expended in unpacking these boxes, listing contents, writing notes of appreciation, and, best of all, giving of these bountiful supplies, in visitation work to homes where, owing to unemployment or misfortune of some kind, the need is great.

Family case work, coöperating with welfare agencies, has been interesting and instructive.

Conducting an all-day weekly church school was a new project successfully tried while Miss Hodgson was on vacation.

Able assistance given by a former deaconess, Mary Kimbro Terrell, and others of our Church and Conference helped materially in putting over the work.

Have had the privilege of presenting Wesley House work at various meetings throughout the Conference.

The work of Boy Scouts, under the able leadership of Melville Wolff, assisted by Douglas Britton and Robert Anino, is of the highest order.

I am thankful for the privilege of service among these fine California folk.

Despite the changing population of this city where every nation seems to be represented, the utter indifference of many to church obligation, climatic conditions, etc., we have faith to believe some

work of our hands and heart will be established in that the beauty of the Lord our God shall ever be upon it, blessing to fruition the seed we have sown.

Deaconess Clara Hodgson reports:

One of our recent visitors, a Conference woman, was impressed with this Community Center, with the organization of the church and its departments, the regular routine of life, the fine attendance at the services, and the various club groups and their activities. The quiet and persistent, aggressive work going on satisfied her sense of the fitness of things, and she expressed herself as being glad and hopeful for this work centered in San Francisco.

Thus it impresses many, and so our work is progressing with definite, permanent, forward steps.

In the clubs for boys and girls, after the devotional and business meetings, various kinds of handwork is done for local hospitals, and some projects for foreign countries have been worked out. The children are taught by the committee method to entertain their parents and friends on various occasions.

A well-equipped gymnasium in the building is constantly used in club and church work. It is open with supervision almost every day and in use every evening until ten o'clock. The club and gym work is a joy to me.

Also my work with the young people has been a delight. Our Hi-League membership has tripled since last promotion, and the Senior League is doing fine work. I have the Intermediate girls in Sunday school.

I just feel through it all that God is leading us into greater plans and broader fields of service for him.

Atlanta, Ga.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Janet C. Head, Head Resident, reports:

Our work has gradually increased during the year 1930, and we have had 704 people enrolled in our different graded activities, as compared with 388 in the year 1929. This increased enrollment is not due to any drive for membership on our part, but has come to us. It is not practical for us to put on a membership drive, which would bring to Wesley House three or four times our present enrollment, for we do not have either the space or the volunteer helpers to take care of them.

In September, 1930, we changed the organization of our work, eliminating the types of work that were duplicated in the city schools. In planning our work for the new year we centered every one of our activities around religious education, for that, we think, should be the prime factor in settlement work, and is not even approached in the public schools.

We have fifteen different types of activity, graded according to age, from the three-year-old children, who are in our pre-school kindergarten, to the women, who are in our group of Women's Clubs.

Our playground has been open for 365 days of the year and is a means of outdoor exercise for many of our children who would otherwise have only streets in front of their rooming houses in which to play. Our outdoor basket ball court is also used as a practice court for our boys' basket ball team, which is a unit in the Atlanta Epworth League Union Basket Ball League, and a team of industrial girls.

My club work is centered in the adult group, and we have carried on and enlarged the work of the Woman's Club. Three new clubs

for the mothers of the community have been added—a cooking club and a sewing club, both taught by Smith-Hughes teachers from the Opportunity School, and a club for the kindergarten mothers.

Our library is a popular place on Tuesday afternoons, and we have loaned more than seven hundred books during the year.

We are glad to report that we have seventeen in our piano department now, having one half hour lessons twice each week, and the music teacher is now giving two Saturday mornings each month to the work of a Junior Music Club in which the children have an opportunity to study rhythm and play in a rhythm band.

Due to increased unemployment in our community, we have been very busy supplying the needs of our people. Because of the many boxes of supplies we have received from the auxiliaries, we are able to give garments and food as needed. We have coöperated with the agencies in the city in seeking employment and other forms of relief for our people.

Much of my time is given to making contacts with other agencies in Atlanta—the churches, missionary auxiliaries, Epworth Leagues, and the different agencies included in the Community Chest.

We have had an active contact with 244 families since September, and in this contact we have been able to further the development of the principles of living the Christlike life in the community. There is much joy in serving the Master at the Wesley House and many opportunities of spreading the richness of the kingdom of heaven in the lives of our people.

Deaconess Selma Pederson, Kindergartner, reports:

My first experience in doing Wesley House work has far exceeded my expectations of it. I knew it must be wonderful to do this type of work, and it is even more wonderful than I had imagined. The past months have passed quickly and happily. All of our work is so interesting it doesn't seem right to call it work.

The children who come to our kindergarten are healthy, attractive, happy little tots. Every day spent with them has brought me joy, as they so aptly learn songs, games, and stories, and play so contentedly together. I feel very close to God as I work with these, his little ones, and I pray that I may become more worthy of the sacred trust of teaching them more about him.

Several of the mothers of the kindergarten children work in candy, overall, or envelope factories. Those who do not work meet with us one Monday afternoon each month for a social time and for a helpful discussion of the care and training of the children of kindergarten age. The main contact I have with the working mothers is the visits I make in their homes after they get home from work.

On Tuesdays I have a story hour in the afternoon for boys and girls five, six, and seven years of age. It is called the "Sunshine Club." This is a well-chosen name, for these children are always spreading sunshine with their bright, happy faces. The Girl Reserves have been a great help to me with the Sunshine Club. Some of them assist each week by planning and giving the devotional, telling Bible stories and other stories, and helping with the handwork. It is helpful to them as well as to me, for this is splendid training for them.

I always enjoy visiting in the homes from which the children come. Most of the mothers are deeply interested in the welfare of their children and are thankful that they have the opportunity to come to the Wesley House. They appreciate our interest in their children and are glad to coöperate with us.

I am thankful for the privilege of doing Wesley House work. Truly, one draws nearest to God when serving his children.

Deaconess Mary Lou Barnwell, Club Director, reports:

On every hand we hear so much about this being a year of depression, but in spite of it all we continue finding much happiness in our work. The children are not depressed. Their spirits are as gay and happy as ever, and it is an inspiration and a challenge to us. So we go on in our Master's service, trying to help him in his work among these underprivileged ones.

The past year has been a great blessing to me. My club work has been with girls mostly, and it has been a great joy to watch them grow. More than one hundred enrolled in the sewing school, but, due to the lack of room, we had to reorganize that group and exclude all girls who are in other clubs. In each group we are emphasizing religious education by having definite Bible study, and great interest has been manifested in that part of the program. Very often visitors come in, and they are especially impressed with the knowledge these children have of the Bible. One ten-year-old girl can be called on at any time, and she is always ready to give any story asked for, quoting Scripture like a real scholar.

Again our Girl Reserves have been honored as carrying on the most outstanding programs and activities of any group in the city. Theirs is a well-rounded program, and they have an opportunity to use their initiative and develop leadership. We frequently have engagements to go out to church and civic functions to put on skits or plays. At a recent Rally banquet at the Y. W. C. A. our girls represented the Girl Reserve Department and received much commendation for their efforts. This contact with outside groups has been very helpful to the girls, and they have greatly enjoyed it.

The boys have planned an interesting project which will continue several weeks. They are taking an imaginary trip around the world, studying modes of travels, customs of different countries, and other interesting features of a trip. We are going to the railway station soon, and the officials will take us through the train, explaining things to the group. They are very eagerly looking forward to this trip, as most of them have never been on a train. On our return to America one of the Missionary Circles will give us a big picnic, welcoming us home.

Last summer the young people asked that we reserve a night for them in our weekly schedule. Heretofore they had been rather indifferent toward the Wesley House, so we felt encouraged when they made this suggestion and set apart a regular night for them. We organized a basket ball team with the young men, and in that way we have been able to reach a gang that has been "hanging out" at the corner drug store. They now realize that we are their friends, and I can see a great change in their conduct. It does my heart good to have them stop in for a friendly talk and express their appreciation for the work we are trying to do. They need Jesus, and we are trying to lead them to him.

Besides my regular club work, I am very busy with outside engagements, telling different groups about the Wesley House, trying to increase interest in our work. Last year I attended 132 meetings and addressed 120. I am Superintendent of the Social Service Department of the Atlanta Epworth League Union and visit different Leagues each Sunday night. With these various activities we are kept busy, very busy, but we are happy, knowing we are about our Father's business as we love and serve our fellow men.

St. Louis, Mo.—Kingdom House

Deaconess Annie Alford, Head Resident; Deaconess Pearl Edwards, Director Girls' Department; Miss Inez Perry, R.N., Clinic Nurse; H. Linwood Robison, Director Boys' Department; Mrs. Jean Naumann, Day Nursery Matron; Miss Julia Protheroe, Kindergartner; Miss Louise Stone, Office Secretary.

Deaconess Annie Alford, Head Resident, reports:

"One more year's work for Jesus, how sweet the year has been."

When a worker has worked in the same field, sharing the joys and sorrows, the successes and failures of her people for six years, it is difficult to think of them as any other than her own. When I came to Kingdom House six years ago I was overwhelmed with the bigness of the tasks, and as the years have come and gone, as we have gotten acquainted with situations, as we have learned more about the problems this feeling has increased rather than subsided.

The various departments of our work have experienced a marked development, the period of depression having brought us in touch with many new and worthy families.

The day nursery and kindergarten have been very full. The children are happy and healthy in their daily lives, learning to live, play, sing, and work together. Here the foundation for good citizenship is surely laid, which we pray will live and grow as the years pass by. During the year 116 children from ninety-eight homes were enrolled.

Kingdom House is not classed as a relief-giving agency, but this year the Board provided a special fund and brought very generous supplies of groceries and clothing to be used in the emergencies that arose, which were many. The generous supplies of home canned fruits and jellies sent by the St. Louis Conference Missionary Societies have certainly been a great help and blessing in this time of need.

In the Clinic Department our faithful volunteer physicians have given of themselves unstintedly through the year. These doctors have given more than four hundred hours to this work. Two hundred and thirty-three clinics were held, caring for 1,277 individuals, who made 2,713 visits to clinics. Six hundred and eighty-six treatments of prevention of smallpox, diphtheria, tetanus, etc., were given. The nurse always makes follow-up visits, has made many visits with patients to hospitals, arranging for care when necessary. Each morning the day nursery children have a "once-over" by her, and once each week they go up to the clinic for thorough examination by the doctor. She is Superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department in the Sunday school, which brings her in very vital touch with the families. She also teaches a class of junior girls on Sunday morning.

Deaconess Pearl Edwards reports:

"Where cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan
Above the noise of selfish strife,
We hear thy voice, O Son of Man!

O Master, from the mountain side,
Make haste to heal these hearts of pain,
Among these restless throngs abide;
O, tread the city's streets again."

Last September when I came to this overpopulated district in St. Louis, in which Kingdom House seeks to be a "light upon a hill,

whose beams cannot be hid," these words had a new meaning for me. They became my prayer as I began to mingle with the people and as I saw their need, their helplessness, and their hungry hearts. To have been here with them, in their homes, in their various organizations, in their social and religious activities, has made me aware of the nearness of God and has helped to strengthen the challenge which comes to live and share the Life of Love.

As to our organizations in the Girls' Department, they are many and varied, planned to develop the fourfold life of the individual. Due to lack of space and equipment just now, we are greatly handicapped. Nearly all of the clubs and classes are full to overflowing, and there is a waiting list in some cases.

In the Home Economics Department we have two classes in cooking and three in sewing. Volunteer teachers, some from our own community and some from the churches in the city, help us with this large group of children. These little girls range from six to fourteen years of age. "Children are they, yet in them lies part of the future race." Edward Leigh Pell has expressed so beautifully what we as workers with children feel: "I would rather plant one living truth in the heart of the child that will multiply through the ages than scatter a thousand brilliant conceits before a vast audience that will flash like sparks for an instant and, like sparks, disappear forever."

For the girls from twelve to eighteen years of age we have two Girl Reserve Triangles, two piano classes, a choral and dramatic club, an athletic club, and Hi-League. I will mention one outstanding event of this group. In November we put on a Thanksgiving operetta, "On Plymouth Rock." There were forty-two in the cast, and it really was a credit to our young people to stage this delightful little operetta. It was seen by the Supervisor of the Music School Foundation and reported by her to headquarters in New York City as being a big success.

I have a Sunday school class of thirty-five young people who are a source of joy and inspiration. The class has for its name, "Loyal Young People," and for its motto, "Loyalty to Christ." It is indeed a privilege to be with these young people, as they are searching for the great truths of life. I count it a privilege to be a part of all the work at Kingdom House and pray that in everything we do we may, first of all, lift up the Christ, who said: "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

H. L. Robison reports:

H. L. Robison remains in charge of the Boys' Work Department, which has carried approximately two hundred members in sixteen clubs. Music has been allowed its proper place in the boys' work, with the result that each club maintains a definite musical project. A twenty-piece band, an eight-piece orchestra, and a drum and bugle corps are outstanding examples. Piano study is still maintained as well as Glee Club work.

J. T. Anderson, a man motivated by a keen moral background, is in charge of the physical division. Several championship teams have been turned out during the year.

The same faces appear in the ranks of the clubs that have been there for several years, but their countenances are those only worn by boys who feel they have a "hold on life." One of the best groups of volunteer leadership in the city helps to make this possible.

POLYLOT WORK

St. Joseph, Mo.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Florence Blackwell, Head Resident, reports:

In looking back over the year's work we can see many mistakes and many failures, which makes us resolve to make the year before us a better year.

On the whole, it has been a good year. Some changes have been made, and growth is marked in some degree.

The first of the year a half-time local worker was added to the staff, and in September she became a full-time worker.

The supervision of the Day Nursery is a small task, as the woman in charge is so competent and so interested in her task.

The Night School has been smaller than before, as so many foreigners have gone away and no new ones are coming in.

The Mothers' Club is composed of a progressive group of women, always taking advantage of anything that will help them make better homes and better neighbors and friends. A class in nutrition under a Red Cross worker was held. Health athletics practiced. Basket making and other handwork taken up. The members visited in the homes of the sick, made a contribution to the fund for crippled children, paid for a set of reference books for the Wesley House and many other helpful things.

A club for primary and junior boys has been organized, and about twenty of these little boys are practicing many virtues which the club encourages, and character is being built through the various activities of the club.

The Saturday morning Bible School is doing splendid work with a number of volunteer helpers. This runs through the school year and is followed by the Vacation Bible School in June. This was the crowning work of the year. Two hundred and thirty-six boys and girls were enrolled, with an average attendance of 185.

Many lives have been touched and we trust have been given a higher ideal of living. The results we are content to leave with God who gives the increase.

Deaconess Verdie Anderson, Kindergartner and Girls' Club Worker, reports:

Another year has passed, and it has been a short one for me, short because it has been a full one. The kindergarten has been a joy to me, as always. The children, with their bright, responsive faces and eager minds and hearts, challenge me to more earnest efforts in the endeavor to guide them toward the right principles of character building.

The girls in the Health and Happiness Club are becoming healthier and happier. In our recent meetings we have been reading "The Land of Health" to discover how we may become citizens of this land by learning its law.

The tumbling class continues to be the most attractive activity for the younger girls. The Y. W. C. A. Recreation Secretary directs the class every week, and the girls are having the opportunity for wholesome athletics that they would not have otherwise. We have no gymnasium, but must use the kindergarten room, which is inadequate for such classes. Our dream for the future is a well-equipped gymnasium on the third floor of this building.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Wesley Community House

Deaconess Ella K. Bowden, Head Resident, reports:

Last September I came to Fort Worth Wesley House. It gladdened my heart to be again with my "first love," the Mexican people.

The need for more space was evident so the Goodwill Industry, which had been with us for some six or seven years, moved to another location, giving us four additional clubrooms. These were redecorated, and a beautiful dedication service was held.

A Mothers' Club has been organized. We quilt, do fancy hand-work, have musical programs, health and home problem lectures, maintain a loan closet of bed linen for use in the community during sickness. The club served a Mexican supper to the Social Workers' Conference of forty-five people, thus getting our work before other social agencies of the city. Decorations and music were typical.

The city of Fort Worth opened a Used Clothes Depot in the month of November. Wesley House wrote the requisitions and did the investigating for the North Side. Much time was given to this work during the months of November and December. The majority of people investigated and helped were Americans.

Our free clinic does a splendid service in the community. Dr. Lackey is always our one faithful doctor.

The older boys' athletic group has match ball games with the Catholic group here and also in Dallas.

Community play nights are conducted twice a month. Fort Worth Recreation Hall furnishes the game leaders.

Our Mexican Methodist Church, located next door, and an outgrowth of Wesley House, carries on a fine church program. Rev. Felix Soto, the pastor, is a sweet-spirited Christian and has a lovely family, of whom we are very fond. Miss Lucy Boyd, a friend to Wesley House and a volunteer worker since its beginning, is Sunday school Superintendent. For many years she has volunteered as night school-teacher in Wesley House. This year the Public School Board, recognizing the need, has taken over our night-school work and employed Miss Boyd as teacher. One of our young American preachers assists her.

The Executive Board members and Wesley House workers entertained the Methodist ministers and their wives with a Mexican supper. About one hundred people were present, and a most joyous occasion it was! Our presiding elder, Dr. F. P. Culver, made a very warm and impressive speech after having devoured about one dozen *tamales muy calientes*.

Never have I known a greater field for service than this one affords. The days are filled to overflowing. They are happy days, for one feels at the end that burdens have been lifted and joys shared. Yes, there is real joy in service here. A loving, appreciative, responsive people, a capable, consecrated executive board that is a constant source of inspiration to each of us.

Truly, we feel our unworthiness when we consider all God's gracious blessings to us. The people of Fort Worth are continuously doing lovely things for our comfort and pleasure. Our daily prayer is that we may more truly represent the Christ in our daily contacts. We are in love with our work and Fort Worth, "out where the West begins."

Miss Bertha Hogg, Club Worker, reports:

Cooking classes are better organized this year. There are only four things I stress in cooking, and at last the children are beginning

to grasp these facts: (1) Cleanliness as to hands, dishes, cooking utensils, stove, kitchen, tea towels; (2) difference between tea towel and hand towel; (3) importance of notebook work; (4) how to follow a recipe.

Seven of our church friends and one of our own girls help with the sewing. We have the largest group in sewing we have had in several years, and the average attendance is splendid.

A student from Texas Woman's College teaches a class in expression.

One of the accompanists of the Fort Worth Conservatory gives piano lessons to a group of children.

Mrs. Earl H. Downs still directs the Choral Club, which continues to form our church choir and which helps out in all our special musical numbers.

Young People's Orchestra is still doing its bit in a musical way.

Little Boys' Club has a capable leader, who gives them manual training.

Miss Laura Stillwell, Kindergartner, reports:

"Up to me sweet childhood looketh,
Heart and mind and soul awake:
Teach me of thy ways, O father,
For sweet childhood's sake."

It has been a great joy to get back into kindergarten work again after my year in charge of a Day Nursery. I wondered if I could love Mexicans after loving Cubans in Tampa and my babies of mill mothers in Columbus, Ga., so much. Yes, indeed, I do; and find myself more interested every day in the little ones in my care and also in the lives of the big folks here.

I have enrolled forty children since September 15, 1930. Seven were promoted to first grade February 4, 1931. I now have twenty-three on roll, with an average attendance of eighteen. Our rhythm band is quite well known in Fort Worth, and so we are requested to play more times than we can go. The little folks look so sweet in their white and blue uniforms. Our band leader has started to school, and he says his brother in kindergarten cannot take his place because he will go to sleep when we go out to play. Louis usually does go to sleep, but I am hoping the incentive of being band director will keep him awake.

The Polytechnic Sunday school classes gave us a large fruit shower at Thanksgiving time. Santa Claus came to see us all after our Wesley House program.

Our Mission Board pays for milk and crackers for our lunch in kindergarten, so I get the wonderful opportunity of training in washing hands, acting properly at the table, and teaching the saying of grace.

I have the young people's class in our Mexican Sunday school and help with the League all I can. I secured admittance into the Fort Worth District League Union for our Mexican League, and try whenever possible to grant requests to put on programs in other Leagues, as we want our American young people interested in our work here.

RURAL WORK

Mashulaville, North Mississippi Conference

Deaconess Dora Hoover reports:

During the year 1930, there has been substantial development of the work on the Mashulaville charge.

A new brick veneer church, with Sunday school rooms, has been erected on a lot adjoining the high school of this community. The Woman's Missionary Society of this Church has contributed more than two hundred dollars for the new church and will continue to contribute until the indebtedness is paid.

The Missionary Society and the Epworth League of another Church on the charge have purchased chairs for the pulpit, a table, window shades, and classroom curtains. These were paid for by hens and an acre of Church cotton. We have secured a Sunday school library for this Church also.

There is a Missionary Society in every Church on the charge and an Epworth Junior Society in four Churches.

There are three full-time Sunday schools and three full-time Epworth Leagues.

Our people love to read, and we greatly desire a good Sunday school library in each Church.

The four high schools within the bounds of this charge are doing good work.

There are still many children who are in no Sunday school. Many of these we hope to reach.

Our new Ford has helped much in the work. It has undergone hardships over bad roads, but it seems not to be impaired.

We were privileged to send two of our young women to Scarritt College for a summer course in Rural Work.

The need is still great here. All Sunday schools and Missionary Societies are small, and many of our people are still unreached.

Aberdeen District, North Mississippi Conference

Deaconess Ethel Cunningham reports:

My report is an expression of appreciation for those who have made possible this rural work—for the Board that financed and prayed for it—for the hearty coöperation of the presiding elder and the pastors of the twenty circuits, and last but not least for the women of the seventeen Churches who have responded to the Master's call, organized, and carried forward Missionary Societies and of the four Churches which have revived their societies.

We especially appreciate those who put on the thirteen Daily Vacation Bible Schools. They had had no experience in that special work but willingly accepted plans and literature from our larger Sunday schools and did some splendid work.

The leaders who have been going forward with our five new children's Missionary Societies will receive their reward as they are doing our most important work.

Four Leagues have been organized and are doing good work.

We appreciate the privilege of sending Miss Ruth West to Scarritt last summer. It is good to know that a number of our girls would like to have had that opportunity. She is hoping to take the full course as soon as possible. She helped organize and conduct a Sunday school in one of our most needy circuits until the roads became impassable. At this place one woman is willing to hold their Missionary Society by paying her dues and studying alone until the roads will permit them to get together.

In only one of our Churches have we been unable to secure teachers for adults or young people, even after the Training School. We held a Sunday school there for ten weeks. About thirty adults and young people were in my class. I went to the school and played with the children to try to interest them in coming, but they could not get their parents to bring them. I regretted to give up this work, as I could

get no one to carry it on, but when the Board said, "Get over the district," it had to be closed. By that time spring had come and the Baptists reopened one in the community. Having failed to get them to come with us, we were glad to have ours go to them. While I was with them I helped them a little with the stewardship play, "Thanksgiving Ann." They put it on alone and took up a freewill offering for missions. That play has created quite an interest in any number of our new Missionary Societies.

I asked our presiding elder about organizing one of our Churches that had had no services for two years. As he said it could not be done, we started a Sunday school, which they had not had for ten years. We secured a superintendent and four teachers. I helped them with "The Small Sunday School," and all ten who took the course received credit for it. After this they came to preaching. Four of them united with the Church. One day last summer one of their stewards walked over eight miles in the hottest sunshine to make sure his quarterage was in on time. They took quite an interest in getting their windows and a drum heater in their church ready for a Christmas program and tree. Their average Sunday school attendance is about twenty. They organized a Missionary Society and started out by pounding their pastor.

Of the six Missionary Societies organized last year five are on the Honor Roll, the other has done good work. Most of our new Missionary Societies are very small, but the leading one shows what can be done in a strictly rural Church. They stopped their busy June work to organize. Since then they have completed the twelve months' work and are on the Honor Roll with thirteen paid-up members. At the same time this Church, Salem, organized a League with thirty members, and now they have seventy with splendid attendance and are doing excellent work.

We thank God for what the stronger Missionary Societies of Aberdeen District have made possible.

Helena District, North Arkansas Conference

Deaconess Jessie Mae Byers, Rural Worker, reports:

In going about over the district as I have done for the past year, I have found situations which I never dreamed existed in the United States, a country so-called Christian.

There are people living in Arkansas who have never heard the gospel. Children living within three miles of a Sunday school have never attended one Sunday school session. They have never gone to public school a day in their lives.

We find ignorance and poverty very prevalent. In our work we have given literature, both religious and secular, to large numbers. We have given clothing, food, and medical care to several who were in need.

These sights have been sad, and yet it has been a joy to know that we can share the privileges which have been ours and help to extend the kingdom of God.

Lake Charles District, Louisiana Conference

Deaconess Ora Hooper reports:

Come, friends, with me to see this memory-painted scene of last year's work, the picture of deeds and "might have beens." Perhaps you'll say, the background was painted once before, but look! The canvas rolls back to show you vastly more. Off there amid the sunshine of pine hills, woods, and creeks, see all that was accomplished

the first glad, busy weeks. The bright hues, how they gladden your worker's heart, but the darker spots and shadows, alas! too well she sees. But seeking skill and guidance from Him who is ever near, to guide the faltering fingers, why should one ever fear? Just pray, plan, and work for a picture brighter still, for faith plus perseverance and trust bring added skill. See farther on the prairies, with bayous threading through, the waving rice fields, prosperous farms, and needy tenants too. There also has been planted the seed of our great work. There, too, are found brave Christians, who help and never shirk, and to your worker's efforts lend friendship, timely aid, and staunch support in every trial.

Shall I the full, true meaning of this picture bring to you? A few brief words will solve it, and then, Christian friends, I'm through. The bright blue of the sky represents the Council and Conference, because these support the worker. The blue of the streams represent the district, zone, auxiliary, and Gibson work because they give refreshing aid to the young people and children, as represented by the beautiful rose and red flowers in the picture. Purple blooms are other organizations assisted; yellow ripe grain is relief and care for the sick. Beautiful white lilies in the stream are advances in the cause of world peace. The bright green of the trees are revivals assisted, and the healthy grass is typical of study courses taught and talks given. Golden tints in the picture are Christian literature distributed to arouse greater interest and expand horizons as well as create missionary mindedness.

The darker spots and shadows are things begun but not completed. Every picture has its shadows, because there is always much more to be accomplished. It is the prayer of your worker that with God's help she may brighten these darker spots, thus aiding the kingdom extension movement. Realizing that "all things are possible with God," your worker continues to attempt the impossible in his strength.

Eller's Chapel Community, Louisville Conference

Deaconess Brooksie Davenport, Rural Worker, reports:

It is with gratitude that I look upon the labors of the year 1930, for it has been a preparation for better things and greater work among the people of this community and district.

Since our revival last summer we have an organized Church with ninety-six members. Four of our young people are helping with the Sunday school work. Fifteen will serve on Epworth League programs. Our League was organized since the revival, and there are over fifty present each Sunday night. We have an average attendance of seventy-five at the weekly prayer meeting service. A great spiritual hunger among the people is evident.

Our night services have been closed for January and February on account of the difficulty I have of securing some one to go out with me at night in cold weather.

The Churches of the district have purchased a house and lot near the church for the residence and use of the deaconess, and as soon as the house is repaired and furnished I will live among the people with whom I work and will surely have opportunities for greater service.

Our Sunday school had a special day the first Sunday in November, and several members are trying to have a perfect attendance record for the year. We have an interested group of girls in a Girl Reserve club and eighteen boys and girls in a 4-H Club. We are glad to get a club started in this community, and when a boy or girl wants to become a member and wants something all his or her own to do,

it is necessary sometimes to introduce another project. We have tobacco growing, chicken and turkey raising, sewing, and canning. All of our members who have a spot of land large enough are interested in tobacco this year. This is probably due to the fact that our county tobacco rated highest on the Lexington market last year, Lexington being the biggest loose-leaf tobacco market in the world.

There are one hundred and sixty-eight children in my community between the ages of six and fourteen years, and many of them have never gone to school or Sunday school. I am glad to say there are not as many on this list as there were a year ago. Many of the parents cannot read or write. There is not a high-school graduate in the community and not a dozen people who have as much as an eighth-grade education. We have a two-room school building and two teachers. The school was too large this year for a two-teacher school, so we are working now for more room and another teacher.

The number using our Sunday school library is increasing every week. We began this library over a year ago by collecting books and securing subscriptions to magazines through the Conference Supply Department, and we now have a hundred and eighty-eight books and subscriptions to ten magazines and papers.

More work has been done this year on the church lot. Looking back over the first three months of this year, we remember entering the church building through deep mud, but now we have a cement walk from the pike to both doors. The foundation of our building was being unearthed by the flow of water under and around it. This has been stopped, and rock and brush have been placed so that now the places are filling up instead of getting deeper. These people do not have money, but they give liberally of their time.

Last year we had a very worth-while Daily Vacation Bible School, and several pastors of other charges have asked for help with one this year.

Our only form of recreation so far has been Epworth League and Sunday school picnics. We have no place for indoor recreation.

I have been making definite effort to improve the health of our community. Many visits have been made in order that the people might know about the different clinics that were being held for their benefit. We have several crippled children and several cases of tuberculosis. I have been able to secure the help of the county nurse several times in giving baths to the sick and changing their beds. We have a small linen closet furnished by the Missionary Societies for use in the homes of the poor people during sickness. A Red Cross Chapter was organized in the county last fall and has been a great help in many ways. I have made over a thousand visits and taken hundreds of magazines and Christian papers into the homes.

One of the tasks of a deaconess is to interpret her community to the people outside. I have a number of opportunities for doing that this year, as I have spoken at the District Conference, the district meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society zone meetings, the annual meeting of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society, and all of the District Sunday School Institutes.

I feel that much has been accomplished this year, although not as much as there are opportunities in this community. God is directing the work, and there are many needs yet which can only be met gradually. I have followed the guidance of the Master and feel that I have been able to do some work for him in this year that has just closed.

Marietta District, North Georgia Conference

Miss Bert Winter, Rural Worker, reports:

My appointment last year by the Rural Committee was to the Holbrook Circuit, Marietta District, with headquarters in the circuit as pastor's assistant and special worker in the district. This gave an opportunity of putting over an entire years program in a circuit of five Churches.

The pastor and I called the officials of each Church together and put the plan of the year's work before them. We tried to put every one to work, which met with great response.

We organized everything that needed it, which was one Sunday school, three Leagues, and four Missionary Societies. The study course was presented with the help of the people in every Church and resulted in an increased interest and collection. A League institute was held. A Daily Vacation Bible School, with seventy-five enrolled, proved most helpful. Some Sunday school rooms were built, and a Cokesbury School for the circuit was taught by the Conference Extension Secretary.

In July we entertained the District Conference at our camp ground, feeding five hundred each day and caring for seventy-five in our homes at night. The evening service was for young people, and a loving cup was awarded for best attendance, resulting in a thousand being present, five hundred of them being from our circuit. Our revivals were good, resulting in forty additions to the Church.

Three of our Missionary Societies had credit classes on the study book, "India." The crop failures in collections were met by proceeds from the "hen" and "cow" almost in full. The dead Church on the circuit became the leading Church with a good League and Sunday school and was the first to pay out everything in full.

The special work in the district was to assist eight pastors in their circuits with study classes, teacher-training work, organizations, etc., including relief work, getting patients into hospitals, securing nurses, community clubs, helping with prize-winning booths at the county fairs, coaching of plays for extras, League socials, conducting of chapel services in the schools, circulating good reading matter over the communities, helping to renovate the parsonage, holding funerals, and the visiting at all times when not otherwise busy. The opportunities for real service is unlimited in the rural work. The love and deep appreciation of these blessed people make it a joy to serve and constantly remind one of his inability to meet this great need.

Mount Vernon, Ala.—Cajan Rural Work

Deaconess Obra Rogers reports:

The newest mission work of our Church, that among the Indian Cajans of Southern Alabama, has presented much of problems and of joy. My mere presence on the field would have meant something. It has helped, in a small way to be sure, to break down isolation barriers and to establish better attitudes on the part of Cajans to people on the outside. It has given the people hope and awakened ambition. These first months have been months of establishment of the worker in the lives of the people and of study of the situation through survey and visitation.

Byrd Settlement was chosen as the center of the work. In this community I have helped with the Sunday school, the League, and the Church. I have sought to give the people some wholesome recreation. Baseball has become an established thing. The game has helped noticeably with the drinking problem. Parties with simple

programs have been fostered. An adult school meeting at night has been carried on.

There has been no definite health program, but visits to the sick have been opportunities of health lessons. The County Health nurses have not been able to give much of their services because of the inaccessibility of the people and the large territory that they must attempt to minister to. Visitation in the homes has been, no doubt, the greatest help in the work. In the homes new and better methods of cookery have been suggested and demonstrated. The worker has been much gratified at the results. Much recreation has been centered in the homes in the form of candy-making parties. Relief has been given to only two families.

The worker has visited the public schools regularly to discover conditions there and to cooperate with the teachers wherever possible. Definite work has been carried on through the County Agent.

The work centralized in Byrd Settlement has reached out to the adjacent communities—namely, Shady Grove, Pleasant Grove, and Reed's Chapel. The worker has given definite service in these communities. I have found the people of these communities appreciative and receptive. This work so providentially started must be continued.

Grider, Ky., Louisville Conference

Deaconess Mae C. Sells reports:

A new experiment was carried out in Grider this year, and this was the approach to the rural community through the public schools. It was agreed that I should be released for the time of the school session and be one of the community as a teacher. Accordingly, I applied for and was given the position of principal of Martha Washington School, a small three-teacher school between Waterview and Grider. It is, however, the only consolidated school within the county and the only one of the county schools which has three teachers. The setting for this experiment was very favorable, since the county superintendent was an earnest, enthusiastic young man of high educational ideals, and since both of the assistant teachers elected for Martha Washington were Christians, good teachers, eager for the success of the school, and, perhaps best of all, possessed of a very coöperative spirit.

Material accomplishments are always more easily estimated, so let us consider them first. In the way of school improvement and equipment, the blackboards in all of the rooms were refinished and framed with the molding around them and the chalk-troughs beneath them. The county furnished the material for re-slating the boards, the school bought the necessary lumber, and the teachers did the work outside of school hours. Through the county, new patent desks were secured for one room; and under the supervision of the teacher, the upper-grade children assembled and screwed these desks firmly together and screwed them to the floor. This was early in the year, but not one had been whittled on when the school closed. Through the P. T. A., a gravel driveway was constructed into the school grounds and a concrete walk built to the schoolhouse, which required two sets of concrete steps of about twelve steps each. About two-thirds of the cement was bought by the school and the remainder by the county. An iron pipe handrail was built into the set of steps which led up to the schoolhouse. All of the above required a great deal of work, which, with the exception of two days' labor by one man, was donated jointly by the men and larger boys of the community and, through the generous permission of the supervisors, the roadmen with their truck. You will at once note the opportunities for coöperative effort which all

these enterprises furnished and the possibilities afforded for the development of community spirit.

In the way of neighborhood social meetings, the two outstanding events of the year were the box supper at the beginning of school and the program at Christmas. About five hundred people attended each of these events. The box supper was largely for the purpose of obtaining funds, with entertainment as a side issue, and it was considered the most successful one that had ever been held there. The Christmas program was held at the Grider chapel in order to accommodate a larger crowd, but it was as hopelessly crowded as the schoolhouse had been formerly. It is perhaps needless to say that, although there was a community Christmas tree too, the religious note was dominant in this program, which dramatized the origin of Christmas and then portrayed something of the historical development of the day. Soon after school opened a Parent Teacher Association was organized, which held six meetings during the year. School programs formed a part of these meetings, and others were held at Thanksgiving and at the close of school. The average attendance of the P. T. A. meetings was about sixty.

In the way of health work, since it was a dry season and an epidemic of typhoid was feared throughout the State, a specimen of the school drinking water was sent to the State laboratories for examination and a clinic was held (two doctors donated their services, and one of the teachers and one of the older girls took the part of nurses), during which about ninety-eight children were given the typhoid shots. This clinic served as an opening wedge which resulted in the county paying the doctors for holding such clinics in every school in the county.

Things such as these may easily be seen and their value estimated, but who can judge of the effect of awakening a new interest, or of setting at work a new influence in the development of the character of children? It is always true that the most worth-while work we do can never be seen nor estimated with the frail eyes of mortality. The new interests which we stressed through our curricular activities were those of literature, art, music, nature study, and handcraft. Some books already belonged to the school, and, in addition to these, a traveling library was secured from the State Library Commission at Frankfort for use during the year. Story-telling, as usual, was popular. Art classes were carried on in two of the rooms, open to those who had a natural interest in drawing. The nature study was not done in classes at all, but through individual and group conversations, experiments, and observations. In music, many of the children possessed a real ability and progressed rapidly in singing. A victrola was donated from Louisville, and a rhythm band was organized with the following instruments: rhythm sticks, jingle sticks, Indian rattles, triangles, bells, drums, and tambourines. The victrola and the band were both used in teaching folk games and plays, which were given in various programs. Both our older boys' and girls' chorus and our chorus of younger boys and girls won the first prize at the county fair.

Incidentally, our children participated in over forty entries at the fair, and Martha Washington was awarded the prize offered to the school whose children won the greatest number of points. We feel that this is a fair indication as to whether the children suffered in their regular work by the addition of new interests and activities.

Athletics could not be called a new interest, since both boys' and girls' basket ball teams were already organized and functioning, and since the majority of the children had already developed fair ability

in playing group games. This work was continued and encouraged throughout the year.

Of all the new interests, handcraft seemed to be the one which possessed the widest appeal and aroused the greatest enthusiasm. Projects were undertaken successively in paper, cardboard, sewing, and woodwork. The woodwork was the most popular, and some of the students made exceptional progress in their skill in making attractive articles. All of the work was kept until the end of school and an exhibition put on for the benefit of the parents on the day of the closing program.

The coöperation of the entire community in all of the work of the school was noteworthy.

The apparent success of this experiment would indicate that a great opportunity lies open to us to afford to rural districts a measure of trained, interested leadership through the medium of the public schools, and that this leadership may become effective in leading the way toward providing for the youth of our land that environment which shall best stimulate the abilities with which God has endowed them, and so develop their strength of character that it will become possible for them to "press on, if so be (they) may lay hold on that for which also (they were) laid hold on by Christ Jesus."

Camden District, Little Rock Conference

Deaconess Willie May Porter reports:

I rejoice greatly in the privileges and opportunities which have been mine during the past year. Our constant prayer is for wisdom, guidance, and strength. This morning the feeling of glad accomplishment is ours with exaltation in our faith that this year's achievements will help to bring greater and better realizations next year.

Our work is varied and interesting. I am mission study leader in two adult missionary society auxiliaries. Both auxiliaries met the study requirements this year. We have three Bible study groups, composed of women in different camps. I worked continuously with the first group for over two years. It has become a strong organization, so that now I only visit it occasionally. The second group was organized last October and is fast becoming well established. The third group only started its work recently.

We still have charge of the Nursery and Beginner-Primary Departments of the little Camp Sunday School. The attendance is more than three times as much as it was three years ago, but there are enough people in the surrounding communities for the attendance to triple again.

The five groups mentioned above are in five different camps. I have tried to get the mothers interested in child study, but nothing definite has been accomplished except in the first Bible group. For more than a year we have had one meeting each quarter devoted to child study, and the last week in March, 1931, we are to have an intensive study, when we shall meet for one hour each afternoon of the week. We have had only one child study hour with the second Bible group, but we think that this has paved the way for more. Through the women of the two missionary societies, in coöperation with the Sunday schools of the two Churches, we have made a beginning which we trust will result in a well-organized P. T. A. in each Church. We have had several interesting studies with the mothers of the children of our Nursery and Beginner-Primary Departments in the Sunday school. The magazine, *Childhood Guidance in Christian Living*, has been very helpful to us in our child study.

Each Sunday afternoon I have a story hour with a group of from

fifteen to twenty children, ranging in ages from four to fourteen, who do not go to Sunday school.

Last summer, with the assistance of Misses Mae Wess Bell and Norene Robkin, of Scarritt College, and two high-school girls from one of the oil camps, we held three Daily Vacation Schools. In two other places we assisted the women of the Churches in putting on their schools. Each school was voted a success.

We have done much work with families and individuals. Some of it came last May when many families were driven from their homes by flood, and a great deal of it has come since the drought and so much unemployment.

The two cases which interest me most, however, are not the results of flood, drought, or unemployment. One is that of a Chinese family, consisting of the father, mother, and little seven-year-old daughter. When the little girl started to public school she went through the usual hardships of being called a "Chink," etc. The primary teacher, Miss Fannie Alexander, and I worked hard to overcome these difficulties. We felt fully repaid a few weeks ago when the child remarked: "I believe everybody in school loves me." She goes to Sunday school with me, but the father and mother take no steps toward Christianity. The second family is composed of the father and mother and eight children, living in a squalid two-room shack with squalid surroundings. Since we started visiting them last October, we see much improvement. The shack is a little cleaner, two rooms have been added, all of the children go to Sunday school, and the mother has joined the Church and the Woman's Missionary Society.

This is a report of *my* work, but it could not be possible without the wonderful help which I receive from the people of the camps in which I work and the women of the local Mission Board and the Churches which they represent.

I am thankful for all. May the Lord add his blessings to the work.

Cario, Ga., South Georgia Conference

Miss Bessie Miller reports:

It is a glorious privilege to serve the One who has done so much for me in any field, but I am so glad that he has led me into the scattered areas of his vineyard. Here I have indeed found that "the harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few."

Since beginning work in South Georgia in October I have driven between seven and eight thousand miles doing the work of cultivation and organization. A great deal of visiting has, of course, been necessary, and then I have met with local auxiliaries, attended zone meetings, the Conference executive meetings, organized twelve adult societies and six junior groups. Also, feeling that if I am to make any real contribution to the religious life of the community I must help to develop the entire program of the Church, I have assisted in the organization of Epworth Leagues, led the prayer meeting, and attended both Annual and Quarterly Conferences and stewards' meetings. In the last of these groups I was, in one instance, influential in the establishment of a better system of raising the finances of the Church and, at another time, in the increasing of the salary of the pastor for another year. Pastors and presiding elders have, by their hearty coöperation, opened up a field for service before the vastness of which I feel my helplessness.

At present I am working three districts, trying to keep alive work already begun in two, while I cultivate and set up new organizations in the third.

Realizing the needs of the rural Church in our all-American and

almost all-rural South Georgia, and remembering that we are bidden to "go into the highways and hedges" from whence have come the nation's leaders in all phases of life, I can ask no better at the hands of the Council or of my blessed Master than to be permitted to continue my efforts in this field.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tucson, Ariz.—Southern Methodist Hospital and Sanatorium

Deaconess Lexie Vivian reports:

I have failed in the realization of some of my cherished hopes and plans for 1930, still it has been a blessed privilege to have ministered to our friends in the Southern Methodist Hospital and Sanatorium. Even the visible results have been very gratifying, to say nothing of those results known only to him whose colaborer we are.

There has been a marked change in the spirit permeating the sanatorium. Nurses, patients, and deaconess now comprise a large family, most of whose members coöperate beautifully in making our sanatorium just as much like a Christian home as it is possible for an institution to be homelike.

For the past three months we have been having a short vesper service each Sunday evening for all patients who are able to attend. These quiet times together for holy things have been the outstanding event of the week's calendar from the beginning. The patients appreciate the fact that busy ministers are willing to give them a portion of their full Sundays. The helpful and optimistic messages seem to be the general topic for discussion all through each week.

Each new morn brings opportunities for personal visitation with the patients, and this is when the deaconess does her best work; strengthening and encouraging those who are Christians and introducing Christ to the unbelievers. Many Bibles and tracts are distributed. Reading from the Scriptures and praying with those who are interested never fails to bring deep joy to this deaconess, and this service is appreciated in almost every instance.

A piano, secured just before the Christmas holidays, has contributed to the social life of the patients as well as to the effectiveness of the vesper services. The musical people of Tucson are always willing to give of their time and talent to entertain the sick of their city.

Just living among these fine young people, ministering to their many needs, is a privilege I covet for many of our workers, and it certainly is a field of great possibilities. There is much sadness here, but more gladness as one goes about driving away the despair and gloom from others' lives. And always he walks with us, reassuring us ever that "my grace is sufficient for thee."

Dallas, Tex.—Virginia K. Johnson Home and Training School

Miss Mary L. Freeman, Superintendent, reports:

The year 1930 brought to the workers of the Virginia K. Johnson Home an opportunity to rekindle hope in the hearts of sixty-nine girls who came to us discouraged and often near the verge of despair; twenty-four babies were placed in thoroughly investigated Christian homes; constructive plans in every department developed in a manner that brought pleasing results. Considering everything, we had a very satisfactory year.

The Woman's Missionary Council at Amarillo in March and General Conference in Dallas in May brought many welcome visitors to

the Home from all Southern Methodism. We gladly received them at all hours of the day.

Miss Alma Pitts, R.N., and Miss Iva Lou Matkin, Secretary, came as coworkers in August. Both have added new life, and sharing tasks with them has brought new encouragement. Miss Pitts succeeded Deaconess Vogel, who is having a furlough year; Miss Matkin is filling a long felt need as Secretary.

Besides the regular duties required of me, it has been my privilege to present this work to several groups of missionary women in Dallas and other towns in an effort to cultivate a clearer knowledge and better understanding of our aims. While my personal duties are many and varied, the effort is well worth while, and the labor is given in love with the hope that all things may be solved in the spirit of Jesus.

Deaconess Susie Teel reports:

Through the year there have been in the high-school department some forty-nine girls. Thirty-six began the fall term; some have gone and others have come, so that at the present the enrollment is sixty. Three S. M. U. practice teachers and Miss Emily Dorsey assisted in the teaching in the fall term, and two others are assisting this spring. It is most encouraging to see increased interest among the pupils. This is particularly so in regard to the Bible. We are studying the Bible by books and memorizing it by chapters. Each week a selected chapter or passage from the Bible and a poem are memorized, and with only a few exceptions the response is universal. Such committing to memory of the Word of God and choice poems is bound to bear fruit in character and service through the years.

Besides the regular high-school work, I direct the personal sewing of the girls (except the uniforms), the making of household linens and embroidery work, as well as the gift making at Christmas time. All of this work is filled with joy, not so much for the sake of the work itself as because of the realization that it is but an aid to the accomplishment of the greater task I share here. I rejoice, not so much that the pupils try to do the lessons assigned them, but rather that day by day I am able to trace the growth of this life and that in the school of Christ.

But who is able to do the rare thing of summing up in a few terse sentences the aspirations, the struggles, the hopes and despairs, the defeats and victories of a whole year? While it is good to acknowledge that the year has witnessed some dreams fulfilled and some prayers answered, I must still say with Browning:

"Ah, but a man's reach should exceed his grasp,
Or what's a heaven for?"

And it is good to labor with a group who, in their strivings for their own soul's development as well as that for others, would join with me in responding to that same poet's words:

"What hand and brain went ever paired?
What heart alike conceived and dared?
What act proved all its thought had been?
What will but felt the fleshly screen?"

Miss J. Bess McLain reports:

The program of the grade school department during 1930 was, as usual, a full one. Besides the fifth, sixth, and seventh grades and two first-grade pupils, I have been teaching Bible, directing sewing

and manual arts, and stressing memory work, which has proven not only interesting to the girls, but entirely worth while. During the year we also had a short course in home improvement, taught by Miss Ruth Clark, County Home Demonstrator, after which Miss Freeman, our Superintendent, gave us the privilege of working out our theories in a practical way. We took as our project a guest room, painting woodwork, furniture, floor, and furniture. The accessories were all "manufactured" by the girls from remnants and apparently worthless objects, transformed by paint, dye, etc., into pretty useful things that perfectly harmonize with the color scheme of orchid and green, making a most attractive room. The girls did all the work, which they thoroughly enjoyed, and are justly proud of "our room."

In addition to the above, I substitute in Sunday school, Epworth League, and kitchen, take my turn at prayer meeting, church, office duty, and weekly entertainments, and the various other duties we are called upon to share. It is an undisputed fact, of course, that character cannot be built by a program of teaching and work, but these, coupled with the sincere prayers of teachers and friends, can bring about great results. Therefore, I am asking that a part of your daily quiet hour be spent in the interest of Virginia Johnson Home, for I believe with Tennyson:

"... More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of, wherefore let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me night and day.
For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer
Both for themselves and those who call them friend?
For so the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

Deaconess Iva Lou Matkin reports:

Since I came to Virginia Johnson Home a few months ago my work has been that of gathering together bits of secretarial, bookkeeping, and general office work, and duties that had been taken on by the other workers in addition to their regular full-time tasks. I have found that there is enough of them to keep this additional worker very busy, with keeping the financial books, the record files, carrying on the correspondence of the Home, and acknowledging receipt of the numerous donations. In addition to this office work, I have charge of the Epworth League, take my turn in weekly entertaining, in morning devotions, in prayer meeting and church supervision, in keeping study hall, and teaching a class in practical sewing. A great many of our girls have their ambitions aroused to the point that they are anxious to go on to school when they leave us, and so one of my interests is in finding schools that they can enter and can afford, so that they can further equip themselves for life. But I believe that if I were to pick out the one thing that has brought me the most pleasure of all my duties, it would be the work with the girls of the League on the Christmas pageant which we arranged, rehearsed, and presented before the faculty and a few guests during the holidays. To watch the development of Christian character in those who knew not Christ and the renewal of courage in those who have met almost crushing despair, is interesting, and to help in it is a privilege.

Miss Alma Pitts, Registered Nurse, reports:

Since August 1, 1930, the hospital work has been fair. While we keep busy most of the time, the general health of the household is good.

Miss Nora Pafford reports:

A review of the year 1930 in the work of this Home brings to our hearts a deep feeling of gratitude to the Heavenly Father for his un-failing goodness to us.

There has been "bread enough and to spare." Very little serious illness has come to the household, and the spirit of helpfulness, contentment, and good cheer has been decidedly shown by the girls of the student body.

Satisfactory progress has been made in the department of outside work, with much more yet to be done in the coming months. The work of Mr. Berry our energetic farm man, has resulted in increased production from the eighteen-acre farm. Fresh vegetables from the garden were on our tables from April to December. The orchard yielded and abundance of peaches in season, and several hundred containers of vegetables and fruit were put away for winter use.

Valuable assistance in the canning program was given by Miss Clark, Home Demonstration Agent, and many of the girls learned how to do the work well.

Successive plantings of pasture and feed crops for the cows have increased the supply of milk and butter, and fresh eggs and many a chicken dinner have come from our own poultry yard. The flower garden, too, has flourished, and cut flowers have brightened our surroundings throughout the year. Several nice donations of shrubs, plants, and seeds have come from interested friends. Many of the girls, as well as their director, get real pleasure from caring for the flowers and poultry and having a part in the garden work.

Sunday morning brings us a different form of service, which is shared by teacher and girls. In the Sunday school we have tried successfully the plan of having each girl take her turn at leading the devotional service, thus training the girls and leaving the teacher fresh for the lesson period. As we face those nearly forty girls and try to teach them His Word, along with the burden of responsibility, there comes a thrill a joy for the message of a Christ who can blot out the past, cleanse sinful hearts, and make new and beautiful young lives that have been broken and wrecked by sin. No gospel less complete would suffice for the work of the Virginia K. Johnson Home.

Mrs. Eva Watts reports:

I am grateful for the privilege of work and service another year in the Virginia K. Johnson Home. We found joy in giving as well as receiving this Christmas season. Again we are so thankful for the forty-five boxes of fruit and vegetables and the several cases of eggs received during the year. They have been a wonderful help. During the summer months we canned corn, beans, tomatoes, okra, peaches, beets, and cucumbers raised on the farm, some five or six hundred jars. Each day found us busy from morning until night, happy in the thought of filling our pantry with winter supplies.

Each month as new girls come into my department it is very interesting teaching them to cook and serve, always using the strictest economy in everything. Many lasting friendships have been formed, and as dear Mother Johnson always says: "The Lord has been good to us in many ways during 1930."

"I have shewed you all things how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Kansas City, Mo.—The Thomas M. Spofford Receiving Home for Children

Deaconess Emma Burton and Deaconess Blanche H. White

In our new type of work this is a Study Home, and we are attempting to deal with children in need of special help in the field of behavior disorders—that is, the maladjusted or misfit child. We take neither defective nor delinquent children. Most of them come to us because there is some question in regard to their future care and training. This may be caused by sickness, death, or separation in the home, or it may be because of some less concrete reason. Because of lack of understanding of the child, irregularities in the home life, or for many other reasons, a child may have been unable to adjust to school, society, or his home. It is our work to discover the cause of his maladjustment, to counteract it in our Home, and to make a plan for his future which will enable him to go out into the world equipped for a happy, useful life. The children come to us from their parents, relatives, friends, school authorities, children's organizations, social agencies, and the mental hygiene society. Almost without exception they come from broken homes. The charge for their care is based on the family resources. However, it is sometimes necessary to admit a child without compensation. When an application is received, our social case worker makes a thorough investigation of the entire situation and makes contacts with all the people who can help us in any way to understand the child. When this is finished, there is a careful physical examination, which includes a blood test, etc. We employ a pediatrician, who makes this examination. He also comes to the Home as often as is necessary, or the children are taken to his office. Health habits are stressed, and the slightest ailment receives immediate attention. Each child is given two routine physical examinations a year, and any physical defect is remedied through his care or the help of the various clinics. They are also taken to the dentist twice a year, and every child is taken to the oculist soon after he enters the Home. If glasses are needed, they are supplied through the Junior Red Cross.

The psychologist who gives the intelligence tests to the Kansas City public-school children tests each child before admittance to our Home. The Board of Education provides an especially trained teacher for the first to the fourth grades. This gives our children the individual attention which many of them need. The ones who are above the fourth grade go out to school.

The capacity of the Home is twenty-four children, twelve boys and twelve girls. We have an experienced supervisor for each group, and they alternate in watching the children on the playground; however, they do have some free play. Parties, picnics, and other pleasures are arranged for them from time to time. The dietitian plans the diet of the Home to meet the needs of each child, especially any who may be underweight when they enter—they never remain so after they have been with us for a while. She also supervises their duty work in the Home.

We employ a psychiatrist, who comes to our staff meetings one morning each week. We discuss our special problems with him, and he advises methods of treatment; he also gives each child a psychiatric interview when necessary.

All of our children attend Sunday school in a group, and each morning there is a time set apart for a short devotional service; at night Bible stories and character building stories are told before their prayers are heard and they are "tucked in" for the night. On Sunday afternoon a short vesper service is conducted.

Institutional life is not considered the best thing for any child over a long period of time, so we have a Foster Home Department. When a child is ready to go out from Spofford Home, our social case worker investigates applications from people who wish to take children into their homes. Where possible and wise, a child is returned to his own home; but if this cannot be done, a foster home is used. Sometimes it is a free home where philanthropic people want a child but do not want to adopt him, while others may want to give an older child a home in exchange for the help he may be able to give before and after school, or sometimes it is a boarding home where people who love children will take one or two for a very small amount to cover the cost of his food, while others want to adopt children for their very own. We hold high ideals for our foster homes; they must be Christian and law-abiding. Foster parents must have some understanding of child nature and be open-minded in modern methods of child training. The social case worker supervises the foster home work—she tries to fit the home to child and the child to the home, then she stands ready to help both in any way she can. The foster home children attend the public schools and receive the same medical attention as when in the Home.

In these ways and in many others the life of the child is rounded out, and he is made happier and more helpful as well as prepared for his adult life. We find the work very interesting; there are opportunities for us to grow as well as for the children to be helped.

We are greatly in need of a new building, but we do not have the necessary funds. However, we are praying our Heavenly Father to make it possible for us to have one in the near future.

Greeneville, Tenn.—Holston Orphanage

"In the heart of a child is the kingdom of God."

Another year at Holston Orphanage, and I thank my Heavenly Father that he has given me a part in the work of trying to save and train a great body of helpless children of the world so that the kingdom may grow and blossom into beauty and usefulness.

The drought last summer cut short our garden vegetation and crops, and the same condition, or even worse, prevailed throughout our Conference; so our income was somewhat decreased, but we are still caring for our maximum number of children—two hundred.

In October our dairy barn was completely destroyed by fire. About fifty per cent of the loss was covered by insurance. A number of voluntary gifts supplemented this amount, and in a short time we had built a splendid new barn.

The annual outing to the Orphanage Camp, about twelve miles from Greeneville, is always anticipated with a great deal of joy, and last summer was no exception. Picking berries, wading the spring branch, climbing trees, and playing beneath their shade, living in "God's great out-of-doors" at the foot of a beautiful mountain means much in the lives of our boys and girls, and the big-hearted men who made possible this camp have surely given not only to one, but to many of his little ones much more than a cup of water.

Our Missionary Societies sent two Friendship Chests to the Philippines last summer, one from the Juniors and one from the Primaries. The Primary and Baby Divisions also sent a small box of Christmas toys and kindergarten supplies to our Wesley House at Key West, Fla.

Recently a Hi-League was organized for our older boys and girls, and they are enjoying this very much.

We have our own grade school with a good corps of Christian

teachers. Fourteen of our boys and girls are in high school and one girl in college.

Our greatest desire is to see our boys and girls grow into Christian men and women, and we all rejoiced when a short time ago a class of thirty-five were baptized and joined our Church.

Under the efficient guidance of our new President, our local Missionary Society made one of the best reports in its history. I enjoyed my work as Superintendent of Study, and feel that we made some advance in this line of work, though not as much as we had hoped to accomplish. We have some problems this year that are causing anxiety, but we are trusting they will soon be solved to the best advantage possible for all concerned and that this year our society may be able to do a greater work for the extension of the kingdom.

To be in daily contact with a group of Christian men and women, all working for the same great purpose, is, indeed, a great privilege; and though at present there may be that which seems to be a great difficulty to overcome, I know "My Father knows" and he will supply my every need.

"Dear Lord, give me a little child to point the way
Over the strange sweet path that leads to thee;
Give me a little voice to teach to pray;
Give me two shining eyes, thy face to see.
The only crown I ask, dear Lord, to wear
Is that I may reach a little child."

APPOINTMENT OF HOME WORKERS, 1931-32

ALABAMA

Eva Comer Home, 1730 Eighth Avenue, Birmingham: Head Resident, Miss Edith Leighty.
 Ensley Community House, 1404 Avenue H, Ensley: Head Resident, Miss Dorothy Crim; Girls' Worker, Miss Alaska Terry.
 Wesley Community House, 314 Chandler Street, Montgomery: Head Resident, Miss Bessie Bunn.
 Dumas Wesley House, Mobile: Head Resident, Miss Gertrude Grizzard.
 Cajan Rural Work, Calvert: Rural Worker, Miss Obra M. Rogers.

ARIZONA

Methodist Hospital, Tuscon: Religious Worker, Miss Lixie Vivian.
 Capital Methodist Church, Phoenix: Church Worker, Miss Ida M. Stevens.

ARKANSAS

Camden District, Rural Worker, Miss Willie May Porter.

CALIFORNIA

Homer Toberman Mission, 2017 Violet Street, Los Angeles: Head Resident, Miss Margaret Ragland; Worker, Miss Hazel Shick.
 Wesley Hall, 7 Elgin Park, San Francisco: Head Resident, Miss Nellie Howard; Worker, Miss Clara Hodgson.
 Mary Elizabeth Inn, 1040 Bush Street, San Francisco: Head Resident, Miss Ethel Jackson; Social and Evangelistic Worker, Miss Glenn Moore.

COLORADO

First M. E. Church, South, Walsenburg: Church Worker, Miss Mollie Womack.

FLORIDA

Wolff Settlement, 2309 Sixteenth Street, Tampa: Head Resident, Miss Bertha Cox; Evangelistic Worker, Miss Dolores Diaz; Worker, Miss Florence Whiteside; Kindergartner, Miss Martha Lewis.
 Rosa Valdez, 1802 North Albany Street, West Tampa: Head Resident, Miss Bess Sargent; Kindergartner, Miss Emma Burris; Girls' Worker, Miss Edith Webb.
 Wesley House, 1106 Varela Street, Key West: Head Resident, Miss Lottie Green.
 State Woman's College, Tallahassee: Student Counselor, Miss Lena Noll.

GEORGIA

Wesley House, 342 Richardson, S. W., Atlanta: Head Resident, Miss Janet Head; Club Director, Miss Mary Lou Barnwell; Kindergartner, Miss Selma Pederson.
 Paine Annex, Augusta: Dean of Women, Miss Ruth Barthalomew; Domestic Science, Miss Ruth Patton.
 Hamp Stevens Memorial Church, Columbus: Church Worker, Miss Minnie Lee Eidson.
 Vashti School, Thomasville: Teacher, Miss Eula McCoy.

KENTUCKY

Sue Bennett School, London: Teachers, Miss Olo Lee Barnett, Miss Dorothy Hillard, Miss Mae C. Sells, Miss Rachel Cantrell.
 Coöperative Home, 403 Walnut Street, Lexington: Head Resident, Miss Maria Elliott.
 Wesley House, 805 East Washington, Louisville: Head Resident, Miss Ellen Gainey; Worker, Miss Elizabeth Russell.
 Kentucky Coal Fields: Industrial Worker, Miss Pattie Allen.

LOUISIANA

St. Mark's Hall, 1130 North Rampart Street, New Orleans: Head Resident, Miss Nettie Stroup; Nurse, Miss Wortley Moorman; Workers, Miss Maggie Marshall, Miss Lillian Addison.
 MacDonald Wesley House, Box 338, Houma: Teacher, Miss Lillie Hendricks.
 Louisville Conference, District Rural Work: Rural Worker, Miss Ora Hooper.
 First M. E. Church, South, Shreveport: Church Worker, Miss Grace Gatewood.
 Coöperative Home, 412 Fannin Street, Shreveport: Head Resident, Miss Mary Nichols.

MARYLAND

Wilkins Avenue Church, 1504 Hollins Street, Baltimore: Social Worker, Miss Wilhelmina Wahlroos.

MISSISSIPPI

Wesley House, 1333 East Beach Street, Biloxi: Head Resident, Miss Susie Mitchell; Workers, Miss Sarah Lowder, Miss Lois Tinsley.
 Moore Community House, 932 Davis Street, Biloxi: Head Resident, Miss Sallie Ellis.
 North Mississippi Rural: Rural Worker, Miss Dora Hoover.
 Aberdeen District Rural: Rural Worker, Miss Ethel Cunningham.
 Wesley House, 1520 Eighth Avenue, Meridian: Head Resident, Miss Annie Trawick.

MISSOURI

Wesley House, 200 Cherokee Street, St. Joseph: Head Resident, Miss Florence Blackwell; Kindergartner, Miss Verdine Anderson.
 Spofford Home, 2454 The Paseo, Kansas City: Superintendent, Miss Emma Burton; Case Worker, Miss Blanche White; Worker, Miss Jewel Matthews.
 Institutional Church, 702 Admiral Boulevard, Kansas City: Head Resident, Miss Elizabeth Taylor; Young People's Director, Miss Dorothy Dodd; Boys' Director, Miss Ola Gilbert; Children's Director, Miss Martina Hyde.
 East Bottoms, Kansas City: Social Worker, Miss Frances Howard.
 Kingdom House, 1106 Hickory Street, St. Louis: Head Resident, Miss Katherine Arnold; Girls' Director, Miss Pearle Edwards; Kindergartner, Miss Birdie Reynolds.
 Centenary Church, 1611 Pine Street, St. Louis: Church Workers, Miss Ruth M. Carryer, Miss Louise Hill Smith.

NORTH CAROLINA

Brevard Institute, Brevard: Teachers, Miss Frances Denton, Mrs. Selden Bryan, Miss Lena Long; Domestic Science, Miss Rosalie Riggins.
 Duncan Memorial Church, Charlotte: Church Worker, Miss Lillie V. Wood.

OKLAHOMA

Wesley House, 1112 South Walker Street, Oklahoma City: Head Resident, Miss Moselle Eubanks; Club Director, Miss Inez Martin.
 Oklahoma State Teachers' College, Durant: Bible Teacher, Miss Mary Floyd.
 Settlement Work, Picher: Worker, Miss Adeline Peoples.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Wesley House, 1310 Huger Street, Columbia: Head Resident, Miss Constance Palmore.
 Wesley House, 67 South Boulevard, Orangeburg: Head Resident, Miss Connie Fagan.

TENNESSEE

Wesley House, 129 Wharf Avenue, Nashville: Head Resident, Miss Lora Long; Worker, Miss Una Smith; Kindergartner, Miss Lora Lee Pederson.
 Scarritt College, Nashville: Student Counselor, Miss Mary Ora Durham.
 McKendree Church, Nashville: Church Worker, Miss Marian Needham.
 Centenary Institute, 614½ Monroe Street, Nashville: Head Resident, Miss Bertha Ellison; Worker, Miss Maybeth Sykes.
 Bethlehem Center, 314 Fifteenth Avenue North, Nashville: Head Resident, Miss Margaret Young; Worker, Miss Margaret Hodkins.
 Ward-Belmont, Nashville: Bible Teacher, Miss Ocie Sanders.
 Wesley House, 1505 Polk Street, Chattanooga: Head Resident, Miss Kate Walker.
 Centenary Church, Chattanooga: Church Worker, Miss Dorothea Reid.
 Wesley House, 1217 Marion Street, Knoxville: Head Resident, Mrs. Mary Etta Freeman.
 Wesley House, 562 North Fifth Street, Memphis: Head Resident, Miss Jennie Congleton; Kindergartner (to be supplied).
 Holston Orphanage, Greeneville: Council Worker, Miss Belle Hennen.
 Kingsport (Industrial Work): Church Worker, Miss Willia Duncan.

TEXAS

Mexican Work, 2502 Highland Street, Dallas: Club Director, Miss Grace Thatcher.
 Virginia K. Johnson Home, 901 South Madison, Dallas: Nurse, Miss Emma Vogel.
 Wesley House, 2131 North Commerce Street, Fort Worth: Head Resident Miss Ella Bowden; Club Worker, Miss Mamie Robinson.
 Rebecca Sparks Inn, 1118 Franklin Avenue, Waco: Head Resident, Miss Maude Fail.
 Wesley House, 150 Colima Street, San Antonio: Head Resident Miss Jane Wilkinson; Boys' Director, Miss Ruby Berkley; Kindergartner, Miss Lila Mae Campbell.
 Coöperative Home, 1111 McKee Street, Houston: Head Resident, Miss Addie B. Greely; Worker, Miss Esther Drinker.
 Mexican Work, 1815 North San Jacinto Street, Houston: Head Resident, Miss Eugenia Smith; Kindergartner, Miss Sue V. Herrick.
 Holding Institute, Laredo: Superintendent, Miss Carmen Blessing; Teachers, Miss Mary Glendinning, Miss Mabel Clark, Miss Ura Leveridge, Miss Alice Riley; Nurse, Miss Muriel Bell.

Mexican Work, San Marcos: Worker, Miss Mattie Cunningham.
 Calidonia Rural Work, Route No. 5, Timpson: Rural Worker, Miss Martha Stewart.
 Community Center, 515 South Kansas Street, El Paso: Head Resident, Miss Josephine Berglund; Girls' Director, Miss Carrie Porter; Kindergartner, Miss Nelle McClain; Worker, Miss Anita Reil.
 Wesley House, Birdgeport: Head Resident, Miss Rhoda Dragoo.
 Wesley College, Greenville: Student Counselor, Miss Iva Lou Matkin.

VIRGINIA

Wilson Inn, 3208 East Broad Street, Richmond: Head Resident, Miss Mary Daniel.
 Belmont Church, Roanoke: Church Worker, Miss Mary B. Osborne.
 Wesley House, 626 Upper Street, Danville: Head Resident, Miss Mary Lou Bond; Club Director, Miss Lula Kagey.
 State Teachers' College, Williamsburg: Bible Teacher, Miss Zoe Anna Davis.
 Hopewell: Industrial Worker, Mrs. Grace Driver.

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia Coal Fields, Holston Conference: Workers, Miss Cornelia Godbey, Miss Evelyn Waddell, Miss Cora Lee Glenn, Miss Erline Aylor.
 West Virginia Coal Fields, Western Virginia Conference: Worker, Miss Fannie Bame.

Employed Workers

ALABAMA

Bethlehem House, 801 North Forty-Sixth Street, Birmingham: Head Resident, Mrs. J. R. White.
 Ensley Community House, 1404 Avenue H, Ensley: Boys, Worker, Miss Lucy Carlton.
 Wesley House, Decatur: Director, Miss Lucy Bell.

ARKANSAS

Searcy District Rural: Rural Worker, Miss Mae Wess Bell.

CALIFORNIA

Homer Toberman Mission, 2017 Violet Street, Los Angeles: Worker, Miss Lucia Jaurez.

FLORIDA

Wesley House, 1106 Varela Street, Key West: Worker, Miss Helen Porter.

GEORGIA

Bethlehem House, Conklin Avenue, Augusta: Head Resident, Miss Thelma Stevens; Club Director, Miss Dorothy Weber; Worker, Miss Allie Long Gardiner.
 Hamp Stevens Church, Columbus: Children's Director, Mrs. Rosalie Rosser.
 North Georgia Rural Work: Rural Worker, Miss Bert Winter.
 Vashti School, Thomasville: Superintendent, Miss Charlotte Dye; Bookkeeper, Miss Bettie Lee Sanders; Teachers, Miss Grace Hurtt, Miss Lena Chambers, Miss Lulu King, Mrs. M. Chandler, Miss Hazel Grooms, Miss Mary Miller, Mrs. F. A. Downs, Mrs. E. R. Overby, Miss Lillian Herring.

KENTUCKY

Sue Bennett College, London: President, Miss K. C. East; Bookkeeper, Miss Nina Gay Dolan; Teachers, Miss Genevieve Jefferson, Miss Nora Mullins.
 District Rural Work, Louisville Conference: Rural Worker, Miss Willie Maud Adams, Tompkinsville, Ky.; Rural Worker, Miss Amos Atchley, Monticello, Ky.

LOUISIANA

St. Mark's Hall, 1130 North Rampart Street, New Orleans: Worker, Miss Helen Shriner.
 MacDonald Wesley House, Box 338, Houma: Superintendent, Miss Ruth Wyche; Teacher, Miss Ruby Daniel.

MISSISSIPPI

Moore Community House, 932 Davis Street, Biloxi: Worker, Miss Katie Herndon.

MISSOURI

Wesley House, 200 Cherokee Street, St. Joseph: Worker, Miss Annie Coucoules.
 Hendrix Hall, Columbia: Director, Mrs. Adela B. Anderson; Business Manager, Mrs. C. E. Alford.

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NORTH CAROLINA

Brevard Institute, Brevard: Superintendent, J. F. Winton; Teachers, Miss Leona Giles, Miss Etta Lois Brown; Bible Teacher, Miss Lillian Hilburn.
Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem: Worker, Miss Marian Brincefield.

SOUTH GEORGIA

South Georgia Rural Work: Rural Worker, Miss Bessie Miller.

TENNESSEE

Wesley House, 129 Wharf Avenue, Nashville: Kindergartner, Miss Thelma Heath.
Centenary Institute, 614½ Monroe Street, Nashville: Kindergartner, Miss Mattie Varn.
Wesley House, 562 North Fifth Street, Memphis: Girls' and Boys' Worker, Miss Daisy Johnson.

TEXAS

Mexican Work, 2502 Highland Street, Dallas: Head Resident, Miss Lula Bell.
Virginia K. Johnson Home, 901 South Madison, Dallas: Superintendent, Miss Mary Freeman; Teachers, Miss Jennie Bess McLain, Miss Nora Pafford, Miss Eva Watts, Miss Miriam Rogers.
Wesley House, 2131 North Commerce Street, Fort Worth: Kindergartner, Miss Marianna Wade.
Wesley House, 150 Colima Street, San Antonio: Girls' Worker, Miss Mary Riddle.
Immigrant Port Work, Galveston: Port Missionary, Rev. John E. Reifschneider, 611 American National Insurance Building.
Kirby Hall, Austin: Director, Business Manager (to be supplied).
College of Industrial Arts, Denton: Bible Teacher, Miss McQueen Weir.
Texas Technological College, Lubbock: Bible Teacher, Miss Mary DeBardeden.
Valley Institute, Pharr: Superintendent, Miss Georgia Swanson.

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia Coal Fields, Holston Conference: Workers, Miss Hyda Heard, Miss Johnsie Hobson, Miss Effie K. Fauver, Mrs. Tommie Z. Moore, Miss Emma Johnson.
West Virginia Coal Fields, Western Virginia Conference: Worker, Miss Mary Ogden.

WE RECOMMEND THAT FURLOUGH BE GRANTED TO

Misses Annie Alford, Athalia Baker, Mamie Chandler, Myrta Davis, Ruth Heflin be continued on furlough, Mae Coburn, Ella K. Hooper, Sophie Kuntz, Elma Morgan, Helen Reeves, Martha Robinson, Annie Rogers Susie Teel.

WE RECOMMEND THAT CONTINUED LEAVE OF ABSENCE BE GRANTED TO

Misses Emily Dorsey (personal), Bess Eaton (family), Jessie Drew Gill (health), Mary Hasler (health), Willena Henry (family), Gay Hoke (family), Alice McLarty (personal), Ida J. Moor (health), Daisy Ritter (health).

WE RECOMMEND THAT LEAVE OF ABSENCE BE GRANTED TO

Misses Esther Boggs (health), Hazel Bulifant (family), Sarah Kee (family), Elizabeth Almstead (personal), employed worker; Annie Price (study), Laura Stillwell (health), employed worker; Margaret VanLahr (personal).

WE RECOMMEND FOR RELEASE

Misses Edith Ader (personal), Brooksie Davenport (personal), Helen Gardner (personal), Rena Murphy (personal).

WE RECOMMEND FOR RETIREMENT

Mrs. Carrie L. Bond.

WE RECOMMEND TO BE CONTINUED IN RETIRED RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Julia Acton, Mrs. Mary B. Alexander, Miss Bessie Allen, Miss Elizabeth Davis, Miss Minnie Davis, Miss Jennie Ducker, Mrs. J. C. Field.

HOME WORKERS OF THE COUNCIL

DEACONESES

Year	Name	Home Address
1926.	Ader, Edith	Weaverville, N. C.
1929.	Addison, Lillian	Caldwell, Tex.
1919.	Alford, Annie	Del Rio, Tex.
1922.	Allen, Pattie	Knoxville, Tenn.
1924.	Anderson, Verdie	Spartanburg, S. C.
1921.	Arnold, Katharine	Louisville, Ky.
1931.	Aylor, Erlene	Aylor, Va.
1928.	Baker, Athalia	Orangeburg, S. C.
1922.	Bame, Fannie	Salisbury, N. C.
1927.	Barnett, Ola Lee	Clinton, Mo.
1928.	Barnwell, Mary Lou	Arabi, Ga.
1927.	Bartholomew, Ruth	Gladys, Va.
1923.	Bell, Muriel	Temple, Tex.
1917.	Berglund, Josephine	Springfield, Mo.
1924.	Berkley, Ruby	Red Banks, Miss.
1906.	Blackwell, Florence	Kirksville, Mo.
1923.	Blessing, Carmen	Berkeley, Calif.
1924.	Boggs, Esther	Greenville, S. C.
1927.	Bond, Mary Lou	Morrisville, Mo.
1911.	Bowden, Ella K.	Brownwood, Tex.
1916.	Bryan, Mrs. Selden	Kingstree, S. C.
1928.	Bulifant, Hazel	Hampton, Va.
1917.	Bunn, Bessie	Little Rock, Ark.
1929.	Burris, Emma	Franklinton, La.
1908.	Burton, Emma	Kansas City, Mo.
1929.	Byers, Jessie M.	Ector, Tex.
1923.	Campbell, Lila May	Memphis, Tenn.
1922.	Cantrell, Rachel	Roanoke, Va.
1929.	Carrier, Ruth M.	Columbia, Mo.
1925.	Chandler, Mamie	Sumter, S. C.
1928.	Clark, Mabel	Louisville, Miss.
1915.	Coburn, Mae	Birmingham, Ala.
1922.	Congleton, Jennie	Greenville, N. C.
1922.	Cox, Bertha	Sedalia, Mo.
1908.	Crim, Dorothy	Atlanta, Ga.
1913.	Cunningham, Ethel	Columbia, Mo.
1912.	Cunningham, Mattie	Columbia, Mo.
1910.	Daniel, Mary	Washington, La.
1925.	Davenport, Brooksie	Ware Shoals, S. C.
1924.	Davis, Myrta	Houston, Tex.
1928.	Davis, Zoe Anna	Houston, Tex.
1909.	Denton, Frances	Fort Smith, Ark.
1927.	Diaz, Ruth D.	San Antonio, Tex.
1920.	Dodd, Dorothy	Hartsville, Tenn.
1924.	Dorsey, Emily	Dallas, Tex.
1909.	Dragoo, Rhoda	Palmetto, Fla.
1930.	Drinker, Esther	Beggs, Okla.
1917.	Driver, Mrs. Grace M.	Walnut Ridge, Ark.
1922.	Duncan, Willia	Maceo, Ky.
1910.	Durham, Mary Ora	Danville, Ky.
1922.	Eaton, Bess	Staffordville, Va.
1926.	Edwards, Pearle	Pearle, Ga.
1917.	Eidson, Minnie Lee	Jonesboro, Ark.
1904.	Elliott, Maria	Dallas, Tex.
1928.	Ellis, Sallie	Clarksville, Tenn.
1914.	Ellison, Bertha	Franklinville, N. C.
1922.	Eubanks, Moselle	Rome, Ga.
1911.	Fagan, Connie	Savannah, Ga.
1915.	Fail, Maude	Hattiesburg, Miss.
1931.	Floyd, Mary F.	La Grange, Ga.
1922.	Freeman, Mrs. Mary Etta	Carlton, Ga.
1910.	Gainey, Ellen	Fayetteville, N. C.
1915.	Gardner, Ellen	St. Louis, Mo.
1915.	Gatewood, Grace	Myra, Tex.
1923.	Gilbert, Ola	Marianna, Fla.
1922.	Gill, Jessie Drew	Tuskegee, Ala.
1926.	Glendinning, Mary	Palmyra, Mo.
1929.	Glenn, Cora Lee	Atmore, Ala.
1911.	Godbey, Cornelia	Marietta, Ohio

Year	Name	Home Address
1925.	Greely, Addie.....	Jackson, Miss.
1924.	Green, Lottie.....	Bransford, Fla.
1911.	Grizzard, Gertrude.....	Nashville, Tenn.
1914.	Hasler, Mary.....	Springfield, Mo.
1930.	Head, Janet C.....	Natchez, Miss.
1925.	Heflin, Ruth.....	Forest, Miss.
1923.	Hendricks, Lillie.....	Oneonta, Ala.
1923.	Hennen, Belle.....	Fairmount, W. Va.
1909.	Henry, Willena.....	Rice, Tex.
1905.	Herrick, Sue V.....	Whitney, Tex.
1928.	Hillard, Dorothy.....	Jackson, Tenn.
1928.	Hodgson, Clara.....	Colusa, Calif.
1930.	Hodkins, Margaret.....	Kansas City, Mo.
1920.	Hoke, Gaye.....	Second Creek, W. Va.
1919.	Hooper, Ella K.....	Houma, La.
1927.	Hooper, Lottie Ora.....	Rosedale, La.
1909.	Hoover, Dora.....	Newton, N. C.
1921.	Howard, Frances.....	Blytheville, Ark.
1923.	Howard, Nellie.....	Louisville, Ky.
1930.	Hyde, Martina.....	Memphis, Tenn.
1907.	Jackson, Ethel.....	Lancaster, S. C.
1925.	Kagey, Lula.....	Norfolk, Va.
1925.	Kee, Sarah.....	Rodman, S. C.
1924.	Kuntz, Sophie.....	New Orleans, La.
1922.	Leighty, Edith.....	St. Joseph, Mo.
1922.	Leveridge, Ura.....	Cisco, Tex.
1920.	Lewis, Martha.....	Tampa, Fla.
1926.	Long, Lena V.....	Trenton, S. C.
1925.	Long, Lora.....	Vernon, Tex.
1915.	Lowder, Sarah.....	Elizabeth City, N. C.
1926.	McCoy, Eula.....	McKenzie, Tenn.
1913.	McClain, Nelle.....	Martin, Tenn.
1923.	McLarty, Alice.....	Vernon, Tex.
1927.	Marshall, Maggie.....	Fishing Creek, Md.
1929.	Martin, Inez.....	St. Louis, Mo.
1926.	Matkin, Iva Lou.....	Enloe, Tex.
1931.	Matthews, Jewel E.....	Tallassee, Ala.
1911.	Mitchell, Susie.....	Arlington, Tex.
1914.	Morgan, Elma.....	Stephens, Ark.
1922.	Moore, Glenn.....	Little Rock, Ark.
1922.	Moore, Ida J.....	Valley, Head, Ala.
1927.	Mooreman, Wortley.....	Rustburg, Va.
1915.	Murphy, Rena J.....	Fort Worth, Tex.
1931.	Needham, Marian S.....	Corvallis, Oregon
1922.	Nichols, Mary.....	Roxboro, N. C.
1928.	Noll, Lena.....	Glasgow, Mo.
1928.	Osborne, Mary.....	Ada, Okla.
1909.	Palmore, Constance.....	Lynchburg, Va.
1931.	Patton, Ruth.....	Hartshorne, Okla.
1928.	Pederson, Lora Lee.....	Sayre, Okla.
1930.	Pederson, Selma M.....	Sayre, Okla.
1908.	Peeples, Adeline.....	Memphis, Tenn.
1922.	Porter, Carrie.....	Zwolle, La.
1928.	Porter, Willie Mae.....	Monroe, La.
1923.	Price, Annie.....	Bee House, Tex.
1908.	Ragland, Margaret.....	San Angelo, Tex.
1924.	Reeves, Helen.....	St. Louis, Mo.
1924.	Reid, Dorothea.....	St. Louis, Mo.
1927.	Reil, Annie.....	San Antonio, Tex.
1926.	Reynolds, Birdie.....	Newport, Va.
1922.	Riggin, Rosalie.....	Arkadelphia, Ark.
1929.	Riley, Alice.....	Hughes Springs, Tex.
1915.	Ritter, Daisy.....	Columbia, S. C.
1923.	Robinson, Mamie.....	Kileen, Tex.
1926.	Robinson, Martha.....	Jackson, Tenn.
1923.	Rogers, Annie.....	Spartanburg, S. C.
1930.	Rogers, Obra.....	Sarasota, Fla.
1926.	Russell, Elizabeth.....	Green Bay, Miss.
1922.	Sanders, Oscie.....	Houston, Tex.
1926.	Sargent, Bess.....	Haleyville, Tenn.
1922.	Sells, Mae C.....	Wiggins, Miss.
1930.	Shick, Hazel.....	Farmington, Mo.
1909.	Smith, Eugenia.....	Union, S. C.
1929.	Smith, Louise Hill.....	Owensboro, Ky.
1929.	Smith, Una.....	Cartersville, Mo.
1907.	Stevens, Ida M.....	Nova Scotia, Canada

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Year	Name	Home Address
1928.	Stewart, Martha B.	Weatherford, Okla.
1919.	Stroup, Nettie	Farmersville, Tex.
1928.	Sykes, Maybeth	Rock Hill, S. C.
1903.	Taylor, Elizabeth	Lamar, Mo.
1925.	Teel, Susie	Waco, Tex.
1927.	Terry, Alaska	Bluefield, W. Va.
1927.	Thatcher, Grace	Tucson, Ariz.
1912.	Tinsley, Louis	Leslie, Ga.
1906.	Trawick, Annie	Opelika, Ala.
1929.	Van Lahr, Margaret	Lewisport, Ky.
1924.	Vivian, Lexie	Carrizo Springs, Tex.
1919.	Vogel, Emma	Linn, Mo.
1911.	Waddell, Evelyn	Knoxville, Tenn.
1911.	Wahlroos, Wilhelmina	Louisville, Ky.
1914.	Walker, Kate	Comanche, Tex.
1930.	Webb, Edith	Chillicothe, Tex.
1929.	White, Blanche	St. Louis, Mo.
1915.	Whiteside, Florence	Pine Bluff, Ark.
1922.	Wilkinson, Jane	Union Level, Va.
1929.	Womack, Mollie	Nacona, Tex.
1929.	Wood, Lillian	Haw River, S. C.
1923.	Young, Margaret	Luray, Va.

RETIRED WORKERS

1910.	Acton, Mrs. Julia	Berkeley, Calif.
1909.	Alexander, Mrs. Mary B.	Tampa, Fla.
1909.	Allen, Bessie	Hendersonville, N. C.
1903.	Davis, Elizabeth	Arcola, N. C.
1922.	Davis, Minnie	Houston, Tex.
1909.	Ducker, Jennie	Hopkinsville, Ky.
1920.	Field, Mrs. J. C.	Americus, Ga.
1910.	Ford, Sue T.	Paris, Ky.
1912.	Graham, Aletha	Shelmsound, Tenn.
1908.	Gibson, Helen	St. Louis, Mo.
1915.	Kennedy, Mabel	St. Louis, Mo.
1910.	Harris, Laura	Morristown, Tenn.
1906.	Mann, Frances	Winters, Tenn.
1906.	Monohan, Selina	St. Louis, Mo.
1914.	Parker, Lillian	Lindale, Tex.
1913.	Wright, Mattie	Santa Ana, Calif.
1918.	White, Mrs. Laura	Rome, Ga.

FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

CHINA

Year	Name and Field Address	Home Address
1884.	Miss Virginia M. Atkinson (Emeritus), Soochow	Atlanta, Ga.
1892.	Miss Alice G. Waters, Nanzhang	Murray, Ky.
1894.	Miss Clara E. Steger, Sungkiang	Mountain Grove, Mo.
1896.	Miss Ella D. Leveritt, Changchow	Monroe, Ga.
1899.	Miss Mary M. Tarrant, Soochow	St. Louis, Mo.
1902.	Miss Ida Anderson, Wusih	Jackson, Miss.
1901.	Miss Mary Culler White, Sungkiang	Nashville, Tenn.
1904.	Miss Maggie J. Rogers, Soochow	Marlin, Tex.
1906.	Miss Nettie Peacock, Shanghai	Macon, Ga.
1906.	Miss Emma Lester, Shanghai	Augusta, Ga.
1907.	Miss Nell Drake, Sungkiang	Port Gibson, Miss.
1908.	Miss Julia Wasson, Shanghai	Ethel, Miss.
1909.	Miss Mary Hood, R.N., Shanghai	Brownsville, Tenn.
1909.	Miss Leila J. Tuttle, Soochow	Lenoir, S. C.
1911.	Miss Annie J. Bradshaw, Soochow	Lynch Station, Va.
1911.	Miss Mittie Shelton (Mexico 1927-30), Soochow	Lorena, Tex.
1912.	Miss Alice Green, Changchow	Jonesboro, N. C.
1912.	Miss Nina W. Troy, Soochow	Greensboro, N. C.
1913.	Miss Laura V. Mitchell, Huchow	Arcadia, Fla.
1914.	Miss Louise Robinson, Shanghai	New Decatur, Ala.
1914.	Miss Sue Stanford, Shanghai	Waco, Tex.
1914.	Miss Nina M. Stallings, Soochow	Mexico, Mo.
1914.	Miss Muriel Smith (Contract), Shanghai	England
1915.	Miss Kate Hackney, Soochow	Asheville, N. C.
1916.	Miss Mary Blackford, Huchow	St. Louis, Mo.
1917.	Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Shanghai	Maxton, N. C.
1919.	Miss Alice Alsop, Soochow	Maypearl, Tex.
1919.	Miss Marguerite Clark, Shanghai	Sunnyside, Va.

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Year	Name and Field Address	Home Address
1921.	Miss Lillian Knobles, Soochow	State Line, Miss.
1921.	Miss Mary Dill Overall, Shanghai	Dyer, Tenn.
1922.	Miss Lucy Jim Webb, Shanghai	Forsythe, Ga.
1922.	Miss Margaret Rue, Wusih	Norfolk, Va.
1923.	Miss Cornelia Crozier, Soochow	Fayetteville, Ark.
1923.	Miss Mary Bell Winn, Soochow	Ridgeway, S. C.
1925.	Miss Anne E. Herbert, R.N., Shanghai	Bennettsville, S. C.
1925.	Miss Ethel Wytelle Bost, Shanghai	Cornelia, S. C.
1925.	Miss Naomi Howie, Soochow	Waynesville, N. C.
1925.	Miss Lucie Clark, Sungkiang	Osawatomie, Kans.
1926.	Miss Lorena Foster, R.N., Changchow	Pearsall, Tex.
1927.	Miss Helen Bierman, R.N., Shanghai	China Medical Board
1928.	Miss Athria McElwreath, R.N., Changchow	Arlington, Tex.
1929.	Miss Elizabeth Steagall Dent, Soochow	Atlanta, Ga.
1929.	Miss Jean F. Craig	Richmond, Va.
1929.	Miss Pearl McCain	Searcy, Ark.
1930.	Miss Sarah Glenn, R.N., Huchow	Chester, S. C.
1930.	Miss Robbie Lee Leggett, Soochow	Allen, Miss.
1931.	Miss Susie Mayes	Camak, Ga.
1931.	Miss Carrie Ava Morton, R.N.	Cotton Valley, La.

KOREA

1904.	Miss Ellasue Wagner, Seoul	Chilhowie, Va.
1906.	Miss Lillian Nichols, Songdo	Savannah, Ga.
1906.	Miss Mamie D. Myers, Chulwon	Waycross, Ga.
1908.	Miss Kate Cooper, Wonsan	Douglasville, Ga.
1909.	Miss Hallie Buie, Seoul	Wesson, Miss.
1909.	Miss Laura V. Edwards, Choon Chun	Hereford, Tex.
1910.	Miss Bertha Smith, Songdo	Marshall, Mo.
1911.	Miss Carrie Una Jackson, Choon Chun	Arlington, Ky.
1911.	Miss Ida Hankins, Songdo	Wilmington, N. C.
1911.	Miss Hortense Tinsley, Seoul	Americus, Ga.
1912.	Miss Bessie Oliver, Wonsan	Unadilla, Ga.
1913.	Miss Agnes Graham, Songdo	Comanche, Tex.
1916.	Miss Rosa M. Lowder, R.N., Songdo	Rutherford College, N. C.
1921.	Mrs. Velma H. Maynor, Seoul	Oneonta, Ala.
1922.	Miss Ruby K. Lee, Seoul	Statesboro, Ga.
1922.	Miss Alice McMakin, Wonsan	Wellford, S. C.
1923.	Miss Clara Howard, R.N., Songdo	Kathleen, Ga.
1923.	Miss Blanche Hauser, R.N., Wonsan	Pfafftown, N. C.
1924.	Miss Sadie Maude Moore, Wonsan	Statesboro, Ga.
1924.	Miss Mary Helen Rosser, R.N., Songdo	Macon, Ga.
1924.	Miss Nannie Gilder Black, Songdo	Chester, S. C.
1925.	Miss Olive Lee Smith, Choonchun	Reidsville, N. C.
1925.	Miss Euline E. Smith, Songdo	Hamlet, N. C.
1926.	Miss Ruth Diggs, Seoul	Spartanburg, S. C.
1927.	Miss Josephine Dameron (Contract), Seoul	Warrenton, N. C.
1927.	Miss Alice Margaret Billingsley, Seoul	Duncan, Ariz.
1927.	Miss Nellie A. Dyer, Seoul	Pottsville, Ark.
1928.	Miss Mabel Cherry, Seoul	Unionville, S. C.
1928.	Miss Maude V. Nelson, R.N., Seoul	Elderville, Tex.
1930.	Miss Susie Peach Foster, Seoul	Brantley, Ala.
1930.	Miss Ann Wallis, Songdo	Hartshorne, Okla.
1931.	Miss Marjorie Baird	Tyler, Tex.
1931.	Miss Berta Hirtzler	Kenner, La.

JAPAN

1903.	Miss Margaret M. Cook, Osaka	Newnan, Ga.
1904.	Miss Ida Shannon, Hiroshima	Abingdon, Va.
1908.	Miss Katherine Shannon, Hiroshima	Albertville, Ala.
1910.	Miss Annie Belle Williams, Osaka	Charleston, S. C.
1915.	Miss Charlie Holland, Kobe	Lufkin, Tex.
1917.	Miss Manie Towson, Oita	Eastman, Ga.
1917.	Miss Mabel Whitehead, Osaka	Birmingham, Ala.
1919.	Miss Blanche D. Hagar, Osaka	Kobe, Japan
1920.	Miss Catherine Stevens, Hiroshima	Grenada, Miss.
1920.	Miss Mary Searcy, Kure	Columbia, Mo.
1922.	Miss Katherine Johnson, Hiroshima	Poplar Bluff, Mo.
1922.	Miss Myra Pauline Anderson, Kobe	Anderson, S. C.
1922.	Miss Lois Cooper (1922-26, China), Hiroshima	Brookhaven, Miss.
1923.	Miss M. Elston Rowland, Kobe	Washington, D. C.
1923.	Miss Anne Peavy, Osaka	Byron, Ga.
1923.	Miss Mozelle Tumlin, Kure	Thomaston, Ga.
1924.	Miss Ida Lois Maddux, Hiroshima	Madison, Ga.
1925.	Miss Mary Douglas Finch, Hiroshima	Chase City, Va.
1926.	Miss Sallie Elizabeth Carroll, Oita	Batesville, Va.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Year	Name and Field Address	Home Address
1927. Miss	Ruth Field, Osaka	Newnan, Ga.
1929. Miss	Lelia Bagley, Oita	La Grange, Ga.
1930. Miss	Althea May Cronk, Hiroshima	McAllen, Tex.
1931. Miss	Gertrude Feely	Shelbyville, Mo.

POLAND

1926. Miss	Sallie Lewis Brown, Warsaw	Sussex, Va.
1928. Miss	Eurania Pylon, Wilno	Jackson, Miss.
1930. Miss	Ruth Lawrence, Wilno	Beatrice, Ala.
1931. Miss	Norene Robken	Texarkana, Ark.

BRAZIL

1894. Miss	Layona Glenn, Rio de Janeiro	Conyers, Ga.
1896. Miss	Lily A. Stradley (Emeritus), Piracicaba	Lewisburg, Ohio
1901. Miss	Helen Johnston, Ribeirao Preto	Sebastian, Fla.
1903. Miss	Emma Christine, Ribeirao Preto	Kenwood Springs, Mo.
1907. Miss	Eunice Andrew, Santa Maria	St. Louis, Mo.
1911. Miss	Rachel Jarrett, Piracicaba	Texarkana, Tex.
1911. Miss	Leila F. Epps, Sao Paulo	Kingstree, S. C.
1911. Miss	Lydia Ferguson, Rio de Janeiro	Belton, Tex.
1911. Miss	Sophia Schach, Beriguy	Piracicaba, Brazil
1912. Miss	Eva Louise Hyde, Rio de Janeiro	Fulton, Mo.
1913. Miss	Mary Jane Baxter, Piracicaba	Huntsville, Ala.
1914. Miss	Gertrude Kennedy, Santa Maria	Kenbridge, Va.
1915. Miss	Maude Mathis, Rio de Janeiro	Texarkana, Ark.
1915. Miss	Mary Sue Brown, Porto Alegre	Gatesville, Tex.
1916. Miss	Lela Putnam, Bello Horizonte	Albany, Tex.
1916. Miss	Nancy Holt, Sao Paulo	Norfolk, Va.
1918. Miss	Mary Alice Lamar, Bello Horizonte	Houston, Tex.
1921. Miss	Louise Best, Santa Maria	Saluda, S. C.
1921. Miss	Viola Matthews, Rio de Janeiro	Charley Hope, Va.
1922. Miss	Rosalie Brown, Ribeirao Preto	Atlanta, Ga.
1924. Miss	Alice Bertha Denison, Bello Horizonte	Waco, Tex.
1925. Miss	Ruth Merritt, Piracicaba	Yanceyville, N. C.
1925. Miss	Mabel Jetton, Santa Maria	Washington, D. C.
1926. Miss	Verda Noreen Farrar, Bello Horizonte	Advance, Mo.
1927. Miss	Mary Allie Cobb, Rio de Janeiro	Columbia, S. C.
1927. Miss	Clyde Varn, Porto Alegre	Islandton, S. C.
1928. Miss	Mary Helen Clark, Rio de Janeiro	Fort Thomas, Ky.
1928. Miss	Sophia Mount, Santa Maria	Memphis, Tenn.
1929. Miss	Lucy Alta Wade, Bello Horizonte	Ashdown, Ark.
1930. Miss	Aultie Pauline Burns, Rio de Janeiro	Nashville, Tenn.
1930. Miss	Ruth Dewey Anderson, Porto Alegre	Shamrock, Tex.
1931. Miss	Berta Simmons	Carter, Okla.
1931. Miss	Elizabeth Sneedden	Bath, N. C.

MEXICO

1896. Miss	Edith Park, Saltillo	Amarillo, Tex.
1911. Miss	Virginia Booth, Parral	Austin, Tex.
1912. Miss	Lillie F. Fox, Chihuahua	Odessa, Mo.
1913. Miss	Ethel McCaughan, Durango	Corpus Christi, Tex.
1919. Miss	Dora L. Ingram, Monterrey	Centralia, Mo.
1921. Miss	Emma L. Eldridge, Parral	Wichita, Kans.
1921. Miss	Myrtle Pollard, Parral	Batesville, Miss.
1921. Miss	Myrtle James, Monterrey	Divine, Tex.
1922. Miss	Lorraine Buck, Saltillo	Bessemer, Ala.
1923. Miss	Ruth Byerly, Saltillo	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
1923. Miss	Edna Pothoff, R.N., Chihuahua	Houston, Tex.
1923. Miss	Anne Deavours (Cuba, 1925), Monterrey	Paulding, Miss.
1923. Miss	Eva Massey, Parral	White Post, Va.
1924. Miss	Bessie Baldwin, R.N., Chihuahua	Curdville, Va.
1925. Miss	Ellen B. Cloud, R.N., Chihuahua	Pembroke, Ky.
1925. Miss	Eula Winn, Durango	Columbia, S. C.
1926. Miss	M. Belle Markey (Cuba, 1902-25), Chihuahua	Cleveland, Tenn.
1926. Miss	Irene Nixon, Durango	Georgetown, Tex.
1926. Miss	Helen Hodgson, Saltillo	Orrville, Calif.
1926. Miss	Lucile Vail (Contract, Cuba, 1916-24), Chihuahua	Cartersville, Ga.
1927. Miss	Leonore Reese, Durango	Center Point, Tex.
1927. Miss	May Johnson (Cuba, 1925-27), Chihuahua	Winchester, Ky.
1927. Miss	Mary Theresa Hoyle, Monterrey	Ferrum, Va.
1928. Miss	Blanche Eva O'Briant, R.N., Chihuahua	Durham, N. C.
1928. Miss	Alice M. Hardt, Saltillo	Hondo, Tex.
1929. Miss	Jewell Golda Burns, Chihuahua	Port Arthur, Tex.
1929. Miss	Ola Eugene Callahan, Durango	Greensboro, N. C.
1929. Miss	Priscilla Walker, Monterrey	Ashland, Miss.

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Year	Name and Field Address	Home Address
1929. Miss	Oda Campbell, Chihuahua	McKinney, Tex.
1930. Miss	Anna Belle Dyck (Contract, 1923-30), Chihuahua	Halstead, Kans.
1931. Miss	Julia Thompson (Contract)	Marietta, Ga.

CUBA

1914. Miss	Frances B. Moling (Mexico, 1899-1914), Cienfuegos	Kansas City, Mo.
1921. Miss	Ione Clay (Mexico, 1923-25), Havana	Dublin, Tex.
1921. Miss	Clara Chalmers, Matanzas	New Orleans, La.
1924. Miss	Bertha Tucker (Korea, 1911-23), Matanzas	Crawfordville, Ga.
1925. Miss	Mary Woodward, Havana	Floral, Ala.
1925. Miss	Dreta Sharpe, Cienfuegos	Ogeechee, Ga.
1925. Miss	Lucile Lewis, Havana	Dawson, Ga.
1925. Miss	Mary Lou White (China, 1906-25), Havana	Norfolk, Va.
1927. Miss	Julia Lorene Reid, Matanzas	Lake Charles, La.
1927. Miss	Ethel Williamson, Havana	Dovesville, S. C.
1927. Miss	Maria Ella Crone, Cienfuegos	Lindale, Tex.
1929. Miss	Elizabeth Earnest, Matanzas	Afton, Tenn.
1929. Miss	Frances Gaby, Cienfuegos	Independence, Mo.
1930. Miss	Grace Goodwin, Matanzas	Wagener, S. C.

CONGO BELGE

1920. Miss	Flora Foreman, R.N., Minga	Amarillo, Tex.
1925. Miss	Dora Jane Armstrong, R.N., Wembo Nyama	Clifton Forge, Va.
1927. Miss	Annie Estelle Parker, Minga	Hillsboro, Ala.
1927. Miss	Helen May Farrier, Wembo Nyama	Newport, Va.
1927. Miss	Mary Elizabeth Moore, R.N., Tunda	Richmond, Va.
1929. Miss	Eva Dorothy Reese, Wembo Nyama	Mayslick, Ky.
1929. Miss	Hortense Murry, Wembo Nyama	Arkadelphia, Ark.
1930. Miss	Anniemae White, Tunda	Thomaston, Ga.
1930. Miss	Ruth Adelia O'Toole, R.N., Wembo Nyama	Maplewood, Mo.
1930. Mrs.	Ethel S. Smith, Menga	Bowman, S. C.
1931. Miss	Myrtle Zicafoose	Asbury, W. Va.
1931. Miss	Edith Martin	Harrison, Ark.
1931. Miss	Catherine Parham	College Park, Ga.

FOREIGN MISSIONARIES NOT NOW IN ACTIVE SERVICE

Appointed	Name, Former Residence, Field	Conference
1878. Miss	Lochia Rankni (Emeritus), * Milan, Tenn., China	Memphis
1879. Miss	Dora Rankin, * Milan, Tenn., China	Memphis
1881. Miss	Annie Williams, † Conception, Tex., Mexico	Texas
1881. Miss	Mattie Watts, * Louisville, Ky., Brazil	Louisville
1881. Miss	Rebecca Toland (Emeritus), Beeville, Tex., Cuba	West Texas
1882. Miss	Blanche Gilbert, Roanoke, Va., Mexico	Baltimore
1882. Miss	Anna J. Muse, † Atlanta, Ga., China	North Georgia
1882. Mrs.	Sarah Burford, Georgetown, Tex., Mexico	Central Texas
1883. Miss	Nannie E. Holding (Emeritus), Latonia, Ky., Mexico	Kentucky
1883. Miss	Mattie B. Jones, Norcross, Ga., Brazil	North Georgia
1883. Miss	Jennie C. Wolff, Pensacola, Fla., Indian Mission	Alabama
1884. Miss	Laura A. Haygood, * Atlanta, Ga., China	North Georgia
1884. Miss	Dona Hamilton, * Paris, Tex., China	North Texas
1884. Miss	Mildred M. Phillips, M.D. † California, Mo., China	Southwest Missouri
1884. Miss	Lou E. Phillips, California, Mo., China	Southwest Missouri
1884. Miss	Mary W. Bruce, † Plattsburg, Mo., Brazil	Missouri
1887. Mrs.	Josephine Campbell, * New York City, China and Korea	Los Angeles
1887. Miss	Emma E. Kerr, † Brownsville, Tenn., China	Memphis
1887. Miss	Kate R. Roberts, * Nashville, Tenn., China	Tennessee
1887. Miss	Lelia Roberts (Emeritus), Bonham, Tex., Mexico	North Texas
1887. Miss	Addie F. Gordon, * Port Gibson, Miss., China	North Mississippi
1887. Miss	Elizabeth Hughes, † Meridian, Miss., China	Mississippi
1887. Miss	Lulu Lipscomb, * Columbus, Miss., China	North Mississippi
1887. Miss	Ada Reagan, † Nashville, Tenn., China	Tennessee
1887. Miss	Marcia Marvin, * St. Louis, Mo., Brazil and China	St. Louis
1888. Miss	Augusta V. Wilson, * Charlestown, W. Va., Mexico	Baltimore
1888. Miss	Mary McClelland, † Brookhaven, Miss., China	Mississippi
1888. Miss	Ella Granbery, † St. Louis, Mo., Brazil	St. Louis
1889. Mrs.	E. A. McClendon, * West Point, Ga., Mexico	North Georgia
1889. Miss	A. Clara Chrisman, * Beauregard, Miss., Brazil	Mississippi
1889. Miss	Ella Yarrell, * Emporia, Va., Brazil	Virginia
1889. Miss	Lida Howell, * Duluth, Ga., Brazil	North Georgia
1889. Miss	Flora Baker, * West Point, Ga., Mexico	North Georgia
1889. Miss	Lulu Ross, * Greensboro, Ala., Brazil	Alabama
1889. Miss	Sallie M. Phillips, † Homer, La., Brazil	Louisiana
1889. Miss	Lizzie Wilson, * Newport, Ky., Mexico	Kentucky

Appointed	Name, Former Residence, Field	Conference
1889. Miss	Ellie B. Tydings, † West Palm Beach, Fla., Mexico	Florida
1890. Miss	Mattie Dorsey, † Charlestown, W. Va., Mexico	Baltimore
1890. Mrs.	E. E. Brelsford, Princeton, Ky., Brazil	Louisville
1890. Miss	May Littleton Smithey, * Jetersville, Va., China	Virginia
1890. Miss	Mary Turner, † Sharpsburg, Ky., Mexico	Kentucky
1890. Miss	Kate P. Fanning, † Blountsville, Fla., Mexico	Florida
1890. Miss	Helen Lee Richardson, * St. Louis, Mo., China	St. Louis
1890. Miss	Lucy Harper, * Georgetown, Tex., Mexico	Central Texas
1891. Miss	Mollie F. Brown, Austin, Tex., Brazil	West Texas
1891. Miss	Kate C. McFarrin, * Durango, Mexico, Mexico	New Jersey
1892. Miss	Sue P. Blake, † Miccosukee, Fla., China	Florida
1892. Miss	Delia Holding, * Latonia, Ky., Mexico	Kentucky
1892. Miss	Emma Gary, † Elberton, Ga., China	North Georgia
1892. Miss	Sallie B. Reynolds, † Columbia, S. C., China	South Carolina
1892. Miss	Alice Moore, Oxford, Ga., Brazil	North Georgia
1892. Miss	Susan Littlejohn, † Pacolet, S. C., Brazil	South Carolina
1892. Miss	Amelia Elerding, * Chicago, Ill., Brazil	Illinois
1892. Miss	Mildred Bomar, † Weldon, N. C., China	Western North Carolina
1892. Miss	Martha E. Pyle (Emeritus), Kansas City, Mo., China	Missouri
1892. Mrs.	Julia A. Gaither (Emeritus) * Oxford, Ga., China	North Georgia
1893. Miss	Bessie Moore, † Savannah, Tenn., Brazil	Tennessee
1895. Miss	Viola Blackburn, * Holly Springs, Miss., Mexico	North Mississippi
1894. Miss	Ella Coffey, † Long Mountain, Va., China	Virginia
1894. Miss	Esther Case, † Batesville, Ark., Mexico	North Arkansas
1895. Miss	Willie Bowman, † St. Louis, Mo., Brazil	St. Louis
1895. Miss	May Umberger, † Wytheville, Va., Brazil	Holston
1895. Miss	Viola Blackburn, * Holly Springs, Miss., Miss.	North Mississippi
1895. Miss	Hattie G. Carson, * Savannah, Ga., Mexico and Cuba	South Georgia
1895. Miss	Eliza Perkinson, † Salisbury, Mo., Brazil	Missouri
1895. Miss	Lizzie Martin, † Chapel Hill, N. C., China	North Carolina
1896. Miss	Ida Worth, † St. Louis, Mo., Japan	St. Louis
1896. Miss	Johnnie Sanders, * Union, S. C., China	South Carolina
1896. Miss	Margaret Polk, M.D., Perryville, Ky., China	Kentucky
1896. Miss	Ida Shaffer, Carrollton, Mo., Brazil	Missouri
1897. Miss	Susie E. Williams, † San Francisco, Calif., China	Los Angeles
1897. Miss	Annie Churchill, † Burnett, Tex., Mexico and Cuba	Northwest Texas
1897. Miss	Mary L. Richardson, * St. Louis, Mo., China	St. Louis
1897. Miss	Leonora D. Smith, † Eclectic, Ala., Brazil	Alabama
1897. Miss	Laura V. Wright, † Baltimore, Md., Mexico	Baltimore
1898. Miss	Fannie Hines, † Mount Sterling, Ky., Korea	Kentucky
1898. Miss	Mary Pescud, * Raleigh, N. C., Brazil	North Carolina
1899. Miss	Arena Carroll, † Mount Crawford, Va., Korea	Baltimore
1899. Miss	Lela McNemar, Edwards, Miss., Mexico	Mississippi
1899. Miss	Clara B. Fullerton, † Louisville, Ky., Brazil	Louisville
1899. Miss	Maude Bonnell, * Muskogee, Okla., Japan	East Oklahoma
1900. Miss	Sadie Harbough, * Washington, D. C., Korea	Baltimore
1900. Miss	Elizabeth Davis, † Durham, N. C., Brazil	North Carolina
1900. Miss	Alice Griffith, † Marion, Ky., Mexico	Louisville
1900. Miss	June Nicholson, * Edgefield, S. C., China	South Carolina
1900. Miss	Sue Ford, † Paris, Ky., Cuba and Mexico	Kentucky
1901. Miss	Mollie Cesna, † Utica, Miss., Cuba	North Mississippi
1901. Miss	Maidee Smith, La Grange, Ga., Brazil	North Georgia
1901. Miss	Orien Alexander, * Brookfield, Mo., China	Missouri
1901. Miss	Mary Knowles, † Macon, Ga., Korea	South Georgia
1901. Miss	Ada May Stewart, † Leesburg, Fla., Brazil	Florida
1901. Miss	Lily Whitman, Europa, Miss., Cuba	North Mississippi
1901. Mrs.	Ellen B. Carney, Plant City, Fla., Mexico	Florida
1901. Miss	Della V. Wright, Anderson, S. C., Brazil	South Carolina
1901. Miss	May Treadwell, Edgewood, Ga., Mexico	North Georgia
1901. Miss	Norwood Wynn, Dallas, Tex., Mexico	North Texas
1902. Miss	Josephine Hounshell, † Corinth, Va., Korea	Holston
1902. Miss	Blanche Howell, † Asheville, N. C., Brazil	Western North Carolina
1903. Miss	Loula M. Norville, † Livingston, Ala., China	Alabama
1903. Miss	Ara Riggins, * Pasadena, Calif., Mexico	Los Angeles
1904. Miss	Ada Parker, † New Orleans, La., Brazil	Louisiana
1904. Miss	Janie Watkins, * Jackson, Miss., China	Mississippi
1905. Miss	Mattie M. Ivey, * Calvert, Tex., Korea	Texas
1905. Miss	Cordelia Erwin, † Murray, Ky., Korea	Memphis
1905. Mrs.	Fannie K. Brown, † Knoxville, Tenn., Brazil	Holston
1905. Miss	Irene King, Holden, Mo., China	Southwest Missouri
1905. Miss	Elizabeth Claiborne, † Jackson, Tenn., China	Memphis
1906. Miss	Elizabeth Lamb, † Fayetteville, N. C., Brazil	North Carolina
1906. Miss	Eleanor Dye, † Evansville, Miss., Korea	North Mississippi
1906. Miss	Sophia Mann, * Mexia, Tex., China	Northwest Texas
1906. Miss	Estelle Hood, Commerce, Ga., Brazil	North Georgia
1907. Miss	Agnes Ruff, Wallaceville, S. C., Cuba	South Carolina

Appointed	Name, Former Residence, Field	Conference
1907. Mrs. S. S. Harris, Citra, Fla., China	Florida	Florida
1907. Mrs. Emily Runyon, M.D., Richmond, Va., China	Virginia	Virginia
1907. Miss Ruby Kendrick, * Plano, Tex., Korea	Northwest Texas	Northwest Texas
1907. Miss Martha Ivie Batey, † Murfreesboro, Tenn., Korea	Tennessee	Tennessee
1907. Miss Ruby Lilly, † Whitman, Ga., Korea	South Georgia	South Georgia
1907. Miss Augusta May Dye, † Plano, Tex., Brazil	Northwest Texas	Northwest Texas
1907. Miss Emma Steger, † Mountain Grove, Mo., China	Southwest Missouri	Southwest Missouri
1907. Miss Linnie Barcroft, Tupelo, Miss., Mexico	Mississippi	Mississippi
1907. Miss Alma Jones, Webb City, Mo., Mexico	Southwest Missouri	Southwest Missouri
1908. Miss Kate Smallwood, † New Albany, Miss., China	North Mississippi	North Mississippi
1908. Miss Laura Lee, * Nashville, Tenn., Mexico and Cuba	Tennessee	Tennessee
1908. Miss Daisy Pyles, † Juiz de Fora, Brazil, Brazil	Brazil	Brazil
1908. Miss Mary F. Johnstone, † Dawson, Ga., Korea	South Georgia	South Georgia
1908. Mrs. Nellie O'Bierne, † Zwolle, La., Mexico	Louisiana	Louisiana
1908. Miss Trulie Richmond, † Ennis, Tex., Brazil	Central Texas	Central Texas
1908. Miss Mamie Fenley, † Riebeirao Preto, Brazil, Brazil	Brazil	Brazil
1908. Miss Mary Massey, Iuka, Miss., Mexico	North Mississippi	North Mississippi
1909. Miss Bessie Houser, † Perry, Ga., Korea	South Georgia	South Georgia
1909. Miss Hardynia Norville, Livingston, Ala., Mexico	Alabama	Alabama
1909. Miss Martha Nutt, † Granbery, Tex., Mexico	Central Texas	Central Texas
1909. Miss Valeria Vollmer, † Porto Alegre, Brazil, Brazil	Brazil	Brazil
1909. Miss Minnie Varner, † Greenville, Ala., Mexico	Alabama	Alabama
1909. Miss Clara Park, † Sandersville, Ga., China and Mexico	South Georgia	South Georgia
1909. Miss Elsie Lowe, † Midlothian, Tex., Korea	Central Texas	Central Texas
1909. Miss Tommie Foster, Tchula, Miss., China	Mississippi	Mississippi
1909. Miss Helen Hickman, Sherman, Tex., Brazil	North Texas	North Texas
1909. Miss Sarah E. Warne, Santa Ana, Calif., Brazil and Mexico	Los Angeles	Los Angeles
1909. Miss Terrie Etta Buttrick, Asheville, N. C., Mexico	Western North Carolina	Western North Carolina
1910. Miss Maria Wrightman Capers, † Charleston, S. C., Mexico	South Carolina	South Carolina
1910. Miss Margaret Beadle, † Austin, Tex., China	West Texas	West Texas
1910. Miss Nevada Martin, † Pelahatchee, Miss., China	Mississippi	Mississippi
1910. Miss Dora Otis, † Hopkinsville, Mo., China	Missouri	Missouri
1910. Miss Gilberta Harris, Arkadelphia, Ark., Korea	Little Rock	Little Rock
1910. Miss Nellie Bennett, Blackstone, Va., Japan	Virginia	Virginia
1910. Miss Johnnie Pierson, Hamilton, Tex., Mexico	Northwest Texas	Northwest Texas
1910. Miss Sallie J. Smith, † Richmond, Va., China	Virginia	Virginia
1910. Miss Ellen Alfter, * Warrensburg, Mo., Mexico	Southwest Missouri	Southwest Missouri
1910. Miss Alice Dean Noyes, Macon, Ga., Korea	South Georgia	South Georgia
1910. Miss Virginia Howell, Lamasco, Tex., Brazil	North Texas	North Texas
1910. Miss Emma Turbeville, Martin, Tenn., Korea	Memphis	Memphis
1910. Miss Miriam Steele, † Brownwood, Tex., Brazil	Northwest Texas	Northwest Texas
1911. Miss Lina Clara Kock, Llano, Tex., Korea	West Texas	West Texas
1911. Miss Bess Combs, St. Joseph, Mo., China	Missouri	Missouri
1911. Miss Clare Beverly Cain, Los Angeles, Calif., Mexico and Brazil	Los Angeles	Los Angeles
1911. Miss Myrtle Barker, † Warsaw, Ky., Korea	Kentucky	Kentucky
1911. Miss Frankie Hooper, St. Joseph, Mo., Mexico	Missouri	Missouri
1911. Miss Margaret Simpson, Little Rock, Ark., Brazil	Arkansas	Arkansas
1911. Miss Lillie Reed, † Waco, Tex., Korea	East Oklahoma	East Oklahoma
1911. Miss Madge Hendry, Huchow, China, China	China	China
1911. Miss Florence Barton, Frederickstown, Mo., Brazil	St. Louis	St. Louis
1912. Miss Frances Burkhead, Lexington, N. C., China	Western North Carolina	Western North Carolina
1912. Miss Mae Owings, Fountain Inn, S. C., Korea	South Carolina	South Carolina
1912. Miss Flora Herndon, † Elberton, Ga., China	North Georgia	North Georgia
1912. Miss Maggie Lee Kenney, † Los Angeles, Calif., Brazil	Los Angeles	Los Angeles
1912. Miss Charlie May Cunningham, Lindsay, Calif., Mexico	Los Angeles	Los Angeles
1912. Miss Laura V. Summers, Barnesville, Ga., Korea	North Georgia	North Georgia
1912. Miss Carrie S. Minor, St. Louis, Mo., Korea	St. Louis	St. Louis
1912. Miss Lucy Henderson, † Murfreesboro, Tenn., Brazil	South Georgia	South Georgia
1912. Miss Bessie Lee Wilson, * College Grove, Tenn., Mexico and Cuba	Tennessee	Tennessee
1912. Miss Theodosia Wales, † Binghamton, N. Y., China	New Jersey	New Jersey
1912. Miss Edith Hayes, † Birmingham, Ala., China	North Alabama	North Alabama
1912. Miss Ethel Polk, M.D., † Kansas City, Mo., China	Southwest Missouri	Southwest Missouri
1912. Miss Jennie Stradley, † Granbery, Tex., Brazil	Central Texas	Central Texas
1913. Miss Lela M. Blier, Kansas City, Mo., China	Southwest Missouri	Southwest Missouri
1913. Miss Ethel Newcomb, St. Louis, Mo., Japan	St. Louis	St. Louis
1913. Miss Hattie F. Love, M.D., † Sweetwater, Tenn., China	Holston	Holston
1913. Miss Blanche Webb, † Chattanooga, Tenn., Brazil	Holston	Holston
1913. Miss Bertha O. Attaway, † Oswego, S. C., China	South Carolina	South Carolina
1913. Miss Bessie Hardie, † Korea, Korea	South Georgia	South Georgia
1913. Miss Margaret Webster, Ennis, Tex., Cuba	Central Texas	Central Texas
1913. Miss Edith Brittingham, Portsmouth, Va., Mexico	Virginia	Virginia
1913. Miss Anette Gist, McIntosh, Fla., Japan	Florida	Florida
1913. Miss May Hixson, † Des Moines, Iowa, China	Georgia	Georgia
1913. Miss Eva Hardie, † Oak Park, Ill., Korea	Illinois	Illinois
1914. Miss Manelle Forster, † Macon, Ga., Mexico and Cuba	South Georgia	South Georgia
1914. Miss Elizabeth Love, † Sweetwater, Tenn., China	Holston	Holston

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1914. Miss	Allene Pearce, Danville, Ky., Korea.....	Kentucky
1914. Miss	Elma Morgan, † Stephens, Ark., Brazil.....	Little Rock
1915. Miss	Ruth Brittain, Birmingham, Ala., China.....	North Alabama
1915. Miss	Olive Lipscomb, † Nashville, Tenn., China.....	Tennessee
1915. Miss	Ellie Gray, La Grange, Ga., China.....	North Georgia
1915. Miss	Ethel Brown, Petersburg, Va., Brazil.....	Virginia
1916. Miss	Myra Olive, Seattle, Wash., China.....	Northwest
1917. Miss	Etha Mills, † Apple Grove, Va., Congo Belge.....	Virginia
1917. Miss	Etta Lee Woolsey, † Bay City, Tex., Congo Belge.....	Texas
1917. Miss	Grace McCubbins, † Salisbury, N. C., Korea.....	Western North Carolina
1917. Miss	Katherine Hatcher, † Harlem, Ga., Korea.....	North Georgia
1917. Miss	Sarah Vandyke Stout, † Clarksville, Tenn., Brazil.....	Tennessee
1917. Miss	Kathron Wilson, R.N., † Dodd City, Tex., Congo Belge.....	North Texas
1917. Miss	Marie Raffo, † Tampa, Fla., China.....	Florida
1917. Miss	Louise Ingersoll, M.D., Asheville, N. C., China.....	Western North Carolina
1918. Miss	Pauline Glass Randall, * New Orleans, La., Korea.....	Louisiana
1918. Miss	Pearl O. Hicks, † Shawnee, Okla., Brazil.....	East Oklahoma
1918. Miss	Alma Pitts, R.N., Cottontown, Ala., China.....	East Oklahoma
1918. Miss	Edna Booker, † Los Angeles, Calif., China.....	Los Angeles
1918. Miss	Jessie Drew Gill, † Tuskegee, Ala., Cuba.....	Alabama
1919. Miss	Annie M. Craig, Austin, Tex., Mexico.....	West Texas
1919. Miss	Fannie Scott, † Toney Creek, S. C., Brazil.....	Upper South Carolina
1919. Miss	Nora E. Darwin, Fort Worth, Tex., Mexico.....	Central Texas
1919. Miss	Carrie Turner, R.N., † Bremond, Tex., Mexico.....	Central Texas
1920. Miss	Flossie McKnight, Chaffin, Mo., China.....	St. Louis
1920. Miss	Eliza Isles, † Dry Creek, La., Congo Belge.....	Louisiana
1920. Miss	Marzie Hall, † Walnut Grove, Miss., Congo Belge.....	Mississippi
1920. Miss	Ruth Henderson, † Richmond, Va., Congo Belge.....	Virginia
1920. Miss	Jean Callahan, † Orlando, Fla., Japan.....	Japan
1920. Miss	Sarah Brinkley, Jewell, Ga., China.....	Mississippi
1920. Miss	Ruby Van Houser, Titusville, Fla., Japan.....	Florida
1921. Miss	Ella M. Hanawalt, Galva, Ill., China.....	Kentucky
1921. Miss	Willie G. Hall, † Walnut Grove, Miss., Congo Belge.....	Mississippi
1921. Miss	Mary Vic Mauk, Troy, Ala., Korea.....	Alabama
1921. Miss	Annie Justice Hanson, † Clifton, Tex., Korea.....	Central Texas
1921. Miss	Alice E. Furry, R.N., Van Buren, Ark., Korea.....	North Arkansas
1921. Miss	Lucy Bell Morgan, Georgetown, Tex., Brazil.....	Central Texas
1921. Miss	Jessie Bloodworth, Hartshorne, Okla., China.....	East Oklahoma
1922. Miss	Naomi Chapman, R.N., New Orleans, La., Mexico.....	Louisiana
1922. Miss	Jessie Moore, Batesville, Ark., Brazil.....	North Arkansas
1922. Miss	Junia Jones, † Montgomery, Ala., Cuba and Mexico.....	Alabama
1922. Miss	Mrs. Fannie B. Warren, † Tulsa, Okla., Congo Belge.....	East Oklahoma
1922. Miss	Cornelia Godbey, † Morristown, Mo., Mexico.....	Southwest Missouri
1922. Miss	Dora O'Lula Hanna, † Sapulpa, Okla., Mexico.....	East Oklahoma
1922. Miss	Christine Allen, † Crowell, Tex., Congo Belge and Cuba.....	Northwest Texas
1922. Miss	Cavie Clark, † Mize, Miss., Brazil.....	Mississippi
1922. Miss	Helen Hardy, † Benns Church, Va., Brazil.....	Baltimore
1922. Miss	Susan W. Brown, M.D., Columbia, Mo., China.....	Missouri
1922. Miss	Mary Bailey Sloan, M.D., Monticello, Fla.....	China Medical Board
1923. Miss	Lillian Wahl, * Paris, Ark., Siberia-Manchuria.....	North Arkansas
1923. Miss	Margaret P. Light, † Romney, W. Va., Korea.....	Baltimore
1923. Miss	Alma Brandt, R.N., * Appleton, Wis., China.....	St. Louis
1923. Miss	Constance Rumbough, † Lynchburg, Va., Manchuria and Poland.....	Virginia
1924. Miss	Amy Jo Burns, Bonelair Springs, Va., Mexico.....	Baltimore
1924. Miss	Angela Chappelle, San Antonio, Tex., Mexico.....	West Texas
1924. Miss	Ruth Audrey Kellogg, † Boyle, Miss., Brazil.....	North Mississippi
1924. Miss	Pearl Hall, R.N., Dodson, Va., Mexico.....	Virginia
1924. Miss	Mary McDaniel, M.D., † Savannah, Mo., China.....	Missouri
1924. Miss	Eda Cade, † Lono, Ark., China.....	Little Rock
1924. Miss	Sadie Mai Wilson, Nashville, Tenn., China.....	Tennessee
1925. Miss	Vada Gilliland, Georgetown, Tex., Mexico.....	Central Texas
1925. Miss	Daisye Ferguson, * Woodville, Miss., Brazil.....	Mississippi
1925. Miss	Pearl Wiemers, R.N., Giddings, Tex., China.....	Texas
1925. Miss	Mary Hinton, Ethelville, Miss., Brazil.....	North Alabama
1925. Miss	Janet Miller, M.D., Memphis, Tenn., China and Congo Belge.....	Memphis
1925. Miss	Susie Pruitt, Iva, S. C., Brazil.....	South Carolina
1926. Miss	Edith Bayne, Macon, Ga., Cuba.....	South Georgia
1926. Miss	Myrtie Bryant, † Collins, Miss., Congo Belge.....	Mississippi
1927. Miss	Rosa Eleese McNeil, Jackson, Miss., Congo Belge.....	Mississippi
1927. Miss	Leah Hartley, Zebulon, Ga., Korea.....	North Georgia
1927. Miss	Octavia Clegg, † Greensboro, N. C., Japan.....	Western North Carolina
1928. Miss	Mary Taylor Myers, R.N., † Concord, N. C., Congo Belge.....	North Carolina
1928. Miss	Bess Lindsay, R.N., † McCurtain, Okla., Mexico.....	Oklahoma
1929. Miss	Gertrude Clapp, † Birmingham, Ala., Brazil.....	North Alabama

* Deceased. † Married. ‡ Transferred to Home Department or Work of the Board of Missions. ‡ Retired.

REPORTS FROM THE FOREIGN FIELDS

AFRICA

DAY SCHOOLS, MINGA

ANNE PARKER

This department has made steady progress throughout the year. The school is better graded and more systematized than it has been in years. Some of the teachers are faithful, loyal, and are interested in the work.

There are some splendid boys in the school, who, if properly encouraged and trained, will become spiritual and intellectual leaders.

Minga students no longer recite under the trees. A spacious dining room has been built that not only serves as a dining room, but as a classroom and a place for Junior Church.

For many years the pupils had been paid a small pittance each week for their work, and with this they had kept soul and body together. However, that is a thing of the past. They now have a school kitchen as well as a dining room. They cook their food and serve it twice each day. It is such a comfort to know that the boys have food and are physically fit to do their school work and manual labor.

The Mission boys have done a great deal of agricultural work this year. They have cleared land, piled brush, burned the brush, dug out the stumps, and dug up the soil, and then dug rows and planted the seeds. It takes time to do such work with crude implements. The boys assist in keeping the Mission compound clean, and have roofed two of their dormitories.

During the past three years some lady missionary on this station has had to supervise this work. We feel that all adolescent boys should be under the supervision of some noble man that they could follow as their hero. It will be a blessed day for our Mission when there is an educational man as well as an educational woman on each station.

GIRLS' HOME, MINGA

ANNE PARKER

This year the work among the girls has been most gratifying. The girls have continued to come to the Home until we now have thirty-one. Their desire to secure Christian training and to enjoy the opportunities afforded by the Home was well exemplified in Ukanu. She heard a missionary who was out itinerating urge the parents to send their daughters to the Home. She longed to go to the Mission with the missionary, but was afraid to go without her parents' consent. Her father was away in a distant village, working. After the missionary went home, Ukanu persuaded her mother to go with her to the missionary for admittance into the Home. However, the missionary had to refuse to allow her to enter because it is essential to get the father's consent in this land where money is involved in a wedding, and payments are made on the dowry when a girl is a mere child. So Ukanu reluctantly returned to her heathen village with her mother. Her father returned to their home village nineteen months later, so

Ukanu persuaded him to come with her to the Mission, where she was received into the Home with much joy.

The oldest girl, Utunga, was married last April to a Christian boy. They are living in our Mission village. We feel that she and her husband will be Christian leaders among this people when he finishes his education. Utunga is teaching in the Woman's School.

The girls attend school each morning. They are making satisfactory progress in their studies. They excel in memorizing Scripture. It is a joy to hear them quote *chapters of Scripture* at their evening prayer service. The girls work in their forest gardens four afternoons each week. They cultivate manioc, corn, sweet potatoes, peas, and pineapples.

We feel that the Kingdom of God will advance in this land in proportion to the number of women who know Christ as a living reality. It is next to an impossibility for the men to be spiritual leaders when they are married to ignorant heathen women.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, MINGA STATION

M. FLORA FOREMAN, R.N.

Because there was no one to take over the work when Dr. Janet Miller left on furlough, she had to close the hospital, and it remained so until I arrived. After Mr. and Mrs. Davis came back, Mr. Davis did everything he could for the sick, dispensing medicines both at the station and on his itinerating trips, but of course he had comparatively little time to devote to this work.

The task of reopening the hospital without the aid of a doctor has had its usual heartsickening experiences, but we are grateful to be back and to devote all our time to the medical work. There are many things that a nurse, with the aid of trained native helpers, can do. Some of the diseases most common among the people and from which they suffer much pain are easily diagnosed and are not difficult to treat. Sleeping sickness is one of these, and as a rule these patients require prompt attention if a cure is to be effected. During some weeks we administered treatment to more than a hundred each week, and that altogether by intravenous injections. One or two of our boys are experts in this work; one of them, with an assistant to prepare the syringes and doses for him, has given more than fifty in one morning.

Since it has become known that a Leprosarium is being built near Minga nearly fifty patients have come asking for treatment, only to be disappointed by being told that we were not ready for them. Many of these were in the first stages of the disease, and their pleas for help were so pitiful that we have encouraged those who could find places in the homes of other lepers in near-by villages to do so and to come for regular treatments. How wonderful that we are to have a refuge for these people! Pray for us that we may work in untiring faith for their physical healing and, as Bishop Lambuth said, offer them Jesus, the Bread of Life, the Balm of Gilead.

DAY SCHOOLS, TUNDA

HENRY T. WHEELER

At the close of last year we had thirteen teachers, including evangelists; we close this year with twenty-six. We had also about fifty children enrolled in out villages; we close this year with more than two hundred and fifty in daily attendance. We have but five schools besides the station school, but the children of ten villages are gathered in these schools. In other words, we are centralizing as much as

possible and at the same time putting an adequate force of teachers to man the situation.

The station school has done good work throughout the year. The highest attendance reached any quarter was one hundred and twenty; this is above the out-station schools.

We are buying such equipment as we need and have money to pay for in order that our schools may be efficient.

Things are looking pretty good in the school work, and we hope we can keep it on the up-grade.

GIRLS' HOME, TUNDA

MRS. H. T. WHEELER

We have the same number of children in the Home that we had when last year closed, having neither received nor dismissed any. Our work is not growing for two reasons. In the first place, none of the women on the station have been able to do any itinerating; in the second place, we could not take care of more than one or two additional children with our present buildings.

However, we feel encouraged as to the quality of work done during the past year. The matron and her husband, who is one of our evangelists, have coöperated well in the matter of religious instruction, discipline, routine work, and the providing of food. I do not think we could find anyone who would do better work.

The general department of the children has improved decidedly during the year. Some of the least promising have made the greatest progress. Six of the older children were on probation for baptism during the year, and three of them were baptized on Christmas Day. The probation period of the others was extended for the reason that they were up for discipline several times each, not long before baptism, and we felt that they should realize that they must give better evidence of change of heart before they could be baptized. Some of the children have made rather notable progress in school, considering that they are Congo girls, and all of them made greater effort during the last term of school. One of them received an award for general excellence in school.

We trust that at the end of another year even greater progress can be reported.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, TUNDA STATION

MARY ELIZABETH MOORE, R.N.

Since we were unable to begin our permanent hospital building this year, it became necessary to erect another temporary building, to be used as a laboratory, storeroom for drugs and supplies, and office. All of the work on this building has been done by hospital patients.

We were indeed glad to welcome Miss Hortense Murry, R.N., to Tunda on March 8 to join our medical department. Although she has been busy with her language study, she has found time to help in many ways.

The number of patients admitted during the second quarter was double that of the first, due to the fact that the rainy season had ended and, having finished their gardens, the people had time to be sick. This may sound strange, but it is true. During the rainy season the African is busy with his gardens of millet, rice, corn, peanuts, etc. The majority of them do not think their bodily ills of enough importance to come to the hospital for treatment. This is deplorable because of the needless suffering endured and because, by

these weeks of delay in getting treatment, many conditions become acute, chronic, or incurable.

The last of April we welcomed Dr. Carroll Mount to Tunda. He goes to the hospital in Minga, but we were glad to have him spend some time with us getting some additional experience in surgery and an introduction to the medical work in the Congo.

The biggest event of the year was the arrival of the infant daughter of Josephu Tete, one of our best native hospital assistants. This was our first obstetrical case at the Tunda hospital, and we were happy to have everything go just right. The father and mother both willingly did everything just as we wanted them to, although the whole procedure was very different from their age-old customs. We hope this will be the beginning of a new phase of our work and that we may have a part in helping to lower the appalling rate of infant mortality in this country.

We are able to depend more and more upon our hospital boys, and their earnest efforts and ready coöperation in the work are very encouraging.

WEMBO NYAMA

HELEN FARRIER

The year 1931 found us still busy with our little orphans. We are very much encouraged over the fact that the little girls from the Little Girls' Home are now helping with the work, learning to prepare from native foods the real baby foods. The peanut milk formula looks indeed promising, as the Johns Hopkins Hospital is working on it and promises us many encouraging things. There is still a greater demand for milk than we can meet with our babies, for as yet we have not been able to feed them on native foods entirely until they are at least three or four months old. But we know and believe—for we have God's promise, and what more could we want? that "The Lord careth for his own and will not leave them desolate." What a joy it is to love and work with these little ones!

The Leper Colony is being moved from Wembo Nyama to Minga. The lepers have taken much interest in the moving and building of a sure-enough hospital for them. The head man in the Leper Hospital is a graduate of the Bible School and one of our best Christians. His wife has a new baby, and the Christian boy was willing for the little one to be taken from its mother and raised as an orphan because he did not want it to become a leper. However, the mother has not decided.

The new hospital at Wembo Nyama is a great blessing. We have a nice operating room and have had several native children born there within the last year—our first children to have a Christian birth—also little John Hughlett was born in the new hospital. We are indeed thankful for our new hospital—a place where we can really work. And in every way, as the work moves on and we try to heal their bodies as well as their souls in the name of our Master, we hear his gentle voice as he gave it years ago to his first missionaries of the world kingdom—"Preach and heal—heal and preach."

BRAZIL

COLLEGIO BENNETT, RIO DE JANEIRO

EVA LOUISE HYDE

At the close of another year of missionary service, as we look back at the events of the past twelve months, the outstanding happening

is the creation of the autonomous Brazilian Methodist Church. Not only is it of most absorbing immediate interest, but it is also the motive for serious meditation and prophetic thinking in regard to the future status of missionary labor in this land. It has been said repeatedly by Southern Methodist leaders and has been hopefully and thankfully reiterated by our Brazilian brethren that the independence of the Church here does not mean a weakening of the ties with the Mother Church, nor yet a diminution of support in men and money as long as the new Church needs these. All expressions of opinion in this regard by Brazilian leaders which we have heard at the various Annual Conferences and other Church meetings attended of late are to the effect that the young Church needs as much or more of this material help now in these first four years of getting organized and started as it ever has in the past.

Of course the educational problem is the one which most interests us, and certainly in this phase of the work our Mission Board has a great task yet before it if it would carry to fulfillment the high ideals involved in the labor of love so well begun. As yet the native churches are largely composed of people with scant means, and they are entirely unable to carry on, unaided, the expensive work of maintaining schools and colleges. Besides the financial problem in our girls' schools, there is also the problem of trained leadership. No one of our girls' schools goes beyond high-school grade, and, although we include in the high-school program a brief teacher training course which has furnished us with some excellent primary teachers, we cannot expect to produce leaders capable of school administration and the direction of an ever-expanding educational program with such limited training. The Federal and State Universities are at present limited to medical, law, and polytechnic courses, so that there is no chance of higher training along the lines of education and social service leadership in them. It seems to us, therefore, that we are under the obligation to develop college courses which shall prepare well-trained leaders to take over and carry on the broad educational program so vitally needed by the young Church.

Such a development is our dream and goal at Bennett. During the ten years of its experience this school has steadily grown in numbers and influence, and all of its members and friends feel that the time is ripe for the launching of a larger program. This calls for more money and more missionaries with superior training and ability. We are praying that the Mother Church will recognize its opportunity and answer this urgent call so that the cause of our Master and the good name of Methodism may be honored in Brazil.

The past year was a good one for the school in spite of economical crisis and revolution. We had more pupils than ever before, especially in the high school department. A class of nine finished the course. The alumnae of the school, who now number forty-five, have organized an association and are planning interesting activities for the future.

We strive always to cooperate with community and national movements and associations for the advancement of education and social welfare. In recognition of this good will, the principal of Bennett had the honor recently of being elected to the Advisory Council of the National Education Association.

The work of the Sunday School Union, the Federation of Evangelical Schools, and the Committee on Cooperation have claimed a not inconsiderable part of our time this year, and we feel that it has been time well spent, as these interdenominational cooperative movements are of great value in the extension of the Kingdom in Brazil. At present we are looking forward with high hopes to the World's Sun-

day School Convention be held in this city in July of 1932, from which gathering we anticipate rich blessings for the cause of our Lord.

COLLEGIO ISABELLA HENDRIX, BELLO HORIZONTE

MARY ALICE LAMAR

The school may be said to be facing several crises simultaneously. The problem of affiliation with the government schools is as yet unsolved. The need of such affiliation is pressed by some patrons and ignored by others. The difficulty, so far insurmountable, is merely that Bello Horizonte is strongly Catholic. The school itself is highly esteemed.

The greater problem is that of new buildings on the beautiful site which was bought last year. The present buildings are so old and so in need of repair that it is practically impossible to practice in them what we teach about wholesome and hygienic living. Other schools in the city, both public and private, are being splendidly housed and excellently equipped. It seems essential that we offer to the girls who come to us conditions of comfort, sanitation, and a reasonable measure of beauty. It is essential if we are to make a sustained appeal to the best type of girl. The solution of this particular problem depends entirely upon the sale of the present school property. For more than a year business has been in a low condition. There has been no sale for anything, real estate least of all. This condition, already acute, was made infinitely worse by the revolution in October. No one seems able yet to predict just when the situation will be better. Therefore the most optimistic of persons could hardly hope to sell our admirably located block of ground now, unless at a price far below its value.

In spite of the fact that too much of the principal's time had to be given to business affairs, such as repairs, the renting of houses on the new property, etc., the year yielded satisfactions. The enrollment was excellent, being somewhat greater than during the previous year. The upper grades filled up surprisingly, and the primary department did well, considering the fact that the primary public schools are excellent.

Most of the teachers were actively interested in the affairs of the Church. The school has rather a large group of students who work in the Church. They sent representatives to the Student Volunteer meeting in Rio, and hope to entertain that body here during the Easter holidays.

Naturally, there are many delayed tuition payments because of the financial depression and the revolution, but the losses have been much less than might have been expected. Friends have proved loyal in unexpected ways, and the prospects are that we shall be able to carry on as usual. In free tuition and board the school has been generous. to the amount of something more than three thousand dollars.

All of us who are able to teach English have given some of our time to private lessons. We feel that this work has had value beyond the financial aid it brought the school, as several very worth-while friendships were thus formed. One group of girls studying English literature was inspired to form an English Club whose members are some of the finest young people in the city. This organization has been of immense value to its members and to the school.

I must emphasize the necessity of a new start for Collegio Isabella Hendrix, and urge that as soon as we can do our part here, the Council be ready to sanction our plans and let the building of the new school building go forward as quickly as possible. It is the psychological moment.

LUCY WADE

My first school year on the field came to a close on November 28. During the first semester I had the mornings reserved for language study, but the last semester I had almost full-time work. I taught four English classes and helped with two handwork classes.

I have attended the young woman's Sunday school class, but at the beginning of our next school year I expect to teach a class in the primary or junior department and also to help in the Epworth League. In our Daily Vacation Bible School, which has just closed, I had the pleasure of planning and directing a part of the handwork.

There have been many new experiences, and adjustments had to be made, but on the whole it has been a good year.

ALICE DENISON

In many ways this year has been to me a very enjoyable and helpful one. It was my furlough year. I spent the winter, spring, and summer quarters in study at Scarritt and Peabody Colleges taking work which I hope will be useful upon my return to the beloved people of Brazil in 1931. The last four months were months of rest, speech-making, and getting acquainted with the home base, Missionary Societies, Sunday schools, and Leagues, particularly of the Waco District, and in the renewal of friendships and home ties. I am returning renewed mentally, morally, physically, and spiritually, planning for greater things.

VERDA FARRAR

Writing an annual report causes me to wonder what part of my year's activities is of permanent value and what part is superfluous. We cannot evaluate missionary work in definite results represented by figures; the gains or losses in school attendance, the new buildings or lack of necessary repairs are only one phase of the work. Living with the students and developing attitudes and ideals is the vital place where we rise or fall. In this we have no definite way to rate our work. Will the seed sown be like the talent wrapped in a napkin, or will it produce the five talents or the ten?

My pleasure and interest in teaching English has met with response from my pupils, and they, too, manifested pleasure and interest in the classes. Through Miss Lamar's influence an English Club has been organized this year among the young people of the city. Our weekly meetings have proved beneficial to all taking part and have afforded us some delightful evenings with alert young Brazilians, thus widening our activities and contacts here.

As superintendent of the primary department of the Sunday school I have had an enjoyable work. This year comfortable chairs and tables were purchased for the department. We have just closed the second year of the Daily Vacation Bible School. This work is receiving popular favor among the church people and the little folks of the city. I believe half of the children in the Bible school this year were from non-Protestant homes. The advance in the attendance and the work accomplished this year over last make me extremely glad that I initiated this work in Bello Horizonte.

COLLEGIO PIRACICABANO, PIRACICABA

MARY HINTON

Early to-morrow morning I leave Piracicaba, where I have spent five of the happiest years of my life. Although I am very anxious to see my loved ones, I am still sadder to say good-by here. I feel that

I am just now beginning to really know the people. So much of the time has been spent in mastering the language that you want to remain and use what you have learned.

My feeling is the same as when I had been here only six months: "I don't know what I have been able to do to help any one, but I do know that my Brazilian friends have helped me." I feel that I am returning to the United States with a deeper appreciation of life.

My college and church work has been the same as before. Through my missionary society work I have been able to visit in almost all the Christian homes. My school work has been the same except for the addition of several classes in manual training. At last I have learned to drive a nail and saw a plank.

RUTH MERRITT

In spite of some handicaps of the past year, somewhat different from those of any other of my five years in Brazil, I think I never before went through a year's teaching with a like degree of satisfaction in all of my classes as a whole. Always, before, there had been one class or another that I felt unable to reach; but this past year, though I recognized frequent failures in my work, I felt a reassuring degree of gratification in my efforts with each class.

My comparative religion class was the one upon which I think I put most time and thought. I was very eager that it be not only an introductory study of religions, but a vital study of religions. Only the future, I suppose, will prove the result; but I feel that at least the students were often led to think, I hope, in ways that time will show to be right and true.

My five years in Brazil contributed vastly less to God's Kingdom on earth than I could have hoped, yet I have the assurance that something was done, and I am desirous that my experience, incalculably richer for the years in my adopted land, may yet serve in fruitful ways.

COLLEGIO METHODISTA, RIBEIRAO PRETO

EMMA CHRISTINE, PRINCIPAL

If this report for the Collegio Methodista is not so enthusiastic as usual there is sufficient reason to justify the difference.

In the first place, the drop in the price of coffee struck Ribeirao Preto, the very center of the great coffee zone, with extra force. The resulting financial depression reduced our matriculation. Some of our boarders from the coffee plantations failed to return, while the people of the city, who were hard hit by the crisis, found it expedient to send their children to the public schools where no tuition is charged.

Another cause of the lower matriculation this year is the growing popularity of the government schools. The financial depression, mentioned above, will lift in time; but the constant improvement of the government schools will eclipse private institutions unless they are organized for larger programs of service. It is natural that youth should prefer institutions that offer official diplomas and guarantee teaching positions to one that cannot afford any of these things.

So much for the dark side of "Hill Difficulty." On the other side, where the sun is still shining, there are many bright spots. All of the Brazilians, who taught here this year, are graduates from recognized schools—a high light. The influence of their good work was soon felt in the community. The per cent of promotions to higher grades was the highest in the history of the school. This pleased

the parents so much that nearly all of the children will return next year.

The Normal class which I have been teaching graduated two fine members early in the year. They are now leaders, not only in the Sunday school, but in the church as well. I have had also the mission study class in the Woman's Missionary Society and many other activities in the church which have been a source of help and inspiration, at least to me.

With a firm belief in better and larger service for the new year, we confide this closing record to him who leads us on.

COLLEGIO NOROESTE, BIRIGUY

SOPHIA SCHALCH

This year has been full of new experiences for me. I came to Biriguy the middle of January to take charge of the Collegio Noroeste. I did not have a cent to open school with at the beginning of a new year, and not a single former pupil had applied for a place for the new term; so I did not know what would come.

I decided to visit the old pupils, and when school opened on the seventh of February we had ninety-eight pupils present and about \$100 paid in. The attendance gradually increased until we had 122 at the close of the first term in June. The enrollment of the year reached 127, and we closed the year with ninety-six pupils in attendance. Of these, forty-nine were Italians, eleven Syrians, and twenty-three Japanese. It is interesting to note that only three of the families represented were Protestants; the others were all Catholics or Orthodox Greeks.

Finances have not been so good, but I am satisfied with the other results of our work. The children have made good progress, and I have had splendid helpers during the entire school term.

Next year the school will be directed by the Rev. Affonso Romano.

COLLEGIO AMERICANO, PORTO ALEGRE

MARY SUE BROWN, PRINCIPAL

Collegio Americano has made progress along all lines this year in spite of very difficult conditions. We began the year depressed by rumors of revolution. Since the cradle of the revolutionary movement was in Rio Grande do Sul, we were afraid we might not receive any pupils. But our enrollment was 232, more than we have ever had. We had rented the building next door in order to have more dormitory and classroom space, and it was with much uneasiness and earnest prayer that we opened school. Now we have come to the end of a successful year, and our deficit is not as large as we had feared it might be.

Miss Pruitt left us in July, going home to be married. We missed her more than one could possibly say, for she made herself all but indispensable to the school. Miss Varn's health is much improved this year, and her work has been, as always, very proficient. Miss Anderson came in August, and within a short time was speaking Portuguese with enough ease to make herself understood. She took over one English class and did full share of duty work in the boarding department. All of the teachers, both missionaries and nationals, have contributed largely and whole-heartedly to the good of the school.

In September we had the pleasure of a visit from Miss Case. We were much encouraged by her sympathetic attitude and by her wise counsel. She spoke several times at the church in Spanish, and the

people were much pleased because they could talk to her without the aid of an interpreter. She made some fine contacts among the people of the city and church.

In October the revolution broke out, and we had hours of anxiety, although we were not in any actual danger. The revolutionary forces were victorious within twelve hours, and inside of a month all of Brazil had gone over to the liberal element, and a new government had been established, which we all hope may solve the many problems of this great country. Our teachers and older girls worked in the Red Cross. The children who were too small to sew contributed a spool of thread, so every one had a part in the service to the "Patria Nova."

We have had ten girls enrolled in the Normal course. Eight of them will be ready next year to go out as teachers. We are glad to be able to prepare them, for our greatest need is teachers.

My church work has been the same as last year, teaching the woman's class in Sunday school and the Bible study class in the Missionary Society.

We give sincere thanks to him whom we serve that he has brought us safely and successfully through another year.

CLYDE VARN

During the past year the greater part of my classroom work was done in the English department, in which I taught five classes. I also taught a course in comparative religions in English. However, my most interesting classes were two in Bible which gave me the opportunity of directing the thinking of my students along Christian lines.

In addition to my classroom work, I had charge of the little store in which we keep books and supplies for our boarding students, and shared the multitudinous duties of the boarding department.

Because of political unrest and financial depression, in many respects the year has been a difficult one, both for students and teachers; yet in spite of these we have maintained a good school.

RUTH ANDERSON

It was my privilege to accompany the Commission from the General Conference for establishing the autonomous Church to Brazil. After a very pleasant voyage we arrived in Rio de Janeiro August 7, 1930, where I was entertained in Collegio Bennett.

With Misses Hyde and Lamar I went to Petropolis to attend the Central Conference. There I heard the first plans for the new Church discussed.

Less than a month later I sailed for South Brazil and arrived in Porto Alegre August 17. Since that time I have been studying the language.

In addition to language study I have had charge of the ill, taught one English class, and shared in the responsibility of the boarding school.

INSTITUTIONAL DAY SCHOOL, PORTO ALEGRE

MARY SUE BROWN

Institutional Day School has had a hard year. Last year we had a deficit, due to the crisis, and as this year opened even less auspiciously than last, we decided to employ four teachers instead of five; and even so, we would not have been able to maintain school all the year had we not received more money from the Council this year. The teachers have worked faithfully, but the patrons could not pay the small

amount charged; so the children dropped out or came only when their parents could pay. With the factories closed most of the time, many of them running only three mornings in the week, and many not at all the suffering in that district was acute; so it is no wonder that many of our children left us to go to the public schools or to the Roman Catholic schools where there was no charge.

The matriculation was much smaller than it has been in several years, and the income from tuition was even smaller. In spite of all these difficulties, we had a fairly good school, and the children seemed to make much progress.

COLLEGIO CENTENARIO, SANTA MARIA

EUNICE ANDREW, PRINCIPAL

The fourth day of March, 1930, found us ready for a new school year, each teacher in her place, and a house full of girls intrusted to our care.

The days passed rapidly, and soon the first semester ended. There was much sickness during the second, not only among the students, but also among the faculty. Some of the teachers accepted more classes until those who were ill could again assume their duties.

Prof. J. Belem, an efficient teacher with twenty-one years of experience, accepted the Chair of Portuguese. One of our students remarked: "Now the golden dream of Miss Andrew is realized."

Our matriculation this year was 250, eighty-three being boarders. The largest number we have ever had, seventy-two music pupils, were matriculated. The recital, commencement week, proved that much progress had been made during the year. Miss Mount and her associates are to be congratulated.

It was an interesting sight to see nineteen girls, dressed in their domestic science uniforms, receive their certificates for having finished the short course in Domestic Science. They seemed to feel that they were set apart as having accomplished something which no other girls in the city had done—first and only class in town.

In November our girls gave an entertainment in benefit of the Red Cross; the proceeds, more than a hundred dollars, were used to help the soldiers who were wounded and disabled during our late revolution.

During the year some of our larger girls taught in Sunday school, worked in the League and the Young Ladies' Missionary Society.

There were five beautiful young girls in the graduating class. They promise to mean much to our Christian work in the future. Fourteen girls received certificates for having finished graded course.

We were made happy by Miss Jetton's return. She soon became occupied teaching Algebra, Geometry, and Physics.

Notwithstanding the revolution and the great financial depression, nearly all of our patrons paid in full, and the college has met all of its obligations.

For strength, health, pleasant associations, and a beautiful place in which to work, I give thanks to our Heavenly Father.

LOUISE BEST

Nothing gives more joy than the realization of a dream. This year it has been our privilege to see one come true.

After several years of waiting, we were able in March to open our Domestic Science Department, thanks to South Carolina friends who raised a special offering for this purpose.

We offered a short course of one year, and twenty-three girls took

advantage of this opportunity. We let that course take the place of first year work on the regular three-year course which is offered.

My other work consisted of English from the fourth to seventh year; six and seventh, Bible; tenth and eleventh, Pedagogy and General Science.

The church work was more or less the same as last year.

At the close of another year we give thanks to our Heavenly Father for the privilege of service in this great land and among this wonderful people.

GERTRUDE KENNEDY

I regret that I have no exceedingly interesting topic to write about. However, I will tell you about my year's work.

At its close I was less tired than in past years, and when I sought a reason for this I remembered that in the excitement of the revolution and the real problems that it presented I forgot all my imaginary difficulties.

The most interesting classes I had were in English and Psychology. In my most advanced English class I was accustomed to give the students topics to write on every day. One day I gave them as a topic, "My Estimate of Christ." One dear girl, fourteen years old, wrote, among other things, this sentence that impressed me: "If everybody should follow Christ, nobody would be unhappy; life would be ideal."

Some of the older girls show a deep understanding of the subjects they study and a real eagerness to learn, which is very comforting to me.

I subscribe to two excellent Psychology magazines, and read all the articles I can find in them and elsewhere to help the girls in their work. In my year at home I hope to make a more extended study of this ever-changing science in order to help them more. I have been told that they have an excellent course in Psychology in the "Escola do Aperfeiçoamento" in Porto Alegre. That is the school where the best prepared public-school teachers are trained.

CUBA

COLEGIO ELIZA BOWMAN, CIENFUEGOS

FRANCES GABY, SUPPLY PRINCIPAL

Our situation during the last part of this year has been rather difficult for several reasons. Miss Moling, our principal, became ill the first of June, and after two months of suffering she gave up to go home the first of August, fully expecting to be back with us for the opening of school on September 8. She is still unable to return, but we are hoping that she may soon be well enough to be back with us.

We have had two student strikes to deal with, which have interfered greatly in the carrying on of the work in the high school department. There has been so much unrest and uncertainty among the students that they have not done their best work.

The economic situation, too, seems to become more distressing each day. A few of our students have been compelled to drop out (temporarily we hope) on account of the sweeping reductions in salaries of all government employees.

Seven students were graduated from our preparatory school, and one fine young woman from the high school, she being the first to receive the degree of "Bachiller," which is granted by the government to high-school graduates.

Four of our students have become members of the Church during the year and are proving faithful in Sunday school, League, and church work. It makes our hearts rejoice to see these others of our student body taking active part in service for the Master in the local church.

Much interest was manifested in the Week of Prayer this year, and almost all the teachers and the students, from tiny tots on up, added their bit to the offering, part of which is to go into a new building on our campus.

We have recently had three rooms ceiled and the partitions extended up to the ceilings. This is a great improvement because it prevents much confusion in adjoining rooms.

We are praying that this coming year we may be able to do more for the Master and that the influence of a Christian faculty may be felt in the lives of the student body, and that their influence may in turn be felt in the homes from which they come to us.

MATTIE LOU NEAL

Another year finds me in a strange land and among a foreign people, but somewhat different from that of the French in Louisiana among whom I worked last year.

I spend the mornings studying the Spanish language. In the afternoons I teach subjects from the second, third, fifth, and sixth grades in the English Department, and the third and fourth English from the Spanish Department.

I pray, as I come to have an understanding and insight into the hearts of the Cuban people, to so live the Christ life that they might want my Saviour for their Saviour.

MARIE CRONE

How quickly the time passes! It doesn't seem possible that another year has gone and that another report is due! I am truly grateful for the many blessings and opportunities for service which the year has brought, especially for the health and strength to do the work that God has given me. There have been many hard places and moments of discouragement during the past few months, but we do not remember them now as we face the new year. "As thy days, so shall thy strength be." This promise has come to us so many times when the task seemed so much bigger than we.

We are so glad to see the enrollment in the English Department increase steadily. We have enrolled as many in the first three grades this year as we enrolled in the seven grades three years ago. My work with the little people in this department is indeed a pleasure and a privilege.

O, how our hearts ache over the suffering that surrounds us. The political and economical situation is terrible. Join us in our prayer that peace and order may soon take the place of strife and unrest that now exists.

FLORENCE STARKEY

My work is in the fifth, sixth, and seventh grades of the English Department. This is certainly very interesting work. I find the work much more fascinating than the teaching of the same grades in the States. The teaching of foreign children in the English Department by a teacher who knows very little of their language sometimes requires all the resourcefulness she can summon in order to make the meaning clear. The children as a whole do much better in the making of booklets and posters than children with whom I worked in the

States. Most of my pupils are old for the grade which they are in, due to the fact that they have taken the grade work in the Spanish Department first. In addition to my class work, I coach tennis one hour each day. Some of the boys and girls with whom I work are members of our Church, attend Sunday school, and work in the League. The work in this department is certainly an open door of service to one who knows only a very little Spanish; for here one can teach the children about Christ in English. Here one certainly has a wonderful opportunity in helping to mold the ideals of the future citizens of this beautiful country of Cuba. May God bless our effort to do his will.

COLEGIO BUENAVISTA, HAVANA

IONE CLAY, PRINCIPAL

To those who read the newspapers it is unnecessary to say that the past year has been an eventful one in the history of our school and of this beautiful island, or that we feel we have reason to congratulate ourselves that the full program of December could be carried out, and all obligations met at the end of the year.

At present, in spite of the lessened number of students in the boarding department of the school—the most expensive and in normal times the most lucrative feature of our work—the total enrollment is the highest we have had in four years; and as happens in this country, new students are still coming in.

Part of this increased attendance has undoubtedly been due to the arrangement made at the beginning of the fall term for a school bus for the transportation of those students whose parents cannot send a servant with them or accompany them personally on account of the distance, and yet are too conservative to allow their daughters to come alone on the street cars. By actual count, we had estimated that at least twenty students were lost to our school last term because of our lack of a means of conveyance, a lack which has daily impressed upon our minds by the sight of the lovely cars used by the Catholic schools of the city for the transportation of their students. So, although the appearance of the machine we have secured is not such as to make it an effective means of advertising the school, and its springs are so poor that almost two hours of jolting over the rough streets of some of these *repartos*, leaves our teachers tired out before the day's work has begun, we are thankful for the new students who could not have come to us otherwise and for an arrangement that insures us against financial loss from this new feature of our service. However, we are looking forward to the time when this so essential a part of the equipment of a Cuban school will be more in keeping with other things at Buenavista.

The above-mentioned decrease in the number of full-pay boarding students has forced us to reduce proportionately the number of students on scholarship in the dormitory. Only ten girls are therefore taking the Normal course this year; but these are a picked group who bid fair to justify every ounce of the confidence that has been placed in them. We are happy, too, in the success of those who have gone out from this department. Of the eighteen young women who have finished the Normal course to date, nine are doing good work as teachers in our own schools, two are teaching in private schools, and one is acting as pastor's assistant on the Isle of Pines. Besides their work in the classroom, they are making an outstanding contribution to the work of our Church in the Sunday school, the League, the Missionary Society, and, best of all, in the building of Christian character.

Contacts with students like these and with many varied types in our

school have been one of the great sources of joy this year. Most especially have I enjoyed the boys and girls whom it has been my own privilege to teach, although more and more do I realize the responsibility of one who would follow in the footsteps of the greatest of all teachers.

LUCILE LEWIS

Quickly and pleasantly for me has the time slipped by since I sent in my last annual report. My work this past year has been the same as last year. Having completed five years of service at Colegio Buena Vista, I began my furlough in June. The happy years spent at the Mission have brought me joy in serving and a deepening of my religious experience. Truly I can say that God has done "abundantly above all that we ask or think." With the Psalmist I ask, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?" He has permitted me to visit some countries in Western Europe, and to admire their masterpieces of art, sculpture, and architecture, and to witness that wonderful religious spectacle, "The Passion Play." He has given me also the privilege of taking my place again in the happy home circle, the joy of seeing old friends and of making new ones.

During the Week of Prayer and on other occasions, I have had the opportunity of presenting our mission work in Cuba. I plan to attend the spring session at Teachers' College in New York.

Will you not join me in praying for our mission school and that this furlough year may better prepare me for my work in my Master's vineyard?

MARY LOU WHITE

During the year 1930 my program work in Colegio Buenavista has been the teaching of English in the grammar school and Bible teaching and study hall supervision in the high school, with the usual share of dormitory and chaperonage duties outside the classroom.

Early in the year the English Department gave an outdoor presentation of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," various faculty members aiding in the presentation and practically all the pupils from all departments of the school taking part.

During the summer vacation I spent six weeks studying Spanish at Chautauqua.

In September the English Bible class in the high school began to construct a model of Palestine on the school campus, on the scale of two inches to the mile. The project will take practically the whole present school year. The map is being built with stone and cement as a permanent contribution to the equipment of the school.

COLEGIO IRENE TOLAND, MATANZAS

CLARA CHALMERS

Our Heavenly Father abundantly blessed Colegio Irene Toland during 1930. The year brought rich religious experiences which make us more grateful than ever for the faith that is ours in Jesus Christ.

We began the year with a series of religious services for our students and faculty. Rev. Augustine Nodal, one of our native presiding elders, a very spiritual man, led these services, holding two a day for five days. Our entire student body gave expression to the fact that it was the sincere desire of each to live a Christlike life. All who had not been observing private devotions in the dormitory began at once to do so, and several became candidates for church membership.

We are happy, too, to report that our friend, Rev. Augustine Nodal, made our school an exquisite gift, a scientifically and beautifully ar-

ranged collection of Cuban shells valued at more than five hundred dollars. We deeply appreciate the gift and the sincere friendship that prompted it.

Our Cuban teachers are consecrated young women, well prepared intellectually and spiritually for the work they have been called to do. In the government examinations which our children have to stand at the end of the term, our class came out one hundred per cent. Our teachers are also faithful in their Sunday school work; they teach in the Sunday school, attend Church services, and take part in the work of the Epworth League and Missionary Society.

Miss Elizabeth Earnest has taken a true missionary interest in her kindergarten which she opened in September, 1929. She graduated her first class to the first grade in June. With the aid of a very capable and efficient native assistant, Miss Earnest has been able to lead these little ones into a simple love for and appreciation of the Jesus who loves little children.

The Young People's Missionary Society of Colegio Irene Toland has been exceptionally alive during the past year. Programs were held regularly with joy and enthusiasm. The students observed every day of the Week of Prayer, and their offering amounted to twenty dollars.

It was hard to do, with finances so short, but we did succeed in painting and repairing our main building and dormitory; it was needed so badly that we feel extremely thankful that a way was found to do it—love, sacrifice, and prayer all contributed. Our project for 1930-31 is a library worthy of the school and all it represents. We have made a splendid beginning, but a fine library is a big undertaking and more than a year's or several years' work. You can help, dear friend, with your prayers and interest.

This has been a very problematic year for Cuba. Every one has felt the tension of the extreme economic and political situation. There is hunger and distress, and all the higher public centers of learning are closed, including high schools and normal schools. Pray that by the help of our Heavenly Father Cuba may find a solution for the many problems—economic, political, and spiritual—which she alone can solve.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, MATANZAS

JULIA REID, HEAD RESIDENT

In looking back over the year 1930, we find many blessings for which we truly thank our Heavenly Father. It is true that there has been no startling growth, but we believe the work has made real and lasting progress.

The Centro, through the playgrounds, the clubs, the Sunday school, and church, offers a place where each member of the family may receive religious life and training.

During the past few months, Miss Goodwin has organized a Girl Reserve Group, and they are most enthusiastic and doing a splendid piece of work.

Two Field Days (the one in the spring and the other in the fall) have been held with good results. A large group of parents and friends came to see the boys and girls play. This group played with real skill and in a beautiful spirit.

Our Bible woman and I visit in the homes each week. This personal touch means so much in the work of the Centro, and it is an untold joy to read the Bible to these souls and pray with them.

In the summer we held a Daily Vacation Bible School for five weeks. We have no piece of work that gives more satisfying results. The results of the Bible lessons learned and memory work done is seen

throughout the year, and we feel is having its effect in forming strong Christian character.

Once weekly Miss Goodwin and I visit the Koreans in their colony about five miles from Matanzas. Miss Goodwin conducts a playground while I visit in the homes. After this we have Sunday school and Church services.

I thank our Father that I have been permitted to work another year in Cuba. I long to live so close to him that I can be used to bring these little ones into a perfect knowledge of our Heavenly Father and a personal experience of living for him.

GRACE GOODWIN

My work is mainly with the "teen" age girls. We have organized a Girl Reserve group, but our organization has not been perfected because Girl Reserve work has not been opened in Cuba. The Girl Reserve ceremonies and standards make a very strong appeal to these girls. Twenty-five girls are enrolled, but only fourteen have been recognized as members. We have four interest clubs. They are health, music, basket ball and games, and sewing. We have our regular devotional and business session of the Girl Reserve on the first and third Saturdays and our Young People's Missionary Society on the second and fourth Sundays.

I spend most of my time studying Spanish. I have three lessons a week. I plan the devotional programs for the Young People's Sunday School Department. I find that this is very helpful to me in the study of Spanish.

I have been very happy in my work in Cuba. I am thankful for the opportunity to serve in this work. My prayer is that Christ may so live in me that I may be the means of bringing others to him.

MEXICO

COLEGIO PALMORE, CHIHUAHUA

BELLE MARKEY, PRINCIPAL

Taking all things into consideration, Colegio Palmore has had a satisfactory year. The financial condition in the country has continued bad, and we have had to bear our part of the resulting inconveniences, collections being difficult—indeed, some bills are still unpaid in spite of our efforts—and prices are very high.

There were only two changes in our faculty at the mid-year vacation, one teacher leaving us to marry a preacher, where she will render splendid service to her people; the other resigned to teach in a community in the mountains, reached after a five days' journey by muleback, where we hope she may wield a lasting influence.

Our teachers are all earnest and efficient, giving of their time and strength unstintingly to the work. Aside from their school work, they are all, with the exception of one who gives us only part of his time, actively engaged in some phase of Church work.

In addition to our regular faculty meeting, we come together once a month for the study of some school problem. Each teacher takes her turn in preparing a paper, and after its presentation we have a general discussion, which is most helpful.

The Parent Teachers' Association has been reorganized, and we hope that the parents will take a keen interest in it, realizing that their coöperation will prove most beneficial to the school and to their own children.

In spite of the financial condition in the country, we have been able to do some of the small, most pressing repairs. Years ago the windows in the Assembly Hall were shot out during a revolution, since which time they have been boarded up. Recently we put in five new ones, but there are still five to be repaired. We put in also a flue and a large heater, so that the hall may be comfortable for gatherings during the cold winter months. We were able to paint the corridors and stairways in the school building, put in screens in the dining room and kitchen of the girls' dormitory, and a covering to the basement entrance of the boy's dormitory, which was flooded every time it rained. There are other repairs much more pressing than these, but too expensive to do without a special appropriation.

Last June we graduated thirteen young men and women from our Commercial Department, and five others received certificates. Ten of these are already working; another is studying in a school in the United States, where he is ranking among the first in a student body of more than three hundred. We are pleased that he is doing such splendid work.

Twenty boys and girls finished our grammar school course in Spanish, and seven the course offered in English. Some of these are in our Commercial Department, some are in the State Institute, as they wish to take professional courses later, two went to Colegio Roberts, in Saltillo, and are reported among the best students in the first year normal, and still others are in school in the United States. Some, of course, could not continue in school.

During the year we lost some students because their parents moved away, while others for financial reasons were forced to go to a cheaper institution or to the public schools.

The school spirit manifested by the students as a whole has been pleasing. They contributed one hundred and fifty pesos for a beautiful hand-painted satin Mexican flag, and now have other projects under way for this school year, which we trust may materialize.

Always as the end of December draws near, and we look back over the year's accomplishments, we wish that we might have done more. However, with the help of the Lord, we have done our best.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, CHIHUAHUA

LILLIE FOX, HEAD RESIDENT

The year 1930 brought some changes in our work. Most of the departments are growing, but one or two are decreasing. This is due to the fact that the social work of the government has developed among some of our pioneer lines, and there has not been so great a demand for some of our work. We rejoice in this and turn our attention to other work less highly developed. Also we are provoking other Churches to good works, and we rejoice in this also. In English, 215 students were matriculated; in Shorthand and Typewriting, 93; in Spanish, Grammar, and Arithmetic for the underprivileged, 35; in Piano, 48; in Household Economics, 31; in the Day Nursery, 69 children; on the playground, 120 boys and girls; Girl Scouts, 32; Daily Vacation Bible School, 104; Week-Day Bible School, 40; patients treated in the Clinic, 3,792; visits made by the nurse, 558; visits made by the teachers, 687. These statistics give some idea of the scope of our work and the number of people who come to the institution.

Miss Lucile Vail is the teacher of piano with some work in English. Miss May Johnson directs the Girl Scouts, the playground for girls, and has some classes in English. Miss Shelly C. Horton devotes all her time to the English Department. The clinic is under the supervision of Srita. Balbina Trevizo. The Household Economics is

directed by Srita. Maria Teresa Jaso. These are resident workers. The other teachers live in the city and teach only a few hours a week.

As you know, the Methodist Church of Mexico has been established. There is no longer "North nor South"; but we have the one Methodism in Mexico. We rejoice in this great thing that has been done, and we find our new Church just as ready to cooperate as the former one.

The Chamber of Commerce asked us to aid in the distribution of several tons of corn and beans. The food was a gift of former Chihuahua citizens who now reside in Mexico City, and they desired to help the friends who were suffering from lack of food because of the terrible shortage of work. The financial depression has been and still is a bitter, sad experience and reality here. Our people are brave and suffer in silence. It was a joy to distribute this much needed food.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was the largest for many years. The Week-Day Bible School grows continually. These schools are held in the church.

The Christmas time is such a happy one for all. It brings hard work but happy work. The young people presented a splendid program in English and Spanish, singing Christmas hymns and telling the Christmas stories that never grow old. The boys and girls had their programs and parties and piñatas and were most happy. The Bible School had its special program and invited other little children as their guests. The Day Nursery "day before Christmas" was the best of all. A special Christmas dinner was prepared for them and other little ones who would not receive any other Christmas loving. How happy they were! Their mothers were invited to a merienda with them—that is, their evening meal. A delicious Mexican pastry, buñuelos, and Mexican chocolate made them all and the invited guests very happy. Finally, the Christmas program in which the children gave some of the numbers to entertain their mothers, followed by the toys and candies that Santa Claus had left them. Centro Cristiano Day Nursery children are the happiest in Chihuahua.

After ten years in Centro Cristiano, I find each year happier than the last. This does not mean that there are never any problems, for there are, and they are new every day, but our Father's blessings are new every day, too, and they are more abundant. We give him the praise for what has been done and thank him for the privilege we have of working together with him.

LUCILE VAIL

The year 1930 was rich in blessings in our work in Chihuahua. I rejoice again that it was my privilege to have part in the work of Centro Cristiano.

After my return from summer vacation, I enrolled a larger number of piano pupils than in the previous years of my work here, the number reaching thirty-three. I have also taught an English class composed of young men and women, this being the fifth year some of them have studied with me.

Our Vacation Bible School was held for two weeks in the month of July, and I worked in the Primary Department. The average attendance in the department was sixty, and it was a great joy to see the pleasure the little ones derived from the school.

In the absence of Miss Fox, principal of our Centro, while on vacation last October, I acted in her place. In addition to my work in the Centro, I have been Superintendent of the Intermediate Department of our Sunday school, Superintendent of the Juvenile Missionary Society, and Chairman of the Music Committee of the Church.

I attended our Annual Missionary Conference in Durango last April.

The Student Volunteer Convention followed this conference, and I am grateful for the opportunity I had of being with our consecrated Mexican women and young people in these meetings. Our Father greatly blessed us, and the week was one to be remembered.

As I realize that the time for my furlough is drawing near my heart is filled with gratitude for the opportunities and privileges that have come to me during these years in Chihuahua. Bread that I have been able to cast upon the waters has returned to me a hundredfold, and the question comes to my mind, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his blessings to me?"

INSTITUTO MACDONELL, DURANGO

VIRGINIA BOOTH, PRINCIPAL

The beginning of a new year finds me in a new field of service—a field so filled with opportunities and responsibilities that only grace and power divine are adequate to meet the need. The manifestations of the Lord's goodness and loving-kindness have been so manifest during the few months that I have been here in MacDonell Institute I am trusting him to supply all future needs. Truly daily strength has been given for daily tasks.

These months have been busy ones, having much needed repairs made on the building and getting the school year started. We have a very interesting student body of nearly three hundred, and the co-operation of the parents and public in general has been most helpful and gratifying.

I am finding great joy in the many opportunities for service offered in the church activities. I have the privilege of being a teacher of the young men's class in Sunday school. It is a very promising group, and it has been a source of great satisfaction to see them grow in knowledge and spiritual zeal from month to month. I also have a department in the Woman's Missionary Society, the mission study in the young people's organization, and am on the board of stewards. On Wednesday evenings I have a well-attended and very interesting group for Bible study at the Centro Cristiano, our settlement house here. All of these blessed opportunities for service, together with those for personal evangelism in the daily contacts with so many precious lives, make me very humble before him who gives them. That he may make me truly a colaborer with him is my earnest desire.

EULA WINN, PRINCIPAL, JANUARY-JUNE

During the first six months of 1930 I was at Durango, México, busy with the duties that fall everywhere to teachers in a boarding school. The Department of Education of the Mexican Government is developing a modern system of education, and it was my privilege to be closely associated with the public officials in the State of Durango in their efforts to adapt the theories of "the school in action" to conditions there. I was especially interested in the Teachers' Institute which was held in our buildings during the last two weeks in June for the rural teachers of the State.

As Superintendent of the Children's Department of the Church, having an enrollment of sixty children, I hope I helped a bit in training the Church of to-morrow to think through the daily problems of life as Christ would think. One of our joys was the fact that each month twenty per cent, and sometimes more, of the children had a perfect attendance record.

Since July I have been resting. I have had an opportunity of visiting several missionary societies and have been inspired by the sacrifices our women are making for their brothers of other lands.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, DURANGO

LEONORE REES

All work at the Centro has continued very much as during the past year, with the addition of music classes and a visiting nurse. The Mothers' Club and the Girl Scout Club, which were organized toward the last of 1929, have formed an active part of the institution. English classes, Commercial classes, Domestic Science, Bible, Spanish Grammar, and Arithmetic, Boy Scouts, English Club, Temperance Society, library, playground, and Little Housekeepers are the phases of the work. Through the coöperation of two friends of the Centro, since April we have been able to have music classes. In October a graduate nurse of the American Hospital in Torreon came to take charge of the clinic in the Centro. Since then we have been doing all we can to establish the work.

In regard to the Daily Vacation Bible School we felt that we could reach a great many more children if the Government would give us permission to have the Bible classes and devotional services here instead of in the church. This permission had been granted in other parts of the country, but here they not only denied it, but also refused to allow us to continue the school, on the basis that it was anti-pedagogical, since the children had just finished ten months of school work and needed to rest. This we felt was just a pretext, but nevertheless we discontinued the classes, since one of our first obligations is obedience to the law.

Classes were closed the middle of June for the Daily Vacation Bible School and vacations and reopened again the middle of August.

R. C. DE GARZA GUTIERREZ, EVANGELISTIC WORKER

Looking back over the road we have traveled during the past year, we have a feeling of profound gratitude for the blessings the Lord has given us.

It is true that the path has had its thorns, that sometimes our eyes have been filled with tears and our hearts have been broken, but these sufferings have been blessings in disguise for our souls. Thanks be unto him forever!

My special work is classes of Spanish, arithmetic, and Bible, and social and evangelistic work through visits.

Since the statistical report is given elsewhere, I will not take time for that, but will relate some of the beautiful experiences I have had in the work.

The Women's Bible Class is one phase of the work that has given me the most glorious experiences. I have an average attendance of ten, but sometimes I have fifteen or sixteen with the experience that I often have four members of the Church and eight or ten sympathizers. And it is glorious to see the spiritual thirst of these souls, the live interest they take in the topic of discussion.

The Mothers' Club that we have organized had its sessions immediately after the Bible class, and it has been an excellent opportunity to reach some of the women. Sometimes they arrive before we finish the class, and we invite them to come in while they wait for the meeting of the Mothers' Club. It is surprising what happens. Usually their faces express the fear and anxiety they feel when they see that we are teaching the Bible; a little later they begin to give attention to what is being said; and a few minutes later their eyes shine with a new light as if they had found something very good but very surprising. Generally they make an effort to come an hour earlier the next week in order to be in the class, and at last they ask to be accepted as

members of the class. We accept them with pleasure, blessing the name of him who has fulfilled the promise that his words shall not pass away. We need your coöperation in this work through your prayers that the Lord will bless and illuminate these souls that seek him.

During the Daily Vacation Bible School we also had a glorious opportunity with the children. More than half of them were Catholics, but you could see them overjoyed with the Bible stories, and they insisted: "Please, three stories a day, anyway." In the singing hour it is inspiring to see their innocent faces and hear their sweet voices as they sang hymns unto the Lord with purity of heart.

Dear friends, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into the harvest."

COLEGIO ROBERTS, SALTILLO

EDITH PARK

The work of the year has been similar to that of the preceding year except that the retirement of Miss Roberts in June and the transfer of Miss Booth to Durango placed greater responsibilities upon me. Sr. José Rodriguez Gonzalez was named principal in Miss Roberts' place, and I have had the responsibility of the boarding department; I have had the hearty coöperation of the other missionaries.

Our enrollment during the year has reached 433, not as high as we have had in other years owing to the financial depression and also to the opening of many private schools in the city. In our dormitory we have eighty young women; graduates from all departments last June, 26; students received into the Church during the year, 6.

It has been my privilege to teach the Bible to the graduating group from the Normal Department for two years now, also a weekly Bible class formed of women of our church who hungered to know more of the Word of God than they could get in the brief lesson period in the Sunday school.

Our Bible women have done excellent work in coöperation with the pastor of the church and the missionaries. We were happy to welcome as members of our family this September Miss Byerly and Miss Campbell.

RUTH ELLYSON BYERLY

August, the end of furlough days, found me at this new post, and the succeeding months have brought varied opportunities.

Never has there been a greater need for the abundant life in its broadest sense. Never has a more challenging task been committed to me than to direct the studies and practice work of our deaconess candidates, aside from other privileges.

Class work consists of Bible with two of these specialized groups, Church history, sociology, and one group in physical education. A mere beginning has been made in social sciences and religious education related to missionary endeavor, with two courses in elements of club work, religious dramatics, etc. Work in the Volunteer Band affords rich opportunities for imparting spiritual gifts, but more than all I prize the contacts in daily life—living, loving, working, and playing with our boarding students.

In this first year of an autonomous native Church we constantly experience the truth of Maltie Babcock's words:

"It's great to be out where the fight is strong
... To fight there for God and man."

HELEN M. HODGSON

This is my second year in Colegio Roberts. I am teaching three Bible classes, one course in Personal Evangelism, two English classes, and one in Gymnasium. I am also in charge of the music for the church and teach a Sunday school class of third-year Normal girls. My work grows more interesting every day, and I count it a great privilege to teach these fine girls and to live in the dormitory with them. Most of them have never gone to a Protestant Church before or studied the Bible. They like the Bible classes, study faithfully, and keep neat notebooks which they can take home with them. It is a joy to see men learning and growing in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALICE HARDT

This year I have taught two classes in Bible, two in English, one in Physical Training, and one in Church History, in the Normal Department of Colegio Roberts. Besides, I have had a special class in English for adults at night.

In the church I have had a young man's Sunday school class, but at the reorganization of the church a class of forty of the fourth and fifth year Normal girls fell to me.

I have been able to help in translating songs and articles to be used on different occasions and help distribute Christian literature.

I thank God for the great privilege that has been mine this year, and pray that he may bless my efforts.

ODA CAMPBELL

I came to Colegio Roberts last September. Although my work here is different from that in Colegio Palmore and different from any I have ever done, I find it very interesting. I teach English in the primary grades, from the first through the sixth. I also have a class of Normal girls at night because we could not arrange their schedule otherwise, and they were very anxious to have English. Besides the school work, I give a lesson three nights a week to a young business man. I am continuing my study of Spanish, taking four lessons each week.

Although my service seems very small, I am praying that God may ever use me in carrying on his work.

SARA L. VDA. DE FIGUEROA, BIBLE WOMAN

I thank the Lord with all the fervor of my soul for the privilege he has given me of being an humble colaborer with him. Besides being a privilege, it is a great responsibility, but one I accept with joy. The Lord has work for even the most humble of his servants, and I am one of these.

Since last February I have been assisting our mission in Ramos Arizpe, a small town near Saltillo where we have had a congregation for several years. The people of this town are very fanatical, and the work has grown very slowly; but now we are overjoyed in seeing results of faithful service. There is a factory in the edge of the town, and we have visited Sunday after Sunday in the homes of those employed in the factory. The Lord has prospered our efforts and our congregation has increased in numbers and interest. We have visited in eighteen of these homes and distributed Christian literature. There is a group now being prepared for church membership.

In one home of nine persons, the father, mother, and seven children, all except the mother are now members of our Sunday school. The older daughter has bought a Bible, and they all love to sing the

gospel hymns. In another home formed only of a mother and daughter, the daughter is much interested, but the mother has opposed her attending the services; we trust soon to overcome this opposition.

During the year I have made 571 visits, 198 of these in Ramos Arizpe, the others here in Saltillo. The greatest desire of my heart is to be used of the Lord in his work.

MARINA V. VDA. DE GONZALEZ, BIBLE WOMAN

I am thankful that I have had the opportunity and the joy of working for the Lord during the past year. I have made 394 visits, distributed 158 tracts, and sold or given away 19 Gospels and three Testaments. I pray that the seed sown may bring forth fruit. I have had the pleasure of witnessing the conversion of some of the persons whom I have visited and labored with. Have also secured several new members for both our Senior and Junior Missionary Societies.

On Sunday mornings I accompany a group of students from Colegio Roberts who are conducting a mission Sunday school in a suburb of the city. After the service we visit in the neighborhood and have been able to interest a number in the reading of the Bible and to talk to them about our Saviour.

My greatest desire is to help in the extension of the gospel.

INSTITUTO LAURENS

DORA L. INGRUM

The year 1930 has been a very busy one for me and more especially since September. I had been led to hope that help would be sent for the Bible Department of the Preparatory Department, so planned to give more of my time to the teaching of other subjects. In fact, it was necessary for me to do this in order to add the fourth year to our Preparatory Department, as we had promised, for there was no extra appropriation allowed and no increase coming from the field. Then when the help did not come, I added to my schedule the Bible classes I taught last year, thus making twenty-five hours a week in the classroom. With the other work I have outside the classroom it has not been possible for me to give all the courses in Bible that ought to be given this year.

We have had a year without interruptions in our school work except for summer vacation. The enrollment for this school year has been much larger than for a number of years, but because of the difficult financial situation there has not been an increase in income in proportion to the increase in numbers. Several families have been compelled to take their children out of school because they could not pay what they had promised. In most of these cases parents have been left without work because of the partial closing of a smelter or a factory.

When I was about six years old I heard my mother ask a question of the minister who was visiting in our home which impressed me very much. It was: "Why are not the two Methodist Churches United?" He gave some good reasons for this separation at the time, but the question has often been repeated in my thought. So I consider it one of the privileges of my life to have had the opportunity to sit in the first General Conference of the two united Methodisms in Mexico. It was really remarkable to watch the trend of things in the different sessions, for each group had strong representatives with their opinions. But in the end there was always that beautiful spirit of one-

ness, with love for one another and the work of the Father as the all important thing to be considered.

We are so happy because during the year we have seen marked growth in Christian character among our boys and girls. With some there is a constant struggle, but we feel that they are going to win the victory. To-night, the last of the year, a number of our pupils, pupils of my Sunday school class, will be among the large number of persons to be received into the Church.

MYRTLE JAMES

A retrospect of 1930 reveals varied experiences. The union of the Methodisms and the election of Rev. J. N. Pascoe first Protestant Mexican Bishop enriched Mexico City, to which the family moved, but would have left me poor indeed—as their home was like home to me—had it not been that their sweet Christian influence remained to enrich my soul.

Our Temperance Union, where Catholics and Protestants work congenially, organized leagues in schools, composed temperance songs, and sent literature to every federal school in the state, requesting that at least one temperance lesson a week be given. We sent a petition to the governor asking that the law prohibiting saloons within two blocks of schools be enforced. Saloons face the front of some schools.

Our Missionary Society adopted a second daughter, twelve-year-old Aurelia, out of school three years because of dire poverty. Her teachers tell me she is a sweet character and doing good work. This morning I saw Aurelia receive second prize for Bible verses memorized. Evangelina, our older daughter, whose ambition would have been buried at the washtub, leads in scholarship, sports, and Christian living.

The Million New Testament Campaign is getting results here. Many who had never seen a New Testament are reading it with profound interest. Dr. Saenz, Dr. Andres Osuna's nephew, a former pupil and teacher of "Laurens," has just come from a small town. "Twenty-five New Testaments and all literature available." A missionary remarked: "He may yet be a preacher." Another missionary and I stood in the State penitentiary with arms full of flowers, leaflets, and New Testaments. "Twenty-five who can read and will promise to read a chapter daily," said the school director. Seventy-five prisoners came clamoring for New Testaments.

The military hospital door is opened by a young soldier who was converted through literature given out in that hospital, where the head nurse, a zealous Christian, is happy to receive and distribute all the literature we take her.

Three weeks last summer in San Antonio with full liberty for the distribution of tracts, the opportunity of speaking in churches in behalf of our beloved Mexico, and then being entertained in the San Antonio Mission Home and Training School where the spirit of God is ever manifest, all inspired me for a new scholastic year in our beloved "Laurens," where I am happy to work under the direction of Mr. Marroquin, a noble Christian gentleman.

MARY HOYLE

This is my fourth New Year's Day in Mexico! The time has flown and each year has found me happier.

I haven't anything especially eventful or extraordinary to report. Last summer I visited my family in North Carolina, the missionary societies in Norfolk, Va., that are supporting me, and the Rosebud

headquarters in Richmond, all of which were rich experiences. Four years ago I had never dreamed of working in Instituto Laurens, the Rosebud school in Mexico, but after having been here two years I was doubly happy to visit their central office and Secretary. I love Laurens more than ever and wonder if there is another school so wonderful in the world.

The first day of September I began teaching, as usual, in the grades. Also I am again living with the boarding girls. My one hundred and forty-odd pupils and my life with my girls keeps me busy, but I am happy in my work. As an English teacher, I compliment myself enough to say I think I am learning *how* to teach English to foreign primary children. As a mother for my girls, I trust I am learning too.

This year I find little time for outside work. I visit the penitentiary regularly, but have no class there, as last year. However, since last February we have had a young man in Laurens high school who was a former prisoner there. We are proud of him and, under proper guidance, have great hopes for him.

CENTRO SOCIAL, MONTERREY

ANNE DEAVOURS, HEAD RESIDENT

During the past twelve months we have been busy, yet we do not seem to have accomplished as much as we had hoped to. We have been pleased with the spirit our pupils have put into their work, both as students and helpers at the Centro. The Girl Scouts are always ready to serve as story-tellers or helpers to the directors of games with the younger children. A small group of women has found much joy in teaching grades, writing, and sewing to the women prisoners at the penitentiary. One of the members of the Mothers' Club and of the reading, writing, and sewing to the women prisoners at the penitentiary. One of the members of the Mothers' Club and of the reading and writing class for adults has appreciated so much the little she has learned that she organized a group of eight women who meet in her house twice a week for classes with one of the Centro workers. All of the pupils generously contributed to buy food for the poor during Christmas. It has been a pleasure to work with them, for we have found them real helpers.

Religious instruction to children of primary school age is prohibited, but we have found what great influence good stories have in helping to mold the habits and lines of thought of children. We have regular weekly story hours in some of the grades of eight schools, including both private and government ones. Here we come in contact with over five hundred boys and girls. The teachers remark about the change in attitude and disposition of many of their pupils. At first some of the teachers were doubtful and did not think it best to grant us fifteen minutes of their time each week, but now we have so many asking for story hours that we are not able to meet all the demands. The stories are selected by the club worker and taught to four of the Girl Scouts who are assigned to various grades for a period of one month as story-teller.

Our English Department, which is our chief source of income, has not had as large an enrollment as usual. From time to time pupils are being laid off from work and having to discontinue their classes. Also, this year, Monterrey is more than supplied with English teachers. There are four located within two blocks of the Centro. It seems as if many who had no work in the States came down and announced their intentions of teaching special classes in English. But we are expecting things to be better when there are not so many without work.

Since Domestic Science is compulsory in all the public and grade schools, we do not enroll so many pupils in our cooking department. The adults have always shown much interest in these classes, and that is still true of those who are enrolled.

Although we have lost in numbers this past year, we feel that we have gained much by helping many of the pupils who came to us to find a place where they may serve and help to bring joy and a helpful influence into lives poorer than theirs. We pray that we may continue to work together and be able to send out influences that will draw all classes of people together in a Christian brotherhood.

PRISCILLA WALKER

During the past year many new opportunities have come to me. One of these has been my privilege of granting the request of a former English pupil. Her request was this: "Will you come into my home and teach me the Bible?" Then she said: "I want to learn so that I may be able to train my little girl well." I went to her home twice a week until she had to give up the class on account of physical disability; however, I have been able to continue this contact.

Another privilege has come in seeing one of my pupils begin to read his Bible. He has also come to "listen to" in the Sunday afternoon religious services. Although he considers himself a Roman Catholic, he is anxious to discuss the Bible.

I have continued my visiting in the homes of my pupils and in some of the hospitals.

I have organized an English Club for young women who are interested in practicing English.

I have taken my turn in planning the meals for our "family." This has given me an unusual opportunity and challenge.

I am looking forward to a greater year in his service and am earnestly praying that I may truly represent Christ to the people with whom I have the privilege of working.

HOSPITAL, MONTERREY

ELLEN B. CLOUD

While on furlough, resting comfortably in "Furlough Hall," it seems more of a bad dream to recall the struggles of the first of last year; better let them lie forgotten and register the blessings which are always mixed with them.

After two years of waiting and hoping against hope the decision finally given us was that we must close the Monterrey Hospital, as the work would be concentrated in Chihuahua, the Torreon Hospital also being closed so as to have but one training school for nurses, funds being insufficient for three. So our building was rented, equipment sent to Chihuahua, and as fast as places can be made for them the nurses are being called to Chihuahua to finish their courses.

There was one volunteer nurse who graduated in June and found work near Monterrey—district work, for which she is well fitted. The other volunteer nurse, who graduated the year before and had stayed on to help in the hospital, has been appointed to Chihuahua to help in opening new clinic work. Both are interested in doing service for the Master in the great fields all around them; for Mexico, like all other countries, offers a wide field for public health nursing.

When weary of all phases of the work there was always sweet rest in visiting the patients, carrying some message of love and courage from the Gospel of Good News. At one time I had a class of one Chinaman, one Japanese, and two Mexicans. We had to speak

Spanish, and our Bible had to be Spanish. The Japanese became intensely interested in reading it and bought one so as to continue studying it and teaching it to his two splendid little boys. Many are the incidents where prayer as well as surgery and medicine helped work the cures of body and soul.

There are changing programs, but the need does not change. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that he thrust forth laborers into the harvest fields."

POLAND

WILNO, POLAND

EURANIA PYRON

This, my second year in Poland, has been more blessed and more interesting than the first because, having a better command of the language, I have been able to do more. It makes all the difference in the world to be able to understand others and to have others understand you.

To a certain degree our work in Wilno has made progress, but we cannot say it has grown by leaps and bounds. It is human to look for fruits from our work immediately, but that doesn't seem to be the divine plan. Over and over I am impressed with the gradual growth of Christian work. It is possible that we may never see the fruits of our work, but that should not discourage us, because, if we are sincerely serving Christ, we can be sure that the fruits will come in time.

God has been with us and has greatly blessed us throughout this year. The Sunday school has doubled its membership. At the beginning of the year there were six people who came regularly, but for the last seven months we have had an average of twelve present.

Our Epworth League has always been a joy to us. I am happy to report that it has done good work and that all the members have worked faithfully.

At present we have twenty-three fine girls in our Wilno Internat, who live together happily and harmoniously. Heretofore we have received girls from two or three gymnasiums and even from the University, but after some very unpleasant experiences we received this year girls from the White Russian gymnasium only. This plan, we have found, is safer and more satisfactory. It is our constant prayer that the quiet hour we have with the girls each morning will prove a real blessing in the life of each of them.

The Woman's Missionary Society had its regular meeting at the Chapel each month. At present our Woman's Missionary Society has fourteen official members, which numbers five more than we had last year. Although the women are few in number, they have done very good work. Besides our regular monthly meetings, we met once a week to sew. The things we made in the sewing club were sold and the money used to pay board for one of the girls in our Internat. In December we had a bazaar, and from it we made 180 zloties—about \$23 in our money.

Just before school opened we went to Kleck and opened work. We now have an Internat there for White Russian girls, and thirteen girls are living there. We are fortunate in having a fine, young Christian woman—a member of our Church—as housemother. She is doing good work in training the girls. Miss Lawrence and I make a trip once every two months to this point, at which time we have the opportunity of fellowship with the girls.

Our Woman's Conference last July was most successful and afforded us much joy and blessing. I was especially happy to have the privilege of teaching the Mission Study lessons again.

This year I am studying the White Russian language, but I do not have much time to spend on it. I am usually busy translating material into Polish for Sunday school, Epworth League, and the Woman's Missionary Society. Practically all the material we use in our work must be translated, and that takes much time.

We are looking forward to the new year with joy and expectancy.

RUTH LAWRENCE

Three weeks after arriving in Poland last September I began language study, and since then that has been my chief occupation.

There have been opportunities for service while still handicapped by ignorance of the language. At our first Sunday School Institute, held in October, I taught a class in Elementary Religious Education. Since then I have been elected temporary Sunday School Secretary for Poland, and as such I am to help get Sunday school literature and teacher training textbooks translated into the Polish language for use in our religious educational program here. There are also opportunities for helping with the Woman's Missionary Society and the Epworth League. For all these I am grateful and am looking forward to the opportunities of a larger service which will come with an understanding of and the ability to use the language of the people.

WARSAW, POLAND

SALLIE LEWIS BROWNE

For the first part of this year I still continued to work in Wilno with the White Russian girls in our hostel there, in the Sunday school, League, and Church, and up until Christmas with Girl Scouts. After New Year the right to continue our troop was withdrawn so that that part of our work had to stop altogether. Again this summer we held a summer conference for the women of our Church from all over Poland. We were together in Wilno for one week, and I personally was greatly blessed by the fellowship.

At the session of the Annual Conference in July my appointment was changed. I now visit the different congregations in the interest of Woman's Work and wherever possible organize a Missionary Society. We are trying to get started in Poland a General Missionary Society modeled on the plan of a Conference Society at home. At present we have nine active auxiliaries and are hopeful of getting an organization started in one other point.

CHINA

A BRIEF REPORT FROM DAVIDSON GIRLS' SCHOOL, SOOCHOW, CHINA

MRS. Z. N. TSIANG

The Davidson Girls' School has continued to move forward, under the Lord's guidance, during the year 1929-30, and has given much to China in the way of education for the children, which is greatly needed.

There are three hundred and ninety-two students this year. About fifty of them are in the boarding department. Twenty girls graduated from the junior middle school department last June. Two of

that class have gone to study in the Laura Haygood Normal, and five have gone to senior middle school. Most of the others are teaching in primary schools. Twelve out of the class are Christians.

During this school year we have had eighty-three Christian girls in all. Although the Bible is an elective course, four-sevenths of the whole student body study it. Fourteen girls were baptized and became Christians this year. Quite a great many are very much interested in attending Sunday school, prayer meeting, the Junior Missionary Society, morning watch, and the like, regularly.

The girls are very active in their extra-curricular activities, among which are the literary societies, both Chinese and English, the Church choir, the Athletic Association, the Student Government Association for the middle school, and the School Municipality for the primary school.

The faculty this year consists of twenty-seven members, who are working in close coöperation and who have the welfare of the children very much at heart. Nine-tenths of the faculty are Christians. Most of the middle school faculty are college graduates, and nearly all of the primary teachers are normal school graduates. Miss Lillian Knobles has been with us eight years now. Miss Naomi Howie is away on furlough this year, and Miss Elizabeth Dent is teaching English in her place for one year.

I am very glad to report to you that, in spite of the fact that Christianity is not popular in China at the present time, parents still send their children to us and have faith in our work. The number in every class is larger than it should be. We have had to turn some away. We know that it is best not to be overcrowded, but it is hard not to be able to give every one who comes the opportunity to enter.

We hope that you will think of our work and pray for it often.

LAURA HAYGOOD NORMAL SCHOOL, SOOCHOW, CHINA

KWE YUIN KIANG, PRINCIPAL

About two months ago we celebrated the twenty-eighth anniversary of our school. Miss Martha E. Pyle, the first principal, who held the office for fifteen years, came and gave us the early history of the school. Many of her old students, whose daughters are now studying in the school, came and were very happy to see her. The school presented Miss Pyle with a small silver vase, a token of our appreciation for her years of loving service at Laura Haygood.

At the time of our celebration Miss Mabel Howell was in China. We invited her to visit us at this time, and she gave us a splendid inspirational talk. It was a great pleasure as well as honor to have Miss Howell with us.

We have started registration for this school. The official request, with its proper documents, was sent in about two months ago. The local Bureau of Education has sent an investigator to the school and found it satisfactory. However, we were told our institution cannot be registered as a normal school, as it is the recent decision of the government that all normal schools should be run by the government. This does not mean that we cannot continue our normal training work, but that we have to add a senior high school department in addition to the work we are already doing. The school will have to be registered as a senior high school with normal training departments.

Since the closing of our high school in Huchow and the greater demand for higher education for girls all over China, a senior high school is sorely needed in Soochow. Our mission has none in this

city, with the result that the graduates from Davidson School, who do not wish to take normal training, are forced to seek admittance to non-Christian schools. There are only three non-Christian senior high schools for girls in this city of a population of 300,000. I need not say how absolutely inadequate the number of schools is. At the present time there are many girls going on to college after their graduation from high schools. So it seems necessary that we have a senior high school department both for the purpose of registration and of meeting the urgent need.

This year the schools in China are having their New Year holidays covering both the Christmas and the New Year season. The government has ordered the people to abolish the use of the lunar calendar and in its place adopt the solar calendar. Thus our holidays begin on December 20 and last through January 11. The Ministry of Education in Nanking has also decreed that the first school semester go through January and that the first week in February be devoted to the necessary work of reports, etc., and in preparing for the opening of the second semester, beginning the following week. This new change has some difficulties for the schools; it breaks into the last of the school term. Formerly the holidays occurred during the most severe weather of the winter months. This new regulation requires the students to study during the coldest season, and at the close of the present holidays many who must travel by boat cannot return on account of the ice-bound condition of the canals. This is the first year we have tried this new arrangement; another year there may be some way to solve these problems.

Our school has passed another year peacefully and happily. We are filled to the utmost capacity. We have turned away as many as eighty applicants. Non-Christian parents are still insisting on sending their children to us for Christian training, and government schools continue to demand our graduates for teachers and leaders. Hence, the opportunity for Christian education is even greater.

In closing, let me express to you again our deep gratitude for your interest and coöperation in the past years.

KATE HACKNEY

Kindergarten-primary education still continues to be popular in China, so our department is as large as ever. There are twelve students in our senior class and fifteen in the junior class who are taking this course.

As the practice teaching of these students is done in our primary school, much of my time is necessarily spent there, and this is a most enjoyable duty. All six grades are well filled, and the kindergarten is overflowing, with a waiting list. This kindergarten is a sure cure for the blues, for observers; and for the children themselves, a place of perfect happiness.

The present government regulations do not allow any religious teaching in our primary schools, but we are trying to fill this need by getting the children to attend Sunday school at our St. John's Church. We have a well-graded Sunday school there and some excellent teachers, and quite a number of our children attend.

Miss Maggie Rogers, the missionary who is working in the Woman's Department of St. John's Church, has organized several interesting clubs, missionary societies, etc., for both boys and girls, and these clubs are made up largely of our students. So in these ways we are furnishing the children with an opportunity to get the religious training which we cannot give in the classroom.

We are happy to have Miss Tsiang Ling Yui back with us as a

member of our faculty. She took special training for Nursery School work while at Teachers' College. There is a need for a Nursery School in this neighborhood, and we also need to be giving this training to our students; so this is the next addition we want to make to our department.

Besides the regular kindergarten-primary work, I have one class in Social Problems, and another in Methods in Religious Education. Many of the questions that come up for discussion in these classes show how interested the girls are in the question of religion. Such questions as, "What is the meaning of life?" "Why are ye here, and how can we get the most satisfaction out of life?" "Can religion really help us?" and many other questions are among those that have come up many times during the past two or three years. Though the Bible cannot be taught in our mission schools as formerly, because of government regulations, yet the students are deeply interested in life problems and the power of the Christian religion to help solve them. It is a great opportunity, but also a great responsibility, to be a missionary in China to-day.

NINA W. TROY

In the music department we have four Chinese teachers and one American giving full time to the work of the Normal School, while that of the Primary School, grade singing, rhythmic songs and games, and music appreciation, is taken care of by the grade teachers, assisted by a half-time music teacher.

In the Normal School we have chorus classes for the six grades of high school, piano lessons for ninety-four students, a class in methods for grade music, and supervision of the practice teaching of the senior class.

That which we might class as extra-curricular activities consists of playing for assembly, choir, and Sunday school services of St. John's Church and various programs given in the city in coöperation with outside schools. This year our choir of forty is composed of faculty members and students from Laura Haygood School and Soochow University and is directed by Mr. J. W. Dyson, of Soochow University. This spring we hope to broadcast our Easter programs.

Next to my pleasure in my vocation, music, comes my pleasure in my avocation, work with the growing things out of doors. There is seldom a month in this section of China that the gardener is not rewarded by the sight and smell of the beauty and fragrance of out-of-door blossoms, and always there is work to be done and plans to be made. This year at Christmas time there came a most wonderful box of promise from my home Missionary Society, seeds and bulbs from the gardens of my own personal friends. How we will enjoy our North Carolina flower garden!

I send you my greetings and deep appreciation for the support of your love and prayers.

THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

ALICE ALSUP AND MARY WINN

The coldest weather in forty years! The students who must travel by boat, as most of them do, are ice-bound. To-day our classes are small. I have just left a class of children too cold to write strange foreign words—fifteen minutes by the library stove will mean more in their lives.

The government is making an attempt to abolish the old China New Year and to adopt the sun calendar used by the rest of the

world. Because of this, schools this year were required to give their holidays earlier. It has been convenient in many ways to have a winter vacation at China New Year. Our buildings are unheated, travel is often held up for days because of ice on the canals, and usually the coldest part of the winter comes at this time.

This term we have had brief visits from Miss Howell and Dr. Cram. The past week the China Central Council met in Soochow. Bishop Kern was present and presided at several of the sessions. His presence, we think, promises a forward movement in our work in China.

The routine and schedule part of our work consists of teaching English classes. There are enough of them to fill the days rather full. The students are sufficiently interested in learning English to put forth quite a lot of effort. Chinese girls are hard workers, and they do not have as many outside activities as American girls. Getting an education is very important; it is not altogether an individual matter, but each one feels that it is her responsibility to share her knowledge with those who are less fortunate than she and thus serve her community and her country.

To have even a small part in the processes that are bringing about fundamental changes in China to-day is a privilege for which we feel very grateful.

ROBBIE LEE LEGGETT

It is difficult for a newcomer to make an accurate report of the work he is doing, for the field is so new he is unable to get his bearings in four months. This is truer for me than for most newcomers, since five weeks of that four months must be deducted for illness. I had to have an operation the second week after my arrival, but I am glad to be able to report that I had a speedy recovery and am now doing full-time work.

Since there is a shortage of workers on the field this year, the Educational Committee thought it best for me to supply the vacancy in the English department at Laura Haygood Normal. Therefore I will not have a chance to study the language until next year.

My duties as an English teacher are very similar to those of an English teacher in America. I have my classroom work; I help the students with plays, pageants, etc.; I am an adviser of the Y. W. C. A. Take the thrill that comes to a teacher when the students discover the spiritual truth in the story they are reading, the joy that comes from the association with the girls as we practice plays, or the pleasure of making candy with them, the satisfaction that comes when you see the girls' faces light up with pleasure as you go with them to do social service work in the community, the fatigue that comes from correcting the inexhaustible supply of English papers, and the other things that come to a teacher and you have the true color of my life as a missionary.

As I work with the girls, I am constantly reminded of their likeness to the girls at home rather than the differences. They have the same high ideals and the same lofty aspirations. You cannot but be impressed with the leadership qualities of the girls and the efficiency of their work. I sometimes feel like saying there is no East, no West; there are only people who are trying to bring their lives into harmony with the Infinite.

While teaching English, I am trying to find the way in which I can best give the message of love and brotherhood to those with whom I come in contact. This necessitates an understanding of the conditions on the field; so I am mostly ears and questions when I am with any who will talk to me about our work. Sometimes I feel that I am learning rather slowly.

My sincere desire is that I may be worthy of the honor that my Church bestowed upon me when she accepted me as one of her representatives.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR WOMEN, KONG HONG INSTITUTIONAL CHURCH, SOOCHOW

NINA M. STALLINGS

The best part of the year's work cannot be included in a report. The wonderful, whole-hearted coöperation of coworkers, the response of community and friends, and the things that have been accomplished cannot be put into reports; they must be seen and felt. As one sits by the bedside ministering to the sick, comforts the sorrowing, accompanies a friend or friend's child to the hospital, waits in the operating room, sits in the classroom, and sees the opening of minds and spirits, the freedom that comes with the escape from the darkness of ignorance, as one sees hope in life and faith in mankind restored by finding friends and new interests, the smile that comes on the face of a young mother as she brings her baby back to the clinic restored to health after weeks of nursing and watching with the help of the public health nurse, the light that comes into the face of a young girl as she hears the story of the life of Jesus and says, "Won't you go and tell my mother?"—these are some of the rewards of the social evangelistic worker that cannot be included in reports and the things that make work glorious in spite of criticism and give courage to go on in the face of difficulties.

The attendance has been unusually good in every department. The actual number of women joining the Church has been smaller than last year, but this does not mean any less progress in the spiritual life of the women. There are times when those who are really Christian must wait to join the Church.

The work is divided into departments, but every secretary works in any department where there is work that she is able to do. For instance, all the teaching in the Free School for Girls and the special classes for women is done by the secretaries of the various departments. All workers attend and help with the religious work of the Church.

In our Young People's and Children's Missionary Societies all members give freely, and three-fourths of the dues are sent to the China Woman's Missionary Society; the balance is used for their local social service work. Young People's Society No. 1 sent forty red baskets, which they had made, to the Soochow Hospital for Christmas.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was sponsored by the Woman's Social Service Club of Kong Hong Church. They paid the expenses, and their daughters and their friends were the teachers. One of the secretaries from the Church was always present to supervise. This was one of the best Daily Vacation Bible Schools we have ever had.

There were two special meetings during the year: the Baby Welfare Contest in June, when about eighty babies were present for program and prizes for the best improvement and attendance during the year. The other was a Christmas party when about fifty were present. There was a program of song by the kindergarten children and a splendid talk by Dr. K. H. Li, of the Soochow Hospital, who has so splendidly carried on this work in the clinic. The babies come for baths in the mornings, and the nurse goes into the homes helping with the sick and feeding problems of the little ones. She has made about 480 visits, had more than a thousand vaccinations in all departments, and teaches hygiene in the Free School for Girls. There

are food demonstrations in the clinic every week as well as help along this line in the homes.

The Sunday school attendance has greatly fallen off in the last two years, since attendance has been voluntary. The spirit and work, even though with a smaller group, has been very good throughout the year.

WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SOOCHOW

MAGGIE J. ROGERS

As the year closes we are more thankful than ever for the blessings the Lord has showered upon us.

The year opened with New Year revival meetings, after which our Women's Evangelistic Bands held six special meetings of about a week each in different sections of our community. The results of these were followed up in cottage meetings throughout the year and by weekly Bible classes and prayer circles.

All the evangelistic teams joined in a tent meeting in the fall, for outsiders, which was followed by our Short-Term Bible School of two weeks for our local Church women; eighty-five women took daily Bible class work, and sixty-nine received credits on their Bible Study Certificates.

We observed the World's Day of Prayer for Women last spring and the Woman's Missionary Society Week of Prayer this fall and received much strength and refreshment from the Lord. Our Old Ladies' Birthday Meeting has become a very interesting and regular number on our spring program.

Our children's work is organized into nine groups: Baby Division, Primary Club, Boys' Club, Epworth Juniors, Young People's Missionary Society, etc. We are so happy that our children are studying the Bible, learning to pray, to lead their own meetings and to enjoy them. Their union Thanksgiving service was helpful, and their gift went to the Chinese pastor and family in our Chinese Mission in Harbin; they brought their gifts and packed a box, which reached there Christmas. Pastor Chang and his family went from our midst and were very happy to be remembered by our Juniors and wrote them a nice letter. Our five Young People's and Junior Societies have contributed seventy dollars for missions this year.

The Lord has given souls for our hire and many untold blessings, for which we are praising him.

ATKINSON ACADEMY, SOOCHOW

MARY M. TARRANT

February twentieth saw me back in China after a delightful furlough in the United States. Mr. Vane, the principal of Atkinson Academy, was at the steamer to meet me, and Chinese and foreign friends and coworkers have accorded me a hearty welcome.

Mr. Vane has sent the statistical report of our school for 1930 and has asked me to mention a few things that have taken place during the past year.

The first is that we have a nice new building for the Primary Department. The nine rooms are large and airy; new tables and chairs have been bought for the first and second grades. The children in the first grade are themselves an addition. We had no room for the first grade in the old Primary, and, moreover, most of the children who came to enter the Primary were prepared for the second grade.

However, the increasing number of applications for very small children to be enrolled made it necessary to add a first grade. The total enrollment in the Primary and the Middle School is three hundred and forty-five.

The floors of the main building have been varnished, the walls whitewashed, and the blackboards done over, so that the Middle School looks as fresh as the new Primary.

A flower garden and a gardener have also been added during my absence. The garden improves the looks of the grounds, and the gardener makes himself useful in many ways.

There has been no more important addition to our school during the year than the return of Mrs. Vane to her old position of Superintendent of the Primary Department. After lending her to the Educational Committee one year as Supervisor of all the Primary Schools of the Woman's Work, Mr. Vane insisted this year that she return to our own Primary School.

Seventy-four of the eighty-four students in the Middle School have elected to take the Bible courses. All the children in the Primary study simple Bible lessons or listen to Bible stories as told by their teachers. All the students attend chapel exercises. I earnestly hope and pray that registration under the government will not destroy this work. Twenty-two students were baptized and received into the Church last year, some of them coming in after a revival in the school last fall.

Mr. Vane has planned and carried on the work well. He and his staff of teachers have given their heart and thought and effort toward strengthening the work in all departments. They have not found the way any smoother than in the past, but in the weekly prayer circle they have brought the difficulties to the Lord and have received courage and strength to go forward. We thank the Lord for his mercy and pray that every day during this new year we may heed the admonition from his Word to be "stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

MOKA GARDEN EMBROIDERY MISSION, SOOCHOW

MITTIE J. SHELTON

The first half of 1930 I spent in Chihuahua, Mexico, in Centro Cristiano. I continued the work which I did during the last year there. This consisted of special English classes, classes for women in home-making, and English teaching in the night school. In addition, I taught a weekly class in dietetics for the nurses at the hospital. I closed my work at Centro Cristiano the last of June and went back to Texas to prepare to come to China.

I began work in Moka Garden Embroidery Mission the first of September. The usual work has been carried on in the Embroidery Mission. There are classes in Bible for all the workers and regular chapel services. There are many earnest believers among the women workers. Six were received into the Church during the year, and there are about twenty-five probationers. We have a number of young girls in the Mission, and for them it is hoped that a school for part-time study can be opened when the new Center is built. Plans for the building are already made, and we are hoping that it may be built in time to begin work there next September.

VIRGINIA SCHOOL, HUCHOW, CHEKIANG

CHIU LI YING, PRINCIPAL

Although Virginia School was closed for over a year, the Primary Department was reopened in the spring of 1929 with a good enrollment. We also reopened our Junior High Department in the fall term of 1930. Though the enrollment is comparatively small, we hope this group of girls will prove the foundation for the school of the future.

During this year our school has had a staff of twelve teachers. Every one is doing her best for the school. We have been very much hampered by the lack of a music teacher. In order to have a Sunday night song service, it has been necessary for one of our native teachers to play the piano with one hand. We appreciate this teacher's good spirit of coöperation, but we certainly need a music teacher.

The opposition to the teaching of religion among the officials does not seem to affect our school religious activities. Our Sunday schools, Sunday night song services, and chapel meetings are well attended, though these meetings are not compulsory. On account of the government regulations, no courses in religion can be offered in Junior High School, so a course of ethics is required in the place of religion. One of the pupils from the ethics class said: "I have realized now that I have done many things which were morally wrong. I also have some ability to distinguish right and wrong. I have made several applications of the principles of living during the winter holidays." Another pupil said: "The reason why a course of ethics is required is because Mission schools put their emphasis on Christlike personality, because ethics teaches us to be Christlike." These comments of the girls at least show their realization of the importance of living a Christian life.

We have been trying all term to register our school with the government. It has been necessary to make several trips to Hangchow to take up this matter with the Provincial Bureau of Education. Because of the constant changes in personnel in this department, we have made very little progress. However, we are hoping that the government will grant an extension of the time limit, as it will be impossible to complete registration before the end of this term.

We expect to open our Senior High Department in the fall of 1931. We are hoping for a large enrollment. Recently bus lines have been opened in different parts of Chekiang Province, which will make traveling quicker. Thus we hope that more girls from near-by towns will be able to attend school here. At the same time we hope to have a music teacher from America, so our school will be back to normal.

HUMBERT SCHOOL, CHANGCHOW, KU

LUCY MO

During the year we have had two hundred and one students in the spring and one hundred and ninety-eight in the fall.

In the spring term we had a parents' meeting at which there were about two hundred guests, and all the children were happy.

Now our students are enjoying morning chapel service just before first period, and all of them attend our Carriger Memorial Church Sunday School and Junior Church.

The children are organized into a Junior Missionary Society and hold their meetings once a month. They provide their own programs with the help of their teachers. Christmas, 1930, the children had a special program with their little friends, and all the children were happy.

Please remember me and our school in your prayers.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC WORK, WUSIH, KU

MARGARET M. RUE

When I came to this new work about two years ago I wondered what opportunities I would have, but soon I found that all opportunities could not be accepted. My chief interest has been in making contacts and trying to lead folks on to the deeper things, so often unknown. We meet very little direct opposition, but great indifference, which we strive to overcome. There are no wars at present except against bandits, and we want to make the best use of our time.

Most of my contacts with young people come through the schools. I teach several hours a week in the girls' school, the boys' school, two factory night schools, and special classes made up of the girls who have graduated from our schools and are in their homes. I am especially glad to be with these girls, as we work in a service club together that includes Bible study, English classes, social service for the neighborhood, playground work with factory children on their holidays, and groups of children who come for Bible stories and songs. We also prepare the bandages and other material for the factory clinic and have a singing class. Most of these girls have joined the Church or are probationers, and several of them are teaching the Bible to their families and neighbors.

The two night schools for our silk factory girls are very interesting. We feel that we want to give all the opportunities we can to girls who work from five-thirty in the morning till after six at night and then are willing to come to night school. Ten of the students from our schools and three adults were baptized and joined the Church last Sunday.

A club in our girls' school has programs that are planned to help in telling Bible stories and in developing leadership, while our boys' club has become a missionary society with study of missions and reports from other fields. Sunday school work in our schools and again with our neighborhood children is the most interesting time of the week to me. The attendance is voluntary, but our church is crowded with children. We always try to give them some handwork that will include the writing of the Golden Text so that this may create an interest in the homes.

Our students use our church most of the day, so all of our special classes, meetings, clubs, etc., must be held in our living room. This is inadequate and limits our work very much. The Sunday school for our neighborhood children has to be held on the playground, so it is impossible to have any meetings with them in bad weather. This we regret very much.

IDA ANDERSON

In thinking back to the year of 1927, I cannot help but be thankful for the quiet that has come to us after such a storm. During 1930 not once were we warned to flee, and when the school authorities inspect our schools they seem to have ceased to ask the question, "Do you teach the Bible?" Our services in the church are not interrupted, and we feel free to have as many as we wish, either for Christians or non-Christians, and all are well attended.

Our home continues to be full of young people for special classes, and in our school we have had to limit pupils to space accommodation. Our urgent need is more room for workers and classes.

At our factory center we had hoped that the factory would give us a new school building. Although we were disappointed in this hope, they have made extensive repairs, and we feel that at least the building is safe.

Our two school buildings are occupied with both day and night schools. And through these night schools we are in touch with many of the surrounding factories.

Miss Dju Yu Bao, who worked with us a year after her return from America, has interested one of the best silk mills in welfare work, with the result that they are paying her salary for such work in their mill and have asked her to find another welfare worker for them. This is the second factory that has asked our coöperation, and we feel that more and more such doors will be open to us for Christian service.

We do not have room for Short-Term Schools, but through our night schools, we have contacts with from eighty to one hundred young women four times a week.

As to my schedule there has been little change—partly in direct evangelistic work and partly in schools. My experience has been that schools are necessary to evangelistic work; also that social service and evangelistic work cannot be separated. In China we have always had social service. And in all of these departments of Christian service it's the spirit that counts. "The same Spirit and diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all."

KOREA

EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR WOMEN, WONSAN, KOREA

KATE COOPER

My heart is filled with praise to God for all his goodness during the past year as I have tried, with the help of twenty-two Bible women, to minister to the women of our seventy-one Churches and Woman's Evangelistic Center.

In the early fall we opened our District Bible Class for women, with an enrollment of 188 in the day classes and a much larger attendance at night. Of this number, 117 finished their work and received certificates. Many of the women in the country Churches consider this the great opportunity of their lives for a visit to Wonsan and for the spiritual blessings they received from the class and revival. At the District Conference some of the preachers asked that we prepare a course especially for preachers' wives. This we did and were gratified to know that two of the preachers were willing to take the responsibility of keeping house and caring for their children while their wives had the privilege of learning some very useful things that would make them more efficient as pastors' wives.

In the Alice Cobb Bible Institute we had an enrollment of eighty-one women who feasted on the Word of God, but those of us who taught them, like the disciples who distributed the bread that Jesus broke, got for ourselves our own baskets full to overflowing. On Saturday afternoons we went out through the city visiting in the homes and praying with the sick. In this way a number of women were led to the Church and to a new life.

In the village school work of the district we share in two registered kindergartens, one registered school, and fourteen primary schools. These are meaning more to the Christians than ever before, for we have been able to get better Christian teachers who give themselves to the promotion of Christian education and the improvement of the social life of the people. They have charge of the children's Sunday schools, Junior Missionary Societies, and teach night school for the unprivileged women and large girls of the village.

Since the women of Wonsan belong mostly to the working class, we find that they scarcely have any time for study except after the evening meal has been cooked and served and possibly the small children all put to bed. Our night school affords an opportunity for mothers and wives and daughters who have to work or watch the house or keep the children during the day. We have an enrollment of about 200, with an average attendance of 152. They came through the snow and rain and heat, only thankful to have this chance to learn something.

Some of my most blessed experiences come while visiting in the homes of the poor and sick, while acting as Sunday school superintendent where they had no one to fill that place, preaching Sunday morning and night, and holding sunrise prayer meeting, which meant usually four o'clock morning service. Surely the joy of the Lord has been my strength, and I have been able to do all these things through Him who strengtheneth me.

IVEY HOSPITAL, NURSES' TRAINING DEPARTMENT, SONGDO

ROSA LOWDER, R.N.

This has been a full year, yet my work seems so natural and commonplace that it is hard to find anything to say about it. Yet no hospital day is without new opportunities, and monotony is impossible.

At present we have three men and two women graduates and a class of three women and two men in training. The graduate nurses have taught hygiene at the Evangelistic Center during the Bible Institute, also assisted at the Baby Clinic in the same building. They have given several days to the vaccination of students in our mission schools, also one has always been present with first-aid kit on the occasions of the different schools' all-day field exercises.

We are grateful for Miss Rosser's return to us last September. Although she was appointed to North Songdo District, evangelistic work in the absence of Miss Bertha Smith, who is on furlough for a year, she has lived in our nurses' home and kept in touch with the hospital work. She has taught English two hours a week, also had some chorus work with the nurses, and together we attend the nurses' prayer service. During the fall Miss Rosser held, together with one of our Korean doctors and also a Korean nurse, several country clinics. We are looking forward to the time when more of this welfare work, both in the city and in the surrounding districts, can be done by the workers of our institution. We feel there is a great need for organized health programs in Korea to-day, both in the cities and in the rural districts.

We come to the close of the year with an ache in our hearts for all mistakes made during the year, but with a renewed sense of His goodness and mercy. We thank our Heavenly Father for the privilege of serving him another year.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC CENTER, SONGDO

NANNIE G. BLACK

The work of the Center covers a wide field of activities. It is well organized and ministers to a large number of people. Statistics are hard to give, but more than six hundred people are touched directly each month by our work here. May God strengthen and direct us as we seek to enrich the lives of these, his children!

The educational work is one of the best-developed departments. The morning school for little girls who have passed the age limit for

entering the government schools and are too poor to pay the tuition even if they could enter are here taught to read and write both Korean and Japanese. Japanese is the official language of the country now. Arithmetic and Bible are also taught. This school only takes them through the second grade, but in teaching these underprivileged children to read and write we are opening up a broader life for them, to say nothing of the new life in Christ Jesus we strive to plant in their hearts. We find it easy to lead these children into the Sunday schools of the city.

The work of the night school is even more important than that of the morning school. It gives a primary school education to young women between the ages of sixteen and forty. Many of these women were married when they were children and have had no opportunity for study. One who has not seen the narrowness and drabness of their lives cannot understand the great change which takes place as they study and come in contact with other women of their own age. Not only are their own lives enriched, but they become better wives and mothers. The six years' primary course is done in five years by these older students. These women and girls come from rich and poor homes alike. Many come from old conservative families, who even yet do not wish their daughters or daughters-in-law to be away from home during the day.

Bible is taught with their other studies, and a vesper service is held every evening except Wednesday, when they go in a body to attend the prayer service in the church across the street.

We also have a missionary society for those students who wish to attend. At present there are ninety in the society. During the past year forty of these girls decided to believe. All of these have not joined the Church because many of their parents would not let them. Fourteen have been received into the Church, however, and we hope to win a number of others before the end of the term. I am teaching a group of these girls on Sunday mornings. Our average attendance is about thirty. One of our teachers gives half her time to visiting in the homes of these girls, and I try to visit with her once a week.

Our kindergarten meets in two sections—one in the morning and one in the afternoon. These little tots are as attractive and as precious as children of our own land; so what more need one say of them? The mothers of these children have a club meeting once a month.

The music department is very needy as well as very important. For lack of instruments we have not many pupils, but there is always a long waiting list on hand from which to fill any vacancies that occur. At present we have only two pianos, one of which is almost too old and worn to use. These and two organs complete our equipment for music. Miss Graham taught violin and orchestra before she left, but since then these classes have been without a teacher. The chorus classes are very interesting and also useful. The Church often calls on us to furnish music for special services. The Korean people love music and have had little opportunity to study it. If we had only one or two more pianos, it would be a great help to us in this department.

Classes in English, sewing, and cooking meet every week. Pupils in these classes come from the best homes in the city.

On Friday afternoons the Christian women of the city meet to study the Bible. There is great rivalry among the Churches to see which one has the largest number present. The Bible women and preachers of the city give of their time to this work.

The department of public health is very much alive, due in part

to the enthusiasm of the Korean woman in charge of it. She spends much time visiting the homes of the babies who come to the clinic. A doctor and a nurse from our Mission hospital come once a month to hold this clinic. Bath days come twice a week and are very busy and very noisy days. During the past year 893 baths were given. We are so cramped in the small place allotted to this work that we long for a large, airy room. One night each month the mothers of these babies meet. At this time there is a short devotional service, followed by a lecture from a doctor on child welfare.

In order to keep in touch with the graduates from our night school, a reading club was organized last spring. The new social hall which was made in the old attic has added much to the pleasure of all departments. In one end of this room we have started a small library, but as yet we have very few books.

I was delighted when I learned that my work was to be at the Center. There is too much work for one person to carry, so I am looking forward to Miss Graham's return. The Korean workers have been faithful and helpful in every way possible. One of them told me he thought all the mission work carried on in Songdo was important, but that the work at the Center was the most important of all because it combines all types of work—teaching, preaching, healing, and social service. Others may not agree with him, but it shows the spirit in which this work is done.

As this new day dawns in Korea may we of America not speak of laying down our work, but may we go forward with renewed courage and faith to meet the new tasks and opportunities that are opening up before us.

JAPAN

LAMBUTH TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS, OSAKA

MARGARET COOK, ACTING PRINCIPAL

Eleven years ago the Lambuth Training School came into existence by vote of our Japan Mission, November 4, 1919. On September 4, 1920, it was voted to move the Kindergarten Teacher Training Department from Hiroshima to Osaka in April of 1921. This was done. A \$200,000 plant was established as a Training School and Woman's Plant. The Lambuth Memorial Bible School was moved in May of 1923, to become the Bible department of the new Lambuth.

One unique feature of the training Lambuth offers lies in the fact that the school is situated in an evangelistic center where work is going on for which young women are being trained. The Woman's Plant is as vital a part of Lambuth as is the Training School.

The school itself is proving the feasibility of training different types of Christian workers in one institution and in close coöperation with our Churches. Pastors and presiding elders are among our Biblical lecturers, and one full-time teacher is an experienced Conference man.

Our staff of teachers has been greatly strengthened this year by the addition of three new specially trained women—Miss Higaki, who was trained in the school of laboratories of the Home Department of the government in Tokyo; Miss Hirose, a graduate of Hiroshima Girls' School, of Central College at Fayette, Mo., and of Peabody, and also a student at Scarritt; and Miss Tsukazaki, who comes from Scarritt.

Our faculty has been further strengthened by the return of Miss Peavy after two years in America and the full-time service of Miss Field. These two, with Miss Takamori, make for the first time an adequate staff of normal kindergartners. This means better training and also some chance to send somebody out from Lambuth from time to time to visit our mission kindergartens.

Mr. Imada, our valued child psychologist, will return from study in America and Europe to take up part-time work with us next term.

The year's enrollment of students has been sixty-five. In addition, five of our graduates at work among us are taking music as special students.

The evangelistic work is the heart of our institution. The work Miss Williams is doing is a challenge. Doors open, close, then reopen, and new ones open, calling to ministries outside the school. She and her helper keep alive work for girls and children in the plant itself where both students and teachers find opportunity to help. One part-time evangelistic worker has been added during the year for the playground. The work with the children opens the door to all lines of neighborhood and community work. Here is where we hope to advance during the next ten years.

Not yet in either educational or evangelical work have we reached the really needy. Our work, like that of most of our Churches, reaches the better class of people. This we want to continue to do while reaching lower. As the way opens we want to enter this service. Perhaps we may be able to line up with the work Mr. Hilburn is already enterprising at Kwansei Gakuin.

Our greatest disappointment is that we have not yet found a Japanese president to succeed Bishop Akazawa. He had the vision of our threefold ideal—evangelization, education, and social service.

Japanese influence is kept in the general committee of the institution by a change of constitution that was granted. Mr. Kugimiya and Miss Takamori are now valued members of that committee, with the president and heads of departments. Mr. Kugimiya is also, by election of our board of directors, adviser of Lambuth.

Our motto is "All for Christ." We look to him for leadership.

ANNA BELL WILLIAMS

Paul writing of his work in Ephesus used words that fit the situations in which some of us find ourselves to-day: "I have wide opportunities here for active service—and there are many to thwart me" (Moffatt).

Four years ago we had eight weekly and one monthly meeting in factories. Because of opposition to Christianity four of these have been closed to us. Just now Buddhism is very active. It seems to be taking on new life. Can it have been spurred on by the Kingdom of God Movement? In one factory, every evening, when sewing school is over, for about twenty minutes, Buddhist prayers are recited. At eight the shrine bell is rung, and the employees bow in worship. One of the girls who visits us was asked by her matron if she had forgotten her loyalty to her ancestral religion. She replied that her home was Buddhist, but she could not understand the teaching and wanted to follow God.

It is the same outside the factories. Seven of the young women employed in the department store near by came over each Thursday night at nine o'clock when they got off, but the matron of the dormitory in which they live stopped them, saying it would be a great discourtesy to Nichiren to allow any contact with Christianity. Late-

ly, because of the big strike, it has been difficult to get invitations to the girls who work on the busses.

"There are many to thwart me"; but can we not, like Paul, find a challenge in the situation? There are more opportunities than we can use, and the work brings much joy. Eighty-eight girls attended a recent meeting in the Nakatsu factory, and more than twenty of them are regular readers of the books we lend and are making voluntary contribution to the fund for poor relief. More girls are visiting us, and we have the beginnings of a simple organization that will conserve the results of the work and will help to build Christian character. One young woman who came from our little Sunday school is Johen worked four years in the Tsumori factory and then was selected to be assistant in the company's kindergarten. She is taking her high-school work at the Y. W. C. A. night school, is offering herself for work among the factory young women, and wants to enter Lambuth next year to prepare for this her life work.

Forty Red Cross nurses responded to an invitation to an evening of hymn singing, followed by games.

In a tuberculosis hospital ten patients, gathered by one of their number, have formed themselves into an inquirers' class. Truly the field is white unto the harvest.

FOREIGN STATISTICS

EDUCATIONAL WORK

	When founded	Number of Grades		Mis. and Amer. Teachers		Native Teachers	Boarding Pupils	Day Pupils	Total Pupils	Native Receipts
BRAZIL										
Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba.....	1881	12	4	15	35	137	172	\$	12,560 00	
Collegio Methodistista, Ribeirao Preto.....	1899	8	3	11	16	139	155		5,336 00	
Collegio Americano, Porto Alegre.....	1901	10	4	16	49	183	232		16,570 00	
Collegio Isabella Hendrix, Bello Houzonte.....	1904	8	3	20	46	115	161		16,450 00	
Collegio Bennett, Rio de Janeiro.....	1921	11	7	22	70	238	308		34,000 00	
Collegio Centenario, Santa Maria.....	1922	11	5	15	83	167	250		19,528 91	
Day School People's Institute, Rio de Janeiro.....	1906	5	2	9	...	426	426			
Day School Institutional Church, Porto Alegre.....	1888	5	...	4	...	147	147			
Totals for Brazil.....	...	28	112	299	1,552	1,851	\$104,444 91			
CHINA										
Laura Haygood Normal School, Soochow.....	1902	13	5	35	92	225	317	\$	8,000 00	
McTyeire High School and Primaries, Shanghai.....	1891	...	...	...	...	...	...		49,500 00	
Davidson School, Junior High, Soochow.....	1902	9	3	17	56	338	394		4,200 00	
Susan B. Wilson, Junior High, Sungkiang.....	1903	9	2	13	85	112	197		3,600 00	
Virginia High School, Primary and Kindergarten, Huchow.....	1818	9	2	16	18	177	195		5,749 00	
Hayes-Wilkins Bible School, Sungkiang.....	1894	7	1	8	25	1	26		450 00	
Eslick Day School and West Branch School, Wuchen.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		180 00	
Taichang Kindergarten and Day Schools.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		30 00	
James and Lucy Fant, Sungkiang District.....	1915	6	...	4	...	70	70		75 00	
Centenary School, Changechow.....	1908	...	...	...	...	...	...		2,700 00	
Humbert School.....	1910	...	...	...	...	...	...		500 00	
Tang Teh School (Maria Layng Gibson).....	1912	5	...	8	...	192	192		600 00	
Atkinson Academy, Soochow.....	1896	9	...	18	...	345	345		2,500 00	
Reavis School, Soochow.....	1916	...	...	...	...	...	...		40 00	
Faith Johnson School, Soochow.....	1911	6	...	10	...	250	250		500 00	
Theodosia Wales School, Soochow.....	1919	4	...	5	...	120	120		300 00	
Mary V. Nabors, Wusih.....	1910	6	2	7	...	174	174		400 00	
Factory Settlement Day School, Wusih.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		250 00	
Nanzhang Day Schools and Kindergartens.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		225 00	
Totals for China.....	...	15	141	276	2,004	2,280	\$ 77,499 00			
CONGO BELGE										
Minga, 13 Schools.....	...	1	32	...	356	356	...			
Tunda, 1 Station and 5 out. schools.....	...	1	26	...	370	370	...			
Wenbo Nyama.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals for Congo Belge.....	...	2	58	...	726	726	...			

FOREIGN STATISTICS

EDUCATIONAL WORK

	When Founded	Number of Grades	Mis. and Amer. Teachers	Native Teachers	Boarding Pupils	Day Pupils	Total Pupils	Native Receipts
CUBA								
Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas.....	1899	..	..	..	..	..	..	\$ 9,007 00
Colegio Eliza Bowman, Cienfuegos.....	1907	10	5	9	3	133	136	4,295 63
Colegio Buenavista, Havana.....	1920	10	5	7	18	109	127	15,158 37
Totals for Cuba.....	..	..	10	16	21	242	263	\$ 28,461 00
JAPAN								
Lambuth Training School, Osaka.....	1895	..	6	8	54	9	63	\$ 3,500 00
Palmore English Institute, Kobe.....	1923	4	3	7	..	131	131	3,000 00
Kindergartens, Kobe District.....	..	..	3	33	..	480	480	..
Kindergartens, Matsuyama District.....	..	..	3	14	..	270	270	..
Kindergartens, Hiroshima District.....	..	..	2	6	..	210	210	..
Hiroshima Girls' School, Hiroshima.....	1891	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,650 00
Totals for Japan.....	..	..	17	68	54	1,100	1,154	\$ 20,150 00
KORFA								
Carolina Institute, Seoul.....	1897	10	3	30	96	646	742	\$ 3,905 00
Holston Institute, High School, Songdo.....	1904	4	3	14	46	345	391	3,200 00
Holston Institute, Primary Department, Songdo.....	1904	6	1	12	2	590	592	1,850 00
Holston Institute Kindergartens, 4, Songdo.....	1918	2	1	9	..	320	320	500 00
Lucy Cuninggim High School, Wonsan.....	1925	4	2	12	49	158	207	2,600 00
Francis Hitch Primary School, Wonsan District.....	1903	6	1	6	1	221	222	1,000 00
Union Methodist Woman's Bible and Training School.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mary Helm School.....	1911	4	1	9	18	90	108	400 00
Ivy Hospital Nurse Training School.....	1911	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Woman's Christian Hospital Nurse Training School.....	1923	3	2	9	10	..	10	..
Wonsan District Day Schools.....	..	..	1	23	..	609	609	750 00
Chulwon District Day Schools.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	950 00
Songdo District Day Schools and Kindergartens.....	..	2	1	29	..	965	965	1,800 00
Choonchun District Day Schools.....	..	2	1	44	..	1,315	1,315	1,850 00
Seoul District.....	..	..	..	2	..	..	42	300 00
Totals for Korea.....	..	..	17	199	222	5,259	5,531	\$ 19,105 00
MEXICO								
Colegio Roberts, Saltillo.....	1887	11	5	19	80	353	433	\$ 15,000 00
Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua.....	1890	6	5	13	34	344	378	18,385 00
Instituto MacDonell, Durango.....	1892	10	2	18	11	259	270	8,500 00
Instituto Laurens, Monterey.....	1885	9	3	19	24	246	270	4,065 00
Colegio Progresso, Parral.....	1887	8	2	11	25	230	255	9,533 00
Oak Cliff Day School, Saltillo.....	1907	2	..	1	..	..	35	..
Totals for Mexico.....	..	..	17	81	174	1,432	1,641	\$ 55,483 00

FOREIGN STATISTICS

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC WORK

	Missionaries	Native Workers	Pupils	Clubs	Total Enrollment	Clinics	Visits	Receipts
BRAZIL								
People's Central Institute, Rio de Janeiro.....	4	7	426	95	521	11,317		
CUBA								
Quinta Tosca, Matanzas.....								
CHINA								
Moka Garden Embroidery School.....	2	2	54	47	101			
Chentsch, Nanzhang District.....		5			1,500			
Kong Hong Institutional Ch., Soochow.....	1	6	315	140	455	100	2,600	
I Taung Ka, Hoochow.....		7	295	15	310			\$ 410 00
South Gate, Wusih.....	2	4	304	248	552			
St. John's Church.....	4	4	300	300	600	**		
Evangelistic Workers.....		10						
Totals for China.....	9	38	1,268	750	3,518	100	2,600	\$ 410 00
JAPAN								
Zinrin Kwan, Kure.....	2	4	293	111	504			
Airin Kwan, Oita.....	2	6	547	100	647			
Evangelistic Workers.....		14					600	
Totals for Japan.....	4	24	840	211	1,151		600	
KOREA								
House of High Aims, Songdo.....	2	13	457	450	907	467		\$ 600 00
House of Harmony, Seoul.....	5	10	1,581	125	2,890	520		
House of Abounding Grace, Wonsan.....	2	9	252	21	273	22,505		300 00
Choonchun.....	2	5	331	170	501			400 00
Evangelistic Workers.....		81				22,588		
Total for Korea.....	11	118	2,621	766	4,571	987	45,093	\$ 1,300 00
MEXICO								
Centro Social, Monterey.....								\$ 2,689 00
Centro Social, Chihuahua.....	4	5	491	120	611	3,792	1,245	4,709 00
Centro Cristiano, Durango.....	4	8	229	183	430	90		500 00
Evangelistic Workers.....		2					965	
Total for Mexico.....	8	15	720	303	1,041	3,882	2,210	\$ 7,898 00
POLAND								
Wilno, Internat.....	2		23					
Kleek, Internat.....			13					
Totals for Poland.....	2		36					

*Average 15 per day.

**Average 50.

Portions of the Constitution of the Board of Missions That Bear on the Woman's Work

SECTION I

THE GENERAL BOARD

¶ 473.* ARTICLE I. (1) The missionary operations of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, formerly administered under the Board of Missions, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and the Woman's Home Mission Society, shall continue to be administered by the corporation heretofore chartered and organized under the name of "Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," hereinafter termed the Board, 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 three departments—viz., Foreign Work, Home Work, Education and Promotion Work. Each Department shall have two sections, General Work and Woman's Work.

(2) The Board shall be located in Nashville, Tennessee. Its annual meeting may be held when and where the Board shall determine.

Personnel

¶ 474. ART. II. (1) The Board shall be composed of the President and Vice President, the effective Bishops, a General Secretary, to be elected by the General Conference, the President of the Woman's Missionary Council, the General Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, the General Secretary of the General Board of Christian Education, the General Secretary of the Board of Lay Activities, the Editor of the *Christian Advocate*, and one manager from each Annual Conference in the United States, of whom thirteen shall be laymen, thirteen women, and the remainder traveling preachers, all of whom shall be elected quadrennially by the General Conference on nomination of the Committee on Missions, which shall have as a basis of choice one preacher and one layman, nominated by each Annual Conference in the United States, and one woman on nomination of each Annual Conference Woman's Missionary Society in the United States. The Department Secretaries and the Treasurers shall be elected quadrennially by the incoming Board on the nomination of its Committee on Nominations, one of whom shall be the General Secretary. The officers and members of the Board shall continue in office until their successors are elected. Twenty members shall constitute a quorum. The Department Secretaries and the Treasurers shall have the privilege of the floor without vote. The General Conference shall elect the President and the Vice President of the Board, on nomination of the Committee on Missions.

(2) On nomination of its Nominating Committee, one of whom shall be the General Secretary, the Board shall elect a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Treasurer for the Section of Woman's Work (who shall be a woman), two Secretaries for the Foreign Work Department (one of whom shall be a woman), two Secretaries for the Home Work Department (one of whom shall be a woman), two

* Paragraph numbers refer to the Discipline.—Editor.

for the Education and Promotion Work Department (one of whom shall be a woman); and such assistants as it shall determine upon by a two-thirds vote at a regular meeting.

(3) The Board shall fix their salaries and the salary of the General Secretary. It shall assign the Secretaries to their particular fields of work.

¶ 475. ART. III. (1) The Board shall determine the fields that shall be occupied and the number of persons to be employed in each, to estimate the amount necessary to support the missions under its charge, and to consider all matters pertaining to its work. The President, upon the request of the General Secretary and three members of the Board, shall have authority to call an extra session.

(2) The Board shall have authority to regulate its own proceedings; to sue and be sued; to make by-laws in harmony with its charter and constitution; to fill vacancies in its membership; to remove any officer and fill any vacancy in the official staff; to appropriate money for current expenses; to establish missions; to enlist, train, and employ missionaries for service in the home and foreign fields, for evangelistic, educational, and medical work and other related forms of service; to build churches and residences for missionaries; to build and maintain hospitals, schools, training schools for Christian workers, and social settlements; to promote and maintain Goodwill Industries and other forms of community service; to cooperate with other denominations or agencies in the support of such institutions; to provide for superannuated missionaries, their widows, and orphan children; to provide for the education of the Church in missions; and to solicit and raise money for carrying on all the work under its care.

General Secretary

¶ 476. ART. IV. The General Secretary shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Board and shall be the administrative and legal executive thereof. He shall be held responsible for coöperation, coördination, and efficiency in all the work of the Board and its several departments. He shall be charged with the cultivation and education of the Church in missions and with the promotion of plans and methods of financing the Board and increasing missionary liberality. He shall have such assistance as the Board may determine upon, and all Secretaries and employees of the Board shall be responsible to him for the discharge of their respective duties.

Treasurers

¶ 477. ART. V. The Treasurers shall hold the funds in safe deposit in the name of the Board of Missions, subject to the authorization of the Board and the order of the General Secretary. They shall furnish an annual report to the Board and perform such other duties as the Board and the General Secretary may direct. They shall give bond to the Board in such sums and upon such conditions as the Board may fix. The accounts of the Treasurers shall be examined by a public accountant chosen by the Board, and his report shall be presented to the Board. The Treasurers of the Board shall in no instance honor a draft for an amount larger than the balance on hand to the credit of the department for which it is used, and neither he nor any other agency shall in any year borrow for maintenance more than seventy-five per cent of the expected annual revenue of the Board for that year.

Revenues of the Board

¶ 478. ART. VI. The revenues for the General Work of the Board shall be derived from apportionments distributed to the several An-

nual Conferences for collection in every congregation, from Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, gifts, donations, annuities and specials, and from freewill offerings taken in every Church each year during the months of January and February, within which period a special missionary cultivation campaign shall be conducted throughout the whole Church in every congregation, when each member of the Church shall be given an opportunity to make a freewill offering for maintaining the general work of the Board. This freewill offering shall be in addition to the missionary apportionments for the year, and shall not include the income from Sunday schools and Epworth Leagues: *provided*, that all moneys so raised shall be directed to the Board of Missions, Section of General Work. (§ 819.)

Revenues of Woman's Section

¶ 479. ART. VII. The revenues of the Section of Woman's Work shall be derived from dues, pledges, special offerings, and specials from Auxiliary, District, and Conference Missionary Societies, from devises, bequests, annuities, gifts, and collections at meetings held in the interest of the societies: *provided*, that the funds raised by these societies shall be appropriated to the work already established by them or hereafter to be entered upon by the Board of Missions, Section of Woman's Work.

Foreign Department

¶ 479. ART. VIII. (1) The Foreign Secretaries shall administer the work of the Foreign Department. There shall be a committee of thirteen, five of whom shall be women, which committee, in conjunction with the Secretaries and the Bishops in charge of the foreign fields, shall be responsible for the policy and plans of work in these fields. The Bishops in charge of the foreign fields shall confer with the missionaries and native workers concerning the needs of the fields and shall represent their views to the Board. They shall be responsible for promoting and carrying out the plans agreed upon, and for supervising the work and appointing workers.

Home Department

(2) The Home Secretaries shall administer the work of the Home Department. There shall be a committee of thirteen, five of whom shall be women, which committee, in connection with the Secretaries, shall develop plans and policies for the department.

Education and Promotion Department

(3) The Secretaries of the Education and Promotion Department shall have charge of the missionary cultivation of the Church (with special reference to the Sunday school, Epworth League, Lay Activities, Woman's Missionary Council, Auxiliary and Conference Missionary Societies, schools, colleges, universities, in coöperation with the General Conference Boards concerned and other agencies), according to the regulations of the Board. This department shall be charged with:

(a) The education of the Church in missions by means of literature, Church schools of missions, institutes, and other methods.

(b) The enlistment and training of candidates for the work at home and abroad.

(c) Editing the *Missionary Voice* and other literature, as may be authorized.

There shall be a committee of thirteen, five of whom shall be women, for this department.

Standing Committees

¶ 481. ART. IX. In addition to the departmental committee, there shall be the following standing committees: Executive, Estimates, Candidates, Nominating (one of whom shall be the General Secretary), and By-Laws, the function of which committees shall be defined by the Board.

General Missionary Council

¶ 482. ART. X. There shall be a General Missionary Council composed of the chairman of each Annual Conference Board of Missions and the Conference Missionary Secretary, the Secretaries and Treasurers of the Board of Missions, and the members of the Departmental Committee on Education and Promotion. The Council shall hold an annual meeting for the purpose of promoting the missionary work of the Church and its extension throughout the connection. The expenses of Annual Conference representatives shall be paid by their respective Boards. The General Secretary shall be the Chairman of this Council.

SECTION II

WOMAN'S WORK

Authorization for Woman's Work

¶ 483. ART. XI. The women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are authorized to organize and conduct missionary societies among women and children in the Annual Conferences and in the Churches in the interests 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 society.

Woman's Missionary Council

¶ 484. ART. XII. 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, the Treasurer for the Section of Woman's Work, the Candidate Secretary, the Secretary of Organization, the Secretary of Literature, Superintendents of Bureaus, a Corresponding Secretary or alternate, the President of each Annual Conference Society, the President and Secretary of the Deaconess Workers' Conference, the Secretaries of the General Board of Missions, both men and women, the Treasurer of the Section of Woman's Work, the women members of the Board of Missions, and ten women elected at large by the Council.

Annual Meeting

¶ 485. ART. XIII. (1) The Council shall hold annual meetings for the purpose of hearing reports from the home and foreign fields and from the societies, to consider the fields, lines of work, and various enterprises. It shall make recommendations to the Board of Missions regarding all its work, including estimates needed for its prosecution. It shall also consecrate the women who have been accepted for service as deaconesses, and shall make recommendations to the Board concerning their employment and support.

(2) 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 Constitution 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.

(3) At its annual session preceding the General Conference the Council shall elect its officers by ballot. All property hereafter acquired by the Woman's Missionary Societies through devises, bequests, annuities, gifts, or purchase, shall be held by the Board of Missions for the use and benefit of Woman's Work.

Deaconess—Office and Work

¶486. ART. XIV. The office of deaconess is hereby authorized. The office and work of deaconess shall be under the direction of the Department of Home Missions, Section of Woman's Work. When accepted for service, a deaconess shall be a single woman or a widow not less than twenty-three years of age nor more than fifty. She must be a member of our Church, in good standing, and have shown fitness for her duties by active service in some Christian work. She must have good health, a high school education, two years of college work, and must have completed the prescribed course of study in an accredited training school. She must be recommended for consecration by a Quarterly Conference. A deaconess uniform shall be prescribed, but the wearing of it shall be optional. Relinquishing all other pursuits, she shall devote herself to such work as the Church may determine. Anyone applying for recommendation from a Quarterly Conference should have considered this step carefully and 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. If found unsuited to the work and calling of a deaconess, she shall be retired and her certificate revoked.

SECTION III

ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOARD

¶487. ART. XV. (1) Each Annual Conference shall organize a Board of Missions, auxiliary to the General Board, to which it shall report annually. It shall keep the General Board of Missions informed of the status of its work, and shall by every means promote the work of the General Board throughout the Conference, and seek in every way to carry forward the missionary work of the Church. The Conference Board shall consist of one layman from each district, and an equal number of clerical members: *provided*, that each Annual Conference shall be entitled to at least eight members who shall be elected quadrennially by the Annual Conference at the first session after the General Conference.

(2) The Annual Conference member of the General Board of Missions, the Conference Lay Leader, the Conference President of the Woman's Missionary Society, and the Conference Missionary Secretary shall be members, *ex officio*, of the Annual Conference Board of Missions. (¶¶ 686, 687.) The work of the Board shall be subject to the approval of the Annual Conference. Missions shall be established only with the consent of the Bishop in charge. (¶¶ 817-819.) This provision shall in no wise interfere with the activities of the Board in the interval of the Annual Conference sessions.

By-Laws of the Woman's Missionary Council

1. The President shall preside at the session and actively advance the interests of the Woman's Missionary Council. She shall serve as a member of the General Board of Missions and of the joint Committee on Co-operation and Counsel. President
2. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President. She shall actively advance the interests of the Woman's Missionary Council. Vice President
3. 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 President. She shall give notice of the meetings of the Executive Committee. She shall send a copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee to each of the members of the Council. She shall prepare a condensed report of the called session of the Council and of the Executive Committee, to be presented at the annual session of the Council, and she shall present all recommendations of the Executive Committee to the Council. Recording Secretary
4. The Treasurer shall hold the funds of the Council in safe deposit made by her as Treasurer subject to authenticated drafts and shall perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of Treasurer. She shall make quarterly and annual reports. Treasurer
5. There shall be a Calendar Clerk whose duty it shall be to prepare the calendar rules and to take charge of the business calendar at the annual Council meeting. Calendar Clerk
6. The Superintendent of Christian Social Relations shall develop and direct the work of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations. She shall coöperate with the boards of the Church and with other agencies that are working toward social reforms and the development of a social conscience. Superintendent of Christian Social Relations
7. The Superintendent in charge of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension shall direct the work of the Bureau of Coöperation and Extension. She shall collect and transmit to the Secretary of Organization the numerical reports of the foreign conferences and missions which are integral parts of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. She shall secure and present to the Recording Secretary the credentials of the foreign-speaking delegates and members of the Woman's Missionary Council. She shall report annually the activities of the Bureau to the Woman's Missionary Council. Superintendent Bureau of Co-operation
8. The ten women members at large, elected by the Council, 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. The election of any of these women to the Board of Missions shall not create a vacancy. Members at Large
9. The Secretaries in charge of Organization, Children's Work, Literature, and Candidate Work shall provide suggestive plans and policies for the missionary education of the Church through the Woman's Missionary Societies. Education and Promotion Secretaries
10. (1) The Secretary in charge of Organization of the Missionary Societies shall promote the work through the Council and Conference Societies. She shall receive from Organization Secretary

the Conference Secretaries reports of their work, a summary of which shall be published quarterly and annually. She shall direct the work of the Conference Superintendents of Supplies. She shall supervise mission study and Bible study. She shall develop spiritual resources, including intercession, family worship, and stewardship throughout the societies. She shall plan for conference and special meetings and shall coöperate with the boards of the Church and with other Christian agencies in meetings held in the interest of missionary education and organization.

Secretary of
Children's
Work

(2) The Secretary of Children's Work shall develop and direct the work of the children. She shall publish quarterly and annual reports.

(3) The Candidate Secretary shall have charge of the enlistment and cultivation of candidates for missionary work at home and abroad. She shall visit schools and colleges and shall be intrusted with the responsibility of dealing with students not only in the field of missions, but also in the whole realm of religious education and life service. She shall coöperate with the boards of the Church and with other Christian agencies in the conduct of meetings in the interest of life service.

Literature
Secretary

(4) The Secretary in charge of Literature shall supervise the creation and publication of leaflets and other literature necessary for the missionary education of women and children. She shall direct the publicity work of the Council. She shall maintain a depository of missionary literature for sale and distribution and shall superintend the distribution of literature and supplies necessary for the work of the Conferences. She shall coöperate with the boards of the Church and with other Christian agencies in meetings held in the interest of the creation and distribution of literature and in publicity work.

Executive
Committee

11. (1) The Executive Committee of the Council shall be composed of the officers of the Council (as listed in Par. 484 of the Discipline), the Calendar Clerk, ten members at large, and three women members of the Board of Missions, provided they are acting as President or Conference Secretary of their respective Conference Societies. The Council shall elect these three members by ballot.

(2) A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

(3) The Secretaries of the Woman's Work of the Home and Foreign Departments of the Board of Missions shall be members of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council.

(4) This Committee shall hold a mid-year meeting to review the work of the year and to attend to any other necessary business.

12. When vacancies among officers, members at large, or standing committees occur during the year they shall be filled by the Executive Committee until the next annual session of the Council.

Appropriations
and Expenses

13. (1) The Council in annual session shall make recommendations to the Board of Missions of appropriations for the maintenance of Woman's Work in all fields, for the expense of administration, for Education and Promotion, and for a contingent fund.

(2) Recommendations for appropriations 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, members at large, candidates, returned missionaries, and speakers at the annual meeting of the Council shall be met from the treasury.

14. Extra sessions of the Council may be called upon the written request of seven members of the Executive Committee or of twenty-seven Conference members. This request must be in the hands of the President and Recording Secretary at least fifteen days before the meeting.

15. *Bureaus*

Bureaus

(1) Bureaus may be created where lines of work develop which require special supervision.

(2) There shall be a Bureau of Coöperation and Extension consisting of nine members. It shall be the duty of this Bureau.

Bureau of Co-
operation and
Extension

a. To work in coöperation with the Secretary of Organization of the Board of Missions, Woman's Work, in developing missionary societies of those Conferences on foreign mission fields which are integral parts of our Church and in missions in the United States. She shall report all such activities through the Secretary of Organization.

b. To cultivate and stimulate to greater effort and maintain friendly relations with the missionary societies in those Conferences on foreign mission fields which are not integral parts of our Church.

c. To constantly study the needs of the womanhood of other lands on all fields and seek in every way to keep the needs before the proper agencies of the Church that are best able to meet them.

d. To serve as an affiliating unit in coöperation with the Federations of Christian Women around the World of which the Council is a part.

(3) There shall be a Bureau of Christian Social Relations consisting of seven members, who shall be the Chairmen of the Commissions on Industrial Relations, Rural Development, and Interracial Coöperation; the Chairmen of standing committees on International Relations and World Peace, Christian Citizenship, and Law Observance, and Coöperation with Civic and Welfare Agencies; and the Superintendent of Christian Social Relations.

Bureau of Chris-
tian Relations

It shall be the duty of this Bureau to outline Christian social activities, and to promote plans for the prosecution of the same; to assist in the development of lines of research, study and activities of these committees and commissions; to aid in harmonizing and organizing the results of their work for presentation to the Council; to develop such work for social welfare as may not be covered by them and to devise ways in which the constituency may help in the realization of Christian social relations.

16. *Commissions*

Commissions

(1) There shall be Commissions appointed or elected to

study matters requiring fact finding and research. They are expected to prepare a digest of assembled facts, together with the thinking of the Commission, as a basis of conclusions or recommendations to be presented annually to the Woman's Missionary Council and which shall be carried out by conferences and auxiliaries.

Industrial
Relations

(2) There shall be a Commission on Industrial Relations consisting of seven members.

It shall be the duty of this Commission to study and gather facts regarding industrial conditions in communities at home and abroad in which our Church is at work. It shall suggest ways and means for the promotion of more Christian attitudes and relationships. It shall report to the Council. The results of its investigations shall serve as suggestions which shall be carried out through the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

Rural Development

(3) There shall be a Commission on Rural Development consisting of seven members.

It shall be the duty of this Commission to study country life problems in America and on mission fields with a view to strengthening Christian forces in rural areas. It shall report to the Council. The result of its investigations shall serve as suggestions which will be carried out through the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

Unoccupied
Mission
Areas

(4) There shall be a Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas.

It shall be the duty of this Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas to investigate and tabulate facts regarding the areas in which our Church is working at home and abroad, with a view to determining what are the most needy unoccupied fields of missionary effort in order that it may call the attention of the proper agencies of the Church to these neglected fields and seek to stimulate effort to meet the needs. It shall report to the Council.

Interracial
Co-operation

(5) There shall be a Commission on Interracial Cooperation.

It shall be the duty of this Commission to study relations among various racial groups in communities in the home field in which the Council is at work and to devise ways and means for the promotion of more Christian attitudes and relationships. It shall conduct experiments and demonstrations in Christian race relations, the results of which may be incorporated into the program of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations and made available through that Bureau. It shall report to the Council.

Standing
Committees

17. *Standing Committees.*

(1) There shall be Standing Committees whose duty it shall be to consider, investigate, and to prepare recommendations concerning special matters of business placed in their hands.

(2) The Standing Committee shall serve during the quadrennium. Each committee shall elect its chairman.

(3) The chairman of a Standing Committee may call one meeting annually, the expenses of which shall be met from the treasury of the Council.

Committee on
Deaconess and
City Mission
Work

(4) There shall be a Standing Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work consisting of nine members, one of whom shall be the Home Secretary, Board of Missions; five of whom shall be members of the Committee on

Deaconess Work of the Woman's Section, Home Department of the Board of Missions; and three members of the Council.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to promote the deaconess movement and make recommendations to the Board of Missions concerning the employment and support of deaconesses.

(5) There shall be a Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of seven members.

Committee on
Constitution
and By-Laws

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.

(6) There shall be a Standing Committee on Literature composed of the Superintendents of Bureaus; Secretaries of Literature, Organization, and Children's Work, and three members from the Council.

Committee on
Literature

It shall be the duty of this Committee to plan the programs and literature ordered by the Council.

(7) There shall be a Standing Committee on Estimates for Woman's Work, consisting of the President, the Vice President, and ten members at large of the Council.

Committee on
Estimates

It shall be the duty of this Committee to receive and act upon the estimates as presented by the Treasurer and Secretaries. It shall transmit its recommendations to the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session.

(8) There shall be a Standing Committee on Laws consisting of three members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to watch all proposed legislation and to call attention to any overlapping, conflicting, and unnecessary legislation. It shall be the further duty of this Committee to prepare for use, under the proper headings in the Annual Report, a copy of the Standing Rules.

Committee on
Laws

(9) There shall be a Standing Committee on Scarritt College for Christian Workers, consisting of the elected members of the Board of Trustees who are also members of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Committee on
Scarritt
College

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report upon all matters relating to Scarritt College for Christian Workers requiring action by the Council.

(10) There shall be a Standing Committee on Lectureships consisting of five members, one of whom shall be the President of the Council.

Committee on
Lectureships

It shall be the duty of this Committee to direct the policies of all Council Lectureships, including the Bennett-Gibson Lectureship, to choose the lecturers, to decide upon the expediency of publication, to administer funds, and to report to the Woman's Missionary Council.

(11) There shall be a Standing Committee on the Status of Women.

Committee on
Status of
Women

It shall be the duty of this Committee to study the status of women, including the bases of woman's place and the questions that affect her place in society and in the Church. The Committee shall also promote such lines of activity as will improve her status in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. It shall report to the Council.

Committee on
International
Relations and
World Peace

(12) There shall be a Standing Committee on International Relations and World Peace.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to keep in touch with national and international agencies promoting pacific relations between the nations and to serve as a channel through which information may be given and peace sentiment created in the Church, to formulate courses of study for the missionary societies to be put into effect through the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

Committee on
Co-operation
with Civic and
Welfare
Organizations

(13) There shall be a Standing Committee on Coöperation with Civic and Welfare Agencies consisting of three members, one of whom shall be the President of the Council.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to keep in touch with the Civic and Welfare organizations and with women's Church organizations engaged in lines of work similar to those of the Council; to recommend Council participation in such gatherings or conventions as are expedient; and to recommend the personnel of delegations to those meetings. It shall report to the Council.

Committee on
Spiritual
Life and
Message

(14) There shall be a Standing Committee of Spiritual Life and Message consisting of seven members, one of whom shall be the Secretary of Organization, and one the Secretary of Literature.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to keep in touch with the spiritual movements of the time, to develop a clearer understanding of the implications of the teachings of Jesus for every realm of thinking, to endeavor by prayerful research to develop a clearer appreciation of the meaning of Christian living. In coöperation with the Secretary of Organization it shall make plans for deepening the spiritual life of the womanhood of the Church. It shall report to the Council.

Committee on
Christian
Citizenship
and Law
Observance

(15) There shall be a Standing Committee on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to develop among the constituency an understanding of the fullest meaning of Christian Citizenship, to demonstrate the power of Christian women in forming public opinion, to promulgate the sacredness and power of the ballot. It shall engage in a study of national and state laws, shall teach and practice law observance, and shall watch proposed legislation which the Council may assist in enacting into righteous laws. It shall report to the Council. The results of such investigations shall serve as suggestions which shall be carried out through the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

Special
Committees

(16) Such special or *ad interim* committees as may be deemed necessary may be ordered by the Council in annual session. The chairman of the special or *ad interim* committee may call one meeting annually, the expense to be met from the treasury of the Council.

Session
Committees

(17) The work of the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session shall be conducted by Session Committees appointed by the Executive Committee.

a. Each Session Committee shall elect its own chairman and secretary, who shall be members of the Council with no secretarial relation to the Board of Missions.

b. These committees shall receive recommendations from the Secretaries and Superintendents of the Council and from the women Secretaries of the Board of Missions.

(18) The by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual session. Amendments to
By-Laws

Constitution and By-Laws for Conference Societies, Adult 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 member at large 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) The ranking woman officer of any Mission Board which includes Woman's Work located within the bounds of the Conference.

(6) And the following officers: A President, a Vice President, a Conference Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Secretary of Young Women's Groups; and Superintendents of Children's Work, of Study, of Literature and Publicity, of Christian Social Relations, and of Supplies.

BY-LAWS OF CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

1. The Executive Committee shall transact business in the interim of the annual session. Five shall constitute a quorum.

2. The Conference officers shall be 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 Conference 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 such 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 may be elected from among the members of the Missionary Society at that time in the United States.

4. The District Secretaries shall be nominated by a committee composed of the President, the Vice President, the Conference 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 Conference Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the society and supply the auxiliaries with information. She shall promote Christian Stewardship, shall use all possible means for the organization of Adult and Children's auxiliaries in every charge of the Conference, and shall make quarterly reports of the work to the Conference by the fifteenth day of April, July, October, and January to the Organization Secretary of the Council. She shall make an annual report to the Conference Society and shall be responsible for a report of 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 the funds of the Society, keeping an account of each auxiliary and submitting the same annually to an auditor. She shall handle only such funds as are used for programs of work authorized by the Council. She shall disburse funds on the written order of the President and the Conference 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 Secretary and to the President.

10. The Secretary of Young Women's Groups shall through the auxiliary Presidents or the Chairmen of the Young Women's Groups actively cultivate young women in the conference for membership in the adult auxiliaries. She shall report quarterly the status and progress of the work to the Organization Secretary of the Council.

11. The Superintendent of Children's Work shall have charge of the children's work and shall report quarterly to the Council Secretary of Children's Work and to the Conference Secretary.

12. The Superintendent of Study shall promote mission study and Bible study. She shall report quarterly to the Education and Promotion Secretary in charge of Organization and Study.

13. The Superintendent of Literature and Publicity shall make a careful study of the literature published by the Board of Missions, Woman's Work, with reference to the needs of the Conference, and make recommendations to the Home Cultivation Secretary in charge of Literature. She shall be responsible for the distribution of the literature throughout the Conference and shall promote the dissemination of missionary news through the Church and secular press. She shall be responsible for the promotion of the *Missionary Voice*. She shall make quarterly reports to the Education and Promotion Secretary in charge of Literature.

14. The Superintendent of Christian Social Relations shall stimulate and direct the study and investigation of social questions. She shall cooperate with the civic and social agencies for reform and shall seek to bring the women of the Conference into relations with them. She shall report quarterly to the Council Superintendent of Christian Social Relations.

15. 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 Home Cultivation Secretary in charge of Organization.

16. The District Secretaries shall organize Adult 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 may hold annual meetings in the district. Districts may be divided into zones according to their size, and leaders provided for each zone. The District Secretaries shall conduct the correspondence with the auxiliaries and send a quarterly report to the President of the Conference Society.

17. Conference Societies shall not project new work nor respond to special calls for aid unless authorized by the Woman's Missionary Council.

18. The membership funds of all adult and children's auxiliary societies, 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.

19. 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 be used for Conference expenses.

20. The thank offering during the Week of Prayer shall be applied to specific objects to be determined each year by the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session.

21. The Conference Society may make such by-laws as the work demands, provided they do not conflict with those made by the Council.

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 is to hasten the coming of the kingdom of God throughout the world by enlisting the women 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 supported by the Woman's Missionary Council, and for the betterment of civic and social conditions.

3. Any woman, twenty-four years and over, may become a member of the auxiliary by giving prayer, service, and a contribution to the annual budget.

4. The auxiliary shall assume the responsibility of the payment of a definite pledge to the Conference which shall include membership offerings (covering retirement and relief and conference expense funds), a freewill offering from the auxiliary, Scarritt Maintenance and Scholarship. An offering shall be taken during the Week of Prayer for special objects designated by the Council. Opportunity shall be given for offerings to be directed by the auxiliary and individuals for the support of special work approved by the Council.

5. Anyone may become a life member of the auxiliary by the payment of twenty-five dollars, and an honorary life patron by payment of one hundred dollars, and an honorary life patron by the payment of three hundred dollars, provided the money is paid for this special purpose. Such membership is an honor' and does not release the holder from the obligations of active membership.

6. A name may be placed on the Memorial Roll by the gift of twenty-five dollars for this specific purpose.

7. The auxiliary shall carry on local work. 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 Children's Work, of Study, of Literature and Publicity, of Christian Social Relations, of Supplies, and of Local Work.

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 November business meeting, either annually or biennially, the 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. By virtue of her office, the President is a member of the Quarterly Conference. When there is more than one adult auxiliary in a Church the President of the auxiliary first organized shall be the member of the Quarterly Conference.

The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in her absence.

2. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the auxiliary and shall develop Christian stewardship. She shall send to the District Secretary full reports the first of January, April, July, and October. She shall send to the District Secretary and Conference 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.

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 missionary money 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 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 obligations for the assistance or support of outside organizations, such as orphanages, hospitals, travelers' aids, Y. W. C. A., etc.

6. (1) The Superintendent of the Children's Department shall develop and direct the work of the children. She shall nominate to the Adult Auxiliary two women who with herself shall form the Children's Committee, one member of which shall supervise each of the divisions—namely, Baby, Primary, and Junior. The Superintendent of the Children's Department shall be the chairman of this standing committee.

(2) The Superintendent of the Children's Department shall report all of the activities of each division in monthly and quarterly reports to the Adult Auxiliary and shall send a written report quarterly to the

Conference Superintendent of Children's Work. She shall send all moneys properly designated from each division to the Conference Treasurer. These funds shall be included in her quarterly report to the Conference Treasurer as the offering of the Children's Department.

7. The Superintendent of Study shall be responsible for the organization of mission study and Bible study classes and prayer circles. She shall report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Study.

8. The Superintendent of Literature and Publicity shall be responsible for the dissemination of missionary news throughout the Church and community. She shall present the *Missionary Bulletin* in the auxiliary meetings and send items to the Church and secular press. She shall be responsible for the promotion of the *Missionary Voice* in co-operation with an agent to be elected by the auxiliary wherever desirable. She shall make quarterly reports to the Conference Superintendent of Literature and Publicity.

9. (1) The Superintendent of Christian Social Relations shall stimulate and direct the study of social questions. She shall work for social reforms by securing the participation of auxiliary members in civic and social welfare movements of community and State. She shall have charge of the studies and programs committed to the auxiliary through the Bureau of Christian Social Relations. She shall serve as Chairman of the Committee on Christian Social Relations. She shall report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations.

(2) Funds for the use of the Committee on Christian Social Relations in constructive relief work and social reform may be drawn from the Local Treasury, provided the use of the funds is strictly in accordance with the provisions of By-Law 5.

10. 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.

11. The Superintendent of Local Work shall have charge of the social features of the auxiliary. She shall supervise whatever share the auxiliary may have in the care of the church and parsonage. The Assistant Treasurer shall be a member of the Committee on Local Work.

CHILDREN

PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

1. *Purpose.*—The purpose of the children's organizations is to train them in the coöperative task of building a Christian world order by developing in them right attitudes of friendliness toward children of all races and classes; by training them in Christian service and cultivating in them habits of intelligent giving.

2. *Organizations.*—The Children's Work shall consist of three parts, the Babies, World Children's Circle, and Boys and Girls World Club, which shall be under the direction of the Superintendent of the Children's Work of the Woman's Missionary Society.

3. *The Children's Committee.*—The Superintendent, who is elected by the Woman's Missionary Society, should choose, subject to the confirmation of her auxiliary, two women to serve with her on the Standing Committee on Children's Work. Members of the committee should be chosen because of their special qualifications for its work, and because of their willingness to study the purpose and problems of missionary work with children.

The Superintendent should organize her Standing Committee, assigning to each of its members the leadership of one of the main departments of work.

The Superintendent is chairman of the Standing Committee. She has supervision of the whole division and should be ever ready to render assistance to the members of the committee. She should help them plan and carry out their work as well as direct the special department which is her sole responsibility. She should hold a meeting with her Standing Committee at least every quarter and oftener if she deems it necessary.

4. *Reporting*.—The Superintendent of the Children's Work shall report all of the work of the children to the Conference Superintendent of Children. She shall send the financial report with all moneys collected directly to the Conference Treasurer, properly designating all items. She shall report the number of members in each organization to the auxiliary corresponding secretary. Information for these reports shall be secured by her from the members of her Standing Committee at their quarterly meeting. Reports shall be mailed the first day of January, April, July, and October.

THE BABIES

1. *Ages*.—The work of this department shall be with children up to six years of age and for parents.

2. *The Leader*.—The Leader of the Babies has the chief responsibility of the work of this department; she is a member of the Standing Committee on Children's Work.

3. *Parent Study Classes*.—Parents should take advantage of courses on child psychology and missionary and religious education offered by the General Board of Christian Education.

4. *Offerings*.—Parents shall be given an opportunity to make an offering in the name of a child at birth or later with an understanding and appreciation of the fact that this gift will be used in kindergartens in home and foreign fields. Certificates will be provided in recognition of this offering.

Children may be enrolled as Life Members by the payment of five dollars and be placed on the Memorial Roll by the gift of ten dollars.

5. *Reporting*.—The Superintendent of the Babies should remit quarterly to the Superintendent of the Children's Work all the moneys of the department, making a complete report of the number of certificates issued for the quarter and other items of interest concerning the department.

WORLD CHILDREN'S CIRCLE

1. *Ages*.—Any child six, seven, or eight years of age may become a member of the World Children's Circle.

2. *Enrollment*.—An annual enrollment shall be held in October.

3. *The Leader*.—The leader of the World Children's Circle shall have the chief responsibility of the work of this department. She shall be a member of the Standing Committee on Children's Work.

4. *Meetings*.—The World Children's Circle may meet weekly. Studies shall be provided by the Department of Education and Promotion for three quarters.

5. *Intensive Mission Study*.—During the summer quarter an intensive period of missionary cultivation is recommended to take the place of regular weekly or monthly meetings. For this work a mission study book is recommended.

6. *Offering*.—The primary children should be trained in intelligent giving. The money from this department shall be used for work with children of this age at home and abroad.

A parent may enroll his child as a life member by the payment of five dollars or place the child's name on the Memorial Roll by the gift of ten dollars.

7. *Reporting.*—The leader of the World Children's Circle shall remit quarterly to the Superintendent of the Children's Work all the moneys of the department and make a complete report of the number enrolled, new members, and any other items of interest concerning the department.

8. *Promotion.*—Members of the World Children's Circle shall be promoted to the Boys and Girls World Club the first of October. Certificates of promotion may be had from Literature Headquarters.

BOYS AND GIRLS WORLD CLUB

1. *Ages.*—Any boy or girl from nine through eleven years of age may become a member of the Boys and Girls World Club.

2. *Enrollment.*—An annual enrollment shall be held in October immediately following promotion day.

3. *The Leader.*—The leader of the Boys and Girls World Club shall have the chief responsibility of the work of this department. She shall be a member of the Standing Committee on Children's Work.

4. *Meetings.*—The Boys and Girls World Club may meet weekly. Programs for these meetings shall be published in the magazine, *World Friends (Juniors)*, for three quarters.

5. *Intensive Mission Study.*—During the summer quarter an intensive period of missionary cultivation is recommended to take the place of regular weekly or monthly meetings. For this work a mission study book is recommended.

6. *Offering.*—Every member of the Boys and Girls World Club should make a regular offering to the children's specials of the year. Juniors may be enrolled as Life Members by the payment of ten dollars and be placed on the Memorial Roll by the gift of ten dollars.

7. *Reporting.*—The leader of the Boys and Girls World Club shall remit quarterly to the Superintendent of Children's Work all the moneys collected and make a complete report of the number enrolled, new members for the quarter, and any other items of interest.

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 Conference 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 Conference Secretary, shall be elected to visit the home institutions within its boundary and coöperate with them for the advancement 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 Auxiliary.

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 children's programs shall be prepared annually by the Standing Committee on Literature and the Superintendent of Children's Work of the Council.

12. A yearbook of programs for Adult Auxiliaries shall be prepared annually by the Standing Committee on Literature and the Home Cultivation Secretary in Charge of Literature.

13. One handbook and one yearbook shall be furnished free to the President of each auxiliary.

14. Two copies of the booklet, "Helps," shall be furnished free of cost to each Adult or Children's Auxiliary.

15. The week beginning with the first Sunday in November shall be observed as a Week of Prayer.

16. Members of the Council at large shall give the pledges of the children separately from those of the adult and young people.

17. The pledges taken at the Council meeting shall include all funds for authorized Council work.

18. The Home Cultivation Secretary in Charge of Literature shall distribute literature for the United Day of Prayer appointed by the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions and the Council of Women for Home Missions.

19. Auxiliaries attaining the Roll of Honor shall be given recognition at the annual meetings by the presentation of a token to be agreed upon by the Home Cultivation Secretary in Charge of Organization and the Conference Secretaries. The Conference having the largest number of auxiliaries reaching the standard shall receive recognition at the Council meeting.

20. The Council shall provide transfer cards for the use of members of the Missionary Society moving from one Church to another.

21. Unused balances and refunds in the regular appropriations each year shall be added to the basis of appropriation for the following year and be subject to reappropriation, it being understood that the amount shall not be added until the contingent fund shall have been estimated.

22. In accord with the Council policy of granting in occasional instances the taking of special objects of support by individuals, auxiliaries, districts, or Conferences, 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, some arrangement to that end shall first be made with the Executive Secretary in charge of the field in which the activity is located.

CHILDREN'S WORK

1. A Certificate of Honor shall be granted at the close of each fiscal year to each children's 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 be credited to the Children's Department.

4. Pictorial leaflets shall be prepared setting forth the specials for children.

5. Auxiliary Superintendents of the Children's Department shall cooperate with other organizations of the Church in promoting missionary education and activity among the children.

6. An effort shall be made by Auxiliary Superintendents of Children's Department to establish missionary libraries and curio cabinets for the use of children in their missionary studies.

7. A full presentation of the children's work shall be made at annual and district meetings.

8. Each Superintendent of the Children's Department shall endeavor to have the children's auxiliary give a demonstration of its work before the adult auxiliary once during the year.

9. The Conference Superintendents of the Children's Work shall secure the help of District Secretaries in the appointment of Superintendents of the Children's Department in each charge where there is no adult auxiliary.

10. The Conference Superintendent of Children's Work shall cooperate with the District Secretaries in planning the children's part of the program at the district meetings.

11. The Auxiliary Superintendent of the Children's Department shall represent the children at the annual and district meetings, but the World Club shall be also urged to send one of its own members as delegate to the district meeting.

12. A special effort shall be made to secure trained leadership by conducting institutes and group meetings, encouraging attendance upon training schools and summer assemblies, and by promoting interdenominational conferences on children's work, even in the local community.

13. The Adult Auxiliary shall be asked to furnish the necessary equipment for children's work, financial assistance for social features, and delegate's expenses to Annual and District Conferences.

14. A standing committee on the Children's Department shall be appointed in each auxiliary, the Superintendent of the Children's Department to be the chairman of this committee.

15. There shall be a Conference Probation List on which shall be placed all new organizations, there to remain until they have made two reports to the Conference Superintendent, and at least one to the Conference Treasurer, after which they shall be transferred to the permanent record book. When organized such auxiliaries shall be furnished the regular literature.

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