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ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

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| 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. |
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| 1885 | Knoxville, Tenn. | 1901 | Asheville, N. C. |
| 1886 | Augusta, Ga. | 1902 | Charleston, S. C. |
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| 1888 | Nashville, Tenn. | 1904 | Jacksonville, Fla. |
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| 1890 | St. Louis, Mo. | 1906 | Opelika, Ala. |
| 1891 | Fort Worth, Tex. | 1907 | Richmond, Va. |
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| 1894 | Atlanta, Ga. | 1910 | Clarksville, Tenn. |

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| 1904—Kansas City, Mo. | 1910—Nashville, Tenn. |

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| 1912—Washington, D. C. | 1923—Mobile, Ala. |
| 1913—Birmingham, Ala. | 1924—Tampa, Fla. |
| 1914—Fort Worth, Tex. | 1925—Tulsa, Okla. |
| 1915—Little Rock, Ark. | 1926—Raleigh, N. C. |
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| 1916—Atlanta, Ga. | 1928—Nashville, Tenn. |
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| 1920—Kansas City, Mo. | 1931—Memphis, Tenn. |
| 1921—Richmond, Va. | 1932—Atlanta, Ga. |

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THE Twenty-second Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council was held in St. Mark's Church, Atlanta, Ga., March 9-15, 1932. This meeting, however, was the fifty-fourth consecutive Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary organization, not including the memorable meeting held in the basement of the First Methodist Church in Atlanta in 1878, just after the charter of rights to organize had been granted by the General Conference. Only the change in name and the acquisition of new relations, with the same work and more, seems to have made necessary a fresh beginning and a new sequence of dates, beginning with 1911. We revere our pioneers, and to recall the meetings of the older Boards is profitable. These Boards continue to hold their legal entity, as is seen in their Annual Meetings at the seat of the Council Meeting.

In the intervening years Atlanta Methodism has thrice shown hospitality to the Woman's Missionary organizations: in 1894 the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions met in Trinity Church; in 1903 the Woman's Board of Home Missions met in Trinity Church; and in 1916 the Woman's Missionary Council met in the first Methodist Church.

A bit of reminiscence of this 1916 Meeting is of interest at this point, for it was a notable meeting, the twenty-fifth birthday of the Scarritt Bible and Training School, located in Kansas City. "As a happy beginning of the session, the first night was Founders' Night (founders of the Missionary Society). The very church in which the Council met was the historic birthplace of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions; and remarkable incident! on the platform sat Mrs. Haralson, who had made the original motion to organize a Foreign Missionary Society, and Mrs. Jackson, who had seconded the motion, also five other charter members." Among these Founders on the platform were Mrs. Frank Siler (Miss Emily Allen), who traced the beginning of the Home Mission Society, opening her address with the thought, "All movements are personality in action"; Miss Maria L. Gibson, in her happy style, pictured the beginnings of the Foreign Missionary Society; while Miss Belle H. Bennett "followed with the history of the troubles in legislative matters that had worked out for good in our cause and brought about the organic union of the missionary societies."

Did someone inquire, Is it really true that two entirely separate missionary organizations did exist in our Church? True, yes, true and strong, and here let us make a note of the fact that in Atlanta this March the first peg was set in the plan to celebrate in 1936 the Jubilee of the beginning of home missions.

The study of the evolution of the missionary organization for fifty-five years, whose dynamo all the way through has been prayer, is interesting.

The program for the present meeting was built upon a recognition of the world's desperate need of a certainty of God and faith in a living Christ. Added to this was a yearning to make this session of the Council proclaim with increasingly positive accents the one panacea. Into the atmosphere created by prayer in preparation, and intensified by the period of quietness for worship and meditation which preceded each day's session came messages cumulative in significance and power. Inspired messages from our Bishop and other guest speakers and from our home talent—officers, missionaries, deaconesses, and students from Scarritt College. Constant was the emphasis of the sufficiency of Christ for the world's utmost need. Again and again such thoughts were uttered: "We are at the beginning of the greatest interest in foreign missions the world has ever known, we are now in the midst of forces that are showing with poignant clarity the new peril which civilization faces, and we see the world-mission of Christianity as the only means of averting the destruction of civilization." "Jesus is the hope of the world; there is no other." "I believe that we stand today upon the threshold of a great awakening of moral conviction and religious faith. It will be different from the revivals of earlier days; for life is different, but it is animated by a new understanding and a fresh possession of the spirit and power of Jesus Christ." He who "offers the (a) Way of Life . . . , (b) a gospel concerning the structure of the universe and the character and disposition of God, and . . . finally (c) offers Himself," Christ, who lived the gospel. "The call to all of us who profess his name is a new evangelism which concerns itself with the great central principles of the Christian faith. "We need to revive that faith in God, that love of humanity, that will restore to us a sense of authority of a Divine Being who alone will bring men to a condition of life that will result in flower and fruitage." "O, level the highway of the King."

A note of optimism prevailed throughout the meeting; every officer could and did report progress. Ninety-two per cent of the pledge had been raised. "Marvelous!" said the Treasurer. "In spite of unusual difficulties, the Woman's Missionary Council remains in the million-dollar class." And, in the midst of the world-wide economic depression, proves the correctness of the epigram dropped by a bright Secretary, "In spite of the depression the women press on." Then, with faith and vision that dares, coupled with brave hope that the re-

sults of their efforts for the year might exceed what they were empowered to pledge, the Conferences pledged for the ensuing year \$980,301.

The Week of Prayer offering for foreign work is to be devoted to a new building on the campus of Ewha College (Union), Seoul, Korea, which is to be named in honor of Miss Esther Case. That for the home work will go to the MacDonell School, Houma, La.

The following are but glimpses of reports which are indicative of the spirit of the meeting: "The National Christians are co-operating with the missionaries in their effort to carry on the work with greatly reduced budgets." "From all sides come reports that Japan was never more open to the gospel." "The expectation is to send eleven new missionaries to the foreign fields." "While we have grieved because of the shortage of funds, we have been happy because this has given an opportunity for a demonstration of the co-operative spirit of the women in auxiliaries, in City Mission Boards, and other workers who have volunteered to work together in the reduction of appropriations." "This has been a year marked by the steadiness and loyalty with which every item of the cultivation program has been carried out." Figures show an increase in membership, which now numbers 6,922 Adult auxiliaries, 199,178 Adult members, and 108,007 children in their three Divisions. So "the women press on," looking well to their finances that the workers may be provided for, and adding to this earnest attention to the enlarged program of work, which, though there be only good in it, "is spreading itself like a green bay tree." It is surpassing in its world-wide inclusiveness of interests and activities, the most progressive, modern woman's club. Through the Bureau of Christian Social Relations, the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension, and other commissions and committees, study is stressed and activities outlined which are related to international, civic, industrial, and philanthropic questions and Church polity. Better still, through the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, emphasis is placed upon the development of a rich, productive, and consecrated spiritual life. Nine groups met on two afternoons while in Atlanta to discuss these phases of the work and to search out plans for enlisting every woman in the auxiliaries in the study of at least one big question. Such general interest was elicited by these group meetings that each section was well attended, and newspaper publicity was conspicuous. Immediate results of the meetings were the sending by the Council of telegrams and letters recording its convictions on the World Court protocols, disarmament, and law enforcement to President Hoover, Secretary Stimson, Chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs Adams, Senator Borah, and Dr. Mary Woolley, a representative at the Disarmament Conference, Geneva. If this effort could be reinforced by similar messages from all Conferences, auxiliaries, and vitally interested individuals, the accumulated influence would be felt.

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JOURNAL

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met for the first public meeting of its Twenty-Second Annual Session in St. Mark's Methodist Episcopal Church, Atlanta, Ga., Wednesday evening, March 9, 1932, Mrs. J. W. Perry, President, presiding.

The meeting opened with the singing of the Council hymn for 1932, "Heralds of Christ Who Bear the King's Commands." Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, then led the worship service, which was read responsively, and prayer was offered by Dr. R. L. Russell, presiding elder of the Atlanta District.

The introductory address, "The Woman's Missionary Council, Its Work and Workers," delivered by Mrs. J. W. Perry, dealt in detail with the history and development of the missionary work of the women which have led to the present status of the Council.

As a voluntary the choir of St. Mark's Church sang "Thus Saith the Lord."

Representing the "Missionary Opportunities of the New Day," Miss Helen Hodgson, of Saltillo, Mexico, spoke for the foreign missionary, and Miss Mary Floyd, of Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C., spoke for the deaconess.

Miss Chi Yi Chen, from Shanghai, China, and Miss Felicidad Mendez, from Fort Worth, Tex., presented the results of the "Missionary Service in the New Day" as vital experiences in their own lives.

The program reached its climax in a colorful Procession of the Nations while the national airs were played by Miss Ethel Beyer, organist at Druid Hills Methodist Church. Dominant among the nine large flags swung Old Glory, but high over all waved the Christian flag while the congregation exultantly sang "Fling Out the Banner! Let It Float." The lovely young women of Atlanta who, bearing the flags, participated in the procession and the tableau were: Miss Mary Spencer Jack, representing China; Mrs. Guy Carmichael, Mexico; Miss Exa Rumble, Brazil; Miss Melissa Jack, Cuba; Miss Virginia McGee, the United States; Miss Anita Holman, Korea; Mrs. Ralph Paris, Japan; Miss Louise Donehoo, the Belgian Congo; Miss Janie Fear, Poland.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

THURSDAY MORNING at eight o'clock the members of the Woman's Missionary Council assembled in the church for the celebration of the

Holy Communion, which service was conducted by the Rev. Franklin N. Parker, D.D., Dean of the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, assisted by Dr. R. L. Russell, Dr. S. H. C. Burgin, Dr. Wallace Rogers, and Dr. C. G. Hounshell. The hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," was sung, the twenty-third Psalm read, and prayer offered by Dr. Parker. Then, speaking of the Sufficiency of Christ and of Unity with Christ, Dr. Parker led the way into the *Presence*. Other hymns, "Jesus Spreads His Banner O'er Us" and "Break Thou the Bread of Life," were sung. The sacred ritual of the broken body and the blood that was shed as a ransom for many was read, the blessing was received, and the response in the heart found voice in the great hymn, "O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing My Great Redeemer's Praise."

At nine o'clock the Council was called to order in its first business session by the President, Mrs. J. W. Perry. A hymn was sung, and Dr. W. G. Cram, General Secretary of the Board of Missions, led in prayer.

Mrs. S. F. Boykin, General Chairman of the local committees, was introduced, and after making announcements for the comfort and pleasure of the members she introduced the pages for the day: Miss Janie Fear, Miss Elizabeth Spurlock, Mrs. Lewis Dugger, Mrs. Reaves Gaston, and Mrs. B. T. Carter.

The roll was called by the Secretary, Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker. Ninety-three members responded. During succeeding sessions others reported, bringing the total attendance to ninety-seven. Illinois, Indian Mission, Northwest, and Western Mexican Conferences were not represented. Several Conferences had but one representative, and there were a number of alternates in the body.

The complete roll was as follows:

OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL

President, Mrs. J. W. Perry.
 Vice-President, Mrs. J. C. Handy.
 Recording Secretary, Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker.
 Treasurer, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton.
 Organization Secretary, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb.
 Candidate Secretary, Mrs. Hume R. Steele.
 Literature Secretary, Miss Sara Estelle Haskin.
 Children's Secretary, Miss Constance Rumbough.
 Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, Mrs. W. A. Newell.
 Superintendent of Co-operation and Extension, Miss Bess Combs.
 Calendar Clerk, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins.

MEMBERS AT LARGE

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| Miss Daisy Davies | Miss Mabel Howell |
| Mrs. E. B. Chappell | Mrs. R. L. Hobby |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Miss Louise Young
Mrs. A. B. Smith
Mrs. Henry S. Owen

Miss Berta Ellison*
Mrs. Helen B. Bourne
Mrs. Boone M. Bowen

CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

| CONFERENCE | PRESIDENT | SECRETARY |
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| Alabama | Mrs. E. W. Berry | Mrs. T. H. Tyson |
| Arizona | Mrs. Robert Strickland † | Mrs. J. G. Burleson † |
| Baltimore | Mrs. T. J. Copeland | Miss Emma V. Pepler |
| China | Miss Mary Hood † | |
| Central Texas | Mrs. W. B. Landrum | Mrs. J. W. Spivey |
| Cuba | Mrs. J. G. Board † | |
| Florida | Mrs. F. B. Godfrey | Mrs. Harwell Wilson |
| Holston | Mrs. L. A. Tynes | Mrs. S. M. Bernard |
| Illinois | | |
| Indian Mission | | |
| Kentucky | Mrs. J. C. Lewis | Miss Elsie Wright |
| Little Rock | Mrs. W. P. McDermott* | Mrs. L. K. McKinney † |
| Little Rock | Mrs. J. R. McAllister † | Mrs. C. M. Reves † |
| Los Angeles | | Mrs. Lillie Hamilton |
| Louisiana | Mrs. S. M. Collins | Mrs. Pollard † |
| Louisville | Mrs. W. J. Piggott | Mrs. A. C. Johnson |
| Memphis | Mrs. Homer Tatum* | Mrs. C. E. Keiser |
| Memphis | Mrs. E. H. Harrell † | |
| Mississippi | Mrs. T. B. Cottrell | Miss Ella Wayne Ormond |
| Missouri | Mrs. W. P. Graham | Mrs. W. E. Hillyard |
| New Mexico | Mrs. J. H. Walker | Mrs. Dan H. Wilmot † |
| North Alabama | Mrs. I. Morris | Mrs. John R. Turner |
| North Arkansas | Mrs. E. F. Ellis* | Mrs. B. E. Snetser |
| North Carolina | Mrs. A. M. Gates | Mrs. W. C. Chadwick |
| North Georgia | Mrs. J. N. McEachern | Mrs. M. E. Tilly |
| North Mississippi | | Mrs. R. P. Neblett |
| North Texas | Mrs. Claude Simpson | Mrs. J. S. Terry |
| Northwest | | |
| Northwest Texas | Mrs. Nat G. Rollins | Mrs. J. G. Merritt |
| Oklahoma | Mrs. R. S. Satterfield | Mrs. S. T. King |
| Pacific | Mrs. W. J. Lee | |
| Poland | Miss Sallie Browne † | |
| St. Louis | Mrs. A. R. Walker | Mrs. E. A. Kitchell |
| South Carolina | Mrs. G. E. Edwards | Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood * |
| South Georgia | Mrs. George Nunn | Mrs. Dan C. Harris |
| Southwest Missouri | Mrs. J. W. McDonald | Mrs. F. H. Naylor |
| Tennessee | Mrs. J. P. Harvill | Mrs. George Morgan * |

* Members seated the second day or who left before the meeting closed.

† Alternates present during entire session.

‡ Alternates present only a part of the session.

| CONFERENCE | PRESIDENT | SECRETARY |
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| Texas | Mrs. J. W. Mills..... | Mrs. J. M. Quinn |
| Upper S. Carolina.. | Mrs. T. I. Charles..... | Mrs. H. M. Shepherd † |
| Virginia | Mrs. Lee Britt..... | Mrs. N. V. Coleman |
| Western Mexican | | |
| Western N. C..... | Mrs. C. C. Weaver..... | Mrs. W. R. Harris |
| West Texas | Mrs. R. R. LeMaster.... | Mrs. Seth A. Craig |
| Western Virginia.. | Mrs. F. S. Pollitt..... | Mrs. T. A. Bennington |
| Deaconess | Miss Ola Lee Barnett.. | Miss Mamie J. Chandler |

HONORARY LIFE MEMBER

Mrs. Tsiang Zak Nu Nyok

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

General Secretary of Board of Missions, The Rev. W. G. Cram.
 Administrative Secretaries of Board of Missions:
 Foreign Department, Miss Esther Case.
 Home Department, Mrs. J. W. Downs.
 Secretary of Education and Promotion, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb.

WOMEN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

Mrs. J. W. Perry, President of Woman's Missionary Council.
 Mrs. M. E. Mackey, Arizona Conference.
 Mrs. T. C. Banks, Florida Conference.
 Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Louisville Conference.
 Mrs. S. Homer Tatum, Memphis Conference.
 Mrs. J. H. Walker, New Mexico 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.
 Mrs. Frank S. Onderdonk, Western Mexican Conference.

The bar was fixed.

On the nomination of the Secretary, the following Assistant Secretaries for the session were appointed: Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, and Mrs. John Manget, assistant in charge of the railway certificates.

The Secretary presented the condensed report of the *ad interim* minutes of the Executive Committee and read the minutes of the meeting held on March 8. (See *Ad Interim Minutes*, page 52.)

The following special committees for the session were announced:

Public Worship.—Mrs. H. R. Steele, Mrs. J. C. Handy, and Mrs. R. L. Russell.

Blackboard Publicity.—Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. W. B. Landrum, and Mrs. Wallace Rogers.

Resolutions.—Mrs. F. B. Godfrey, Mrs. J. M. Quinn, and Mrs. Helen B. Bourne.

Prayer.—The Spiritual Life and Message Committee.

Courtesy.—Mrs. S. C. H. Burgin, Mrs. J. N. McEachern, Mrs. W. E. Letts, and Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton.

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

To Fill Vacancies on Standing Committees.—Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, and Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

Committee on Minutes.—Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. Seth Craig, and Mrs. Lee Britt.

Advisory Committee to Serve with the President in Naming the Committee on General Conference Legislation.—Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, and Mrs. Homer Tatum.

The following regular sessions committees, which met on Wednesday afternoon, are listed here for record:

Literature Committee.—Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. W. A. Newell, Miss Constance Rumbough, Miss Bess Combs, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. F. B. Godfrey, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Mrs. W. E. Hillyard, Mrs. John R. Turner, Mrs. J. M. Quinn, Mrs. Seth A. Craig, Miss Ola Lee Barnett.

Committee on Children's Work.—Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. L. A. Tynes, Mrs. T. B. Cottrell, Mrs. E. F. Ellis, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood, Mrs. T. I. Charles, Mrs. Homer Tatum, Mrs. R. S. Satterfield.

Committee on Foreign Fields.—Miss Esther Case, Miss Mabel K. Howell, Mrs. T. H. Tyson, Miss Emma Peppler, Mrs. Harwell Wilson, Mrs. J. H. Walker, Mrs. I. Morris, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. R. P. Neblett, Mrs. J. G. Merritt, Mrs. W. J. Lee, Mrs. A. R. Walker, Mrs. George Nunn, Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. T. A. Bennington, Miss Mamie Chandler, Mrs. W. B. Landrum, Mrs. J. C. Handy.

Home Field Committee.—Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. Helen Bourne, Miss Berta Ellison, Mrs. E. W. Berry, Mrs. T. J. Copeland, Mrs. J. W. Spivey, Mrs. S. M. Bernard, Miss Elsie Wright, Mrs. L. K. McKinney, Mrs. J. B. Pollard, Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs. W. P. Graham, Mrs. B. E. Snetser, Mrs. J. S. Terry, Mrs. S. T. King, Mrs. Dan Harris, Mrs. E. H. Naylor, Mrs. N. V. Coleman, Dr. W. G. Cram, Mrs. Fred Lamb, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Mrs. W. R. Harris.

Education and Promotion Committee.—Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. B. M. Bowen, Mrs. W. P. McDermott, Mrs. Lillie Hamilton, Mrs. S. M. Collins, Miss Ella Wayne Ormond, Mrs. C. E. Keiser, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Mrs. Claud Simpson, Mrs. G. E. Ed-

wards, Mrs. J. E. McDonald, Mrs. M. H. Shepherd, Mrs. F. S. Pollitt, Mrs. J. G. Burleson.

Committee on Christian Social Relations.—Mrs. W. A. Newell, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. J. W. Mills, Miss Louise Young, Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. Lee Britt, Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. J. C. Lewis, Mrs. J. N. McEachern, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, Mrs. R. R. LeMaster, Mrs. Nat Rollins, Mrs. T. C. Banks, Mrs. Dan H. Wilmot, Mrs. Robert Strickland.

Reports Nos. 1 and 2 from Estimates Committee were placed on the calendar.

Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, took the chair, and Mrs. J. W. Perry read her message. The words, "Launch Out into the Deep," furnished the subject for an interesting and helpful message dealing not only with events definitely missionary, but with important events that vitally affect the missionary enterprise. The message was placed on record. (See President's Message, page 46.)

Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, made her report, which indicated that she had indeed been true to her motto for the year, "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do with all thy might." (See Report, page 51.)

Reports from the Department of Promotion and Education were of deep interest and inspiring, for no note of discouragement was voiced. Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb reported for the adults (see Report, page 85); Miss Constance Rumbough, for the children (see Report, page 93); Miss Estelle Haskin, for Publications (see Report, page 97). Miss Haskin introduced Mrs. Henry C. Conatser, the head of the Service Department of the Board of Missions, and in charge of clerical work at the Council, and Miss Noreen Dunn, Editor of *World Friends*, who represented the *World Outlook* at this meeting.

Mrs. W. E. Hilliard was appointed to receive subscriptions to the *Council Bulletin*.

Mrs. H. R. Steele made her report as Candidate Secretary and presented to the Council the following candidates for consecration at this meeting:

Deaconess Work.—Miss Mary Josephine Carter, from the Virginia Conference; Miss Mary Humphrey Carter, Kentucky; Miss Margaret Amelia Cornett, Holston; Miss Elizabeth Covington, South Carolina; Miss Johnia Frances Dodson, Tennessee; Miss Sara Estelle Fernandez, Florida; Miss Leona Belle Giles, Virginia; Miss Eunice Glenn, South Georgia; Miss Evelyn Elizabeth Holmberg, Oklahoma; Miss Annabelle M. Johnson, Oklahoma; Miss Katherine Lorena Kelly, Western North Carolina; Miss Pearlye Maye Kelly, North Georgia; Miss Alpharetta Verna Leeper, Oklahoma; Miss Clarice Leone Lemons, Southwest Missouri; Miss Mary Beth Littlejohn, Upper South Carolina; Miss Dorothy Lorena Lundy, Southwest Missouri; Miss Felicidad Mendez, Central Texas; Miss Shiela Elizabeth Nuttall,

Louisiana; Miss Lucille Elanora Robinson, St. Louis; Miss Anna Mae Taylor, Tennessee; Miss Ollie L. Willings, Central Texas.

Foreign Missionaries.—Miss Margie Louise Avett, from Western North Carolina Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Thelma Juanita Colvin, Central Texas, Japan; Miss Elizabeth Palmer DeLoache, South Carolina, China; Miss Leannie Beulah Hubbard, Northwest Texas, Mexico; Miss Juanita Margaret Kelly, North Georgia, Cuba; Miss Lillian Mildred Maxfield, Tennessee, Brazil; Miss Alma Frances Metcalfe, North Georgia, Japan; Miss Margaret Poteet Pilley, North Texas, China; Miss Annie Clyde Price, Central Texas, China; Miss Mary Alberta Tarr, Western Virginia, Japan; Miss Hester Dale West, Northwest Texas, China. (See Report, page 101.)

After expressing gracious appreciation for this large group of well-trained young women, Mrs. Perry, in prayer, gave thanks to God for them as they go into service.

The report for the Home Department was made by Mrs. J. W. Downs, Administration Secretary. (See Report, page 68.)

A loving message of greeting from Mrs. Frank Siler, a former officer of the Woman's Board of Home Missions and of the Council, was read by the Secretary. The Secretary was instructed to reply to this message.

The following friends were introduced: Dr. S. H. C. Burgin, pastor host, Mrs. S. H. C. Burgin, Mrs. J. N. McEachern, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly, President and Secretary of the North Georgia Conference, and Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College.

The hour having arrived for the noontide period of worship and meditation, Mrs. Perry introduced the Rev. Forney Hutchinson, D.D., pastor of St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Oklahoma City, Okla., the speaker of the hour. The hymn, "From Every Stormy Wind That Blows," was sung. Announcing as his general theme for the series of messages "Promoting Spiritual Life" and as the topic for the day "A Total Failure," he read passages from the eighteenth chapter of Genesis and the eighteenth chapter of Luke. He emphasized the urgent need on the part of the Church of courageous prayer, and stated that it is a sin not to pray, that failure to understand the real meaning of prayer often turns victory to failure. Because the Christians know the "Way," God will hold them responsible for failure to become channels for carrying out his purposes. The service closed with the gospel song, "Tell It to Jesus," and the morning session stood adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

THE AFTERNOON SESSION opened with Mrs. J. C. Handy in the Chair.

The opening worship service, led by Mrs. W. E. Hillyard, Sec-

retary of the Missouri Conference, consisted of the hymn, "O Happy Day," and prayer.

The presence of Mrs. B. M. Bowen was noted.

A memorial from the Texas Conference concerning study classes was presented and referred to the Committee on Education and Promotion.

The report of the foreign work was made by Miss Esther Case, Administrative Secretary, who pleaded that everyone might pray that the peace of Christ shall come to China and Japan. (See Report of Foreign Work, page 64.) Miss Case spoke of her joy in being present, which she said was a peculiar joy. This she explained as follows:

"There was a particular reason why I was eager to attend the session of the Council in Atlanta. I was consecrated as a foreign missionary in the session of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions which met in Atlanta in 1894, so Atlanta is the door through which I entered foreign missionary service. Mrs. M. D. Wightman was the gracious and dignified Vice-President, but no more so than our own President, Mrs. J. W. Perry. During that session, Mrs. Juliana Hayes, the pioneer President, detained at home because of illness, resigned, was made Honorary President for the rest of her life, and Mrs. Wightman was made President. Mrs. D. H. McGavock was still serving as the first Corresponding Secretary, so I went to the field under her direction and have had the privilege of working with every Foreign Secretary there has been up to the present time. Dr. W. R. Lambuth, then the Secretary of the Board of Missions, consecrated the new missionaries. Miss Layona Glenn, of Georgia, first graduate of Scarritt College to be sent to the field, was consecrated for Brazil; Misses Clara Steger, of Missouri, and Ella Coffey, of Virginia, were consecrated for China; Miss Johnny Sanders, of Georgia, was also consecrated for China, but sailed two years later, after taking the course at Scarritt Bible Training School. I was consecrated for Mexico.

"In my estimation, there is no greater privilege than that of missionary service, and I count my service under the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, the Woman's Missionary Council, and the Board of Missions as the greatest blessing of my life, and I marvel that in spite of my insufficiency and many mistakes this privilege has been granted even unto me. Although my service has been divided between that of a missionary to Mexico and a Foreign Secretary, to me it has been one line of continuous missionary service, for which I am deeply grateful to my Heavenly Father and to the authorities of our Church who have determined my appointments and places of service under God's guidance."

At three o'clock the afternoon session adjourned that the Council members might meet in the following groups: the Commission on

Industrial Relations, Commission on Rural Relations, Committee on International Relations and World Peace, and the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

THE THURSDAY EVENING SESSION opened with the singing of the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation." The scripture lesson was read and the prayer offered by Dr. S. H. C. Burgin, pastor of St. Mark's Church.

Mrs. J. W. Perry, President, introduced the Glee Club from Paine College, a large group of young men and women who had made the trip from Augusta to Atlanta that they might sing for the Council. Their music, which was much appreciated, consisted of the spirituals: "Listen to the Lambs," "Study War No More," "What Is That I See a-Coming," and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot."

Mrs. Perry then introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Paul U. Kellogg, Editor of the *Survey*, of New York City, who spoke on "Want in the Midst of Plenty," a pertinent topic for an economist, who stated the economic condition in our land and discussed the historic concern of women along three issues: unemployment relief, unemployment insurance, and national economic planning.

The Paine Glee Club sang once more, and the session was dismissed with the benediction pronounced by Mr. E. C. Peters.

THURSDAY EVENING

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL met in executive session at the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel Thursday evening at ten o'clock with eighty-seven members present and the President in the Chair.

Mrs. Perry stated that she had called the women together to discuss a matter in which all were deeply interested, and to secure an expression of opinion from them upon which, in the face of certain contingencies, to base future action.

Free discussion prevailed, and the final decision was registered by ballot.

The meeting then adjourned.

The minutes in detail are recorded in the *ad interim* record book, page 42.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

THE FRIDAY MORNING SESSION opened in quietness while the organ prelude, played softly, creating the atmosphere for the first of the worship periods led by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb. This was a service of meditation and prayer, of praise, and of scripture passages, read re-

sponsively, that emphasized the glory and righteousness of our Father, that God is Spirit, is Light, is Power, is Love.

Under the influence of this refreshing period the business of the day was begun. The Council joined in singing the hymn for the year, "Heralds of Christ Who Bear the King's Commands."

The committee to examine the minutes reported that the minutes for the morning and afternoon sessions of Thursday had been found correct, and the motion that they be approved was carried.

The presence of the following members was noted: Mrs. E. F. Ellis, President of the North Arkansas Conference; Miss Berta Ellison, Member at Large; Mrs. George Morgan, Secretary of the Tennessee Conference; and Miss Sallie Lewis Browne, from Warsaw, Poland, alternate from the Woman's Missionary Society in Poland.

A letter was read by the Secretary from Dr. J. W. Perry, Home Secretary of the Board of Missions, who deeply regretted that official duties prevented his attendance upon the Council. He gave an encouraging report of work among the Kiowa Indians, near Anadarko, Okla., where the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions carried on mission work many years ago, and thanked the women for financial help derived through these old holdings, which had made possible three new church buildings.

Attention was called to the fact that this time the Western Section of the Ecumenical Council was in session in Cincinnati, Ohio, and that the Woman's Missionary Council President, Mrs. J. W. Perry, was unable to be present because of her duties in the Missionary Council. It was then moved and seconded that a message of greeting and an expression of regret because of Mrs. Perry's inability to attend the meeting be sent to the Ecumenical Council. The motion prevailed.

A memorial from the Deaconess Council concerning a Joint Committee was referred to the Committee on Home Fields, and the following reports were placed on the Calendar: Report No. 1 from the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws and Report No. 1 from the Sessions Committee on Home Field.

The place on the program being reached for "Messages from the Orient," Miss Esther Case, Administrative Secretary of Foreign Work, took her place on the platform and introduced the speakers from China. Miss Mary Hood, R.N., of Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, spoke on the "Need of Medical Work." Miss Helen Bierman, R.N., also from Shanghai, and Miss Lorena Foster, R.N., from the General Hospital in Changchow, told of how we are partially "Meeting the Need." The next topic, "Meeting the Educational Need in China," was omitted because of the illness of Miss Cornelia Crozier, from Soochow.

When Japan was called Miss Case stated that Miss Margaret Cook, Principal of the Lambuth Training School for Christian Workers,

Osaka, Japan, was ill in Atlanta; therefore unable to present "The Need of Trained Workers." Miss Blanche Hager, who directs the music in this school with her Japanese assistants, told of how "The Need of Trained Workers Is Being Met."

Miss Ruth Diggs, at home on her first furlough from Seoul, Korea, gave many interesting facts about "New Things in Old Korea."

The following friends were introduced and seated on the platform: Dr. W. G. Cram, General Secretary of the Board of Missions; the Rev. J. B. Cobb, missionary in Japan; Mrs. J. G. Board, missionary in Cuba and an alternate in the Council; Dr. Fletcher Brockman, speaker for the evening; and Dr. C. G. Hounshell, Secretary of the Board of Missions.

Dr. Cram made an interesting report in which was stressed the growing spirit of co-operation. (See Report, page 64.)

Mr. J. B. Cobb spoke briefly of Japan.

A report always of vital interest is that of the Treasurer, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton. She stated that the total receipts for the year were \$1,118,437.34, and told of love gifts that had been received, one of which amounting to more than \$125 came from the Japanese members of the faculty and students of Hiroshima Girls' School, Hiroshima, Japan. The report was received and placed on record. (See Report, page 71.)

At eleven o'clock Calendar business was taken up. Report No. 1 of the Committee on Estimates was read by the Calendar Clerk, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 127.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Estimates was taken from the Calendar. The basis for appropriation for Foreign Work, \$559,-957.81, was read. Items included in this amount were explained by Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Treasurer.

Miss Daisy Davies, Chairman of the Committee on Estimates, stated that among other gifts that had been placed in the treasury were the refund of five per cent of their salaries by Secretaries, stenographers, clerks, and other helpers of the Board of Missions.

The following appropriations were approved: The total for administration in the Foreign Department, \$15,148; miscellaneous items, \$34,731; for missionary salaries in Brazil, \$29,026; language study, \$713; total for travel, \$3,125; total for missionaries in Brazil, \$33,-114; total for general expenses, \$645; for the North Brazil Conference, \$2,200. Small appropriations for the large schools in this Conference, Collegio Bennett, at Rio de Janeiro, \$400, and Collegio Isabella Hendrix, Bello Horizonte, \$800, in addition to the salaries of missionaries, are due to the fact that the work in Brazil is more nearly self-supporting than that of any other field.

The following appropriations were approved: For Central Brazil Conference, total, \$7,930; for South Brazil Conference, \$1,836; grand total for Brazil, \$42,982.

Miss Case called the missionaries from Mexico to the platform to present the subject, "Serving in Mexico."

The topic, as it relates to schools, was presented by Miss Helen Hodgson, Colegio Roberts, Saltillo; Miss Irene Nixon, Instituto MacDonell, Durango, told of work done in hospitals and social centers. Miss Myrtle James, Instituto Laurens, Monterrey, gave interesting glimpses of beautiful service rendered by Mexican women and men.

Mrs. J. N. McEachern was recognized, and presented Mrs. George Nunn, President of the South Georgia Conference, who announced that her Conference would be hostess for lunch that day and extended most cordial invitation to the members of the Council.

To the invitation that all women from the two Georgia Conferences come forward that they might be seen, so large a throng filled the aisles that the front could not receive them.

The President of the Council introduced Mrs. Marvin Underwood, President of the Atlanta Young Women's Christian Association and President of the Southern Council of Industry, also daughter of the honored veteran missionary to Japan, Dr. J. C. C. Newton, recently deceased. Mrs. Underwood expressed her pleasure in being present and her appreciation of the excellent work being done by the Methodist women. Mr. Arthur Allen, son of Dr. Young J. Allen, pioneer missionary to China, was also introduced.

Mrs. S. F. Boykin, General Chairman, extended an invitation to the delegates and visitors to a tea on Saturday afternoon at "Pinebloom," the beautiful home of Mrs. Preston Arkwright. With thanks for the courtesy Mrs. Perry accepted for the Council this gracious invitation.

The noon worship period was ushered in with the hymn, "Break Thou the Bread of Life." Dr. Hutchinson then announced as his topic for the day, "A Moral Antiseptic," based on the thirty-fourth chapter of 2 Chronicles and the eighth chapter of Amos. For his text he gave, "Thy words have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee." Emphasizing the incalculable value of the Book of books, always a best seller, he said that it should not only be circulated, but should be read, studied, memorized, and practiced that lives may be purified. In closing his message he lifted the gospel song, "Blessed Book," and completed the service with prayer.

The morning session then stood adjourned.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

THE WORSHIP SERVICE Friday afternoon, led by Mrs. J. N. McEachern, consisted of the hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee," and prayer.

The following papers were placed on the Calendar: Resolution signed by two members and recommendations from the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message.

Resuming the program for the day, messages from missionaries, Miss Mary Jane Baxter, from Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba, Brazil, was introduced. She spoke of the changed conditions in this great republic, manifested in a quickening pace, an increasing national consciousness, and the application of modern school methods in the native schools. A desire for social justice has always been present there. They are asking, "Has Protestantism anything to offer?" Lack of men, women, and money offer the greatest limitation to the extension of the work. Miss Eunice Andrews, from Collegio Centenario, Santa Maria, Brazil, in speaking of the work there, said: "Mission schools are a potent lever in the social life of Brazil." She spoke of settlement work among Indians in Mattagrosso and said Brazilian Methodism has heard the call, "Go ye."

Miss Gertrude Kennedy, also of Collegio Centenario, in the short time allowed her, endeavored to make clear the reasons for the existence of Collegio Centenario; chief of these, she said, is what it offers in the development of Christian character, and it is only in the Christian schools that this training is to be had.

Miss Verda Noreen Farrar, of Isabella Hendrix, Bello Horizonte, added to these testimonies of the changing conditions in Brazil and the leavening power of the Christian schools.

Miss Sallie Lewis Browne, from Warsaw, Poland, where is situated "the Council's latest venture of faith," gave a view of the work at Wilno and of efforts in organizing the missionary societies of Poland. From a very small beginning at Wilno in setting up a Girls' Home they now have as many girls as they can care for. The greatest enemy is nationalism, racial animosity blocking their progress at every hand, yet our work as a neutral group has a work to do.

At three o'clock the afternoon session adjourned with prayer, and the body dispersed to meet in sectional groups, which discussed various lines of work included in the Council's enlarged program, as follows: The Committee on Interracial Co-operation, Committee on Status of Women, Committee on Christian Citizenship and Law Enforcement, Bureau on Co-operation and Extension, and the Commission on Unoccupied Areas.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

THE THIRD EVENING SESSION, which completed the perfect program for the Foreign Missions Day, opened with the singing of the hymn, "Christ for the World We Sing."

The scripture lesson was read and the prayer offered by the Rev. S. T. Senter, D.D., pastor of First Methodist Church.

The choir sang the anthem, "The Lord Is My Shepherd."

Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, as presiding officer, introduced Dr. Fletcher Brockman, LL.D., Secretary of the Committee for the Promotion of Friendship between America and the Far East, who

spoke on "Missions and the World Today." He said in part: "We are in the midst of a crisis—a crisis that affects the basis of culture—in the midst of a great world-revolution as extensive as humanity. The world-mission of Christianity is disputed by two other world-ideologies, communism and militarism. Communism is atheistic, anti-Christian to the core; militarism teaches that force is the ultimate arbiter, and modern science has provided it with a wealth of tools. Jesus saw that there had to be a world scheme offering security. He offers as the greatest security the transformation of men's hearts so that love takes the place of acquisitiveness. The Christian must say 'humanity,' not 'foreign missions' or 'home missions,' for the 'destiny of the human race is at stake.'"

Following Dr. Brockman and representing "Voices of Youth," Miss Maria Pak, of Korea, Miss Tomeka Unno, of Japan, and Miss Bao Yu Yang, each spoke of the power of Christianity in her own land.

The service was dismissed with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Senter.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

ON SATURDAY MORNING again quietness followed the soft notes of the organ prelude. Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb led the second worship service, which gave strength for a busy day as each worshiper meditated upon Jesus, the "joy of loving hearts, Thou fount of life, Thou light of men." The ritual service closed with the hymn, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life." The Council hymn, "Heralds of Christ," was sung.

The President announced the pages for the day, as follows: Misses Harriette Townsend, Marguerite Johnson, Elizabeth O'Neil, Sarah Davis, and Ruth Gayle.

Mrs. Perry stated that the two standards of beautiful Easter lilies on the platform had been sent by Mrs. Walt Holcomb, of Memphis, as a memorial to her father and mother, the Rev. and Mrs. Sam P. Jones.

The following committee reports were placed on the Calendar: Report on Foreign Work, on Children's Work, and on Literature.

The Committee to Examine the Minutes reported that the minutes for the Friday sessions had been examined and found correct. On motion, the report was accepted.

This was Home Missions Day, so Mrs. J. W. Downs, Administrative Secretary of the Home Department, took charge of the program features of the morning and afternoon sessions, which consisted of demonstrations of the actual daily work of the deaconesses. The first section portrayed the Church Deaconess. This was directed by Deaconess Gatewood, assisted by Dr. J. A. Baylor, of Chattanooga, and Deaconesses Chandler and Eidson, who gave convincing evidence that a deaconess must be a versatile person who has no idle moments.

The demonstration closed with a sympathetic statement by Dr. Baylor concerning the invaluable service rendered by a church deaconess.

The consideration of the Estimates was resumed with Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, and Mrs. J. W. Downs assisting the chairman of the committee, Miss Daisy Davies.

When the Cajan Work at Shady Grove, Ala., was considered, Miss Obra Lee Rogers, who is giving of her best there, was called upon to state the deplorable conditions that prevail in this community.

The basis of appropriation for Home Work, \$256,098.28, was read and approved. The totals of appropriation for Divisions of Home Work were approved as read, as follows: For Administration, \$10,930.27; Mountain Work, \$36,715; Mexican Work, \$28,982.01; Gulf Coast, \$21,513; Cuban Work, \$13,550; Negro Work, \$29,286; Dependent Girls, \$13,072; Bible Teachers in State School, \$7,200; Industrial Work, \$11,841; Delinquent Girls, \$11,789; for Western Work, \$7,950; for Cajan Work, \$900; Rural Work, \$3,450; Home Mission Specials, \$11,480; miscellaneous items, \$15,345; Scarritt College, \$23,000; City Missions, \$9,095; grand total for Home Missions, \$302,904.69. On motion the estimates for Home Missions were amended to the amount of \$1,200, thereby changing the total for Home Mission Specials to \$12,680 and the grant total for Home Missions to \$304,104.69.

A full report of work among the Negroes was given by Deaconess Thelma Stevens, from Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga. During her presentation of this work, Deaconess Margaret Young, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, and Miss Dorothy Weber were seated on the platform.

Messages of greeting were read by the Secretary from Deaconess Frances Howard and Mrs. Warren A. Candler.

The hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," was sung.

Dr. Hutchinson then delivered the noon Bible message, announcing his topic for the day as "Christ and His Church"; he read from Psalm 137 and John 15: 1-8. He spoke of the relationship of Christ and the Church and of Christ and the individual, then stressed the necessity for a vital union if the Christian is to realize in himself the promise, "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye may bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples." The worship hour closed with the hymn, "Blessed Assurance," and prayer, and the morning session stood adjourned.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

THE AFTERNOON SESSION opened with a "Service of Remembrance for Our Comrades in Service" who had been called Home since the last session of the Council. This service was led by Mrs. J. C. Lewis. The beautiful poem, "Deep in the Heart of God," gave a sense of joy that these loved ones are not dead, but have entered the mansions prepared for them. The following were named as the Council stood

in loving reverence: Bishop W. B. Beauchamp, who actively served the cause of missions throughout the entire period of his ministry; Miss Oda Campbell, missionary to Mexico, 1929-31; Mrs. Julia Acton, sixteen years in service with Orientals on Pacific Coast; Deaconess Althea Graham, eight years in service; Miss Nannie B. Gaines, beloved missionary to Japan, 1887-1932. She was a pioneer and a leader of great ability. To her devoted service we are indebted for the Hiroshima Girls' School.

At the close of this sacred service, Mrs. F. S. Parker gave a brief tribute to the life and work of Mrs. S. C. Trueheart, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, 1896-1910, and one of the ablest founders of the Woman's Missionary Movement. Few of those who served with her are still here, but women whom she taught and missionary women everywhere honor her memory. It has long been the desire of the Woman's Missionary Council to place her portrait with those of others who served and have passed to their reward. Finally a portrait of Mrs. Trueheart, as a young woman, was found, and as a loan from the alumni of the Millersburg Female Academy, Millersburg, Ky., with their request that it be hung at Scarritt College, it was received and formally accepted Thursday afternoon, February 25, 1932. Copies of this picture, which now hangs in the Bennett Memorial, were distributed to the Council members. Six former pupils of Mrs. Trueheart came forward and were introduced: Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Athens, Ala.; Mrs. W. J. Franklin; Mrs. Shirlie Tucker Pollitt (Mrs. F. S.), Spencer, W. Va.; Mrs. W. R. Metcalf, Decatur, Ga.; Mrs. A. B. Conyers, Cartersville, Ga.; Mrs. A. C. Strode, Chester, Mont. The following missionaries, sent out during Mrs. Trueheart's term of service, were introduced: Dr. W. G. Cram, Dr. C. G. Hounshell, Miss Mary Hood, R.N., Mrs. Josephine Hounshell McCutchen, and Miss Eunice Andrew.

Continuing the Home Missions Program, "The Work of a Deaconess in a Wesley House" was presented in a round-table discussion. It was not only instructive, but very entertaining as well. The discussion was led by Deaconess Berta Ellison, ably assisted by Deaconess Margaret Young, Deaconess Nettie Stroup, Deaconess Dorothy Crim, Deaconess Mary Lou Barnwell, Deaconess Sallie Ellis, Deaconess Florence Blackwell, Deaconess Lora Lee Pederson, and Deaconess Selma Pederson.

Deaconess Obra May Rogers conducted a Demonstration Obra on Rural Work, which emphasized the needs and opportunities for service in the country. Two playlets brought out the eagerness with which the ministry of the rural worker is received. Miss Rogers was assisted in this by Deaconess Martha Stewart, Deaconess Bert Winters, Deaconess Bessie Miller, Deaconess Ora Hooper, and Deaconess Dora Hoover.

"Deaconesses at Work in Schools" was another demonstration of

home mission work; this was led by Deaconess Ora Lee Barnett, and vividly portrayed the broadening vision which comes to pupils in the Christ-centered schools carried on by the Council.

The benediction was pronounced by Dr. C. G. Hounshell, and the afternoon session stood adjourned.

SUNDAY MORNING

BOROWSKI'S "ADORATION," as an organ prelude, announced the hour for the eleven o'clock Sunday morning service. The opening hymn, "Praise the Savior, All Ye Nations," was followed by the recitation of the Apostles' Creed and prayer led by Dr. J. L. Cuninggim. The choir sang the anthem, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," the nineteenth Psalm was read, and the Gloria Patri sung.

Lessons from Isaiah 40 and Matthew 5 were read by Bishop John M. Moore.

The choir gave its message in the solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," sung by Mrs. L. D. King, with the violin obligato played by Miss Marguerite Cooper.

Announcing his text, Isaiah 40: 3, 4, "Clear the way for the Eternal through the waste; level the highway for the Lord," the Bishop delivered his message with power. He set forth the changes of a half century taking place in the world, where "loyalty to realities is dissipated and man's earth has eclipsed God's Heaven." "Only the Kingship of God can insure the Kingdom of Heaven." The world moves toward light with the establishment of constructive thought in the hearts of men. Men must have a sense of right and wrong, and must know honor, virtue, and truth as revealed in God, if they are to clear the American life of selfishness, sordidness, and loose thinking in the home, civil, and national life. Men must repent and revive that faith in God and love of humanity which will restore to us a sense of the authority of the Divine Leader. Thus only shall be made straight in the desert the highway for the Lord.

The hymn, "O Zion, Haste," was sung, and the service closed with the benediction.

SUNDAY EVENING

THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE opened with the hymn, "Fight the Good Fight," and the choir sang the anthem, "Lamp of Our Feet."

The scripture lesson, from 1 Corinthians, chapters 1 and 2, was read, and the evening prayer offered by the Rev. Boone M. Bowen, of the Candler School of Theology, Emory University.

The Rev. Luther A. Weigle, D.D., Dean of Divinity School, Yale University, was introduced by the Council President.

Dr. Weigle's address, "The Coming Revival," was a twentieth-century interpretation of what Paul taught in the first century,

"Other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Christ Jesus." He pointed to a return to Christ as the only solution of the economic, political, and moral ills that beset the world today. "The battle is on between two opposing philosophies of life," and the Christian world is called to a new evangelism which concerns itself with the great central principles of Christian faith, with no less emphasis upon the social gospel. With intelligence and courage Christian men and women must bring the principles of Jesus to bear upon the whole range of the perplexing problems—social, industrial, racial, and international—of our common life in these momentous days.

After the Doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Dr. S. H. C. Burgin.

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

THE THIRD MORNING WORSHIP PERIOD, led by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, opened with an organ prelude as the delegates assembled and engaged in silent prayer and meditation.

The theme of the hour was "The Ordering of Our Personal Lives," based upon the Sermon on the Mount. The service closed with the hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee."

The morning session was called to order by the President, Mrs. J. W. Perry.

The Committee to Approve the Minutes of Saturday's sessions reported that the Minutes had been examined and found correct. This report was accepted.

The following alternates were seated in the places of members or alternates who had been compelled to leave since the last session: Mrs. E. H. Harrell in the place of Mrs. Homer Tatum, President of the Memphis Conference; Mrs. J. R. McAllister in the place of Mrs. W. P. McDermott, President of the Little Rock Conference; and Mrs. C. M. Reves for Mrs. L. R. McKinney, alternate, for the Secretary of the Little Rock Conference.

The motion prevailed by a standing vote that a message of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Homer Tatum, who had been called home by the sudden death of her brother.

It was moved by Mrs. A. R. Walker and seconded that, in accord with our precedent of appointing a Committee on General Conference Legislation two years in advance of the General Conference session, the President be requested to appoint this committee at this meeting.

It was voted to amend this motion by the addition of the words "that the President be allowed a committee to assist her in naming this committee."

The motion, as amended, was adopted.

Mrs. J. W. Perry spoke to the amendment, and the motion was adopted as amended.

It was moved by Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Secretary of the Louisville Conference, and seconded that the fixing of the place of the 1933 meeting of the Council be made the order of the day for 11:45 A.M. that morning.

The motion prevailed. •

It was moved by Miss Daisy Davies, and seconded, that in order to accommodate this additional item to the program for the morning that the time allowed for consideration of Estimates be shortened.

The motion prevailed.

The following reports of sessions committees on Education and Promotion and on Christian Social Relations were placed on the Calendar.

Dr. J. L. Cuninggim made his report, prefacing it with the statement that ten years ago he made his first report to the Council. (See Report, page 120.)

Calendar business was taken up in the consideration of Estimates for Foreign Fields. The estimates were interpreted by the Chairman of the Committee, Miss Daisy Davies, assisted by Mrs. Helen B. Bourne.

The following appropriations for Korea were approved:

"Total for missionaries, \$43,294; general expenses, \$3,875; total for educational work, \$57,366; total for evangelistic work, \$21,590; total for medical work, \$3,500; grand total for Korea, less six per cent, \$121,848."

The motion prevailed that Calendar Rule 9 be suspended in order that an item on the Week of Prayer in the Report of the Committee on Foreign Fields might be considered out of its order.

This item was read by the Calendar Clerk:

ITEM 5A—REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN FIELDS

We recommend that the Week of Prayer Special for the Foreign Fields be directed to the erection of a building on the new campus of Ewha, Seoul, Korea.

Miss Mabel Howell, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Fields, spoke to this item, and moved that the item be amended by the addition of the clause, "and that this building be named, in honor of Miss Case, the Esther Case Building."

The amendment was adopted and item "5a" was adopted as amended.

For China the following appropriations were adopted as read:

"Total for missionaries, \$47,023; total for general expenses, \$3,000; total for educational work, \$44,745; for evangelistic work, \$22,865; total for medical work, \$11,300; grand total, less six per cent, \$121,198."

For the Congo Belge the following items were adopted:

Total for missionaries, \$11,500; Educational Department, \$850; Medical Department, \$3,750; total for Girls' Home, \$900; total for miscellaneous funds, \$1,125; grand total for the Congo, less six per cent, \$17,038.

The time of the presentation of the Report of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations having come, Mrs. Perry paid tribute in tender words of love to the memory of Mrs. Luke Johnson, who had so great a part in originating the plans and working out the details for this enlarged program of work. She then introduced Dr. Luke Johnson, who spoke of the last meeting of the Council in Atlanta, in 1916, when Miss Belle Bennett was their guest. It had been his great pleasure to generously share his brilliant and beloved wife with the Council, and he rejoiced in the invaluable contribution she had been able to make.

Mrs. W. A. Newell, Superintendent of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations, briefly prefaced the report of the Bureau, and the chairmen of the committees and commissions, included in the Bureau, reported in full for these divisions, at the same time giving the findings of the group meeting held the afternoon of the first and second days of this Council Session. (See Mrs. Newell's Report in full, page 107.)

1. Report of Committee of International Relations and World Peace was made by Mrs. E. B. Chappell. (See Report, page 135.) Findings of group meeting held Thursday afternoon were given by Miss Emma V. Pepler, Secretary of the Committee. (See Findings, page 137.)

As privileged motions Miss Pepler presented the following two recommendations and one resolution embodying messages to be sent from the body to Secretary of State Stimson, Senator Borah, Chairman Adams of Committee on Naval Affairs, and Dr. Mary E. Woolley, representative at the Disarmament Conference.

Recommendation to be sent as night letters to Secretary of State Stimson and Senator Borah:

"Believing that entrance of the United States into the World Court at this time would have world-wide influence on hastening disarmament, the Woman's Missionary Council, in annual session at Atlanta, Ga., representing a large constituency of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, urges immediate favorable action on the World Court protocols, in the belief that further postponement is unjustifiable."

Recommendation to be sent as a night letter to Chairman Adams, Committee on Naval Affairs:

"The Woman's Missionary Council, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in annual session in Atlanta, Ga., representing a large constituency throughout the South and West, protests the violation of the armaments truce by construction or replacement of naval vessels contemplated in Senate Bill No. 51, or any similar measure."

Resolution that a letter be sent to Dr. Mary Woolley:

"Inasmuch as Dr. Mary Woolley, United States delegate to the Disarmament Conference at Geneva, stands whole-heartedly for world peace through the reduction of armaments, be it

"*Resolved*, That the Woman's Missionary Council send to Dr. Woolley a message of appreciation and confidence, assuring her of the cordial support and co-operation of our constituency."

2. The report of the Committee on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance was read by Mrs. J. W. Mills, Chairman. (See Report, page 137.)

3 The report of the Commission on Interracial Co-operation was read by Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Secretary *pro tem*. (See Report, page 140.)

The Chairman of the Commission, Miss Louise Young, supplemented this report and stated that the findings of this committee requiring action would be found in the report of the Sessions Committee on Interracial Co-operation.

A story illustrating what can be done in any community was told by Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, "the inspiration and dynamo of the Commission."

4. The report on Industrial Relations was made by Miss Constance Rumbough, Chairman. (See Report, page 142.)

5. The report of the Commission on Rural Development was made by the Council President, who had been Chairman of the Commission since its organization until this meeting, when the Commission was reorganized. (See Report, page 143.)

The findings from the group meeting held by this Commission were read by the Chairman on Findings, Mrs. H. R. Steele. (See Findings, page 144.)

The reports of the work of the Bureau, through its five divisions, were supplemented by Mrs. W. A. Newell, Superintendent of the Bureau, who graciously expressed the appreciation of the Bureau to those who had assisted in making possible the results reported by the Bureau.

The report of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message was made by its Chairman, Miss Daisy Davies. (See Report, page 146.)

Findings from this group meeting held Thursday afternoon were read by Miss Estelle Haskin, Secretary. (See Findings, page 151.)

The hour for the order of the day having come, Mrs. I. Morris was granted the floor. Calling a delegation of thirteen from the North Alabama Conference, she presented in acrostic and in song an invitation to the Council to hold its 1933 meeting in First Church, Birmingham, Ala. Invitations from the pastor of First Church and from religious, civic, and educational organizations and institutions were presented by Mrs. John R. Turner.

Next Mrs. W. J. Piggott and Mrs. A. C. Johnson were recognized. Mrs. Piggott presented the prior claims of the Louisville Conference

for the next meeting of the Council in verse and song, and was ably seconded by Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Fred Lamb, of Kansas City, stated that she had as many invitations and reasons for urging the Council to go to Kansas City in 1933.

The vote was taken, and, on motion, the invitation to Louisville was unanimously accepted.

At twelve o'clock the meeting was turned over to Dr. Forney Hutchinson for the last of the series of noon Bible messages. Hymn "Holy Spirit, Heavenly Guide," was sung. Scripture lessons from Joel 2: 28-32 and Acts 2: 1 were read as a foundation for the message of the "Personal Pentecost." With "The Mistakes of My Life Have Been Many" and prayer this session came to a close.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

THE SESSION FOR MONDAY AFTERNOON was opened with a worship service, led by Mrs. George Nunn, President of South Georgia Conference. This consisted of "O Jesus, I Have Promised" and prayer.

The following cablegram was read by the Secretary:

"Woman's Council.

"Loving greetings. ELIZA BOWMAN SCHOOL, *Cienfuegos, Cuba.*"

The following reports were placed on the Calendar:

Standing Committee on Scarritt and Report No. 2 of Sessions Committee on Education and Promotion.

Miss Reed, representing the Educational Temperance Shields and "Alosp's Fables," was introduced and spoke of the value of these agencies in gaining publicity for the cause of Temperance.

"Sister" Anna E. Hall, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who has spent twenty-five years in Liberia, was introduced. She spoke briefly of the work in which she is engaged.

Resuming the order of business, the Estimates for the Department of Education and Promotion were considered, the interpretation being given by Mrs. R. L. Hobdy and Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb.

The following items were approved:

Total for administration, \$29,490; total for Education and Promotion, \$37,498, with a grand total of \$66,988.

Moved and seconded that a vote of thanks go to Mr. J. F. Rawls, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, for his efficient attention to the rentals and other matters that fall to his office.

Taking up the Estimates for Cuba, the following items were approved:

The total for missionaries, \$16,673; for Organization Work, \$600; Educational Work, \$14,735; Social-Evangelistic Work, \$3,395; and the grand total, less six per cent, \$33,279.

For Japan the following items were approved:

For missionaries, \$30,442; for general expenses, \$2,795; for Edu-

cational Work, \$54,246; Evangelistic Work, \$13,748; grand total for Japan, less the six per cent, \$95,157.

For Mexico the following items were approved:

Total for missionaries, \$27,150; total for Educational Work, \$28,645; Evangelistic Work, \$16,127; grand total, less the six per cent, \$67,607.

For Poland the following items were approved:

Total for missionaries, \$4,830; for general expenses, \$1,140; White Russian Work, \$2,785; total for Polish work, \$730. Grand total for Polish Mission, less six per cent, \$8,916.

Total Siberian-Korean Mission, \$1,820.

Grand total for Foreign Work, \$559,724.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Women was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 161.)

The report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 163.)

The report of the Bureau on Co-operation and Extension was made by Miss Bess Combs, Superintendent. (See Report, page 115.)

The report of the Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Women was read by Mrs. J. C. Handy and adopted as read. (See Report, page 156.)

The report of the Committee on Findings from the group meeting of the Committee on Status was read by Mrs. E. A. Kitchell and approved as read. (See Findings, page 161.)

The report of the Committee on Unoccupied Areas was made by Mrs. Lee Britt, Chairman, and placed on record. (See Report, page 153.) The Findings from group meeting on Unoccupied Areas were read by Mrs. C. C. Weaver and placed on record. (See Findings, page 155.)

The body was dismissed with prayer led by Dr. C. G. Hounshell.

MONDAY EVENING SERVICE

FOR MONDAY EVENING, which presented the climax of the inspirational program of the entire Council session, the scene shifted from St. Mark's Church to the much larger auditorium of the Wesley Memorial Church, that the great number desiring to witness the consecration of the candidates for missionary work might be seated.

Seated on the platform were the Council President, who presided, the Vice-President, Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, former Secretary in charge of Young People's Work, the officers of the Board of Missions, and Bishop John M. Moore.

At eight o'clock the candidates, foreign missionaries and deaconesses, entered the church singing the processional hymn, "Lead On, O King Eternal." The congregation joined in singing the second

hymn, "Praise the Savior, All Ye Nations," while the candidates took their seats beneath a brilliant cross within the chancel.

Mrs. Boone M. Bowen read the scripture lesson from Jeremiah 1: 4-10 and 17: 19, and offered prayer for the young women who had heard and answered the challenge to build with Jesus for eternity.

After the singing of the hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers," ten of the group of candidates spoke simply and earnestly of the call that had led them to offer their lives in service.

Miss Thelma Juanita Colvin told of her call, heard first at an Epworth League Assembly, and of how during her years of preparation the conviction had grown steadily that she must have a part in the constructive work of the world. She said: "Out there in Japan there is an empty place, and gladly and joyously I go to fill it."

Miss Lucile Elanore Robinson spoke of the perplexities that marked her early Christian life and of the new knowledge which sends her to do what she can to save the un-Christian areas of life through organized home mission work.

Miss Margaret Pilley, daughter of missionaries who gave their all to China, said that in going to China she meant going back home. "I want to go back because I love China and I love the Chinese people."

Miss Mary Beth Littlejohn found her call in a gradual development, experiences gained through stories told by her grandmother, the influence of the Sunday school, and through the reading of Christian literature.

Miss Alberta Tarr said that it was submission to a far-away God that led to her first step toward Christian life-service, but the deeper experience of a loving Father led her to work with him in developing personality and in creating a social order more in harmony with his world.

Miss Annabelle Johnson found her call through a friend who inspired her to prepare for Christian service, and at Scarritt College her purpose deepened under the influence of a great fellowship of love.

Miss Beulah Hubbard chose the life of a foreign missionary because she believed God's truth and wanted to share it with others, so they, too, might want to walk in higher paths.

Miss Elizabeth Covington's love of young people led her to desire to lead them into a deeper experience of God in their lives, and to appreciate the Jesus way of living.

Miss Juanita Kelly found duty and desire equally responsible for her call. Her final decision rested on the belief that a missionary's career was God's plan for her life. Coupled with a sense of duty to give herself in helping others to know the power of Jesus' love, she was eager to receive the blessings of association with the native church people and young people of the land she is to serve.

Miss Katherine Lorena Kelly early gained the impression that the

world today is not the kind of world God likes, and she has definitely prepared herself to help make it a world of which he will approve, a world that seeks first the Kingdom of God, a world where nations are bound together in a fellowship of friendship.

Mrs. J. W. Perry then presented to Bishop Moore for consecration the class of candidates, as follows: The young women to serve as deaconesses in the home field: Miss Mary Virginia Carpenter, from the Virginia Conference; Miss Mary Humphrey Carter, Kentucky Conference; Miss Margaret Amelia Cornett, Holston Conference; Miss Elizabeth Covington, South Carolina Conference; Miss Johnna Frances Dodson, Tennessee Conference; Miss Sara Estelle Fernandez, Florida Conference; Miss Leona Belle Giles, Virginia Conference; Miss Eunice Glenn, South Georgia Conference; Miss Evelyn Elizabeth Holmberg, Oklahoma Conference; Miss Annabelle M. Johnson, Oklahoma Conference; Miss Katherine Lorena Kelly, Western North Carolina Conference; Miss Pearlye Maye Kelley, North Georgia Conference; Miss Alpharetta Verna Leeper, Oklahoma Conference; Miss Clarice Leone Lemons, Southwest Missouri Conference; Miss Mary Beth Littlejohn, Upper South Carolina Conference; Miss Dorothy Lorena Lundy, Southwest Missouri Conference; Miss Felicidad Mendez, Central Texas Conference; Miss Shiela Elizabeth Nuttall, Louisiana Conference; Miss Lucile Elanore Robinson, St. Louis Conference; Miss Anna Mae Taylor, Tennessee Conference; Miss Ollie L. Willings, Central Texas Conference. Young women to serve as foreign missionaries: Miss Margie Louise Avett, from the Western North Carolina Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Thelma Juanita Colvin, Central Texas Conference, under appointment to Japan; Miss Elizabeth Palmer DeLoache, South Carolina Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Leannie Buelah Hubbard, Northwest Texas Conference, under appointment to Mexico; Miss Juanita Margaret Kelly, North Georgia Conference, under appointment to Brazil; Miss Lillian Mildred Maxfield, Tennessee Conference, under appointment to Brazil; Miss Alma Frances Metcalfe, North Georgia Conference, under appointment to Japan; Miss Margaret Potet Pilley, North Texas Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Annie Clyde Price, Central Texas Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Mary Albert Tarr, Western Virginia Conference, under appointment to Japan; Miss Hester Dale West, Northwest Texas Conference, under appointment to China.

The congregation participated in the responsive reading, led by the Bishop. After prayer offered by the Bishop and their hymn of consecration, "Lord in the Strength of Grace, with a Glad Heart and Free," sung by the candidates, the Bishop read the charge and received their response to the vows. This was followed by silent prayer, while the thirty-three young women knelt at the altar. When they had risen, Bishop Moore 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," and the benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

ON TUESDAY MORNING the soft tones of the organ prelude made its final call to the worship period, led by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb. This last service led to humble heart-searchings, through a litany seeking to know the will of God, to intercession for the church, the state, for the world in the new age, for the nations of the world that they may have a new heart of comradeship, for the Christianizing of all areas of life, and for personal consecration.

A season of prayer was entered into for Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood, who was called home to the bedside of a grandchild very ill; also for Mrs. Homer Tatum, whose brother had passed away suddenly.

The committee to approve the minutes reported that the minutes of Monday morning's and afternoon's sessions had been examined and found correct in detail. The motion to approve the report prevailed.

The hour for the pledge service at this time was in charge of the Council Treasurer, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton. She stated that the pledges made totaled \$980,301, \$87,699 less than the pledge made in 1931 and less than the amount paid into the treasury. Based upon these facts, a discussion followed which revealed some of the causes for the decrease and sought for methods for increasing generosity that might bring up the pledges. At the same time, the discussion indicated a desire on the part of most of the Conferences to overpay the pledge.

The pledge service closed with prayer, led by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, a prayer embodying thankfulness for the loyalty of the women of the Conferences and for the many times there has been rejoicing over a full and overflowing treasury, and petitions that our trust may be in the courage and faith that will carry us forward, for reconsecration of all, and for a new manifestation of the power of God in our lives.

Following this was a free discussion of the responsibility of womanhood of the Church for winning the world for Christ.

Calendar business was taken up. Report No. 5 from the Calendar report on Home Fields was read, considered item by item, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 126.)

The following resolution concerning government control of prohibition was read and passed as read:

RESOLUTION

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, having knowledge of efforts to

control the evils of the liquor traffic by various methods in other countries, and being convinced that the best method of control yet found is that of national prohibition, record again our faith in governmental control in the United States as provided in the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution and its supporting laws; and we hereby assert our opposition to any movement to weaken its force through legislation.

MRS. W. A. NEWELL,
MRS. J. W. DOWNS.

Calendar Report No. 7, Recommendations from the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, was read, considered by items.

Moved and seconded that Item 2 be recommitted. After discussion, the following substitute motion was adopted: That the Committee re-write this item, and that the preference of members of this retreat be given to one member from each Conference.

The report was then adopted with the instructions given to the Committee. (See Report, page 151.)

Calendar Report No. 8, Report of Committee on Foreign Fields, was read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 125.)

Calendar Report No. 9, the Report of the Committee on Literature, was read, considered by items, amended by the addition of the words "with supplementary material as needed," and adopted as amended. (See Report, page 132.)

As a privilege the following resolution on the *Missionary Voice* was passed:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session in Atlanta, Ga., March 9-15, 1932, has heard in what high esteem the *Missionary Voice* is held by Church leaders of our own and other denominations, and since this splendid magazine cannot continue without the definite co-operation of every auxiliary and church, be it

Resolved, That the Woman's Missionary Council request the Conferences to bring before the auxiliaries:

1. The necessity of exercising great care in the selection of their Superintendent of Publicity and *Voice* Agent.

2. That a *Voice* Committee, composed of alert women adapted to *Voice* salesmanship, be appointed.

3. That, in accordance with Article XII on Woman's Work in the Discipline, relative to the promotion of missionary intelligence, we urge that a definite duty of the committee be to make a thorough canvass for subscriptions, presenting the high quality and value of the *Missionary Voice* to the entire Church membership.

MRS. A. M. GATES,
MRS. W. E. HILLYARD,
MRS. J. M. QUINN.

It was moved by Mrs. Hillyard and seconded that we express our appreciation to the *Voice* Committee for the beautiful art folio presented to the members at this meeting. The motion prevailed.

Calendar Report No. 10, Recommendations from the Committee on Children's Work, was read, considered by items. Item 1 was amended by striking out the words "as never before" and adding the words "give greater" before the word "emphasize" and the word "to" after the word "emphasize."

This item was further amended by the addition of the words after the word "actively" in the fourth line the words "we recommend." The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 131.)

Calendar Report No. 11, Report of the Committee on Education and Promotion, was read, considered by items, and amended by the addition of the following item: "That committees be appointed to confer with the management of Lake Junaluska and Mount Sequoyah and to co-operate with them and other agencies at work in these centers to work out a plan whereby a larger attendance of the women of the Church may be secured."

The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 129.)

Members of the Joint Committee requested by the Deaconess Conference were named by the Chair, as follows: Mrs. J. W. Mills and Mrs. E. W. Berry.

After prayer, led by Dr. Cram, the morning session adjourned.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

THE LAST SESSION of the Twenty-second Annual Meeting of the Council was called to quietness Tuesday afternoon by the music of several great hymns played softly on the piano. The Council hymn for the year, "Heralds of Christ," was sung, and Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Corresponding Secretary of the North Georgia Conference, led in prayer.

Messages to the Council were read from: Miss Louise Best, Miss Mabel Jetton, and Miss Gertrude Kennedy, the workers at Collegio Centenario, Santa Maria, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil; Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, Treasurer of the Council for the years 1910-25; and Dr. F. F. Stephens, the husband of the former beloved President of the Council.

The Secretary was instructed to reply to these letters and telegrams.

The report of the Committee to Examine the Minutes of Saturday morning, stating that the minutes had been found correct, was approved as read.

Mrs. Downs made a motion concerning an emergency action desired in regard to the constitution of a City Mission Board; discussion followed and the motion was withdrawn.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Mrs. J. M. Quinn, Secretary of the Committee, and adopted by a rising vote. (See Report, page 164.)

Calendar Report No. 12, Report of Sessions Committee on Christian Social Relations, was read.

Article 1 was amended by eliminating the statement of the standard of efficiency, since this standard was adopted in 1931.

The report was further amended by inserting as Article II, in the section on International Relations, the following recommendation:

"That at this crucial time constant expression of opinion be forwarded to Senators and Representatives by Conferences and auxiliaries, favoring measures that make for world peace and protesting those in opposition to peace."

A third amendment of the report was the inclusion of the words "where necessary" between the words "contributing" and "too" in "c" Article 1 of the section on Interracial Co-operation.

The section on Rural Work of the same report was amended (1) by striking out Item 1; (2) by substituting the word "continued" for the word "promoted" in the first line of Item 2; and in the same item inserting the names of the authors, Hunnicut and Reid, after "The Story of Agricultural Missions"; (3) by adding the words "in the interest of Rural Work" after the word "round-ups."

The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 133.)

Mrs. A. E. Prince, secretary to Miss Haskin, was introduced by Miss Haskin as a part of the *Missionary Voice*.

Miss Lucy Russell, secretary to Mrs. Lipscomb, was introduced by Mrs. Lipscomb.

Calendar Report No. 13, Report of Standing Committee on Scarritt, was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 162.)

Calendar Report 14, Report No. 2 of Committee on Education and Promotion, was read.

Mrs. J. N. McEachern, President of the North Georgia Conference, was granted the floor, that she might present to the Council the General Committee on Entertainment, who had so graciously ministered to the comfort and pleasure of the Council members and guests and made possible one of the best meetings in the history of the Council. Those introduced were:

General Committee for Entertainment of Council, North Georgia Conference Officers.—Mrs. L. M. Awtry, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mrs. E. W. Brogdon, Mrs. Little, Mrs. C. C. Jarrell, Miss Mildred Mealor, Mrs. E. N. Goode, District Secretary, Mrs. J. C. White, Mrs. W. A. Albright, Mrs. Wallace Rogers, Mrs. W. R. C. Smith, Mrs. R. K. Rambo, Mrs. S. H. C. Burgin, Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, Miss Daisy Davies.

Mrs. S. F. Boykin, General Chairman of Committees; Miss Eloise Moon, Church Secretary; Mrs. Ernest Bell, Pastor's Secretary.

Chairmen of Committees.—Mrs. John A. Manget, Finance and Transportation; Miss Willis Letts, Courtesy; Mrs. C. C. Jarrell, Registration; Mrs. Alva Maxwell and Mrs. Wallace Rogers, Publicity;

Mrs. R. L. Russell, Homes; Mrs. Rowland Bryce, Luncheon; Mrs. Thomas Johnson, Pages; Mrs. L. L. Shivers, Decorations; Mrs. George C. Walters, House; Mrs. P. S. Arkwright, Social; Mrs. Nellie Mix Edwards, Music; Mrs. H. W. Dent, Communion; Mrs. Idoline K. Reid, Post-Office.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Education and Promotion was amended by the insertion of the word "mission" before the word "study" and words "taken by the auxiliary for credit" after the word "study." The paper was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 130.)

Report of Committee to Fill Vacancies read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 163.)

Mrs. Lee Britt requested the privilege of adding two additional members of the Committee on Unoccupied Areas, naming one now and one later. The request was granted, and Mrs. Britt nominated as the member of the Committee to be named at this session by Mrs. Hume R. Steele. The nomination was approved.

The recommitted items from Article II, "Retreats," from the report of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, were read and adopted as read, as follows: "Substitutes for Item 2, Article II, Retreats,

"2. That each Conference, including the Deaconess Conference, shall be allowed two registrations if made by June 1. After June 1 registrations will be open to all up to one hundred registrations."

Substitute for Item 3, under Retreats:

"3. That a registration fee of one dollar be required; there will be a refund of any fees after the maximum number is reached."

The following cablegram from Bishop Paul B. Kern was read:

"To the General Missionary Council held at Oklahoma City and to the Woman's Missionary Council in session at Atlanta, Ga.

"China presents to the missionary forces of our Church a great program of advance. Assure both Missionary Councils that the situation in China challenges the whole Church for generous support. Our missionaries are optimistic for a great future. KERN."

The report of the Committee on Laws was read and placed on record, as follows:

COMMITTEE ON LAWS

The Committee on Laws submit the following report:

1. The Committee has furnished information concerning the law of the body when necessary.
2. All memorials and resolutions were reported out of committees, and all calendar reports have been acted upon.

MRS. LEE BRITT,
 MRS. T. H. TYSON,
 MRS. W. P. McDERMOTT.

The motion prevailed that a committee be appointed to begin the study and the formation of plans for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the beginning of home mission work in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The committee was named, as follows: Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Mrs. F. B. Godfrey, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Mrs. J. W. Mills, Miss Estelle Haskin, Miss Esther Case.

The committee to study the matter of training of rural teachers who will give part-time service to the Council was appointed by the Chair, as follows: Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. R. P. Neblett, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Miss Berta Ellison, Mrs. J. N. McEachern.

The Committee on General Conference Legislation named by the Council President, assisted by a committee, was announced, as follows: Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. I. Morris, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. J. C. Handy.

The motion prevailed that, even though she is ex officio a member of all committees, the name of the Council President shall be placed on this Committee (General Conference Legislation).

A committee to assist in promotion of interest in and attendance upon Schools of Missions at Lake Junaluska and at Mount Sequoyah was named, as follows: Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mrs. A. R. Walker, Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Mrs. E. F. Ellis.

Two members of a joint committee with four from the Deaconess Conference and Mrs. J. W. Downs to study the relation of the deaconess to the work of the local church were named, as follows: Mrs. J. W. Mills and Mrs. E. W. Berry.

Committee on Leadership Training was named by the Chair, as follows: Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Miss Estelle Haskin, Miss Constance Rumbough.

The Chair announced as the Committee on 1933 Council Program: Miss Mabel Howell, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Constance Rumbough, Miss Louise Young, Miss Estelle Haskin.

The Council adjourned for a part of the afternoon that annual meetings of the Woman's Boards, its predecessors, might be held.

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions was called to order by the President. The roll was called by the Secretary. Reports were made by all the officers, and the Board adjourned *sine die*.

The Woman's Board of Home Missions was called to order by the President, the roll was called by the Secretary, reports were made by all officers, and, on motion, the Board adjourned.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, sometimes called the Woman's Board of Missions, which is the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was called to order by the President. Every member of the Board of Directors

responded to roll call. Interesting reports were given, and the Board adjourned subject to call.

The Council was again called to order.

Mrs. S. F. Boykin, General Chairman of Entertainment, stated that some of the beautiful Easter lilies which had been in the chancel all day would be sent to Mrs. Hamby, a devoted member of the local missionary society, who was ill, and some would be taken the following day to the grave of Mrs. Luke Johnson, beloved member of the the Woman's Missionary Council.

Mrs. J. W. Perry led in prayer, and the Twenty-Second Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Council stood adjourned.

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

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

[SECRETARY'S NOTE.—The minutes of Tuesday afternoon were approved by the Committee on Minutes—Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. Lee Britt, and Mrs. Seth Craig.]

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MRS. J. W. PERRY

"LAUNCH out into the deep." This command of the Master was given to the fishermen disciples after a night of toil which brought disappointment, but not despair, for at his command they were quite ready to steer out into the deep waters. Had their failure been the result of staying too near the shore line? At any rate, their venture and obedience brought abundant reward.

The past year was one of which many are saying: "We have toiled all night and caught nothing." The nations have staggered under financial depression more serious than any that has yet been known. Hunger and want have driven many to despair and desperation. Famine and pestilence have claimed countless multitudes. Selfishness and greed have run ruthless over the earth. Lawlessness and crime have stalked abroad, while men have grown cynical and indifferent to spiritual values. War clouds have gathered, and the noise of battle has made the blood run cold. The night of gloom has been about us.

Because of these conditions men and women are eager for a voice of hope and authority to call them out—into deep waters perchance—if in that voice they catch the note of confidence and assurance.

The world is ripe for the buoyance of that brotherhood and faith which is in Jesus. Through the kind of love which is in him there is healing for that spirit of nationalism and class strife which have set men against each other. The racial and national consciousness that is stirring vigorously in mankind has enrichment for humanity if it be touched by his unselfish spirit. Another has said: "The eternal Christ is not an elective in our contemporary life. He is essential if the powers we have unloosed are not to plunge us into catastrophe. He is adequate to meet the needs we face as no one else of whom the world has ever known." With the consciousness of the sins of the world and of its own sins of obedience and neglect the Church is hearing anew his voice, saying: "Launch out into the deep." The hour is ripe for the reply: "At thy word we will let down the nets."

There are deep waters into which the Church must go—waters that seem rough and dangerous—but deep waters mean also a place of safety. The Church is beginning to realize more keenly that "personal piety cannot long endure in a social order whose structural injustices are so clearly disclosed as they now are in our present system." It is realizing another truth which is more fundamental—the social order can never be made ideal until the individuals making up society have been brought under the power of his life. The

Church cannot truly represent Christ unless the members of the Church are living Christlike lives. It cannot move forward on its world-mission until it gives evidence that it has vitality and power to transform life and social relations at home.

THE ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE

In the realization of these facts the program of the great Ecumenical Conference which met in this city some months ago was built upon such a basis. "Personal Religion," "Church Life," "The Christian Social Order," and "Wider Human Relationships" were the themes that for ten days gripped the attention and absorbed the interest of the great throngs of delegates and visitors, gathered from all over the world, who sat from early morning until late hours at night intent on hearing World Methodism speak. There was no uncertain sound sent out by that body as to the need for a redeemed social order. There was equally as clear a call for personal piety. There was urgency in the appeal for Methodism to move forward on its mission of love, good will, and brotherhood to all mankind. The body stood as a unit on the fundamental issues of World Peace, Industrial Reconstruction based on Christian Brotherhood, Prohibition, and for Methodist Union as a great world-power consecrated to the one purpose of establishing the Kingdom of God here on earth.

Looking to that end, a forward step was taken when the Conference created an Ecumenical Council to act *ad interim* for the purpose of closer co-operation between Methodist bodies, for promoting social and moral uplift, and to speak through an annual message for World Methodism on the vital questions of the day.

WOMAN'S RESPONSIBILITY IN A NEW DAY

At this meeting emphasis was placed on woman's responsibility in the new day. At other great religious and welfare meetings held recently a similar note has rung out with a clarion call. Dr. C. Ryder Smith, of the British Wesleyan Church, said in his opening address to the Ecumenical Conference: "We are passing through a great period for womankind. We have witnessed the first serious attempt in the history of the world to treat woman as the equal of man." Again, during the Conference, emphasis was placed on woman's responsibility when Dr. Helen Kim, Dean of Ewha College, a modest little Korean, with a flutelike voice and a statesmanlike mind, spoke on "Christ and the Uplift of Womankind." She spoke earnestly of the spiritual contribution woman can make to the Church because she is peculiarly endowed with emotional and spiritual qualities. She pleaded earnestly for the opportunity to be given to woman to use these gifts in the bringing in of a new and better day. The pity of it is that so many women are heedless of the power

within themselves and of the obligation these peculiar gifts place upon them.

The new freedom and expansion, coming so rapidly to women throughout the world, is making it difficult for them to become adjusted to the unrestricted and unrestrained life. They revel in the thrill of it and are ready to respond to the many voices that are calling them and bidding for their activities and service. Young women throughout the world are having many offers for life-investment which are tempting and flattering. In their independence and freedom they are ready to heed these enticing appeals unaware of the perils and dangers along the way. The correction for the pitfalls along their pathway is conscious participation with God and fellow-men in the creation of a new order of society. They must be shown the way of the abundant life for which their spirits long, for they do not know the way.

The challenge comes to Christian women to win this young, buoyant life for Christ. No greater responsibility nor greater opportunity confronts us today than to capture young womanhood for Christian service. The future of the missionary enterprise must depend on young people. Dr. Buck, of Drew University, said recently: "If we do not win and enlist youth in the missionary enterprise, it will die naturally of the hardening of the arteries." I am wondering, too, what will become of youth if we fail to enlist them in this the greatest work to which they can give themselves.

We are charged with the responsibility of enlisting the young women of our Church in the missionary enterprise. The ongoing of our work in the years that lie ahead depend largely on how we meet this responsibility. May we not take as our outstanding objective in the promotion of our missionary societies the organization of young women's circles? We need their fresh enthusiasm and initiative. They need the rich, satisfying influence of Christian service which the missionary societies afford. Christ's Kingdom needs their loyalty and love. He is calling to you and me to win them for him.

THE MISSIONARY FOR THE NEW DAY

The world is moving faster than the missionary enterprise. Educational systems, intellectual development, scientific progress are making such rapid strides that one stands amazed and sometimes bewildered. Social orders are changing, old religious faiths are breaking down, mental attitudes toward moral and spiritual values are by no means static. These rapid changes have a significant bearing on the missionary enterprise and the type of missionary needed in the new day. To meet and grapple with great intellectual upheavals, to keep steady and firm in faith and to be able to lead others into a like experience in an atmosphere of cynicism and skepticism, to be able to stand for purity, justice, and brotherly kindness when high moral

standards are questioned and disregarded—to meet these conditions and, having met them, “to stand,” is a test for the strongest in spiritual insight and experience, in mental attainments, and in physical fitness. It is unfair for the Church to send any young person into these hard and trying situations within our own, or to other lands, without the proper qualifications and the best preparation.

It may be that the Church must send fewer missionaries, but new world-conditions demand the best.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION

We close the annals of a year unprecedented in financial difficulties. The missionary offerings of the Church have been greatly reduced, due to many causes with which we are so familiar. Many members of the Church have experienced embarrassment, and, suffering by the loss of earthly possessions, some have been reduced to strictest economy from lives of luxury. None has escaped the effect of the world-depression.

For the past few years local congregations have been engaged in the most expansive and expensive church building program ever undertaken, and they are burdened and embarrassed with heavy church debts.

An indifference to the missionary obligation has developed because there has been a waning of missionary zeal on the part of many pastors and church leaders.

The imperative of the missionary obligation is thought of all too often as being optional and not inherent in the vows of discipleship.

To face these conditions and to be responsible for the continuance of a great heritage which, through the gifts of lives and offerings of our forefathers who laid the foundations on which we should build, is a task that is impossible without a power beyond human wisdom.

The extreme test to which these conditions have subjected the Woman's Missionary Society have been severe, but our members have been loyal and courageous. We record the deepest expression of gratitude for their heroism in making possible the financial record which will be presented to you at this time.

We would be untrue to the aims and purposes of our organization and to the sacrifice, toil, and devotion of those who led in the past, if we did not remind ourselves again, as they have done on other occasions, of a danger which confronts us. The well-organized missionary society is of easy access to all forms of local church and community needs, and it is but natural that many claims making strong and urgent appeals should be absorbing the interest and financial strength of the society. One is appalled at the amount of money the societies are contributing to these causes—Church debts, pastors' salaries, parsonages, benevolent collections, and many commu-

nity enterprises, all worthy and noble causes—are taking the strength from the fundamental obligations for which the society is organized. The authorization given by the General Conference states: “The women of the Methodist Church, South, are authorized to organize and conduct missionary societies among the women and children in the Annual Conferences and in the churches in the interest of home and foreign missions. These societies shall promote missionary intelligence and activity and secure missionary funds, etc.” Let us keep before our members this pronouncement of the highest authority of our Church.

A year ago a new financial plan was adopted when the financial basis of membership in the auxiliary was made so flexible that no woman need be excluded because the required membership dues were prohibitive, and no woman need be restricted in the pledge she makes by a complacent satisfaction in doing what was required. The ability of each member is the measure of the financial obligation.

During this year of financial depression the plan has proven an encouragement to women in many sections of our country where economic hardship and insecurity has made it impossible for them to meet the membership offering that had formerly been required. Others have hailed the change with delight and are doubling their pledge for the coming year. It may be too soon to speak with assurance as to the wisdom of the new plan, but the testimonies that have come give evidence of the guidance of our great Leader as we launched out into the deep.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION

The program of missionary education which permeates the plans and policies of our organization is resulting in a more intelligent and internationally-minded constituency. The programs for the regular missionary meetings, the excellent mission study and Bible study being promoted, and the enlarged program of Christian social relations are stimulating an interest and quickening the conscience of our women on religious, social, economic, racial, and international conditions.

The Officers' Training Day, the Standard Training Schools¹ of the Board of Christian Education, the Pastors' Schools, and the Schools of Missions at Junaluska and Mount Sequoyah afford excellent opportunity for the preparation of leaders, and our women in increasing numbers are taking advantage of them. It might be well for us to inquire at this time if plans can be worked out whereby Junaluska and Mount Sequoyah may be made to render a larger service in our program of education and training.

CHILDREN'S WORK

We are privileged to have a large share in the missionary education of children. The World Children's Circles and Boys and Girls

World Clubs are proving an effective means of creating an interest in and in promoting world-friendships among children. We must see to it that our duty for the missionary education and training of our children is not neglected.

THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF PAINE COLLEGE

The Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America was organized in 1870 from the colored membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Both Churches soon realized the great need of a trained ministry for the leadership of the new organization. The Colored Church set about to build schools for training a leadership, and the Mother Church accepted the request for assistance. Some of the leaders in our Church were appointed to raise funds for one of the new enterprises. Several were chosen to serve with representatives from the Colored Church to form a Board of Trustees who should plan for a school in Augusta, Ga. The school was begun in rented rooms on Broad Street. In June, 1918, it was chartered as Paine Institute. The small school struggled with insufficient money and none too sympathetic a church during these years, but it has developed into a college doing excellent work in training the Negro youth for high places of leadership and for better citizens of our nation.

When the Woman's Board of Home Missions was meeting in St. John's Church in May, 1901, Miss Bennett made an earnest appeal for funds to build an annex at Paine College for the industrial training of colored girls. She succeeded in raising \$1,700 that Sunday morning when she pleaded so earnestly for a better chance for these underprivileged ones. Before the close of the year sufficient funds had been raised to insure the full amount necessary for the erection of the annex. From that time we have been an integral part of Paine College. The coming year, 1933, is the fiftieth anniversary of this institution, and plans are being made to celebrate appropriately the occasion. We shall eagerly look forward to participation in the arrangements for this Jubilee.

THE BEGINNINGS OF WOMAN'S WORK FOR HOME MISSIONS

On one occasion when Bishop R. K. Hargrove returned from the West, where he faced the pitiable living conditions of the preachers and their families, he was overburdened with the hardships they were enduring and went to Dr. David Morton, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, inquiring of him if something could not be done to provide better housing conditions for our pastors out on the Western frontiers.

Dr. Morton turned to the women for help. He talked it over with Miss Lucinda B. Helm, asking her to work out a plan for enlisting the women of our Church in this worthy enterprise. In writing of

this, Miss Helm said: "I feel as if some propelling power behind me entered my soul and was moving me with an irresistible force to throw my life into this work of helping to redeem my country from the enemy of souls and to establish the Kingdom of the Lord."

This appeal and the response to it resulted in action being taken by the General Conference of 1886 authorizing the Board of Church Extension to organize the Woman's Department of Church Extension, the object of which was to collect funds for parsonages. Later the Woman's Board of Home Missions was formed. It grew into a strong, virile organization, which was united in 1910 with the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions to form the Woman's Missionary Council.

We are fast approaching the fiftieth anniversary of this occasion, and ere long we shall want to turn our attention to plans for the celebration of this another great epoch in Woman's Work in our Church.

THE ROOM OF REMEMBRANCE

The Church is fortunate to have at Scarritt College a room set aside and dedicated to the memory of those whose lives have been made immortal through deeds of love and sacrifice.

During coming years names of men and women will be inscribed on the walls of this room. The plans whereby these names are to be selected have been carefully framed and the Church has been made acquainted with the method of procedure. The period in which names may be submitted during this quadrennium is fast drawing to a close. It is to be hoped that a study is being made of our past history and that by May 31 there will come from over the Church the names of those who have rendered distinctive service for which they are being held in loving remembrance. In addition to honoring the persons whose names shall receive this high honor, there are other benefits to be derived. It will prove a means of keeping fresh in memory the rich history of our Church, thereby creating a loyalty to its traditions, and it will inspire devotion and courage to hold high the torch which has passed to us from other hands.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

These references to epochs of the past remind us again that the source of power by which the Kingdom of God has gone forward has been prayer and faith in Him who is able to use the weak things to bring to pass mighty things. We are encouraged to press forward, realizing our need of that invisible power that can make us strong to face the issues that lie ahead.

There are evidences of an awakened concern for the spiritual life of our membership and for the entire Church. A quiet, unseen force is at work. Women are banded together to think quietly and

pray earnestly concerning God's will for us and for his world. The heart hunger of the nations is being realized. There is the consciousness of the need of a Savior.

Those of us who were privileged to spend three days together at Scarritt College last September in a Retreat can never get away from the experiences of that season. From there some went out in the expectant faith that God would revive his people, and when they were able to receive it, he would speak a new message to them—a message not unlike the one which Jesus spoke to those fishermen of the Sea of Galilee in the long-ago, "Launch out into the deep."

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

MRS. J. C. HANDY

DURING the year the Vice-President has tried to obey the injunction, "Whatsoever thy hands find to do, do it with thy might."

The activities of the Vice-President are not set for her, but in advancing the interests of the Woman's Missionary Council many duties and privileges may come her way. During the year zones, districts, and conferences have been visited, mission courses in Standard Training Schools have been taught, many letters in answer to questions concerning auxiliary matters have been answered.

To be a helper to our President and to the interests of the Council has been a privilege. What more might have been done may be learned another year.

CONDENSED REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, 1930-1931

MAY 5, 1931.

THIS meeting was held at the time of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions. The members of the Council and women members of the Board who were in Nashville at that time met around the lunch table at the Y. W. C. A.

The time for the Mid-Year Meeting was set, and the effect of the general depression upon the work was discussed.

The Treasurer's report for the first quarter indicated a deficit of \$19,500 as compared with the receipts for the first quarter of 1930. It was the consensus of opinion that this shortage in funds was due to the economic situation and that there was probably nothing that could be done to remedy the situation at the time, but the Treasurer and the Secretary in Charge of Cultivation were instructed to prepare and send out a statement and suggestions as to what might be done later.

MID-YEAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 17, 18, 1931

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 17, 18, 1931.

A devotional service was led by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb. The following answered to roll call: Mrs. J. W. Perry, Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Miss Estelle Haskin, Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. W. A. Newell, Miss Bess Combs, Miss Esther Case, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Miss Louise Young, Miss Berta Ellison, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, Mrs. J. W. Mills. Dr. W. G. Cram was present for a short time.

Messages were ordered sent to the three absent members, to Mr. F. F. Stephens, and to Mrs. Marvin Underwood expressing the sympathy of the committee in the death of her honored father, Dr. J. C. C. Newton.

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne and Miss Constance Rumbough were appointed to assist the Secretary.

Since Dr. Cram was leaving the city, he was given first place on the day's program. He expressed his appreciation of the work of the Council, and the loyalty and co-operation of its members. In connection with the world-wide financial depression and its effect upon the Church, he called attention to the thank offering to be observed

throughout the Church November 9 or December 6. Dealing still further with finances, he stated that the question of cutting salaries of Secretaries had been raised, but the Secretaries had decided to put back in the work a definite amount of their 1931 salaries.

Mrs. J. W. Perry urged the committee to be much in prayer for these days set apart for the thank offering. In her report she spoke of the duties and privileges of her office. These included the attendance upon many committees and conferences, and of these the chief and crowning event had been the Ecumenical Conference held in Atlanta in October.

1. Mrs. Perry stated that a letter had been received questioning the parliamentary procedure of the Council in electing a new President at the last Council meeting rather than having the Vice-President fill the office until the end of the quadrennium. Mrs. Piggott and Miss Ellison were appointed the committee to study the legality of the question. After study the findings of this committee were presented, and it was voted that the following recommendation be sent to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws: That by-laws 2 and 12 be amended by the addition of the words "Should the office of President become vacant during the year, the Vice-President shall carry the duties of the office until the next annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council, at which time the office shall be filled by election."

Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, spoke of attending conferences, teaching in training schools, and attending zone meetings where she found the attendance large and the women enthusiastic.

Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker, in her Secretarial report, presented the letter of Bishop John M. Moore in reply to hers in which she had sent to him, as Secretary of the College of Bishops, the resolution from the Council requesting the College of Bishops to permit the women missionaries in Korea to avail themselves of the clergy rights as granted by the new Korean Church and at the same time retain full membership in the Church in America. (See Secretary's file.) The Bishop had not looked with favor upon the request, but had said he would present the resolution to the College of Bishops.

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Treasurer, was optimistic in her report. She looked for the payment of the pledge in full, but said that even if it were accomplished the women's share of the Church's missionary money would be almost \$50,000 less than in 1930.

Miss Daisy Davies brought greetings from the North Georgia Conference.

Mrs. Lipscomb, in reporting, said that, though we hear much of depression, there are 200,000 women still interested in missions, their loyalty being expressed in daily letters to her office. She said that, though our money had been cut off, our time has not. We can still do things. There should be no feeling or let-down in enthusiasm and

activities. Our women need to be heartened, they need the fellowship of missionary groups and prayer circles as never before.

Miss Constance Rumbough's report of the Children's Work closed with a discussion of the attitude of the Board of Christian Education toward the Council's work with children.

2. It was voted that the members of the Committee on Co-operation and Council who are members of the Executive Committee of the Council, with two other members to be added, shall constitute a committee to carry the protest of this body against certain statements in the publications of the Department of the Local Church of the Board of Christian Education and also against certain statements made by leaders of institutes concerning Children's Work of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Mrs. W. J. Piggott and Mrs. J. P. Harvill were named as the additional members of the committee.

Mrs. J. W. Downs, in reporting for the Home Department, sounded a note of thanksgiving for the extraordinary experiences of the past year, especially for the evangelistic emphasis which comes with every message from the workers. She told of the increased co-operation in interracial enterprises.

Mrs. Piggott spoke of the discontinuance for this year of two Pastors' Schools for the training of rural pastors, due to lack of funds in the Home Department of the General Work.

The report of Mrs. H. R. Steele, Candidate Secretary, emphasized responsibility for a constructive training program. Here, there is need to enter into an adventure in understanding of the new meaning of the word missionary. She spoke of the policy of the Board of Christian Education for relating the students to the work in the local church through its Department of Schools and Colleges.

Miss Estelle Haskin, reporting for her department, Literature, made explanations concerning the *Yearbook* and other literature for 1932. At the same time she placed samples of this beautiful work in the hands of the committee members.

Announcement was made by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb that the book on industry would be ready in the autumn of 1932.

Mrs. W. A. Newell's report in general for the Bureau of Christian Social Relations was followed by reports of chairmen of various committees and commissions of the Bureau:

For International Relations and World Peace, Mrs. Campbell said the chief effort has been in the direction of securing signatures to the petition to the Disarmament Conference. The book, *Turn Toward Peace*, has had wide circulation, especially among our own women.

Concerning Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Mrs. J. W. Mills spoke of many meetings for study of Christian Citizenship being held throughout the Church and presented the following recommendations from the Bureau, which were adopted as read.

3. The Bureau of Christian Social Relations recommends:

(a) Co-operation with the Sunday school in studies on Temperance and Law Observance during the first quarter of 1932.

(b) The appointment of a committee from the Bureau to interview the heads of the Departments of the Local Church, the adult and the young people, in regard to the plans for most helpful co-operation in these studies.

(c) The preparation of a letter to be sent to the three auxiliary officers most closely related to this work—viz., President, Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, and Superintendent of Study—urging them to enthusiastically enter into a plan of united study for the *whole Church*, lending their influence through the Sunday school for this important work at a most critical time.

(d) That with this letter shall be sent a list of inexpensive supplementary studies, booklets, and leaflets which will give the accurate information needed in discussion groups.

Miss Louise Young gave the report on Interracial Co-operation. The definite plans of this committee are to be embodied in a letter sent out by Mrs. Newell in the spring of 1932. The committee has voted to include study of the American Indian in the study program. Because of the spiritual value of meetings of an interracial character, Miss Young spoke of the desirability of calling this to the attention of the Spiritual Life Committee.

4. It was voted to invite the Woman's Missionary Council of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church to send representatives from their body to the meeting of the Council in Atlanta to be held March, 1932.

The report on Industrial Relations was made by Miss Constance Rumbough. Dr. Alva Taylor is writing the book on Industry. Children's books on industry are to be made available, and a package of leaflets will also be furnished. Plans are being made for a group meeting at Council.

5. Concerning Industrial Relations, the following recommendation of the Bureau was adopted:

That a short demonstration be prepared to advertise the packet of literature and the book of Dr. Taylor, this demonstration to be put on at spring zone meetings.

Mrs. Handy took the chair, and Mrs. Perry made the report on Rural Development. She spoke of the value of the "Rural Round-ups" held in Virginia in co-operation with the presiding elders in several rural districts. Packets of literature on rural life have been prepared and used.

Mrs. Newell summed up the report of the Bureau, speaking especially of Interracial projects which have been successful, and of "other labors abundant."

In the absence of Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. W. A. Newell explained

why the Committee on Unoccupied Areas would be unable to make report.

Mrs. Piggott read the report of the Committee on Status of Women. This she prefaced with a review of the steps in the upward march of womanhood.

6. The following recommendations of the committee were adopted:

(a) That two leaflets be prepared for free distribution—namely:

“What Ordination Would Mean to Me as a Deaconess.”

“What Ordination Means to Me as a Missionary.”

(b) That permission be granted to the committee to prepare for a “Dutch” dinner during the coming session of the Woman’s Missionary Council with a program along lines indicated in the report. In making arrangements for the dinner the committee shall confer with the Scarritt alumni in order to find dates agreeable to each group for their respective dinners.

(c) That one of the programs for the *Yearbook* for 1933 shall be a program on Status of Woman.

Miss Esther Case reported for her department, giving an interesting glimpse of each field under her supervision. All the fields have been asked to make voluntary cuts in their askings, the estimates have been received from all fields but Korea, and they seem to have made equitable adjustments.

Miss Combs, Superintendent of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension, reported activity in conference and district work. She also had good news from Woman’s Missionary Societies in many fields. China has the best woman’s organization. The local department of their Woman’s Missionary Society is mainly for evangelization, and it is successful in securing church members. The Student Volunteer group is doing a definite work among the choicest Chinese young people.

7. It was voted that items in Miss Combs’ report concerning the local department of China Woman’s Missionary Society be printed in the bulletin.

Miss Case, by request, spoke of the Mexican Woman’s Missionary Society, which is called “Federation” in the Annual Conference and their “Confederation” corresponds to our Woman’s Missionary Council.

8. Miss Combs called attention to the desirability of a change in the name of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension. A motion naming the Bureau was made, and a substitute motion prevailed: That a joint committee composed of members from the Committee on International Relations and World Peace and from the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension be requested to confer concerning the renaming of these two groups. This committee considered changes in the names of the Committee on International Relations and World Peace and the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension. Then calling

attention to the fact that, as the name of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension may hamper its work on some foreign fields, and as the word "International" seems to be more fitting to the work of the Bureau, suggested that the name of the Committee on International Relations and World Peace be changed to the Committee on World Peace, and the name of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension be changed to Bureau of International Relations. After discussion of these points, the original name of the Committee on International Relations and World Peace was retained and the recommendation for a change in the name of the Bureau was referred back to the committee to be further studied and sent to the Committee on By-Laws.

9. It was voted that a special committee be appointed by the Chair to restudy definition of Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus and to make recommendations to the Executive Committee. This Committee was appointed, as follows: Miss Haskin, Mrs. B. M. Bowen, and Miss Louise Young.

In the absence of Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, President, Miss Louise Young made the report for Scarritt College.

Mrs. J. P. Harvill read the report of the Committee on Scarritt Funds, which was received, as follows:

10. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCARRITT FUNDS

We, your Committee on Scarritt Funds, had before us the report which was presented to the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council in Memphis, Tenn., March 10, 1931.

We were charged to study the \$4 Scarritt Maintenance Fund and the \$1,000 appropriation for the Bennett Bible Chair.

We find that the \$1,000 appropriation has been listed in the report of the Estimates Committee from the beginning, and we think it should continue to be listed as an appropriation to the Bible Department of Scarritt College.

The Maintenance Fund of \$4 per auxiliary has shown a gradual increase from 1912 to 1929. We think this fund, with proper cultivation, may be made to become a greater source of income. It should be brought to the attention of the auxiliaries through the *Voice*, the *Bulletin*, and the presentation of the fund at conference, district, and zone meetings.

Inasmuch as it is the function of Scarritt College to test, as well as to train, candidates for missionary work, and as it takes a long time to gain recognition in the Church of the need for trained workers other than missionaries and deaconesses by the Council,

We think that the appropriation is not out of proportion to other appropriations.

A request from the Finance Committee of the Room of Remembrance was read by the Secretary, and, after the Treasurer had reported a sufficient amount in the treasury of the Bennett Memorial Fund, was granted as read, as follows:

11. A REQUEST FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE OF THE ROOM OF REMEMBRANCE, TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

When the Senate of the Room of Remembrance was organized and plans outlined, a finance committee was appointed whose duty is to secure funds for maintaining this enterprise.

Until the Church has become informed and an interest has been created, it is difficult to make appeals for financial support.

The Publicity Committee has inaugurated some effective plans for acquainting the Church with the objectives of the Room of Remembrance, and we believe interest is being created.

A small indebtedness has necessarily been incurred, and other small sums will be needed in the immediate future.

Since the Room of Remembrance is a unique and beautiful feature embraced in the Bennett Memorial:

We, the Finance Committee, respectfully request the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council to make an appropriation from the Bennett Memorial Fund, not to exceed \$300, to finance the work of the Senate through this initial stage.

MRS. H. P. MURREY, *Chairman*;
E. E. MURREY,
DEMPSEY WEAVER,
MRS. J. H. MCCOY.

12. It was voted that the Committee on Founders' Floor in the Room of Remembrance, with the addition of Miss Esther Case, confer with Mr. Henry Hibbs, Architect, in regard to the feasibility of plans suggested by Miss Case for overcoming the obstacles which have prevented the placing of the names of the Founders in the floor of the Room of Remembrance as originally planned.

Miss Daisy Davies, in her report to the Committee on Spiritual Message, spoke of the need of funds for the preparation of devotional books and pamphlets. The most outstanding work of the committee for the year was the Retreat held at Scarritt in September. She felt, as did many others, that she had never been at a meeting as nearly perfect nor at one as near Pentecost. The time was spent in prayer, meditation, and discussion. An after-meeting was held with the representatives of conference spiritual life groups, when reports were given of work being done. The influence of the Retreat has gone out through the conferences.

Miss Estelle Haskin, acting chairman, presented the report in detail of the Program Committee for the 1932 Meeting, during the discussion of which the following recommendations from the Program Committee were approved:

(a) That the sectional group meetings shall be held as last year, and that the reports of the chairmen of committees and commissions

shall be so placed on the program that the findings of the group meetings may be given in connection with the reports.

(b) That all sessions of the 1932 Council shall be open sessions unless an occasion arises for calling an executive session.

(c) That the annual communion service shall be held Thursday morning at eight o'clock.

13. In response to the Program Committee's request for an expression of the Executive Committee concerning the extending of an invitation to someone, outside the College of Bishops, to preach the annual sermon Sunday morning if the Bishop then invited should decline, the Executive Committee replied that the established precedent of having a Bishop from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, should be continued.

14. To the question of omitting the *Council Bulletin* this year, inasmuch as each conference prints its own bulletin, and as the amount raised from the sale of bulletins does not cover the cost, it was voted that the *Council Bulletin* be continued for 1932.

15. Mrs. C. W. Turpin was elected editor of the *Bulletin*.

16. It was voted to eliminate the *Daily Announcer* this year.

17. Considering the time for meetings of committees, it was voted that the Executive Committee meet Wednesday morning, the sessions committees Wednesday at 2 P.M., and that those committees and commissions that require a whole day meet on Tuesday.

18. It was voted that conveners of sessions committees meeting together with Mrs. Lipscomb as chairman name their committees and notify the members of the time of meeting.

19. Mrs. Lipscomb moved that the women of Atlanta and of the North Georgia Conference be asked to entertain the Council as simply as possible. The motion was unanimously carried.

20. Three requests presented by Miss Case were granted: (1) The request from China that permission be given to use Mrs. Julia A. Gaither's legacy of \$450 for a Bible woman's home in the Nanzing District, instead of directing it according to previous action to a memorial to Mrs. Gaither which has now been entirely provided for by the Woman's Missionary Society in China. (2) Request from alumni of Eliza Bowman School, in Cienfuegos, Cuba, that the chapel in new building be named for Miss Laura Lee, who gave many years of service in the school and died in 1928. (3) That the two scholarship committees, that on Jubilee funds and that on specialized training, be united.

21. Mrs. Owen presented the report of the Committee on Financial Policies, which contained two items: (1) A paragraph on funds for the *Handbook*, which was recommitted; (2) and the text for the Adult Pledge Card, which was carefully considered, amended, and adopted and amended, as follows:

PLEDGE CARD, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

As a member of the Woman's Missionary Society, I assume a part in the support of the Evangelistic, Educational, Medical, and Social Work being done by the women of my Church for the advancement of God's Kingdom in China, Japan, Korea, Manchuria, Brazil, Mexico, Cuba, Poland, Africa, and the United States of America. After prayerful consideration of the needs of this work, I promise, during the coming year, to make an offering of \$....., to be paid yearly quarterly monthly. (Check manner of giving.)

Name

Address

Note.—This amount includes membership offerings, Retirement and Relief, Conference Expense, and pledge, and any Council Special supported by the auxiliary. It *does not include* what I may give for Life Memberships, the Week of Prayer, or Scarritt Scholarships and Scarritt Maintenance, but these items will be credited to the auxiliary and conference. Instructions regarding Conference or unusual Council Specials will be given by Conference officers.

22. It was voted to fill vacancies on committees and commissions, as follows: That Mrs. Lee Britt fill the place of Mrs. J. H. Stewart on the Committee on Laws. That the Committee on International Relations and World Peace be enlarged by one and that Miss Emma Peppler be added to the committee. That Mrs. Homer Tatum fill the place of Mrs. J. H. Stewart on the Committee on Citizenship and Law Observance. That Miss Esther Case be added to the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension. That Mrs. W. J. Piggott and Mrs. M. E. Tilly fill the places of Mrs. Charles N. Clark and Mrs. J. W. Perry on the Commission of Rural Development.

23. Concerning Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies, the following recommendations were adopted:

Since the Woman's Missionary Council is privileged to send ten delegates to both the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions and the Council of Women for Home Missions, and, since the necessity for economy is urgent at this time, we recommend:

(a) That the Executive Committee ask for volunteers to fill these places.

(b) That volunteers be invited to represent the Council at the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War, to be held in Washington, D. C., January 18-21, 1932.

Since by the death of Mrs. F. F. Stephens two vacancies were caused in representation to organizations to which appointment is made by the Council,

We recommend:

(a) That Mrs. J. W. Perry fill the vacancy in representation on Federation of Christian Women of the World.

(b) That Mrs. J. C. Handy fill the vacancy in representation on Federation of Methodist Women of the World.

24. Mrs. Downs' request was granted that, since Mrs. Steele will be attending the Student Volunteer Convention in Buffalo, she be elected as delegate to the Conference of the Council of Women for Home Missions in Washington in her place.

25. Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Newell were appointed members of the National Council of Women for Law Observance.

MARCH 9, 1932.

The Executive Committee met in the parlor of the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel Wednesday morning, March 9, 1932, the President in the Chair, and all members present.

1. The report of the Program Committee for the Annual Meeting was presented by Miss Mabel Howell, Chairman. Further details of the meeting were planned. Special committees and hostesses for guest speakers were appointed. Mrs. J. C. Handy was elected time-keeper.

2. The President and Secretary were requested to take flowers and a message from the committee to Bishop W. A. Candler, who was ill.

3. Voted that seats reserved for delegates during the day sessions be also reserved for the evening services.

4. The following report of the Committee on Founders' Floor was read and accepted as read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOUNDERS' FLOOR

The Committee on Founders' Floor in the Room of Remembrance, in the tower of the Bennett Memorial, submits the following report:

A study of the situation, in conference with Mr. Henry Hibbs, architect, and Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College, revealed two facts:

1. That the room is too small to admit of following the suggestion offered by Miss Case to place a dais, in which to embed the Founders' names, on one or both sides of the aisle through the center of the room.

2. That it is impossible to place the names in the floor, as originally planned, said floor being of composition rubber and not marble. Difficulties connected with replacing the present floor with marble have been recorded in a previous report. (See page 66, Annual Report, 1930.)

In view of these facts, and of the desire to complete the room as nearly as possible in conformity with the original plan, the Committee agreed to proceed at once under the authority granted by the Executive Committee in mid-year session, November, 1931, and en-

deavor to have the work completed before the 1932 Session of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Faced by the necessity of abandoning the floor and placing the names elsewhere, the Committee selected the two large stones above the doors leading into the Room of Remembrance as the most desirable available places for the names of the eight Founders: Belle Harris Bennett, Sam P. Jones, Maria Davies Wightman, Nathan Scarritt, Eugene R. Hendrix, Walter B. Lambuth, Maria L. Gibson, Jesse L. Cuninggim.

The architect made it clear that at such a height bronze tablets are difficult to read; therefore, it was agreed to use bronze letters one and one-half inches, the same to be set into the stone; and below the word "Founders" on each stone four names shall be inscribed. The cost of the completed work will be \$125.

The Committee agreed unanimously that the order to inscribe upon a tablet the name of Miss Bennett had been met in the marble tablet already placed in the vestibule of Wightman Chapel of the Belle H. Bennett Memorial.

To further complete the design of those who lovingly planned the details of the Room of Remembrance, a committee of two, Mrs. F. S. Parker and Miss Estelle Haskin, was appointed to prepare the legends, or explanations, of the inscriptions, and place them as ordered in the "Book of Remembrance," where forever they will be kept and preserved.

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB, *Chairman*;

MRS. F. S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

5. The following Committee appointed at the Mid-Year Executive Meeting reported as follows:

Your Committee appointed to confer with Dr. Quillian concerning confused interpretations of instructions for the work with children reported a satisfactory conference on March 7 with Dr. W. F. Quillian, with Mr. J. Q. Schisler, Secretary of the Department of the Local Church, present.

Details of differences were freely discussed, and it was agreed to refer pertinent matters to the Joint Committee on Co-operation meeting in April.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT,

MRS. J. P. HARVILL.

6. The following recommendation from the Estimates Committee was read and adopted as read:

"Since there is a disparity between the honorariums offered to women and to men teaching in Pastors' Schools, Leadership Schools, and Standard Training Schools, and since there are other matters of policy that need restudy, the Committee on Estimates recommend that a committee be appointed to study the policy of our relation to the above named schools."

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. C. HANDY, *Secretary*."

7. The Committee to Restudy the Definitions of Commissions, Committees, and Bureaus reported that any change in these definitions involves change in By-Laws, and requested that the Committee be continued with power to bring in recommendations to the Executive Committee at the Mid-Year Meeting. The request was granted.

8. Mrs. Downs gave an historical statement concerning the organization of Home Mission Work for women, in order to make clear the exact date when the organization began; this was done in anticipation of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary. In the light of this information, it was voted that 1886 be recognized as the date when the Home Mission Work for women was authorized.

9. It was voted that an Advisory Committee be named to serve with the President to name members of the General Conference Legislative Committee, and Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, and Mrs. Homer Tatum were named on this Committee.

10. A communication from Mr. R. E. Nollner was read concerning Woman's Work at Junaluska, and referred to the Sessions Committee on Promotion.

The report concerning the Scarritt property in Kansas City, Mo., was made by Mrs. Owen. It showed a balance in treasury of \$188. The report was accepted with thanks.

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

A MISSIONARY SURVEY

DR. W. G. CRAM, GENERAL SECRETARY

As General Secretary of the Board of Missions, it is my duty to report the progress, the conditions, the developments, and the trends of the Missionary Movement in the present-day undertakings of the Church with particular reference to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and to the Woman's Missionary Council.

It cannot be said that we have wrought in vain as missionary people in following the Great Commission of our Master.

First, we have brought to the consciousness of our people the fact that there has been developed one of the most comprehensive programs of home missions ever undertaken by any modern Church. Its varied activities and its wide scope of operations cover every area of life and offer a service of helpfulness and salvation to the underprivileged. It also presents the ministry of Jesus for every intellectual difficulty and for every dwarfed personality. As agencies accomplishing these ends, witness the growing power and force of settlements and schools for all races, the efforts of the 200,000 women and more of the missionary societies for the betterment of human relationships; the far-reaching developments for social service and the aroused and sustained enthusiasm for peace and outlawry of war.

Second, we have brought to the consciousness of our people a program of missions in other lands that stands out in the history of the Foreign Mission Enterprise. By the united efforts of men and women missionaries, one mountain peak of missionary progress was successfully scaled when, in 1930, at the General Conference in Dallas, Tex., autonomous churches were established in Mexico, Brazil, and Korea. This accomplishment has forever settled the question as to the success of foreign missions and has justified the sacrifice of lives and the expenditure of vast sums of missionary money. These younger churches in distant lands have taught us the way Christian forces may co-operate as well as demonstrating methods and means for the unification and the actual union of Methodism.

Perhaps the autonomous Church in Korea in its organization and its comprehensive plan presents the most aggressive and forward-looking Methodism in the world to-day. It, no doubt, points the way to us in its joint Theological Seminary for men and women, with common curricula, no disabilities for either sex, and no discriminating qualifications for service in the field of church activities, or in the line of ecclesiastical ordination. Korean missionary societies

comprehend the whole field of missionary endeavor with a membership open to both men and women.

As to present-day conditions surrounding our missionary efforts, we are in the midst of crises and difficulties that try the souls of men. We face the possibility of our leadership in the Kingdom Enterprise being shifted to the base of some of the younger churches. History may repeat itself. A new missionary passion must grip our Christian people. The kidnapping, racketeering, and army and navy building elements of America must be absorbed in the alchemy of Christ. A spirit of prayer must grip us. Ecclesiastic emphasis and the building of organization must take second place to the demands upon us for the conquest of souls.

Third, the developments of our missionary enterprises give us great satisfaction as they are contemplated. From a small seedling of faith and courage we have grown to a tree of sturdy trunk and spreading branches. You have trust funds which now aggregate three-quarters of a million dollars. Buildings and equipment in America and distant lands are valued at three million or more dollars. You have an unincumbered share of 17-72 in the mission headquarters building in Nashville, which is conservatively estimated at one million dollars. You have a consecrated force of trained missionaries and deaconesses whose ability and effectiveness cannot be surpassed. And your staff of missionary secretaries and treasurers this year have had their mettle tested and their administrative ability tried by every possible pressure. They have proven without exception that difficult situations can be met with courage and resourcefulness. Midst a falling income, they have displayed the forces and handled the finances with such clear judgment that the missionary forces have not been depleted, and the operating expenses have been held to the absolute minimum.

The trend in missions today indicates that the following methods and plans are being brought to the fore in missionary procedure:

1. Co-operation with other church agencies.
2. Unification of efforts within a given group.
3. The conception of the missionary task as one indivisible whole and finally increased emphasis is being placed upon the value and importance of human responsibility.

It is my firm conviction that the women of our Church are measuring up to these standards with undoubted success to the gratitude and abiding confidence of the Church.

REPORTS

FOREIGN WORK

ESTHER CASE, SECRETARY

DURING the past year, it has been possible for the Secretary to remain more constantly at her desk than usual, owing to the fact that fewer trips were necessary than in other years. These trips included a visit to Louisville, Ky., to attend the service of unveiling a tablet to the memory of Miss Martha H. Watts. This bronze tablet was a gift of love from her former students in Brazil who desired to honor her memory by placing it in the Broadway Methodist Church in Louisville. The interdenominational work called for attendance on the Joint Committee on the work in Korea, held in Dayton, Ohio, composed of representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Board of Missions, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of that Church, and our own Board of Missions; a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Woman's Christian Medical College in Shanghai, in New York; and the Annual Meeting of the Committee on Co-operation in Latin America and various sub-committees, held in East Orange, N. J. Returning from these meetings *via* Atlanta, Ga., it was a great privilege to get a glimpse of the Ecumenical Conference in session.

In my report of a year ago, mention was made of the difficult financial situation on the fields as well as at home. Letters and reports from all fields indicate still greater financial troubles, but they also bring a note of encouragement and the news of increased enrolment in a majority of the institutions. This indicates that the people are adjusting themselves to the prolonged depression and are realizing the importance of training their children for life. Therefore, they are placing them in school again at the cost of sacrifice in less important matters. The reports of the evangelistic workers are also encouraging, bringing news of great revival services in churches and in our institutions, and a desire on the part of people hitherto outside of the influence of our workers to hear the gospel message. In a letter of recent date, Miss Nannie B. Gaines, a pioneer missionary to Japan, wrote: "From all sides come reports that Japan was never more open to the gospel message."

National Christians are co-operating with missionaries in their efforts to carry on the work with the greatly reduced budgets we are sending them and the necessarily small amounts they are able to contribute. There could be no finer co-operation than we have received from the missionaries and the Central Councils on the fields in adjusting the percentage cuts in the appropriations made a year ago to the six older fields for 1932. Their recommendations concerning

cuts in the work budgets were all received in good time before the drafts for the January quarter were sent out by Mrs. Fulton.

In Brazil, Korea, and Mexico, it has been a year of adjustment to new conditions brought about by the creation of autonomous churches and the setting up of Central Councils. These councils are the connecting links between the churches in the fields and the mother churches at home. In Korea and Mexico this task has been rather difficult and complex because of the uniting of the two Methodisms in these fields. In Brazil it has been less complicated because for many years there has been only one Methodist Church there.

Unexpectedly, it became necessary for me to attend the Annual Meeting of the Border Conference of the Methodist Church in Mexico last September. The Conference met in the city of Torreon exactly one year after the autonomous church was organized. It was a privilege and a pleasure to see the ease with which the business was carried on and the high spiritual plane maintained in meeting the most difficult problems. Advance was reported in finances and an increase of more than six hundred new members. The Woman's Federation, which corresponds to our Conference Missionary Society, held its annual meeting at that time. One of the evening sessions of the Conference was given to its public meeting. Their reports were called for in the regular Conference session and will form a part of the Conference records. Their Confederation corresponds to our Woman's Missionary Council. The General Secretary of the Confederation was present and reported her itineraries throughout the Conference. She had visited each pastoral charge but one, had encouraged the societies and organized new ones, even in distant ranches, and, with a nurse who accompanied her, had given health lectures and treated a number of sick people, many of whom had never seen a doctor.

En route to Torreon, I spent a day in Monterrey, where I visited our workers in the Centro Social and Instituto Laurens, and I saw personally the need of repairs on the Centro buildings. The railroad schedule prevented me from visiting Saltillo, to my great regret. Following the meeting in Torreon, I visited Durango, Parral, and Chihuahua. It was an interesting experience to take advantage of travel by air. This saved about forty-eight hours of train travel under difficult circumstances, and cost no more, because of the saving in hotel bills, Pullman fare, meals, and baggage. It was a joy to visit these places once more and to see signs of encouragement everywhere in the work.

The outstanding events in the Congo Mission were the moving of the Leper Colony from Wembo Nyama to Minga, and the arrival of new missionaries. Preparing the ground and building the houses for the Leper Colony at Minga was a tedious and difficult piece of work.

In Cuba the political unrest has made it difficult for our work.

Although the Church is not autonomous, a Central Council was organized during the Annual Conference in February, 1931, so adjustments have been necessary there also. The earthquake which devastated the city of Santiago was not felt in the stations where our Women's Work is located.

The work in Poland has gone forward about as usual. We hope the definite organization work for Polish women may result in leading many women out into broader fields of Christian activity. The women of our churches in Czechoslovakia and Belgium continue their appeals for similar assistance and the officials in the General Work are urging the appointment of missionaries to lead the women in their organizations.

What can be said of conditions in the two great Oriental nations? Anything that might be said now would be ancient history before the Council meets. The press in our country has told of the efforts of the Christians in both China and Japan to bring about understanding and peaceful relations between the two countries, and many letters from missionaries and nationals have told of individual and collective prayers that are rising for a righteous peace rather than a victory at arms. In Japan our work has not been interrupted. As late as the middle of January, letters and reports from China showed that our workers were all at their posts and the work running as usual. Bishop Kern has cabled the Board of Missions from time to time and has reported everybody safe. These comforting messages have been copied and sent to the families of all our missionaries in China.

In spite of our difficult financial situation, we expect to send out the eleven new missionaries who are to be consecrated at this session of the Council, and we hope that the situation in our own country may improve to such extent that our loyal constituency may be able to contribute the amount necessary to support our missionaries and the work without further cuts in the appropriations. In my opinion, the world situation presents the greatest challenge of human need that has ever confronted Christendom. Young people, aware of this crisis, are offering themselves to meet it. Many of them are denied the opportunity because the Christian Church is hampered by the material things of this world.

HOME WORK

MRS. J. W. DOWNS, SECRETARY

It is a cardinal assumption of our faith that human values are central in life and experience, that the human fact is above the economic fact, the institutional fact, the traditional fact; but it is true that in our fallible lives we confuse pathetically the token with the object of our love and devotion.

Our vision is oftentimes clarified by disappointment, and it is the handicaps that test our staying power; therefore as we undertake to report the work to you for the past year we have before us the thought of the difficulties in the past two years. Thinking of them perhaps as handicaps in a way and applying the fact that the handicaps test our staying power, I would say that they have been overcome through the value of bringing us more fully in touch with human values than we might have been otherwise. They have given us opportunities for contact with many peoples who in the past few years have been too busy to allow us to make contacts.

Statistics at best represent poorly the values of service. Sometimes, however, we comfort ourselves with the message they bring us. We are reminded that the children of Israel were warned not to number their people, perhaps because they needed the lesson that would teach them not to rely on numbers. Do we, too, need the lesson?

I wonder, too, if we do not take to ourselves comfort from the fact of our commercial values and interest, allowing them to somewhat obscure or take the place of the human values.

In reporting to you for the year, I would begin with the human fact of your deaconesses, approximately two hundred in number, of your fifty employed women who have been trained for service in the field of Christian work. You have invested your interest, your love, your prayers, and your money in preparing these women for the service they are rendering, and I am glad to report to you this year, as I have in the past, that they have not failed you, but they have given of the best there is in them to the tasks assigned to them.

There are constant expressions of joy in the work because of the opportunity for service to the spiritual lives of men and women and boys and girls. I quote from one of many letters:

"I am inclosing my report. So many wonderful things have happened in my work this year, and I dearly love my girls in the various clubs. I think Christ has become very real to several girls this year. Still the harvest is great. Happy cannot express my feelings for the Wesley House and the Mexican people. Oh, I just love everything connected with the work here!"

There have been two deaths in the group this year: Mrs. Julia Acton and Miss Aletha Graham. There has been less illness than usual.

These women have been on the field and have rendered their service as teachers in our mission schools and in state and private schools, where they have come in contact with young life and have had opportunities to deliver the message which is the objective of their service. They have served in the churches—country, town, and city—through the organizations of the Church, by visitation in the homes, personal conferences, and contacts under the leadership of the pastors of the churches. A large number of them have served in settlements,

in cotton mill districts, with the people from other countries who have come to the United States for different reasons, the Cubans on the Florida Coast, the Italians and French in Louisiana, Alabama, and Missouri, in polyglot groups in St. Louis, Mo., Fort Worth, Tex., Biloxi, Miss., Galveston, Tex., and New Orleans, La., in the coal field sections in the Virginias, with the Mexicans in the great Southwest, where millions of them have congregated, with the Negroes in the South and Southwest through Bethlehem Houses in Augusta, Ga., Nashville, Tenn., Birmingham, Ala., Chattanooga, Tenn., and Winston-Salem, N. C.

Your deaconesses and employed workers have rendered service in twenty distinctive types of home mission work—viz., teachers of Bible in state and private schools, student counselors, church deaconesses, co-operative homes, cotton mill sections, Cubans, Italians, and French, port mission work, coal mines, through our dormitories, with our Mexican people, with our Negro people, and with distinctive English-speaking groups with whom we need to share our lives, in mixed groups, in rural work, through hospital service to the many tuberculars, to delinquent girls, to difficult or problem children, to dependent girls, and to orphans.

There are sixty-nine different institutions. The value in dollars and cents runs past seven figures. There are thirty-four of these institutions to which you make the maximum appropriation, thirty-five to which you make a minimum appropriation; but all of which comes under the administration of your Secretary, either fully or in part.

This has been a good year in dealing with the work. We have been grieved because of a shortage of funds, but we have been happy because this has given us an opportunity for a demonstration of the co-operative spirit of the women in the auxiliaries, on the City Boards, the deaconesses and other workers who have so kindly volunteered to co-operate in the reduction of appropriations. In the opinion of your Secretary the value of this experience is inestimable and should go down with us through this period as one to which we may refer frequently in the future. We have not done building with wood and stone, but we have contributed to the building of human personality and character; and if handicaps are the test of our staying powers, and if because of our staying powers we may win, this has been a good year.

FINANCIAL REPORT
RECEIPTS BY DEPARTMENTS

| CONFERENCE | Adult | Young People | Juniors | Baby | Primary | Totals |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Alabama | \$ 32,164 39 | \$ 130 61 | \$ 500 41 | \$ 308 00 | \$ 212 00 | \$ 33,315 41 |
| Arizona | 2,110 13 | 3 00 | 110 89 | 41 63 | 11 73 | 2,277 38 |
| Baltimore | 37,498 41 | 823 22 | 1,214 63 | 235 15 | 229 59 | 40,001 00 |
| Brazil | 17 43 | | | | | 17 43 |
| Central Texas | 24,313 67 | 16 20 | 310 83 | 48 59 | 10 71 | 24,700 00 |
| China | 82 76 | | | | | 82 76 |
| Cuba | 96 78 | | | | | 96 78 |
| Florida | 36,957 22 | 82 58 | 532 42 | 198 72 | 234 06 | 38,005 00 |
| Holston | 38,030 37 | 1,200 00 | 834 27 | 434 83 | 407 26 | 40,906 73 |
| Illinois | 849 16 | | 35 93 | 6 71 | 2 11 | 893 91 |
| Indian W. M. S. | 83 69 | | 2 31 | | | 86 00 |
| Kentucky | 21,254 63 | 204 06 | 307 52 | 31 38 | 145 22 | 21,942 81 |
| Little Rock | 20,785 05 | 155 77 | 293 28 | 68 59 | 98 31 | 21,401 00 |
| Los Angeles | 5,357 25 | 50 00 | 194 30 | 6 72 | 10 23 | 5,618 50 |
| Louisiana | 31,306 75 | 47 65 | 405 02 | 240 77 | 124 18 | 32,124 37 |
| Louisville | 22,183 55 | 206 65 | 403 10 | 238 35 | 52 99 | 23,084 64 |
| Memphis | 36,557 65 | 642 35 | 1,425 00 | 750 00 | 625 00 | 40,000 00 |
| Mississippi* | 32,384 40 | 54 20 | 525 70 | 153 44 | 185 54 | 33,303 28 |
| Missouri | 10,516 49 | 246 70 | 187 36 | 20 87 | 38 58 | 11,010 00 |
| New Mexico | 6,803 09 | | 153 87 | 7 31 | 13 42 | 6,977 69 |
| North Alabama | 3,723 77 | 124 23 | 785 88 | 325 62 | 346 55 | 45,306 05 |
| North Arkansas | 16,339 41 | 72 35 | 350 62 | 66 31 | 64 16 | 16,892 85 |
| North Carolina | 35,719 64 | 176 29 | 1,026 17 | 653 66 | 1,098 43 | 38,674 19 |
| North Georgia | 54,405 39 | 691 40 | 2,264 58 | 854 32 | 1,306 11 | 59,521 80 |
| North Mississippi | 23,261 38 | | 757 21 | 145 14 | 193 80 | 24,357 53 |
| North Texas | 33,222 34 | 103 50 | 314 64 | 366 71 | 92 81 | 34,100 00 |
| Northwest | 1,154 39 | 10 70 | 5 58 | 2 43 | 02 | 1,173 12 |
| Northwest Texas | 19,269 20 | 82 46 | 342 83 | 43 99 | 117 61 | 19,856 09 |
| Oklahoma | 23,014 85 | 15 00 | 325 27 | 122 68 | 85 95 | 23,563 75 |
| Pacific | 3,860 24 | | 208 97 | 3 17 | 15 55 | 4,087 93 |
| South Carolina | 18,401 05 | 197 49 | 408 95 | 29 49 | 45 07 | 19,082 05 |
| South Georgia | 49,847 65 | 77 20 | 742 17 | 322 61 | 223 36 | 51,212 99 |
| Southwest Missouri | 11,245 34 | 60 48 | 212 41 | 20 91 | 60 86 | 11,600 00 |
| St. Louis** | 11,222 91 | 239 29 | 225 00 | 26 80 | 50 00 | 11,764 00 |
| Tennessee | 28,507 64 | 565 00 | 565 84 | 175 89 | 185 63 | 30,000 00 |
| Texas | 33,509 72 | 18 03 | 600 00 | 500 00 | 400 00 | 35,027 75 |
| Texas Mexican | 19 15 | | | | | 19 15 |
| Upper South Carolina | 24,455 50 | 98 99 | 452 03 | 193 82 | 146 77 | 25,347 11 |
| Virginia | 50,802 56 | 804 05 | 1,085 23 | 309 08 | 434 85 | 53,435 77 |
| West Texas | 27,567 02 | 84 35 | 470 09 | 299 09 | 141 24 | 28,561 79 |
| Western North Carolina | 53,039 15 | 681 45 | 977 46 | 252 11 | 399 26 | 55,349 43 |
| Western Mexican | 113 74 | | | | | 113 74 |
| Western Virginia | 15,739 69 | 431 57 | 295 70 | 162 62 | 70 42 | 16,700 00 |
| Total | \$937,794 60 | \$ 8,396 82 | \$19,853 47 | \$ 7,667 51 | \$ 7,879 38 | \$ 981,591 78 |
| 1930 | 956,169 71 | 40,530 12 | 25,022 99 | 9,191 70 | 9,346 51 | 1,040,261 03 |
| Decrease | \$ 18,375 11 | \$32,133 30 | \$ 5,169 52 | \$ 1,524 19 | \$ 1,467 13 | \$ 58,669 25 |

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RECEIPTS FOR 1931

| CONFERENCE | Foreign | Home | Scarritt | Totals |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Alabama..... | \$ 21,419 15 | \$ 11,250 62 | \$ 645 64 | \$ 33,315 41 |
| Arizona..... | 1,506 15 | 729 73 | 41 50 | 2,277 38 |
| Baltimore..... | 25,875 01 | 13,297 03 | 828 96 | 40,001 00 |
| Brazil..... | 17 43 | | | 17 43 |
| Central Texas..... | 15,600 75 | 7,156 52 | 1,942 73 | 24,700 00 |
| China..... | 82 76 | | | 82 76 |
| Cuba..... | 64 68 | 32 10 | | 96 78 |
| Florida..... | 24,037 46 | 12,318 54 | 1,649 00 | 38,005 00 |
| Holston..... | 26,143 50 | 14,018 59 | 744 64 | 40,906 73 |
| Illinois..... | 576 95 | 312 96 | 4 00 | 893 91 |
| Indian W. M. S..... | 55 31 | 30 69 | | 86 00 |
| Kentucky..... | 13,358 50 | 7,963 56 | 620 75 | 21,942 81 |
| Little Rock..... | 14,126 38 | 7,049 79 | 224 83 | 21,401 00 |
| Los Angeles..... | 3,857 27 | 1,338 23 | 423 00 | 5,618 50 |
| Louisiana..... | 18,621 45 | 12,359 72 | 1,143 20 | 32,124 37 |
| Louisville..... | 14,751 19 | 7,408 62 | 924 83 | 23,084 64 |
| Memphis..... | 25,926 09 | 12,557 91 | 1,516 00 | 40,000 00 |
| Mississippi*..... | 20,392 64 | 11,840 53 | 1,070 11 | 33,303 28 |
| Missouri..... | 7,053 84 | 3,681 16 | 275 00 | 11,010 00 |
| New Mexico..... | 4,442 77 | 2,343 72 | 191 20 | 6,977 69 |
| North Alabama..... | 20,809 55 | 14,768 22 | 728 28 | 45,306 05 |
| North Arkansas..... | 10,628 19 | 5,903 92 | 360 74 | 16,892 85 |
| North Carolina..... | 25,263 26 | 12,288 03 | 1,122 90 | 38,674 19 |
| North Georgia..... | 35,985 09 | 19,530 71 | 4,006 00 | 59,521 80 |
| North Mississippi..... | 14,841 38 | 9,252 81 | 263 34 | 24,357 53 |
| North Texas..... | 21,777 26 | 11,271 74 | 1,051 00 | 34,100 00 |
| Northwest..... | 659 76 | 363 36 | 150 00 | 1,173 12 |
| Northwest Texas..... | 12,459 81 | 6,229 50 | 1,166 78 | 19,856 09 |
| Oklahoma..... | 14,707 51 | 7,183 34 | 1,672 90 | 23,563 75 |
| Pacific..... | 2,516 58 | 1,106 70 | 464 65 | 4,087 93 |
| South Carolina..... | 12,366 94 | 6,070 11 | 645 00 | 19,082 05 |
| South Georgia..... | 31,834 05 | 17,956 33 | 1,422 61 | 51,212 99 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 7,213 85 | 3,593 55 | 792 60 | 11,600 00 |
| St. Louis**..... | 7,659 00 | 3,861 55 | 243 45 | 11,764 00 |
| Tennessee..... | 19,072 03 | 9,893 21 | 1,034 76 | 30,000 00 |
| Texas..... | 21,912 82 | 12,313 71 | 801 22 | 35,027 75 |
| Texas Mexican..... | 12 42 | 6 73 | | 19 15 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 16,043 64 | 7,925 72 | 1,377 75 | 25,347 11 |
| Virginia..... | 35,342 86 | 16,645 36 | 1,447 55 | 53,435 77 |
| West Texas..... | 18,133 02 | 10,105 02 | 323 75 | 28,561 79 |
| Western North Carolina..... | 34,144 26 | 19,409 87 | 1,795 30 | 55,349 43 |
| Western Virginia..... | 10,633 14 | 5,498 66 | 568 20 | 16,700 00 |
| Western Mexican..... | 113 74 | | | 113 74 |
| Total..... | \$621,039 44 | \$326,868 17 | \$ 33,684 17 | \$ 981,591 78 |
| Other Sources..... | 34,784 22 | 57,802 17 | 538 75 | 93,125 14 |
| School Funds..... | | 28,772 56 | | 28,772 56 |
| Total..... | \$655,823 66 | \$413,442 90 | \$ 34,222 92 | \$1,103,489 48 |

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

ALL DEPARTMENTS

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

1931 Receipts:

| | | | |
|---|---------|--------|----|
| Bequest: Miss Elleen E. Starr | \$ | 12 | 70 |
| Bible Women | | 33,281 | 23 |
| Building Funds | | 1,977 | 08 |
| Bennett Memorial | | 424 | 25 |
| Centenary—Foreign | | 1,844 | 44 |
| Centenary—Home | | 765 | 80 |
| Day Schools | | 3,119 | 85 |
| Dues | 366,799 | 23 | |
| Dormitory Funds | | 7,831 | 61 |
| Equity in Income from Doctors' Building | 21,725 | 55 | |
| Emergency Funds | 4,615 | 26 | |
| Gifts | 139 | 53 | |
| Home Scholarships | 15,138 | 35 | |
| Home Mission Specials | 7,250 | 00 | |
| Interest | 45,181 | 66 | |
| Insurance on Furniture Lost in Fire | 520 | 72 | |
| Jubilee—Diamond Ring Sold | 150 | 00 | |
| Junior Magazine Income | 240 | 00 | |
| Life Members | 12,733 | 89 | |
| Literature Sales | 9,098 | 46 | |
| Missionary Voice Income | 999 | 96 | |
| Pledge | 427,080 | 45 | |
| Retirement and Relief | 16,407 | 77 | |
| Refunds | 8,822 | 47 | |
| Rent | 951 | 00 | |
| Scholarships—Foreign | 12,838 | 06 | |
| Scarritt Scholarships and Maintenance | 34,222 | 92 | |
| Specials | 2,407 | 25 | |
| School Funds | 28,772 | 56 | |
| Week of Prayer | 53,085 | 24 | |

Total Receipts\$1,118,437 34

Funds Collected:

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----|--------|----|
| Sale of Bonds | \$ | 22,355 | 00 |
| Sale of Certificates of Deposit | | 96,686 | 45 |
| Notes Collected | | 70,644 | 28 |
| Note—Scarritt College | | 650 | 00 |

| | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Sale of Old Scarritt Bible and Training School Property | 2,900 00 | 193.235 73 | |
| Transient Funds | | 417 82 | |
| Total Deposited | | | \$1,312,090 89 |
| | | | <u>\$1,660,962 14</u> |
| <i>Disbursements:</i> | | | |
| Regular Work | \$ 955,174 39 | | |
| Scarritt College and Bennett Memorial | 22,383 25 | | |
| Notes Purchased | 82,750 00 | | |
| Bonds | 81,827 13 | | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 35,424 29 | | |
| Advances on 1932 Less \$81,789.19 Outstanding Drafts | 79,908 59— | 1,257,467 65 | |
| Cash Balance January 31, 1932 | | | \$ 403,494 49 |
| CASH BALANCE AVAILABLE AS FOLLOWS | | | |
| <i>Foreign:</i> | | | |
| Regular | \$ 118,766 27 | | |
| Centenary | 48,524 18 | | |
| <i>Home:</i> | | | |
| Regular and Centenary | 219,280 82 | | |
| Educational | 1,574 27 | | |
| <i>Scarritt College:</i> | | | |
| Regular | 18,890 25 | | |
| Educational | 442 97 | | |
| <i>Bennett Memorial:</i> | | | |
| ..... | 270 32 | | |
| | | | \$ 407,749 08 |
| Education and Promotion (Overdrawn) | 4,254 59— | | <u>\$ 403,494 49</u> |

DIVISION OF DISBURSEMENTS

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

| | 1931 | 1932 |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| <i>Appropriations:</i> | | |
| Brazil: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | \$ 49,603 08 | \$ 11,507 64 |
| China: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | \$ 80,795 02 | |
| Union Work | 14,469 78— | 95,264 80 |
| | | 30,731 01 |
| Congo: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 20,679 33 | 6,305 19 |
| Cuba Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 31,437 32 | 8,988 00 |
| Japan: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 102,579 73 | 24,152 08 |
| Korea: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 132,134 68 | 32,241 74 |
| Siberia: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 2,245 00 | 455 00 |

| | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Mexico: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous..... | 76,049 12 | 15,347 40 |
| Russia: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous..... | 8,841 50 | 2,176 72 |
| Inter-Board Work | 3,011 50 | ..... |
| Scarritt College | 20,500 00 | ..... |
| Contingent | 3,395 65 | 28 00 |

Liabilities:

| | | |
|---|-------------|-----------|
| Annuities | \$ 2,602 05 | |
| Scarritt College Interest from Belle H. Bennett Bequest for Library.. | 240 00 | |
| Scarritt College Interest from Sallie J. Hendricks Bequest | 800 00 | |
| Jubilee Fund | 1,204 45 | |
| Maria Lyang Gibson Fund for Retirement and Relief | 9,255 66 | |
| Specials | 1,186 43 | |
| Northwest Texas Conference Special for Eliza Bowman School, Cuba.. | 1,000 00 | |
| Specialized Training | 3,863 80 | |
| Transient Funds | 463 82 | |
| Watts Memorial | 100 00 | |
| Week of Prayer: | | |
| Eliza Bowman School.. | 30,654 91 | |
| Publicity | 523 41 | |
| Interest on Money Borrowed | 2,534 76— | 54,429 29 |

Investments:

| | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Notes | \$ 7,940 00 | |
| Bonds | 15,043 58 | |
| Certificates of Deposit.. | 29,678 29— | 52,661 87 |
| Total for Foreign Department.... | \$ 652,832 87 | \$ 131,932 78 |

HOME DEPARTMENT

Appropriations:

| | | |
|---|-------------|------------------|
| <i>Bible Teachers</i> | \$ 7,199 86 | \$ 727 26 |
| <i>City Mission and Conference Appropriation:</i> | | |
| Conference Appropriations | \$ 8,543 00 | |
| Birmingham City Mission Board | 600 00 | 50 00 |
| Fort Worth | 999 96 | 83 33 |
| San Francisco | 399 96 | 33 33 |
| | | <u>10,542 92</u> |

Cuban:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Ruth Hargrove Settlement | \$ 2,344 00 | 195 00 |
| Rosa Valdez Settlement | 5,199 63 | 400 00 |
| Wolff Settlement | 7,100 40 | 590 25 |

14,644 03

Delinquent Girls:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Virginia K. Johnson Home | 13,924 45 | 1,002 25 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|

Dependent Girls:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Vashti Industrial School | 28,189 28 | 1,733 83 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|

Home Mission Specials:

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Winston - Salem Bethlehem House | \$ 1,500 00 | |
| North Mississippi Conference | 950 00 | 50 00 |
| Kentucky Conference | 900 00 | 75 00 |
| Alabama Conference | 900 00 | |
| Virginia Conference | 1,200 00 | 100 00 |
| West Texas Conference | 900 00 | 75 00 |
| North Mississippi Conference | 1,005 29 | 58 33 |
| Louisiana Conference | 1,380 00 | 115 00 |
| South Georgia Conference | 900 00 | 75 00 |
| Western Virginia Conference | 900 00 | 75 00 |
| Louisville Conference | 1,200 00 | 100 00 |
| North Georgia Conference | 1,200 00 | 100 00 |
| South Georgia Conference | 1,200 00 | 100 00 |
| North Texas Conference | 1,500 00 | 125 00 |
| Florida Conference | 400 00 | 100 00 |
| Central Texas Conference | 1,200 00 | 100 00 |
| North Arkansas Conference | 600 00 | 100 00 |

17,835 29

Gulf Coast:

| | | |
|------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Galveston, Tex. | \$ 2,400 00 | 200 00 |
| Biloxi, Miss. | 6,634 17 | 486 16 |
| Houma, La. | 13,008 00 | 1,056 50 |
| New Orleans, La. | 5,730 92 | 467 16 |
| Pascagoula, Miss. | 875 00 | |

28,648 09

Mexican:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Holding Institute | \$ 16,342 85 | 2,930 22 |
| Homer Toberman Mission | 4,005 96 | 333 33 |
| San Antonio | 3,300 00 | 275 00 |
| Valley Institute | 5,427 24 | 419 12 |
| El Paso Community Center | 6,861 46 | 466 25 |

35,937 51

Miners:

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------|--------|
| Picher | \$ 900 00 | 75 00 |
| Lyra | 900 00 | 75 00 |
| Bluefield, W. Va. | 5,400 00 | 425 00 |

7,200 00

Mountain:

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Sue Bennett College.. \$ | 37,492 89 | 1,678 50 |
| Brevard Institute | 23,117 18 | 1,479 16 |

60,610 07

Negro Work:

| | | |
|---|-------------|--------|
| Bethlehem House, Augusta | \$ 7,585 39 | 608 33 |
| Nashville Bethlehem Center | 8,403 00 | 691 25 |
| Paine College Annex.. | 13,336 90 | 912 50 |
| Winston-Salem Bethle- hem House | 1,000 00 | 75 00 |
| Commission on Inter- racial Work | 1,500 00 | ..... |

31,825 29

Western Work:

| | | |
|---|-----------|--------|
| Tucson, Ariz. | \$ 900 00 | 75 00 |
| Walsenburg, Colo. | 999 96 | 83 33 |
| San Francisco | 2,175 00 | 165 00 |
| Phoenix | 1,800 00 | 75 00 |
| Spofford Home, Kansas City, Mo. | 3,600 00 | 300 00 |

9,474 96

Scarritt College

23,000 00

Contingent

2,510 89

Miscellaneous:

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Deaconess Expense and Travel | \$ 3,415 49 | 350 00 |
| Furloughs | 14,400 00 | 3,400 00 |
| Council of Women | 345 00 | ..... |
| Rural Work | 3,945 00 | 335 00 |

Industrial Work:

| | | |
|--|----------|-------|
| Columbus, Ga. | 825 00 | 75 00 |
| Kingsport, Tenn. | 1,175 00 | 75 00 |
| Interdenominational Spanish Speaking .. | 200 00 | ..... |
| Cajan Work ..... | ..... | 75 00 |

24,305 49

Liabilities:

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Annuities | \$ 796 44 |
| Scarritt College Library —Interest on Belle H. Bennett Bequest | 235 42 |
| Salary of Worker at Biloxi, Miss., Paid Miller Bequest | 585 12 |
| Dormitory Expense | 4,788 89 |
| Scarritt College—Inter- est McKenzie Scholar- ship | 300 00 |

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Brevard Institute—Spencer Scholarship | 253 71 |
| Scarritt College—South Georgia Endowed Scholarship | 100 00 |
| Jubilee Fund | 2,778 82 |
| Maria Lyang Gibson Fund for Retirement | 8,850 22 |
| Specials | 1,175 00 |
| Land Purchased—Vash-ti Industrial School | 2,510 00 |
| Week of Prayer | 1,703 47 |
| Building Funds | 1,923 18 |
| Scholarships | 11,096 95 |
| Accrued Interest on Notes | 326 89 |
| Miscellaneous | 127 86 |

37,551 97

Investments:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Notes | \$ 74,810 00 |
| Certificates of Deposit | 5,746 00 |
| Bonds | 66,783 55 |

147,339 55

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Total for Home Department | \$ 500,739 65 | \$ 23,825 39 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|

ADMINISTRATION

| | | |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| Salary and Clerical Help: General Secretary | \$ 2,121 79 | \$ 166 69 |
| Salaries: Secretaries and Treasurer | 9,600 00 | 800 00 |
| Bishops' Travel | 1,780 46 | |
| Clerical Help: Office Expense and Travel | 11,786 82 | 718 33 |
| Board Meetings | 1,371 99 | |
| Regional Conference | 602 15 | |
| Rent | 3,021 76 | |
| Total for Administration | \$ 30,284 97 | \$ 1,685 02 |

EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

| | | |
|--|-------------|-----------|
| President of Council: Office Expense and Travel | \$ 1,229 12 | \$ 375 00 |
| Vice-President: Office Expense and Travel | 200 00 | 50 00 |
| Recording Secretary: Office Expense and Travel | 200 00 | 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 | 7,783 58 | 409 58 |
| Secretaries' Salaries | 11,400 00 | 950 00 |
| Clerical Help: Office Expense and Travel | 12,872 70 | 882 63 |
| Committee Meetings | 3,291 75 | |
| Service Department | 7,570 14 | 727 83 |
| Publications | 19,090 95 | |
| Schools of Missions | 2,295 80 | |
| Council Meeting | 4,412 35 | |

| | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Missionary Education Movement..... | 832 00 | ..... |  |
| Junaluska Building Expense..... | 206 00 | ..... |  |
| Rent | 4,213 96 | | 96 22 |
| Federation and Literature for Woman's Foreign Boards, U. S. A. | 262 50 | | 50 00 |
| Remuneration, Superintendent Bureau of Co-operation and Extension..... | | | 30 00 |
| General Secretary and Clerical Help.... | 1,060 83 | | 83 33 |
| Total for Education and Promotion | \$ 79,121 68 | \$ | 4,254 59 |

UNITED FUNDS

| | | | |
|--|--------------|-----------|---------------------|
| <i>Scarritt College:</i> | | | |
| Scholarships | \$ 11,430 88 | | |
| Maintenance | 10,561 96 | | |
| Payment on Abstract.... | 200 00 | | |
| Interest on Tennessee Scholarship | 111 21—\$ | 22,304 05 | |
| <i>Bennett Memorial</i> | | 79 20 | |
| | | | \$ 22,383 25 |

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS, 1931

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|--|-----------------------|
| Foreign Department | \$ 652,832 87 | | |
| Home Department | 500,739 65 | | |
| Administration | 30,284 97 | | |
| Education and Promotion..... | 79,121 68 | | |
| United Funds | 22,383 25 | | |
| | \$1,285,362 42 | | |
| Less Advances in 1930 on 1931..... | 107,803 36 | | |
| | | | \$1,177,559 06 |

SUMMARY OF ADVANCES ON 1932

| | | | |
|---|-----------------------|----|------------------|
| Foreign Department | \$131,932 78 | | |
| Less Outstanding Drafts | 81,789 19 | \$ | 50,143 59 |
| Home Department | 23,825 39 | | |
| Administration | 1,685 02 | | |
| Education and Promotion | 4,254 59 | | |
| | | | 79,908 59 |
| Total Disbursements in 1931..... | \$1,257,467 65 | | |

HOMER K. JONES & COMPANY

ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS

Board of Missions,
Methodist Episcopal Church, South,
Nashville, Tenn.

GENTLEMEN:

Pursuant to engagement, we have made an examination of the books of account and records of the Treasurer, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, of the Woman's Work of the Board of Missions, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the year 1931 ended as of January 31, 1932, and submit the following statements of Income and Appropriations for the year 1931, and Balance Sheet showing the financial condition of the Woman's Work at the close of January 31, 1932, 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 cancelled checks for the period were 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 Advances to Funds and Institutions, and Advances on 1932 Appropriations, together with the Funds Held for Restricted Uses, are as shown by the Ledger.

Drafts Outstanding are as shown by the Draft Register.

Note Payable to the American National Bank, Nashville, for \$50,000 was verified from the bank's records.

The foregoing statements are from our audit report, which presents schedules and supporting exhibits in detail 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 our reports on same. No discrepancies were disclosed, and the records are efficiently kept.

Respectfully submitted.

HOMER K. JONES & COMPANY,
By THOMAS PICKENS,
Certified Public Accountant.

NASHVILLE, TENN.,
FEBRUARY 22, 1932.

WOMAN'S WORK, BOARD OF MISSIONS, METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TENN.

BALANCE SHEET, REGULAR WORK, JANUARY 31, 1932

| <i>Assets</i> | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Total | Foreign | Home | Education and Promotion |
| <i>Current:</i> | | | | |
| Cash in Banks (Overdraft*) | \$ 383,890 95 | \$167,290 45 | \$220,855 09 | \$4,254 59* |
| <i>Investments:</i> | | | | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 73,597 82 | 11,000 00 | 62,597 82 | |
| Stocks and Bonds | 235,615 44 | 112,573 83 | 123,041 61 | |
| Notes Receivable | 423,303 12 | 156,742 64 | 266,560 48 | |
| | <u>\$ 732,516 38</u> | <u>\$280,316 47</u> | <u>\$452,199 91</u> | |
| <i>Advances:</i> | | | | |
| To Funds and Institutions | \$ 66,365 35 | \$ 63,794 15 | \$ 2,571 20 | |
| On 1932 Appropriations | 157,845 95 | 132,359 15 | 20,732 21 | 4,254 59 |
| | <u>\$ 224,211 30</u> | <u>\$196,653 30</u> | <u>\$ 23,303 41</u> | <u>\$4,254 59</u> |
| Total Assets | <u>\$1,340,618 63</u> | <u>\$644,260 22</u> | <u>\$696,358 41</u> | |

Liabilities and Surplus

| | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| <i>Current:</i> | | | | |
| Drafts Outstanding | \$ 81,941 19 | \$ 81,941 19 | | |
| Note Payable | 50,000 00 | 50,000 00 | | |
| | <u>\$ 131,941 19</u> | <u>\$131,941 19</u> | | |
| <i>Funds for Restricted Uses:</i> | | | | |
| Annuities | \$ 46,059 71 | \$ 34,407 68 | \$ 11,652 03 | |
| Bequests | 108,925 43 | 51,369 41 | 57,556 02 | |
| Undirected Bequests | 5,443 17 | 5,443 17 | | |
| Permanent Endowments | 55,605 25 | 6,700 00 | 48,905 25 | |
| Centenary | 177,667 91 | 85,999 07 | 91,668 84 | |
| Restricted Contributions and Credits, Sundry | 732,260 74 | 291,113 63 | 441,147 11 | |
| | <u>\$1,125,962 21</u> | <u>\$475,032 96</u> | <u>\$650,929 25</u> | |
| Total Liabilities | <u>\$1,257,903 40</u> | <u>\$606,974 15</u> | <u>\$650,929 25</u> | |
| <i>Surplus:</i> | | | | |
| Surplus January 31, 1931 | \$ 136,036 30 | \$ 39,685 97 | \$ 96,350 33 | |
| Adjustments, Decreasing | 195 67 | 50 00 | 145 67 | |
| Adjusted January 31, 1931, Surplus | <u>\$ 135,840 63</u> | <u>\$ 39,635 97</u> | <u>\$ 96,204 66</u> | |
| Deficit for Year 1931 | 53,125 40 | 2,349 90 | 50,775 50 | |
| Surplus January 31, 1932 | <u>\$ 82,715 23</u> | <u>\$ 37,286 07</u> | <u>\$ 45,429 16</u> | |
| Total Liabilities and Sur- plus | <u>\$1,340,618 63</u> | <u>\$644,260 22</u> | <u>\$696,358 41</u> | |

BALANCE SHEET, OTHER FUNDS, JANUARY 31, 1932

| <i>Assets</i> | | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Total | Scarritt | Bennett Memorial |
| <i>Current:</i> | | | |
| Cash in Banks | \$ 19,603 54 | \$ 19,333 22 | \$ 270 32 |
| <i>Investments:</i> | | | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 6,150 00 | | 6,150 00 |
| Stocks and Bonds | 500 00 | 500 00 | |
| Notes Receivable | 6,550 00 | 6,550 00 | |
| | <u>\$ 13,200 00</u> | <u>\$ 7,050 00</u> | <u>\$ 6,150 00</u> |
| Total Assets | <u>\$ 32,803 54</u> | <u>\$ 26,383 22</u> | <u>\$ 6,420 32</u> |
| <i>Liabilities</i> | | | |
| <i>Funds for Restricted Uses:</i> | | | |
| Restricted Contributions and Credits, Sundry | \$ 32,803 54 | \$ 26,383 22 | \$ 6,420 32 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>\$ 32,803 54</u> | <u>\$ 26,383 22</u> | <u>\$ 6,420 32</u> |

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND APPROPRIATIONS, REGULAR
WORK, YEAR 1931

| | Total | Foreign | Home |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Income:</i> | | | |
| Pledges | \$427,080 45 | \$284,090 97 | \$142,989 48 |
| Dues | 366,799 28 | 243,540 32 | 123,258 96 |
| Bible Women | 33,281 23 | 33,281 23 | |
| Scholarships | 12,838 06 | 12,838 06 | |
| Life Members | 12,733 89 | 8,469 03 | 4,264 86 |
| Interest | 12,840 32 | 4,156 87 | 8,683 45 |
| Day Schools | 3,119 85 | 3,119 85 | |
| Specials | 1,530 56 | 915 00 | 615 56 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 3,304 40 | 3,304 40 | |
| Total Income | <u>\$873,528 04</u> | <u>\$593,715 73</u> | <u>\$279,812 31</u> |
| <i>Appropriations:</i> | | | |
| Field Work | \$780,818 91 | \$522,732 64 | \$258,086 27 |
| Training School—Scarritt .. | 43,500 00 | 20,500 00 | 23,000 00 |
| Education and Promotion .. | 66,906 21 | 33,453 11 | 33,453 10 |
| Administration | 29,583 40 | 16,045 85 | 13,537 55 |
| Contingent | 5,844 92 | 3,334 03 | 2,510 89 |
| Total Appropriations .. | <u>\$926,653 44</u> | <u>\$596,065 63</u> | <u>\$330,587 81</u> |
| Deficit for Year | <u>\$ 53,125 40</u> | <u>\$ 2,349 90</u> | <u>\$ 50,775 50</u> |

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 | 2,426 39 | | |
| 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 |
| 1917 | \$ 350,545 95 | \$ 225,581 62 | \$ 76,687 12 |
| 1918 | 410,277 42 | 264,205 25 | 81,418 77 |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|----|-------------|----|-------------|----|
| 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 | | |
| 1931 | 655,823 | 66 | 413,442 | 90 | | |
| 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 | 24,348 | 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 | | |
| Centenary, 1931 | 1,844 | 44 | 765 | 80 | | |
| | \$15,203,315 | 65 | \$9,128,286 | 91 | \$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 |
| 1931 | | 34,222 | 92 |
| | | \$ 368,625 | 58 |

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 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 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 |
| 1931: Bennett Memorial | 424 25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 655,389 29 |

Grand total \$25,898,420 83

MRS. INA DAVIS FULTON, *Treasurer.*

EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB, SECRETARY

It has been a great experience to stand at the center with the promotion staff this year. There has been no year like it for two reasons: (1) Because of the financial uncertainties which confront us, (2) because of the steadiness and loyalty with which every item of the cultivation program has been carried out. As I look at the cumulative effort of thirty-nine sets of conference leaders to carry out the program, I am moved beyond expression. We close the year with a serious financial deficit, as the treasurer's report will show, but we are richer than ever before in the evident loyalty and intelligent interest of our constituency. The brightest ray that has shone on our darkened economic pathway is the demonstration of how the missionary women function in a depression. From them there has come to me the phrase "press on" (a substitute for "depression"), their motto springing from hearts that refused to be dismayed. The letters that have come have been full of courageous and steadfast

expressions, full of determination to reach the goal. Beautiful new plans for making their promotion and education vital and attractive have been formed. Homely tasks, such as the long honored quilt making, have been undertaken; offerings of fruits and vegetables were made, where money could not be given; even hard labor in the fields has been joyfully given. The following quotation from a letter asking for suggestions as to how to carry on reveals the spirit of our women: "You will understand the position a farmer's wife is in when she has to do *all* her housework, her washing, ironing, sewing, and care for several children, including two or more babies, and then helping her husband in the field during the summer and fall." When bank failures have swallowed up the hardly gathered money, they have put forth every effort to save the situation; and when it proved impossible, we at headquarters have felt the fellowship of their genuine grief. The financial situation has brought into bold relief something very precious and necessary to the morale of any great organization.

NEW MEMBERSHIP BASIS

I had a firm conviction that a forward move was made by the Council in adopting a constitution for auxiliaries that did not make a stated offering of money a requisite of membership: that we put the membership on the broad democratic and thoroughly religious basis of a requirement of prayer, service, and a gift of money. In spite of this conviction there arose questions in my mind from time to time as to whether we had given the conference leaders too heavy a task in effecting the change. I must confess I was always comforted as I looked back upon the tremendous change, that was made under their loyal leadership, when by faith more than twenty years ago we united the home and foreign departments not only without any loss, but with such gratifying gains. I am today as convinced of the wisdom of this later change as I was of the first. To my mind, it is providential for two reasons: first, it will help us hold our membership in the midst of this economic situation when I am often told by auxiliary leaders that women are saying: "I can't pay full dues now; take my name off the roll." We are now able to say: "You can make an offering—even if it must be small—and remain within the blessed fellowship of the missionary society." We shall conserve the missionary minded woman who finds herself handicapped by the financial situation. A district secretary writes: "We shall look back on the financial change as the forward step in this trying period." Another says: "Our women in this district are very enthusiastic now, and we feel the new financial plan, or membership plan, is going to be the means of reaching numbers of women who could never have been reached otherwise."

In the second place, we have our first opportunity to make the

membership of the missionary society coextensive with the woman membership of the church. There are few women who cannot in some way meet the membership requirements and become a part of this sisterhood of the church. We should launch this year the greatest enlistment effort we have ever made. The opportunity to enlist and count every contributing woman should bring the membership far beyond the present pro rata of one to six of the woman membership of the church. This condition enlarges our responsibility and opportunity for thorough missionary education. We have already caught the vision of this, as has been shown by the past year's work. Money may be less but time and opportunity and educational agencies are as abundant as ever. Through every means, a compelling message of the scope and power of the missionary movement of today should be presented to the womanhood of the church. When the missionary movement comprises every relationship and enters every area of life for women and children, there should not be one church woman who can resist its appeal. Can we not be so winning in our appeal as individuals and groups as to make this year our great harvest year for members.

We have a reasonable assurance for this membership increase when we take into account our enlarged opportunity with the younger women of the church. The past year was only a beginning for us in this line of cultivation. In fact, we had only six months of it to press the battle. The conference leaders have given loyal co-operation and have refused in most cases to be discouraged over the lack of definite plans for their work. They have hand-picked, as it were, groups of younger women whom they have brought into circles, or individuals whom they have won for membership in the adult society. The correspondence with the choice young women who have served as Conference Secretaries of Young Women has been most heartening. Twenty-eight conferences have by correspondence indicated that the young women's circles are being organized and cultivated. Though there is no place for these figures in the blank, eight conference secretaries report 85 circles on their last reports. The literature department has listed in fifteen conferences 413 circle leaders to whom literature is being sent regularly. The plan as it has been worked in this past year has been unsatisfactory in its lack of a channel of reporting for these conference secretaries. As yet none of us have found a way to obviate this difficulty without making a breach between adult societies which would, as I see it, be very detrimental to our organization. So I am asking that the plan followed for the past year shall be followed for another year until we have had opportunity to really find ourselves. Too much emphasis cannot be put on the importance of the effort to bring into the life of our organization this buoyant, vibrant new life. Their presence may change the habits, thinking, and plans of working for us mature women all of which

may be troublesome for us, but it will bear rich fruit in modernizing our mature life and will greatly increase the "Life Expectancy" of our societies. From another organization I get this excellent slogan, "Lengthen the *Life Expectancy* of your missionary society by reducing the *Age Average* of its membership," which I am offering my committees as a basis of a contest for reducing the average age of our societies. It cannot but prove a stimulating and beneficial contest if enthusiastically adopted.

THE MEXICAN CONFERENCES

The Western Mexican Conference has grown steadily. By the courtesy of Brother Cota, Editor of the *Evangelico Herald*, a page has been set aside for the Woman's Missionary Society and program material for a meeting each month translated into Spanish and published. Their first conference meeting held in connection with the Annual Conference session was an interesting one. You will find their statistics in the tables with other conferences.

A Texas Mexican Woman's Missionary Conference has not been formally organized, but societies are being organized in the local churches and remittances have been sent to the Council treasury. Mrs. Onderdonk has acted as treasurer of these funds and has kept the office informed as to the organization of new societies. We confidently expect a conference organization by the end of 1932.

DEPARTMENT OF STUDY AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING

There has been a gratifying development in the work of this department both in regard to the number of classes and members, and in the standard of work done by these classes. Owing to changes in the young people's and children's work the totals are smaller, but the adult gains are substantial. There were 9,094 adult classes and a total of 10,114 with 187,608 members. The leading conferences are North Mississippi, North Georgia, and North Alabama. The increase in Council Certificates is most gratifying. The plan is proving very stimulating and is growing in favor as it is more widely used.

The statistics for Bible Study are: Total, 7,011, with membership of 145,654. North Georgia, North Mississippi, and South Georgia lead. I am so happy to come with some recommendations for these courses that will make them more effective.

The two Leadership Schools and the classes for mission study leaders taught in eight pastors' schools have borne fruit in reaching better standards. The Training Day for Mission Study Leaders, the "Special Event" of the Third Quarter, is being well observed in many conferences.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

The appeal for Life Memberships has caught the ear of our mem-

bership, and a lively effort has been put forth by individuals and in auxiliaries, zones, districts, and conferences to secure them. The income from this source is double that received for 1930. This honor has brought pleasure to many women, and a substantial gain in the income as well as joy to those of us who have received the remittances and prepared the certificates. We would heartily recommend the continuation of this effort until every Southern Methodist woman wears one of the beautiful little pins.

SUPPLIES

This practical, helpful band of our organization has functioned with great success during the past year under the leadership of women who have heard and responded to the call from Council institutions and workers and ministers in hard places. Many beautiful ministries have been rendered. Since they are represented by the statistics from the conferences, these figures are very inspiring to those who can correctly read them.

FINAL

The situation is full of problems and possibilities. We face a groping world and a confused church. Through this organization, we as Christian women have an agency for constructive service. Two tasks confront us: (1) to keep our agency spiritually powerful, organically efficient, and functioning with life-giving enthusiasm; (2) to make its claim heard by the womanhood of the church. Stanley Jones, in one chapter of *Christ Comes to the Village*, challenges the women of the West "to throw every ounce of their strength and the strength of their prayers into the trembling world movements." "When I think," he says, "of this Christian missionary enterprise . . . I feel it offers to the women of the world the highest and most unselfish type of service I know of in any branch of human endeavor." In these words he reinforces that strong utterance of Canon Raven when he said: "The missionary societies of the American women are their greatest gift to the Kingdom of God." It is time for a fresh emphasis upon this fact in order to confirm our own thinking and to commit our lives and service to a plan large enough for it.

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSES AND MEMBERS IN MISSION
AND BIBLE STUDY FOR 1931

| CONFERENCE | Mission Study Classes | Mission Study Members | Bible Study Classes | Bible Study Members |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Alabama..... | 333 | 6,153 | 207 | 4,256 |
| Arizona..... | | | | |
| Baltimore..... | 164 | 2,813 | 91 | 1,779 |
| Central Texas..... | 298 | 6,942 | 201 | 4,071 |
| Florida..... | 422 | 11,010 | 235 | 7,998 |
| Holston..... | 263 | 6,574 | 408 | 6,494 |
| Illinois..... | 20 | 170 | 3 | 45 |
| Indian Mission..... | 1 | 14 | 1 | 14 |
| Kentucky..... | 88 | 1,828 | 48 | 1,320 |
| Little Rock..... | 160 | 3,634 | 88 | 2,081 |
| Los Angeles..... | 30 | 110 | 15 | * |
| Louisiana..... | 201 | 4,810 | 163 | 4,314 |
| Louisville..... | 164 | 2,888 | 96 | 1,753 |
| Memphis..... | 336 | 6,095 | 301 | 6,369 |
| Mississippi..... | 147 | 4,281 | 108 | 2,259 |
| Missouri..... | 150 | 2,742 | 85 | 1,834 |
| New Mexico..... | 29 | 517 | 21 | 404 |
| North Alabama..... | 647 | 11,499 | 370 | 7,847 |
| North Arkansas..... | 257 | 4,271 | 148 | 2,479 |
| North Carolina..... | 393 | 6,007 | 179 | 2,968 |
| North Georgia..... | 712 | 12,115 | 548 | 11,344 |
| North Mississippi..... | 961 | 12,539 | 541 | 8,608 |
| North Texas..... | 365 | 7,785 | 264 | 6,023 |
| Northwest..... | 1 | 10 | | |
| Northwest Texas..... | 321 | 5,307 | 191 | 2,999 |
| Oklahoma..... | 247 | 5,836 | 145 | 3,910 |
| Pacific..... | 115 | 2,352 | 29 | 565 |
| St. Louis..... | 117 | 2,598 | 71 | 1,687 |
| South Carolina..... | 145 | 3,551 | 81 | 2,401 |
| South Georgia..... | 378 | 7,084 | 538 | 10,316 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 203 | 3,833 | 195 | 3,505 |
| Tennessee..... | 237 | 4,092 | 174 | 3,433 |
| Texas..... | 449 | 6,740 | 251 | 4,112 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 210 | 4,482 | 200 | 5,649 |
| Virginia..... | 364 | 12,012 | 520 | 11,236 |
| Western North Carolina..... | 538 | 9,891 | 323 | 8,036 |
| West Texas..... | 360 | 5,545 | 244 | 3,675 |
| Western Virginia..... | 115 | 1,785 | 47 | 1,162 |

*Not reported.

REPORT OF SUPPLIES BY CONFERENCES FOR 1931

| CONFERENCE | No. Donations to Institutions | No. Donations to Preachers and Missionaries | Total Number Donations | Value of Donations |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|------------------------|--------------------|
| Alabama..... | 138 | 88 | 226 | \$ 2,977 52 |
| Arizona..... | | | | 119 25 |
| Baltimore..... | 222 | 31 | 253 | 4,725 70 |
| Central Texas..... | 374 | 90 | 464 | 5,926 08 |
| Florida..... | 205 | 71 | 276 | 3,496 42 |
| Holston..... | 70 | 23 | 93 | 1,554 74 |
| Illinois..... | 4 | 2 | 6 | 79 57 |
| Kentucky..... | 31 | 9 | 40 | 914 52 |
| Little Rock..... | 38 | 68 | 106 | 1,659 35 |
| Los Angeles..... | 42 | 13 | 55 | 1,496 43 |
| Louisiana..... | 556 | | 559 | 3,832 24 |
| Louisville..... | 53 | 91 | 144 | 3,825 30 |
| Memphis..... | 254 | 54 | 308 | 3,944 30 |
| Mississippi..... | 129 | 8 | 137 | 2,770 13 |
| Missouri..... | 199 | | 199 | 2,083 51 |
| New Mexico..... | 42 | 2 | 44 | 328 75 |
| North Alabama..... | 147 | 132 | 279 | 4,468 42 |
| North Arkansas..... | | 83 | 83 | 991 37 |
| North Carolina..... | 56 | 33 | 89 | 747 55 |
| North Georgia..... | 386 | 67 | 453 | 7,568 24 |
| North Mississippi..... | 98 | 73 | 171 | 1,944 70 |
| North Texas..... | 1,167 | 67 | 1,234 | 9,868 75 |
| Northwest..... | 3 | 3 | 6 | 185 00 |
| Northwest Texas..... | 33 | 7 | 40 | 435 32 |
| Oklahoma..... | 100 | 47 | 147 | 2,859 46 |
| Pacific..... | 16 | 1 | 17 | 341 35 |
| St. Louis..... | 95 | 31 | 126 | 3,492 55 |
| South Carolina..... | 25 | 46 | 71 | 1,620 05 |
| South Georgia..... | 213 | 55 | 268 | 2,619 99 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 127 | 7 | 134 | 3,124 36 |
| Tennessee..... | 115 | 51 | 166 | 3,768 10 |
| Texas..... | 142 | 22 | 164 | 2,254 61 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 114 | 1 | 115 | 1,500 75 |
| Virginia..... | | | | 7,722 11 |
| Western North Carolina..... | 148 | 9 | 157 | 1,722 42 |
| West Texas..... | | | | 4,407 08 |
| Western Virginia..... | | 54 | 54 | 732 30 |
| Total..... | 5,345 | 1,339 | 6,684 | \$102,588 29 |

STATISTICS FROM CONFERENCES FOR 1931

| CONFERENCE | Adult Auxiliaries | Adult Members | Boys and Girls World Clubs | Members of Boys and Girls World Clubs | World Children's Circles | Members World Children's Circles | Baby Divisions | Members Baby Divisions | Aux. Observing Week of Prayer | Auxiliaries on Honor Roll |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Alabama..... | 230 | 5,106 | 109 | 1,322 | 67 | 805 | 63 | 785 | 158 | 140 |
| Arizona..... | 22 | 538 | ..... | 356 | ..... | 63 | ..... | 94 | 9 | 4 |
| Baltimore..... | 237 | 6,706 | 92 | 1,948 | 44 | 578 | 57 | 776 | 189 | 40 |
| Central Texas..... | 212 | 5,657 | 65 | 1,510 | 33 | 498 | 17 | 231 | 146 | 38 |
| Florida..... | 249 | 9,324 | 118 | 2,396 | 71 | 1,109 | 58 | 870 | 200 | 67 |
| Holston..... | 224 | 7,988 | 129 | 2,956 | 98 | 1,557 | 85 | 1,270 | 179 | 105 |
| Illinois..... | 22 | 144 | 6 | 242 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 8 | ..... |
| Indian Women..... | 32 | 119 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... |
| Kentucky..... | 128 | 3,217 | 37 | 495 | 22 | 228 | 11 | 151 | 95 | 21 |
| Little Rock..... | 128 | 3,163 | 46 | 1,216 | 38 | 863 | 27 | 326 | 91 | 53 |
| Los Angeles..... | 20 | 907 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 15 | 3 |
| Louisiana..... | 192 | 5,002 | 53 | 978 | 38 | 556 | 30 | 324 | 121 | 47 |
| Louisville..... | 200 | 5,028 | 56 | 872 | 30 | 274 | 35 | 358 | 120 | 34 |
| Memphis..... | 249 | 8,584 | 119 | 1,647 | 107 | 1,068 | 118 | 1,047 | 176 | 106 |
| Mississippi..... | 218 | 4,582 | 67 | 3,323 | 46 | 1,768 | 32 | 914 | 148 | 25 |
| Missouri..... | 120 | 2,702 | 60 | 611 | 15 | 253 | 27 | 169 | 92 | 23 |
| New Mexico..... | 69 | 1,523 | 12 | 276 | 4 | 38 | 2 | 8 | 57 | 3 |
| North Alabama..... | 293 | 7,717 | 187 | 3,999 | 139 | 2,005 | 155 | 2,096 | 243 | 277 |
| North Arkansas..... | 177 | 4,091 | 42 | 624 | 23 | 279 | 18 | 145 | 129 | 26 |
| North Carolina..... | 327 | 8,294 | 118 | 2,656 | 128 | 2,385 | 82 | 1,361 | 202 | 91 |
| North Georgia..... | 398 | 13,390 | 226 | 5,143 | 180 | 2,818 | 182 | 3,253 | 220 | 42 |
| North Mississippi..... | 236 | 4,868 | 109 | 1,738 | 74 | 874 | 65 | 625 | 137 | 63 |
| North Texas..... | 172 | 6,361 | 60 | 1,350 | 10 | 280 | 49 | 750 | 150 | 17 |
| Northwest..... | 12 | 219 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 13 | ..... |
| Northwest Texas..... | 213 | 3,867 | 77 | 1,968 | 57 | 721 | 49 | 600 | 130 | 19 |
| Oklahoma..... | 231 | 6,994 | 62 | 1,619 | 41 | 720 | 25 | 536 | 162 | 75 |
| Pacific..... | 42 | 1,060 | 37 | 603 | 19 | 192 | 9 | 100 | 30 | 3 |
| St. Louis..... | 110 | 2,983 | 31 | 1,112 | 21 | 318 | 12 | 132 | 74 | 13 |
| South Carolina..... | 182 | 5,735 | 83 | 786 | ..... | 115 | 11 | 68 | 118 | ..... |
| South Georgia..... | 280 | 8,328 | 126 | 2,848 | 65 | 1010 | 37 | 582 | 204 | 28 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 115 | 2,957 | 41 | 446 | 23 | 186 | 11 | 70 | 76 | 14 |
| Tennessee..... | 200 | 5,867 | 76 | 1,124 | 54 | 710 | 60 | 681 | 149 | 42 |
| Texas..... | 246 | 7,425 | 80 | 692 | 47 | 267 | 35 | 358 | 144 | ..... |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 210 | 5,225 | 81 | 1,180 | 45 | 588 | 41 | 524 | 124 | 47 |
| Virginia..... | 432 | 15,292 | 170 | 3,896 | 109 | 2,280 | 122 | 1,946 | 212 | 142 |
| Western Mexican..... | 22 | 355 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Western North Carolina..... | 298 | 10,045 | 123 | 2,386 | 79 | 1,252 | 72 | 780 | 198 | 88 |
| West Texas..... | 187 | 5,358 | 110 | 2,017 | 68 | 955 | 73 | 767 | 168 | 53 |
| Western Virginia..... | 87 | 2,427 | 34 | 676 | 28 | 352 | 20 | 205 | 55 | 13 |
| Total..... | 6,922 | 199,178 | 2,832 | 57,124 | 1,824 | 27,978 | 1,792 | 22,905 | 4,625 | 1,762 |

CHILDREN'S WORK

CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH

WORLD FRIENDSHIP

WORLD friendship is the guiding principle which leads in all our work with the children. That world friendship has become a vital experience in the lives of our boys and girls and that real contacts are being made between our children and those of various nations and classes are indicated by the streams of letters, the pictures, scrapbooks, and gifts that daily pass through our office as they go back and forth between them. Our children are learning that sharing is a law that must be observed in friendship, that all giving should not be on one side, nor receiving on the other. Last June the piano which our boys and girls so lovingly bought with their pennies for the children of the Congo reached Wembo Nyama. At the meeting of the World Club there in the heart of Africa the little boy who is the president of the club offered a beautiful prayer of gratitude; then he said to the children gathered at the meeting: "People all over the world know that the children of the United States love Jesus because they sent us this piano. Some day we, too, will send a gift that all may know that we, as they, love Jesus."

Last fall when our children studied the French Mission in Louisiana a group of boys and girls expressed a desire to exchange Christmas gifts with a similar group at the MacDonell School. Since the children at MacDonell have little for extras, it was thought that they could not respond to this venture in friendship. But no, there was a ready response. Selections had to be made from the eager volunteers. These found extra tasks at the school and working overtime earned enough to buy their gifts.

So too this winter when our children began their study of industry, children in various industrial communities—cotton mill villages, mining camps, and fishing centers—busied themselves taking pictures, writing letters, and compiling articles for scrapbooks and exhibits to send to boys and girls making the study. Before the Acadian study was begun last fall the children of MacDonell School, with their teachers, prepared 39 exhibits, one for each conference, showing through pictures and interesting articles something of life on the bayous.

In this way there has been on both sides giving and receiving. Thus our boys and girls, with a picture of the children of another land before them and a gift in their hands received from them, write letters in answer and send gifts in return and friendships are formed. Each quarter new friends are made, so that together, as they say in the song they love to sing, in time they will make "a circle of friendliness where wars can be no more."

There is a cultural value also in this exchange that is being made between the children of the nations of the best that they have in stories, games, and songs. Last spring I made a visit to Houma, La., to gather material for the Acadian study. I explained to the boys and girls in a chapel meeting at the school what I wanted and asked for their help in getting songs and stories. They were thrilled to have a part in such a project. A song that they sang more than any of the others became my favorite too. I asked where I could get a copy of it. None could be found, for it had never been printed. It was an old folk song that had been handed down from parents to children for generations. I asked one of the little girls to sing it over and over slowly as I picked out the notes one by one on the piano. Later it was polished up by the music teacher at the school, a rough translation was made, and the song with the words both in English and in French were printed in the Acadian study books and learned by our children all over the church. In thus becoming acquainted with some of the best of the literature, music, and art of the children of the nations our boys and girls are not only developing an appreciation for other peoples but are enriching and deepening their own lives.

In all the work of exchanging gifts and letters, missionaries both at home and on foreign fields have co-operated untiringly. Each quarter as the study is centered around one field or institution World Clubs deluge that field or institution with their letters and boxes. The missionaries have not failed to answer every letter and package, though it means to them hours of extra work. But it has thrilled the hearts of the children to receive a personal message from the people about whom they have heard and read and to know that they are real and not just characters in a story.

As a further aid in the development of world friendship foreign dolls have been made available to our children that they might become acquainted with the costumes of the nations and that in loving a doll they might love the children of the nation it represents. Women in our church at Beppu, Japan, dressed Japanese dolls for us, using the funds received from their sale to help build a new kindergarten. Three students at Ewha College in Seoul, Korea, made Korean dolls, paying their tuition with the money thus earned. We have also had Chinese and Polish dolls and others are expected to be added to our supply. So popular have these dolls been that a long waiting list of orders is always on file and a box is usually exhausted the day it comes in.

Besides dolls, other concrete helps have been provided for the superintendents, such as exhibits of various countries that are loaned upon request and a collection of costumes which is now being made.

CLOSE CONNECTION OF STUDY AND GIVING

A valuable feature in our training of the children is the close connection between their study and giving. The children's specials are grade schools under the Woman's Missionary Council in the United States and on seven mission fields. All gifts, therefore, that our children make are for children their own age. Each quarter when a new topic or field of study is taken up an institution connected with the study is made the project for the quarter. The boys and girls know as they study that the funds they raise will be sent for the children about whom they are studying. For instances during the spring quarter Negro life will be studied and Bethlehem Houses, which are community centers for Negroes, will be the project for the quarter. As they hear stories of Negro children and study about their life, they will make gifts and send their funds, through the Council Treasurer, to children in Bethlehem Houses. In this way gifts are made intelligently. In 1931 the children gave for missions \$35,400. This is a very good sum, though it fell short \$11,914 of the amount the superintendents had estimated the children would raise. The children themselves do not make a pledge, but conference superintendents estimate what they think will be given. Besides money, the children send gifts which mean more to them, concrete things such as toys and books. Though this may have lessened the amount paid on their pledge, it is hoped that this method that is concrete and educational in training both in giving and in world friendship may be continued. At the end of the study there is a special program when the gifts accumulated during the quarter, whether in money or in toys, are laid on the altar of the church and with a prayer are dedicated before being sent away.

WORSHIP

Worship has an important part on each week's program. An effort is made to have story, discussion, and activities lead up to the worship period that the worship may be a natural expression and outgrowth of all that has gone before. For instance, in the programs last fall a story was told of the rescue after a storm of a little girl afloat on a raft on the gulf. The fisherman who made the rescue and his wife had lost their little girl years before. Every day the wife had knelt before the image of the Virgin, counting her beads as she prayed, for comfort in the loss of her child. The little girl rescued she believed was an answer to her prayers. The story was followed with a discussion of prayer, methods of prayer, and answers to prayer. Scripture passages written by those who had had experiences of answered prayer could be appreciated after such a discussion, and the children's own prayers could not help but be thoughtful.

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SUPERINTENDENTS' TRAINING

It is desired that special emphasis be placed this year on superintendents' training. Superintendents are urged whenever and wherever possible to enrol in Standard Training Schools under the Board of Christian Education. For each credit received in a Standard Training School ten points are given on the Standard of Excellence of the Children's Division. Besides this method of study, a small library of books at the Central Office in Nashville is available for superintendents wishing to borrow them. At present the library consists of only 30 books, but we hope to add more as the demand for them grows. In less than two weeks after the books had been listed in *World Friends* all had been called for and sent out of the office.

RELATION OF OUR WORK WITH CHILDREN'S DIVISION OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Though no plan has been devised whereby our work with the children may be unified with the Children's Division of the Board of Christian Education, yet a committee of representatives of the two boards have drawn up four points following which we may work together in harmony. These four points are as follows:

1. The Children's Missionary organization is to be kept intact and separate from the Sunday school.
2. It is to be sponsored by the Local Adult Society and to be under the direction of the local superintendent of children.
3. By agreement with the Sunday school where a satisfactory week-day organization has not been effected the children's missionary organization may be carried out.
4. General Board of Christian Education will plan to give Parents' Study Classes in the Sunday school.

STATISTICS

We are gratified to report there was a large increase in our numbers last year both in members and in auxiliaries. In spite of obstacles and some confusion in beginning a new plan of work, our membership has grown and is larger than it has ever been before. It is true that we have lost some of our old auxiliaries; but losing one, we have added one or more to take its place. The only decrease we have had has been in the beginner department. This has been because, having no educational work with babies, we have not stressed this department.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR YEAR 1931

New Divisions:

| | 1930 | 1931 | |
|--------------------------------|------|----------------|-----|
| Baby | 338 | 385; increase, | 47 |
| World Children's Circles | 432 | 494; increase, | 62 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 646 | 727; increase, | 181 |

New Members:

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|
| Baby | 7,853 | 7,593; decrease, | 260 |
| World Children's Circles | 9,438 | 10,687; increase, | 1,249 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 18,827 | 20,266; increase, | 1,439 |

Total Divisions:

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|------------------|-----|
| Baby | 1,899 | 1,792; decrease, | 107 |
| World Children's Circle | 1,809 | 1,824; increase, | 15 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 2,672 | 2,832; increase, | 160 |

Total Members:

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|
| Baby | 25,770 | 22,905; decrease, | 2,865 |
| World Children's Circle | 24,634 | 27,978; increase, | 3,344 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 49,836 | 57,124; increase, | 7,288 |

| | 1930 | | 1931 |
|--------------------------------|----------|----|----------|
| Amount pledged | \$46,908 | 54 | \$47,315 |
| Amount paid: | | | |
| Baby | 9,191 | 70 | 7,667 |
| World Children's Circle..... | 9,346 | 51 | 7,879 |
| Boys and Girls World Club..... | 25,022 | 99 | 19,853 |
| Total paid | \$43,561 | 20 | \$35,400 |

Red and Blue Letter Conferences

| | Red | | Blue |
|--|-------------|-------|--------------------|
| New World Clubs..... | N. Alabama. | 75 | N. Georgia.. 61 |
| New World Club members.. | N. Alabama. | 2,231 | Holston 1,496 |
| New World Children's Cir- cles | N. Alabama. | 63 | N. Carolina. 44 |
| New World Children's Cir- cle members | N. Alabama. | 1,350 | N. Carolina. 1,057 |
| New Baby Divisions..... | N. Alabama. | 67 | N. Georgia.. 44 |
| New Baby members..... | N. Alabama. | 1,313 | N. Georgia.. 1,035 |

PUBLICATIONS

SARA ESTELLE HASKIN, SECRETARY

THERE has never been a year in which the workers in the Literature Department have felt a greater sense of responsibility for the tasks falling to them. As the possibility of securing more and more funds to project what we have known as *missions* decreases, the responsibility is felt for increasing our spiritual dynamic. To pray effectively, knowledge and inspiration must form a large part. Not so many years ago the service of the societies consisted largely in giving money and engaging in local work. Today they are becoming

wide-awake to their responsibility for creating a new world safe for boys and girls and little children to live in. The new and enlarged program undertaken by the Woman's Missionary Council keeps the Literature Department on the *run*. The program must be geared into this program, and yet the fields into which we entered over fifty years ago must be made to live. It is kept constantly in mind that the service which our women can render to these fields is enhanced more than a hundred fold through prayer and personal active participation on the part of the membership; the world is one world and vitally connected in every part.

LEAFLETS AND PROGRAMS

The Week of Prayer. In line with the objectives stated above, the programs for the Week of Prayer were built. In addition to leaflets setting forth the Home and Foreign Specials, two retreat programs were prepared. These programs were produced by the Scarritt College summer term class in worship under the supervision of Prof. P. J. Rutledge. The interest of both the instructor and the students is shown in the type of programs produced. The Week of Prayer programs are coming to be a vital part of the work and spirit of Scarritt College.

The literature produced for this occasion consisted of seven leaflets and the offering envelopes, at a cost of \$1,151.95. One of the leaflets was for individual use during the week, selling at a small price. The orders for this were quite satisfactory.

Another project for promotion of the spiritual life is in the service that the department is privileged to render the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message. The plans for producing booklets to be sold at a small price for *Groups* have not progressed rapidly on account of difficulties in securing suitable material. However, the following have been printed by the Publishing House: *The School of Prayer*, Bishop Michael Furse; *Silence and Meditation*, by E. Herman; and *Power of Life*, by Henry P. Van Dusen. One smaller pamphlet, entitled *With Our Rainshoes On*, by Margueritte Harmon Bro, we have printed at our own expense, to be sold at Literature Headquarters. Other pamphlets we are expecting to publish in the near future.

Adult Programs for 1932. At the meeting of the Literature Committee due consideration was given to the enlarged program and to the particular emergency of the times; the *Yearbook* provided for five sessions on Woman's Citizenship Responsibilities, including Law Enforcement, Moving Pictures, Prohibition, and Crime. In these programs our home mission institutions are presented in the *Missionary Voice* as supplementary material—in many instances showing the effect of the problems involved upon the communities in which we work.

The Committee decided also that for this year at least we should

confine the Foreign Programs to one country, the country selected being China.

Programs for Young Women's Circles. Because of the import of the adult program studies, it was deemed wise to recommend the same material for the Young Women's Circles with some supplementary leaflets as background for missionary society membership. Mrs. Boone M. Bowen has been preparing these extra leaflets.

Children's Programs. A greater number of programs for the Children's Division have been prepared than in any previous year, and the subjects have included a wider range. Six booklets containing twelve lessons each have been published; three sets for primaries and three for juniors.

Two of these sets presented a home mission enterprise and one a foreign. In line with the request of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations, three sets of lessons were published. *Taming the Tiger*, lessons on peace for juniors; *Children of Millvale* and *Pickin' a Pony*, on industry—the first for primaries and the second for juniors.

EXPENSES

The list of expenses printed below makes an interesting study, some items being less than the previous year and others more. The young people were provided with material for only the first six months of 1931. The cost of extra material for Young Women's Circles is now included in the adult material. There has been a large increase in children's material because of the greater number of lessons provided. The Week of Prayer leaflets, which were charged to Week of Prayer collections, amounted to several hundred dollars less than in 1930. The entire expense of publications is as follows:

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| Council Minutes | \$2,927 05 | |
| Council Bulletin, Reports, Estimates, Programs, Secretaries' Reports, etc. | 687 89 | |
| Bulletins (Adults' and Young People's) | 1,478 20 | |
| Adult—Yearbooks, leaflets, organization mate- rial for adults | 6,314 60 | |
| Young People | 334 65 | |
| Children | 5,179 96 | |
| Week of Prayer Programs, Envelopes, etc.... | 1,151 95 | |
| Studies in Prophecy (reprint)..... | 65 90 | |
| Material Purchased from Other Agencies.... | 272 68 | |
| Packets | 403 99 | |
| Incidentals | 410 35 | \$19,227 22 |

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

The Service Department, under the supervision of Mrs. Henry C. Conatser (née Martha Lawrence), has been carried forward with

its usual efficiency. The number of packages mailed to auxiliaries during the year amounted to 25,091, which was in excess of the previous year. The *depression* has not registered itself in the Service Department. The sales, which are as follows, have had only a slight falling off:

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| Record Books | \$3,015 25 | |
| Yearbooks | 2,636 00 | |
| Council Bulletins | 452 25 | |
| Pageants | 180 00 | |
| World Day of Prayer Material | 216 92 | |
| World Adventure Book | 435 36 | |
| Council Minutes and Postage on Same..... | 308 77 | |
| Social Service Packets | 124 05 | |
| Life Membership Pins | 268 00 | |
| Week of Prayer Leaflets | 88 44 | |
| Special Material | 153 40 | |
| Woman's Place of Service in the Church..... | 85 75 | |
| Miscellaneous | 1,132 11 | \$ 9,097 26 |

The expenses to Woman's Work for the Service Department are as follows:

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| Pay-roll | \$5,207 46 | |
| Postage | 1,900 00 | |
| Hauling, Telephone, Wrapping, Supplies, and Incidentals | 329 59 | \$ 7,437 05 |

PUBLICITY

The work of the Publicity Superintendents continues to be very important to the Literature Department. It is through these women that we are able to know the value of our work to the auxiliaries. Through the reports an improvement is noted in the use of program material and in the presentation of the *Bulletin*. Many report the use of posters. Like all other officers, they find discouragement because of failure on the part of auxiliaries to report.

MAGAZINES

The Missionary Voice. This magazine will be changed soon to the *World Outlook*; this is in accordance with the action of the Board of Missions at its 1931 session. During 1931 the high peak of subscriptions was in January and amounted to 65,798, while in 1930 it reached 70,633 in April. In each case numbers of these expired later in the year, so that the record shows that the circulation in 1930 was 68,147 and in 1931, 51,749, or a decrease of 16,398. The income from subscriptions for 1930 was \$51,807.60 and for 1931, \$51,-

834.34. This parity of income was of course due to the raise in price and the smaller balance to improvements in the magazine. In 1930 the year ended with a balance of several thousand dollars, but in 1931 there was only barely a sufficient amount to pay expenses. While at the close of 1931 it was considered that the *Voice* was in better condition than most business concerns, yet it is greatly desired that the decrease in balance should not continue. In another year this would mean a deficit.

In the face of vanishing subscriptions, the editors have done all in their power to continue improvement in the magazine. The woman editor has kept in mind constantly the needs of the Missionary Society through the Missionary Society page, the Spiritual Life page, and articles supplementary to the program material.

The high value of the *Missionary Voice* is attested to by leaders in other denominations as well as those who have interdenominational leadership. Again and again it has been classed *at the top and by itself* in the realm of missionary literature. The editors are still seeking to push forward.

World Friends. This magazine, under the able editorship of Miss Noreen Dunn, is constantly improving as a reading magazine for children. It also serves the leader of children's groups through programs, supplementary material, and general suggestions for the Children's Division. The Publishing House carries all expense of publishing and mailing, while the Woman's Work furnishes pictures, letter press material, and editorship.

CANDIDATE WORK

MRS. H. R. STEELE, SECRETARY

YOUR Secretary is glad to report progress in the cultivation of volunteers and candidates for missionary work at home and abroad. The year has brought an increasing number of problems in handling applications for scholarships at Scarritt College. The correspondence in the office has been unusually heavy, not only from young girls who are interested in service under the Church and young women who are eager for specialized training, but from young women from other denominations who are prepared for service and whose Boards cannot send them out. There has been a large number of requests for service on a contract basis.

We had a large number of applicants who were too young to qualify for a scholarship. As we do not commission deaconesses under twenty-three, we do not encourage a girl under twenty-one to apply for a scholarship. As we do not send to the foreign field a girl under twenty-four, we do not encourage a girl under twenty-two to enter Scarritt College. As experience is as necessary as academic training in missionary work today, we urge young girls, even though

they have finished a four-year college course, to get experience before coming to Scarritt.

From every agency interested in missionary work and in recruiting, training, and placement of missionaries, we are urged not to send to the field any girl who has not demonstrated her ability to do the thing she undertakes to do. It is desirable that young women preparing for missionary work should have more than one year of experience before beginning specialized training. We have not made this a requirement, as some girls are more mature at a given age than others, and we have hoped that advice and guidance will enable girls to see the necessity for getting experience, and to use the years before they are old enough to qualify in teaching or in working, so as to demonstrate their ability to do creative work, and to meet the requirements of the Council for experience.

It has been exceedingly difficult to discourage young girls this year. As we know, it has been practically impossible to get teaching positions or jobs, and a larger number than usual have applied for scholarships. The majority of these girls accepted the advice of the Secretary and did not press their applications. A number came at the last hour before the opening of Scarritt without scholarships; a few without having made an application; some came on personal initiative; others on the advice of friends and Conference officers. And we have had a real problem to deal with in trying to make provision for them.

This presents a real difficulty in office administration. It takes about a month to properly handle an application, and it is a difficult thing when a girl is in Scarritt to get an appraisal of her personality. It is also difficult for her and for the Conference if a scholarship is not available. Letters with suggestions for handling applications were sent to the presidents and secretaries of the Conferences, and we hope to obviate this difficulty another year.

A real problem in the work of the office this year has been the lack of money on the part of prepared candidates to meet their personal expenses in Scarritt College; and to discourage young women who are eager for service, but who cannot meet the educational, health, and personality requirements of the Board.

With the decreasing income, and with changed conditions on the mission field, we face a situation which will mean sending fewer missionaries to the field. In the light of the exigencies of the present missionary situation, and of the requests from the field—the demand is for better missionaries—those best qualified from every standpoint for Christian leadership.

We would not lessen the appeal for Christian workers, but we would have a clearer understanding that not more applicants are needed, but ones better qualified.

RECRUITING

The day has probably passed for a general appeal—for mass recruiting of missionaries for service at home and abroad. Missionaries for service in a new world-situation must be selected and trained for their work. In former years life-service calls were made at summer conferences, as a result of which many young people applied for work for which they were not well qualified. This led to confusion in their thinking, and a questioning of the way that God had led them. Often this appeal implied that there was a dearth of workers. Such is not the case today. The truth is that not more applicants are needed, but men and women better qualified from a physical, educational, personal, and spiritual standpoint—workers fitted for the particular vocations open and most in demand.

COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

Your Secretary is Chairman of the Committee on Personnel of the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. This committee is composed of representatives of the Candidate Departments of the various Boards and others related to the training, preparation, and selection of missionaries.

The program of study now under way is on the principles, methods, and materials involved in the selection of missionaries. This year special attention will be given to a study of the kind of missionaries needed today. There will be a functional analysis of missionaries—why some missionaries are successful and others are less so. There will be a study of what the missionary does on the field today; also a scientific study of motivation—what it is that prompts some young people to offer for missionary work, and what it is that sustains them at their task and enables them to render the service which is required of missionaries today.

In addition to these studies, special attention will be given this year to the training of missionaries. Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College, is on this subcommittee, and out of the experience that we have had in our training program Dr. Cuninggim will be able to make a contribution to the work of this committee.

STUDENT CULTIVATION

Progress has been made in plans to relate the student to the church in a college community. One difficulty in doing this is that there is not a church in any college community that has room enough and facilities enough, and program enough to meet the religious needs of the Methodist students enrolled in the college. If all the Methodist students attended public worship regularly, there would not be seating for the local congregation. And any attempt to employ all the

students in the work of the church would mean the elimination of most, if not all, of the regular members of the congregation. Few congregations are able to provide the material equipment for large numbers of students. With rare exceptions, congregations are not keen to invite students to take part to any considerable extent in the work of the local church. The inexperience of students and their limited residence in the community are deemed sufficient justification for this attitude.

Plans are in the making for relating students to the church where it is at all feasible. An effort is being made by the Wesley Foundation, under the Board of Christian Education and the leaders of the Young People's Division, hoping that a student from the campus, and a young person from the church, on each of these committees will lead to student participation in the work of the church during college years. An effort will be made to adapt the program of the local church to meet the needs of college students and to help students relate themselves vitally to the local church.

STUDENT VOLUNTEER CONVENTION

The Eleventh Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement met in Buffalo, N. Y., December 28-January 3, 1932. Present, two thousand students, coming from six hundred universities and colleges, and three hundred missionaries, board secretaries, and leaders of discussion groups.

Two thousand young people questing—young people sensitive to the needs of the world, eager to understand the present world-situation. The world in which they must live and work, eager to find the way of life, to know "the extent to which Jesus is attracting to himself the attention and admiration of the world, and is demonstrating his unique power to bring life to individuals and to society."

The program was built around three major topics: Humanity uprooted; a critical appraisal of the missionary enterprise; the living Christ in the life of the world today.

The Convention was characterized by an intelligent enthusiasm which reached two very high points: First, when Ralph Harlow spoke on Disarmament and World-Peace, and sounded an appeal that Youth might be heard at the Geneva Conference. Again, when Walter Judd, a medical missionary on his first furlough, spoke on the way of Love in China. An intelligent, up-to-the-hour presentation of missions; a complete demonstration of the power of Jesus Christ to reveal himself in and through a man. He said, among other things: "The way of love works. . . . The way of love is the way of the cross. . . ." Then he said: "When I went to China I had in my heart, 'Lo, I am with you always.' I was afraid it was not true, but it is true. Love works."

The Convention was a call to the youth of today to be world-citizens;

to a larger evangelism; to a Christian program which would include every area of life; to build a Christian world-society.

The response was made by the students when they sang:

“Rise up, O men of God,
Have done with lesser things.
Give heart and soul and mind and strength,
To serve the King of kings.

Rise up, O men of God,
The Church for you doth wait.
Her strength unequal to the task,
Rise up and make her great.”

SUMMER CONFERENCES AND LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

Your Secretary attended the Southern Y. W. C. A. Student Conference at Blue Ridge, N. C., in June, 1931. A denominational rally was held, at which more than one hundred and fifty students were present. Many students came for interviews with the Secretary.

Your Secretary was asked to lead a group on vocational guidance. A number of girls interested in service under the Church came, eager to know the opportunities for such service and the training necessary for the same.

Your Secretary taught the course, “Leadership of Mission Study Groups,” in a Leadership School at Lake Junaluska the last week in July. She offered this course in two Pastors’ Schools: one at Front Royal, Va., and one at Emory, Va. She also offered the course, “Missionary Education in the Local Church,” at Front Royal, Baltimore Conference, Pastors’ School, and in a Standard Training School in Winston-Salem, N. C. She attended the General Council of the Student Volunteer Movement at Hightstown, N. J., the first week in September, 1931. A number of volunteers of our denomination were in attendance, and there was a fine opportunity for interviews.

CO-OPERATION WITH THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE YOUNG PEOPLE’S ASSEMBLIES

Your Secretary co-operated with the officers of the Young People’s Division of the Department of the Local Church of the Board of Christian Education by sending Nationals to the Young People’s Assemblies in June and July of 1931. We are eager to emphasize missionary education in the program of religious education as directed by the Board of Christian Education, and to use our opportunity to assist in the presentation of missions to the young people in the summer assemblies. The Nationals at Scarritt College were glad to have the opportunity of attending these assemblies, and fine reports were re-

ceived in the office of their participation in the Holston, Louisville, and Virginia Assembly meetings.

PROGRAMS AND LEAFLETS

The Literature of our Board, Woman's Work, is mailed quarterly to the students in the colleges in our territory. Letters have been received in the office expressing appreciation of the literature and emphasizing the use of it in special missionary meetings.

This year a letter was sent to the colleges calling attention to the Room of Remembrance at Scarritt College. The students were urged to study missionary biographies and to nominate for the Room of Remembrance people who had rendered distinctive and constructive service through our Church.

We have a letter from one of the universities under the Church, saying that special attention will be given to this request, and that the students are studying missionary biographies and will present a nomination in due time.

CANDIDATES ACCEPTED BY THE CANDIDATES' COMMITTEE

Thirty-five applicants were accepted by the Subcommittee on Candidates and recommended to the Conferences for scholarships. Six young women were providentially hindered and did not enter Scarritt. Three who were accepted last year, and who did not enter at that time, came this year.

There are forty-five seniors at Scarritt; thirty-one on Conference scholarships, two on special scholarships, three on scholarships furnished by churches.

There are forty-three juniors at Scarritt; twenty-nine on Conference scholarships.

Thirty-two candidates were accepted by the Candidates' Committee of the Board of Missions, and recommended to the Council for consecration and to the Board of Missions for appointment.

Margaret Pilley, daughter of a former missionary in China, was accepted by the Candidates' Committee of the Board, and recommended for work in China—Ginling College.

Elizabeth De Loache, R.N., who finished her training at Scarritt College four years ago, has finished her nurse training at Presbyterian Hospital in New York City, has had a year of practical experience, and was recommended for service in China.

The following young women are hereby presented to the Council for consecration at this meeting:

Deaconess Work:

Carpenter, Mary Josephine
Carter, Mary Humphrey
Cornett, Margaret Amelia
Covington, Elizabeth

Conference

Virginia
Kentucky
Holston
South Carolina

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| Dodson, Johnia Frances | Tennessee |
| Fernandez, Sara Estelle | Florida |
| Giles, Leona Belle | Virginia |
| Glenn, Eunice | South Georgia |
| Holmberg, Evelyn Elizabeth | Oklahoma |
| Johnson, Annabelle M. | Oklahoma |
| Kelly, Katherine Lorena | Western North Carolina |
| Kelley, Pearlye Maye | North Georgia |
| Leeper, Alpharetta Verna | Oklahoma |
| Lemons, Clarice Leone | Southwest Missouri |
| Littlejohn, Mary Beth | Upper South Carolina |
| Lundy, Dorothy Lorena | Southwest Missouri |
| Mendez, Felicidad | Central Texas |
| Nuttall, Shiela Elizabeth | Louisiana |
| Robinson, Lucille Elanore | St. Louis |
| Taylor, Anna Mae | Tennessee |
| Willings, Ollie L. | Central Texas |

Foreign Missionaries:

| | <i>Conference</i> | <i>Field</i> |
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| Avett, Margie Louise | Western N. C. | China |
| Colvin, Thelma Juanita | Central Texas | Japan |
| De Loache, Elizabeth Palmer | South Carolina | China |
| Hubbard, Leannie Beulah | Northwest Texas | Mexico |
| Kelly, Juanita Margaret | North Georgia | Cuba |
| Maxfield, Lillian Mildred | Tennessee | Brazil |
| Metcalfe, Alma Frances | North Georgia | Japan |
| Pilley, Margaret Poteet | North Texas | China |
| Price, Annie Clyde | Central Texas | China |
| Tarr, Mary Alberta | Western Virginia | Japan |
| West, Hester Dale | Northwest Texas | China |

BUREAU OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

MRS. W. A. NEWELL, SUPERINTENDENT

THE development of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations under the new form of organization adopted by the Council in 1930 has resulted in greatly increased activity in every phase of the work committed to our hands. Your Bureau has had effective and sacrificial work from its members. These Chairmen of Committees and Commissions elected at that time have given unstinted support and contributed much to both the plans and to the machinery under which we operate. They have furnished guidance for messages, articles, and meetings; they have inspired two mission study texts; they have led the way to more definite co-operation with colored church women and with groups working for fuller rural life, for better industrial conditions, and for international peace. Each will make her own

report in her own way, but we desire to record our thanks here for their wise and continuous co-operation.

The Secretaries in charge of our Literature, Home Missions, and Organization have been a source of strength in their generous gifts of themselves. They have been instrumental in arranging plans for education through articles from outstanding writers on social questions in the *Missionary Voice*, in use of the *Bulletin of Missionary News*, in the integration and merging of programs on Citizenship with Home Missions, and in helping to unify the work of this department with the whole scope of missions through joint messages. And we would be guilty of serious oversight did we not pay just tribute to the efficient young woman in charge of the depository, whose accuracy and interest in the assembling of special packets, in sending out special messages, and in answering all demands have made possible the prompt reception of material for this department in the Conferences.

Of course the work of this Bureau would have been barren of results without the devotion of that vast body of consecrated women represented in our Conference officers, district secretaries, and auxiliary superintendents and presidents. Only the Good Shepherd of the sheep can count the results of their zeal. Their activities enrich the Church and bless the world. Among these the Conference Superintendents of Christian Social Relations have been prime factors in bringing about increasingly intelligent and effective service through the direction they have given to the thinking of our women at annual, district, and zone meetings. In many cases they have found able women to serve as their district assistants who, when equipped with information on the main objectives of the work, with knowledge of methods of reaching these objectives, have been able to do a great work. They have in many districts brought a new vision of the task and have led in "building again the old waste places."

"What's in a name?" Ours, interpreted in terms of Christian Citizenship, International Peace, Interracial Co-operation, Industrial Relations, and Rural Development, has carried a new sense of the meaning of social service. It has stimulated the growing consciousness of the depth and width of social obligation that underlie human relations; and are the heart of missions, binding us in a fellowship of service.

Evidence comes through the reports from many conferences that auxiliary superintendents, catching this vision of need, are deserting the broad and easy way of visits, trays, and flowers for the narrow and difficult path of investigating "sore spots," for committee conferences in which they plan constructive measures, striving to place responsibility for neglect with some duly constituted public authority or voluntary organization for welfare, pointing the way to new ventures.

We believe that the Bureau has engineered a program of activity in which every auxiliary could share, and that it has been vital and challenging. This program, indorsed by you as a Council, has been put before the auxiliaries through the medium of annual, district, and zone meetings in institutes, and has been brought directly to their doorsteps through the quarterly letters from the Bureau to the Auxiliary Superintendent. To insure that no auxiliary should remain uninformed of these objectives, a copy of this letter has been sent through the regular channels of program leaflet distribution to every Auxiliary President as well. The many interesting letters received by your Bureau Superintendent asking for more information show that they are eager to carry on the activity program. It has doubled her correspondence and renewed her confidence in the vitality of the projects and loyalty of the women. It has also revealed the need of more care in sending the name and address of the Auxiliary Superintendent immediately to the Conference Superintendent that she may receive these letters without fail and at the earliest opportunity present its message to her auxiliary. These letters are the working plans. They open avenues of usefulness to all. If in any society little or nothing of this activity program has been carried out, it is because somewhere along the line of connection there has been a weak link in the chain. We believe that in 1931 the weak links have been fewer and the general morale strengthened.

Not *every* plan promoted in these quarterly letters could be carried out in *every* society, but in every society some *one* or *more* plans could have been effective.

The first quarter's message asked for interest in the entrance of the United States to the World Court, and was accompanied by blank petitions addressed to Senators, which were signed and forwarded in great numbers.

The second was upon the programs on Adult Illiteracy, and called for investigation of local conditions and suggestions for making these investigations. It also called for systematic visitation of rural schools, white and colored, and contained questions to direct observation to some fundamental school needs. These were filled in and returned in large numbers in some conferences, fewer in others. They were followed in the next letter.

The third quarterly letter contained the recommendations on social relations passed at the 1931 Council meeting; gave publicity to the School Kit (a follow-up of the first school letter); to the new packets on World-Peace, Temperance, and Rural Life; to the efficiency Standards and the articles in the *Missionary Voice*.

The fourth quarterly letter was upon the world-issue of Disarmament and carried with it petition blanks addressed to President Hoover and two leaflets, furnished to us free of cost by the National Council for Prevention of War. It urged the auxiliaries to engineer

community disarmament mass meetings and other projects possible to every community.

This was followed by an "extra" at the request of the Committee on International Relations and World-Peace to stimulate further signing of the petitions (a second supply, the gift of the National Council) and to get an estimate of the total number of signers, which will be given you in the report of that committee.

Another "extra" was sent out over the signatures of the Organization Secretary, the Chairman of the Committee on Christian Citizenship, and this Superintendent, addressed to Auxiliary Presidents and Superintendents of Mission Study and Christian Social Relations, asking them to interest themselves in securing full use of the studies issued by the Board of Christian Education on "The Liquor Problem" that the full impact of the women of the Church might be delivered at this time on this great moral issue.

While responses have come to the special projects indicated above, the total activities in other lines has been very great. It is a temptation to try to present a picture of this total, but that is impossible; or to throw the spot light on one outstanding or dramatic episode after another. That would be illuminating, but the limits of time and space forbid. To enumerate the lines of work would be to repeat what goes on year after year. It is not to be minimized. It is Christ's own work of cheering, succoring the helpless, teaching the ignorant, opening avenues of work to the workless, feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and sustaining the forces that are striving to bring in health and sanity to a sick and sad world.

Three Leadership Schools for Colored Church Women were conducted under the Bureau, at Paine College, Mississippi Industrial College, and Texas College. Miss Juanita Brown was again director of these schools. Auxiliary women in the neighboring conferences assisted colored women from their communities, according to the plan authorized by the Council, where some assistance seemed necessary. This is limited to the \$10 for room and board for the eight days' session.

At Paine College there were twenty-three young people enrolled in classes and twenty-five women, nearly all holding official positions in their local churches or districts in missionary society, League, or Sunday school. The faculty of Paine gave valuable service in teaching. The Secretary of the North Georgia Conference bore a major part in teaching, in recreation periods, and administration.

At Mississippi Industrial College sixty-six women were enrolled, more by far than at any previous year, and with no Pastors' School to stimulate the attendance. The educational standing of students was distinctly higher. A rich program of study and recreation was carried on. The President and Secretary for North Mississippi Conference Society for the third summer gave enthusiastic service in

long hours of teaching and conference. The Home Demonstration Agent, loaned by the State Department, aroused lively interest in making home decorations and conveniences; the courses in Bible Study, Child Psychology, Organization and Methods, Mission Study were planned for new and former students, and certificates given in both schools.

At Texas College ninety-seven women were enrolled. An S O S call to the officers in the several Texas Conference Societies brought the Superintendent of Christian Social Relations of Central Texas to companion Miss Brown in the heavy work entailed by numbers. Again she had the expert help of one of our finest Negro health workers, Mrs. Williams, of the Arkansas Red Cross, a woman long committed to interracial activity. The students were of a high order of intelligence and experience with many teachers and students among the number. Three dressmakers, two preachers, a notary, funeral director and florist, a real estate dealer, three saleswomen, three beauty culture specialists, three farmers, a nurse, several cooks, laundresses, and maids, were enrolled, with many who gave no occupation. Central Texas will furnish a teacher in the school for 1932.

Formal resolutions, passed by the students at Paine and Holly Springs, voiced kindly appreciation of the opportunities afforded by the "Big Sister" in the invitations to the Council meeting at Memphis, and for these schools, with recognition of growing interracial good will fostered through these contacts. Especial mention must be made of the work of the women of the Georgia, Alabama, Texas, and Oklahoma Conferences for these schools.

Through a group composed of leaders of both the C. M. E. Missionary Council and our own Organization Secretary in Nashville arrangements were made by which the Woman's page of their denominational organ, the *Christian Index*, would carry contributions from a representative of each Church monthly in promotion of the programs of the C. M. E. Missionary Societies.

Your two representatives on the Administrative Committee of the General Commission on Interracial Co-operation have attended the quarterly meetings in Atlanta, and helped to work out plans for interdenominational co-operation in school surveys and for the Council of Southern Women for Prevention of Lynching.

The plan of co-operation in the Tuscaloosa Presbyterial of Alabama with the home mission work of the Presbyterial in school and community surveys proceeded under Presbyterian leadership, as previously described on Bureau reports. The first conference was held in Tuscaloosa last April, to which our social service superintendents of the area were invited as guests. Many attended from both the Alabama and North Alabama Conferences and received there a distinct inspiration to expand this united interracial activity. So

encouraging were the reports from many small communities that we are planning to follow through the whole state of Alabama under Presbyterian initiative. Letters have gone out to all auxiliary superintendents in the state urging them to active response. We hope this will be the beginning of Methodist leadership on the same interdenominational lines in other states, and have been cultivating other conferences with this end in view.

In the efficiency of their interracial co-operation the Conference Societies in Texas have led, a fact explained by the devotion of some of their superintendents to the aims of this endeavor, and, also, in large measure, to the tireless assistance of Mrs. Ames, the former Texas Secretary of the General Commission on Interracial Co-operation and present Director of Women's Work for the Commission, who over a period of years has held up objectives and taught practical methods of interracial co-operation.

In efficiency of peace work the Superintendent of the Tennessee Conference has scored. As an indication of what this officer can do in any Conference, and what many have done, we quote:

"I have had a request sent to our United States Senators from each District Secretary asking that they stand for disarmament and for the adherence of the United States to the World Court and stating how many women were represented. I have also written a letter to President Hoover, asking him to instruct the American representatives who sit with the Council of the League of Nations in working out a peaceful solution of the Manchurian controversy and to ask Congress to enact legislation forbidding the shipment of arms and munitions to the belligerent nations and to declare loans to China and Japan contrary to public policy so long as hostilities continue. I sent a copy of my letter to each of our Congressmen that they might know the opinion of our women and that they might consider that opinion as they represent us in national affairs."

This course of action is the direct result of the cultivation inspired by your Committee on International Relations and World-Peace and of the connection we sustain to the National Council for the Prevention of War, on whose mailing list are the names of all Conference Superintendents of Christian Social Relations. The guidance of this National Council is invaluable.

Your Bureau Superintendent maintains membership in the American Association for Labor Legislation in order to receive similar advice and direction on matters of state and national legislation. Through the Secretary we are kept advised of measures for which education of public opinion is desired. In response to a call and on their own initiative, the two Georgia Conference Superintendents did fine work throughout their Conferences in the interest of labor bills in their legislature.

The Alabama Superintendent secured backing for the measures sponsored by the women of the state, all vital welfare measures. The North Alabama women were especially interested in the bill for support of the School for Negro Girls. Other Superintendents were similarly active.

We also maintain memberships in the National Women's Trade Union League, the National Child Labor Committee, the Southern Council on Women and Children in Industry, the Commissions on Social Service, International Relations, and Race Relations of the Federal Council of the Churches, from all of which we derive inspiration and direction for our constituents.

Some of the Conferences have appointed Conference Assistants for the cultivation of their women in peace work and Christian Citizenship, some for Interracial Co-operation. There is no limit to the education that can go on under this especial leadership did it not call for additional funds for literature and to be very efficient for travel. Nevertheless, much has been done, especially in some conferences, at small outlay, and, with a word of caution sent out early in the year, we believe the procedure, gradually undertaken, is productive of good results. Texas should have special mention for work in Law Observance. In closing we must reassert our confidence on evidence brought to us during 1931 in the method of co-operation on which the Council embarked in this department under its first leaders and further in the enlarged program in which this Bureau has a share.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF CHRISTIAN
SOCIAL RELATIONS

| | Auxiliaries Reporting | Committees | Legislative Work | Interracial Co-operation | Immigrant Work | Federations | Efficiency Recognition |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Alabama..... | 200 | 200 | 175 | 100 | 6 | ..... | 53 |
| Arizona..... | 38 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 6 | ..... | 4 |
| Baltimore..... | 117 | 102 | 75 | 22 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Central Texas..... | 117 | 73 | 50 | 25 | 15 | 30 | 30 |
| Florida..... | 97 | 148 | 20 | 23 | 3 | 37 | 40 |
| Holston..... | 121 | 86 | 26 | 20 | ..... | 10 | 15 |
| Indian..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Kentucky..... | 57 | 122 | 14 | 14 | 4 | 2 | ..... |
| Los Angeles..... | 20 | 18 | 10 | ..... | 13 | 5 | 3 |
| Little Rock..... | 100 | 100 | 70 | 70 | ..... | 50 | 30 |
| Louisiana..... | 101 | 101 | 82 | 23 | 2 | 14 | 14 |
| Louisville..... | 93 | 83 | 26 | 16 | ..... | 2 | 2 |
| Memphis..... | 141 | 141 | 135 | 95 | ..... | 1 | 46 |
| Mississippi..... | 60 | 60 | 11 | 20 | 1 | 14 | 5 |
| Missouri..... | 86 | 80 | 50 | 27 | 11 | 14 | 10 |
| New Mexico..... | 31 | 40 | 15 | 11 | 5 | 22 | 2 |
| North Alabama..... | 249 | 200 | 122 | 125 | 75 | 115 | 65 |
| North Arkansas..... | 119 | 116 | 52 | 23 | 1 | 12 | 12 |
| North Carolina..... | 116 | 106 | 14 | 13 | ..... | ..... | 5 |
| North Georgia..... | 154 | 154 | 57 | 63 | ..... | ..... | 16 |
| North Mississippi..... | 120 | 120 | 24 | 52 | ..... | ..... | 10 |
| North Texas..... | 120 | 111 | 47 | 37 | 25 | 39 | 12 |
| Northwest..... | 13 | 18 | 1 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Northwest Texas..... | 147 | 128 | 40 | 35 | 15 | 35 | ..... |
| Oklahoma..... | 168 | 141 | 139 | 22 | 8 | 20 | 40 |
| Pacific..... | 30 | 26 | 12 | ..... | 18 | 9 | 10 |
| St. Louis..... | 57 | 57 | 17 | 5 | 3 | 18 | 10 |
| South Carolina..... | 102 | 76 | 24 | 12 | ..... | ..... | 4 |
| South Georgia..... | 195 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 20 | 50 | 35 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 63 | 60 | 39 | 19 | 8 | ..... | 7 |
| Tennessee..... | 118 | 108 | 53 | 22 | ..... | 1 | 12 |
| Texas..... | 120 | 110 | 56 | 53 | 30 | 14 | 1 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 131 | 141 | 20 | 38 | 1 | 3 | 22 |
| Virginia..... | 216 | 236 | 22 | 30 | ..... | 3 | 22 |
| Western North Carolina..... | 131 | 159 | 33 | 17 | 2 | 5 | 22 |
| West Texas..... | 138 | 135 | 99 | 122 | 108 | 98 | 49 |
| Western Virginia..... | 40 | 38 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Illinois..... | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Totals..... | 3,942 | 3,747 | 1,804 | 1,314 | 387 | 632 | 619 |

THE BUREAU OF CO-OPERATION AND EXTENSION

BESS COMBS, SUPERINTENDENT

VIEWED as a whole, including all fields, renewed emphasis has been put on the work of the Woman's Missionary Societies during the past year. Better and more efficient organization, training of leaders, and broader vision of work to be accomplished are some of the decided features. In spite of the world's economic crisis, the financial reports from several of the fields show an increase over last year in the amount of money contributed.

A number of the mission fields now have a Field Secretary giving full or part time to the organization and promotion of the work of the Woman's Missionary Societies. This is probably the chief factor in the growth of the work and one of the greatest contributions the Woman's Missionary Council can make to missionary societies in other lands is to allow an appropriation that will make possible such a Field Secretary in every field where there is none.

AFRICA

Most enthusiastic reports come from the missionary societies in Africa. An effort was made at their mission meeting in March to organize the three missionary societies into a Union, but the plans were defeated on the grounds that the women were not yet ready for it. In its place, however, was a proposed conference of native men and women which may prove a more advanced step than that proposed by the women, since it puts men and women on the same level in Christian service.

One of the handicaps to the work in Africa is suitable program material. This past year the three stations took turns preparing the literature for one quarter for use by all three societies. One quarter was simple lessons on physiology and hygiene; one quarter lessons on missions; another quarter, Bible lessons.

In one society the members were divided into circles with a leader elected weekly. The lessons were taught to these women, and they in turn taught them to their respective circles with an elaboration by the missionary.

The women are taught to pray, and in one society a group met weekly for prayer, praying for the non-Christian women of the village. They take great pride in keeping their dues paid up. There are comparatively few unpaid dues at the end of the year, and some are paid for several months in advance.

In Tunda when the women were told of a plan to start a Girls' Boarding School similar to the Boys' School and were asked if they would like to contribute about 500 francs toward the building of the

first dormitory, they gladly consented. This society also ordered an invalid chair for a crippled girl in the hospital.

One missionary writes: "We consider our biggest task and greatest achievement helping the women to realize their responsibility for the uplift of African womanhood and the development of their Christian characters through service to Him and others."

BELGIUM

The work of the women's missionary societies in Belgium under the two sections, Flemish and French, has shown progress along several lines. In a year of financial crisis these women increased their giving more than one hundred per cent over last year. Amount raised this year was 24,501.40 francs.

Mrs. Thomas, secretary of the Flemish group, reports that the work has made progress both in numbers and in spiritual growth. She visited all the societies at least once during the year. These societies render much material aid to those in need, as well as spiritual help to those who have not yet seen the light. They assist the pastors in their evangelistic work.

As usual, the outstanding event of the year was the annual meeting, held this year at Leige on May 14, Ascension Day; 120 members were present. The strength gained from this day of inspiration and fellowship gives an impetus to the work for the whole year.

BRAZIL

The work in Brazil is reported under the new name, the Methodist Adult Society. At present the Adult Societies are composed almost exclusively of women. Miss Lelia Epps has given another year of tireless, efficient service. Her plan was to reach every district with a five-day institute, meeting every afternoon from two to six. The reports from those that have been held are very fine. They have done much to acquaint the women with all departments of the work and mean much more than the regular district meeting that was formerly held.

CHINA

The China Conference Woman's Missionary Society has done some outstanding work this year. Their annual conference meeting, which is always a mountain-top experience, was no exception this year. It was held at Davidson School in Soochow with a splendid attendance and a splendid program. The memorial service for Mrs. Julia A. Gaither was most elaborate and participated in by more people than perhaps any memorial service ever held for a missionary. Their efforts to secure \$1,100 (Mex.) to build a Bible Woman's Home at Pokso, near Shanghai, the first home mission project of the China Conference Society, as a memorial to Mrs. Gaither, was rewarded

by securing \$2,200, just double the amount asked for. More than \$1,000 was paid in for Life Membership and Memorial Roll certificates. The regular membership dues were also quite in advance of last year. There are nine young people's and thirty-five children's societies with a combined membership of 2,933. Almost three times as much money was sent to the Conference Treasurer as was used for local work.

The report of the Department of Local Evangelism is worth noting.

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| Total number of volunteer unsalaried workers..... | 844 |
| Increase over last year of volunteer workers..... | 155 |
| Number of evangelistic bands..... | 54 |
| Number of nearby places (villages, houses, streets) selected by the evangelistic band as their special field..... | 65 |
| Number of large evangelistic campaigns (to reach non-Christians) conducted by auxiliaries..... | 74 |
| Number of people attending these meetings..... | 8,862 |
| Number of new believers as result of the meetings..... | 236 |
| Number of new inquirers as result of the meetings..... | 171 |

The student volunteer band held its first annual meeting in Sungkiang with 135 in attendance. For seven days these young women worked and played together. This is a group of young women of our Church who have definitely yielded their lives to God for his service, twenty-nine of whom have decided for definite evangelistic work.

CUBA

Mrs. Anita Board, the first Field Secretary of the Cuba Conference Missionary Society, made several extensive trips, visiting the local societies and organizing several new ones. Mrs. Morris, the Conference President, speaks very highly of the work done by Mrs. Board and of the good her visits did through the Island. She feels that nothing can compare to the good accomplished by a personal visit with a face-to-face talk about problems and conditions.

The Secretary's travel and the expense of translating and printing literature is met by an appropriation from Council. The workers are deeply grateful for this feeling; it has been a real life-saver for the missionary societies of Cuba. There are three districts in Cuba with three wide-awake District Secretaries. One of these, Sra. Amalia G. de Moraleda, has been elected field secretary for the coming year. The conference in Cuba has an advisory committee composed of the conference president and three Council workers.

Miss Julia Reid served the last three months of the term of Mrs. Board, who came home on furlough. Miss Reid also made a trip through the Island, visiting societies. She writes: "What a joy was mine to meet and know personally the Cuban women and the missionaries who have caught the vision of the work of the Woman's

Missionary Society and are laboring so faithfully in this part of the Master's vineyard." During her trip she traveled over two of the districts with the District Secretaries, consecrated, capable Cuban women, and she counts her life richer spiritually for having been with them.

Two big accomplishments of the Woman's Missionary Society in Cuba during the past year are: a handbook and a yearbook of programs in Spanish. The handbook was translated and adapted to Cuba by a committee of Cuban women and missionaries. The yearbook is the work mainly of Mrs. de Moraleda, the new Field Secretary. Credits are being given for the study of the handbook, just as they are given in Missions and in Bible Study courses. Another means of educating the women in the work and aims of the missionary society is by having a course on the work of the Woman's Missionary Society taught by some outstanding woman at Summer Curcille. The first such course was taught by Miss Esther Case and proved so profitable they are hoping to make it a permanent feature.

JAPAN

Perhaps one of the greatest drawbacks in the Japanese Methodist Church is the fact that there is no strong missionary organization among the women. The two organizations that have functioned have divided the efforts of the women and resulted in underdevelopment along the lines of church work. At their General Conference, which met in January, a recommendation was made to unite the two organizations, thus making one strong society, covering the work of the two former ones. Up to this time the trained Christian leadership of the women of Japan has gone into other than missionary organizations, such as the W. C. T. U.

MEXICO

The General Secretary of the Mexico Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, Srita. Conception Perez, a deaconess, has filled her office in an exceptional manner. At our last report she had covered the whole territory of the two Federations which composed the Confederation and was preparing for her second round of visits. She has been untiring in her work. The most recent news from Mexico announces the election of Mrs. Frausto to the office of General Secretary. Mrs. Frausto was a fraternal delegate from Mexico to the Council meeting last year, so we know no mistake was made in giving to her this office.

Mexico reports 107 societies in the Confederation with 1,546 members. Their mission special goes to Costa Rica for a Mexican missionary who has been there three years. Heretofore the Central Federation had been paying half of her salary; now the Confederation assumes all of her support. The Border Federation is paying

the expenses of a ministerial student in the Union Theological Seminary, Mexico City.

POLAND

The past year Miss Sallie L. Browne has given her full time to the work of the missionary societies in Poland. She writes: "Though we have been handicapped by a lack of suitable literature, we have, nevertheless, made some progress in the promotion of Bible study. Financially our women have made a good showing. Considering their limited means, they have given liberally. At the Wilno Conference in April the reports were very encouraging. We had a full representation, there being at least one delegate from each society. There were twenty-one women in attendance, which was the largest number of any year so far. All of us who have worked in the missionary societies this year feel that we need to develop the spiritual cultivation program of our meetings; that we need to emphasize our relationship to the Church and to teach a greater loyalty to it and to the cause for which it stands.

OTHER FIELDS

The work in the Russian-Manchurian and the Siberia-Korean fields has had a hard struggle this year. These societies have been holding on despite many handicaps for several years. This year, because of the lack of adequate leadership and of political unrest and warring conditions in that part of the world, the work has practically stopped.

The Indian Conference of Oklahoma has bravely carried on through a year of many discouragements. These people have suffered intensely because of the present financial depression. The women held their annual conference again this year in connection with the Preachers' Conference. No Council officer was present.

It is a well-known fact that no organization has contributed to the development of the women of our Church in the mission fields as has the Woman's Missionary Society. Dr. O. E. Goddard, Foreign Secretary of the Board of Missions, says: "The best organization for the development of the Southern Methodist woman is the Woman's Missionary Society in the local church. There is no literary club, social club, or any other society that develops a woman in heart and hand as does this society." Dr. Goddard further says: "In our missions in Belgium, Czechoslovakia, and Poland the women are our largest hope. They are more susceptible to gospel truth and are better leaders than their husbands and sons." Bishop Ryang, of the Korea Methodist Church, says that there are more women in the Korean Church than men, so the number of women workers in the Korean Church is as large as that of men workers. This majority group has been given the same privileges and placed on an equal footing with the minority group in the Korea Methodist Church.

SCARRITT COLLEGE FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

J. L. CUNINGGIM, PRESIDENT

It was just ten years ago that I made my first report to the Woman's Missionary Council at San Antonio. A moment's comparison of a few facts presented in that report with corresponding facts today will indicate the progress which Scarritt has made during the decade.

In 1922, in addition to a good president's home, we had one commodious school building, which was, however, a very dangerous fire trap; now we have approximately eight acres of land, a group of four beautiful new buildings, and ten residences, which at present are used as dormitories. At that time the physical equipment, including grounds, buildings, and furnishings, was valued at \$132,350. Of this equipment, only the furnishings, valued at \$11,000, were brought over to Nashville; but at the present time the material equipment of Scarritt College, according to the latest report of the Auditor, is valued at \$932,045.72, with an indebtedness of less than \$40,000.

Ten years ago the faculty, including the nurse and house director, numbered ten full-time workers; now the corresponding staff numbers fourteen. In 1922 the students enrolled were 109, the largest enrolment in the history of the Training School. Of that number, 30 were college graduates, 36 had had as much as two years of training, 31 were high-school graduates, and 12 had less than a high-school training. During the present year, including the summer, fall, and winter quarters, our enrolment has been 201, of whom 69 are graduate students, 66 senior college students, 19 students with less than two years of college work, and 47 students from affiliated institutions.

No less notable has been the growing appreciation of the institution on the part of the public. This is seen in the changed attitude of educational and religious leaders who have come to recognize Scarritt as one of the most important and promising institutions of the Church. It is seen also in the geographical distribution of its student body, which this year has representatives not only from fourteen states of the South and Southwest, but students from the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Michigan, Colorado, California, Canada, Cuba, Mexico, Japan, Korea, and China.

While Scarritt College is a small institution, it would be difficult to overestimate its full significance to the missionary cause and to the Church as a whole.

As a training center for missionary workers, Scarritt has prepared almost the entire force for the prosecution of the splendid woman's missionary program at home and abroad. There is a growing demand for better and better workers, and this requires more thorough testing, more effective instruction, more painstaking guidance. The proper preparation of missionary workers becomes more difficult from year

to year, but Scarritt is whole-heartedly committed to the task; and in its accomplishment is rendering, I believe, an increasingly effective service to the Church.

But the missionary significance of Scarritt College is seen not only in the workers trained for service at home and in the various mission fields, but in the contribution that it is making to the missionary thinking of the Church. Recently it has become very clear that the missionary message and task must be reinterpreted in terms of modern thought and life. When nations were separated by long distances and communication was very slow and infrequent, the Church could send its representatives abroad to declare the gospel without living it at home, but now that the world has become a whispering gallery the success of the gospel abroad depends upon its practice at home. The missionary task must, therefore, be defined not simply in terms of training and sending Christian workers, but very definitely in terms of practicing Christian brotherhood. Scarritt is making a contribution to missionary thought and work in seeking to discover and to realize more largely the meaning of Christian brotherhood for our modern world.

Scarritt's value to the Church, and especially to the missionary program, is to be seen also in its efforts to become increasingly a center of spiritual life and power for the Church. Realizing that the effectiveness of the missionary cause, and of every worthy Church program, depends upon the adequate spiritual dynamic, Scarritt is giving large attention to the development of radiant Christian experience. It desires to be, and is becoming in a very definite way, I trust, a spiritual power-house for the Church. Not only through the students going out from the institution, but by the coming of individuals and groups to share in its spirit, it hopes to make a significant contribution to the Church.

In order to maintain and to develop the unique service that Scarritt College is rendering, it is necessary for its faculty to be kept at a very high level, and to be enlarged in several directions. Its library facilities also must be considerably increased. More adequate provision must be made for students to have supervised field work in their respective types of service. Means must be available to bring to Scarritt outstanding educational, social, and religious leaders for the purpose of steadily developing the life of the institution. For these reasons, as well as for the purpose of making good the present decrease in income, it is important at the earliest possible moment to increase our endowment.

Scarcely less urgent is the need for additional funds for aiding worthy students. Candidates for missionary service in connection with the Board of Missions at home or abroad are eligible to a scholarship from their Conference Missionary Societies, but under the present financial conditions the number that can be used by the

Board of Missions is but a small part of those who wish to prepare for some form of Christian service. There is an increasing number of such splendid young people who desire to devote their lives to social or religious work and who wish to prepare at Scarritt for such service. If they could have this training, the value of their service in the home, in the Church, and in society would be greatly enhanced.

In order to meet this demand we very much need an adequate scholarship fund.

The material equipment of Scarritt College, consisting principally of the Bennett Memorial group and the dining hall, is of a very high order, but not at all adequate to meet the growing demand of the institution. Two buildings are greatly needed, a dormitory and a recreation building. The heroic effort of the former students of Scarritt to contribute \$50,000 toward the Gibson Dormitory must be supplemented by an equal or larger amount in order to make the dormitory possible. Equally necessary is the recreation building to provide facilities for physical training and for the Department of Music and Pageantry. In addition to these requirements, there are other smaller needs of a material kind which would add greatly to Scarritt's effectiveness. It will require the raising of several hundred thousand dollars to provide the additional physical equipment now urgently needed.

Scarritt College is a monument to the faith, prayers, and heroic sacrifice of the missionary women of the Church. From the beginning of the institution until now they have supported it as the heart of their world-wide missionary program. Without the unfailing cooperation of the missionary women it would be entirely impossible for Scarritt to continue its splendid work, but the institution cannot look to this source for support adequate to meet its future development. Because of its strategic location and its unique character, demands are being made upon it for constantly enlarging service to the Church as a whole. Other sources of income must be discovered and developed to meet these increasing demands.

Most institutions are able to rely upon their former students for a large proportion of the funds which they need. In this respect Scarritt College differs largely from such institutions. Almost without exception the former students of Scarritt are devoting their lives to Christian service, for which they are receiving very small remuneration. Out of their small savings and often with genuine sacrifice many are loyally contributing to the Gibson Memorial Dormitory, and I doubt not they will realize their goal of \$50,000 for that purpose. But Scarritt cannot reasonably look to its former students for any large financial support in making possible its program of development.

In recent years many educational institutions have received assistance from the various financial boards and foundations located in

the North. The donations made by these agencies, conditioned ordinarily upon larger amounts being raised from other sources, have made it possible for these institutions to carry through programs of development otherwise impossible. But Scarritt, because of the distinctive character of its work, does not receive favorable considerations from these financial foundations. They expect such an institution to secure its support directly from its Church constituency.

And this is the logical conclusion to reach. Scarritt belongs to the Church, and its task is to train various types of workers, largely for service in the Church. The thing to be sought and expected is that the Church should adequately support the institution. But the fact is that it is only a small part of the Church membership from which assistance can really be expected. The great body of Church members are unable to assume additional obligations beyond their local responsibilities, or else their interests are centered in institutions and agencies near by. Scarritt must very largely depend upon those rare persons or groups who, because of larger information and consecration, are interested in the special type of work that Scarritt is doing. But here and there throughout the entire Connection are men and women of this type, to whom Scarritt may hopefully look for increased support. Something has already been done in the discovery and development of such elect spirits, but very much yet remains to be accomplished.

This brings me to emphasize, in conclusion, the necessity of Scarritt having the continued co-operation of the missionary women in developing adequate resources to meet its growing needs. It is not to be expected, under existing conditions, that the woman's missionary organizations themselves should contribute to Scarritt more largely than they are doing at the present time. With the continuance of the annual appropriation now made to the College by the Council, and the \$4 donation contributed by each local auxiliary to the Scarritt Maintenance Fund, the missionary women are doubtless doing all that they ought to undertake. But without assuming any additional financial burden for their organization, the missionary women as individual friends can render a very great service. It is quite obvious that the institution cannot effectively cultivate a constituency of more than two million and a half scattered throughout the entire South and West without the active co-operation of a large number of interested friends. And it is equally certain that no group in the Church can be counted on to render this service as certainly as the missionary women who already know and love the institution.

One way in which this co-operation can be given is by helping to make Scarritt more generally known. The members of the missionary auxiliaries—certainly those who have been active in the work for some years—are acquainted with Scarritt College; but there are many others, men and women, who know only the name. They do

not know Scarritt's unique relation to the Church as the one educational institution belonging wholly to the General Conference and serving the entire constituency from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Nor are they acquainted with the distinctive purpose and character of the institution and the contribution it is making to the life and character of the Church. Scarritt needs very much the co-operation of the missionary women in the distribution of literature, in providing for sermons and addresses, and in arranging special programs in order to make the work at Scarritt thoroughly known to the entire constituency.

Bearing in mind that Scarritt must in the main depend for its future development upon those rare individuals here and there who have means to give and who would be genuinely interested in the religious emphasis of the school, it is obvious that these individuals must be discovered and developed. Here again Scarritt is largely dependent upon its friends who are already acquainted with and interested in its program. The missionary women throughout the Connection, without in any wise increasing their financial burden or interfering with their own missionary program, are in a position to assist Scarritt in reaching such prospective friends and supporters in every community.

Not only by assisting Scarritt to make contact with such individuals, but by making these parties acquainted with the possibilities of investments in Scarritt College, can our friends be of great assistance to the institution. Information has come to me of several wills in which Scarritt has been made a beneficiary through the timely suggestion of friends interested in Scarritt's development. What these friends have done, many others doubtless can accomplish. With such active co-operation on the part of our friends Scarritt should be the recipient of an increasing stream of donations, annuities, and bequests which would make possible its adequate support and its future development.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN FIELDS

1. The Committee had before it for consideration the following recommendation, referred to it by the Estimates Committee, regarding appropriations for personal helpers in Korea and Japan, and recommend to the Council approval of the same:

In view of the necessity of a six per cent cut in all the appropriations to the field for 1933, and in view of the fact that Korea and Japan are the only mission fields that make provision for "personal helpers,"

We recommend that in making the necessary cuts these fields take under serious consideration either the elimination of this item from their budgets or the reduction of it to a minimum.

2. The Committee had before it for consideration the following recommendation, referred to it by the Estimates Committee, regarding Hayes-Wilkins Bible School and Atkinson Academy. The Committee recommend to the Council approval of the same, provided it be amended by the addition of the words "with the understanding that in each case the Memorial Names shall be preserved," so that it shall read:

In view of the action taken by the Estimates Committee a year ago, requesting the various mission fields to restudy their lines of activity and to recommend adjustments in the interest of greater efficiency and economy, and

In view of the fact that no recommendations for such adjustments have yet been presented by the China field,

We recommend that, inasmuch as a six per cent cut of the appropriations for the work is necessary for 1933, the proper committees of the fields take under serious consideration, along with other cuts, the advisability of closing the Hayes-Wilkins Bible School in Sungkiang and the turning over of Atkinson Academy in West Soochow to the Soochow University system of education, with the understanding that the memorial names shall be preserved.

3. Whereas the Collegio Americano property in Petropolis, Brazil, has not been used for school purposes since the opening of the Collegio Bennett in Rio de Janeiro, and whereas the repairs and taxes upon the property are a continual drain upon our financial resources,

We recommend renewal of effort to sell the property by private means, with the understanding that if no such purchaser can be found, it be sold at auction.

4. The Committee had before it for consideration a recommendation from the Estimates Committee of the joint faculty of the Union

Woman's Bible Training School and the Union Theological Seminary in Seoul, Korea. In keeping with this recommendation, the Committee recommend to the Council the following:

(1) That approval be granted for the union of the Union Woman's Bible Training School and the Union Theological Seminary in Seoul.

(2) That the proposed plan be approved for the removal of these institutions to the vicinity of Chosen Christian College and the new Ewha College if and when a plant can be secured from the proceeds of the properties now owned by the two schools.

(3) That approval be granted for the sale of the two properties at such time as a favorable sale can be obtained.

(4) That, in the event of the sale of either property, the seminary whose property is sold be allowed to move temporarily to the campus of the other seminary, provided satisfactory terms can be agreed upon and provided no expense shall fall upon the co-operating Boards.

5. We also recommend (*a*) that the Week of Prayer special for the foreign fields be directed to the erection of a building on the new campus of Ewha College, Seoul, Korea, and that this building be named in honor of Miss Esther Case.

(*b*) That our goal of co-operation in Ewha College be the attainment of the status of full co-operating membership with the understanding that this be reached as soon as we are able financially.

6. We recommend that the missionaries now in the Congo be reimbursed for their personal furniture to the maximum of \$100 each, and that in the future the policy of the Council be the supplying of the heavy furniture in the missionaries' homes in the Congo.

MABEL K. HOWELL, *Chairman*;
MRS. LEE BRITT, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON HOME FIELD

1. The Committee considered the following memorial:

(1) Since the Church, faced with ministering in a rapidly changing world where human relationships are constantly becoming more complicated and involved, is under the necessity of taking stock in every department of its life and work to make its influence far-reaching and more effective;

(2) Since the reorganization of the General Boards of our Church and the growing sentiment for a change in the status of women in the Church will both have a vital bearing on the relationship of women to the whole program of the Church, particularly on the scope and function of the deaconess organization and work;

We, the members of the Deaconess Conference, Home Department, Woman's Missionary Council, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, do hereby respectfully memorialize the Woman's Missionary Council to participate in a joint committee composed of seven members, four from the Deaconess Conference, two Council members, and

Mrs. J. W. Downs, to make a thorough study of the whole new situation as it relates to the deaconess and her work, both present and future, with the view particularly of ascertaining more clearly:

(a) The present relationship of the deaconess to the program of the local church,

(b) The future possibilities in the light of changing conditions.

The Committee recommend concurrence.

2. In view of the need for a better understanding with regard to the work of a church deaconess, and since many young women of our Church have indicated an interest in becoming church deaconesses, and as there is an opportunity for service in our local churches on account of the increasing need of trained workers to put on the program of religious education, it is the sense of this Committee that deaconesses, in accepting work in a church, should co-operate with the pastor in every way in putting on the program of the church and in preparation of the program, even though it entail clerical work in the pastor's office.

3. The two items listed for the 1932 Week of Prayer Fund were a deaconess and missionary rest home and a new building at Houma, La. In view of the more urgent and immediate need at Houma, we recommend that the Week of Prayer offering for 1932 be given to the MacDonell School at Houma, La.

4. We recommend that a committee be appointed to study the matter of the training of rural teachers who could give part-time service to the Council.

5. We recommend that a year of experience in teaching or business be added to the present requirements for deaconess candidates.

6. We recommend that the present policy of the Council regarding the period of study at Scarritt College for deaconesses on furlough be reaffirmed, but that exceptional cases be taken up with the proper committee of the Board of Missions.

MRS. J. W. SPIVEY, *Chairman*;

MRS. HELEN B. BOURNE, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

REPORT No. 1

Whereas there are funds in foreign fields remaining from gains in favorable exchange, we recommend that the sum of \$20,000 available from this source be added to the basis of appropriation for the Foreign Department;

Whereas your Committee has scaled the estimates from the foreign fields to amounts which, in their judgment, level the fields in their ability to accept reduced appropriation; and

Whereas the Committee still finds the amounts available for appropriation to be less than the already scaled estimates,

We recommend that all foreign fields, excepting the Siberia-Korean

Missions, themselves further cut the estimates six per cent, the reductions of six per cent to be placed by the fields where in their judgment the reduced amounts may best be used.

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *Chairman*;
MRS. J. C. HANDY, *Secretary*.

REPORT No. 2

Appropriations

BASIS OF APPROPRIATIONS

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Dues | \$366,799 08 |
| Pledge | 427,682 74 |
| Life Memberships | 12,733 89 |
| Scholarships | 27,876 41 |
| Bible Women | 33,281 23 |
| Day Schools | 3,119 85 |
| Literature Sales | 9,098 46 |
| Interest | 12,402 51 |
| Filed and Credit Balances | 23,505 00 |
| Rent | 585 56 |
| Specials | 4,687 21 |

Total Basis for Appropriations \$921,771 94

APPROPRIATIONS

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Foreign | \$581,135 69 |
| Home | 269,410 69 |
| Education and Promotion | 66,988 00 |

Total Appropriations \$917,534 38

FOREIGN

Foreign Administration:

Salaries, \$5,547; Clerical Help, \$4,917; Office and Travel, \$1,684; Board and Committee Meetings, \$1,000; Bishops' Travel, \$2,000. Total, \$15,148.

Foreign Miscellaneous:

Furlough Study, \$5,000; Medical Fees (4 per cent of all missionaries' salaries), \$7,631; Scarritt College, \$19,800; Interdenominational Work, \$2,300. Total, \$34,731.

Foreign Fields:

Brazil, \$42,982; China, \$121,198; Congo, \$17,038; Cuba, \$33,279; Japan, \$95,157; Korea, \$121,848; Mexico, \$67,607; Poland, \$8,916; Siberia-Korea, \$1,820. Total, \$509,845. Contingent, \$21,411.69. Total Foreign Appropriations, \$581,135.69.

HOME

Home Administration:

Salaries, \$5,555.27; Clerical Help, \$3,292; Office and Travel, \$1,183; Board and Committee Meetings, \$900. Total, \$10,930.27.

Home Institutions and Lines of Work:

Mountain Work, \$36,715; Mexican Work, \$28,982.01; Cuban Work, \$13,550; Gulf Coast Work, \$21,513; Negro Work, \$29,286; Dependent Girls, \$13,702; Bible Teachers, \$7,200; Industrial Work, \$11,841; Delinquent Girls, \$11,789; Western Work, \$7,950; Cajan Work, \$900; Rural Work, \$3,450; Home Mission Specials, \$11,480; Miscellaneous, \$15,345; Scarritt College, \$23,000; City Mission and Conference Appropriations, \$9,095. Total, \$245,168.01. Contingent, \$13,312.41. Total Home Appropriations, \$269,410.69.

EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

Administration:

Salaries, \$14,547; Clerical Help, \$10,760; Office and Travel, \$4,183. Total, \$29,490.

Education and Promotion:

Travel and Office Expense of Council Officers, \$4,460; Service Department, \$8,240; Publications (less sales), \$8,260; Committees, Bureaus, and Commissions, \$12,833; Interdenominational Work, \$700; Schools of Missions, \$2,500; Inter-Board Work, \$500. Total, \$37,498. Total Education and Promotion, \$66,988.

Total Appropriations for All Departments, \$917,534.38.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

REPORT No. 1

We, the Committee on Education and Promotion, present the following recommendations:

1. That special emphasis be placed on our quarterly events and that the four-point program be continued intensively through the year.

2. That the month of June be designated as "Guest Month" in the Woman's Missionary auxiliaries, and that the regular June meeting be a "Guest Meeting" to which all church women shall be invited as guests of the Society.

The program shall have as its special feature a guest speaker, who is able to make an attractive presentation of the work of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Talking points for this speaker shall be prepared by the Promotion Secretary.

The guest meeting shall be followed by an intensive effort to enlist new members.

3. That we adopt as a slogan for the year: "Increase Life Expectancy of Missionary Society by decreasing average age of the membership." This to be done by an intensive and extensive campaign for enlisting the young women of twenty-four years and over as members.

This effort shall be begun in June by ascertaining and imparting to the district secretary the average age of each society which enters the contest. The contest shall close January 1, 1933, by reporting to the district secretaries the average age at that date. Winning contestants in Districts and Conferences shall be reported at the Council and Conference meetings in 1933.

4. That, in sessions of annual meetings and throughout the Conferences, greater publicity shall be given to, and more emphasis placed upon, the Leadership Training Schools at Lake Junaluska and Mount Sequoyah, also upon Pastors' Training Schools, which are open to the women, and an increased attendance upon these schools shall be urged.

5. That committees be appointed to confer with the management of Lake Junaluska and Mount Sequoyah and to co-operate with them and other agencies at work in these centers to formulate a plan whereby a larger attendance of the women of the Church may be secured.

6. The following texts are recommended for use in the Adult Woman's Missionary Societies for 1932-33:

Home Missions, *Facing the Future in Indian Missions*, by Meriam and Hindman.

Foreign Missions: *Living Issues in China*, by Hodgkin; *Lady Fourth Daughter of China*, by Hollister.

Bible Study: (1) That the "Living Book Series of Bible Texts," issued by the Board of Christian Education, be adopted for use in the Bible study classes of the Woman's Missionary Society.

(2) That the Elective Sunday School Course for the second quarter of 1932 be an accredited Bible Study Course for Bible classes for the Woman's Missionary Societies. This course can be taken with Sunday school classes or in Missionary Society groups.

REPORT NO. 2

The Committee considered a memorial from the Texas Conference relative to a change in the requirements of a limit of six weeks for each mission study course taken by the auxiliary for credit.

The Committee recommend non-concurrence in the request for eight weeks; but we recommend the addition of the requirement of the following words: "In case the class plans a study of six sessions and the regular monthly meeting of the society prevents, one session of the class may extend its time to seven weeks."

MRS. J. E. McDONALD, *Chairman*;
MRS. G. E. EDWARDS, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK

The Committee recommend:

1. In view of the authorization granted by the General Conference 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, that all Conference and auxiliary officers give greater emphasis to the Children's Work of the Woman's Missionary Society, making a study of the plans and programs provided for them and giving them their loyal and enthusiastic support.

2. 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. That this year special emphasis be put on this work.

3. That, due to the unusual value of the study and projects for the vacation period, extra effort be made to give as many children as possible the opportunity to participate in the vacation intensive period of mission study, and that a selection from the following books be made for the study:

China—Junior: "New Joy," Caroline Sewall and Charlotte C. Jones; "Friendship Center in China," Wilhelmina Stoker and Janet Hall.

Primary: "Off to China," Helen F. Sweet and Mabel C. Wagner.

American Indian—Junior: "Many Moons Ago," Katherine Gladfelter.

Primary, "Indian Playmates of Navajo Land," Ethel H. Baader.

4. That publicity be given also through our children's auxiliaries to the books provided by the Board of Christian Education for vacation study, and that those auxiliaries preferring to use this material be given the usual credit for vacation study.

5. That our children be given an opportunity to participate this year in the project sponsored by the Committee on World Friendship among Children.

6. That the Children's Specials, which for primaries and juniors are grade schools under the Woman's Missionary Council in the United States and on seven mission fields, be enlarged to include Wesley Houses and Bethlehem Centers in the United States in order that from time to time studies and projects may be centered around children's work in these institutions.

7. That a special effort be made this year to organize the Beginner Department of the Children's Division in every missionary society.

MRS. M. E. TILLY, *Chairman*.

MRS. HOMER TATUM, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE

WEEK OF PRAYER

1. After a thorough discussion, the Committee wishes to register its approval of the worship services to be used in the Week of Prayer for 1931 and to suggest that an all-day Retreat be included in the plans for 1932. The Committee, therefore, recommend that the Week of Prayer program literature be set up to provide for three programs, as follows:

(a) An all-day spiritual Retreat.

(b) Two programs which can be used for separate afternoon services or combined to provide for an open church meeting.

(c) We further recommend that offering envelopes be provided and that they be designated as Blessing Envelopes. The auxiliary women should be urged to use them whenever they feel gratitude for an especial blessing, either spiritual or material. These envelopes will be made available as early as September 1.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

2. For the Children's Divisions we recommend the following program themes:

(a) Stories of Africa.

(b) Stories of Holding Institute.

(c) Stories of Japan.

ADULT MATERIAL

3. Because the thought of the world centers at present upon China and Japan, and because our Foreign program topics for the last six months of 1932 are based upon China, we recommend:

(a) That "Japan" be made the general foreign topic for the adult programs for 1933.

(b) That "Our Deaconesses at Work" be used as the home topic.

WORSHIP PERIODS

4. There seems to be a widespread appreciation of the provisions for the worship services, as they are now planned. The Committee recommend, therefore, that the present general plan for the worship periods be continued during 1933.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CIRCLES

5. Since the cultivation of the young women's circles is only begun, we recommend that the special literature prepared in 1931 be kept at Headquarters for *newly organized Young Women's Circles*, and that after the first year the young women shall use the regular adult programs with supplementary material as needed.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT, *Chairman*;

MRS. A. M. GATES, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

We recommend:

1. That the Council Standard for Efficiency in Christian Social Relations be continued.

2. That Conference and Auxiliary committees be organized after the pattern of the Council Bureau where women can be found adapted to heading the several lines of work and study:

- (1) International Relations and World Peace.
- (2) Christian Citizenship.
- (3) Interracial Co-operation.
- (4) Industrial Relations.
- (5) Rural Development.
- (6) Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies.

3. That a leaflet be prepared to set forth in simple terms the organization and work possible for committees in (a) large auxiliaries and (b) in small auxiliaries.

4. That auxiliaries be requested to purchase (as authorized in By-Law 9, Sec. 2, for Adult Auxiliaries) the packets of literature as needed for these lines of work.

5. That the program for one of the zone meetings during 1932 be planned for the study and promotion of the six divisions of work in the Bureau of Christian Social Relations, and that intensive use be made of the packets of materials for each topic in which program suggestions are to be found.

6. That posters, charts, and various "eye-gate" displays be secured to add to the effectiveness of programs in Conference, district, zone, and auxiliary meetings.*

7. That the Industrial packet be given prominence at each Annual Conference and District meeting.

8. Concerning International Relations and World Peace we recommend:

(1) That auxiliaries be requested to subscribe for the monthly *News Bulletin* of the National Council for Prevention of War for use of the Superintendent of Christian Social Relations and her committee (50c).

(2) That at this crucial time constant expression of opinion be forwarded to Senators and Representatives by Conferences and Auxiliaries favoring measures that make for world-peace and protesting those in opposition to peace.

9. Concerning International Co-operation we recommend:

(1) That Conferences and auxiliaries promote Leadership Training Institutes for Colored Women to be put on during the summer of

* Prohibition posters from National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Evanston, Ill.

Peace posters from National Council for the Prevention of War, 532 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

1932 at Holly Springs, Miss., Augusta, Ga., and Tyler, Tex., under the direction of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations (a) by furnishing leaders for courses among the missionary women of the nearby conferences; (b) by urging members of nearby auxiliaries to visit the institutes; (c) by creating interest among Negro women in attending these institutes and by contributing where necessary to their expenses to the amount of the cost of room and board; and (d) by inviting the Negro women sent as delegates to the institutes to give reports at our auxiliaries.

(2) That missionary women wherever possible promote more Christian race relations in their home communities through the following procedure, which has proved successful in a number of communities:

(a) Seek the co-operation of missionary women of other denominations in making a study of Negro life in their own community, using the outline prepared by the Interracial Commission, Woman's Division, copies of which, with full directions for its use, may be obtained from Mrs. Jessie D. Ames, 703 Standard Building, Atlanta, Ga.

(b) Following this study, organize a Bible Study Class for Negro women, to be conducted by a small committee of white women drawn from several denominations, the class to study the International Sunday School Lessons. Help the Negro women to organize in connection with the Bible class a community club, which shall meet immediately following the Bible class, the white women remaining for the meeting and helping whenever their help is needed and desired.

(c) The white women of the several denominations should pass on to their missionary societies the information and insights gained from the weekly meetings with the Negro women.

(d) The Bible Class and Community Club should be continued over a considerable period of time in order to make their impress on race relations in the community.

10. Concerning Rural Development we recommend:

(1) That *The Rural Billion*, by Charles McConnell, be continued as the textbook on rural work, and that *The Story of Agricultural Missions*, Hunnicutt and Reid, be recommended as supplementary study.

(2) That the Commission on Rural Development continue to cooperate with presiding elders and all general church agencies in promoting "district round-ups" in the interest of rural work in as many districts as possible.

11. Concerning Christian Citizenship and Law Observance we recommend:

(1) That addresses on Christian Citizenship be given at Conference, District, zone, and auxiliary meetings. Local speakers may be secured, discussions conducted, an Institute of Citizenship held, and literature of other organizations promoting similar lines of work

used, such as those of the W. C. T. U., League of Women Voters, Federated Women's Clubs, etc.

(2) That the following Creed of Good Citizenship, as presented at the Emory University School of Citizenship, be used in connection with the citizenship programs for 1932, in zone meetings, and in various ways.

CREED OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP

I believe in a government of, by, and for the people.

I believe that I have a personal responsibility to my government in assisting to maintain the highest standards and ideals.

I believe that I should strive to understand and to honor my government.

I believe that I should inform myself on public questions, on principles and issues, and on the qualifications of candidates for office.

I believe that I should look upon the right to suffrage as a responsibility as well as a privilege and record my opinion by voting whenever I am entitled to vote, and that I should encourage others to do the same.

I believe that I should be loyal to my government, obey all laws, and co-operate with law enforcement officials, and should be respectful to duly constituted authority.

I believe in tolerance toward those who differ from me on political subjects.

I believe that I should seek to have my country so conduct its international affairs as to avoid occasions for friction or suspicion.

I believe that persons of outstanding ability and good character should be encouraged to seek public office and should regard it as a public trust.

MRS. J. N. MCEACHERN, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. C. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND WORLD-PEACE

WORLD COURT PROTOCOL

Emphasis was laid during the early months of the year on securing signatures from members of auxiliaries, churches, and communities to petitions to Senators urging them to vote for the entrance of the United States into the World Court. Strange it is that there are still Senate members who stand out against this nation becoming a member of this the greatest tribunal established to bring about and maintain world-peace.

DISARMAMENT PETITIONS

Conferences have been supplied with blanks on which to sign in favor of disarmament. While it is impossible to get an accurate check-up, we have been assured of at least 50,000 signatures to peti-

tions forwarded to President Hoover. Many auxiliary superintendents were faithful in presenting the issues at stake to their membership.

CO-OPERATION OF OTHER COMMITTEES

In the advance of the year, an item of large importance is the fine co-operation of other committees composing the Bureau of Christian Social Relations. Some of them have rendered valuable aid and signally increased the sum total of the year's record.

OUTPUT OF PEACE LITERATURE

Much may be said of the work of the Literature Department, co-operating with Mrs. W. A. Newell, chairman of the Bureau of Social Relations, in preparing and publishing peace programs and articles for use in auxiliary and special meetings. The *Missionary Voice* has carried from time to time as fine articles on peace standards as can be found in any journal. The *Bulletin* has been most generous in the space given to promoting peace, the December number being entirely devoted to it in attractive coloring. The *Yearbook*, a very artistic production, prominently sets forth the Council as a peace agency and proclaims it an ally for a warless world.

ARMISTICE AND OTHER SPECIAL DAYS

In a number of committees and often under the auspices of Southern Methodist women, Armistice Day was used to demonstrate the true meaning of its celebration, the cessation of war and the establishing of the principles of peace. The city of St. Louis staged a notable demonstration; the Tennessee Conference did outstanding publicity work; and other conferences made use of special days to educate the citizenship for peace and to turn the thinking of youth into peaceful channels and against the glamor and so-called glory of militarism.

TURN TOWARD PEACE

The latest report obtainable on number of classes studying *Turn Toward Peace* gave the figures at 2,155, with a sale of 10,000 books. The proportion of sales from Board of Missions headquarters to those of all other denominational boards was about one-half the total number sold—a most creditable showing.

THE GROWING SENTIMENT FOR PEACE

This leads to what the Committee regards as the most significant feature of its established place in the Council and the Church—viz., the creation of a bulk of opinion which may be called *peace-mindedness*. Closely related is the sense of the obligation resting on every member of the missionary societies to promote peace and thus to meet her responsibility as a Christian world-citizen in making wars

to cease on the earth and in writing the principles of peace into the hearts of little children.

From henceforth Missions and Peace shall go hand in hand, for the one is impotent without the other.

MRS. E. B. CHAPPELL, *Chairman*;
EMMA V. PEPPLER, *Secretary*.

FINDINGS OF COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
AND WORLD PEACE

The Committee on International Relations and World Peace suggest for 1932 the following objectives:

1. That the Disarmament Conference, while in session, be our "major concern" and that opinions favorable to arms reduction be registered with the State Department and with our representatives at Geneva.

2. That ratification of the *World Court Protocols* be urged.

3. That increased and sustained co-operation of the United States with the League of Nations be urged.

4. That *Compulsory Military Training* be opposed, especially the R. O. T. C. and C. M. T. C.

We suggest the following methods of work:

1. *Education* for World Peace.

(1) Through *Study Classes*.

(2) *Peace Talks* at Conference, district, and auxiliary meetings.

(3) Use of *literature* which may be obtained from the National Council for the Prevention of War, 522 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

(4) *Pageants* and *Demonstrations*.

(5) *Essay Contests* for children and young people.

2. Better Use of *Publicity*.

(1) By means of *Peace Stamps* and *Post Cards*.

(2) Through *Poster Exhibits*.

(3) Broadcasting peace sentiment by *Billboard Posters*.

(These may be obtained from World Peace Posters, Inc., 31 Union Square, New York City.)

(4) Sponsoring *Peace Parades*.

(5) Sending items of activities to the *Public Press*.

3. *Co-operation* with other local Peace Agencies.

MRS. E. B. CHAPPELL, *Chairman*;
MISS E. V. PEPPLER, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP AND
LAW OBSERVANCE

The financial situation kept us from holding a regular meeting of our committee in the fall; yet each member of the committee was deeply interested in the *study* and *promotion* of such work as we were authorized to do.

Soon after Council we lost one of our best and most enthusiastic members, Mrs. J. H. Stewart. At the meeting of the Executive Committee in November we were most fortunate in having Mrs. Homer Tatum appointed in her place.

One of the recommendations passed by the last Council was to have a *Yearbook* program on Christian Citizenship in 1932. How our asking has been "filled, pressed down, and running over" is shown in the new *Yearbook*, where not one but *five* wonderful studies are planned on Citizenship and Law Observance, and leaflets, projects, and lists of studies are given—enough to satisfy and keep the women busy at worth-while things.

The Superintendent of Literature asked for the help of the Chairman of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations, and the Chairman of this Committee and Mrs. Downs either combined or withdrew the Home Mission studies so that fullest co-operation could be given this phase of Christianity.

The January, 1932, *Council News Bulletin* also made a special feature of Citizenship, and Miss Haskin allowed us much space for slogans and reminders about voting and studies.

Last summer the Sunday school planned a fine "elective course" of study for the first quarter of 1932 on the "Liquor Problem," and we desired to work out a plan through which our committee of the Woman's Missionary Council could co-operate in this. At the meeting of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations, November 16, 1931, these plans were completed and presented to the Executive Committee, November 17, for action.

"The Bureau of Christian Social Relations recommends:

"(a) Co-operation with the Sunday school in the studies on Temperance and Law Observance during the first quarter of 1932.

"(b) The appointment of a committee from the Bureau to interview the heads of the Departments of the Local Church, the adults, and the young people in regard to the plans for most helpful co-operation in these studies."

(This committee was appointed, but found that Dr. Quillian, Dr. Schisler, and Mr. Rippy were all out of town, so a letter was sent to each of them, to which they responded most graciously.)

"(c) The preparation of the letter to be sent to the three auxiliary officers most closely related to this work—viz., President, Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, and Superintendent of Study—urging them to enthusiastically enter into a plan of united study for the *whole Church*, lending their influence through the Sunday school for this important work at a most critical time."

After the letter was prepared the committee decided to send only to auxiliary presidents and later print in the *Bulletin*, so this adjustment was made. Seven thousand copies of this letter and a list of inexpensive supplementary Helps on Prohibition Studies were sent to

Conference presidents to be mailed to auxiliary presidents. The December *Bulletin* carried the letter to at least seven thousand publicity superintendents. Many of our women have co-operated, and this should prove to be one of the foremost steps made in Methodism in prohibition education. Many adult classes have actively worked on this course of study. It came at a most strategic time—during the celebration of the twelfth anniversary of the Eighteenth Amendment, when our pulpits were also featuring this study.

The prohibition question is one of the most important before the United States this year, as a glance at any newspaper will show you.

The Chairman of this Committee attended the first session of the Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching, held in Atlanta, Ga., in November, 1931, and helped to promote the state organizations for this phase of Better Citizenship and Law Observance early in 1932. She has also held membership and study participation in the Southern Council for Women and Children in Industry.

The Committee is studying Citizenship through a circulating library, using such texts as:

The Church in Politics, Stanley High;

Hindrances to Good Citizenship, Lord Bryce;

Christian Citizenship, McConnell;

and the literature of other organizations working along similar lines—The League of Women Voters; Woman's Commission for Law Enforcement; Federation of Women's Clubs; Woman's Christian Temperance Union; Parent-Teacher Association, etc., as well as various magazines and periodicals which feature Christian Citizenship and Law Observance.

Literature Headquarters carries a *packet* of materials to supplement the work of the Committee.

We find that a number of Conferences have appointed a woman as member of the Conference Christian Social Relations Committee to specially lead in the development of Citizenship among their members.

The sectional meeting held at Council in Atlanta was well attended, and a most informing program presented, which called forth enthusiastic discussion.

The recommendations and findings of the Committee are included in the Report of the Committee on Christian Social Relations.

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. C. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

FINDINGS OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP AND LAW OBSERVANCE

In our Committee Meetings and the Sectional Session the importance of many things we, as women, can do was emphasized.

Our guest speakers (Mrs. Harry Green, Atlanta, and Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Atlanta) said:

"Register—vote—think—talk. Secure accurate information. Keep in touch with your Senators. Women will work out the problems peculiar to them in their own way. The Association for the Prevention of Lynching is a matter of Citizenship and Law Observance. Materials are available. Join—study—work—to clear our nation of this blot."

Our Committee, in its studies, found:

1. That women may be a strong factor in the cultivation of *right public opinion*. We urge the women to make a study of how public opinion is formed, what influence it exerts, and how it may be changed.

2. The Christian home is the foundation of good citizenship and law observance, and the increasing laxness in marriage and divorce laws is a menace to our civilization; therefore women should make a careful study of these conditions and seek to secure uniform marriage and divorce laws.

3. An active and consistent protest should be made against the unfairness of many of the press agencies in regard to moral issues.

4. Attention should be given to the promotion of clean movies for the protection of youth.

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. C. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

COMMISSION ON INTERRACIAL CO-OPERATION

The Commission on Interracial Co-operation, in common with the other divisions of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations, decided to omit the meeting planned for November because of the expense involved. The members of the Commission continued their study and their interracial activities in their home communities. Mrs. Newell and the Nashville members made plans for the meeting in connection with the Council sessions at Atlanta, which plans were submitted to the other members through correspondence.

On Tuesday, March 8, 1932, the Commission met at the Biltmore Hotel in Atlanta for a day of conference previous to the annual meeting of the Council. All the members were present except the Secretary, Mrs. Ernest Moore, who was absent on account of the illness of her mother. Mrs. Chadwick was appointed temporary Secretary. Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Director of the Woman's Work of the Commission on Interracial Co-operation, Atlanta, met with the group throughout the day. The outstanding emphasis in the discussion was the importance of the interdenominational approach. Church women of one denomination may undertake service with or for Negroes, but genuine community co-operation is much more rapidly achieved if church women make a united approach from the beginning. For several years the superintendents of social service in the Presbyterian, Baptist, and Methodist missionary organizations have been trying to work out the method which will stimulate the greatest pos-

sible co-operation among the women in their local communities. In Alabama a most satisfactory method has been worked out whereby the women of each denomination are urged by their own officials to work together for the establishment of Bible classes and community clubs among the Negro women. The members of the Commission were deeply impressed as they learned of the mutually helpful contacts between white and colored women established in many small towns and villages, and of the growth of community co-operation for better schools, better churches, better homes, and better lives for all the people. It was evident that such fundamental changes could best be brought about by the united efforts of all Christians. It is most encouraging that a method has been found which challenges the women of the small communities, since it is in the country that most of our people, both black and white, live. In some instances county federations of community clubs have been formed as a means of improving county-wide conditions. This method of interdenominational interracial work is recommended to all auxiliaries in the report of the sessions committee of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

The Commission has come to realize more vividly each year the variety of community interracial situations represented by its members. This year each member has adopted her own personal goal for her work in her home community. Progress toward these goals will be reported at the next meeting of the Commission.

The Commission on Interracial Co-operation provided a program for a sectional meeting of the Council on Friday, March 11, at three o'clock. Mr. Howard Thurman, pastor of Atlanta University, led the worship, and Dr. Arthur Raper, of the Interracial Commission, spoke on living conditions among Negroes in two rural counties in Georgia.

Mr. Thurman said that the true meaning of life is destroyed for us (1) when we follow a course of conduct which is unworthy of our highest ideals; or (2) when we adopt an attitude of sophistication toward the ordinary, simple things of life; or (3) when we refuse to give ourselves to some great purpose which is larger than ourselves. The Commission wishes to express its appreciation of being led in worship by one of another race, and hopes that the entire Council may soon have a similar experience.

Dr. Raper told of the double handicaps under which the rural Negro lives. The Commission rejoices that the Council has gone on record as determined to open rural work in a Negro community as soon as possible, and hopes that, in view of the great need, the work may be begun in the near future.

LOUISE YOUNG, *Chairman*;

MRS W. C. CHADWICK, *Secretary pro tem.*

COMMISSION ON INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

The Commission wishes to report that recommendations approved at the last meeting of Council have been carried out. A book on industry is being written by Dr. Alva Taylor, of Vanderbilt University, and will be ready for use in mission study classes by fall, 1933. It is to be published by the Missionary Education Movement, and will thus be an interdenominational book. A package of literature on industry is now ready. It may be ordered from Literature Headquarters for 25 cents. Primary and junior study books on industry were prepared for the winter quarter of 1932. Mrs. C. C. Charles, of of Conestee, S. C., a member of the Commission, prepared an exhibit of the work of a cotton mill for each conference, to be used by the children during their study of industry. Children in various industrial centers prepared scrapbooks to be used also by World Clubs and Circles in this study.

The Commission met in all-day session in Atlanta, March 8. Mrs. Emmett Quinn led the group in thinking what the Commission might do to aid in solving problems of industry in the South.

There is no doubt that industry is a live question today. If we had not known it before, we would have become aware of it during the Council meeting. The meeting of the Industrial Commission was given front-page publicity in the *Atlanta Constitution* and broadcast over the radio with other important news of the day. We have found that industry is not only a live question but a dangerous one at present. Dr. Mercer Evans, Professor of Economics at Emory University, was invited to speak at our group meeting. His talk was to be followed by a free discussion. An effort was made to have representatives of all sides of industry present. News of the program spread. One manufacturer objected to it, stating that we were not giving manufactures an opportunity to state their side of the question. Since, more than anything else, it was the desire of the Commission to be fair, this manufacturing company was invited to give a demonstration of its welfare work. The invitation was accepted, and about a hundred young people came up from Macon with an orchestra. The demonstration was given first place on the program. This was followed by Dr. Evans' talk, and then the discussion. Dr. Evans gave a careful analysis of the present economic situation and the causes of the depression. He was heard with keen attention and interest. The discussion which followed was frank, but was entered into with good feeling.

FINDINGS OF THE COMMISSION ON INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

The Commission on Industrial Relations submit the following:

1. That, as Christians and citizens, we need a new study of the interdependence of capital and labor. The public mind seems rigidly

set against thinking about economic problems. The words "radical" or "dole" raise barriers, and we make no headway in meeting the issues involved. We are more or less slaves to slogans.

2. That the Church must lead in the application of Christian principles to industry. Through leaders trained to face these problems and through groups in the Church coming together to offer constructive suggestions, we may do much toward creating the right attitude toward these questions.

3. That there are men in some Southern industries who are concerned about the social welfare of their employees, who favor reforms which would benefit the industry and give employees more leisure and a higher standard of living.

4. It is hoped that this spirit may actuate a larger group until, in the newer ideals of management, mastership will yield to leadership, and the "good life" for all citizens prevail.

CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH, *Chairman*;

MRS. ISAAC MORRIS, *Secretary*.

COMMISSION ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

REPORT OF THE YEAR'S WORK

The Commission has been sorely handicapped during the year. Circumstances over which the Council had no control have taken from the Commission four of its original members. Only three of the members appointed at Amarillo two years ago are now on the Commission.

Financial conditions have prevented an earlier meeting of the Commission, and it has been difficult to function since the Chairman and Secretary have both been removed from the Commission.

Notwithstanding these handicaps, the recommendations approved at the last Council Meeting have been carried out.

The Commission was authorized:

To prepare a packet of literature on Rural Work.

To prepare a suggested program on Rural Work for zone meetings.

To recommend a mission study textbook on Rural Life.

To co-operate with the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Missions in promoting District Round-Ups in a few selected presiding elders' districts.

The packet of literature has been prepared and has proven very popular. The supply has been exhausted. Two pieces of literature contained in the packet cannot be obtained for future use unless there is a reprint.

The members of the Commission residing in Nashville consulted together and outlined suggestions for a program on the Rural Church to be used in zone meetings. Expressions of appreciation and the calls coming for the suggested program would indicate that it has met a need.

For the textbook on rural life, *The Rural Billion*, by Charles M. McConnell, has been recommended and is being used with profit.

Several District Round-Ups were held last summer. The presiding elder in whose district these meetings were held took the initiative in working out the programs and in advertising the meeting. He was also the presiding officer of the day.

Representatives from the Conference Board of Missions and the Woman's Missionary Society of the Conference were invited to assist with the program.

The pastors of the district and representatives of the various organizations within the local churches were invited.

The county demonstration agent, the county health officer, and other welfare agents working for community betterment were also invited. Some of them made valuable contributions to the program.

These meetings met with enthusiastic approval and proved most profitable in bringing together the several agencies within the Church and in the community to think together and plan together for the improvement of living conditions. Emphasis was ever kept on the Church and its responsibility in meeting the needs. Some of the pastors indicated that they would have similar meetings for their circuits. It would seem wise to continue the experiment another year.

MRS. J. W. PERRY, *Acting Chairman*.

FINDINGS COMMITTEE ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

1. We, your Committee on Rural Development, would emphasize the vast areas of human need in the open country at home and abroad, where it is estimated that one billion people live, the majority of whom lack the opportunity to grow and develop full personality.

We believe the Church must reach the rural billion if every person is to be given the opportunity to grow into the fulness of the stature of Christ.

We believe that the rural pastorate should be held up as a definite calling and young preachers given special training for this work.

As there is a relation between economic stability and farmers who are trained for their work and who have a love for rural life, the rural church must have a rural-minded leadership who can awaken in their people an appreciation of the heritage which is theirs.

We note with gratification the progress which has been made in rural education and health; but as there is yet much to be done before every child, white and Negro, has school opportunity, and before every community has proper sanitation,

We urge:

(1) That the women in the missionary auxiliaries study the educational system of the state in which they live, that they may know the per capita appropriation for education of white and Negro schools; also the school facilities in the open country, as to length of term, equipment of building, and sanitary conditions.

(2) That the women in the missionary auxiliaries visit Negro schools with Negro women and co-operate with them in improving conditions in such schools.

(3) That the women in the missionary auxiliaries endeavor to organize Parent-Teacher Associations, seeking to improve conditions in rural schools by serving hot lunches, by putting pictures on the walls of school buildings, and by furnishing books and magazines for the children.

(4) That they organize Opportunity Schools for Adults, and that they use the Sunday school class period to teach them to read if no other opportunity may be found.

(5) That they investigate the Rosenwald Library Fund, so that good books may be made available and their lives enriched by reading.

(6) That the women organize study classes or reading circles, using *The Rural Billion*, McConnell, and *The Story of Agricultural Missions*, Hunnicut and Reed.

(7) That the women study the leaflets on rural life in the packet on Rural Development, which may be ordered from the Literature Department of the Board.

2. Realizing the importance of health education and the problem in rural sections from ignorance of the laws of health and from a lack of sanitation and proper health conditions,

We urge:

(1) That a study be made of conditions around churches and schoolhouses with special reference to water supply and sewerage.

(2) That County Health Units be organized wherever possible, and co-operation established with the Red Cross, the State Boards of Health, and other agencies interested in better health and social conditions.

(3) That examinations of children in the schools be followed up wherever possible, that mothers may co-operate with teachers and nurses in relieving physical conditions.

3. We believe that the major need in the rural communities today is for a church which is spiritually efficient, with a program ministering to the needs, physical, mental, and spiritual, of every person in the community.

Therefore we urge:

(1) That the women in the missionary auxiliaries co-operate with the pastors in putting on the program of the Church.

(2) That wherever possible the school buses be used to bring the children and young people to Sunday school and church, that they may have the advantage of religious education and Christian culture.

MRS. H. R. STEELE, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. M. QUINN,

MISS OPAL ROGERS.

COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

REPORT No. 1

The year 1931 was one of beginnings for the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message. We have endeavored, by prayerful study and planning, to get this work into the life of every church so that it would be a real power, not just a piece of machinery.

There has been steady growth, indicating an understanding of the real purpose in the work. We believe that the women are really grasping the possibilities and the necessity for the groups. We are gratified at the progress made, and believe that before another year has passed there will be a conviction that no society can do its best without one of these prayer groups working to deepen the spiritual tone of the church.

Retreat

The most outstanding achievement of the year was the retreat held at Scarritt College September 19-21. When the committee held a retreat for its members, so great was its influence that we determined to have one for the conference leaders of the Spiritual Life and Message Committee.

For ten months there was earnest prayer for guidance for leaders and themes. Person after person was considered, but no decision was made until we were sure we were directed in our selection. There was the problem of financing the program without a penny of appropriation. The Committee members and some interested friends made generous gifts that made the retreat possible.

So impressed with the possibilities and the blessing of the work were some of the women that checks were sent to help carry on. We paid all our bills, and have a small balance of forty dollars in bank.

Mr. Fletcher Brockman, Miss Winifred Kirkland, and Prof. Albert Barnett were the leaders of the retreat. The themes chosen were Prayer, Sharing Spiritual Realities, and The Ethical Implications of the Teachings of Jesus.

Sixty-three retreatants, representing twenty-six Annual Conferences, had three days of deep, blessed fellowship. The whole viewpoint of life was changed for some who came. All of us had profounder convictions of the possibility of prayer and the need of its re-discovery as a vital force in the world.

We faced as never before the creative, transforming power of sharing with others the great spiritual realities of faith and love.

A strong conviction gripped us as we realized the failure to truly apply the teachings of Jesus in our everyday life and transactions. We determined to be Christian in our human relationships, that God may rule in all the affairs of life.

There were moments of high exaltation, of deepest humility, and

times of quiet, confident, abounding peace. Rich, wonderful experiences came to all of us in those days when this selected, representative group of conference leaders of the spiritual movement separated themselves from all outside contacts and relationships that God might truly manifest himself to them.

They came from every section of the Church and carried back the ideals and obligations of a real and vital Christianity. Similar retreats have been held by local groups over the Church in conference, district, and church. There is no way to properly evaluate the far-reaching influence of that historic, ideal, Church-wide retreat. Many declared that it was as nearly perfect as a meeting can be. Scarritt College furnished a perfect setting for the meeting. Dr. Cuninggim, the faculty, and helpers did all in their power to provide for every need.

The wonderful spirit of co-operation and the unbroken fellowship and the manifest presence of God were our daily experience.

The speakers were guided by divine wisdom, and we could not have chosen any more adequate for leadership.

We are deeply grateful for the fine co-operation of those conferences who made it possible for their chairmen of Spiritual Life Committees to come.

It is a matter of grateful interest that at this Council the deaconesses held a one-day retreat preceding the sessions. You will have a message from that meeting.

Week of Prayer

At our last Council meeting the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message requested the Literature Committee to furnish material for retreats as part of the observance of the Week of Prayer. Inspiring programs were prepared, and the most encouraging reports have come from all parts of the Church as to their value and far-reaching influence.

Correspondence

Many letters have been written giving suggestions and directions for the program of work, though our policy has been to let the conference and local leaders take the initiative in methods of work, adapting them to the various conditions and localities. Results have justified our faith in the ability and earnestness of these leaders.

We realize the great value of the pamphlet, *Suggestions for Spiritual Life Groups*, and are sure that if these suggestions are carefully studied and followed, any group can function successfully. In the course of the year, as special need arose, we have sent out appeals calling the groups to definite prayer, as when the emergency missionary appeal for the General Board of Missions was sent out.

A request was made that the groups meet for definite prayer for this Council meeting on its opening day. While we work here hun-

dreds of groups over the Church are sharing in the work through intercession.

Reports from Conferences

Most inspiring reports have come from the chairmen of Conference committees as to the progress of the work. The chairman of every conference except two sent in a report. It is a cause of thanksgiving when we read of the activities and results reported by these faithful, earnest leaders of thirty-five conferences. We have endeavored to have as little machinery as possible. For that reason it is impossible to give an accurate statement of total number of groups who are actively at work. Over two thousand groups in twenty conferences have actually reported, but this is not a true estimate, as fifteen conferences gave no figures and the others were not a true report, as so many exist that have not reported.

We have no blanks, no forms for reports, purposely leaving each leader to use her own methods.

We do not want any coercion in forming groups, but seek those in every church who really desire this corporate fellowship. We have urged that we put the emphasis not on reports, desiring only that an inner circle is formed and at work and, for the sake of the movement, keeping touch with the conference leaders for interchange of experiences.

Various plans are being developed. The Council Committee has grouped the conferences, assigning a group to each member for closer cultivation.

This plan is being used in conferences, dividing the conference into sections that are assigned to members of conference committee.

In some there is a leader selected in each district.

Local churches—there are many varying methods of cultivation. Often the town is divided into sections with a leader and prayer group in each section. They are reaching women never reached before and bringing them into the church and missionary society, leading them to pray and witness. Sometimes in larger churches there is a prayer group in each circle. May we have a few glimpses of some of these groups at work?

One reports that they have prayed for months for indifferent members of the church, and there has been a noticeable increase in attendance on services and in interest and in the spirit of worship. One leader writes that the results in her conference alone have been sufficient to justify the work of the Council in this enlarged program.

One group waited and waited without any activity. They finally decided to order the *Suggestions* for the groups, and after studying them went to work with enthusiasm. They set a definite time to pray and study their Bibles; in this way all would be having their quiet time at the same hour. Soon a difference was noted in the meetings

of the society. There was more interest, larger giving, no more gossiping or backbiting. Even outsiders were conscious of a different atmosphere. Members of other churches were asked to join the group, and there has been created a beautiful spirit of fellowship in the community.

From many places comes the story of problems being solved, officers and leaders in the church more easily secured, differences between individuals being settled, jobs for unemployed secured. Many groups are pledged to pray daily for the pastor and presiding elder. Some hold a short time of quiet, definite prayer preceding the regular church service and mid-week meeting, often taking charge of one of the services.

In one society the group has organized a daily Bible Reading Club. They meet monthly to pray and discuss what they have read to get the spiritual lessons and compare experiences. One group made a study of prayers of Jesus and the place of prayer in his life. Others use the page in the *Missionary Voice* devoted to this work as a basis of discussion. This group has chosen the waking hour for meditation and prayer. They have a circulating library of devotional books, which are reviewed and discussed. Many are using the devotional pamphlets arranged for use of the groups.

There are reports of activity in revivals, by definite prayer and enlistment of those outside the church. Still others have brought into the church service the atmosphere of quiet worship as they enter the church, instead of noisy visiting and interchange of news of the day.

In several churches a definite prayer room has been set aside. It is open at all hours for any who wish to drop in for a time of quiet meditation. Often five or six women have been found at the same time availing themselves of the privilege.

When some of the groups gather for corporate worship, a verse of scripture is handed to each woman as she enters the room. She reads and meditates on its message while waiting for the service to begin. Often hymns are played softly during this time of meditation.

One group reports concerted, definite prayer for a brilliant young woman who seemed totally indifferent. She finally came to one meeting and pledged a dollar. After six weeks she gave ten dollars, and when six months had passed gave twenty-five dollars. The bank failed, and she lost all the money she had; but she consecrated her life and became a fine worker and a leader in her society.

One writes: "How have we done without these groups all this time?" Many say: "We are just beginning to learn how to pray effectively."

A story of deep interest comes from the flood areas. One of the splendid towns in the state was threatened by the rapid rising of the

river, and lowering clouds threatened rain that would bring ruin. The group came together for concerted prayer that the rain might not fall. For three days the skies were dark with clouds, but not a drop of rain fell, and the town was saved from the overflow.

These are just a few of the concrete stories of what the groups are accomplishing through prayer. They could be continued indefinitely, but these are enough to give you some idea of the purpose, methods, and results of the spiritual life groups.

Literature

We have made a small beginning in furnishing inexpensive pamphlets for devotional culture. *The School of Prayer*, *The Open Gate to Prayer*, *Silence and Meditation*, and *The Power of Life* may be ordered from our Publishing House, each 25 cents. *Suggestions for Spiritual Life Groups* is a necessity for every group and can be secured for 10 cents from Literature Headquarters. At the same place and for the same price there is now available a marvelous little booklet, *With Our Rainshoes On*—a series of delightfully written records of answered prayer—experiences in the life of a missionary.

We are indebted to the editor of the *Missionary Voice* for the page it has furnished each month for spiritual culture.

Promotion and Extension

We very much need funds for promotion of the work, both in the Council and conferences; your Committee could have done little but for the splendid help of the Service Department at Nashville and the generous donations from the committee members and a few friends.

There are no appropriations available, and the work is being done through voluntary gifts. We believe when this is understood, many earnest, interested people will send contributions, that we may promote retreats, create a devotional literature, and make more effective this part of our enlarged program. Each day in secular as well as church press we read the statement that prayer and deepened spiritual living is the supreme need of the hour.

We are planning, working, praying for even greater growth and power, as we realize that we have made only a tiny beginning getting these groups formed. We are eager to have several retreats in different sections of the Church if we can finance them. We are bringing you a recommendation for a retreat for the western section at Mount Sequoyah this summer, and we ask your prayerful co-operation. Definite plans will be announced later.

We are studying the plans and work of various movements seeking to deepen spiritual life—the Cambridge Movement in England, the Oxford Group Movement, and others.

All the members of your Council and Conference committees feel a

sense of unworthiness to lead in this great work, but find joy in this close fellowship with Christ in the work of the "Inner Circles," and we are grateful for the progress made and the fine spirit of co-operation. "Now unto him that is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages."

DAISY DAVIES, *Chairman*;

MRS. HARWELL WILSON, *Secretary*.

REPORT No. 2

Recommendations

1. Cultivation.

We recommend:

(1) That the Conference Executive Committee, in co-operation with the Conference Spiritual Life Chairman, emphasize the general plan as set forth in the booklet, *Suggestions for Spiritual Life Groups*; that groups make a thorough study of this booklet as a basis for their work.

(2) That the yearly reports made by Conference Spiritual Life Chairmen be sent in January to the Council Chairman of Spiritual Life and Message Committee.

2. Retreats.

Realizing the great spiritual value of the retreat held at Scarritt College last September, we recommend:

(1) That a Church-wide Retreat be held at Mount Sequoyah July 9-11, 1932.

(2) That each Conference, including the Deaconess Conference, shall be allowed two registrations if made by June 1. After June 1 registrations will be open to all up to one hundred registrations.

(3) That a registration fee of one dollar be required; there will be a refund of any fees received after the maximum number is reached.

We recommend:

(1) That the Spiritual Life Committee increase the number of inexpensive pamphlets as rapidly as possible.

(2) That the Publishing House be asked to publish Spiritual Life pamphlets and to furnish self-service racks with money boxes attached to be used in local churches.

(3) That the Chairman of the local Spiritual Life groups be custodians of pamphlets, racks, and money.

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *Chairman*;

MRS. SETH A. CRAIG, *Secretary*.

FINDINGS OF SPIRITUAL LIFE GROUP

The interest of those gathered at this session of the Council was evidenced by the large number attending the group who considered

questions pertaining to the Spiritual Life; approximately two hundred were present.

The first half of the period was spent in discussing: Realizing Spiritual Reality

- (a) Through individual devotions,
- (b) Through the Spiritual Life Groups,
- (c) Through Retreats.

Miss Mabel Howell, the leader, threw out the challenge, "Christians must make good their claims, or abandon these claims.

Those speaking revealed:

1. That those who had sought to make good the Christian claims through personal devotionals had found that the test made had resulted in the banishment of fears, an enlargement of power, and a supreme confidence in the life of the Spirit.

2. It was discovered through this meeting that the group method is growing rapidly. Many methods of conducting groups have been used, and it was the conviction that a new power for the individual and for the Church has been developed. It was declared that the group was yielding that which we cannot even grasp. This was illustrated by one who likened it to a cable of twisted wires which can carry far more than a single wire. There is this same possibility in unified group-seeking the higher power.

3. Numbers testified to the value of Retreats attended, which is the gathering of a group for a longer period with other interests entirely shut out so that complete attention may be given to the matters of the Spirit. A conviction was registered that Retreats are beginning to count in the spiritual renewal of the Church.

In the second period of the group meeting the time was spent in discussing The Possibility of Creating Spiritual Power in the Local Church, led by Dr. H. B. Trimble, of Emory University.

This topic was brought before the meeting by the question, How can the influence of the local Spiritual Life Group be carried over to the membership of the Church at large? The following suggestions were agreed to:

1. By assuming a responsibility for creating a reverence in worship. This is not an impossible achievement if one or two undertake it in the spirit of prayer. Tests of this have already been made in certain instances and found successful.

2. By throwing out to the Church for prayer the interests in which the groups have been enlisted—this is to include vital local interests as well as world-questions. By this process it was believed that there is a possibility of creating a praying Church.

3. By co-operating with the pastor in intensifying the spiritual life of the church and upholding him by prayer. It was believed that criticism of the pastor is altogether negative and not creative.

4. By expectancy and desire. The group was challenged to learn

to know what real desire is. Our lives are organized around our desires. Dr. Trimble stated that the boys who enlisted in the World War felt that they would rather die than that America should fail.

He declared that Christians must come to have this same desperate desire. Christianity is in far more peril than was the United States in the World War.

Do we have this desperate desire?

Do we realize the perils to Christianity in the present-day crisis?

In the answer to these questions lies the test of the Spiritual Life Groups.

MISS DAISY DAVIES, *Chairman*;

MRS. SETH A. CRAIG, *Secretary*.

COMMISSION ON UNOCCUPIED MISSION AREAS

Your Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas, after another year's study, present the following report for your information:

First—Cuba

Cuba has a population of three and three-fourths millions of people, of which 22,000 are Chinese, possibly 150,000 Spaniards, a few thousand Japanese, Haitians, West Indian Negroes, and smaller numbers of other nationalities.

This foreign population is estimated at about nine per cent, and, together with the rural areas and the interracial question, presents a problem demanding attention. No adequate provision thus far has been made for their spiritual cultivation, and Cuba today presents an open door of opportunity for Christian effort. There is definite need for the co-operation of Christian forces in child welfare, health, and Christian education. Agnosticism, sensualism, and mysticism pervade spheres of thought. Theosophy is invading the life of cultured people, while spiritualism is invading the life of the humbler classes.

The Cuban people take a lively interest in education. The per cent of literacy has increased rapidly since Spain granted Cuba her independence in 1895.

The government exercises supervision over all educational institutions and maintains an absolute monopoly of professional and academic degrees.

Second—Indians

In 1894 Congress made all Indians citizens of the United States, and served notice that they could no longer be overlooked in the citizenry of any state. Most of the states do recognize this joint problem.

Contrary to popular belief, the Indian population is not decreasing but increasing. There are at present 344,000 Indians in the United States. Few of us realize that approximately 40,000 live in the Southern States east of the Mississippi River. North Carolina has the largest number, there being 16,579 known as the Cherokees and

Croatians. There are others, and in this state three government reservations with a boarding school and two day schools.

Mississippi comes next in its Indian population of 1,668. There are seven day schools for these Choctaw Indians under government control.

The only other reservation for Indians east of the Mississippi is in Florida, where there are 587 Seminole Indians. In every Southern state there are groups of Indians, ranging from very small numbers in Kentucky and West Virginia to large numbers in North Carolina.

The largest group of Indians, as we well know, is west of the Mississippi. A majority of these live in Arizona, Oklahoma, California, and New Mexico. In each of these states there are large reservations with government and mission schools, hospitals, and sanatoriums.

The Indians who were moved from their homes east of the Mississippi to Oklahoma are known as the civilized tribes, and many of these are entering different fields of labor along with other citizens, and are men of education and prominence.

In the western part of this territory live the wild tribes, each tribe speaking its own language. Some of these tribes have no written language, which makes it very difficult to carry on work with them. The government maintains many schools, and the young Indians attending these schools are between two civilizations, each with a pull on their lives and in opposite directions. Sympathetic insight is needed to help the Indian through this transient period when they are losing much of the old Indian culture and have not yet assimilated white standards. They should be encouraged to think theirs is a noble race with a real contribution to make to American life. If we could place Christian teachers in the government schools, we would be meeting a need and entering a door of opportunity.

Third—Brazil

Dr. Moffatt, Secretary of Indian Missions in America, says that in the twenty republics southeast of the United States, known as "Indian America," there are 18,000,000 pure-blooded Indians.

Out of this vast area, with its backward and isolated native population, only one area, Brazil, with its Indian population of 5,800,000, has been studied.

We find that many of these tribes are still in a savage condition. The Federal Government and religious organizations are endeavoring to reach, educate, elevate, and Christianize "these red brothers of the forest.

MRS. LEE BRITT, *Chairman*;
MRS. C. C. WEAVER, *Secretary*.

FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNOCCUPIED AREAS

Your Committee on Findings submit the following:

Cuba

Very little religious care or instruction is provided for the Chinese, Koreans, and Negroes, and rural areas are in need of the blessing of Christianity.

We urge:

That the Council request that a committee of missionaries and Cubans be appointed by the bishop in charge to study the question of these groups of foreigners and also the rural area, and report their findings to the Council.

Indians in the United States

The need of the Indian is for spiritual help and assistance in the transition from old Indian habits to those of a Christian American citizen.

We urge:

That we accept the definition of our task to these Indians as that adopted by the Home Mission Congress. "Our task is pre-eminently spiritual—the bringing of every Indian into allegiance with our Lord and our Savior for worship and service in His Kingdom, that, with Christians of other races, they may interpret and accept the full meaning of His Lordship in their lives."

And as one of the books recommended in the Course of Study for next year is *Facing the Future in Indian Missions*, we request the Department of Education and Promotion to encourage the use of this book in the auxiliaries, and the auxiliaries to make a study of the Indians in their own state.

And that the Secretary of the Home Section, Woman's Work, be requested to look into the advisability of placing a teacher or teachers in the government schools for Indians.

Indians in Brazil

Brazil, with its large population of uncivilized Indians, presents a vast unoccupied area. The Federal Government and religious organizations are endeavoring to reach, educate, and Christianize them, and the Brazilian Church has established a mission.

We urge:

That, as the Methodist Church of Brazil has assumed some responsibility for evangelizing these tribes, we pledge the new Church in its efforts in this line our interest, prayers, and such co-operation as may be deemed advisable by the Council.

SALLIE LOU MCKINNON, *Chairman*;
MRS. C. C. WEAVER, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND STUDY OF THE STATUS
OF WOMEN

REPORT No. 1

Your Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Women submit the following report:

Since the last Council meeting the Committee has pursued its work through correspondence, cultivation in zones, districts, and conferences, and by two meetings. One meeting was the regular committee meeting for the year held in Nashville November 18, 1931, and the other a pre-Council meeting held in Atlanta, Ga., March 8, 1932.

The Committee decided that the two major problems for study during the year should be Ordination of Women in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Education and Promotion of Women for Elective and Appointive Positions throughout the Church, local, connectional, and interboard.

In pursuance of the first objective, material was provided for use in auxiliary, district, and conference with a suggestive program. In order to ascertain the extent of the use of the material furnished by the Council Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Woman, a questionnaire was prepared and sent to the conference secretaries, who in turn secured from the district secretaries the information. One hundred and seventeen questionnaires were returned from a possible 283 mailed. Fifty-two district meetings and 110 zones used the material supplied.

The questionnaire also sought to arrive at some idea as to how rapidly and in what numbers women are being assigned places on official boards in local churches and on other boards and committees of the Church at large. The questionnaire reveals our second major problem: how to educate and train the women for positions in our Church. The questionnaire also reflected a growing interest in our work—its most beneficial result being the stimulating of the thinking of our constituency.

Also, articles have been published in the *Missionary Voice* bearing on this subject: An article by Dr. Henry Hodgkin, "Women in the Society of Friends" (June, 1931); "Cutting Through the Tangled Underwood of Old Traditions"—the story of Dr. Anna Howard Shaw (September, 1931)—written by Thelma Campbell; "Revivals in the Texas Mexican Conference," by Dr. Frank Onderdonk, an article telling of the author's revivals and the powerful work of Miss Eloida Guerra (August, 1931); articles by Miss Mabel K. Howell and Bishop Ryang telling of the place of women in the autonomous Church in Korea ("A Church without a Curtain," Howell, April, 1931, and "Women and the Church in Korea," Ryang, October, 1931); also, "If Christ Make Us Free" (Mrs. W. J. Piggott, March,

1932). The Committee appreciates the interest and co-operation of Miss Estelle Haskin, editor of the *Missionary Voice*, in giving space and attention to this question. Mrs. C. W. Turpin has added to the cultivation by her fine story, "The Disappearing Curtain," which appeared in the Nashville *Christian Advocate* December 25, 1931.

Two leaflets, entitled *An Open Door for Deaconesses* and *An Open Door for Missionaries*, have been prepared for distribution and use in the next year's cultivation by permission of the Executive Committee of the Council. Mrs. W. B. Landrum is largely responsible for the gathering of the material.

The editors of the Woman's Page in our various *Advocates* have been consulted with the result that short, pertinent paragraphs will appear on these pages from time to time relative to status of woman and ordination of women. These paragraphs are now appearing, and the attention of the Council is hereby called to them as useful material for program and cultivation work.

On Saturday night, March 12, during the Council period, a Dutch Dinner with a cultivation program for ordination of women is arranged. This is intended to provide the Council members with cultivation material and methods for use in the conferences during this new year.

In pursuance of the second objective—education and promotion of church women for elective and appointive positions throughout the Church—a group meeting has been arranged for this Council session with a full discussion of the question in hand. Of all the problems before the women of the Church today, this is probably the most pertinent. It is, in fact, the whole question of actual, legal, full status in the Church with the proper preparation for it. Articles will appear in the Church press during the year concerning this question.

Also, the Committee, through the Secretary, Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, ascertained approximately how rapidly and in what increasing numbers women are taking places on boards and committees of the Church at large and as delegates to annual conferences. The result of the study is as follows:

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| Number of women elected to Annual Conferences in 1928..... | 477 |
| Number of women elected to Annual Conferences in 1931..... | 639 |
| Number of women on Annual Conference Boards in 1928..... | 298 |
| Number of women on Annual Conference Boards in 1931..... | 409 |
| Number of women on Annual Conference Committees in 1928.... | 13 |
| Number of women on Annual Conference Committees in 1931.... | 21 |

The members of the Committee have topics for special study assigned to them in which they try to keep up with the trends as they affect woman and her life. The following paragraphs briefly show the news in these departments:

Education

The history of woman's education in the United States in relation to what will always be her largest and most natural career, home-making, is a revealing development. When the question of woman's colleges was first agitated, certain housekeeping duties were assigned to the girls not only as a necessary phase of education, but as a mollifying specific to those who objected to higher education for women. This was true in Holyoke, Vassar, and Smith Colleges. But woman's education was largely a protest against her limited sphere, and these early home economic attempts gradually disappeared.

The time has arrived, however, when leading educators agree that the early idea had in it valuable principle. They agree that scientific preparation of women for the career that a large majority of them will of necessity choose is not only logical but imperative. This is one of the trends in curriculum-making for schools attended by women, not only in such women's colleges as Smith, with its effective "Institute for the Co-ordination of Woman's Interests," but in state universities and church colleges as well.

Another trend in education for women is the new emphasis placed upon adult education. Schools are more and more making provision for the accommodation and convenience of adults. The Church does not lag behind in this matter but rather leads. Our Board of Christian Education has this phase well in hand. The Woman's Missionary Council has been in the business of adult education for all of its history. The liberalizing and educational values of our education and promotion department have meant everything to the women of our Church.

Women and Economics

A material decrease in the proportion of men gainfully employed and a decided increase in the percentage of women so occupied was reported by the United States Census Bureau on 1930 totals. There were 48,832,589 gainful workers—38,053,795 men and 10,778,794 women. Domestic service claimed the greatest number of women wage earners, with manufacturing second, and professional service, principally teaching, third. Women are now engaging more actively in industry, trade, and office work than ever before. The median wage in thirteen states studied by the Department of Labor ranged from \$8.29 a week in Mississippi to \$16.36 a week in Rhode Island—only four states maintained a wage of \$15.71, which the Bureau estimates is the minimum that a single woman can live on independently. It is well known that industrial conditions are worse for women than they are for men; women work longer hours, for lower wages, under less desirable conditions. The last verse of the Proverbs of Solomon is a guide for those who would balance the scales in

economic standards for men and women: "Give her of the fruit of her hands."

The Family

One of the most decided changes in society has been concerned with women and their place. Women have, during the past few years, taken on a new freedom unknown prior to this century. They have left the proverbial home and fireside vocation and have entered almost every occupational field known to man. Not only have they taken up business careers, but they have succeeded in a large majority of cases, thus proving that women are not members of the "weaker sex," fit only to keep house and worry along with family cares and responsibilities.

Nevertheless, one of the best social controls that the world has ever known is family life. With this institution well founded and functioning with all of the power of which it is capable modern society need have no fear of the evil of divorce, old-age disability, homelessness, vagrancy, and all of the thousands of other evils with which society must struggle when it has allowed the home and family to be lightly considered or even tossed aside as simply a last year's style. The family is the stronghold of the state, and the most precious possession and privilege held by the human race. With it we can meet any crisis.

Politics and Government

In listing some interesting examples of recognition and achievement in the field of politics and government the natural impulse is to mention first the appointment of a great and gracious woman to membership on the delegation from the United States to the Disarmament Conference at Geneva. Woman has always been used to help alleviate the horrors of war, though this is the first time our government has officially used her to try to prevent it. Dr. Mary Woolley, a member of the American delegation to Geneva, is a trained diplomat, for she has guided thirty-one classes of girls through Mount Holyoke, and she has increased the endowment of that institution to \$3,000,000 and trebled the patronage. In temperament, viewpoint, and experience she typifies the organized woman working for international peace and good will, whose efforts have been notable since the World War. Mrs. Corbett Ashby, of England, President of the International Suffrage Alliance, is a member of the British delegation at Geneva.

In line with this recognition comes the news that when the twenty-three delegates from far-away Burmah, seeking dominion status from England, met at the Round-Table Conference in St. James Palace last November, one of the twenty-three Burmese was an attractive and able young woman named Miss Hay Oung. She was the only woman delegate to the Round-Table Conference.

The election of a woman to the United States Senate is another milestone marking progress. Mrs. Hattie Caraway, of Arkansas, appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, at the expiration of the term sought and obtained re-election. She had the distinction of being the first woman elected to the Senate of the United States. There are now six women serving in the lower house of Congress. The conservative Canadian Parliament has one woman member. An increasing number of women are receiving appointment as judges of both higher and lower courts. The Federal Civil Service Commission, the Compensation Commission, and the Passport Division all have women appointees, and women head the Federal Home Economics Bureau, the Woman's Bureau, and the Children's Bureau.

Notable among the recent laws enacted relative to woman's work is the passage of bills affecting nurses in the navy. After twelve years of effort the Association of Nurses has secured disability pensions, the same as enlisted men, and retirement pensions on three-fourths pay, the same as navy officials do. Another important bit of legislation was the passage of the Cable bill, which relieves American women married to foreigners from the necessity of seeking naturalization to regain their citizenship lost through marriage. The old law was a relic of paganism and the dark past when women not only must accept the husband's nationality but his religion as well.

These varying examples of the increasing tendency to recognize woman's ability and worth should cause Christian women to move thoughtfully that there may be wise adjustment to the new freedom and that the Church may be led to face unafraid the implications of Christ's attitude toward women.

The Church

The Study of the Status of Women is especially interesting as it affects their relation to the Church. Various denominations have before them the question of Ordination for Women; the answer, as to what bearing this will have on other questions of importance to the extension of the Kingdom, is being sought.

In the foreground of these important discussions is that of unification. Just at this time the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Protestant Methodist Church are considering union; Protestant Methodism ordains women on the same basis as men; the Methodist Episcopal Church does not.

Women everywhere are anxiously awaiting the decision as to what the status of women in the United Methodism will be, and if the women will be eligible for ordination in the new Church. The women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, have thought for many years that full laity rights would include the right to ask for ordination, just as laymen may do at any time if called of God to

preach; but, in the light of the ruling of the last General Conference, the question is: "Have women in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, full laity rights, since the Church does not give them the complete privileges accorded men?"

If this right is not given, it will have a disastrous effect upon the questions now confronting the Church at home, and even more would it affect the foreign mission enterprise. Much of the thinking and effort of the women of the Church will be centered on securing equal status with the men, because they believe this equality of privilege is exemplified in the teaching of Jesus; since, in his ministry, he made no discrimination between men and women.

Respectfully submitted.

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

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

REPORT NO. 2

The Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Women, in line with the action of the Woman's Missionary Council in relation to Ordination of Women in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, recommend the following items:

1. That Conference, district, and zone leaders incorporate in their program a presentation of ordination for women, making use of material provided and outlined in a suggested program to be distributed by Conference Secretaries.

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.

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

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

FINDINGS, COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

We, your Committee on Findings, submit the following for your consideration:

The attitude toward women still dominating the world is not a Christian attitude. Jesus, through his life and teaching, gives to men and women an abundance of life which permits and expects development of full personality. It is this teaching of Christianity and the belief that all should come to this position in Christian thinking and action that have actuated the women of the Woman's Missionary Council in appointing a committee to study the status of women in the Church and in all of life.

As a result of this study have come growing convictions: (1) That we, as a missionary group, have a responsibility for the women of our Church, to arouse in them a desire for fulness of life in Jesus Christ, to the end that they may satisfactorily and adequately share in the program of redeeming all areas of human life; (2) that the Church of Jesus Christ is ultimately responsible for the recognition

of the spiritual equality of men and women, and that our Church should remove the restrictions now imposed upon the exercise of that equality.

In order to discover and define woman's place of largest usefulness in the Kingdom of God, both at home and abroad, we urge a continued study of the report, "Woman's Place of Service in the Church"; the use of materials and programs prepared and furnished by this Committee for auxiliary, zone, district, and conference meetings; and we bring to your especial attention pertinent articles that are appearing from time to time in the *Missionary Voice* and in the Church and secular press.

The laws of our Church provide larger opportunities for service of women through membership on general, conference, district, and local church committees, commissions, and boards. But surveys show that the representation is wholly inadequate and unjustly proportioned. We believe that the Church should recognize and appropriate the full contribution which women can make, and we further urge that the women of our Church give due diligence in recognizing their responsibilities in this matter and in rendering a faithful and efficient service in these places now open to them.

MRS. W. B. LANDRUM, *Chairman*;
MRS. E. A. KITCHELL, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON SCARRITT COLLEGE FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

The Committee has heard with appreciation the address of Dr. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College, and wishes to express its gratification at the progress of Scarritt during the past decade, 1922-32, for the service it is rendering the missionary cause and the Church at large.

The success of Scarritt emphasizes the need for endowment, general scholarship funds, and two additional buildings.

We recommend:

That all missionary societies make a special effort to pay the \$4 per year maintenance fund for the regular expenses of the college.

That missionary women who already know and love Scarritt cooperate with the college authorities, first, by endeavoring to make the whole membership of the Church thoroughly acquainted with the distinctive character of the institution by sermons, special addresses, by representatives of the college or friends, by a wide distribution of Scarritt literature and programs illustrating the work, which can be used by different organizations of the Church.

That an earnest effort be made to secure men and women of means who, because of their intellectual outlook or spiritual insight, might be interested in the peculiar work done by Scarritt, who might be led to make gifts, annuities, or bequests to the college. By discovering

and cultivating such men and women and leading them to feel the value of Scarritt the funds of the institution might be materially enlarged.

MRS. R. L. HOBODY, *Chairman*;

MRS. H. S. OWEN, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE TO FILL VACANCIES ON COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, AND BUREAUS

The Committee to Nominate Members to Fill Vacancies on Standing Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus present the following recommendations:

Commission on Industrial Relations.—Miss Elsie Wright in place vacated by Mrs. H. A. Dunham.

Committee on Spiritual Life and Message.—Mrs. W. E. Hillyard in place vacated by Mrs. Harwell Wilson.

Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas.—Mrs. J. W. Downs in place vacated by Mrs. S. M. Black.

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Chairman*;

MRS. C. C. WEAVER, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

1. A recommendation was received from the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council, as follows:

Amend By-Law 2, By-Laws of the Woman's Missionary Council, page 363, 1931 Annual Report, by the addition of the following words: "Should the office of President become vacant during the year, the Vice-President shall carry the duties of the office until the next annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council."

The By-Law will then read: "The Vice-President shall preside in the absence of the President. She shall actively advance the interests of the Woman's Missionary Council. Should the office of President become vacant during the year, the Vice-President shall carry the duties of the office until the next annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council."

Amend By-Law 12, By-Laws of the Woman's Missionary Council, page 364, 1931 Annual Report, by the addition of the following words: "provided that in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice-President shall fill the office until the next annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council."

The By-Law will then read: "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; provided that in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice-President shall fill the office until the next annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council."

The committee recommended concurrence.

2. To the recommendations from two members of the Upper South Carolina Conference that By-Law 2 of By-Laws for Conference Societies, and Articles 4 and 9 of Constitution for Adult Auxiliaries be so amended as to change the word "pledge" to "financial goal," the Committee recommend nonconcurrence.

MISS EMMA V. PEPLER, *Chairman*;
MRS. B. M. BOWEN, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The motto of the state of Georgia—"Not for ourselves, but for others"—tells the story of her great achievements. Here the first orphanage in the United States was founded; here was chartered the first state university in America; here were enacted the first anti-slavery and prohibition laws; here the first college in the world chartered to confer degrees on women was owned by the Methodists; and here the great Methodist denomination had its birth.

But dearer than all to the hearts of this group of women is the fact that Georgia is the state of our birth. In Atlanta, in the basement of the First Methodist Church, in May, 1878, the first Woman's Missionary Society was organized.

We have wandered far since then; we have lengthened our lines until in every Conference in Southern Methodism there are Woman's Missionary Societies; we have multiplied until we number 197,000 members; but we are still your Methodist children, though of the second and third generation, and we feel that in coming to Atlanta for our twenty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council we have indeed come home.

Since coming we realize anew that "kind hearts are more than coronets," for gracious kindness has been the golden thread visible in every contact from the pre-Council letters of the personal hostesses to the last goodbye of the officers of the North Georgia Conference.

We especially desire to put on record our thanks to Dr. and Mrs. S. H. C. Burgin, our pastor host and hostess; to the presiding elder of this district; to the other ministers of the city; and to the Committee on Arrangements generated by Mrs. S. F. Boykin, who have left nothing undone that would add to our comfort and happiness. The luncheons each day have been most delicious, and we extend our gratitude for them to the Methodist churches of the city and to our sister, South Georgia Conference. To this we add our appreciation for the freshness and beauty of the flowers and the well-rendered programs of music which have been a feature of each day.

A large number of the body had the pleasure of attending the reception at the beautiful home of Mrs. Preston Arkwright, who so graciously opened her doors to us.

For all these things, for the courtesies of the press, of the Bilt-

more Hotel, and of all other persons or organizations contributing to the success of our Council Meeting we give thanks.

The Council body is exceedingly appreciative of all those who have had a part on its program, the value of which has been greatly enhanced by the contributions that the deaconesses and missionaries have made in the presentation of their work. We have been distinctly benefited by the presence of the nationals and the first-hand information which they have brought to us.

We wish to thank Miss Capitola Dent and Paine College Glee Club for their contribution to the program.

The enlightening and inspirational addresses and sermons of Mr. Paul U. Kellogg, Dr. Fletcher Brockman, Bishop John M. Moore, and Dr. Luther A. Weigle have given us food for thought and meditation which will furnish us reservoirs from which to draw strength throughout the year. We would mention especially the noonday worship periods led by Dr. Forney Hutchinson. These hours have brought us closer together, nearer to God, and have given to us a new realization of the necessity of a Spirit-filled life, if we are to become channels through which the Christ life may be released to the world.

While we are conscious and appreciative of all these things that Christian friends have contributed for our profit and pleasure, we are more keenly conscious of the presence of God. He is our All in all.

MRS. F. B. GODFREY,
MRS. HELEN B. BOURNE,
MRS. J. M. QUINN.



MEMOIRS

“And now in Him their souls have perfect joy,
They know each other wholly, see the truth,
Gaze backward, forward through the stream of time,
And by His Spirit’s life
Live radiantly in Him, eternally.”

BISHOP WILLIAM BENJAMIN BEAUCHAMP

Bishop William Benjamin Beauchamp was born March 16, 1869, in Farnham, Va., and died at his home in Richmond, Va., June 28, 1931, after a life rich in service to his Church and for his fellow-men.

“A distinguished churchman, prominent in international councils and acknowledged as foreign ambassador and diplomat of his denomination; the highest official in the World Brotherhood Federation, composed of laymen from practically every country of the globe; a deep thinker with a comprehensive grasp of the world situation and the world’s missionary needs; a forceful speaker whose message was always heard with eager response; a superior organizer and executive; a genial friend, a lover of little children.” Such was the testimony of a devoted friend.

Collectively and individually the women of the Church ever found in Bishop Beauchamp a sympathetic friend, and this paper is concerned chiefly with his record in missionary service.

From its beginning his ministry was marked by an active creative interest in the missionary work of his Church. In 1910 he was a member of the World’s Missionary Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland; from 1911-1919 he served as President of the Virginia Conference Board of Missions; from 1910-1922 he was General Secretary of the Laymen’s Missionary Movement of the Southern Methodist Church. During this latter period he also became General Director of the great Centenary drive for \$35,000,000, which culminated in May, 1919, in pledges amounting to \$50,000,000. In 1921 he was a member of the Fifth Ecumenical Conference in London. He became Bishop in 1922, and his first field of service was the new mission field in Europe. In 1928 he was a member of the great interdenominational and international Missionary Council in Jerusalem. He served as President of the Board of Trustees of Scarritt College from the time of its removal from Kansas City as the Scarritt Training School to Nashville until his death. He served as President of the Board of Missions from

1926 until his death, and his last public service was that of presiding at the meeting of the Board in May, 1931.

L. P. P.

MISS NANNIE B. GAINES

"Miss Nannie B. Gaines went to the field in 1887, at the call of Dr. W. R. Lambuth (later Bishop), Superintendent of the Japan Mission, which was in its first year. She reached Hiroshima in the evening and on the following morning began her career as a missionary which extended over a period of forty-five years. Miss Gaines was indeed a pioneer and a true and statemanlike leader. She had the power of initiative and knew when a particular piece of work was ready to be turned into other hands. The Hiroshima Girls' School is the result of her devoted service; she was its efficient principal for thirty-three years." From the first she determined to make the school a Japanese school, so that the students might be prepared for life in their own country. She introduced new methods and instruments, but these were always adapted to things Japanese. During her lifetime Hiroshima Girls' School grew from a very small first attempt to educate girls beyond the fourth grade into a college with government recognition. More than a thousand girl graduates had the touch of Miss Gaines's rare personality. Successfully she extended the influence of the school far beyond the confines of its walls; it was a part of the regular program for the students and faculty to engage in religious and social work. Then the splendid kindergarten system extending from Hiroshima into many localities of Japan is unique in missionary work and the result of her farseeing vision.

When she retired as head of the Hiroshima School she continued her service by carrying the Good News into out-of-the-way places and by visiting the graduates in many places throughout the kingdom. The alumnae gave her a beautiful home connected with the school, and she continued to the end of her life (February 24, 1932) to be a vital part of the Mission. Japan was indeed her adopted land; in all her years of service she had had only three furloughs. After her death the Mayor of Hiroshima, T. Ito, testified not only to her Christian character, to her efficiency as a teacher and leader, but also to her statesmanship: "Her character, clear and bright as a gem, commanded the respect of all and is a veritable god of education. By her beautiful influence she made a tremendous contribution to society as a whole. It is needless here to mention all the honors conferred upon her—such honors as having an audience with the Crown Prince or having been acknowledged by the American educational association or by the Hiroshima prefectural and municipal educational association. When we think of her intimate relations with her pupils, more than a thousand in number, we find it not a mere accident that she could forget the fact that she was getting old and could overcome the unspeakable longing for home, and could even desire to have her remains

buried here in this strange land." During her last days she was greatly stirred over the conflict between China and Japan. In her delirium she talked constantly of the work in Japan, in Korea, and in China; also of the dreadful situation. Her last audible words were: "We have touched the outside, but we haven't touched the inside yet."

E. C.

MRS. JULIA ACTON

Mrs. Julia Acton was a person who through her life shared with others all of the good things she had. She and her husband spent sixteen years in the service of the Woman's Missionary Council, working with the Koreans and Japanese on the Pacific Coast. She was instrumental in the organization of a number of churches for the oriental people. It was Mrs. Acton who shouldered the work during the last four years of their service, keeping herself in the background so perfectly that the oriental pastors did not recognize that it was she who was bearing the responsibility. She survived Mr. Acton six years, during which time she kept in close touch with the work of the Missionary Society. On the morning of June 27, 1931, she joined her loved ones in the other life. She was laid beside her husband in the beautiful cemetery in San Jose, Calif. Four of the oriental pastors with whom she had worked were present and took part in her funeral service. Her life continues; she is not dead.

MRS. J. W. D.

DEACONESS ALETHA GRAHAM

Deaconess Aletha Graham was a native of Tennessee. She was born at Shellmound, Tenn., 1875. After a life of sacrificial service she died there July 14, 1931. When news came of the death of Miss Graham, it brought sorrow to the hearts of many friends. Miss Graham had a gentle manner and was by temperament deeply spiritual. The death of her parents left her very much alone, so she decided to prepare for service at the Scarritt Bible and Training School. She desired to be sent to the neediest field; at one time her appointment was to a very large church, but at her request it was changed and she was sent to the Mary Werlein Mission in one of the poorest sections of New Orleans. Later, because of ill health, Miss Graham retired to her estate at Shellmound, Tenn. Her eight years of service meant much to the coming of the Kingdom. All lives that touched hers were made better. Miss Graham was laid to rest in the family burying ground at the foot of Lookout Mountain. Friends came from all the countryside and nearby towns, for she was greatly beloved.

MRS. J. W. D.

MISS ODA CAMPBELL

Miss Oda Campbell was appointed as a missionary to Mexico in 1929. She went to the field in August of that year and served as a teacher on the staff of Colegio Palmore in Chihuahua during the school year of 1929-30. For the following year, 1930-31, she taught in Colegio Roberts in Saltillo. A short time before the close of the school year she became ill with double pneumonia. Her sister and brother-in-law, a physician, drove to Saltillo to take her to her home in Texas for her vacation. On the advice of physicians, who thought she had recovered sufficiently to make the auto trip, she started away with them, but died a few hours after reaching her home in McKinney, Tex.

Miss Campbell was an A.B. graduate of the North Texas State Teachers' College and was a student in Scarritt College one year. For eleven years she was a successful teacher, and she was making a fine contribution to our work in Mexico. Her place in the school and in the hearts of her students and co-workers is not easily filled. E. C.

REPORTS FROM THE FOREIGN FIELDS

BRAZIL

COLLEGIO BENNETT, RIO DE JANEIRO

MISSIONARIES: EVA LOUISE HYDE, PRINCIPAL; MAUD A. MATHIS,
MARY HELEN CLARK, AULTIE BURNS

(Opening paragraphs by Miss Eva L. Hyde. The remainder of the report was prepared by Miss Aultie Burns, at the request of the faculty.)

Since our newest missionary recruit has written such a full report and from a fresh point of view, we older ones think best to refrain from swelling the volume of the Council's annual publication. I should like to add only a few words. First of all, I wish to thank the Council for sending us Miss Aultie Burns. We hail her as a true missionary, earnest, dedicated, and efficient. Her contribution to the spiritual atmosphere of our school has been noteworthy. She has made good progress in her study of the language and next year will take over the Bible teaching in the high school.

Miss Clark, who has been with us three years now, has grown steadily in the favor and esteem of all. When I leave for my furlough next August she will take over the direction of the school. At present she has charge of the English classes in high school. An outstanding feature of her work this past year was the founding of an English Club for the high school girls, to which their brothers and boy cousins were also admitted. The meetings, held once a week, were occasions of much wholesome merriment and were valuable training socially as well as intellectually.

We are all looking forward to the World's Sunday School Convention which is to meet here next July. Bennett will have every corner filled with delegates and we expect much profit from the meeting. What a joy it will be if we can count some of the members of the Woman's Council and its auxiliaries among our guests!

"From the inside," Bennett does all the things that are done by any other school of its type. Our system of grading and classification corresponds more or less closely with that of the primary and secondary schools in the United States. It is different from these schools in the respect that Bennett offers during the last two years a normal course for the preparation of those students who expect to become teachers. The curriculum offers the usual subjects, English and Bible being taught and required in all the grades.

Our school population, despite hard times, has increased this year from 306 to 317. We have had in our boarding department sixty-two girls, each of whom is being trained in the ordinary household duties. Each girl makes her own bed and is responsible for the care of the dormitory during her own week of duty. These boarding students likewise alternate in serving the tables in the dining room. We have also scholarship girls who have additional duties as a means of defraying their school expenses. Our daily worship, which comes just before the evening meal, is conducted by the students themselves, under the supervision of one of the teachers.

One of the red-letter days on Bennett's calendar came when Miss Mathis returned from the States to resume her work in the school. For Miss Mathis brought with her, and abundantly fulfilled, a promise of a reopening and reorganized home economics department. For weeks before the opening of school, painters and carpenters were busy tearing away ancient partitions, unwieldy cupboards, etc., and transforming the whole department into a shining up-to-date kitchen, with adjoining pantry, filing cabinets for materials, and additional space. And when Miss Mathis made lovely golden and white curtains for the windows of the dining room out of one of her bedspreads, the sun almost forgot to set from peeking too long through those east windows. But the best gift that Miss Mathis brought back to the school was herself—full of new enthusiasm after a year's study and eager with her old and beautiful devotion to her work. She is now working on a textbook for the use of the girls, a book which she has written herself and is painstakingly writing now in Portuguese.

Bennett is likewise busy "on the outside"—that is, she is a vital link in the life of the local community and in the larger Christian social life of Brazil. My first realization of this came in April when it was my privilege to accompany a group of Student Volunteers to Bello Horizonte, where the annual Student Volunteer Conference was being held. There were in our group also students from other evangelical schools of Rio and from neighboring cities. Granbery College furnished a substantial delegation. The Student Volunteer work, hardly more than in its infancy here, resembles forcibly in spirit and purpose similar larger groups at home. I was impressed with the youth of most of the members and with the earnestness they brought to the discussion of their problems. They impressed one as being less subjective and theoretical than those that characterize our own student groups. They hardly mentioned such topics as the existence or idea of God, questions of doctrine, etc. They were rather concerned with the very real problems that confront the evangelical churches of Brazil—the questions of liquor, illiteracy, and superstition, the combating of disease. Theirs were not statements of belief but direct questions: "What are *we* to do about it?" As to the existence of God and the value and meaning of prayer, these young people exemplified their complete assurance of the one and their practice of the other when, on starting on an all-day picnic, they paused a moment and offered a prayer of thanksgiving for the day and a petition for guidance. A Rio boy was elected president of the association for the coming year, a Bennett girl being elected secretary and treasurer.

In close relation to the work of the Student Volunteer group is the work of our own local missionary society. This society has regular business and devotional meetings. It makes and sells articles to raise money, and uses this money, for the most part, in local charity work. One of the most interesting and helpful enterprises of this group during the current year has been a night school conducted by the students, in which the servants of the school are taught. Some of these servants are entirely illiterate, while others can read and write. That these servants are appreciative and eager to receive this instruction, their own interest eloquently testifies.

Another unique student organization of Bennett is the Association for the Benefit of the Lepers. This society gave a bazaar and entertainment, obtaining therefrom more than \$250.00, all of which was devoted to the lepers.

Bennett is also actively interested and co-operating with the educa-

tional movement in Brazil. Some of our teachers attend the weekly meetings of the Brazilian Education Association. Our principal, Miss Eva Louise Hyde, not only attends these meetings, but is recognized as one of the most valuable members of the association—as is well evidenced by the fact that she has been chosen a member of the advisory council of the Association, and in addition is a member of the executive committee of the National Educational Conference which is to meet this month in Rio. This association works not only through the schools, but is inaugurating a broader educational program by means of radio addresses, press notices, etc. The newspapers have given favorable notice to this work, not only printing detailed accounts of the meetings, but also asking permission to print the radio addresses of the members of the committee.

Of course the criterion of any school is determined by its product. Bennett's graduating class this year numbered ten girls. One of these graduates is to teach in our school next year, and her enthusiastic joy over her work is contagious. Another goes into settlement work in a Methodist institution of Rio. Yet another has unusual talent as a singer and is to continue her musical studies in Bennett. All of them, we feel, are better prepared to do effective work for having been here, and we ourselves are better prepared to "carry on" for having had them.

PEOPLE'S CENTRAL INSTITUTE, RIO DE JANEIRO

VIOLA MATTHEWS, PRINCIPAL; ALLIE COBB, KINDERGARTNER

We have just closed the best year we have spent at the People's Central Institute. The matriculation reached 381, with the highest average attendance during these four years. The kindergarten also showed a marked improvement over the former years. The eight dedicated Brazilian teachers co-operated in every way for the advancement of the Master's cause throughout the settlement district.

One of the red-letter days in the school is "Indian Day." Three years ago Dr. Nelson Aranjó, our Brazilian missionary to the Indians, visited the Institute and told the children about his work. From their desire to help grew our "Indian Day," annually celebrated on October 12. This year there was great interest and enthusiasm among the children during the previous month. They set \$25.00 as a goal. It was interesting to observe them as they deprived themselves day by day of ice cream and candy to bring their "tostoes" as an offering for the Indians. After an enjoyable program, attended by parents and friends, the children marched class by class and placed their offerings in the basket. We realized our lack of faith in them when we knew that the sum total of their offering was \$33.00.

Among other interesting features of the work at the Institute is the Annual Field Day on September 7. This year after a civic program, there were gymnastics, races, and volley ball and football games. We felt greatly honored to have the band from the Fire Department play for us.

Through the consecrated effort of the teachers made during *Bem-Te-Vi* Week, a week of great propaganda for the magazine, our school has attained the largest subscription list of the schools of Brazil. The children look forward eagerly to securing each copy of the *Bem-Te-Vi*.

Our Juvenile Temperance Society has grown year by year. This year one of the members won a prize in an essay contest among the schools of Rio de Janeiro. During temperance week in October a number of the children took part in a radio program.

Much of our time is spent working in the clubs organized in recent years. Our Mothers' Club organized in 1930 has grown in numbers and developed in interest throughout the two years. Several programs with illustrated lectures have been enjoyed. Many of the students graduated from the Institute in former years continued to show interest in the school and its activities which resulted in the organization of a so-called "Students' Club." The monthly meetings are offering an excellent opportunity for spiritual, moral, and social development.

The entire Institute district awaits with greatest anticipation the closing exercises of the day school. In spite of the rain, not less than 1,200 people came. The good order and silence that reigned throughout the audience showed the keen interest in and the appreciation of each number. The May Pole Dance, being a novelty, was especially applauded.

The Institute Church under the leadership of a young Brazilian pastor, who studied for some years in the States, has developed steadily. Perhaps our efforts have aroused the Catholic priests to action, for we find many of our Sunday school children drawn away from us. The Woman's Missionary Society and the work among the young people have been reorganized according to the discipline of the autonomous church. We have enjoyed working with the intermediates and young people. It has been a great joy to see many of them make a public confession of their faith in Christ. During the month of December we taught in a Daily Vacation Bible School held especially for the street children around us.

COLLEGIO ISABELLA HENDRIX, BELLO HORIZONTE

LELA PUTNAM, PRINCIPAL; LUCY WADE

The year closed on a happy note. The general tension and uncertainty felt during the first and middle of the year, due to the unsettled political situation and constant rumors of impending revolutions and counter revolutions, began to lessen toward the end, and a gradual return to normalcy ensued, so that we were enabled to complete the work of the last three months under more favorable conditions.

Collections came in much better than we had reason to expect and, instead of the deficit we feared, it was possible to write "paid in full." Our matriculation was good, falling short of last year by only two. Some of our patrons had difficulty in meeting their obligations, but few pupils failed to finish the year because of finances.

Another encouraging note is that the prospect of securing government recognition is more promising than ever before. In a private interview with the governor of the state we were virtually assured that, at an opportune time, affiliation would be granted. The uncertain conditions and delicate political situation are the main obstacles in the way.

In November we gave a festival in the Municipal Theater in benefit of the State Society against leprosy. It was a great success. There were so many requests for a second performance that we repeated it two weeks later to another full house. Our school had the honor of presenting the largest contribution the Society had received up to that time. In recognition of our efforts the state health director and president of the Society sent us a letter of warmest appreciation.

The festival proved to be excellent propaganda for the school, although we had no thought of that when we presented it. The new state leper colony was inaugurated on December 24, and when completed will accommodate one thousand persons. On the most com-

servative count there are in this state alone ten thousand lepers. The government and individuals are aroused to the situation and are endeavoring to do something about it. We are glad to have a part in this work.

The work in the Church has gone steadily forward this year, the teachers and girls taking an active part. We have a fine group in the Young People's Society, who are doing a splendid work considering the training they have had. Each Sunday morning before Sunday school a group goes out to some poor home to carry food and direct services. Every Saturday evening some department of the Young People's Society gives a program, literary, social, etc. At present we are having a Bible study conducted by the pastor.

On Christmas Day the young people made a visit to the prison, taking each prisoner a basket of food and candy. The group has made regular visits to the prison throughout the year.

Our young people took an active part in the Student Volunteer Conference which met at Collegio Isabella Hendrix at Easter time.

While there has been very small increase in the Sunday school attendance, some fine work has been done. The superintendent is also a teacher in Collegio Isabella. The Young Woman's class celebrated its twelfth birthday November 2. One of our teachers is the teacher and brings the class fine messages every Sunday.

The primary department has made marked progress under the splendid supervision of Miss Farrar. She had as helpers several of our students who are now helping in our Daily Vacation Bible School. This is the fourth year we have had the school and the children are beginning to think of it as a necessary part of their vacation. Both Catholic and Protestant children attend.

In the winter we had the privilege of entertaining in Bello Horizonte the State Sunday School Convention, at which time propaganda was made for the World's Sunday School Convention, which will be held in Rio de Janeiro next July.

The last of October the volley ball team from Granbery College came up, to take part in a tournament in which Collegio Isabella and two city teams entered. Upon general agreement, an entrance fee was charged, the proceeds going to the fund for lepers. We hope this can be repeated next year and that other schools will enter, for we feel these outside contacts are helpful to our girls.

It is our privilege to help with an English Club composed of young people of the very finest families in Bello Horizonte. The club has weekly meetings in the homes of the members. We are glad to have this contact with these young people and the mutual benefit derived from this.

The happy climax of the year was the graduation of the largest and finest class we have had. This class is the first to complete the State Normal Course which we adopted three years ago. Of the twenty-three graduates, more than half are Christians, and six of them are scholarship girls and student volunteers. Two of these will teach in the People's Institute in Rio, one in the Orphanage which opens this year, and one for us. Several of the class will go to Bennett College for further study and others will work in their own churches. It gives us great joy to send out these fine, well-prepared young people, and we feel that in preparing them we are most surely advancing the Kingdom of God.

O PIRACICABANO, PIRACICABA

MARY JANE BAXTER, PRINCIPAL; SOPHIA SCHALCH, ALICE DENNISON,
C. L. COOPER

The year 1931 was a memorable one in many ways for the Piracicabano. In spite of the depression, post-revolutionary readjustments, and uncertainty of all kinds, we opened school with more pupils than at the beginning of the year before, and had more the first term than during all the year before. Needless to say, collections were difficult and financial problems more complicated than usual. However, the exchange which threw us on our resources so far as consumption was concerned added to our income and so helped us to balance our budget. We closed the year with an empty treasury but with most of our obligations up to date.

1931 marked the fiftieth anniversary of the Piracicabano. Comparatively few schools in Brazil, whether public or private, have weathered the storms of fifty years and are still functioning. Former pupils, teachers, present-day students, and friends combined to make it a real celebration. The Methodist Church of Piracicaba also celebrated its fiftieth anniversary a few days before the school and we made the festivities dovetail into one another—the church celebration closing in the Sunday service and the school joining in that for the religious part of the festivities. Our annual athletic field day was held on this occasion, including in its program a volley-ball match between our girls and the girls of the school at Ribeirão Preto, and a basketball match between our boys and a nearby school. The culminating programs came on Tuesday. The students and ex-students had decided upon an obelisk to be erected in the garden in front of the school. It was inaugurated in the midst of great enthusiasm and with a vast attendance, including officials of the town and schools. That evening a literary program was put on by the present student body before the fullest house I ever saw at the Piracicabano. Every available space was full until there was not more standing room. Every one co-operated with us in a wonderful way and we felt that the town wanted us to feel that we really belonged to them and that they appreciated what we were trying to do.

Immediately following the week of jubilee celebrations, a week's revival services were held in the church. A number of conversions occurred among our boys and girls and many others were greatly blessed.

Another feature of our jubilee year was the graduation of the first class from our gymnasium—the department which has government recognition. A class of nine boys finished the course. This was the first graduating class from the Piracicabano to include boys in its number and it was all boys! We felt that the school had done much for these boys. Many of them had spent most of their lives in the school and we had watched them grow up and develop: we were not ashamed to claim any one of them as our product. One of them is a member of our church, another is a candidate for church membership, and some others are definitely interested in the Gospel—all a definite result of school influences. These boys are all entering professional schools this year and we feel that we have made a worth-while contribution to the manhood of Brazil.

The Gymnasium Department has cost us much in money during these five years; it has cost us more in work, worry, anxiety, confusion, and uncertainty. It has brought us, however, some benefits. We are known in an entirely different field from any where we had been known before. We have established a reputation with the

officials with whom we have come in contact for honesty, sincere work, and desire to do the best the law and the program of teaching will permit us to do for the students who come under our care. The problems have been many and not a few of them have remained unsolved, but the loyalty of our students has been a joy.

The graduates from our Normal Department are teaching in all the southern part of Brazil, and in spite of government regulations which restrict more and more the schools in which graduates of unofficial schools can teach, I know of no one of them who has desired to teach and who has remained without an opportunity to do so. One has just received the necessary permission to teach in our gymnasium under the new regulations which are very stringent.

The boarding department was under the direction of Dona Sophia Schalch during the most of this year. We had more boarders than at any time since the coffee crisis came on and for the most part we had a good health record, with very few changes in the personnel during the year. Dona Sophia herself was not well during a good part of the year.

The Domestic Science Department had a successful year under the direction of Miss Alice Dennison. She brought us some much needed equipment and is helping the girls of her classes to buy more. She is enthusiastic and untiring in her work.

Mr. Cooper has done excellent work in recreation with the boys. They have been enthusiastic in their acceptance of his leadership in athletics and have regarded him as a real friend. He has had some enthusiastic classes in English and Bible. His appointment as principal was welcome to students and teachers. He has their good will and friendship as a firm basis on which to begin his task for the new year.

The outlook is good and we hope for progress.

COLLEGIO METHODISTA, RIBEIRAO PRETO

EMMA CHRISTINE, PRINCIPAL; HELEN JOHNSTON, ROSALIE BROWN

"With great enthusiasm the Methodist school closed its elective year which ran its course without any interruption, whatever, in the regular routine. The final festivities greatly recommended this widely known and highly accredited institution of education. The program of the final 'Festa' was much appreciated by an audience of about six hundred persons.

"We offer our sincere congratulations to the principal of the school, to the competent and zealous teachers, and, in a very special way, to the pupils, who, with so much perfection, represented 'Red Slippers,' 'Snow White,' and other numbers on the program."—*Translation of comment from the press.*

In May our school entered whole-heartedly into the observance of "Educational Week"—a week set apart by the federal government in the interests of instruction. Beginning with the kindergarten, every grade in the school made an attractive demonstration of its work, with characteristic embellishments. So for one week we kept open house to the patrons and the many friends who visited the school.

Temperance Week was observed in October, as decreed by the government. That is, the advantages of total abstinence were taught in the schools and were given first-page space by the press. The local chapter of the W.C.T.U. of this city offered prizes for the best themes written by the school children of the city on the subject of temperance. One of our scholarship girls won first prize.

It seems impossible to write a report to the Council without mentioning improvements made on the property, and this report cannot be an exception to the rule. This year's contribution to improvements is as follows: First, building the street wall that incloses the property higher by one-half meter. Since this good work has been completed we no longer suffer the annoyance of constant invasions of our school grounds. There is a state law that prohibits the climbing of a high wall; but there is none against jumping a low wall. Now we are well protected.

The second work in the way of improvements, which merits attention, and which is not yet completed, is the remodeling of the corner house to make room for our kindergarten, so ably directed by Miss Rosalie Brown. The room the children have been occupying has been too small to make free use of the splendid system of construction blocks which we ordered three years ago from Uncle Sam's country. One little fellow was taken out of our kindergarten and put in one "less expensive." But he refused to stay, saying, "In the Methodista we build bridges and churches and houses and pianos, and everything, and in this little school we have nothing."

We have had wonderful flowers this year from Miss Johnston's flower garden. A profusion of cut flowers has done much to brighten and to make glad our school home.

Two of our scholarship girls joined the church in August. My Normal class in the Sunday school has done excellent work this year, and with this I will close my report for 1931.

CENTRAL CHURCH, SAO PAULO

RACHEL JARRETT

My first work in Central Church was to help locate our six hundred members widely scattered over the city. But what revelations of the Spirit and Grace of God have been given me in this searching and visiting! Here only an unusual courage, enabling one to renounce the religion of ones forefathers, will bring one into the Protestant faith; and to go out daily to visit these—many of whom have indeed passed through tribulations to come into the glorious liberty of a true Christian experience—has been a joy to me.

Our woman's society was reorganized in the beginning of the year and is successfully carrying on the work formerly done by two groups—one an old-time "aid society," the other the missionary one. In it I have conducted the monthly mission study class, and have had charge of distributions for the poor. We have given out, besides other necessities, more than two hundred garments in the past six months.

Besides a great deal of other local work, our Society is paying in full its missionary pledge.

It has been a pleasure to work with the Young People's Society as counselor in their devotional meetings. Have led some of the evangelistic services held in the homes of our people.

Our Sunday school attendance steadily increases. As a substitute teacher I have come to know many pupils. In July an unorganized Home Department was given to me which now numbers sixty and has contributed four teachers to our school. Recently I have organized a class for deaf mutes.

As usual the Temperance Society has claimed a part of my time. Then for a while I substituted for the teacher of a weekly English Bible class for women.

The outstanding event of the year was a revival conducted in our church by Dr. George Ridout. Our pastor and congregation were

greatly blessed, the other evangelical churches took part also, and the quickening was felt generally. The Holy Spirit was present in power, and many conversions made us rejoice in the Lord.

COLLEGIO CENTENARIO, SANTA MARIA

EUNICE ANDREWS, PRINCIPAL; LOUISE BEST, MABEL JETTON,
BERTA SIMMONS

It is perhaps unnecessary to state that Brazil has shared in the great economic crisis, but in spite of this and rumors of revolution, Collegio Centenario has had a good year. Our program for the school year was realized, and all financial obligations were met.

Although our school is highly esteemed—proved by our enrolment of eighty-six boarders—we hope during the coming year we may become affiliated with the government schools. Some of the patrons like to have their children in a school recognized by the government; others are delighted with the course which we offer. All visitors are impressed with our buildings, the sense of comfort, and hygienic conditions which prevail.

The Brazilian teachers who lived in the boarding department were engaged in active Christian work. They contributed largely to the success of the work both in the church and in the school.

Miss Mount was missed in the music department. However, she left this work well organized and three efficient Brazilian music teachers carried on the work in a commendable way. Forty-three girls were enrolled in this department. The monthly recitals and the one given during commencement week scored talent and efficiency.

The Domestic Science department continued in favor. The girls, under the able direction of Miss Louise Best, prepared many delicious and wholesome dishes. The girls enjoy this work and delight their parents with their ability to cook and to arrange esthetically a dining room. Fourteen girls received certificates for having completed the short course in cookery.

Physical education was conducted by a competent German director. The girls under her supervision gave some most attractive drills and exercises during the year; value was given to correct poise of body and personality.

One pleasing feature of our work was the weekly programs given in the auditorium by different grades, beginning with the first and ending with the eleventh. The children lost their timidity and self-consciousness. They developed to a large extent their ability to dramatize and execute attractive programs. Observation of National Holidays and events by the Patriotic Club of our school added interest to our work.

Miss Kennedy and Miss Jetton did good work in their respective departments. Besides their regular work they had some special English pupils. They won new friends outside of our circle of friends in church and school. We were indeed glad to count Miss Berta Simmons as one of our number. With her enthusiasm and long experience as a teacher we feel assured that she will be quite an asset to our faculty.

Some improvements were made during the year. A high board fence was put up all around our property. Although it is not so attractive as a brick wall it gives privacy and affords more freedom to the girls on the recreation grounds. Installation of the city water was one of our greatest blessings. A piano and some necessary books for the library were purchased.

We sent a teacher and one of our girls as representatives to the

League Conference. Some of our older girls, as usual, have rendered service in League and Sunday school. Besides Bible classes and daily prayer service the boarders maintained their vesper hour. Most of the girls showed their love and appreciation of a Christlike spirit.

The six girls of the graduating class are all members of some evangelical church. They are beautiful, promising girls. Three of them remain with us as members of our faculty.

Besides some classroom work, my office work, and general administration duties, I have done what church work I could.

I am closing twenty-four years of service and within a few days I shall leave for another furlough. I am glad to have the needed rest and change, yet it is hard to leave, for my heart overflows with love for the school, for my girls, and for the teachers and friends.

COLLEGIO AMERICANO, PORTO ALEGRE

MARY SUE BROWN, PRINCIPAL; CLYDE VARN, RUTH ANDERSON

This marks the close of my twelfth year as the head of Collegio Americano. Not even my first year as principal was as difficult as this one has been. The financial crisis was so acute we feared we would not be able to meet our obligations. The matriculation, 226 pupils, was not so good as it was last year; there was much sickness among teachers and pupils, often interfering seriously with our work; opposition and criticism brought their problems; unfortunate situations which we could not control gave us hours of real anxiety. It seems that all the problems a school could face came to us this year. But even so, the year came to a successful close.

We had our first graduating class from the Normal Department, seven fine girls finishing the course. Five of these are Protestants and all of them have been in the school at least eight years; some have spent their entire school life with us, so we have exercised a large influence over them. Nearly all of them will teach next year, and we are glad to have their help.

Brazilians attach much importance to the celebration of birthdays. The birthday of the head of the school is an occasion for special festivities. This year one of the teachers had the happy idea of celebrating my birthday by giving the school a gift, in my name, instead of making a personal present to me. For many years I have wanted a museum to help us in teaching Natural History and Science. Dona Joaquina Reis, knowing this, enlisted the help of the other teachers and of the pupils in acquiring and organizing a museum, which was publicly presented to the school on my birthday. The enthusiasm was so great that a month later a pay festival was held from which they realized nearly \$200, making it possible to add a number of specimens to the collection already secured. Friends and patrons became interested and we have had more than a hundred donations since then, many of them of real value.

We have also had some valuable gifts to our library, which now numbers about 2,000 volumes. This is at least a beginning.

In January, 1932, the Woman's Missionary Conference will hold its annual meeting in the school. We expect fifty-five delegates, from all over the state. In October, 1923, the Conference Society was organized in our parlor. At that time there were less than a half dozen missionary societies in the state. Now there are over forty local societies in the five districts and over one thousand five hundred active members. The women have developed a real missionary spirit and show marked ability. It is a privilege to have the Conference women as our guests during their meeting this year.

I have been teaching the Woman's Bible class in our Sunday school for twelve years, and also the Bible Study Class in the Missionary Society. Six of our teachers and three of the older girls have taught in the Sunday school. One of the senior girls was organist for the Sunday school and a number of the young teachers and older students worked in the Epworth League.

Through all the difficult problems of the year we have the strength that comes from a realization of the presence of our loving Father.

INSTITUTIONAL DAY SCHOOL, PORTO ALEGRE

MARY SUE BROWN, SUPERVISOR

Institutional Day School continues to be the step-child in our school system. It is impossible for the principal of Collegio Americano to care for a day school situated on the other side of the city. I have visited the school as often as I could, and since Dna. Clota Silva, the head teacher in the school, came to live in the Americano, I have kept in closer contact with the work. The school has had a constant struggle. Many factories are closed and others run only two or three mornings each week, so an increasing number of our pupils continue to leave us and go to the government schools or to the free Catholic schools. Attendance has been smaller this year due to sickness in this section of the city, which has no sewerage or regular water system. Typhoid fever is endemic, and there are always two or three epidemics going the rounds.

The four teachers have done faithful work and the year has been worth while in spite of all handicaps. Four girls finished the five-year course and will go to Collegio Americano next year. Every year we send the graduates of the Institutional Day School to the Americano. Two of the graduates in this year's class in the Americano came originally from the Institutional Day School. One of them will return to Institutional to teach, and the other will teach in another church school. There is no section of our work where one may find better material than in the neighborhood of Institutional Day School and a trained full-time worker should be in charge of the school. We rejoice in the fact that Miss Zula Terry has been appointed to take charge of this work in 1932, and believe that her work will be wonderfully blessed, and that a new day will dawn for Institutional Day School.

GENERAL VISITOR FOR WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

LEILA F. EPPS

It is a joy to note the beautiful spirit among our women as they cheerfully and intelligently take up and carry forward their share in the responsibilities of the Autonomous Church. This has been a great year for them and I feel that we have been able to do more constructive work than in any one year before. In January we met with the Presidents of three Conference Societies: they co-operated beautifully in making plans for a more united work in the future. We wrote a constitution for the Conference Societies, which has been approved by the Board of Christian Education and accepted by all three of the Conference Societies. We also prepared the constitution for the "Confederation," which is composed of the Presidents and Secretaries of the Conference Societies, thus firmly uniting the Woman's Work in this field.

It is a privilege to prepare program material for the Societies. This we publish in *A Voz Missionaria*—our the *Missionary Voice*—in

Brazil. We find and publish first-hand material, human-interest stories that, so far as we know, have never been published. We use them for program material and try to preserve them for the future records of our work in Brazil.

Among the rich blessings of the year was the experience that came while we were preparing the program for our Week of Prayer. The subject was "Great Calls to Great Service"—studies based on the calls of Abraham, Moses, Joshua, Isaiah, the Twelve, and St. Paul.

God wonderfully blessed the Annual Meetings of our Societies this year. All felt the presence of the Holy Spirit guiding as we tried to adjust ourselves to the new order of things. The new name given to us is proving to be a real blessing. We no longer have the misunderstandings that came from the names "Aid" and "Missionary." Now we know that we are "The Methodist Society of Women," and like our name very much.

A great step forward during the year was the plan to put into practice the motto of our *Voz Missionaria*, which is "Information leads to inspiration." We decided to make this a year of real study, and it is meaning much to those who take part in the District Institutes. We have had four and are planning others, hoping that each of the fifteen districts in our Church in Brazil will hold an Institute. Nearly all the Societies sent representatives to the Institutes we held; they made up the members of the Institutes and took active parts in the studies. The pastors of the Churches also attended the sessions and helped us by taking active part in the work we were trying to do. A number of invitations have come directly from other pastors asking us to hold Institutes in their churches. This is a new and an encouraging note. In the places where we have held Institutes, the women are begging that we have them every year.

CHINA

Laura Haygood Normal School, Soochow

KWE YUIN KIANG, PRINCIPAL

KINDERGARTEN DEPARTMENT—MISS KATE B. HACKNEY

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT—MISS MARY WINN, MISS ALICE ALSUP,
MISS ELOISE BRADSHAW

MUSIC DEPARTMENT—MISS NINA W. TROY, MISS ETHEL BOST

The total enrolment for this year is 346. The students are from ten provinces. We have five girls from the South Sea Islands. The majority of our students come from the business, the educational, and the political circles.

The Kindergarten Department has been able to open a Nursery School this year, and we have a class of sixteen little tots from three to four years of age. This Nursery fills a long-felt need both in our community and in our school, and it is the most popular room in the Primary School when we have guests.

There are forty-one on the staff, nineteen of whom are either college graduates or have had work in college. We are happy to report to you that thirty of our teachers are earnest Christians. Those who are not members of the church are certainly Christian in attitude and spirit. We feel most fortunate in securing such a faculty.

On the 20th of August, we were officially registered with the Provincial Educational Bureau, as a Normal School. This gives our school its proper standing among the educational institutions. It also en-

ables our graduates to enjoy the privileges of entering colleges and teaching in government schools.

Last year, we mentioned the need of a high school department. This year the need is even greater. A number of our best students who wanted more advanced high school work left us at the end of the junior high school because we were unable to furnish the extra faculty and space to give the desired courses. We pray earnestly that soon there will be a way of meeting this urgent need.

Since registration it is necessary to put the religious instruction outside of school hours. This restriction has, however, been a blessing because seventy per cent of our junior high and normal students are taking Bible this year. This is twice as many as we had last year when optional courses were given on the regular schedule. They are divided into twelve groups according to their ages and interests. Twelve of us teachers volunteered to study with them. Some groups meet twice a week, and others once a week, for an hour. The smallness of the group makes it freer for us to talk over problems and also easier to get closer together.

For our children in the primary school we have organized a Junior Missionary Society. About fifty of the older children belong to it and are very proud of their membership in that association.

Every Sunday morning we have Junior Sunday School in our school chapel for our own students in the junior high and for those of the Soochow University junior high. The children of the community missionaries also attend this Sunday school. The Kindergarten, Primary, and Young People's Departments meet in the church and in Miss Maggie Rogers' home.

We have also started a Nursery school at the church during the church hour on Sunday morning. Many of the parents leave their children there as they go to church. The attendance is governed by the weather to a large extent. The fewest we have had is seven, the most, thirty-four.

The senior class helped in the church Nursery school during the fall term, and the junior class will help during the spring term.

Since the fall of this year our work has been very much interrupted. First the flood relief drives, then the patriotic movements on account of the Japanese military invasion of Manchuria. Our students are most painfully affected by this national crisis. For several weeks, they have been engaged most energetically in all sorts of patriotic activities. They take first aid training and special physical training. They go out among the people to enlighten them on the present situation, and to beg from them to help General Ma of Manchuria, as well as for the flood sufferers. They listen to lectures on national problems. They make cotton-padded garments for the flood districts with the money which they have been saving by cutting out one meat dish from each meal. Then when neither the government nor the League took any definite action toward the Manchurian trouble, our students joined their sisters and brothers of the other schools, first going to Nanking to petition the government, later going out on a general strike to force the government to do what they thought was the way to save China. They wanted to help the country right away. They were impatient of any slow or impractical (at least to their minds) way at this time of crisis. This attitude is of course natural for the young people all over the world. At a time like this, misunderstandings, estrangements, and unhappiness are easy to arise between the faculty and the student body because of the difference in viewpoints.

The students seem to be settling down now. In all we lost eleven school days which we are making up by studying on Christmas Day,

New Year's Day, and also postponing our winter vacation. Several schools in this city and elsewhere are still on strike. We have gone back to work on a slightly changed schedule, shortening each class period by five minutes so our students can carry on the kind of patriotic work they have been doing for the last month or so. This does not sacrifice any of the regular work; it only gives the girls a heavier program and we are all working under very difficult conditions. One can hardly settle down to work when his national neighbor keeps on occupying one important city after another in Manchuria and, at the same time, more than half of his country is suffering dreadfully from the flood. On top of all these, the political leaders seem unable to agree on national affairs.

This year we cannot say that we have passed another year peacefully and happily. We really have had a most trying year, but we are grateful indeed that it closed with the faculty and the student body closer to each other, richer in life's experience, and stronger in our determination to make Laura Haygood serve China better than ever before.

DAVIDSON GIRLS' SCHOOL, SOOCHOW

MRS. Z. N. TSIANG, PRINCIPAL; NAOMI HOWIE, LILLIAN KNOBLES

Davidson School is now registered with the National Government, formal application for registration having been made in the spring and accepted by the government during the summer.

It gives me pleasure to report that, although we are registered, we do not feel that the Christian spirit of the school has been altered. Our eighty active Christian students have organized Bible study groups which meet outside of school hours. In the junior middle school there are two groups, one Christian and one non-Christian. In the higher primary there is one group of about seventy children. Many Christian and non-Christian students attend Sunday school regularly. The Christian students are active in the junior missionary society. A number of them belong to the young people's service group of our church and help in the afternoon Sunday school for street children.

In the faculty, twenty-three out of twenty-eight teachers are Christians. Miss Dju Mei Yu, a Ginling graduate and a sister of Miss DjuYu Boa, is the dean of the school. Miss Knobles assists her by acting as adviser to the primary teachers. We are glad to have Miss Howie back after her furlough.

During the year three hundred and ninety-six students have enrolled. The pupils of the primary department are greatly interested in their School Municipality of which there are four departments—the publicity department, the library, a shop, and the department of public health and safety. The work of these departments is divided among four grades.

The members of the athletic association of the middle school were greatly pleased over their victories at the inter-school track meet which was held last June.

Of the seventeen girls who graduated from our junior middle school last year, five have gone to normal school, five to senior middle school, and several are teachers in outstation day schools.

The new building of the Moka Garden Embroidery Mission will soon be completed. When the Embroidery Mission moves into it, the rooms they now occupy will be given to our junior middle schools. That will allow us more classroom space, which we greatly need.

LILLIAN KNOBLES

This year has been one of calamities and tribulations for China. There have been floods, famines, plagues, civil war, and banditry. But our people in this section of the country have been almost untouched by any of these, and our work has gone on with very few interruptions.

My English classes in the middle school are a source of real pleasure for me. It is when I am with our girls in the classroom that I am most conscious of the value of our educational work, and it is when I am with them that I receive fresh inspiration for continued service. They bring out the best that is in me with their friendliness and responsiveness.

This year Miss Lea Ming Tsu and I are the workers in religious education for the higher primary pupils. Miss Lea of her own accord offered her assistance in this department. She is the head of our music department and carries a full schedule there. But, because we could not get a suitable teacher for this work in religious education, she volunteered to serve here also.

I have been assisting the dean of our school by trying to help the teachers of the primary department with their problems in teaching and classroom management. Although it has not been possible for me to give them as much assistance as I should like to have given, I know them much better than I did before, and this association with them has been very helpful to me.

NAOMI HOWIE

At the time of writing it has been less than four months since my return to Davidson Girls' School; consequently I have very little to report. Now that I have experienced a furlough and the joy of coming back to those among whom I worked for five years, I feel that I am no longer serving an apprenticeship, but am a full-fledged missionary.

My program of work is practically the same as before. I am quite interested in trying out some of the new theories of language teaching that I learned during my year in the United States. In addition to classroom instruction I have work in the Sunday school and other organizations which enables me to form other contacts with the girls.

I am beginning my second term on the mission field with the sincere desire that I may contribute something of a constructive nature to the vast program of Christianity in the East.

MOKA GARDEN EMBROIDERY MISSION, SOOCHOW

MITTIE J. SHELTON

Practically all this year has been given to the planning and construction of the new building, on which work was begun in May, and is now completed. It is a gift from the women of the Alabama Conference, whose love and generosity we most sincerely appreciate. According to the plans of the Mission and the Council, Moka Garden Embroidery Mission will become a part of the new Center when it is opened. The new Center is to be called the "Dowdell Center" and is to include both evangelistic and social service work. We hope to make of the Center a "House by the side of the road" from which we may be "a friend to man."

In the Embroidery Mission we have had more work than we had last year and have been able to pay our workers and other expenses

without difficulty. The regular Bible classes and the Girls' Club have been carried on. During the spring term we had the bathrooms open weekly but during the fall term it was not possible to do so. In the new Center we shall be able to carry on the bathrooms more easily as we shall have water from the deep well piped into the rooms.

Our work this year has been done by the usual staff. Mrs. King and Miss Wong have been faithful and their efficient work made it possible for me to help in supervising the building more than I could have done had they not been able to do so well the work in the Embroidery Mission.

We are hoping to do an acceptable piece of work in the Center, which will be opened in February of 1932.

WOMAN'S WORK, WEST SOOCHOW

MARY M. TARRANT

The Woman's Work of our Church in West Soochow has been carried on as heretofore by the Bible Women under our local committee. The local committee is composed of five women of the church, the pastor, and myself. The plan of using a local committee where possible was evolved some years ago in order to give more responsibility to the Chinese women and to train them in bearing this responsibility. The committee meets once a month to hear the reports of the Bible Women and to discuss plans for the work. The women on the committee are busy in their homes or in our institutions, but they are very faithful in attendance. The chairman, Mrs. Charles J. Vane, is Supervisor of Atkinson Primary School, which makes heavy demands on her time and strength. But she is prompt in calling the meetings and never seems to begrudge a minute given to the woman's work of our church.

Mrs. Tsu Au Ding-Pau, our Senior Bible Woman, has been in our work nearly thirty years. The faith, the zeal, the beauty of her Christian life make her a power, and she is one to whom we all turn for help and advice in problems that are particularly difficult. Once I heard her quietly say that she never tried to do the least thing without first asking to know the will of the Lord. Mrs. Tsiang and Mrs. Kau have been in our work about fifteen years. Mrs. Tsiang was led to be a Christian through her sister. Mrs. Kau used to wind silk to make a living for herself after the death of her husband. She became interested in Christianity through the visits of our Bible Women. Mrs. Tsiang and Mrs. Kau both went to the Hayes-Wilkins Bible School after they decided to do Christian work. Mrs. Ji was an educated woman when Miss Rogers came in touch with her nineteen years ago. Mrs. Sui entered our Embroidery Mission when she was a girl and married one of our Christian students. He died several years ago, leaving her with four little children. She not only does Christian work outside of her home, but she is bringing up her children in the way that they should go. Miss Au Vung-Nyok came into the church when she was a young girl. For many years she taught in our schools, and for the past few years she has been giving her time to the Woman's Work. Mrs. Koo, although retired, helps a great deal in the work.

The women visit in the homes of the church members, students, probationers, and non-Christians. They lead meetings, teach Sunday school classes, and often go with the pastor or some of the men of the church to places in the country near here to hold meetings. They spend a good deal of time in teaching women in their homes to read the Bible—our new church members, probationers, mothers of our

students. They make regular visits to the Old Woman's Home and other institutions of the city where we are permitted to hold Christian services and do personal work with the inmates.

The statistical report shows the figures, but only in that day when "every man's work shall be made manifest" shall we know all the sorrowing hearts that have been comforted, all the burdened souls saved from sin, all the darkened eyes pointed to the Light of Life through the services of these humble handmaidens of the Lord.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK, SOOCHOW

MAGGIE J. ROGERS

The year opened with a retreat for all our Deaconesses and Bible Women in Changchow; our workers attended and it was truly a spiritual feast for all.

The Soochow District Institute for Preachers and Bible Women was held in Soochow and this was followed by a city-wide union evangelistic campaign, with preaching in all the city churches and chapels, which strengthened us and secured new believers.

Bishop Kern called the missionaries to Shanghai for an inspirational meeting, at which time the new Moore Memorial Church was dedicated.

In April the Annual Meeting of the China Conference Woman's Missionary Society was held in Soochow; this is one of the most encouraging things in our Woman's Evangelistic Work, as it shows some results of training and growth in Christian life and Christian Spirit. About three hundred delegates were present, representing one hundred twenty-two auxiliaries, personal work stressed through year, contribution normal (about \$3,000 Mex.) for the year, and new societies organized, mostly Junior and Young People's Missionary Societies; Gaither Memorial Fund doubled and Memorial to be built at "Chi Tong," the new home mission field.

At St. John's Church we have weekly woman's meetings, with course of Bible study, and bimonthly special Bible classes and mission study classes.

The workers visit regularly in the homes and in the hospital, hold cottage prayer meetings and have part in Sunday school, Epworth League, Missionary Society, and other church work.

Our Adult Woman's Missionary Society is one of the oldest in the China Conference and has eighty members; our Baby Division has eighty-six members and we have this divided into four classes and mothers and babies attend classes II, III, and IV quarterly.

The primaries and juniors meet monthly and we have two societies of each; recently the young women wanted to be organized so they could do more definite study and get missionary training, so now in all we have eight organized societies (with a membership of 257) in St. John's Work.

Twenty-one ladies were "honor guests" at our Annual Old Ladies' Birthday Party—four are eighty-three years and one is ninety years old.

This year we held two Short Term Bible Schools, in the spring and the fall; this is daily intensive Bible study for two weeks and the total enrolment was one hundred and sixty-five women for the two schools. Our women also observed the Week of Prayer with daily programs and made an offering of over seven dollars.

In November, some of our workers had an interesting trip to

Shanghai and attended the Soochow District Evangelistic Workers' Institute.

December has been happily full of meetings of various groups in our work—Christmas programs and plans made and carried out to bring Christmas cheer, twenty such groups had their Christmas meetings at our Evangelistic Center.

The Laura Haygood Primary prepared forty packages for one of our Children's Clubs; our Sunday school gave the money and wrapped the packages of fruit and candy for two chapel Sunday schools outside the City Gate. Other groups prepared for the Orphanage, Old People's Home, and other Charities.

St. John's Christmas Offering is the yearly special charity contribution and is brought up and offered at the Community Christmas service, which was a beautiful candle service this year. The Lord has blessed us abundantly.

VIRGINIA SCHOOL, HUCHOW, CHEKIANG

CHIU LI YING, PRINCIPAL; MARY BLACKFORD, SUE STANFORD, MAMIE HARMON

This past year has been unusual for Virginia School in that we have been able to continue our work in spite of political troubles and unrest among students all over China. Remembering the difficulties that previous crises have caused us and the unusual seriousness of this particular one in Manchuria, we feel that the stability of this year is a considerable achievement. Whereas the majority of schools in China have missed a part or all of the fall term's work, we have not as yet missed a single day.

The enrolment for the past year has been 285. While the student body of the high school is smaller than formerly, it has shown a two-thirds increase over last year, which we feel is not only hopeful, but as rapid an increase as we can assimilate. Practically all of the students are now Huchow girls, which was not the case formerly. Although this results in a smaller boarding department, it seems to indicate a greater influence locally than we have had before. When the senior department is fully opened and the school is registered, we expect to have a larger per cent of boarding pupils.

We had hoped to be able to report that government registration of the school was completed, but the formalities and the number of people through whose hands the papers must pass cause many delays. The junior department papers have been accepted with certain alterations still to be made, and those of the senior high school are on the way to completion.

We have had a very capable staff this year made up of graduates from several different colleges; therefore we have been able to carry out many of our plans. Our greatest lack has been that of a music teacher. Various members of the faculty have done their best to help out, and Mrs. Sone comes twice a week to teach singing classes; but no piano lessons have been given, and we have greatly felt the lack of that spirit which music alone can give to all gatherings. Even the best-planned service falls flat when the accompaniment is halting and the singing is off the key.

The school has been fortunate in having a good leader in the department of religious education. Attendance is voluntary at all religious meetings, but at least two-thirds of the girls come to Sunday school. They are always interested in taking an active part in these services. Part of the assembly periods are religious in nature, and all students attend these. Family worship is held every night. This gives the girls training in leading meetings and a feeling of

religious home life. A practical means of service on the part of the boarding students has been provided by the organization of a night school for servants. In order that their teaching may be better the girls attend a normal class.

One of the most interesting phases of our work this term has been that of health. Miss Harmon, teacher of physical education, and Miss Lo, the house mother, are in charge of this department. In addition to physical examinations for all children, follow-up work has been done in a large majority of cases. Extra food has been given to those undernourished, and it is with great interest and delight that the children watch their steady gains. Many children have been fitted with glasses, which means that a great deal of opposition on the part of conservative parents has been overcome. Over one-half of the students have trachoma. Daily attention has been given their eyes by Miss Lo, who has had great success in getting the children to come for this very unpleasant but necessary treatment. The growing interest on the part of the pupils and their parents has been shown by the fact that they have paid their medical fees gladly, and what was before an expense to the school has now become a self-supporting department. In addition to this care for the students' health we have tried to do what we could in the way of health education. A course in first aid and simple nurse training has been added to the curriculum. This came as a result of the students' desire for such a course in connection with their patriotic work. In this, as in all the activities which have naturally arisen from the Manchurian situation, we have endeavored to help them along constructive lines so that their efforts would have permanent educational value.

SUE S. STANFORD

The life of a missionary is never humdrum, but when one thinks back over the years there have been no outstanding features.

My work as educational dean has been making plans for the opening of the senior middle school and routine work, such as schedules, entrance examinations, classification of new students, study of individual student records, tests to establish school standards, consultations with teachers on curriculum problems, and such things.

As a teacher of English I have had a new experience in teaching classes of students whose foundation has been wholly laid by non-English speaking teachers, and while progress has been slow it has been an interesting educational project.

As head gardener I have accomplished more than can be seen. The grounds had been very much neglected for two years, and to get them in shape so that things looked neat and orderly with a few bright spots of flowers here and there has been something that has added to the happiness of all of us.

One other task has been forced upon me this year which I accepted with much distress, that is, consideration for my physical being. Until this year I have never missed but one day from school because of illness since I came to China seventeen years ago; and to be compelled to spend six weeks in the hospital, undergo an operation, and then to reduce my program and to continue to be up and down for months has been very trying, but I rejoice that now again I am able to take up full work.

In spite of failures and physical limitations this year has been filled with joy for a share in His service.

SUSAN B. WILSON SCHOOL, SUNGKIANG

MAU TAU LING, PRINCIPAL; NELL DRAKE, LUCIE CLARK

Perhaps our friends in America will be interested to know that the report we are sending this year is the joint work of the principal and faculty. In a recent faculty meeting the question was brought up as to the items of importance which should be mentioned in the annual report of the Susan B. Wilson School. The facts given below are, therefore, suggested by the faculty group.

As we and our friends at home feel that the development of the spiritual life of the school is of the greatest importance, we mention first what the year has meant for us along that line. Last fall a series of meetings was held in the school by a former student of the Susan B. Wilson, who is now engaged in evangelistic work. She was assisted by a friend. As these earnest and gifted young women spoke to the students, a great deal of interest was manifested. A number of students, at the close of the meeting, stood to testify to their faith in Christ and to express their desire to live the Christian life. As an immediate result of the meeting five students were baptized and received into the Church. In the spring, after another series of services in the church, ten more students and two teachers were baptized and admitted to Church membership. Great was the rejoicing in the school when it was found that the only two teachers who were not Christians were also willing to come out definitely to ally themselves with the Christian forces in China.

Just after school closed the annual meeting of the Student Volunteer Movement of our Church was held in the school. A number of our teachers and students remained for the conference and helped to care for the hundred delegates who came. The president of the conference happened to be a graduate of our school. She is a fine young woman, doing a beautiful work. It was inspiring to see this body of young women earnestly seeking a deeper experience and desirous of entering some form of Christian service.

Another cause of rejoicing this fall has come in the attendance at Sunday school. For several years attendance has been voluntary. Many have attended, but this is the first term that every girl in school is enrolled in a Sunday school class.

Closely allied to Christian faith is Christian giving. As all the world knows, a terrible flood in China devastated a large section of the country. Many people were drowned. Among those who survived there was unthinkable destitution. Our teachers and students in a drive to help the flood sufferers raised \$154.05. This sum, of course, was in addition to contributions to many other causes during the year.

In order to stimulate the students to greater diligence in their work a system of rewards for merit has been worked out by the faculty. By this plan every student receives recognition for her good work and her good behavior. Scholarship, character, attendance, and diligence are graded. After a certain number of tickets of merit has been received the student is given a pretty enameled silver medal. As a result of this system, there has been an increased interest in study.

As "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," we have our playtimes too. The one which, perhaps, gave most pleasure was a picnic to Kashing last spring. This town is about an hour and a half's distance from here by rail. In order to give the seniors a last good time before leaving us the faculty took them to visit this historic spot. A kind missionary friend of the Presbyterian church there made all the arrangements for our trip. She met us at the

station, went with us on the boat, helped us to arrange for our lunch, and finally took us to her home for tea.

We went first to visit a temple in which is a large stone slab. On this are carved beautiful characters said to have been cut by the Emperor Gi Long himself. On our way to the city we stopped at a temple famous in the traditions of the place. It is said that during the Ming Dynasty the Japanese made bandit raids into this section of China. On one of these raids they captured a number of country women, shut them up in this temple, and ordered one of the priests in the temple to guard them while they went elsewhere. When they returned, the robbers found that the priest had harkened to the earnest entreaties of the women and had set them free. Enraged, the Japanese tied him to a stone slab and burned him to death. The shape of his body was burned into the stone. This stone is now placed at the gate of the temple.

One handicap under which the school has labored this year is the lack of a suitable building for the primary department. We are at present much hampered in our work by overcrowding in rooms unsuitable for little children. The seniors each year raise a small sum of money to be used for equipment for a new building which it is hoped the Council will soon give us. As soon as the news comes that we have been promised the building, a drive for funds to furnish it will be put on by the alumnae and other former students of the school.

We give thanks for a year of many blessings.

LUCIE CLARK, DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

The Music Department of Susan B. Wilson School can accommodate only a limited number of pupils because we have but one music teacher and have been unable to secure an assistant. I have thirty-six pupils and all the chorus classes twice a week from the fourth through the ninth grade. Below the fourth grade each teacher has charge of the public school music in her own room.

It would do your soul good to hear these children, nearly two hundred, singing the best religious songs and hymns every morning at our chapel service. Every Christmas I am thrilled with their singing of "Joy to the World," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and other loved songs of the season. The majority of the girls have the words memorized too.

We have a choral class of twenty-three which sings a special number every Sunday at the church service and on all public occasions.

It gives me great pleasure to report that my two most advanced pupils take their regular turns with me playing for the chapel and church service, either on the piano or organ, in a manner creditable to any teacher or school. Others are being trained for this work and will soon be of service, not only in the school, but also in their home communities.

Lanier has said that "music is love in search of a mood," and it gives me a deep inner joy to lead these girls in their quest through this contact on to higher and nobler things.

HAYES WILKINS BIBLE SCHOOL, SUNGKIANG

MRS. JULIA WU, PRINCIPAL; CLARA STEGER

The purpose of this Bible school is to provide a place where women and girls who have not had the opportunity of higher education, and in some instances of even the elementary, but who want to study the Bible and to learn the way of life, may have the opportunity of doing

so. Also that those who feel the call to Christian service may be tested and trained for workers and helpers on the district, in the country, and in small towns where such workers are greatly needed. We have a seven years' course of study with a primary, where the students who enter, being grown, do four years' work in two years—the amount of work done in an ordinary junior middle school in nine years. The course of study includes, after the foundation work in the two years' primary course, the whole Bible, Chinese classics, history and geography, writing and composition, science, sanitation, mathematics through algebra, Bible geography, church history, personal workers' class, Sunday school normal training class, classes in home training, playing hymns and sight singing. The students assist in children's meetings, house-to-house visiting, holding meetings in homes, and in school meetings with church members.

The students have the advantage of attending the revivals held in connection with the short term school every year by the district and McLain Church; also preachers' and Bible women's institutes, annual conferences, missionary annual conference, etc. Special revival services are held for the school itself, where the students are given the opportunity for making definite decisions for Christ and for life service.

We have a very satisfactory staff of teachers, eight including the principal, with one foreign missionary. Each teacher is faithful in her department, and we thank God for the spirit of sympathy and understanding which exists among them and in the school.

One afternoon a week is given to house-to-house visiting and one to attendance on the women's meetings.

Sunday morning the teachers and advanced pupils all assist in the Sunday school and the children's church. Sunday afternoon they divide in groups and help in the Sunday school and women's meeting held in the home for widows and orphans in the city and in a meeting for the servants of the community.

The school holds an evangelistic meeting once a year for outsiders. At one of these services a young widow with a little girl five years old, a stranger to all, came to the meeting. At the close of the service she stood up and said that when she was a little girl she had heard Mrs. Gaither tell the story of Christ and his salvation to her mother on the train one day. She had never forgotten what she heard, but she had never had an opportunity to hear more of the gospel story. She grew up, was married, and became the mother of the little girl with her. Since the child's birth both her mother and her husband had died, and she was left alone in her sorrow. Her heart recalled Mrs. Gaither's message that day on the train, and she remembered that Mrs. Gaither said she was a teacher in a Bible school in Sungkiang. So she determined to come to Sungkiang and try to enter that school where she could learn more of the wonderful story Mrs. Gaither had told her. She has been a diligent student in the school for two years, and her little girl, now seven years old, is a happy kindergartner. The mother is a happy Christian.

"God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform."

McLAIN CHURCH, SUNGKIANG

CLARA E. STEGER

Our mission in Sungkiang is the center for not only all the important gatherings for the district, but also takes its turn in entertaining all the larger group meetings, such as the China Annual Conference,

the Woman's Annual Missionary Conference, now a very large body; the Student Volunteer Conference, also a large group; and yet another institute held every three years for the wives of preachers of the China Conference. These latter groups test our capacity for entertaining to the uttermost. All of these various group meetings in their regular course, in addition to the daily crowded program of work, make Sungkiang a beehive of religious activity and opportunity both for the faculties and students of the different institutions here and the evangelistic workers and church members.

This last year has had its usual share of these gatherings, having entertained the Annual Conference in December and the Student Volunteer Conference in July. There were several institutes, several revivals, and evangelistic services for outsiders held under the auspices of McLain Church, the Woman's Missionary Society, and of the Hayes Wilkins Bible School. In all of these activities the evangelistic workers of McLain Church have taken an active part.

In addition to the foregoing, there has been the regular daily program of work: visiting in the homes of the church members and probationers, teaching a regular course of study to those who desire to read the Bible and hymns, holding prayer meetings in homes where groups could be brought together for that purpose, regular meetings in the church for women, and the Woman's Missionary Society meeting once a month. The evangelistic workers have also assisted in the Children's Missionary Society, the children's church, the Sunday schools held in McLain Church in the morning, and in the widows' home in the city in the afternoons. They hold meetings every week in the children's home also.

We have a local committee made up of our pastor and a number of the women church members and the head of the evangelistic work. These render very valuable assistance in counsel and advice.

Mrs. Julia Woo (Woo Yoen Ji Lan), the principal of the Hayes Wilkins Bible School, is also lay leader for the McLain Church. She has had wide experience in Bible woman's work and is a very gifted woman. In addition to her crowded program in the school, she gives a regular part of her afternoons to volunteer evangelistic work, visiting homes and holding zone meetings once a month in the four districts of the city where our church membership lies. Like Paul, she carries day and night on her heart the "care of all the churches." She is assisted in this work by Miss Zung, the Bible teacher of the school, also a very able and most consecrated woman. We have been very much hampered in this department by the illness of two of our workers, which left us in the regular work only one mature worker with experience, and she is recovering from a very serious operation. But God has blessed us, and in his name we will go forward.

My own time has been divided into three departments of work. In the Bible school I teach one daily Bible class, attend and take my turn in leading chapel exercises. I have a class in personal work one evening a week, attend teachers' prayer meeting one evening a week, and look after the administration of medicine to the sick. I attend all the faculty meetings and am a member of the executive faculty. I am treasurer for the school and the evangelistic work of McLain Church.

In connection with the evangelistic work I hold a service every Monday from one to two o'clock with the workers. This is for the purpose of inspiration and prayer and for conference about the work. Every day except Monday we hold a prayer group in one of the rooms of the church, where we pray in detail for our work and for the members and probationers.

I attend all the services of the church and our woman's work. I occasionally go out with the women, especially when there are sick to be visited and ministered to. I hold a regular weekly Bible class, which is attended by the faculties of Hayes Wilkins Bible School, Susan B. Wilson School, and a day school in the community. I feel that this is a great privilege and also a great opportunity.

My last division of work is in the missionary home, where I have charge of the running of the home and the management of the servants. Miss Clark and Miss Drake assist by looking after the dining room, sitting room, and guest room. During the group meetings we have to provide entertainment for the foreigners, helpers, and visitors. So this is not one of the least responsible parts of my work. Miss Mary Culler White has her headquarters here and comes and goes between short term schools and other forms of work on the district.

We thank God for the privilege and joy of serving him in this land, which, by reason of many years of service, seems more home to us than our native land. We do not love the homeland less because we love China more, but "home is where the heart is," and the heart of the mother is evermore with her children. And our spiritual children are here. God bless America and China.

SUNGKIANG AND NANZING EVANGELISTIC WORK

MARY CULLER WHITE, SUPERVISER

During the troubles of 1927 someone said to a Y. M. C. A. secretary in Shanghai: "Are you still an optimist concerning China's future?" He replied: "I am still an optimist, but I am a *scared* optimist." That is the way we all feel now when we look at conditions in China; but when we look away from these things to Christ and his Church we see that we can be optimists still and not be scared at all.

Instead of making a formal report I want to give some of the grounds for optimism.

First, the type of our workers. Seventeen years ago I employed a junior high school graduate of that year to act as my secretary as I went around the Sungkiang District in my houseboat. She was twenty-one years old and the first high school graduate to enter our Bible woman's work in any capacity. She became a deaconess, a gifted evangelist, the field secretary of the China Conference Woman's Missionary Society, an able executive in the Chinese Church, a Student Volunteer organizer, and a devoted soul winner.

And she is only one of a group. I have counted the Bible women and deaconesses in the official register, and I find that out of a total of sixty-four workers thirty-six have had high school training, twenty-eight have had a Bible training school course, and a few have done some college work. And sixteen years ago we could get only uneducated women to take up Bible woman's work! It has been recently said by some discriminating observers that nowhere in China is there such an eager, capable, devoted, and spiritually minded group of young women as this one in the Southern Methodist Church. We humbly thank God for his grace in giving us these splendid workers.

The second cause for optimism is in the type of the work done. Two main agencies have been used, the first of which is the short term Bible schools.

In 1916 Miss Theodosia Wales, now Mrs. J. M. Glenn, conceived the idea of having short term Bible schools in our mission in China, and then exhorted, persuaded, and cajoled me until I held the first one. It was a success, because I held it in vacation and borrowed

all the teachers, but the idea did not spread. I found out later that such schools could not be run without a band of trained workers. Thank God, we have such a band, or bands, now; and these short term Bible schools are being held all over the conference.

They are unique, for they receive all ages from eight to eighty-four and all grades from the most illiterate to the polished literati. Men as well as women are now received, and special classes are held in which the members of the staff engage in Bible study. It is not unusual for women church members of sixty or more to be learning to read the difficult Chinese language. One dear old saint of eighty-four who has attended our schools through rain and snow this year finished out the ten courses required on the first diploma and received the certificate of honor which her soul has long desired. Even the blind are taught, and the tongue of the dumb is made to sing.

The most important feature of every short term school is the revival. Meetings are held every day, and the preaching is backed up by prayer and personal work. Nearly everyone who comes to one of these schools is changed. The dead church members are revived, the unconverted are born again, and non-Christians become believers. Seven short term Bible schools have been held in the Sungkiang District this year, with an enrolment of four hundred and twenty, and two hundred and ninety-five of these have completed one or more courses and received certificates.

The second important agency in our evangelistic work is the China Conference Woman's Missionary Society. It is my privilege to act as an adviser to the executive committee of this body, and thus I am in touch with its plans. The emphasis at the present time is being put on local evangelism. The special objective for this year is to get every member to promise to win someone to Christ during the year.

My own relation to the work is quite different since the Chinese Missionary Societies took charge of evangelism in the churches. Last China New Year's day I started, during a terrible snow storm, to an outstation where I had been invited to hold a series of meetings. When I got to Shanghai I found that the buses had stopped on account of the storm. There was nothing to do but hire a car and go the twenty-five miles to meet my appointment. I had to pay such a high price for the car that I felt I could not charge it to our regular travel account. Imagine my surprise when, at the close of the meetings, a representative of the missionary society handed me an envelope containing a goodly sum, saying: "This is for the car in which you came." At another place where our team was invited to hold a short term school the missionary society provided the money to cover the expenses of the school. The whole atmosphere is different when we go out as the guests of the missionary societies. The people are being trained through this organization to take over the leadership and the support of the local churches.

And now a personal word. I am in charge of two districts—the Sungkiang District, where I have worked for a long time, and the Nanzing District, where, since last July, I have supplied for Miss V. I. Loh, who has had a long illness. In each district there is a fine group of Bible women. It is my privilege not only to preach to the gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, but to take the younger women along with me and seek to train them as I go. This was the Master's way, it was Paul's way, and I have tried to make it my way. In the Sungkiang District five of our Bible women are located at outstations where each has charge of one or more circuits; and the other five, with myself, form a central team which itinerates over the district and holds meetings.

In the Nanzing District, where I have now worked for a half year,

I have found a splendid piece of work being done. The workers are all of one heart and one mind and spend their entire time itinerating over the district, nurturing Christians and preaching to outsiders. The results of their work can be seen in the wide-awake Christian women who are now centers of light in their own communities. It is a pity that no town in the district was occupied by resident Bible women, but I have located a worker at Nanzing, which is the logical center of the district. In order to do this I had to give up a valued worker on the Sungkiang District, but development in the new field has more than repaid me for the sacrifice.

CENTENARY INSTITUTE, CHANGCHOW

MARY TSIANG, ELLA D. LEVERITT

We are thankful because our school has run so peacefully this year under God's guidance. There have been more than three hundred pupils, most of whom did not understand the gospel of Christ. We had chapel every morning, led by teachers and women evangelists, that helped the pupils to understand something of the gospel.

Last May we asked the Shanghai Bethel Evangelist Band to lead a revival in our school. God sent the Holy Spirit upon those in attendance and did a wonderful work among us. Sixty-two of our pupils were baptized in one day. This was really the fruit of prayer and special meetings held before the revival began. We began in February to work for this May meeting. Christians who had grown cold became diligent and faithful.

We are now carrying on our religious work as usual. Teachers lead the Bible classes twice a week into different sections. The students like the Bible study; they organized a preaching band with a teacher as adviser. This band holds regular meetings twice a month; every Sunday morning some of the members teach in the children's Sunday school; Sunday afternoon they go out with the teachers and preach in the homes. We have another religious organization called the "Morning Watch Band," which any of the teachers or pupils may join; this band meets early each morning for about two hours of Bible study and prayer. We also have a Workers' Bible study and special prayer service every morning, led by Miss Leverett. This includes teachers, Bible women, the pastor, and helpers.

We thank God for his guidance and blessing through the year, enabling us to do his work pleasantly and satisfactorily. We hope you will not forget us in your prayers, that God may give us more strength and power; that we may not only teach our pupils intellectually, but that we may help them spiritually as well.

FACTORY CENTER AND EVANGELISTIC WORK, WUSIH

IDA ANDERSON

In spite of floods, famines, students' strikes, and political upheavals, we have had no interruptions in our work and no interference with the teaching of the Bible. It has been a year of inner quiet and growth.

A great change has come into the lives of young people. From time immemorial their decisions have been made by parents or grandparents, but now they are making their own decisions. In this change lies danger, as is evidenced by students' strikes, but it also means progress, personal responsibility, and independence. This we recognize in our schools and in all contacts with young people. They are joining the Church in increasing numbers, because they believe themselves free to make decisions.

Ancestral worship, as I see it, is downed. It will soon be natural not to worship ancestors, and even now they are being largely neglected. Love of family is being enlarged to love of country. Christianity is responsible for all of these changes, and Christianity is needed to guide the young people in making right decisions.

In industrial work the situation could not be worse. Out of fifty silk thread factories in Wusih, only five are operating. The godowns are full of bales of silk thread because there is no market for silk. This means unemployment for many thousands. All around us are hunger and suffering.

We are glad to have contacts with some of these factory workers in our two night schools and factory settlement work. Also Miss Dju and Miss Tseu are doing excellent work in two model factories which have hostels—having in their charge nearly four hundred girls whom they are leading to look to God for help. And in our factory settlement work many little children, through the day nursery, kindergarten, and day school, are being impressed with the fact that Jesus loves them and will help them. Thus the spirit of Jesus is making it brighter for some.

Our Mary Virginia Nabors Day School is a fine influence in our community. All of our girls attend chapel and Bible classes, and the majority of the older girls attend Sunday school, although Bible and Sunday school are voluntary. The girls like to feel that they are free to make their own choice, and that by attendance they are giving pleasure to their teachers. During the year twenty-three have united with the Church.

Our evangelistic workers have had their hands full. Miss Tai, a fine spiritual leader, is chairman of this department. In the church, in the homes, in the schools, and some in the country, they are doing their part in teaching and witnessing.

In every department of our work for women Chinese young women are at the head. It is a great joy to the missionaries to see their ability and enthusiasm and to let them have the leadership.

My work has been mostly school work in the mornings, and the afternoons have been given to visits in homes or other forms of evangelistic work. I have enjoyed it all, and feel that there is no cause for discouragement. China's need is Jesus Christ. As a missionary who is in her thirty-eighth year of mission work, I would like to say that the new days are better than the old days, and that the gospel bells have been responsible for ringing out much of the old and will continue to be an influence in ringing in the new.

EVANGELISTIC WORK, WUSIH

MARGARET M. RUE

This has been such an interesting year that I hardly know where to begin to tell about it. Our work was never more encouraging than it has been this year. Students have poured into our schools until we have, in this community, more than seven hundred in our three day schools, two night schools for factory girls and our special classes. Our hearts are happy because we know that every class has its Bible study, and the Word of God is being sown in the hearts of these fine young people. We had four series of special evangelistic services during the year besides the weekly revival meetings. The Holy Spirit prevailed in these services, and over two hundred and fifty surrendered their lives to Jesus Christ.

Many disasters have come to China during this year. The worst floods in history have covered hundreds of miles of land. Our own section was not flooded in the city, but many of the farmers had

their precious rice fields flooded. It looked so pathetic to see them going around in boats, trying to cut the heads off the ripened grain and stretching long lines, like clothes lines, above the water, on which to hang the little sheaves. Many families, living in boats, refugeeed to our city, and our canals are full of them. Our young people diligently collected garments and money for the refugees. Many of these garments needed to be mended, so girls of all classes, rich and poor, sorted and mended the worn clothes, so that they could be used for the destitute people. The money helped to buy new cloth and cotton with which we made bed quilts for folks who had lost everything.

This fall we organized a new Sunday school. The young girls from our morning Sunday school come in the afternoon to teach other children. At night we have two Sunday schools for factory girls who have to work every day except the first and sixteenth of the month. Hundreds of little children, weak in body, go to the factories before daylight and leave after dark. Many of these girls have developed deep spiritual lives since they have begun to study the Bible in the night school. One girl was so eager to become a Bible teacher that she has been sent to the Bible School. Another girl has been praying that the way may be opened for her to go too.

One of the most interesting pieces of our new work this year has been the country evangelistic work that our young girls have been undertaking. Girls who were in their homes have been coming to us for special classes—Bible, English, etc. They have gone with us into the country for short trips, and have become fine leaders among the people. We usually take a small group in rickshas. When this group alights in the center of a village, it is not long before a crowd gathers. Posters and songs are tacked up on the trees, and soon the people are listening to the Bible stories and health talks. We hope this seed may bear fruit. We cannot establish churches in these villages, but we hope to follow up our work as much as possible.

We are closing the year with a prayer of thankfulness to God, who has opened so many doors of opportunity. We trust that no hindrance will be imposed, but that we may continue to serve him as he leads.

CONGO BELGE

WEMBO NYAMA

DOROTHY REES

Although there have been many discouraging features during the year, we feel that we have gone forward in many ways. We could have enlarged our work far beyond the present limits had it not been for the lack of funds sufficient to do so. We have realized the seriousness of the stress through which the home Church is passing, and we have tried to make every dollar sent to the field do its utmost.

This year we completed the dining room for the Boys' Boarding School, which was begun in 1930, and we are very proud of it. It does credit to the station and will serve our school for years to come. At the beginning of the last term of school, in October, we transferred our eight most advanced classes from the overcrowded church building to the new dining room. We had no equipment, and the pupils sat on mats on the floor the first week or two until rough benches could be made. But they were anxious to go to school and knew we were doing the best we could, and there was not one murmur of protest against such conditions. We hope within the coming year

to have tables, chairs, and other equipment constructed by our classes in woodwork.

With the arrival of new workers in October we were able to put more emphasis on the kindergarten, and it has gone forward rapidly. The last quarter, the enrolment was twenty-two little boys and girls. Emphasis was placed on the forming of correct health habits and on co-operation in playing and singing games. The little folks caught the spirit of cleanliness readily, and each morning were eager to demonstrate that they had come to school with clean faces and hands.

In the Primary and Middle Schools we experimented with an intensive program, especially during the last quarter. School opened each morning at six-thirty, immediately following the early morning prayer service, and went through to the regular closing time. This gave the opportunity for more work on music, group gymnastic exercises, handwork, and other activities for which formerly we did not have time. During the last period in the morning the pupils of the Primary School were dismissed, and the time given to the teachers in a "helpers' course." This has been very helpful to the teachers.

Three periods each week have been given to group singing with all the pupils assembled together. Emphasis has been placed on singing correctly on the key and meter. The arrival of the new piano given by the children of our home Church to the children of our Congo Mission has been a wonderful aid with the music. We wonder now how we ever did teach the little that we did! How indispensable a piano is! The children at home do not realize what a marvelous contribution they have made to our work here. The singing of the school children has greatly improved, and we note a difference in the singing of the village people too.

The courses in handwork have been centered around basket-making. Native materials, easily obtainable, have been used, and the pupils have been engaged in making useful as well as beautiful baskets. The first ones they made were for the purpose of planting seeds of fruit trees so that they could later be transplanted without disturbing the roots. The second project was making baskets in which to keep their school materials, such as books, pencils, etc., and to take them to and from school. Several very beautiful baskets were made, and many of them with designs and patterns which the pupils recalled from their own villages. The pupils were very proud of their work. The girls did not like the basketry very much as, in our tribe, baskets are made by men; nevertheless several made nice baskets.

The outvillage work has grown far beyond the limits of 1930, but we realize how limited is the curriculum in the village schools. We have not been able to reach them during the present year as we wanted to, but we hope to put more emphasis there during 1932. This year we had an enrolment of 1,291 pupils, and we hope the number will grow. We long for the day when we can raise the standard of the village schools to that of the Station Primary School.

In all of our work we are trying to lead our pupils into a knowledge of and a closer walk with Jesus Christ. We want them to know how to read and understand the Bible and the many Christian books which we hope to be able to translate and place at their disposal. We are praying that with the increased number of workers we shall be able to more efficiently carry on the work of the Master among this people and that each year may see larger numbers of souls added to the Kingdom of God.

GIRLS' HOME, WEMBA NYAMA

DOROTHY REES

The Girls' Home at Wembo Nyama is one of the most promising projects of our station. It has to deal with the future mothers of this section of Africa. If Africa is to be won for Christ, the women must be won; and there must be Christian women to build Christian homes.

The work of the Home has gone forward this year. The Home was moved in September of 1930. It had been on the compound, and the missionaries felt that this was too near the missionaries' homes. Besides, the girls were crowded. There was no room for expansion, and the girls were not free to play as they should. The present site of the Home is about one-quarter of a mile from the compound. The girls have much more freedom and room in their new home. They are nearer their gardens and the water. In the new position they can have fruit trees. They are planting trees, and in a few years we hope to have enough fruit to supply the girls without having to buy it.

There are fifty girls in the Home. This is seven more than we had last year. They range in age from two years to fourteen. Seventeen girls have been admitted this calendar year. Six girls were married during the year and four were allowed to return to their homes because of health reasons or homesickness.

Numerical reports are sometimes interesting, but in dealing with personalities they are of least value. While the work has grown in numbers, a greater growth has been in the training of the girls. All of the older girls are being trained in the care of babies by taking turns in helping with the work at the nursery. This work was started last year with only a few of the girls. This year it is a part of every girl's education. The two most advanced girls in school are taken out of school for three months and given the responsibility of the work at the nursery. These girls are taught by the nurse in charge of the nursery how to fix the formulae for the orphan babies. They are taught how to bathe and care for the babies in every way. The infant mortality of Africa is very high. The training our girls receive at the nursery will enable them to better care for their own little ones and perchance save the lives of other babies whose mothers die.

Five of the six girls who married this year were married to young evangelists or Bible School students. These girls will go out into heathen villages to teach their people about Jesus. In many villages there homes will be the only Christian homes. The other girl married a hospital boy. She hopes to work with her husband in the hospital, and her light can shine there as well as that of her sisters in the outvillages.

GIRLS' HOME, MINGA

M. FLORA FOREMAN, R.N.

This Home was founded in 1921, but has been maintained under many difficulties. There have been different periods of months when there was no missionary on the station, and other times when there was not a woman missionary. Only during the years 1922-25 and since 1929 has the work been under the supervision of a Council worker; when there has been anyone who could devote the time and care to this institution, the work has prospered, and when it has had to be neglected, it has suffered. A few years ago there were between twenty-five and thirty girls in this Home, but when Miss Parker took charge of the work in 1929, there were only three. When the

work was begun in earnest that year, many of the girls had to be redeemed; but now we have many more applicants than we have room for, and the fathers, or other guardians, are so eager to place their children in the Home that they themselves redeem them from their husbands.

The girls are eager to enter the Home, and when one of the older girls gets married, there are many applicants for her place. We are grateful for this changed condition, because it enables us to choose the most promising ones instead of having to plead for just anyone they might want to let us have.

This work has been especially gratifying this year. Some of the girls have made extraordinary progress in their school work, and have had good reports on deportment. They attend the day school together with the mission boys and village children. Some are learning to sew and are able to mend their own clothes and to help with those of the younger children assigned to their care. All except two of the present enrolment have been in the Home less than three years, but some of them are nearing the highest grades taught in Minga schools.

The girls from the mission homes are very much in demand, and are popular with young men who expect to take up teaching or preaching as a life-work. One of the greatest handicaps to our evangelistic work has been a lack of trained women to become the wives of the young men who have answered the call to Christian service. When these educated men have to marry heathen wives, it is hard not to revert to their old customs and practices. It will be a happy day for the mission work in general when the number of educated young women equals that of young men.

Because of lack of room our number has increased only two this year. We are entirely too crowded, each room, 9x12 feet, having four beds arranged "Pullman style" with upper and lower berths, and two girls to each bed. However, we hope soon to be in our new dormitory which has been built with gifts received this year and last. We shall have to convert the present one into a kitchen and granaries, of which we are in urgent need. The new dormitory is only another temporary building, but it will enable us to maintain the Home until permanent buildings of brick can be put up.

The girls work faithfully in their gardens and raise much of their own food. We have not begun charging fees, but the time is coming in the near future when the people will be glad to pay a fee for their daughters, and will be grateful for the privilege of placing them in the mission homes at their own expense. They have only been waiting to see that it is a good thing to do. Next year will see the first graduate of Minga schools from girls of the Home, but after this we hope that everyone can finish this school before she is old enough to be married.

All are taught to keep their rooms clean and in order, and also their clothes. We try to teach them the meaning of purity of mind and heart and to make them realize that their bodies are a sacred trust committed to their care and keeping. Many of them respond to our teachings in a whole-hearted way. The little African girl has a way of entangling herself among our heartstrings until you find yourself tremendously interested in her future. She kindles a bright flame of hope and inspires visions of the day when, African womanhood redeemed, the whole race may be restored to its rightful heritage.

CHILDREN'S WELFARE WORK, MINGA

M. FLORA FOREMAN, R.N.; CARROLL B. MOUNT, M.D.

This is the first year Minga has ever had a special appropriation for work of this kind, so we have had reason to be very grateful for this help. It has enabled us to do much, especially for the children, that we could not otherwise have done. Dr. Mount has interested himself in this work and has held afternoon clinics, asking that all mothers who live near enough to do so come with their children for physical examinations. It is often found that a child's health is impaired by intestinal parasites or scabies, both of which can be successfully treated, and the child given a better chance to build up resistance against the more malignant diseases to which he is constantly exposed.

In these clinics and at other times we have tried to teach the mothers how to prevent colds, which so often result in a fatal pneumonia, and to impress upon them something of the importance of cleanliness, both of their bodies and of handling their food. Soap is a gift that mothers always gratefully receive, and it is often more efficacious than the administration of medicine, especially when used regularly. We have also tried to teach the mothers when to wean their babies and how to properly feed them. Many babies become anemic because the mothers continue nursing them up to two and three years old and more.

By this special appropriation we have also been enabled to equip a small ward especially for mothers and children. Many sick babies have been cared for this year, and the ward also serves as a day nursery for the orphan babies under our care. We very much need a day nursery for general use, but the hospital is not a suitable place for that, and our funds would not permit of a separate building. We have no special appropriation for the year 1932, but we hope that when times are better we can have a yearly allowance and be able to do much constructive work along this special line. The children need a great deal of attention and study in order that their troubles may be correctly diagnosed and treated. Many diseases that develop later in life might be prevented if they could have this attention.

"Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT, MINGA

ETHEL SHULER SMITH

Most of the outstanding activities of the Minga Educational Department for the year 1931 were recorded in the third quarterly report. The report of the fourth quarter adds thereto in small measure.

The few words here given, therefore, are to be as a mirror for the portraying of some impressions gained from this year of living among these interesting people.

Opportunities for developing the educational work in this section have presented themselves all through the year. We were able to take advantage of some of these opportunities, while others were allowed to pass by because of lack of workers and funds. At the beginning of each new school term we were confronted with the problem of selecting the most promising from the large groups of "would-be" students who came with their eager faces all aglow with expectation. Needless to say, it was very hard to turn away those for whom we had no room.

Many experiences of this, my first year in Africa, cling definitely to my memory. For instance, I can never forget the occasion at the end of the second quarter when we placed a long snowy table under the spreading trees of a Minga dell and all of the missionaries sat with the evangelists and their wives in the joyous fellowship of a banquet. There were place cards and "toasts!" and not the slightest tinge of self-consciousness on the part of the evangelists and their wives. They acted as if banquets were everyday occurrences with them. It is a real joy to note the simple naturalness of these people. As evening shadows were falling the girls from the Girls' Home came and sang their two beautiful native hymns (composed by one of their number) with radiant faces, and we of the evangelist-missionary audience felt a quiet evening benediction.

Just a few days ago, when the school was being closed for the Christmas vacation, we were having an evening of Christmas hymns, prayers, and stories; there was, to us of America, a special significance in the palm-decorated mud building, for we were reminded that the scenes into which the Christ Child came were not unlike some of the scenes in this land of stately palm. It was natural, too, to think of the flight into Egypt, and, therefore, to connect Africa more directly with the earthly happenings of the Savior's life. Best of all, earnest expressions upon the faces of some in the audience that evening gave testimony to the fact that the Christ Spirit is constantly dwelling in their hearts.

I am happy to be facing a new year of service in this great land.

GIRLS' HOME, TUNDA

ANNIMAE WHITE

The work of our Girls' Home has been very encouraging in regard to the progress of the girls, but we have had no increase in numbers.

During the first quarter there were eleven little girls, none over twelve years of age. The second quarter we added five others, one of whom we redeemed from a horrible marriage of slavery to a future chief who is a very wicked man. But later the child's father came and returned the sum of three thousand francs which we had paid for her redemption, and regardless of all our pleading and tears, he took her and her sister, who was also in the Home, with him—we know not where. Thus we lost two precious children from our Home. Later we decided that it was far better for both children and parents, if their parents were living in our mission village, for the children to live with them. The children can thus have the advantage of our station schools, missionaries' supervision, and parents' care. So two of our girls went to live with their parents in our village. We also cut expenses here and thereby made it possible for other girls to come to the mission.

So now we have only twelve girls, and one of them is staying at the hospital the majority of the time. Her condition is incurable, our doctors say.

But these children have made remarkable progress in every line of their activities, especially during this last quarter, since Miss Parham has been helping with this work. Their home is more attractive, their domestic duties are performed with much more care, their school work has improved rapidly, and their general behavior is very gratifying.

The matron, her husband, and their baby girl are indeed a joy to have in this work; they show much love and concern for the children. Their little home is becoming more and more a model African Christian home.

Recently Miss Parham and I made an itinerary in behalf of this work and our Girls' Boarding School. We were not able to persuade any girls to return to the mission with us, but we believe parents are thinking seriously about the welfare of their girls and women, which so greatly concerns the welfare of their country. The majority of replies to our requests and inquiries about girls was, "She has a husband." Babies still in mothers' arms had already been sold into marriage—some to settle their fathers' debts, some to old, old chiefs—all so heartbreaking. But we did have a few to promise to send their children to the mission when they were old enough.

So, although we have not made progress in numbers, we are not discouraged with this great task. We know that our Father is far more interested in the womanhood of Africa than we can possibly be; so we are claiming the promises and trying to push forward. Now that Miss Parham can devote much of her time and talent to the women and girls, we are expecting to see our girls at Tunda go forward in the Master's name.

DAY SCHOOLS, TUNDA

ANNIMAE WHITE

As we come to the close of our first year in the Congo and approach the Christmas season there is a song of gladness and of grateful praise ringing from our hearts for the blessed privileges and pleasures which have been ours during these months. We feel unworthy of the least of them, but our Father has been gracious to let us live and labor with his children.

Our schools have made steady progress throughout the year. We no longer have classes in one of the bedrooms of the mission boys, but have a new, burned-brick school building of four classrooms and a hallway, nicely ventilated and lighted. This is one unit of the future educational building, which has been made possible by gifts from the missionaries of our station. We also have another new burned-brick building for our girls' boarding school, made possible by the same plan.

At the close of last year we had twenty-six teachers, seven schools, and an enrolment of three hundred seventy pupils. This year we have thirty teachers and twelve others now ready to teach, sixteen schools, with an enrolment of eight hundred eighty pupils. The following subjects have been added to our station school curriculum: hygiene, geography, history, a standard French course. And to our four general processes formerly taught in arithmetic we have added common and decimal fractions, measurements, and practical problems. We have had two teachers' institutes for all our teachers, besides a regular teacher training class for the station teachers. We have two women teaching now and have prospects of others from our girls' home. This is one of the goals toward which we are working so as to help raise the standard of our Congo womanhood.

At the beginning of the year we had forty mission boys. This last quarter we had one hundred applying for admission, but we found that we could keep only fifty-four of these and stay within our appropriations. These boys have done very satisfactory work in school and in their other activities. They cut, sawed, and brought in trees and made desks, tables, blackboards, bookcases, etc., for our school use. They built a very nice native house for their leader and are now making such furnishings as we believe practical for all our people to have. Their agricultural work has improved very much. Besides growing enough vegetables for their own use, they sold enough to pay the salary of one of our teachers for the quarter.

Thirty-one of these boys are baptized Christians, seventeen of whom were baptized this Christmas. We don't believe one could find a finer group of boys anywhere than these, and their young native leader is as fine a Christian gentleman as we've ever known.

Our women's school, taught by Mrs. Ayers, has done very good work. They seem eager to learn and have read and memorized many of our Swahili hymns. Miss Parham also has some splendid plans for them after she has finished her language study. The courses which she and Miss Murry taught them during our last institute were very helpful.

To bring this year to a happy close, all our teachers, evangelists, and their wives came together again for a second institute. And because of the loyal co-operation of every missionary and native, it proved to be indeed a very happy and, we believe, helpful time to all, both white and black. Missionaries taught different subjects and led daily devotionals, bringing to the hearts and minds of our native leaders vital messages concerning the one great task in which we are all collaborators together with God.

We closed the year with the pageant, "The Holy Night," presented by our station teachers and pupils, and the beautiful, reverent manner in which they did it was, as one evangelist expressed it, "a feast to one's soul."

CUBA

COLEGIO ELIZA BOWMAN, CIENFUEGOS

FRANCES B. MOLING, PRINCIPAL; DRETA SHARPE, MARIE CRONE, FRANCES GABY, MATTIE LOU NEAL

For the first nine months of the year we carried on the work as best we could in the absence of our principal, Miss Frances B. Moling, who was on forced leave of absence because of illness, and in the absence of Miss Dreta Sharpe, who was on her furlough studying at Columbia Teachers' College. Miss Florence Starkey, of Glenwood, W. Va., was our contract teacher, who came to fill the vacancy left by Miss Sallie Churchill, who transferred to Mexico, and Miss Mattie Lou Neal, formerly a deaconess at our school in Houma, La., came to us as a new missionary. Misses Marie Crone and Frances Gaby were the only "old missionaries" left at the school. Miss Crone had charge of the dining room work in addition to her regular classroom work in the primary grades of the English department, proving herself as efficient in that field as she is a primary teacher. Miss Gaby served as acting principal and taught the English classes in the upper grades and high school of the Spanish department. As it was Miss Neal's first year, she had the mornings free for language study and in the afternoons taught the overflow classes from Miss Starkey's upper grades in the English department. In addition to the changes among the American workers, we had two new Cuban teachers, one of whom is a graduate of the school who has been teaching in Havana for the past few years.

The economic and political situation throughout the year was very critical. The government institutes and the university were closed, and we feared we would be forced to close out our high school, but we managed to carry it on to the end of the year. Due to the fact that government examinations were given this fall to incorporated private schools, we were able to reopen it in October.

The latter part of August we were very glad to welcome Miss Sharpe back in our midst, and the work was reorganized for the

new term. Miss Crone continues her work in the primary grades of the English department; Miss Gaby and Miss Neal teach the upper grades of that department. Miss Sharpe served as acting principal until Miss Moling's return in October and teaches the English classes in the upper grades and high school of the Spanish department.

On October 1 our joy and thankfulness knew no bounds, for on that day Miss Moling came back to us after her long absence of fourteen months. Teachers and pupils could hardly settle down to class work that day, because everyone was so happy and excited over our beloved principal's return.

Each of us, of course, takes an active part in the church work. Miss Crone teaches an adult class and is superintendent of the Junior League in the central church and also teaches a class on Sunday afternoons in the little mission at Caunao. A lot, beautifully located in the very center of the little village, has been given for a new church, and plans are being made for its erection in the near future. Miss Sharpe also teaches an adult class in the central church and goes on Sunday afternoons to teach in the mission at Juanita, in which work she is deeply interested and to which she is very faithful, having worked there before her furlough. Miss Gaby, who formerly taught in the primary department of the central church, was recently made superintendent of that school. The new organization has been begun but not completed. Miss Neal serves as pianist and secretary of the primary department.

On the first day of August the ground was broken for the new building. It is to be ready for occupancy January 11. It consists of an auditorium, office, library, science laboratory, and eleven classrooms. We are truly thankful for this beautiful new building and are happily looking forward to occupying it, not only because it provides an appropriate place to work, but also because it makes it possible for us to have more comfortable living quarters, since the old building is to be repaired and remodeled for a girls' dormitory and teachers' home. We feel sure that everyone of us will do better and more efficient work in our improved surroundings. May God's richest blessings rest upon each and every one of the dear women "back home" who have had a part in making it possible.

COLEGIO IRENE TOLAND, MATANZAS

CLARA CHALMERS, PRINCIPAL; ELIZABETH EARNEST, KINDERGARTNER

We have come to the end of another year's work with rejoicing and thanksgiving. We have gone forward, have been blessed with richer experiences in Christian love and fellowship, and have enjoyed the loyal co-operation and interest of a devoted and consecrated faculty. The song which repeats itself over and over again in our hearts is "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Our educational work may be grouped in five departments, as follows: Kindergarten, elementary and grammar grades, preparatory or junior high, Bible and piano. Miss Elizabeth Earnest directs the kindergarten and, with the faithful assistance of one of our Cuban students, is bringing these little ones into a simple but vital religious experience through an appropriate program of plays, songs, and constructive activities. True to her missionary ideal, in her preparation of each child for the elementary grades, Miss Earnest puts first things first and teaches each little soul to love Jesus. Our kindergarten is modern in equipment as well as methods, and eight happy little children were graduated to the first grade last May.

The elementary and grammar grades are taught by well-prepared Cuban young women, each one of whom has been specially trained for her work in one of our own church schools. They are all women who have had a religious experience and take as much interest in the development of the spiritual and religious capacities of their pupils as of the intellectual and physical. Our teachers are all members of the Church and active in the work of the Sunday school, Epworth League, and Missionary Society.

Our preparatory department prepares our students in a very definite manner for the entrance examinations of the government high school and normal. This is a very important phase of our work, since all schools are standardized and classified in Cuba according to their ability to successfully prepare for these examinations. The last class we sent to be examined passed one hundred per cent. We graduated six students last May, but these were denied the privilege of examinations due to the serious political conditions throughout the island which have kept all government centers of higher learning closed for two years.

Rev. Flor F. Reyna, the native pastor of our Matanzas Methodist Church, is the competent head of our Bible Department, and he is ably assisted by our native teachers. Each child in our school studies the Bible as one of the most important subjects of the school curriculum. Rev. Reyna himself teaches the preparatory grades and has been giving his classes a systematic study of the life of Christ, stressing its application in the daily lives of his pupils. These classes have made a definite appeal to our students, developing in each a deeper religious experience and awakening a new interest in the study of the Bible. In connection with and supplementary to our Bible Department are the chapel services, which are held regularly twice a week and conducted by each member of the faculty in turn. These services are inspirational, instructive, and religious, and purpose to bring all, students and faculty alike, into a closer relation with the Master. In the month of December we observed a week of special services which proved a great blessing. Rev. Juan Munoz, our beloved former pastor, brought us the messages of love and consecration.

Our piano department is under the able direction of Miss Dolores Villa, a capable native musician and member of our church. Her students love their work and advance rapidly. This department makes a large contribution to our religious and literary programs which form a part of our chapel exercises. Our students take great pride in presenting their musical numbers well, and our student body enjoys and appreciates their efforts. Miss Villa has standardized her department and prepares her pupils for the examinations of the National Conservatory of Music of Cuba and other standard schools.

While we have had a good and happy year, there have been many problems which have demanded serious thought. The economical and political situations in Cuba have been, and still are, critical in the extreme, and under prevailing conditions it is difficult to foresee any help or light for a brighter future. We are going forward, however, in our work of developing Christian character and giving the Christ to all who will accept him. We believe more than ever that Christ in the hearts and lives of the individual Cubans is the basic cure for all of Cuba's problems, economic, political, and spiritual. Pray our Heavenly Father for his blessings upon our work and for Cuba, that by his help Cuba might realize that peace and a new day for which she daily prays.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, MATANZAS

JULIA S. REID, GRACE GOODWIN

We, the missionaries and native workers of the Centro, feel happy as we close another year's work. Our Heavenly Father has blessed our efforts, and we truly feel grateful to have had the privilege of serving him in this part of the vineyard.

The year has brought a slight increase in the number of persons attending the Centro, and the number of homes that we are touching. The greatest increase has been in real spiritual experiences. As one lives and works in the Centro he is made to feel the deep spirit of consecration that the majority of the members of the various departments have.

The past summer we held another Daily Vacation Bible School, with an attendance of about 93 children. Besides three missionaries teaching, we had five native teachers. The religious program and the exhibition of handwork, given the closing day, gave an idea to the visiting friends of something of the good work done by the children and their teachers.

Our children were made happy by the many packages that we received from their American friends in the Daily Vacation Bible Schools in the States. These packages contained the handwork of the children and served as a real token of Christian friendship.

Our Girl Reserve group has developed wonderfully during the past year. We are in touch with the Girl Reserves in Mexico and Argentina and are profiting greatly by the materials we are receiving from them. Our group has changed its name and is known now as "The Blue Triangle."

At present we have sixteen recognized members. They are very active in carrying out the business and various activities. Our interest clubs have increased, and besides the health, music, recreation, and sewing, we now have a class in cooking and one in religious drama. During the fall we gave two dramas, and our girls played an important part in our Christmas pageant.

We visit the Korean colony once weekly and assist them in their Sunday school and Church work. We held a short Daily Vacation Bible School for them the past summer, and it was so liked and had such pleasing results that we hope to have a longer one this coming summer.

It is a privilege to work for and with our Master in Cuba. I pray that he will so be in each of our faculty that it will be easier for the children and their families to see and know the Living Christ.

COLEGIO BUENAVISTA, HAVANA

IONE CLAY, PRINCIPAL; MARY LOU WHITE, ETHEL WILLIAMSON,
LUCILE LEWIS, MARY WOODWARD

"Wars and rumors of war" have been the keynote of Cuba's history during the past year. The latter part of 1930 had been marked with almost constant agitation, culminating in December with student strikes throughout the Island. Many of us wondered at that time whether or not it would be possible to reopen classes in January, as conditions seemed ripe for a revolution or foreign intervention.

This situation continued all through the spring of 1931. People in close touch with the political affairs of the country informed us that preparations for a revolution were in progress, and we were constantly reminded of the fact by the roar of government airplanes flying at the lowest possible altitude in order to search for arms and munitions concealed on the flat roofs of houses. The event to which

a year of conflict had been leading took place in August, for in that month the fires of revolution broke out, blazed fiercely for a short time, and were quenched at least for the time being.

Naturally, the effect of this condition has been felt in our schools. Many of our patrons have suffered financially from present economic conditions. Some of our students have seen members of their families imprisoned for political reasons. Others have been torn by conflicting loyalties. On the other hand, certain features of the year's work have been decidedly encouraging. Our enrolment, for one thing, has been the largest we have had in four years. There seems to be a greater responsiveness, too, on the part of those whom we are trying to teach, than we have felt in other years, and perhaps a deeper realization of the value of things that are really worth while. That the crisis through which this little country is passing may be used in the strengthening of her national character and in the deepening of her spiritual life, and that we may be able to render her the service she needs at this hour of trial, is our prayer and earnest hope.

Miss Williamson has had a varied program of teaching in the grammar and high school departments and has supervised the dining-room and kitchen in the boarding department.

Since her return after furlough, Miss Lewis has devoted her time principally to English classes in the primary grades, Bible and school hygiene in the normal department, together with conferences in practice teaching and senior manual training. She has general supervision of all the elementary grades.

Miss Woodward, who has also returned after furlough, is again in charge of the Department of Music, teaching piano classes, and also teaching choruses and hymn singing through all the grades in the primary, high school, and normal departments.

Miss White has taught English and Bible classes. The year's project in the high school Bible classes has been the making on the playground of a thirty-foot relief map of Palestine.

There are many avenues of service open to us, and we count it a privilege to be here. We earnestly desire that all of our students may become true followers of our Lord. Remember us in your prayers.

JAPAN

HIROSHIMA GIRLS' SCHOOL

REV. Z. HINOHARA, PRESIDENT; KATHERINE JOHNSON, LOIS COOPER, IDA L. SHANNON, KATHERINE SHANNON, NANNIE B. GAINES, MARY D. FINCH

Hiroshima Girls' School, with its four departments—kindergarten, primary, high school, and college—and its enrolment of 589, faces the New Year with hope, remembering with gratitude God's leadership in the past. The year has been a good one in spite of many difficulties and serious problems confronted. The work and findings of the Commission appointed by Bishop Kern at the beginning of the school year have been reported elsewhere. They proved beneficial, and the results have been of a satisfactory nature.

Having completed the endowment required by the government, at present, application was made to the Education Department for recognition as a Semmon Gakko (college) on October 30, 1931. Recognition was granted, and we are expecting the official announcement any day. It is fortunate to have this recognition before the new school year beginning in April, 1932.

At the same time the Board of Directors was reorganized and the

name of the school changed from Hiroshima Jo Gakko (Hiroshima Girls' High School) to Hiroshima Jo Gakuin (Gakuin being the term used to include more than one department or school). The significant feature of the new Board of Directors is that half the number are Japanese instead of one-third, as heretofore—three coming from the alumnae association and three from the Japanese Church—a step in the devolution of missions.

In a brief report such as this must be, the religious life of the school can be outlined only. Believing that religion is not a department or separate phase of life, but that it is life itself, we count every contact with our students a privilege and a responsibility and earnestly pray that the spirit of Christ may permeate every activity of the school. During every term special religious services are held under the leadership of the principal and other well-known leaders of Japan, Dr. Kagawa, Rev. Kugimiya, Dr. Ebina, and Bishop Akazawa assisting at different times in the past. Bishop Akazawa came to us this year five days after his return to Japan from America, and his interesting reports of the great Ecumenical Conference as well as his evangelistic messages brought inspiration and spiritual enrichment to faculty and students alike. Yesterday eighteen students and one teacher were baptized, thus adding to the number already baptized during the year. They joined the Central Methodist Church of Hiroshima, with which our school is affiliated. Other students have expressed their appreciation of the meetings and their deepened interest in the Christian way of life. Every Friday special classes for inquirers are conducted. In addition to these, through the regular Bible classes held twice a week, the Y. W. C. A. and other special meetings, the teachers, the daily chapel services, the dormitory prayer meetings each evening, the teachers are striving to direct the thinking of the student body along positive Christian lines.

Since every worth-while impression calls forth some expression, we find the students and teachers taking an active part in the church work of the city. They are teaching Sunday school and working in the W. C. T. U. and other civic organizations. Within the school the work of the social service department of the Y. W. C. A., the distribution of food and money, among the poor in the city at Christmas, the special programs given at hospitals, factories, the orphanage, and old people's home, and last, but far from least, the seven street Sunday schools conducted by the older dormitory students each Sunday—all these are channels of expression that we believe are highly valuable as means of training in service for the present as well as for the future.

Who can measure the results of this far-reaching work in the lives of the students as they daily learn to share the abundant life that has come to them? A survey of the religious work of the school would not be complete without mentioning the special English Bible classes conducted by the missionaries for students from other private and public schools, the Little Temperance League, and the weekly prayer meeting for the servants, and the work done by the principal in connection with the Kingdom of God Movement.

Another outstanding event of the year came in the form of a two-year grant of two thousand yen to the school by the city council. This is the first time in the forty-five-year-old history of the school that financial aid has been received from the city office.

Already we have reported the gift of the grand piano and the dedication service held soon after its arrival from America. We deeply appreciate the generosity and loving interest of the young people of our great home church, as expressed in this beautiful and useful gift. At the recent concert given by our music faculty the piano added

greatly to the program; in fact, without it the program would have been impossible. The students and the Japanese teachers often refer with gratitude to our piano as the "love gift" from America. There are other gifts all around us—Jubilee Hall, Lantz Hall, and the equipment of these splendid buildings—constantly reminding us of our generous friends across the sea. Largely through the efforts of the alumnae and the principal, "Aikosai" (Love the School Day), held on October 17, 1931, was a great success, more than three thousand people attending. As a result a thousand yen was offered to the school by the alumnae. This year both annual events—such as Field Day, the public English Meeting, and the concerts—and special events, already mentioned, have attracted larger crowds than usual.

Another special event of which we are very proud is the winning of the prize in the West Japan Oratorical Contest by Miss Higashi, of our college. The beautiful cup which she brought back to the school challenges us to greater things mentally and spiritually.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC CENTER, KURE

MARY SEARCY

The unexpected results of our seed-sowing which we occasionally are privileged to see are a part of the "hundred folk" which the Master promised to those who follow him. Last fall as I was on the boat on my way to Matsuyama to visit friends I met a nineteen-year-old boy who was returning from his mother's funeral. I had known the mother slightly, but this was my first acquaintance with the son. He seemed very sad, and as we sat on the deck looking out on the wondrous beauties of the Inland Sea I talked to him of our Father's love and urged him to give his heart to God. He told me that he had attended Sunday school when a small boy but had drifted away and now knew nothing of the teaching of Christianity. We sang together one of the songs he had learned as a boy, and it seemed to recall blessed memories. When I told him goodbye I promised to write and he promised to seek out a church and attend services. He found there was no church in his village, so he went three miles to the nearest church and was so impressed by the service that he soon became a regular attendant. I have not space in this brief report to give all the details of his conversion, but will just add that today he is a very earnest, active Christian and writes me letters which are overflowing with the joy he has found in Christ. He came to see me in the spring, and I have seldom had the privilege of seeing a face so transformed with the new spirit within. He has led several of his boy friends to Christ, and last summer when the pastor of the church was absent for more than a month these young boys carried on the services with very gratifying results. When I think of the results of this tiny bit of seed sowing I am overwhelmed with shame that I have let many other such opportunities pass.

The Bible Woman and I have just closed a six weeks' cooking and Bible class in a village near here. Twelve women were enrolled in the class, and I have never seen more enthusiastic "learners." They seemed to enjoy the Bible lessons as well as the cooking, and we are hoping to see results from this bit of seed sowing also. We hope to conduct such classes in several other places after the Christmas holidays.

The rest of the work at the Zenrin Kwan is moving along very nicely. We can see more direct results through our kindergarten work than through most of our other activities, but we hope that results will come from them all. We have many discouragements and

disappointments in this city where, on every hand, we meet with opposition to Christianity; but we know that the need is great, and we are facing the new year with fresh courage and determination to make him known here.

KINDERGARTENS, HIROSHIMA, AND SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC CENTER, KURE (ZENRIN KWAN)

MOZELLE TUMLIN

I feel that my efforts have been too divided between the work of our social-evangelistic center in Kure and work with four of our kindergartens in Hiroshima to accomplish much at either place. Much of my time and energy have been spent in running to catch trains, busses, and street cars. However, I can see a few gains in the work of the year.

Through the work with the children in our religious education groups we have made contacts with a number of mothers. We are cultivating their friendship and are trying to lead them into a personal knowledge of Christ.

My English Bible class, composed of students, business men, sailors, school-teachers, and street-car motormen, has been most interesting, and I am happy to report that several of the members have recently become Christians and others are coming to church regularly and helping in the choir. I hope that many in this class will catch Christ's spirit of service and undertake some worth-while social-religious service work in our city.

Work with the teachers in four of our kindergartens in Hiroshima has shown some gratifying results during the year. One kindergarten seems to have taken on new life as evidenced in a greatly increased enrolment and the organization of an enthusiastic mothers' club. The mothers recently presented the kindergarten with a very nice victrola, and we hear that one of the mothers is planning to furnish the kindergarten coal this winter.

The mothers in all of the kindergartens seem interested in the devotional feature of our mothers' meetings. Miss Mukoyama, of our Hiroshima Girls' School, is giving a series of talks at our monthly meetings, and we are praying that as a result of these splendid talks some of the mothers will become Christians and continue in the home the religious training we are trying to give their children in the kindergarten.

I want to mention the fine contribution made by the children of one kindergarten, which is held in the church, toward the building fund for a new church. During their handwork period the children made all sorts of little pictures, dusters, centerpieces, and other household articles, which they sold at a bazaar. The kindergarten mothers, church members, and other friends attended the bazaar, bought generously, and swelled the profits to ten yen (\$5). The children were radiantly happy over their success. Their united effort in making this contribution will be a strong tie to the kindergarten and church.

Work with the children and mothers at Takajo Machi, our slum kindergarten, has been so encouraging that we feel that we must have better equipment in order to meet the needs of this under-privileged group.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC CENTER, OITA (AIRIN KWAN)

MANIE C. TOWSON

During the past year I have had double responsibility, in the absence of Miss Carroll, having had charge of the women's and

children's work at Oita and Beppu. Since October, 1931, our Oita, Beppu, and country work has been divided, with Miss Carroll specializing upon the children, Miss Bagley the young people, and I the adults.

My work among women takes me with a Bible woman into the homes for a vast amount of visiting among church women, probationers, and non-Christians. Before starting we always invoke the guidance of Holy Spirit upon our adventure. He takes our poor words, as we attempt to teach the Bible, and gives them life, and wings our feeble petitions with his power. We are devoutly grateful, after visiting in a home, to have them tell us, "Your visit did me good."

No greater privilege ever comes to us than that of consecutive weekly effort in the form of our three cottage prayer meetings; we are hoping that they will become feeders to the church. The transformation that has come upon some of them who have opened their homes to us is marvelous. The husbands have become more active lay evangelists, and the wives more interested in hearing and appropriating the gospel. Some of them are reaching out definitely to bring in the unsaved into these little preaching places:

One of the hopeful feeders to our church is the class for foreign cooking, at each meeting of which we have a devotional service. The women who attend are mostly raw recruits for our women's evangelistic work, who are encouraged and assisted in their faith by some of our Christian women who attend.

I am hopeful for the future of our Cradle Roll, and am praying that the mothers of many little ones may be gathered in through our work with their babies. We are working and praying for definite results and are linked up with the local church. There is a vast field for cultivation, among the members of the Ladies' Aid Society, who are definitely committed to evangelism. The work among women in Oita Prefecture is full of marvelous possibilities, and I am praying that God's call to service may thrust me out more and more into this open field.

LEILA BAGLEY

The program for work with the young girls through the Airin Kwan has been arranged to include the girls of every class in the city, and an attempt is made to have them all realize that they are a part of the whole program.

The young girls of the wealthier class who are living at home waiting for the time when they shall marry co-operate beautifully to make possible work among the less fortunate girls. At the Thanksgiving season they brought a large collection of warm clothing for the poor, and the high school girls brought fruit and vegetables. One of the older girls of one of the wealthiest families in the town volunteered to serve tea to any guests who might come to her home on Thursday nights and to do any other errands which would be required of the servants if her mother would allow the four maids to have the evening free to study Bible with the others of the Club for Working Girls in the Airin Kwan. This club includes nurses, maids, shop girls, and any others who have the evening free for recreation and Bible study.

This same group of girls co-operated with the high school girls to present a pageant for the girls in one of the mills in which we work.

The work in the mills has been one of the most satisfying experiences of the year. During an average week we are privileged to touch the lives of about six hundred mill girls. Entrance into the mills has been gained and kept through great effort and very earnest prayer,

but the joy and pleasure we have been able to give to these who know so little of a well-rounded life have been doubled in our own lives as we have tried to share with them. To see the lines erased from those tired faces as we sing and play together lifts any burden we may have save that of leading them to the Christ who can give them lasting peace and joy.

Another of our great joys has come in the work with blind girls who are students in Oita. Each week about fifteen of them come for Bible study and song. Because they have no Bibles or hymnals they bring their instruments and write the hymns and the next week's assignment in Bible. One of the great thrills of Christmas came when I was able to present to each of them a copy of the Gospel of Luke in the Braille.

The work with the girls of the normal school presents a great challenge to us, for when they have finished their study they go out into the ken as teachers. If they are Christian teachers, their influence is marvelous. Each week we have a small group of these girls for Bible study. In the group there are some preparing for baptism.

Our work is not confined to the young girls of Oita. One afternoon each week a visit is made to different ones of our small mission churches in the district where there is no Bible woman or missionary to help with the work. The girls, although they have had their own strength tried by the responsibilities this work brings, have enjoyed the contacts with the girls of other churches, and the help they have been able to give both in organization and program building has been appreciated. Once during the year representatives from these churches met in Oita with our own young girls for a three days' conference in which the work as a whole for young people was studied together.

Our fellowship with each of these groups means much to us, and as we see the faith of new Christians we have our own faith strengthened and are sent forward with a greater urge to lead them all into the possibilities of a life in Christ.

PALMORE WOMEN'S ENGLISH INSTITUTE, KOBE

C. HOLLAND, PRINCIPAL; MYRA P. ANDERSON, MIRIAM WARREN
(CONTRACT TEACHER)

The word "Fukeiki" (depression) has found a common place in the vocabulary of the ordinary housewife, the street man, and the office staffs in Kobe. It has directly affected the enrolment of the institution for the past three years. Many parents cannot afford to keep their daughters in school after they have graduated from high school. There are fewer requests for typists and stenographers at this time when office forces are being decreased rather than increased. Scores of the smaller firms have closed permanently, and many typists are willing to continue on a \$15 salary rather than not hold a position during this period of depression.

The second thing that has affected the enrolment has been the opening of new schools, departments, and private classes for commercial subjects in the city. However, in the face of these difficulties the enrolment for 1931 shows an increase over 1929 and 1930. One hundred and fifty-seven students have entered since April, sixty-two in the regular department and ninety-five in the special courses in typewriting and shorthand.

The lower department of two years was added in April, 1931, and graduates of the government primary schools may now enter upon examination. The higher department of three years is open to graduates of high school. Hyogo Prefecture is raising all its high schools

to five years, and this helps to raise the standard of the girls who enter Palmore Institute. Sixty-seven per cent of the present enrolment are high school graduates.

Hyogo Ken and the city of Kobe are quite representative of "young Japan at school." There are 84,840 children in the sixty-two primary day schools in Kobe alone. There are more than one thousand in the night classes. Hyogo Prefecture has forty-one regular high schools for girls with an enrolment of 17,229. Ten of these schools are in Kobe with an enrolment of 7,393 girls. These do not include the higher departments of sixteen schools or a larger number of private schools like our own. The four primary schools within two blocks of our institution have 6,332 children in the day classes. This is a large field in which Palmore Women's English Institute may share as an evangelistic center.

The daily schedule, including morning prayers, the chapel hour, the Bible class period, the Y. W. C. A., and the outside Sunday schools, affords time and place for religious instruction and Christian service. There are fifty-two Christians in the student body. Five others registered as Buddhists, while eighty-seven gave no religious preference. There have been five baptisms during the year and several probationers taught in the church groups. Bible classes and clubs are conducted at the school for the business girls and nurses in the city.

The outside activities of the school have been varied and helpful. Representatives from our English-Speaking Society have entered local contests, intercollegiate contests, and the national intercollegiate speaking contest, and each time have received recognition.

The Christian students of Kwansei College, Kobe College for Women, Kobe Woman's Evangelistic School, Palmore Women's English Institute, Kobe University of Commerce, and one other commercial college for men have organized the Kobe Christian Students' Union. The monthly programs take the form of discussion groups where the religious, social, and international questions that face the youth of these strenuous days may be discussed freely.

The Pan-Pacific Association, through Dr. Ford, of Honolulu, has been organizing its clubs in all the countries touching the Pacific Ocean. At its initial meeting in Osaka last fall, representatives from the governor, the mayor, and consulates of the Pacific countries gave messages of hearty welcome to such an organization. Prince Tokugawa, Chairman of the Association for Japan, spoke briefly in its behalf at a tea given in his honor when on a recent visit to Osaka.

One of our juniors won first prize in a try-out of eight colleges when five speakers were chosen to welcome the Goodwill Ambassadors from Oregon University. These university students were touring the Pacific countries in the interest of creating better understanding among the various student groups. Such efforts as these that touch people where they live will mean more for the future of the Orient than armed battleships or disarmament conferences.

LAMBUTH TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS, OSAKA

REV. T. TANAKA, PRESIDENT; MABEL WHITEHEAD, ANNE PEAVY, RUTH
FIELD, ANNA BELLE WILLIAMS, LOUISE HINCHY (CONTRACT),
MABEL WHITEHEAD, BIBLICAL DEPARTMENT

During the past year Lambuth has been greatly blessed by the addition of a Japan Methodist Church West Conference man to our staff as the president of our institution. Since Bishop Akazawa was called from us to other fields of service for his church, Miss Margaret M. Cook has been acting president, and for her splendid services the

school is deeply grateful. However, she has been one with us in feeling that we should by all means have a Japanese president, and together we rejoice in welcoming Rev. Tadashi Tanaka as our leader.

In the courses in Religious Education and Personal Evangelism, the theory of classroom work and the supervised field work of the students have been more closely linked up than ever before. Miss Hamako Hirose is shaping the courses and directing the field work in Sunday school teaching and in the dramatization of biblical stories in such a way that the coming graduates should be able to carry out a much more adequate church program of religious education. Rev. Kugimiya is giving much time to consultation with the students before and after each visit into homes where someone is asking to be taught about Christianity. In his classes on "Personal Work" or "How to Lead Souls to Christ" he is not satisfied simply with giving theory, but demands that each student actually gets results here and now in winning people to Christ. In the development of a self-propagating church in Japan, the burning zeal for souls and the power to win them cannot be overestimated.

One of the main purposes of the school is to develop Christian leadership among women. Marked growth in the accomplishment of this purpose is indicated in the way the students are organized and working in ten departments, such as the religious, the social, the economic, the literary, the athletic "bu" or departments, and the glee club, etc. In these various activities the girls are showing marked ability as leaders.

The general outlook for the school is all that could be desired. The building is a busy hive of activity. Constantly there are being held here various conferences, such as the National Christian Educational Conference (a body of one hundred heads or head officers of Christian schools of all denominations); the Worker's Conference, including all Bible Women and kindergarten teachers working under our Mission; the city of Osaka group meetings of the Kingdom of God Movement; Educational Institutes for Mothers under a leading Japanese child specialist; etc.

Lambuth is touching not only the community but the nation in its outreach. Our graduates are scattered from one end to the other and are working in Manchuria and Formosa and on the Pacific Coast in the U. S. A. May the God of the harvest cause the work to ever grow larger and larger is our constant prayer.

Kindergarten Teacher-Training Department

ANNE PEAVY, RUTH FIELD

The graduating class of the past year was the first to complete the three-year course in the Kindergarten Teacher-Training Department. Of the thirteen graduates all accepted positions in Christian kindergartens. Reports that have come to the school indicate that the majority are giving satisfaction. If we can get students of superior ability and personality, we feel that the three-year course is going to mean better prepared kindergartners and at the same time more consecrated Christian Workers. With the lengthened course we should continue to put emphasis upon quality rather than quantity.

We now have four young women who, before entering Lambuth, were graduates of higher schools. Two are completing the course in two years, and two who are graduates of kindergarten normal schools are doing postgraduate work. We would like to have more young women of this type.

In order that the students may be prepared for practical work, we are trying to give them many opportunities for observing and

taking part in different kinds of activities. These include helping in a well-baby clinic, planning and preparing meals for adults and children, directing playground activities, as well as teaching in several different kindergartens and Sunday schools. All of this practical work is being carried on under trained supervision.

The children's work on the playground offers many interesting experiences. In four months more than three hundred different children have played on the school grounds. Besides the supervised outdoor play, every playground child is given the privilege of entering one or more of the different interest groups, such as music, drawing, stories, health, and English, each of these meeting on a different day of the week. Many of these children are graduates of the kindergarten and now attend the Sunday school.

While the work of the Laboratory Kindergarten has not reached our ideals, we have been encouraged by the growth of the teachers themselves in their ability to lead the children in constructive and creative activities.

The kindergarten draws to our school many interesting visitors, even to the extent of twenty-five in one day. During the past twelve months we have had one hundred and eighty-five visitors. These include government kindergarten teachers, school principals, Christian teachers, both Protestant and Catholic, Buddhist priests and teachers, students and teachers from kindergarten normal schools, manufacturers of kindergarten supplies, members of the Fact Finding Commission, members of the International Education Commission, and members of our own and other Missions. We rejoice in the opportunities which these visitors give us of sharing with them some of our purposes and ideals, and thus more widely influencing early childhood educational standards.

Evangelistic Department

ANNA BELLE WILLIAMS

Our need at Lambuth for a competent, experienced Bible Woman was supplied when Mrs. Harue Kida was appointed to help in the evangelistic work. Mrs. Kida assists in the factories and the Sunday school, visits with the students in both departments of the school, and gives valuable aid to the woman's work in the churches in and around Osaka. Twice she has been called to distant places to conduct series of meetings for women.

Our eleven happy Christmas celebrations will give an idea of the work we are doing. Seven of these were in factories where the attendance ranged from eight to sixty. The small number is not due to lack of interest, for the girls like to attend the meetings, but to Buddhist activity making them feel that they are disloyal to home and country in having anything to do with a "foreign" religion. It is interesting at our regular meeting in one factory to have girls come down from their Buddhist service, each carrying her little red manual of worship, to sing Christian hymns with us.

Two other celebrations were in hospitals. One of these was for the nurses of the Kaisei Hospital, where we go on Monday evenings to give them a message and to teach hymn singing. The other hospital Christmas was for the patients in the tuberculosis ward of a charity institution, where we have a "Sunshine Bible Class" that meets out of doors and is therefore dependent on good weather. The class wanted to celebrate, and, having no room, they begged for a tent. This they decorated with their own handwork. In the crude surroundings one felt very close to that first Christmas back in Bethlehem. Generosity of a group of factory girls and of the young people

at Tobu Church gave each one of the ninety-five patients in the ward and many others a bit of fruit and cake.

The boys in the Kozu Middle School, where an English Bible class is held on Wednesday afternoons, came sixteen strong with one of the teachers for a good time Christmas Eve. Some of the best students in the higher classes of the school are in this class, and it is a privilege to have this touch on their young lives.

Lambuth Sunday school enrolls 159 children in its two departments and has an average attendance of 110. The Christmas program, a simple pageant in which the whole school took part, showed the progress in good order and discipline since the early Lambuth days. The children appreciated the privilege of giving the message, and each one did his best. Two of our Sunday school girls were baptized at the evening service one night in December, and it is the prayer of our hearts that we may be able to lead many more in factory, hospital, Sunday school, and elsewhere to the Master during the coming days. "We would see Jesus" and lead others to him, the One altogether lovely.

Music Department

LOUISE HINCHY

The music department of Lambuth Training School has just completed its first quarter of an interesting experiment into the realm of class piano work. The word "experiment" is used only in connection with Lambuth as the method itself has long since passed the experimental stage.

Modern education is almost exclusively conducted in groups. The work of the tutor is now limited to exceptional individuals and conditions. Piano teaching is one of the few subjects which has so long held to the tutoring system. And yet group piano teaching is not a new thing. Two of the greatest masters of piano pedagogy, Liszt and Leschetitzky, gave their instruction almost entirely to groups of students. We are all familiar with the popular present-day plan of "master piano classes."

The recent developments in group teaching are along two particular lines: first, they apply to piano instruction in the principles of psychology and pedagogy as they have been developed in other subjects in the schools; and second, they organize the plan of instruction and the material so that they are adapted to school conditions.

Class instruction provides opportunity for correlating the training in playing with other studies essential to general musicianship, such as sight-reading, harmony, form, transposition, etc. It is extremely difficult systematically to offer these subjects as a part of a private lesson.

In class work the individuality of each pupil is neither forgotten nor stifled as individual performance is required, as well as creative work outside of class, but these are handled in such a way as to not disrupt group work. We feel quite safe in saying that an unusual interest has been awakened in the sixty pupils enrolled in Lambuth music classes. The advancement both in performance and musicianship has been normal and encouraging, and when you hear from this department again we believe the word "experiment" will have given way to one representative of greater permanency.

KOREA

CAROLINA INSTITUTE, SEOUL

HALLIE BUIE, PRINCIPAL; RUBIE LEE

The wonderful co-operation of the native coworkers, the response of the parents and friends, the growth physically, mentally, and spiritually of our girls constitute the best part of our work—and cannot be included in a report.

As we live a long way from the church, we have our Wednesday prayer meeting in the dining-room at the dormitory, like family prayers, the girls taking turns in leading. One night after service, when I was speaking of what a good meeting it had been, the matron, who has been here only a few months, said: "Yes, the leader was a fourth-year girl. Ever since I have been here I have noticed what a difference there in is the girls who have been here for some time and the ones who have been here only a short time. The improvement is very marked. I know you must be proud of what this school is doing for the girls in every way, especially in character building."

Each member of our faculty is a consecrated Christian, and this influence is reflected in the student body. All the teachers attend some church, and many are earnest workers. Just a few days ago a prominent woman said to me: "To know your teachers is to realize why your school has a reputation for character building. For years I have known that Mr. T. B. Y. is one of your teachers and a regular attendant at church, but not until last spring when he was appointed leader of our Cottage Prayer Circle did I realize his worth. He has put new life and zeal into the circle. No home in which there is special trouble or sickness or sorrow is satisfied until Mr. Y. goes and has prayer with the family."

In our primary school building we have a Sunday school for our school children who live some distance from the church and for the children in non-Christian homes in this neighborhood. One of our teachers is superintendent, and our large girls are teachers. In our high school building we have a Sunday school for the high school girls. Our Bible teacher is superintendent, and the classes are taught by our teachers. There isn't room in the Sunday school at the church for these girls. Our teachers' prayer meeting is held once a week and is a spiritual help to all of us.

A number of our girls helped in the summer vacation Bible schools and say they got much more out of it than they gave. Our dormitory girls are always glad to get home to help with the Christmas services in the little country churches.

Our white Christmas offering this year was \$38, which we sent to the leper hospital, as usual. I wish each one of you and also the parents of our pupils might have enjoyed that service with us.

Our mothers' meetings are well attended; many of the fathers are interested in the Parent-Teacher Association and are helpful to the school in many ways.

Our school is keeping up its record as being one of the best private schools in Korea. (Any school not supported by the government is called a private school.) Last fall when the time came to select the high schools from which a representative was to be sent to Japan on a month's tour of inspection of schools in that country, ours was the only private girls' school chosen.

As the new school year begins the first of April, we are very busy the latter part of March, giving entrance examinations. This, with

the final examinations, commencement exercises, etc., makes March a hectic month. In 1931 we gave entrance examinations to 147 students but could accept only 100 of them for the high school department. Our enrolment at the beginning of April, 1931, was 808, but on account of the economic condition of the country the girls are constantly having to stop school. Since April we have lost 77 pupils because they could not pay their fees. On account of the cuts in our appropriations from the Board of Missions, we have to insist that the fees be paid. Teachers who visit the homes from which it is hard to collect our fees often come back with pitiful stories of the conditions they find. Many times it is one of the best pupils who has to give up her schooling.

Our music department had grown so we employed three teachers, depending upon the music fees for the salary of one of the Korean music teachers. For some time we have had a waiting list, and we longed for more instruments so more of the girls could study music. When our graduates go out to teach in the country schools they are always expected to play the organ for the church services. In only a few large cities in Korea is electricity used, therefore radios are scarce. Naturally they are in the homes of the very wealthy; so a little organ is a precious possession in this land. On account of the economic depression many of our pupils have had to stop their lessons, and we must give up one of the teachers. The depression prevails all over the country. In this morning's paper I saw a statement that in one province alone 5,000 Korean students had had to stop school because they were not able to pay the fees.

We know that conditions in the United States are distressing, and we greatly appreciate the help that is coming to us because we realize that during this depression those who are still carrying on are doing so at a great sacrifice.

Pray that we may be able to keep our school one of the best.

EWHA COLLEGE, SEOUL

Literary Department

VELMA MAYNOR

The graduates of the Literary Department of Ewha College have government recognition as high school English teachers. Therefore English occupies a large place in the course of study. By the addition of other subjects, we try to broaden the course so as to enable the girls to live richer lives, to serve their people efficiently, and to be independent economically.

In addition to a heavy school program, the girls have participated in several projects during the year. They had part in the beautiful pageant given on the new college site on Founder's Day. This presentation of Korean village life won hearty applause from the immense audience. There were literary students in the group which, during Christmas vacation, went on a concert tour to raise money for the college building fund. The monthly recital work of the department found its climax in the graduating recital given in February. The program consisted of essays, orations, some splendid musical numbers, and a one-act play written by a member of the class to express the ideals and purposes of the class. In November, the seniors gave, in English, a dramatization of "Ivanhoe." This project was a collaboration of the English Literature and the English Drama courses. The class in journalism publishes the *Ewha Weekly News Sheet* and a quarterly called the *Ewha College Girl*, which are read on both sides of the ocean. The annual issue of the *Ewha Magazine*,

although under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A., falls heavily upon the literary students. Our girls give efficient service to the Sunday schools and choirs in the churches of the city. During vacation, they are busy in Daily Vacation Bible School work.

Of the ten graduates in March, 1931, eight are now teaching, one is married, and one is continuing study. Without exception, they were all willing to serve anywhere that a field of service was open to them. One writes from far-away Manchuria: "When I first came, often my eyes filled with tears, but I am glad to live here and am thankful to God. I know it will help me to build character." Another says: "My life is too busy for much letter writing. After school hours, the girls want me to play with them." Two are doing a constructive piece of work, helping to establish the Winetka system of individual teaching in one of the schools here in the city. They say: "It takes hard work, but it is interesting." They are all taking positions of responsibility in church and community life. A phrase in our college song is: "Ewha, may your influence spread far." This prayer is being answered through the lives of our graduates.

Our faculty is earnest and faithful. They are scholarly in their work and Christian in their living, and their interest in the students is both intellectual and spiritual. They are indeed character builders, and we thank God for each of them.

Music Department

JOSEPHINE DAMERON

A splendid program was given by the graduates of the Music Department at commencement time last February. As usual, the crowd could not be accommodated. Some who had entered the auditorium dropped their invitations out the window so that friends could gain admission. It is lamentable that we have no hall large enough to receive the music-loving Koreans. The last number of the program is of interest—every year each member of the senior class is required to write an original composition. A prize is given to the student whose composition is judged best.

Three graduates of this class are now teaching in Ewha, one is teaching in a Bible school, the others are teaching in high schools.

Aside from the excellent work done by each teacher through the year, the department is glad for other accomplishments. Seven of the popular Korean folk songs are now available in book form under the title, *Korean Folk Songs, Volume I*. A book of technical terms has been published; also preparatory studies for the piano. A collection of first-class piano material has been bound. A handbook of musical terms is in process of compilation and translation. (The very few words given to this part of our report represent countless hours of exhausting work.)

Because of the increase of students in the Home Economics, Literary, and Kindergarten Training Departments, as well as in our department, pianos on which to practice and room for instruments, even if we had the number of instruments we need, create a problem increasingly difficult to meet. To students who show superiority in scholarship the privilege is given of studying a secondary subject, violin or cello. Here again we are confronted by the ever present question: Where can such students practice? The senior class are doing satisfactory practice teaching in primary schools. Student teachers in Ewha have been discontinued; all teaching done solely by qualified teachers creates more efficient work. Some students of the freshman class give promise of being able to take our required course without too much supplementary work. The better prepared the

freshman is, the more easily can we maintain our standard. Monthly recitals in which every student must perform at least once a term are carried on successfully.

Much could be said of the graduates of former years. One is leaving to study in Canada (under the United Church of Canada); another is on her way to America. All who are teaching are doing consistently good work. A large per cent of our students serve in choirs, Sunday schools, Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Y. W. C. A., missionary societies, and other Christian work. The ideals of the Music Department are expressed in its policy—we quote the concluding sentence: "The department desires in each individual student the attainment of noblest character which finds its ideal only in Christ."

Home Economics Department

HAUMA KIM

The whole scope of home economics work in Ewha College can hardly be shown in a short article. It seems, therefore, necessary to consider only the course of study in the school and the work of other organizations.

It will be easier to understand the situation if a brief explanation is given of what is included under various home economics subjects as taught in the college.

Cookery. Both simple and elaborate processes are taught, with special attention to vegetable cooking, baking, preserving, the use of the fireless cooker, and other economical ways of cooking. The first year is spent entirely on Korean cooking. The second year we teach foreign cooking—two terms of American cooking, six weeks of Chinese, and six weeks of special Japanese dishes.

Child Care. The psychology of the child; his physical, mental, and moral development; technique of learning and the influence of his surroundings are taught in this course.

Nutrition. Calorie needs of adults and children, minerals, vitamins, and other nutrients; calculations of nutritive value, cost of food products; analysis of foods and animal feeding experiments are the materials of this course.

Hygiene and Physiology. The needs of the organism; health, habits, sports, outdoor exercise, and proper clothing; hygiene of the home, of the street, of the neighborhood, lighting, ventilation, furnishings, house cleaning, and the arrangement of a modern kitchen; contagious diseases and their prevention, disinfection and care of the sick are some of the very practical things taught in these courses.

Laundrying. The washing and ironing of household linen and garments (including woolens and silks) and chemical cleaning are taught in this course.

Textiles and Needle Craft. These courses acquaint the students with the different kinds of textiles, their production and cost, block prints, tie-dyeing, weaving, hand and machine sewing, and crocheting.

The sciences are not neglected. A student will have acquired before graduation a knowledge of chemistry, bacteriology, physics, physiology, food chemistry, and biology.

Art, music appreciation, and English contribute generously to that side of a nature which is so important to the balanced individual.

The student enrolment of the home economics department is seventy-four. This number represents more than ten high schools all over Korea. Many of our girls give service to the Sunday schools. Two very active girls go to a church quite a long distance from the school. They spend almost the whole day every Sunday teaching the adult Sunday school class in the morning, children's classes in the after-

noon, and then hold women's club or other meetings in the late afternoon. During vacation many of our girls are engaged in Daily Vacation Bible School work.

The need of home economics education here in Korea is great; so there are many calls even for our undergraduates to teach these subjects in high schools. In response to such a call two of our girls go out to teach every Saturday.

We are grateful that our faculty as a whole is faithful and earnest in their endeavors to hold our students to high standards of scholarship and to bring them up to the highest ideals of character as found in Christ.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC CENTER, SEOUL (UNION)

ELLASUE WAGNER, PRINCIPAL; MARGARET BILLINGSLEY, BLANCHE BAIR,
ELM ROSENBERGER, MARION KINSLER

Seoul Social Evangelistic Center

ELLASUE WAGNER

In looking back over the past year there are some outstanding experiences which mark the passing of 1931.

At the "Center," we have four splendid young women in charge of the four departments of work, and everything moves along nicely; a truly marvelous result, built up and carried along with very little equipment, and in a dilapidated old building now over two hundred and fifty years old.

This is union work, the Methodist, Southern Methodist, and Presbyterian Boards co-operating in a much-needed social service work for the women and children of this great city. Union institutions are more efficient, and we have more workers than we could have had in only our own mission, but the matter of getting buildings is more difficult; each of the three co-operating boards is waiting for the others to do a full share. However, in spite of the handicap of such old buildings we do have the work, and that is the all-important thing—and some day new buildings will come. If you want to see a thriving, hustling place, just come to the Center any time between nine in the morning and ten at night and you will find the place fairly swarming with children of all ages, women and girls and little boys.

In this annual report of the institution we will try to give you the high lights, for to go into details of all the work done in the different classes, clubs, clinics, and meetings for the 4,000 women, children, and young people that form many different Center groups, would take a much longer report.

Home Economics Department

MARGARET BILLINGSLEY

The Home Economics Department at the Center is the latest addition to our work. From the beginning there have been a few sewing and cooking classes, but until the past two years there has been no real Home Economics Department. The time is now ripe for concentrated effort along this line. The people of Korea and especially the people of Seoul, both men and women, are awakening to their need of trained, intelligent mothers and home makers. The old idea of a woman being merely a slave in the home is rapidly disappearing, while the new idea of a wife as a home maker is taking its place. As pioneers in the field of Home Economics in Korea we feel that we have a great privilege and also a great responsibility.

This past year we have put special emphasis upon the Home Economics courses in our school for young women. Many of these women are married, and many of the others marry soon after finishing our three-year course; so what more valuable training could we give them than this? Our course includes nutrition, child care, home nursing, hygiene, family relations, foods, budgeting, home management, and clothing.

There are no Home Economics trained teachers to help in this department; so I have chosen as my helper an educated young woman who is interested in this line of work and who is anxious to learn all she can and to impart her information to others. I teach some of the classes while she teaches the others; but first I must go over each lesson with her, giving her specific instructions, and then she teaches the pupils what she has learned.

Aside from the regular class work in the school I have tried the plan of having "Home-Makers' Institute." The last week in July thirty women of the city came together every day for a week to study various phases of home economics. I have never seen a more interested group. If you could have seen them at the end of the week begging for another week's study, you would realize what a wonderful opportunity is facing us.

However, we cannot fully grasp this opportunity until we have more adequate buildings and equipment. Our four hundred-year-old buildings are literally tumbling down, in spite of constant repairs; and during the winter, because of cracks, loose doors, etc., the rooms *cannot* be comfortably warmed. When winter comes we actually suffer from the cold even in our cooking room.

We are also very crowded, and for this reason the only time I can have "Home-Makers' Institutes" is during the undesirable seasons when the other departments are not using the rooms because it is the time of year when the people will not attend classes, clubs, etc.

My daily prayer is that soon someone will be led to give us a home economics building so that we can make the most of this wonderful opening and be a center for teaching these eager mothers to be intelligent Christian home makers.

Social Service Department

BLANCHE BAIR, DIRECTOR

The year of 1931 is one that we can look back upon with gratitude because of the progress made; it was filled with strenuous work, giving us a wider knowledge of existing conditions and opportunities for contacts with lives unreached by other Christian efforts. Sometimes we feel quite discouraged in our missionary activities and wonder if our efforts are worth while, but when we recall some of the events of this year we realize a great privilege has been ours. At the Christmas season in the clubs and classes I alone was privileged to give the story of Christ's birth to from six to eight hundred people. This does not include our big programs for the kindergarten and street children. In addition to this, we have done a great deal of home visitation work. These homes are largely high-class homes and have no contact with the church or missionary groups aside from the contacts they have with us. Are we doing all we can to win these to Christ? Often I say to Mrs. Choi: "Do you think that family will ever be Christian?" Sometimes she says: "No; but probably the grandchildren will."

One of the greatest pieces of social service we have at the Center is the work with the playground children in the afternoon. Two hundred children are in this group every day at the Center, and about

forty at East Gate. These children might be termed "neglected children," although our name for the group is street children, because we have picked them up from the street. At one place where we were opening up work for the neglected children we found the children were not attending. I asked the teacher what she did to gather them in. She said: "I put up a sign out in front of the building for them to come to study, but only a few came." I told her the way I would gather them in would be to go out into the streets and byways and bring them in. This we did, and from then on we have had a splendid group in that place.

When our teachers visit in the homes they come back with terrible reports of home conditions; the fathers are day-laborers, who carry loads on their backs, who pull gocarts on the streets, who do the most menial work with least pay in a rice factory, or who are servants in a Korean home. This type of work renders a very meager income, thus making it impossible for them to educate their children or even give them an opportunity to learn to read. The teachers say that when out calling the homes are often mere hovels and they are not invited to come in.

This work is truly a piece of evangelism; not only do we have chapel services with splendid leaders from the practice work every day, but the people learn songs, prayers, and Scripture verses. Many times the mothers want to be Christian and would like to attend church, but their clothing is so poor they feel they cannot attend a regular church service.

As an outgrowth of our work with the street children we meet every Sunday afternoon with their parents in the chapel at the Center for a real evangelistic service. This class of people is almost totally without church privileges and have had no opportunity to be led to Christ. Since we started these services, many have accepted Christ. One man who has passed his sixty-first birthday (the most celebrated day in one's life in Korea) has become a Christian and attends service regularly. An earnest woman said to us: "Oh, we never knew an opportunity to believe would ever come to us. How thankful I am for this privilege." In asking them about their desire to be Christian they show a willingness and are interested, although they realize their utter ignorance; but Mrs. Choi, our leader, emphasized the fact of how Christ chose the ignorant to be his disciples.

Many times the teachers say, "Let us not have the boys; they are so terrible"; but when I see the faces of these boys, if I ever have a missionary heart, it is then. As a rule, no matter how poor the home is, the son is sent to school; so the only reason these boys cannot attend a real school is because their fathers are desperately poor. If songs, prayers, and Christian influence will be the means of saving them from prison walls and give them some idea of life, I will feel doubly paid for the great effort put into this work. My great love for these children inspires me to teach two and three nights every week at the Japanese Y. M. C. A., to earn the money for the teachers' salary.

The fees from the music club, the cooking club, the English classes all go to support the work. Teaching from twenty to twenty-five periods a week in addition to supervision work forces one to ask for an increase in the appropriation from our board at home.

We have many guests from America, guests from the Board Rooms of our three missions and many other guests, and they are always thrilled with the sight of the children.

Our kindergarten is a real joy. The children, on the whole, come from good homes, and the parents are very generous in their help,

which makes the self-support possible. Twenty lovely children graduated in the spring and are scattered throughout the city in the various schools.

We have had a worker for the blind women and girls in the city this year. The work with the blind is the most unsatisfactory piece of work we are doing, because in many instances where there are blind daughters they are hid in the back part of the house. The idea is that it is a disgrace to have a blind child. In one home where all five children are stone blind, the mother says she has sinned is the reason for this terrible affliction. Another reason why the work is so difficult is because the people train their blind to be sorceresses or fortune tellers. That is the best means of livelihood, and to deny them this opportunity is a great sacrifice. To urge them to be Christian and to give up their means of support raises a serious question—who is going to feed them?

My class in club organization work at the Woman's Seminary is a great inspiration to me. Twenty-one young women who graduated this spring were in this class, and I look forward to hearing good reports in Korea and Manchuria. They are alive and interested in this phase of work, and in some places they have already started women's clubs.

Only praise and thanks to God do I have in my heart for calling me into this field of service, and I want to thank those who make it possible for me to touch so many lives for Christ along the lines of social evangelism.

Child Welfare and Public Health

ELMA ROSENBERGER

Miss Rosenberger has associated with her two trained nurses—Miss Francis Lee, who received her Public Health training in Toronto, Canada, and Miss Chun. A truly worth-while piece of missionary service has been the Seoul Child Welfare Union, the organization of which includes the East Gate Woman's Hospital, Severance Medical College and Hospital. This reaches out in all directions, many of the mothers coming long distances to the clinics which are held weekly at the three central points and in which the doctors and nurses are all greatly interested.

It is a fact that the diet in Korea, Japan, and China, and all countries in which the same general habits prevail, is not suitable for the proper nutrition of young children. This statement is based on the lack of milk in these diets, for milk has proved to be the correct foundation of all foods for young, growing children in all countries.

In our work with children during the past seven years, we find that our babies are perfect up to six months old if fed regularly. After that it is hard to keep them up to par. In Korea the mortality rate is very high for children, more especially from one to two years of age, which is the foundation growing age of any child. In India seventy-five per cent of the children die before they reach the age of ten years. But India has the highest death rate in the world. In Korea fifty per cent of the children die before they reach the age of ten; so is it not necessary to look into the question of why we lose so many? By way of comparison, we lose seventy-five per cent more in Korea of the children under ten years of age than we do in the U. S. A. One of the chief reasons for this is that the children's diet is so inadequate and because it is not founded on milk.

Cow's milk is expensive and not especially liked in the Orient; it is therefore one of our interesting and necessary pediatric problems to search for an inexpensive substitute for cow's milk. This substi-

tute has been found in the milk made out of the soy bean, usually known as the "mei joo" bean, which is a product of China and Korea.

The development of the use of the soy-bean milk has perhaps been the most interesting and romantic feature among all of our different types of work this year. The fact that the diet in Korea is very inadequate for young children has made us search for a substitute for cow's milk. The milk has proved itself and has quite taken the minds of the people. The Seoul Woman's Club has made itself the sponsor for the feeding of numbers of poor babies on this milk and has also taken for its special project the canning of the powdered form of this milk for commercial use. We have worked on the perfecting of the powder quite zealously this year under the Child Welfare Department of the Center, and we think we have secured a formula that is very nourishing and contains most of the value of cow's milk. It is also very appetizing. There are already three of the kindergartens of Seoul using it, and there are calls for it continually from other places.

Educational Department

MARION KINSLER

If you had just three years in which to give young Korean women all the education they are likely to receive, what would you give them? This is our problem at the Social Evangelistic Center, in our educational department. We have been working at it for a number of years, and now feel that we have solved it about as well as we can, in view of the government requirements, the difficulties of the case, and our own high standards for the girls.

We feel that a primary school education is essential and that nothing less will meet their needs, and we condense and pack into three years what in the regular primary schools is given to the little children in six years. This means that all but essentials are omitted, and, of course, to do this we cover the ground rapidly; so only those who are industrious and physically strong can carry the load. In addition, we have a period of Bible study five times a week for the first-year classes and four times a week for the second- and third-year classes, and also a chapel period daily. This is our primary objective—to lead these girls to Christ—and we find that most of them become Christians during their stay with us.

We feel that every young woman who comes to us needs some training also along practical lines; and so we offer Korean sewing and cooking, adapted foreign sewing and cooking, knitting, embroidery, a study of food values, child care and hygiene. We used to offer these subjects to the students who cared to take them; and while many elected to take them, some did not. Since April of this year, however, we require them of all students and are finding the results eminently satisfactory in increased interest both on the part of the faculty and the student body. We succeeded in meeting very easily the new government requirements, which are that all primary schools introduce into their curriculum these vocational subjects.

The progress our girls make from year to year is really startling. Take one girl in the third-year class as an illustration. When she came to us she had had no experience of the world outside her own home with its binding restrictions and inhibitions. She did not know how to behave in the schoolroom, was very unattractive in appearance, and listless in attitude. She has learned how to apply herself to her studies, is wide-awake and industrious. She carries herself with a quiet, dignified assurance that was wholly lacking before. She has

become an attractive young woman and commands the respect and love of her classmates.

This illustration could be duplicated many times. The factor that makes possible this result is the Christian character and faith of our teachers. Just this morning the matron, quoting one of the dormitory girls, said of Maria Kim, our Bible teacher: "How does she bring us every day such new and fresh messages? It is always interesting and helpful. She must spend a great deal of time in preparation."

One young woman, a lawyer's wife, through the Bible study hour has come to know Christ as her Savior, and to attend the church services. She is the only one of her family to become a Christian, and it is truly a difficult thing for such a woman to break away from the customs of her family and to attend church alone. One such precious convert to Christ is a rare jewel indeed.

The first week in November, we held the annual evangelistic services in the school, Kim Oo Hyun, pastor of the North church, leading them for us. Kim Moksa's beautiful messages on our relationship to Christ, as depicted in the lovely parables of the branch and the vine, the shepherd and the sheep, the hen and the chicks, the friend, the elder brother, and the bride and bridegroom, were inimitable, and our hearts burned within us as we listened. Many of the girls came into a richer experience than they had known before, and others came for the first time to accept Christ as their Savior. It was one of those blessed times that lifted us out of ourselves and to the very throne of grace.

Hostel. Our hostel problem has assumed rather a different aspect in the last few months. Formerly we were constantly turning students away, but now our numbers have gone down to less than our capacity. The reason is that several schools that formerly had no dormitories have recently acquired them. The Girls' Commercial High School this past summer rented quarters large enough to accommodate one hundred and fifty students. This was a school from which we used to draw many students, but now all their girls are required to enter their own dormitory. It is a hopeful sign that the girls' schools are thus endeavoring to make more adequate provision for their own girls who come from the country and need a protected boarding place while in the city.

We know that there are still many unprovided for, but they do not wish to give up their liberty and come into a place where they have to be under the supervision of a matron and obey irksome rules. Especially do many of the non-Christian students dislike coming into a Christian dormitory, where they are required to attend our prayer meeting every evening. What the future of our hostel will be is now problematical. How great the need for such an institution is, I am quite uncertain.

Bible Institute. We have felt greatly encouraged this year in regard to the Bible Institute. We have had a splendid second-year class composed of very earnest and intelligent women. It has been an inspiration to teach them. The first-year class had a number of additions in the fall term and gives promise of making a good second-year group. As with the schoolgirls so with the women of the Bible Institute; we notice tremendous improvement from term to term in their ability to understand and to apply themselves to good hard study.

These women are members of our city churches for the most part, although we sometimes have one or two from the country. They are not training to be Bible women, but simply better workers in their own churches, better Sunday school teachers, and better personal

workers. They have realized the importance of studying the Bible and want to know what it teaches. They are eager and appreciative students and really enjoy Bible study. One old lady who attends faithfully every term cannot write the Korean character, and because she is unable to take a written examination we do not give her grades. This will keep her from getting a diploma, but we desire to have a sufficiently high standard so that our diploma means something.

We have no money with which to do this work, and so we are compelled to secure volunteer help from the city pastors and Bible women. I have found them very willing to give of their time and energies, and every term several of them assist in the teaching. Without this sacrifice on their part this work would be impossible. Even in this department we have been able to give the Korean Church a practical demonstration of how to accomplish something with practically nothing. Given a vision and the will to do, much can be accomplished.

HOLSTON INSTITUTE, SONDO, KOREA (CHOSEN)

LILLIAN NICHOLS, PRINCIPAL; NELLIE DYER, CLARA HOWARD,
ALICE MCMAKIN

Holston Institute has enjoyed a year of steady progress, and in the beginning of this report it is fitting to speak of our appreciation of our kind Father's gracious gifts during the year.

The attendance in the high school has been the largest in our history, 363 having been enrolled. The enrolment in the primary school has been 450, and during the year they lost only four students, a very unusual record. It is a thrilling sight to see these groups taking their setting-up exercises in the morning, and to see both departments in exercises as they appeared on our Field Day was indeed inspiring. They were well trained and moved as one.

Miss McMakin has had one hundred and fifty girls enrolled for music, but could accommodate only one hundred. The girls are eager and anxious to study music, but for lack of funds we do not have equipment or teachers enough to accommodate them all. Several of our graduates are now in the music department at Ewha College, and other girls will enter there this year.

Miss Dyer has been busy with her English classes and some evangelistic work on the district.

In June we had an exhibit of school work and a bazaar. The teachers and students worked hard to make it a success. We held it during the time the Korean Church Conference was in session, and our people thought it very fine.

The health of the student body has been so good that one of our Ivey Hospital doctors asked me one day if we were employing other doctors, since they had been called in so few times. We are very grateful for this improvement. Perhaps one reason for it is better training in the Physical Education Department. The physical work is a joy to all, and its good results are seen in stronger, better developed bodies that are more able to throw off disease germs.

We tried an experiment with our first-year girls this year. Many of them come from homes in which there are no Christians, never having heard of Jesus. It is beautiful to note their response to the gospel message and to watch their spiritual development. This year at Christmas we had on the program several essays which had been prepared in the Bible class on such subjects as "Mary, the Mother of Jesus," "Jesus, the Savior," "The Wondering Shepherds," "The Present-Day Application of the Gifts of the Wise Men." I was delighted to see that several of these essays were written by children who, before coming to Holston, knew nothing of Christ. The experi-

ment was having all the first-year girls come to the school for Sunday school on Sunday mornings and then go from here in a body to the worship service at the church. It has worked so well that we shall continue it next year.

I cannot close this report without a word of thanks to Holston's kind friends in America who sent us Christmas boxes. The gifts not only brought joy and gladness to the hearts of our students and teachers, but were real exponents of the Christmas spirit, as they came with their messages of good will from over the seas.

The students had a beautiful time celebrating for their party, by not giving to each other but only to the One whose day it was. The collection amounted to something over thirty dollars. We shall use this money for our leper, whom we support by gifts from the students, and for a gift to the School for Blind Girls in Pyeng Yang. For many years our girls have contributed to these two objects at Christmas time.

The girls are very generous and give to the extent of their means. Just recently they sent over a hundred yen to the suffering Koreans in the north.

Some of the girls taught in the Daily Vacation Bible Schools last summer, even managing such schools single-handed and doing excellent work.

Some of them are now spending their Christmas vacation in the country teaching schools for underprivileged children. They are serving because they want to serve, the only compensation being their board and the gratitude of the people. Such service is worth while.

The teachers in each department of the school are faithful to their trust, and the watchword is "Advancement." Their earnestness is well exhibited in their interest in our school building project. In spite of delays and postponement of campaign plans, in the midst of discouragements of various kinds, the fluctuation in the value of the yen, the soaring prices of all kinds of commodities, they have continued to contribute to the building fund, the money being taken from their salaries each month, according to their promise.

We are eagerly awaiting word as to how much our American friends have contributed toward our building repair project.

With gratitude for the blessings of the past, we move forward into the new year with confidence that the same power shall lead us on.

Holston Kindergartens, Songdo

CLARA HOWARD, SUPERVISOR

In the city of Songdo, with a population of fifty thousand, there are six kindergartens. One is under non-Christian supervision, one is in our Woman's Evangelistic Center, and the other four are branches of Holston Institute. It is these four in which it is my privilege to work.

These kindergartens, with an enrolment of about two hundred and fifty, are not only training little hearts and hands at the most impressionable age, but they are vitally touching this number of homes. Owing to the financial depression which has been so marked during the past year, the enrolment in kindergartens in general has been smaller than last year. This has been true of ours also, but, though smaller in numbers, the work of the past year has been by far the best we have ever had.

The teachers have grown spiritually and professionally; they have made decided progress in realizing the real purpose and value of kindergarten training and the opportunity which the kindergarten affords for social and evangelistic work in the community. We have

monthly teachers' meetings, which we utilize not only for carrying on the business side of our work but which we endeavor to make profitable for spiritual growth and professional efficiency. To accomplish this end we take turns in leading a devotional period and in sharing such songs, games, stories, etc., as we feel will be beneficial to others of our number. To encourage the habit of good reading and to extend the influence of our organization as far as we may, we have adopted the plan of choosing a good book or pamphlet each month and providing each teacher with a copy. She is requested to read it within the month and to pass it on to someone else, asking that they do the same. We also send copies of our songs and stories to teachers in rural districts who do not have the help to be derived from such meetings as ours.

Our Mothers' Clubs are functioning better than in the past. The attendance is good, and the mothers take an active part in the meetings and in the work of the kindergarten. This is in marked contrast to the situation existing when we first organized the clubs several years ago. Only this year the members have decided in two of the clubs to assess themselves dues so as to be able to function in a more vital way. In another of the clubs, though they have not assessed themselves, the mothers have made individual contributions and have presented the kindergarten with band instruments and a splendid outdoor swing. In the fourth kindergarten the mothers decided to make contributions to help with the coal bill. This year, too, there was the best response we have ever had to the opportunity given for Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings. Besides the mothers' gifts, they are asked to provide opportunity for the children to earn their own offerings, and this they do enthusiastically. This year we sent two large boxes of clothing and eighteen dollars in Korean money to destitute Koreans in Manchuria. An annual feature of the clubs is a week's institute in which the mothers are given opportunity for study and recreation and for hearing the gospel message and making decisions for Christ. We have found that the teaching of the kindergarten songs to the mothers is a great joy to them and to the children, and that the mothers are aided in the training and discipline of their children by thus being able to share in their experiences.

As in all phases of our work on the field, the home visiting constitutes one of our greatest privileges and opportunities. Both mothers and teachers are aided in the difficult task of training the children entrusted to their care, and between them is built up a comradeship that enables them to unite heart and hand and be mutually helpful in their common task. Then, too, it is a glad day for the little child when his teacher visits his home.

During the past year we have introduced into our kindergarten two new features which are proving very delightful and helpful. One is that of holding in each church once a quarter a service of worship under the auspices of the kindergarten. The kindergarten children attend service in a body on that day and take an active part in the service. A story or sermonette is also provided especially for them in addition to a specially prepared message for their parents. On such occasions people come to church who never came before, and many are greatly moved by the message which the children's songs, Scripture verses, dialogues, etc., bring to them. We feel that it is of infinite value also to the children in helping them to thus identify themselves with the church and to feel that they have a part and a place there.

The other new feature is the celebration of each child's birthday in the kindergarten. The teachers find various ways of making these occasions never to be forgotten, and they go far beyond our fondest

hopes in the matter of aiding in the development of the children in self-respect, graciousness of manner, thoughtfulness for others, and the desire to have a share in making another person glad. This, too, has proved an additional link in the chain that binds together the kindergarten and the home.

Our greatest joy as we look over the year's work is the marked progress we can see on the part of many children toward realizing God and experiencing him in their daily lives. The prayer life and ability to witness in the home that some four- and five-year-old children have manifested have been such as to astonish us.

Our teachers, our mothers, and our children all have progressed in a way most gratifying to our hearts, and we praise Him who has aided us in our efforts. Our special concern as we seek to go forward is for the fathers whom we seem not yet to have influenced in any very vital way. Will you not join us in our prayers for them?

Work for Women and Children, Songdo West District

CLARA HOWARD

Since coming to Korea eight years ago, it has been my privilege to serve in various capacities, but none has brought greater opportunity for service nor greater joy in service than has the work of itineration among the rural churches and schools in the Songdo West District. The appointment came to me in addition to my kindergarten work in the city of Songdo, and I did not see how I could do justice to both, but in more than one way it has proved to be like the coming of a new baby to a mother whose hands seemed already full, and God in his great love and infinite wisdom has been my guide and strength.

The district is not large, as country districts in mission fields go, but is a field white unto the harvest. In it there are twenty-five churches and five schools in which the Woman's Council representatives are at work. This number of schools is entirely inadequate to meet the need. As yet only a very small proportion of the children in rural districts are reached by the government schools. This is due both to the scarcity of schools and to the inability of the people to pay the high tuition and other fees demanded by such schools.

I feel that no other phase of our work is more important than these country schools or keulpangs. As you may know, about eighty per cent of Korea's population is rural; and as we all know, the backbone of any nation is its rural population. Remembering also the often quoted statement that "no civilization rises higher than its womanhood," it is not difficult for us to see what a strategic point these schools for country girls are. Especially since they serve also as night schools for the women and constitute the Sunday school, which we know is the hope for the church of the future, in any time and place.

As I have gone from place to place my heart has been made glad where there were such schools and sad where there were not. It is almost invariably true that where there is no school there is no Sunday school. In this small district alone there are openings for a dozen such schools and kindergartens, and in every place they could be partially self-supporting had we a few dollars to invest in each place.

But as I go from place to place, what do I do? I visit in the homes of the believers and have prayers, usually reading a portion of Scripture, singing, and giving a few words of exhortation, encouragement, consolation, or whatever the situation seems to demand. Also I distribute tracts and give invitations to non-believers to attend

the services which we always hold at the church or in some Christian home. In these services I always have a very definite part for the children, usually telling a story and teaching them songs before speaking to the adults; but all are generally present throughout the whole program, which is sometimes extended to include games and a social hour. When one goes into a community where the people know only drudgery and monotony, as is often the case, all that he knows or can do is useful, and there could be no gladder opportunity than to give unstintingly.

Sometimes I have taken my kindergarten teachers on such trips as their duties would permit; sometimes I have traveled with the Bible woman, and sometimes I have gone alone and visited with the teachers in the locality. Always I enter as fully as I can into the lives of the people. It is my joy to try with St. Paul to be "made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some."

Recently a letter came from one of the district Bible women saying that "the work had taken on new life and the village was ringing with the sound of children's voices singing Christian songs" since we visited her village. It is my earnest desire that that may be true in every place where it is our privilege to go.

Each year we have a ten weeks' Bible class for the women and girls who come in from the country. This year the attendance is larger than for several years past, and we hope to enable many of these to go back and start Sunday schools and other study groups in their communities. During this winter vacation we also had vacation Bible schools in three places. These were held by high school and college students under my direction, and were supported locally and by gifts from individuals and from student organizations.

I have had the district work only four months, but already I love it very much. It is a joy to work in any place that God grants me the privilege to work in, and always people in rural districts have held a special charm for me. Too, it is a treat to be associated with the faithful Bible women who week after week tramp alone over hill and dale to carry the message of love and grace. Another joy of rural work in Korea is the marvelous beauty of this "peninsula of mountains and rivers."

To me, one of the most encouraging things about the work in Korea is the growing desire and ability of the Christian constituency to help themselves and to reach out and help others. I thank God for allowing me the privilege of working with them for him, and I praise him for the way he helps us and blesses our feeble efforts.

MARY HELM SCHOOL, SONGDO

IDA HANKINS, PRINCIPAL

It seems to me that the success of an individual or of an institution depends upon the ability to adjust adequately to changing conditions and to new situations. Few countries of the world, during the past twenty years, have undergone more change than has Korea. This change has manifested itself politically, educationally, spiritually, and socially. The fact that Mary Helm School is a success today is due to her adjustment to the needs of a changing civilization.

Twenty years ago the school was for married girls and widows over sixteen years of age. At that time nice girls of marriageable age did not walk on the streets in the daytime with uncovered face; so not only those who lived at a distance but even some living in Songdo had to live in the school dormitory, and those five or six who were progressive enough to come from their homes to school each day wore the white robe over their heads in such a way as to hide

their faces as they passed gentlemen on the street. These few girls would take off those robes at the school entrance and hang them on the hooks placed there for that purpose, and as they sat in the classroom they appeared as the girls in the dormitory did. By 1918 those robes had disappeared almost entirely, and we never see them now after a girl has enrolled as a student in the school.

In the early days of the school we had almost no students from Songdo because Songdo has always been considered one of the most conservative cities in all Korea; but of the eighty-seven pupils we are reporting for this past year, three-fourths of them live in Songdo. Twenty years ago all the students were married. Now only about one-fourth of them have ever been married. So to continue to call Mary Helm School a school for married girls and widows is a misnomer.

A few years ago government primary schools and mission schools with government recognition passed a rule saying that they would no longer receive children over ten years of age in their first grade. Mary Helm School saw an opportunity here to change her rules to meet a definite need. Why keep a child waiting six years (from the age of ten to sixteen) if the parents had at last awakened to the necessity of educating girls? So in order not to make too much of a difference in the ages of our students at one time we reduced our age requirement for entrance to thirteen. For years the average age has been steadily decreasing. It is now about seventeen years, but with the introduction of this rule the average age of our student body will be noticeably lowered. This is a unique piece of work that Mary Helm School is doing for the over-age girls of Songdo and of Korea. Here and there are night schools or perhaps two grades of primary day school work for such children, but so far as I have been able to find out Mary Helm School is the only place where they can come to school in the daytime and be given the full primary school course.

Teachers and students are doing good work. I think one cannot be in touch with the members of the faculty and the student body long without realizing that real happiness abounds. I think I have never seen a better spirit of co-operation and congeniality. Most of the teachers have taken their places as leaders in the church.

We continue teaching the Bible and holding chapel exercises daily. The Y. W. C. A. and Missionary Society among the students are doing a great deal in developing leaders.

So far the "depression" has not affected our numbers nor our spirits, for which we are grateful to our Heavenly Father.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AND HOLSTON INSTITUTE, SONGDO

NELLIE DYER

My regular work is teaching English in Holston Institute, but so many evangelistic missionaries went home on furlough in the summer of 1930 that from September of that year until the summer of 1931 I did some country evangelistic work in addition to my school work. I had many interesting experiences while itinerating.

In the fall of 1930 I visited a non-Christian village where a tent meeting was being held. Several men had decided to believe, but none of the women had made the decision up to that time. They were still holding on to the old charms and belief in spirits. It was distressing to see the narrowness of their lives.

The next spring I visited the same village again. In the meantime others, including a number of women, had decided to believe, and they had had more Christian teaching. It was truly inspiring

to see the transformation which the Good News had brought about in that village during a few months. I have never received a warmer welcome than I did on my second visit, and one of the happiest experiences of my life was leading a service for those new believers.

They were so eager to learn more of their new faith and asked that a teacher be sent to them to help them in their church and to teach the children. As one of the country schools was closed, it was possible for us to send a teacher to them. We sent a girl who graduated from Holston last year. I told her that she was not simply to teach in the day school, but she was to lead the Christians. She went with that idea and has been a great blessing to the village. She has not only led the Christians, but she has been teaching them to lead.

Many Holston graduates go to the country villages and do work similar to the work this girl is doing. And this is only one of the ways in which they serve their people and the Master. I count it a great privilege to have a share in training these girls to live useful and beautiful lives of service.

WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC CENTER, SONGDO

NANNIE BLACK, HEAD RESIDENT

The Center work has been a great blessing to me this past year, and I believe it has meant much to those who have attended its classes and clubs.

Last spring a special meeting of a week was held for the Mothers' Club. There were over one hundred women present every night. The meetings opened with a devotional period, led by the different preachers of the city. The other three periods were given over to health lectures, songs and games, and lectures on child training. Even the old grandmothers entered into the kindergarten games and seemed to enjoy them. Our two kindergarten teachers had charge of this play hour. On the last night certificates were given to those who had attended the monthly lectures during the year and had brought their babies regularly on clinic and bath days.

Songdo does not have city water, so we have our own system. The old pump refused to work, so we had to get another. We asked the women if they would like to help, so they contributed 41.60 yen toward the new one. We are truly glad not to have to send any of these children home without baths, as we have had to do all this year for lack of water.

Now that one of our missionary nurses, Miss Rosser, is taking charge of this department, we feel sure that it will mean more and more to the babies and mothers of Songdo.

In May our music pupils gave a recital. Since none of them are artists, we did not invite the general public, but only the night school students, for an audience. The students do better work when they have a goal to reach. Even though their pieces are all very simple, each takes part.

We have a live bunch of girls in our reading club. Most of them are graduates of our night school. They meet twice a month, but two or three times during the year they have special meetings. This fall a knitting teacher from Seoul came down for a week's class. The girls financed this class themselves by charging seventy sen tuition. Since then you never see one of these girls without a piece of knitting in her hands.

The girls in this club like to play pingpong. A pingpong tournament was held in November. Girls from other schools were invited to take part. One of the girls from Mary Helm won first prize, and

one of the club girls won second place. The playroom was packed all day with spectators. These people have so few things in the way of entertainment that they flock to see almost anything you have.

Our yearly revival was held two weeks before Christmas vacation. The pastor of one of our churches in the city held this meeting. After the regular evening services he met one class each night and had a round-table discussion. Usually these girls are too timid to take part in a discussion, but Mr. Lee, the pastor, knew how to draw them out. Many of the questions asked showed that these girls were really thinking and seeking after more light. Twenty-nine girls, who up until that time had never believed, confessed belief, and several of these even attempted to lead in prayer during these after meetings. Oh, that we may be able to lead our girls forward in their new faith and make them realize more fully the meaning of the love of God!

The Center is almost directly across the street from one of our churches; so on Wednesday evening we take our night-school girls over there to attend prayer meeting in place of having the regular vesper services in our chapel. This is the only time that many of the girls can enter a church because of their parents' attitude toward Christianity. But since this is required of all students, they cannot object to it.

We have a Sunday school class for these girls in this same church on Sunday morning. There are sixty enrolled in this class with an average attendance of between thirty-five and forty.

Last spring at commencement time our graduates gave two short plays, "Ruth" and "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse." They really gave them very nicely. The Korean young people love to act and seem to be really gifted. Even the most timid little girl seems to be able to forget self as she takes part in a play.

The Korean people certainly can respond liberally when their interest has been gained. This fall when word came that the Koreans in Manchuria were suffering because of the unsettled conditions up there and that many of them were without food or clothes, the Christians of the city got together two hundred and forty suits of clothes and sent them to these people.

Our night-school girls and reading-club girls decided they would like to help, too; so they made and sent two hundred and three suits of clothes. These girls are very poor, so this was really fine for them.

At Christmas time, too, we observed White Christmas in order that we might send more to these people in Manchuria. Paper bags were distributed beforehand for the students to bring their gift of rice in. Even the poorest of them can make a small gift of rice, barley, or beans by sacrificing part of their own meals. A few of the more well-to-do brought money and more clothes. The rice and other grain was sold here in Songdo and the money sent to one of our preachers in Manchuria to distribute among the poor. Thirty-five suits of clothes and 105.84 yen were sent as a result of our White Christmas.

Kim Maria, one of our oldest Bible women, had a stroke of paralysis and died just the week before Christmas. Although we shall miss her, we feel that her death was timely. She has not been able to carry heavy work for several years, and we had decided to retire her this next year. She seemed to dread the time when she would have to lay down her work altogether, and we were all glad that she had not been told that the time was near at hand. She has surely gone to be with her Lord, whom she has served so faithfully for twenty-three years. She left her savings, about three hundred yen, to the church which she has attended recently.

Besides the Center work, I have charge of the choir at Central Church and also have a Sunday school class. I thank God every day for the work he has given me, and I pray that I may have the wisdom and strength to carry out his will from day to day.

IVEY HOSPITAL, NURSES' TRAINING DEPARTMENT, SONGDO

ROSA LOWDER, R.N.

During the year there have been many hindrances, trials, and heart-aches, but there have been joys, too. Through all God has blessed us, and we are grateful for what has been accomplished.

We did not have a graduating class this year, as limited funds and teachers permit but two classes at the time. We expect to graduate a class of four in March. Two of these will go for further study to Severance Hospital, our union medical institution in the capital city of Seoul. One will study X ray for some months, the other will have a full year in Obstetrics.

Two of our nurses successfully stood the government examination during the year. At present we have one woman and two men graduates and five women and two men in training.

With the year 1932, one of our nurses who graduated in 1930 is being appointed to rural nursing. Although she is the first nurse in all Korea to give full time to this phase of work, we feel that soon many more will be answering this great need in Korea.

We are grateful for Miss Bertha Smith's return from furlough and for the reappointment to her former work in Songdo and the surrounding districts. This has released Miss Rosser to such an extent that she has been able to enlarge the scope of her welfare work. During the year she has held, together with one of our Korean doctors and a Korean nurse, profitable country clinics. Also she has had more time to give to the city's welfare work.

We are enthusiastic over her work with the babies. As yet all of the feeding formulas are prepared daily and sent out from our kitchen. Each nurse is being trained in this work and has charge of it for a period of time.

Do dreams sometimes come true? Yes, because our much-needed, longed-for dormitory for the nurses is now a reality. It was completed the latter part of June, and immediately we moved in, much to the joy of the nurses. We feel now that they have a real home which adds to their happiness, health, and efficiency, and we wish to thank those in the homeland who made it possible for us to have this home.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AND PUBLIC HEALTH, SONGDO DISTRICT

HELEN ROSSER

The first three months of 1931 were spent in the Frances Hitch Bible Institute. This is a three months' course given to better prepare the leaders in their village churches for better leadership. A number of the pupils, since finishing that course, have arranged to study at Holston, Mary Helm, and Ivey Hospital. There was splendid co-operation among the group of volunteer teachers.

My combined appointment to Evangelistic and Public Health Work on East Songdo District makes it possible for me to be a third partner in the use of a car, that is one car for four districts.

Truly the field is ripe for country clinics. The announcement is sent out in advance so that when we arrive in a village, our patients

are waiting, some having walked fifteen miles to see the doctor. Many of them, we are able to advise and help.

We usually hold the clinic in the church which is also used for the school. Otherwise, we have access to the best room in the village, usually a room eight by sixteen feet. We sit on the floor and receive our patients on the floor. Our sterile supplies and instruments are placed on a table one foot high, so everything is right at hand. Our staff is composed of a doctor, a nurse, and a secretary, who is also the chauffeur who has learned to fill prescriptions. I spent the day receiving patients and visiting with the Bible woman in all of the Christian homes. In the evening we have a combined evangelistic and health service in the church. Practically all of the people in the village, whether Christian or not, attend them, giving us the opportunity of speaking to others whom we might lead to Christ.

This year I have the supervision of a district of sixty-five churches, so could visit a village only once. However, Miss Bertha Smith has returned from furlough and again has the supervision of that work. I have only twenty-five churches this year and am planning to establish eight regular monthly country clinics. This will give us an opportunity of seeing the same patients once a month. Two villages have been selected from each of the Songdo Districts. We hope to put special emphasis upon the work done in them with the idea of making them model villages.

In the City Public Health Work we have one hundred and fifty babies enrolled in the well baby clinic. Records are filed, and mothers are informed as to the progress of their babies. Free baths are given once a week to babies. A charge of two and one-half cents is made for all other baths. Mother clubs are held monthly and are very profitable. I am feeding only seven babies from our milk station (which is our kitchen), but the missionaries in the station gave me \$26 of the white Christmas offering, which will enable me to begin some others soon. My greatest need now is an equipped Public Welfare Car.

LUCY CUNINGGIM GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, WONSAN

BESSIE O. OLIVER, PRINCIPAL; CARRIE U. JACKSON, VIRGINIA MAE TURNER
(CONTRACT)

Lucy Cuninggim Girls' School gives thanks for blessings received during the past year and for progress made in different lines of school activities.

For several years when making preparations for entrance examinations we were urged to admit two sections instead of one, as there were so many more applicants each year than could possibly be taken care of in one section in the first-year high. We found it difficult to turn away large numbers of students who were anxious to study and who were willing to pay for the privilege. However, we didn't think it wise to apply for permit from the government to take in an extra class before the school was well equipped to take care of what we had.

This past March the need was so great and the demand so urgent we applied for, and received, a permit to have two sections in each grade, the extra fees taking care of the added expense. Our regular overhead expenses would be the same whether we had two sections or not. In April one hundred students were enrolled in the first year. In 1932 we will have two sections in the first and second years, etc., until we have two sections in each grade.

In March thirty-nine students graduated from high school. Our enrolment at the opening of the school year in April was two hundred

and fifty-two. Since then a number have had to drop out for lack of funds.

The Parents' Association is a source of great help to us. We are enjoying the beautiful new dormitory they gave us. The building was completed in November of 1930. It is a Korean style building, built around a large inner court ninety-six by one hundred and twenty feet, where we have flowers and shrubs. All bedrooms have heated floors. The office and dining-room only have stoves.

The new dormitory is a real home for the students in the boarding department. It was a joy last April to be able to admit all who wanted to board in the dormitory. There are fifty-four boarders at present, and ninety-one can be accommodated.

The Lucy Cuninggim students have the reputation of being good cooks, and often when the Parents' Association wants to give a dinner party they call on the dormitory students to prepare the food and to serve it in the dormitory dining-room. The largest number served by the students was a dinner party of ninety-three guests.

When we think of the awful financial depression that has hit Korea as well as other countries we realize there is more cause for rejoicing over the gift of our Korean friends. The cost of the dormitory was between six and seven thousand dollars gold. The gift was an expression of their love for and confidence in the school and Korean students.

The Young People's Department of the Sunday school meets in our high school building. It continues to hold the interest of our students. The attendance is good.

A large number of students taught in Daily Vacation Bible Schools this past summer. The number studying in the schools taught by our students was over two thousand.

Thus far we have had practically no opposition to Bible study. It is taught in all classes.

The student body responded with a liberal offering to the call for help to relieve the suffering Koreans in Manchuria this fall.

White Christmas was observed and again a liberal offering was made by students and faculty for the relief of those in need in the city.

During the year over thirty students received baptism. Most of our students are Christians and enjoy church work.

The Music Department has contributed toward the support of the school. Enrolment for this department this past term was eighty-six. Misses Choi and Hong, our Korean teachers, have done splendid work with the students in chorus classes as well as piano and organ.

Our garden this year was very good. Sales from berries, vegetables, and celery totaled several hundred dollars. A large number of foreigners in Korea were supplied with celery from our school garden. The demand was greater than the supply.

Urgent need of the school today is an auditorium where students and parents can meet together. Our present room was large enough when we numbered only forty or sixty but by far too small to meet the needs of our student body of today, to say nothing of tomorrow.

With a large and growing student body, a strong faculty, government co-operation, and the interest of our Korean friends back of us, prospects for the school's future are bright.

FRANCIS HITCH PRIMARY SCHOOL, WONSAN

BESSIE O. OLIVER, PRINCIPAL

Francis Hitch Primary has had a good and happy year.

As a whole the faculty has done good work. We are very proud

of the fact that the Korean women teachers in the school are graduates of our own Lucy Cuninggim High School. They have returned to us for service after taking normal training.

We regret that a number of students have had to drop out of primary on account of shortage of funds. Government schools have lost students for the same reason. At the beginning of the school year, in April, 233 were enrolled.

The Parents' Association has shown its interest in the work of the primary school by giving funds for the poultry and bee projects. We have a model poultry house and eighty-five hens and pullets. They pay for their present upkeep.

Students in the fifth- and sixth-year classes, under the supervision of teachers, care for the poultry and yards, according to the best instructions we can get. The students are able to tell their homefolks how to care for poultry. As they have garden plots they can also give information on the growing of vegetables.

At the Annual Meeting of Principals of Government and Private Schools in the city, held at the mayor's office by the mayor, educational authorities of the city and the school inspector for the province, in December, the government inspector for our primary told the body that Francis Hitch Primary was ahead of government primary schools and other schools in the province in vocational work, home economics, and that our equipment and teaching was excellent; that our school was a model school.

It is up to us now to maintain this standard. At the same meeting great emphasis was put upon the necessity for religious teaching in the primary grades.

White Christmas was observed by the primary students, and the funds were put with the kindergarten and high school offerings for helping the needy of the city.

Our church has a wonderful opportunity for service through its primary schools. Korea still needs Christian primary schools.

KINDERGARTEN, WONSAN

BESSIE O. OLIVER, SUPERVISOR

The first two months of the year (February and March; we have no school in primary and kindergarten in January) the attendance at kindergarten was very small. Since the opening of the school year in April it has increased until now we have seventy-three enrolled. We have had to turn away a number as our rooms were too small to take care of so many.

Our kindergarten is the only one in the city for Korean children, meeting full government requirements in equipment and teachers. Both of our teachers are kindergarten normal graduates. They are also graduates of Lucy Cuninggim High School and Francis Hitch Primary. So you see they are our very own.

Kindergarten children also made an offering for the needy in the city.

We are reaching the homes through the Mothers' Club of the kindergarten. Dr. Demaree has consented to give a series of talks to the mothers on the care of their children, etc. He has already given one, and on Baby Day he examined some sixty-odd babies.

It is not unusual to hear a mother or grandmother say that she has been urged to go to church by one of our little ones of the kindergarten. Again and again we have it proved: "A little child shall lead them."

WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC CENTER, WONSAN

KATE COOPER, HEAD RESIDENT

The Woman's Evangelistic Center in Wonsan is called in Korean Pohay Yur-cha-kwan, which, being translated into English, means, "House of Abounding Grace." It is located in what was formerly termed the Valley of Sacrifice on a hillside overlooking the Wonsan Bay. The scenery is so attractive that the women and girls who come to special meetings like to linger outside and near the windows admiring the ocean and the mountains which the God whom they have come to know and serve so wonderfully created for them to enjoy. We sometimes have to urge them to tear themselves away from the outside views in order to start the meetings in the auditorium on time. Korea may lack much in the way of prosperity and man-made modern inventions, but God did not fail to give to Chosen, the Land of the Morning Calm, her share of beautiful natural scenery.

Our Pohay Center was built with Centenary collections and dedicated in September, 1926. The work had started in some Korean rooms near the Central Church, where the first Christian women in Wonsan learned to read and write. As the work grew, there was need for the training of Bible women and Christian leaders; so God supplied that need through the efforts of Mrs. Alice Cobb, and in 1909 our Bible Institute was opened and named the Alice Cobb Bible Institute. Times have changed, but the women in the Wonsan District have not yet felt they could do away with this three months' Bible study during the winter months.

As education advanced in Korea the working women in Wonsan and the underprivileged girls felt the need of night classes; so we started these first in the classrooms near the church, and then moved up to our Bible Institute buildings. The numbers so increased that our rooms were quite inadequate and a larger building became necessary. When Korean women unite in earnest prayer for a need which they feel is God's will to grant, the answer will be forthcoming, so Miss Howell was used by the Master to encourage the women in America to provide the building we now call the House of Abounding Grace.

Since our one building is used for all the activities conducted for the Wonsan District women to make them better home makers and more capable leaders in the churches, we have followed the demands of the times and have suited our courses to the desires of the Korean teachers and women interested. Every year girls graduate from primary schools without being able to take higher education. They are unfit for any form of service; so to meet their needs we have a religious training department where we give a full Bible course with religious pedagogy, biblical geography, Sunday school training, church history, missions, hygiene, physical culture, cooking, sewing, music, and chorus work. Through these courses we are fitting them for the making of Christian homes, for missionary society leaders, Sunday school teachers, and other forms of service for the improvement of the standards of women in Korea. During this past year we have enrolled forty women and girls in this department. Some of our women are widows, and others are cast-away wives whose lives have been filled with disappointment and sorrow.

Every evening as the shadows gather and darkness approaches, if you could see the stream of women and girls wending their way up the valley and steps to the House of Abounding Grace that you as a member of the Woman's Missionary Society in America have helped to make possible, you would thank God for a share in giving these eager ones a chance to make life worth living.

We have enrolled in the night school this year about three hundred, but two hundred and twenty-six is the regular attendance. Besides the six years' primary course, we have two classes for those learning to read, one for women and one for children. When we planned our new building we thought of a day nursery, but following the trend of the customs here we have a night nursery for the small children who have cared for their baby brothers and sisters during the day and then slip off when they are asleep to learn something for themselves. We thank God for our teachers, for they give themselves to their work whole-heartedly. One of our teachers is also Wonsan District Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Perhaps you would like to know the privileges of a woman who is an ordained minister in Korea. In the early years the country women thought all the missionaries were "moksas" (ordained ministers), but when they learned a little about church rules they were informed that only men could be moksas. However, there is nothing impossible with the Korean Church, and the impossible thing of women being ordained has come to pass. My work in one way as I travel and work with our twenty-one Bible women is practically the same as before, but in some respects it is different. Our General Superintendent adopted a new plan of having a District Superintendent in each district and associated with him one man and one woman as district pastors; so it has been my duty to serve as woman pastor of the Wonsan District. In this capacity I have performed two wedding ceremonies, assisted twice in the Sacrament, have helped at a funeral, have preached a Christian sermon, and have preached in every church I have visited, numbering about seventy. God has promised that his Word shall not return unto him void, and I am trusting that it shall bring forth fruit a hundred fold.

SADIE MAUDE MOORE

The year 1931 has been filled with varied and blessed experiences. I am grateful for health and strength, for congenial living conditions, and for work that is both pleasant and challenging. The efforts of the past year, the successes and even the failures I bring as an offering to Him who is my constant Friend and Guide.

My work in the Woman's Evangelistic Center includes Bible teaching both in the day classes and in the night school. It is such a joy to help break the bread of life to these interested, earnest students. You should see the fifth-year class with their map studies and dramatization work in the Book of Acts. The third-year girls are enjoying John's Gospel. The class period is always too short and closes by one or more remarking: "Oh, isn't this interesting!" I have had classes in 1 and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Corinthians, and Luke's Gospel, with the day school students during the year, and during the three months' Bible Institute last winter I taught other Bible subjects.

I have also directed some cooking and sewing classes during the year. During six weeks of the Bible Institute I had a cooking class with the Bible women of the district, and in the spring and fall have given some cooking and sewing lessons to the Bible school students. We make a special effort to use native products in making these foreign dishes, and give some helps along the lines of sanitation, food values, etc. We tried out a little Christmas project with the sewing class this fall. Instead of making things for themselves, the girls made gifts to be given away at Christmas. They made pretty little embroidered linen bags, which they sent to the Bible women and some of the country school-teachers of the district. They also

made little boys' suits and gave them to poor children of the city. These experiences have brought joy and blessing to many hearts.

I spend some time in home visitation work each week, going with one of our teachers into the homes of our Center students and doing church visiting with my church Bible woman. These home contacts are interesting and helpful, and we have had many blessed experiences, as we have tried to interest non-Christians in their spiritual welfare and the work of the Church, as we have tried to encourage new believers and instruct Church members.

I have a Sunday school class of women, help in the local missionary society activities, and have oversight of the little night school for women and girls, which we conduct up in the little church I attend.

CHOONCHUN DISTRICT WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK

LAURA EDWARDS

The year 1931 has been a very full and happy one in this district. The Woman's Bible Institute, beginning January 2 and lasting for two months, was attended by a large number of interesting women from all parts of the district. The institute was followed immediately by the ten days' Bible class for men and women. This was a spiritual feast attended by about three hundred earnest souls. By the time the class and revival closed the country churches were calling for visitation and class work and help in reaching the non-Christian villages and homes.

While working in the country the appalling need for industrial training was so impressed upon me that I felt compelled to offer a course for girls who had finished common, or primary, school, beginning April 15. We were embarrassed by the flood of applications from fine girls for admission in the Industrial School, but we could take only thirty-four into the small room available for classroom work. These lovely girls, ranging from fifteen to eighteen years of age, are most enthusiastic about the course, which includes sewing, cooking, silk culture, poultry raising, dairy work, gardening, canning and drying vegetables and fruits. Along with this practical industrial work, the essential subjects such as arithmetic, geography, history, physiology and hygiene, grammar of the higher common school grades, and Bible are taught. Girls finishing this course will be able to make good homes and to do much social service work in their communities and in the churches.

As I visited the country churches I was also impressed with the need for better music; so we planned for a Church Music Institute in Choonchun for the district during summer vacation. All the country teachers and many of the other young people attended, and the work was very interesting and quite satisfactory. They all returned to their churches full of inspiration and able to do something to make the music better and more attractive to every one. As a part of the institute program we had daily evangelistic services which were a great blessing to all of us.

As I returned from furlough last year I brought with me several musical instruments for use in evangelistic services. Some of our boys and young men have learned to play them, and they are rendering very splendid service in the regular evening evangelistic meetings in our Choonchun church. The young people flock to the church every evening when the band begins the play, and since October more than eighty young men have come to know and love Jesus Christ through these evening services, and they are regular in attendance in my English Bible Sunday school class and at the Sunday preaching services.

Several times we have taken our band or little orchestra to the nearby country churches or to towns where there were no Christians for evening services, and always we have had large audiences for the Gospel message and scores of people have been converted and entered the Church. New churches also have been organized.

God has wonderfully blessed us, and his kingdom is being advanced. The hearts of the people, and especially the young, are open to the gospel message, and it is a joyous privilege to bear to them the glad tidings.

MEXICO

COLEGIO PALMORE, CHIHUAHUA

BELLE MARKEY, PRINCIPAL; ANNA BELLE DYCK, ALICE HARDT,
JEWEL BURNS

The Lord has been good to us this year and has given us a measure of prosperity and success. Our enrollment last fall was larger than the total for the previous year, some grades being full. We have lost some pupils, but these changes are expected during the course of every school year.

After the mid-year vacation there were several changes in the faculty. Miss Odom, who had done efficient work for two years, returned to the United States; Miss Irene Nixon went home on furlough; one Mexican teacher resigned to marry; another to do a different kind of teaching; and a third from ill health. Two of the vacancies are filled by teachers who graduated from our Normal in Saltillo last June; another by a young man who graduated from our commercial Department, taught a year and then went to the University of Kansas for a two years' course in Business Administration. This year he returned to us to teach shorthand, typing, penmanship, and filing; Miss Hardt, after three years in Colegio Roberts, came to us to fill Miss Odom's place. We were sorry to lose the old workers but welcomed the new ones.

We found the study done last year by the faculty, as a group, so helpful we are continuing. The committee appointed selected three books for study. In addition to these we have access to the best magazines both in English and Spanish.

In June we graduated a group of five young men and women from our Commercial Department and another of seven from the English Course.

All our full-time teachers are actively engaged in some phase of church work. The Sunday School Superintendent, the heads of three departments, several teachers, the presidents of both the Junior and Senior Leagues, and members of the Board of Stewards are from the **Palmore faculty**.

I am sorry to say that the Parent-Teachers' Association has been discontinued, the results not justifying the efforts put into it. The teachers are seeking other means of contact with the homes.

We sincerely hope the Week of Prayer collections will be sufficient to make needed repairs in our Girls' Dormitory. Whatever the amount may be it will represent sacrifice on the part of our church people at home and will be sincerely appreciated on the field.

The writing of this report was interrupted by the tragic death of our fifth grade teacher. She was a most promising young woman and had made a favorable impression on our patrons and her fellow-workers. In our grief we have been sustained by the loving sympathy

of friends and strength from on high. Truly His grace is sufficient for our needs.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, CHIHUAHUA

LILLIE FOX, HEAD RESIDENT; OLA EUGENE CALLAHAN,
JULIA THOMPSON (CONTRACT)

The year that is closing has been full of blessings, for which we thank our Father.

The opening of the new school year in September found us with several new faculty members. Miss Lucile Vail, who has been our colaborer for five years is on her furlough. Miss May Johnson, who was a member of our faculty for four years, resigned to take work as a pastor's assistant, as wife of one of our splendid young preachers. The new workers are entering into the year's program with enthusiasm and are winning the confidence and love of the students.

Srita. Marie Teresa Jaso continues in the Domestic Science Department and as teacher of Spanish. Srita. Rosa Perez, a June graduate of the Bible Department of Colegio Roberts, began as evangelistic worker in September. Both are splendid young women.

There are four nonresident workers, the teachers of Shorthand and Typewriting, the nurse in charge of the clinic, and the boys' director, who belongs to the staff of the workers at the Y. M. C. A.

Some statistics may be interesting and may show you that the Centro Cristiano is a busy place. The enrollment is as follows: English, 146; Shorthand and Typewriting, 93; Spanish, 37; Piano, 37; Household Economics, 80; Day Nursery, 60, with average attendance of 25 daily; Playground, boys, 50, girls, 60; Girl Scouts, 75 in two groups; Daily Vacation Bible School, 150; Week-day Bible School, 60; visits made, 695; patients treated in the clinic, 3,027.

There is a small decrease in some departments and increase in others. Financially, we have been able to keep all departments open, but unless changes come before long, we fear we shall have to close our clinic as the demands are so great for medicine that we cannot meet them all. Our clinic has done and is doing a splendid piece of work. During the month of August, there were 463 patients treated in our clinic and 486 in the federal government clinic. From these figures, one can see our ranking. Our clinic not only dresses the wounds but does its work in love, and there's a world of difference!

The Daily Vacation and Week-Day Bible Schools have the largest enrollment for many years. The children are a happy group.

The playground gives many happy hours to the boys and girls. The enrollment is somewhat smaller due to the many school playgrounds that are being equipped better each year. The government is doing better social work in its schools every year. The two troops of Girl Scouts, the Eagles and Squirrels, are very interesting in their work. At this Christmas season they are preparing baskets of food, toys, and candies for the women prisoners in the penitentiary, for women in the civil hospital, and some needy families.

For months a steady stream of Mexicans have been returning to their own country. The word "poverty" hardly describes the condition of many of them. We have ministered to these families in every way possible.

The Day Nursery is the happiest, brightest part of the institution. Each day brings to the little ones wholesome food, a good bath, a quiet nap on a comfortable cot, and their happiness is complete. At the time of writing this report, they are especially obedient as they are expecting Santa Claus. Their mothers are most grateful for the care the children receive.

Whether the Centro Cristiano ministers to the sick, helps the needy, cares for the little ones, plays with boys and girls, or teaches the young people, it brings them all into touch with Jesus Christ, who is the head and heart of the Centro that bears his name.

OLA EUGENE CALLAHAN

During the four months I have been in the Centro Cristiano in Chihuahua I have thought "teaching English" to be my principal work. I have two classes every night in the week, classes of young men or of young men and women, and unless you have taught the Mexican who wants to learn, you cannot appreciate the pleasure it is to work with them. Sometimes I go to a class tired and come away thrilled over the work of some group, or over some discussion we have had. I am sharing my books with my pupils, sometimes a book that I studied in college, sometimes a devotional book. Just at this time one pupil is delighted with "Singing in the Rain." Other pupils enjoy the *New York Times* each week.

I also have two troops of Girl Scouts, one of older girls and one of girls from ten to fourteen, the latter the more hopeful. Until the weather became quite cold in the mornings, I was teaching a group of girls to play tennis, and as I remember my own experience at learning the game, I was not nearly so apt a pupil as I have found some of these. I had another group for hiking once a week in the early morning. There seems to be an opportunity for sharing our blessings in a peculiar way with the girls when out in the open. Many discussions come up naturally.

I have helped in the organization of an English Club, and after the first meetings some of the boys came asking for a meeting twice a month instead of once a month. I think it is very encouraging that the young people prefer to use the Centro with its social life to that of the casino or some other place perhaps worse. I am helping train the young people to read short selections in English.

I have visited in the homes of most of my Scouts and have done a little bit of social work. The social work is always with us a problem unsolved but one which I like to tackle.

SANATORIO PALMORE, CHIHUAHUA

EDNA POTHOFF, SUPERINTENDENT; BLANCHE O'BRIANT, PEARL HALL,
LULA RAWLS (CONTRACT)

I feel that our work is progressing in a number of ways. During this past year we have made a lot of repairs and also enlarged our building so that we may carry on our work better. We have opened up a clinic for the poor and have started the Public Health work by having Mexican graduate nurses visiting in the homes. We have had a large number of patients in the clinic and the nurses have visited in over a hundred and twenty-five homes, making one thousand five hundred and ninety visits during the year. They would give health talks and advice to the mothers, etc., give the necessary treatments, and, many times furnish the medicines, foods, clothing, transportation of the patients to the doctor, hospital, etc., as well as many other things, oftentimes helping the social conditions of the home life. We feel this is one of our big opportunities. We had a Christmas party for the children, and we had over ninety children. They were so clean and polite that we felt repaid for our year's work in the clinic.

We feel that the training school for nurses is our second great need down here. We feel that we have grown and are going forward

in this work. We have the respect of all the doctors here, and our nurses are always in demand. They usually have good positions. One of the doctors that has a private hospital remarked to me several months ago that he had been trying to get one of our graduates for a long time, but could not. He now has one but cannot afford to pay what they ask, and so, has to be satisfied to have her for one-half day, and allow her to work in another position in the morning. He has arranged to have all of his operations in the afternoon so that she may be able to supervise his operating room. She works in the Federal Health Department in the mornings, and is in charge of the operating room at this private hospital in the afternoon. She also helps with the discipline of the nurses in the same institution.

The people and the doctors of this community are realizing that our institution is organized and the work is carried on different from any of theirs. They know that our nurses are better in character and training than any of the other institutions. We, of course, know that it is the Christian principles on which we base our work. We are here to serve all through love and not for worldly gain. We hope that we may keep this in mind at all times in our work, so that we may go onward and upward with our work.

We have also opened up a laboratory which we hope will make our work more efficient so that the patients may have better treatment. Miss Hall is in charge of this work. Miss Lula Rawls has the clinic, etc., and Miss Blanche O'Briant is supervisor of the operating room.

COLEGIO PROGRESO, PARRAL

EMMA ELDRIDGE, PRINCIPAL; MYRTLE POLLARD

Colegio Progreso, true to her name, is progressing in spite of the fact that the statistical report may indicate the contrary.

The decrease in the number of students and in the income from tuition is due to the general financial depression and the closing of local mines. The decrease, however, has not been so large as it might have been because we have made an effort to adjust the rate of tuition to the circumstances of the people, giving reductions, waiting for payments, or giving opportunities for self-help. And so, many children have remained with us who otherwise would not. We hope in this way to help tide over the crisis, to keep young people occupied who might be wasting their time on the streets, and to prepare them to fill places of responsibility when conditions change. How we have met our expenses with decreased income and decreased appropriations from the Mission Board, we hardly know ourselves, but we realize that we have been divinely directed in making readjustments that enable us to keep out of debt, and, which do not injure our work. In fact, every move has seemed to be for the better.

With a reduced number of students, we have been able to do more intensive work in character building. In working with small groups it has been possible to know and deal with the real life problems of the individual. And so a little of the spirit of "Progressive Education" has come into our activities. A few concrete cases will serve to illustrate:

An alert, earnest boy began to lag in his classes and to become sullen and impudent. On talking things over with him we found that he was undernourished and unhappy in the place where he boarded. We brought him into our boarding department where sufficient food and a friendly atmosphere soon worked a transformation. As the months have passed he has become a happy, confiding boy, eager for help in solving his problems and in forming his life purposes and

ideals. He reads with intense interest the Bible, which was new to him when he came here, and he seems to be trying to express its principles in his daily life. A Syrian boy, very much disliked by his companions and extremely sensitive to teasing, has furnished us with a project in interracial friendship. When he first came to me with his troubles, I told him I was a foreigner too. This served to establish a basis of sympathetic understanding between us. Then we talked over some of the things which cause him trouble with his companions, his violent temper, his carelessness in the dormitory, and his bad language. He came to understand that his difficulties had not been altogether because of his nationality and determined to correct his faults in order to merit his companions' friendship. Some more work was done with other members of the group to insure their cooperation. We feel that our project in interracial relations is giving good results. A seventeen-year-old boy whose sister had run away from home came to talk over the problem as to what action he should take. Should he kill the man who had carried her away? Should he express his disapproval of his sister's action by refusing ever to speak to her again? Or, should he leave home to escape the disgrace that had come upon the family? With the help of his teacher he weighed the various alternatives and one by one rejected them, finally forming the purpose to take such an attitude toward his sister as to help her to begin life anew, to help his younger sisters to form right ideals, and above all to lead a clean life himself. We feel that there has been a real forward movement in this work in character building.

Some enriching experiences that have come into the lives of several of our teachers mark progress for the whole institution. Our connection with the International Relations Clubs under the auspices of the Carnegie Foundation for Peace secured for one of our teachers the opportunity to attend a peace conference held at Riverside, Calif. This served to broaden his own outlook and to bring our students into closer touch with the outside world. Another member of our faculty has made plans by which he is going to realize his long-cherished desire to study to prepare himself to be a better teacher. This has been worked out through our United Methodism in Mexico. Our Mission Board has no Teachers' College for young men, but the Methodist Episcopal Board has, so we are sending our young man to the Mexican Institute for Teachers at Puebla and we are receiving in exchange a graduate of the same school to fill his place.

I feel that I personally have been carried forward by the companionship of my co-workers and students. The past months have brought the fullest sharing that has entered my experience and the greatest assurance of the Master's leading.

MYRTLE POLLARD

Ten years in Mexico and the tenth the best of all! This year, more than any other, has been one of sharing life experiences.

Early in the new year news came that my father had passed away. I did not go home, and the affectionate sympathy of these dear people drew me closer to them. As my pupils and other friends came in little groups to express their sympathy we had opportunity for sharing something of our thoughts of life, death, and immortality, and of how the Heavenly Father sustains us in difficult moments. All that made it possible for me to enter more deeply into their experiences as the year passed, and strengthened beautiful friendships.

During the summer vacation I spent a week in the home of a young woman who is considered more or less as my adopted daughter. Ten

years ago she, a neglected, unruly, orphan girl of fourteen, was brought into the boarding department of our school, and soon afterward I made myself largely responsible for her. Through these years one of my central problems has been that of trying to direct her in such a way as to promote character development; one of my chief joys has been that of seeing her overcome many of her faults and develop a more stable, lovable personality; she is now a loyal wife and a devoted mother.

Another satisfying experience was bringing here for the summer vacation the orphan boy we are helping through the secondary school in Monterrey. We tried to make it a home-coming for him and to give him something his life had lacked as he had not known a real home since early childhood. His joy and gratitude were touching and we hope this home vacation may help him to form and to realize noble purposes.

We have fewer students in the special English classes than in former years because financial conditions make it necessary for many to eliminate all extra expenses, but the reduced number enables us to have a closer association with each pupil, and also to take part in other activities in the school, Church, and community. By keeping in touch with former students, friendships formed in other years have been strengthened and an active club of ex-students, meeting once a week, gives us opportunity to carry on something of the work begun when these young people were with us.

As superintendent of our Sunday school, I have tried to emphasize the idea of religious education in terms of character development, and to promote more effective co-operation between parents and the Sunday school in helping pupils to find a Christian solution for life problems. We are also insisting upon the idea that contacts with persons of other religions be characterized by tolerance, love, service, and spiritual sharing, rather than the spirit of argument and conflict which so often prevails.

Recently we have been intensely interested in the work growing out of a study of students' life problems. A list of thirty problems characteristic of youth was the basis of some earnest, thought-stimulating discussions in classes, with smaller groups, and with individuals and led up to projects which we feel have real value in character building.

MACDONELL INSTITUTE, DURANGO

VIRGINIA E. BOOTH, PRINCIPAL; DORA SCHMIDT (CONTRACT)

With humble and grateful hearts, we look back over the year's work, as we come to its close. We can truly say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." His blessings have been abundant.

Notwithstanding the serious financial conditions, and the fact that the railroad division was moved from Durango in May, causing us to lose a number of pupils, we have had an excellent enrollment. Many new pupils have come and others are continuing to enter. The number in our boarding department has increased notably. The girls come from fourteen different towns in four states. We are grateful for this opportunity of wielding an influence over many other lives through them. Their response to the Christian influence in our school home life, their attention during family prayers, their interest in Bible study and their love of our Christian hymns are gratifying. It is an inspiration to meet the Student Volunteer Circle each Sunday evening in their vesper service. Six delegates went from our school to the Young People's Annual Convention in Monter-

rey in March, in spite of the fact that the distance to be traveled was rather great.

Several of our students joined the Church during the year, one being an Indian young man from a remote mountain town. During vacation he wrote interesting and beautiful letters telling us of his experiences, and joyfully assuring us that now he knew that the Lord had changed his heart, for many things which once had attracted him no longer tempted him.

It is gratifying to see the progress made in each department of our school, from the kindergarten group on through the six grades of our grammar school and the three years of our commercial department, and to see the influence exerted in the community by each. The State and City Departments of Education, the parents and friends of our school, do not lose an opportunity to manifest their gratitude by kindly co-operation which makes our task a delight. The State Department of Education recently gave our school a set of valuable maps.

Five young people graduated from our commercial department in June. The four who reside in the city have secured positions, two of them with the government. Nineteen finished our grammar school course and almost all of the group are continuing their studies in higher institutions of learning. Several of them entered our commercial course.

We have taken great delight in repairing our building. New floors, stairways, and blackboards have replaced old ones; new equipment has been secured for several classrooms; two new classrooms have been provided by throwing smaller, unused rooms together, thus placing all our classrooms on the front patio, each group having a constant view of the attractive fountain and garden in its center. They say this lightens their labors, rests them when they are tired. Our building was painted inside and out and presents an attractive appearance which occasions favorable comment. It faces on three streets and occupies almost an entire block.

Our large playground for boys and young men has been improved and is said to be one of the best in the schools in the city.

The State Superintendent of Education recently requested the use of our assembly hall for a three weeks' institute for all of the teachers of the city, directed by prominent educators from Mexico City. They used our grammar school as their model school, giving their lessons for observation to the different groups. In spite of the large number of onlookers our pupils acquitted themselves very creditably and received favorable commendation, reflecting the efficient work being done by our teachers.

We are glad to enter a new year and begin its duties with renewed courage and faith, knowing our Father will continue to bless and lead.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, DURANGO

ETHEL MCCAUGHAN, HEAD RESIDENT; LENORE REES, BESSIE LYMAN
(CONTRACT), FULL-TIME WORKERS

The work of the Centro Cristiano has been carried on this year by five full-time workers and four part-time workers, in the following departments: English, Spanish and Arithmetic for Adults, Cooking and Sewing, Bible, Commercial, Clinic, Music, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, Playground, Library, English Club, Mothers' Club, Athletic Club, and Little Housekeepers.

The newest phase of the work is the clinic which was opened the twelfth of January with a resident nurse. In the beginning four

local doctors gave an hour a week each for consultations for the poor. Two of them have continued throughout the year, and with the help of another who began in October we now have a doctor three days a week. On the days that the doctors do not attend, the clinic is open for treatments by the nurse. The consultations are free, but those who are able pay something for treatments. The nurse devotes the mornings to visiting in the homes, and during the year she made four trips to neighboring towns where she did an effective service in giving vaccinations and other treatments.

The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts have worked with enthusiasm and the enrolment of both groups has increased remarkably. It is a joy to watch the activities of the boys and to see that they are growing in character. One of the most effective means of helping them, besides of course the personal influence, has been through the talks that they themselves give at their regular weekly meetings, on such subjects as Temperance, Courage, Punctuality, etc. The patrol leaders and their assistants are the ones that carry on this phase of work. They have done some work in pyramid building and other athletic activities and have given several public exhibitions. The Girl Scouts have shown a great deal of interest in passing their tests. One of the most beautiful experiences of the year was seeing them put into practice the ideals of service they have learned through the Girl Scout work. About the first of November they decided to help some poor families. At each meeting from that time until Christmas they brought gifts of food and clothing and by Christmas had enough for sixteen families. On Christmas morning they went out in a group to carry a bit of cheer to the homes that they had previously investigated.

One phase of the work that has shown increased usefulness is the reading room. It is used almost entirely by boys from eight to twenty years of age and there is not an hour in the day from nine in the morning till nine at night that the books, magazines, newspapers, and table games are not in use.

Another indication of the growth of the institution is the fact that in spite of the difficult financial situation, the amount received for tuition has increased almost a hundred per cent over that of last year.

COLEGIO ROBERTS, SALTILLO

JOSE PODRIGUEZ GONZALEZ, ACTING PRINCIPAL; EDITH A. PARK, DORA L. INGRUM, RUTH BYERLY, EDITH A. PARK

All things considered 1931 has been a satisfactory year. There has been no political upheaval to disturb the routine of the work. Our greatest problem has been financial, but by economy and co-operation on the part of missionaries and teachers we closed the year without a deficit.

At the close of school in June a notice appeared in the government paper stating that the diplomas of private schools would not be recognized, but the members of our large graduating class have, almost without exception, secured positions either in government or in private schools.

The beginning of vacation was saddened by the illness and death of Miss Oda Campbell, whom we had learned to love and appreciate during the year she was with us.

In September a new Primary Government School was opened in the city in a modern building, completely equipped. We feared this might affect our enrolment but it did not. During the year our enrolment reached 372.

Our teachers have co-operated heartily and even sacrificially in all that had to do with the interests of the school. With few exceptions they are all engaged actively in the work of the church. Our two Bible Women have been faithful in their sphere, co-operating in their work with the pastor of the church.

My personal work in the church has been the teaching of a class of married women in the Sunday school and a week-day Bible class for women who are interested in a more thorough study of the Word of God than that which is possible to give in the short period for the lesson in the Sunday school.

DORA L. INGRUM

From the first of the year until March 11, I was at Laurens Institute. Teachers and missionaries volunteered to take my work so that I could go home and help take care of my mother.

I was permitted to be with her eighteen days before she was called home. I stayed on with father but was making plans to enter Scarritt and Peabody Colleges during the fall term. About the middle of August a letter came asking me if I could return to Mexico and take the English classes at Roberts College by September. In less than two weeks I was in Saltillo, thus making my furlough one of about five months instead of a year.

With the help of two missionaries, two Mexican teachers, a house-keeper, and a trained nurse I am directing the boarding department. I have the English classes from the fourth year of the Primary Department through the fourth year Normal. Limited space does not permit a list of all special duties.

The change of altitude brought out malaria, but with treatments I am now rid of it and hope to keep rid of it, for Saltillo is not in the malaria district.

There are about seventy girls and young women in the boarding department. Some of them are very promising but almost all types are included as one would expect from so large a number. One of the most distressing features is that too many of them have not been well. Water may be one cause, the extreme change of altitude for the majority may be another, but I think the overcrowded curriculum is the chief cause. A more careful study must be made. I appreciate the help and co-operation of Professor Rodriguez, the Principal.

In this year of deep sorrow and changes I have felt that my Heavenly Father was very near.

RUTH ELLYSON BYERLY

From time to time we receive encouraging reports from our eight deaconess probationers, who graduated the past June from this department.

At the beginning of the school year Srita. Eglantina Flores became a co-worker, and her rich personality, native ability, ripe experience, and thorough preparation are proving the wisdom of this appointment. Together we reorganized the deaconess training course, adding one year. This has enabled me to strengthen sociology courses and begin social service practice work. The Kitchengarden class under the direction of the two senior deaconess candidates, presents a happy picture. We can now supervise adequately the Religious Education methods groups. Srita. Flores has all Bible classes offered to secondary and normal school pupils, and has vitalized these courses, both as to curriculum and presentation. Colegio Roberts has been chosen as one of the centers for experimental work in the field of Religious Education.

As superintendent of the dormitory Sunday school, I have infinite opportunities for personal contacts and for imparting spiritual gifts. On Christmas night my class inaugurated a game and social room, their service project, which fill a real need. Three upper-class students are doing effective work as teachers and leaders.

But above all else, I place the sharing of life with our boarding girls. No day passes without its surprises—agreeable or otherwise—in their character development. One of the sophomores, whose tendencies to paint and powder to excess and whose extreme haircut would lead one to think her shallow, told me in all earnestness as we walked and chatted: "I am constantly thinking of how I can collect some pictures and tell the Bible stories attractively to my little brothers and sisters in vacation time." Her idea was a Sunday school with them on their ranch, and the remarkable thing is that she isn't even a church member. Verily "A young girl's head is something like a temple. You pass by wondering what rites, what mysterious ceremonies are going on within the shrine." Thank you, dear Council women, for the privilege of touching these lives for the Master.

INSTITUTO LAURENS, MONTERREY

L. MARROQUIN, PRINCIPAL; BERTA HIRTZLER, MARY HOYLE

Lately I have been reflecting upon each Christmas season I have spent in Mexico. At the first one, five years ago, I thought I couldn't be happier. Each one since has been sweeter, so that today, at this lovely Christmas season, I'm happier than I've ever been in my life. I've had a busy year, but it is from my work I derive so much joy.

Last February I was taken ill and carried to the hospital where I underwent a slight operation. While I was there, Miss Ingrum, who had charge of our boarding department, and many other things besides, was called home to her mother who was seriously ill. There was no one else to take her place in the boarding department so I was put in. The work in part was new and I was frightened when the responsibility involved dawned upon me, but after I began it the fright left and the spring flew by.

During the summer I did not leave Monterrey for any vacation, but was happy here at home. When school opened, August 30, I was in the same place. Again as I viewed the situation, I trembled, for I had never held such a responsible place, as my own, in my life. The spring before I had simply taken the place of some one else. But the months have simply leaped by too fast, for I am reluctant to see the year go by. To say the least, I love my work and am happy in it.

We have had about three hundred pupils, seventy-five of whom are in the high school; this is the largest number we have had in the high school for several years. In our boarding department there were twenty-two boys and eight girls. Among the boarders we have a volunteer group of sixteen members, besides the teachers and three others who regularly visit the weekly meetings.

For the first time in several years we have had the fifth year in the high school and will have two graduates next spring. Another thing of which we are proud, Laurens had a Bible department and the Bible is taught in all the five years of preparatory school.

As a school we are grateful for what we have received and in return want to give our best to the work.

Personally, I have little time for work outside the school, but as regularly as possible I visit the state penitentiary, which is always open to me. As I look back and forward and live in the present, my lips lips the prayer of my heart:

"Oh, use me, Lord, use even me
 Just as thou wilt, and when and where;
 Until thy blessed face I see,
 Thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share.

BERTA HIRTZLER

A year ago my hopes were raised high when I was given almost positive assurance that I could go to Korea. Mexico offered no appeal to me then—it was about the last place I would have chosen. But God leads in a beautiful way. Now I have completed a quarter's work here and wonder if I could possibly have enjoyed it more anywhere else. There have been a few days when the sun did not shine as bright as it might have, and there have been some hard places, but we can expect those and be thankful for them; they strengthen us and make us realize the presence of Christ.

I am teaching English from the second grade through the sixth. The average enrolment of my classes is thirty-five. Not knowing a word of Spanish when I came, I hardly knew how to begin my teaching, but day by day I am learning how to do it. I am also helping a bit in the boys' and girls' dormitories. At first it frightened me when I thought: "Suppose Miss Hoyle should get sick." Now I have lost that fear. I am happy too because I am learning some Spanish and can talk a little with one person at a time, speaking slowly. However, I am still very much at sea in a crowd, with everyone talking very fast.

I thank you for sending me to Laurens, and if it is God's will, send me back again next year.

CENTRO SOCIAL, MONTERREY

ANNE DEVOURS, HEAD RESIDENT; PRISCILLA WALKER

Like all the other institutions, the Centro has felt the effect of the depression. In previous years the income from our special English classes practically covered the expenses of the work, but this year we have fallen short. All the English pupils are adults, so it is easily understood how their special classes would be considered an unnecessary expense as soon as the income of the family diminished, not only by cut salaries, but also by lost jobs. Many of the old pupils have been very faithful, and have left and returned several different times during the past year as they had had work or been without it. Many are making big sacrifices to continue their lessons, and as a result they are better and more conscientious pupils than they were when it was easier to pay for them. We do not feel that we can lower the fees, nor make special rates without having much difficulty, but so far we have never had to turn away a pupil who really wanted to study. We have always been able to find for them enough work in the institution to pay for their classes, or for the part that they cannot pay. For nearly two years there has been a young stenographer, without work, who has been able to continue her classes by copying stories for the Centro. Another is paying for hers with sewing, ironing, or any other work we can find for her to do. Often it is necessary to help one for just a month or two. Never have we hired so many things done, and yet the Centro is not paying out money, and we feel we are getting many things done that we have needed for a long time.

We felt that the cooking department last year was not large enough to employ a full-time teacher this year, so our former teacher,

who has been with us for years, is giving only part-time work. There are enrolled in these classes around twenty-four young women. They have done fairly good work, and are showing more of a disposition to learn to prepare and eat food that is considered good for the health, instead of preparing it and then throwing it out without even tasting it. The cooking course is only a two-year course, and very often it takes nearly that length of time to break down likes and dislikes in food. It has been a long time now since we have had a pupil who wanted to prepare the recipe and later send her cook to wash up the dishes. Each year their spirit seems to be better in accepting their classes as a whole, and their interest in them is shown in a different way.

Twice a week there are classes in reading and writing for adults who have never had the opportunity of going to school. Their ages range from young women in the twenties to grandmothers in the sixties, and it is remarkable how much they learn with so few classes; they realize exactly how much it means to them to be able to read only a little. Last year our cook, a new member of the church, was surprised to hear someone say the Bible was easier to read than her reader. She was happy to find the statement was true, and after that took great interest in preparing her Sunday school lessons. There have been calls to give reading and writing classes to men, but we have not been able to begin that work.

The club work is progressing well, and the children are doing good work. It has always been difficult in making programs for the clubs because the children have so little free time from school. The days are not only long but often the children have to go on Saturday for extra work. There are on roll twenty-eight Brownies and twelve Scouts. The club program is based on that of the Girl Scout program, but is different in many respects.

The young ladies who are day English pupils are also organized into an English Club which meets once a week. Their programs are varied, and are planned to give the members an opportunity to speak English.

So far there has been no depression in the number or quality of our volunteer workers. Once a week two help on the play ground with the children, and another helps with a reading and writing class on the edge of the city. Twice every week one goes to the penitentiary to help give reading and writing lessons to the women prisoners. Fourteen go out every Wednesday morning to give story hours in various private and public schools. All the schools, private and public, whether under Protestant or Catholic supervision, have co-operated well with us in this work; both children and workers look forward to Wednesday morning. Our story-tellers come in touch with 5,155 pupils each month. We have on roll thirty-six volunteer workers upon whom we feel free to call. Each month we change the workers. These workers are prepared for their work and are taught their stories and games beforehand.

We have not found it possible to continue with the Mothers' Club this winter, but hope by the fall to have plans made to reorganize it. We have had neither the time nor the necessary material for programs to do effective work.

Twice a week we have supervised play hours for the children. Every Friday afternoon the children from the various schools in which we have story hours take turns coming, and on Monday nights they come from "everywhere." Volunteer workers help with the games. Every Friday night the League of our church uses the ball court for volley ball.

Three of the Centro workers help in the Primary Department of our Sunday school. Miss Walker is the Secretary. Srita. Aceves has a class of nine-year-old girls. Srita. Ruiz is the Superintendent. The department has never been well organized and classified, so the work has been difficult for all. They are trying hard to correct its faults and make it a first-class department.

We are enjoying working with the people, and we feel that they are enjoying their contact with the Centro. Many are finding a way to serve their community for the first time, and are happy to have a small part in giving to others. We pray that their spirit may continue to be one of helpfulness, and that this city may be happier because they have lived in it.

PRISCILLA WALKER

During the past twelve months my work has been varied. My English classes in Centro Social have been small but interesting. Then English Club for Young Women has grown not only in membership but also in interest. We meet every week instead of once a month as formerly. The group is divided into two sections, thus making the literary feature less difficult and giving each girl an opportunity to take part on a literary program each month. The girls are interested in the games and also in the hikes. We filled tarleton stockings for a group of poor children as our part in the Christmas activities.

When Miss Ingram was called home last spring I was able to arrange my work so that I could take her English classes in Instituto Laurens. I have enjoyed this opportunity because I have come to know the pupils there better. I have continued this work since September and enjoy it more all the time.

During the world depression I have been trying to help the unemployed, or at least some of them, find desirable work. This has led to new contacts, and I am praying that God will use me not only in finding work for them but in leading them into a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ.

POLAND

ORGANIZATION WORK, WARSAW

EURANIA PYRON

The beginning of this year found me in Wilno continuing my work there in our hostel for White Russian girls, in the Church, Sunday school, Epworth League, and Woman's Missionary Society. Besides our work in Wilno, we also had a hostel for White Russian girls in Kleck, a small border town about seventy-five miles from Wilno. However, because of very bad financial conditions the White Russian Gymnasium (or school) was forced to close, in the face of which fact our hostel there automatically closed. It is true that we have been very unfortunate in keeping our hostels (except for the one in Wilno) on the map in Polish White Russia. However, the liquidation of these institutions has each time been caused by the closing of those particular schools for good, which made the purpose of our hostel nil.

In April we held our Annual Conference for women in Wilno with twenty-one women in attendance. This was the largest number of any year so far. Our program of work for the conference week embraced Old and New Testament studies, child psychology, Church history, and discussions of our work in general. I feel that these

conferences are continuously an inspiration to us all. The women are already eagerly looking forward to our 1932 conference, which will probably be held in June, with great anticipation. I have already received several letters asking when it will be.

At the session of the Annual Conference in July I received a new appointment, which stationed me in Warsaw as Conference Woman's Missionary worker. Since September I have continued the organization work, started by Miss Sallie Browne last year, among our Polish women. At present we have eleven organized societies in the following places: Warsaw, Klarysew, Praga, Poznan, Chodziej, Katowice, Grudziadz, Wilno, Przemysl, Lwow, and Srednie Siolo. The societies in Praga and Srednie Siolo have just recently been organized. We are trying this year in each of our societies to create a vital interest in our orphanage at Owczarki, because at present we are straining every nerve to make our orphanage self-supporting. Financially, the women have already done remarkably well in this direction, for at Christmas time with the help of bazaars they sent around 500 zloties (or \$50) to the orphanage. May God give us a clearer insight and help us to feel more keenly our duty to him and to our fellow-man.

I am enjoying immensely my work this year and am most thankful for the opportunities that have been mine in visiting and associating with the Christian women of our Church throughout Poland.

WHITE RUSSIAN INTERNAT, WILNO

RUTH LAWRENCE

My second year in Poland is bringing more opportunities to serve than I am able to take. With but a scant knowledge of the language, I had to become responsible for our phase of the work in Wilno in September. This seemed an impossible task, physically and mentally. However, I felt that such work is God's work and that he can use us even when greatly handicapped. With the help of my language teacher, who knows practically no English, I have been able to prepare program material for our Epworth League and Woman's Missionary Society, as well as morning devotionals for our girls in the Internat. It has been a fascinating work.

In Poland, a country deeply entrenched in Catholicism, all Protestant work goes slowly. However, movements toward a clearer vision of God are at work, and people are searching for a vital faith in Christ. Our Church stands ready to help in this search. In our services for the women and young people we are keeping this thought uppermost.

We have enrolled twenty-four girls in our White Russian Internat (dormitory) this year. They attend our Church services regularly, but at the same time do not neglect to make their confessions as true Russian Orthodox Catholics and to attend their own Church. We have one class in our Sunday school composed entirely of White Russian girls. Last spring the most brilliant and capable girl in the Internat joined our Church. She is a strong Christian who can brave the criticisms and taunts of both acquaintances and school authorities without flinching.

Our work among the women is promising. We have twenty-one members in our Missionary Society and often have thirty women present at our monthly meetings. Every week we spend one evening together sewing. Twice a year we have a bazaar and sell the articles made during the sewing hours. This year we are using the money to help a girl in our Internat, to contribute to our orphanage, and to other needy causes.

Poland needs nothing so much as to recognize and practice the fundamental principles of Christianity. To this end we are working and praying that our Church may be an instrument through which God can hasten the day of righteousness in Poland.

WHITE RUSSIAN WORK, WILNO

NORENE ROBKEN

I have been in Poland since the last of August and have spent the most of my time studying Polish. From time to time I have assisted in the religious services by giving Bible talks and playing violin solos. While there is little I can do without a better knowledge of the language, I count myself blessed to be able to find some few tasks to perform. The people are very interesting, and I look forward to the time when I shall be able to render them some definite service.

Three times a week I go to the Jewish Christian Mission and teach English. In this way I come in contact with thirty Jewish young men and women from different walks of life. It has been my privilege to tell the story of Christ to one young woman who had never heard his name.

I am fortunate in having one hour a week in conversational English with a young woman of the Intelligensia. She is an invaluable source of information to me on Polish history, customs, traditions, religion, and morals. From her I learn much about Poland and her people that I could never learn from books.

Every Saturday afternoon and evening we have open house. The open house in the afternoon is for our girls from the Internat. They spend the time playing the piano or victrola, reading, singing, or playing games. In the evening the older people who attend our Epworth League and Church services come and spend their time in a like manner. Since one can play without a knowledge of the language, I am able to be of some little service in our recreational program.

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 Americano, Porto Alegre | 1886 | 11 | 3 | 17 | 41 | 185 | 316 | \$11,672 59 |
| Collegio Bennett, Rio de Janeiro | 1921 | 11 | 6 | 26 | 67 | 250 | 227 | 25,973 10 |
| Collegio Centenario, Santa Maria | 1922 | 11 | 5 | 15 | 86 | 134 | 510 | 21,528 00 |
| Collegio Isabella Hendrix, Bello Horizonte | 1904 | 9 | 3 | 22 | 38 | 119 | 267 | 10,240 20 |
| Collegio Methodista, Ribeirao Preto | 1899 | 5 | 3 | 11 | 16 | 146 | 852 | 5,520 00 |
| Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba | 1881 | 14 | 4 | 24 | 45 | 145 | 910 | 12,081 01 |
| Day School, Institutional Church, Porto Alegre | 1900 | 5 | .. | 4 | .. | 157 | 137 | 423 60 |
| Day School, People's Central Institute, Rio de Janeiro | 1906 | 5 | 2 | 9 | .. | 381 | 161 | 707 30 |
| Day Schools, Rio de Janeiro District (3) | .. | .. | .. | 6 | .. | 169 | 9 | 156 00 |
| Total for Brazil | .. | .. | 26 | 134 | 293 | 1,686 | 1,979 | \$88,301 80 |
| CHINA | | | | | | | | |
| Allene Barcroft, Sungkiang District | 1914 | 6 | .. | 4 | .. | 107 | 107 | .. |
| Atzinson Academy, Soochow | 1896 | 9 | 2 | 18 | .. | 364 | 364 | \$ 3,507 55 |
| Centenary School, Changchow | 1908 | 6 | 1 | 10 | .. | 271 | 271 | 845 00 |
| Davidson School, Junior High, Soochow | 1902 | 10 | 2 | 24 | 62 | 333 | 395 | 5,671 00 |
| Eslick Day School, Wuchen | 1921 | 6 | .. | 8 | .. | 115 | 115 | 200 00 |
| Factory Settlement Day School, Wusih | 1920 | 3 | 2 | 5 | .. | 134 | 134 | 250 00 |
| Faith Johnson School, Changshu | 1913 | 6 | .. | 11 | .. | 302 | 302 | 1,126 50 |
| Hayes-Wilkins Bible School, Sungkiang | 1898 | 7 | 1 | 7 | 39 | 3 | 42 | 450 00 |
| Humbert School | 1910 | 6 | .. | 11 | .. | 175 | 175 | 490 00 |
| James and Lucy Faut, Sungkiang District | 1914 | 6 | .. | 4 | .. | 107 | 107 | 130 00 |
| Laura Haygood Normal School, Soochow | 1902 | 14 | 6 | 35 | 92 | 254 | 346 | 12,627 55 |
| Mary Virginia Nabors, Wusih | 1910 | 6 | 2 | 7 | .. | 198 | 198 | 687 00 |
| McTeyre High School and Primaries, Shanghai | 1891 | 12 | 6 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 49,500 00 |
| Nanziang Day School | 1911 | 6 | .. | 8 | .. | 191 | 191 | 383 70 |
| Reavis School | 1916 | 6 | .. | 4 | .. | 87 | 87 | 90 00 |
| Susan B. Wilson, Junior High, Sungkiang | 1903 | 9 | 2 | 12 | 89 | 136 | 225 | 4,722 43 |
| Taichang Kindergarten and Day School | .. | 6 | .. | 4 | .. | 111 | 111 | 177 30 |
| Theodosia Wales School, Changshu | 1921 | 5 | .. | 7 | .. | 123 | 123 | 411 50 |
| Virginia High School, Primary and Kindergarten | 1901 | 10 | 3 | 16 | 23 | 262 | 285 | 3,620 32 |
| Virginia Branch II, Huchow | .. | 4 | .. | 11 | .. | 185 | 185 | 900 00 |
| Yoch Le Girls' School, Nansiang | .. | 6 | 1 | 9 | .. | 200 | 200 | .. |
| Tang Teh School (Maria Layng Gibson) | .. | 6 | .. | 9 | .. | 185 | 185 | 1,290 50 |
| Total for China | .. | .. | 28 | 224 | 305 | 3,843 | 4,148 | \$87,080 80 |
| CONGO BELGE | | | | | | | | |
| Minga Station and District Schools (25) | 1923 | 10 | 1 | 84 | 70 | 1,011 | 1,081 | Fees paid |
| Minga Girls' Home | .. | 9 | 1 | 9 | 34 | .. | 34 | in work |
| Tunda Station and District Schools (16) | 1922 | 9 | 2 | 30 | .. | 880 | 880 | .. |
| Tunda Girls' Home | .. | 1 | 1 | 16 | .. | .. | 16 | .. |
| Wembo Nyama, Station and District Schools (61) | 1914 | 5 | 4 | *159 | .. | 1,631 | 1,631 | .. |
| Total for Congo Belge | .. | .. | 8 | 283 | 120 | 3,522 | 3,642 | .. |

*Includes evangelists and assistants.

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 Buenavista, Havana | 1920 | 10 | 5 | 6 | 16 | 108 | 124 | \$14,576 06 |
| Colegio Eliza Bowman, Cienfuegos | 1907 | 10 | 5 | 9 | ... | 130 | 130 | 2,962 05 |
| Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas | 1899 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 17 | 93 | 110 | 5,867 00 |
| Total for Cuba | | | 13 | 21 | 33 | 331 | 364 | \$23,405 11 |
| JAPAN | | | | | | | | |
| Hiroshima Girls' School, Hiroshima | 1886 | 14 | 7 | 35 | 65 | 471 | 536 | \$12,855 97 |
| Kindergartens, Hiroshima District (13) | | 4 | 21 | ... | 606 | 606 | 1,989 17 | |
| Kindergartens, Kobe District (8) | | 4 | 14 | ... | 328 | 328 | 3,686 05 | |
| Kindergartens, Matsuyama District (6) | | 3 | 9 | ... | 224 | 224 | 651 82 | |
| Lambuth Training School, Osaka | 1922 | ... | 6 | 25 | 54 | 65 | 119 | 3,941 87 |
| Palmore English Institute, Kobe | 1923 | 5 | 4 | 8 | ... | 160 | 160 | 3,292 25 |
| Total for Japan | | | 28 | 112 | 119 | 1,854 | 1,973 | \$26,427 13 |
| KOREA | | | | | | | | |
| Ewha (Union), Seoul | 1910 | ... | 14 | 18 | 93 | 60 | 153 | \$ 7,040 00 |
| Carolina Institute, High School and Common, Seoul | 1898 | 10 | 2 | 30 | 91 | 669 | 760 | 4,497 10 |
| Choonchun District Day Schools | | | | | | | | |
| Chulwon District Day Schools | | | | | | | | |
| Frances Hileh Primary School, Wonsan District | 1903 | 6 | 1 | 7 | ... | 233 | 233 | 722 68 |
| Holston Institute, High School, Songdo | 1904 | 4 | 3 | 15 | ... | 363 | 363 | 4,027 75 |
| Holston Institute, Kindergarten, Songdo | 1918 | 2 | 1 | 7 | ... | 242 | 242 | 500 00 |
| Holston Institute, Primary Department, Songdo | 1904 | 6 | 1 | 12 | ... | 450 | 450 | 1,858 60 |
| Ivy Hospital Nurse Training School | | | | | | | | |
| Lucy Cuningim High School, Wonsan | 1903 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 54 | 198 | 252 | 3,917 47 |
| Mary Helm School, Songdo | 1907 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 15 | 72 | 87 | 401 05 |
| Seoul District Day Schools | | | | | | | | |
| Songdo District Day Schools and Kindergartens (5) | | 4 | 1 | 6 | ... | 227 | 227 | |
| Union Methodist Woman's Bible and Training School | | | | | | | | |
| Woman's Christian Hospital, Nurse Training School | | | | | | | | |
| Wonsan District Day Schools | | 2 | 1 | 2 | ... | 73 | 73 | 323 91 |
| Total for Korea | | | 28 | 115 | 253 | 2,587 | 2,840 | \$23,288 56 |
| MEXICO | | | | | | | | |
| Instituto Laurens, Monterrey | 1885 | 10 | 3 | 17 | 37 | 276 | 313 | \$ 4,450 75 |
| Instituto MacDonell, Durango | 1892 | 10 | 2 | 13 | 16 | 281 | 297 | 5,853 67 |
| Oak Cliff Day School, Saltillo | 1907 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 35 | 35 | School was not re-opened in September |
| Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua | 1890 | 6 | 5 | 11 | 40 | 367 | 407 | 17,462 39 |
| Colegio Progreso, Parral | 1887 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 20 | 177 | 197 | 9,181 00 |
| Colegio Roberts, Saltillo | 1887 | 12 | 3 | 21 | 68 | 304 | 372 | 15,000 00 |
| Total for Mexico | | | 15 | 71 | 181 | 1,440 | 1,621 | \$51,947 81 |

FOREIGN STATISTICS

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC WORK

| | Missionaries | Native Workers | Pupils | Clubs | Total Enrollment | Treatments or Clinics | Visits | Receipts |
|---|--------------|----------------|--------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------|----------|
| BRAZIL | | | | | | | | |
| People's Central Institute, Rio de Janeiro..... | 3 | 18 | 431 | 150 | 2,407 | 10,988 | | |
| Evangelistic Workers (One Quarter)..... | | 2 | | | | | 187 | |
| Total for Brazil..... | 3 | 20 | 431 | 150 | 2,407 | 10,988 | 187 | |
| CHINA | | | | | | | | |
| Chentsch, Nanziang District..... | | | | | | | | |
| Evangelistic Workers..... | 5 | 47 | 2,154 | | 2,154 | | 15,080 | |
| I Zaung Ka, Hoochow..... | | | | | | | | \$200 00 |
| Kong Hong Institutional Church..... | | 9 | 92 | | 92 | | | |
| Moka Garden Embroidery School..... | 1 | 2 | 60 | 29 | 89 | | | 626 50 |
| South Gate, Wusih..... | | | | | | | | |
| St. John's Church..... | | | | | | | | |
| Total for China..... | 6 | 58 | 2,306 | 29 | 2,335 | | 15,080 | \$826 50 |
| CONGO BELGE | | | | | | | | |
| Minga Hospital and Outstations..... | | | | | 2,069 | 5,732 | | |
| Lepers..... | 2 | | | | 106 | | | |
| Total for the Congo..... | 2 | | | | 2,175 | 5,732 | | |
| CUBA | | | | | | | | |
| Quinta Tosca, Matanzas..... | 2 | 5 | 295 | 105 | 400 | | | |
| JAPAN | | | | | | | | |
| Airin Kwan, Oita..... | 3 | 6 | 56 | 341 | 1,408 | | | |
| Evangelistic Workers..... | 2 | 2 | 1,050 | | 1,050 | | 80 | |
| Zenrin Kwan, Kure..... | 2 | 4 | 291 | 155 | 446 | | | |
| Total for Japan..... | 7 | 12 | 1,397 | 496 | 2,904 | | 80 | |
| KOREA | | | | | | | | |
| Choonchun..... | 2 | 6 | 131 | 40 | 171 | | | |
| Evangelistic Workers..... | 4 | 51 | 4,394 | | 4,394 | | 20,843 | |
| House of Abounding Grace, Wonsan..... | 2 | 8 | 355 | | 355 | | 15,574 | |
| House of Harmony, Seoul..... | 5 | | | | 4,000 | | | |
| House of High Aims, Songdo..... | 2 | | 633 | 139 | 722 | | 11,838 | |
| Total for Korea..... | 15 | 65 | 5,513 | 179 | 9,642 | | 48,255 | |
| MEXICO | | | | | | | | |
| Centro Social, Chihuahua..... | 3 | 6 | 773 | 75 | 848 | 3,027 | | |
| Centro Cristiano, Durango..... | 3 | 6 | 261 | 137 | 398 | 223 | | |
| Centro Social, Monterrey..... | 2 | 3 | 2,036 | 53 | 2,089 | | | |
| Evangelistic Workers..... | | 6 | 275 | | 275 | | 2,073 | |
| Total for Mexico..... | 8 | 21 | 3,345 | 265 | 1,610 | 3,250 | 2,073 | |
| POLAND | | | | | | | | |
| Internat, Wilno..... | 2 | 2 | 24 | | | | | \$720 00 |

FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

BRAZIL

| YEAR | NAME AND FIELD ADDRESS | HOME ADDRESS |
|-------|---|----------------------|
| 1894. | Miss Layona Glenn, Inhoahyba, D. F. | 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, Sao Paulo | Texarkana, Tex. |
| 1911. | Miss Leila F. Epps, Sao Paulo | Kingstree, S. C. |
| 1911. | Miss Lydia Ferguson, Piracicaba | Belton, Tex. |
| 1911. | Miss Sophia Schalch, Bello Horizonte | 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. |
| 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, Piracicaba | Waco, Tex. |
| 1925. | Miss Ruth Merritt (Extended furlough), Piracicaba | Yanceyville, N. C. |
| 1925. | Miss Mabel Jetton, Santa Maria | Washington, D. C. |
| 1925. | Miss Zula Terry (1925-31, General Work), Porto Alegre | Cedar Bayou, Tex. |
| 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. |
| 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, Santa Maria | Carter, Okla. |
| 1931. | Miss Elizabeth Sneed, Bello Horizonte | Bath, N. C. |
| 1932. | Miss Lillian Maxfield (Language study) | Muskegon, Mich. |

CHINA

| | | |
|-------|---|---------------------|
| 1884. | Miss Virginia M. Atkinson (Emeritus), Changshu Ku | Atlanta, Ga. |
| 1892. | Miss Alice G. Waters, Nanziang | 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. |
| 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, Huchow | Waco, Tex. |
| 1914. | Miss Nina M. Stallings, Shanghai | 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. |
| 1919. | Miss Alice Alsop, Soochow | Maypearl, Tex. |
| 1919. | Miss Marguerite Clark, Shanghai | Sunnyside, Va. |
| 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. |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

| YEAR | NAME AND FIELD ADDRESS | HOME ADDRESS |
|-------|---|-----------------------|
| 1923. | Miss Mary Bell Winn, Soochow | Ridgeway, S. C. |
| 1925. | Miss Anne E. Herbert, R.N., Shanghai | Bennettesville, S. C. |
| 1925. | Miss Ethel Wytelle Bost, Soochow | 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 Jean F. Craig, Shanghai | Richmond, Va. |
| 1929. | Miss Pearl McCain, Shanghai | Searcy, Ark. |
| 1930. | Miss Sarah Glenn, R.N., Huchow | Chester, S. C. |
| 1930. | Miss Robbie Lee Leggett, Soochow | Allen, Miss. |
| 1931. | Miss Susie Mayes, Soochow | Camak, Ga. |
| 1931. | Miss Carrie Ava Morton, R.N., Soochow | Cotton Valley, La. |
| 1932. | Miss Louise Avett | Norwood, N. C. |
| 1932. | Miss Elizabeth DeLoache, R.N. | Camden, S. C. |
| 1932. | Miss Margaret Pilley, Nanking | Mineral Wells, Tex. |
| 1932. | Miss Annie Price | Waco, Tex. |
| 1932. | Miss Hester Dale West | Floydada, Tex. |

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 Mary Elizabeth Moore, R.N., Tunda | Richmond, Va. |
| 1929. | Miss Eva Dorothy Reese, Wembo Nyama | Mayslick, Ky. |
| 1929. | Miss Hortense Murry, Tunda | Arkadelphia, Ark. |
| 1930. | Miss Anniemae White, Tunda | Thomaston, Ga. |
| 1930. | Miss Ruth Adelia O'Toole, R.N., Minga | Maplewood, Mo. |
| 1930. | Mrs. Ethel S. Smith, Menga | Bowman, S. C. |
| 1931. | Miss Myrtle Zicafoose, Wembo Nyama | Asbury, W. Va. |
| 1931. | Miss Edith Martin, Wembo Nyama | Harrison, Ark. |
| 1931. | Miss Catherine Parham, Tunda | College Park, Ga. |

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|-------|--|-------------------|
| 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. |
| 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), Matanzas | Norfolk, Va. |
| 1927. | Miss Julia Lorene Reid, Matanzas | Lake Charles, La. |
| 1927. | Miss Ethel Williamson, Havana | Dovesville, S. C. |
| 1927. | Miss Marie 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. |
| 1930. | Miss Mattie Lou Neal, Cienfuegos | Overton, Tex. |
| 1932. | Miss Juanita Kelley, Havana | Augusta, Ga. |

JAPAN

| | | |
|-------|---|-------------------|
| 1903. | Miss Margaret M. Cook, Osaka | Newnan, Ga. |
| 1904. | Miss Ida Shannon, Hiroshima | Abingdon, Va. |
| 1908. | Miss Katherine Shannon, Kobe | 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 (Extended furlough), Hiroshima | Grenada, Miss. |
| 1920. | Miss Mary Searcy, Kure | Columbia, Mo. |
| 1922. | Miss Katherine Johnson, Hiroshima | Poplar Bluff, Mo. |
| 1922. | Miss Myra Pauline Anderson, Hiroshima | Anderson, S. C. |
| 1922. | Miss Lois Cooper (1922-26, China), Hiroshima | Brookhaven, Miss. |
| 1923. | Miss Anne Peavy, Osaka | Byron, Ga. |
| 1923. | Miss Mozelle Tumlin, Kure | Thomaston, Ga. |
| 1924. | Miss Ida Lois Maddux (Extended furlough), Hiroshima | Madison, Ga. |
| 1925. | Miss Mary Douglas Finch, Hiroshima | Chase City, Va. |
| 1926. | Miss Sallie Elizabeth Carroll, Oita | Batesville, Va. |
| 1927. | Miss Ruth Field, Osaka | Newnan, Ga. |
| 1929. | Miss Lelia Bagley, Oita | La Grange, Ga. |
| 1930. | Miss Althea May Cronk, Tokyo | McAllen, Tex. |
| 1931. | Miss Gertrude Feely, Tokyo | Shelbyville, Mo. |

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

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| YEAR | NAME AND FIELD ADDRESS | HOME ADDRESS |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1932. | Miss Thelma Colvin, Language School | Ennis, Tex. |
| 1932. | Miss Alma Metcalf, Language School | Decatur, Ga. |
| 1932. | Miss Alberta Tarr, Language School | 219 Spring Street, Nevada, Mo. |

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, Choonchun | Hereford, Tex. |
| 1910. | Miss Bertha Smith, Songdo | Marshall, Mo. |
| 1911. | Miss Carrie Una Jackson, Wonsan | 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 (Extended furlough), Songdo | Comanche, Tex. |
| 1916. | Miss Rosa M. Lowder, R.N., Songdo | Rutherford College, N. C. |
| 1921. | Mrs. Velma H. Maynor, Seoul | Oneonto, Ala. |
| 1922. | Miss Ruby K. Lee, Seoul | Statesboro, Ga. |
| 1922. | Miss Alice McMakin, Songdo | 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, Chulwon | 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, Songdo | Pottsville, Ark. |
| 1928. | Miss Mabel Cherry, Seoul | Unionville, S. C. |
| 1928. | Miss Maude V. Nelson, R.N., Seoul | Eldersville, Tex. |
| 1930. | Miss Susie Peach Foster, Chulwon | Brantley, Ala. |
| 1930. | Miss Ann Wallis, Choonchun | Hartshorne, Okla. |
| 1931. | Miss Marjorie Beard, Seoul | Tyler, Tex. |
| 1932. | Miss M. Elston Rowland, R.N. (1923-30, Japan), Seoul | Washington, D. C. |

MEXICO

| | | |
|-------|--|-----------------------|
| 1896. | Miss Edith Park, Saltillo | Amarillo, Tex. |
| 1911. | Miss Virginia Booth, Durango | Austin, Tex. |
| 1912. | Miss Lillie F. Fox, Chihuahua | Odessa, Mo. |
| 1913. | Miss Ethel McCaughan, Durango | Corpus Christi, Tex. |
| 1919. | Miss Dora L. Ingram, Saltillo | Centralia, Mo. |
| 1921. | Miss Emma L. Eldridge, Parral | Wichita, Kans. |
| 1921. | Miss Myrtle Pollard, Parral | Batesville, Miss. |
| 1921. | Miss Myrtle James, Nuevo Laredo | Divine, Tex. |
| 1923. | Miss Ruth Byerly, Saltillo | Shepherdstown, W. Va. |
| 1923. | Miss Edna Pothoff, R.N., Chihuahua | Houston, Tex. |
| 1923. | Miss Anne Deavours (Cuba, 1925), Monterrey | Pauding, Miss. |
| 1924. | Miss Pearl Hall, R.N., Chihuahua | Dodson, Va. |
| 1925. | Miss Ellen B. Cloud, R.N., C. Juarez | Pembroke, Ky. |
| 1926. | Miss M. Belle Markey (Cuba, 1902-25), Chihuahua | Abilene, Tex. |
| 1926. | Miss Irene Nixon, Chihuahua | Georgetown, Tex. |
| 1926. | Miss Helen Hodgson, Chihuahua | Orville, Calif. |
| 1926. | Miss Lucile Vail (Contract, Cuba, 1916-24), Saltillo | Cartersville, Ga. |
| 1927. | Miss Leonore Reese, Durango | Center Point, Tex. |
| 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, Chihuahua | Hondo, Tex. |
| 1929. | Miss Jewell Golda Burns, Durango | Port Arthur, Tex. |
| 1929. | Miss Ola Eugene Callahan, Durango | Greensboro, N. C. |
| 1929. | Miss Priscilla Walker, Monterrey | Ashland, Miss. |
| 1930. | Miss Anna Belle Dyck (Contract, 1923-30), Chihuahua | Halstead, Kans. |
| 1931. | Miss Julia Thompson (Contract), Chihuahua | Marietta, Ga. |
| 1931. | Miss Berta Hirtzler (Contract), Monterrey | Kenner, La. |
| 1932. | Miss Beulah Hubbard | Wheeling, Tex. |

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| 1926. | Miss Sallie Lewis Brown, Warsaw | Sussex, Va. |
| 1928. | Miss Eurania Pyron, Warsaw | Jackson, Miss. |
| 1930. | Miss Ruth Lawrence, Wilno | Beatrice, Ala. |
| 1931. | Miss Norene Robken, Wilno | Texarkana, Ark. |

FOREIGN MISSIONARIES NOT NOW IN ACTIVE SERVICE

| APPOINTED | NAME, FORMER RESIDENCE, FIELD | CONFERENCE |
|------------|---|------------------------|
| 1878. Miss | Lochia Rankin (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. Wolf, 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 |
| 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 Smithy,* 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,† Micosukee, 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 |
| 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., Mexico | 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 | Johannie 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 Churchhill,† 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 |

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| APPOINTED | NAME, FORMER RESIDENCE, FIELD | CONFERENCE |
|------------|--|------------------------|
| 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 Kin*, 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 | Emma Lester, Augusta, Ga., China | North Georgia |
| 1906. Miss | Estelle Hood, Commerce, Ga., Brazil | North Georgia |
| 1907. Miss | Agnes Ruff, Wallaceville, S. C., Cuba | South Carolina |
| 1907. Mrs. | S. S. Harris, Citra, Fla., China | Florida |
| 1907. Mrs. | Emily Runyon, M.D., Richmond, Va., China | Virginia |
| 1907. Miss | Ruby Kendrick,* Plano, Tex., Korea | Northwest Texas |
| 1907. Miss | Martha Ivie Batey,† Murfreesboro, Tenn., Korea | Tennessee |
| 1907. Miss | Ruby Lilly,† Whitman, Ga., Korea | South Georgia |
| 1907. Miss | Augusta May Dye,† Plano, Tex., Brazil | Northwest Texas |
| 1907. Miss | Emma Steger,† Mountain Grove, Mo., China | Southwest Missouri |
| 1907. Miss | Linnie Barcroft, Tupelo, Miss., Mexico | Mississippi |
| 1907. Miss | Alma Jones, Webb City, Mo., Mexico | Southwest Missouri |
| 1908. Miss | Kate Smallwood,† New Albany, Miss., China | North Mississippi |
| 1908. Miss | Laura Lee,* Nashville, Tenn., Mexico and Cuba | Tennessee |
| 1908. Miss | Daisy Pyles,† Juiz de Fora, Brazil, Brazil | Brazil |
| 1908. Miss | Mary F. Johnstone,† Dawson, Ga., Korea | South Georgia |
| 1908. Mrs. | Nellie O'Bierne,† Zwolle, La., Mexico | Louisiana |
| 1908. Miss | Trulie Richmond,† Ennis, Tex., Brazil | Central Texas |
| 1908. Miss | Mamie Fenley,† Riebeirao Preto, Brazil, Brazil | Brazil |
| 1908. Miss | Mary Massey, Iuka, Miss., Mexico | North Mississippi |
| 1909. Miss | Bessie Houser,† Perry, Ga., Korea | South Georgia |
| 1909. Miss | Hardynia Norville, Livingston, Ala., Mexico | Alabama |
| 1909. Miss | Martha Nutt,† Granbery, Tex., Mexico | Central Texas |
| 1909. Miss | Valeria Vollmer,† Porto Alegre, Brazil, Brazil | Brazil |
| 1909. Miss | Minnie Varner,† Greenville, Ala., Mexico | Alabama |
| 1909. Miss | Clara Park,† Sandersville, Ga., China and Mexico | South Georgia |
| 1909. Miss | Elsie Lowe,† Midlothian, Tex., Korea | Central Texas |
| 1909. Miss | Tomie Foster, Tchula, Miss., China | Mississippi |
| 1909. Miss | Helen Hickman, Sherman, Tex., Brazil | North Texas |
| 1909. Miss | Sarah E. Warne, Santa Ana, Calif., Brazil and Mexico | Los Angeles |
| 1909. Miss | Terrie Etta Buttrick, Asheville, N. C., Mexico | Western North Carolina |
| 1910. Miss | Maria Wrightman Capers,† Charleston, S. C., Mexico | South Carolina |
| 1910. Miss | Margaret Beadle,† Austin, Tex., China | West Texas |
| 1910. Miss | Nevada Martin,† Pelahatchee, Miss., China | Mississippi |
| 1910. Miss | Dora Otis,† Hopkinsville, Mo., China | Missouri |
| 1910. Miss | Gilberta Harris, Arkadelphia, Ark., Korea | Little Rock |
| 1910. Miss | Nellie Bennett, Blackstone, Va., Japan | Virginia |
| 1910. Miss | Johnnie Pierson, Hamilton, Tex., Mexico | Northwest Texas |
| 1910. Miss | Sallie J. Smith,† Richmond, Va., China | Virginia |
| 1910. Miss | Ellen Alfter,* Warrensburg, Mo., Mexico | Southwest Missouri |
| 1910. Miss | Alice Dean Noyes, Macon, Ga., Korea | South Georgia |

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|------------|--|------------------------|
| 1910. Miss | Virginia Howell, Lamasco, Tex., Brazil | North Texas |
| 1910. Miss | Emma Turbeville, Martin, Tenn., Korea | Memphis |
| 1910. Miss | Miriam Steele,† Brownwood, Tex., Brazil | Northwest Texas |
| 1911. Miss | Lina Clara Kock, Llano, Tex., Korea | West Texas |
| 1911. Miss | Bess Combs, St. Joseph, Mo., China | Missouri |
| 1911. Miss | Clare Beverly Cain, Los Angeles, Calif., Mexico and Brazil | Los Angeles |
| 1911. Miss | Myrtle Barker,† Warsaw, Ky., Korea | Kentucky |
| 1911. Miss | Frankie Hooper, St. Joseph, Mo., Mexico | Missouri |
| 1911. Miss | Margaret Simpson,* Little Rock, Ark., Brazil | Arkansas |
| 1911. Miss | Lillie Reed,† Waco, Tex., Korea | East Oklahoma |
| 1911. Miss | Madge Hendry, Huchow, China, China | China |
| 1911. Miss | Florence Barton, Fredericktown, Mo., Brazil | St. Louis |
| 1912. Miss | Frances Burkhead, Lexington, N. C., China | Western North Carolina |
| 1912. Miss | Mae Owings, Fountain Inn, S. C., Korea | South Carolina |
| 1912. Miss | Flora Herndon,† Elberton, Ga., China | North Georgia |
| 1912. Miss | Maggie Lee Kenney,† Los Angeles, Calif., Brazil | Los Angeles |
| 1912. Miss | Charlie May Cunningham, Lindsay, Calif., Mexico | Los Angeles |
| 1912. Miss | Laura V. Summers, Barnesville, Ga., Korea | North Georgia |
| 1912. Miss | Carrie S. Minor, St. Louis, Mo., Korea | St. Louis |
| 1912. Miss | Lucy Henderson,† Murfreesboro, Tenn., Brazil | South Georgia |
| 1912. Miss | Bessie Lee Wilson,* College Grove, Tenn., Mexico and Cuba | Tennessee |
| 1912. Miss | Theodosia Wales,† Binghamton, N. Y., China | New Jersey |
| 1912. Miss | Edith Hayes,† Birmingham, Ala., China | North Alabama |
| 1912. Miss | Ethel Polk, M.D.,† Kansas City, Mo., China | Southwest Missouri |
| 1912. Miss | Jennie Stradley,† Granbery, Tex., Brazil | Central Texas |
| 1912. Miss | Lela M. Blier, Kansas City, Mo., China | Southwest Missouri |
| 1913. Miss | Ethel Newcomb, St. Louis, Mo., Japan | St. Louis |
| 1913. Miss | Hattie F. Love, M.D.,† Sweetwater, Tenn., China | Holston |
| 1913. Miss | Blanche Webb,† Chattanooga, Tenn., Brazil | Holston |
| 1913. Miss | Bertha O. Attaway,† Oswego, S. C., China | South Carolina |
| 1913. Miss | Bessie Hardie,† Korea, Korea | South Georgia |
| 1913. Miss | Margaret Webster, Ennis, Tex., Cuba | Central Texas |
| 1913. Miss | Edith Brittingham, Portsmouth, Va., Mexico | Virginia |
| 1913. Miss | Anette Gist,† McIntosh, Fla., Japan | Florida |
| 1913. Miss | May Hixson,† Des Moines, Iowa, China | Georgia |
| 1913. Miss | Eva Hardie,† Oak Park, Ill., Korea | Illinois |
| 1914. Miss | Manelle Forster,† Macon, Ga., Mexico and Cuba | South Georgia |
| 1914. Miss | Elizabeth Love,† Sweetwater, Tenn., China | Holston |
| 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, LaGrange, 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 McCubbin,† Salisbury, N. C., Korea | Western North Carolina |
| 1917. Miss | Katherine Hatcher,† Harlem, Ga., Korea | North Georgia |
| 1917. Miss | Sarah Vandykhe Stout,† Clarksville, Tenn., Brazil | Tennessee |
| 1917. Miss | Kathron Wilson, R.N.,† Dodd City, Texas, Congo Belge | North Texas |
| 1917. Miss | Marie Raffo,* Tampa, Fla., China | Florida |
| 1917. Miss | Sallie Lou MacKinnon,† Maxton, N. C., China | North Carolina |
| 1917. Miss | Louise Ingersoll, M.D., Asheville, N. C., China | Western North Carolina |
| 1918. Miss | Pauline Glass Randle,* 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 | Mary Alice Lamar, Houston, Tex., Brazil | Texas |
| 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, Jewel, Ga., China | Mississippi |
| 1920. Miss | Rubie VanHauser, 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., VanBuren, Ark., Korea | North Arkansas |

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| 1921. | Miss Lucy Belle 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 Cornelia Godbey,‡ Morristown, Mo., Mexico | Southwest Missouri |
| 1922. | Mrs. Fannie Warren,† Tulsa, Okla., Congo Belge | East Oklahoma |
| 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 Hardie,† Bennis 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 | Florida |
| 1922. | Miss Lorraine Buck, Bessemer, Ala., Mexico | North Alabama |
| 1923. | Miss Eva Massey, White Post, Va., Mexico | Baltimore |
| 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, Bonelar Springs, Va., Mexico | Baltimore |
| 1924. | Miss Angella Chappelle, San Antonio, Tex., Mexico | West Texas |
| 1924. | Miss Ruth Audrey Kellogg,† Boyle, Miss., Brazil | North Mississippi |
| 1924. | Miss Bertha Tucker, Crawfordsville, Ga., Korea and Cuba | North Georgia |
| 1924. | Miss Mary McDaniel, M.D.,† Savannah, Mo., China | Missouri |
| 1924. | Miss Eda Cade,† Lono, Ark., China | Little Rock |
| 1924. | Miss Bessie Baldwin, Curdville, Va., Mexico | Virginia |
| 1924. | Miss Sadie Mai Wilson, Nashville, Tenn., China | Tennessee |
| 1925. | Miss Vada Gilliland, Georgetown, Tex., Mexico | Central Texas |
| 1925. | Miss Bertha Stem,† Memphis, Tenn., China | Memphis |
| 1925. | Miss Daisy 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 Eula Winn, Columbia, S. C., Mexico | South Carolina |
| 1925. | Miss Janet Miller, M.D., Memphis, Tenn., China and Congo Belge | Memphis |
| 1925. | Miss Susie Pruitt,† Iva, S. C., Brazil | South Carolina |
| 1925. | Miss May Johnson,† Woodburn, Ky., Cuba and Mexico | Kentucky |
| 1926. | Miss Edith Bayne,† Macon, Ga., Cuba | South Georgia |
| 1926. | Miss Myrtle 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 |
| 1927. | Miss Helen Farrier, R.N.,† Newport, Va., Congo Belge | Virginia |
| 1928. | Miss Mary Taylor Myers, R.N.,† Concord, N. C., Congo Belge | North Carolina |
| 1928. | Miss Sophia Mount, Memphis, Tenn., Brazil | Memphis |
| 1928. | Miss Bess Lindsay, R.N.,† McCurtain, Okla., Mexico | Oklahoma |
| 1929. | Miss Gertrude Clapp,† Birmingham, Ala., Brazil | North Alabama |
| 1929. | Miss Elizabeth Dent,† Atlanta, Ga., China | North Georgia |
| 1929. | Miss Oda Campbell,* McKinney, Tex., Mexico | North Texas |

INACTIVE DEACONESES AND HOME MISSIONARIES

Since 1922

| YEAR | NAME AND ADDRESS | RELATION |
|-------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1910. | Acton, Mrs. Julia, Berkeley, Calif. | Deceased |
| 1926. | Ader, Edith, Weaverville, N. C. | Released |
| 1923. | Alexander, Mabel, Birmingham, Ala. | Released |
| 1909. | Alexander, Mrs. Mary B., Tampa, Fla. | Retired |
| 1909. | Allen, Bessie, Hendersonville, N. C. | Retired |
| 1927. | Anderson, Mabel, Dolphin, Va. | Released |
| 1912. | Black, Lillie, Blossom, Tex. | Deceased |
| 1922. | Bobbitt, Ophelia, St. Louis, Mo. | Deceased |
| 1917. | Bond, Mrs. Carrie L., Tampa, Fla. | Retired |
| 1909. | Borchers, Cora, Birmingham, Ala. | Released |
| 1917. | Brand, Bessie, Staunton, Va. | Married |
| 1918. | Breeden, Bertie, Roanoke, Va. | Married |
| 1910. | Breeden, Rosa, Remington, Va. | Married |
| 1922. | Brewer, Grace, Nashville, Tenn. | Married |
| 1920. | Cannon, Elah, Hemingway, S. C. | Married |
| 1912. | Cloud, Ellen, Pembroke, Ky. | Transferred to Foreign Department |
| 1917. | Cole, Sue, Glen Cove, Tex. | Married |

* Deceased. † Married. ‡ Transferred to Home Department of the Board of Missions. ‡ Retired.

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| YEAR | NAME AND ADDRESS | RELATION |
|-------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1913. | Cooper, Hazel, Linden, Ala. | Released |
| 1913. | Cowley, Emily, Glen Cove, Tex. | Married |
| 1908. | Cox, Elizabeth, Dallas, Tex. | Released |
| 1925. | Davenport, Brooksie, Ware Shoals, S. C. | Married |
| 1903. | Davis, Elizabeth, Arcola, N. C. | Retired |
| 1922. | Davis, Minnie, Houston, Tex. | Retired |
| 1924. | Day, Blanche, Dexter, Mo. | Released |
| 1915. | Dryer, Josephine, St. Louis, Mo. | Released |
| 1909. | Ducker, Jennie, Hopkinsville, Ky. | Retired |
| 1908. | Duncan, Daisy, Chattanooga, Tenn. | Released |
| 1920. | Field, Mrs. J. C., Americus, Ga. | Retired |
| 1910. | Ford, Sue T., Paris, Ky. | Retired |
| 1915. | Gardner, Helen, St. Louis, Mo. | Released |
| 1908. | Gibson, Helen, St. Louis, Mo. | Retired |
| 1912. | Graham, Aletha, Shellmound, Tenn. | Deceased |
| 1926. | Hall, Mrs. Virginia, Barbourville, W. Va. | Married |
| 1923. | Hatcher, Lois, Bexley, Ga. | Married |
| 1910. | Harris, Laura, Chattanooga, Tenn. | Retired |
| 1925. | Harrison, Crystal, Sedalia, Mo. | Married |
| 1909. | Henry, Willena, Rice, Tex. | Released |
| 1924. | Howell, Virginia, Telephone, Tex. | Lost sight of |
| 1924. | Howie, Naomi, Waynesville, N. C. | Released |
| 1922. | Hill, Juanita, Campbellsburg, Ky. | Released |
| 1912. | Hughes, Elizabeth, Daleville, Miss. | Released |
| 1924. | Jetton, Mabel, Shelby, N. C. | Released |
| 1922. | Kennedy, Cleta, Galveston, Tex. | Married |
| 1905. | Kennedy, Mabel, St. Louis, Mo. | Retired |
| 1915. | Kimbrow, Mary, Cleburne, Tex. | Married |
| 1924. | Lee, Elza Mae, Kiowa, Okla. | Married |
| 1920. | Lee, Mary, Clarksville, Tenn. | Married |
| 1924. | Lenhoff, Lillian, Salisbury, Mo. | Married |
| 1923. | Lewis, Annie, Lexington, Ky. | Released |
| 1924. | Lockwood, Elizabeth, Birmingham, Ala. | Married |
| 1906. | Mann, Frances, Winter, Tex. | Retired |
| 1915. | Miller, Frankie, Lake Toxaway, N. C. | Released |
| 1923. | Miller, Olivia, Rocky Point, N. C. | Married |
| 1906. | Monohan, Selina, St. Louis, Mo. | Retired |
| 1922. | Moore, Ida J., Valley Head, Ala. | On sick leave |
| 1922. | Moore, Janie Lou, Kingsville, Tex. | Married |
| 1915. | Murphy, Rena J., Fort Worth, Tex. | Married |
| 1925. | McCain, Pearle, Searcy, Ark. | Transferred to Foreign Department |
| 1922. | McCall, Mary Ella, Fairfield, N. C. | Married |
| 1930. | McCracken, Grace, London, Ky. | Married |
| 1929. | Neal, Mattie Lou, Overton, Tex. | Transferred to Foreign Department |
| 1909. | Nutt, Martha, Granbery, Tex. | Released |
| 1924. | O'Bryant, Eunice, Earle, Ark. | Deceased |
| 1918. | Olmstead, Emily, Louisville, Ky. | Released |
| 1926. | Ormand, Myra, Nashville, N. C. | Married |
| 1927. | Page, Lela, Franklin, Tenn. | Released |
| 1925. | Parham, Catherine, College Park, Ga. | Transferred to Foreign Department |
| 1914. | Parker, Lillian, Lindale, Tex. | Retired |
| 1924. | Pierce, Iva May, Marthaville, La. | Released |
| 1923. | Phillips, Eva Jo, Houston, Tex. | Married |
| 1923. | Ragan, Mildred, London, Ky. | Married |
| 1913. | Richardson, Falla, Corinth, Miss. | Married |
| 1921. | Rowland, Grace, Carrollton, Ky. | Released |
| 1924. | Setzler, Elise, Cowpens, S. C. | Married |
| 1922. | Shearhouse, Carobel, Savannah, Ga. | Married |
| 1910. | Sheider, Alice, Concord, Ga. | Retired |
| 1923. | Sitton, Lena, Talladega, Ala. | Released |
| 1920. | Stackhouse, Agnes, Columbia, S. C. | Married |
| 1928. | Stillwell, Laura, Hapeville, Ga. | Released |
| 1925. | Stokes, Mary, Nadawah, Ala. | Married |
| 1923. | Souby, Mrs. E. L., Nashville, Tenn. | Released |
| 1922. | Taylor, Mary Alice, Dallas, Tex. | Married |
| 1910. | Thomas, Berta, Cataula, Ga. | Released |
| 1922. | Voight, Marguerite, San Antonio, Tex. | Married |
| 1921. | Wagoner, Estelle, Alaska, W. Va. | Released |
| 1926. | Wall, Emma, Morristown, Tenn. | Released |
| 1922. | Webb, Minnie, Prairie Grove, Ark. | Married |
| 1923. | Wells, Ethel, Lockney, Tex. | Married |
| 1918. | White, Mrs. Laura H., Rome, Ga. | Retired |
| 1916. | Wike, Mattie, St. Louis, Mo. | Released |
| 1927. | Wilson, Alberta, Moultrie, Ga. | Married |
| 1924. | Wright, Ellen, Chula, Va. | Married |

| YEAR | NAME AND ADDRESS | RELATION |
|-------|---|----------|
| 1903. | Wright, Mattie, Santa Ana, Calif. | Retired |
| 1912. | Wynn, Nelle, Egan, Tex. | Married |
| 1925. | Young, Mrs. Eugenia, Plattsburg, Mo. | Married |

NOTE: Including and since 1922 there have been 74 deaconesses consecrated and 73 home missionaries and deaconess probationers, making a total of 147. Of this number 26 have married, 11 have been released, 2 are deceased, and 2 transferred to the foreign department. These figures include only those deaconesses and home missionaries who have come into the work beginning with 1922 and do not include the class of 1932.

HOME WORKERS OF THE COUNCIL DEACONESSES

| YEAR | NAME | HOME ADDRESS |
|-------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 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. | Atchley, Amo | |
| 1931. | Aylor, Eriene | 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. |
| 1932. | Carpenter, Mary Josephine | Madison, Va. |
| 1929. | Carrier, Ruth M. | Columbia, Mo. |
| 1932. | Carter, Mary H. | Woodlawn, Ky. |
| 1925. | Chandler, Mamie | Sunmer, S. C. |
| 1928. | Clark, Mabel | Louisville, Miss. |
| 1915. | Coburn, Mae | Birmingham, Ala. |
| 1922. | Congleton, Jennie | Greenville, N. C. |
| 1932. | Cornett, Margaret A. | Marion, Va. |
| 1932. | Covington, Elizabeth | Clio, S. 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. |
| 1924. | Davis, Myrta | Houston, Tex. |
| 1931. | Davis, Winnie Lee | |
| 1928. | Davis, Zoe Anna | Houston, Tex. |
| 1909. | Denton, Frances | Fort Smith, Ark. |
| 1927. | Diaz, Ruth Dolores | San Antonio, Tex. |
| 1920. | Dodd, Dorothy | Hartsville, Tenn. |
| 1932. | Dodson, Johnia F. | Ravencroft, 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 | Macco, Ky. |
| 1910. | Durham, Mary Ora | Danville, Ky. |
| 1922. | Eaton, Bess | Stauffersville, Va. |
| 1926. | Edwards, Pearle | Pearle, Ga. |
| 1917. | Eidson, Minnie Lee | Jonesboro, Ark. |
| 1904. | Elliott, Maria | Dallas, Tex. |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

| YEAR | NAME | HOME ADDRESS |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1928. | Ellis, Sallie | Clarksville, Tenn. |
| 1914. | Ellison, Berta | Franklinville, N. C. |
| 1922. | Eubanks, Moselle | Rome, Ga. |
| 1911. | Fagan, Connie | Savannah, Ga. |
| 1915. | Fail, Maude | Hattiesburg, Miss. |
| 1932. | Fernandez, Sara E. | Tampa, Fla. |
| 1931. | Floyd, Mary F. | La Grange, Ga. |
| 1922. | Freeman, Mrs. Mary E. | Carlton, Ga. |
| 1910. | Gainey, Ellen | Fayetteville, N. C. |
| 1915. | Gatewood, Grace | Myra, Tex. |
| 1923. | Gilbert, Ola | Marianna, Fla. |
| 1932. | Giles, Leona B. | Penhook, Va. |
| 1922. | Gill, Jessie Drew | Tuskegee, Ala. |
| 1926. | Glendenning, Mary E. | Palmyra, Mo. |
| 1929. | Glenn, Cora Lee | Atmore, Ala. |
| 1932. | Glenn, Eunice | Richland, Ga. |
| 1911. | Godbey, Cornelia | Marietta, Ohio |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| 1932. | Holmberg, Evelyn E. | Oklahoma City, Okla. |
| 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, Martine | Memphis, Tenn. |
| 1907. | Jackson, Ethel | Lancaster, S. C. |
| 1932. | Johnson, Annabelle M. | Oklahoma City, Okla. |
| 1931. | Johnson, Daisy | New Albany, Miss. |
| 1925. | Kagey, Lula | Norfolk, Va. |
| 1925. | Kee, Sarah | Rodman, S. C. |
| 1932. | Kelley, Pearlye M. | Newman, Ga. |
| 1932. | Kelly, Katherine L. | Mooresville, N. C. |
| 1924. | Kuntz, Sophie | New Orleans, La. |
| 1932. | Leeper, Alpharetta V. | Muskogee, Okla. |
| 1922. | Leighty, Edith | St. Joseph, Mo. |
| 1932. | Lemons, Clarice Leone | Kansas City, Mo. |
| 1922. | Leveridge, Ura | Cisco, Tex. |
| 1920. | Lewis, Martha | Tampa, Fla. |
| 1932. | Littlejohn, Mary Beth | Pacelot, S. C. |
| 1926. | Long, Lena | Trenton, S. C. |
| 1925. | Long, Lora | Vernon, Tex. |
| 1915. | Lowder, Sarah | Elizabeth City, N. C. |
| 1932. | Lundy, Dorothy L. | Kansas City, Mo. |
| 1926. | McCoy, Eula | McKenzie, Tenn. |
| 1913. | McClain, Nelle | Martin, Tenn. |
| 1923. | McLarty, Alice | Vernon, Tex. |
| 1927. | Marshall, Maggie | Fishing Creek, Mo. |
| 1929. | Martin, Inez | St. Louis, Mo. |
| 1926. | Matkin, Iva Lou | Enloe, Tex. |
| 1931. | Matthews, Jewel | Tallasse, Ala. |
| 1932. | Mendez, Felicidad | Fort Worth, Tex. |
| 1911. | Mitchell, Susie | Arlington, Tex. |
| 1914. | Morgan, Elma | Stephens, Ark. |
| 1922. | Moore, Glenn | Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1927. | Mooreman, Wortley | Rustburg, Va. |
| 1931. | Needham, Marian S. | Corvallis, Ore. |
| 1922. | Nichols, Mary | Roxboro, N. C. |
| 1928. | Noll, Lena | Glasgow, Mo. |
| 1932. | Nuttall, Sheila E. | Shreveport, La. |
| 1928. | Osborne, Mary | Ada, Okla. |
| 1909. | Palmore, Constance | Lynchburg, Va. |
| 1931. | Patton, Ruth | Hartshorne, Okla. |
| 1928. | Pederson, Lora Lee | Sayre, Okla. |

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| YEAR | NAME | HOME ADDRESS |
|-------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1930. | Pederson, Selma M. | Sayre, Okla. |
| 1908. | Peeples, Adeline | Memphis, Tenn. |
| 1922. | Porter, Carrie | Zwolle, La. |
| 1928. | Porter, Willie May | 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, Anita | 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. |
| 1932. | Robinson, Lucille E. | Bonne Terre, Mo. |
| 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 |
| 1928. | Stewart, Martha B. | Weatherford, Okla. |
| 1919. | Stroup, Nettie | Farmersville, Tex. |
| 1928. | Sykes, Maybeth | Rock Hill, S. C. |
| 1932. | Taylor, Anna Mae | Crossville, Tenn. |
| 1903. | Taylor, Elizabeth | Lamar, Mo. |
| 1925. | Teel, Susie | Waco, Tex. |
| 1927. | Terry, Alaska | Bluefield, W. Va. |
| 1927. | Thatcher, Grace | Tucson, Ariz. |
| 1912. | Tinsley, Lois | 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. |
| 1921. | Watts, Mrs. Bithiah Reed | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| 1930. | Webb, Edith | Chillicothe, Tex. |
| 1929. | White, Blanche | St. Louis, Mo. |
| 1915. | Whiteside, Florence | Pine Bluff, Ark. |
| 1922. | Wilkinson, Jane | Union Level, Va. |
| 1932. | Willings, Ollie L. | Waco, Tex. |
| 1929. | Womack, Mollie | Nacona, Tex. |
| 1929. | Wood, Lillian | Haw River, S. C. |
| 1923. | Young, Margaret | Luray, Va. |

APPOINTMENTS OF HOME WORKERS, 1932-33

All deaconesses whose certificates were renewed for 1931-32 were appointed, as follows:

ALABAMA

Eva Comer Home, 1730 Eighth Avenue, Birmingham: Deaconess Kate Walker.
Ensley Community House, 1404 Avenue H, Ensley: Deaconess Dorothy Crim, Deaconess Alaska Terry, Miss Lucy Carlton (employed)
Wesley House, 314 Chandler Street, Montgomery: Deaconess Bessie Bunn.
Cajan Work, Calvert: Deaconess Obra Rogers.
Dumas Wesley House, Mobile: Deaconess Gertrude Grizzard.
Bethlehem House, 801 North Forty-sixth Street, Birmingham: Mrs. J. R. White (employed).

ARIZONA

Methodist Hospital, Tucson: Deaconess Louise Hill Smith.
Capital Church, Phoenix: Deaconess Ida Stevens.

ARKANSAS

Little Rock Conference, Camden District Rural, Smackover: Deaconess Willie May Porter.
North Arkansas Conference, District Rural, Harrison: Miss Mae Wess Bell (employed).

CALIFORNIA

Homer Toberman Mission, 2017 Violet Street, Los Angeles: Deaconess Margaret Cox; Deaconess Dolores Diaz, Deaconess Alpharetta Leeper, Miss Thelma Heath (employed).
Wesley Hall, 7 Elgin Park, San Francisco: Deaconess Nellie Howard, Deaconess Clara Hodgson.
Mary Elizabeth Inn, 1040 Bush Street, San Francisco: Deaconess Ethel Jackson, Deaconess Glenn Moore.

COLORADO

First Church, Walsenburg: Deaconess Mollie Womack.

FLORIDA

Wolff Settlement, 2309 Sixteenth Street, Tampa: Head Resident, Deaconess Bertha Cox; Deaconess Dolores Diaz, Deaconess Alpharetta Leeper, Miss Thelma Heath (employed).
Rosa Valdez, 1802 North Albany Street, West Tampa: Head Resident, Deaconess Bess Sargent; Deaconess Emma Burris, Deaconess Edith Webb.
Wesley House, 1106 Valera Street, Key West: Head Resident, Deaconess Lottie Green; Miss Helen Porter (employed).
State Woman's College, 705 West Jefferson, Tallahassee: Deaconess Winnie Lee Davis.

GEORGIA

Wesley House, 342 Richardson, S. W., Atlanta: Head Resident, Deaconess Janet Head; Deaconess Selma Pederson, Deaconess Lucile Robinson.
Paine Annex, Augusta: Deaconess Ruth Bartholomew, Deaconess Ruth Patton.
Hamp Stevens Church, Columbus: Deaconess Minnie Lee Eidson, Mrs. Rosalie Rosser (employed).
Bethlehem House, Augusta: Miss Thelma Stevens (employed), Miss Dorothy Weber (employed), Mrs. Allie Long Gardiner (Colored, employed).
North Georgia Rural Work, Franklin: Miss Bert Winter (employed).
South Georgia Rural Work, Cairo: Miss Bessie Miller (employed).
Vashti School, Thomasville: Superintendent, Miss Charlotte Dye (employed); Deaconess Bithia Watts, Deaconess Ruth Carryer, Deaconess Annie Mae Taylor, Miss Miriam Rogers (employed), Miss Katie Herndon (employed).

KENTUCKY

Sue Bennett College, London: President, Mr. K. C. East: Deaconess Ola Lee Barnett, Deaconess Rachel Cantrell, Deaconess Mae Sells, Deaconess Mary Beth Littlejohn.
Louisville Conference Rural Work: Deaconess Mary Carter.
Co-operative Home, 403 Walnut Street, Lexington: Deaconess Lois Tinsley.
Wesley House, 805 East Washington, Louisville: Head Resident, Deaconess Ellen Gainer; Deaconess Grace Thatcher.
Kentucky Coal Fields, Seco: Deaconess Pattie Allen.
Louisville Conference Rural, Monticello: Deaconess Amo Atchley.
Louisville Conference Rural, Tompkinsville: Miss Willie Maud Adams (employed).

LOUISIANA

- St. Mark's Hall, 1130 North Rampart Street, New Orleans: Head Resident, Deaconess Nettie Stroup; Deaconess Maggie Marshall, Nurse Deaconess Wortley Moorman, Deaconess Dorothy Lundy, Miss Helen Shriner (employed).
- MacDonell Wesley House, Box 338, Houma: Head Resident, Deaconess Ella K. Hooper; Deaconess Lillie Hendricks, Deaconess Elizabeth Covington, Deaconess Sheila Nuttall, Deaconess Ollie Willings, Deaconess Emma Vogel.
- Louisiana Conference Rural, Houma: Deaconess Lottie Ora Hooper.
- First Church, Shreveport: Deaconess Grace Gatewood.
- Co-operative Home, 412 Fannin Street, Shreveport: Deaconess Mary E. Freeman.

MARYLAND

- Wilkins Avenue Church, 1505 Hollins Street, Baltimore: Deaconess Wilhelmina Wahlroos.

MISSISSIPPI

- Wesley House, 1333 East Beach Street, Biloxi: Head Resident, Deaconess Susie Mitchell; Deaconess Katharine Arnold, Deaconess Sarah Lowder.
- Moore Community House, 932 Davis Street, Biloxi: Head Resident, Deaconess Sallie Ellis; Deaconess Sophia Kuntz.
- North Mississippi Rural, Wheeler: Deaconess Dora Hoover.
- Aberdeen District Rural, Gattman: Deaconess Ethel Cunningham.
- Wesley House, 1520 Eighth Avenue, Meridian: Deaconess Annie Trawick.

MISSOURI

- Wesley House, 200 Cherokee Street, St. Joseph: Head Resident, Deaconess Florence Blackwell; Deaconess Helen Reeves, Deaconess Lillie V. Wood.
- Spofford Home, 2454 The Paseo, Kansas City: Superintendent, Deaconess Annie Alford; Deaconess Blanche White, Deaconess Jewel Matthews, Deaconess Esther Drinker.
- Institutional Church, 702 Admiral Boulevard, Kansas City: Head Resident, Deaconess Elizabeth Taylor; Deaconess Dorothy Dodd, Deaconess Martina Hyde, Deaconess Lillian Addison.
- Kingdom House, 1106 Hickory Street, St. Louis: Head Resident, Deaconess Florence Whiteside; Deaconess Pearl Edwards.
- Hendrix Hall, Columbia. (To be supplied.)
- East Bottoms, Kansas City: Deaconess Frances Howard, Deaconess Pearle Mae Kelley.

NORTH CAROLINA

- Brevard Institute, Brevard: Superintendent, Deaconess Daisy Ritter; Deaconess Lena Long, Deaconess Selden Bryan, Deaconess Mary Floyd, Deaconess Leona Giles, Deaconess Leone Lemons, Deaconess Marion Needham, Deaconess Margaret Van Lahr, Deaconess Esther Boggs, Deaconess Edith Leighty.
- Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem: Miss Marion Brincefield (Colored, employed).
- Centenary Church, Winston-Salem: Deaconess Lorena Kelly.

OKLAHOMA

- Wesley House, 1112 South Walker Street, Oklahoma City: Head Resident, Deaconess Moselle Eubanks; Deaconess Inez Martin.
- State Teachers' College, Durant: Deaconess Lena Noll.
- Settlement Work, Picher: Deaconess Adeline Peeples.

SOUTH CAROLINA

- Wesley House, 1310 Huger Street, Columbia: Deaconess Constance Palmore.
- Wesley House, 67 South Boulevard, Orangeburg: Deaconess Connie Fagan.

TENNESSEE

- Wesley House, 129 Wharf Avenue, Nashville: Head Resident, Deaconess Lora Long; Deaconess Lora Lee Pederson, Deaconess Una Smith, Deaconess Mae Coburn.
- Scarritt College, Nashville: Deaconess Mary Ora Durham.
- Ward-Belmont, Nashville: Deaconess Oscie Sanders.
- Bethlehem Center, 314 Fifteenth Avenue, North, Nashville: Head Resident, Deaconess Annie Rogers; Deaconess Margaret Hodkins, Miss Olivia Napoleon (Colored, employed).
- Centenary Institute, 614½ Monroe Street, Nashville: Head Resident, Deaconess Berta Ellison; Deaconess Mary Lou Barnwell, Deaconess Willia Duncan.
- Wesley House, 1505 Polk Street, Chattanooga: Deaconess Athalia Baker.
- Centenary Church, 401 McCallie Avenue, Chattanooga: Deaconess Dorothea Reid.
- Wesley House, 1217 Marion Street, Knoxville: Deaconess Rosalie Riggins, Deaconess Martha Robinson.
- Wesley House, 562 North Fifth Street, Memphis: Deaconess Jennie Congleton, Deaconess Jessie Mae Byers, Deaconess Daisy Johnson.
- Holston Orphanage, Greeneville: Deaconess Belle Hennen.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

TEXAS

- Mexican Work, 2502 North Highland Street, Dallas: Head Resident, Miss Lula Bell (employed); Deaconess Elma Morgan, Deaconess Sarah E. Fernandez.
- Virginia K. Johnson Home, 901 South Madison, Dallas: Head Resident, Miss Mary L. Freeman (employed); Deaconess Murial Bell, Deaconess Johnna Dodson, Miss Bess McLain (employed), Miss Lillian Hilburn (employed).
- Wesley House, 2131 North Commerce Street, Fort Worth: Deaconess Annie Price, Deaconess Felicidad Mendez, Deaconess Evelyn Holmburg.
- Rebecca Sparks Inn, 1118 Franklin, Waco: Deaconess Susie Teel.
- Wesley House, 150 Colima Street, San Antonio: Deaconess Jane Wilkinson, Deaconess Ruby Berkeley, Miss Mary Roland Riddle (employed), Miss Rosamond Johnson (employed).
- Co-operative Home, 1111 McKee Street, Houston: Deaconess Addie Greely.
- Mexican Community House, 1815 North San Jacinto Street, Houston: Deaconess Eugenia Smith, Deaconess Sue V. Herrick.
- Valley Institute, Pharr: Superintendent, Miss Georgia Swanson (employed); Deaconess Eunice Glenn.
- Mexican Work, San Marcos: Deaconess Mattie Cunningham.
- Holding Institute, Laredo: Superintendent, Deaconess Carmen Blessing; Deaconess Ura Leveridge, Deaconess Mary Glendinning, Deaconess Alice Riley, Deaconess Mabel Clark, Deaconess Annabelle Johnson, Miss Bessie Baldwin (employed).
- Caledonia Rural, Route No. 5, Timpson: Deaconess Martha Stewart.
- Mexican Community Center, 515 South Kansas Street, El Paso: Deaconess Josephine Berglund, Deaconess Carrie Porter, Deaconess Nell McClain, Deaconess Anita Reil.
- Immigrant Port Work, 611 American National Insurance Building, Galveston: Port Missionary, Rev. J. E. Reifschneider.
- Kirby Hall, Austin: Manager, Mrs. B. R. Beeler (employed); Mrs. C. F. Yeager (employed).
- College of Industrial Arts, Denton: Miss McQueen Weir (employed).
- Texas Technological College, Lubbock: Miss Mary DeBardleben (employed).
- Mexican Methodist Church, Laredo: Deaconess Mamie Robinson.
- Community Work, Tyler: Deaconess Ruth Heflin.

VIRGINIA

- Wilson Inn, 3208 East Broad Street, Richmond: Deaconess Mary Daniels.
- Wesley House, 626 Upper Street, Danville: Deaconess Mary Lou Bond.
- State Teachers' College, Williamsburg: Deaconess Zoe Anna Davis.
- Hopewell: Deaconess Grace M. Driver.
- Park Place Church, Norfolk: Deaconess Mamie J. Chandler.

WEST VIRGINIA

- Holston Conference, Coal Field Work—Bradshaw: Deaconess Cornelia Godbey.
- Big Sandy: Deaconess Evelyn Waddell, Deaconess Cora Lee Glenn.
- Hemphill: Miss Hyda Heard (employed), Deaconess Erline Aylor.
- War: Deaconess Mary Josephine Carpenter, Mrs. Tommie Z. Moore (employed).
- Carswell: Miss Emma Johnson (employed).
- Western Virginia Conference Coal Fields—Amherstdale: Deaconess Fannie Bame, Deaconess Margaret Cornett.

WE RECOMMEND THAT FURLOUGH BE GRANTED TO

- Deaconesses: Myrta Davis, Frances Denton, Elizabeth Russell, Lula Kagey, Margaret Young, Mary Nichols, Iva Lou Matkin, Eula McCoy, Rhoda Dragoo, Lexie Vivian, Birdie Reynolds, Maude Fall.

WE RECOMMEND THAT CONTINUED LEAVE OF ABSENCE BE GRANTED TO

- Deaconesses: Emily Dorsey (personal), Sarah Kee (family), Hazel Bulifant (family), Jessie Drew Gill (health), Mary Hasler (health), Willena Henry (family), Gaye Hoke (family), Alice McLarty (personal), Ida J. Moore (health), Mary Osborne (family), Bess Eaton (family).

WE RECOMMEND THAT LEAVE OF ABSENCE BE GRANTED TO

- Deaconesses: Lila May Campbell (health), Emma Burton (health), Ella K. Bowden (health).

WE RECOMMEND FOR RELEASE

- Deaconesses: Dorothy Hillard, Maybeth Sykes.

WE RECOMMEND FOR RETIREMENT

- Deaconesses: Martha Lewis, Maria Elliott, Wilhelmina Wahlroos, Adeline Peebles, Ethel Jackson.

WE RECOMMEND TO BE CONTINUED IN RETIRED RELATIONSHIP

Deaconess Mary B. Alexander, Deaconess Bessie Allen, Deaconess Elizabeth Billingsley, Mrs. Carrie L. Bond, Deaconess Elizabeth Davis, Deaconess Minnie Davis, Deaconess Jennie Ducker, Deaconess Sue T. Ford, Mrs. J. C. Fields, Deaconess Helen Gibson, Deaconess Laura Harris, Deaconess Mabel Kennedy, Deaconess Frances Mann, Deaconess Selina Monohan, and Deaconess Mattie Wright.

WE RECOMMEND FOR SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Deaconesses: Verdie Anderson, Zoe Anna Davis, Annie Alford, Ola Gilbert, Annabelle Johnson, and Misses Capitolia Dent (Colored), music; Dennis Nelson (Colored), boys' work; Miss Olivia Napoleon (Colored), kindergartner; and Miss Felicia Starks (Colored), kindergartner.

REPORTS FROM THE HOME FIELD

BIBLE TEACHERS IN STATE AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS

College of Industrial Arts, Denton, Tex.

Miss McQueen Weir, Professor and Director of Bible Department, reports:

The Bible Department of C. I. A. is enjoying a year of much progress. No more earnest, sincere, and eager college women could be found anywhere. The students entering the courses total 301. Of these, 97 elected Old Testament courses and 204 studied the New Testament. The following courses were offered: Old Testament Heroes and Leaders, Old History and Prophecy, the Prophets, the Poetry of the Bible, Life of Christ, the Acts and Epistles, Missionary Journeys of Paul, Teachings of Jesus, Outline Study of the Gospel of John, and Studies in Luke. The college provides a room for the Bible classes and a student to assist in the grading of papers and in secretarial work.

The Susanna Wesley Bible Class of the First Methodist Church numbers about sixty-five women, to whom I am giving the course in the Acts.

The college is promising to reduce the numbers of required courses, and this will open larger opportunities for Bible study, for which we all will rejoice.

Texas School of Technology, Lubbock, Tex.

Miss Mary DeBardeleben, Teacher of Bible, reports:

In this third year of our work at Texas Technological College we have enrolled thus far (first and second terms) fifty students, several of whom are taking two and even three courses. Of these fifty, twenty-seven are Methodists, the remainder divided among four other denominations.

With the beginning of this year the Baptists have placed a representative here, and there are ten Methodists enrolled with him, making a total of thirty-seven of our denomination. In addition to my college classes I have a class of twenty-one at the church. Any of these may work for college credit if they so desire. Another feature of special interest to me has been my work with the girls of the Y. W. C. A. One group of fifteen meets at my apartment twice monthly where we take up questions bearing on race relations. Up to the present we have been considering the tense situation between the Chinese and Japanese. The little leader is eager to take up this next term relations between Negroes and whites in America.

I have also sponsored a League group of about fifteen. "Worship" was our theme, including studies of hymns and of great religious pictures. In two of our meetings we had the contribution of Negro music as our subject, and at one of these we were hosts to the Negro High School Glee Club.

A third group I have met with is the cabinet of the Y. W. C. A. In this I have led the worship each week with the "Prayer Life of Jesus" as the theme.

In all of these groups I have felt the joy of fellowship and the inspiration of service in the cause of our common Lord. Again I thank the women of the Council for the privilege.

Ward-Belmont School, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Oscie Sanders, Bible Teacher, reports:

My time at Ward-Belmont is divided between formal teaching, Sunday school teaching, voluntary discussion groups, personnel work, and work with the chapel unit. With this spread of interests it is possible to have contacts with a large number of girls.

From the statistical report below it is evident that teaching alone means a limited contact.

| Subject Taught | Number of Students |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Sociology | 16 |
| Old Testament | 10 |
| New Testament | 7 |

CHURCH DEACONESSES AND PASTORS' ASSISTANTS

Capitol Church, Phoenix, Ariz.

Deaconess Ida M. Stevens reports:

Each year I appreciate more the joy and privilege of serving as a deaconess. Since September I have been connected with Capitol Church, but am in the same city where I have been for two years. My work among sick and strangers who seek healing in Phoenix broadens and grows continually. Experience has taught me how to find the sick folk and how to serve them better. It has also given me friends among the owners of private sanitariums who welcome our co-operation.

Many letters have come inquiring about cottages, sanitariums, work, relatives here. How I wish I could tell each one to come, but I

Several patients we have been able to place in private sanitariums, too, have been received and written to those

The knowledge gained of the people and conditions during the past four months' study should enable me to serve the Master in an acceptable way in this field of service.

Deaconess Connie B. Fagan, Church Worker, reports:

The past year has been a very busy and happy one. Most of my work has been visiting in the homes of the people, and this is where I feel that I had the greatest opportunity for service.

As superintendent of the junior department in the Sunday school I was closely associated with the five teachers, both in the school and in departmental meetings. They were wonderfully willing and helpful in every way.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the church held regular meetings. Two boxes were sent by the society to the local Day Nursery and one to Vashti.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was held for two weeks. Sixteen volunteer workers gave their services regularly. A full program was given each day. The children received good instruction. Bible study was stressed and we feel was the most helpful.

Clinics were held weekly by volunteer physicians and public health nurses. A large group of boys and girls was examined for fresh air camps.

Leaving on July 31 for my vacation, my work at Hamp Stevens Church closed.

First Church, Walsenburg, Colo.

Deaconess Mollie Womack, Church Deaconess, reports:

Even though the depression has affected the mining industry and all other business in this section, as a church we are talking building. Not church building, for we have a beautiful church adequate to our needs. Neither are we talking parsonage building, for we have a good parsonage; but character building of the type that will withstand depression and stress and storms of every kind.

Our pastor heads his weekly announcements, "A Church with a Message and a Worth-While Program." And because as an organized church we believe this we are trying to build for the future strong characters and incidentally to contribute to the progress of our community. As a means to an end in this program of character building besides the regular Sunday morning and evening services there is the Sunday school, young people's division, woman's organizations, junior church, study classes, Sunday evening vesper, midweek prayer meeting, Boy Scouts, and evangelistic, social service, and recreational activities.

Last summer in co-operation with the community church our Sunday school workers conducted a Daily Vacation Bible School which was well attended and in every way a success.

At the Christmas season our children were made happy not only by the presents and treats which they received, but because they experienced through their white Christmas giving, taking part in programs, and carol singing the truth of the saying, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Our church influence and membership extends to several outlying coal camps. It is our privilege to visit in these camps as well as in the homes of our Walsenburg constituency.

First Church, Shreveport, La.

Deaconess Grace Gatewood, Church Deaconess, reports:

If it were possible to put into a report all the gladness of glad days,

the sadness of sad days, and the quiet confidence of just ordinary days when we did our usual tasks, then I'd love to make a report. But only a heart that has been stirred by the response in other hearts can even faintly imagine what lies back of a few figures and statistics. There have not been any great changes in my general line of work for 1931. I have continued to assist the pastor in the ways he felt I could best serve—as visitor to new members and strangers, adviser and counselor to our young people, as teacher in the adult department of the Sunday school, as friend and story-teller to a group of underprivileged and foreign children, as teacher in an inter-racial project, and in many other organizations. I have tried by word and deed to be helpful and co-operative in making Christ central in all their plans and programs.

The work of a church deaconess is a great privilege and challenge, for it can be as wide as the human heart and as sure as the promises of God.

Wilkins Avenue Church, Baltimore, Md.

Deaconess Wilhelmina Wahlroos reports:

Many rich blessings have come into my own life as I have tried to minister to others during the year 1931. The days have been full to overflowing with new and varied opportunities for service, and God has blessed our efforts to bring in the kingdom.

One of our greatest joys has been to see some of our young people become active leaders both in the work of the Sunday school and League.

The work among the boys and the girls is full of promise. Several gave themselves to Christ during our last revival services.

Much of my time has been spent visiting in the homes of the people, the sick, the shut-ins, and the strangers who come into our locality. The hungry have been fed, the naked have been clothed, the little children have had shoes for their feet. Thus hundreds of garments, as well as food and shoes, have been distributed. Our many friends in the conference have made this very needy work possible by their contributions.

Working together with the pastor and the various organizations of our Church, we have learned that the road that leads to service may become the shining pathway to God.

Our greatest need is a church building. Some years ago our church was condemned and had to be torn down. Since then we have worshiped on the second floor of our Sunday school building. But many of our aged members are not able to climb steps, and we miss their presence, which has meant so much to us in the past.

"Wherever in the world I am,
In whatsoever estate,
I have a fellowship with hearts
To help and cultivate—
A work of lovely love to do
For Him on whom I wait."

Centenary Church, St. Louis, Mo.

Deaconess Louise Hill Smith reports:

It is difficult for a deaconess to turn the pages in her book of memories and list all of the important events which have taken place in the work that she is part of. Indeed, it would be interesting to her own mind to check up on experiences which come her way daily.

As I serve daily at Centenary Church in St. Louis I find that I

cherish most highly such experiences that I have with the children. For fifty-three children to come into the Church on one Sunday was something that just did not happen. Decision service for them was Sunday, November 29. Between that time and Sunday, December 20, it meant hours spent in arranging for them to have new wearing apparel. In some cases their parent or parents had to be converted. That was work! When those children stood around that chancel on that Sunday morning (their ages six to fourteen), you realized that every effort put forth was not in vain. Your heart rejoiced when they looked into your face and said, "Thank you," as you gave each one a Bible and certificate.

Many of these children are starving for love, kindness, sympathetic understanding. To give them these necessities of life, they have utmost faith in you. For instance, last Christmas some young people's classes "played Santa Claus" to children in our poorest homes. Because I knew these children had been told Santa Claus would not come to see them, I told them I had seen Santa Claus and that he said he would come to their homes. Those little faces beamed with joy when they heard the news. Their faith and confidence was not shaken. Santa Claus did come!

I shall hold very close to my heart their expressions of love and faith.

Duncan Memorial Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Deaconess Lillie V. Wood reports:

The year 1931 was a hard testing time for Duncan Memorial Church, but the dark clouds have burst in blessings on our heads. This year we have a full-time pastor, whereas last year we had only a half-time pastor, and he did not live in the community either. Common sense teaches us that no pastor can serve two communities as well as he can one. So naturally my work and responsibilities were increased considerably. But man's extremity is God's beginning; and, too, God has said that he would take care of us through every day o'er all the way and never leave us alone or allow us to be tempted beyond that which we are able to bear if we would trust and obey him. I put my hand in his and said: "Lord, I'll take you at your word. Hold thou me up." So far he has done that, and I know that he will, for I can truly say with Paul: "I know him whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

Last fall it looked as if we were going to lose our church and the city mission work in this community. But God saved us. We lost our community house, but the City Board of Missions fixed up the basement of the church so that I could carry on my week-day activities, such as the baby clinic, handcraft courses with junior and intermediate boys and girls, the choral clubs, Bible class, and night school. The basement is better adapted and more suitable for these activities than the community house was, but the change made it necessary for us to put the junior and primary departments of the Sunday school together and double up on teachers, which naturally decreased the efficiency of our teaching and also decreased the enrolment because of the lack of room to take care of the children. We are hoping to have a new room soon for the juniors.

God is blessing the work of our church, and I am sure he will continue his blessings. There are interesting features of my work I should like to relate, but space prevents.

Mexican Methodist Church, Laredo, Tex.

Deaconess Rhoda Dragoo reports:

I was assigned work in the Mexican Methodist Church in Laredo and arrived here September 13.

The church has a membership of two hundred and four. The church members have been visited, and a careful study of the needs of the community has been made.

A kindergarten, a girls' club, and an English class for women have been organized.

I am looking forward to a great year.

CO-OPERATIVE HOMES

Eva Comer Home, Birmingham, Ala.

Deaconess Kate Walker, Superintendent, reports:

Every one seems to be learning the great lesson of adaptation this year. A more rigid order of economy is forced upon us; we have had to adapt ourselves to this new order of things.

Never has there been a greater need for, and a finer spirit shown in, co-operation than this year in the Home. The girls have shown thoughtfulness and a willing spirit in helping us to conserve light, water, and other bills. Many have had a second reduction in salary and realize that means a reduced rate of board for us.

Some weeks one is reminded of the terminal station by the constant ebb and flow of girls with suit cases coming in search of work, if only something temporary that will keep them for a few weeks. They are learning to live within their earnings, for out of the total of sixty-three who came to us only four had to be extended the courtesy of the Home; three of that number were schoolgirls having no other place had to be kept here.

Our dietitian, Mrs. Roberts, has been well repaid for her efforts to serve wholesome, appetizing meals for health's sake. There has been no case of real illness in the Home.

The recreation committee planned an outing for the early spring. This gave expression to the overflowing energies that are always felt at that time of year. Our usual Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners were observed. Some of the girls who had married during the year wanted to be at home on Christmas Day, so they were invited to bring their husbands and have one last Christmas dinner with us. From the expressions of joy this seemed like a real family reunion.

Our friends throughout the Conference have sent in many donations in pantry showers, curtains, bed linens and covers, together with many other helpful gifts. Our efforts to give the best spiritual culture through our vesper services has proven a blessing to many. Some splendid speakers, as our Conference President, worthy pastors, as Dr. Goodrich and others, came during the year. We have lived in the inspiration of their messages for many days.

Mary Elizabeth Inn, San Francisco, Calif.

Deaconess Ethel Jackson, Head Resident, reports:

If God did not keep a record of little things done for some of his least ones, I fear that I should despair when I come to give an account for my year's work.

Nineteen hundred and thirty-one is just another chapter in life's serial here at the Inn—sharing and giving of such as we have to the more than two hundred resident guests this year, not including the

transients. Each young woman is an individual study, calling forth a personal interest.

There has been a vital need on our part for a warmer, surer confidence; a stability and poise that could cope with the stress and strain of changing conditions. There have been some very difficult problems to handle, some heavy burdens to be borne, and many pleasures to be shared and enjoyed. Only we who live daily with those who are out of work for weeks and months, seeing the bit of savings slip away, and the eager searching of the want ads, the daily round of employing agencies, and still no work, can realize the demand on one's sympathies.

A few mornings ago a fine young woman hurried down to answer an advertisement calling for ten temporary stenographers. She came back in a short while thoroughly discouraged. She said there were five hundred waiting, many who seemed to need it more than she. It took an hour to boost her up. Another said: "I have lost father, mother, health, position, everything—I don't want to go on." I mention just these, and there are thousands in every great city who need just the kind of home we are trying to make through the Church. The creating of an atmosphere of cheerfulness, looking well to their food, keeping them well, and helping to develop right attitudes, which is no easy thing when people live *en masse*.

Through co-operating with the Housing Bureau for Women we have been enabled to do a larger service than we otherwise could have done. We have had to consider the older woman and to open our doors to her. The Glide Foundation has met a great need at this point. They accommodate some sixty-odd. The rooms with community kitchen have served a good purpose, and the small apartments are a great success.

At no time this year has the Inn been filled to capacity. We have met all expenses, however, and carried many needy cases to the extent of some eight hundred dollars.

The duties and tasks have been common, everyday ones, but we have tried to be faithful in the discharge of them. Whatever has been accomplished has been through the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit.

Deaconess Glenn Moore, Secretary, reports:

Another year has closed at the same appointment, but at times it has seemed that it was not at the same task. The unusual conditions which were beginning to be felt last year have been keenly felt throughout nineteen thirty-one. A scarcity of work for young women has meant a scarcity of young women to be cared for. But regardless of the fact that there have been fewer girls, there have come a multiplicity of problems, responsibilities, and heartaches. One simply cannot see others suffer and himself not suffer.

The year has brought a decided turnover in the personnel of our household. Many girls who come to the Inn fail to find employment and at last take work in private homes for room and board return home or pass on, we know not where. It has been our privilege to minister to this changing group for more than a year, and it seems to me that the Inn has never before seemed so much like the "house by the side of the road." We are rather closely contacting other girls' clubs in the city, and find a very similar condition existing in all.

We have tried to keep all our activities as nearly normal as possible. We celebrated all the special days of the year, and I have never known a more hearty response to these activities than that which

we experienced this year. We have recently organized a weekly Bible class. This has a few members from outside the Home, but it has not as yet been so well attended as we hope that it will be. At present we are studying the book of Acts, and every member is finding it extremely interesting.

Co-operative Home, Lexington, Ky.

Deaconess Maria M. Elliott, Head Resident, reports:

As I come to make my last report for Wesley Hall, which has been my home for eighteen years, the task is not easy. I have seen the work grow from a small beginning to become a substantial factor in the city's life. During this time more than three thousand girls have, for a longer or shorter time, found their home with us. We have tried to make it a happy Christian home, and many girls have left declaring that they had been helped spiritually as well as otherwise. Many have been given needed financial help, many have been nursed back to health when stricken with illness, and many have been helped over rough or dangerous places. I am glad I have had the privilege of these years of service here, even though my work has been only a small part of the whole.

On account of the hard times this year there have been fewer marriages than usual, but some very happy ones have been consummated, and we are always pleased to see our girls happily settled in marriage.

The depression has made our work doubly trying, too, because so many have been thrown out of work, have spent months trying to find a position, and consequently not able to pay board, some have left still in debt; but others have loyally repaid us after months of effort. One girl has paid hers by taking the place of the maid for several months.

The Conference auxiliaries have most bountifully supplied us with every good thing for our pantry and linen closet. These good women who have sponsored this work all these years are the salt of the earth. Eternity alone will prove the good they have done.

Co-operative Home, Houston, Tex.

Deaconess Addie B. Greely, Head Resident, reports:

Throughout the past year the words "The Challenge of Change" have been coming to me over and over again as we have endeavored to adjust our program of work to meet the needs of the situation. While there have been some hard places, we rejoice that these have given us opportunities to magnify the Christ; and so we enter upon the work of the new year with stronger faith and greater courage to meet the changing needs.

Only since the summer months have we felt so keenly the depression, and since that time it has been our privilege to care for many young girls without employment. Besides providing a home for these, as well as those working for small salaries, we have rejoiced in the privilege of being able to do other things to keep up their morale and to better prepare them to support themselves. Because it was not practical for these girls to attend the night classes being offered in the school down town, the superintendent of city schools is furnishing a teacher for classes in our Home. So for three evenings a week our dining-room and kitchen are turned into schoolrooms, where shorthand, typing, and bookkeeping are taught, and twenty girls are availing themselves of this opportunity. I enjoy the privilege of teaching the class in bookkeeping.

I count it one of the greatest privileges I have ever had to live with these girls and to share their joys and sorrows. We have had a number of occasions during the past year to show our sympathy and loving interest in one another, for death visited the homes of several of our girls, and eight of those of our "Co-operative Family" were operated on at our Methodist Hospital. As soon as these were over the shock of the operation they were brought to the cozy hospital room here and cared for by us.

But that which brings the greatest joy to our hearts is the increased interest in our Bible classes. This year we are studying *The Christ as John Knew Him*, and practically every girl in the Home attends these classes.

I have been so happy in my work this year, and more and more I rejoice in the privilege of service for Jesus.

Deaconess Esther Drinker, Social Secretary, reports:

On the first anniversary of the day I started my work under the Board of Missions, one of the girls asked me: "Are you as thrilled this year as when you first came?" I said: "Yes, and more thrilled. For now I *know* all of you, so of course love you more; and I understand my work better, which makes it even more interesting." And that is how I feel as I make this, my second, report.

With night school, sewing class, and our Home Night activities, the girls are not reading as much this year as formerly, but we have all the best current magazines available when they have time to read a short story.

Our literary Club, the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority, has advanced in membership and interest since last year. The reports given by the girls are much better, and discussion is more general. We now have a clubroom of our own, having furnished a vacant room on first floor for this purpose. Our sorority books are kept there, and this room is for their special use. The fiancé of one of our girls is making our emblem to be hung on the wall.

We have had mighty good times at our parties, our friends enjoy coming and frequently ask, "When will you have another party?" We have three invitation parties a year: Valentine, a lawn party, and Halloween. Recently we had an informal Saturday night party when we made candy, popped corn, and played various indoor games. Expect to have these quite often. Then we have parties for just our own family, when we celebrate birthdays, have picnics, etc.

I feel so unworthy of all the blessings the Lord has poured out upon me and my work here. There is much, much yet to be learned; but as I live with these lovely girls I am striving earnestly day by day to truly represent the Christ and do my part to help them make Christ the center of their lives.

Rebecca Sparks Inn, Waco, Tex.

Deaconess V. Maude Fail, Head Resident, reports:

This past year has been one of many heartaches and disappointments for many of our girls. Some have lost their positions and have been unsuccessful in their attempt to find work. Others have had to abandon their lifelong ambition for an education, but there is courage and enthusiasm of youth, coupled with His strength, that has kept them from acknowledging defeat.

We have had many girls come and go during the year. Some have stayed on, others have returned, finding that a Christian home is the best for them.

We have been encouraged by the many words and letters of appreciation for the Inn by the girls.

The Central Texas Conference has as usual been very good to us in their donations of linen, covers, canned fruit, and more cash than usual.

I cannot speak too highly of the City Mission Board, which has given splendid co-operation during these trying days.

Wilson Inn, Richmond, Va.

Deaconess Mary E. Daniel reports:

Although the year 1931 brought to our Board and their worker disappointment in having to again postpone the building program that will enable Wilson Inn to more adequately meet the need for which it stands, yet it has been a busy, happy year, marked by definite progress along certain lines.

Contrary to conditions in most places, the number of girls applying for admission has far exceeded the number we are able to accommodate. In spite of the fact that we rented quarters next door, in one month forty-eight girls were turned away, and the Wilson Inn remained full to capacity to within a short time before the close of the year.

The enlarged household necessitated the addition of an assistant, a much-needed forward step that was taken in the early fall.

Many of the household were spiritually quickened during the pre-Easter revival at a nearby church, and two of our girls accepted Christ, were baptized, and received into the church.

Two members of the Wilson Inn family were married during the year. Death robbed two girls of dear fathers. Bank failures, too disturbed the even tenor of our way.

In addition to the usual recreational features, the park facing Wilson Inn afforded space for croquet courts, and many evenings, as well as early mornings, found one or two groups enjoying that old but wholesome game. The city tennis courts just under the hill provided another pleasant form of recreation for our girls. The annual reception to friends of Wilson was a high point in the year when between two hundred and three hundred people visited the place.

We were able this summer to instal an icing unit in the large refrigerator, which added much to the comfort and enjoyment of the entire household. Also, new green and white awnings made more attractive the long, deep porch.

The Farmville District joined the Rappahannock and Charlottesville Districts in remembering Wilson with good things for the pantry shelves as well as beautiful handmade quilts. Three barrels of apples from North Garden were a most welcome gift. Some linen was also received from friends of the place. The Federation of Home Departments of the Sunday School installed a beautiful, modern stove in the kitchen.

The new year challenges with the unfinished task. May we see our hopes realized in an enlarged Wilson, filled with Virginia's daughters as well as many from our sister states!

COTTON MILL WORK

Dumas Wesley House, Mobile, Ala.

Deaconess Gertrude Grizzard, Assistant Mrs. J. P. Roberts, reports:

The record of another year has been entered in the great Book of Life. Due credit has been given for every effort honestly put

forth. I love these beautiful words recorded in 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 that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it."

It is deeply gratifying to see the spiritual development in the lives of so many of our people and their ready response to the ministry we so feebly try to offer them.

In January we had a gracious revival. There were twenty-three conversions, many of these living bright Christian lives.

It is a joy to hear our children pray and sing. In the Week-Day Bible Hour there are sixty enrolled with an average attendance of fifty.

We have a splendid group of teachers in sewing school, and our children are doing good work. Twenty-five of these children did not miss a session during the year.

The Homemakers' Club has completed the study of the book of Exodus. A Bible match, instead of a spelling match, will close the study of this wonderful work. Our exhibit of handwork and Wesley House Day program given last June was enjoyed by many of our friends from the city.

Our children are always eager for Daily Vacation Bible School work. Some twenty-five or thirty learned all the Bible memory work. We had a good school.

There were many parties during the year; the two outstanding were given by the Homemakers' Club—a tacky party and a Halloween party. The Halloween party was true to its name. We are proud of our Sunday school. Average attendance for the year was 106.

We wish to make the spirit of Easter and Christmas live in the lives of our people; therefore we spend much time, prayer, and strength in putting on these programs.

We had our third White Gift service during the Christmas season. Although our people had felt the time of depression most keenly, they were ready to do what they could to make others happy.

The boxes of clothing sent us from the different auxiliaries and individuals have proven such a blessing to our people.

I am grateful for the privilege of living, loving, and serving Him in this part of his vineyard.

Wesley House, Decatur, Ala.

Miss Lucy Bell, Director, reports:

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him, and he shall bring it to pass."

The year 1931 has proved this promise many times.

At the spring meeting of the Federated Missionary Societies our children gave a program of Bible work and an exhibition of handwork. New interest was aroused among the church people. This exhibit was later displayed at the J. C. Penney Store.

The usual club activities have been carried on regularly throughout the entire year with keen interest and almost perfect attendance.

The membership of the Mothers' Club doubled during this year. Forty quilts were pieced and quilted.

The boys and girls always enjoy their handwork, but it is remarkable how they love Bible memory work. Even the mothers enjoy learning with them.

Due to lack of funds we had no Daily Vacation Bible School, but continued our clubs, playground, indoor table games, and baths; 2,880 shower and tub baths were taken during the summer months.

Our Sunday school has an enrolment of 100 with an average attendance of 75, and is steadily growing. Twelve of our families have every member a regular attendant at the Community House Sunday school. Our people suffer greatly because there is no church in the community. This is the outstanding need of this work.

At Christmas the Princess Theater gave two toy matinees, from which we received toys for our Christmas tree. The Christmas tree and a program given by the children were quite pleasing to the parents and Board members.

The young people and intermediate department of the First Methodist Episcopal Church filled stockings for our children, and with the co-operation of parents gave them the thrill of a real visit from Santa Claus Christmas morning.

My prayer is that all Community House activities may lift up Christ and draw all men unto him.

Wesley House, Meridian, Miss.

Deaconess Annie Trawick, Head Resident, reports:

Our hearts are full of gratitude and praise to Him who has done great things for us during the past year.

He has not only supplied the material needs of our unemployed in a marvelous way, but he has sent the Holy Spirit to cleanse the hearts of a number of our boys and girls; for this we are most thankful.

Our clubs have been well attended, especially the sewing and embroidery groups, in which we have an enrolment of one hundred and twenty.

The Business Girls are quite excited over a Valentine banquet they are planning. These young women work in the mills ten hours daily and really need recreation and play which they fail to get in their homes.

In their weekly meetings they have tried recreational programs, but we do not fail to have a worship service, in which our girls sometimes help.

During the winter months the Mothers' Bible Class has been studying the Psalms; it has been a great inspiration and most informing to me as I have studied with these mothers this wonderful inspired hymnal.

Our hearts have burned within us as He stood in our midst and blessed us.

The sewing and embroidery classes are doing good work for little children. Many neat garments have they finished; in addition to these garments, they are making scarfs, luncheon cloths, and other things to beautify their homes.

Our noisy, loving boys are always here on Friday afternoons. They play games, have stories and hikes, often refreshments are served; they think the afternoon is almost a failure if we forget the peanuts or pecans.

We workers have greatly enjoyed the contacts in the homes of the shut-ins and needy ones. I wish we could spend more time in this way. We find so many sad hearts needing the personal touch.

I greatly appreciate the invaluable service rendered by our City Mission Board, the corps of volunteer workers, and the Club Director.

Wesley House, Columbia, S. C.

Deaconess Constane Palmore, Head Resident, reports:

This, my fourth, year in Columbia has truly been one of the hap-

piest since I have been in the work. I have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit as I have tried to conduct the different classes and visited in the homes of my people. I have, also, had splendid co-operation from a Board that is interested in the work.

We have had the usual clubs and classes, such as Girl Reserves for the older girls, World Friend Club for the junior girls, Boys' Club for boys eight through fourteen, the sewing school, the Woman's Club, and handcraft class for a group of girls at Green Street Methodist Church, where I have my church work.

The sewing school continues to draw a crowd in sunshine or rain. The group of faithful teachers are always in their places also. We had a booth at the State Fair last fall, and the neatly made garments of the girls attracted much attention.

The World Friend Club girls have made twenty-two pages of stamps, which I sent to some of our missionaries. They are making scrapbooks of kodak pictures, clippings, and letters, which we are sending to other groups.

There is more real talent in the Woman's Club than ever before. We are using the book of John as our Bible study, after which we have a half hour of lively games. We always initiate new members in some way, which causes quite a little excitement and laughter.

I am thoroughly enjoying my church work as adult counselor in the intermediate department of Green Street Church. It has been a joy to guide the boys and girls in preparing and carrying out their programs and, also, to notice their improvement in taking part.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was conducted at this church. It was their first, but we had splendid co-operation, and therefore a good school with eighty enrolled.

The children and young people continue to love Wesley House. They come early to clubs in order to play the games in the clubroom. My one purpose is to live so they can see the Christ in me.

Wesley House, Orangeburg, S. C.

Deaconess Connie B. Fagan, Head Resident, reports:

On September 1 I came to the Wesley House at Orangeburg. This work is among textile people and has been operated a number of years. I found the work well organized. The Wesley House is connected with a church in the mill community.

After a time spent in visiting and getting acquainted, the regular schedule was begun on September 26. We have the usual club work for young people in different groups—clubs for boys, sewing classes for girls, Missionary Society for women, instrumental music class (piano) and choral club for young men and women. We have been unusually fortunate in securing faithful and efficient helpers for all our work. Our City Mission Board co-operates heartily in all the work we undertake.

The Christmas tree and programs at the Wesley House were largely attended. Our young people and children gave a pageant at the church, the choral club furnishing the music.

It is with gratitude to our Father that I look back over this year in his service and pray that more and more he will use me in the advancement of his Kingdom on the earth.

Wesley House, Knoxville, Tenn.

Deaconess Rosalie Riffin, Head Resident, and Deaconess Mary E. Freeman, Club Worker, report:

Our community brings to mind these words, "But when he saw the multitude, he was moved with compassion for them, because they

were distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd." The people seem mere helpless babies; my heart has gone out to them in love, and I long to be of real service to them.

In this time when one hears so much talk of the lack of money, we look at them realizing their greatest need isn't material things but Christ. Wesley House, through its clubs and classes and visits in the homes, is presenting Jesus the Savior of the world, striving to get people to accept him as their personal Savior as well as helping them meet their physical, social, and material needs.

This being a Baptist community, although we are continually training youth for future leadership, our little church remains the same weak group, struggling for existence, the workers carrying the burden of leadership in each organization having to turn to the University and the city churches for the Sunday school teachers.

In our club work for the year we have looked forward to meeting needs in the lives of our people and giving them those things which would help to build ideals and character. The Mothers' Club is a source of joy to the mothers. A program for a well-rounded development has been the aim for the year. Health talks by nurses and doctors, lectures for mental development by a University professor, home-making by a home demonstration agent, gospel messages by preachers and teachers have been some of the features of the year's program. The Christmas entertainment and picnic at the end of the year, given by the Mothers' Club Committee, have been occasions of much happiness.

The Girls' Department, through Girl Reserves, an athletic club, Industrial Girls' Club, cooking classes, and sewing classes, has reached some of our best people as well as some of the most needy. Girl Reserves have shown the spirit "ready for service" by giving programs for other groups and making books and Easter baskets for children of the Friendless Home for Children. The Industrial Girls' Club gave a delightful banquet at the close of the year's work in May. They planned and gave the evening's entertainment themselves. The cooking classes, organized at the beginning of the year, have been thoroughly enjoyed. These would have been larger but for the lack of equipment.

The Boys' Department, though small, has been worth while. The young men's basket ball team displayed both ability and good sportsmanship in their games. A play, sponsored by this group, for the purpose of purchasing athletic suits, was splendid.

The Week-Day Bible School held each Wednesday has been very beneficial to our children, who have so little religious training elsewhere. The songs learned there are often heard ringing along the streets and alleys, and the teaching from God's Word is sometimes carried back to those at home.

The Daily Vacation Bible School, held for two weeks in June, was well attended. The picnic at the close, when one hundred and fifty children were carried by trucks and autos twenty miles in the country, was a treat long talked about. To some it was the best trip they had ever had.

Our library has been well patronized by the children, young people, and adults. Books loaned have amounted to 2,759. To encourage readers to choose material worthy of implanting good in their lives has been our aim.

A Sunday school class, counselor for Hi-League, steward of the church, chairmen of committees in the church—these have taken all the spare time to be given. But these have been channels for service, and I rejoice in the blessings received through such activities. Visit-

ing in the homes has meant hours of time as well as hours of enjoyment. To be able to comfort, encourage, nurse, pray with, or help in any way those who need help is indeed to know real joy. When one who was in sin comes with a new light in her face and says, "I am so glad you warned me of sin," one realizes time has not been spent in vain, and God's promise, "Lo, I am with you always," is so secure.

Wesley House, Danville, Va.

Deaconess Mary Lou Bond, Head Resident, reports:

This is my fifth year in Danville. The most gratifying thing to me is the steady progress our work has made. Our enrolment has increased, and new activities have been added as they were needed. In spite of the strike in the cotton mills and the general business depression, Wesley House continued to minister to increasing numbers.

One of our most interesting new groups is a club for girls above fourteen years of age. Many of these girls have been in Wesley House classes since they entered kindergarten as tiny children. We are anxious to help guide each girl into a sane, happy Christian womanhood.

Each year brings us into more intimate knowledge of our people and their problems. With this knowledge has come a more earnest desire to be of service. Thus the close of the year finds us very busy and very happy to be doing His work in this place.

Deaconess Lula M. Kagey, Club Director, reports:

The past year's work has been a very gratifying one. Progress in different ways is evident.

In addition to regular clubs and classes which have been carried on from year to year, we have found a need for two new ones. One of these was a Garden Club last spring for about fifteen of the Junior Girl Reserves. Arrangements were made for the use of a vacant lot adjacent to Wesley House playground, and the work began. Each girl had her own small plot and received the crop she raised to carry home. This was about the most enthusiastic group in the whole year's work. Arrangements are already being made to carry on the same project again this spring. The other new undertaking was a class in applied arts for young women who are interested in making attractive articles for their homes and friends. A large number of gifts were made in December, and the class is continuing on since Christmas.

Another interesting feature in our work is that three of our teenage girls are helping as volunteer teachers in sewing school and Week-Day School of Religion. In this we feel that we are accomplishing at least one of our aims in the work, that of developing leadership.

This has been a very happy year, and I am glad to have served here.

Miss Virginia Witt, Kindergartner, reports:

This is my first year teaching kindergarten, and I find it most interesting.

Due to lack of funds last year the kindergarten could not be opened. This year we opened October 1 with an enrolment of thirty-three. This has not increased a great deal, and is not as large as in previous years. The attendance has been very good.

Our Christmas party was given by a friend of Wesley House. Each child received a toy and Christmas stocking from Santa.

We truly hope this work can continue, as it seems to mean much to the community.

CUBAN WORK

Ruth Hargrove Settlement, Key West, Fla.

Deaconess Lottie Green, Head Resident, reports:

In spite of the tragic economic conditions the work has gone forward. Interest has increased not only in the community, but in the city. We are getting more co-operation.

The clubs, classes, junior church, and Sunday schools have been well attended. The enrolment of the sewing school has reached our capacity. Last quarter the average attendance was sixty-five; that of the story hour, thirty. Though there was no director for the boys or gymnasium, thirty-five boys ranging from six to twenty are enrolled in the clubs. One-half of the older group came to the Wesley House when they were small.

Last summer in the Daily Vacation Bible School one hundred and twenty-seven were enrolled, with an average attendance of eighty-seven. There were three sessions. The memory work, music, notebook, and handcraft were excellent.

The church work has been organized by the new plan. There are thirty-nine beginners, thirty-two primaries, thirty-seven juniors, eleven seniors, and fifteen adults enrolled in Parents' Christian Club. In the young people's division we have two Sunday school classes, two Leagues, and junior church.

The work, though small, is having its influence upon the community. May all of us have the vision to see the great need and opportunities for sacrificial service that surround us.

Miss Helen Porter reports:

Our clubs have been well attended this year. The library of three hundred books is enjoyed by the boys and girls, also the playground, which is open three afternoons each week.

The Sunday school at La Trinidad, although small, has a faithful group, and I think it is the chief influence for good in the lives of the children. Every Friday afternoon I have a girls' club and sewing school there. Last summer I held a two-weeks Daily Vacation Bible School for the junior girls.

The faith, hope, and cheerfulness of the poor people inspire one to give his best in service and sacrifice that Christ's kingdom may come in the hearts of men everywhere.

Rosa Valdez Settlement, Tampa, Fla.

Deaconess Bess Sargent, Head Resident, reports:

"Forward for Christ" has been our motto during the past year. In spite of economic and financial reverses our work shows signs of progress and of promise. The spiritual tone has greatly improved. In eighteen months' time our Sunday school has grown from thirty-five to an average attendance of one hundred, with a teaching force of eleven, eight being Latins. Brother Phillips, Superintendent of our Latin Mission, plans for a Cokesbury Training School, hoping thereby to produce a stronger Latin leadership.

Stewardship has been presented in all departments of our church through posters, playlets, and devotional messages. The pastor, with the stewards, recently installed the "envelope system," and we are trying to impress upon our people that "it is not what we give, but what we share." A few are experiencing the joy which accompanies

sacrificial giving. Recently the Sunday school presented the church with new collection plates, and we are endeavoring to teach the masses here that "giving" is an act of worship.

The young people's organization is my chief concern. Last year they paid a thirty-dollar missionary pledge and sent two delegates to the summer assembly. One of our fine young women graduated from Hillsboro High last June and ranked seventh in a class of one hundred ninety. She is now a student at Florida State Teachers' College. The mother of this young woman is the most missionary-minded member of our church, being a product of the Latin Mission.

"Open house" on Friday nights is an interesting feature. This was begun to meet the need of the young people, who met on the street corners, either because they had no place at home or because they were so Americanized they did not want to have the whole family chaperon them. Approximately thirty enjoy games and music and an occasional message from an American minister.

"The city's lanes may be filthy,
The lives of men sordid and mean;
When the Master walks through,
With me or with you,
They are radiant and happy and clean."

Deaconess Emma Burris, Kindergartner, reports:

My work with the Latin children and their mothers grows more interesting every day. I have thirty-five happy boys and girls in kindergarten. The mothers of most of the children work in the cigar factories and are grateful for a place to send the little children where they can be properly trained. The most interesting part of the kindergarten program is the devotional period. While worshipful music is being played each child sits quietly with his head bowed and at the conclusion prays his morning prayer. This is followed with Bible verses, songs, and a Bible story. Truly it is a period of worship. The children love the verse, "God loveth a cheerful giver," which they proved by their contribution of \$61.64 to the support of the kindergarten last year.

The Mothers' Club has been a source of joy and inspiration to me. This enthusiastic group of thirty-two serves as a feeder for the Woman's Missionary Society and a Bible class at Sunday school. I have been pleased to note that the new members coming into the club are young women of a higher type than we have formerly reached. Through this class we hope to make our work more self-supporting.

Our local missionary society is growing in every way. The "Spiritual Life and Message Group" is functioning, and the fine spirit is permeating the entire group. In the fall we entertained the Bay Shore zone, and the women derived great benefit from it. They are constantly growing more missionary-minded.

Deaconess Edith Webb, Girls' Club Director, reports:

To me the greatest sign of promise in our work here is the note of new spiritual life among some of our people. In last year's report I mentioned a little prayer group of girls which met once a week. We have prayed together for over a year now, and their interest has grown. During a week of special meetings they asked that our "quiet hour" group meet each evening before the service. They are asking vital questions about God and life. At least three of the girls have definitely consecrated their lives to God. From the influence of

this group three others have been formed, namely: the mothers, the boys, and the younger girls. The time between a quarter of seven and a quarter after seven each evening is set aside for special prayer for our community for those who can and desire to come to our little prayer room at the church. We feel that when the people of the community go upon their knees in behalf of their loved ones and friends God will reveal himself to them in mighty power to save.

"If ye ask . . . I will do." (John 14: 14.)

"As we pray God works." (*Prayer*, by McConkey.)

This is the prayer of our hearts, that the spirit of prayer and consecration of these smaller groups may be carried over into the larger club activities, and in that way we may be able to present our Christ as the living Christ of power.

"And I, if I be lifted up . . . will draw all men unto me." (John 12: 32.)

Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Fla.

Deaconess Bertha Cox, Head Resident, reports:

The year has brought changes. Our staff was reduced from five to four workers when Mrs. Carrie L. Bond left in August.

Mrs. Bond was an efficient worker and is greatly missed by this staff and by the people in the community.

Then when September came Miss Morgan left to take her furlough. She left a well organized girls' department that showed evidence of a task well done.

Miss Whiteside began where Miss Morgan left off and is doing constructive, effective work.

As we look back over the past year a deep sense of gratitude fills our hearts. We have had so many blessings as a staff of workers. We have been well most of the time, we have been happy in our home life, and we have worked with people we love and have had many joyous experiences.

We have been extremely happy as we have worked here in this community where there are twenty-five thousand Latin people, most of them cigar makers who need our friendship.

We are not satisfied with our work when we realize that there are hundreds of people near us who seem to have no interest in religion and who desecrate the Sabbath day. But we press on, knowing that God will bless our efforts.

Our hearts ache because of the indifference of our Latin people. Then we are made to rejoice when we realize that these fine women in the Florida Conference are praying for us. The supplies that these women send to us represent love and sacrifice.

Mrs. Harwell Wilson, President of our Conference Board of Missions, with her deep consecration, sympathetic understanding of the work and workers, and her forward hopeful look, has been an inspiration to us.

A unique feature of our Daily Vacation Bible School was that nearly every Methodist minister in Tampa came on different days and gave Bible lessons to our boys' classes.

Our great need is for native leadership. Therefore we pray that we may discover, train, and inspire young men and women who will tell the good news to their own people.

We will continue to sow, and we will trust God to give the increase.

Deaconess Florence Whiteside, Girls' Worker, reports:

On coming to Wolff Settlement I realized at once that this is a mission field. Added to the impressions made by the sound of an

unfamiliar language on the street, in the homes, and in the church services are the evidences of wickedness and indifference to religion that constitute a challenge to missionary effort, courage, and faith.

There is an appalling need of Christian education, and the greatest opportunity which comes to me in the various groups which I meet is to put some bit of song or scripture into the minds of the children and young people which may bear fruit in a personal realization of God. Memorizing hymns is made a special feature of the sewing school and the Boys and Girls World Club. One night during the Annual Conference of the Latin Missions fifty of these girls sang in a chorus. Preparation for this gave an interesting point of contact with the mothers.

Junior boys with good voices are being discovered and taught the love of God through song. Some of these boys and a group of Girl Reserves participated in the Christmas program in our Cuban church.

A Sunday school class of adolescent girls, a group of industrial girls, and two groups of Girl Reserves offer channels for service. Just before Christmas special lessons were given the Sunday school girls on the gift of self and the meaning of Church membership. My heart was rejoiced the first Sunday in February when fifteen girls responded to an invitation to join a class of prospective members of the Church.

Visiting during the Christmas holidays while the children were not in school was very interesting to me. The goal of making personal contact with homes represented on our roll of about two hundred girls was accomplished. A welcome and an invitation to return are expressed in the Spanish phrase, "This is your house." I now have many houses here, and it is my prayer that the club work, the home visitation, and the church work I am privileged to do may all aid in making these houses dwelling places of Christ.

Deaconess Dolores Diaz, Evangelistic Worker, reports:

This past year was one of new experiences to me, the experience of working among strange people, people whose customs I did not know, people whose ideas and ideals are different from any people I have ever worked with; yet I had a point of contact, because I can speak their language. I have had the privilege of visiting them in their homes and learning about them first-hand. I am speaking now of the Cuban people. I also work among the Italians. I do not understand their language, but they understand the universal language of love.

In my visitation it is my privilege and joy to try to help them with their troubles, to read the Word of God to them, and to present Christ to them and pray with them.

I teach the primary class in Sunday school at the Italian church. I was also in charge of the Bible and mission study in the Missionary Society at the Cuban church. The books we studied were in English, but I translated them into Spanish for them. I also serve as an interpreter at the church services, which are conducted in English and interpreted in Spanish.

I am in charge of the library. About 141 children have come to the library this year. Among the most popular books are the Bible storybooks. After I meet the child in the library I try to go to his home and get acquainted with his parents.

I have enjoyed the work very much. We have a happy home life, which means so much when we are away from home.

God has richly blessed us, and I thank him for the privilege of service.

Deaconess Martha Lewis, Kindergartner, reports:

In our world today great changes are taking place. We are launching out into new and untried pathways of living, thinking, working. Especially is this true of our Latin work here in Tampa.

Under the able leadership of Brother Phillips the different constructive Christian activities of individuals, settlements, and churches are being focused to build a really strong religious center.

One of the most promising phases of the work is that Latin men are becoming interested and taking part. The help of these business men is what has been lacking to round out the work and put it on a secure foundation. For years the ladies of the Settlements have been working with women and children while the men gathered themselves together in gambling rooms and elsewhere instead of church or Sunday school. Now for ten months a large woman's class has been coming to the San Marcos Church, and for three months another large class of men.

Various manifestations of interest on the part of Latin members of the community gladden our hearts, and we pray that the kingdom may be greatly advanced.

My work with the smaller children in kindergarten, World Circle, and Sunday school has been a real joy and the enrolment and attendance unusually good. Last summer the Daily Vacation Bible School was to me the most satisfactory of any I have ever had.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

Holding Institute, Laredo, Tex.

Deaconess Carmen Blessing, Superintendent, reports:

I dislike to mention the word "depression," but something has caused our enrolment to decrease almost one-third, and we place the responsibility for this on the overburdened shoulders of "general conditions."

But there has been no depression in our challenge to service, in the quality of the human material given us to work with, or in the enthusiasm and earnestness of our workers. Indeed, our students have been unusually eager and ambitious, and teachers have tried to compensate for our loss in numbers by giving and obtaining an excellent quality of work. Consequently the students have done scholastic work of a high order, and they have thrown themselves into extra-curricular activities with whole-hearted enthusiasm. The home life of the school has been sweet and harmonious, and students and teachers alike have enjoyed a bountiful measure of health.

A long-desired cooking laboratory was beautifully and adequately equipped during the summer, and the girls enrolled in the first-year class are enthusiastic over this branch of home economics.

The deaconesses appointed to Holding Institute conducted three successful Daily Vacation Bible Schools during the summer vacation—two schools for Mexican children and one for the Negro children of Laredo. We felt that all three efforts made a distinct contribution to the lives of many children, and we were especially happy over the splendid volunteer service rendered by our older Holding girls and by some of our present graduates.

The women of many auxiliaries have aided us through their supply departments during the year, and we are most grateful for the linens, clothing, and money sent to us. The money donations have been used to buy new drapes and curtains for our school parlors (and they are beautiful!), to finance the Daily Vacation Bible Schools, and to help provide medical attention for our dependent children.

Amid all the work and activities of school life we have endeavored to remember that Holding Institute is a Christian missionary school, and we trust that the fruits of our labor will prove worthy of the Master whom we serve.

Deaconess Alice Riley reports:

Holding Institute is growing by leaps and bounds. Under the direction of our superintendent and through the support of the women of Southern Methodism, the prospects of our school are unlimited.

My third year at Holding has been even more interesting and challenging than the preceding years. In addition to my classroom work—sophomore and senior high school English and American history—I am supervising the library, directing dramatics, sponsoring the Art Club, directing the Epworth League, counseling the school paper, and sponsoring the sophomore class. Most appealing of all my work is the splendid work done by our Epworth Leaguers. There is not a single phase of the spiritual, educational, recreational, and social work that they are not undertaking. Amazing is the rapidity of their development under the proper atmosphere.

I have sought to carry the spirit of Christ into every phase of my work. My life has been greatly enriched, and I trust that I have made the lives of these boys and girls better by having come in contact with them.

Deaconess Frances Denton reports:

In our task of developing the home virtues in girls, many of whom come from households where there has been tragedy, we have found it possible often to appeal to that hope of a future more ideal home nest, which this generation is willing to discuss much more frankly than the previous one was. To a girl who wants to give up Latin because it is hard, one may repeat the observation of a physician that mothers of spinal meningitis convalescents could usually see the child recover at last, if they had the firmness to insist, day after day, upon his taking the wearisome and even painful exercise. You can say to this modern girl, "You'll find some day if you've shirked everything hard, you can't make your little son do hard things"; or to another, "Your husband won't like it at all if you haven't learned to snap off the light when you leave the room."

Six girls in my Spanish I class are enjoying letter friendships with Holding Institute Mexican girls. One of my Spanish II boys has an agreement with his Cuban roommate that he shall talk Spanish to the latter and be answered in English.

Several members of my Sunday school class have accompanied me on my semi-weekly visits to coach a ten-year-old child who has made no progress during her desultory school attendance. The school-teacher now reports that she has begun to learn.

Deaconess Mary E. Glendinning reports:

As I look back over my six years of work here I realize anew that teaching is not a dull, monotonous task, but a task full of opportunities and possibilities.

It has been my privilege again this year to add another course, foods, to the Home Economics Department, which was put into our school last year. In this class I have twelve girls, and together we are working out those things which will help them in being home makers.

My duties as Dean of Girls put me in close touch with all of the girls.

With Miss Riley I am cosponsor of our young people's group. It is an inspiration to see the development which the young people are making in conducting the work of their group.

My Sunday school class also adds variety to my work, as it is composed of boys of the fifth, sixth, and seventh grades.

During the past summer I was given a leave of absence, and spent nine weeks studying in the Texas State College for Women at Denton, Tex.

Vashti School, Thomasville, Ga.

Miss Charlotte Dye, Superintendent, reports:

We are happy to say Vashti has had a prosperous year in every way. The health of the school has been excellent, the school work has been successful, and in spite of the drought we produced a fairly good crop of garden truck, corn, Irish and sweet potatoes, hay, peanuts, pecans, hogs, calves, rabbits, chickens, syrup, butter, etc. We are doing all we can to provide our own feed for our dairy cows and other stock as well as food for our family.

The fences and all buildings are in good repair, and the farm is in a cleaner, better condition than ever before.

The coming year gives promise of even better crops, depending, of course, upon the weather.

We have had no epidemics. The girls have had dental inspection and all teeth put in good condition. We have had the Schick, tuberculosis, and hookworm tests, and remedies applied where necessary. Two girls have the childhood type of tuberculosis, contracted before entrance into this school. They will be sent to the sanitarium for a few weeks. This is noncontagious, and will be cured in a short time. We spend as much time out of doors, summer and winter, as is possible, and we have supervised play three times each week.

We supply a well-balanced menu at all times, and the food is well prepared and is served in the three dining-rooms.

Our curriculum covers five grades of public school, two years of high school, music, expression, science, industrial arts, sewing, care of flowers, and housework.

The students have a fine spirit, and the faculty is interested in the work, happy and co-operative in spirit.

We have had the beautiful support of our Secretary and the Missionary Societies and churches all over the Southland, for which we are indeed grateful.

Miss Jo Lee Mallory, Music Teacher, reports:

All of the school is divided in six groups for public school music. Each group has a half-hour period twice a week. Three of the groups are doing three-part work. Every two weeks the groups have music appreciation.

We have two glee clubs of twelve or fourteen members each. Also a harmonica club of fifteen members. There are sixteen girls taking piano lessons. Every two or three months either a recital, a cantata, or an operetta is given.

Last fall the glee club, harmonica club, and several piano pupils furnished music for the programs of the Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, Woman's Club, a church supper, and the Missionary Society.

One of our piano pupils who is finishing this year will give a graduating recital in the spring.

Sue Bennett College, London, Ky.

Mr. Kenneth C. East, President, reports:

The Sue Bennett College will with the present session complete thirty-six years of service in the mountain section of Southeastern Kentucky, and the good which it has accomplished cannot be measured.

The enrolment for the session of 1930-31 was as follows:

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| College Department | 258 |
| High School | 195 |
| Normal School | 70 |
| School of Music..... | 65 |
| Model School | 25 |
| Summer School | 111 |
| Total | 795 |
| Individual students | 498 |

For the present session of 1931-32 the enrolment at this date has reached 184, and students are still coming in. When the enrolment for the coming summer session is added we should surpass the enrolment in this department for the past session. There has been a falling off in the other departments due to the depression and the fact that the last legislature repealed the law granting certificates to students of high schools or normal schools.

Since our last report a number of improvements have been made on the campus. The most important improvement is the new white way through the campus donated by the classes of the last school session at a cost of \$750. The students have adopted a policy of leaving a memorial on the campus at the end of each session, this being the sixth memorial left in this way. Repairs in general have been made, and the school property is in good condition.

Special emphasis is placed on the social and religious phases of the school life. Our annual revival for this session is to be conducted by Dr. J. W. Weldon during the month of March. We have very active Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Girl Reserve, and Christian Workers' Band. All of these organizations are doing splendid work.

Deaconess Ola Lee Barnett reports:

My work for the past year has been the same as in previous years as to outward form, but each day in each year brings new experiences and opportunities. The challenges of youth are ever new and thrilling to me.

The part of my work in which I meet the challenges of youth most directly is a course for college freshmen which aims to orient or adjust the freshman to college life. This includes all kinds of problems on the campus, in the classroom, and those involved in the choice of a life-work. To me there is nothing more thrilling than to be able to help start boys and girls in the direction that will lead them to success in their college life and to a useful, happy Christian life as a citizen.

Another of the most important phases of my work is the part I have in helping train the teachers of this section of Kentucky. There is no way in which our work can be more far-reaching than through well-trained teachers as Christian leaders in the rural schools.

During the past year I have had one hundred twenty-five prospective teachers in my classes. I have tried to inspire them with the highest ideals of Christian service as teachers.

The contacts of the classroom, in the dormitory, on hikes, in services held by the Christian Workers' Band in rural churches and school-houses, in local church work, in community service, and other situations are too numerous to be reported; neither can the results be estimated. The future alone holds the final estimate of the value of educational work.

Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C.

Mr. J. F. Winton, Superintendent, reports:

We have had a very good year at Brevard Institute since our last report. There has been marked progress in some directions. We have made a number of improvements in our physical plant, among which we may mention the completion of the new dairy barn, the construction of a modern vegetable storage cellar, a toolhouse, redecoration of the boys' dormitory, and the planting of many trees and shrubs. Certain repairs have been made on the plumbing of the girls' dormitory, so that, all in all, our physical plant, with the exception of the "old dormitory," which should be replaced, is in better condition today than it has been for several years. Further repairs and decoration should be done in the girls' hall this coming summer, however, and we hope to be able to screen the windows of the boys' hall this spring.

In the matter of school work our group has been showing an upward trend for the past two or three years. At the close of the first term's work this year approximately twenty-five per cent of the student body had attained the honor roll, with average grades of ninety or above in all subjects, including deportment and attendance. Those assigned to supervised study hall in the evenings on account of failure in two or more subjects were only sixteen in number. These figures not so long ago were usually in inverse ratio to what they are today. Two of our neighboring colleges which many of our graduates attend have told us recently that our students are usually better prepared than the average.

Our "Spiritual Uplift Week" last fall was held in conjunction with a week's revival in the local church. Our experience has been that under these circumstances results are never quite so satisfactory as when we do our own work in our own group. Nevertheless a large number of our boys and girls made definite decisions during these meetings.

Though we are accustomed to splendid work on the part of our faculty, the group this year has been even more congenial, harmonious, and effective in their work with the students, both in the classroom and in the extra-curricular activities that count so much in lasting influence, than usual. Some rather sweeping changes in our personnel last year for the sake of economy left us with some misgivings as to the future, but the work has not suffered. Our experience and observation is that Scarritt-trained teachers are reliable, efficient, and loyal.

Although farm produce has been almost without a market, yet the good crops of the year have meant a great deal in cutting down operating expenses. While we have not been able to dispose of our surplus very advantageously, economy on the part of supervisors and department heads has yielded good returns. Our finances are in good shape, and we feel justified in saying that, on the whole, the school is in good healthy condition.

Our graduating class is the largest we have had for four years, numbering thirty-four in the high school department, with probably a dozen who will receive certificates in the work of the commercial department. Collections have been better this year than for several

years, the enrolment is slightly more than last year, and we have had very few drop-outs during the term so far. The student body is happy and at work. We feel that the investment in Brevard Institute this year has been justified by its results.

Deaconess Selden Bryan, Elementary Teacher, reports:

The work of the missionary anywhere is giving opportunities to the underprivileged. Many who come to me have been out of school several years or else are slow mentally and need a lot of personal help. Often I must give outside coaching on things that should have been learned in the fourth and fifth grades. Especially is this true of arithmetic. Other times I can give outside coaching and enable the pupil to go up a grade in a subject or perhaps in several. Some are so eager to learn and others so indifferent, and the joy of the former gives me new heart and courage to work harder with the latter.

I love to study and teach, and I count it a privilege to do what I can toward making useful Christian characters out of the boys and girls that we have here.

Valley Institute, Pharr, Tex.

Miss Georgia Swanson, Superintendent, reports:

With the ending of the present school session Valley Institute will have completed eleven years of service for and with the Mexican people of the Rio Grande Valley. While a number of students have come to us from other places, by far the majority of them have come from the Lower Valley.

Notwithstanding the short history of the school, already the second generation of students is asking admittance to our boarding department. Only today one of the Harlingen girls, who entered here the second year of the school and married soon after leaving, came to arrange for admission for her little daughter seven years old for the next school year. She expressed herself as truly happy that she herself had been privileged to be a student here and evinced an earnest desire that her little girl should have the same influence and surroundings as she grows up.

To date we have enrolled fifty-nine pupils. Others will probably enter later. Thirty-six of these girls are in the boarding department.

For the first time in the history of the school we have no pupils from old Mexico. Of course our section, as all others, feels the heavy hand of "general depression."

To add to our troubles the Pharr Bank, in which all school funds were deposited, failed to open its doors October 23 and is now in the hands of a receiver. The missionary women came to our aid with generous donations of supplies, and we have not suffered.

Our faculty is the same as last year, with the addition of Miss Muriel Bell, deaconess nurse, who came to us September 1 and has served both the school and the Mexican community. She has entered fully into the spirit of work and of harmony which prevails here and has endeared herself to all. The teachers are all efficient and faithful, consecrated Christian women and devoted to the school and to its advancement. The buildings are in good repair, and the campus, garden, and citrus orchard in good order.

Deaconess Muriel Bell, Nurse, reports:

The first six months of the year were spent in study in Scarritt College. This was truly an added experience to me, to be able to go to Scarritt for another term. The three months' vacation was spent with my people, a most restful and happy summer.

I came to Valley Institute early in September, although school did not open until the 19th.

The first work assigned to me was to superintend the Sunday school in this Institute. When all the faculty arrived we made out the schedule, and I think my department is one of the most interesting. It is as follows: Superintend and teach one class in Sunday school; lead chapel once a week; teach six Bible classes twice each week, four sewing classes three times a week, five health classes every day; also distribute old clothes to the needy and take care of ill students. We are thankful for health. We have not had any serious illness.

FRENCH AND ITALIAN WORK

MacDonell Wesley House and French Mission School, Houma, La.

Miss Ruth Wyche, Superintendent, reports:

It was with eager anticipation that I came to Houma in August, 1931, to take up my work as superintendent of the MacDonell French Mission School. I had been told that it was difficult to get a true conception of the situation in the French Mission district except through seeing it, and I find that statement to be true. It did not take me long, however, to catch the vision of the great need here and of the wonderful possibilities for service for the upbuilding of the kingdom of our Master in this region. Much has already been accomplished, and I believe a great future is in store for this place.

MacDonell School is located in and draws its students from a territory where Catholicism has a strong hold on the people and where there are many who do not speak English and who are surrounded by superstition, ignorance, and poverty. The purpose of the school is to select outstanding boys and girls and train them for Christian leadership with the hope that they will go back and help to establish Christianity in their communities. This will be the most effective method of spreading the gospel in this region.

Our enrolment is sixty-two, and our school work includes the second grade through the ninth, with two students attending the high school in Houma. The students carry on nearly all of the work of the school, and they keep busy and happy.

We also work in the Sunday schools and missionary societies in the rural districts, and the students assist in this work. Since many of the people in the rural districts speak only French, our students are valuable in assisting in the service, and in turn the training is fine for them in getting experience in leadership.

Through daily contact with these boys and girls and through constant endeavor to instruct and lead them into the higher paths of life, the MacDonell School workers are doing much to make Christian men and women for the future upbuilding of this beautiful section of Louisiana. I know of no place where the work presents a greater challenge or where one can give a more worth-while service.

Deaconess Myrta Davis reports:

Truly "the lines are fallen to me in pleasant places." To have a work in the Master's kingdom is a joy in itself. But to very thoroughly love that work is more than joy. I thought I had loved my work before, but never have I felt the peace and joy that I have had since I have been here.

The people with whom I have been working are so friendly and seem so glad, even eager, to have visits made in their homes. Those who cannot understand what is being said are just as eager to have us come to see them as those with whom we can converse. Usually

there are some children in the home who have been to school who are called in to be interpreters. My greatest handicap has been the lack of knowledge of French. But already I have been able to pick up enough French to understand what they are talking about, even though I do not understand just what they say.

The great need of Christian education in these sections is appalling. Here is an instance of their superstitions: Two girls who have been coming to one of our rural Sunday schools for several years have joined the Catholic Church. Someone convinced them that they would never marry as long as they were in the Protestant Church. If we can only teach them the true way of life! Of course they have been so cut off from people outside of their community that it will take years to overcome it all. What an opportunity for a great service for Christ.

My work has been through the missionary societies and Sunday schools. I assist in four rural missionary societies, two Sunday schools, and one social service club. It has been a joy to sit in those societies and watch those women carry on the Master's work. Of course they need some help, but as a rule they preside over the meetings very well. Most of the members will take part on the programs in some way. If they cannot read English, they can pray. And such prayers! You feel as you never felt before the Master's earnestness. The prayers are in French, but anyone can feel the earnestness of them.

Last summer Daily Vacation Bible Schools were held in five rural communities. They were all very well attended. In one community it was thought there would not be more than eight or ten in attendance. There were ten the first day and twenty-one the second, and at least one new pupil every day during the week. There had never been a Bible school held by our Church in any of these communities. The seed has been planted. Maybe this summer we will have bigger and better Bible schools.

The need for Christ is so great that there is a constant tugging at one's heartstrings. It makes one want to give and give of one's self that others might know his way of life. If only we can so live Christ before them that they might "know him whom to know aright is life eternal"!

Deaconess Lillie J. Hendricks reports:

This is my second year among the French people. Here one has an opportunity to use all her talents, time, and energy in the promotion of the kingdom of God.

Sometimes the tasks which confront us are quite trying, but the privileges of witnessing for our Master and of leading others to him are great. Much joy is mine as I combine my efforts with those of the other workers in dealing with the pupils of our school in carrying on the work in our rural sections and in assisting in the work of our church in Houma.

It is not easy for one here to think or speak of just her work alone, for the work is so tied together that it is necessary in order to accomplish our aim that we feel that we are a part of the whole work. This being the case, our daily programs outside of school hours are often rather flexible.

My work in the rural sections is not as extensive as I had hoped it would be, but as it is I am having other privileges for service which otherwise I would not have. I am on duty in the Wesley House most of the time outside of class hours. Since the Wesley House is the "home" building for all the students during their social hours, this

puts me in close touch with each of them. I assist in the regular school work during the mornings. During the industrial period in the afternoons I have charge of the sewing class. In our church school I have a class consisting of some of our pupils and some from town. This is a privilege I greatly enjoy. I also appreciate the opportunity I have of being in the Houma Missionary Society and of having charge of the children's work in one of the missionary societies, but my greatest opportunity for real service, I think, comes from living with the pupils from morning till night, thus through my daily life attempting to reveal the joy and happiness which come to the followers of Christ.

St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, La.

Deaconess Nettie Stroup, Head Resident, reports:

Open house day in May was celebrated with our usual art exhibit. Hundreds of visitors came in to see the beautiful pieces of handwork, watch the matched ball games in the gym, and take part or look on during the swimming meet. This is always a great occasion and one looked forward to by many of our people.

The Vacation Bible School enrolled 250 children. We find that it is hard for our children to drop out of Bible school when they pass the junior age; so we organized an intermediate department, which proved to be a success.

Our part in the big community chest parade last November was a most interesting one. We were asked to have a float which would carry out some unique idea. We chose as our theme "World Friendship." Our thirty boys, girls, and young people on the float were dressed to represent their mother country and carried the flag of their nation. Large placards were on the float, such as "League of Nations," "The Turn Toward Peace," etc. The group sang enthusiastically "I Ain't Gonna Study War No More." We have had some programs on disarmament and world-peace and are keeping these questions before our people as well as the "world-friendship" question.

Pageantry and religious drama still play a big part in our program. Our young people and children put on an Easter pageant in two of the large Methodist churches in the city. They gave a beautiful Easter message which brought many words of appreciation from those who help support the work here.

Our Christmas "white gift program" was a rendition of "Why the Chimes Rang." One of our young men built a miniature cathedral, equipped it with electric lights, and hung beautiful gray moss all over it. While the story was read most of the pantomime took place in the little cathedral. The closing scene was the "chimes in the tower," which was made real by the playing of the victrola record "The Angelus," in which beautiful chimes are heard. The offering for Kingdom Extension that evening amounted to \$60. I never cease to marvel how some of our people deny themselves to give to the church. They often say St. Mark's has meant everything to them, and they want to give to extend the work in other lands.

Deaconess Lillian Addison, Boys' Worker, reports:

Junior boys, their problems, and their clubs are a source of constant joy and happiness to me.

The junior boys' clubs have grown into clubs made up of boys who are interested in coming to St. Mark's and being regular club members. There are fewer off and overs. It is now possible to separate

the nine- and ten-year-old boys into a club of their own, and the eleven- and twelve-year-old boys into another club. There is a good spirit of rivalry between the two clubs when they meet together.

There seems to be growing among the boys a very desirable spirit of comradeship for each other and a spirit of friendliness and tolerance for others, also a spirit of respect for the property here.

Junior boys and girls are doing good work and are trying to learn more of the Jesus way of living in their Sunday school. These youngsters get much joy in making their contributions to others. They have helped clothe two small orphans for a year, and they have sent scrap-books to Miss Julia Reid in Cuba.

This year it has been my privilege to try to help a gang of boys from thirteen to twenty-five years of age who were always to be found on the church steps gambling and disturbing. The invitation to come into St. Mark's as a group and organize an athletic club of their own has done much to lessen the noise during church. The change in the boys themselves is very gratifying, for they seem grateful to have someone take an interest in them. They are growing in the knowledge of good sportsmanship.

I count it a very dear privilege to be allowed to serve as Boys' Worker at St. Mark's.

Deaconess Wortley Moorman, Nurse, reports:

Through a clinic such as St. Mark's Community Center Clinic one learns the heartaches of many a discouraged person sick in body and mind who needs sympathy and a friend as well as professional advice from a doctor. Through this clinic I believe that our institution is able to be a friend to many people and help them on the road of life toward health and happiness.

We are grateful to the Child Welfare Association and Community Chest of New Orleans, to the doctors who work here, and to the Woman's Missionary Council for making this work possible.

Deaconess Maggie Marshall, Intermediate Club Worker, reports:

An account of how I spent yesterday will give an idea of my year's work at St. Mark's. The morning was given over to visiting with the missionary car as my helper. The first house was typical of this section, having no doorbell, which necessitated going through a long alley to the rear. Here the parents, although Catholic, have decided to send their children to all our activities to reform them. Just across the street I visited a decaying French mansion where the woman poured out her story of financial losses. Then on into a candy shop to see a little Spanish girl who is trying to make a fresh start; to a French home to talk about a homeless girl who had been taken into the home already burdened with responsibilities; to a spotless German home to talk over old New Orleans with the grandmother and present-day problems with the mother; and so through the morning.

It was my duty to "keep office" in the afternoon, answering the many bells. An English lady came, wanting the Girl Reserves to make some silver bracelets. A straggler came asking for food. A Leaguer came to ask about a social service project and plan a devotional. A group of boys passed through on the way to the gym, one shouting: "Miss Marshall, can't we start the Daily Vacation Bible School tomorrow?" A woman stopped to say "Thank you" for the help she had received and tell of the joy her husband had gotten.

My evening club, composed of young working girls, came early to go to the Bond Bakery, which proved both recreational and educational.

On the way there a girl asked: "Will we ever forget the week spent with Mrs. Simms at Hammond last summer?" Coming back I heard: "Won't this bread they gave me save my lunch money tomorrow!" After returning to St. Mark's for a short ball practice, the girls went home with the closing song in their hearts:

"All is well,
Safely rest,
God is nigh."

Miss Helen Shriner, Director Young People's Work, reports:

There is a beautiful spirit of co-operation and love among the young people of St. Mark's.

The young people's department of the church is fully organized according to the new legislation of our Church, and the organization is working most successfully.

The young people themselves plan the programs for their business, social, and devotional meetings. Last year the group helped to raise its budget by putting on two plays. A spirit of brotherhood seems to be instilled in the hearts of the young people. Not only is the group made up of many nationalities, but its program involves much active social service and missionary work.

The program of the Business Girls' Club is very full. The girls meet on Tuesday nights for instruction in sewing. This class is taught by a Catholic woman of the community. Every Thursday night finds a group of girls in the gymnasium for indoor or basket ball practice. The matched games during the past year have not only developed team work for the gymnasium floor, but have helped to develop a spirit of co-operation in the club as a whole.

While the St. Mark's Glee Club is open to all young people, it is really an activity of the Business Girls' Club. The Glee Club has a membership of thirty-five. During the past year this group broadcast over one of New Orleans' largest radio stations and was invited to take part on several public programs.

The Business Girls' Club has taken an active part in the work of the city Young Women's Christian Association, with which we affiliated last year. They took part in the annual interclub money-raising event. During the past year one of our club girls served as secretary for the Y. W. C. A. Business Girls' Council, while another has been elected unanimously to be toastmistress at the midwinter conference, which will be made up of business girls from three states.

Having had charge of the primary story hour, the junior sewing school, and the library for the past year has been of advantage to me, as these groups have brought me into intimate association with more individuals and more families.

During the past year I have had the inspiration and service of many volunteer helpers.

I thank God for another year of service.

Institutional Church, Kansas City, Mo.

Deaconess Elizabeth Taylor, Head Resident, reports:

As one looks back over the year that is past she can but say, "See what God hath wrought"; not that the results of her labors stand out as real successes, but because of the efforts she was enabled to put forth and the confidence and faith that still encourages her to renewed effort.

Early in the year the Neighborhood Workers' Association began planning for camp privileges for the underprivileged girl. Finally

the Y. W. C. A. camp was secured for two weeks at a cost of \$400, just what it cost to operate it. The camp is well equipped to accommodate from sixty to sixty-five girls. It was staffed by workers from the several community centers, each organization contributing its quota of the \$400. Each girl paid one dollar registration fee. One evening each week was designated as visitors' night, and each center invited leading board members and friends, with the hope that they would be impressed with the benefits that such a camp would be to our Kansas City girls and, when the time came, support an enterprise to provide a suitable camp for girls who cannot afford the high-priced camp. The Rotary Club of Kansas City owns and operates such a camp for boys, and during the summer months several hundred boys are given a ten-day camp outing.

At the opening of our fall work we changed the time of our Saturday Bible school from afternoon to morning, beginning at nine o'clock and closing at eleven-thirty. This school is conducted on the same plan as the Daily Vacation Bible School and is proving quite successful.

At Christmas a real Christmas dinner was served the mothers and children of the nursery, followed by a play by the children and a visit from Santa Claus. This dinner is a yearly event and is eagerly anticipated by the tired mothers.

The Woman's Board of City Missions puts on an annual linen shower each October, and in this way our institution is kept supplied with the necessary household linen.

Deaconess Dorothy Dodd reports:

Our Berean Bible Class in our church school challenges our best thinking and our best effort. At our Christmas nativity play one of the young men from this class came forward and gave his heart to Jesus, and the following Sunday another one came forward. Our nativity play this year was dedicated to Rev. and Mrs. Ailor, our pastor and his wife.

The Girl Reserves brought gifts for the Indian children, and at Christmas they gave to the kindergarten a doll dressed in an Italian costume. Each Christmas they will give a doll to represent a different country. They presented "Our First Thanksgiving," a two-act play dedicated to Miss Taylor, our head resident, and Miss Parke, one of their teachers.

Our Board women are planning a fellowship tea for our Italian Mothers and Young Girls' Club.

One of our new activities is our Joy Makers' Club, made up of twenty-four Italian business girls. One came to us for a name, saying that the girl who brought the best name would receive a prize. It was not original, but we told this girl we thought Joy Makers a good name—J standing for Jesus, O for others, Y for yourself. In a few days this girl returned and said, "I won the prize; because when I told them that J stood for Jesus, O for others, and Y for yourself," why, that's what the girls wanted.

Our part along with the others in our worship period and Bible hour in our daily and Saturday morning Bible school has been a blessing.

It was my privilege to attend the Annual Young People's Assembly at Cottey College. There has been a deep longing on the part of the leadership of the youth of our Church, both voluntary and otherwise, that the young people's lives may square with their words, to this end there has been a special emphasis on prayer, and prayer forces,

and on His word. The keynote in poster, in story, and in talk in our last week's service was, "Lord, teach us to pray."

Deaconess Ola Gilbert, Boys' Worker, reports:

The work at Institutional Church is growing, and much of this year's growth is due to the foundation laid in the past two years. In addition to my work with the boys, I also take care of the Girl Scouts and the girls' basket ball team.

During the winter months I had three registered basket ball teams in the Sunday School League. The members of the older team were Italian Catholics and were allowed to attend mass in their own church. This team has been with us three years and is still with us and is the leading team in its division.

During the summer months I had three teams playing baseball in the Neighborhood Workers' Association League. One team, boys between the ages of fifteen and seventeen, was able to take on three overnight hikes, thereby getting to know them more fully and to have a better understanding of their problems, and they are now members of my Sunday school class and present a big challenge to their teacher.

My work with the younger boys is through the Golden Rule and Four-Square Clubs, and these clubs affiliate with the Y. M. C. A., which gives them many outside privileges.

In the Saturday morning Bible school I have about thirty boys, who are my special charge in handcraft, and these youngsters are making magazine and kitchen towel racks.

Fifty of our boys were privileged to attend the Rotary Club Boys' Camp. I am trusting God for wisdom that I may be able to help these boys to take Christ as a personal friend, and my prayer is: "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord."

Deaconess Martina Hyde, Children's Worker, reports:

"He hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to comfort all that mourn, and to care for the sick." I feel that has been my task this year, especially to care for the sick. When these little ones can't get the essential food, care, and clothing, one will find a great deal of sickness among them, especially poorly developed teeth, infected tonsils and ears, and many other diseases caused from malnutrition. The doctors and hospitals have been very generous with their time and effort to relieve these defects. Many of the doctors are sincere Christians. Before they treat a case they have a word of prayer. One man, fifty years old, never would let anyone talk to him of Christ; but when he knew the doctor that operated on his wife had prayer first, he said that if that is what Christ meant to people, and especially men like that, he wanted to know him. His home has been a happier one since then.

One day a woman that had all heart could wish for, materially speaking, but lacking the peace in her heart that only Christ can give, came to us seeking that peace. She asked to be allowed to spend the day with us to see if, through the children and us, she might be able to find that for which she was hungering. What a challenge, yet what a privilege, confronted us. "Do we live so close to the Christ today, passing to and fro on our busy way, that the world in us can a likeness see to the man of Galilee?"

Ensley Community House, Ensley, Ala.

Deaconess Dorothy L. Crim, Head Resident, reports:

What have we done to relieve the stress of the times? This has been the urgent task this year. As men have stood on corners, talked, and longed for work, we have longed to find some job for them. Some have been inspired to repair and beautify the Ensley House; some, their own homes; some completely renovated the Sunday school room of our nearby church; some the same for the parsonage; and others the mending of shoes for others.

Family Night at the House has brought in some of the old foreign men with their musical instruments, who have given to a packed house good and beautiful music. Miss Terry's girls and Mr. Yeilding's boys have rendered especially good numbers.

The Health Department of the city has given nurses to our institution; the Medical Department of our interested corporation, doctors for clinic; the Park and Recreational Board, playground instructors; Dairy Council, instructors. The closest co-operation exists between welfare agencies, courts, etc.

Judging by the enthusiasm of the large, faithful attendance of the women, the cheap meals prepared, how much to buy, and how to prepare it to the best advantage, has made us know this program met a great need.

The canning of 1,498 pints of vegetables and marmalade for the Red Cross was a threefold purpose: helping the Red Cross, the giving of needy women and families a chance to help others, and learning how to can and the desire to can.

The exhaustion apparently of old clothes drove us to the making of dresses and suits of gunny sacks. These were dyed beautiful shades of blue and red, and most attractive and durable clothes were made and are being made.

Our best and most satisfactory instruction was given in the Daily Vacation Bible School. The enrolment was 149, and the attendance was ninety-eight per cent, with nine nationalities and sixty-eight Catholics.

We entered the City Playground Pageant and received very honorable mention, the highest point attainable. Many ribbon and cash prizes were won on the canning and handwork at the city and *Birmingham News* exhibit.

St. Luke Church (an outgrowth of our Community House) has a splendid Missionary Society, while the excellent Boys and Girls World Club and the World Children's Circle are part of our Community House program.

Deaconess Alaska Terry, Girls' Worker, reports:

The early teen-age girls seem more interested than in any previous year, as evidenced by the enrolment and attendance in cooking and sewing. Two women and two older girls from the neighborhood assist in the sewing. This year a greater effort has been put forth to teach garment-making.

Sometime during the year each Girl Scout has been to Camp Gertrude Coleman. Two received scholarships for a week at camp. One phase of their community service, as well as merit badge requirement, was worked off by assisting in canning. These girls have stood by the Community House in every program or movement in which it was possible for them to participate. They made their uniforms, but every Scout was not able to buy hers; and for this reason the second-class Scouts cooked and served one of the monthly dinners to the

Girl Scout Leaders' Association. The growth of the older girls of the department has been marked.

Miss Lucy Carlton, Boys' Worker, reports:

Using woodwork as a means of learning the individual boy, their learning each other, and most of all each learning himself, has made the writer feel the woodwork classes have been well worth while in point of knowledge gained as well as in work accomplished.

Some articles finished are: Birds, clowns, ducks, tomahawks, breadboards, door-stops, brackets, airplanes, etc. The grade of work completed is fair; however, some are crude, while others are superior to the usual. The woodwork period consists of sawing, whittling, nailing, and painting. Sometimes they play, and sometimes there are discussions of current events. The greatest problem we try to settle is how to live peacefully together.

Mr. Leon Yeilding, Playground and Senior Boys' Worker, reports:

Troop No. 39, Boy Scouts, had one week at Camp Andrews, where they passed tests. They have at least one hike a month. The Cub Pack has passed all the tests as required by National Council.

The playground is for all ages, and is well attended day and night, for the ground is lighted. The clubroom is for older boys and men at nights. They have use of a piano, radio, rook, checkers, table tennis, and other passage games as well as good books and magazines.

We entered the city-wide events sponsored by the Park and Recreation Board, and took places in the track meet and Play Day. During the summer we held seventh place—at the very last seventeenth, out of thirty-six playgrounds, some of which had eight leaders.

Mrs. Ann Kron, Kindergartner, reports:

The kindergarten this year has been like "the old woman's shoe," with a weekly enrolment of sixty, and an average attendance of more than fifty. The happy hours, with their warm lunch, has meant much to the children coming from colorless homes.

Besides trying to provide a happy atmosphere, our greatest aim has been to teach the children the right habits of behavior. A health chart is made of each child, consisting of weight, height, defects, corrections, etc.

The Kindergarten Band continues to be a source of great pleasure to the children and grown-ups.

GULF COAST WORK

Immigrant Port Work, Galveston, Tex.

Rev. J. E. Reifschneider, Port Missionary, reports:

Looking back over the past year's work, varied as it has been, it is difficult to decide just what to include in my annual report. The official United States immigration records show that, during the past fiscal year, 1,787 vessels engaged in foreign trade arrived at ports in this district and were boarded and inspected. Of this number, 992 came direct from foreign ports, while 788 arrived coastwise. The total number of seamen employed on above vessels was 63,088, of whom 48,131 were aliens and 14,957 United States citizens. Total number of United States citizens and non-statistical aliens was 1,421, there being 992 of the former and 429 of the latter. Of this number, 832 were United States citizens, and 420 aliens arrived from foreign ports, 160 citizens and nine aliens from insular possessions. Excluded 33 (mostly stowaways), deported 710 (mostly seamen who

entered without inspection), balance in detention here at Galveston, Tex., 30. A total of 84 aliens deserted their vessels in this district during the past fiscal year, which is a decrease of 224 aliens under the preceding year. The Galveston district includes all Texas seaports and Lake Charles, La. My statistical report for 1931 is as follows: Visitors at office, 405; called at office by appointment, etc., 444; calls for work and help wanted, 199; work found, 41; visits to police station, 8; visits to the county jail, 139; investigations, 74; special cases, 110; visits to foreign consuls for passports for deportees, etc., 35; secured passports for deportees, etc., 27; visits and calls to United Charities, 30; assisted in getting naturalization papers, 25; phone calls, information, etc., 288; letters and documents read and translated, 154; interpreter in United States hearings, etc., 49; visits to courthouse with aliens, etc., 19; visits and calls to Y. W. C. A. and Travelers Aid at Union Railway Station, etc., 18; assisted stranded aliens, etc., 45; visits to sick in jail, hospital, etc., 35; marriages, 2; baptized, 3; burials, 2; foreign passenger vessels arrived, 44; foreign passenger vessels departed, 42; aliens deported, 710; alien funds handled, \$19,915.54. This closes my twenty-third year at this port. During the past year the officials, etc., of the United States Immigration Service, the various consuls of foreign countries, local officials of the city, and representatives of steamship and railway interests, as also the local missionary societies, have co-operated most cordially at all times with us, and our relations with them have been most pleasant.

Moore Community House, Biloxi, Miss.

Deaconess Sallie Ellis, Head Resident, reports:

As the year comes to a close, I am glad to report again that the work of the Moore Community House is still moving forward, and great progress is being made, we believe. Lives have been transformed and homes blessed during the past year. Boys and girls are happier because of the various activities of our institution.

We have a large number of enthusiastic young people and especially one group of young married women. Often their husbands enjoy parties with them, and one husband said that the devotional message given at their New Year's party was "sticking with him." The women often say they enjoy more than anything else hearing the Bible read and explained to them. One woman walked four miles to come to club—said she could not stay away.

I think the mothers of our nursery children appreciated the nursery this year more than ever before. It means so much to them just at this time.

Our church has improved some, and more of our children are remaining for church services since the new church plan has been adopted. We continue to bring boys and girls from the Johnson Camp section to Sunday school in our car.

The Woman's Missionary Society has done a wonderful work during the year; and, when they heard how mission places would have to be closed if funds did not come in, they banded together and paid their obligation in full; and some said they were afraid if they did not pay up that ours would be the one to close.

Many improvements have been made about the place, which the people appreciate very much. Our house has been painted and trees and shrubbery planted. It is very homelike and a wonderful place in which to live.

God has blessed us in many ways, and one of them is working with a lovely people and a lovely conference. I do not know what we

would do without the lovely women of the Mississippi Conference as well as missionary women throughout the conference back of us.

Miss Katie Herndon, Club Director, reports:

As the year passes I become more and more attached to the people of Back Bay. Through clubs, home visitation, and church work, I come in contact with these most responsive people and learn to love them.

As in previous years, my work is with primaries, juniors, intermediates, and seniors, both boys and girls. What a privilege to watch this group from year to year, seeing lives changed, and to feel that I may have had some part in leading them to know Him who gives to them a richer and fuller life. Clubs have been well filled this year, and in some cases there has been a waiting list.

Two new clubs have been added to my groups this year. One of these is an athletic club for young working boys, which has been directed by a young man giving volunteer service. The other is a second Girl Scout troop. As some of the members of Troop I are entering high school, and thus graduating from this younger group of Scouts, this second troop was organized to care for them. This being the only troop for high-school girls, there are girls in this group from all over town. These girls are from various financial and cultural levels, and this is proving a helpful experience to all.

One of the women's clubs of the city has been sponsoring Troop I since last February. These ladies have helped in many ways, not only in the actual work of the troop, but in interesting others in the community center. Many of our girls and boys have been very active in community service this year.

Our summer program was well filled with camps and Vacation Bible School. There were 135 enrolled in Daily Vacation Bible School with an average attendance of one hundred.

Wesley House, Biloxi, Miss.

Deaconess Susie Mitchell, Head Resident, reports:

After a most pleasant year of study and rest, on August 29 I arrived at the beautiful and interesting coast city of Biloxi, Miss. We found the Wesley House in beautiful order and ready for us to begin work, as Misses Leighty and Reeves had papered, painted, varnished, hung new curtains, draperies, etc., and the results were most pleasing.

The four months have passed very rapidly. September was spent in visiting and getting acquainted with the people and studying the field so as to organize the activities that would seem to meet the needs. We met with such a demand for the day nursery, and in our visiting we found mothers were leaving little children five and six years of age to care for one or two younger children; in one camp we knocked at a door, and a child of five called out the window that the doors were locked and mother was at work in the factory. This child, a little brother about three, and a baby one year of age were there all alone; so we decided there was a real need for a nursery. So, on October 5, the nursery was opened, but work was so slack the attendance during the shrimp season was not as large as we had expected. The attendance has greatly increased since the opening of the oyster season.

As the need arose during October other organizations were opened until we have quite a full program.

It seems I have never seen quite so many children as there are

in this community, and all are eager to be admitted to every club that is organized.

The Woman's Missionary Society has been reorganized; though the membership is small, they are very faithful and show great interest.

Our earnest prayer is that the Heavenly Father will give us wisdom and understanding that we may gain access to the hearts of the people and that he may guide us in the extension of his Kingdom in this community.

Deaconess Katharine S. Arnold reports:

The past year has brought some changes in my work, and at the writing of this report I find myself at the Wesley House in Biloxi in the midst of an Austro-French-American community, where the shucking of oysters and the picking of shrimp and crab meat is the big thing in an industrial way.

The young people are my special interest—representing these three nationalities where the mother tongue is still spoken around the family circle and where Catholicism is strongly entrenched—the American element only being Protestant with a sprinkling of French attending our church services. Old World ideas held by the peasant classes seem to have been brought over by many of the French and Austrians, for as soon as possible books are replaced by a shrimp bucket and learning is continued at the shucking board from the general conversation engaged in there. Very evident among the young people is that natural desire for a really good time, and while trying to satisfy this craving in the clubs, we aim also to get across some things which strike a deeper note. I am carrying on the clubs as handed over to me in the fall—one for the older Austrian girls, one for the Austrian boys, a Girl Scout troop, and am backing up the Boy Scouts, whose Scoutmaster comes to us from the Main Street Methodist Church. In church work I act as adviser for the Young People's Division, teach a class of early teen-age boys and girls in the Sunday school, and work with the League. We are not large enough yet to organize into departments according to the new plan, but this is an objective toward which to work, and we hope sometime to arrive! So much for a general bird's-eye view after a few months' residence; may the coming months bring a deeper insight and something really accomplished toward bringing these young folks to know Him more perfectly.

Deaconess Sarah K. Lowder reports:

Upon arriving in Biloxi last fall, the first month was spent in visiting the people and in getting acquainted with their needs. The people are friendly and recognize Wesley Community House as an important factor in the community life.

My work has been chiefly with the French and Austrian children, who represent Catholic homes. The sisters and priest forbid their attendance upon our classes, but their parents do not object; so the children attend anyway.

For the boys I have had two clubs—namely, Good Americans and Junior Scouts. In the first mentioned we have studied the qualities that make for good citizenship; in the second, the boys of pre-Scout age (9, 10, 11) are being taught high ideals, useful doings, and world-citizenship.

For the younger children a story hour has been conducted with a devotional and a recreational period included.

For the girls a housekeeping course has been given, since many of

the mothers work early and late at the canning factories and often need the assistance of their little daughters in the care of the home. One afternoon a week has been given to the circulating library. Sometimes we aid the school children with reference books and additional information desired at school.

In the primary department of the Sunday school, fifty-seven little children have been enrolled. Three splendid young people from our community church have assisted me with this department. "To serve the child is to serve God," so this is what we are trying to do.

In visiting we come in closest contact with the homes and the people. In all their difficulties they confide in us, and many discouraged ones and broken homes are found. It is our privilege to try to cheer and better conditions and direct them to the Source of all help and blessing.

By precept and example we are trying to show unto all the Way to God.

INDUSTRIAL WORK

Wesley House, Hopewell, Va.

Deaconess Grace M. Driver, Worker, reports:

As I come to the close of this year's work I find myself living over again the days which the details of this report recall. The gatherings here, the different groups, the occasions, the purpose of them and now at this stock-taking time the question I am trying to answer is, In what measure has the purpose been realized?

There have been discouragement, of course; but there is no column on this page for them to be listed.

My service here is in a very large measure to the church and through the channels of the church, our Center being the meeting place of many of the services during the time that our congregation is homeless—the new building is still uncompleted.

I am, of course, giving first place to work with and for the young people, being counselor to the Hi-League group and general adviser to the seniors. I have helped them plan and carry out programs of worship, recreation, and study and have directed plays and pageants for their amusement and development.

From May to September our tennis court was in use almost constantly at all hours during the day; it was the most popular place in the village for the boys and girls.

Our yard in a small way was also a playground; the children of all ages gathered here to play.

During the winter I have enjoyed working with a club of adolescent girls, my chief aim being to keep them little girls by giving them the things that belong to young girlhood, hoping to postpone the thought of dates and "grown-upish" notions and to offset movie ideas.

My work with the Woman's Missionary Society has been interesting. The group is small, but we are beginning to see it grow now, and it is gratifying.

Whenever I can leave the House, I try to make visits to the sick or strangers or to find some way of contact with another girl.

And now the record is made, and I am trusting that the Master's touch has been upon the efforts to serve his cause here. If what has been done is acceptable to him, I am content.

Methodist Settlement House, Montgomery, Ala.

Deaconess Bessie Bunn, Head Resident, reports:

"Adventures in Faith" would be an appropriate subject of my report were a subject needed; for the year 1931, more commonly known as the year of depression, has been one of growth and expansion for us. More people reached, more relief work done, addition of property, and improvement of building.

The vacant lot next to us has been secured for a playground. New swings have been donated.

The home of an elderly couple has been deeded to the City Mission Board in appreciation of their helpfulness during their old age.

Many useful pieces of furniture were secured by our Board President when Court Street Church was sold. The furniture arrived just in time to facilitate the serving of a lovely dinner to our mothers in May. Long tables, plenty of chairs, all alike, sink, refrigerator, cabinet, carpets, and piano filled a needy place that day as well as ever afterward.

In the spring the Carlisle Dairy opened a milk station at our place. Free milk was given to many and sold to others at a very low price. The health of the children was greatly improved.

Our closing exercises in May will long be remembered by our children as a time when they were transformed into beautiful fairies in a pageant, entitled "The Golden Road." An exhibit from all the clubs was also on display.

Fifty new songbooks were donated by a Baptist friend. In November Mrs. Mertins launched into the improvement of our building. Her business friends rallied to her in a wonderful way, and the men in the community gave their labor. The steeple, with the historic bell which was rung when Lee surrendered, gives a real tone to our church.

We just got into our chapel December 23, when over two hundred people were present for our tree and program.

We offer our praise and thanks to Him "who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think."

Coal Fields, Seco, Ky.

Deaconess Pattie L. Allen reports:

The past year has been a busy but a very happy one for both the worker and community at Seco, Ky. In spite of the fact that the mines have operated on an average of not more than two days a week, the work of the church shows a steady increase along all lines.

The various organizations of the church, including the Sunday school, the Senior and Junior League, and the Woman's Missionary Society, are all well attended. The Wednesday night prayer meeting is the outstanding service of the church. A choir of thirty-five members, which meets regularly for weekly practice, is a great inspiration. Two revival meetings were held, and more than forty names were added to the church roll as the result.

The Woman's Missionary Society is growing in interest. It conducted and financed a very successful Daily Vacation Bible School. All-day Bible study meetings are held monthly, in addition to the circle meetings, social meetings, and monthly program and business meetings at the church. Pageants were given at Easter and Christmas, also a missionary pageant by the children. Special programs were prepared for Mothers' Day and New Year's Day, and a reception for our new pastor.

The Parent-Teacher Association furnishes two programs monthly

in which the people of the community as well as the school children take part.

One thing that seems to count most in the work at Seco is the visits into the homes. It is through the individual, personal touch that we get into the hearts and lives of the people, and it is by this means that we find a response sooner or later.

All of the above activities have been made possible through the hearty co-operation of the people of the church and all of the mine officials; we have all worked together.

Wesley House, Picher, Okla.

Deaconess Adeline Peeples reports:

Picher has had a year of more than ordinary hardships. Only a few mines are open, ore having about reached the bottom in prices; more than two hundred are down. A great deal of charity has been dispensed by both churches and civic organizations. Supplies sent by our Conference Missionary Societies have meant much, and at Christmas we were able to help several unfortunate families.

Our Sunday school had a very nice White Christmas. A donation of canned goods and other food was added to the boxes filled at the Wesley House. There were Christmas trees at the Wesley House for each group, and altogether a merry Christmas was made possible to many whose only Christmas was there.

The Daily Vacation Church School, sponsored again by First Methodist Union and Central Methodist, South, Churches, was better organized and attended this summer than last. We had a joint meeting in the spring with the First Methodist Church, North, and about eighteen were added to our church.

Our church program requires my services in almost every department of work, which does not give me very much time for Wesley House work. In July the Boys and Girls World Club had an outing at "Five Miles"; later the Hi-Leaguers went to the same place. The water was fine, and they all enjoyed the swimming very much. It was a great treat to stay all night and rough it together.

A number of children have been out of school on account of books and clothing, but I was successful in providing books for four. I have had one morning for relief work up to the first of the year. The Conference has been as generous as possible in helping the work at Picher.

Our Wesley House library, though small, is popular and fills the need in the child's life, for these children are very bright and very fond of reading. Only a few have any money to give even to Sunday school, yet they are very worth while and need Christian influence and training. I doubt if Picher at any time could have been classed outside of a home mission field. More workers are needed to carry on the Master's work here.

Wesley House, Lyra, Tex.

Deaconess Adeline Peeples reports:

The first seven months of the past year were a testing time for the Lyra Wesley House.

The work slowed down to one day a month, and the families that owned cars joined the thousands of their Mexican people moving back to Mexico.

The Wesley House kept up its activities and ministered to the needs of those that remained behind until August 14, when it closed.

Coal Fields, Amherstdale, W. Va.

Deaconess Fannie Bame and Miss Mary Ogden report:

Some of the outstanding things we have done during the year in the Logan coal fields are: (1) Conducting six Vacation Bible Schools, five for white children and one for colored. We enrolled three hundred and eighty-five children in the six schools. (2) Teaching Bible in one public school last year and two this year. We are reaching almost five hundred children through the public school this year. (3) Work in the Sunday school. Our school at Amherstdale has grown in numbers and in the quality of work done. If it continues to increase in numbers, we will have to use the public-school building for a part of our school. (4) The two Boys and Girls World Clubs sent boxes to MacDonell School, and are sending about twenty-five scrapbooks to Miss Rumbough. These books are to tell something about coal camp life. (5) The Earling Missionary Society has done exceptionally good work. This small group of women paid a pledge of \$60, their dues, and did a large amount of local work. The Boys and Girls World Club of Earling also sent a box to MacDonell School and are making scrapbooks for Miss Rumbough. (6) Three of our young people received credit for work done in a Young People's Institute, and one attended the Assembly at Barboursville.

We are very happy in our work here.

Wesley House, Big Sandy, W. Va.

Deaconesses Evelyn Waddell and Cora Lee Glenn report:

On account of the distressing economic situation caused by the closing of many of our mines, it was necessary for many of our best families to move, and the demands for relief work were greater than ever before.

The work of all of our clubs during the spring months was very gratifying, especially that of the Girl Scouts. Eight of the girls made splendid records at the Court of Awards.

With the assistance of our pastor, his wife, and the women of the communities, we had five Daily Vacation Bible Schools for white people and one for colored. The total enrolment was 442.

Throughout the late summer and fall there was much sickness in our camps, especially among the children. We were glad that we could be of service at this time, for it is hard to get medical treatment so far from the doctors.

We were just getting our fall schedule started when the Community House burned, destroying all the furnishings, the equipment for our clubs, and many boxes of clothing that had been sent in. Our work was hindered by this disaster, for it was several weeks before we could get a house and get settled. Many auxiliaries of the Baltimore, Alabama, and Holston Conferences sent boxes of supplies and checks for our relief work.

The Christmas season brought many joys. We had five pageants and several socials. The school-teachers, rather than give baskets of food to a few families, gave us the money, and we served dinner to fifty children.

We have three Leagues, one just organized last spring, that are active and doing good work. Our three Sunday schools have steadily grown in interest and numbers, and these and the Story Hour reach many homes not otherwise touched by religious influence.

The harvest truly is plenteous, and we are glad that God has called us to be laborers together with him.

Coal Fields, Bradshaw, W. Va.

Deaconess Cornelia Godbey reports:

The past year has been one of blessings and of progress in our work in Bradshaw and the surrounding territory. There has been a decided and a healthy growth along all lines—a growth not only in numbers and interest but in real spirituality.

During the summer we had a very gracious revival, at which time some eighteen or twenty were brought into the Kingdom and now form the nucleus of a real church organization. I have never seen a more faithful, earnest group of people anywhere than these, our new converts.

We have such a fine group of young people, who have proven very responsive to our efforts. Few of them are Christians, but there seems to have been a lifting of their ideals and a deepening of their desire for better things.

One great need is for a young people's worker. In addition to the senior group, we have a splendid class of teen-age boys, who are simply hungry for a good leader, while the younger children come to us in crowds.

We have been greatly handicapped for lack of a proper place to carry on our work, but plans are being made to meet this need. May these plans also include another worker to help in this needy and neglected field. Surely "the fields are white unto the harvest."

Coal Fields, Kimball, W. Va.

Miss Emma V. Johnson reports:

The work here during 1931 has been encouraging in many ways.

Our Mothers' Club did some splendid work, helping among the needy by making and mending garments and in various other ways. A most successful community fair was sponsored by this organization, which brought together a very fine display of handwork, canned products, and vegetables. A number of quilts have been made and sold to help replenish the funds.

The work of the young people and children has been very encouraging. The young people won the merit banner several times in the County Epworth League Union. They made funds and purchased a bell for the building used for worship and community activities, and have assisted in many helpful ways, such as vesper services, cottage prayer meetings, distribution of magazines, help to the needy, and services for prisoners in jail. With the assistance of the school principal, who teaches a class of young people in the Sunday school, they have fitted up an old building into a gymnasium.

The annual Daily Vacation Bible School, which lasted two weeks, had the largest enrolment of any held in the three and a half years of my stay here. The intensive mission study for the Boys and Girls World Club and Children's World Circle was held in connection with the Bible school, and a collection of gifts sent to the Cuban children.

Our Girl Scouts had a garden as a project, raising vegetables and flowers. All during the summer there were flowers for the sick and also for the church services.

A Missionary Society and Parent-Teacher Association were organized during the year, and both are doing good work. Contributions from the Epworth League, Mothers' Club, and Missionary Society have furnished the needy underweight children with milk.

That which has brought the greatest joy during the past year has been the large number who have accepted Christ, finding in him the abundant life. Two revivals were held here during the year that re-

sulted in much good. Quite a number of parents, as well as young people, boys and girls, enlisted for the Master; and as a result many homes have become homes of prayer. All the services have increased in attendance and interest, and my earnest prayer is that the leavening force may grow and increase abundantly to the honor and glory of God.

Coal Fields, Capels, W. Va.

Deaconess Erlene Aylor reports:

Each day I am thankful for my appointment, as I know there must not be any place more interesting and more challenging than the coal fields.

I arrived here on September 1 to continue the work that was laid down by Miss Parham when she left in June. My first work was to get acquainted with the people and become familiar with the general situation. I was amazed to see how responsive and appreciative the foreign people are; and we have many of them.

The Sunday school attendance has doubled since summer. I have a class of fourteen enthusiastic intermediate boys and girls. Our superintendent is an unusual one.

The midweek prayer meetings are attended almost entirely by the young people and children.

The Woman's Missionary Society has grown in interest and membership. The women delight in giving entertainments. I have never seen people as hungry for amusement and entertainment as these people.

With a club of fifty-four Girl Reserves of various ages, one can imagine how hard it is to plan a program to interest all. Yet I have a point of contact there with some of them that I have at no other time. Thus I try to plant the seed of high ideals if other things have to be neglected.

Christmas the young people of the Sunday school gave a very beautiful pageant. Many of the members brought groceries, which were given to the Salvation Army to be distributed. The Epworth Leaguers gave a Christmas play which brought to all a clearer vision of service and self-sacrifice. The public-school children took groceries to school, which were then brought here to the Community House to be distributed to the needy families in our camp.

The work is very encouraging so far, although there is much to be accomplished. We are praying for a genuine revival that the grown people may realize that it is necessary for them to enter into the church organizations if the camp stands for righteousness.

East Bottoms, Kansas City, Mo.

Deaconess Frances Howard reports:

It is rather a difficult task to make out a report when one has only been on the field about five months; however, it was encouraging to find the work had been well organized and that the people of the community love to come to the Community House.

My first introduction to the people came through two parties that were given in my honor to welcome me into their midst; the friendliness manifested was most gratifying.

One of the first duties was to get acquainted with the community and learn the needs of the people. With a population of some twelve hundred people, possibly one-third are foreigners, naturally this means we have a Catholic element to deal with.

Besides the Catholic churches, there are three other denominations—

i. e., Baptist, Latter Day Saints, and Methodist—all having a small membership and carrying financial burdens.

Therefore, after a careful survey I found that in this now churching community the greatest need is religious education. Kansas City is fortunate in having the Week-Day School of Religion Movement; with this we were able to establish a school in our community. A Local Week-Day Board was organized in order to sponsor this work, while the Board of Education indorsed it, making it possible for us to have the second and third grades once each week for this religious instruction. Members of our City Mission Board feel that this movement in connection with our work is the biggest and most outstanding activity yet undertaken since the work was established several years ago.

Another very promising feature is the enlarged community program being carried on in the school, sponsored by the Board of Education and other social agencies of the community, including our community center. Two nights each week are given for this purpose. I have certain periods each night, also our boys' worker. Therefore, according to this program, we are able to reach a larger number of people, and the response has been fine.

Our little church, Garland Avenue (known to many Scarritt girls), offers a big challenge to Methodism of Kansas City; surely no greater task anywhere.

A church of some forty years' standing has seen better times spiritually, but today, with no resident pastor, the deaconess finds she is responsible for almost all of the activities; therefore I find myself playing the rôle of a "pastoress."

Although I am facing a big task, I am very happy in this new field of labor, and feel it a great privilege to be working for Him in this section of his vineyard.

METHODIST DORMITORIES

Hendrix Hall, Columbia, Mo.

Mrs. Adella B. Anderson, Director, reports:

In January, 1931, Hendrix Hall had the smallest enrolment in its history due to the economic situation, was filled for the summer session, and the final level of the fall semester, which gives promise of being maintained for the second semester, is seven above that of a year ago.

The difficulty of becoming oriented resulted in lower grades for a number of our girls at first. Marked improvement has been shown since. The ranking student in the University for 1930-31 was a Hendrix Hall girl. A goodly number stand high.

Our girls are eagerly sought by the sororities. Twenty-four pledges were added to the three active members who returned from last year.

The congeniality among the girls is gratifying. Something interesting in a social way is done each month. Besides, our hospitality was extended to the Y. W. C. A. and two organizations which it sponsors for a tea and initiation.

Morning worship has drawn a larger attendance with a deeper interest than for some other years. Occasionally girls have led. The beautiful Christmas vesper service was furnished entirely by members of the group. Speakers at other vesper services have been people outstanding on campus or in churches, each bringing a message of vital value to the lives of the girls. One girl preferred the vesper services to church because it seemed to have more of a personal value to her.

Looking back over the year with its tremendous problems, we feel that on the whole our girls have had a fine spirit, that they have been happy, that they are gaining in "womanly poise," and that their moral fiber has never been better.

We wish to express our appreciation for the co-operation of Mrs. Alford, the Director's cabinet of six fine girls, the Dean of Women, and the local Board in working out the problems of the year.

We have felt more than usual the need of God's guidance and wisdom, but we have faith that things are "coming out right."

Kirby Hall, Austin, Tex.

Mrs. B. R. Beeler, Director, and Mrs. C. F. Yeager, Business Manager, report:

The students at Kirby Hall seem happy and contented this year, they have enjoyed good health, and have been a source of great pleasure to us as their Director and Business Manager.

We have recently hung new draperies in the living-room, library, two small parlors, and the two offices in Kirby Hall. The girls seem to appreciate this very much.

At the opening of the University we had seventy-six enrolled in the dormitory, but on account of death in the home of one and on account of finances we lost ten at the beginning of the first semester; at the beginning of the second semester we had seventy enrolled. There are eleven denominations represented.

We are fortunate in having a great deal of talent in Kirby Hall this year, and we have tried to have various amusements and social gatherings for the girls, which they seem to enjoy, and they look forward to each entertainment with pleasure.

It is the desire of our hearts to exalt Christ in such a way that the young women will be drawn closer to him by having been associated with us at Kirby Hall.

MEXICAN WORK

Mexican Social Center, San Marcos, Tex.

Deaconess Mattie Cunningham reports:

Statistics reveal 16,916 contacts made. What has it meant? is the question. To some, perhaps, only disappointment in not securing material aid sought; to others a sweet gratitude for little benefit, while still others are happy in securing employment or for attention received during illness in the home. One young man requested a book that he might read about Jesus while away at work.

Appreciative young men avail themselves of night school opportunities made possible by college students happy to have this experience as they prepare for work in Mexican communities.

Young women made and sold a beautiful quilt and bought a linoleum rug for the Center.

A housekeeping course was helpful. One mother, being asked if her daughter told what we did, replied: "She no tell mucho; she show me. She wash dishes, she clean house, she make bed, same like you." Another member is much impressed with "the when we eat prayer."

Associated Charities function here. Calls for food are referred to them. Clothing is disbursed from the Center at the judgment of the deaconess.

American women assist Mexicans in making new or made-over garments for themselves or children. When necessary the Charities

provide for this material. Through like co-operation two Mexican families who lost everything in fire were rehabilitated.

A splendid Daily Vacation Bible School was held in the Mexican Presbyterian Church.

The Mexican Methodist Church now has a full-time pastor. The wife is dead. We help to mother the little boy and girl. The daughter, eighteen, in Holding Institute, home for Christmas, is a beautiful illustration of the work of Holding. Such personalities inspire to keep patiently at the task that we may be instrumental in encouraging other young lives to higher ambition.

We cannot be satisfied that they know "about Jesus." We would make him very real and vital to them. May they more truly realize as they sing that

"The little Lord Jesus, for you and for me,
Came down out of heaven, our Savior to be,"

and that

"The Lord Jesus who slept on the hay
Has gone back to heaven and loves us today."

Mexican Mission, Dallas, Tex.

Miss Lula Bell, Head Resident, reports:

The past year has been a hard year at the Mexican Mission in Dallas on account of the financial situation. It has been very hard on our Mexican people because it is hard on all classes and colors. Our people have to wait until the American citizenship has gotten jobs before they can hope to get anything; so there have been but few jobs left for them. Therefore jobless, hungry, and poorly clad people have found their way to the Mission. It makes our hearts bleed because we cannot help them as we would like to. We have a great many sick people, those who before this have been able to get doctors, but this year are not able; so we have tried our best to give them the medical attention that we could, and we think our Mission clinics have been an oasis in a dark and weary land for the people who have come to us. Dallas doctors have been fine in helping us, and wholesale drug stores in giving medicine. We fill from two hundred to three hundred prescriptions a week.

I think all of our activities are better this year than ever. May we fulfil the trust committed to us is my prayer.

Deaconess Grace Thatcher, Club Director, reports:

Another year of sharing joys and sorrows and ups and downs with a lovable people has passed. I sometimes think that their unwavering faith and trust in God during this time of physical want and suffering does more to help me than I can possibly do in ministering to them.

There have been two new phases added to our club work this year, which are a rhythm orchestra for boys and girls from six to twelve years of age, and a Boy Scout troop. The need of a Scout troop has long been felt, but only recently have we been able to secure a capable Scoutmaster among the Mexican people. At last our faithful and loyal pastor, Rev. Felix Segovia, was able to take up the work. We feel that it fills a real need in this community.

God has richly blessed our work here, for which I am deeply grateful.

Miss Mildred L. Timberlake, Kindergartner, reports:

In regard to the kindergarten of the past year I am very glad to report that the enrolment from September, 1931, to December 31, 1931, exactly doubled the enrolment of the kindergarten of September, 1930, to December, 1930. Am also very proud of the quantity and quality of work done by this group of children. They are very ambitious, energetic, and appreciative. Many of them have started into our little Sunday school.

Would also like to mention the outstanding work accomplished by the women of our Arts and Crafts Club in clay modeling and pottery. We have eighteen enrolled in the club, and we have a fine collection of pottery near completion. Our collection includes several beautifully carved lamp bases, several intricately designed vases, and one fruit bowl of unusual workmanship, also several small flower bowls displaying delicate modeling. These women have also learned to study the Bible stories assigned to them and tell them to the class. They have also learned to pray orally before each other and the volunteer helpers. We are very proud of this fact, as it is a strong sign of improvement in comparison to the fact that only one woman in the club would consent to pray at the beginning of the year.

Mexican Community House, El Paso, Tex.

Deaconess Josephine Berglund, Head Resident, reports:

One of our American friends recently told us that she felt that the people of the city and of the Conference had gradually but steadily come into a better understanding of what we were trying to do and a greater appreciation of and trust in the work and the workers. If that is true, nothing could give me more pleasure. Our work is slow because it is growth, and growth is slow. Some of our girls and boys have been with us now for two years, and if we have made them a little happier, made them feel a little better adjusted to the world, if we have held them a little closer to the thing that they have felt were right, and if on the whole we have helped them grow a little closer to noble manhood and womanhood, we are happy and feel that our work has not been in vain.

A younger Girl Reserve Club has been organizing, making our third Reserve Club. In the piano class we have fourteen pupils doing good work. A rhythm band of junior age street boys is growing into a violin class.

The Vocational School continues to send us teachers for the adult cooking and sewing classes, and the interest is good. Our women have shown a beautiful spirit of willingness to sew for families poorer than they. They have helped us clothe a number of our club children.

Through the help of the New Mexico Conference we have been able to instal a new piece of equipment, consisting of a slide, swings, and teeters. They are in use fourteen hours of the twenty-four. We have also been able to put up a new fence, of which we are very proud.

Our play director, Mr. Will Moore, is a splendid, clean Christian young man, a former "Y" director. The boys love him and respect him, and we are very much pleased with his influence over the boys.

We try to give each of our groups a party or an outing about once a month. I do not know whether we enjoy more taking our girls for a hike up the mountains, or taking our mothers for a drive, or giving our boys a real party. But I know that the loveliest thing we have had the privilege of doing was entertaining our club girls and their

mothers at a turkey dinner at Christmas time. About 145 were present, and for many of us it was a never-to-be-forgotten occasion.

In this time of need we have been able to give food to a number of needy families and clothes to more, but we have made a definite effort to discourage begging.

Summer seems a long way off, but we had two very interesting activities those months. We had a good Vacation Bible School through the month of June. Through July and August we operated a swimming pool in the neighborhood that had been closed for several seasons. The experiment was very gratifying, and we hope that either we or someone else will operate it next summer.

Deaconess Carrie A. Porter, Club Director, reports:

My work with the girls becomes more interesting month by month, for, as we know each other better, a mutual confidence is established which is impossible in the beginning. It was gratifying to see the large number of mothers attending the annual Girl Reserve Mother-Daughter Banquet at the Y. W. C. A. this past spring, when there were only one or two the previous year. Invitations to little home affairs, such as birthday breakfast for one of my Girl Reserves, are other indications of this confidence. I counted it a privilege to sit in the combination dining-room, living-room, bedroom, celebrating with cocoa and milk served with numerous kinds of sweetbread piled high on the cloth in the middle of the table. One might think "a queer birthday meal," but cleanliness, hospitality, and courtesy reigned, which made one feel it was quite appropriate.

The Worth-While Girls' Club, composed of working girls, is all excitement, as one of its members is to be married soon, and plans for a shower are in full sway. This is not the first wedding in our club, but it is the first one duly announced and to be celebrated in the church with one of the club members as maid of honor and all members, with their club colors, forming an aisle for the bridal couple. This club, with the Girl Reserves, made Christmas cheer for a widow and nine children, providing a tree loaded with gifts, candy, fruit, groceries, and clothes.

Cooking classes still are favored, both with the younger girls and adults, all being eager to learn American cooking, especially sweets of every kind. The reports of their efforts to demonstrate in the home what they have learned in class are both gratifying and amusing. I still insist that the Mexican people are loving and lovable.

Deaconess Anita Reil, Club Director, reports:

I find settlement work very interesting, and am enjoying it more every day.

Each morning from 8:30 till 11:30 I help groups of school children with their homework. They are first-grade children, ranging in ages from ten to fourteen years. They come to us at the time given them for play. They come to us with very little interest or pride in their work; but when I have given them a little individual help and encouragement, it is interesting to see the new hope and ambition they have. One group of them have made a whole grade this first term, and they hope to make another grade next term. We have splendid co-operation from the public-school teachers.

I have had the privilege of organizing two Girl Reserve Clubs, one among girls eleven and twelve years old and one with girls thirteen to fifteen. Among the younger girls fourteen were enrolled the first meeting, and there are now twenty-six, with nearly a hundred per cent attendance. It is a splendid group of girls, eager to learn, and so

hungry for the gospel. The older group too are very interesting girls. It is surprising that such refined, lovely girls can come from two-room adobe homes, often with dirt floors and other things corresponding.

Also I organized a Woman's Club. They like to forget their responsibilities and become children again as they play at picnic or eat together. They like the more serious things, too, and say that they can do their work better and with greater interest after the refreshment of the club.

Each day I have the story hour with the kindergarten children and take the older ones of them for a few minutes of first-grade work for a foundation for their school work next year. Also once a week I tell the health or Bible story to the sewing school children.

I can't say which part of my work I love best. I am only thankful for having a place in my Master's work. Being a Mexican, I can understand my people, and how I long to bring them to love and trust the Master as I do!

Deaconess Nelle McClain, Kindergartner, reports:

Working with little Mexican children in the community of El Centro Cristiano has indeed been a joy.

We are now in the third year of our kindergarten work and really feel that we have made some progress, both in numbers and in winning the love and confidence of the parents. Insufficient public-school facilities make a real need for work of this kind in this community. The co-operation which we have met has proven that need.

Our loyal American churches have stood back of us and helped in many ways; especially do they help at Christmas time, making it a most joyous occasion.

Birthdays and other special occasions are observed in kindergarten, in very simple ways, yet they are great times to these little dark-skinned children who have so little of the beautiful in their lives.

The primary department of our "El Masias" Sunday school meets in our kindergarten room, and the seven Protestant children of kindergarten age come regularly. Some Catholic children have come from time to time through the influence of the kindergarten. We hope and pray to accomplish more this year in this big field for service.

Wesley House, Houston, Tex.

Deaconess Eugenia Smith, Head Resident, reports:

The service of the Lord grows "sweeter as the years go by," and instead of trying to write a report I wish there was some kind of a "radio spotlight" that I could put in your hand and turn it on and let you see our field, our wonderful Mexican people, and our blessed opportunities.

Many times this last year we have hardly known what to do. Our people have suffered for the bare necessities of life, and so many could not find employment. We have been glad to live in their midst and try to be a friend when friends who love and understand are so badly needed.

They have been so fine spirited in sharing with each other, even to the last tortilla, and many have taken in whole families to share homes and all they have.

We have Mothers' Clubs, Missionary Society, Girl Reserves, Boys' Club, Glee Club, World Club, and two sewing schools. Our home is just a rented home and could not hold all the 160 who desired to come

and sew and have recreation and Bible classes; so we take those below the third grade on Friday and those above the third grade on Thursday.

I have the most interesting class of junior boys in the Sunday school. We have had some very definite decisions for Jesus and additions to our church.

Our outstanding work in 1931 was the Daily Vacation Bible School. We *borrowed* the public school building across the street, then limited the number to 150. Our average attendance was 129. Seventy-eight were perfect in attendance. We had some very splendid volunteer helpers, and one fine young Mexican woman was employed to help us, Herlinda Mendez. She was in our kindergarten in Fort Worth years ago and is now a teacher in the public school and wants to be a missionary nurse.

Mrs. Williford, our Board President, is a deeply spiritual woman and has the work close to her heart. Our American churches have helped with salaries, donations, and supplies for the work, and best of all has been the unselfish personal service they have given.

As we begin a new year our prayer is, "Lord, help us to be more like Jesus," and we do want to serve him better.

Deaconess Sue V. Herrick, Kindergartner, reports:

Our average attendance in kindergarten last year was thirty-six. To keep seventy-two little hands busy and direct thirty-six little minds and souls aright keep their "maestra" thinking and praying. To win many out of this number for our Mexican Sunday school means persuasion and much more prayer.

To win their mothers for our Mothers' Club and Missionary Society means tact and still more earnest prayer. You have to win their love and confidence first. But this is a worth-while work, and we feel so thankful for some of the results last year. The past year I have been responsible for the socials in the Mothers' Club and Missionary Society. I enjoy this work. I get the different American Sunday school classes and circles to furnish the refreshments and programs. These American friends enter into the spirit of the meetings. They play games with the Mexican women and sit in the same group while eating refreshments. This has been a means of bringing the two nationalities closer together. Often the American ladies say: "Oh, I just didn't know the Mexican women were so nice!"

I enjoy my part of the work in Miss Smith's large sewing classes. More than once the same little girl has to take out her work and do it over so it will be even, but they are always so sweet about it because they are anxious to do it well.

My Sunday school class is a joy to my heart. I have fourteen teenage girls. Some of these girls are so interested that they study their lessons well. Then at times I call on them to help teach, and I notice when they are teaching the other girls will listen even more attentively.

If there is any part of my work I enjoy more than the other, it is visiting in the homes of our needy and appreciative Mexican people. It is here where we can get closer to the mothers and can often help them by sympathy, council, and prayer.

Wesley House, San Antonio, Tex.

Deaconess Jane Wilkinson, Head Resident, reports:

It is my privilege to work with the Mexican people again. There are about eighty thousand Mexicans in San Antonio. Therefore a

large field and a great opportunity lie out before us. There is plenty of room for us and other community centers without any overlapping of work.

One of the things that has been helpful in bringing the work and workers of the community centers of different denominations closer together has been a monthly meeting of all the Protestant social workers with Mexican people. We take turns about meeting at the different institutions. Subjects vital to all institutions represented at the meetings are discussed. It becomes an occasion of mutual benefit and good fellowship.

I have been impressed with the fact here that the enrolment of our clubs and classes had to be closed so soon because our numbers would very quickly become too large for us to care for. It is easy enough to ask boys and girls to come to our clubs and classes, but it is not so easy to ask them not to come. When mothers come and ask eagerly if their boys or girls may come to sewing school or Bible school the second term, then surely the Wesley House has found a place in that home. With our girls' department, our boys' department, and the kindergarten going with capacity enrolments we are reaching a number of families.

We also have a day nursery, which is a great responsibility, but a great joy too. We are now taking care of thirty-five children while their mothers work. This means a great deal not only to the child in the nursery but to all the family.

The city health department and the Wesley House co-operate very closely in conducting the clinics here. For our children's clinic and pre-natal clinic the health department furnishes nurses and all medicines. The doctors, of course, give their time and services. We also have a dental clinic.

This is an hour of great need among our people. We pray that God may use us not only to help them in a material way, but that we may help them to maintain their courage and self-respect and that we may be used to point them to that light which shineth for all men.

Miss Rosamond Johnson, Kindergartner, reports:

With happy anticipation, but also with fear and trembling, I entered upon my first year's work under the Council. What a joy the work has brought!

Letting our hearts rule our heads, seventy-five children were enrolled in the kindergarten on the opening day. And still a number were turned away. We carry a permanent roll of sixty-eight.

Due to limited funds, it became necessary to dispense with the kindergarten assistant, and the group was divided into two sessions, morning and afternoon. The older children were placed in the afternoon group, where emphasis is placed on English and requirements for entering school. I could not wish for a more lovable or more responsive group than my Mexican children.

We are proud of our Parent-Teachers' Association, and in our organization we are striving as parents and workers to study the needs and how to meet the needs of our children. Our P. T. A. contributes regularly to the support of the Wesley House. A loyal, faithful group of officers head this organization.

It has been my privilege to serve as superintendent of the elementary department at our Mexican church. Just this year the graded literature, in Spanish, has been placed in our department. Both teachers and pupils have received it with delight and enthusiasm.

I thank God from the depths of my heart for the experiences of

the year and feel sure that I have received far more than I have been able to give.

Miss Mary Riddle, Girls' Club Worker, reports:

"Thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the Lord thy God hath given thee." (Deut. 26: 2.)

As each day passes I rejoice that God has given me the privilege of working with the Mexican people in San Antonio. The joys of a club worker are many, but I think my joys are doubled from coming in contact with the various groups of Mexican girls that come into my different clubs.

I am thinking of one fine Mexican girl who comes to the Business Girls' Club, a girl who has had very few privileges in life, but one who has found the greatest privilege in the world and that is to be a follower of Jesus Christ. The life of Phoebe is an inspiration to all who know her. It matters not if the weather is cold or the rain falling in torrents. Phoebe will walk five miles to come to the club meetings and Sunday school. Phoebe is a member of the Mexican Methodist Church and is an outstanding Christian leader among the Mexican young people of our community.

The girls in the various clubs have taken an interest in beautifying their clubroom this year. They have spent time, thought, and energy in making this part of the Wesley House beautiful. As one father told me when I visited in the home: "I stay at home at night and keep the children so that my daughter can go to the Wesley House. There she learns things that make our house look different, and she has brought home to me the Bible and Jesus Christ." Truly Christ is touching the homes of our Mexican people through the various clubs of the Wesley House. As we were making our plans for Christmas one of the girls suggested that we share with others, and at the close of our Christmas party have the story of the Christ-child and sing Christmas carols. Then everybody could go home feeling and knowing the real spirit of Christmas. From personal talks with the girls, they said: "This Christmas meant more to me, because I had found the Christ-child."

Besides my club work at the Wesley House, I have a Sunday school class of young women at the Mexican church. During this past year Christ has been very real to these girls. One girl is thinking of giving her life to Christ for definite Christian service. Through her Christian influence her mother, brother, and sister have been brought into the church.

Yes, I am happy for this place of work in the Master's vineyard, and I am praying and trusting that young hearts will be directed to him and many lives consecrated to his service.

Deaconess Ruby Berkley, Boys' Worker, reports:

"To him that hath shall be given, and from him that hath not, shall be taken away even that which he hath." This passage seemed to be working out true to form in my case, for I had felt that my work elsewhere had borne so little fruit, and then when I came here it seemed that it was going to be even less, so I was beginning to wonder if I was not one of those unfortunate ones who had not.

Things began to brighten up a bit as I began my second year here in September, and it is now a real joy to me to work with some of my groups.

My older boys feel that it is their responsibility to make their club really worth while, and they are very responsive. During this year, when many of them are unable to get work, they are a real help to me with my younger boys.

This older boys' club belongs to a basket ball league which is composed of groups from six Christian Mexican institutions, and the games are all played in our gym. We have only one more game to play, and my boys have not lost a single one, which means that they will win the championship for this year.

I try to limit the number in each of my five clubs of boys to twenty-five, but I have allowed the number to exceed that in my Friendly Indian Club. Altogether I have around eighty-five boys, and I find that most of them are perfectly happy if they can get a basket ball in their hands. The handwork for the different groups consists in making paper toys, clay modeling, and woodwork. I try to let them develop their own ideas in their handwork.

Some of my other duties are to help in the pre-natal and children's clinic, keep office, teach a Sunday school class in an American church, and do numerous other things that go along with Wesley House work.

NEGRO WORK

Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga.

Miss Thelma Stevens, Head Resident, reports:

The Father has blessed our efforts in 1931, and the work has prospered until at least some tangible results can be found.

The general activities not outlined in detail are playground, night school for adults, Saturday Bible school, case and family visiting, and activities of interracial import, all of which have been in a measure successful. Two projects seem to be specially worthy of note, namely, our summer Daily Vacation Bible School and our extension projects. The Daily Vacation School last summer included schools in five local churches, conducted the same time the Bethlehem House school was in session. Weeks previous to the opening of the schools leaders from the various churches came to Bethlehem House for a series of discussion on organization and plans for a Daily Vacation Bible School. Detailed outlines and plans for the schools were provided by Bethlehem House, but each church provided workers and financed its school. The total enrolment in all the schools was approximately eight hundred children.

The extension projects have been conducted with encouraging success in the two other Negro communities in Augusta, with headquarters at a local Baptist church in each community. The work has been done by students at Paine College under Bethlehem House supervision. Another piece of extension work has been successfully conducted in the Negro grade schools of the city supervised by the head of the Sociology Department at Paine College.

Boys' Work.—Two part-time boys' workers, both students at Paine College, have been directing the boys' work at Bethlehem House since September. The organized activities include clubs for boys, whose ages range from eight to twenty years. The total number of boys in organized groups approximates one hundred thirty.

The year 1931 has brought satisfaction and an ever increasing challenge to serve the Master by helping to bring the more abundant life to his little ones.

Miss Dorothy Weber, Club Worker, reports:

Hefrihago Junior Girl Reserves.—The Hefrihago Junior Girl Reserve Club has grown in interest and enthusiasm through the year. Our program has provided interests that have helped the group to interpret the purpose "to find and give the best." The club has

enrolled seventeen members and has an average attendance of thirteen at the weekly meetings.

Among the interesting projects undertaken by the club was the Christmas experiment. A needy family in our community was adopted and food and new clothing provided for each member of the family.

Well Baby Clinic.—In co-operation with the public health department and the local Association of Colored Physicians, a well baby clinic is conducted at Bethlehem House each week. For the past two years Dr. T. W. Josey has rendered volunteer service in this capacity. This clinic is rendering a much needed service in the community.

Day Nursery.—For two years a day nursery has been opened to children of working mothers in the community. The attendance has been small due to the lack of employment and to the newness of the project. For some weeks the Junior League of Augusta has provided milk for the children in the nursery, for which we are very grateful. But in spite of this aid, the nursery has had to close because of a decrease in the 1932 budget and the small number of children using the nursery.

Miss Felicia Starks, Kindergartner, reports:

Kindergarten.—The kindergarten at Bethlehem House is still wide-awake. The freedom which is allowed its members enables them to really learn through play. Chart work and sand table projects illustrating farm work have been special features for the year. There has been an average attendance of forty since last January.

Mrs. Allie Gardner, Girls' Club Worker, reports:

Girls' Clubs.—A two-weeks camp for Girl Reserves was held during the past summer, and a few of the Bethlehem House Girl Reserves and two of their advisers were able to attend. The camp was conducted by the Phyllis Wheatly branch of the Y. W. C. A., assisted by the Bethlehem House. It was a most delightful experience for the girls, and we are hopeful that another outing may be arranged for this summer.

Five clubs for girls were organized this year, with a total enrollment of seventy-five. Each club meets at least once weekly, has its own officers, and plan and carry out all business connected with the clubs. Each club works on a different project—sewing, cooking, handicraft, athletics, etc. One interesting project among the smaller girls (ages eight to ten) was the planning and construction of a model dollhouse. Special emphasis has been placed upon the active participation of club members in the church work of the community.

Bethlehem House, Birmingham, Ala.

Mrs. J. R. White, Superintendent, reports:

I am happy to report a splendid year of service, co-operation, interest, sympathetic understanding, and spirituality in the Bethlehem House.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was one of the outstanding pieces of work for the year. We enrolled 196, with a splendid daily attendance.

Our Christmas program was the best we have ever had, closing with a beautiful tree laden with gifts and fruit for all, supplied by friends of the board, Sunday school departments, and missionary

societies. Those in need in the community were also generously remembered. Joy reigned supreme.

All special days have been observed with suitable programs. Our clinic continues to fill a place of helpfulness in our community.

Elizabeth Branch, Kindergartner, reports:

The year 1931 was a good one for the kindergarten. The interest of the children and mothers has made the work delightful. Our enrolment was 69. I have also had the older girls in their club work. This "my task" has been a joyous one. It has been good to serve my God in this fruitful field.

Carrie Lomax, Girls' Club Worker, reports:

My work has been with the babies during the morning hours and with the junior club girls in the afternoon.

It is a joy to me to see the babies develop normally with the proper food and care.

In our club work, Bible drills and memory work go hand in hand with sewing, cooking, and "story hour." I count it a high privilege to "plant worth-while things in the heart of a child."

Allie Collier, Boys' Club Worker, reports:

It has been my happy privilege to serve in the capacity of music teacher and Boys' Club worker for the year 1931. The uppermost thought in all our contacts has been to make Jesus real in the lives of every group.

Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Miss Marian Brincefield, Worker, reports:

"Attempt great things for God;
Expect great things of God."

With this motto in mind, I began my first year in service in the basement of Reynolds Temple C. M. E. Church, Winston-Salem, N. C. There have been many experiences, opportunities for all kinds of service, and many problems to solve. We are an industrial center of 75,271 people. Of this number, 32,566 are Negroes.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed our work. As we look back over our four years of continued progress we feel grateful to him for the friends he has provided for us.

On December 30, 1930, we dedicated our new home to God and his service, and he has guided us onward into paths of success.

Our most outstanding feature this year was the class in child care and training of W. S. T. C. (formerly Slater Normal), which did its practice work in our home. They finished their work in December and closed the quarter with a party for the children, at which they served milk, sandwiches, ice-cream, cookies, apples, oranges, and gave to each child a handkerchief.

The following stories will give you an idea of the type of work we are doing:

Our grace at lunch hours impressed one little fellow who had never heard grace before, so that he refused to eat at home until his mother and he had murmured a sentence with bowed heads.

A little boy who had never slept in a gown was so elated over the experience that he refused to be dressed until he had been promised the privilege of sleeping in it every afternoon.

Another instance is of a baby who came to us the last of May undernourished and poorly clad. The mother, who has five children

of school age, has to work to support the family, as the father is unemployed and uninterested. She was not able to support her family and pay us for the baby out of seven dollars; so she became discouraged and left the baby at home for two weeks in July, during which time I persuaded her to return the baby and pay what she could. The baby by this time had contracted colitis and lost what weight he had gained with us. Our clinic gave him up and asked us to send him home; but our nurse said, "Where there is life there is hope," and she nursed him, through the month of August, back to health. He came to us five months old, weighing ten pounds. Now he weighs twenty-one pounds.

"Little we know whether smiles or tears
 Shall be our lot through the changing years;
 But this we know, and it stills our fears,
 That through all, the face of our God appears—
 And God does know." —*Anonymous.*

Paine College, Augusta, Ga.

Deaconess Ruth Bartholomew reports:

My second year at Paine College has brought to me a wider knowledge and a fuller understanding of the various factors in race relationships. The obstacles to harmony and co-operation seem great sometimes, but not so great that they cannot be overcome with patience, perseverance, and love. Paine College is having a good year. Despite the depression, our college enrolment was increased by a large freshman class. We are all very happy over the recognition by the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. We are looking forward to increased facilities that we may give greater opportunities to Negro youth to train them for real Christian leaders. As dean of women, I try to guide the girls into good habits and high aspirations, and I try to provide a wholesome social life on the campus. As teacher of English and Bible, I try to help my pupils find the practical help and noble ideals in literature and the profound truths of the Scriptures.

Deaconess Ruth Patton reports:

My experience at Paine College is so limited that a full report of my work is impossible.

At the close of this school year I will have taught ten different classes, with an enrolment of 153 students. My major teaching has been done in the home economics department, and in addition I have taught American history and physical education.

This year has been one of adjusting myself to the working with and for a different race. I have enjoyed the privilege of sharing the ideals of the home economics department with those girls who are going out to be the home makers and teachers in the Negro communities.

OTHER ENGLISH-SPEAKING WORK

Wesley House, San Francisco, Calif.

Deaconess Nellie Howard, Head Resident, reports:

Wesley Church and Community House is one of the prettiest of its kind that could be found anywhere. Although our work is very small in the West compared to that of the South, we are going forward, and God is blessing our efforts. We furnish opportunities to many who otherwise would not have them.

We have a very fine city mission board made up of representatives from each of our missionary auxiliaries around the Bay, who take a special pride in keeping our building and equipment in first-class condition.

Our church department is wholly under the supervision of the pastor and board of stewards. We co-operate very closely with them. Every department of the work is well organized and going forward.

Through the courtesy of our organist, Miss Helen Potasz, we have been able to offer music lessons to our children for the small sum of twenty-five cents. This keeps our music department busy three afternoons each week.

Through the kindness of Mr. Ellis G. Shook, a member of our board of stewards, and Miss Amy Bynum we have been able to offer classes in bookkeeping and commercial art. These teachers are very efficient, and we are doing a fine piece of work along this line, as well as giving lessons in shorthand, typewriting, business English, and spelling.

All of our club work is going forward under the direction of Miss Clara Hodgson, who may tell you about it in her letter.

Robert Anino, our part-time boys' worker, is doing a large work with our boys. Melville Wolff has charge of our Scout group, and Douglass Britton the Cubs. All are doing nicely, and our gymnasium is very popular.

We feel that we are doing a very important work, and we pray that God may give us grace and strength to continue in his name.

Deaconess Clara Hodgson reports:

Remaining in this field of service from year to year is like a gardener who works with the same plot of ground from year to year, constantly able to produce better results. Building on his experiences and knowledge of the past year, his blossoms of this year are continually more fragrant, useful, and lasting. So is my experience here valuable in enabling me to know the needs and meet these needs in an enlarged program of work.

A sewing school of fifty members was organized last October. Eight of the teachers are girls from the Methodist Training School. The school has drawn several members for our other clubs and Sunday school. The Girl Reserve work has developed into two large clubs, the junior and senior. The primary and junior clubs have done splendid work, and also the girls' athletics. I have fourteen volunteer workers in this program.

My relation to Wesley Church is a blessing to me. Work in the Sunday school, Leagues, and Missionary Society take every spare moment I have. There is an intimate, helpful relation between the church and club work of the entire institution.

Wesley House, Atlanta, Ga.

Deaconess Janet C. Head, Head Resident, reports:

During the year 1931 the number of people whom we have reached has not been increased, as our program for 1930 used every facility of our plant to the utmost; but there has been a deepening of the Christian fellowship between the people of the community and the resident workers.

My work has been with the women's groups, and it has been my privilege to have an increased friendship, as the months have passed, with the 144 women whom we have enrolled in our four clubs—Bible study, cooking, sewing, and kindergarten mothers.

There have been many of our people who have had to be helped

during these days when employment is so uncertain, and I have done all in my power to cheer and encourage. At our club meetings we try and find the things for which we can be thankful and forget the others. We do not have any funds for relief, but I have co-operated with the agencies which are organized for that purpose.

During the past year we have been helped in such a splendid way by the Woman's Missionary Auxiliaries in Atlanta, for besides a pledge to our budget they have done so many special things that have made it possible for us to labor more effectively in the Master's harvest. We have also received many boxes of supplies from the auxiliaries of the North Georgia Conference. These supplies of food and clothing have helped us to relieve much suffering among our people, and we can share in the joy of knowing that there are children able to attend school, well clothed and fed, who would be unable to do so if it were not for these elect women.

We are looking forward to the year 1932 as a year of renewed consecration and of joyful service in the Master's vineyard.

Deaconess Selma Pederson, Kindergartner, reports:

This has been another busy, happy year for us in our Wesley House work.

We have had more pupils in our pre-school kindergarten than were enrolled last year, and yet not too many to handicap our work because of lack of space and equipment. The children are healthy and happy. On sunshiny days they spend much of the time playing on our large playground. Instead of having a regular Thanksgiving party for the children this year, we took them to visit a dairy. This was an interesting and educational experience for them.

Our Kindergarten Mothers' Club is a helpful organization. The mothers come to the Wesley House one Monday afternoon each month for a program and social hour. They were invited to our kindergarten Christmas party, at which the children gave a program of songs, games, and rhythm band music for them. They are much more interested in working with us for the good of the children after they have personal contact with the Wesley House.

The children who come to the story hour, called the "Sunshine Club," are still spreading sunshine with their happy smiles. At Thanksgiving time they made little baskets in which we put candy to take to the Old Soldiers' Home.

Our music department is a valuable asset to our work. Two days a week individual and group piano lessons are given, and two Saturdays each month we have rhythm band practice and recitals in which each pupil takes part.

Sometimes it seems that we are doing little in this great field of service; but if we have made one person gain a deeper knowledge of the Father, if we have helped one child make the right start in life, our work has not been in vain. I pray that in the days to come I may become more consecrated, more worthy of carrying on my small part in this work.

Deaconess Mary Lou Barnwell, Club Director, reports:

"Christ has no hands but our hands
 To do his work today;
 He has no feet but our feet
 To lead men in his way;
 He has no tongue but our tongue
 To tell men how he died;
 He has no help but our help
 To bring them to his side."

More and more each day I realize that God has much for us to do. Jesus could not do it all, so he left his work in the hands of his friends when he departed. And it is a great joy to help bring his little ones to him through the Wesley House.

I feel that our work has been more constructive this year than ever before. Our programs are planned to meet the vital needs of the community, to lead our people into the abundant life. It is not our aim to make them over into roses, but we do want to help them become shining lights for Jesus, thereby making their homes and this community better places in which to live. Through well planned programs and Bible study we are striving to bring out the best in the boys and girls and help them feel their responsibility as young leaders and followers of Christ.

The club director has a wonderful opportunity in working with these young lives, and it is worth everything she has to put into it. This has been a great year, and as the new year opens before us we pray for courage, knowledge, and faith to carry on in a better way than ever before.

"Trust in the Lord with all thy heart, in all thy ways acknowledge him, and he will direct thy paths."

Wesley House, Louisville, Ky.

Deaconess Ellen B. Gainey, Head Resident, Deaconess Elizabeth Russell, Girls' Worker, Mrs. W. W. Hopper, Music Teacher, and Mr. Hewitt McIntosh, Boys' Worker, report:

As we have tried to evaluate our work of the past year we have been conscious of two things—that the emergencies of the time have both consciously and unconsciously modified the personality of the settlement, not so much in a modified program as in spirit. More than ever has the settlement been a character-building institution. Perhaps the one big thing which the settlement has done for the neighborhood during the year was to bolster up the threatened morale of the people in their time of extreme need.

Again we have been conscious more than ever that the realm of the settlement is primarily that of personality, that perhaps the most valuable contacts which the settlement makes are the informal ones which do not appear in any schedule or program.

In making this study for ourselves we have not been so interested in what has been done in the matter of activities, but rather what these activities have done for us and our people.

Early in the year, and again at the close, through co-operation with the Municipal Employment Bureau, we had the physical appearance of the place improved by painted floors, walls, mended chairs, and whitewashed basements at very little expense to us.

One of the first *new* projects of the year was the establishment of a branch of the public library in the House with a city paid worker two days a week. This has meant much to the school children in the way of pleasure and real help in home work, as well as to the adults in pleasure derived from increased reading facilities. Especially has this been true of many adults who have unwanted free time because of unemployment. The library has been a vital factor in helping our people divert their minds from their personal problems.

Every forward-looking settlement is stressing social music in its program; not an isolated music department, but one which is a hand-maiden to the general program of the house. Our music department has come nearer being that this year than ever before. There has been a definite schedule of formal piano and voice instruction, as well as formerly organized choral work with both children and adults, but

never before has the music department "lent itself out" so for the enjoyment of the general house program. Many helpful contacts have been established and cemented in the music activities, especially in the Wesley House community chorus. It has done more than merely train the voice of mothers buried beneath household cares and harassed by the uncertainty of living incidental to limited budgets. To sing when the heart carries a burden means much.

We have been pleased that this is in all truth a community chorus, people coming to us from the choirs of the various churches of the neighborhood as well as those who are definitely our own.

One activity of interest to the house in general—boys, girls, and mothers—was the week spent at Louisville Fresh Air Home in Pewee Valley. Through the kindness of some of our church friends we were able to provide transportation by interurban, out and back, with refreshments on both trips. To the tired mothers it was a week of rest and relaxation as well as of freedom from the routine of household cares. To the boys and girls, who lived gladly, played Indians, swam, hiked, and knew the youthful abandon of the out-of-doors, it was a week of glorious adventure. It was a week of happy experiences for the 118 mothers and children who went.

In evaluating the year's programs with our boys and girls we have had as our criterion, not the actual work achieved, but rather the stimulation and enlistment of life-interests along lines worth while. We have felt that it doesn't matter so much that a boy become particularly skilled in woodwork, for instance, if he has an appreciation of the beauty of the grain of the wood and an active interest in what might be designed in his own mind and produced from the wood. To us the chief concern is not the number of hikes we've had with the girls and boys, or even the number who went on these hikes, but rather whether or not the interest of the child was caught by the structure of the rocks, by the fluffy, clean young bat found hanging on the limb; whether or not his or her resourcefulness and ingenuity is called forth in the building of the improvised furnace for camp cooking, or whether his or her imagination was fired by the flames of the camp fire, or the eye was caught by the glory of the bittersweet in its autumnal display; whether or not the day provides happy experiences which the child will love to relive many times in his memory.

In all the activities for boys—Scouting, basket ball, friendly Indian and pioneer clubs, Bible school, hikes, woodwork, handball, game room and gym—the aim has been, not merely to keep them off the streets and give them wholesome entertainment, but at the same time to give ideals and principles of living which will carry over into daily life.

Underlying all the activities of the program for girls—cooking, sewing, music, basket ball, gym, Bible school, hikes, parties, week-end camping trips, kitchen-garden, children's hour, and Girl Reserve groups—has been the one objective of the dawn of well-rounded, wholesome, hearty girlhood, with its face to the sunrise of worthwhile, serious-minded, happy womanhood.

There have been many happy associations of workers with boys and girls, of boys with boys, girls with girls, and of boys with girls in the club activities of the year. There have been less serious discipline problems this year than ever before.

One activity which we all enjoyed during the summer was our Daily Vacation Bible School, with the 129 boys and girls enrolled. The theme of the school was a study, "Hebrew Life." Lovely old Hebrew chants with their minor strains and antiphonal refrains

were loved by the children when they once learned them in the music period. Hebrew customs, modes of living, dress, etc., became a part of the working knowledge of the children through their Bible study. Episodes from Hebrew history were the background of the closing pageant of all the Daily Vacation Bible Schools of the city, and in which our children participated. The missionary offering which the children contributed as a part of the daily worship service was sent to help establish Daily Vacation Bible Schools in Palestine.

One concern of the year has been for the number of older boys out of employment. The outdoor handball court, basket ball, library, and game room, where hours have been spent at chess, checkers, ping-pong, rock, camelot, touring, and carrom, have been the attractions open to them. Our problem has been not primarily that they were unemployed, as much as we regretted that, but that they not become unemployable. There has been a marked improvement in many of this group in their attitude toward the House and what it stands for; so we feel that the settlement has helped definitely in keeping up their morale.

The main features of the adult club life of the House were the regular weekly meetings of the Mothers' Club, the Mothers' Club sewing group, the week at Louisville Fresh Air Home, and the Wesley House community chorus. Perhaps there has always been a keener appreciation of Wesley House in the hearts of the mothers than in any other group which comes to us. The trials of this year have brought back to us many of former years, who had either moved or gotten where they had not particularly needed us. They remembered Wesley House as a place of friendliness and returned in their hour of need.

The rather full program of the year would have been impossible had it not been for the co-operation and help of the faithful corps of volunteer workers who came to us from the various missionary groups, Epworth Leagues, and Sunday school classes of the churches, from recreational council, and from the Baptist Woman's Missionary Training School. We are indeed grateful to them as we review the year's work.

Kingdom House, St. Louis, Mo.

Deaconess Lois Tinsley, Head Resident; Deaconess Pearle Edwards, Director Girls' Department; Deaconess Birdie Reynolds, Kindergarten; Miss Inez Perry, R.N., Clinic Nurse; H. Linwood Robinson, Director Boys' Department; Mrs. Jean Naumann, Day Nursery Matron; Miss Louise Stone, Office Secretary.

Deaconess Lois Tinsley reports:

After a year of rest, study, and recreation I am glad to greet once again the readers of these pages and happy to be counted with the workers in God's vineyard.

The city of St. Louis is divided into twenty-six districts, and the one in which Kingdom House is located is said by welfare agents to have more delinquent cases than any of the districts. Kingdom House and its staff of workers are doing their part in helping to rehabilitate many of these families as well as being a friend to many others who need uplifting socially, morally, and spiritually.

Owing to the unemployment situation our day nursery is smaller than it has ever been. Several of these who do come are brought to us to get the nourishing food that they need but could not get at home. These conditions necessitate a great change in our regulations, as but very few are able to pay the small fee that nurseries usually charge.

The continued generous gifts of canned vegetables and fruits from the Missionary Societies of the Conference have helped us in feeding the nursery children as well as enabled us to give many emergency baskets to needy families.

Although the City Hospital and a Catholic hospital are in walking distance of us, the waiting-room is so filled with patients each clinic day that the doctors find it necessary to stay much longer than the promised hour in order to see all. Besides the follow-up visits, our nurse has given quite a bit of free care in the homes; also, she continues to teach in Sunday school.

The Mothers' Club disbanded in May and failed to reorganize in the fall term. We, however, gave a dinner party the week before Christmas to the mothers of the nursery children, and used them as a nucleus for a new club, which promises to be a success.

Besides the usual Christmas festivities, such as giving of baskets, trees, and parties at Kingdom House, several from other parts of the city took different age-groups of our children to their homes for afternoon, evening, and spend-the-day parties this year.

Since my transfer to St. Louis the first of November I have attended several committee meetings of the Community Council as well as some of the Missionary Societies. I have a class of older teen-age boys in Sunday school, and find much joy in looking into their eager faces as I bring them the lesson each Sunday.

Mr. H. L. Robison continues to direct the Boys' Work Department with Mr. J. T. Anderson to assist him. Voice lessons, dramatics, and tap dancing have been added to the activities of that department. By the help of interested friends three boys are being sent to school.

Deaconess Pearle Edwards reports:

I am glad to report that the Girls' Department has an assistant this year—Miss Grace Perry, from Mississippi. She is a very fine athletic director and also assists in the larger clubs. Miss Birdie Reynolds, the Kindergartner, is helping a great deal with the hand-craft groups. Thus you can readily see that our department has grown considerably during the past few months. We are offering sixteen different clubs and classes for girls from six to twenty-one years of age. The activities in the clubs are: Story hours, group singing, sewing and embroidery, paper craft, home decorations, etiquette and manners, table service, cooking, outing and trips, parties, dramatics, pageantry, health work, discussion groups, parliamentary law, social service activities, active participation on programs. Such a privilege and such responsibility! We face the challenge of the new year to do greater things in the Girls' Department for our Master.

Deaconess Birdie Reynolds reports:

My work this year has been quite varied. Besides kindergarten in the mornings, I assist with the Mothers' Club and two girls' clubs. One month I had charge of the nursery, due to the illness of our Nursery Matron.

In Sunday school I am Superintendent of the Primary Department, in which forty-seven are enrolled. Visiting in the homes, I find that the children in my department come from several denominations, but we welcome them and their parents, too, as our aim is not to stress denomination, but to help them to walk in the Way of Life. We find the field large and the need great.

Wesley House, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Deaconess Moselle Eubanks, Head Resident, reports:

Time passes quickly when we are engaged in work we love, and

surely the year 1931 has passed all too rapidly for me. Each season of the year in a Wesley House program brings its outstanding event. During the first quarter of this year came our pre-Easter revival, when we saw many of our people renew their vows of loyalty to Christ and eleven others unite with the church on profession of faith. The next quarter brought our Daily Vacation Bible School in June. There were nine Sunday schools and six day schools represented in our enrolment of a hundred and forty-five pupils. Twenty volunteer workers helped to make this the most successful Vacation School we have had. During the summer quarter very little organized club work was done, but a program of recreation was carried on with the young people. Just before the opening of our new club year the first of October, an effort was made to visit every home in our district to acquaint the people with the nature and purpose of the clubs to be organized. Throughout the year we have had sixty-three volunteer workers.

Much of my time has been spent visiting in the homes of our people, following up families where relief has been given, and aiding the district nurse in caring for her patients. I superintend the junior department of our Sunday school, assist with some of the clubs and with the Missionary Society.

We have had splendid co-operation from the teachers in our neighborhood school, from other welfare agencies, and from our Methodist women of Oklahoma. Without their support much of our work would of necessity remain undone. I find real joy in my work here in Oklahoma City, and I am glad of the opportunity of serving here.

Deaconess Inez Martin, Club Director, reports:

During the past year a growing interest has been shown on the part of the children and young people who attend the clubs and various group meetings.

My work with the primary children on Sundays and the clubs for boys and girls ranging from nine to twenty years of age gives much variety to the week's work.

The junior boys are very interested in carpentry work and some have made considerable progress.

The thirty-five or forty junior girls who attend the Nitene Club every Wednesday to enjoy singing, stories, and handwork show their interest by their regular attendance.

The Girl Reserve groups have had splendid attendance and interest.

The Junior Dramatic Club is always filled to capacity, and numbers are on the waiting list. This year they have been presenting little character-building plays.

The Pioneer Boys' Club, the Game Room, Library, and Hi-League have all made growing progress.

My greatest joy this year has been in the realization of fruits from my labors. Some of our problem children have surprised us. One girl who had given us so much trouble because of her attitude in general has developed into a fine leader in the Junior Girl Reserves. Another, who presented such a problem because she would not attend school, has not missed a single day without an acceptable excuse. She is one of our very brightest and most capable girls, and if she is directed rightly, I have hopes of her developing into a very useful girl. There are others I could mention, if space would permit, who have shown such marked improvement in the past two years.

This has indeed been a happy year in the service of the Master.

Centenary Methodist Institute, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Berta Ellison, Head Resident, reports:

This cannot properly be considered an annual report, since my régime here covers only the last quarter of 1931. So allow me to raise one question and try to answer it, How does C. M. I. look to me? It looks like a real community center for these reasons:

1. The co-operation given to it by other community-wide organizations—namely, Nashville Boys' Club and the Nashville Public Health Nursing Council. A director for boys' work is furnished by the Nashville Boys' Club, which is committed to work with boys between the ages of nine and eighteen years, functioning mainly through an athletic program. The Nursing Council maintains two public health nurses in the district of North Nashville, and these use C. M. I. clinic as headquarters not only for supplies, etc., but also for three afternoon clinics. This, together with a part-time nurse on C. M. I. staff, serves in a splendid way the health needs of the community.

2. The location, size, and equipment of the building all contribute toward meeting community-wide needs. Thirteen basket ball teams called C. M. I. gym home during the fall and winter season, every one of them North Nashville groups.

3. There is no overlapping or competition with organizations having a similar program and plan of work.

4. North Nashville has a large number of substantial citizens with sufficient interest and civic pride to rally to a program calculated to lift the standard of living for a minority group.

5. Enrolment in clubs and classes during the quarter reached around six hundred. Attendance has been unusually good and interest sustained.

6. The Goodwill Department functions in the field of relief and family rehabilitation. Its slogan is "Not charity, but a chance."

Yes, C. M. I. looks to me like a *real* community center.

Deaconess Maybeth Sykes, Girls' Club Director, reports:

The position as director of the Girls' Department opened a new avenue in my experience. I have found this avenue filled with opportunities for aiding in the physical, mental, and spiritual development of 256 girls. Their ages range from six to eighteen years, and the activities are carefully planned to interest them according to their various age-groups.

The Little Home Makers' Club is for the girls as they graduate from kindergarten. Here it is possible for them, through the provision of attractive, miniature furnishings for bedroom, sitting-room, dining-room, and kitchen, to practice "keeping house." These little "housekeepers" are equally interested in the worship, handwork, and social activities which occupy time in each of their weekly periods.

Then as the girls grow older they become more anxious to perfect themselves in those two age-old and important arts, cooking and sewing. The attendance in these groups has been gradually growing since October. This last fact is also true of the Girl Reserves. It has been interesting to note the poise and confidence which individuals have evidenced as they have participated in the Girl Reserve meetings.

Piano lessons have been an added feature in the department this year, and the ten pupils entering upon this work seem eager to advance and gain skill in the art.

Centenary's gymnasium affords a place for development of good sportsmanship and physical prowess among the younger and older

girls, whether their interests be centered around relay games or basket ball.

It has been my privilege to teach a Sunday school class at Monroe Street Church. This class is composed of nineteen young women. Never in my experience have I found a more loyal, enthusiastic group. It is a joy to work with them.

It would be impossible to "carry on" without a faithful and capable band of volunteer workers. These have come from Scarritt and from the churches. Each one of them is putting her best into the program. Together, we feel that we are collaborators with Him whose message and spirit ever inspire us to lead these girls on toward the abundant life.

Miss Mattie Varn, Kindergarten Worker, reports:

Since my arrival at Centenary in the fall it seems that I have been on a series of joyful adventures into new and strange lands. Each new day brought new contacts as we visited in the homes of the people, and there was much for a beginner to learn. These first days helped me to appreciate the friendship of my co-workers and our happy home life.

The adventures with the kindergarten children have been most delightful. We visited the Indians of long ago and those of today. We attended the first Thanksgiving feast and, like the Pilgrims, thanked the Heavenly Father for his care over us. A morning was spent in Centennial Park, in which the beauty, life, and playground equipment revealed to us a Father's desire for our happiness. As we journeyed toward Bethlehem the children's idea of a Santa Claus sand-table scene changed to one of that first Christmas night. Several pauses were made on our adventures—one at Thanksgiving, one at Christmas, and one in Eskimo land—for a social get-together, so that our parents might enjoy our good times with us. The kindergarten rhythm band has been an added attraction at these parties.

Besides trying to broaden the intellectual understanding of the child, attention has been given to his physical and spiritual welfare. There has been an attempt to use every opportunity to teach cleanliness and care of the body. Much stress is given to the development of right habits of conduct through play, work, worship, and social contacts during the lunch hour.

As an experiment, a series of meetings for the parents for the purpose of studying child problems has been begun. The first meeting was well attended, and worth-while results are anticipated.

Our splendid pianist and loyal corps of volunteer workers have a great part in making the work a success.

Although directing the kindergarten is my principal work, I have certain hours in the office, help occasionally with other clubs and classes, and teach a Sunday school class of eleven energetic intermediate girls. I feel it a great privilege to work with these girls, for as our acquaintance has developed I have had a growing appreciation of the fine qualities exhibited in each personality.

Wesley House, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Deaconess Edith Leighty, Head Resident, reports:

For the first time, I have had the experience of returning to a former work, coming to Chattanooga after an absence of four years. The first month was spent largely in meeting old friends and trying to remember the grown-up children.

We have not undertaken a large number of activities, feeling it

would be wiser to work in a more intensive way with a few groups at the beginning. The heartiest response to our efforts has come from the Mothers' Club. The time of meeting has been changed from afternoon to evening to accommodate those who work. Each program has been built with the thought of meeting some special need of the mother in relation to the home. There has been no handwork. The women are working for their club, and the interest and attendance have been very gratifying.

The Public Library has co-operated by keeping a shelf of books, especially suited to our needs, in our library. Nearly one thousand cases have been treated in the clinic, and about one hundred bottles of milk have been distributed daily by the Free Milk Association.

Miss Bertha Hogg, Nursery Director, reports:

Sunshine Shop has had on roll twenty-seven children since I came. The Missionary Societies and Sunday school classes have sent lovely donations of canned goods, soap, towels, and wash cloths, which have cut the nursery expenses considerably.

Wesley Institute, Memphis, Tenn.

Deaconess Jennie C. Congleton, Head Resident, reports:

As one of the recognized outstanding social agencies of the city, Wesley Institute has had a real mission during the past year. God richly blessed our efforts to meet the great need. It has been necessary to give much material aid, and we have striven to take advantage of these contacts to reach people in a definitely spiritual way. Our program is planned to center around Jesus Christ, who said: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

We opened the fall work with two new workers. The coming of Miss Byers as kindergartner meant for the first time the Institute had three deaconesses.

Christian character-building is our aim, and throughout our program we are striving to plant in lives a desire for better living and a realization that they can live above their environment and in spite of it can find peace and joy, which can only come to those who commit their lives to Jesus Christ.

As the boys and girls come to us for their various activities our privilege is to try to instil high and right principles of living, and help them find their places in their own homes and in the plan of God.

It has been necessary this year for mothers to work who had not worked before, and our day nursery has proven a great blessing.

Our three weeks' Daily Vacation Bible School was quite a success. Some of our helpers in this school and also for other occasions during the year were girls from our community who have had years of contact with the Institute.

The heart of humanity in our city seemed to stir in an unusual way this Christmas season. Scores of individuals and organizations felt constrained to share with those who were passing through trying times. Many contacts were made through the Institute, many needy families provided for. We were also instrumental in placing eighteen children in private families for the holidays; both children and homes into which they went were richly blessed.

Our ideal for Wesley Institute this year is that it may prove to be a "city set upon a hill, which cannot be hid," that we may so keep the love light of Christ shining that many may be drawn to enjoy its warmth, and come to "glorify our Father which is in heaven."

Deaconess Jessie Mae Byers, Kindergartner, reports:

I am glad that it is my privilege to serve as a kindergarten teacher.

We have enrolled forty-five children in the kindergarten, and have an average attendance of twenty-eight. We have various types of children. Some of them are Italians, Catholics, and Protestants.

The lunches for the children are served by the women of the various churches.

We have had the Thanksgiving and Christmas parties.

It is said that a little child shall lead them, and we hope that these little children will be the means of leading their parents and other members of the family to know Jesus Christ and his great love.

Deaconess Daisy Johnson, Boys' and Girls' Worker, reports:

Living in a Wesley House is much nicer than I ever dreamed it could be. The days are filled with new and joyous experiences and opportunities of service.

We have two sewing schools each week. The doll sewing school includes girls from six to ten years of age. It is a genuine privilege to look into their happy faces once a week and see how rapidly they learn to use the needle. The girls in the older school are happy in making clothes for themselves. The three cooking classes are learning to be real home makers.

The older girls' club meets every Tuesday night, and they are certainly a wide-awake bunch. They prepare their own devotionals and two times a month their own programs. We gave a Christmas pageant, and are planning one for Easter. The boys' club is constantly growing. It is interesting to see how quiet the boys are to listen to a story. They are the best singers I have ever heard for their age. When the story is over, we have great fun playing ball. In all these activities we are trying to point the children and young people to a higher life.

The fine co-operation of the missionary women of Memphis has made the carrying on of this work possible. I have splendid volunteer helpers in sewing, cooking, and boys' club. I do not want to trade jobs with anybody I know.

Wesley House, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Lora Long, Head Resident, reports:

In thinking over the work of the past year, one thing stands out more than any other part—that is, the conversion of some of our young people in our pre-Easter campaign. One young man, who had been in our clubs for years, was a wild, reckless fellow, and had given us a great deal of trouble. He was happily converted and immediately began trying to win others for Christ. He soon won his father, who was a drunkard, his mother, and two sisters, who all united with the church. Through their influence we began having cottage prayer meetings, and the interest grew until we decided to have two a week, one at Wesley House and one in some home in the community. They have been so interested in these meetings, and we often have from fifty to eighty in attendance. There have been over twenty conversions, and most of these have united with some church. We began them the first of May, and they are still going twice a week.

It has been such a happy experience for us to see whole families accepting Christ and joining the church. In nearly every one of these homes there was no Bible, and we have not only given one to each family but have tried to help them learn to read it intelligently. Truly, they were "babes in Christ." We have invited preachers from

over the city to bring us messages at some of the prayer meetings. It has been such an inspiration to see the earnestness and eagerness with which they listen to every word that is said. Little by little, we have gotten some of them to pray in public, testify, and several led a meeting.

When we see the transformation in their homes and in their lives and hear them say they can face the problems of life more easily now because they know Jesus, we remember the promise, "God is able to save to the uttermost all who put their trust in him." What a privilege to have a part in this work!

Deaconess Lora Lee Pederson, Club Worker, reports:

"Come along to camp!" This is the slogan that all Girl Reserves call to each other during the month of June. There is no activity in the girls' department which is looked forward to more than camping. Each year those girls who are eligible by right of being in good standing in the club are taken to Hillview Lodge, where they are taught lessons in cleanliness, order, fun, and good sportsmanship. The girl who is eligible to go to camp is considered a lucky girl. Last summer we took about fifty-five girls to camp.

These girls have enjoyed a project called "Know Nashville." Trips have been made to the state capitol, a biscuit company, the home of a daily paper, and several other interesting places. Some of the girls wrote diaries, telling of the things they had learned on these trips, and each girl felt as if she really knew her city better than when the project was started.

The girls of the sewing school decided that they wanted to have a style show in the spring to show their parents the things they had made during the year. Jingles were written about the things they had made. One of the girls acted as announcer and read the jingles as the girls paraded in their pajamas and dresses. Others showed luncheon cloths and demonstrated table setting. The style show was so successful that it is to become a tradition at Wesley House.

Little Mothers have enjoyed their club this year, and the attendance has grown.

The cooking school girls closed their work with a luncheon. They were very proud of themselves for having prepared all of the food.

Several of our girls and boys have joined the church this year, and we are praying that others will want to live the fuller, richer life of a Christian.

Miss Thelma Heath, Lucy Holt Moore Kindergarten, reports:

"O, teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart."

One realizes the need of this prayer when a tiny voice says, "Please teach me to thank the Heavenly Father by myself so that I can thank him every time I eat." What a privilege to lead little ones to know the Father in such a definite way!

Seventy-five children have been enrolled in kindergarten since September. At the present time the enrolment is fifty-six, and the average attendance has been good. Mothers and children have enjoyed the parties given at Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine. At these times the mothers have had opportunities to see what the kindergarten is doing for their children and the great need for their co-operation.

If those who do not believe in fairies could visit the kindergarten in May, I am sure their faith in them would be strengthened. "Fairies are really truly," so the children say. This is the operetta we are presenting on our closing program in May.

With the aid of very dependable and efficient volunteer helpers we feel that we have planted seed in the lives of the children that will bring forth bountiful harvest in the future.

On Friday afternoons from sixty-five to seventy-five boys and girls attend Story Hour, where they are taught Bible verses, songs, stories, and games. We strive to lead the children through the program of this club to have a greater love for God and their country, to appreciate the beautiful in the world about them, and to learn the value of good sportsmanship.

The beginner and primary departments of the Humphrey Street Sunday school, which meet in the kindergarten building, are making progress. A reverent attitude is manifested in our worship program, and we feel that these boys and girls are learning to worship in a real way.

Deaconess Una Smith, Kindergartner, reports:

Each morning between fifty and sixty happy, eager, trusting little tots come running and skipping to Wesley House for kindergarten. They can hardly wait until time to come because here a toyland or fairyland awaits them. All morning they are busy with toys, scissors, colors, paste, games, songs, stories, and lunch. Through these activities they come to know God as a loving Father. They learn consideration for others, how to share, and to be kind and obedient. In other words, they are starting on a road that will lead to Christian citizenship. This year much joy has come from the hot soup served each Friday by a nearby church. Attendance has been unusually regular. Three children are on the last lap of a two-year perfect attendance record. The members of the Old Ladies' Home and children in the City Hospital have been remembered by the kindergarten, and all have been blessed.

The Mothers' Club has grown in interest and service. The newly elected officers went to work quickly and have proved to be very efficient.

The brightest, happiest group of junior boys and girls to be found in Nashville meet every Sunday morning in the clubroom of Lucy Holt Moore Kindergarten. Jesus has become very real to them this year, and several are now preparing for church membership.

Truly this has been a great year, and service in His name grows sweeter each step of the way.

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Wesley House, St. Joseph, Mo.

Deaconess Florence Blackwell, Deaconess Verdie Anderson, and Miss Anne Coucoules report:

The Wesley Community House ministers to a community of about fifteen thousand people, in which are small groups of many nationalities, Armenian, Roumanian, Polish, Serbian, Croatian, Mexican, and many others, the greatest number being Americans.

The work is being done through the day nursery, kindergarten, mothers' club, and boys and girls clubs.

The day nursery has been small because of unemployment, but is making itself felt in the homes. One mother said: "My little girl

learned to ask the blessing at Wesley House, and we always have it at our table."

The kindergarten, under Miss Anderson, has ministered to all classes of homes, and its influence has been evident in the higher ideals brought into the homes through these children.

The Mothers' Club through the years has come to be a real factor for good in the community. Through its loan chest, provision for needy families, some of whom are members of the club, visiting in the homes of the sick, and through its own cultural program, homes are made better and the community is uplifted.

A sewing class, in which mothers are taught to make over old clothing, is proving a real benefit.

Miss Coucoules has charge of the club work for boys and girls and young women. Two splendid groups of Girl Scouts are doing regular scouting and are registered with the national organization. The junior group are very much interested in the choral club.

The younger girls are organized as Brownies and Tweenies, preparing to become regular Scouts. Miss Anderson helps with these groups.

A tumbling and health class is also conducted.

An Industrial Girls' Club, composed largely of girls from the packing houses, is doing splendid work in art and in domestic science.

A Scout troop, three Cub packs, and a Friendly Indian Club constitute the work for boys.

One of the main features of the work is in the relief department. Many unemployed families are receiving canned fruit and clothing which is provided by the missionary societies of the Missouri Conference.

Wesley House, Fort Worth, Tex.

Deaconess Ella Bowden, Head Resident, reports:

I rejoice greatly in the privileges and opportunities which have been mine during another year's work in Fort Worth Wesley House. The activities of the settlement are many. The work in every department is on the upward move, a steady development.

Much relief work has been done, as the people had very little work. The Welfare Board and City Hospital have co-operated. A large number have received medical treatment through our free clinic. Through the kindness of one of the dairies thirty gallons of skimmed milk were given daily for a while. Our used clothes room meets a great need.

Our night school, under the direction of the public school board, has enrolled forty-eight pupils and is doing splendid work.

The Epworth League members of the Mexican Methodist Church entertained the Epworth League Union with a "trip around the world" to all Methodist mission fields. Every available space in Wesley House was converted into some foreign country. More than two hundred Epworth Leaguers attended. A beautiful program, missionary and educational in its scope as well as colorful and entertaining, was given.

The Mothers' Club has a revival of pretty quilt making. When a quilt is finished, the mother drawing the lucky number pays less than one dollar and is the proud possessor of the beautiful quilt. The club still maintains the loan closet of bed linen for use in the community during sickness. They also sponsor community programs.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was an active force in the development of character. More than two hundred pupils enrolled. It was one of the most successful Bible Schools I have known. Lives

were touched and helped. A splendid demonstration program was given for parents and friends at the close of school. Twenty-five volunteer teachers, mostly college and high-school girls, did excellent work. On the last night of school a "slumberless" party was given the teachers on our spacious sleeping porch. Midnight lunch, sweet strains of music from the Mexican serenade, a drive to "Inspiration Point" for breakfast, together with greater visions of service, made all feel that Vacation School could not come around soon enough next summer.

All clubs and classes took part in a beautiful Christmas pageant this year. Different colored lights were thrown on the scenes, making them very real and impressive. We covet all these children and young people for a full life in Christ.

Deaconess Mamie Robinson, Club Worker, reports:

How much my studies at Scarritt mean to me! Even before leaving there I began to make plans to share some of the inspiration and to use some of the information I had gained. These plans included a week at our Central Texas Young People's Conference. I also assisted in four revivals in the rural communities near my home.

Thus passed eight months, and with September I began my seventh year's work with Mexican people whom I love so much. I have charge of the Girls' and Boys' Clubs, but find time to make over two hundred visits monthly. A young man is employed to assist with the senior boys' athletics. Once a week we use the gymnasium at a nearby church. A splendid group of workers from the American churches assist in the club work. Through all this work we seek to build Christian character and to help form good habits.

Through the clubs and classes new pupils are often secured for the Sunday school in the Mexican Church. A number of pupils live so far away that I bring them in the car, then do the work of the secretary and treasurer. A missionary society has been organized with nineteen members, who desire to do what they can to help others to know the Heavenly Father.

Miss Marianna Wade, Kindergartner, reports:

The kindergarten opened September 10 with an enrolment of twenty-five, but within a month it had reached fifty, and by the first of November we had enrolled sixty children. So far we have enrolled ninety children. The child's relation to his Heavenly Father has been kept before him. The principles of trust, love, and obedience have been given him through songs. Thanksgiving the children filled a basket with fruit for the children at Fort Worth Children's Hospital.

At Christmas Santa visited our kindergarten and left each child a gift.

I also have twelve little girls in my Little Home Makers' Club. I teach in the primary department and work with the League and have charge of the practice hour for the music pupils.

This has been a very happy but busy year. Many of my hopes have been realized, and some are yet to be realized.

RURAL WORK

Bellefonte, Ark., Searcy District

Miss Mae Wess Bell reports:

I have been very happy in my work since my coming to the Bellefonte Circuit in July. It has been a real joy to have such a place for my first appointment in full-time service for the Master.

I arrived here in the midst of revival meetings, so the first few weeks were spent in attending meetings and in filling the pulpit in the absence of the pastor.

I spent much of the time in visiting in the homes of the people of this circuit.

There was lots of illness here during the summer months, so I spent a great deal of time in caring for the sick.

I have met with each of the four missionary societies twice a month. I have visited each of the Sunday schools once a month, and I have met with the different Leagues twice a month.

It has been my privilege to conduct chapel services in one of the schools regularly twice a month; this has given me an opportunity to come to know the children and young people of the community.

I am so happy to have had a part in the work of God's Kingdom.

Smackover, Ark., Camden District, Little Rock Conference

Deaconess Willie May Porter, Rural Worker, reports:

Our work this year has been with three Sunday schools, three missionary auxiliaries, two Boys and Girls World Clubs, two Bible Clubs, one child study class, five Daily Vacation Bible Schools, special interest in five families and much visiting, together with a great amount of prayer and study. All of this work was done in seven different communities, with the exception of two of the Bible Schools, which were held in towns outside of our regular territory.

Our Sunday Afternoon Story Hour of last year has become a Sunday school with three classes, adult, junior, and beginner-primary. Other Sunday schools give us enough of their discarded literature for the adults and the beginner-primary classes, but we have never had enough of one kind for the twelve juniors. So we took the offering for the past six months, which amounted to \$1.50, added 30 cents, and purchased Course IV, Part 2, for the first quarter; but before the first month ended we had twenty-one juniors. They pass the books around, however, and manage nicely. They are very earnest students, and their parents marvel at the fact that boys and girls are interested in the Bible.

Each of the three missionary auxiliaries made the grade for Council recognition in the study of *Challenge of Change*, and also did the other regular study and work of auxiliaries.

Misses Thelma Colvin and Evelyn Holmburg, of Scarritt, helped us very efficiently with three of our Daily Vacation Bible Schools. All five of the schools were very successful. Because of the early closing of some of our public schools, we shall begin this vacation work the last of April this year.

I am gradually doing less and less regular work with the three auxiliaries, one of the Sunday schools, and both of the Boys and Girls World Clubs, and beginning work in other communities in which we hope to accomplish much good.

Calvert, Ala., Cajan Rural Work

Deaconess Obra Rogers, Rural Worker, reports:

This has been a progressive year in the Indian Cajan mission work.

Early in the year a car, which is now indispensable to the work, was given to the Mission by the women of the Alabama Conference Missionary Societies. Soon afterward our Home was built and furnished. We cannot estimate the great worth of this house to our work. Many activities have been centered here—namely, an adult school, recreational periods, two Junior Leagues, a nursery class, a demon-

stration class, and frequent rummage sales. Four hundred and eighty meals have been served to Cajans at the house. These have been mostly to children whom we wished to receive training in table manners. One little girl, who was suffering from malnutrition, was taken into the Home for a period of three months. During this time she improved greatly in health, but the experiment proved too expensive, and we had to send her back to her home.

Much social service work has been carried out; many have been carried to the clinic and to the doctor. One child was taken to the City Hospital. Many individuals were given clothing and several families, food. The depression has brought about dreadful conditions, and at the present time we are in touch with many children who are most surely starving. Whenever possible work has been given needy ones.

The worker co-operated with Miss Laura Frances Murphy, who is at the present teaching in the community, by helping with special programs and teaching a class in handwork at the school. Recently I began a manual training class at the school.

I have assisted in the work of the church. I have helped with the teaching in two Sunday schools.

One of the most progressive steps has been the organization of the Rural Mission Board, which has been of great service to the Mission. They have added a kitchen, a sleeping porch, a garage, and several conveniences to our Home.

I am so thankful for that group of earnest women in the Alabama Conference who have made this work possible.

Cairo, Ga., South Georgia Conference

Miss Bessie Miller reports:

Efforts of the South Georgia Rural Worker were scattered over three districts during 1931, touching some of the places ripe for cultivation and outstanding in needs and opportunities.

Some type of special endeavor was put forth in fifty or more communities and others touched in a less definite way. Sixteen adult societies were organized and work carried on with the children through special programs, picnics, and five Daily Vacation Church Schools.

Assistance was given in the organization of six Epworth Leagues in putting on various church programs and in community "socials," which helped to foster the community spirit and increased church finances.

A part of the worker's time was also spent attending and seeing that rural societies were represented at numerous zone meetings. Four District Conferences, the Annual Conference, and Council Meeting were attended as well as the Junaluska Missionary Conference during vacation.

Realizing that the lack of missionary spirit, without which no church can prosper, is due largely to a lack of knowledge of world-needs and the true Christ spirit, mission and Bible study were especially encouraged throughout the year by the distribution of books, teaching, and so on.

In one rural community most worth-while results came from a week spent in helping to put on a Sunday School Training Course among missionary society women.

Personal visitation being the best means of securing interest and co-operation, much time was devoted to this feature of the work, along with helping to care for the sick and distributing to the needy.

We have in our Conference seven hundred and ten congregations, three hundred and eighty-two of which have no missionary society

and one hundred and forty-five no Sunday school; so the opportunities are great for bringing to this unorganized group privileges unknown but longed for.

A rural church which is a light to the surrounding community, warming hearts, challenging minds, and meeting needs, physical, mental, and spiritual, of every individual within its boundaries, is not an impossibility, and we count it a joy to strive for such a goal.

Franklin, Ga., North Georgia Conference

Miss Bert Winter, Rural Worker, reports:

My appointment last year was in four circuits—Blue Ridge, Ellijay, Clayton, and Franklin—also a few days in other circuits made it possible to help forty-five churches during the year.

Four Sunday schools were reorganized, five graded, and four Teacher Training Classes were taught. Five Leagues were organized, nine socials were given. I taught in one League Institute, and helped in two county League Union programs. Seven new missionary societies were organized, ten reorganized, and many nurtured. I taught fifteen study classes and three credit study classes, helped in four revivals, and had eight special children's services and chapel talks. Had one Daily Vacation Bible School and one canning demonstration. Planned for six Christmas programs, five trees, and furnished fruit for ten families and one Sunday school. Did much relief work, helped collect church finances, and planned many programs for Rally Days. The many seemingly insignificant things attempted, too numerous to report, often bring surprising results and almost become the outstanding work of the year.

One church had not had Sunday school in nine years, while others had only two classes and another had only a song and Scripture with an attendance of forty each Sunday; all are now organized.

One lady shut in for thirty-two years lived in a house without a window; the windows were bought, and when the community met to put them in, it was found necessary to build a new room to hold the windows. This they did, and now she is so comfortable and happy, and the community spirit is renewed.

The Leagues and Missionary Societies are ever a joy to the rural people and mean much to them mentally, socially, and spiritually.

It is such a joy to touch a discouraged community, organize as needed and help and see the community spirit revived! I thank God for the privilege of being a rural worker.

Monticello, Ky., Louisville Conference

Deaconess Amo Atchley reports:

During the four and a half months that I have served as rural worker my duties have been varied and many.

The little one-room church where I work serves a large community of poor people. This church is trying to touch the four great phases of life—namely, mental, physical, social, and spiritual—and by so doing to raise the ideals and standards of living of the people.

This is being done through co-operation with the county nurse and doctor in the form of a clinic, by work with the county agent in 4-H Clubs for the boys and girls, giving the girls cooking, sewing, and gardening, and giving the boys work in tobacco and raising pigs. Since the public school closed the children have been taken care of through afternoon meetings of games, stories, and work periods. Through these things with a Reading Circle, house to house visiting,

Sunday school, and an Epworth League we are having a most wonderful time.

Truly God moves in a wonderful way, and I get much strength from working with him.

Tompkinsville, Ky., Louisville Conference

Miss Maude Adams, Rural Worker, reports:

One of the aims in the beginning of this new work has been to become a part of the community by working with agencies already functioning, by establishing every possible contact, by going into homes to better understand background, interests, and needs of the people, by attempting to work out, in each of the five churches on the charge, a program which will better meet the needs of that community. This aim has, in some measure, been reached in some of the following efforts.

Bible class in high school last quarter of school year 1930-31, which has led to frequent visits to the school for chapel, Parent-Teacher Association meetings, etc.

Two Sunday schools organized in the charge, which went into winter quarters. Hope to see at least two other Sunday schools and to shorten or abandon the period of inactivity next winter.

Daily Vacation Bible School program carried out in one of the rural schools of the county where the children were not reached by the church.

Weekly publication and distribution of the *Church Bulletin*.

Monthly Council meetings, formulation of plans for Young People's Division and Children's Division in the Tompkinsville Church.

Weekly Story Hour for children during the summer vacation period.

Increased interest and improved organization of the Woman's Missionary Society, which has led to several successful projects, the most interesting of which is a cookbook.

Work with a representative of the Kentucky Children's Home Society, Lyndon, Ky., in the placing of fifty children in the county, some for the summer vacation, many in permanent homes.

Ceiled and furnished an office and workshop in basement of the church, an ideal place for many group meetings.

Obtained and made available for the public a traveling library from the State Library Commission.

Plans for several other projects have been made, some of which are being realized with the coming of the new year.

December brings to a close one of the happiest years of my life. Such a joyous privilege to work with Him, and His, in this "pioneer field."

Lord, speak to me that I may speak;
 Lord, teach me that I may teach;
 Lord, use me, even me,
 Just as Thou wilt, and when and where,
 That others may
 Thy peace, Thy joy, Thy glory share.

Rural Work, Louisiana Conference

Deaconess Ora Hooper, Rural Worker, reports:

The last year has been an interesting one for your worker. It was begun in one district and ended in another. Some of the darker spots in last year's picture have been brightened. The types of work participated in have been the same as before with some greater stress on temperance and peace. Much time has been spent to advance these

causes. Some new work was organized that is accomplishing fine results.

The southern part of the Alexandria District is the new field of labor for your servant in Christ. It is indeed a needy field, and the results have been gratifying. A Sunday school, League, and missionary auxiliary have been organized that are doing fine work. Much excellent Christian literature has been distributed, and people have been drawn closer to the Christ reading it. Christlike character has been the aim, not church membership.

God has richly blessed your worker, and the Holy Spirit has accomplished things people pronounced impossible. It is a wonderful thing to know all power is from God and all things are possible in him.

The aim of rural work in Louisiana is still to "do what you can, with what you have, where you are, today." God multiplies talents dedicated to him, as he did the loaves and fishes in New Testament times.

Aberdeen Rural, North Mississippi Conference

Deaconess Ethel Cunningham reports:

We owe much to the Rural Workers' Board, our thirty preachers, presiding elder, Miss Thomas and her Granada College girls, and to the papers for printing our report, and especially the missionary societies of the district that have made possible this work.

The larger churches save their literature, and with that we have organized and kept going several Sunday schools.

We helped thirty churches with the missionary cultivation work; some had never had it before.

Nothing has taken with our people like the Daily Vacation Church Schools. Four Grenada girls had charge of eight; the rest of our twenty-six were held by local leaders. Some pastors assisted. One of the largest schools enrolled seventy-five; fourteen joined the church from one school.

Our teachers realized we needed teacher training classes. I held three Cokesbury Training Courses on "Life of Christ," and forty-one received credit. Three schools were turned out a part of the time that the teachers and pupils might walk three miles to the church to have a part. Two prospective preachers kindly offered to help us in the rural work. They are teaching that course in another church.

Five Adult Missionary Societies have been organized this year, and twenty-six of those organized since 1929 are reporting, though many are very weak. A leader of the district said she believed organizing the eight Missionary Societies of Greenwood Springs Circuit into a zone was one of the biggest things we had done.

I am in touch with eighty-four of the hundred and twenty-three Methodist churches of the district.

We appreciate *World Friends'* publishing some of our needs that could be met by Daily Vacation Church Schools or World Clubs. As a result we received forty-seven useful packages of literature from eleven states. One school in our district made us two songbooks and sent a cash donation.

Our country people have given of what they had, and they show their appreciation of the work by their beautiful response to it. The stronger societies showed their faith last spring in undertaking the work for another year in spite of the debt that faced them.

It is my prayer and challenge that I may in some way live up to the beautiful co-operation that is extended on every hand.

Mashulaville Charge, North Mississippi Conference

Deaconess Dora Hoover reports:

Growth and development have marked all church activities on the Mashulaville Charge.

This is evidenced in the Sunday schools by a larger attendance and by more efficient work. In two of our schools there has been an average attendance of seventy and eighty, respectively, during the summer months. In these churches we conducted Daily Vacation Bible and Mission Schools with local assistants. Much interest was manifested by the children and their parents. Our average attendance was 25 and 27, respectively. The children did good work in story-telling. They also wrote a letter to the children of Korea, addressed to Miss Clara Howard. Her answer to their letter instigated the sending of a Christmas box in October to her kindergarten children.

There are Missionary Societies in all the churches, and these have steadily developed. There are World Friendship Clubs in all except one. One of our World Friendship Clubs has done exceptionally well under the leadership of a high-school girl. They have interesting programs each Sunday evening and a week-day business meeting each month when possible. We gave three missionary programs in costumes of the different nationalities, which helped create an interest in missions.

Epworth Leagues are functioning in all the churches except one. Their programs are interesting and helpful. We think that there are several potential ministers and missionaries or deaconesses active in these Leagues. One League cultivated an acre of cotton for the church.

During the early part of the year it was necessary to give much time to relief work, there being destitution and sickness in the communities in which we worked. This work helped reach some who otherwise might not have been reached.

Our best work was done during the month of August and early in September in connection with the revival meetings. This was a time of reaping where seed had been previously sown through Sunday schools, libraries, and Daily Vacation Bible and Mission Schools. These meetings were conducted by consecrated, faithful ministers, and forty-six were added to the churches.

The churches have been made more attractive by the use of pictures and flowers.

With all Sunday schools functioning there are still many children who are not attending any Sunday school, and many families who are not attending any church. To these we carried the gospel by visiting in the homes, praying for them, and giving them good literature. Most of this literature was sent by the Missionary Societies and by World Friendship Clubs.

It is with gratitude that I look back and see the development of lives and communities on the Mashulaville Charge.

In December I moved into the Corinth District, where I received a cordial welcome from the presiding elder and pastors of this district and also from the District Secretary and the people of Wheeler, where I am located at the present time. We are getting into the work nicely. Our pastor is enthusiastic and consecrated. We are looking forward to a good year in the Master's service.

Caledonia Rural, Timpson Circuit, Texas Conference

Deaconess Martha Stewart reports:

The year has been a glorious one, serving in such a splendid community, so many remarkable incidents happening during the year.

Of course we have carried on the work of the Church in the best way that we could, and everything in this community centers around the church, not only the Sunday school, Leagues but the 4-H Clubs and the young people's socials every Friday night.

I have had the privilege of traveling 6,113 miles in the interest of the church and community and making 1,133 visits (even at the risk of having a youngster crawl under the bed when I appeared, whether from fright at seeing any stranger or his one look at me, I do not know).

One of the most interesting things about the Caledonia Church is the great number who attend Sunday school so faithfully. This year we had twenty-two who did not miss a single Sunday, many times some of them having to walk two and three miles in bad, stormy weather. We had eleven who only missed one Sunday. And one year we had as high as thirty-six. We have one boy, sixteen years old, who has never missed Sunday school in his life, another boy, thirteen, who has never missed a Sunday in his life, and a boy, ten, who has never missed. We also have one girl, thirteen, another one, ten, who have never missed. Perhaps the most unusual record is held by a boy, three years and eight months, who has been to Sunday school one more week than he is old. "Believe it or not."

An incident occurred recently which shows what our church and community stand for and what we are trying to do. A woman, seriously ill, living in Nacogdoches, a stranger to our church, requested our church to pray for her recovery, because she "believed in the people of Caledonia."

We are trying to lead our people into a more vital relationship with Jesus Christ in everything we do.

MISCELLANEOUS

Southern Methodist Hospital, Tucson, Ariz.

Deaconess Lexie Vivian reports:

Dull, prosaic days are unknown at the Southern Methodist Hospital and Sanatorium, for as I go in and out among the sick ones I find each intensely interesting with as many different natures and needs as there are patients.

In beginning my fourth year in this institution I am glad to report that my ministry to the spiritual and social life of the patients continues to be appreciated. More than ever am I convinced that our Church hospitals offer a type of Christian service which should challenge the young women of Southern Methodism to enter this worthy and needy field.

The library is always in use, providing happy hours for many.

The vesper services on Sunday evenings are a source of joy and inspiration to all who are privileged to attend.

The Christmas season was characterized by the many manifestations on the part of everyone of the Christ spirit of love and good will. The festivities of the season brought great happiness to the sick ones as well as revelations of the true meaning of Christmas. One young man expressed the thought in these words: "Christ means much more to me because of this week at the Southern Methodist. He seems so near to me now." This one statement is worth all the time, strength, and prayers put into the programs of the week.

As I have said many times during the last three years, "I am happy to serve at the Southern Methodist Hospital in Tucson, Ariz."

Virginia K. Johnson Home, Dallas, Tex.

Miss Mary L. Freeman, Superintendent, reports:

It has been gratifying to spend another year of service at the Virginia K. Johnson Home.

During 1931 there were sixty-two girls to be reclaimed; twenty-four babies were placed in thoroughly investigated Christian homes. An even tenor has prevailed in the work, and we have obtained a large number of pleasing results.

The material and spiritual support of our many friends stimulates and strengthens the direction of activities.

Outstanding events of the year are as follows:

Open house, honoring delegates to North Texas Woman's Missionary Conference. Buffet dinner served by Dallas auxiliaries.

Summer school, with evangelistic emphasis, conducted by Miss Elizabeth Cox, assisted by Misses Jane Black, Lura Ann Taylor, and Home staff. Handwork consisted of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter cards and handkerchiefs, and were sent as a love gift to girls of Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea.

Seven accessions to church of girls' choice.

Special evangelistic services in fall with lasting effect.

Christmas cheer for worthy Mexican family.

Favorable reaction of girls to teaching of real meaning of Christmas. This was accomplished by emphasizing that meaning during devotional periods and conversationally. During the Sunday school hour on December 27 an opportunity was given for anyone to express herself about the meaning of Christmas. Individual expression was that the genuine "good tidings of great joy" had really been fully understood for the first time.

We ask the prayers of our friends that God may supply the wisdom and strength needed in solving the difficult and delicate problems which confront us daily.

Miss Lillian Hilburn, High School, reports:

September 1 found me in the Virginia K. Johnson Home looking forward eagerly to starting in the new work. This was my first experience doing this type of work. I must say that it has been a real source of joy to me, and has far exceeded my expectations of it. In order for one to fully realize the greatness of the work in this Home it is necessary to be a member of it and to share in some of its experiences and responsibilities.

As one lives and works with these girls in the Home, there are wonderful opportunities afforded for guiding them in the development of Christian character.

Three S. M. U. practice teachers have assisted in teaching the fall term. I have taught classes in Bible, history, and algebra. Besides my regular high-school work, I taught in the Sunday school, directed some of the personal sewing of the girls, helped some in the making of uniforms, assisted in the directed play period on games and the various duties we are called upon to share.

Our Christmas program was given on Wednesday evening, December 22, in our reception halls. "Holy Night," a pageant, was presented, with twenty of our girls participating. It was indeed a great pleasure to assist in the arrangement and presentation of this program.

I am truly grateful for this opportunity and privilege of service.

Miss Margaret Fisher, Grade School, reports:

I have greatly enjoyed these few months at the Virginia K. John-

son Home and thank God for the privilege of serving by helping those lives who need the encouragement and strength to pick up the broken ends and begin again to build character.

In the grade school department we have girls in the seventh, sixth, fifth, and second grades. One of my greatest problems has been finding time for all the subjects that should be taught in these different grades; so I have under my supervision three of the high-school girls, who are doing good work as teachers of some of the classes, which leaves me more time for other classes. We, of course, have Bible, in addition to the regular school subjects, and the girls take great interest in it; we are keeping a helpful notebook of our study.

I have assisted in a definite health program for the girls by directing a play period and making health record books for each girl. I also assisted in directing the Christmas pageant, "The Holy Night" (making some rearrangements in it), which was an inspiration to us all. I have charge of the Epworth League, which affords me wonderful opportunity to come spiritually close to all the girls. I wish you could just hear some of our programs! I also substitute in the kitchen and take my turn at church, office duty, weekly entertainments, and the various other duties we are called upon to share.

Miss Nora Pafford, Department of Outside Work, reports:

The progress and experience in the Department of Outdoor Work for 1931 are very well expressed in the following lines:

"Sometimes I'm up, sometimes I'm down,
Sometimes I'm level on the groun',
Sometimes the glory shines aroun'—
Sing Glory Hallelujah!"

Deaconess Emma G. Vogel, Nurse, reports:

I came on duty August 1 after a year of furlough.

At the beginning of the year there were ten babies in the Home. In the hospital department during the year we have had twenty births and twenty-four adoptions.

The health of the girls in the Home is exceptionally good most of the time. We try to teach them the advantages of regular habits as to cleanliness of person and surroundings, eating, sleeping, exercising, etc., all of which contributes to their general comfort and well-being.

In the hospital, as in other departments, there are boundless opportunities daily to witness for the living Christ and to reveal to these broken lives his saving love and power. This, in the strength of his grace, we endeavor to do as we minister to their physical needs. And though there are many hard problems to solve, and often much of heartbreak and heartache to face in the daily round; yet I thank God for the privilege of "laboring together with him," and for the joy that comes in seeing lives cleansed and made whole, characters rebuilt and made strong, and hearts given to the King of kings.

I wish to express sincere appreciation for the lovely baby clothes and other supplies of many kinds that come into the hospital. These help greatly in our work.

Mrs. Eva Watts, Dietitian, reports:

The year 1931, apart from the fact that we are always trying to make improvements, has been little different from previous years of my residence here.

My work consists of a considerable part of the buying, planning meals, teaching girls to cook and serve, supervising cleaning and other duties incident to this department.

We are very grateful to our Local Board for a new gas range and a kitchen cabinet for the domestic science room; and we are also thankful for the many lovely boxes of canned fruits and vegetables as well as other kinds of food donated by the different Woman's Missionary Societies. Our own peach crop was a failure, so these things have filled a very great need.

I am very happy in my work, and I am praying that I may be more effective in the Master's work during the coming year.

Miss J. Bess McLain, Secretary, reports:

My work in 1931, prior to September 1, was that of teacher of grade-school work; since that time I have been acting as secretary for the Home, doing the bookkeeping and other office work which usually falls to this worker. I also have assisted with all religious work and social activities, substituted in the kitchen, and shared all other duties required of each member of the faculty.

Although I do not have the close personal relationship I have had heretofore with the girls, I make the most of the opportunities I do have for trying to make Christ real to them and a living force in their lives, for which privilege I am, of course, most grateful.

Spofford Home, Kansas City, Mo.

Deaconess Emma Burton, Superintendent, reports:

The past year has been one of marked improvement in the work we are attempting. Although limited somewhat by the lack of funds, we feel we have made much progress in the development of our new program.

Our work differs from the ordinary Home for Children in that we do not accept a child simply because he may be dependent or neglected. While it is often true that the children who come to us are of this group, they have, in addition to this, shown some difficulties or unusual peculiarities in behavior; they are not delinquents, although a good many of them would soon become such if they did not receive some help in molding their character.

The work of Spofford Home is unique in that we specialize in the care of children whose behavior is out of the normal, whose emotional responses are somehow out of gear. There has been some definite maladjustment either in the home, the school, or the community in which he lived.

In our effort to find the cause of his failure to adjust himself, and to help him to do so, we have the services of a skilled psychiatrist and a pediatrician, also the co-operation of the school psychologist.

We keep an average of twenty-five children in the Home, and at present we have about forty others in foster homes. All of these continue under our supervision. It is a wonderful privilege to have some part in such an undertaking.

Deaconess Jewel Matthews reports:

I work both inside and outside the Home, assisting Miss White with the case work outside and co-operating with the Child Welfare League in our health program here in the Home. (See case worker's report for outside work.)

The health program is a preventive one. This includes a complete physical examination every six months, an examination of the chil-

dren's teeth twice yearly, testing of eyes once every two years, vaccination and toxin-antitoxin, urinalysis, removal of tonsils and adenoids if at all necessary, and daily supervision, which includes administering of cod liver oil, seeing that the children exercise, brush their teeth, take baths, and have proper elimination.

The work is a never-ending challenge from every viewpoint, whether psychic, spiritual, or physical. It is a wonderful thing to help little children to be happy.

Holston Orphanage, Greeneville, Tenn.

Deaconess Belle R. Hennen reports:

"The world moves forward on the feet of the children." How important, then, that the children should be cared for.

There are thousands of children in the world today who are hungry, poorly clad, and with no adequate mental or spiritual training. Many of the children in Holston Orphanage have been rescued from such conditions.

As I think of the time (more than eight years ago) when I first came here and found a group of ninety children under a very small corps of untrained, and in several cases non-Christian, workers; then look at the group today, of approximately two hundred healthy, happy boys and girls with a corps of busy, happy, and efficient Christian workers under the leadership of a noble Christian superintendent and his lovely wife, who are, as someone has said, to the manor born, the change seems almost miraculous, and I am so thankful that my Heavenly Father gave me the opportunity to share in this great work.

This year we have not had as much money as usual, but our store-rooms have been abundantly supplied with provisions from all parts of Holston Conference.

We have had chickenpox, measles, mumps, whooping cough, flu, and eighty tonsil and adenoid operations, with no deaths or complications following; so we feel we have been wonderfully cared for.

Our splendid new pastor takes a great interest in our children and they are very fond of him. During the revival last fall he and his singer held a special service in our chapel. Everyone felt the presence of the Holy Spirit and received a great blessing. Many of our boys and girls reconsecrated their lives to God.

Last year was the best, both spiritually and financially, in the history of our Adult Missionary Society, and our Orphanage Societies and Hi-League had a good year.

Work with little children—what a tremendous responsibility, what a glorious opportunity!

"Father, order all my footsteps, so direct my daily way, that in following me these children may not ever go astray. Let thy holy counsel lead me, let thy light before me shine that they may not stumble over any word or deed of mine."

Methodist Student Work in Florida State College for Women

Deaconess Winnie Lee Davis, Student Counselor, reports:

We may compare college life to a four-year quest. For go on quests they will, these college students of today—quests of mind, quests for new achievements, and quests for the undiscovered secrets that God always holds beyond our present knowledge. Shall they go forth on a Christian quest, seeking a Christian answer to their problems? Our Methodist Student Organization, by co-operating with the local church, is attempting to answer this question in

behalf of the five hundred fifty Methodist students at Florida State College for Women. We realize that in order to meet the varying needs of the girls it is necessary that we multiply the interests of the organization. Accordingly, at the beginning of the year each girl was given an opportunity to indicate the activities in which she is interested or for which she is especially fitted. The information thus secured has proved an invaluable aid in the development of an inclusive program of work for our students.

Supplementing the work of the church, Sunday school, and Epworth League in administering to the spiritual needs of the students is our Saturday noonday prayer service, with our pastor, members of the faculty, and others who are interested officiating. Already this has shown itself to be one of our most definitely beneficial undertakings and is doing much to promote a spirit of mutual helpfulness and understanding among the girls.

Another innovation is our Methodist Student Choir, an organization of some twenty-five girls under the leadership of the College Glee Club Director. This group meets every Tuesday night for practice at the Student House, in preparation for the various programs which it will present during the year. For those whose musical interest is centered in the playing of instruments, a small orchestra has been planned, its purpose to be that of providing music for various programs at the church and for entertainments and social functions.

Our class in religious drama is producing some excellent pageants in connection with the church, and is doing much to create an active interest in our organization.

Recreational leaders have their opportunity when, on Friday nights, the students come over to the House to play. Their duty it is to see that the girls all have an enjoyable evening and are provided with plenty of good, wholesome fun.

Those who are talented in drawing assist in advertising the activities of the organization by making posters for the college bulletin boards. And last, but by no means least, is that group without which no organization can flourish—those girls who take care of the office work and keep the records in order.

This is but a beginning. There is much yet to be done. But the fine spirit of co-operation manifested by the local church and the college faculty will enable us to accomplish great things in the future.

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 co-operate 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 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 co-operation, co-ordination, 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 report 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

§ 480. 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 co-operation 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 *World Outlook* 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 or alternate of the Woman's Missionary Society 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. Should the office of President become vacant during the year, the Vice-President shall carry the duties of the office until the next annual meeting 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 co-operate 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 Co-operation and Extension. She shall collect and transmit to the Secretary of Organization the numerical reports of 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

Organization
Secretary

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 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.

Candidate
Secretary

(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 co-operate 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 co-operate 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 an-

nual session of the Council; *provided* that in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice-President shall fill the office until the next annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council.

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.

Appropriations
and Expenses

(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 Co-operation and Extension consisting of nine members. It shall be the duty of this Bureau.

Bureau of Co-
operation and
Extension

a. To work in co-operation with the Secretary or 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 co-operation 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 Co-operation; the Chairmen of standing committees on International Relations and World Peace, Christian Citizenship, and Law Observance, and Co-operation 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 re-

search, 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.

Commissions

16. *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 Co-operation.

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.

(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.

Committee on
Deaconess and
City Mission
Work

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.

Committee on
Status of
Women

(11) There shall be a Standing Committee on the 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.

(17) The work of the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session shall be conducted by Session Committees appointed by the Executive Committee.

Session
Committees

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 Mission-

ary 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 co-operate 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 Conference Secretary and a copy of the same 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 member 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 cooperation 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 co-operative 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.

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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. Reports 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.

