

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

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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. |
| 1883 | Lynchburg, Va. | 1899 | Nashville, Tenn. |
| 1884 | Kansas City, Mo. | 1900 | Paris, Tex. |
| 1885 | Knoxville, Tenn. | 1901 | Asheville, N. C. |
| 1886 | Augusta, Ga. | 1902 | Charleston, S. C. |
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| 1888 | Nashville, Tenn. | 1904 | Jacksonville, Fla. |
| 1889 | Little Rock, Ark. | 1905 | Muskogee, Okla. |
| 1890 | St. Louis, Mo. | 1906 | Opelika, Ala. |
| 1891 | Fort Worth, Tex. | 1907 | Richmond, Va. |
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| 1893 | Kansas City, Mo. | 1909 | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| 1894 | Atlanta, Ga. | 1910 | Clarksville, Tenn. |

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| 1895—Asheville, N. C. | 1898—Knoxville, Tenn. |

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| 1912—Washington, D. C. | 1924—Tampa, Fla. |
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| 1920—Kansas City, Mo. | 1932—Atlanta, Ga. |
| 1921—Richmond, Va. | 1933—Louisville, Ky. |
| 1922—San Antonio, Tex. | |

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THE TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING of the Woman's Missionary Council was held in the Fourth Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Louisville, Ky., March 22-27, 1933. An unprecedented economic condition caused a nation-wide bank holiday which made necessary a postponement of the meeting two weeks. History had almost repeated itself, for the recall of Louisville's invitation for the 1918 meeting had been made imperative by the establishment in that city of a large cantonment for the training of soldiers for the World War.

Even as tardy as the Council was in arriving, and in spite of the inconvenience and uncertainty experienced by the hostesses, who had everything in readiness for March 8, the welcome received was no less warm. On the contrary, the spirit of the local committee was wonderful, their efficiency unrivaled, and as far as their responsibility was concerned the meeting progressed like a well-oiled machine.

Though this was the Woman's Missionary Council's first visit to Louisville, it was by no means the first invasion of the city by a connectional group of missionary women. Our predecessor Boards, often affectionately termed collectively "The Old Women's Boards," had each enjoyed Kentucky's brand of Southern hospitality in Louisville. The first session of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions was held in Louisville in 1879; the General Convention of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society met there for its fourth session in 1897; and there the Woman's Board of Home Missions held its tenth annual meeting in 1908. A cherished souvenir of this 1933 session is a dainty reprint of the "programme" of the 1879 meeting, the original of which has been treasured these fifty-four years by Miss May Wightman, daughter of Mrs. Maria Davies Wightman.

Continuing in the realm of reminiscence, it is worth while to record here a portion of Kentucky's contribution from her wealth of eternal values, personal and spiritual, to the history and development of our organization; for in the early days there were listed in large letters the names, Miss Belle Bennett, Miss Maria L. Gibson, Mrs. S. C. Trueheart, Misses Lucinda and Mary Helm, Miss Martha Watts, Miss Nannie Holding, and Dr. Margaret Polk. Gratefully conscious

of our indebtedness to these and others, our hearts were made glad in welcoming at this meeting as honored visitors two pioneers who labored with these in those dear, dim days of other years, Mrs. George P. Kendrick, first treasurer of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, in whose home in Louisville that Board was organized; and Mrs. W. T. Poynter, of Shelbyville, Ky., first corresponding secretary of the Kentucky Conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, who was also influential in securing funds to build Sue Bennett School, now Sue Bennett College, at London, Ky. Representing the later pioneer days of the welding of the united boards was a third honored visitor, Mrs. J. E. Grubbs, of Winchester, Ky., a vice-president of the Council in its first quadrennium.

An annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council is always a joyous occasion; and this year, in spite of the burden of the "Depression," universal and often cruel in its limitations, there was much to be thankful for. So it was not surprising that praise and thanksgiving should mark the opening hour of the meeting in the first period of intercession, nor that this note of joy should prevail throughout the entire meeting, rising at times to high levels, notably when the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message, through its report and discussion, by direct testimony proved the spiritual power possessed by the groups under their cultivation throughout the Church. These groups are increasing. Again when the note of confidence prevailed during what might have been the pledge service, but which spontaneously became a heart-searching experience meeting, and the Presence seemed to draw very near. The statement was made that for the first time in years the Council had dropped below the million-dollar class, and taking of the pledges was postponed until there could be transmitted to the conferences the light of the vision that came in this hour, when privilege in sacrifice became paramount.

An outstanding act of the meeting was the adoption of a "Call to the Church" stressing the urgency of a proclamation at home and abroad of the missionary message as it faces us today and, in the presence of facts stated, calling upon the Church to give a new witness to the world of faith in God and his power to work through human lives for the triumphant coming of his Kingdom.

The reports of officers were not lacking in notes of encouragement. Eighty-five per cent of the pledge had been paid, and a total of \$959,000 had been received in the treasury, but drastic cuts were necessary, and a movement was made toward closing some work. An effort will be made to provide for all missionaries and deaconesses. A net gain was reported in missionary societies of 286 and in membership of 16,700, making a grand total of 7,208 auxiliaries and 215,870 adult members.

The Week of Prayer Offering for 1933 is to be used in the Foreign Department for the equipment of the new hospital in Changchow, China; and in the Home Department it is directed to Paine College,

Augusta, Ga., to be used in making the library adequate to meet the needs of the school and in remodeling and improving Bennett Hall. This decision in favor of Paine College will enable the women of Southern Methodism as a group to share in the celebration of the Paine College Jubilee.

The group meetings of the past two years were replaced by brief programs during the daily sessions when the work of the Bureaus, Commissions, and Standing Committees to which definite interests are committed, each presented to the Council as a whole its work in an enlightening manner, by lecture, discussion, or playlet.

The presence of Bishop Paul B. Kern, so recently from the Orient, was a blessing in itself, and his messages enriched the mind and the soul. We will not forget that in answer to problems confronting the missionary enterprise in this day of unrest he said: "In days of uncertainty and depression, we may snatch victories that would have been impossible in calmer and less turbulent times, for days like these throw us back on God as never before." "In these days of uncertainty and depression we are delivered from an unconscious dependence on material resources." "The future of missions is full of hope; first, because we have been inquired into; second, because there has been a breakdown of the old non-Christian faiths; third, because of the increasing recognition of a moral and ethical foundation as necessary for any stable society; fourth, because of the native leadership that is coming into control of the Christian movement in China; fifth, because the missionary cause is bound up with the whole Christian enterprise." "We need to pray, not so much for the release of these days, but for an understanding of what they should mean to our souls." "We need to rediscover the enduring presence of Jesus, and to understand the unchanging purpose of God in all the ages."

In spite of the uncertainty of the times, of the hasty postponement of the meeting, and its final hurried call as soon as conditions seemed favorable, the attendance of both Council members and visitors was better than might have been hoped for. The group drew closer together than ever before, united by a common sorrow for the distress of the world, and by a singleness of purpose to use well the trust committed to them. The success of the meeting will be realized in its gracious, compelling influence.

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THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

THE TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in the Fourth Avenue Methodist Church, Louisville, Ky., Thursday morning, March 23, 1933, at nine o'clock, Mrs. J. W. Perry, President, presiding.

The Council was called to order, and after singing Charles Wesley's familiar hymn, "And Are We Yet Alive?" entered into a period of intercession led by Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Member at Large, assisted by Mrs. T. J. Copeland, President of the Baltimore Conference, and Miss Mary Searcy, missionary from Japan. Through this service ran the joyful note of praise and thanksgiving which found expression in the message from the sixty-seventh Psalm and the meditation based thereon, in prayer and in hymns, "We give thee but thine own," "Prayer is the soul's sincere desire," and "I need Thee every hour."

The roll was called by the Secretary, Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker. Eighty-four members responded, and one came in later in the morning. Several Conferences had but one delegate present; eight Conferences were not represented. When the New Mexico Conference was called, the Secretary read a letter from Mrs. J. H. Walker, President, stating that she had reached Louisville before she received the message that the Council had been postponed,* and was on her way home when the call went out a second time for the meeting. She was unable to return. A message was also read from Dr. J. W. Perry, Administrative Secretary, Home Department, General Section, expressing regret that a call to the West had prevented his attending the meeting.

The complete roll is 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.

* A nation-wide bank holiday, with its attendant uncertainties, the first week in March, made it necessary to postpone the Council meeting called for March 8-14. As soon as the banks reopened, a second call went out for a shorter session, March 23-27.

Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, Mrs. W. A. Newell.
Calendar Clerk, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins.

MEMBERS AT LARGE

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| Miss Daisy Davies | Miss Mabel Howell |
| Miss Louise Young | Mrs. R. L. Hobdy |
| Mrs. A. B. Smith | Mrs. Helen B. Bourne |
| Mrs. Henry S. Owen | Miss Bess Combs |

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| Conference | President | Secretary |
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| Alabama | Mrs. E. W. Berry | Mrs. T. H. Tyson |
| Arizona | Mrs. M. E. Mackey | |
| Baltimore | Mrs. T. J. Copeland | Miss Emma V. Peppler |
| China | Miss Alice Green† | Miss Mary Culler White† |
| Central Texas | Mrs. Sam G. Thompson | Mrs. J. W. Spivey |
| Cuba | | Miss Julia Quirch† |
| Florida | Mrs. F. B. Godfrey | |
| Holston | Mrs. L. A. Tynes | Mrs. S. M. Bernard |
| Illinois | | |
| Indian Mission | | |
| Kentucky | Mrs. J. C. Lewis | Miss Elsie Wright |
| Little Rock | | |
| Los Angeles | | |
| Louisiana | Mrs. George Sexton, Jr. | Mrs. Wiltz M. Ledbetter |
| Louisville | Mrs. W. J. Piggott | Mrs. A. C. Johnson |
| Memphis | Mrs. Homer Tatum | Mrs. Walter D. Taylor |
| Mississippi | | |
| Missouri | Mrs. W. P. Graham | Mrs. W. E. Hillyard |
| New Mexico | | |
| 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. Ernest Moore | Mrs. R. P. Neblett |
| North Texas | Mrs. Claude Simpson | Mrs. J. S. Terry |
| Northwest | | |
| Northwest Texas | Mrs. Nat G. Rollins | |
| Oklahoma | Mrs. R. S. Satterfield | Mrs. W. J. Switzer† |
| Pacific | | |
| St. Louis | Mrs. A. R. Walker | Mrs. E. A. Kitchell |
| South Carolina | Mrs. G. E. Edwards | Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood |
| South Georgia | Mrs. C. C. Sapp† | Mrs. Dan C. Harris |
| Southwest Missouri | Mrs. J. E. McDonald | Mrs. F. H. Naylor |
| Tennessee | Mrs. J. P. Harvill | Mrs. George Morgan |
| Texas | Mrs. J. W. Mills | Mrs. C. T. Sheadel † |

| Conference | President | Secretary |
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| Upper S. C. | Mrs. T. I. Charles..... | Mrs. J. P. Byars |
| Virginia | Mrs. Lee Britt..... | Mrs. N. V. Coleman |
| Western Mexican | | Mrs. R. J. Parker |
| 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 Grace Gatewood... | Miss Mamie J. Chandler |

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

General Secretary of Board of Missions, The Rev. W. G. Cram.

Administrative Secretaries of Board of Missions:

Foreign Department, Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon.

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.

—, Florida Conference.

Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Louisville Conference.

Mrs. S. Homer Tatum, Memphis Conference.

—, 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.

—, West Mexican Conference.

The bar was fixed.

On the nomination of the Secretary, the following assistant secretaries were appointed: Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, and Mrs. C. F. Wobbe, assistant in charge of 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 the evening of March 22. (See Minutes, page 50.)

The pages for the day were listed as follows: Misses Nancy Keith Snyder, Jessie May Hummel, Louis Crowder, Jessie Smith, Allen Gordon, Mary Hester Bromley.

The following special committees for the session were announced:

* Members who were called away before the meeting closed.

† Alternates.

Blackboard Announcements.—Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Mrs. E. B. Dye.

Public Worship.—Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Miss Emily Olmstead.

Resolutions.—Mrs. W. E. Hillyard, Mrs. W. R. Harris, Mrs. John R. Turner.

Publicity.—Mrs. C. W. Turpin, Miss Emily Olmstead.

To Fill Vacancies on Standing Committees.—Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. R. P. Neblett, Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

Courtesy.—Mrs. E. B. Hawk, Mrs. J. C. Rawlings.

On Minutes.—Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. Walter D. Taylor.

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

The following Sessions Committees, which met on Wednesday afternoon, are listed here for record:

Home Field.—Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Louise Young, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Mrs. T. H. Tyson, Mrs. Sam Thompson, Mrs. L. A. Tynes, Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs. W. E. Hillyard, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Mrs. Claude Simpson, Mrs. W. J. Switzer, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, Mrs. C. T. Sheadel, Mrs. R. R. LeMaster, Mrs. F. S. Pollitt, Miss Estelle Haskin, Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon.

Foreign Field.—Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Miss Mabel K. Howell, Miss Emma V. Peppler, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. M. E. Mackey, Miss Alice Green, Mrs. J. W. Spivey, Miss Elsie Wright, Mrs. W. D. Taylor, Mrs. R. P. Neblett, Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, Mrs. C. E. Edwards, Mrs. Dan C. Harris, Mrs. J. E. McDonald, Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. Seth A. Craig, Dr. W. G. Cram, Mrs. Fred A. Lamb.

Education and Promotion.—Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Mrs. E. W. Berry, Mrs. T. J. Copeland, Miss Julia Quirch, Mrs. S. M. Bernard, Mrs. John R. Turner, Mrs. J. N. McEachern, Sr., Mrs. J. S. Terry, Mrs. C. C. Sapp, Mrs. T. I. Charles, Mrs. E. F. Ellis, Mrs. Lee Britt, Miss Grace Gatewood.

Children's Work.—Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, Mrs. Homer Tatum, Mrs. I. Morris, Mrs. E. F. Ellis, Mrs. Ernest Moore, Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, Mrs. A. R. Walker, Mrs. F. H. Naylor, Mrs. J. P. Byars, Mrs. N. V. Coleman.

Literature.—Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. W. A. Newell, Miss Bess Combs, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. F. B. Godfrey, Miss Mary Culler White, Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Mrs. George Sexton, Deaconess Mamie J. Chandler, Mrs. W. R. Harris.

Christian Social Relations.—Mrs. W. A. Newell, Mrs. H. S. Owen, Miss Constance Rumbough, Mrs. A. B. Smith, Mrs. J. C. Lewis, Mrs. W. P. Graham, Mrs. B. E. Snetser, Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood, Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. R. J. Parker, Mrs. T. A. Bennington, Mrs. F. S. Parker.

Candidate Work.—Mrs. H. R. Steele, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. J. W. Mills, Mrs. E. W. Berry, Mrs. J. N. McEachern, Miss Grace Gatewood, Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Mrs. J. W. Downs.

The Vice-President, Mrs. J. C. Handy, took the chair, and Mrs. J. W. Perry, President, read the Message to the Council, in which she sounded a courageous note, even while summing up the difficulties in the way and the responsibilities resting upon the women of the Church who are leading in the missionary work. (See Message, page 42.)

Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, gave a report of the varied activities of her office during the past twelve months, which indicated that she had used well her stewardship. (See Report, page 49.)

Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Secretary of Education and Promotion, reported another year of progress, in which the missionary women had again demonstrated how to carry on with courage and loyalty in spite of great economic depression. Spiritual gains had made possible other increases indicated by figures: a net gain in auxiliaries of 286, and in members of 16,700. Through three means this increase had been made: the enthusiasm with which Guest Day was celebrated last June; the Average Age Contest to decrease the age of the auxiliary, which had showed the average age at the beginning of the contest to be 43.4 years; and the changed membership requirement. She said the critical problem of the missionary enterprise lies at the home base. We have undertaken a task which we believe "really matters in the present and eternal life of humanity," and our minds must be clearly set upon the fundamental motive of this enterprise—"to make Jesus Christ known to all the world, so that men everywhere shall become his followers and his spirit and principles may be applied to the whole life." (See page 72.)

Miss Constance Rumbough, Secretary in charge of Children's Work, said that the year had been marked by the good quality of work done. Emphasis had been laid on study and methods. One development of the year had been the children's participation in the Week of Prayer. In this fifty-one children's groups had a part, and had contributed \$969.35. At the close of the year the membership in the Children's Division numbered 99,876, and the contributions amounted to \$25,844.97. The children had also given liberally in concrete gifts, as was illustrated in their two hundred, which in reality became two thousand, Friendship Christmas gifts for the children of Japan. (See Report, page 77.)

Miss Estelle Haskin, Secretary in charge of Literature, in her report, gave interesting facts concerning the use of the literature, with especial emphasis on the Yearbooks, the Week of Prayer programs, and the Spiritual Life pamphlets. The last named are meeting a vital need. Concerning the *World Outlook* she said the change in name had met with approval, since the name expresses the achievements of the magazine. Never has the magazine received such general and enthusiastic approval; therefore, the decrease in subscriptions

must be due to the prevailing economic conditions—and since its life depends upon its subscription list, its friends must rally to its support. (See Report, page 82.)

Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Secretary in charge of Candidate Work, spoke of the situation which is causing a decrease in the number of outgoing missionaries, consequently an effect on all work. Here, as elsewhere, the acute problem is financial. Volunteers of several years ago who purpose to become missionaries are not now financially able to complete their training. This in turn places a limitation upon the enrolment at Scarritt College. Tangible evidence of the fruits of this office were seen in the group of seventeen young women ready for consecration at this session of the Council. The candidates were called to the front and introduced to the Body, as follows:

Deaconesses.—Miss Mary Evelyn Berry, South Georgia Conference; Miss Lucy Edna Carlton, Mississippi Conference; Miss Thyra Nell Collins, Oklahoma Conference; Miss Anna Fay Fowler, Louisville Conference; Miss Mary Eleanor Grissom, Louisville Conference; Miss Jeanetta Pearl Harrison, Florida Conference; Miss Laura Mae Haynes, Tennessee Conference; Miss Hyda Heard, North Georgia Conference; Miss Fredda Eulene Morton, Northwest Texas Conference; Miss Helen Philips, North Arkansas Conference; Miss Verna Helen Webster, Louisiana Conference; Miss Bessie Anne Williams, Louisiana Conference.

Foreign Missionaries.—Miss Cathie Lee Clark, Memphis Conference, under appointment to Brazil; Miss Evelyn Louise Dacus, Upper South Carolina Conference, under appointment to Korea; Miss Mary Oni Holler, Upper South Carolina Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Fannie Kunkel Wasley, Florida Conference, under appointment to Brazil; Miss Monta McFadin, New Mexico Conference, under appointment to Mexico.

(See Mrs. Steele's Report, page 86.)

The following friends were introduced: Dr. and Mrs. T. D. Ellis, Dr. E. B. Hawk, pastor host, and Dr. A. R. Kasey, presiding elder of the Louisville District.

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, in making her report as Treasurer, stated that, for the first time in many years, the annual receipts in her department had fallen below a million dollars. Eighty-five per cent of the pledge had been paid, making a decrease of \$150,000, which in turn had cut foreign resources \$100,000 and home, \$50,000. For the first time in its history the Arizona Conference failed to reach its pledge in full, while the Indian Mission Conference doubled its pledge. For the first time in twelve years Alabama Conference failed. The Conferences paying pledges in full were Florida, Holston, Memphis, Missouri, and St. Louis. Those paying the largest amounts were North Georgia, Virginia, Western North Carolina, South Georgia, and Florida. Those paying the highest per capita were Western Virginia, Kentucky, Baltimore, Los Angeles, and Alabama. And the children gave 26

cents per capita. The deficit for the year was \$109,000. In closing Mrs. Fulton stressed the desperate need of paying the pledge quarterly. (See Report, page 58.)

The presentation of the report of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension was deferred until the afternoon session.

The noon hour, always the "Bible Hour," held sacred in the Council as a period of worship, was this day dedicated to a service of memorial and intercession, wherein comrades were honored who since March, 1932, had passed through "the valley of the shadow of death" into the glory of eternal life. The ritual service, led by Mrs. Fred A. Lamb, of Kansas City, began with the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation." As the memorial roll was called the lines that briefly glimpsed the richness of the earthly lives so recently completed were read: For Miss Esther Case, who gave thirty-eight years in service to the cause of Missions, by Miss Mabel K. Howell; for Mrs. E. B. Chappell, whose service covered more than twenty-eight years, by Mrs. Henry S. Owen; for Miss Nannie E. Holding, emeritus missionary, thirty years a missionary to the Mexicans on the border, by Miss Bess Combs; for Dr. Margaret Polk, sixteen years a medical missionary in China, by Miss Mary Ora Durham; for Miss Emma Burton, deaconess, twenty-four years in home mission service, by Miss Florence Blackwell; for Mrs. J. H. Dickey, President of the Louisville Conference Home Missionary Society, former member of the Woman's Missionary Council and the Board of Missions, by Mrs. W. J. Piggott.

In the words of the ritual, faith and hope were voiced in prayers for these our friends who labored among us and for the coming of the Kingdom on earth. The hymns, "O Jesus, I Have Promised" and "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee," were sung; and while the choir continued to sing softly, the morning session stood adjourned. (See Memoirs, page 149.)

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

THURSDAY AFTERNOON'S SESSION opened with the singing of the hymn, "True-hearted, Whole-hearted." The hymn, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," was sung and prayer was offered by Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Louisville Conference Secretary, who was leader for the afternoon worship service.

A memorial from the North Carolina Conference concerning reduction of appropriation for literature was presented and referred to the Committee on Literature.

The following committee reports were placed on the Calendar: Recommendation from the Executive Committee, Standing Committee reports on Estimates and Spiritual Life and Message; Session Committee reports on Promotion, Literature, Scarritt, Candidates, Christian Social Relations, Children's Work and Numbers 1 and 2 on Status of Women.

Mrs. Nat G. Rollins presented the interests of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension which had been under her direction since November, when the Superintendent, Miss Bess Combs, resigned. After a brief statement concerning the status of the work, Mrs. Rollins introduced two representatives from foreign fields, who had had direct contact with the women of the missionary societies in China and Cuba. Miss Mary Culler White, missionary from China, spoke graphically of the Woman's Missionary Society in China, and of the work being accomplished by these women. While speaking she presented to the Council an invitation to attend the dedication of the Gaither Memorial at Chi Tong, China, at one P.M. March 30, 1933. This, she explained, the first mission house ever put up by the China Woman's Missionary Society, is a testimonial of the esteem in which they held Mrs. Julia Gaither, who labored so long among them. Miss White also presented to each member of the Council two souvenir pictures: one of a member of the China missionary society with her baby under her arm as she read her report; and the other a group of evangelistic workers standing with Miss White near the boat, by means of which she accomplishes her work.

Miss Julia Reid, missionary from Cuba, pictured the life and work of members of the missionary society in that island, where they have thirty-one auxiliaries with seven hundred members.

Miss Julia Quirch, student at Scarritt College, and delegate to the Council from the Cuba missionary society, was introduced.

(See Report of Bureau, page 112.)

The presentation of the work of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message was led by Miss Daisy Davies, Chairman, who read the report of the Committee. (See Report, page 126.)

This was followed by brief discussions on: (a) What are the objectives of Spiritual Life Groups? led by Miss Estelle Haskin; (b) Are these objectives being realized? and (c) How may they be promoted? Testimony of the realization of these objectives was given by Mrs. R. P. Neblett, of the North Mississippi Conference, where fifty-two of the Conference women are in Spiritual Life Groups, and where definite results are being obtained. In quick succession until time was called, fifteen other Conference representatives bore gracious testimonies of the value of these groups. This inspiring hour closed with one stanza from the hymn, "Blessed Be the Lord."

Discussion, however, continued under the direction of Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, as the work of Education and Promotion was considered under the two heads: (a) Is there a weakening of the missionary motive among the women of the church? Why? (b) What can be done by the women to keep the missionary motive strong? The consensus of thought of the many who spoke was that the motive is not weakening, but increasing, as a desire to share with the sisterhood of the world grows stronger; that it has a changed expression; there is encourage-

ment; evidence of growth is seen in an increase in mission study classes and in the number of rural missionary societies.

Mrs. George P. Kendrick, the first treasurer of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, and in whose home the Board was organized, was introduced by the Council President.

On motion Calendar Rules 8 and 9 were suspended, in order that Committee reports related to the discussions of the day might be considered for action.

The report of the Committee on Education and Promotion was read by Calendar Clerk, considered seriatim, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 121.)

The report of the Committee on Children's Work was read by the Calendar Clerk, considered seriatim, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 123.)

The report of the Committee on Literature was read, considered seriatim, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 124.)

The following privilege resolution read by Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., was passed as read:

WHEREAS, the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, realizes the value of the *World Outlook* to the entire church as a medium for disseminating missionary information and cultivating spiritual growth—and

WHEREAS, the magazine both because of its content and its artistic arrangement merits the enthusiastic support of every Methodist family—and

WHEREAS there is great need at this time for united effort to counteract the falling off in subscriptions—

Be It Resolved:

(1) That publicity superintendents be commended and asked to continue their splendid efforts in its behalf—and

(2) That pastors be requested to present the *Outlook* as a missionary publication of the church, rather than a magazine devoted to women's work.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR.

MRS. F. B. GODFREY.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 125.)

The report of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message was read, considered seriatim, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 126.)

Mrs. Mattie Coleman, M.D., President of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Colored Methodist Church, a guest of the Council, was introduced to the Body.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. T. D. Ellis, D.D., and the afternoon session stood adjourned.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

ON THURSDAY EVENING the voices of foreign missionaries were heard. With Mrs. J. W. Perry presiding, the session opened at eight o'clock with the singing of the hymn, "Christ for the World We Sing." The Rev. B. G. Hodge, D.D., pastor of Crescent Hill Church, read the scripture lesson from II Corinthians, fourth chapter, and led in prayer, and the choir rendered a beautiful anthem, "O Sacred Love."

Mrs. Perry presented Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Administrative Secretary of Foreign Work, until recently a missionary in China, who introduced the missionaries participating in three round-table discussions. An innovation of the evening's program was the feature, "Please Tell Me," permitting Council members to ask any question of those carrying on the discussions.

In the first conversation, Miss Eva Hyde, Brazil; Dr. Josephine Lawney, China; Miss Alice Green, China; Miss Josephine Dameron, Korea; Miss Margaret Billingsley, Korea; Miss Annie Bell Williams, Japan; and Miss Ethel Williamson, Cuba, discussed advantages that are gained through co-operative efforts in union institutions, as illustrated in the institution in which each has found her opportunity for service.

At the second table, Miss Nell Dyer, Korea; Miss Sue Stanford, China; Miss Kwe Yui Kiang, China; Miss Ruth Field, Japan; Miss Clyde Varn, Brazil; Miss Marie Crone, Cuba; Miss Emma Eldridge, Mexico; and Miss Louise Best, Brazil, discussed missionary activities as affected by government relations, with results largely advantageous since civil authority presents a challenge rather than a hindrance.

Meeting community needs where the Council is at work by helping people to help themselves was the interesting topic discussed by the third group composed of Miss Emma Eldridge, Mexico; Miss Julia Reid, Cuba; Miss Allie Cobb, Brazil; Miss Mary Searcy, Japan; Miss Manie Towson, Japan; Miss Annie Bell Williams, Japan; Miss Alice Green, China; Miss Bessie Oliver, Korea; Miss Marguerite Clark, China; Miss Nina Troy, China.

Miss MacKinnon then made her annual report in which she glimpsed conditions in the eight fields under her care and said: "In every field national Christians are accepting leadership and working in finest co-operation with missionaries. Nevertheless, there is a great need for more missionaries." (See Report, page 97.)

The evening session closed with the Doxology and the benediction.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

FRIDAY WAS DESIGNATED Christian Social Relations Day.

Soft tones of the organ prelude prepared the way for the period of intercession led by Mrs. T. I. Charles, President of the Upper South Carolina Conference. The words of the hymn, "Lord, Speak to Me,"

came in sweet tones of a voice in the choir. The note of joyful praise and thanksgiving raised on Thursday morning was carried forward in the message of Psalm 100, and the meditation stressed the power of the "listening ear" and "earnest daily prayer"; while in intercession the causes represented in the themes for the day in their movement toward world betterment were lifted on high.

Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, chairman of the Committee to Examine the Minutes, reported that the Minutes of Thursday morning and afternoon had been studied and found correct.

The absence of Mrs. J. N. McEachern, President of the North Georgia Conference, who had been called away by the illness of her daughter, was noted.

The resignation for health reasons of Miss Berta Ellison, Member at Large, was read by the Secretary and on motion accepted with sincere regret.

The following were the pages for the day: Misses Mildred Horner, Barbara Baringer, Martha Baringer, Chima Hummel, Dorothy Crutcher, and Grace Rollings.

The report of the Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, reports of Sessions Committees Numbers one and two on Home Field, Numbers one and two on Christian Social Relations, and the report of the special committee on General Conference Legislation were placed on the Calendar.

The report of the Committee on Estimates was taken from the Calendar, read, and the following totals for Education and Promotion voted: Administration, \$25,404; for Education and Promotion, \$31,664; total for the Department of Education and Promotion, \$57,068.

The motion prevailed that cuts made by Mrs. J. W. Downs in appropriations for Home Missions Department be approved.

The total basis for appropriation for the Home Department of \$214,971.75 was approved.

The following totals were approved: Administration Home Work, \$9,466.96; Mountain Work, \$27,855; Mexican Work (Texas and California), \$29,539; Gulf Coast Work, \$18,948; Cuban Work (Florida), \$13,115; Negro Work, \$27,166.

The members of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations were invited to the platform when the hour for the presentation of its work arrived.

Mrs. W. A. Newell, Superintendent, presented the report for the Bureau as a whole, tracing its development and work during the four years since there was "committed to it the organization and direction of the missionary societies in their efforts toward Christianizing all the relations of society, at home and abroad, industry, government, politics, international relations, race relations, rural life, and industrial relations." (See Report, page 104.)

Programs related to the various departments of the Bureau were

presented during the day, beginning with Christian Citizenship and Law Enforcement. (See Report, page 131.) Mrs. J. W. Mills, chairman of this committee introduced Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, of the Commission on Interracial Co-operation, who spoke on "Prevention of Lynching." She outlined the method by which the plans are carried out by the Anti-Lynching Association, which has secured signatures of ten thousand southern women pledged to educate against lynching.

Mrs. Mills spoke of the working plans of her committee. She defined a Christian citizen as a follower of Jesus Christ who relates his profession to the political situation, and spoke of the responsibility as Christian citizens that women have for molding that most potent factor in American life—public opinion.

Then followed a discussion of Best Things Done in auxiliaries in promoting Christian Citizenship, in which several participated from the floor, and a show of hands indicated that if time permitted a large proportion of the body would welcome the privilege of reporting on the question.

As related to the foregoing discussion Dr. W. G. Cram brought a report of the meeting of the Committee of One Thousand, held in Washington, D. C., March 7 and 8, when a national prohibition emergency conference was organized, representing thirty boards and non-church temperance organizations banded together to protect the Eighteenth Amendment. Bishop E. H. Hughes, the president of this temperance organization, had said in his address: A crisis exists; we are here to serve notice on our country; to assert unshaken faith in the righteousness of our cause; to declare that the trade in alcoholic beverage is always a lawbreaker.

The presentation for the Commission on Interracial Co-operation was made by Miss Louise Young (see Report, page 135), who stated that this period would be devoted to the celebration of the Paine College Jubilee. She then introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Channing H. Tobias, Secretary of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A., an alumnus of Paine College, and a member of the Board of Trustees of that institution. Paine College, he said, is significant for the South, not as a place where white people are handing down something to an inferior people, but where sons and daughters of one color are helping sons and daughters of another color to fulfil their highest destiny. He was mindful of and paid tribute to those heroes of the Southern Methodism who in pioneering here had builded their characters into Paine College: Dr. and Mrs. George Williams Walker, Miss Belle Bennett, and Miss Mary Helm, and a later one, Mrs. J. W. Downs, who had recently "lifted hope in the hearts of Negro women that could not have been lifted in a lifetime."

Mrs. W. T. Poynter, of Shelbyville, Ky., first president of Ken-

tucky Conference Woman's Missionary Society, and Bishop and Mrs. Paul B. Kern were introduced.

Bishop Kern, leader of the noon worship period, in keeping with the immediate mood of our nation, stated his topic, "Buying a Field in a Besieged City," and his text, Jeremiah 32: 15. The story of Jeremiah as related in this chapter then became the basis of appeal to the Woman's Missionary Council to look for hope in the midst of disaster. "In these days of uncertainty and depression, we may snatch victories that would have been impossible in less turbulent times, for days like these throw us back on God as never before." If we walk in confidence that the foundations will stand; that God has not deserted his cause or his people; that the ages are with the righteous man and the purposes of the Almighty are undefeatable; then new confidence and courage will come into our confused thinking and we shall face the future unafraid. With faith that God is leading his children, that once again restoration shall come to pass, and conscious that our strength is in the strength of God, Bishop Kern asserted his belief in the power of the womanhood of the Woman's Missionary Council to send out a bugle call to all Methodism. Bishop Kern closed with prayer and the morning session stood adjourned.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

THE SESSION FRIDAY AFTERNOON opened with Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, in the chair.

The worship service, led by Miss Daisy Davies, consisted of the hymn, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," and prayer.

Consideration of Estimates was resumed, and the following appropriations were approved: For Dependent Girls, \$13,440; for Bible Teachers in State Schools, \$4,500; for Industrial Work, \$2,001; for work with Miners, \$9,927; for Delinquent Girls, \$11,072.29; Western Work, \$6,150; for Cajun Work (Alabama), \$900; for Rural Work, \$3,000; Miscellaneous (Deaconess travel, expense, outfit, \$3,000; Furlough allowance, \$12,000; Membership dues Council of Women, \$345), \$15,345; Scarritt College, \$20,000; City Mission and Conference Appropriation, \$4,547.50; Grand Total for Home Work, \$254,700.34.

The Christian Social Relations program was resumed with the presentation of those features related to the International Relations and World Peace under the direction of Mrs. F. S. Parker, Chairman of that Committee, who introduced the three speakers on Peace. (See Report, page 133.)

Miss Marguerite Clark, of Shanghai, China, in speaking of attitudes making for peace in the Far East, gave as bright spots on the horizons of China and Japan the work of Christian groups in both lands; Christian leaders seeking to develop wise policies; Christian student groups of Japan meeting with similar groups in China to seek a better

understanding; and native Christians backing their professions by Christlike attitudes and deeds.

Miss Viola Matthews from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, presented the same topic from the Latin-American viewpoint. She said that despite the warlike atmosphere which had so frequently prevailed of late, the thought of peace is growing in these lands, though they look with scant degree of pleasure upon intervention by the United States in Latin-American affairs. The Christ of the Andes is teaching the way of peace in these countries.

"Where Are We Now in Peace" was discussed by Mr. Paul Harris, Jr., Associate Secretary of the National Council for Prevention of War. Mr. Harris briefly reviewed the world situation, and stressed the urgency of definite action on the part of those interested in winning the world for peace. He said: "There is a turn toward peace in America, but there is also in many areas a determination for war. . . . But war to end war will never work. . . . Only as you touch the votes that get up to your Congressmen will you stop this hell." "A clear road lies between each citizen and the world-policy of his nation: the first stage in the road is your local voting precinct; the second, your local town or county; the third is your Congressional districts; and the fourth is the nation." He then outlined the Precinct Plan, and urged its acceptance. In expressing his confidence in the "Precinct Plan," he said: "Thoroughly enlisted, your activities will not be those of an inspired minority only, but a movement which may become a mass movement for world peace."

A resolution pertinent to the messages just received, was read by Miss Emma V. Peppler, and passed as read, as follows:

RESOLUTION INDORSING THE WORLD COURT PROTOCOLS

WHEREAS, In 1928 the United States joined with 57 other nations in the Kellogg Pact in agreeing to use only peaceful means to settle disputes; and—

WHEREAS, The World Court is the outstanding agency for settling certain kinds of international disputes by the application of the principles of international law; and—

WHEREAS, To refuse judicial settlement of the class of disputes to which that method is applicable is, in the words of Mr. Hughes, now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, "to treat the Kellogg Pact as a mere scrap of paper"; and—

WHEREAS, The Senate, in 1926, by a vote of 76 to 17, approved the adherence of the United States to the World Court with five reservations; and—

WHEREAS, These reservations are fully met, in the judgment of the Department of State and of such authoritative bodies as the American Bar Association, by the three treaties now awaiting the Senate's consent to ratification;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, urges the United States Senate to ratify the three pending World Court treaties during the special session and thus complete our adherence to the Court.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That every Council member acquaint the Senators of her state of this action of the Woman's Missionary Council.

MRS. F. S. PARKER,
MISS EMMA V. PEPPLER.

A second resolution related to the Peace program was read by Mrs. A. R. Walker, and passed as read, as follows:

WHEREAS, There is at the present time a bill (S. J. Res. 229) in both the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States to prohibit the exportation of arms or munitions of war from the United States under certain conditions—

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, urge the immediate ratification of this bill.*

MRS. F. S. PARKER,
MISS EMMA V. PEPPLER.

The program on Industrial Relations was presented by Miss Constance Rumbough, Chairman of the Committee (see Report of Committee, page 129), who introduced Miss Lucy Randolph Mason, Executive Secretary of the National Consumer's League, who spoke on "Dangers in Our Economic System." Miss Mason stressed the necessity for the enactment of laws limiting hours of work, and establishing minimum wage scales. She laid upon the churches the burden of responsibility for helping in the creation of public opinion that will crystallize into law. She pictured the impoverishment of those employed in the sweat shops, and explained how the consequences of such conditions are not only serious to those employed in these shops, but to those operating under higher standards who find it impossible to compete, and therefore, curtail production, so that a sweated worker earning one or two dollars a week is actually displacing some other worker on a wage of twelve or fifteen dollars.

Miss Rumbough then introduced Mrs. A. E. Barnett, Chairman of Industrial Relations in the Tennessee Conference, who told of a Conference project in the Wilder mining community (coal mine in Fentress County, Tenn.), which revealed great need because of low wages

* The following day an additional statement was added to this action: That each Council member should write her Senators as soon as possible, stating her opinion of the action of the Council and her opinion in regard to questions involved in the message.

and a deplorable strike situation. The Wilder Emergency Relief Committee was organized and had been able to relieve the suffering and make known to the miners that there are those who are vitally interested in their welfare.

Miss Mabel Howell, Chairman of the Commission on Rural Work (see Report of Committee, page 129), spoke briefly of the great need existing in rural areas at home and abroad. She then introduced Miss Margaret Billingsley, a missionary in Korea, who spoke on "The New Rural Emphases in Korea." Here 17,000,000 people live in rural sections, and despair and anxiety have been the portion of the average farmer, whose earnings, including his produce, rarely exceed \$175 a year. One form of work in the rural centers is to set forth the spiritual gospel as related to the agriculture and economic life. Other efforts to help are made through rural clinics, home economics classes, Bible classes, night schools, and kindred agencies.

Mrs. C. T. Shaedel, née Etta Lee Woosley, former missionary in the Congo, told of a rural project in Caledonia, Tex., which is transforming the religious and social life of the community, for Caledonia is church centered.

These messages were followed by a period of discussion of the best things done by auxiliaries to aid in Rural Development. Many participated in this discussion, and one woman told of thirty-five women who had been taught to read and write, and that the first time they wrote their names they signed a peace petition.

On motion, Calendar Rule No. 9 was suspended, that Reports Numbers 1 and 2 of the Committee on Christian Social Relations might be taken from the Calendar and put upon their passage.

Report No. 1 was read and considered by sections: Rural Work, Christian Citizenship and Law Enforcement, International Relations and World Peace, and Interracial Co-operation. The section on World Peace was amended by the insertion of the words "if available" in the paragraph concerning the Bible study, "Jesus and His Principles of World Peace." The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 126.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Christian Social Relations, a recommendation from the Committee on Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies, was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 128.)

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Bessie Oliver, and the afternoon session stood adjourned.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

A HOME MISSION SYMPOSIUM made up the program Friday evening, which opened with the hymn, "Be Strong." Mrs. J. C. Handy, Vice-President, presided. The Rev. G. W. Hummel, D.D., pastor of West Broadway Church, read the scripture lesson from the third chapter

of Ephesians and led in prayer, and the choir sang "Hark, Hark, My Soul."

Mrs. J. W. Downs, Administrative Secretary of Home Mission Work, made her annual report, emphasizing spiritual values as she noted fruitful results of work in the Home Field through the efforts of the one hundred and eighty-four deaconesses and employed workers, in schools, Bethlehem Houses, Wesley Houses, churches, co-operative homes, dormitories, hospitals, orphanages, industrial, rural, and college centers. (See Report, page 91.)

Mrs. Downs then introduced her group of speakers: Miss Mary Ora Durham, Dean of Women at Scarritt College for Christian Workers, speaking on the "Spirit of Co-operation and Togetherness in Service," traced the evidences of co-operation through the ages from the days when Jesus taught his Disciples how to follow this principle of service. "Co-operation," she said, "is losing one's identity to build a better structure than one alone could erect." Miss Carmen Blessing, Superintendent of Holding Institute, in "Seeing Further into Service," gave as the answer to the question, "What constitutes service as a deaconess?" "To interpret God in our daily lives." Miss Daisy Ritter, Superintendent of Brevard Institute, in following her topic, "Not an Organization, but a Kingdom," stressed the uses of organization as means to an end in furthering the work of the deaconess in the interests of the Kingdom of God. Deaconess Ethel Jackson, Head Resident at Mary Elizabeth Inn, in "Going Deeper," presented a fitting close to a day of rare privilege. She said, "If we go deeper, it is by following Christ; by being filled with love for the work that was his, by possessing the elements that were in his life, and by following the way of the Cross."

The session closed with the Doxology and prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

THE ORGAN CALL to worship brought quietness, and Mrs. R. S. Satterfield led the morning period of intercession, which began with the hymn "Workman of God! O lose not heart, but learn what God is like." The scripture lesson was read from an *Interpretation of the Book of Jonah*, by Charles Forster Kent, and the prayer offered was Jonah's prayer of thanksgiving for deliverance and his affirmation of determination to acknowledge his debts to God. Quietness deepened as the organ played "Peace, Be Still," and hearts were lifted in prayer led by Mrs. T. J. Copeland. The service closed with the hymn, "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling."

The Committee to Examine the Minutes reported that the minutes of Friday morning and afternoon sessions had been examined and found correct.

The following young women were pages for the day: Miss Carolyn

Taylor, Miss Martha Akin, Mrs. Elsie Clegg, Miss Margaret Grant, Miss Naomi Deane, Miss Marjory King, and Miss Mary Logan Chim.

The following reports were placed on the Calendar: Report No. 3 of the Committee on Christian Social Relations, concerning organization by precincts for peace, and the Special Committee to Formulate Plans for the Celebration of the Home Mission Jubilee.

The report of the Committee on Public Worship for Sunday was read by Miss Emily Olmstead.

The motion prevailed that a message of love and greeting be sent to Dr. E. B. Chappell.

Calendar work was resumed. The basis of appropriations for the Foreign Department was stated by Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton and voted, as follows, \$487,526.37; for Administration, \$12,588; for Miscellaneous Items, \$30,353; for Brazil: total for missionaries' salaries, \$32,377; General Expenses, \$250; Educational Work, \$5,736; Evangelistic Work, \$240; Miscellaneous, \$2,860; grand total for Brazil, \$39,663.

For China the following appropriations were voted: Total for missionaries, \$47,787; for general expenses, \$1,850; for educational work, \$31,525; evangelistic, \$19,695; medical work, \$10,250. Grand total for China, \$105,682.

During the consideration of appropriations for China the motion prevailed that the suggestions made by Miss Mary Culler White and Miss Alice Green regarding adjustment on the field of the additional cut of \$5,425 be approved.

The following appropriations were made for work in Congo Belge: Total for missionaries, \$11,500; Educational Department, \$675; Medical Department, \$1,900; Evangelistic Department, \$50; Printing Department, \$200; Girls' Home, \$775; miscellaneous, \$850. Grand total for the Congo, \$15,500.

During the next hour the Committee on Status of Women presented their report in an interesting manner.

"As We Were," a playlet written by Mrs. Maud Turpin and presented by a Louisville cast dressed in costumes of 1880, vividly pictured the days of the beginning of woman's work.

Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, in speaking on the topic, "Where We Are," told of the status of women in the Church today, which indicated the long step women have made since the days just dramatized.

Mrs. J. C. Handy, with a vision of the future in speaking on "Where We Should Be" and how to attain this place, said in part: "There are certain things that women must do for themselves: rid themselves of the fear of the unusual; the conciliation attitude; lack of confidence in their judgment." And, continuing, that men, who have by their ballots given laity rights and political suffrage to women, must now by their votes give to them clergy privileges, not as a right, but in keeping with the teachings of Jesus.

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Status of Women, that of Re-

search and Study, was read by the Secretary of the Committee, Mrs. E. A. Kitchell, and placed on record. (See Report, page 136.)

On motion Calendar Rules 9 were suspended that Report No. 2 containing the recommendations of the Committee on Status might be put on its passage at once.

The report was read, considered, and adopted as read. (See Report, page 139.)

The report of the Commission on Unoccupied Areas was presented by Mrs. Lee Britt, Chairman, and members of the Commission. During the last twelve months this group had made a careful study of Indians in the areas occupied by the Southern Methodist Church, and where, though their need is great, nothing in particular is being done for them by the Church.

Mrs. A. B. Smith sketched the characteristics, tribal customs, and traditions of the American Indians, who stand in need of kind treatment and guidance.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver related her message to Indian life in North Carolina, where there is the largest number of Indians in any one state. In the eastern part of the state they do not live on a government reservation, but have a claim supported by the General Assembly of North Carolina. They have their own preachers and teachers. In the western section of the state three thousand Indians live on a government reservation of sixty thousand acres. They have schools and a hospital.

Mrs. F. B. Godfrey gave a sadder picture of the Seminoles in Florida, who live in a remote, desolate region, are in great need, and have little done for them. The government employs an Indian Commissioner, a teacher, and one helper to do what they can for nearly six hundred persons. The one hopeful prospect for them is in an interdenominational missionary association known as the Friends of the Seminoles.

The Findings of the Commission on Unoccupied Areas was read and placed on record. (See Findings, page 136.)

The presence of Mrs. R. J. Parker, Secretary of the Texas Mexican Conference, was noted, and she was introduced to the Body.

The Council paused for a few moments to receive a gracious message from China through Mary Culler White.

Miss Mary Culler White presented a memorial to Miss Esther Case, a certificate of membership in the China Woman's Missionary Society from the five thousand women of the society who loved and honored Miss Case. They requested that the certificate be sent to the family of Miss Case.

In behalf of the Council Mrs. J. W. Perry accepted the token and assured Miss White that it would be sent to Mrs. Case and Miss Robella Case, mother and sister of Miss Esther Case.

At the noon hour Bishop Kern delivered a powerful message on

"What Is the Future of the Missionary Enterprise?" based on Isaiah 21: 11, 12.

Beginning with the statement, "The best days of the missionary enterprise are ahead of us," he stated as the grounds for his confidence: (1) That we have been investigated and inquired into; missions are about the liveliest thing in the Christian world. A larger and more intelligent number of people are interested in international questions than many think. (2) There is hope because of the breakdown of the non-Christian religions of the world. The people are turning from their gods; they are unwilling to accept anything less than the gospel. They want, not Western civilization, but our Lord and Master. (3) There is an increasing recognition of the necessity for a moral and ethical standard for a stable society. The dominant personalities in China now are Christian leaders. (4) Because of the native leadership coming into control of the Christian movement in the Orient. (5) Because the missionary cause is bound up with the whole Christian enterprise. We cannot keep a Christ whom we will not share with the world.

After prayer offered by Bishop Kern the morning session stood adjourned.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

MRS. F. B. GODFREY, President of the Florida Conference, who was in charge of the afternoon worship service, requested that, in memory of our mothers who laid the foundations of our work, the session be opened with the hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers." Mrs. Godfrey then led in prayer.

Consideration of Estimates for Foreign Work was resumed.

The motion prevailed that Miss MacKinnon be granted the privilege of making such adjustments in the appropriations as may be possible to avoid placing the Council in debt.

The following appropriations were granted for Cuba: Total for missionaries, \$15,905; Organization Work, \$400; Educational Work, \$12,050; Social Evangelistic Work, \$2,700. Grand total for Cuba, \$28,805.

The following appropriations were granted for Japan: Total for missionaries, \$28,002; General Expenses, \$2,795; Educational Work, \$46,000; Evangelistic Work, \$11,748. Grand total for Japan, \$82,636.

The following appropriations for Korea were granted: Total for missionaries, \$37,333; General Expenses, \$3,375; Educational Work, \$47,380; Evangelistic Work, \$19,055; Medical Work, \$3,500. Grand total for Korea, \$104,608.

Appropriations for Mexico were adopted, as follows: Total for missionaries, \$27,035; for Educational Work, \$20,550; Evangelistic Work, \$12,000. Grand total for Mexico, \$58,385.

For Poland \$7,786 was voted.

For the Siberia Korean Mission \$1,520 was voted. Grand total for the foreign mission work, \$487,526.

Dr. Josephine Lawney, of Margaret Williamson Hospital, told of the strict requirements for nurses and doctors in that institution. Twenty doctors have been graduated from Margaret Williamson, only one of whom is not a Christian. The student body is almost 100 per cent Christian.

On motion of Mrs. A. R. Walker, seconded by Miss Bess Combs, it was voted to send the following day letter to President Roosevelt:

"Hon Franklin D. Roosevelt,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

The Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in convention at Louisville, Ky., with representatives from twenty states, urgently requests you to press congressional action empowering you to place an embargo on arms and ammunitions in co-operation with other powers. We urge you to disapprove a naval building program, which inevitably endangers world-peace and economic recovery. We urge you to favor an international agreement for a consultative pact, and an agreement for the abolition of military and naval aviation, and international control of civil aviation as protection against warfare from the air, which protection is impossible under present conditions.

Mr. K. C. East, President of Sue Bennett College, London, Ky., Mrs. Yoshi Akagi, of Japan, now at Scarritt College preparing to teach at Hiroshima, and Mrs. R. T. Henry, formerly Deaconess Edith Fuess, now missionary from China, were introduced.

Mrs. Fulton, Treasurer, reported that Boone Moss Bowen, Jr., infant son of the former Miss Julia Lake Stevens, Council Superintendent of Young People's Work, had been made a life-member by the Rev. and Mrs. Wallace Rogers, of Atlanta, Ga.

Now the time for taking the conference pledges had come—always a scared hour in the Council session and one of primary importance. Some cards had been filled in, and the indication was that there would be a decrease in pledges. To the Treasurer's request for an expression from the women in regard to postponing the taking of the pledges until the conferences could meet, the response was immediate, and a new light was generated by inspiring testimonies; the sacrificial spirit was present. Heart-searching continued as the President led a discussion on "Safeguarding the Trust Committed to Us." The women entered into a pact with the Treasurer to unite in prayer every morning at the hour of waking. They expressed a determination to cultivate a more consecrated life and to make a courageous advance to meet the challenge of a most abnormal economic world-condition.

Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Fraternal Delegate to the meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Tulsa, Okla., October 20, 1932, in making her report, said that the women of our sister Methodism are interested in the same great problems that engage the attention of Southern Methodist women and are sharing in a large way in making this world a better place in which to live. A telling phrase that Mrs. Satterfield brought back with her was, "It is more challenging to fight a deficit than to build up a balanced budget."

It was voted that the Council session open at 8:30 Monday morning.

The afternoon session was dismissed with prayer offered by Miss Bess Combs.

SATURDAY EVENING

"THE FELLOWSHIP DINNER" on Saturday evening in the Crystal Ballroom of the Brown Hotel was an occasion of true fellowship in the gathering together of more than five hundred Council members and visitors. As a reminder of other days the souvenir was a reprint of a "programme" of the "Opening of the Convention of the Woman's Missionary Society" in Louisville May 16, 1879, an irresistible feature of which was a hymn composed for the Woman's Missionary Society by the Rev. T. O. Summers, D.D.

The Council President presided as a gracious toastmistress, the invocation was offered by the Vice-President, and, with the choir leader, the Council sang antiphonally the hymn, "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night." "Yesterday's Challenge in Fellowship as We Blazed the Trail" was sketched by Mrs. Lee Britt, Miss Mary Culler White, and Miss Mabel Howell; "Today's Opportunity in Fellowship—Joining Hands and Hearts in a Common Interest"—by Mrs. A. M. Gates, Deaconess Mamie Chandler, and Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon; and "Tomorrow's Adventure in Fellowship—Going Farther—Not a New Direction, But a New Emphasis," by Mrs. Homer Tatum, Deaconess Grace Gatewood, and Mrs. Hume R. Steele. The new emphasis does not bedim the glory and the sacrifice of the pioneers, but in clearing the paths opens new vistas to adventures, among which shall be the re-creation of public opinion and a spiritual awakening which alone can bring relief to troubled nations.

With the emphasis ever on sharing and having sung the hymn, "Heralds of Christ," the program came to a close in the words of "How Firm a Foundation" and a prayer of gratitude offered by Mrs. Nat G. Rollins.

SUNDAY MORNING

THE CALL TO WORSHIP at eleven o'clock was an organ prelude, Widor's "Andante Cantabile, Fourth Symphony," then words of praise

ringing out in the Doxology. The usual ritual service in charge of the pastor, the Rev. Eugene B. Hawk, D.D., was followed in the use of the hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy," the Apostles' Creed, morning prayer, the anthem, "Unfold, Ye Portals," by Gounod, Psalm No. 145, the Gloria, the New Testament Lesson, Luke 24: 13-31, offertory, "Whosoever Drinketh of the Water," and the hymn, "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee."

The annual sermon was delivered by Bishop Paul B. Kern, who, from a text from Luke 24: 13 and 36, spoke of the mysteries of God's love, which is as sure as his light; of the age-old truth of his Word as recorded in his eternal law; of the enduring presence of Jesus; of the difficulty of understanding that suffering is the way to glory; that through days of self-denial may come a glorified Church, which, with the rubbish swept away, cleansed, and purified, will find a new joy and power in the availability of the Unseen Presence; that maybe it will be that we will walk unharmed through the fiery test of these days if Jesus is one with us; that God is trying to break into our lives through the beauty of the world, and bringing his goodness to us in many ways; and as we find a new awareness of God, out of our suffering there will come a luminous Presence that will speak, "Peace, lo I am with you."

The service closed with prayer and the hymn, "Abide with Me," and was dismissed with the benediction.

SUNDAY EVENING

SUNDAY EVENING the meeting reached a climax in the realization of the opportunity offered for the reconsecration of all attending the service. At an early hour the capacity of the auditorium of Fourth Avenue Methodist Church was overtaxed by those who desired to witness the consecration of the candidates for missionary service. Seated in the pulpit were Bishop William F. McMurry, in charge of the Consecration Service; Mrs. J. W. Perry, who presided; Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College; Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Council Secretaries; and Mrs. W. J. Piggott, President of the Kentucky Conference.

At seven forty-five the candidates, deaconesses, and foreign missionaries, singing the processional hymn, "Lead On, O King Eternal," entered the church and took their seats. The congregation, standing, joined in singing the hymn, "Praise the Savior, All Ye Nations." The scripture lesson, the story of the "Emmaus," was read by Mrs. W. J. Piggott, who offered prayer for the young women who were dedicating their lives to fellowship with Christ in acceptance of his commission, "Go ye into all the world." The choir sang the anthem, "Inflamatus" "Stabat Mater," and the congregation joined in singing the hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers."

In behalf of the Woman's Missionary Council, Mrs. Perry then

presented to Bishop McMurry the class of candidates for consecration. The young women to serve as deaconesses in the home field: Miss Mary Evelyn Berry, from the South Georgia Conference; Miss Lucy Edna Carlton, from the Mississippi Conference; Miss Thyra Nell Collins, from the Oklahoma Conference; Miss Anna Fay Fowler, from the Louisville Conference; Miss Mary Eleanor Grissom, from the Louisville Conference; Miss Jeanetta Pearl Harrison, from the Florida Conference; Miss Laura Mae Haynes, from the Tennessee Conference; Miss Hyda Heard, from the North Georgia Conference; Miss Fredda Eulene Morton, from the Northwest Texas Conference; Miss Helen Philips, from the North Arkansas Conference; Miss Verna Helen Webster, from the Louisiana Conference; Miss Bessie Anne Williams, from the Louisiana Conference. The young women to serve as foreign missionaries: Miss Cathie Lee Clark, from the Memphis Conference, under appointment to Brazil; Miss Evelyn Louise Dacus, from the Upper South Carolina Conference, under appointment to Korea; Miss Mary Oni Holler, from the Upper South Carolina Conference, under appointment to China; Miss Fannie Kunkel Wasley, from the Florida Conference, under appointment to Brazil; Miss Monta McFadin, from the New Mexico Conference, under appointment to Mexico.

The congregation participated in the responsive reading led by the Bishop. After prayer and the hymn of consecration, "Lord, in the Strength of Grace," sung by the candidates, the Bishop read the charge, received their response to the vows, and administered the commission to each one to "take the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ into all the world."

All joined in the singing of the hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"; then followed the celebration of the Holy Communion—a gracious privilege, partaken first by the class of candidates, followed by other missionaries and deaconesses, and then by the hundreds in the congregation—truly an experience long to be cherished in the hearts of those present; a new consecration for a closer walk, a dearer fellowship, a fuller life with the Master.

The benediction was pronounced by Bishop McMurry.

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

ON MONDAY MORNING at eight-thirty o'clock the Council met for its final period of Intercession with Mrs. A. R. Walker, President of the St. Louis Conference, in charge, assisted by Miss Bessie Oliver, missionary from Korea, and Miss Mary Floyd, deaconess. The service opened with the hymn, "Teach Me, My God and King, in All Things Thee to See," sung as a solo by a member of the choir. Mrs. Walker then read a lesson from Ephesians 3: 14-19. Miss Oliver led in a brief meditation dealing with the sufficiency of God, then offered prayer. The hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee," was sung,

and Miss Floyd led in prayer for an unwavering faith in the omnipotence of God through whom nothing is impossible. The service closed with the Lord's Prayer in unison, led by Mrs. Walker.

The Committee to Approve the Minutes reported that the Minutes of Saturday morning and afternoon sessions had been examined and approved.

The following were pages for the day: Misses Alberta Lotspeich, Sara Shook, Ada Cardwell, and Elizabeth Hobson.

A telegram from Dr. E. B. Chappell, in appreciation of one sent to him on Saturday, was read, also messages of love and greeting carrying assurance of prayer for spiritual blessings upon the meeting of the Council from Mrs. J. H. Spilman and Mrs. Harwell Wilson, former members of the Body; and a message of greeting and appreciation from Mrs. Bessie L. Allen, President of the Booker T. Washington Community Center in Louisville. The Secretary was instructed to reply to these messages.

Plans were laid for the election of three Members at Large of the Council. Tellers were appointed as follows: Chairman, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, distributing tellers, Mrs. J. S. Terry, Mrs. S. M. Barnard, Miss Elsie Wright; collecting tellers, Mrs. G. E. Edwards, Mrs. Claude Simpson, Mrs. Wiltz M. Ledbetter.

A ballot for the three Members at Large was taken, the tellers retired, and the order of business was resumed.

A recommendation from the Executive Committee concerning the collecting of old gold for the missionary treasury was read and approved as read. (See Recommendations, page 139.)

The report of the Committee on Scarritt College for Christian Workers was read, considered seriatim, and approved as read. (See Report, page 125.)

Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College for Christian Workers, made his report in which he emphasized the uniqueness of Scarritt and stated that it is becoming an international institution. (See Report, page 113.)

The report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was read. It was voted that, since this report had been in the hands of the Body for some time that it be considered on one reading. The report was then approved as read. (See Report, page 140.)

Here business was interrupted for a pleasant interlude, while the members of the Local Committee were introduced, as follows: General Chairman, Mrs. Huston Quin; Co-Chairman, Mrs. Glenn Brewer; Chairman of Publicity, Miss Emily Olmstead; Chairman of Homes, Mrs. Arthur Kaye; Chairman of Registration, Mrs. E. H. Menart; Chairman of Pages, Mrs. Herndon Butler; Chairman of Transportation, Mrs. Gray Rochester; Chairman of Information, Mrs. G. W. Hummel; Chairman of Music, Mrs. Atilla Cox; and Co-Chairman, Mrs. Charles Jenkins; Chairman of Tickets for Fellowship Dinner,

Miss Laura Peter; Committee on Courtesy: Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Mrs. E. B. Hawk, Mrs. J. C. Rawlings; Church Hostess, Mrs. D. Y. Lyons; Co-Hostesses: Mrs. E. B. Dye and Mrs. J. L. Holman; Council Entertainment Fund Treasurer, Miss Helen McCandless; Check Room: Mrs. R. L. Averitt and Mrs. Agatha Stoll. Post-office, Miss Eleanor Dean; Secretary for Railway Tickets and Certificates, Mrs. C. F. Wobbe; Dining-Room Hostess, Mrs. H. B. Taylor; Dining-Room Manager, Mrs. Snodgrass; Board of City Missions Lunch Manager, Mrs. John Clifford; Church Secretary, Miss Binford.

The Chairman of Tellers, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, reported: 71 votes cast, 66 qualified, 34 necessary to a choice, and one Member at Large elected: Miss Bess Combs.

A second ballot was cast.

The privilege of making an explanation in regard to action taken on Friday was granted Mrs. A. R. Walker, who stated that in regard to the resolution concerning the exportation of arms and munitions of war, the expectation was that each Council member would send letters stating action by the Body and her personal opinion on the question to her Senators and Representative as soon as possible.

Report Number 1 of the Committee on Home Field was read and considered. Action was suspended until Report Number 2 of the same Committee might be considered.

Report Number 2 was read, and while it was under consideration the following privilege motion read by Mrs. Fred Lamb was adopted:

Whereas, the support of the deaconess is maintenance rather than remuneration; and—

Whereas, her efficiency depends upon adequate support;

We urge the City and Conference Boards employing deaconesses to make every effort to see:

1. That the salary cut, if one is necessary, shall be on a minimum basis.

2. That these Boards make provision in their budgets for necessary expenses involved in carrying on the work so that workers shall not have to use a part of their salaries for the work.

MRS. FRED A. LAMB,

MRS. J. P. HARVILL.

Reports Numbers 1 and 2 of the Committee on Home Field were then adopted as read. (See Reports, page 118.)

The Chairman of Tellers, Mrs. J. P. Harvill, made the following report on the second ballot: 72 votes cast, 2 irregular, 36 necessary for a choice. No election.

A third ballot was cast.

In response to the request that the place for the next meeting of the Council be fixed at this time, Mrs. Isaac Morris, President of the North Alabama Conference, and Mrs. J. R. Turner, Secretary, came

forward, and with the addition of letters from many city organizations urged the acceptance of their invitation to meet in Birmingham in 1934.

This gracious invitation to the "Magic City" was accepted unanimously.

The report of the Committee on General Conference Legislation was read.

It was voted that the statement of the Objectives in the report be accepted without rereading.

The motion to substitute the words "statement of beliefs" for the word "creed" in article V was lost.

The motion to amend the article by the inclusion of the personnel of the Council was lost.

On motion the following statement was adopted as a substitute for paragraph 2 on Children's Work:

The discussion resulted in the appointment of a committee to conduct informal conversations with certain members of the Board of Christian Education that present difficulties may be overcome and a relationship established which would be mutually satisfactory to the Woman's Missionary Council and the Board of Christian Education.

The report was further amended by deleting the last paragraph of the section on Children's Work. The report was then adopted as amended. (See Report, page 142.)

Mrs. J. P. Harvill, Chairman of Tellers, reported on the third ballot as follows: Number of votes cast, 67; number necessary for a choice, 34; two Members at Large elected: Mrs. Harwell Wilson, of Winter Haven, Fla., formerly President of the North Alabama and the Florida Conferences, and Miss Margaret Young, Deaconess, formerly Secretary of the Deaconess Conference.

A protest to be sent to the Board of Christian Education, signed by the members of the Committee on General Conference Legislation, was read.

It was moved by Mrs. W. J. Piggott and seconded to amend the paper by striking out the word "another" and inserting the words "the General Conference and written into the Constitution of the Board of Missions."

The motion prevailed, and the paper was adopted as amended as follows:

TO THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
FROM THE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the constitution of the Board of Missions authorizes the women of the Church to organize and conduct missionary societies among women and children, Article XI, page 483,

WHEREAS, the constitution of the Board of Christian Education recognizes the right of the Woman's Missionary Society to organize

groups in the Children's Division of the local church, Section 4, Article 468,

THEREFORE, while we as loyal Methodist women support the legally constituted work of any Board, and therefore, that of the Board of Christian Education,

We protest against the disposition of the Board of Christian Education to condemn the legally constituted missionary cultivation of children authorized by the General Conference and written into the constitution of the Board of Missions. This protest is based upon the fact that criticisms have been and are made by leaders in institutes, in Leadership Schools, and in pamphlets published by the Board of Education. In these criticisms the value of this cultivation is condemned as negligible and out of harmony with educational principles.

We regret the creation of unrest and uncertainty which disturbs the spirit of harmony so necessary to the success of any spiritual adventure.

THEREFORE, we recommend that this protest be sent to the Board of Christian Education, that there may be regard for constitutional rights, in order that a spirit of understanding and co-operation may prevail.

Signed by the members of the General Conference Legislation Committee.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT, *Chairman*;

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

MRS. J. W. PERRY,

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB,

MISS I. MORRIS,

MISS DAISY DAVIES,

MRS. A. M. GATES,

MRS. J. W. MILLS.

As a privilege motion a paper designated "A Call to the Church" was read by Miss Estelle Haskin and unanimously adopted as read, as follows:

A CALL TO THE CHURCH

The Woman's Missionary Council in annual session at Louisville, Ky., March 22-26, has faced prayerfully and fearlessly the present deplorable world situation and its implications and opportunities for the missionary enterprise, and we are convinced:

1. That there was never so great an urgency that the missionary message be proclaimed at home and abroad as that which faces us today; individuals and nations are in desperate need of spiritual help, and they are ready to listen to the claims of Christianity as a solution to their problems.

2. That this need offers an unprecedented opportunity in the face of which it is a betrayal of a trust to drastically reduce missionary budgets, to recall or detain at home effective and tried missionaries or to close needed institutions.

3. While we are fully aware of the economic situation that makes giving difficult, yet we are convinced that the end of the available financial resources of the Church has not been reached or that we have yet begun to test the possibilities of sacrificial living and giving. Neither have we availed ourselves of the infinite resources of prayer. We, therefore, pledge ourselves here and now to sacrificial living and giving. We seek to impose upon ourselves the same heroic service as that of our missionaries.

4. We call upon the entire Church to give a new witness to the world of faith in God and his power to work through human lives for the triumphant coming of his Kingdom.

MABEL K. HOWELL,
MRS. J. W. MILLS,
ESTELLE HASKIN.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Work was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 119.)

The report number 2 of the Committee on Literature was read and approved as read. (See Report, page 125.)

Report number 3 of the Committee on Christian Social Relations, a deferred item to be added to the section on International Relations and World Peace, was read and adopted as read. (See items 4 and 5 of Section 3, Committee on Christian Social Relations, page 128.)

The report of the Committee on Home Mission Jubilee was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 119.)

The report of the Committee to fill vacancies on Standing Committees was read and adopted as read. (See Report, page 145.)

The report of the Committee on Resolutions, read by Mrs. W. E. Hillyard, was adopted as read. (See Report, page 146.)

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

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS

The Committee on Laws submit the following report:

1. The Committee has furnished information concerning the law of the body where 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.

Dr. Josephine Lawney, of Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, China, rose to express her appreciation of this meeting of the Council, the first that she had been privileged to attend, and to her testimony added that of a physician whom she had met at the hotel. He, Dr. McCormick, Field Secretary of the Medical Association, had been impressed by the Council as it passed in and about the hotel and to a question from another man in the hotel, "Who are these, and what meeting is this?" had replied, "They are the soul of the United States, if it has any."

The Program Committee for the 1934 meeting of the Council was appointed as follows: Miss Mabel Howell, Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Miss Louise Young, Mrs. I. Morris.

The Council stood adjourned for a brief period that the annual meetings of its predecessors, the three old Boards, might be held and thus preserve their legal identity.

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions was called to order, the roll was called, the necessary reports were made, action was taken in regard to the loss by death of two of its most valued members: Miss Esther Case, Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Manager. Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon was elected Corresponding Secretary in the place of Mrs. Esther Case. The Board then adjourned sine die. (See detailed record of meeting in record book in Miss MacKinnon's office, Nashville, Tenn.)

The Woman's Board of Home Missions was called to order, the roll was called. Reports of officers were made. These included the statement by the General Secretary concerning an offer of \$400 for two small tracts of land in Florida, and a committee consisting of the President and the General Secretary was appointed to consider this offer. The Board then adjourned sine die. (See detailed report in record book in the office of the General Secretary, Nashville, Tenn.)

The Woman's Board of Missions, which is the Board of Directors of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was called to order by the President. The roll was called, the necessary reports made. The Board then adjourned sine die. (See full report of meeting in record book kept in the office of the Secretary, in Nashville, Tenn.)

The Woman's Missionary Council reconvened and was called to order by the President.

Mrs. Nat G. Rollins was added to the Committee on General Conference Legislation.

The President spoke of the many courtesies that had been extended and of the Council's sincere appreciation, though the crowded program may have made it appear that the body was unmindful of Louisville's unnumbered kindnesses.

As a pledge of gratitude for the blessings received during the meeting the body sang "O, Jesus, I Have Promised to Serve Thee to the End," the President led in a closing prayer, and the sweet strains of "God Be with You, till We Meet Again" came from the organ as the 1933 Council Meeting stood adjourned.

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

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

(SECRETARY'S NOTE.—The Minutes of the last session of the Council meeting were read and approved by the Committee on Minutes.)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MRS. J. W. PERRY

THE PERIOD in which we are living is fraught with many difficulties. We are too familiar with these to spend time in recounting them. There are serious questionings as to what will survive the disillusioning experiences through which we are passing. This is a testing time, and as the testing process goes on some things are being revealed which may be set down with a degree of certainty.

Great material prosperity cannot be relied upon for safety. Guarantees of security that are built upon the material, whether of nations against nations or of individuals against the crisis of general disaster, are as insecure as the house that is built upon the sand. There is no security for a nation that disregards the security of other nations or for an individual who disregards the security of his neighbor. Selfish safety is a delusion. In the realization of the insecurity of material prosperity many are turning elsewhere—often they know not where for some source of security and safety. The question comes with potent force, Has Christianity a message for an hour like this? If there is no note of assurance to be sounded, if there is no faith that will inspire confidence, we are, as Dr. Rufus Jones has said, "spiritually bankrupt." There is no doubt but that the task which the Church faces today is one of the most momentous of all its undertakings. It stands confronted with world-situations which must be solemnly faced, but the story of Christianity in times of great crises in the past assures us that it has been meeting and overcoming impossible situations all down the ages. In the wreckage of our time the remnants that remain are the abiding things. It is Christianity's supreme opportunity. Doubtless we will agree with the statement that this is a time for "deepening our grasp on what Christianity actually means." It is a time to search our own souls and as St. Peter exhorts, "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you."

THE CHRISTIAN ENTERPRISE UNDER CAREFUL SCRUTINY

The Church in America without an assurance of confidence, a deeper interpretation of life, a power able to transform our own civilization and lead men out of despair will find itself impotent and helpless in the face of a whole new world of problems and tasks. The Church must meet world-issues; it cannot evade them. The progress and influence of Christianity has become so far-reaching that no great world-event can occur in which it is not involved. Dr. McAfee says:

"After a century of aggressive missionary work the most widespread faith in the world is the Christian religion." ". . . and like other great world-enterprises, as it grows greater, it calls for more and more searching and severe examination. It should be self-examination; if that does not come, it must come from without." The process of searching and appraising has been going on both from within and without. Because of this the Church should come into a new, richer experience, a deeper sense of its mission, and a clearer conception of the way that lies ahead. It is difficult to recall a time when the Christian enterprise has been given a more careful study. The missionary motive, the message, its ministry to others, the methods of operation and administration are undergoing a most careful study, and we have faith to believe that out of it all a new day is dawning for the progress of the Christian faith. The conclusions reached from self-examination and from the study that has been made from without are in accord in many respects. The weaknesses that have been pointed out have been those of which the Church was keenly aware and has been striving to overcome. The unanimous conclusion that the missionary enterprise must go forward on an enlarged scale gives promise of a brighter future.

It is well to recall some of the occasions during the past year when the Christian enterprise was brought under review with a sincere purpose of discovering and reaffirming those abiding things upon which it rests and upon which the world must be rebuilt.

In the little town of Herrnhut, where, two hundred years before the modern missionary movement was born, the International Missionary Council met this summer, and in the very "upper room" from which the Moravian Brethren sent out their first missionaries the Council met daily for its seasons of worship. In this environment most conducive to spiritual power the Council seemed to catch something of the heroic courage of those early Moravians, and as they faced frankly the stupendous tasks and the unprecedented obstacles to be overcome, they set it down as their profound conviction that "the encouraging factors and trends far transcend in potency and promise those of an unfavorable character." Their faith in the Christian message was voiced in the following words: "If we have anything to bring in the name of God to a world in need, it is certainly not our own piety, our own modes of thought, or our own human help. What the Church has to give in its world-mission is the good news of a divine act in history, of the Word made flesh. Apart from a Word which is from God, and not from man, there is no Christian mission. In the face of the powerful anti-Christian forces operating in the world today we reaffirm our faith that the revelation of God in Christ is the only way of deliverance for mankind and that it alone can provide the foundation for an order of society that will be according to the will of God."

The quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, held in December in Indianapolis, gave opportunity for a review of the common interests and activities in which the twenty-six participating denominations are engaged. This great body of representative church leaders restated the Social Creed of the Churches in terms of present-day needs and conditions and gave utterance to our dependence upon Divine help in these words: "In our extremity, arising out of harrowing social conditions throughout the world, we turn anew to Christ; for the faith of a great endeavor, for an overwhelming disclosure of God in the life of humanity, for the dedication of innumerable individuals to the creation of a more Christian social order, and for the assurance that what needs to be done, with God's help, can be done."

The Home Missions Council reaffirmed its conviction that the Christian forces of North America must clasp hands in Christian fellowship that divided Protestantism may be brought into "closer unity of thought as well as into wider harmony of action. The unity or oneness among His followers for which Christ prayed is never to be regarded as an end in itself but rather as a means to insure the great central end of Christian missions—namely, 'That the world may believe.'" Emphasis on denominational differences is a cause for retarding the progress of Christianity at home and abroad. "To preach a gospel including the brotherhood of man and then to stand aloof from one another or fail to co-operate creates the impression that Christianity, like other faiths, has lofty ideals but the practice of its followers shows that it is impracticable."

These and other great interdenominational groups faced fearlessly the responsibilities and the opportunities of the Christian enterprise and spoke with deep conviction upon the challenge to the churches to abandon narrow loyalties and enter upon a vaster enterprise and a deeper mission than we have yet dreamed of.

DEMAND FOR CO-OPERATION

The present economic condition is conducive to the promotion of plans for working together. Reduced budgets and depleted treasuries do not admit of duplications and overlapping but call for carefully mapped-out plans whereby the combined forces of the Christian enterprise may make their greatest impact upon the forces of evil.

There is a surprisingly general agreement that co-operation must be the basis upon which an increasingly large proportion of the Foreign Missionary Enterprise must be carried forward in the future.

In the production, publication, and circulation of Christian literature the advantages of and the necessity for co-operation can be clearly seen. This is generally recognized as the most neglected part of the missionary enterprise. We deplore the fact and pass resolutions concerning it, but little is done to put it into effect. The newly organized national churches are greatly handicapped for lack of materials

with which to promote their programs. The marked expansion of the educational program of both governments and missions calls for Christian literature better in quality and larger in quantity than that which now exists. It is estimated that nineteen-twentieths of the volumes needed could be produced by Christian forces working together.

The standards of the Christian schools must be constantly raised. To keep abreast of the progress of government educational standards and to be able to do better work than is found elsewhere requires better physical equipment and a staff of well-prepared and in some cases highly specialized teachers. A far better type of education could be carried forward in many communities by Christian denominations combining in one well-equipped school rather than in maintaining several of an inferior grade.

The most vital and most extensive task of Christian missions, indeed the ultimate object of it all, is to bring men and women to know Jesus Christ and to enjoy the fulness of life which he came to bring. Whether it be in our schools and colleges, at the social center, in the hospital ward, in the countryside village, or out in the open country, helping men to a higher standard of living, through personal visitation, or through evangelistic services, the purpose is not to win converts for a denomination but to win men for Christ. In all of these methods of evangelism there are abundant opportunities to unite forces and work together.

The new day demands new types of workers. The task of the missionary is an extremely difficult one. It calls for a self-sacrificing spirit, a consecration to service, a high order of intelligence, a love and sympathetic spirit toward the people among whom one is to work. To this end more thorough preparation is required than in former times. In order to be of the greatest service, special emphasis is being placed upon the study of the history, the religion, the culture and etiquette and customs, as well as the language of the people to whom the missionary goes. Opportunity for this type of preparation should be carefully planned, and, whether it should be provided here or on the fields, it best can be provided by the several Mission Boards working together. In all these co-operative movements denominational loyalties need not be disturbed, but each branch of the Christian Church may thus be enabled to render a larger service.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CO-OPERATION IN THE HOMELAND

What has been said about co-operation in Foreign Missions is equally true of Home Missions. Denominational differences which have hindered progress in former days are not so sharply drawn. The churches are manifesting a deeper desire to work out together plans whereby their combined forces may be expressed for righteousness, justice, and good will.

The return of large numbers of families to the farm is presenting an unprecedented opportunity for the country church. It calls for

careful study, wise planning, and unselfish service. It requires the combined consideration of the various denominations in order that some sections may not be neglected while others are overchurched. It calls for Christian leaders who can help the farmer to a knowledge of the best farming methods and in the marketing of his produce. It calls for leaders interested in the health, the recreation, the culture programs for community betterment, and, above all, in the moral and religious life of the people. It calls for united effort on the part of the community, civic, and welfare agencies, the schools and churches working together to bring in the abundant life.

The vast numbers of unemployed persons present another challenge to the churches. The effect of not being able to secure employment and of being dependent on welfare agencies for support is humiliating and demoralizing. To be able to furnish some recreation and entertainment and to discover other means of helpful service is a field that is calling for laborers. The churches of our cities have never had a more serious problem to face nor a more important duty to perform than to minister to discouraged, broken-hearted men and women as they face conditions that baffle and perplex. There are others who have had luxury and ease swept away. Fortunes are gone, and interests occupying so large a place in their lives have vanished. They are groping in the darkness. It is the churches' opportunity to point them to the Light.

It is true that the demand for missionaries at home and abroad has decreased in recent years, and the requirements which the workers must meet have grown more exacting; but this does not mean that there are fewer open doors of service. Our churches, our Wesley Houses, and other Christian social centers are finding it necessary to curtail expenses and in many instances to reduce the staff of employed workers, and that at a time when the necessity for an enlarged program was never so urgent. The doors of opportunity are "not only wide open; they are off their hinges," and ways must be found for entering still more of them. Larger numbers of volunteer workers are needed and will have to be depended upon in this hour of need. Young men and women who, through no fault of their own, are unable to go into definite Christian service may, nevertheless, find large opportunities in their local churches and communities. The love of adventure, and the willingness to risk all for a great cause, is stirring in the hearts of youth. A way must be found to capture them for Christ and so train them that the Christian enterprise of the future may move forward with greater zeal and effectiveness.

AN ENLARGED VISION, THE NEED OF THE CHURCH

The Church as a whole has never been missionary-minded, and there is grave danger of its becoming less so under present conditions. Many congregations are hard pressed with church building

debts and heavy current expenses for their local programs. Interest in connectional enterprises is waning because of the pressure of these burdens. A note of deep concern was sounded by one of our leading pastors at the recent meeting of our General Missionary Council. He said many of our churches are becoming congregational rather than developing an increased loyalty to our connectional Methodism, and he expressed anxiety for the future if some new current of life and power was not injected into the Church. What is true of ours is all too true of other denominations. This situation reveals the fact that past methods of missionary education and promotion are not sufficient. It is causing greater emphasis to be placed on home base cultivation. To this end plans have been worked out by the Home Base Secretaries of the several Mission Boards for a series of meetings to be held throughout our country in the near future for the purpose of gathering in round-table conferences various groups of church officials and leaders that they may face squarely their responsibilities and also to hold public inspirational meetings for the purpose of stimulating and quickening the Church to a sense of the world's great need.

As a missionary group in the Church there is a grave responsibility resting upon us to use our best endeavor to assist in keeping the horizon of our churches far out beyond the confines of the local congregation and to aid in maintaining a program that includes the interests which our Church is promoting throughout our own land and in other lands. The principle of co-operation, which is the keynote in the larger aspects of the missionary enterprise of the present day, finds its application to those organizations within the local churches. The Missionary Society should and does stand ready to support our pastors and to co-operate with the other organizations of the church in their endeavor to change from a minority to a majority the membership interested in and sustaining the missionary program of the Church. Because we are members of the Missionary Society and have had intrusted to us a special task does not relieve us from the responsibility to the entire program of the Church. We must strengthen the hands of our pastors and do our part to make the Church the force it should be in the community, in the nation, and in the world.

It is true that, according to the authority of the General Conference, definite tasks have been assigned and certain duties have been outlined for the Woman's Missionary Society. The society is charged with the responsibility of "promoting missionary intelligence and activity." This duty has been taken seriously by the Woman's Missionary Society as is evidenced by the comprehensive program of study and service in which we are engaged. At this time when economy is pressing hard upon us there must be no curtailment in our enlarged program of education and activity.

Another duty intrusted to the Society is to "secure missionary funds

... in behalf of the Society." The law is explicit in regard to the raising and disbursement of these funds. If we lose sight of this fact and do not safeguard the funds raised for Woman's Work, we are in danger of forfeiting our right to be as a missionary society. Not only so, but the missionaries and the enterprises at home and abroad which we have built up and supported are in grave danger.

Moreover, if we, as an organization, assume financial obligations which are the responsibility of the entire congregation, we are doing an injustice to other church members and are hindering the growth and development of that sense of obligation which the entire congregation must assume in order to become a missionary church. We must therefore keep clearly in mind the difference between the financial obligations of the society and those of the entire membership of the church. We have a responsibility to each, and the facts will show that those members of the Missionary Society who are bearing the heaviest responsibilities in it are the ones who are most loyal to the entire program of the church and share most generously in its financial support.

The reports which we shall hear at this time will tell the story of brave hearts and busy hands. The women back home who have prayed and toiled and sacrificed are the ones we would honor today as we recount the activities and achievements of nineteen thirty-two. They know, as many who are here know, what it costs to make the record. Amid discouragement, hardships, and disappointments they have not faltered or failed. We have good reasons for feeling assured that the reduced offerings are not occasioned by a loss of interest or a waning toward missions on the part of the membership of the Missionary Society. Of them it can be truly said: Therefore, being engaged in this service and being mindful of the mercy which has been shown us, we are not cowards. In the assurance of His blessings upon past efforts and relying on Him for a power beyond all human power, let us face the future ready to "believe, endure, dare."

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

MRS. J. C. HANDY

THE VICE-PRESIDENT has been occupied during the year with calls which have come from zones, districts, conferences, committees, teaching in leadership training schools, and with correspondence concerning committee work.

In April it was a privilege to visit the Western Conferences: New Mexico, Arizona, Los Angeles, and Pacific. In the West one often hears this said, "Distances are so great." Women in Western Conferences go farther to a zone or district meeting than Eastern women go to conference meetings. The whole program of our organization is carried on by these conferences, and most efficiently. Distance is not a deterrent to the enthusiasm of Western women.

Guest Day furnished an opportunity for visiting many auxiliaries. About 1,600 miles were traveled by automobile to places in Texas and Louisiana. Every Guest Day was a star experience.

Zone meetings were as valuable as any attended, as in these meetings the women are learning by doing, the programs being put on by the women themselves, using all the material furnished by literature headquarters from all departments of our work. The conscientious use of material furnished by the Status of Woman Committee and by other committees was noticeable.

The fact most impressive and interesting to the Vice-President, in going about among the women of the missionary societies, is the large use that is made of all plans and materials made available by the Woman's Missionary Council. The names of secretaries and officers, as all special helps in the way of literature, are by no means strange to the women of the Church.

The at-large duties and opportunities of the Vice-President are most agreeable and illuminating.

CONDENSED REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, 1932-1933

MAY 3, 1932.

THE Executive Committee and women members of the Board of Missions, in attendance upon the Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions, met at dinner at the Andrew Jackson Hotel, Nashville, Tenn., Tuesday evening, May 3, 1932, Mrs. J. W. Perry presiding.

It was

1. *Voted*: To accept an invitation from the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church to send a fraternal delegate to the meeting of that Board to be held in Tulsa, Okla., October 20, 1932.

2. *Voted*: That Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, President of the Oklahoma Conference, be requested to bear the greetings of the Woman's Missionary Council to this meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

3. The report of the following committee was read and adopted as read:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL POLICY

"The Committee authorized by the Council to restudy the financial policy of the Council in its participation in Pastors' and Leadership Schools present the following:

"Whereas, it has not proved advantageous to the Woman's Section, and whereas, the financial situation makes it necessary to economize wherever possible, we recommend that financial participation in the teacher at Duke School, at Lake Junaluska, this summer be limited to \$250.

"We further recommend that notice be given that we do not participate in the employment of a teacher at Duke School after the summer of 1932.

"We recommend that the honorarium for women teachers in Pastors' and Leadership Schools be made the same as that for men, and that the expense of board and travel be met when necessary.

"The Committee expresses itself as appreciative of the opportunities that present themselves in teaching in Standard Training Schools, but it is unable to finance participation in these schools.

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB, *Chairman*;
CONSTANCE RUMBROUGH, *Secretary*."

MID-YEAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 15, 16, 1932.

The Executive Committee met in mid-year session in the Committee room of the Board of Missions, Nashville, Tenn., November 15, 16, 1932, Mrs. J. W. Perry presiding.

After a devotional service led by Mrs. J. W. Perry the roll was called, and the following members responded: Mesdames J. W. Perry, J. C. Handy, F. S. Parker, Ina Davis Fulton, B. W. Lipscomb, H. R. Steele, Misses Estelle Haskin, Constance Rumbough, Mesdames W. A. Newell, Nat G. Rollins, J. W. Downs, Misses Sallie Lou MacKinnon, Daisy Davies, Mabel Howell, Louise Young, Mesdames E. B. Chappell, R. L. Hobdy, Henry S. Owen, A. B. Smith, Helen B. Bourne, J. W. Mills, W. J. Piggott, and J. P. Harvill.

Resignations from Council membership were read from Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, Member at Large, and Miss Bess Combs, Superintendent of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension, the former for family reasons, and the latter in response to an urgent call to evangelistic work.

1. On motion, these resignations were accepted with sincere regret, and the Secretary was instructed to express to these valued co-workers the sincere reluctance felt by the Committee in the severing of their ties with the Council.

2. On motion, a committee, composed of Mesdames W. J. Piggott, A. B. Smith, and Nat Rollins, was appointed by the Chair to consider the expediency of filling these vacancies at this meeting or postponing the elections until the Annual Meeting. The same committee was requested to nominate members to fill vacancies on Standing Committees.

3. The report of this committee, as read later in the session, was adopted, as follows (Article III received more than the necessary two-thirds vote for adoption):

Report of Committee to Fill Vacancies on Standing Committees and to Recommend Action Concerning Vacancies on Executive Committee

"Your Committee appointed to fill vacancies on Standing Committees and to recommend action, at this time, concerning the vacancies on the Executive Committee report as follows:

"I. To fill vacancies on Standing Committees we nominate: (a) On Constitution and By-Laws, Mrs. W. P. McDermott; (b) Literature, Mrs. George Nunn; (c) Status of Women, Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon and Mrs. T. I. Charles; (d) International Relations and World Peace, Miss Bess Combs.

"II. Concerning the Executive Committee: That the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. B. M. Bowen be filled at this meeting, in accordance with Council By-Law No. 12, which states that '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.'

"III. That By-Law No. 12 be suspended and that filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Miss Bess Combs be deferred until the next Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council.

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB, *Chairman*;
MRS. NAT G. ROLLINS, *Secretary*;
MRS. A. B. SMITH."

4. When the election was held Miss Combs received nineteen of the twenty-three votes cast for member at large, and was declared elected.

5. Mrs. Rollins was appointed Chairman of the Bureau of Cooperation and Extension until the next Annual Session of the Council.

Reports from the following officers covered the activities in their offices since the Annual Meeting in March: Mrs. J. W. Perry, Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. F. S. Parker, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, and Miss Constance Rumbough. Some high points were touched in these reports, arousing enthusiasm and producing encouragement in spite of the prolonged period of general depression.

Dr. W. G. Cram, in his report, spoke with appreciation of the Woman's Missionary Society and gave a brief glimpse of each field in which it works. He closed with a statement urging the importance of Mrs. Perry's attending the Meeting of the Commission of the Layman's Foreign Missions Inquiry to be held in New York November 18 and 19.

The opening period of Tuesday afternoon's session was devoted to a service in happy remembrance of Miss Esther Case, beloved and honored comrade, whose triumphant earthly pilgrimage was completed May 7.

As leader of this service, Mrs. J. W. Downs read two stanzas of the hymn, "It Is Not Death to Die." The hymn, "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand," was sung, and Mrs. Downs read passages from Hebrews, eleventh and twelfth chapters. Prayer was offered by Miss Mackinnon, and appreciations were read—from the Japan Mission by Miss Howell and from Mexico and the Congo by Mrs. Handy. Then tenderly and intimately Miss Haskin spoke of Miss Case in her home, of her powers of adjustability, her gentle thoughtfulness, love of the beautiful, gracious hospitality, and Christian heroism, all combining to create the ideal home. The service closed with the reading, by Mrs. Mills, of the hymn, "Still, Still with Thee."

Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, in making her report, first spoke with appreciation of her fellowship with Miss Case and of Miss Case's thoughtfulness and kindness during the few months they spent together while Miss Case gradually laid her mantle upon her. Then she reported in detail the work in her department and stressed the

need of more social work in Brazil and the needs for more land both at Hiroshima College in Japan and Bennett College in Brazil.

Dr. J. L. Cuninggim spoke of Scarritt College, Mrs. H. R. Steele told of the opportunities and privileges offered in her work, and Mrs. J. W. Downs made her report as Secretary of Home Department.

Mrs. J. C. Handy reported for the Committee on Status of Women with special stress on two points: (1) Representation by women throughout the Church; (2) cultivation of the question of ordination of women.

The report of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations was led by Mrs. W. A. Newell and given in greater detail by the several Chairmen: For International Relations and World Peace, by Mrs. F. S. Parker; Interracial Co-operation, by Miss Louise Young, who in closing offered the following recommendations, which were adopted:

6. "(1) That representatives of the C. M. E. Woman's Council be invited to attend the meeting of the Council at Louisville.

"(2) That a leadership training school for colored women be held in Louisville during the year 1933, provided the Louisville Conference finds itself ready to co-operate in putting on the school."

7. The report on Christian Citizenship and Law Enforcement, made by Mrs. J. W. Mills, closed with the recommendation that we continue to intensify our original plans of (1) Study, (2) Co-operation.

This was approved.

Report on Industrial Co-operation was made by Miss Constance Rumbough; that on Rural Development by Miss Mabel Howell.

8. The report of the Committee on Co-operation with Civic Welfare Agencies, presented by Mrs. J. C. Handy, was adopted as read, as follows:

Report of the Committee on Co-operation with Civic Welfare Agencies

"The Committee recommend:

"(1) That the Executive Committee recommend to the Council that the name of the Committee be changed from Committee on Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies to Standing Committee on Co-operation with Other Agencies; and that the Committee be removed from the Bureau of Christian Social Relations and made a separate committee.

"(2) That the Secretary of the Committee on Church and Social Service of the Federal Council be requested to place the name of Mrs. J. W. Downs on the Committee for Church Conference of Social Work.

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

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

MRS. W. A. NEWELL."

9. *Voted*: That the President of the Council shall attend the Meeting of the Foreign Missions Appraisal Committee in New York, November 18 and 19.

10. *Voted*: That a message of love and appreciation be sent by the Secretary to Mrs. W. B. Landrum, former member of the Council, Mrs. S. T. King, Conference Secretary of the Oklahoma Conference, and Miss Berta Ellison, Member at Large of the Council, who are ill.

Mrs. Downs told of bequests of \$4,000 by Miss Emma Burton, deaconess, who has been called to her heavenly home, and of \$3,000 left to Vashti by Miss Anne Chandler, of Alabama.

11. On motion of Mrs. W. J. Piggott it was voted that the paper, "The Missionary Crusade," by Dr. A. L. Warnshius, Secretary of the International Missionary Council, which had been read before the Committee, and which is to be printed in the *World Outlook*, shall be printed also in pamphlet form.

Miss MacKinnon introduced Miss Kwe Yuin Kiang, Principal of Laura Haygood and Chairman of Board of Trustees of the Council's Schools in China, who spoke briefly of the appreciation the nationals of China feel for the Woman's Missionary Council and the missionaries, and the continued need of their help in her country.

The report of the Program Committee was read by Miss Howell, the Chairman, considered, recommendations made, and the following items voted:

12. (1) That the Council close on Tuesday, March 14. Therefore the date for the meeting shall be March 8-14.

(2) That we follow our custom of observing the noon hour.

(3) That the Executive Committee meet March 8, at 9 A.M., and the Sessions Committees at 2 P.M.

(4) That Sectional Conferences shall not be held at this session of the Council, but in their place there shall be "Special Days," the special features to cover approximately two hours each morning and afternoon, and business and reports will be interspersed with the special features.

Mrs. Henry S. Owen, in reporting concerning the property in Kansas City, stated that the débris had been cleared away and that three new bungalows now stand on the old Training School property. Payments are being made promptly as the lots are sold.

13. The report of the special committee to Restudy Definitions of Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus was read by the Secretary, Miss Young, considered *seriatim*, amended, and adopted as amended, as follows, with the order that items 2 and 3 be referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws:

*Report of the Special Committee to Restudy Definitions of
Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus*

"The Committee appointed to Restudy Definitions of Committees, Commissions, and Bureaus met in October to consider the matters committed to it. Mrs. Bowen was unable to attend the meeting. Mrs. Perry was co-opted and worked with the Committee.

"The Committee found the definitions of Committee and Bureau to be satisfactory.

"(1) The Committee found no clear cut, established usage to distinguish the words 'Committee' and 'Commission.' In our thinking 'Commission' is the appropriate term for a group especially appointed for a special specifically designated piece of work. The function of a standing committee is more general. While this usage is not unanimously adhered to, it seems to your Committee the most satisfactory basis of distinction between the two.

"(2) Your Committee recommend that the subdivisions of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations should all be Standing Committees. There seems no justification for naming the groups working on Industrial Relations, Rural Development, and Racial Co-operation 'Commissions,' and the groups working on International Relations and World Peace, on Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies, and on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance 'Committees.'

"(3) Although the function of the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension is not altogether clear to your Committee, their work does not seem sufficiently distinctive and extensive to warrant the use of the term 'Bureau.' The Committee therefore recommend that the group working on this matter should also be termed a Standing Committee.

ESTELLE HASKIN, *Chairman*;
LOUISE YOUNG, *Secretary*."

Mrs. Lipscomb reported that the Special Committee appointed to study and plan for work at Junaluska made plans and carried them out last summer.

Mrs. Lipscomb reported that in the Joint Committee of the Board of Missions and Board of Education she presented the objections raised by the women, and it was agreed that corrections would be made in new literature for Children's Work, and that this agreement had since been carried out.

14. *Voted*: That the Committee on General Conference Legislation take into consideration the work of the children in its relation to the Board of Christian Education.

The Calendar Clerk read the Calendar rules and requested recommendations for any changes that might be considered desirable.

It was moved and seconded that steps be taken to do away with the Calendar. Free discussion followed, and the motion was lost by a vote of 6 to 12.

Mrs. Newell stated that the Chairman of the Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas had suggested that this Commission should be included in the Bureau of Christian Social Relations. The consensus of opinion was that, since this Commission is concerned with mission fields and not with attitudes, it is not related to the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

15. It was moved and seconded that a committee be raised to study the Scarritt and Belle Bennett Memorial Funds listed in the Treasurer's report as presented at this meeting, seeking all directions for their use, and to bring in recommendations. The Committee was appointed, as follows: Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne.

16. *Voted*: That Mrs. C. W. Turpin be appointed Editor of the *Council Bulletin*.

17. The motion by Miss Rumbough that the children be granted the privilege of raising an amount sufficient to put up a nursery and a school in the Congo was referred to a committee composed of Miss Rumbough, Miss MacKinnon, and Mrs. Fulton.

Miss MacKinnon interpreted for the group the Report of the Layman's Missionary Inquiry.

MARCH 22, 1933.

The Executive Committee met in the parlor of the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Ky., Wednesday evening, March 22, 1933, Mrs. J. W. Perry in the chair, and all members present except Miss Berta Ellison. Dr. W. G. Cram was present.

The report of the Program Committee for the 1933 meeting was presented by the Chairman, Miss Mabel Howell, with explanations in regard to the revision of the program after the postponement of the meeting for two weeks because of the national bank holiday and the shorter session planned when the second call went out.

1. A committee of four from Columbia, Mo., was introduced. The committee presented a request that the Woman's Missionary Council grant the credit which Hendrix Hall, at the Missouri State University, Columbia, Mo., would afford as security for a loan to partially meet the indebtedness of the church in Columbia and thereby save it from a foreclosure sale. A full presentation of facts was made.

The motion then prevailed that the Executive Committee express to the committee from Columbia its sympathy and regret in their financial distress, and at the same time assure these gentlemen that the Executive Committee cannot find itself free to acquiesce in their request.

2. Final plans were made for the Annual Meeting which would convene the next morning. Special sessions committees were appointed, and it was agreed that the blackboard should be used for all announcements.

3. The following committee report was received:

"The Committee appointed with power to act, in February, by the Executive Committee, through correspondence vote, to investigate the possibilities of purchasing the Faria land adjoining Bennett College in Rio de Janeiro found that there was available from undirected requests and lapsed annuities \$7,989.66. The Committee voted to

recommend to the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions that the triangular piece of land be purchased if it can be obtained for \$6,000. A cable was sent to Rio, as follows: 'Advise thirty day option on triangle pending Board action writing.' Letters have been received in answer to cable saying that the price may be \$8,000 because the length of the piece of land is greater than first estimated. The Committee did not change its previous vote to recommend the purchase if the land could be bought for \$6,000.

SALLIE LOU MACKINNON."

4. The Committee appointed to study the Belle Bennett and Scarritt Funds was continued.

5. Mrs. Henry S. Owen, in reporting on the status of the Scarritt Bible and Training School property in Kansas City, stated in detail that the property had been sold for \$9,000; \$6,000 have been received as the subdivided lots have been sold, leaving a balance of \$3,000 still due. This report was received with appreciation of Mrs. Owen's faithful and efficient service in this matter.

6. The following recommendation to the Council was adopted:

"Whereas Dr. W. G. Cram has investigated a plan for collecting old gold and sending it to the United States Mint, where it may be melted, weighed, and exchanged for its true value in gold, and has found this a feasible plan, we recommend that the Woman's Missionary Council accept the suggestion of Dr. Cram to co-operate with the Board of Missions on a 50-50 basis in the collection of old gold for the missionary treasury.

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

REPORTS

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS BY DEPARTMENTS

| CONFERENCE | Adult | Juniors | Primary | Baby | Totals |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Alabama..... | \$ 26,222 24 | \$ 357 17 | \$ 177 44 | \$ 198 05 | \$ 26,954 90 |
| Arizona..... | 1,900 81 | 68 27 | 2 40 | 13 00 | 1,984 48 |
| Baltimore..... | 34,035 49 | 948 98 | 177 11 | 272 96 | 35,434 54 |
| Central Texas..... | 21,962 23 | 224 80 | 5 42 | 15 55 | 22,208 00 |
| China Mission..... | 48 24 | | | | 48 24 |
| Cuba Mission..... | 181 40 | | | | 181 40 |
| Florida..... | 37,396 50 | 360 85 | 139 40 | 103 25 | 38,000 00 |
| Holston..... | 36,000 00 | 800 00 | 400 00 | 400 00 | 37,600 00 |
| Illinois..... | 747 06 | 26 35 | | 3 76 | 777 17 |
| Indian Woman's Missionary Society..... | 253 20 | 16 72 | 2 05 | 83 | 272 80 |
| Kentucky..... | 17,556 67 | 265 23 | 85 45 | 31 39 | 17,938 74 |
| Little Rock..... | 17,689 65 | 164 50 | 73 33 | 35 17 | 17,962 65 |
| Los Angeles..... | 4,692 67 | 115 94 | 13 91 | 5 00 | 4,827 52 |
| Louisiana..... | 25,847 96 | 214 86 | 70 15 | 135 41 | 26,268 38 |
| Louisville..... | 18,590 15 | 295 35 | 38 97 | 84 59 | 19,009 06 |
| Memphis..... | 33,243 66 | 897 52 | 425 90 | 432 92 | 35,000 00 |
| Mississippi..... | 17,646 55 | 239 50 | 86 16 | 47 97 | 18,020 18 |
| Missouri..... | 9,295 32 | 156 27 | 28 87 | 19 54 | 9,500 00 |
| New Mexico..... | 5,658 16 | 85 08 | 11 47 | 5 00 | 5,759 71 |
| North Alabama..... | 33,197 33 | 553 64 | 268 96 | 246 37 | 34,266 30 |
| North Arkansas..... | 15,031 57 | 237 08 | 54 30 | 36 42 | 15,359 37 |
| North Carolina..... | 35,123 64 | 1,015 61 | 956 25 | 526 33 | 37,621 83 |
| North Georgia..... | 47,008 39 | 1,635 18 | 905 79 | 1,207 45 | 50,756 81 |
| North Mississippi..... | 19,918 69 | 612 43 | 172 86 | 99 05 | 20,803 03 |
| North Texas..... | 27,156 03 | 128 86 | 51 87 | 163 24 | 27,500 00 |
| Northwest..... | 885 18 | 16 29 | 75 | 2 76 | 904 98 |
| Northwest Texas..... | 16,734 10 | 200 93 | 27 65 | 21 74 | 16,984 42 |
| Oklahoma..... | 18,627 94 | 217 11 | 31 19 | 96 46 | 18,972 70 |
| Pacific..... | 3,039 15 | 135 02 | 6 50 | 1 00 | 3,181 67 |
| South Carolina..... | 18,287 75 | 396 75 | 45 37 | 11 73 | 18,741 60 |
| South Georgia..... | 39,043 54 | 575 59 | 127 83 | 235 00 | 39,981 96 |
| St. Louis..... | 10,830 59 | 224 41 | 50 00 | 25 00 | 11,130 00 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 8,668 55 | 158 68 | 55 62 | 14 10 | 8,896 95 |
| Tennessee..... | 24,690 10 | 430 72 | 194 60 | 148 75 | 25,464 17 |
| Texas..... | 29,385 33 | 360 85 | 157 78 | 151 57 | 30,055 53 |
| Texas Mexican..... | 32 50 | | | | 32 50 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 21,951 32 | 357 65 | 166 76 | 150 28 | 22,626 01 |
| Virginia..... | 47,652 75 | 897 32 | 385 43 | 240 62 | 49,176 12 |
| West Texas..... | 21,707 60 | 270 41 | 46 70 | 108 38 | 22,133 09 |
| Western North Carolina..... | 44,412 06 | 618 42 | 333 49 | 168 84 | 45,532 81 |
| Western Mexican Missionary Society..... | 58 58 | | | | 58 58 |
| Western Virginia..... | 13,118 36 | 238 04 | 39 21 | 50 17 | 13,445 78 |
| Total..... | \$805,529 01 | \$ 14,518 38 | \$5,816 94 | \$5,509 65 | \$831,373 98 |
| 1931..... | 937,794 60 | 19,853 47 | 7,879 38 | 7,667 51 | 981,591 78 |
| Young People, 1931..... | 8,396 82 | | | | |
| Decrease..... | \$140,662 41 | \$ 5,335 09 | \$2,062 44 | \$2,157 86 | \$150,217 80 |

RECEIPTS FOR 1932

| CONFERENCE | Foreign | Home | Scarritt | Totals |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Alabama..... | \$ 16,903 05 | \$ 9,355 00 | \$ 696 85 | \$ 26,954 90 |
| Arizona..... | 1,322 10 | 631 88 | 30 50 | 1,984 48 |
| Baltimore..... | 22,956 29 | 11,647 96 | 830 29 | 35,434 54 |
| Central Texas..... | 14,663 49 | 6,668 79 | 875 72 | 22,208 00 |
| China Mission..... | 32 16 | 16 08 | ..... | 48 24 |
| Cuba Mission..... | 96 23 | 85 17 | ..... | 181 40 |
| Florida..... | 24,448 88 | 12,042 12 | 1,509 00 | 38,000 00 |
| Holston..... | 23,818 42 | 12,614 33 | 1,167 25 | 37,600 00 |
| Illinois..... | 505 91 | 271 26 | ..... | 777 17 |
| Indian Woman's Missionary Society..... | 179 69 | 93 11 | ..... | 272 80 |
| Kentucky..... | 11,340 51 | 6,210 22 | 388 01 | 17,938 74 |
| Little Rock..... | 11,899 32 | 5,967 23 | 96 10 | 17,962 65 |
| Los Angeles..... | 3,471 04 | 1,306 48 | 50 00 | 4,827 52 |
| Louisiana..... | 15,396 74 | 9,989 59 | 882 05 | 26,268 38 |
| Louisville..... | 12,024 87 | 6,140 32 | 843 87 | 19,009 06 |
| Memphis..... | 23,020 64 | 10,983 36 | 996 00 | 35,000 00 |
| Mississippi..... | 11,309 65 | 5,785 97 | 924 56 | 18,020 18 |
| Missouri..... | 6,201 63 | 3,203 37 | 95 00 | 9,500 00 |
| New Mexico..... | 3,679 68 | 1,908 03 | 172 00 | 5,759 71 |
| North Alabama..... | 22,766 33 | 11,134 38 | 365 59 | 34,266 30 |
| North Arkansas..... | 10,117 45 | 4,898 37 | 343 55 | 15,359 37 |
| North Carolina..... | 24,572 05 | 12,130 03 | 919 75 | 37,621 83 |
| North Georgia..... | 30,536 03 | 17,366 78 | 2,854 00 | 50,756 81 |
| North Mississippi..... | 13,021 46 | 7,515 12 | 266 45 | 20,803 03 |
| North Texas..... | 17,218 32 | 9,581 68 | 700 00 | 27,500 00 |
| Northwest..... | 575 51 | 316 07 | 13 40 | 904 98 |
| Northwest Texas..... | 11,117 15 | 5,418 54 | 448 73 | 16,984 42 |
| Oklahoma..... | 12,052 73 | 5,901 95 | 1,018 02 | 18,972 70 |
| Pacific..... | 2,182 50 | 872 60 | 126 57 | 3,181 67 |
| South Carolina..... | 12,017 17 | 6,024 43 | 700 00 | 18,741 60 |
| South Georgia..... | 24,139 35 | 14,499 39 | 1,343 22 | 39,981 96 |
| St. Louis..... | 7,178 78 | 3,370 72 | 580 50 | 11,130 00 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 5,627 38 | 2,810 07 | 459 50 | 8,896 95 |
| Tennessee..... | 16,128 42 | 8,343 71 | 992 04 | 25,464 17 |
| Texas..... | 19,018 72 | 10,503 02 | 533 79 | 30,055 53 |
| Texas Mexican..... | 16 33 | 8 17 | 8 00 | 32 50 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 14,436 20 | 7,073 01 | 1,116 80 | 22,626 01 |
| Virginia..... | 31,708 48 | 15,777 49 | 1,690 15 | 49,176 12 |
| West Texas..... | 14,058 33 | 7,737 26 | 337 50 | 22,133 09 |
| Western North Carolina..... | 27,427 96 | 16,608 70 | 1,496 15 | 45,532 81 |
| Western Mexican Missionary Society..... | 37 11 | 21 47 | ..... | 58 58 |
| Western Virginia..... | 8,541 05 | 4,657 83 | 246 90 | 13,445 78 |
| Total..... | \$527,765 11 | \$277,491 06 | \$ 26,117 81 | \$831,373 98 |
| Other Sources..... | 32,029 25 | 57,324 00 | 719 25 | 90,072 50 |
| School Funds..... | ..... | 27,033 12 | ..... | 27,033 12 |
| Education and Promotion..... | 5,280 58 | 5,280 58 | ..... | 10,561 16 |
| Total..... | \$565,074 94 | \$367,128 76 | \$ 26,837 06 | \$959,040 76 |

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

ALL DEPARTMENTS

Cash Balance January 31, 1932.....\$ 403,494 49

1932 Receipts:

Bequests:

Miss Emma
 Burton \$4,713 47
 Miss Annie
 Chandler 3,000 00
 Mr. Joseph
 Swicord 1,000 00 \$ 8,713 47

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Bible Women | 28,229 66 |
| Bennett Memorial | 215 91 |
| Centenary—Foreign | 1,121 64 |
| Centenary—Home | 705 04 |
| Day Schools | 2,854 15 |
| Dues | 86 40 |
| Dormitory Funds | 7,964 56 |
| Emergency Funds | 1,891 21 |
| Equity in Income from Doctors' Building | 18,750 00 |
| Gifts | 575 00 |
| Home Mission Specials.. | 4,950 00 |
| Interest | 43,480 91 |
| Insurance | 458 82 |
| Junior Magazine Income | 240 00 |
| Life Memberships | 9,437 27 |
| Literature Sales | 7,577 50 |
| Memorial—Mrs. Clara K. Lantz | 257 16 |
| Pledge | 678,177 91 |
| Retirement and Relief .. | 14,176 49 |
| Rent | 190 00 |
| Refunds | 7,273 63 |
| Scholarships—Foreign .. | 10,582 31 |
| Scholarships—Home | 14,557 46 |
| Scarritt Scholar- ships and Mainte- nance ... \$26,317 81 | |
| Interest .. 519 25 | 26,837 06 |
| Specials | 1,860 00 |
| Salary—World Outlook .. | 999 96 |
| School Funds | 27,033 12 |
| Week of Prayer | 41,890 71 |

Total Receipts\$ 961,087 35

Funds Collected:

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--|----------------|
| Sale of Certificates of Deposit | \$103,977 33 | | |
| Notes collected | 46,510 00 | | |
| Note—Scarritt College .. | 200 00 | | |
| Sale of Old Scarritt Bible and Training School Property | 1,800 00 | | 152,487 33 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Transient Funds | | | 4,009 79 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Total Deposited | | | \$1,521,078 96 |

Disbursements:

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| Regular Work | \$945,836 45 | | |
| Centenary | 04 | | |
| Scarritt College and Bennett Memorial | 26,680 59 | | |
| Notes Purchased | 29,500 00 | | |
| Bonds | 98,146 58 | | |
| Certificates of Deposit .. | 61,342 22 | | |
| Advances on 1933 less \$12,448.49 Outstanding Drafts | 76,695 91 | \$1,238,201 79 | |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Scarritt College—Paid on Fourth Quarter Scholarships and Maintenance 1931 | \$ 11,694 08 | | |
| Fourth Quarter Home Scholarships 1931 | 3,290 61 | 14,984 69 | \$1,253,186 48 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Cash Balance January 31, 1933 | | | \$ 267,892 48 |

CASH BALANCE ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS

Foreign:

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Regular | \$ 62,359 98 |
| Centenary | 49,645 78 |

Home:

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Regular | 149,644 23 |
| Educational | 1,574 27 |

Scarritt College:

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Regular | 7,005 54 |
| Educational | 442 97 |
| Bennett Memorial | 361 45 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$271,034 22 |

Education and Promotion:

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|---------------|
| (Overdrawn) | 3,141 74 | \$ 267,892 48 |
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DIVISION OF DISBURSEMENTS

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

| <i>Appropriations:</i> | 1932 | 1933 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Brazil: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | \$ 46,267 89 | \$ 9,163 82 |
| China: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous .. | \$93,407 57 | |
| Union Work | 14,025 00 | 5,602 02 |
| Congo: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 17,633 64 | 5,402 40 |
| Cuba: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 36,673 72 | 8,200 50 |
| Japan: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 95,428 77 | 2,036 87 |
| Korea: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 100,754 44 | 15,933 67 |
| Siberia: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 1,365 00 | |
| Mexico: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 66,123 30 | 14,995 10 |
| Poland: Maintenance, Salaries, Scholarships, and Miscellaneous | 8,678 87 | 2,140 87 |
| Inter-Board Work | 2,250 00 | |
| Scarritt College | 20,000 00 | |
| Contingent | 3,409 89 | 28 00 |
| <i>Liabilities:</i> | | |
| Annuities | \$ 2,483 46 | |
| Scarritt College—Interest from Sallie Hendrix Bequest | 1,629 00 | |
| Scarritt College—Interest from Hotchkiss Endowed Fund | 50 00 | |
| Rent — Service Department | 3,679 85 | |
| Operating Expense — Junaluska | 44 27 | |
| Jubilee Fund | 1,068 29 | |
| Retirement and Relief .. | 10,884 69 | |
| Specials | 135 00 | |
| Specialized Training ... | 2,767 30 | |
| Transient Funds | 4,005 79 | |
| Week of Prayer: | | |
| Taxes on Foreign Property (1931) ... | 4,686 65 | |
| Repairs on Foreign Property (1931) ... | 9,287 10 | |
| Interest on Borrowed Money — Isabella Hendrix | 2,541 68 | |
| Publicity (1932) | 526 71 | |
| Gaither Bequest for Work in China | 450 00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 397 80 | 44,637 59 |
| <i>Investments:</i> | | |
| Notes | \$ 12,500 00 | |
| Bonds | 49,764 96 | 62,264 96 |
| | | \$ 612,920 64 |
| | | \$ 63,503 25 |

HOME DEPARTMENT

Appropriations:

| | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------|----|----------|-----------|--------|
| <i>Bible Teachers</i> | \$ | 7,559 86 | \$ | 717 26 |
| <i>City Mission and Conference Appropriation</i> ... | \$ | 8,043 00 | | |
| Birmingham City Mission Board | \$ | 600 00 | | 50 00 |
| Fort Worth | | 999 96 | | 66 66 |
| San Francisco | | 399 96 | 10,042 92 | 20 00 |

Cuba:

| | | | | |
|-----------------------|----|----------|-----------|--------|
| Ruth Hargrove | \$ | 2,719 83 | | 195 00 |
| Rosa Valdez | | 5,069 81 | | 400 00 |
| Wolff Settlement | | 7,543 21 | 15,332 85 | 590 25 |

Delinquent Girls:

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|--|--------|
| Virginia K. Johnson Home | | 12,002 00 | | 980 58 |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|--|--------|

Dependent Girls:

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|--|----------|
| Vashti Industrial School | | 23,668 50 | | 2,106 66 |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|--|----------|

Home Mission Specials:

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------|-----------|--------|
| Winston-Salem Bethlehem House | | 1,700 00 | | |
| North Mississippi Conference | | 450 00 | | |
| Kentucky Conference .. | | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| Virginia Conference .. | | 1,200 00 | | 100 00 |
| West Texas Conference .. | | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| North Mississippi Conference | | 999 96 | | 83 33 |
| Louisiana Conference .. | | 1,380 00 | | 115 00 |
| South Georgia Conference | | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| West 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 ... | | 1,200 00 | | 100 00 |
| Central Texas Conference | | 1,200 00 | | 100 00 |
| North Arkansas Conference | | 1,200 00 | 18,029 96 | |

Gulf Coast:

| | | | | |
|----------------------|----|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Galveston, Tex. | \$ | 2,400 00 | | 200 00 |
| Houma, La. | | 12,828 00 | | 1,254 83 |
| New Orleans | | 6,587 67 | 21,815 67 | 417 16 |

Mexican:

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Holding Institute \$ | 15,592 83 | | 923 75 |
| Homer Toberman | 4,112 26 | | 250 00 |
| San Antonio | 3,300 00 | | 275 00 |
| Valley Institute | 5,407 69 | | 416 66 |
| El Paso Community Center | 5,964 80 | | 431 25 |
| Laredo Church | | 34,377 58 | 75 00 |

Miners:

| | | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Picher \$ | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| Lyra | 900 00 | | |
| Bluefield, W. Va. | 5,100 00 | 6,900 00 | 425 00 |

Mountain:

| | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Sue Bennett College . . \$ | 36,595 74 | | 1,533 33 |
| Brevard Institute | 24,323 43 | 60,919 17 | 2,795 25 |

Negro:

| | | | |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga. \$ | 7,784 95 | | 583 33 |
| Nashville Bethlehem Center | 8,893 40 | | 645 41 |
| Paine College | 11,525 35 | | 912 50 |
| Winston-Salem | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| Commission on Interracial Work | 1,500 00 | 30,603 70 | |

Western Work:

| | | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Tucson, Ariz. \$ | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| Walsenburg, Colo. | 999 96 | | 75 00 |
| San Francisco | 2,341 60 | | 158 33 |
| Phoenix | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| Spofford Home | 3,600 00 | 8,741 56 | 275 00 |

Scarritt College 23,000 00

Contingent 4,030 95

Miscellaneous:

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|--|----------|
| Deaconess Expense and Travel \$ | 5,598 49 | | 275 00 |
| Furlough | 12,015 00 | | 1,000 00 |
| Council of Women | 345 00 | | |
| Rural Work | 3,470 00 | | 235 00 |

Industrial Work:

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|--------|
| Hamp Stevens Memorial Church | 900 00 | | 75 00 |
| Kingsport, Tenn. | 765 00 | | |
| Wesley Community House, Biloxi, Miss. | 3,379 69 | | 276 58 |
| Moore Community House, Biloxi, Miss. | 2,514 96 | | 199 58 |
| Cajun Work | 1,150 00 | 30,138 14 | 75 00 |

Liabilities:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Annuities | \$ 795 48 | |
| Gifts from Emma Burton Bequest | 1,400 00 | |
| Other Expenses from Emma Burton Bequest | 441 85 | |
| Salary of Worker at Biloxi Paid from Miller Bequest | 243 75 | |
| Scholarships | 17,848 07 | |
| Brevard Laundry Fund | 2,307 26 | |
| Dormitory Funds | 1,143 92 | |
| Scarritt College from Interest of McKenzie Endowed Scholarship | 150 00 | |
| Emergency Funds | 733 82 | |
| Brevard Institute Spencer Scholarship | 235 41 | |
| Scarritt College from South Georgia Endowed Scholarship ... | 250 00 | |
| Rent — Service Department | 3,481 45 | |
| Operating Expense at Junaluska | 31 75 | |
| Holding Institute Building Fund | 5,925 89 | |
| Jubilee Fund | 2,540 00 | |
| Paine College from Negro Farm Fund .. | 1,727 53 | |
| Nashville Bethlehem Center—Week of Prayer .. | 490 74 | |
| Retirement and Relief .. | 9,911 01 | |
| Specials, Terry, Tex. | 600 00 | |
| Week of Prayer Fund Used for New Buildings and Miscellaneous Expenses | 33,567 14 | |
| Miscellaneous | 292 76 | 84,117 83 |

Investments:

| | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Notes | \$ 12,500 00 | | |
| Certificates of Deposit .. | 59,692 22 | | |
| Bonds | 45,909 74 | 118,101 96 | |
| | | <u>\$ 509,382 65</u> | <u>\$ 20,532 70</u> |

ADMINISTRATION

| | | |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Salary and Clerical Help: General Secretary | \$ 2,055 27 | \$ 146 67 |
| Salaries: Secretaries and Treasurer ... | 9,040 00 | |
| Bishops' Travel | 882 70 | 652 50 |
| Clerical Help, Office Expense and Travel | 10,612 77 | 1,160 87 |
| Board Meetings | 1,196 48 | |
| Total for Administration | <u>\$ 23,787 22</u> | <u>\$ 1,960 04</u> |

EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

| | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| President of Council: Office Expense and Travel | \$ 1,375 00 | \$ 150 00 |
| Vice-President: Office Expense and Travel | 200 00 | |
| Recording Secretary: Office Expense and Travel | 200 00 | |
| Superintendent of Christian Social Relations: Office Expense and Travel | 2,200 00 | |
| Superintendent of Children: Office Expense and Travel | 3,235 09 | 256 40 |
| Secretaries' Salaries | 10,735 00 | 780 74 |
| Clerical Help, Office Expense and Travel | 12,728 56 | 1,175 54 |
| Committee Meetings | 1,762 38 | |
| Service Department | 6,912 98 | 685 90 |
| Publications | 13,798 71 | 26 50 |
| Schools of Missions | 2,168 63 | |
| Council Meeting | 5,714 57 | |
| Missionary Education Movement | 503 71 | |
| Federation and Literature for Woman's Foreign Boards, U. S. A. | 450 00 | |
| Remuneration, Superintendent Bureau of Co-operation and Extension | 300 00 | |
| General Secretary and Clerical Help ... | 1,027 47 | 73 33 |
| Total Education and Promotion | \$ 63,312 10 | \$ 3,148 41 |

UNITED FUNDS

Scarritt College:

| | |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Scholarships | \$ 19,828 47 |
| Maintenance | 18,233 42 |
| Interest — Tennessee | |
| Scholarship | 144 00 |
| Accrued Interest on | |
| Bonds Purchased | 44 00 |
| | \$ 38,249 89 |

Invested: 2,471 88 \$ 40,721 77

Bennett Memorial: \$ 124 78

Invested: 6,150 00 6,274 78

Total United Funds \$ 46,996 55

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS—1932

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Foreign Department | \$ 612,920 64 |
| Home Department | 509,382 65 |
| Administration | 23,787 22 |
| Education and Promotion | 63,312 10 |
| United | 46,996 55 |

\$1,256,399 16

Less Advances in 1931 on 1932 79,908 59

\$1,176,490 57

SUMMARY OF ADVANCES ON 1933

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Foreign Department | \$ 63,503 25 | |
| Less Outstanding Drafts | 12,448 49 | \$ 51,054 76 |
| Home Department | | 20,532 70 |
| Administration | | 1,960 04 |
| Education and Promotion | | 3,148 41 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | 76,695 91 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total Disbursements in 1932 | | <u>\$1,253,186 48</u> |

HOMER K. JONES & COMPANY

ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS

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

GENTLEMEN:

According 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 1932 ended as of January 31, 1933, and submit the following statements of Income and Appropriations for the year 1932, and Balance Sheet showing the financial condition of the Woman's Work at the close of January 31, 1933, 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 1933 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 \$50,000.00 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 report 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 21, 1933.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

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

BALANCE SHEET, REGULAR WORK, JANUARY 31, 1933

| <i>Assets</i> | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| | Total | Foreign | Home | Education and Promotion |
| Cash in Banks (Overdraft*) | \$ 260,082 52 | \$112,005 76 | \$151,218 50 | \$3,141 74* |
| <i>Investments:</i> | | | | |
| Certificates of Deposit | \$ 35,462 71 | \$ 1,000 00 | \$ 34,462 71 | |
| Stocks and Bonds | 331,290 14 | 162,338 79 | 168,951 35 | |
| Notes Receivable | 407,481 32 | 150,770 84 | 256,710 48 | |
| | <u>\$ 774,234 17</u> | <u>\$314,109 63</u> | <u>\$460,124 54</u> | |
| <i>Advances:</i> | | | | |
| To Funds and Institutions | \$ 70,363 64 | \$ 68,887 13 | \$ 1,476 51 | |
| On 1933 Appropriations | 88,047 67 | 64,496 27 | 20,409 66 | 3,141 74 |
| | <u>\$ 158,411 31</u> | <u>\$133,383 40</u> | <u>\$ 21,886 17</u> | <u>\$3,141 74</u> |
| Total Assets | <u>\$1,192,728 00</u> | <u>\$559,498 79</u> | <u>\$633,229 21</u> | <u>.....</u> |

Liabilities and Surplus

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Current:</i> | | | |
| Drafts Outstanding | \$ 15,568 94 | \$ 15,568 94 | |
| Note Payable | 50,000 00 | 50,000 00 | |
| | <u>\$ 65,568 94</u> | <u>\$ 65,568 94</u> | |
| <i>Funds for Restricted Uses:</i> | | | |
| Annuities | \$ 44,812 69 | \$ 33,252 71 | \$ 11,559 98 |
| Bequests | 119,025 30 | 56,914 87 | 62,110 43 |
| Undirected Bequests | 5,577 57 | 5,577 57 | |
| Permanent Endowments | 55,609 42 | 6,700 00 | 48,909 42 |
| Centenary | 177,730 23 | 85,948 89 | 91,781 34 |
| Restricted Contributions and Credits, Sundry | 750,805 30 | 307,745 04 | 443,060 26 |
| | <u>\$1,153,560 51</u> | <u>\$496,139 08</u> | <u>\$657,421 43</u> |
| Total Liabilities | <u>\$1,219,129 45</u> | <u>\$561,708 02</u> | <u>\$657,421 43</u> |
| <i>Surplus:</i> | | | |
| Surplus January 31, 1932 | \$ 82,715 23 | \$ 37,286 07 | \$ 45,429 16 |
| Adjustment—Increasing | 75 00 | 75 00 | |
| Adjusted January 31, 1932, | | | |
| Surplus | <u>\$ 82,790 23</u> | <u>\$ 37,361 07</u> | <u>\$ 45,429 16</u> |
| Deficit for Year 1932 | 109,191 68 | 39,570 30 | 69,621 38 |
| Deficit January 1, 1933 | <u>\$ 26,401 45</u> | <u>\$ 2,209 23</u> | <u>\$ 24,192 22</u> |
| Total Liabilities and Deficit | <u>\$1,192,728 00</u> | <u>\$559,498 79</u> | <u>\$633,229 21</u> |

BALANCE SHEET, OTHER FUNDS, JANUARY 31, 1933

| <i>Assets</i> | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| | Total | Scarritt | Bennett Memorial |
| <i>Current:</i> | | | |
| Cash in Banks | \$ 7,809 96 | \$ 7,448 51 | \$ 361 45 |

Investments:

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Certificates of Deposit | \$ 1,650 00 | | \$ 1,650 00 |
| Stocks and Bonds | 2,971 88 | \$ 2,971 88 | |
| Notes Receivable | 10,850 00 | 6,350 00 | 4,500 00 |
| | <u>\$ 15,471 88</u> | <u>\$ 9,321 88</u> | <u>\$ 6,150 00</u> |
| Total Assets | <u>\$ 23,281 84</u> | <u>\$ 16,770 39</u> | <u>\$ 6,511 45</u> |

Liabilities

Funds for Restricted Uses:

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Restricted Contributions and Credits, Sundry | \$ 23,281 84 | \$ 16,770 39 | \$ 6,511 45 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>\$ 23,281 84</u> | <u>\$ 16,770 39</u> | <u>\$ 6,511 45</u> |

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND APPROPRIATIONS, REGULAR
WORK, YEAR 1932

| | Total | Foreign | Home |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Income:</i> | | | |
| Pledges | \$678,177 91 | \$452,314 86 | \$225,863 05 |
| Dues | 86 40 | 57 60 | 28 80 |
| Bible Women | 28,229 66 | 28,229 66 | |
| Scholarships | 10,532 31 | 10,532 31 | |
| Life Members | 9,437 27 | 6,291 67 | 3,145 60 |
| Interest | 10,200 09 | 3,062 20 | 7,137 89 |
| Day Schools | 2,854 15 | 2,854 15 | |
| Specials | 1,105 00 | 1,105 00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 210 01 | 20 01 | 190 00 |
| Total Income | <u>\$740,832 80</u> | <u>\$504,467 46</u> | <u>\$236,365 34</u> |

Appropriations:

| | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Field Work | \$724,281 14 | \$481,072 58 | \$243,208 56 |
| Training School—Scarritt . . | 43,000 00 | 20,000 00 | 23,000 00 |
| Education and Promotion . . | 52,757 61 | 26,378 81 | 26,378 80 |
| Administrative | 22,544 89 | 13,176 48 | 9,368 41 |
| Contingent | 7,440 84 | 3,409 89 | 4,030 95 |
| Total Appropriations . . . | <u>\$850,024 48</u> | <u>\$544,037 76</u> | <u>\$305,986 72</u> |
| Deficit for Year | <u>\$109,191 68</u> | <u>\$ 39,570 30</u> | <u>\$ 69,621 38</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 | | |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

| | Foreign Work | Home Work | City Missions |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------|---------------|
| 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 |
| 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 | |

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

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| | Foreign Work | Home Work | City Missions |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1931 | \$ 655,823 66 | \$ 413,442 90 | |
| 1932 | 565,074 94 | 367,128 76 | |
| 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 | |
| Centenary, 1932 | 1,121 64 | 705 04 | |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | |
| | \$15,769,512 23 | \$9,496,120 71 | \$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 |
| 1932 | | 26,837 06 |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$ | 395,462 64 |

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 |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

| | |
|----------------------|--------------|
| 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 |
| 1932: Bennett Memorial | 215 91 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 655,605 20 |

Grand total\$26,859,504 18

MRS. INA DAVIS FULTON, *Treasurer.*

EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

MRS. B. W. LIPSCOMB

ALL THAT was said at the beginning of my report for 1931 might be said with added emphasis for 1932. The words which characterized the year were "economic depression" and "loyalty." The same words characterize the situation for the year just closed, but for this last year every letter of both words must be capitalized. Again the missionary women have demonstrated how to carry on with courage, sacrifice, and loyalty in a depression. The depression is only financial, and, if anything further needs to be said about it, I'll let the Treasurer say it. I choose to speak of these spiritual values, like loyalty, etc., that have flourished in the depression.

ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP

These spiritual characteristics have manifested themselves in the efforts which have made possible the splendid increase in auxiliaries and membership for the year. The figures show a net gain of 286 auxiliaries and 16,700 members. Through three means this increase has been made:

1. The enthusiasm with which the Guest Day plans were carried out.

2. The cultivation of the young women. The Average Age Contest was not satisfactory but, as far as it was carried out, proved most illuminating. Thirty-one Conferences, 94 districts, 1,232 auxiliaries entered the contest, and from the figures sent me I find that the Average Age for this cross section of the church was 43.4 years at the time the contest began.

3. The changed membership requirement. My contacts convince me that, in a large measure, this has saved the day for us as far as membership is concerned. There are adverse criticisms. We are happy in the confidence that, when we have made the readjustments that the times demand, we shall have the opportunity of cultivating an increased membership.

MEXICAN CONFERENCE

Our baby conference, the Western Mexican, is growing. They have held the second annual meeting and are preparing their own program material. There have been new organizations within the bounds of the Texas Mexican Conference, and you will find the Conference listed in the Treasurer's report, although they have no formal organization.

EDUCATION

There have been conducted during the year 9,236 adult mission study classes with a membership of 170,489 women, with North Georgia, North Mississippi, and Virginia leading. The leading books have been *Korea the Land of Dawn* and *Living Issues in China*. (The first named is a lapover from the the 1931-32 list.)

At the leadership conferences, missions courses have been taught and platform speakers provided as well as group discussions on methods held. At Junaluska, with the generous help of Mrs. Perry, Mrs. Newell, Mrs. Downs, and Miss MacKinnon, an intensive five-day conference was conducted which was most stimulating to the women on the grounds. It was the most successful feature we have ever had at this assembly. We are planning to repeat it during the coming summer.

Teachers for missions courses have been furnished in seven Pastors' Schools.

There is a growing interest among the Mission Study Superintendents in raising the standard of the classes, and they are co-operating loyally in all Conferences. According to their reports, 1,860 application blanks for Council Certificates have been sent to me, examined, and the Certificates prepared for presentation at this year's annual meetings. This plan seems to have challenged their attention and to appeal to them as a worth-while one.

A creditable number of mission study books have been sold, according to the following figures secured from the Publishing House and its branches:

Facing the Future in Indian Missions (Lewis Meriam and George W. Hinman), 3,701 copies; *Lady Fourth Daughter of China* (Mary Hollister), 3,573 copies; *Living Issues in China* (Henry T. Hodgkin), 5,806 copies.

The "Special Event" of the third quarter, Coaching Day for Auxiliary Mission Study Leaders, is proving a most helpful means of following up the leadership classes given in the schools mentioned. It stands to reason that the most thorough training cannot be given in one day, but remarkable results are being obtained in spite of brief period.

Because of the enterprise and social vision of Southern Methodist women, the Missionary Education Movement is bringing out a book, *Christianity and Industry in the United States*, written by Dr. Alva Taylor, of Vanderbilt University, for the coming autumn's course. Miss Haskin has rendered an invaluable service to this department by her efforts to make this book possible. Two of the sections of the Christian Social Relations Bureau have had through textbooks an opportunity for serious study by our constituency. The other texts for the 1933-34 courses will be recommended by the Committee on Education and Promotion.

The Bible Study Classes for the year number 7,288 with a membership of 150,714. North Georgia, South Georgia, and Virginia lead in number of classes.

SPECIALS

The placing of Specials in conferences and auxiliaries, with the necessary keeping of records and sending of reports is a feature of the work in my office, which entails much work. As a Council, we have not laid heavy emphasis on the support of Specials, but they make an appeal to the women and there are many spontaneous requests for them. An evidence of the depression has been the disposition to surrender these Specials. I have attempted wherever possible to get the supporters to continue the Special in part, if the entire amount could not be raised, and in cases where they felt compelled to give them up have urged that they become Prayer Specials.

SUPPLIES

The appeals for community needs have caused a decrease in the totals of the Supply Department. But there has been no less interest on the part of the faithful Superintendents of Supplies who rejoice in this service. Every year some one piece of work that adds special flavor gets done by this department. During the past year, it has been the sending of layettes to Korea to be used by Miss Rosser in

her rural health work. The conferences which were asked to do this special service were Oklahoma, South Georgia, and South Carolina, and their enthusiastic response was most heartening. For weeks my office was filled with boxes full of them, and we had the great thrill of getting them packed to be carried to Korea by the missionaries who sailed in the late summer. Miss Rosser's reports of their coming was a great inspiration to all who had provided these beautiful gifts.

OUR PROBLEM

The critical problem for the Missionary Enterprise today is at the home base. The important question is "What is happening here?" "Has the nerve of missions been cut?" is a question in the minds of missionary leaders. So many forces opposed to the teaching of Jesus Christ are clashing in the world that the most courageous hearts may grow faint if our eyes are for one moment taken off Him in whose name and strength we have undertaken our task, a task which we believe "really matters in the present and eternal life of humanity." We need to keep our minds clearly set upon the fundamental motive of this enterprise, which cannot be changed by any of the conditions which have arisen from the conflict of world forces—namely, "to make Jesus Christ known in all the world so that men everywhere shall become His followers and His spirit and principles may be applied to the whole of life." With this motive dominant, "the nerve of missions cannot be cut but will prove itself alive and tingling and direct the Church into the most heroic support of this, its central work."

MISSION AND
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STATISTICS FROM CONFERENCES FOR 1932

CONFERENCE

| 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 | Auxiliaries Operating Week of Prayer | Auxiliaries on Honor Roll | Mission Classes | Study Members | Bible Classes | Study Members | No. Donations to Institutions | No. Preachers and Missionaries | Total Number Missionaries | Value of Donations | |
| Alabama..... | 238 | 771 | 38 | 942 | 37 | 702 | 36 | 598 | 169 | 54 | 328 | 6,625 | 252 | 9 | 150 | 11 | 161 | \$ 2,525 00 |
| Arizona..... | 25 | 583 | 66 | 144 | 4 | 35 | 3 | 41 | 17 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 78 | 1 | 137 | 16 | 153 | 137 85 |
| Baltimore..... | 233 | 7,141 | 66 | 14,066 | 38 | 511 | 46 | 516 | 174 | 341 | 182 | 3,009 | 346 | 1 | 390 | 95 | 485 | 3,041 66 |
| Central Texas..... | 213 | 6,385 | 66 | 14,962 | 31 | 486 | 20 | 243 | 141 | 65 | 423 | 7,593 | 385 | 1 | 402 | 101 | 331 | 4,561 33 |
| Florida..... | 242 | 9,446 | 114 | 2,355 | 63 | 906 | 50 | 617 | 198 | 72 | 366 | 9,992 | 283 | 9 | 92 | 9 | 101 | 1,221 42 |
| Holston..... | 229 | 8,631 | 134 | 3,196 | 111 | 1,570 | 90 | 1,313 | 196 | 86 | 299 | 5,982 | 353 | 14 | 149 | 14 | 163 | 1,895 32 |
| Illinois..... | 20 | 188 | 10 | 208 | 1 | 24 | 2 | 33 | 10 | ..... | 2 | 35 | 2 | 43 | 6 | 6 | 47 | 95 |
| Indian Mission..... | 24 | 140 | 9 | 18 | 9 | 22 | 11 | 33 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 46 | 9 | 148 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Kentucky..... | 135 | 3,438 | 34 | 626 | 24 | 189 | 7 | 70 | 89 | 17 | 77 | 1,691 | 56 | 10 | 37 | 10 | 47 | 603 15 |
| Little Rock..... | 147 | 4,748 | 35 | 1,541 | 23 | 960 | 12 | 372 | 104 | 22 | 149 | 2,832 | 79 | 19 | 93 | 12 | 78 | 1,578 90 |
| Los Angeles..... | 20 | 1,014 | 16 | 368 | 9 | 166 | 6 | 58 | 17 | 8 | 23 | 855 | 26 | 1 | 66 | 12 | 78 | 1,558 30 |
| Louisiana..... | 204 | 5,718 | 29 | 644 | 26 | 362 | 12 | 263 | 138 | 6 | 181 | 4,009 | 156 | 4 | 456 | 456 | 2,956 88 | |
| Louisville..... | 187 | 4,033 | 33 | 971 | 27 | 523 | 33 | 324 | 117 | 29 | 141 | 2,584 | 320 | 7 | 272 | 41 | 81 | 1,994 31 |
| Memphis..... | 263 | 9,015 | 112 | 2,234 | 110 | 1,490 | 96 | 1,217 | 185 | 146 | 267 | 4,980 | 320 | 7 | 105 | 3 | 108 | 3,344 35 |
| Mississippi..... | 241 | 4,869 | 73 | 1,130 | 58 | 661 | 23 | 212 | 123 | 33 | 144 | 3,340 | 169 | 4 | 105 | 3 | 108 | 1,738 11 |
| Missouri..... | 118 | 2,736 | 1 | 376 | 138 | 136 | 89 | 12 | 33 | 12 | 130 | 2,366 | 59 | 1,091 | 178 | 178 | 1,092 59 | |
| New Mexico..... | 71 | 2,024 | 14 | 265 | 4 | 54 | 2 | 30 | 41 | 4 | 57 | 836 | 46 | 839 | 38 | 38 | 32 | 276 |
| North Alabama..... | 315 | 10,075 | 205 | 4,172 | 161 | 248 | 184 | 2,704 | 245 | 252 | 432 | 7,956 | 378 | 8,243 | 206 | 162 | 398 | 3,128 33 |
| North Arkansas..... | 181 | 4,558 | 48 | 1,075 | 29 | 483 | 16 | 168 | 112 | 26 | 192 | 2,581 | 132 | 2,581 | 132 | 90 | 102 | 901 50 |
| North Carolina..... | 315 | 8,846 | 129 | 2,771 | 122 | 2,022 | 61 | 1,022 | 198 | 51 | 269 | 4,315 | 162 | 2,925 | 137 | 92 | 90 | 703 20 |
| North Georgia..... | 409 | 13,300 | 215 | 3,844 | 185 | 174 | 3,175 | 212 | 51 | 784 | 10,779 | 611 | 10,485 | 381 | 71 | 452 | 6,923 47 | |
| North Mississippi..... | 224 | 5,084 | 104 | 1,516 | 83 | 1,021 | 66 | 612 | 145 | 54 | 704 | 10,779 | 497 | 7,411 | 87 | 73 | 163 | 1,540 68 |
| North Texas..... | 164 | 7,261 | 34 | 647 | 17 | 227 | 18 | 312 | 199 | 36 | 276 | 7,810 | 207 | 4,617 | 1,536 | 41 | 1,577 | 9,569 23 |
| Northwest..... | 23 | 280 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 12 | 2 | 19 | ..... | 5 | 5 | 54 35 |
| Northwest Texas..... | 214 | 4,030 | 58 | 904 | 43 | 495 | 36 | 314 | 133 | 26 | 276 | 4,096 | 154 | 2,452 | 37 | 16 | 53 | 654 95 |
| Oklahoma..... | 248 | 7,757 | 91 | 1,744 | 35 | 314 | 30 | 178 | 170 | 33 | 267 | 5,990 | 159 | 2,565 | 146 | 42 | 138 | 2,531 62 |
| Pacific..... | 40 | 912 | 30 | 407 | 18 | 205 | 12 | 98 | 31 | 1 | 74 | 1,431 | 76 | 1,802 | 38 | 28 | 112 | 2,597 33 |
| St. Louis..... | 121 | 3,339 | 51 | 1,231 | 26 | 475 | 40 | 174 | 83 | ..... | 135 | 2,931 | 93 | 1,527 | 86 | 28 | 112 | 1,597 33 |
| South Carolina..... | 188 | 5,725 | 72 | 1,398 | 24 | 340 | 21 | 150 | ..... | ..... | 97 | 2,099 | 93 | 1,758 | 225 | 137 | 362 | 1,553 71 |
| South Georgia..... | 290 | 9,053 | 113 | 2,400 | 76 | 1,28 | 32 | 555 | 201 | 40 | 372 | 1,727 | 65 | 1,299 | 129 | 4 | 133 | 3,530 39 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 119 | 3,378 | 34 | 1,188 | 12 | 723 | 7 | 208 | 94 | 18 | 107 | 1,722 | 391 | 4 | 121 | 32 | 153 | 3,067 75 |
| Tennessee..... | 217 | 6,764 | 74 | 1,336 | 49 | 601 | 42 | 546 | 144 | 33 | 217 | 4,122 | 311 | 4 | 151 | 32 | 153 | 3,067 75 |
| Texas..... | 245 | 6,612 | 79 | 1,490 | 58 | 829 | 38 | 690 | 191 | 58 | 566 | 8,287 | 391 | 4 | 151 | 32 | 153 | 3,067 75 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 224 | 6,551 | 88 | 1,318 | 61 | 746 | 53 | 584 | 139 | 42 | 238 | 3,671 | 42 | 128 | 39 | 167 | 2,419 04 | |
| Virginia..... | 440 | 15,048 | 182 | 4,581 | 126 | 2,988 | 123 | 2,055 | 227 | 86 | 665 | 11,490 | 506 | 8,999 | 175 | 6 | 3,647 98 | |
| Western North Carolina..... | 14 | 245 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Western North Carolina..... | 335 | 12,088 | 108 | 2,252 | 77 | 1,220 | 55 | 553 | 196 | 81 | 503 | 8,956 | 364 | 8,089 | 178 | 12 | 190 | 1,222 02 |
| West Texas..... | 188 | 6,052 | 78 | 486 | 54 | 350 | 17 | 150 | 156 | 31 | 310 | 4,704 | 234 | 3,742 | 5 | 46 | 3 | 3,742 88 |
| Western Virginia..... | 94 | 2,472 | 35 | 767 | 22 | 251 | 13 | 105 | 52 | 10 | 99 | 1,765 | 44 | 347 | ..... | ..... | 51 | 704 88 |
| Total..... | 7,208 | 215,870 | 2,375 | 52,037 | 1,815 | 27,909 | 1,470 | 19,880 | 4,684 | 1,561 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5,657 | 1,333 | 6,680 | \$83,175 37 |

CHILDREN'S WORK

CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH

THERE is always some thrilling project in process in the Children's Division of the Board of Missions. Curios, costumes, dolls, gifts, and letters passing back and forth among the children keep their office continually on tiptoe with interest.

One of the most colorful projects of the year proved to be the sending of Christmas gifts to the children of Japan. In the fall Miss Manie Towson, on furlough, wrote a letter to the children through the pages of *World Friends*, asking them to send Christmas presents to the children of her five rural Sunday schools in Japan. She promised that each child sending a gift would receive in return a letter from Japan. Though the children were occupied with several other activities at the time, it was thought that they would send a hundred or two gifts anyhow. Toward the first of December boxes began to pour in. They filled the office. When a count was made, instead of one or two hundred gifts, there were found to be more than two thousand. Somewhat uneasy about the duty that might be charged and dubious of the possibility of two thousand children receiving letters, we sent the gifts off. But word has come from Miss Sallie Carroll, the missionary in charge of the project in Japan. She tells of the excitement and interest of the Japanese customs house officials in Kobe when they learned that the thirty big boxes that were put off the ship on December 24 contained good-will Christmas gifts from boys and girls of the United States to the children of Japan. Without a cent of duty, the officials gave them entrance.

As the gifts were more than enough for the children of the Sunday schools, plans were made to pass some of them on to children in public schools. Japanese educational officials became interested and offered to have children in their government schools write the letters stating that they would pay the postage for those who could not do it themselves.

The boxes arrived in Kobe on December 24, too late to get the gifts in readiness for distribution at Christmas. It was decided, therefore, to make the distribution on February 11, which is Founders' Day in Japan. The day was made a great occasion with a play, songs, and other appropriate ceremonies.

One of the boxes of gifts included forty presents from Creek Indian children. Of all those who sent in gifts none are waiting more eagerly than these Indian boys and girls in Oklahoma for letters from the "Japaneses" children.

The year has been marked more than anything else by good quality of work done. Emphasis has been put on study and methods. Reports from superintendents and letters from children have shown a gratifying knowledge of fields, and various constructive activities give

expression to a spirit of good will and friendship. The course on Negro Life made last spring was one of the most worth-while and at the same time most popular studies we have had. Bethlehem Houses were made the center of interest and the recipient of funds for the quarter. Anticipating in advance the children's desire to send gifts as usual to those about whom they study, we asked the head residents of our five Bethlehem Centers to write letters to them through *World Friends* to tell them what they might send. Practical, useful gifts actually needed in the Centers, gifts that the children might make themselves, were suggested. Handcraft involved in making the articles formed an attractive feature of the course. One little girl, after laboriously sewing a colored border around the white center of a handkerchief, said to her superintendent: "I enjoyed making this handkerchief. I hope the little colored girl who gets it will have just as good a time using it as I have had in making it." So white children worked and made with their own hands gifts for those by whom they have been accustomed to be served. So greatly was the interest of the Negro children at the Bethlehem Center in Augusta aroused by the gifts sent to them from World Clubs that they decided that they, too, would like to have a World Club and have organized one. They are trying now to think up the best thing they can send in return to the clubs which made gifts to them. A friendship group from a nearby town visited the Center in Nashville. The boys had a game of ball on the playground with the colored boys, then together they made a friendship circle, sang the friendship song, and had their picture taken. So impressed was the photographer that he said: "In my estimation the finest thing the modern Church has done has been to coin the phrase 'world friendship' and to put it into action." A friendship group in Chattanooga, impressed by the fact that such is the drabness of the life of many Negro children that they must be *taught* to play, decided to give the Bethlehem Center in their city some equipment for a playground. Instead of being diverted from their purpose when they heard that the Center had no playground, they got to work, secured the use of a vacant lot near the Center, and then set up their equipment on it. In two places, one in Tennessee and the other in Alabama, Negro Sunday schools were organized where there had been none before. In two other places when vacation schools were opened for world-friendship groups at the same time vacation schools for Negroes were organized and assisted.

In the fall Brazil was studied. High duty makes gifts to that country prohibitive, but the children were told that they might write letters if they desired. The letters were put in decorated folios and one sent to each of our six schools in Brazil. Only about a hundred letters were written, but they were sent from all parts of the country and manifested a keen desire on the part of the children to use this

method to become better acquainted with boys and girls of Brazil. Written after some weeks of study, they showed an intelligent knowledge of Brazil, revealing at the same time in a simple, refreshing way vivid pictures of the home life of the children writing them. One little girl wrote: "I would like very much to see some curios from Brazil. If you will send me something from South America, I will send you something from North America. Now if you would not like to exchange gifts, will you please give this letter to someone who does?" Answers were not promised, as the letters were only for exhibit; yet it was clearly seen that the children expected them. Fortunately the letters could be divided among six schools, making not too many in each to be answered by pupils in English classes. It will not be surprising if lasting friendships develop through these letters. Interesting, instructive exhibits from Brazil were much enjoyed and appreciated.

During this winter Africa has been studied. For this course we were enabled to make a valuable collection of stories, games, and exhibit materials. Besides their funds to help support schools and child welfare work in the Congo, the children are sending scrapbooks and bought picture books to the field. Letters in the Otetela language are to be received in return. One letter has already come from a Congo boy. In the picturesque style of his country, he begins: "Greetings! Have you strength there in America? I am strong here in Africa."

Individual freedom of choice was especially encouraged for summer vacation study. Though the new texts of the Missionary Education Movement on China and the American Indian were particularly suggested, the mission study books of the Board of Christian Education were also recommended. It was further suggested that previous studies of our own be used if desired by any group that had not used them before. Such initiative on the part of individual groups we hope will continue to develop.

One of the developments of the year in this department was in regard to the children's participation in the Week of Prayer. It had been thought for some time by many that the children should not observe the Week of Prayer with the adults in November. The program tended to break into and interrupt the regular fall course of study. It seemed more appropriate to close each quarter's work with a special program of prayer and dedication of gifts made during the quarter. However, as there was a difference of opinion in the 1932 Council's children's committee, a questionnaire was sent out to conference superintendents. Of the answers received exactly one-half wished to retain the children's observance of the November Week of Prayer and one-half to have, instead, the quarterly meeting. Accordingly material was provided for both types of programs. Fifty-

one children's groups reported participation in the 1932 Week of Prayer, and \$969.35 was contributed.

Another important trend in the Children's Work was revealed on the same questionnaire with which information in regard to the Week of Prayer was sought. A question was asked about frequency of meetings held. Though answers were not given for the complete number of auxiliaries, of those reporting about one-half have weekly meetings, one-fourth monthly, and one-fourth semi-monthly. This shows that more and more we are getting away from a junior missionary society holding *monthly* missionary programs consisting of short talks and selections and are having in its stead a group made up of leader and pupils making intensive studies and developing from them constructive activities and world-friendship projects.

I would like to report an increase in membership for the year. Though we do not have an increase, we have practically held our own. At the close of the year, 99,876 members were reported. This is 8,131 less than was reported for the year 1931. This slight decrease may be due to failure to report, or it may show the activities of the Board of Christian Education. The children gave in 1932 \$25,844.97, which was 85 per cent of the amount their superintendents had estimated that they would raise. However, the children have given an almost equal amount in concrete gifts, which mean even more to them than money and which have much value in the development of world-friendship.

In her letter to Brazil, one junior wrote: "We sent a treasure chest to the Philippines and received several letters of thanks from there. We saw the exhibit from China and are going to send a Friendship Folio to a school in China. We sent Christmas presents to Japan and are waiting for a letter from a Japanese child. We like your exhibit from Brazil best of all and are hoping for a letter from you." The little girl who wrote this letter, though only a child, is a world-citizen. She has had a definite contact with the Philippine Islands, she has a friend in China and in Japan, she has an intelligent knowledge of Brazil and has taken steps to develop a friendship there. Every child in our church may have these same opportunities to become world-wide in their interests. Shall we not see that they have them?

Einstein, who has admittedly the keenest mind in the world today, has said: "If two per cent of the population of a country would refuse to fight, that country could not have war." The children whom we train in world-friendship and peace today might compose a large part of that two per cent tomorrow. Is that not a task worthy of our untiring efforts?

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

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STATISTICAL REPORT FOR YEAR 1932

New Divisions:

| | 1931 | 1932 |
|---------------------------------|------|------|
| Baby | 385 | 306 |
| World Children's Circle | 494 | 436 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 727 | 589 |

New Members:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Baby | 7,593 | 5,919 |
| World Children's Circle | 10,687 | 8,975 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 20,266 | 16,003 |

Total Divisions:

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|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Baby | 1,792 | 1,470 |
| World Children's Circle | 1,824 | 1,815 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 2,832 | 2,575 |
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| Decrease | 6,448 | 5,860 |
| | | 588 |

Total Members:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------|
| Baby | 22,905 | 19,880 |
| World Children's Circle | 27,978 | 27,909 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 57,124 | 52,087 |
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| | 108,007 | 99,876 |
| Decrease | | 8,131 |

FINANCIAL REPORT

| | 1931 | 1932 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Amount pledged | \$47,315 00 | \$35,975 00 |
| Amount paid: | | |
| Baby | 7,667 51 | 5,509 65 |
| World Children's Circle | 7,879 38 | 5,816 94 |
| Boys and Girls World Club | 19,853 47 | 14,518 38 |
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| Total paid | \$35,400 36 | \$25,844 97 |
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PUBLICATIONS

SARA ESTELLE HASKIN

THE Literature Committee did not hold its May meeting as usual. A half-day session was held at the time of the Council meeting where general plans were made. After that the work was carried on by correspondence. This plan was adopted with the consent of the Committee because of the low state of funds. It was not altogether satisfactory to the Secretary, but perhaps was the best plan for this year. However, literature has been published and sent out in the same quantities as former years.

LEAFLETS AND PROGRAMS

The Week of Prayer. The production of the Week of Prayer material was a peculiar privilege because the foreign special was to be in honor of Miss Esther Case. At the request of the Committee on Spiritual Life an all-day retreat program was planned providing for intercession periods and for the presentation of the two specials: Ewha College, Seoul, Korea, and MacDonell School, Houma, Louisiana. In addition, two other programs were prepared: one on the home special and one on the foreign special. Auxiliaries, according to this plan, were supplied with material for one, two, three, or four days. Mrs. Margueritte Bro, who was a most dynamic and helpful leader in our retreat at Mount Sequoyah, prepared one of the worship programs for the all-day retreat and a beautiful playlet on Ewha College; in addition she furnished a most helpful leaflet on *Praying for Missions*. This was for the daily use of individuals during the Week of Prayer. A sufficient number of these leaflets were printed for continued use by the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message. Dr. Winton prepared a leaflet containing a most beautiful story of Miss Esther Case. A special edition was printed to keep in stock. These may be secured by individuals for ten cents each. The literature produced for this occasion consisted of seven leaflets and the offering envelopes, at a cost of \$1,069.40.

The Spiritual Life. The Secretary has been working for the last two years, with a Committee charged to secure Spiritual Life pamphlets for the use of auxiliary Spiritual Life groups. We are glad to record that this objective has been realized. The Publishing House is taking all responsibility of financing this. The rack which they produced contains eleven pamphlets. They are as follows: *The Ministry of Silence and Meditation*, Herman, 25 cents; *Meaning of the Cross and the Resurrection*, Maltby, 25 cents; *Jesus Christ and the Meaning of Life*, Maltby, 20 cents; *Coming of Christ in Modern Days*, Weatherhead, 15 cents; *Power of Life*, Van Dusen, 20 cents; *A School of Prayer*, Furse, 20 cents; *The Presence of Jesus*, Weatherhead, 20 cents; *Private Prayer*, Gray and Barclay, 15 cents; *Real Prayer*,

Prosser, 25 cents; *Ways of Praying*, Lester, 20 cents; *Great Souls at Prayer*, DeBardeleben, 25 cents.

It is hoped that auxiliary Spiritual Life groups will take advantage of this opportunity by placing the racks in a position in the church where they will be available to the membership. The pamphlets are of such a size that they can easily be carried about, and it is thought that the men of the church as well as the women will be interested in purchasing them. During the year a new free leaflet has been printed under the title, *How May the Spiritual Life Group Serve?* It embodies plans made by the Council Spiritual Life Committee for the work of the groups. In addition to those enumerated above there is on sale at Literature Headquarters the following Spiritual Life Pamphlets:

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|----------------------------------------------------|-----|
| <i>A Philosophy of Life That Works</i> , Judd..... | 10c |
| <i>Praying for Missions</i> , Bro..... | 5c |
| <i>With Our Rainshoes On</i> , Bro..... | 10c |

Adult Programs for 1933. At the last session of the Council it was decided that our programs for 1933 should be: Home—The Deaconess and Her Work; Foreign—Japan. Scarritt College and the Committee on Status of Women had each asked for a special program for this year, which was granted. Only one full program for the Christian Social Relations Bureau was included, that being on Prohibition and Law Enforcement. Because of the Scarritt program and the program on the Status of Women it was impossible to furnish a larger number. However, a plan was evolved with the Superintendent of the Bureau that once each quarter the auxiliary superintendent of Christian Social Relations should have time in the business period for presenting the plan and work of Christian Social Relations. The Committee on International Relations and World-Peace had asked for the November program, hoping to put over an Armistice Day celebration. Because of other interests we were obliged to place this program in as an extra special.

Before forming the programs on The Deaconess and Her Work opportunity was sought for conference with deaconesses. A number of them were in Scarritt College, and others at work in Nashville; we are indebted to these for valuable help.

The material for new societies has been entirely revised. The programs have been rewritten and over half of the leaflets are those which have not been used before for this purpose. It is our hope that material for a second year may be produced for new societies. If new societies have two years of background material they will be much more nearly prepared for undertaking the work of the regular programs.

Young Women's Circles. The program material which was produced in 1931 for Young Women's Circles has been revised and put in form for the use of all new Circles. For other Circles one leaflet,

containing necessary background material, is being printed each quarter.

Children's Material. The Children's Literature is meeting with special approval. The books produced during the last year are as follows: for Primaries, *Friends at Bethlehem Center*, by Noreen Dunn; *Paulo and Lilita*, a study of Brazilian Children, by Rebecca Caudill; *Tinti*, by Mary Entwistle. For Juniors: *Flying Spray*, which contains a revision of Negro stories already printed; *Brazilian Adventurers*, stories of Brazilian heroes, by Rebecca Caudill; *Heroes of Africa*, stories of an African village, by Mary Entwistle.

EXPENSES

The following is the approximate expense for literature published for three quarters of 1932 and the first quarter of 1933:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Council Minutes | \$2,777 | 98 |
| Council Bulletin | 299 | 84 |
| Estimates, Council Programs, Secretaries Reports, etc. (Paid from Council Meeting Fund) | 628 | 95 |
| Monthly Bulletins | 908 | 73 |
| Adult—Yearbooks, leaflets, organization material | 4,976 | 00 |
| Children's Material | 3,189 | 10 |
| Week of Prayer Programs, Envelopes, etc. (Paid from Week of Prayer Fund) | 1,069 | 40 |
| Studies in Prophecy (reprint) | 67 | 15 |
| Material Purchased from Other Agencies | 387 | 69 |
| Leaflets on Spiritual Life and Status of Women | 641 | 80 |
| | <hr/> | \$14,946 64 |

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

The Service Department under the supervision of Mrs. Henry C. Conaster has been carried forward as usual. This department serves the general section of the Board as well as the woman's section, carrying on work for individual secretaries such as mimeographing letters, *et cetera*. However, a large share of the work of mailing literature falls to the woman's section. For that reason two-thirds of the salaries expense is paid by this section and one-half of the running expenses. The sales of literature for 1932 are as follows:

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|-------------------------------------------|---------|----|
| Record Books | \$2,296 | 58 |
| Yearbooks | 1,857 | 90 |
| Council Bulletins | 525 | 40 |
| Pageants | 337 | 01 |
| World Day of Prayer Material | 202 | 72 |
| World Adventure Book | 99 | 82 |
| Council Minutes and Postage on Same | 308 | 14 |

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|----------------------------------------------|-------|----|-------------|
| Social Service Packets | 104 | 10 | |
| Life Membership Pins | 244 | 00 | |
| Week of Prayer Leaflets | 79 | 34 | |
| Special Material | 167 | 47 | |
| Women's Place of Service in the Church | 15 | 25 | |
| Miscellaneous | 1,339 | 83 | \$ 7,577 53 |

The expenses of woman's work for the Service Department are as follows:

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| Pay-roll | \$4,763 | 94 | |
| Postage | 1,900 | 00 | |
| Hauling, Telephone, Wrapping Supplies, and Incidentals | 509 | 10 | \$ 7,173 04 |

PUBLICITY

The work of our Publicity Superintendents has been very gratifying. There has been an increase in reporting and in the quality of work done. *The Bulletin of Missionary News* is being used by a number of the conferences as a Conference Bulletin by printing conference news on blank pages, thus making this news sheet of double value. *The Bulletin* is used by the auxiliaries in numbers of ways; one reports its use at the social hour. Its news could well be used as talking points for interesting social conversation.

The reports on the monthly literature which come to the Secretary from the auxiliaries through the Conference Publicity Superintendent have been of unusual interest this year. There has been quite widespread approval of the 1932 citizenship program material. However, it was pronounced by some to be too political; one said her auxiliary wanted more religion and another said there was too much "new thought" in these leaflets. Some prefer what they call "real missions." All of this makes clear that we have not yet fully integrated social relations into our world-wide program. On the other hand there are indications that these programs have aroused enough interest for women to make discoveries of needs in their own communities and to incorporate these needs in their programs of service.

The China programs seem to have *gone over big*. One or two complained of getting too much China, but the chief interest of the year centered on the China Missionary Society.

MAGAZINES

The World Outlook. The change in name of this magazine has received general approval; the objections have been few. The chief comment has been that the name exactly expresses the achievements of the magazine.

Its financial situation has given much concern. The number of subscribers on January first for the past three years is as follows: January 1, 1931, 66,798; January 1, 1932, 44,231; January 1, 1933, 36,597. January first is, of course, the low ebb of the subscription list, but shows clearly the rate of falling off. It is also an indication of the general financial decline. Never was there seemingly such general and enthusiastic approval of the magazine, so the cause of the decrease in subscriptions we believe is the scarcity of money. The committee has taken measures to meet the situation by reducing costs of subscription price to new subscribers. Some have felt that the special price to new subscribers was a discrimination against those who have supported the magazine. Our answer is that this is a custom of many magazines and is done to increase circulation. A real decrease in price would probably mean a permanent decrease and the production of a much cheaper magazine which will not make its appeal.

If *The World Outlook* is to continue to serve our missionary and Christian Social Relations program by keeping before our readers up-to-date and vital material presented in an attractive manner, the subscription list must be retrieved. This task depends largely upon our women.

World Friends. This attractive children's magazine has had a steady improvement under the able editorship of Miss Noreen Dunn. With a very limited budget she has succeeded in securing attractive covers and illustrative material as well as worthy and appropriate reading matter. Miss Constance Rumbough, Secretary of Children's Work, has furnished the material used in the Junior lessons and many of the program suggestions. The subscription list has fallen to an average of ten thousand, and we ask for the sake of the missionary education of the children that efforts be made to increase the list.

CANDIDATE DEPARTMENT

MRS. H. R. STEELE, SECRETARY

THE WORK in the Candidate Department of the Board of Missions, Woman's Work, grows in interest and importance with the years. The problems each year are in line with the changes of the times. We are living in a world where there is an entirely new way of thinking of things and of looking at life. The world in which we live is changing so rapidly it is hard to keep pace with it. There is a new emphasis on *personnel*. The central emphasis in the Laymen's Report is on *personnel*. The demand today is for a different kind of missionary—a missionary trained for his work; for front-line men and women for each of the mission fields. It is said that selection and training of missionaries is the most critical point of the missionary enterprise today. There is need for a new scrutiny. The kind of mission-

aries you want depends upon what you want them to do. It is most important that we should know the new tasks for which missionaries are wanted today, that they may be carefully selected, carefully trained, and given the work for which they have been trained.

In the light of changing field conditions, especially in the transfer of responsibility from missionaries to nationals, it is suggested that the first term of service shall be tentative. As the work is organized today, we are not in a position to promise or even to assure a missionary work on the basis of life service. For this reason we are suggesting that the first term, a period of five years, shall be tentative, and that the missionary shall have the privilege of remaining in America after the first term, without a question as to motive or purpose, or even success of the service; or of returning to the field for the second term if there is the opportunity for service and a request for the worker by the Mission, and if the Board at that time is in a position to return the worker to the field.

In the light of changing conditions in the home field, where we are having fewer requests for workers because of the financial situation in the churches; and as the situation is practically the same for the deaconess as for the missionary, we are suggesting that the first term for home and foreign workers shall be tentative.

We would not send anyone into service as an adventure even in Christian work. Great care must be taken to see that the motive and purpose are strong enough to sustain the worker in any line of service which she shall be given. The place of service must be based upon the opportunities in line with the program of the church at the time the worker enters upon her work.

It is interesting to read the many things that are being said about the motive for missionary service; the appeal that should be made to young men and young women to interest them in carrying on the missionary program of the church. It is being said that the motive is probably the same as that which took the first missionaries to the field. The expression of that motive varies with the terms which would describe the religious experience of Christians, and the facts of missions growing out of new field conditions.

It seems only natural that after one hundred years of missionary endeavor a different kind of missionary would be needed in the organized centers where the Boards are working. An important question is: Who shall carry forward the work in the open areas; in the unorganized sections of the fields in which the Boards have work?

As we think of different terms in which we express the motive and the appeal for missions, we note the term which has been adopted by some of the Boards to describe the department for cultivating and selecting candidates for missionary work. The term "personnel" seems to be more comprehensive than candidate. The emphasis is on *selection* rather than on recruitment.

Some people are saying that the day for volunteering is past, that the Student Volunteer Movement has served its day and generation. It is true that the emphasis in the Student Volunteer Movement today is not so much recruiting as missionary education. The plan is to send young people who are interested in missions and who have offered their lives in service, into the churches to speak to the people about the urgency of the present world situation and the importance of carrying forward the missionary program of the church.

The emphasis is on selection and on the tests which a missionary under new field conditions and in a new world situation shall stand before going to the field. There is much to be said about this point if time permitted of a discussion.

As chairman of the Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Committee of Reference and Counsel, I am glad to report progress in the studies on selection and tests, and on training needed by missionaries for service today. A study is being made of the functional analysis of the missionary. It is thought that the church needs to know what a missionary does today, and that young people need to know what a missionary does today—what is a missionary's job. Of course these studies are being made of missionaries who work in well-organized centers, while there is a question of what the missionary's job will be in the open areas of the lands beyond the sea; and the query is: What does a missionary really do on the field today?

STUDENTS AT SCARRITT COLLEGE

Seventeen students were accepted by the Subcommittee on Scholarships and recommended to the Conferences; two did not come for financial reasons. You will be interested to know that there are several students enrolled who are not on Conference scholarships. As we are eager to build the number of students in Scarritt who are not supported by Conference scholarships, we are glad to note the number who are there this year.

In view of the financial situation in the church, and recognizing that as a result of this we will have fewer requests for workers, we have endeavored to limit the number of students on Conference scholarships so that we will be able to staff our work without having trained deaconesses and missionaries that we cannot place. We do not think that we should train workers who cannot be placed. This has been a point in the correspondence in the office where it was necessary to use discrimination and judgment. We have had an unusually large correspondence.

There are many volunteers for service who have been teaching and who have not been able this year to get positions, who have turned to the church with the hope of finding employment. We have wanted to avoid discouraging young people who are interested in

Christian service, and we have tried to show them that every opportunity to touch the life of people is a Christian opportunity—one that will challenge the best that any young person has to give. Many, many letters have been written in our effort to do this.

I was asked by one of the pastors in the church what I was saying to young people who wanted to give their lives in service under the church and who applied to the Board. My answer was as stated above, and, in addition to this, that we could not think that every young person in the church who accepted Christ, who had an unselfish purpose, who had a motive to serve, could find that service under the Woman's Missionary Council. Our work is not organized on the basis of employment for every young person in the church who wants to live the unselfish life, to serve her day and generation. The exigencies of the present world situation demand that we should send into service only the very best that we have. For this reason we have limited our scholarships to young people who meet the full requirements of the Council physically, mentally, morally, and spiritually, as well as educationally, with the proper emphasis upon personality. I have endeavored by correspondence and personal interviews, to find these young people, and our selection has been made on this basis.

VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

We are eager to have a finer co-operation between the faculty at Scarritt College and the women secretaries in the Board. We have organized a Vocational Guidance Committee. It is our plan at the end of the winter quarter to share with each other our experience in knowing the students, that we may appraise their fitness for missionary work, both as to personality and interest and skill, with the hope that when we know them and they know us, we may guide them in the development of an interest in a given field and in a given line of work, and in their final choice as to where they will serve and what they will do. We hope in this way we will be able to fit the job to the missionary or deaconess and to fit the missionary or deaconess to the job. We made a beginning in this last year, but the work was undertaken too late for it to be altogether satisfactory.

We will have our meeting this year at the end of the winter quarter, and we hope during the spring quarter we will be able, by sharing experiences and judgments, to complete our appraisal of the candidates, so that the second year at Scarritt will be a year in which they may take the courses that they will need to develop the quality of life and the skill which will enable them to do the work that needs to be done on the fields.

THE PROBLEM

It is an interesting thing to note that the problem at the desk varies each year. A year ago it was with youth and immaturity; this

year we have not had to deal with that phase of the work. We have been most fortunate in having applications from and correspondence with older women. Our emphasis upon experience has resulted in applications from young people between the ages of twenty-five and thirty, and young women who have had several years of experience. It is true that we have written many letters to younger people, but we have not had applications from young people who were too immature to enter Scarritt College that we formerly had.

The acute problem in the office this year is financial. Girls who volunteered several years ago, who have treasured their purpose to become missionaries and deaconesses, who have finished college probably with a debt, who have taught two years, and some of them three, and who are ready this year to begin their specialized training, have no money for personal expenses while in Scarritt, nor for travel. It is a well-known fact that teachers are not being paid. These girls have not been able to cancel college debts, and they have hardly received enough for incidental expenses, and it will be impossible for them to enter Scarritt without financial aid. A scholarship at Scarritt covers necessary school expenses; there is no authority in our work for a grant to meet personal needs; and the problem in the life of these young people is acute. The problem from the standpoint of the Board, as we must have reinforcements, even though the number be limited, is pressing. The problem from the standpoint of Scarritt College, where a large part of the maintenance comes from scholarships from the Conferences, demands attention. We bring this item for consideration; it will be referred to the Committee on Candidates for discussion, that something may be brought before the Council in the form of a policy or recommendation, by which we may meet one of the most pressing problems in our present situation.

Would it not be possible to make a grant for personal expenses for candidates who meet the full requirements of the Board as to education, skill, and personality—the grant to be a debt unless redeemed in service.

OUR NEEDS

We have urgent need in foreign fields for teachers of English, music teachers, kindergartners, and nurses. I recently visited several hospitals and am glad to report that we are in touch with the number of nurses that we will need for at least two quadrenniums. Some will be ready to go out in two years, others in a longer time; but we are fortunate to know and to have a contact with young people who are interested in this line of work and who are being prepared for this service.

We have had some difficulty in getting music teachers. I am in correspondence with six young women with B.M. degrees and who are interested in going to the field. It has been difficult to get a music

teacher who has had an expensive preparation and probably has incurred an indebtedness for it, to go to the field on a missionary's salary. We hope to be able to send out at least two music teachers this year.

We are working very earnestly to secure the kind of missionary needed today, and to enable that one to get the training which new field conditions demand, and the preparation necessary to enable her to do the thing that needs to be done on the mission field. The work grows in interest and importance, and we are putting our best effort into it.

SUMMER CONFERENCES AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOLS

Your Secretary attended the Southern Y. W. C. A. Student Conference at Blue Ridge, N. C., in June, 1932. 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 taught the course, "Leadership of Mission Study Groups," in a Leadership School at Lake Junaluska, July 28-August 11. She taught two courses in the Pastors' School of the Baltimore Conference at Front Royal, Va. She offered the course, "Missionary Education in the Local Church," at Roanoke, Va., in the Baltimore Conference, in a Standard Training School. The classes were attended by laymen and laywomen and by pastors, and a number of credits were earned.

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 and missionaries to the Young People's Assemblies in June and July of 1932. 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 received in the office of their participation in these 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.

CANDIDATES ACCEPTED BY THE CANDIDATES' COMMITTEE

Nineteen 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.

Lucy Carlton, of the Mississippi Conference, who finished the course at Scarritt College in 1931, and who did not present her application for family reasons, and who has had two years of successful experience in the Ensley Community House at Ensley, Ala., was recommended for consecration at this meeting and is presented to the Council with the seniors finishing their course at Scarritt this year.

Hyda Heard, of Covington, Ga., an employed worker with nine years of successful service in the coal fields, was recommended by the Candidates' Committee for consecration and is presented with the class to be consecrated at this meeting.

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

Deaconesses:

Berry, Mary Evelyn
 Carlton, Lucy Edna
 Collins, Thyra Nell
 Fowler, Anna Fay
 Grissom, Mary Eleanor
 Harrison, Leannetta Pearl
 Haynes, Laura Mae
 Heard, Hyda
 Morton, Freda Eulene
 Philips, Helen
 Webster, Verna Helen
 Williams, Bessie Anne

Conference

South Georgia
 Mississippi
 Oklahoma
 Louisville
 Louisville
 Florida
 Tennessee
 North Georgia
 Northwest Texas
 North Arkansas
 Louisiana
 Louisiana

Foreign Missionary Work:

Name
 Clark, Cathie Lee
 Dacus, Evelyn Louise
 Holler, Mary Oni
 Wasley, Fannie Kunkel
 McFadin, Monta

Conference

Memphis
 Upper South Carolina
 Upper South Carolina
 Florida
 New Mexico

Field

Brazil
 Korea
 China
 Brazil
 Mexico

HOME WORK

MRS. J. W. DOWNS

THE year has been one of gratifying experiences. There has been a close-to-getherness and an expressed purposefulness that is marked above other years. There has also been a degree of emphasis on spiritual values that is encouraging.

The angles of approach in our work are varied, as are also the numerous ways of finding opportunities for contact. This keeps every person constantly on the alert so that they may be able to judge of needs and abilities in those whom they serve.

DEACONESS REPORTS

There are many examples of the results of the year's work given in the reports of the deaconesses. It is interesting, inspiring, and entertaining to read these reports. They are concise and to the point and will give us much added material for our program as well as help us personally. Every person who is interested in our missionary work should take the time to read the deaconesses' reports in the Council Minutes.

ACTIVE WORKERS

There are on our active list one hundred and eighty-four deaconesses and thirty-five employed workers. This does not include the teachers in our schools who are employed. They serve in our many institutions which represent so many different avenues of approach to the different ages and conditions of people. The list of the institutions has been in several of the annual reports, and as it has not changed you will find it by referring to the report of last year. The deaconesses have been busy women. The number of people seeking spiritual as well as physical help has been greater than at any previous time. The consciousness of our inability to meet the many needs of those who come to us for help has made us realize more keenly our dependence on Him who said, "If ye lack wisdom, ask of him who giveth liberally and upbraideth not."

FURLOUGH

The furlough deaconesses on the whole have spent their study period at Scarritt College. There has been one or two exceptions to the rule. I do not think any one of them has been disappointed by coming to Scarritt. The work in the classroom, the association with the whole group and the faculty, as well as the opportunity to know of our boards and activities that have their headquarters in Nashville, has been of real value.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Of the deaconesses who have been on leave of absence a number of them has kept in close touch with the office. A number of them are having leave of absence on account of health, several on account of family. One of the number, Miss Mary Hasler, who was granted an extension of absence, has been placed on the retired list. Two have kept in regular touch with the office. They think they will be ready for work again this year.

RELEASE AND RETIREMENT

Two who were recommended for release, Miss Dorothy Hillard and Miss Maybeth Sykes, were married and we have not heard from them since. Of those who were recommended for retirement, Miss Martha Lewis is living in Tampa, Fla., Miss Maria Elliott spent the winter in California at the Methodist Episcopal Deaconess Home, Miss Wilhelmina Wahlroos remained in Baltimore, I think at her old task, Miss Adeline Peeples remained at Picher for a short time and was ordered by her doctor to Colorado for recuperation, Miss Ethel Jackson remained at Mary Elizabeth Inn at the request of the Board there.

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Misses Verdie Anderson, Zoe Anna Davis, Ola Gilbert, Captolia Dent, Ophelia Napoleon, and Felicia Starkes had the use of the Specialized Training Fund. This also gave them opportunity to study in their respective lines of work.

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION

There has been a deep sense of appreciation of the fact that we were able to go on with our work, not having had to close institutions or release workers on account of the financial strain through which we have been passing. By way of expressing appreciation for this almost every group of deaconesses have voluntarily contributed of their salaries to the work. This opportunity to help and to give has been inspiring to us all. There has been the minimum of restlessness and no change has been made in appointments except to meet a real need.

DEATH OF MISS EMMA BURTON

Deaconess Emma Burton died August 3, 1932, in Kansas City, Mo. She was conscious of her condition and knew that she did not have long for this world, still her courage was unflinching and her spirit of cheerfulness and calm dependence on the Heavenly Father was an inspiration to all who came in contact with her. Miss Burton had put all of her savings during the period of her service as a deaconess into insurance. This she directed to many objects which she loved. She left a gift for the Gibson Memorial, one for Spofford Home, and one for the little country church where she was reared. She was anxious to carry on the work that had meant so much to her, so she provided a scholarship for the training of a deaconess and a foreign missionary candidate at Scarritt for two years each with provision for an extra allowance for personal expenses during that time. She left the full amount carried by the Council for her to the retirement fund through which fund this insurance is financed. "She being dead yet speaketh."

HOLDING INSTITUTE

Again Holding Institute was flooded by the Rio Grande River. The old kitchen and dining room were completely wrecked. One other building was so badly damaged that we did not undertake to repair it. Every building was injured, though the furnishings were saved by having been placed on the second floor of the buildings. Miss Carmen Blessing was about the busiest woman I ever saw, not imagining, not a state of mind, but all over a twenty acre campus to direct, to make decisions, to superintend, and to encourage while the work of rehabilitation was going on immediately after the flood water had subsided. Every member of the faculty was heroic and self-sacrificing and each deserves special mention in meeting this dreadful emergency which they faced.

BREVARD INSTITUTE

Deaconess Daisy Ritter has taken charge of our school at Brevard, N. C., in a splendid way. The faculty writes most encouragingly of her ability to administer and the Secretary can vouch for the fact of her ability to economize. Everyone seems happy under her superintendency and conduct of Brevard Institute. She has a strong committee studying the institution and its needs which will be able to report at least in part at the time of the Council meeting.

SUE BENNETT COLLEGE

Sue Bennett College has been proud of its enrolment this year and of the standard of work it has maintained which has been evidenced by its election to membership in the Southern Association of Colleges.

PAINE COLLEGE

Paine College has maintained its enrolment and its work has been on the whole more satisfactory to the President and faculty than of any previous year. They are having their Jubilee program, and I am sure that the Woman's Missionary Council will co-operate with them and to this end the Secretary recommends that the Week of Prayer Offering of the Home Section of the work be given to Paine College this year to be used in the library and equipment and improvements on Bennett Hall.

MACDONELL WESLEY HOUSE AND FRENCH MISSION SCHOOL

Miss Hooper gives good reports of the work at Houma, and we are hoping with the additional buildings the Week of Prayer Offering for 1932 will make possible that the efficiency of the school may be increased.

VASHTI SCHOOL

Miss Charlotte Dye has been the same splendid general at Vashti

as in previous years. She reports an income of \$1,800.00 above expenditures from her farm which includes the dairy, poultry, and garden.

VALLEY INSTITUTE

Miss Georgia Swanson does not have as large an enrolment at Valley Institute as in previous years, but she feels the work that is being done is of great personal benefit to those young women who attend the school.

VIRGINIA K. JOHNSON HOME

Miss Mary Freeman has a most encouraging report from the Virginia Johnson Home. She has proven herself a past-master in the management of young women who need her. She has managed the finances exceedingly well. The faculty has co-operated with her and together they have been able to do a splendid year's work.

BETHLEHEM HOUSES

The Bethlehem House work is encouraging. Miss Thelma Stevens reports a Christmas gift by an interested friend of \$100.00. This gift was accompanied by a letter which meant more to the staff of Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga., than the money does to the work. Miss Annie Rogers at the Nashville Bethlehem Center has had a full and encouraging program of work. This has been true of the Bethlehem Houses in Birmingham and Winston-Salem.

WESLEY HOUSES

The many Wesley Houses have had full programs of work and have been able to meet the needs of the people in their communities in a satisfactory way. The deaconesses have been busy women during this year. They have manifested a spirit of sacrificial giving of themselves as well as what they have given in money that is encouraging to all who know them. There has been the closest co-operation with all relief organizations which has meant a real service to both the Wesley Houses and the relief organizations.

OTHER THINGS THE SECRETARY DOES

The high point in a Secretary's year is the privilege of attending the Woman's Missionary Conferences. It was a joy this year for the Secretary to attend the Tennessee Conference, which is her own Conference, the Holston, Virginia, and Baltimore Conferences. It is enjoyable to be with the women in their work and to receive the encouragement which comes to the visiting Council officer from this association. Miss Lipscomb inaugurated the Guest Day during the month of June. This Secretary had the privilege of speaking at nineteen of these meetings. She is hoping that Guest Day may be a permanent part of the program of the Council. It was a great

privilege to be allowed to attend the meetings at Mount Sequoyah and Lake Junaluska on the invitation of Mrs. Lipscomb. I have been privileged to speak a number of times in the interest of prohibition and the Eighteenth Amendment, but I have had to refuse many invitations that I did not have time to fill. It is a joy and an inspiration to teach an interested and interesting Sunday school class. I have also had the privilege of reviewing Mission Study books, taking part in dedication services, attending Interdenominational Conferences on Spanish Speaking Work and an Interdenominational Conference on the City Church in the Present Crisis.

OTHER INSTITUTIONS

Everywhere there have been opportunities for service and in spite of difficulties and handicaps we have had a good year as teachers of Bible and religious education in state and private schools, as church deaconesses and pastors' assistants, in our Co-operative Homes, Methodist dormitories, industrial work, rural work, in the Southern Methodist Hospital, in Spofford Home, in the Holston Orphanage and work with students in our state schools. As your Secretary looks back over the year so recently closed she can truly say it has been a good year, and she comes to this Council meeting believing more firmly in the women of our organization in our great church and the future coming of the Kingdom in the world because you have not been discouraged. The church has set her face firmly toward the goal of helping the world to know our Lord and Master.

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make his face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee and give thee peace."

FOREIGN WORK

SALLIE LOU MACKINNON, SECRETARY

THE past year has been one of uncertainty and of difficulty in foreign missions. Wars and rumors of wars, or changes in government, have vitally affected life in almost every country in which the Council has missionaries at work. The unstable economic and political conditions in these countries have made field contributions and collection of fees necessarily small, while the same conditions have made needs and opportunities increasingly urgent and demanding. The financial situation in the United States of America has made decreases in appropriations inevitable. In the midst of political and financial distress, the foreign mission enterprise has been so loudly analyzed and criticized that thoughtful missionaries and supporters of missions have recognized the necessity of thinking carefully into their own program to know how it is contributing to the purpose of God for this day and for the future. One result has been that into the lives of

many has come the conviction that the message of the gospel must be given to all the world and that the life of individuals and of the church must be consecrated anew to the building of a Christlike world. Earnest Christians in the churches at home and abroad have been drawn closer together as they have faced together tragic situations and challenging needs and opportunities. Many women in our church have prayed and have given to support the missionary cause with a spirit of sacrifice that they have not known before. Almost every letter that comes from a missionary breathes a prayer for strength and wisdom for co-workers at home, and expresses a desire to co-operate with those in the homeland who carry a heavy part of the load. Missionaries have given generously from their salaries to supplement work budgets when appropriations have been reduced. The work has been re-evaluated that reductions might be wisely apportioned. Suggestions made at the last meeting of the Council for closing or merging institutions have been thoughtfully studied and followed. There is yet much work to be done in adjusting to the decreased appropriations. The fear now is that work which has been built through the years at great expense of life and money, and work which seems vital, must be discontinued. The Christian characters which have developed through the work will continue to bless the world and to vindicate the Christian message and mission.

Immediately after the meeting of the Board of Missions last May, I went to Mexico to visit the work there. The missionaries and the Mexican workers were deeply conscious of the great bereavement that had come to them in the loss of Miss Esther Case. They were at the same time warm and helpful in their welcome to the new secretary.

The problems of the church and of the mission in Mexico are numerous and perplexing. The financial situation is acute, and people who have formerly made contributions to the church or paid fees to the schools are unable to continue their contributions. Many of the buildings are old and constantly in need of repair. The autonomous Methodist Church of Mexico is only three years old and its territory is widely scattered. Government regulations have made it practically impossible for ordained missionaries to work in Mexico. The Department of General Work of the Board of Missions has only two missionaries in the field. The Department of Woman's Work had this year twenty-eight missionaries. They are working in five schools, in three social centers and in one hospital. Each institution is making a distinct contribution. A committee of three missionaries and three Mexican workers was appointed last September to restudy the whole work. They have made recommendations which will, I think, not only produce immediate necessary economies, but will build a basis for more permanent self-support. The committee saw so clearly the worth-while contribution of each institution that it did not recommend the closing of any, but a letter received as this report is being written

says: "If further reductions are necessary, some institution must be closed. What shall it be? I don't ask you to answer this question." But the question must be answered.

Many of the intelligent people of Mexico have turned away from religion, as they know it. They are disillusioned. Many of these are hungry to know the meaning of life and turn eagerly to the missionary who is spiritually alert and sympathetic for help in solving spiritual and moral problems, and it is good to share the joy of the missionaries who are finding it possible to lead to God those who are discouraged and who are hungering and thirsting for righteousness.

The great and immediate need, as I see it, in Mexico is to develop a strong spiritual church with trained leaders for the church and the institutions of the church. At present our deaconesses and women evangelistic workers, as well as our teachers, are being trained in Roberts College in Saltillo. The Methodist Episcopal Church has a school in Mexico City where deaconesses and evangelistic workers are trained. The Theological Seminary is also in Mexico City. The possibility of a union school for the training of Christian workers is being studied both in Mexico and by the Joint Committee on Korea and Mexico set up by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Such a union training school would not only help to make the Methodist Church really one in Mexico, but would make it possible also to give more thorough and adequate training to all church leaders.

In December, I made a trip to our work in Cuba. Every institution we have in Cuba is a beauty spot, and it was a joy to know that with one exception every building belonging to the Department of Woman's Work is in excellent state of repair. Our institutions entirely escaped the damage caused by the cyclone in November which brought great destruction in the Camaguey section. The building erected by the 1930 Week of Prayer Funds at Eliza Bowman School in Cienfuegos is suitable and beautiful. The present pupils, the former pupils, and the church people vied with each other in expressions of appreciation to the Council for the long-needed building.

Politically and economically Cuba is in a deplorable state. In the section of Cuba in which our institutions are established, sugar is almost the only crop, and the only form of industry. Sugar mills are closed and fields are standing unplanted. The enrolment in the schools in Matanzas and in Cienfuegos has decreased by half, for the patronage was largely from people engaged in the sugar industry. The one government university in the country and all government high schools are closed for political reasons, so that the need for our schools is greater than it has ever been, but the patrons cannot pay even the small fees necessary. Our missionaries are struggling with the problem of reduced appropriations from home, reduced income from

patrons and the urgent need of the young people for education and help.

It is a great joy to find the former students loyal to the schools and among the most active and intelligent workers in the church. The close touch the missionaries keep with them is encouraging and inspiring to all.

The work of the Woman's Missionary Society in Cuba is progressive, fine in appreciation of educational method and of spiritual values. Knowledge of the missionary work of the women of our church in Cuba will prove an inspiration to any Christian woman. There are few employed Bible women and evangelistic workers, but the contribution of the volunteer workers is great.

As Secretary, I do not know personally Brazil, the other great Latin-American country in which our missionaries are at work. Letters, reports, conferences with missionaries on furlough and with recent visitors to Brazil reveal perplexing problems and many unusual opportunities. From July through October the State of Sao Paulo was shut off from communication with the rest of the world by the revolt of the State against the federal government. Our missionaries were kept safe and none of our property was injured.

In no country have our institutions become as nearly self-supporting as in Brazil. Exclusive of the support of missionaries our whole appropriation for the three conferences in Brazil for 1934 is approximately \$7,000. This sum is divided among schools, people's institutes, the organization work of the Woman's Missionary Society, and the work of creating literature. The needs and opportunities demand not only a more adequate support of work established, but also an extension of forms of service. Little has been done in social-evangelistic work, but that little has brought great good into the lives of the underprivileged of the community and has interpreted Protestant Christianity in a new and appealing way to others who have thought of religion as divorced from living. Social-evangelistic work offers a great avenue of service and opportunity which we should not fail to enter. The need of people in the rural districts in Brazil is another challenge which we have not accepted.

It has been my duty and privilege this year to be in several meetings of the Committee on Co-operation in Latin America. It seems the consensus of opinion that to meet the needs of Brazilian women today Brazil must have a woman's college, and that Collegio Bennett, because of its high standing in the country, should become the nucleus for a great college for women which would serve the whole nation. It has long been the desire of the Woman's Missionary Council that Bennett become a union woman's college. The difficulty now is that no mission board working in Brazil has funds with which to enter into a new or joint enterprise.

Letters and reports coming from the Congo bring news of ever

increasing response of the people to the gospel message. There seems to be no limit to the opportunities open for evangelistic, educational, and medical service. Our appropriation to the Congo for 1934, exclusive of the support of missionaries, will be \$4,000. This small appropriation must mean the curtailment of work that is meeting a great need.

The Belgian government is demanding a larger use of French in the schools, and our missionaries are making greater effort at the study of the language in order that the schools may meet the demands of the government. For a year, Miss Anne Parker and Miss Mary Moore have been studying in Alliance Francaise in Paris. They have made fine progress in studying French, and will leave France for the Congo in March of this year.

The time has arrived, it seems to me, when the different denominations working in the Congo should plan together for the development of the work there, particularly for schools for the higher training of national workers.

In Poland the work has had some discouraging and some encouraging features. The work with women has progressed. It seems wise to close the internat at Kleck, and the missionaries wish to develop social-evangelistic work at Wilno. Our whole missionary force in Poland consists of four young women, all of whom will be on the field this year.

Last year when the Council met great anxiety was felt for the work and workers in the Orient, particularly in China. Again hearts are heavy because of war conditions there. Most of our schools in China were closed for weeks last winter, but were opened again in the spring, and were kept open until the middle or last of July to make up time and work lost. This year missionaries write that they hope the year's work will be uninterrupted, but one realizes that the hope is desire and not expectation. Reports show fair enrolment in schools, and a fine spirit and progress in work. The Stanley Jones meetings have met a deep response on the part of students and others in cities. The evangelistic workers in rural districts write that they have never known the people as eager for the Christian message as they now are. The short term schools for country women have had the largest attendance in their history. The large new auditorium at Moore Memorial Church in Shanghai is filled for the Sunday services each week, sometimes to overflowing, and the educational and institutional activities are well attended every day of the week.

McTyeire School plans to begin this spring the erection of a much needed classroom building for the high school. The old Chinese building, which has served as a classroom building, will be torn down and some of the material will be used in the new building. Funds for the building were obtained from the lease of property at the site of the original McTyeire School. Laura Haygood Normal had a

good year, though enrolment has been somewhat smaller than usual, due to the fact that students from a distance have hesitated to come in face of unsettled conditions in the nation. Urgently needed repairs have been made on the primary building and on the missionaries' home through the offerings for the Week of Prayer for 1931. Miss Kiang, the principal of the school, has been in America studying and receiving new strength for the future after years of heavy responsibility in the school. Her return is eagerly awaited in China. Virginia School has been able again to open the high school department, which could not be done when the school first reopened after it was closed three years ago. Conditions in the city of Huchow seem more favorable to development of the school than in former years, and there is a fine note of courage and hope in the letters that come from missionaries and Chinese Christians there.

In accordance with the suggestion made to the China field by the Council last year, the Hayes-Wilkins Bible School has been closed and the support of Atkinson Academy has been assumed by the West Soochow Church. The field authorities, like those in other countries, will struggle again this year to apportion further reduction in appropriation in the ways that will least injure the work and that will build up self-support.

In no field in which we have work have the missionaries and national Christians shown a greater spirit of willingness to co-operate with the church at home in adjusting to the reduced appropriations than have those in Japan, and yet in no field has the urge to go forward with work established and into new avenues of service seemed stronger. The Japan Mission sent in two sets of askings for 1934, for while they wanted to keep within the appropriation of last year, yet they felt they could not be true to the unprecedented opportunities that are before them if they did not show to the church at home the possibilities and the urgent need for increased forces and funds. The missionaries write that the very seriousness of world conditions today and Japan's vital relation to them seem to be leading the Japanese Christians to such consecration as they have never known before—the kind of consecration that characterized the Christian church in the days of Rome.

Hiroshima Girls' School has received complete government recognition as a college for women and has been the recipient of an annual grant from the government and is expecting another grant from the city. The expressions of appreciation of the life of Miss Gaines have been many and beautiful. The Commission to study Christian education in Japan has recommended the union of schools in different sections of the country for the training of Bible women and evangelistic workers, and careful consideration is being given to this feature of the report. Lambuth Training School in Osaka is one of the best in

Japan, and if the plan is adopted will probably form the nucleus for a union school in the Osaka section.

Bishop Ryang of Korea attended the meeting of the Board of Missions in 1932, and gave most encouraging reports of the work of the Methodist Church of Korea. Our church has been able to do more in rural work in Korea perhaps than in any other country, and the efforts of the missionaries in building up the Christians already in the church and in extending Christian work into non-Christian villages and communities are meeting with continued and increasing success. The small country schools and kindergartens are contributing greatly to the upbuilding of community life in rural districts. The social centers show large enrolments and constructive work in the various departments. Through the offerings for the Week of Prayer for 1931 Holston Institute is being able to remodel the school buildings, the condition of which has hampered the work for many years. The Week of Prayer for 1932 brought a little more than \$20,000 for the erection of Esther Case Hall in Ewha College. The fund was not as large as has been given in other years, but because of favorable exchange we shall be able to erect a building in honor of Miss Case and for the service of Korean women. This contribution also makes it possible for us to become a full co-operating board in Ewha College. The plans for the building of the first unit of three buildings, one of which is Esther Case Hall, have been completed and work has begun.

This report cannot be closed without some mention of personnel. Last year ten young women were sent to the fields. It would be difficult to tell how much the arrival of these new workers encouraged and heartened the Christian forces in the churches to which they went. Missionaries wrote that their coming brought renewed courage not only to the members of our church, but to the other groups whose boards had not been able to send reinforcements. This year five women are ready for consecration for foreign service by the Council, and will plan to go to their fields in the late summer. Nearly twice this number will, for various reasons, retire from the work this year. We are not holding our own in the number of missionaries. It is encouraging to know that national Christians in many places are accepting leadership and are working in finest co-operation with the missionaries. Nevertheless, there is a great need for more missionaries and for more national Christians to lead in bringing to God a world in distress, a world that is seeking Him. To bear our part in meeting the need demands of us a fellowship with God so real that we shall be endued with the courage, power, and love to give our best.

BUREAU OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

MRS. W. A. NEWELL, SUPERINTENDENT

FOUR years ago a group of weary women met late at night after a hard day's work at the Council. After prayer and discussion an agreement was reached that the work in the whole realm of social activities which the Church had committed to the Council was in need of reorganization. Thus was born the Bureau of Christian Social Relations. To it was committed the organization and direction of the missionary societies in their efforts toward Christianizing all the relations of society, at home and abroad, industry, government, politics, international relations, race relations, rural life, and industrial relations. These complicated interests become the interest of missionary societies as we strive to bring them under the domination of the Living Christ. Departments were created within the Bureau and fields of effort assigned to them. To this ideal and this task we dared commit ourselves.

The first assignment was a restudy of every phase of our work. From new angles we must seek fresh light on every area of life, and every form of control in home, Church, and state must be studied from these new angles in an effort to find points of inherent weakness and possibilities of larger service. Human life must be studied in its wholeness and values measured by the highest spiritual standards.

We began our work in this Bureau with the understanding that it was not to be confined to the home base, yet we knew our own house must be set in order. The experience of missionaries has taught us that condemnation is brought on Christianity by the conduct of agencies from this country seeking profits in non-Christian nations. Radio with silly programs, sordid movies with scenes of sex depravity, a pornographic press, sensational newspapers, all these depict in a thousand subtle ways to the Eastern mind a horrible picture of Western depravity. It is so at variance with our claim of being a Christian nation that those who hear our claims are led to cry: "How can I believe what you say when what you are is thundering in my ears?" By the establishment of Christian standards in the homeland we can best teach others the meaning and power of what we profess.

When this Bureau was established no one could foresee that we had entered upon a period of change that would reach to the very roots of our constituted life; that we were entering upon a slump in industry, moral standards, financial depression, and political corruption that shake the foundations of nations. Who could read the portents of a world cataclysm and prophesy a disintegrating world order?

Now that the pressure of changing ideals and emerging forms has driven the world to seek stability in untried institutions, the Church

must seek to guide by divine guidance, granted us through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. The principles of Christ have never been tried in the old order, but have existed as ideals in the minds of the few. The fact that the world undergoes change in so-called Christian lands does not prove that the ideals of Christ have failed. Nor does the clamor for change show that the ideals stand in need of revision. The ideals of Christ have not altered. They have worked wherever they have been given place in the councils of men. They are working now in the midst of change, and they will continue in saving efficiency in all the years to come. "Let us stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free," and, "having done all, stand."

This is not the first storm the Church has weathered. For seventeen centuries the fires of persecution burned at her suffering heart. She survived. The long eclipse of the dark ages passed at last. A depression worse than this one lay like a pall over the earth through all the Middle Ages. The pall lifted when the Reformation betokened a new day for Christendom. The sun does not go down at midday. "The path of the just is as a shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

God has always opened the way for the coming of His Kingdom. The Reformation so stirred men's minds that new continents were opened to rovers of the seas and to a new day of discovery and exploration. Into these lands flowed the strong men of the race, and liberty was born in the light of the western suns. Again the race sank under enforced toil, and the age of machinery dawned to lift the burden from the backs of men. A Wesley and his revival lighted the fires of intellectual freedom and illuminated it with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Our own land, sea-girt and mountain-bound, overflowed the narrow boundaries and rode with the Methodist itineracy to the shores of the Pacific Ocean.

Between these periods of progress came periods of flux and disorder. We are now in one of these periods. We call it a depression. It may be high tide. We have reached that period when the means of production are ample to meet the needs of all people. It is the longed for millennium of all ages. But in the very hour of our triumph confusion reigns. Millions without employment or means of subsistence show us that physical engineering has outrun social engineering. The will to produce has overcome the will to share. Greed for power has displaced national honor. Spiritual insight has been crowded out by inventive foresight. Surely never in the history of the world were all political parties prostituted to the low level of our last campaign, when the mean ambitions of a greedy few were written into party platforms and paltry candidates made to dance at the will of outlaws who pulled the strings from behind for public plunder.

These four years have wrought this change, and in the midst of these clamors we have sought to organize our work and explore our fields. That which we have accomplished may seem of slight moment. But we rest in the persuasion of a great faith that what is right will be permanent, and that the shadows of this time will flee away. We have done our best. Necessarily we can touch on but few of the activities carried on by this Bureau. It is your work. Thousands of our women have put their very best into the effort. To them be the praise. •

Relief work has occupied a larger place than ever in our history. That was to be expected. Every Conference Superintendent has told a similar story of garments, food, coal distributed, jobs hunted for the jobless, homes for the homeless. What stands out is the hopeful fact that so large a proportion of relief has been through co-operation with other agencies where trained case workers direct and our women learn through assisting them. Wherever there are Family Welfare Societies, units of the Red Cross, Associated Charities there our women have been at work. One Conference Superintendent, a full-time worker in the Emergency Bureau of her city, says: "All over our state people are thinking more of others. Some good may thus come from this terrible situation."

Several cities receive highly organized help in the Production Departments of the Red Cross, through our Superintendents of Christian Relations, who see that groups of women from our own societies and those of other denominations serve on specified days. In Greensboro this brings into a close tie-up the Family Welfare Agency, the County Relief Office, the Red Cross, the Church societies, colored and white, and the Y. W. C. A. to the best economic use of social forces.

Country, small town, and city societies have co-operated with the public schools in furnishing hot dishes for underprivileged and milk for undernourished children. The routine of carrying and serving has been directed by our women in many instances.

City groups have helped in furnishing seeds, plots, and supervision for gardens, worked by the unemployed. Canning lessons have taught them how to preserve surplus for winter use. Cans for this have been donated.

Very many report aid in correction of physical defects, glasses and crutches have been provided, patients carried to doctors' offices and clinics, entrance to sanitariums sought for those unable to help themselves. Dentists and doctors have responded generously to appeals from our women for this aid in surgery or medical care. Co-operation with County Health Units has been outstanding. We know of Methodist Churches that have been turned into temporary clinics in two instances for pre-school children, doubtless inspired by the P. T. A. round-up. Our women helped the nurses with seventy tonsil operations performed at Earle, Ark., after having promoted

the clinic, brought in cots, blankets, utensils, and even food for nurses and parents during the two-day period. A newspaper clipping from Fredericktown, Mo., says: "The clinic held for white children in the Methodist church last week will be duplicated in the colored public school for the Negro children. . . . The colored folks of this community are justly entitled to every public benefit, to every movement for general community improvement. We doubt if any community has a better class of colored people than Fredericktown. We believe they can have a high school in the very near future."

With unaccustomed and enforced leisure has come still greater need for public recreation. Empty days, fruitless search for work, have engendered discouragement and despair in thousands of the young and old. Demoralization follows close on the heels of these moods, taking the form of depredations in cases of youths and men. Efforts have been made to occupy them; rooms have been fitted with games and magazines, handicrafts have been encouraged, and materials and teachers supplied in some places, as reports from auxiliaries show. Playgrounds have been opened and equipped, Boy and Girl Scout troops have been organized for both colored and white children, by our women.

At Lawton, Okla., another venture has been that of an Opportunity School for rural children who cannot begin the term with others because of cotton picking and crop harvesting. Lack of clothing and proper food made attendance irregular. The women found a room, gathered the children, found clothes for them, visited their tents or cabins, scrubbed them, and employed a teacher for an ungraded room. We quote these details that others may be inspired to emulate them.

CITIZENSHIP

All the activities outlined above are, broadly interpreted, ventures in citizenship, for they tend toward mending or making the social fabric at present incomplete or rent by poverty. However, the Council has promoted two projects on clear-cut plans for arousing women to certain specific citizenship duties. And if we were to include interracial projects for Negro public school betterment, we might add a third.

1. Thousands and thousands of women all over the South have signed the pledge against lynching so ably sponsored by the General Commission on Interracial Co-operation, and promoted through our society zone, district, and conference meetings.

2. The five programs on Citizenship planned by the Editorial Secretary and her committee have aroused unprecedented interest in the performance of public duties. That, in spite of them, a record did not pile up for Prohibition is no sign they failed to carry. The failure of Prohibition principles and candidates goes far back of spring, 1932. Had the issues been clearly defined on the side of right

by either party, the results of these programs would have told in the elections. God grant that we may learn to express our convictions with a force and strategy as well as devotion that will cause women to be the power for righteousness in public affairs that they should be! With a proper follow-up of those initial programs, registration, voting, studying the records of candidates, *finding* proper candidates should be familiar and mandatory procedure for our women.

As a result of our direction of attention, women have sent hundreds of letters to Senators, to their own state assemblymen in the interest of the Eighteenth Amendment and for the preservation of state laws controlling liquor.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND WORLD-PEACE

At the instigation of this Bureau the women have been learning by doing. Letters have gone, by the bushel we should guess, to the President and to Senators on Disarmament and the World Court, on arms embargo in wars where differences had not been submitted to proper international courts, and to Dr. Woolley letters and cables on terms and interpretations of disarmament.

Some community peace committees have been formed under inspiration of auxiliary and conference women. Our women have shared in community peace pageants and mass meetings and have talked on the subject in high schools and young people's meetings and Epworth Leagues. They have sponsored poster making in schools and put in window displays. The Bureau is deeply indebted to the Council for Prevention of War for guidance and much free material. We have kept in touch with other peace organizations.

INTERRACIAL CO-OPERATION

In quantity of reports on interracial activities we are ahead of previous years, but in quality we have far outstripped any year. The variety in services is so great we could not even list them. The change in attitudes is a constant surprise to those of us who read the records of the past dozen years. Two factors count for much. We mention first the Leadership Schools for Colored Women at Paine College, Mississippi Industrial Institute, and Texas College, with all the self-sacrificing labors of white and colored auxiliary and conference women that have made them realistic. They have required much correspondence with the leaders of the C. M. A. Council, the heads of the colleges, and missionary secretaries with conference officers, with instructors and boards of the two denominations, and much publicity had to be prepared and sent women in the local churches, white and colored. We have had invaluable help from Miss Juanita Brown in this cultivation and in management. The way in which all have helped, and particularly the way in which the women of the Georgia, the Mississippi, and the Texas Conferences have come for-

ward cheerfully to assume duties and responsibilities in connection with sending women, counseling with them, and teaching during hot summer days is an answer to prayer and proof of divine leadership.

The second factor has been no less in importance and that is the progressive working out of the plans for community contacts between white and colored women in the interest of better school, home, church, and community conditions. The aim has been ours from the beginning. For skilful and sympathetic guidance and for detailed, simple plans, workable in any community, we are indebted to the Commission on Interracial Co-operation under its Director of Women's Activities. Those plans were so well outlined last year in Council Recommendations we need not review them here. We can only say that they are *working* beyond all expectations, all over the "brown South." They are bringing in their fruits of better understanding, through contact in thinking out what is best where women's hearts and minds are most deeply concerned with their children, homes, religion, care, health, opportunities.

New discoveries are being made of the difficulties colored families have in getting an education, of the disparity in division of funds between schools for the two races in given counties, of ominous lacks in sanitation for schools and homes. New understandings are arrived at and misconceptions brushed away on both sides of the color line.

This co-operation has required of your Superintendent much conference and attendance on meetings with the Director of the Woman's Division for the planning of details, of general policies and particular ventures. The generalship, the insight, and practical ability of Mrs. Ames has led an advance impossible without that intensive effort which she has contributed.

During these lean years we have cut meetings of the committees and commissions and of this Bureau to the irreducible minimum, losing thereby, in the interest of the other phases of work that *must* go on, the impetus that comes from conference and direction. This has worked hardship to those commissions whose fields were yet to be opened by pioneering study before practical plans could be projected in such shape that untrained women could carry them on. Some groups have suffered losses in membership, and unavoidable changes, which, in addition to decisions to save money by eliminating meetings, have made their tasks well-nigh that of making bricks without straw. Nevertheless they have kept a good morale, done much by correspondence, and, as you know by the fine group meetings of 1932 Council session, they have made progress in orientation in their fields. This is not apology, but a statement of fact.

Here and there some good work has been done in both industrial relations and in rural experimentation of which you will hear at the appointed time. In the months to come we shall look for developments that will be worth while.

As for co-operation of this Bureau with other agencies, we shall hear of that elsewhere on the program.

Your Bureau is not an end in itself. It is the means you have set up whereby you will carry on the work done by your fathers and mothers in the years that are gone. The Church has mothered everything of enduring values, and to her have been born mighty movements for the development of the race. She is the great pioneer. Orphanages, hospitals, schools, homes for the aged and dependent and derelict have sprung from this mother heart. The fact that a part of these have been transferred to the state only marks the progress we have made toward Christianizing the state. Always on the borders and fringes of neglected humanity the Church is found pioneering in new fields. And always we have the sneers of the socially degenerate who would impede our progress. Always we have political apostates, playing jackals for vice and crime. But in the faith that God supplies we can wait. They *must* come to Christ or die. We can only live in Him. Those who brought us safe thus far were unafraid. We are their children.

"It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth." On every battle field we sing the song of victory.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF CHRISTIAN
SOCIAL RELATIONS

| CONFERENCE | Auxiliaries Reporting | Legislative Work | Interracial Co-operation | Immigrant | Federations | Efficiency |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| Alabama..... | 200 | 180 | 150 | | 200 | 75 |
| Arizona..... | 14 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 12 |
| Baltimore..... | 130 | 57 | 31 | 5 | 39 | 11 |
| Central Texas..... | 145 | 47 | 45 | 25 | 75 | 44 |
| Florida..... | 158 | 70 | 56 | 4 | 40 | |
| Holston..... | 123 | 19 | 14 | | 5 | 14 |
| Indian..... | | | | | | 9 |
| Kentucky..... | 65 | 17 | 16 | 2 | 49 | |
| Little Rock..... | 72 | 60 | 72 | | 49 | 19 |
| Los Angeles..... | 19 | 8 | 2 | | 9 | 11 |
| Louisiana..... | 95 | 46 | 50 | 7 | 59 | 42 |
| Louisville..... | 95 | 40 | 30 | | 3 | |
| Memphis..... | 151 | 140 | 110 | 10 | 20 | 60 |
| Mississippi..... | 77 | 11 | 19 | 3 | 21 | 12 |
| Missouri..... | 75 | 40 | 39 | 7 | 27 | 30 |
| New Mexico..... | 40 | 18 | 22 | 49 | 35 | 12 |
| North Alabama..... | 268 | 106 | 122 | 42 | 185 | 100 |
| North Arkansas..... | 93 | 39 | 26 | | | 15 |
| North Carolina..... | 138 | 27 | 40 | 1 | | 2 |
| North Georgia..... | 153 | 73 | 101 | | | 24 |
| North Mississippi..... | 130 | 25 | 60 | 5 | 10 | 55 |
| North Texas..... | 110 | 52 | 47 | 28 | 3 | 15 |
| Northwest Texas..... | 111 | 31 | 26 | 24 | 20 | 14 |
| Northwest..... | 9 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Oklahoma..... | 139 | 73 | 37 | 3 | 28 | 41 |
| Pacific..... | 35 | 20 | 16 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| St. Louis..... | 67 | 26 | 16 | 7 | 6 | |
| South Carolina..... | 94 | 20 | 44 | | 6 | 5 |
| Southwest Missouri..... | 55 | 19 | 21 | | | 7 |
| Tennessee..... | 131 | 42 | 30 | | 4 | 18 |
| Texas..... | 197 | 107 | 86 | 35 | 13 | 12 |
| Upper South Carolina..... | 110 | 46 | 58 | 8 | 1 | 19 |
| Virginia..... | 220 | 24 | 29 | | 1 | |
| Western North Carolina..... | 182 | 85 | 72 | 3 | 12 | |
| West Texas..... | 144 | 101 | 40 | 1 | 108 | 50 |
| Western Virginia..... | 41 | 24 | 5 | 2 | 33 | 4 |
| South Georgia..... | 202 | 100 | 150 | 10 | 6 | 120 |
| Totals..... | 4,088 | 1,799 | 1,588 | 296 | 1,102 | 872 |

BUREAU OF CO-OPERATION AND EXTENSION

MRS. NAT. G. ROLLINS, SUPERINTENDENT

At the mid-year Executive Meeting, the resignation of the Superintendent, Miss Bess Combs, was offered and accepted with regret. The present Superintendent volunteered to finish the year's work.

At its meeting last year in Atlanta, the Bureau voted that all correspondence with the fields should go from the Superintendent's office. Since her resignation, it came to me, and is incorporated in this report.

The work of this Bureau cannot be as efficient as it should be for lack of literature, which would be very expensive to provide, even though translations were made on the fields. Another difficulty that cannot be overcome is the length of time required for letters and information to go to or come from the fields.

Africa, Belgium, Brazil, Japan, Mexico, Russian Manchuria, Siberian Korea, Florida Latin Mission and Indian Conferences have not reported. This is due in part to changed status in some fields. Officers' reports will no doubt show that most of these are reporting direct to the officers at Nashville. However, private correspondence tells that work is going forward and that members are imbued with real missionary passion, which is reaching beyond organization lines.

CHINA

The Chinese Conference was to have been held in Sung Kiang last April, but owing to the war was postponed. Scarcely were the guns silenced, however, when these undaunted women held their meeting in June. The attendance was good, the dues less than usual, but specials, including Thank Offerings, Memorial and Life Membership offerings, were \$680. Forty women offered their lives for definite service, twenty of whom expressed a desire to become evangelists.

CUBA

Cuba's reports, efficiently prepared, reach the office quarterly. They show growth along all lines. The total number of auxiliaries is thirty. Stress is placed on Bible and Mission Study; there are fourteen hundred (1,400) in these classes.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

The depression has been felt in Czechoslovakia to such an extent that the annual meeting was not held in 1932, but one is being planned for this year. There are twenty-two auxiliaries. Two-thirds of the money raised is sent to the Congo, and one-third supports two native evangelists.

KOREA

The women of Korea are so truly a part of the church that, al-

though their conference is no longer a member of the Council, their reports bring real joy.

The membership in all departments is 7,534; the collections, yen 4,028.59. They support three foreign and two home missionaries. Bishop Ryang says: "Woman's work is largely responsible for the thousands of Christian homes in Korea."

POLAND

The annual meeting was held in our school in Klarysew. Twenty-two women were present. They came from all parts of Poland, where there is work, and remained together for one week, learning the way of the Lord more perfectly, for their Conference meeting is a real training school.

It is interesting to note that each and all of the Conferences and auxiliaries in other lands have plans very like our own, and their problems are similar to ours: need of money, uninterested women, and auxiliaries failing to report. This likeness each to the other makes stronger the bond of sisterhood around the world.

While no member of the Bureau visited the far-off conferences this year, it is a privilege to have in this Council meeting Miss Mary Culler White, of China, and Miss Julia Reid, of Cuba, to give reports from their fields.

SCARRITT COLLEGE FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

J. L. CUNINGGIM, PRESIDENT

INTERESTED friends frequently ask the question, How are you getting on at Scarritt? I feel sure that every member of the Council and the missionary women of the Church will be glad to have an answer to this question.

I

The first thing to be said is that Scarritt is feeling very keenly the trying conditions through which we have been passing.

During the last several years the income has been materially reduced. Because of financial conditions the Board of Missions is unable to continue for the present the support of the Lambuth Chair of Missions. The income for the Chair of Music, which was provided by the Epworth League Board, is not now available because of the merger of the several Boards and the straitened financial condition of the Board of Christian Education. Some twenty-five thousand dollars of our investments are not just now paying interest. Even the Woman's Missionary Council has found it necessary to make a reduction in its appropriation for the running expenses of the school. Thus all together the income, apart from the revenue-producing departments, such as the dining hall and dormitories, has been reduced since 1930 by approximately \$14,000.

Not less serious than the reduction in income, and intimately connected with it, is the decrease in the number of missionary candidates being sent to Scarritt for training. Because only a few missionaries can be employed, of course only a few candidates are accepted and granted scholarships for training. In 1930 the number of students at Scarritt on Conference Scholarships was 59, this year the number is 33, and next year the probabilities are there will be only about 20. This reduction in the number of missionary candidates in training affects the College not only in its financial income but in every phase of its life.

Scarritt has felt the pressure of the times also in its inability to carry forward its development of a general supporting constituency. Before the financial depression came on, two friends had agreed to endow a chair each, and other friends were considering such a proposition. Others still were making smaller contributions and annuities to the College. But, as was to be expected, the unprecedented conditions brought all this to an end for the time being.

There is another factor that constitutes an important part of the situation in which Scarritt at present finds itself. I refer to the conflicting and controversial thinking regarding missions. At no time has there been such a ferment in missionary thinking. At no time, perhaps, has there been more divergence of opinion touching the various phases of the missionary program. Therefore, the effective training of the missionary personnel, which at any time is a difficult task, is now more difficult than ever. Thus, even though the number of missionaries needed has steadily decreased, and the funds for training have been seriously reduced, the task that Scarritt now confronts is more important and more difficult than at any time in its history.

II

One can easily realize that these several facts taken together constitute a very serious situation for the institution. But serious as the situation is, so far from suggesting a pessimistic mood or defeatist policy, it is a challenge to greater things. Every severe testing is God's call to new achievement. It is when the way is blocked by the impossible sea that we hear the voice of God saying, Speak to the children of Israel that they go forward.

Such has been the history of Scarritt. Its critical hours have been the starting points of greater progress. In the early years of the institution's life there were many dark days when the way seemed blocked, but from each of these trying experiences the institution has come forth victoriously. In more recent years, as some of us know quite well, there have been occasions when only the guidance of God brought Scarritt over the impossible obstacles into large life and service. In very truth the crises in the development of Scarritt have been the call of opportunity.

So now we face the very difficult situation in which we find ourselves as an institution without any fear. True, the embarrassing conditions cannot be denied or easily brushed aside. They are stern facts which we must meet. But we must meet them, not with the thought merely of holding the line or of weathering the storm, but with the purpose of turning this time of testing into a triumphant step forward. We must not be satisfied to come through this period of depression with an institution of the same sort and size that we had before it came. God will expect something better of us.

III

For one thing we must give renewed emphasis to the unique character of the institution. Scarritt is not just another college. If it were, it would have no adequate reason for continued existence and certainly I should have no desire to see it developed. It has a distinct purpose and mission in training Christian workers for various types of social and religious service at home and abroad. And it must accomplish this purpose in such a way as to be indispensable to the ongoing of God's Kingdom.

Although for the immediate present it may not be possible to enlarge the institution's scope of work, its educational character must be maintained and developed. This involves restudy of its program and revision of its curriculum in the light of changing conditions and improved procedures. During the past year much time has been given to this task, and important changes will soon be submitted to the Board of Trustees for consideration. The suggested changes will include a larger cultural emphasis in undergraduate work, an increase in the amount of graduate work and the strengthening of the M.A. degree, the organization of a curriculum for Christian home makers, the utilization of the unusual opportunities in the several co-operating schools, which are available for home and foreign workers on furlough, and a greater emphasis upon practical field work with the addition, whenever possible, of one quarter's experience in some suitable institution.

Scarritt must also seek to understand more clearly and to realize more largely what it means to be a Christian institution. Its constant purpose, therefore, must be to make the spirit of Christ regnant in every phase of the institution's life and program. The teaching of Jesus regarding the Kingdom of God as a fellowship of those who are sons of God and brothers to their fellow-men is recognized as furnishing the true ideal of the social order. Therefore, as an institution seeking to educate men and women for the highest type of social and religious life and service, Scarritt College is deeply concerned that those who compose the Scarritt College family—official staff, students, and servants—shall have a vital relation to God as his children and live as brothers to their fellow-men. To this end emphasis is given to the organization of the school as a Christian

family, the cultivation of a true devotional life through fellowship with Christ, and the development of Christian social, international, and interracial relationships. Scarritt College is seeking with serious purpose not only to know and to teach the truth, but as far as possible to demonstrate the truth in Christian living at its best.

IV

Another challenge arising from the conditions just now confronting us is the development of the Scarritt student body. We cannot be satisfied to train only the few missionary candidates that are needed for immediate service. The number of young men and women wishing to attend Scarritt College is increasing from year to year. Even though the missionary organization sees no opportunity of using these young people in missionary service, and, therefore, cannot be expected to provide scholarships for their training, it is of great importance that they should be trained for effective service elsewhere in the Church, and Scarritt must find some way to co-operate with them. Indeed, the representative character of the Scarritt student body—which during the present year has included students from twenty-one states and six foreign countries, nationals from five nations other than our own, and representatives from at least eight denominations—suggests quite strongly the possibility of a student body of marked interdenominational and international character.

Along with the development of the student body emphasis must be given to the high standard of individual students. Indeed, Scarritt is more interested in the quality of its student body than in its size. It becomes increasingly necessary, therefore, that students should be selected with greatest care. This involves painstaking scrutiny not only of the prospective students' academic record, but also of their health, personality, moral and religious character, and social leadership. And this is true not only of those who may be looking forward to missionary service, but also to those who wish to prepare for any form of social or religious work.

To develop this type of student body, Scarritt must secure additional scholarship funds that can be used to assist worthy students of the highest type. A friend of Scarritt provided a scholarship for two years, and with this a young woman from South Africa was trained and sent back to become an influential worker in the Dutch Reformed Church. If a reasonable number of such scholarships can be made available, how your investment in Scarritt will be multiplied throughout the earth! A good woman left a bequest of \$5,000 for an endowed scholarship at Scarritt, and with its use it has been possible to bring to Scarritt this year several young women who are among the best in the institution, and who, since coming, have decided to do missionary work. We must have more scholarships that can be used in this way. Thus it would be possible not only to train workers for

various phases of Christian service, but to develop a student body from which missionary candidates could be most easily and wisely recruited.

V

Finally a greater effort must be made to develop throughout the Church a strong supporting constituency, capable of meeting the needs of a growing institution.

In spite of the hampering financial conditions, real progress has been made during the year in getting Scarritt College better known to the Church. Through the co-operation of the Department of Education and Promotion of the Council, Scarritt has been featured in thousands of missionary auxiliaries, and a large amount of literature has been distributed. Arrangements have been made also for the Sunday school program on the fifth Sunday in April to give special attention to Scarritt College. Thus, through the missionary societies and the Sunday school program, Scarritt will doubtless be much better known than formerly.

But, after all, this is but a beginning of the task of developing a constituency. As important as it is for Scarritt to be known to the members of the missionary auxiliaries throughout the Church, the purpose of the program in the societies was to get their co-operation in presenting the College to the general membership of the Church. It is a tremendous task to present any cause to more than two and a half millions, or to any large part of that number. The program of cultivation, therefore, has but begun, and it must be continued until the Church at large knows and loves the institution as it is known and loved by the missionary women.

This program of cultivation may well have as its objective for the present the securing of a large body of Scarritt Associates. These are the friends who desire to have a special part in the work of the College, and who wish to associate themselves with other friends in undergirding it with prayer, in interpreting it to others, and in making some contribution, however small, toward its support. For an institution that is so unique in its purpose and work, the only one of its kind in the Church, it ought not to be impossible to find thousands of men, women, and children who could be interested in such an undertaking. With the co-operation of those who are now Associates, the alumnae and former students, and numerous others who already know and value the institution, surely this is not an impossible task, and its accomplishment would mean not only the solution of our financial problems, but the moral and spiritual support that would enable Scarritt increasingly to interpret the full meaning of the Kingdom of God.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON HOME FIELD

REPORT No. 1

WE, the Committee on the Home Field, present the following recommendations:

1. That the Committee appointed by the Council at its last meeting on the matter of training rural teachers who will give part-time service to the Council be continued.

2. That the Week of Prayer offering for the Home Work be directed to Paine College, to be used for making the library adequate to meet the needs of the school, and for the purpose of remodeling and improving Bennett Hall.

3. That the joint committee appointed with four from the Deaconess Conference to study the relation of the deaconess and her work be discharged.

4. That a committee, composed of the President of the Florida Woman's Missionary Conference, the President of the Florida Conference Board of Missions, and the Home Secretary, be appointed to make minor changes in the Constitution of the Florida Conference Board of Missions.

5. That, at the request of a commission of the Western North Carolina Conference, a committee be appointed to confer with the Commission of the Western North Carolina Conference concerning the possibility of joint ownership and co-operation in a coeducational junior college at Brevard, N. C., and that the committee consist of Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. H. R. Steele, and the Home Secretary.

6. That, after considering the peculiar difficulties of placement of the deaconesses for the coming year, and after hearing from the deaconesses themselves deeply moving expressions of willingness to share in whatever sacrifices necessary in order that the work may go on in the best way possible, we recommend that the Woman's Missionary Council request the Committee on Placement of Deaconesses to make for the coming year such adjustments in placement as seem advisable in meeting the present emergencies, holding, as far as possible, to the established policies of continuous service, adequate support, and conditions of retirement.

REPORT No. 2

WE, the members of the Committee on the Home Field, make the following recommendations concerning Brevard Institute:

1. That Brevard Institute be permanently closed with the end of the summer session, July 23, 1933.

2. That a Senior High School Department be organized at Vashti, to be opened at the beginning of the fall term, 1933.

3. That all the Brevard Institute equipment and transferable property needed by Vashti, with its enlarged program, be removed from Brevard to Vashti.

4. That all other movable property of Brevard Institute be placed in other Council institutions where the need is greatest.

5. That all movable property not to be utilized by Council institutions be sold.

6. That land, buildings, and movable property not sold, utilized, or stored by the Council be offered to the Western North Carolina Conference as a location for the consolidated school under consideration.

7. That a committee, composed of the following, be appointed to work out the details required by these recommendations: President of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference, President of the Woman's Missionary Society of the South Georgia Conference, Superintendent of the newly organized schools, and the Home Administrative Secretary.

MRS. W. E. HILLYARD, *Chairman*;

MISS LOUISE YOUNG, *Secretary*.

HOME MISSION JUBILEE

WE, the committee to study and formulate plans for the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Home Mission Work, present the following recommendations:

1. That the celebration of the Home Mission Jubilee be held during the year 1936.

2. That the offering for the Jubilee be the Week of Prayer offering for 1936, and that it be used for rural development at home and abroad.

3. That Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. J. W. Mills, and Mrs. C. C. Weaver be made a subcommittee to make suggestions to the Literature Committee of the Council in regard to the program for the Jubilee.

MRS. NAT. G. ROLLINS, *Chairman*;

MRS. C. C. WEAVER, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN FIELDS

The Committee on Foreign Work submit the following report:

That we concur in the recommendations from the Estimates Committee:

1. That as a part of the \$6,140 cut to be made by the Korean Mission Field, over and above the cuts noted in the Estimates:

(a) The Korean mission field to be asked to consider the closing of the Nurses' Training School at Ivy Hospital.

(b) That the closing of Mary Helm School at Songdo be considered, the work of this institution to be conserved in the social evangelistic centers, provided this does not call for an additional appropriation.

(c) That the field consider the opening of no new schools (such as Industrial Institute at Choonchun, suggested in the askings).

2. That the object of the Week of Prayer special in the Foreign Department be the equipment for the new hospital at Changchow, China.

MRS. FRED A. LAMB, *Chairman*;

MRS. JOHN W. SPIVEY, *Secretary*.

APPROPRIATIONS

BASIS OF APPROPRIATIONS

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Bible Women | \$ 28,229 66 |
| Budget Specials | 1,205 00 |
| Day Schools | 2,854 16 |
| Interest | 10,169 75 |
| Life-Memberships | 9,437 27 |
| Literature Sales | 7,577 50 |
| Pledge | 678,656 71 |
| Rent | 180 00 |
| Scholarships | 25,088 90 |
| Gain on Exchange | 30,000 00 |
| Total Basis for Appropriations | \$793,398 95 |

APPROPRIATIONS

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| Foreign | \$510,164 24 |
| Home | 226,266 34 |
| Education and Promotion | 57,068 00 |
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| | \$793,498 58 |

FOREIGN

Foreign Administration:

Salaries, \$4,774; Clerical Help, \$4,530; Office and Travel, \$1,684; Board and Committee Meetings, \$600; Bishops' Travel, \$1,000. Total, \$12,588.

Foreign Miscellaneous:

Furlough Study, \$4,000; Medical Fees (four per cent of salaries), \$7,253; Scarritt College, \$17,000; Committee on Co-operation in Latin America, \$900; Nueva Democracia, \$400; Foreign Missions Conference, \$800. Total, \$30,253.

Foreign Fields:

Brazil, \$39,663; China, \$105,682; Congo, \$15,500; Cuba, \$28,805; Japan, \$82,636; Korea, \$104,608; Mexico, \$58,385; Poland, \$7,786; Siberia-Korea, \$1,520. Total, \$444,585.

Foreign Contingent:

\$22,638.24.

Total Foreign Appropriation, \$510,164.24.

HOME

Home Appropriation:

Salaries, \$4,773.96; Clerical Help, \$2,910; Office and Travel, \$1,183; Board and Committee Meetings, \$600. Total, \$9,466.96.

Home Institutions and Lines of Work:

Mountain Work, \$27,855; Mexican Work, \$29,539; Gulf Coast Work, \$18,948; Cuban, \$13,115; Negro Work, \$27,166; Dependent Girls, \$13,440; Bible Teachers in State Schools, \$4,500; Industrial Work, \$9,927; Delinquent Girls, \$11,072.29; Western Work, \$6,150; Cajun Work, \$900; Rural Work, \$3,000; Miscellaneous, \$15,345; Scarritt College, \$20,000; City Mission and Conference Appropriations, \$4,547.50. Total, \$20,504.79.

Home Contingent:

\$11,294.59.

Total Home Appropriation, \$226,266.34.

EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

Administration:

Salaries, \$12,576; Clerical Help, \$8,895; Office and Travel, \$3,933. Total, \$25,404.

Education and Promotion:

Travel and Office Expenses of Council Officers, \$3,270; Service Department, \$7,571; Publications (less sales), \$7,748; Committees and Commissions, \$9,975; Interdenominational Work, \$600; Schools of Missions, \$2,000; Inter-Board Work, \$500. Total, \$31,664. Total Education and Promotion, \$57,068.

Total Appropriations for All Departments, \$793,498.58.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

WE, the Education and Promotion Committee, recommend:

1. That the enlistment effort for the second quarter take the form of a fellowship luncheon given by the Woman's Missionary Society for the women of the church, and that a suggestive program for this occasion be prepared by the promotion secretaries.

2. That we continue the systematic cultivation of the young women of our churches for membership in the missionary society.

Especially do we urge the auxiliary leaders:

(a) To make the most tactful and intelligent plans for fully integrating into the society the members of the Young Women's Circles, recognizing their leadership and making possible to them full participation in service and in the work of the auxiliary.

(b) To form each year new circles of those who become eligible to membership in the society. That a formal ceremony mark the passing of the young women from membership in Young Women's Circles to membership in Adult Circles; that this promotion come after two years of membership in Young Women's Circles.

(c) To continue the Average Age Contest wherever it is practicable, using it as a means of conserving the missionary interest of the young women and keeping unbroken the continuity of their service as they pass from the Young People's to the Adult Department.

3. In view of the disturbing financial situation that confronts the work, we urge upon the conference and auxiliary officers the necessity for securing regular payments of all funds as a means of financing our work and that we adopt the slogan in each conference and auxiliary, "Monthly payment of membership offerings and quarterly remittance of one-fourth of the year's budget to the Conference Treasurer."

4. That the dates of our Leadership Schools, Sequoyah July 27-August 10, Junaluska, August 3-15, be given publicity in our annual meetings and through all other possible channels; also the Pastors' Schools in which leadership courses may be obtained for our Mission Study leaders; and that, wherever possible, financial provision be made for sending mission study superintendents and mission study class teachers to these schools.

5. We recommend further that the conference officers give all possible assistance to the conference superintendents of mission study in conducting one-day coaching schools for auxiliary mission study teachers in each district or zone early in the third quarter.

6. We recommend the following Mission Study and Bible courses for Adult Auxiliaries for the year 1933-34.

MISSION STUDY

General Theme: "Christ and the Modern World."

Foreign Missions:

(a) *The Never Failing Light*, by James H. Franklin.

(b) *Eastern Women of Today and Tomorrow*, by Ruth F. Woodsmall.

Home Missions:

(a) *The Christian Mission in America*, by Hugh T. Kerr.

(b) *Christianity and Industry in America*, by Alva W. Taylor.

BIBLE STUDY

The Prophets of Israel, Costen J. Harrell.

All Courses listed for 1932-33.

Elective courses for *Adult Student* and *Church School Magazine*, as follows:

"The Church Teacher," April, May, June.

"Christian Principles of Making and Saving Money," October, November, December.

"The History of Methodism, January, February, March, 1934.

7. We further recommend:

(a) That we encourage auxiliaries to participate in the Bible classes given in Standard Training Schools conducted by the Board of Christian Education in their churches or districts.

(b) That wherever as many as six members of the same auxiliary take the course for credit that society be given credit toward the Standard of Excellence for Bible Study.

(c) That auxiliaries be eligible to credit toward the Standard of Excellence and receive Council Certificates for mission courses under the same conditions wherever the content of the course is suitable as a general study for the membership of the society, such as *The Interpretation of Missions*, *Historical Studies in Southern Methodist Missions*, and Christian Social Relations subjects.

8. That we encourage our auxiliary leaders to take the initiative in seeking interdenominational co-operation of women for study, prayer, and service in their communities. Especially do we urge that they foster the observance of the Annual World Day of Prayer for Women on the first Friday in Lent.

9. That District Secretaries give assistance in every way possible to the work of the Committee on Rural Development within their districts.

MRS. J. N. MCEACHERN, *Chairman*;

MRS. JOHN R. TURNER, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK

THE Committee recommend:

1. That, in view of the importance of developing friendly relations among the children of the nations, world-friendship courses and projects be continued by leaders and groups of children with the aid and co-operation of all conference and auxiliary officers.

2. That children's leaders strive to take advantage of opportunities for study and training presented not only in Leadership and Standard Training Schools, but through Standard Leadership Correspondence Courses of the Board of Christian Education.

3. That wherever possible special effort be made to have weekly class sessions take the place of monthly programs; and where weekly meetings are not possible that one or more intensive periods of six or

twelve weekly or daily sessions be held during the year in addition to monthly meetings.

4. That emphasis be given Vacation Mission Schools this year, and that, since books recommended last year for Vacation Mission Schools were too late to be used by most groups, they be recommended again this summer, these books being as follows:

Junior: *New Joy*, by Caroline Sewall and Charlotte C. Jones.

Many Moons Ago, by Katherine Gladfelter.

Primary: *Off to China*, by Helen F. Sweet and Mabel C. Wagner.

Children of the Great Spirit, by Florence C. Means and Frances Riggs.

5. Also that publicity be given through our children's auxiliaries to the books provided by the Board of Christian Education for vacation schools, and that those auxiliaries preferring to use this material be given the usual credit for vacation study. These books for primaries are: *Children of One Father*, by Juanita Ray Kent; for juniors, *How the Nations Share*, by Edith Kent Battle.

6. That special effort be made this year to give publicity to the work of the Council for babies around the world and that through the Beginner Department of the Children's Division stress be put on giving parents an opportunity in the name of their children to contribute to this work.

MISS CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH, *Chairman*;
MRS. S. HOMER TATUM, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE

REPORT No. 1

1. In view of the intrinsic value of the program leaflets for reference and as an aid to an understanding of the scope and needs of the work of the Council, your Committee on Literature recommend: That the Conference Superintendents of Literature and Publicity urge all auxiliaries to keep a complete and premanent file of leaflets and program materials and of the *World Outlook* for future use by the society.

2. Because the enlarged program of the Woman's Missionary Council has developed since the publication of *Women and the Kingdom*, by Miss Mabel K. Howell, we recommend:

That the Literature Department be authorized to prepare and publish a pamphlet which shall furnish supplementary material to *Women and the Kingdom* and which shall completely set forth the enlarged program of the Woman's Missionary Council, the pamphlet to be made available as soon as finances shall permit.

3. (a) On programs for 1934 we recommend that for adults the foreign topics shall be on Brazil and the home topics on Rural Life.

(b) That the Harvest Day program be incorporated in the regular program material for December.

(c) For the Children's Divisions we recommend studies in European children, citizenship, and Korea.

4. Since the special literature which is prepared for new auxiliaries is so valuable, and since many societies find themselves not quite ready for the regular program material at the end of their first year, we recommend that the Literature Department prepare suitable literature to meet the demand for the second year in new societies.

REPORT No. 2

The Committee nonconcurred in the memorial from the Western North Carolina Conference regarding reduction in the appropriation for program literature material.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT, *Chairman*;
MRS. A. M. GATES, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES

YOUR Committee on Candidate Work presents the following recommendation:

That we raise the age limits for consecration of deaconesses to twenty-four years.

MRS. J. N. MCEACHERN, *Chairman*;
GRACE GATEWOOD, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON SCARRITT COLLEGE

YOUR Committee heard with interest the report of Dr. Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College, and call attention to the following facts:

1. That while the income of Scarritt College has been reduced since 1930 approximately \$14,000, and the necessity of limiting the number of missionary candidates on scholarships has reduced the enrolment, and that it has been necessary to discontinue much of the cultivation program, it is gratifying to know there is no note of pessimism, but that the difficult situation is accepted as a challenge to larger things.

2. That hearty approval be given to the emphasis placed upon the unique character of Scarritt College, both educationally and religiously, and we commend the effort now being made to reorganize the work so as to meet more effectively the present-day needs for missionary and religious training.

3. That we recognize the importance of developing a larger student body by making the advantages of Scarritt more attractive to various types of social and religious workers, including Christian home makers, and we also realize the urgent need of general scholarship funds to be placed at the disposal of the College to be used for this purpose.

4. That approval be given the plans of developing a strong supporting constituency for Scarritt by securing a large number of

Scarritt Associates throughout the Church, and urge every individual woman to co-operate with the College in reaching those members of the Church who might be induced to become Associates.

5. Since, in the merging of Boards by the General Conference, Scarritt College lost the financial support formerly given by the Epworth League Board, we recommend that the Board of Christian Education be asked to assume, in full or in part, the support of a chair as soon as finances will permit.

6. That the Board of Missions be requested to resume the support of a chair in Scarritt College when funds are available.

MRS. R. L. HOBBDY, *Chairman*;

MRS. LEE BRITT, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

THE Committee on Spiritual Life and Message recommend:

1. (a) That a Retreat be held in the eastern section, preferably at Brevard, N. C.

(b) That all plans for the Retreat be left in the hands of the Committee on Retreats.

2. (a) That the Literature Committee be requested to continue the preparation of Retreat programs for the Week of Prayer also of leaflets that may be kept in stock for Retreats and for the further use of Spiritual Life groups.

3. That the Spiritual Life groups make more extensive use of the leaflets: *How May Spiritual Life Groups Serve? Suggestions for Spiritual Life Groups*, and *Prayers and Missions*; also that book racks, which may be obtained from the Publishing House, be promoted by the Spiritual Life Committee.

DAISY DAVIES, *Chairman*;

MRS. SETH A. CRAIG, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

I. RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Concerning Rural Development, the Bureau recommends:

1. That Conference Superintendents of Christian Social Relations be asked to co-operate with the Rural Development Commission in carrying on this year a special survey of rural missionary societies on circuits, and to see that the plan is presented at district, zone, and conference meetings.

2. That District Secretaries be asked to co-operate with the Rural Development Commission in conducting and carrying on the rural survey this year.

3. That Conference Superintendents of Christian Social Relations be asked to make a special independent study to discover the out-

standing rural social problems and situations within the bounds of the Conferences, the same to be a part of the survey.

4. That each town or city missionary society, through the leadership of its Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, seek to find and adopt a rural missionary society as a sister society, and to work out a program of mutual helpfulness.

5. That each rural missionary society, under the leadership of its Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, make a special study to seek and discover ways by which its society may best serve its community.

6. That, in the event the Board of Christian Education of any rural church is making a study of the community with a view to relating the program of the church to the program of the community, the local rural missionary society seek to co-operate in this study rather than to carry on an independent study, reporting the results to the District Secretary.

7. That each district seek to develop a circulating library on rural work.

II. CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP

Concerning Christian Citizenship the Bureau recommends:

1. That each auxiliary have a Prohibition Committee and that it be provided with a simple plan to carry out its work.

2. That institutes for training in Christian citizenship be promoted in zone, district, or auxiliary meetings.

3. That the Literature Committee be requested to include for 1934 some programs on Christian Citizenship.

4. That there continue to be special speakers on Christian Citizenship in conferences, districts, and zones.

5. That each auxiliary strive to have a 100 per cent vote in elections.

6. That the Superintendents of Christian Social Relations see that the pledges of the Commission of Anti-Lynching be presented in all conference, district, and zone meetings for signatures, to be sent to Interracial Commission, Atlanta, Ga.

III. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND WORLD-PEACE

Concerning International Relations and World-Peace the Bureau recommends:

1. That we reaffirm the recommendations of 1932, relating

(a) To auxiliary subscriptions to the *News Bulletin* of the National Council for Prevention of War (532 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.).

(b) To personal letters to Senators and Representatives favoring measures that make for world-peace and protesting those in opposition to it.

2. We recommend to the Committee on Education and Promotion

that if available the study of "Jesus and His Principles of World-Peace," by Alvin C. Goddard, the elective course of the Board of Christian Education for the fourth quarter of 1932, be listed with the Bible Study texts recommended by the Woman's Missionary Council.

3. That auxiliaries observe the following days, Washington's Birthday, Pan-American Day (April 14), Independence Day, and Armistice Day, by peace talks, chorus singing, pageants or window displays; and that these projects be committed to the woman who is in charge of world-peace cultivation in the auxiliary.

4. That where practicable auxiliaries sponsor or co-operate with other groups in Marathon Round Tables for peace discussion. Material is available upon application to the National Council for the Prevention of War.

5. That organization of work for peace by the precinct method be urged.

6. That world-trade exhibits be held.

IV. INTERRACIAL CO-OPERATION

Concerning Interracial Co-operation the Bureau recommends:

1. That we urge the co-operation of our women in the Church-wide Jubilee of Paine College and that we feature the celebration in conference, district, and zone meetings, using the literature prepared by the Jubilee Commission.*

2. We urge conferences and auxiliaries to proceed with the authorized plans for leadership training at the three established centers—Paine College, Mississippi Industrial, and Texas College at Tyler—and that in addition wherever possible they promote leadership training institutes for colored women in local communities.

3. Encouraged by the success of the plan of last year for Bible class, welfare club, and school survey in co-operation with Negro women, we recommend its continuance and extension.

REPORT No. 2

Concerning Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies the Bureau recommend:

1. That, at the request of the Committee on Church and Social Service of the Federal Council, a representative from the Woman's Missionary Council be appointed to be a member of the Better Films Conference, meeting in New York City, and that Miss Emma V. Pepler be our appointee.

2. That volunteers be asked to attend the Council of Women for Home Missions, the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions, the Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement, the Council on Cause and Cure of War.

MRS. A. B. SMITH, *Chairman*;

MRS. GEORGE A. MORGAN, *Secretary*.

* Order literature from Dr. E. C. Peters, Paine College, Augusta, Ga.

COMMISSION ON INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

DUE to its desire to conserve funds the Industrial Commission did not hold a mid-year meeting in 1932. During the interim, however, much good individual reading and study was done. Early in the year Dr. Alva Taylor, of Vanderbilt University, made out for the Commission a list of books on industry. These were purchased and circulated among the members, at least one member reading every book on the list.

Preceding the Council meeting the Commission held a conference in Louisville on Wednesday morning, March 23, at the Brown Hotel. Miss Lucy Mason, General Secretary of the National Consumers' League, spent the morning with the Commission, sharing freely with it her store of knowledge of the industrial field and giving many helpful suggestions for further study and work. The Commission is glad to report that, in fulfilment of a previous recommendation to Council, one of the new mission study books for the year 1933-34 is to be on industry. This book, *Christianity and Industry in America*, was written by Dr. Alva W. Taylor and published by the Missionary Education Movement. Its publication, however, was secured by the Council. A list of suggestive activities to be undertaken by a class studying this text or any group interested in a study in industry has been made out for the Commission by Miss Mason and will be available by June, 1933.

The Commission, through the Children's Division of the Council, gave publicity to the promotion of Child Labor Day this year. Through Conference and local Children's Superintendents the day was observed in many churches and auxiliaries. It is hoped that the beginning thus made will be a foundation on which to build a wider observance of the day next year.

The report made to the Council by Mrs. Albert Barnett, Chairman of Industrial Relations in the Tennessee Conference, of a project undertaken in her conference in connection with the Wilder mine strike is in written form and made available by the Commission for class study.

CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH, *Secretary*.

COMMISSION ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

THE Commission on Rural Development has been interrupted in its work this quadrennium because of change in chairmanship. The work of the Commission was enterprised by its first Chairman, Mrs. J. W. Perry, and had every promise of fine development. Then followed her call to the Presidency of the Council and the necessity of change in chairmanship. The new Chairman has required almost the entire year for study of the responsibilities involved in the Commission's authorization and for the drafting of a feasible program for study and action by the Commission.

This year, however, has by no means been devoid of effort and real

achievement on the part of the individual Commission members. No attempt was made to hold a Commission meeting, and whatever direction has been given has been by correspondence. The individual members have largely followed lines of endeavor of their own initiative. At the beginning of the year the Bibliography on Rural Work prepared by the Federal Council of the Church was distributed to each member, and each was asked to read as widely as possible and especially to make a study of the Danish plan of rural reconstruction. In addition to reading and study, each member was asked to carry on, if possible, some experimental project in rural work.

The scope of these activities of the Commission members has been quite remarkable considering the handicaps. In the North Georgia Conference four major rural projects have been promoted, one involving co-operative effort in mutual helpfulness and community service for the missionary societies on a nine-point circuit; one involving co-operation of the societies on a six-point circuit in the conduct of a "community store" for repairing and distribution of clothing for relief; one a training school for the officers of circuit missionary societies; and another the linking up of city and rural societies by the loan of mission study books and other plans of mutual helpfulness. In North Mississippi a special study has been made of the rural educational system in its bearing upon Negroes; a school district library has been established; and the missionary society of a rural church has been guided in adapting its program to the community needs.

In co-operation with the recommendation of the Interracial Commission, a study of rural Negro schools has been made in many conferences. Through special effort in the Louisville Conference, a school bus for a Negro high school was kept in operation. In many of the conferences classes have been organized in the study of *Rural Billion*; packets of rural literature have been distributed; and books and magazines have been given to rural schools. Daily Vacation Bible Schools in rural churches have been promoted; canning and cooking schools for rural Negro women have been enterprised.

The Chairman of the Commission, on the invitation of one of the members of the Commission, was able to make a week-end visit to a nine-point circuit in the North Georgia Conference—a visit that was very rich in suggestions along two lines; the possibility of a rich community program through the co-operative effort of missionary societies on a circuit; and secondly, the possibilities and necessity of co-operation of city and rural missionary societies.

The Chairman has also aided in promoting a six weeks' course for rural workers at Scarritt College. A splendid course was made available through the co-operation of Scarritt College, George Peabody College for Teachers, the Y. M. C. A. Graduate School, and the School of Religion at Vanderbilt University. The work was done with

the encouragement of the Agricultural Missions Foundation and is indicative of the very great value of co-operative educational effort in Nashville in the training of rural workers. Plans are already under way for a similar effort next year.

The Commission is not able to say whether the suggestions made last year for "District Round Ups" have proved successful or been very widespread. However, we do know that in the Louisville Conference one of the results of a "District Round Up" was a new vision of the district needs and opportunities, and a request for a deaconess or full-time worker was made.

The other suggestion made by the Commission last year for the study of the *Rural Billion* has been widely followed. The outlook for the new year seems most encouraging, and the need for such work as the Commission is attempting was never greater. Most significant are the following words of one of the members of our Commission: "We find the industrial situation and the rural situation in more ways than one interminably linking together. It seems that the Master himself, through conditions under which we live, is pressing on us all the intimate individual, social, and economic relationships which bind us all together; and if we may find the answer, it is worth any sort of sacrifice to us and to the world."

The Rural Development Commission held its annual meeting just preceding the Council session in Louisville. The special objective of the meeting was to outline the program of work for 1933 and 1934. The plan for 1933 involves a "detailed study and survey of the missionary societies on rural circuits and a discovery of ways and means to strengthen these societies as Christian forces in their communities." It will be a year of "fact finding" as to rural conditions and societies. The survey will be limited to communities under 1,000 population. The survey proposed will call for co-operation of the Conference and Auxiliary Superintendents of Christian Social Relations and of the District Secretaries.

MABEL K. HOWELL, *Chairman*;

MRS. M. E. TILLY, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP AND LAW OBSERVANCE

SINCE 1932 was general election year, it was one of unusual activity for the Committee on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance.

The importance of actively relating Christian principles to political situations was presented by splendid speakers at many conference, district, zone, auxiliary, and other group meetings. The effort to secure the right candidates, to know the organization of our government, and to get out the vote has been part of the program of many newly awakened citizens.

Reports have been received of many all-day Institutes or Schools of

Citizenship where candidates were asked to present their platform, and answer various questions; where the "Creed of Good Citizenship" adopted at our last Council has been studied, and qualified leaders have instructed in the structure and function of government—from precinct to national—and many other phases of political practice discussed.

Anti-Lynching Associations have been organized in every Southern state. This movement has been presented to our various meetings and many other groups of organized women. Several thousand women have signed the pledge to support this effort to blot out the crime of lynching, and financial help has been given by a number of Conferences.

The women of our Church have co-operated with every effort against the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and to promote the temperance cause. Prohibition rallies have been held in many cities, the women taking part with preachers and educational leaders. Help has been given at state and national legislatures in the work of securing protection for righteous laws and their enforcement. The Sunday school lessons for the first quarter of 1932 were an educational force, as have been the articles in Sunday school and other Christian publications. Posters and temperance studies have been placed in many public schools, and debates and other school contests on prohibition, such as essays and readings, have been promoted. In this work the Parent-Teachers' Association and W. C. T. U. have co-operated.

This Committee decided at the last Council to make a definite study of Public Opinion—what it is, how it is formed, its influence, and all we could learn—and a year of rich reward has followed our efforts. We heartily recommend this study to all Christian citizens. Abundance of material is to be found in libraries, magazines, newspapers, and the people all about.

A Librarian has been appointed for the Committee, and the following texts purchased and passed to each member to be studied and outlined: *Hindrances to Good Citizenship*, Bryce; *The Church in Politics*, Stanley High; *Christian Citizenship*, McConnell; *Lynching, and What They Mean*. To these will be added in 1933: *Education for Citizenship*, Coe, and *The Social Principles of Jesus*, Rauschenbusch, will be used as a daily devotional study.

The excellent magazine articles pertaining to the work of this Committee are too numerous to mention. As one member reported, "We have read and 'watched out'" all the year. Each Committee member has kept files, or made scrapbooks, of helpful materials from many sources, trying always to find the meaning of the reports and trends as expressed in editorials and news items.

One Committee member has qualified to teach *Pleaders for Right-*

eousness, Hosea and Amos, in Standard Training Schools, emphasizing the necessity for right social relations.

"The Church in Politics" was made the basis of a series of lectures to an adult Sunday school class and spread to another large group.

One member heard the best speakers in America on Citizenship, Peace, Prohibition, Christian Unity, and kindred subjects at two Pastors' Schools, and took courses directed to help in Christian relations at a Leadership School.

While judges, lawyers, League of Women voters, and many specialists have been speakers for Citizenship and Law Observance in all of our Conferences, the members of this Committee have kept busy promoting active Christianity, both privately and in public. One member has spoken on Christian Citizenship *twenty* times in our own missionary group meetings and conferences, and at one preachers' Annual Conference, and to four other denominational groups.

This Committee has been greatly encouraged to find many other organizations and groups who are working at the same task, and it has been a privilege to give and receive help from many sources.

The testimony shows that individually we have grown in Christian attitudes toward others. As Christian citizens we are engaged in promoting right racial attitudes, industrial adjustments, promotion of world-peace, and everything that will help to make our world come nearer to the ideal of the Kingdom of God.

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. C. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND WORLD-PEACE

IN making its report the Committee on International Relations and World-Peace has been disadvantaged by its loss by death of its most useful member and guiding spirit, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, who, from the creation of the Committee four years ago until March, 1932, served as Chairman.

Mrs. Boone M. Bowen, former Secretary of the Committee, resigned in November for family reasons, and we are fortunate in having Miss Bess Combs appointed to take her place.

Once more, in the interest of economy, the Committee held no ad interim meeting, but availed itself of the privilege of meeting just preceding the Council meeting. The failure to hold a meeting earlier proved a serious handicap, since carrying on by correspondence had many limitations.

The Committee has steadfastly endeavored to measure up to its task of following international events, a lively and interesting task. National Boards organized for the promotion of peace have been liberal in sharing their literature with us. And the world has been in so much of a stir that daily and weekly papers and periodicals have

fairly bristled with international news. The *World Outlook* has been our continual help. For this and her constant sympathetic interest in the work of our Committee we would express our thanks to Miss Estelle Haskin.

We have done our bit through letters and telegrams to Senators and Congressmen with reminders of our desire that they use their influence in securing the passage of bills dealing with the promotion of world-peace, in particular these were related to action on the World Court protocols and the joint bill to prohibit the exportation of armaments and munitions of war under certain conditions. It was Miss Estelle Haskin who brought to the attention of the Committee a request from the American Foundation that afforded an opportunity to emphasize in an unusual manner our request to the Senate for action on the World Court protocols, by placing on the desk of President Hoover and each of the forty-eight Senators marked copies of the beautiful December number of the *World Outlook* containing the article, "Why Undue Procrastination." This was accomplished through the good graces of Mrs. Ida Groover, of the Baltimore Conference, who gave it her personal attention.

A constructive and interesting piece of work was that of filling out a questionnaire published by the National Council for the Prevention of War. Its object was an effort to obtain a comprehensive survey of the United States parallel with that which the Militarist-Nationalist groups have made, and thus wipe out one great advantage that our opponents have over us. We are unable to determine the number of questionnaires filled in. The ideal would have been at least one from each congressional district. A new Peace Packet, containing four dialogues, adapted to use in zone and auxiliary meetings, has been placed in the Service Department. The conferences report a number of projects on peace questions: essay contests and pageants in public schools, and scrapbooks of international interest. Others have furthered interest through membership in an International Club or an Americanization Council. A member of the Baltimore Conference adapted the information contained in a leaflet from the National Council for the Prevention of War in a dialogue that gave information on disarmament in such an attractive manner that the National Council sent it out with its literature.

As the organization for peace reaches out into every auxiliary where world-friendship and world-sisterhood have long been emphasized, it should be an easy step to a rapid increase in peace sentiment. What more is the practice of peace than a recognition of the second of the new commandments given to us by Jesus, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"?

"The only man that has a right to trust that wars shall cease is the man who works hardest to prevent wars from the beginning," said Edwin Lewis. We may all engage in this program, and in so doing we

would make our own the declaration of the Committee on Temperance and Social Service of our Church adopted last July:

"We stand irrevocably for world-peace and for the abolition of war as a means of settling international differences. We register our conviction that the United States should enter the World Court and should share in international movements that have as their object the renunciation of war and the establishment of permanent peace among the nations. We rejoice in the results that have been achieved by our own nation in the prevention of threatened wars and in the settlement of differences among nations. We approve the basal purpose of the Disarmament Conference and the recommendation of President Hoover that the nations of the world proceed at once to reduce naval and military armaments by one-third.

"We urge efforts to stabilize international relations with all possible speed so that the assurance of harmonious relations may hasten economic recovery."

MRS. F. S. PARKER, *Chairman*;

MISS EMMA V. PEPPLER, *Secretary*.

COMMISSION ON INTERRACIAL CO-OPERATION

THE Interracial Commission, in common with other commissions and committees, was unable to hold its annual meeting on account of the need for conserving money.

The members of the Commission promoted the use of the mission study book, *Facing the Future in Indian Missions*, by Merriam and Hindman; *Brown America*, by Edwin R. Embree, was the outstanding book of the year for the study of the American Negro. Members of the Commission participated in race relations projects of various sorts in their own communities. Through correspondence they prepared for the Council program a discussion of the best things done by auxiliaries in the field of race relations. They are especially interested in gathering information on auxiliary interracial projects for children, leadership training schools for colored women and on the use of school surveys by the auxiliaries. On account of the shortening of the Council program, it was necessary to omit this discussion.

On the morning of March 22, 1933, the Commission met at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, for a brief discussion of emphases for the coming year. It was unanimously agreed that the Paine College Jubilee should be our main project for the year. Members of the Commission hope to participate in the Jubilee in their own conferences and auxiliaries, promoting the use of pageants and other programs for informing their constituency of the history and promise of Paine College.

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, of the Interracial Commission at Atlanta, met with the Council Commission to ask for help in furthering a study of children's interracial attitudes. Members of the Commis-

sion agreed to assist in their own communities in making studies of racial attitudes of both white and Negro children. Miss Rumbough, Mrs. Ames, and Miss Young agreed to work out program material for children which would be passed on to members of the Commission for use in their districts. Mrs. Ames hopes in this way to accumulate sufficient information concerning children's interracial attitudes to serve as a basis for materials and programs to be published by the Interracial Commission.

Members of the Commission agreed that the leadership training schools for colored women had furnished the most satisfying interracial contact of any project yet attempted. The schools at Augusta, Ga., at Holly Springs, Miss., and at Tyler, Tex., have been supported of late years almost wholly by the nearby conference societies. It is hoped that other conferences will promote such schools within their bounds and that cities also will put on their own institutes. The Louisville Conference is planning such a school for the coming year, making at least four to be held during the summer of 1933.

Members of the Commission have taken part in a variety of interracial projects in their own communities, and find new avenues of co-operation opening before them each year.

LOUISE YOUNG, *Chairman*;
MRS. ERNEST MOORE, *Secretary*.

COMMISSION ON UNOCCUPIED AREAS

THE Commission on Unoccupied Areas submit the following:

The object of the Commission has been to relate its studies to practical projects by which the result of these studies of the Indian American will eventuate in Christianizing these Americans and their communities.

1. In order to accomplish this, we urge the Woman's Missionary Council to include in its home mission program definite work among the Indians.

2. That an effort be made to find young women adapted to this work who will share the Indian life, leading them in such matters as health, recreation, family adjustment, economics, home-making, child training, and kindred matters.

3. That Indian young women with high-school and some college education be sought who are willing to invest their lives in service for their people, and that they be given the necessary training to fit them for work of this kind.

MRS. LEE BRITT, *Chairman*;
MRS. C. C. WEAVER, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

REPORT No. 1

THE Committee on Research and Study of the Status of Women has kept its mind open to events as they affect woman's place in

the world. Most reports and findings concerning life and progress have had chapters concerning the place of women. We sometimes wonder why the question is not turned around to ask, "What is man's place?" The answer probably is that in society man's place has been considered the norm and that woman's place is, therefore, a variant. A better understanding of the values contributed to society by women will produce a more normal estimate of the relative place of men and women.

Among the most notable articles and books that have appeared this last year are: The chapter on Woman's Missionary Organization in *Re-Thinking Missions*; on "Understanding Women," by Mary Beard; and "Woman's Progress in the New Day," by Mrs. T. I. Charles, of this Committee, and President of the Upper South Carolina Conference. The most notable recognition of women from the standpoint of government is the appointment by President Roosevelt of Miss Frances Perkins as Secretary of Labor. There is in attendance upon this Council Meeting, for the first time, a regularly ordained woman from the Methodist Church of Korea, the Rev. Bessie Oliver. These newly ordained women are finding ever-increasing and enlarging opportunities for service. The Rev. Kate Cooper, at the last Annual Conference of the Korean Methodist Church, was appointed by Bishop Ryang as presiding elder of one of the Wonsan districts.

In the field of missions the most discussed finding on woman's place is in the Laymen's Report, *Re-Thinking Missions*. The report gives due credit to woman's development of missions in the interests of women and children, and makes its most drastic suggestion in pointing out the necessity for an understanding co-operation between General Missionary Boards and Woman's Missionary Organizations. The following excerpts sum up the evaluation that the appraisal committee places upon woman's work in the Orient: "In the forward movement of Eastern women, Christian missions has played a significant rôle, a fact admitted without reserve by leaders of the Orient . . . ; "Through a composite of direct and indirect influence Christian missions have steadily exerted pressure against the stifling tradition of the past and have opened the doors of opportunity to women for the future"; "One can write with enthusiasm of the contribution which Christian education for women has made in the Orient. Many of the women leaders of the four countries under consideration (China, Japan, Burmah, India) have been educated in Christian schools. The permanent value of Christian education for girls, however, can be measured only in terms of a distinctive service for the future, a test far more exacting now than in the pioneering period. Christian education . . . should be centered in the actual life-interests of the student; it should give scope for self-expression in the spirit of service; and it should aid in the development of Christian character."

The Status Committee has majored this last year on two phases

of the question of woman's place. First, the Committee has aimed, through its reports, the literature it has been able to furnish, the program suggested, and articles in the *Advocates*, to create an interest in the larger representation of women in plan and policy making bodies, on committees, commissions, boards, and conferences, including General Conference, of the Church at large. There are two aspects of this question of woman representation in appropriate and proportionate numbers. One is to help men to think in terms of men and women when they appoint, elect, or otherwise choose members for such places. Except in those places where constitutions provide that a certain number of members be women, which number in our Church is always a minority, voting and appointing groups are composed largely of men. It is not yet in the thinking of men to consider women for such places in numbers large enough to have a real effect upon the policies planned. It is the task of Christian women to bring this situation before the thinking of men.

The other aspect of this question is the interesting of women in taking places where their contribution will be valuable because of their grasp of the problem in hand, or because of viewpoints which their social setting as women has secured to them. An article in the *Nashville Christian Advocate* of November 9, 1932, calls attention to these aspects of the problem. There are now twenty-three missionary conferences with regularly established status committees. It is the opinion of the Committee that woman's place in the Church is contingent upon an appreciation and understanding of her place in the society of the world.

The second major task set by the Committee is to cultivate the idea and to secure the ordination of women in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, on the same basis as men are ordained. Four short articles have appeared in each of twelve conference *Advocates* since the last Council Meeting with points which may well be used in programs dealing with the question of ordination of women. The two leaflets, *An Open Door for Deaconesses* and *An Open Door for Missionaries*, compiled by Mrs. W. B. Landrum, have been widely used and should have larger circulation this next year. The pamphlet, *Woman's Place of Service in the Church*, has been reprinted, and five hundred copies are available for use in the conferences at 25 cents each.

A campaign of publicity has been started which will consist of articles written by authoritative and notable men and women, and which will appear often in the *Nashville Christian Advocate*, Dr. W. P. King, editor, having consented. Eleven conference organs are also co-operating in this publicity. Two articles have recently appeared in the *Nashville Christian Advocate*, "Should Women Be Ordained?" by Mrs. W. B. Landrum, and "Who Would Put Restraint," by Mrs. H. R. Steele.

The August, 1933, auxiliary program will be on Status of Women. The use of the project, which will accompany the program leaflet, is urged upon the auxiliaries.

The *World Outlook* is generous in giving space to articles that bear upon the status of women. Miss S. Estelle Haskin, the editor, is planning some fine features for this next year. Mrs. Maude Turpin, in the many things she writes for the Church and secular press, gives woman's place a fair share of notice. Mrs. Turpin and Mrs. W. J. Piggott wrote the introduction to the presentation this Committee makes to Council this year, "As We Were."

The history of the memorial sent to General Conference in 1930 by the Woman's Missionary Council concerning clergy rights for women, and the growing interest in the Christian principle involved in ordination of women as well as of men, give us ample hope that, as soon as it can be legally accomplished, there will no longer be distinction because of sex made in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the service that women may render to the Kingdom of God.

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

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

REPORT No. 2

The Committee on Status of Women submit the following recommendations. We recommend:

1. The continuation of Conference Committees on Status of Women and urge the appointment of the Committee in all Conferences where they do not now exist.

2. That the Annual Conferences make use of the Council report of this Committee, No. 1 and No. 2, in their meetings, and that time be given for a presentation of the question of the ordination of women.

3. That zone and districts use the suggested program and materials furnished by the Committee in their programs during the year.

4. That the Conference officers encourage and urge the use of the project furnished by the Committee for the August auxiliary program.

5. That the auxiliaries use the articles on ordination of women published in the several *Advocates*.

6. That the status playlet, "As We Were," be published for use in the August auxiliary meeting and in zone, district, and conference meetings, and that enough copies be typed here at the Council meeting so that each Conference may have one for use in the annual meeting this year.

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

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

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Dr. W. G. Cram has investigated a plan for collecting old gold and sending it to the United States mint, where it may be

melted, weighed, and exchanged for its true value in currency, and has found it a feasible plan, we recommend that the Woman's Missionary Council accept the suggestion of Dr. Cram to co-operate with the Board of Missions, General Section, on a 50-50 basis in the collection of old gold for the missionary treasury.

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

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

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

THREE recommendations were received from the Executive Committee of the Council:

1. That all subdivisions of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations shall be Standing Committees.

2. That the Bureau of Co-operation and Extension shall become the Standing Committee on Co-operation and Extension.

3. That the name of the Standing Committee on Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies be changed to the Standing Committee on Co-operation with Other Agencies and that the Committee be removed from the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

Therefore, the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws recommend the following amendments:

By-Laws of the Woman's Missionary Council, page 367, 1932 Council Report.

Amend By-Law 15 by striking out Item 2.

Amend Item 3, which becomes Item 2 of By-Law 15, by substituting in the second line of the first paragraph the word "six" for "seven" before the word "members"; substitute "Standing Committees" for "Commissions" before the words "on Industrial Relations"; omit "and" before the word "Interracial"; strike out the words "The chairmen of Standing Committees on" before the words "International Relations"; also strike out the phrase "and Co-operation with Civic and Welfare Agencies" after the words "Law Observance." In the second paragraph of the item, strike out the words "and commissions" after the word "committees" at the top of page 368.

The item will then read: "There shall be a Bureau of Christian Social Relations consisting of six members, who shall be the Chairman of the Standing Committees on Industrial Relations, Rural Development, Interracial Co-operation, International Relations and World-Peace, Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, and the Superintendent of Christian Social Relations. It shall be the duty of this Bureau to outline Christian social activities, and to promote plans for the prosecution of the same; to assist in the development of lines of research, study and activities of these committees, 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."

Amend By-Law 16, page 368, by striking out items 2, 3, and 5. Item 4 will then become item 2.

Amend By-Law 17, item 13, page 370, by substituting the word "other" for the words "Civic and Welfare" before the word "Agencies." The first paragraph of the item will then read: "There shall be a Standing Committee on Co-operation with Other Agencies consisting of three members, one of whom shall be the President of the Council."

Further amend By-Law 17 by inserting after item 11, page 370, the following three items, which will then become items 12, 13, and 14:

"(12) There shall be a Standing Committee on Industrial Relations consisting of seven members. It shall be the duty of this committee to study, etc.

"(13) There shall be a Standing Committee on Rural Development consisting of seven members. It shall be the duty of this committee to study country life problems in America and on mission fields, etc.

"(14) There shall be a Standing Committee on Interracial Co-operation. It shall be the duty of this committee to study relations among various racial groups in communities," etc.

Item 12 will then become item 15, and the Committee recommends that item 15 be lifted to become item 16 to preserve the sequence of the subdivisions of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations. Item 13 will then become item 17, and item 14 will be item 18.

Further amend By-Law 17 by inserting after the newly numbered item 18 the following item, which becomes item 19: "There shall be a Standing Committee on Co-operation and Extension consisting of nine members. It shall be the duty of this committee:

"(a) To work in co-operation with the Secretary of Organization of the Board of Missions, Woman's Work, in developing missionary societies of those conferences on foreign mission fields which are integral parts of our Church, and in missions in the United States. It shall report all such activities through the Secretary of Organizations.

"(b) To cultivate and stimulate to greater effort and to 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 serve 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."

The last three items 16, 17, and 18 of By-Law 17 will then become items 20, 21, and 22.

II

Concerning a recommendation received from the Council Secrè-

taries of Organization and Literature this Committee commend the following amendments:

Amend Article 8 of the Constitution for Adult Auxiliaries, page 374, 1932 Council Report, by inserting after the word "publicity" in next to the last line the words "of the *World Outlook*." The article will then read: "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 the *World Outlook*, of Christian Social Relations, of Supplies, and of Local Work."

Amend By-Laws for Adult Auxiliaries by inserting after By-Law 8, page 375, 1932 Council Report, the following new By-Law, which will then become By-Law 9: "The Superintendent of the *World Outlook* shall be responsible for the circulation of the *World Outlook* throughout the local church. She shall, with the assistance of a committee, make a canvass of the entire membership, securing renewals and subscriptions. In co-operation with the pastor, she shall seek to present the magazine in attractive ways to the Sunday school, the prayer meeting, the missionary society, and the congregation. She shall report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Publicity."

By-Laws 9, 10, and 11 will then become By-Laws 10, 11, and 12.

III

The Committee non-concurred in a Memorial from the Executive Committee of the Northwest Texas Conference Society seeking to amend Article 4 of the Constitution for Adult Auxiliaries by inserting a statement specifying a definite amount for dues.

EMMA V. PEPPLER, *Chairman*;
CONSTANCE RUMBOUGH, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON GENERAL CONFERENCE LEGISLATION

YOUR Committee on General Conference Legislation held a meeting November 17, 1932, following the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council. Preliminary discussion centered about the sound policy of the Woman's Missionary Council, periodically to evaluate its status and work, in the light of existing conditions and needs. Resulting from the discussion came the conviction that in these days of difficulty when loyalties are so severely tested and faith so sorely tried, a new fervor might be stimulated and new interests created by a restatement of the objectives of the Woman's Missionary Council. With this thought in mind, a five-point statement of objectives is presented for consideration, as follows:

OBJECTIVES

1. To make special contribution to the establishment of the Kingdom of God through:

- (a) Enrichment of the spiritual life.
- (b) Education of women and children in missions and in the social application of the gospel.
- (c) Development of interests and love that are world-wide.
- (d) Development in women of initiative and self-direction.
- 2. To urge upon women the duty of claiming their privileges in the Church which have been won through recognition of the principles of Jesus Christ.
- 3. To bring help and inspiration to Christian women of our own and other lands as they seek a more abundant life and new avenues of service.
- 4. To maintain the special work committed to the women by the Church.
- 5. To reach out into new fields of service and to assume new obligations as they arise.

Approval of these objectives logically brings a renewed conviction of the essentiality of a distinct organization for women, that the objectives may be more surely reached. This conviction is set forth in the following creed which is designed to awaken new interests, challenge new loyalties and enlist the service of every woman in the Church.

We believe the Woman's Missionary Council is essential because:

- (a) Its history justifies its existence.
- (b) The task set for it is still unfinished.
- (c) Women need the inspiration and educational values of a separate woman's organization.
- (d) Woman's greater freedom in working with and for women and children necessitates a woman's organization to inaugurate plans and policies.
- (e) It is a direct channel of communication to the women of the Church.
- (f) The cultivation of missionary intelligence in conference and auxiliary demands such an organization.
- (g) Its warm, throbbing life is manifest in its growth and development and in its purpose to meet changing world-conditions and needs.
- (h) It is necessary to maintain within the Church an avenue of service compelling enough to challenge women to invest their greater leisure, their talents, themselves, for the establishment of the Kingdom of God.
- (i) It is needed to educate and plan, in order to maintain the large share the Woman's Organization has in the missionary enterprise of the Church.
- (j) A strong central body is essential that woman's collective viewpoint may be delivered on great moral issues.

Any adjustments contemplating changes which would disintegrate the Woman's Missionary Council and the organized work of women in

the conferences and local churches would not be acceptable to the Woman's Missionary Council.

AMENDMENTS

Whereas there are certain rights and privileges inhering in the Woman's Missionary Council which are in operation but which are not clearly defined in the Constitution of the Board of Missions; and

Whereas, since the General Conference of 1930, the Woman's Missionary Council has been developing an enlarged program of missionary activity in harmony with the broad conception of missions demanded by the forward thinking of these times; and

Whereas these omissions are considered adequate ground for amendments which will bring the written law into conformity with accepted practice; therefore

Your Committee recommend the following amendments to the Constitution of the Board of Missions:

1. Amend paragraph 483, Article XI, by inserting the words "and to carry on such activities as will help in establishing a Christian Social Order around the world," after the words "foreign missions," so that the paragraph shall read:

"The women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are authorized to organize and conduct missionary societies among children and women in the Annual Conferences and in the churches in the interests of home and foreign missions, and to carry on such activities as will help in establishing a Christian social order around the world. The societies shall promote missionary intelligence and activity and secure missionary funds by means of membership offerings, life and honorary membership fees, from devises, annuities, bequests, voluntary offerings, and collections at meetings appointed in behalf of the society."

2. Amend paragraph 484, Article XII, so it shall read:

"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, superintendents of bureaus, the President or alternate, the Conference Secretary or alternate of the Woman's Missionary Society of each Annual Conference, the President and Secretary of the Deaconess Workers' Conference, ten women elected members at large by the Council, the women members of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of the Section of Woman's Work, and the Secretaries of the General Board of Missions."

3. Amend paragraph 485, Article XIII, by inserting after the word "prosecution" the sentence, "It shall plan and promote its activities and those of the Conference and auxiliaries societies." Further amend the paragraph by inserting the words "and missionaries (Woman's Work)" after the word "deaconess," so that the whole paragraph shall read:

"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 plan and promote its activities and those of the Conference and auxiliary societies. It shall consecrate the women who have been accepted for service as deaconesses and missionaries (Woman's Work), and shall make recommendations to the Board concerning their employment and support."

Your Committee further recommend:

That the Woman's Missionary Council shall present these proposed changes with others to be considered later to the General Conference of 1934.

CHILDREN'S WORK

An item of business referred to your Committee by the Executive Committee of the Council provided for a discussion of Children's Work in its relation to the religious education program of the Church. Your Committee arranged to consider the question at an evening session to secure the presence of Miss Constance Rumbough, Superintendent of Children's Work, and Mrs. W. A. Newell, member of the joint Committee of Co-operation and Council of the Board of Missions and the Board of Christian Education.

The discussion resulted in the appointment of a committee to conduct informal conversations with certain members of the Board of Christian Education that present difficulties may be overcome and a relationship established which would be mutually satisfactory to the Woman's Missionary Council and the Board of Christian Education.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT, *Chairman*;
MRS. J. C. HANDY, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE TO FILL VACANCIES ON STANDING COMMITTEES

THE Committee to Nominate Members to Fill Vacancies on Standing Committees present the following recommendations:

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.—Mrs. W. P. McDermott in place vacated by Mrs. Boone M. Bowen.

Committee on Literature.—Mrs. George Nunn in place vacated by Miss Bess Combs.

Committee on Scarritt College for Christian Workers.—Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon in place vacated by Miss Esther Case.

Committee on Lectureships.—Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon in place vacated by Miss Esther Case.

Committee on Status of Women.—Mrs. T. I. Charles in place vacated by Mrs. W. B. Landrum; Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon in place vacated by Mrs. Carver.

Committee on International Relations and World-Peace.—Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon in place vacated by Mrs. E. B. Chappell; Miss Bess Combs in place vacated by Mrs. Boone M. Bowen.

Committee on Co-operation and Extension.—Mrs. Harwell Nelson in place vacated by Miss Bess Combs; Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon in place vacated by Miss Esther Case.

Committee on Industrial Relations.—Miss Margaret Young in place vacated by Miss Berta Ellison.

MRS. A. B. SMITH, *Chairman*;

MRS. R. P. NEBLETT, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Thrice blest is he to whom is given
The instinct that can tell
That God is on the field, when he
Is most invisible. (Hymn 392.)

AGAIN, as the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has met in the historic city of Louisville, God, our great Redeemer and Comforter, has been in our midst, a very known Presence at a time when he has seemed most invisible to the world at large. He has indeed been amongst us throughout all our deliberations, and it has been good to have been here.

As we have gathered from thirty-eight Conferences from twenty states to meet together in this city, which is so rich in the history and traditions of our beloved Church and country, we have been conscious of our rich heritage as missionary women. Mrs. W. T. Poynter, first Corresponding Secretary of the Kentucky Conference Woman's Missionary Society, later its President, and now the only surviving member of the first Board, and Mrs. George P. Kendrick, first General Treasurer of the Home Missions Society, in whose home Miss Lucinda Helm lived and where the Home Society was organized, were introduced and spoke a few words to us. As we were privileged to look into the faces of these two sisters, who were present at significant beginnings, the realization of the lengthened lives of our Missionary Societies from small beginnings to the 215,870 members in the 7,208 auxiliaries in 1932 in this country caused us to be ever grateful to an all-sufficient Father who has led us in such large fields of service. As we think of our fields of service, a noble woman is called to our minds, and we would again voice our debt of gratitude to Kentucky Conference for giving to us Miss Belle Harris Bennett, whose characteristics of faith, hope, love, and courage prompted her to "attempt great things for God" during the thirty-five years of her life that she had invested in the missionary endeavors of her beloved

Church. We hold in loving remembrance a peerless leader, "great in goodness and good in greatness."

We have been conscious of the gracious hospitality of the fine people of a great church in a great state noted for their kindly reception of visitors, and we will hold in loving remembrance the many kindnesses in all our contacts with them. We would especially thank Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Hawk, our pastor host and hostess, the presiding elder of the District, Dr. A. R. Kasey, and the other ministers of the city, and the Committee on General Arrangements, generated by Mrs. Huston Quinn and Mrs. Glenn Brewer, whose untiring efforts in planning so adequately and working such long hours before our coming and during our stay, in order that nothing be left undone which would contribute to our well-being. We are not unmindful of the hours of work necessary in the preparations of the beautiful luncheon tables and the delicious food served each day, and we are most grateful to the women of Louisville and Kentucky Conferences. For the courtesies of the press, the Brown Hotel, and to all other individuals and organizations contributing to the success of our Council sessions, we extend our sincere appreciation and thanks. The beautiful flowers on the altar have spoken a message of love to our hearts.

The members of the Council are deeply appreciative of our gracious President and her splendid group of efficient officers, who have made such enriching contributions to this Council session. The program, which had been arranged and of necessity rearranged, has been one of inspiration and information. We have been lifted to a greater desire for consecrated missionary endeavor by the presence and messages from our deaconesses and missionaries, those soldiers of the Cross who have gathered from far-distant fields to witness for their Lord and Savior. We have been lifted to more divine heights by the beautiful messages in music and in song, and want to express our thanks to those who have contributed to this part of the program.

We have been strangely moved and definitely challenged by the inspirational addresses and sermons of Bishop Paul B. Kern, Dr. Channing Tobias, Mr. Paul Harris, Miss Lucy Mason, and Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames. We would mention especially the ringing messages of Bishop Kern during the noonday worship period and the holy inspiration of the Consecration Service of the candidates by Bishop William F. McMurray.

We are grateful for the privilege which was given us to see ourselves in the lights of Yesterday's Challenge, Today's Opportunity, and Tomorrow's Adventure in the delightful Fellowship Dinner.

And now as we come to the closing session, a thought of Christopher Morley's, which was expressed by one of our speakers, has been recurring to us, "To live is to be, to do, to do without, and to depart."

We have learned with certainty what it means to be.

We have learned with certainty what it means to do.

We have learned with certainty what it means to do without. And now we are facing the fact that it is time "to depart." As we go we are going with the memories of days spent in hours of high and holy communion in committee meetings, in Council sessions, and in fellowship one with the other. We go, carrying in our hearts a similar experience such as John had on the Island of Patmos, "Behold, I have seen a new heaven and a new earth."

MRS. W. E. HILLYARD,

MRS. W. R. HARRIS,

MRS. JOHN R. TURNER.



MEMOIRS

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

MISS ESTHER CASE

Miss Esther Case, a native of Arkansas, was the eldest in a family of thirteen children. When her education was completed she offered herself to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, was accepted, and in 1894 was assigned to work in Mexico. There she served as a teacher in four of the principle cities of Mexico, including Mexico City. She was admirably adapted to the work of a Christian teacher among the Mexican people. By nature and still more by grace, she was most amiable and tactful. Her serene temper and controlling Christian purpose restrained her from many of the things that arouse antagonism and create alienation. Withal, she possessed a clear, calm judgment, by which she solved difficult problems without adding to their complexity in her relation to others. Wherever she went peace followed her coming and Christian love of a pure heart inspired confidence."

Revolutions in 1913 forced the missionaries out of Mexico, and while improving this enforced and prolonged furlough Miss Case taught Spanish at the Scarritt Bible and Training School, and took her degree at the George Peabody College for Teachers. In 1917 she was called to Nashville to fill the unexpired term of the retiring Administrative Secretary of Foreign Fields, Woman's Work. In 1918 she was elected to a secretaryship in the Board of Missions, Woman's Work. Here she served in an administrative capacity for fourteen years. From 1918-1926 she had charge of the Latin-American and African Fields, to which was added at the close of this period responsibility for the three Oriental fields and the Woman's Work in Europe. Thirty-eight fruitful years made up the length of her missionary efforts, which honored her as they blessed the Church.

In the home-going of Miss Case the missionary enterprise lost a great missionary administrator. She rendered a real service to her Church and to the mission fields, and laid foundations upon which other hands can build with security, making possible still further advances in the building of the Kingdom of God. At the meeting of the Board of Missions when presenting her resignation, Dr. W. G. Cram, the General Secretary, said of her:

"I cannot frame words adequate to describe my appreciation of the good judgment, the administrative acumen, and the consuming

love for the work of God in Mexico and other distant parts that Miss Case possesses. It is with the deepest regret that we submit to the inevitable and pause to give to this Christian stateswoman, missionary administrator par excellence, our love and confident expression of esteem. We cannot fill her place; we will simply follow in her train!"

At the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council in March, 1932, it seemed to those present that already she had been translated. Her fortitude and courage and the sweetness of her radiant spirit made her a benediction to the entire session. She remained at her desk until the meeting of the Board of Missions, and within two days after its close she went away (March 7, 1932). For weeks and months she had lingered on the borderland, passing in and out among her co-workers with a spirit so brave and so triumphant that it is difficult to realize that she is not still with us.

MRS. E. B. CHAPPELL

Jennie Dean Chappell was born near Frederickstown, Mo., June 2, 1860, the daughter of the Rev. J. H. Headlee, a pioneer Methodist preacher in Missouri, and Mrs. Carrie Dean Headlee, a native of Vermont. Most of her girlhood was spent in Missouri, and here she received her education and training for the long and beautiful life that was hers. At the age of twenty she married the Rev. E. B. Chappell and with him continued her active service in the Church, yet in her home she was, to the end of her life, the radiant, buoyant center about which its life revolved.

Possessing a gracious personality, hospitality was a gift she used well, while as a friend she was a genius. One who loved her said: "We know no other person of whom we could so truly say, her gentleness hath made her great. No one could be in her presence even for a few moments without realizing that here is a true follower of the Master. Those of us who worked with her knew that with this gentleness there was a great intensity of life. Everything that concerned the Kingdom mattered to her." She said herself: "This is the only life I shall ever have a chance to invest in the betterment of mankind." So to the cause of missions she gave a joyous service with a devotion that was magnified with the passing of the years. Twenty-eight years in the connectional work began with her election as Manager of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in 1905. This office she held until the Mission Boards were united in 1910, when, as a charter member of the Woman's Missionary Council, she was elected one of the first group of women to become Managers of the Board of Missions, which office she enjoyed for twelve years. As Manager or Member at Large of the Woman's Missionary Council until her death she conscientiously and successfully discharged the miscellaneous responsibilities that were assigned to this office.

Thirteen years—July 1, 1915, through March, 1928, as editor of the *Missionary Voice*, she found a task most congenial, and these were years of untiring activity. Of it she said, "My work has been my joy," and because of ill health she offered her resignation. With her to set aside one duty meant to assume another. So it was that this gracious, consecrated life found a beautiful climax as a crusader for peace. She accepted the chairmanship of the Council Committee on International Relations and World-Peace, and for four years she faced the new task with determination to do her best in broadcasting the gospel of peace and world-friendship. Her success in this aim is recorded in the outstanding service rendered.

A noble woman, a triumphant Christian, in the fulness of faith, having realized the joys of the more abundant life in this world, passed to her heavenly home January 19, 1933.

MISS NANNIE EMORY HOLDING

Miss Nannie Emory Holding, daughter of an itinerant Methodist preacher in Kentucky, was born on the twenty-second of February, 1844. She received a liberal education in her native state and began teaching English and music at the age of eighteen.

For years she felt the call to foreign service, but frail health kept her silent. After her health had improved and her body had grown stronger, she heard the appeal of Dr. Kelley for workers and decided to offer herself for service. She was then thirty-eight years of age, but anxious to give the remaining years of her life to mission work. At first her eyes were turned toward China; later she came to feel that the whole world was the Master's vineyard and that one part of it was as precious in his eyes as another, and she was willing to go wherever "His gentle hand might lead" her.

She was accepted by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and assigned to Laredo Seminary, on the Mexican border, where she arrived on October 20, 1883. She was very successful in building up a strong institution in Laredo, which has been far-reaching in its influence among the Mexicans in Texas and Mexico. In ten years' time the school grew from two small houses on a single block of land into seven buildings occupying fourteen acres of ground.

As the Woman's Board of Missions lengthened its cords and enlarged its borders Miss Holding, because of her good judgment and unusual ability, was invaluable in planning and developing our work in Mexico. From the first she had the unfailing assistance of her sister, Miss Delia Holding, who in 1892 was accepted as a missionary by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. Together these two faithful sisters served, each the complement of the other.

In her book, *A Decade of Mission Life*, Miss Nannie gives a graphic description of her life in the school, of conditions, of the associations with her splendid helpers and the pupils, also of some of the real friends of the institution who were ever mindful of its interests.

Reading her book and the reports of her work during her thirty years of service gives one a beautiful picture of a gentle life, devoted to a sacred cause and strong in its influence in the educational and evangelistic advancement of a people whom she felt in a peculiar way to be hers.

Laredo Seminary became Holding Institute because of the devoted life of a woman who gave herself unstintedly to the work of the institution. As the years passed Laredo Seminary became the "mother," we might say, of five Mexican missions, sending out her daughters to teach and work in other schools almost as fast as they were established. Truly "her lamp goeth not out by night," and only eternity will reveal all that she has done for missions.

After thirty years of active service Miss Holding retired at the age of sixty-eight years. At the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council in Raleigh, N. C., in March of 1926, Miss Holding was granted the "Emeritus Life Service Certificate."

On the twenty-fifth of January, 1933, at Covington, Ky., she passed to her heavenly home.

E. P.

MISS MARGARET H. POLK, M.D.

Dr. Margaret Harrison Polk was born in Perryville, Ky., March 26, about 1864. During her girlhood and young womanhood she was an earnest worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at a time when women did not speak in public and when many people even disapproved of having an organ played in the church. Both of these services she had the courage to render; she was always especially interested in the work of missions and gave to the cause to the point of real sacrifice. When her heart began to turn toward the mission field, her father would not hear of her leaving him; so it was not until 1888, after his death, that she could offer herself for foreign work.

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, considering volunteers for medical work in China, found in Dr. Polk a suitable candidate for training in medicine. She was accepted and entered the Woman's Medical College in Philadelphia. After finishing the course she found that, for family reasons, she must remain at home, and Dr. Ann Walter was sent to China in her place. For four years Dr. Polk was delayed, but by practicing with her brother in Kansas she gained a rich experience which served her well later when the opportunity came to take up her work in China. She sailed in 1896; as soon as she was settled, she took up her work in the Woman's Medical School and Hospital in Soochow; she put her whole life into carrying forward the work for women, ministering to those in need and training Chinese women nurses and doctors, a pioneer in a most difficult field. In 1909 she severed her connection with the Church because she wanted consistently to support the women of the Church in their struggle for equal rights and opportunities for service in the Church. However, she did not leave the hospital until 1912, when reinforce-

ments arrived in China to carry on the work. Her interest in the work of the Church, and particularly in the missionaries and Chinese workers, never ceased. Her home in Shanghai was always open to the missionaries, always restful, and always stimulating.

After leaving the hospital Dr. Polk opened an office in Shanghai and did her best missionary work, though financially self-supporting.

After a serious illness in 1928, she gave up her work and came to the United States to make her home with her niece, Dr. Ethel Polk Peters, who had also given years of service in China. Here, in Augusta, Ga., on October 22, 1932, she passed away.

Many beautiful tributes to the life and work of Dr. Polk have been written to Mrs. Peters, one of which shows in a special way the esteem in which she was held in China. The Central Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in China says: "Very many in China hold Dr. Polk in genuine appreciation, both for her personal qualities and her work's sake. We trusted her as a friend and as a fellow-worker. The results of her skilled and faithful labors here abide. She was a blessing to a multitude of suffering women throughout the borders of our China Mission. For many years of service in connection with our hospital for Chinese women in Soochow she is held in loyal remembrance. Please let it be known to her relatives and friends that we trusted and loved her."

E. P.

DEACONESS EMMA BURTON

Deaconess Emma Burton was born in Waverly, Mo., 1877. Her parents, Henry V. Burton and Martha Israel Burton, were active in the work of the Church. From their lives Miss Burton received her inspiration for full life-service in the Church.

Miss Burton graduated with the class of 1908 from the Scarritt Bible and Training School and was commissioned for the work of a deaconess by Bishop E. R. Hendrix on April 24, 1908. From that time until she went home, August 3, 1932, her one aim and purpose in life was to serve her Lord acceptably. She considered her call to service the highest privilege that could come to anyone. In this spirit she went to her first appointment, Centenary Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., and to each appointment she carried the same spirit of devotion and love. She gave twenty-four years of devoted and efficient service under the Woman's Missionary Council.

In her last days with us here she said: "I am thankful I have been granted a place to serve the past twenty-four years." Then she said:

"God hath not promised sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain;
But he hath promised strength from above,
Unfailing sympathy, undying love."

And not one word of this good promise has ever failed. He has been my shield and buckler; indeed, a very present help in every time of need."

Mrs. J. W. D.

REPORTS FROM THE HOME FIELD

BIBLE TEACHERS IN STATE AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Texas Technological College, Lubbock, Tex.

Miss Mary DeBardeleben, Bible Teacher, reports:

The work of the Bible teacher at Texas Technological College has been carried on with great difficulty this year owing to the necessity of renting a neighboring hall for the classroom. The students have overestimated the handicap of the distance.

On the other hand, never have I found them more deeply, religiously responsive. This has been particularly marked in the Sunday class studying the life of Christ, especially on the part of the young men. I have some of the finest young men and women on the campus in this group. Two of these are young professors, both, by the way, specialists in science. Several have come to me for books by means of which they can go deeper into certain phases of religion in which they are interested. The subject of "Prayer" has seemed most appealing.

The social aspect has not been neglected. We have had two socials, bringing together both groups, and for the spring term we plan a picnic for them.

Your representative has been invited to Hollister to lead a discussion group in the "Teachings of Jesus," and we hope to take five students to that conference.

The work in Lubbock has been a joy, and it is with reluctance that one bows to the inevitable to seek service in other fields, yet with joy for the privilege of service here.

Southeastern Teachers' College, Durant, Okla.

Deaconess Lena Noll, Bible Teacher, reports:

Each year I realize more fully what opportunities and possibilities there are for a Bible teacher in a state college and what a privilege it is to live, work, play, and worship with college students. In so doing one comes to know their true worth.

My time is given to teaching in college and in the community School of Religion, sponsoring the Y. W. C. A., working with young people in the local church, assisting with freshmen orientation, and personal interviews.

Because many of our students become teachers, we desire to so train them that they may adequately serve the communities to which they go. It is a real joy to have a small share in this.

William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va.

Deaconess Zoe Anna Davis, Bible Teacher, reports:

I am happy in the privilege that is mine in representing the Woman's Work at Williamsburg, Va. This year marks my fifth year of service under the Council, and in many ways has been the best. In the work here we have a complete educational triangle composed of the college, student church, and the Methodist dormitory.

The college work consists of teaching three classes in the Department of Religion, with a total enrolment of 107 students for the year. I also assist with the college unit of the Y. W. C. A. As a special

feature this year the student group sponsored the "World-Affairs Institute," which proved to be most worth while.

The student program of the local church is quite varied, and is under the direction of a Student Council of eighteen members. Various committees appointed from this group direct the devotional and recreational activities. About 150 young people are reached through the different channels. Teas, pageants, parties for special occasions, and an annual banquet are some of the unique recreational features.

The third phase of the work is my association with sixty-five girls living in Brown Hall. Mrs. Deaton is the house mother; Ada Kelley is the student government representative and serves as House President. The real purpose for the maintenance of the dormitory is to provide a wholesome, Christian atmosphere for girls while away at college. Vespers each Monday evening, monthly parties, and informal interviews are some of the influences which make life in Brown Hall different.

At present we have eleven students actively engaged in some department of church work, and many others who have been associated with us are now promoting religious work in their respective communities. Thus the home, the church, and the school are linked together in a constructive educational program for training future leaders of Southern Methodism.

Texas State College for Women (CIA), Denton, Tex.

Miss McQueen Weir, Bible Teacher, reports:

The year of 1932-33 has offered large opportunities of service and much joy.

The students entering the Bible courses total 284 for the two semesters. The following courses were offered: Old Testament History, The Poetry of the Bible, Life of Christ, The Acts, Teachings of Jesus, The Epistles, Outline Study of John.

The Susanna Wesley Bible Class of the First Methodist Church numbers about sixty-five women, to whom I am giving a course in the Gospel of Matthew.

A Standard Leadership Training School was held in which I taught the Bible Course—New Testament Survey—with an average attendance of over forty, and ten receiving certificates.

Opportunities for speaking to various groups have been utilized. Among these was a radio address over Station WBAP, Fort Worth, on Religion in the Development of the Child, which has been given free distribution by the college and was printed in an Eastern magazine, *Christian Faith and Life*.

The college, for the first time, is permitting students to minor in Bible (upon application). This makes it possible for a student to take eighteen or more hours of Bible. A year's course in the Epistles has been added to meet this advancement.

Ward-Belmont, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Oscie Sanders, Bible Teacher, reports:

The work of a Bible teacher from the popular point of view repeats itself each year. And yet each year brings a new group of individuals with varying backgrounds. And therefore each year brings new problems and fresh inspiration.

The failure of our material civilization has meant that girls have been eager as never before for a spiritual philosophy. There is a fresh interest in religious discussion and a new effort in religious living.

CHURCH WORKERS**Capitol Church, Phoenix, Ariz.**

Deaconess Ida M. Stevens reports:

In spite of the depression we have had a good year. Hard times make larger opportunities for service. We only regret time, strength, and means are limited. However, when money was sorely needed, God almost worked miracles in supplying it. My work among sick and strangers spread until I had to give up the longest drives.

Fourteen of my invalids died during the year; eight in the hottest of our summer months. A legend has been told me many times that there was nothing to do in the summer. I have never found it so. The sick and suffering, weary and discouraged seemed to need me more than in the winter. I have eighty chronic invalids listed. Eight are connected with Capitol Church; twenty-six with Central. The others are mostly Methodist who are temporarily here, and some have no church affiliation.

The family of one of my invalids who died said his radio was such a joy to him that they wanted it to cheer some other sufferer. One of our own Scarritt graduates, here in a local hospital, received it.

The parsonage of our Colored Methodist Episcopal Church burned. I collected clothes to help the family get a new start. A little assistance at Christmas helped our good Mexican pastor and his wife. Our contacts with these churches is largely friendly and sympathetic with small amounts of money and clothing to lift some special burden.

At Capitol Church I assist with visiting, teach a Sunday school class of high-school girls, and am Superintendent of Mission Study.

Our church is growing steadily. We have a large group of young people who are participating in all the programs of the Church. Our Missionary Society has done heroic service. They not only paid in full and are on the honor roll, but have helped the brethren, paying one hundred dollars on Conference claims and seventy dollars on the church budget, besides doing much local work.

I thank God for the beautiful ministry the Council has given me, and take up the new year with glad anticipation.

Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Deaconess Lorena Kelley reports:

My work this year has included the supervision of the industrial girls' work and the young people's department of the church and other activities.

In the Girls' Work Department we have two industrial girls' clubs and a club for the women employees at the Goodwill Industry, as well as work with students at a nearby business college, a troop of Girl Scouts, and a group of underprivileged children. The two industrial girls' clubs, in addition to their regular weekly meetings held at the church, have had offered to them during the past year study courses in sewing, cooking, art, English, interior decorating, music appreciation, piano, and voice. The fact that one of the girls who started studying piano only a year ago last fall played beautifully a piano solo at the annual banquet last spring shows that the girls really appreciate and take advantage of the opportunities afforded them. One of the clubs which took an active part in athletics last summer won a number of games in the city baseball tournament. One of the outstanding events of these clubs during the year is their annual banquet. Last spring almost one hundred persons, including

club members, their friends, and employers, attended one of these club banquets. A week-end camping trip is also an outstanding event of the year for one of them. This club work proved so successful among the girls of one mill that they were asked to go to another town and help to organize a similar club among the girls there (in the same company). In January of this year this company employed the young lady who had been serving as volunteer leader for these two groups as full-time club worker for the company.

A cooking class is being conducted for the club women of the Goodwill Industry. The membership has grown so large that the class is being divided into two groups. The Episcopal Church has assisted with this work. A summer outing and a Christian dinner is furnished this group each year by our church.

Last summer twenty underprivileged children were sent to "Sunny Acres," a fresh-air home for children, by members and organizations of the church. In this home, which was built by a member of the church, the children are taught Christian home-making by "living" in a Christian home for a period of time. Classes in various subjects are held for them while they are there.

The Girl Scout troop now has a membership of forty girls, and new members are still coming in. At a troop rally held recently forty-one badges were presented to various Scouts.

It has been my privilege throughout the year to work with the students in a nearby business college in planning their chapel programs and parties and in organizing their student body into a Student Association.

Up until Christmas of this year the church ran a lunchroom for the business and industrial girls of the city, and it was my privilege each day to greet the girls and ask a blessing, and once a week to conduct a devotional service, and once a month to plan a birthday celebration for all those who had birthdays during the month.

Through this department we have had the privilege of assisting five girls to attend school this year, three in college and two in high schools. One of these girls said she came to Winston to earn enough money to defray her college expenses; but, due to the depression, she was unable to do so. Since she made such a fine record in the club work she was given assistance in entering college. She has already secured a position as a teacher in her home town next year.

My work with the young people of the church has been very interesting indeed. Some of the outstanding events during the year were a week-end Retreat for the retiring and incoming officers soon after the election of the new officers, trip to Duke University, presentation of two mission plays and a Christmas play, co-operation in planning and giving a county-wide young people's banquet, presenting baskets of food to families at Thanksgiving and Christmas and a Christmas treat for the children at the Bethlehem House, and conducting various forms of mission study, such as co-operating with other Methodist young people of the city in bringing a Chinese student, Miss Boa Yu Yang, to the city for a series of lectures and inviting a returned missionary, Mrs. Hamilton Moore, to give a series of lectures over the week-end, etc.

Other activities included co-operating in giving a mother-daughter banquet, which was attended by about two hundred persons, directing the camp for the junior choir last summer, serving as superintendent of the high school department of the Daily Vacation Bible School last year, teaching the Bible lesson in a circle of the Missionary Society taking a course in the Standard Training School, etc.

I am very thankful for the great opportunity to serve which God has given me, and I trust that I may be a faithful servant.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Walsenburg, Colo.

Deaconess Mollie Womack reports:

As I look through my window on the beautiful snow-covered Spanish peaks I wish that everyone who reads this could enjoy the scene with me. Colorado, the land of sunshine and scenic wonders, home of great mining industries and large cattle and sheep ranches, the adopted home of many foreign peoples, and a great open door for the message of Christ.

Of the more than thirty thousand promises in the Bible, there is one that has stood out as a special promise to me in my work as a deaconess. Coming to me as it did several years ago in a time of trial and uncertainty, it has proved a steady anchor many times when needed. This is the promise: "Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it." Open doors! How many of them there are in every community.

One of my chief aids in reaching some of the open doors at this place is my Chevrolet coach, by means of which I can reach the homes of Walsenburg and the near a dozen mining camps in which we have members or church attendants. Whether it is a call on someone sick or in trouble, to take an invalid for a ride in the sunshine, remind ladies without telephones of a Woman's Missionary Society or Guild meeting, visit the homes of absentee Sunday school children, or visit new people and invite them to church, bring people to the Sunday night service who otherwise could not come, or to some ladies' meeting or prayer meeting, or take a capacity load to a picnic; in all these and other ways the car has been a constant and valuable helper.

In a revival meeting just closed among those received into the church was the father of a large family, a man who had not been to church for twenty-two years until the time of the meeting. His wife and lovely young daughter also came into the church. This girl asked for a class of boys in my Sunday school department (intermediate). She has a good education and is the sister of five brothers. These qualifications, plus a winning personality, interest, and energy, are making her a success.

The Christmas of 1932 was one of the happiest that this deaconess has ever experienced. Besides helping with and enjoying our church departmental trees and parties, it was my privilege and pleasure to be on a relief committee from our church in conjunction with a like committee from the Community Church. For three weeks the committees worked collecting toys, clothes, and food. Ladies of all churches gave of their time and means to dressing dolls, baking cakes, and helping in any way possible. Many new toys were given, and a skilled workman fixed over old toys until they looked like new. On Christmas Eve food was given out for Christmas dinners for twenty-three families. Candy and toys were given to 171 children. And for many of them clothes were provided. On Christmas morning the committee was informed by the Red Cross of a Mexican village that had been entirely neglected. More candy was procured, put into 140 bags, and distributed among the children of that village.

Our Woman's Missionary Society, as a gesture of international friendship, gave New Testaments to a class of Mexican girls for Christmas.

Park Place Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Norfolk, Va.

Deaconess Mamie J. Chandler reports:

My responsibility at Park Place Church is to direct the program of Christian education. This is no small task in a membership of 1,800, with an average Sunday school attendance of 1,000, and a large group of young people. The church had adopted the completely unified program of Christian education sometime before my arrival, September first. We now have our Local Church Board organized and functioning and all three divisions of the church school at work through the properly constituted advisory committees and departmental age groups. I work very closely with these division and department councils and committees, helping them plan to meet the needs of the various age groups and individuals under their guidance. It is a challenging task, and we are already beginning to see some results from our efforts in individual lives, in a new spirit of co-operation between the groups and organizations, and in a growing loyalty to the Church. Our young people, like all others, are glad to respond to a leadership that understands their problems and difficulties and which helps them to recognize the true values in life. Our supreme purpose is to bring our children, young people, and adults to a realization of God in their individual lives and to a complete surrender to his guidance.

The Woman's Missionary Auxiliary made possible the ministry of a deaconess in Park Place. This organization numbers — women, and I have never known a more devoted, loyal, and enthusiastic group. They give of their time, effort, and material resources, not only to their own program, but to the great program of the Church. It is a joy to work with them and to render every possible service in carrying on the program of the auxiliary. Just now we are placing special emphasis upon promoting Spiritual Life groups. It is my privilege to seek to interpret the aim and plan of these groups and the procedure by which they may bring about a rich and satisfying fellowship with God and with one another. I count this of supreme importance in my work here, and I am praying that renewed power may come to our church through the deepened spiritual life of its members. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

McKendree Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Annabelle Johnson, Church Worker, reports:

My work is considerably different than that of the ordinary church deaconess, inasmuch as my duties are almost entirely secretarial. I am, indeed, thankful for the secretarial training and experience which enable me to help carry on this part of our work.

A great blessing has come to McKendree Church in the form of a new educational building which has been needed for many years. The various departments of the Sunday school have adequate space into which they may expand and develop. In addition, we have an attractive office and pastor's study in the new unit.

When I came in the fall, the church was in process of closing its church year and beginning another, and these first months were full of innumerable office details. Since the holidays I have enjoyed the privilege of working in the Sunday school. I am now substitute teacher for two departments—the primary and the beginners—and expect soon to take over the responsibilities of a Nursery Superintendent during the morning worship hour. Since the completion of the new building, the various meetings of the church are on a regular schedule, and it is a great joy as I come to know our men and

women more intimately. Both the women of the Missionary Society and the men of the Board of Stewards seem very appreciative of the services I perform for them, and their gratitude is an inspiration to me. I am deeply thankful for the contact with all of them.

I have always enjoyed working in a church as a volunteer, and now I am grateful to Him for pointing me to so vast a field of service in our old historical McKendree Church.

Hamp Stevens Memorial Church, Columbus, Ga.

Deaconess Minnie Lee Eidson reports:

A small boy visited my room yesterday, and seeing my bank book on the table, asked, "Where do you get any money?" The half-joking reply did not satisfy him, as shown by his next question, "Do they pay you to just stay around here?"

As I look back over the year trying to see progress made or some definite accomplishment, I find myself echoing sadly the boy's question; for I seek in vain for some outstanding achievement, something to which I can point with pride and say, "I did this for you, Master."

Perhaps we underrate the common duties and privileges that daily challenge our love and loyalty. More and more I come to value the personal contacts with lonely or troubled hearts, in the homes and elsewhere, and to see that the little item of visiting may have great significance. The numerous meetings which grow wearisome to attend and to report furnish opportunities for inspiring others and informing others as well as myself. The Vacation Bible School, which calls for such an outlay of enthusiasm, work, love, and leadership, repays over and over for time and energy invested. And the numerous parties and programs which close the year's work and leave the deaconess in the depressed condition which this report indicates—who can measure the worth to the young lives for whom Christmas has taken on a meaning never known before, because someone cared and worked to make the season meaningful?

Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Deaconess Dorothea Reid reports:

Days seem far too short to accomplish in an adequate way the many tasks that fall to the church deaconess. She tries to assist the pastor in every way to carry on the great work of a down-town church. A few hours are spent in the office each day. Visiting sick and strangers, teaching, counseling, comforting and cheering, speaking to many groups in and out of church, serving on various committees keep time flying. Co-operating with character-building and relief-giving societies, serving on an employment committee, and helping to secure work for young women have been interesting and worth while. Co-operating with our own Wesley House and Bethlehem House workers is a constant source of joy and inspiration.

The year has been a busy and happy one in spite of financial difficulties. We face the future with courage, knowing that "God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

CO-OPERATIVE HOMES

Eva Comer Co-operative Home, Birmingham, Ala.

Deaconess Kate Walker reports:

Man's extremity is God's opportunity. The closing days of 1932 almost found us reaching the limit of our material resources but grow-

ing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ," to adequately express the need of the past year, should read, "Share one with another, and so prove the law of abundance in Christ." We have found it to be our high calling during the past twelve months to share our material possessions with our spiritual blessings.

It has been a time of joyous service, though one faced the most serious financial problems. Opportunity for contributing to the spiritual need has seemed greater than usual. There have been times while passing through some dark cloud of financial stress and worry with some of the girls, as we often have, that we have had to keep them surrounded with an atmosphere of prayer and uphold them by this unusual power. They have come through stronger in faith and better for having suffered the test.

Summing up our success numerically, we would say the year has not been one of supreme success; but thinking only of its spiritual value and our efforts to extend the Kingdom in the lives of the girls as we have counseled with them, increasing their faith, strengthening their efforts to meet life with a square and fair play to all, we rejoice again in the knowledge that the year has been fruitful for our Lord.

This one thing we have tried to do in all service, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, we press toward the mark for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, that we might know Christ and the power of his resurrection.

Mary Elizabeth Inn, San Francisco, Calif.

Deaconess Ethel Jackson, Head Resident, reports:

Like all other institutions, the Mary Elizabeth Inn has felt the effects of the great depression which has swept thousands of young business women off their feet. In the struggle to readjust themselves we have been happy to have been given the privilege of lending a helping hand.

The depression has been a channel of real service for us, a service heretofore unknown. We have been made to see human values anew. Women, even more than men, hate the idea of charity; and when they lose their jobs and can find no other, they make every effort to shun being on the city. Their pride is an integral part of their decency and character, and it often drives them to desperation. A woman hides away in some cheap room and watches her bit of savings slip away. Many have gone into families, working for their board and room. The last resort is to apply to the city through the Citizens' Unemployment Relief, which often leaves her discouraged, sullen, and desperate even to suicide. These are not the women of the underprivileged, but business secretaries, translators, professional pianists, teachers, women who have had their own business, owners of apartment houses. With their investments gone and savings used, their extremity has been our God-given opportunity. It demands one's best and one's all to cope with their problems.

Two hundred and twenty-five permanent guests with many transients have brought the average accommodated to sixty-five per month. The turnover was greater than in normal times. There are always a few of several years' standing.

Financial help has been given to many young women. Employment has been found for some. On the whole we count it one of our best years. With all the difficulties which surround us today, I would

rather be alive and able to serve now than at any period in the world's history.

Deaconess Glenn Moore reports:

Once, years ago, I was taking a piano tuner from the living-room to the auditorium. As we passed through the house he asked questions regarding the Inn and finally made this comment, "Why, this is just like a *large home*." I answered, "That is what we wish it to be."

It seems to me that just that has been the problem of the year—to make the Inn a large home for the many who are restless, unsettled, unemployed, and, as well, for the many who are tired, overworked, living in daily dread of losing their positions.

As one would expect, since we cater primarily to business women, our family has been rather small for many months. There was a definite falling off in June, which continued about the same throughout the year. But even in the smaller group there have been many problems, and naturally so, problems which have demanded our best and have made me conscious that I should have more to give. These changing conditions which have brought these new problems have put a challenge into the work which I have never known before.

I want definitely to meet the problems of the new day in Christ's way. I want more than all else that the "largeness" of the home may not refer to accommodations only nor yet even to a homelike spirit pervading those accommodations, but rather that it may refer to the largeness of the spirit of Christ actually lived out in us whose privilege it is to serve here and spreading, as it would have to spread, among those with whom we live. I am indeed grateful for the opportunity to help bring it to pass.

Rebecca Sparks Inn, Waco, Tex.

Deaconess Susie Teel reports:

After a wonderful furlough year spent at Scarritt College, I arrived in Waco August 25, and began my duties on the twenty-seventh, relieving Miss Fail, whose furlough had begun.

I had received my appointment to Rebecca Sparks with joy, but I was to meet two keen disappointments. Miss Anne Kimbro, who for several years had been the efficient and faithful assistant, would not be with me to share the pleasures and the responsibilities; and Mrs. Grace Wigley, for twenty-five years the President of the City Mission Board, was resigning the office. However, Mrs. Wigley, retains her love and interest in the Inn, has a place on the Executive Committee, and is the same staunch friend on whom I can count. Miss Kimbro likewise stands ready to help whenever we need her. The Board is composed of a group of consecrated, loyal women, who constantly spur me on by their helpful deeds and words of encouragement. The new President, Mrs. J. V. Baird (née Sue E. Cole), understands thoroughly the needs and problems of the Inn, as she was serving as its Head Resident at the time of her marriage and has ever since maintained an active interest in its welfare and growth. She has been loyal, kind, and tireless in effort, and I know myself to be most fortunate serving such a Board under the leadership of such a President. Not only these but also the women I have met in my own church and the other Methodist churches of Waco have been lovely to me in countless ways.

Soon after I came it seemed advisable to reduce the board rates in order to meet the competition, as our girls were being constantly besieged with offers of cheap board to induce them to change. Our

aim was to maintain the usual standard of excellence in quality of food served, but to save by eliminating as far as possible all waste. Since reducing rates we have lost only those who have gone home or to live with relatives and one who married. One of these is returning to us soon. As a matter of economy, and with the desire of assisting more young girls, we keep no servants; but the housework is done by three high-school girls, only one of whom receives any pay in addition to board, since she gives full-time work. With so few boarders—only nine or ten—the income has been small, but thus far all bills have been paid promptly, with a small balance each month. The donations of canned goods, quilts, and linens from the Methodist women, Waco, Central Texas, and Northwest Texas Conferences have gone far toward enabling us to live within our income.

We have a group of lovely girls, and a wonderful spirit of harmony and friendship prevails. The girls call this home and are happy and contented. One said the other day, "I like the atmosphere here." Not long ago a lady, wishing someone in her home for company, offered one of our girls her room and breakfast free and car fare to work; but after thinking it over the girl said of the offer, "I figured I might save a little on board if I went, but I love the associations and enjoy the privileges I have here so much that I have decided to stay." The girls entertain themselves and their beaux with the radio, the piano, with singing and games. Frequently they go to the movies or other outside entertainment, and now and then a girl prefers a quiet evening in her room with a book or writing letters. Occasionally we have a party or picnic, and birthdays and certain holidays are observed with special menus, decorations, and programs. At Thanksgiving all former Inn girls living in Waco were invited "home" for dinner, which was provided by the Waco Methodist missionary women, and the occasion was a very happy one. Christmas was, as always, the high peak of the year. We decorated early and had our dinner and tree ahead of time, so that the girls could enjoy Christmas here before going home for their holiday.

These are average girls, full of the zest of life and the spirit of freedom, yet one can constantly discern the strivings for the attainment of the highest ideals in the individual life. One girl expressed one phase of such striving when she said: "I have resolved to be more particular about the kind of boys I go with. I have decided I would rather stay by myself and read than to keep company with a boy who falls below my standard."

We have morning prayers daily and vespers once a week. The girls were eager to have their pastors take turn with the women friends of the Inn in conducting these services, and we are enjoying these visitors and their messages. Several of the girls are faithful in attending their Sunday school and church services, and now that the general health of the girls has improved it is hoped that all will become regular in their church attendance.

The Inn has co-operated with the local charity organizations and the Y. W. C. A. in relief work. Since I came we have given room and board to nine girls out of employment for periods ranging from a day and night to five weeks. A young mother with a two months' old baby was cared for here until she could be sent to her husband. There is no other place in Waco where a stranded, unfortunate girl can find temporary shelter and care, so the Inn is rendering a real service to young women who find themselves adrift in our city. A young girl, fourteen years old, was sent to us by the Y. W. C. A., and stayed three weeks until a home with the privilege of attending school was found for her. Besides the women who have been thus

cared for, many meals have been served men and boys; but we insist that they perform some work, and most of them show a willingness to do so.

Love makes labor light, and I serve gladly these whom I love. Often I pray as did another: "O Lord, Thou knowest how busy I must be today; if I forget Thee, do not Thou forget me." And I know he never forgets! And when I think of these Methodist women of Waco—friends of Christ they are—who have so blessed and inspired me with their consecrated lives, and whose loyalty and kindness have been so unfailing, I say with another, "God never loved me in so sweet a way before!" and I long intensely to be more worthy the trust and faith they manifest in me.

Wilson Inn, Richmond, Va.

Deaconess Mary E. Daniel reports:

We are glad to see the old year of nineteen hundred and thirty-two close, for it has been the hardest, most depressing of the nine years I have spent at Wilson Inn. However, it illustrates how closely we are bound together in the bundle of life—since what affected the farmers in the farther corners of the state affected our home, as we heretofore have drawn our girls from the rural sections. There have been many blessings scattered all along the way, for which we are truly grateful.

It has been a new experience for Wilson Inn to have vacancies, but at no time during the past year have we had a full house. However, Wilson Inn has spelled home for sixty-eight different girls, who have stayed varying lengths of time.

The work of enlarging the Inn has to be indefinitely postponed until financial conditions improve and there is again a need for more space.

The distress about us challenged our girls to forget themselves in caring for others this Christmas, and as a result we had the most satisfying Yuletide we have ever had since I have been in the home.

Health conditions have not been bad, though we did not escape the grip epidemic that spread over the country just prior to the holidays.

The Devotional Committee, made up of some of the girls, has done splendid work, being responsible for a Sunday morning service conducted entirely by the girls and in which every girl in the house has taken part. We have never had so many girls giving service to nearby churches as Sunday school teachers, workers in the Young People's Department, etc. One of the only two girls who was not a member of some church joined the church of her choice, and seems to be enjoying as never before her Sunday school and church privileges.

The usual recreational features have been carried on, the annual open house to friends of Richmond having been changed to a reception to the Virginia Conference, which met in Richmond in the fall.

An interested House Committee has had some needed repairs done on the house and added to the attractiveness of the place by putting new curtains on the first floor.

The following testimonial from one of our girls will give an idea of the place the Inn is filling in the lives of the girls: "Why I have lived at Wilson Inn nearly two and a half years cannot be summed up in a few words or a paragraph, but I shall list some of the most outstanding reasons. I am at home, so to speak—that is to say, I feel free to discuss with the deaconess in charge any problem that I would take to my mother, the convenience and attractiveness of the home in general and of the girls' rooms. The food is well prepared, and

the meals are planned for our health. When by chance I am sick, I am cared for as by my mother. The most outstanding reason is that this is a Christian home, created by Christian women. Our devotional services in the mornings, especially on Sunday mornings, are most beneficial. By my living at the Inn I have met people who will assist me greatly in later life, as living here gives me the opportunity of meeting the more substantial people. All in all, I am sold on Wilson Inn, and girls leaving home for work should come to the Inn. I certainly shall continue to stay here myself."

The past few years have witnessed the closing of four girls' homes, including the Y. W. C. A., thus leaving Wilson Inn the only one of its type in the city. For that reason and many others, we have a right to expect that again during the new year Wilson Inn may be allowed to serve to the limit of its capacity. That is our prayer for this dearly loved work as we enter the untried 1933.

Young Women's Co-operative Home, Houston, Tex.

Deaconess Addie B. Greely, Head Resident, writes:

Another year of service for Jesus, and looking back over the experiences and developments, my heart is made to rejoice that He has been with us, guiding and blessing all the way.

While we did not have as large a group of girls with us during 1932, the most of them were with us for a longer period, and we have been able to give more individual help to them.

Special attention has been given to recreation and the social life of our girls during the days of discouragement and distress. The good missionary women of Houston made a number of trips possible to the beach, Galveston, and other places. All special holidays were observed with appropriate programs, and we have rejoiced over the willingness of our girls to be responsible for various affairs and to note the talent displayed. Mrs. Willie Mai Lindsey, my co-worker, has conducted a class in expression, and we have presented several plays and programs in churches and schools.

Through the courtesy of the Houston Symphony Orchestra Association we have received complimentary tickets to all concerts, and through other friends have been able to attend most of the best programs and lectures in Houston.

Our chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority is now three years old, and we recently celebrated our anniversary. During these three years our girls have developed a greater interest in literature and a greater knowledge and appreciation of the writer. Since early last fall we have been studying Architecture, Art, the Beginnings of Science, and are now studying the Beginnings of History. This outlined course has been even more interesting. Our membership has increased this year from seven to eighteen, and we have full attendance at every meeting.

Pre-Easter services were held in the Home last Easter and conducted by several ministers of the city.

Our girls asked that we discuss various topics for our Bible course which began early in the fall, and the following are some of the topics they wanted discussed: sinners, temptations, faith, prayer, suffering, love, forgiveness, divorce, our Bible, etc. I feel that this has probably been the most helpful study with our girls during these four years, for we are giving what they felt they needed. It has rejoiced my heart to note the spiritual development of these girls. Fifteen of them united with the churches of Houston last year, seven of these being on profession of faith. Many of them are active in Sunday school and young people's organizations of the city.

An unusual experience was the preparation for the marriage of four of our girls within one week. Lovely showers were given to each, and everything done to make their marriages beautiful occasions.

Jubilee Inn, Shreveport, La.

Deaconess Mary E. Freeman, Head Resident, reports:

My three months spent in Shreveport have been very happy ones. To be in the midst of wide-awake girls facing the issues of the day makes life seem most worth while.

In spite of the scarcity of work for business girls our Inn has been practically filled since September. Twenty-nine girls have made their home here since that time; some for a short period; some for many months. It has been a haven of rest for a few who were away from home with no work to be found. Some have had part-time work, yet were able to remain in the city because of Jubilee Inn. Two have been given the privilege of a college education by working in the dining-room, thereby earning their board.

The physical and social life of the girls is given much concern, but there is a deeper concern about the spiritual welfare of each. As we talk together in morning devotions and vesper services, an effort is made for each to have a deeper fellowship with God and a companionship with Jesus Christ.

COTTON MILL WORK

Wesley House, Orangeburg, S. C.

Deaconess Connie B. Fagan reports:

Our hearts are full of gratitude and praise to Him who has led and strengthened us throughout this year. We greatly appreciate the interest of the many friends of the work who have given freely of their time and service to the various activities centering around the Wesley House. The enrolment in clubs and classes has increased materially from month to month. We have weekly sewing classes for girls and a club for boys; each of these has directed play on our well-equipped playground.

We have classes in vocal and instrumental music; at the close of the spring term a recital was given by the pupils. The cooking classes are very popular with our young women, as is the Home Hygiene class. Twelve young women received Red Cross certificates last June and are now working on their second course.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was well attended, a large number of children being awarded certificates for attendance and memory work.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Wesley House meets regularly, and their freewill offerings are very gratifying when their limited income is considered.

The enrolment of clubs and classes being more than could be accommodated at one time, our Christmas tree program was given twice at different hours with a full house each time.

The young people presented a splendid Christmas pageant at St. John's Church, where most of our people attend.

We thank our Heavenly Father for the degree of success achieved in the past and go forward with courage, trusting to Him for guidance.

Wesley House, Columbia, S. C.

Deaconess Constance Palmore reports:

As I look back over the work of the past year, there are a number of outstanding facts and events:

1. The people of the community have a deeper interest in the Wesley House and seem to really appreciate what we are trying to do for the different groups.

2. The sewing school has meant so much to the girls, who come in large numbers. They come to sewing school even when there are parties on the playgrounds. At our big exhibit last May there were about fifty dresses made and earned by the girls. The material was sent by Missionary Societies of the Upper South Carolina Conference.

3. There was such a demand for a sewing club for young matrons and older girls that I organized one in September, and already we have had to stop taking in new members. Some did not know anything about sewing before they joined this class, but with some help have cut and made several garments. They appreciate the opportunity they are having.

4. The Mothers' Club has indeed grown in interest and numbers. We have a half hour of song and devotional period; then we play games for about forty-five minutes. Sometimes we laugh so much we are sore the next day.

5. My Boys' Club is not so large, but we have a good time together. They like the Knighthood and Bible hero stories. They have improved so much in behavior.

6. The Girl Reserves are a live group. They made twenty-five pages of stamps, which I sent to some of the missionaries. They are working on the Friendship project with China now.

7. We have had several exhibits during the year—one at our Upper South Carolina Missionary Conference, a booth at the State Fair, and our big exhibit of all our work at commencement last May.

8. My church work for the first three quarters of the year was in the intermediate department of Green Street Church as adult counselor. During the pre-Easter revival service many of the boys and girls took a definite stand for Christ.

9. Through all this work I have tried to hold up Christ to my people. I have had definite answers to prayer several times. The home next door has been united, and at Christmas men and women who usually get drunk were sober and happy with their families.

God has certainly blessed us in our work here, for we have outgrown our house.

Dumas Wesley House, Mobile, Ala.

Deaconess Gertrude Grizzard, Head Resident, Mrs. J. P. Roberts, Assistant, report:

We are grateful to our Heavenly Father for another year of service in Mobile.

There have been many encouraging features in the work, although our people have felt the sting of the depression sorely, making it necessary for us to do a lot of relief work.

It is beautiful to see the spiritual growth in the lives of many of our people as they come to know Jesus better.

God is answering prayer, and we are reaching people we have been unable to reach before. Our children are an inspiration to all who visit the chapel, as they contribute so much to the services. When they sing they do it with spirit and are in earnest, and, too, they are reverent in God's house.

Our Sunday school is fine; attendance good from January to December. We use our own people as teachers with the exception of two from the city. In the "Week-Day Bible Hour" we enrolled 75, and had an average attendance of 60 for the year.

Our sewing school children are doing good work; their work will be on exhibit in June.

Our Homemakers' Club is an interesting group of mothers and daughters. We have finished the study of the Book of Numbers and are getting ready for our Bible test.

We had a lovely exhibit of all handwork done during the year by the clubs and classes and also a demonstration program.

Daily Vacation Bible School came then as a great joy to all the children. How they worked on the Bible memory work! It was a joy to watch them. There were many interesting parties and outings, but our Easter and Christmas programs were the best of all.

We had our fourth White Gift service. Our offering was sent to the Methodist Orphanage.

Wesley House, Meridian, Miss.

Deaconess Annie L. Trawick reports:

"His yoke, it is upon me,
And easy 'tis to bear;
In the burdens which He carries
I gladly take my share,
For there, it is my happiness
To have Him always nigh.
We bear the yoke together,
My Lord and I."

These words from Shorey's hymn have been a great inspiration to me this year as I have attempted to cheer, encourage, and strengthen the faith of our jobless men and women.

We have done less club work, but have ministered to our people in other ways—securing food for the hungry, clothing and books for the school children, visiting daily in homes where kind, sympathetic words were needed, always pointing our flock to that "Great Shepherd and Bishop of our souls."

Our clubs have been well attended, especially by the children in the embroidery classes. There are fifty-five little girls in this group. They are embroidering scarfs and towels for their homes. We consider their work most excellent and take great pride in exhibiting this handwork to our Board of City Missions.

The mothers have thoroughly enjoyed their Bible lessons this winter. They have been studying the lives of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The mothers have their monthly socials here. They will have an interesting program for their husbands next week. We do not invite these brethren as often as we should.

The young women meet with us on Tuesday nights. There are twenty-three in this group. They come to us rather weary after toiling in the knitting mills all day, so we try to make them happy and rested with games, songs, and laughter. Often we have pop corn, nuts, and refreshments after the games.

The young boys come in the afternoons and play football, or they go on hikes to the woods near by, and have sandwich and peanut parties.

Our Christmas festivities were most successful this year. Each group met at a different time and had a lovely program. There were simple gifts and bonbons for each one.

The knitting mills donated dolls and toys for sixty girls and boys, a most generous donation which we greatly appreciated.

We are deeply grateful for the faithful, efficient service of our volunteer workers.

Wesley Community House, Danville, Va.

Deaconess Mary Lou Bond, Head Resident, reports:

This has been a splendid year in our Wesley House work. In spite of the fact that expenses had to be cut in all directions none of our activities were dropped. The attendance in all clubs and classes has been large. The interest and co-operation of the people in the community have been most gratifying. In September Miss Kagey, the Club Director, was given a year's furlough. She stayed on in Wesley House and served as volunteer teacher for two classes. The other two workers, with the help of volunteer teachers from the community, carried on the rest of the program of the House. These young women who did this work as volunteer workers are all graduates of Wesley House clubs and classes. This is the aim of the work—to train leaders for the community.

For the last few years the City Playground Association and the City Mission Board have co-operated in keeping a trained playground director on the Wesley House playground. As this was impossible due to shortage of funds, Miss Kagey and I directed the activities on the playground during the summer of 1932.

The community visiting is always an interesting part of the Wesley House work. It gives the workers intimate knowledge of the people of the neighborhood and of the problems confronting them. Boxes of food and clothes are sent to Wesley House. These are used to meet the needs of people in distress.

We are grateful for what we have been able to do in this past year, and with faith we look forward to doing even greater things in the years to come.

Miss Virginia Witt, Kindergartner, reports:

This is my second year at Wesley House, and I looked forward to the opening of kindergarten with great joy. We did not open until the first of October, but have accomplished many things since then. I find the children very interesting and responsive, and that is one of my greatest joys.

Christmas was such a happy time for these little folks. They made presents for their mothers and fathers. During the week before Christmas they broadcast a fifteen-minute program of carols from our station here in town. On the morning "Santa" came to see them they gave "The Nativity" as sweetly and perfectly as could be. After the program, "Santa" gave each little girl a doll and each little boy a toy. The dolls were bought and dressed by a Sunday school class. The tree and stockings were given by a friend of Wesley House.

I help with the Week-Day School of Religion and sewing school, and enjoy my work with the larger children very much.

Wesley House, Knoxville, Tenn.

Deaconess Rosalie Riffin, Head Resident, reports:

As I look back over the year's work, thinking of some of the things we wanted to see accomplished, I rejoice in the progress that has been made and that I have had a share in it all.

More relief work has been done this year owing to the unemployment, but with all this I still say that the greatest need of our community is Christ. Through our contacts in their homes and here in Wesley House we are ever striving to point them to the Christ and the Christian way of life.

The City Health Department conducts a Welfare Baby Station at

Wesley House, giving our mothers the opportunity of the best medical advice and care for their babies. Fifty-two undernourished children were supplied with whole milk during the hot months; friends of Wesley House and four co-operating dairies made this possible. We also minister to the physical needs through the first aid cabinet and the shower baths, touching many lives this way that we otherwise would not reach.

As people have more leisure time, they are reading more. We are glad that our library and the books loaned us by the City Library have enabled us to supply good reading material to any who ask for it.

One great need is community recreation. This past year we have had several entertainments open to the public. They were well attended and appreciated. We hope to do more along this line.

Club life has been extremely interesting this year. A definite enrolment period, and a limited number of unexcused absences, has developed regularity in attendance and made people value their membership in Wesley House clubs.

Miss Anne Coucoules' coming to us in September seemed to bring new interest to the young life of our community. A Boys' Department has been organized, with Friendly Indians, Pioneers, Ramblers, and Hi-Y groups. These are all sponsored and directed by the Young Men's Business Club of the Y. M. C. A. The two groups of Girl Reserves, Industrial Girls' Club, and Young Men's Club, all under the direction of Miss Coucoules, are doing fine work.

A Music Department has been organized. Though small, we have already been of service to the community and hope to mean more in the future. Through the Week-Day Bible School, sewing school, and cooking school we are striving to develop the child in every line and prepare them for a fuller life.

The most outstanding thing in the club life this year was the Vacation Bible School held during June with 132 enrolled.

The various activities of the Mothers' Club have made it a real blessing to them and made it possible for them to be of service to the community. Eighteen of them helped with the Red Cross sewing for the unemployed. Twelve received Red Cross certificates for completion of "Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick." A group is always busy making quilts and other useful objects from scraps and rags. We want this to be our "motto":

"Others, Lord, yes, others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me to live for others,
That I might live for thee."

CUBAN WORK

Wolf Settlement, Tampa, Fla.

Deaconess Bertha Cox, Head Resident, reports:

Words are inadequate to express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the joy we had in our Daily Vacation Bible School last summer. It was a most responsive group of Latin boys and girls. The volunteer workers from the churches did effective work.

On August 3 American and Latin friends met to break ground for the new building. It was with joy we watched the erection of the lovely brick building.

On December 4 the building was dedicated. In the hearts of many that day were the words of the Psalmist of old, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

There was no break in the work due to moving five blocks. Every class met on schedule. The ideals and principles of the old were brought to the new.

Our favorite room is the Prayer Room. There daily the leaders of the various classes meet the volunteer helpers and discuss problems and pray together before they teach the boys and girls in their classes. There, too, a group of young people meet once a week for definite Bible study and prayer. The first convert in this room was the mother of a kindergarten boy.

The Director of Boys' Work, Mr. Joe Schiro, took up his duties in October. It is his aim to get every boy in his classes to attend Sunday school in some nearby church. Many of them come from homes where there is no religious influence and where the Sabbath day is desecrated.

A new project in the work is trying to organize the fathers and mothers so that they may work with the workers in the Settlement for the best interest of their children. From these meetings there will eventually grow out a definite Parent-Teacher Association.

To a group of girls we said: "What shall we do at this particular time while we are waiting for the other class to be dismissed?" One girl said: "Tell us the story of Jesus." And that is what we are trying to do in Ybor City, where we have 25,000 Latin people. We are trying to tell the story of Jesus over and over.

We are trusting our Heavenly Father and are pressing forward expecting results.

Deaconess Dolores Diaz, Evangelistic Worker, reports:

It was with great pleasure that I started another year of labor among our Latin people.

We have two churches in our community, the Italian and the Cuban. This year I am working with the Cuban Church. I feel that I can be of more help in this church because we speak the same language.

I teach a class of women in Sunday school. Going to Sunday school is a new experience to them. Some have never attended a Protestant service in their lives. During the Christmas season I told the story of Jesus, placing special emphasis on his birth and its meaning. That night before the service a middle-aged woman came to me and said: "You know I never had heard the story of Jesus like you gave it this morning. I think it's wonderful. I wish I had known all this when my children were little. I would have taught them in a different way."

I have library open two afternoons a week, with more than fifty children attending. We have several Bibles and Bible Stories, and they are always in demand.

A very important and interesting part of my work is the home visitation. In the home I have the privilege of reading the Bible and praying with them and helping them with their problems. I have been visiting in a home every week for several weeks. The husband is very ill, and the wife gets very lonesome because she cannot go to church; so every time I go we have a little service in the sick room.

One day I was called to a home. The woman said: "I called for you to confess to you just like I would to a priest. I have a great desire to do away with my life; I am tired of struggling; I have so much trouble." I am happy to know that people call on us when they are in trouble, and I am glad to know of the only One who can help them.

I love my work, and I pray that Jesus may bless every effort that is made for the advancement of his Kingdom.

Miss Thelma Heath, Kindergartner, reports:

Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney says: "'Every little atom in the whole world of worlds has its face toward God.'

"'What do they pull away for then?'"

"'They have a will of their own.'"

How true this is of child life. What a changed world this would be if we could say, "They do not pull away." One morning in kindergarten we studied the picture, "Suffer the Little Children to Come unto Me," and memorized the verse. The next morning I asked if someone would tell the story the picture told. A little girl said: "Let the little children stay with me." The child's response brought this question to my mind: "Is it not the purpose of the kindergarten to keep the children with Him?"

This has been a happy year, brimmed full of new experiences. I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching the five nationalities represented in the kindergarten. Of course I have not understood all they have said, nor have they understood all my English. However, I am thankful for the common language of love which children and teacher have fully comprehended.

The visitation in the homes has been an inspiration to me. It is a joy to read the great truths in the Bible and to tell the story of Jesus to those who know them not. Quite often one's heart is made to ache because of the lack of material needs in the homes, but more often is the heartache caused by the spiritual needs one sees.

The class of junior boys and girls and the Boys and Girls Work Club are sources of opportunities for service. Few of these children know the meaning of the verse, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." To them Sunday is just another day in the week. The challenge is great, and my heart is filled with gratitude for the opportunity of sharing Christianity with those who do not have it.

Deaconess Alpharetta Leeper, Director of Girls' Work, reports:

Surely God anticipated something of the opportunities and blessings which would be mine when he directed my life to this challenging work among our Latin people. I could not and would not say that he gave me the best, but I can say that the work in which he has placed me has certainly called from me *my best*—and that is what he ever strives to do in the lives of his children.

The beauty and charm of our Latin people still thrill me, and as each day brings with it opportunities to touch and bless the lives of *my* girls I thank the Father—ever pleading for strength and understanding wisdom in dealing with problems that are unique to them.

The club activities themselves have afforded many an opening to the channels of greatest interest among the girls. Sometimes it is a poem, sometimes a story, at others a dramatic or handwork project—and many times it has found its outlet in a wholesome play hour or an attractive social gathering. Here we cannot omit the thrill that comes to a girl who has experienced, for the first time, a lovely candle-lighting service such as that in which we participated a short while ago when the Girl Reserves of Ybor City held their annual Recognition Service in our lovely new clubroom.

My work in the Cuban Church has also brought to me many helpful experiences as I have undertaken the task of being Counselor of the Young People's Division, which was organized a short time after my arrival. The young people are responsive and eager to take part in any suggested activity, a fact which naturally calls from me my best efforts. This same thing is true of the Young Women's Circle which we have recently organized.

One cannot omit the wonderful thrill which comes to us as we visit in the homes of our people. They are cordial and responsive, yet so needful of "that something" which would draw them into an understanding knowledge of the Father and his love. And as I go in and out among them my ever growing prayer is that God will give me strength and power to serve him effectively in this task which he has placed in my keeping.

Rosa Valdez Settlement, Tampa, Fla.

Deaconess Bess Sargent, Head Resident, reports:

A great many of the rich experiences of the year cannot be tabulated in a report, but I do want to tell some of the reasons why my heart is filled with joy.

First, because we workers can serve as a link uniting the Latin people of our community and church with the American people, through missionary programs, social service projects, recreational features, and other activities. By such contacts each group makes a valuable contribution to the life of the other. Thus "the brotherhood of man" has a deeper, richer meaning for us all.

Then, because George, who is a member of the Young People's Friday Night Club, became interested in Sunday school and church. He graduated with honors from high school last June. He loves to read, and through directed reading he learned of some of the great Christian heroes. Sometime later he expressed a desire to join the Church. Preparation for this was made through conferences together, which included Bible reading, prayer, and a study of the *Discipline* relative to church membership. George said: "I wish I could pray as I would like to, but I don't know how. I never have prayed in my life. My mother didn't teach me to pray when I was a little fellow. She couldn't teach me because she didn't know how herself." George shared all he learned with his mother, and she, too, wanted to join the Church. It was a wonderfully impressive service when the mother stood at the altar and they took the vows together. As I talked with George I had a deep sense of gratitude for the mother who first taught me to pray "Now I lay me down to sleep," and I asked for wisdom to know how to lead these in the spiritual cultivation which would bring them into a closer fellowship with Christ. George wants to be of service, and he is instructing two groups of boys in manual training at the Settlement.

Also, because excellent Latin leadership has been discovered in Bill Sarmiento. He is a young man nineteen years old (Spanish nationality) and is General Superintendent of the Sunday school. He also teaches a young men's class and edits the *Methodist Arrow*, a Sunday school paper. Through the efforts of his boys the paper is multi-graphed and distributed. Thus informational and inspirational messages are given to those who cannot come to the services.

The young people in our church are a great asset, for they share their time, talent, and money. Besides paying a thirty-dollar missionary pledge, they sent two delegates to the Florida Young People's Assembly. A third member earned his money and defrayed his own expenses.

As we work together here we are trying to present the Christ, for he has said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

Deaconess Edith Webb reports:

This my third year in Tampa has been a happy one. I think we receive more through serving than we are ever able to give. There

is nothing that gives me more strength, more love, and more joy than being able to help some girl with her problems; to have the privilege of going with her to our Father and seeing new hope, new courage, and new faith come into her life. I always feel my weakness and unworthiness, but I remember that God loves the one in need and that he will give me the message he has for her. It is my prayer that I may always live close to him, that "for me to live is Christ."

It seems to me that in no better way can the spirit of worship be given to our people than through pageantry. At Christmas time our church was packed with all types of people, but not a sound was heard while the pageant was being presented, and all bowed in worship of the Christ-child as the shepherds, wise men, the cripple, blind, and needy knelt before him. Hardly had the Christmas season passed until they were asking that we start planning one for Easter. We are praying that the message of hope and joy with a challenge may come to all who worship with us at this time.

Let me tell you about our Girl Reserve camp. This is the biggest event of the year for these girls. Last summer we spent four days on a bay near the Gulf. Two of the girls' mothers went along to do the cooking, which was no easy job. But one of them made this remark, "This is the first vacation I have had in many a year." Camp life affords unusual opportunities to enter into the real life of the girl, and to lead her nearer God.

"There seems a voice in every gale,
A tongue in every flower,
That tells, O Lord, the wondrous tale
Of thine almighty power."

Deaconess Emma Burris reports:

As I entered upon my fourth year's work at the Rosa Valdez Settlement I had so many applications for entrance into the kindergarten I was compelled to limit the enrolment to thirty-two. We have two American children, and the other thirty are Cubans and Italians. We have had a waiting list the entire year. The limited enrolment has stimulated interest and has had a tendency to keep the average attendance above that of previous years.

The children have made splendid progress. Our graduating class has fourteen little graduates. We have a very interesting program planned for them.

The work with the little ones has been most interesting, and much joy has been mine as I have worked with them. Only this morning as we were having our lunch one little boy bowed his head before all were ready for the blessing and said, "God has made all of this food." When the others were ready and said the blessing, he bowed his little head again and repeated the one the entire group said. He had been impressed and wanted to talk with his Heavenly Father in his own little way.

It has been my privilege to have the Mothers' Club, consisting of thirty-one Latin women and three American women. We meet on three Wednesday nights in each month and have a devotion, hand-work, and recreation. It would rejoice the heart of anyone to see these women enter whole-heartedly into these activities. They look forward to each meeting.

The fourth Wednesday night in each month we have our Missionary Society meeting. Most of the women who belong to our Mothers' Club are members of the Missionary Society. Our Society was on

the Honor Roll this year. The members were so happy to reach this standard. The President was made a life-member a few weeks ago.

It is very interesting to us to note that a number of the mothers of our kindergarten children are members of our Missionary Society. The contacts we are able to make through the kindergarten bear fruit here. Truly, a little child shall lead them.

I superintend the primary and junior department of the Sunday school and teach a class of junior boys. We have around sixty children in the department.

There is much joy that comes through visiting in the homes of our people. They are so happy to have us that it makes me eager to visit them as often as possible.

I have been busy and happy this year. It has meant much to me as I have tried to give Jesus to the people about us. I am most grateful for this place of service.

Deaconess Martha Robinson reports:

I arrived at the Rosa Valdez Settlement on September 15, and no community could have given me a more whole-hearted welcome. I immediately felt a warm feeling in my heart for the splendid Latin women whom I first met. I have received the old and young into my heart as they have received me, and it has been a wonderful experience to know and work with the different age groups.

I have had one big thrill after another working with the kindergarten children. We have had around thirty-two little tots coming from Cuban, Italian, and American homes. We have had two American children.

Imagine yourself facing thirty Spanish-speaking children and having no knowledge of their language, but having the responsibility of helping to teach them. The first time you face the situation, it seems impossible, but you soon find the little ones are so bright that it is great fun. My! I wish everyone could share my joy in working with them.

I have a Sunday school class of sixteen adolescent girls. They are all Latins. They have contributed much to my life during these few short months, and have improved until I can hardly realize they are the same girls I met October 2. They make such rapid progress one can see them developing.

One of the supreme joys has come through visiting in the homes of the community. The people are so gracious and appreciative. As you enter the homes, which are not always comfortable, you feel such a welcome and see a radiance on the faces that make you feel that you would like to have a thousand lives, so you could visit more of them.

I enjoy the work here because I am thoroughly conscious of the fact that I am where our Heavenly Father wants and needs me.

Ruth Hargrove Settlement, Key West, Fla.

Deaconess Lottie Green, Head Resident, and Miss Helen Porter report:

The year has been full of encouragement despite the tragic economic conditions and lack of workers and equipment. The work has increased in interest and numbers, over three hundred being enrolled in the church and settlement activities. At the Latin Conference, Miami was added to the district, and the Rev. Louis Oser, the pastor here, was put in charge; Mr. Jesus Montere was appointed assistant pastor in Key West. He is doing splendid work, but has very little time for visiting, as he is in the factory all day.

The program of the Wesley House has been successful. The clubs

and classes have been well attended. The World's Friendship Club has 45 enrolled; the sewing classes, 75; the boys' clubs, 35; and the Parents' Christian Club, 20. A nursery school, for which there has long been a need, was opened at the beginning of the year. Although we sent three children to the public school the second semester, we have our capacity number. The small library, with its 380 books, is enjoyed. The playground equipment affords much pleasure, especially after clubs.

One event to which the children look forward all the year is the Daily Vacation Bible School. They like the devotional, Bible, notebook, music, recreation, and handwork periods. Last summer there was an average attendance of 104 out of an enrolment of 124.

For the first time in ten years, El Salvador Sunday school has reached the hundred mark. The average attendance for the last quarter was eighty, which is more than the enrolment usually is at this time of the year. The Junior Church service has become an accepted fact with the children. When it was first begun it was difficult to get them to stay. Last Sunday there were seventy-nine present.

The Young People's Division is organized and is at work. The classes meet at the regular hour on Sunday and the League on Wednesday night. Plans for social service and recreation are made at the Council meeting. A promising feature of this department is the development of leadership. It would be impossible to carry on our church and settlement work without the help of the intermediate and senior groups. Some of the older girls teach in the Sunday school and in the classes at the Wesley House. At present the two groups are practicing a pageant for Easter. They gave one Christmas. The "depression dinner," as the Thanksgiving supper was called, was unique. The boys furnished the meat and the girls the other things. The long table, with its yellow sunflower center, yellow candles, and hand-painted place cards, which were made by one of the seniors, was very attractive. A committee did the decorating. An effort is being made to emphasize social service. Sometimes the classes carry flowers and sing in Spanish to the patients at the Charity Hospital. They have been also to the jail and county home.

The Master's words, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest," apply to this unchurched community. A little girl who was helping to put the club house in order said, "Oh, how I love Jesus!" The thought came that if our Church did not have work here, she would not know anything about Christ except his name used profanely. May we be faithful co-workers with "the Lord of the harvest" in his work of redemption.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

Sue Bennett College, London, Ky.

K. C. East, President, reports:

At the close of the present session Sue Bennett College will have completed thirty-seven years of service in the mountain section of Southeastern Kentucky. This institution has had an inestimable influence in raising the standards of education in this section.

It is the purpose of Sue Bennett College to develop through instruction, training, and example the fundamentals of character and ideals of life which will influence the students to lead lives of service and so pass on these ideals among those whom they may serve. We encourage sound scholarship, but emphasis is also placed on student activities in the various student organizations, such as the Y. M. C. A.,

Y. W. C. A., Christian Workers' Band, and Dramatic Club. Each year we have an evangelist to conduct a revival in our school. This past school year Dr. Weldon, of Bowling Green, Ky., was with us, and this school year Mrs. J. H. Spilman is to conduct our revival.

The enrolment for the past school session was as follows:

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| College | 284 |
| High School | 191 |
| School of Music | 19 |
| School of Business | 73 |
| Model School | 14 |
| Summer School | 62 |
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| Total | 643 |
| Individual students | 392 |

During the year 1932 Sue Bennett College was admitted to the Organization of Kentucky Colleges and Universities, and in December, 1932, she was admitted to the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. This is the highest ranking possible for a junior college to have in the Southern states. This assures our graduates of admission to any college or university in the United States with full credit for all work taken in our institution.

At this writing our college enrolment for the present school year is the largest of any enrolment in the history of this department, while the enrolment in all of the other departments has greatly decreased.

Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C.

Deaconess Daisy Ritter, Superintendent, reports:

It is a pleasure to preface this report with the statement that in spite of the adverse circumstances common to all denominational secondary schools of the present time we have had a very good year at Brevard Institute.

In the matter of school work, although we must report a decrease in enrolment, it is gratifying to state that the superior quality of work done by these has been at least a partial compensation for the limited number. These facts bear witness to the truth of the foregoing:

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| Number enrolled for the first term | 67 |
| Number earning entire expenses for the first term | 21 |
| Number earning one-half or more of expenses for first term | 11 |
| Number earning one-third or one-fourth expenses for first term | 34 |
| Number doing no duty work | 1 |
| Percentage on Honor Roll for first term | 18% |

There are twenty-one students to be graduated this year from the high school department and there are others who will receive certificates in the work of the commercial department.

Among the improvements in our physical plant, we note the following:

Redecoration of the Superintendent's home; of the Girls' Dormitory; and of the Administration Building; the installation of modern laundry equipment; and the installation of a new furnace in the Girls' Dormitory.

Our own farm products have cut down the operating expenses of the school, and we have had a limited sale of our surplus.

Our "Spiritual Uplift Week" last fall, conducted by Miss Daisy Davies, was a mountain-top experience for many individuals and for the school as a whole. The constructive work done has proved to be lasting.

We feel that Brevard Institute has been more than a mere school organization this year; we feel that it has been a Christian educational institution, leading its boys and girls out into a fuller and more abundant life.

Valley Institute, Pharr, Tex.

Miss Georgia Swanson, Superintendent, reports:

With the closing of the present school term Valley Institute will have completed twelve years of service for and with the Mexican people of the Rio Grande Valley.

To date we have enrolled a total of seventy-two. Forty of these board in the institute.

Our primary department is crowded. We have had to refuse to take a number of local children because our teacher has all she could care for efficiently.

The missionary women of the valley continue to show deep interest in the school and are most generous in their donations.

The work of the school has been harmonious and fine in every way.

The buildings are in good repair. The campus, garden, and citrus orchard are in good condition.

Deaconess Mary Carter reports:

How glad I am that my first work as a deaconess has been with these Mexican girls at Valley Institute. While living with these girls and directing a number of their activities, I have had a wonderful opportunity to help them know of a more abundant life. I wish I had words to express to the women of the Church the joy and satisfaction that has been mine during the past year.

Vashti School, Thomasville, Ga.

Miss Charlotte Dye, Superintendent, reports:

Vashti School is approaching the close of one of the most successful and interesting years in her history. The enrolment for the year is ninety-seven. There are now in the school ninety-six students. There are fourteen students in the graduating class.

The health of the school has been excellent except for colds and a few minor ailments. We have had no flu epidemic.

In every department of the school much has been accomplished and the interest has been good. The faculty has been as usual, faithful to the many duties, and loyal to the school.

Many forms of entertainment have been provided, such as pageantry, out-of-door picnics, shows, hikes, playground activities, etc., and a band of ten pieces is becoming quite proficient in producing some really good music.

The farm is in the best condition it has ever been and has provided much of the food for the school and for the stock. It has produced all the eggs, butter, milk, garden produce, and most of the meat used in our kitchens.

The buildings are all in first-class repair as are also the fencing and all outbuildings.

We are grateful for the kindly sympathetic support of our friends and especially of our secretary, Mrs. J. W. Downs.

Deaconess Anna Taylor, Teacher, reports:

At a missionary meeting recently, one of the founders of Vashti remarked that many of Thomasville's oldest factories had closed their doors and that banks had failed; but that one of Thomasville's greatest factories had not closed its doors nor had it failed. Truly there is no greater field of service.

As teacher and matron, it has been my privilege to touch many lives in a most intimate way. I have ministered to the students physically, mentally, and spiritually. It has been my privilege to help lead several of our girls to Christ. The Lord has richly blessed me in this, my first work, under the Council.

Deaconess Bithiah Watts, Teacher, reports:

This is one of the most worth-while pieces of work being done by the Council; trying to train the offspring of mutilated and subnormal families into Christian womanhood. The tone of the school would be greatly improved if some way could be found in Council organization to accept the ambitious girls from rural and remote districts who really want an education. Such a preponderance of the number coming from Board of Child Welfare and from Wesley House centers keeps the lawless element in the majority. Then, when a girl completes the course here, her credits should be acceptable to all the public schools of Georgia. It is rather discouraging to be compelled to take another year in the same grade, because our school does not meet the state's standard.

My work for this year has been that of teaching forty-five girls in the sixth and seventh grades. Besides that I spend two evenings each week at the cottage for small girls, thus relieving the matron there. I also have direction of the World Club which meets on Sunday evenings.

The contacts made with town folks in choir work has been very pleasant.

Miss Miriam Rogers reports:

My work at Vashti is varied and interesting. I supervise the laundry, help with the cooking, have charge of athletics, take care of the girls in one of the dormitories on certain nights of the week, and sponsor the Senior Epworth League. I enjoy my League work most of all. The only trouble I have is that all seventy-five of my members want to be on the program every Sunday night.

Miss Katie Herndon reports:

From doctoring skinned knees to supervising cooking; from leading a devotional to supervising baths—these are "all in a day's work" for the matron of the Little Girls' Cottage. After five years of Wesley House work, this appointment presented quite a change. Yet, when it comes to the spiritual needs of these children, it is not so different, after all. Living with the children lays upon one an even greater responsibility. Being "mother" to thirteen little girls, who started life in different environments and all of whom are of such different temperaments, is quite a job, but, also, quite a challenge. It is a challenge that no one could begin to meet without seeking the help of our Heavenly Father and drawing upon his bountiful supply of patience, wisdom, and love. I am indeed thankful to have a part in shaping these characters into lives of useful Christian service.

FRENCH AND ITALIAN WORK

MacDonell French Mission School and Wesley Community House,
Houma, La.

Deaconesses Ella K. Hooper, Superintendent, reports:

Miss Wyche and her corps of workers completed a very successful year, and they all left for vacations or for other fields of service by August first, at which time the newly appointed workers began to come in to prepare for the new school session.

These new workers are all more peculiarly adapted to the particular line of work for which they have been chosen than is often the case, so the work prospers happily. One of them is a former student of MacDonell School, a high-school graduate who spent four years in college at Berry, preparing himself especially for the work as teacher of agriculture here. Several others are recent Scarritt graduates who bring the freshness and enthusiasm that one takes to his first field of service. Still others are experienced veterans with the wisdom and strength that comes only with experience. Altogether, since all are strongly dominated by the true spirit of Christ, they form an unusually able and happy group, and the work moves forward.

The great field in which we serve is slowly gathering new strength in the Christian life and ideals, and new communities, and new and ever wider opportunities, are opening up almost daily. The students of the school, and young people who have been students in former years, are already exerting a great influence and are forming the basis for a stronger work throughout the section.

The teachers of MacDonell School have been able this year to co-operate with the pastors and other agencies in getting some work started for "Louisiana's Three Thousand Indian Outcasts," many of whom live along the lower reaches of the bayous stretching from Houma to the Gulf.

These Indians of mixed breeds have been almost completely cut off from the things that make life worth while, and this small beginning of a work with them has brought great hope and eager gladness into their lives. We trust it is but the beginning of a new life for them.

Deaconess Elizabeth Covington reports:

There's music in the air at MacDonell School. The pianos are in use before breakfast each morning, and it is not unusual to hear the strains of a song coming from the laundry, kitchen, sewing-room, campus, field, or garden, where the students are busy with their varied duties.

In our school program each morning, there are singing classes where we learn those songs and hymns that can best meet the needs of a people who, for so long, have been isolated. When our students return to their homes, they carry with them the hymns that they have learned here, and through them the message of salvation, comfort, strength, joy, and peace reaches communities where, once, little was known of the abundant life which Jesus gives.

In our student body, I find those who have special musical talent and unusual qualities of leadership. It is my privilege to give piano lessons to these students, in the afternoons. It is hoped that these boys and girls will render a real contribution in the churches in their home communities by passing on the knowledge and inspiration that we are striving to give them.

While I am privileged to serve here in other capacities, I have mentioned only the one phase of my work through which I can best

give to the students in our school that joy in life which I crave for them.

Because these children are by nature musical, and because I love music, I find this a splendid field for service.

Deaconess Shiela Nuttall reports:

It was with a great deal of joy that I received my appointment to work in Louisiana, my home state. Little did I dream, when I visited MacDonell French Mission School several years ago, that I would return later as a worker. Although a Louisianian, I hardly realized that there was such a need in this state as that which I have observed since I came to the French field in September.

Even though my morning hours are spent with classes in English and Literature and part of each afternoon with an industrial group of boys at work in the school building, it is my privilege to associate with the girls in their recreational activities. Work with the Young People's Division of the Houma Church furnishes contacts with a larger group of young people outside the school.

And, oh, the challenge of the rural churches and the missionary societies! My Sunday mornings are spent teaching an adult class and helping with the work of one of our rural Sunday schools. The response of the children in this same community to the social and devotional meeting is encouraging and constitutes a great challenge to still further efforts to fill their hungry hearts so that they, too, may taste of the "abundant life" which Jesus wants them to have.

Deaconess Lillie J. Hendricks reports:

When I learned last spring of the large number of new workers appointed to MacDonell School I realized that the few "old" ones left would have a heavier responsibility than usual. I dreaded the change. But the new workers have adapted themselves so readily and are so interested in the work and have such a sweet spirit of co-operation that it is a pleasure and an inspiration to work with them.

We have not only the school work and all the many campus activities but a share, too, in the work of the churches and Sunday schools, both here in Houma and in the rural districts. And, oh, what a challenge these activities present! Until a few years ago the Bible was a closed book to many of the people with whom we work. They love its teachings and through its truths many are being led from darkness to light.

Sometimes we wish for greater and more rapid fruitage from our work, especially in our work with the pupils, but when we stop and look back, even a few years back, and see the great progress that has been made, we feel greatly encouraged. Every year a large number of new pupils become members of the Methodist church, fifteen this year, and throughout the years there is noticeable improvement in the lives of all the pupils.

As to the details there is no need for me to write, it would take too much time and space.

I am happy in this field of service.

Deaconess Ollie Willings reports:

When I received my appointment as a teacher to the MacDonell School I was asked where my missionary work would come in. Since living and working here these few months I can answer that question. It is all missionary work and offers a great challenge for real service. There cannot be a greater field than the one found here.

I count it a privilege to be numbered among the workers here. For many years I had prayed for a chance to work with boys and girls, to be able to help them and to make their lives happier and brighter.

I teach the fifth grade and have charge of the sewing class in the afternoon. Many of the girls sew real well. They make beautiful dresses and other garments, and it is a real joy to see their pleasure in being able to make their own clothes.

Sunday school and church work give me many close contacts with those outside of the school.

Deaconess Emma Vogel reports:

I am grateful for the blessing of health and strength and for the privilege of another year of service. That this year should be spent at the MacDonell French Mission School is another cause for gratitude.

The weeks and months pass quickly and the days seem all too short for the many tasks we like to do. When school opened in September my first object was to examine, weigh, and measure all the pupils and get acquainted with their needs. Clinic periods were arranged for both boys and girls and soon they began to come with scratches, bruises, cuts, boils, and other ailments, both real and imaginary. They are weighed and measured each month and many that were anemic and underweight at the beginning are strong and well now. Many have had to have the care of the dentist and other specialists.

In the fall there were a number of influenza cases and one accident resulting in a broken bone which required a great deal of care.

Inspection of the dormitories and some classes in hygiene belong to the school nurse also, and it is often my privilege to relieve other teachers so they can have time off for special meetings or trips.

Institutional Church, Kansas City, Mo.

Deaconess Elizabeth Taylor, Head Resident, reports:

In response to a request from the Provident Association, a little more than a year ago, we organized a Woman's Club, same meeting weekly.

The membership and attendance has steadily increased, and a marked improvement is noted both in the morale and general conduct of the club. The members assuming responsibility for the programs and welfare work, two or three layettes were made and some Red Cross sewing done.

Pictures by the Health Conservation and talks by civic and religious leaders vary the programs. A quarterly birthday party is a feature that is always enjoyed.

The women bring their children who frequently outnumber the mothers. The children are cared for by one of the workers, being entertained with games and stories. As they range in age from three years to thirteen years the ingenuity of the entertainer is put to a trying test, however, we are sure the effort is worth while, and rejoice in the privilege of bringing some cheer and hope into these restricted lives.

In a small measure the club has been a feeder to the church school, and will, we hope be the means of promoting religious and civic interest in the community.

We are happy to report a growing interest in the work and development of the church school, and a decided increase in church attendance. Our pastor has instituted and directed a personal evan-

gelistic campaign that has resulted in an increase in membership, and a vital spiritual development of the entire membership.

Deaconess Dorothy Dodd, Girls' Worker, reports:

We are most grateful to our heavenly Father for those who have made the great decision for the Christ. A few Sundays ago our hearts were all aglow as we saw one family come forward for communion, and then we thought of what the wife had said: "Oh, you don't know how glad I am that we can all go to church together—my husband formerly would say to me, 'you may go whenever you care to, but I will not go to church with you'—and now he wants to come, and it is just because your pastor wouldn't give up. He just kept coming—and you workers just kept coming. It is just because you were so interested that you finally got his consent to make the surrender."

Visitation evangelism has paid 100 per cent. I believe it does mean so much to people to have the people from the church visit with them.

Our Christmas Pageant was a bit different this year, but it carried the Christmas Message in story and song just the same.

Our Italian Mothers and Young Girls' Club is soon to celebrate its twentieth anniversary. It is interesting to see four generations in two families, who sometimes attend.

In our Daily Vacation Bible School we used along with the Bible stories a continued story of Pilgrim's Progress; which the boys and girls enjoyed very much.

Our Joy-Makers' Club presented a play in January, together with some of the Italian folk songs.

There is an interesting group of young people, who meet the first Sunday afternoon of each month. This group is our young people from various churches, who are interested in definite Life Service, either at home or abroad. We have had the best of speakers and inspiring programs each time. As the Easter season comes we are asking that we will help someone to know Him as their personal Savior, that on Easter someone will say of us, "And she brought me to Jesus."

Deaconess Lillian Addison, Boys' Worker, reports:

The whistle sounds and the game is on. Yes, basket ball is quite an important feature of Boy's Work in Institutional Church. Four teams have played basket ball in leagues this year. They have not won all of their games, but they have played the game well.

The scene changes. The air is balmy, overhead is the blue sky—this must be the season of baseball. So goes the Boys' Work here, as the season changes, even so does the sports of the boys.

A sense of joy wells up in my being—a joy of being permitted to work in our Father's vineyard in this most fruitful of fields, with the very flower of manhood.

To best balance the life of a Boys' Worker some other task is undertaken. To me this task and joy is in the form of Girl Scouts and girls' baseball and basket ball teams. It is amazing to see the life of each girl unfold something beautiful and fine under a stiff Scout régime, for if they live up as they try to, to Scout laws, they will obey God and help people at all times.

Deaconess Martina Hyde, Children's Worker, reports:

"Feed my lambs"—I am happy the Lord has led me into the fields where His little lambs are so hungry and thirsty after righteousness, and has given me the blessed opportunity to help feed them, not only

on physical food, but the bread of life. It is wonderful to see how eagerly they listen to the stories of their shepherd, and with what sincerity they talk to Him in our little prayer service in the morning before they leave the nursery to go to school. They love to sing their praises to Him, and especially do they love to sing "The Old Rugged Cross" and "He Arose."

Our Sunshine Club, composed of children from two to sixteen years old, is having great fun in planning interesting activities for a child in an orphan's home who truly is an orphan, which we found out had only two friends and no relatives of any kind, interested in her. They hope to bring much sunshine into her life this year, for the children have learned to serve Him, not only in word and tongue but in deed and truth.

GULF COAST WORK

Moore Community House, Biloxi, Miss.

Deaconesses Sallie Ellis and Sophie Kuntz report:

We feel very happy over the progress which we feel has been made in our community during the past year. We have been able to serve more people than ever before through the regular program of work and also through the various calls which have come to us. The club work has grown especially among the young people and older women, who show a greater appreciation for the Community House than ever before. We have reached many new families through the community gardens which we started and are sponsoring with the co-operation of several organizations and interested friends in the city. There was no space for gardens around the camps where so many of our people live, and during this time of little or no work they were having to depend on charity for food supplies. A two-acre field was loaned to us by Mrs. Dacy, one of our Methodist women, and divided into twenty plots. Since then more ground has been secured and forty families have been helped in this way. We are also encouraged about our little church—there are signs of growth in all of its departments. Although small it is even now self-supporting, and the future holds promise of developing a strong substantial congregation that will be a power in this community. The Woman's Missionary Society is enthusiastic and working, and this year overpaid its pledge.

Wesley Community House, Biloxi, Miss.

Deaconess Susie Mitchell, Head Resident, reports:

As I look back over the past year's work I find but little of special interest to record yet the days have been filled with commonplace duties.

This has been a very hard winter for our community as the factories have not worked even half time. We had an early fall and late spring and the coldest winter the coast has experienced in years. The unusually cold weather caused an epidemic of influenza followed by measles, mumps, and chicken pox. Our car was a great blessing in getting the sick to and from the hospital and to the doctor's office for treatment.

There has been an increase in all the clubs. The enrolment at the opening session of the sewing school more than doubled the enrolment last year and we had to close the enrolment the second session for lack of volunteer teachers, though we have more help than we had last year and what we lack in quantity they make up in quality and faithfulness.

Our three weeks' Daily Vacation Bible School was well attended and much enjoyed by all. I have never known children who were quite so fond of stories. You can hold the attention of even the restless junior boys with a story and the Bible stories are all new to them.

This fall in the little story hour club I told the story of the baby Moses, and to my surprise only three of the children could tell me the name of this baby, and these three were children who attend our Sunday school. They had never heard the story of David before. So I added more Bible stories to our list of stories for this group yet all these children attend the parochial school.

Besides being superintendent of our Sunday school I have a class of intermediate boys and girls which I am enjoying very much.

The many boxes of supplies and clothing sent us by the faithful women of the Mississippi Conference have helped so much in the work, and we do appreciate the fact that they remember their work here, even though they have so many needy ones at their door.

Deaconess Katherine Arnold reports:

My work this year has been somewhat different from that of last year since I have divided my time between the Wesley House and the Moore Community House. It has been interesting, and I have enjoyed becoming acquainted with the people of the two communities.

At Wesley House I have continued my work with the young people, both in clubs and church. These are distinct groups since those coming through the week are strongly Catholic and do not attend our church services. Each club, however, is opened with a little devotional at which we sing our own church songs and this is greatly enjoyed by all. Most of the girls of the foreign groups drop out of school quite early to go to work in the factories, so our program for them is largely recreational, combined with the teaching of simple sewing and embroidery.

Our church group is now organized into a Young People's Division and has the charter. Attendance at both Sunday school and League has increased and five of them did credit work in a Christian Culture Course this fall. This is encouraging, and it is our prayer that the young people of this community who have so much to overcome in the development of Christian character may soon come to experience in their own lives the dynamic power of the risen Christ.

Deaconess Sarah K. Lowder reports:

"The reward for service is greater service," this has been my experience this past year, since I have become better acquainted with the people and the community. My duties have been many and varied, but my club work has been more with the children.

Someone has said, "We cannot teach until we reach," so realizing the truth of this statement, I have visited in the homes of many where I have learned to know them and their needs, and I trust the words spoken and the truths taught will yield an abundant harvest. Two strikes, low wages, and unemployment have caused many hardships, but these difficulties have been largely met and remedied by the co-operation of the Red Cross and Federal Relief organizations. Through the library department we have loaned 272 books; the fishermen occasionally ask for books and magazines to take out with them on their long boat trips.

My club work for the boys has consisted of a Junior Scout Club for boys ten and eleven years; and one for boys, eight and nine years of age, known as the Golden Rule Club. In the Scout Club, we have stressed qualities that make for good citizenship. At Christmas, be-

sides making gifts for their parents, they make post-card puzzles for a crippled children's hospital; at Easter they bought a lily for the church service, afterward giving it to a patient, whom we knew at the hospital.

I have had a sewing class of small girls, who seem much interested in making doll quilts. The story-hour group consists of the younger boys and girls, who are entertained with stories and folk games one afternoon a week. Miss Mitchell assists me with this group.

We have one hundred and thirty-six enrolled in our Children's Department for the Sunday school; this includes twenty-four in the Nursery Department. I have been ably helped by three young people from our little mission church who live in the community and know the children. At Christmas the children gave a scrapbook, which they had made, to a ward of crippled colored children in a hospital. They also helped with the white Christmas service given at the church.

Immigrant Port Work, Galveston, Tex.

Rev. J. E. Reifschneider, Port Missionary, reports:

The past year has afforded abundant opportunity for service as my report shows. The official United States immigration record shows that during the past fiscal year 1,957 vessels engaged in foreign trade arrived at ports in this district, and were boarded and inspected. Of this number, 1,070 came direct from foreign ports, while 887 arrived coastwise. The total number of seamen employed on above vessels was 73,882, of whom 56,337 were aliens, and 17,545 were American citizens. The total number of passengers on arriving vessels, including American citizens, was 1,190; excluded, 31 (mostly stowaways); deported, 907, from the Galveston district, 618; other districts sent 289; 109 aliens subject to deportation were allowed to return voluntarily; 43 aliens not subject to deportation were deported because of destitute circumstances. Forty-three foreign passenger vessels arrived, and 38 foreign passenger vessels departed during the past fiscal year. The Galveston immigration district embraces all Texas seaports. My statistical report for 1932 is as follows: Called at office on business or visit, 603; calls for work and help wanted, 197; work found, 45; visits to police station, 13; visits to the county jail, 92; special cases and investigations, 159; visits to foreign consuls for passports, etc., 25; visits and calls to United Charities, 35; assisted in getting naturalization papers, 14; telephone calls, information, etc., 317; letters and documents read and translated, 117; interpreter in United States hearings, etc., 57; visits to courthouse with aliens, etc., 14; assisted stranded aliens, etc., 48; visits and calls to the Y. W. C. A., 12; visits to the sick in jail, hospitals, etc., 57; marriages, 3; burials, 3; alien funds handled, \$3,597.35.

This closes my twenty-fourth year at this port. It is gratifying to report that our association with the United States Immigration Service officials, consuls for foreign countries, local officials of the city, representatives of railway and steamship interests, also the two local Methodist Missionary Societies from this city have co-operated most cordially at all times with us. We have had a good year, and with grateful hearts we thank God for whatever good he has been able to accomplish through us.

INDUSTRIAL WORK

Coal Fields, Bradshaw, Va.

Deaconess Cornelia Godbey reports:

The past year has been one of progress for our work in Bradshaw, and we have every reason for which to "thank God and take courage."

During the year a comfortable, commodious house has been built by the Council for our work in this community, and for eight months we have been living and working in it.

This building has added new impetus to our work. Indeed, we had gone just as far as we could under the old conditions.

Our attendance at all services, preaching, Sunday school, Epworth League, and other organizations has almost doubled during the past year, and we now have a fairly settled congregation.

The outlook is very encouraging, and we are praying for and looking forward to a better day in this most needy field.

Coal Fields, Kimball, W. Va.

Miss Emma V. Johnson reports:

The year 1932 marked a growth along several lines here, for which I am truly grateful.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was one of the best we have ever had. We had a temperance course; and when the closing program was given, a helpful playlet, "The Trial of the Cigarette," was given in a very effective way by a group of boys and girls.

In connection with the Bible School the pastor conducted a daily Bible study for adults each afternoon.

I have never had the privilege of working with a more active group of women than we have in our Mothers' Club. They are always ready to respond in any helpful way. They did their share of sewing for the Red Cross during the year. They sponsored the second annual community fair held here in September.

Our young people are very active and have done some splendid work. Carswell led in the largest number of credits received at the Young People's Institute held at Welch in April.

It is a real joy to work with the children here. For three years the Boys and Girls World Club has been on the Conference Honor Roll. Among the children we have four junior girls who are really gifted in music and sing together a great deal. Quite often they are invited to sing at safety meetings and for various special programs.

Our Missionary Society is new yet, only having been organized the latter part of the year 1931. For a small group, they have done splendid work, and there has been a steady growth.

This is a section where there is a mixture of denominations. This usually creates a problem more or less, but they do work together in a fine spirit of co-operation here.

There has been an increase in the interest of our Girl Scout work. I enjoy this work very much, as I have always enjoyed hiking and other outdoor activities.

There is a large troop of Boy Scouts here under the leadership of the local school principal. There was a troop of Boy Scouts here several years ago, but the work had gone down; so I had been trying ever since coming to locate a leader and get the work started again. I was indeed glad when this was realized.

There has been relief work to do, but not as much as in many other places, as work has kept up here reasonably well.

There has been an increased interest in practically all the services, but especially has there been a growing interest in the cottage prayer meetings. It used to be difficult to get the consent of homes for these services, but in 1932 there seemed to be a great change. Several parents, who at one time accepted Christ but had grown cold, became interested, renewed their allegiance to Him, and have become active in Christian work. Some of these reconsecrations have been in the cot-

tage prayer meetings. It is no problem now to find homes with open doors for these services; there are always many invitations ahead.

It is with mingled regret and gratitude that I look back over the past year: regret for the lost opportunities, mistakes, and failures, but with a deep sense of gratitude for having had even a small part in helping reveal Christ in this section where the need for him is great.

Wesley House, Big Sandy, W. Va.

Deaconess Evelyn Waddell, Head Resident, and Deaconess Cora Lee Glenn report:

The economic condition of our section has grown steadily worse throughout the year, and it has been necessary to distribute Red Cross clothing and government flour to a large number of our families.

We had five Daily Vacation Bible Schools with very good attendance and much interest. We had our second school with the colored people at Fall River, and this year we used two colored teachers.

Three new Boys and Girls World Clubs have been organized. One of these is in connection with our Sunday school up Princess Hollow, and another is held in the schoolhouse up Hensley Hollow, where there is no Sunday school or church services of any kind.

At Christmas we had five pageants and several socials. Bags containing toys, sent to us in boxes, fruit, and candy were sent to the homes of the Story Hour children for their Santa Claus treat—the only one most of those children received.

The Woman's Club of Big Sandy has done splendid work. The devotionals, the study of the Book of Acts, have been quite interesting and helpful, and several quilts have been made. These are to be used by the women themselves, since they are needed in the homes.

The Epworth Leagues in the various churches have grown in interest and attendance, and are meaning much to the young people of these communities.

During the summer a revival was held at Big Sandy. Several additions were made to the church, and these are meaning much to the spiritual life of this camp.

In the last two months we have been helping to get the R. F. C. work lined up so that our men might find employment. More than two hundred are now being given work, and this is relieving the economic situation for the present.

Unemployment among our people has resulted in the lowering of moral standards. There are so many broken homes, children born out of wedlock, and so many couples living together without marriage.

How our people do need the gospel of Jesus Christ; for, after all, the greatest need is spiritual!

Kentucky Coal Fields, Neon, Ky.

Deaconess Pattie L. Allen reports:

The following work is being carried on in Neon and nearby communities, and has been made possible through the co-operation of the good women of the Kentucky Conference, assisted by the Methodist pastors in this section and the deaconess who was sent by the Council to the Kentucky coal fields.

The week before Christmas the attendance at the several Sunday schools showed:

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| Fleming-Neon, number present. | 115 |
| Seco | 147 |
| Kona | 138 |
| Millstone | 62 |

Half of the time of the deaconess is spent in the Neon community and half in Seco and nearby camps. At both of these places we have distributing centers for second-hand clothing. This is how and where we use the contents of the boxes sent. The women of the Missionary Society at these two points assist in the work.

The Fleming-Neon Church, which formerly conducted services in the high-school building, has recently established itself on the main street in Neon, and now has a comfortable auditorium of its own, in which regular services are held. A part of the building has been converted into "General Utility Quarters," where various activities of the Children's Division of the church are carried on, meetings of the Missionary Society held, and is also used as a storeroom for clothing and supplies. Plans are being made to open a reading room—we are trying to get together good books and periodicals and operate a community library. We expect to make this somewhat of a recreational center in as far as our space and means will permit.

Assuring you that what your auxiliary has sent us has been appreciated and put to good use, and with an earnest request for an interest in your prayers, we wish for your society a new year of service in God's Kingdom.

Wesley House, Picher, Okla.

Deaconess Lois Tinsley reports:

Arriving in September, I found the little house still bearing the name, but in reality no longer a Wesley House. Although four blocks from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, it might well be termed the social rooms of the church; for the adults, young people, and children have the most of their social activities in it, while the deaconess boards in a private home near by.

Girl Reserves, Boy Scouts, and athletics are well organized and sponsored by the teachers of the junior and senior high schools and the pastors of both Methodist Churches. The Senior League also has a school-teacher as sponsor for its devotional meetings, but come to the Wesley House for the parties.

The Hi-Leaguers were promoted last summer. The boys and girls of Hi-League age like the World Club so well they refuse to be promoted. This club has all of its meetings at the Wesley House one week day after school. The members come from the two public schools and the junior high. They represent five different churches. They come as eagerly for the programs as to the parties. Interest is increasing all the time.

The primary group meets on Saturday, so that they can have time for games as well as the missionary program each time. Different Missionary Societies of the Oklahoma Conference have sent us bags of pop corn and pecans so that we can have a treat nearly every time.

The Woman's Missionary Society of our church and the Delphian Woman's Club meet twice a month each at the Wesley House.

The family social life of the church is provided for by the Men's Club which was organized last spring. The Wesley House is too small for these gatherings, but the deaconess is an integral part of them and lends all the Wesley House dishes for such occasions, whether they are given at the church or by the bank of a stream.

I have continued to give one morning a week to relief work as Miss Peeples had been doing the year before. With the money and the boxes from the Missionary Societies I have been able to supplement the flour and cloth from the government, provide medicine and delicacies for the sick, fuel and groceries to widows with children during freezing weather, tablets and pencils by the dozens and a few books to school

children, thread and soap as well as a dozen Christmas baskets and small gifts for the Club children.

I find my greatest joy and devote the most of my time in visiting in the homes. I visit for the church, the Sunday school, clubs, and the sick. Although many are very indifferent to the church, all give me a hearty welcome to their homes, and the Sunday school has almost doubled in regular attendance.

Picher is in the extreme northeastern part of Oklahoma in the center of the lead and zinc mining district of Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Early last fall a new mill was built to take care of the ore from the many mines, which are now operating full time. Work conditions are better than they have been for two years or more. There is an abundance of mission work to be done, for the people have given but little time or thought to their spiritual life. Judging from what those who have lived here a number of years say, there is less friction and backbiting and more harmony and co-operation in our church than there has been since it was first organized. There is also more brotherly feeling between the several different denominations. The Lord is good and greatly to be praised.

Coal Fields, Amherstdale, W. Va.

Deaconesses Fannie Bame and Margaret Cornett report:

Our people here in the coal camps have felt the effects of the economic crises through which we have been passing. Many of them have been restless and have sought relief for their feelings through an emotional type of religion.

We have co-operated with the Red Cross and other organizations to provide the physical necessities of life. We have worked through the church and its organizations and through personal contacts to help build up the moral and spiritual life of these people.

During the summer months we conducted four Vacation Bible Schools—three for white children and one for colored children. During the school year we have worked in four public schools—two white and two colored.

The children and young people and some older people of the community have been provided with good literature through our library and the magazines given us by friends.

Hemphill Community House, Hemphill, W. Va.

Deaconess Hyda Heard, Head Resident, and Deaconess Erlene Taylor, Club Worker, report:

One cannot put into words the real significance of Christian influence on an individual or in a community. When the seed of the Kingdom is sown, time alone will reveal the growing and reaping.

There were many encouraging features about the work here during the past year, mainly the gracious revival that took place in one of our churches. About forty people were taken into the church, and most of them were Epworth Leaguers.

Two Boys and Girls World Clubs were organized and are continuing to grow in membership and interest.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was one of the best we have had, and fine co-operation was given by the volunteer helpers.

As we had done in the past, our two Sunday schools observed Christmas in the spirit of giving. We had the white gifts service. One Sunday school made a cash donation to the Holston Orphanage, and the other made a contribution of groceries to the Salvation Army.

Through the various organizations—the Sunday school, Epworth

Leagues, Missionary Societies, church services, prayer meetings, Boys and Girls World Clubs, Girl Reserve group, and in home visitation—there are contacts with people that give an opportunity for sowing seed that will bring an abundant harvest.

As we look back over the year 1932 we are indeed grateful to our Master for the small part that we have had in his work and for his blessings upon us.

Coal Fields, War, W. Va.

Mrs. Tommie Z. Moore, Head Resident, reports:

As I look back over the work of 1932 I see that the work was very similar to 1931, but with a marked increase in growth, in the Mothers' Club, in interest and attendance. My work is largely with the underprivileged. I also work with the Sunday school, Missionary Society, and civic organizations. We had a very good Bible school in June with an enrolment of 110 and an average attendance of 98. We gave out a number of Bibles and Testaments for perfect attendance and memory work done.

I can truly say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Deaconess Mary Carpenter reports:

I am thankful for the challenging place in which we serve. I am thankful, too, for the many experiences I have been privileged to share and for those I have received from the people here in War and from other places around War. I am also thankful for the contacts I have been able to make among the foreign people here and to find out how fine and splendid they really are.

I came to War the latter part of August. My first impressions were good and favorable. My first work, however, was to get acquainted with the young people, to familiarize myself with the general situation, and to find out the best I could the needs of the people.

The young people's work as a whole is very encouraging, but there is much yet to be accomplished. I am praying, however, for a genuine revival among the young people, that they may realize what is best for their lives, and to be able to claim the community for Christ in daily living.

Community Center, Hopewell, Va.

Deaconess Grace Driver reports:

Opportunities for real service were never greater than during the year just passed because of the need of friendship's best gift, the understanding heart and the willing spirit to serve.

Our little house has tried to render that type of service in the contacts made through your worker with various groups and individuals. My work has been done mainly with the young people of the Sunday school and League, directing their programs of worship and recreation for both the intermediates and young people.

Opportunities for personal talks with our boys and girls have come to me when they have been to the house for games, books, or an hour of music. We may talk of their personal problems or the standards of life.

Tennis and croquet are our popular games during the spring and summer—seventy-five boys and girls used the court last season. Indoor tennis and other games for the house gave amusement for the winter months. We love to sing and have spent many hours happily just singing.

I will mention a few of our "big" occasions. Last year in June we gave a "regular" banquet to the young people's department. Thirty-four plates were served (a good-sized dinner for our limited space).

At the close of our tennis tournament in August we gave a party for all participants.

Another lovely affair was the valentine dinner party given at the church. Our theme for the evening was "Have a Heart." The thought was developed through the course of the dinner by music and talks—have a heart: for music, for work, for play, for love, for worship. Many comments were: "This is the nicest thing we have ever had."

Christmas parties and programs were directed and included the White Gift service in the Sunday school, the young people's evening service of song and story, and the party following in the week.

Early Christmas morning, with three of our girls, I went to the Girls' Club to sing carols and lead the devotions and take breakfast with the girls.

On a recent Sunday evening our young people gave a play, "World-Builders, in observance of Anniversary Day. Our Sunday evenings after church at our house are very happy times, when an hour of fellowship, a bite to eat, and some good songs close the day. And always in my heart is this prayer: Help me to make Christ the Center of all life in the midst of these young friends.

OTHER INDUSTRIES

Methodist Settlement Home, Montgomery, Ala.

Deaconess Bessie Bunn, Head Resident, reports:

The organization of the Bible classes for the men and women, Epworth League, and Vacation Bible School has given a different tone to our place. More programs have been undertaken, men and boys showing such a willingness to take part.

A barbecue dinner, undertaken to raise money for the pastor and House, was quite a success, clearing \$48, made possible by the co-operation of all in the community.

The enthusiasm of the mothers in their memory work and faithful attendance deserves special mention. The picnic in June, given by the City Mission Board to our people, helped many to forget about the depression as they sat down to the feast prepared for them, and also enjoyed the many privileges of the Park so graciously granted to them.

Christmas brought new hope and cheer. A beautiful program was rendered, after which old Santa distributed gifts for all. In addition, needy families found their pantries refilled by some "Good Samaritan."

We have battled with poverty, sin, and distress, and e'en the Death Angel upon us has pressed, yet through it all, being guided by His Divine will, our faith has grown stronger and God's love more real.

Centenary Methodist Institute, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Berta Ellison, Head Resident, reports:

In order to conform to a budget at least two thousand dollars smaller than that of last year, some changes had to be made. After consideration by the committee, the following activities were dropped: kindergarten, clinics held by Centenary nurse, and the Goodwill Industries. The latter has been placed under a nonsectarian board; it

has been moved to a building where there is room enough and to spare near the business district; new life has been infused into it, as a desperate effort has been made to meet the problems of the unemployed. Three district nurses under the Board of Health use our clinic rooms and equipment for their clinics as well as general headquarters. A study has been conducted by one of the sociology classes at Scarritt, which, it is hoped, will help in determining just what kind of activity will fill the large need in the life of the pre-school child in the community.

So the work here now is altogether what is called character building—to me character growth and development more nearly describes it. There is a department for boys under the direction of the Nashville Boys' Club, a department for girls, and a department for adults which includes young people too.

The enrolment this year has been large, interest in the groups has been sustained as indicated by good average attendance, co-operation with outside agencies has grown by leaps and bounds, volunteer workers have rendered splendid service, and two boards, one furnishing finances, the other, direction, have stood loyal to the work. In spite of many handicaps the year has been good.

Deaconess Mary Lou Barnwell, Director of Girls' Work, reports:

Coming to Centenary brought me a great thrill, accompanied by a keen sense of responsibility and the biggest challenge I've ever faced. The fact of having plenty of room for clubs is such a joy, but since getting organized we find that there is no room to spare, after all. Every room serves its purpose with groups in action almost continuously. As in all Settlements, there are clubs for the spiritual, educational, cultural, physical, and social development of the girls. Among the most popular are home-making, home-decorating, etiquette, and dramatics. These are made most practical in order to meet the real needs of our girls and help them to develop into strong Christian characters, sowing seeds of love and service as they go about their daily living. More than five hundred girls from our community enrolled in these groups during the fall quarter, and it is my prayer that as we come in contact with these girls we may help them "face life squarely"—"to find and give the best," and to have in their hearts the joy and peace that come from knowing and serving our Heavenly Father.

Deaconess Willia Duncan, Director of Adult Department, reports:

A great challenge and a new experience came to me in September when I was initiated into Settlement work at Centenary. To me was assigned the task of directing the Adult Department. An attempt was made to place the programs on an educational basis. We used such projects as develop skill with the hands, and at the same time the groups have been led into richer experiences by the consecrated volunteer helpers from several of the city churches.

We have a splendid group of Industrial Girls who meet with us twice a week. Monday evening is spent in designing patterns and sewing. The Friday evening groups are interested in athletics. The unemployed women were invited to join a nutrition class and a woman's club. In spite of the fact that the nutrition class met on Monday morning at nine o'clock, sixty-five were enrolled. The demonstrations were practical. All were anxious for new recipes, which were put into daily use. Eighty-five were enrolled in the woman's club with an average attendance of sixty. As these women came in contact with the leaders their burdens and cares seemed to

vanish, their faces lighted with the glow of the Spirit to the extent that one was impressed with the fact that to them this was indeed a haven of rest and refreshment to the soul. Truly Centenary offers a great opportunity for service. My prayer is that we may lead all who come under our influence into a great knowledge of the Christ.

East Bottoms Community Center, Kansas City, Mo.

Deaconess Frances Howard, Head Resident, reports:

Since making my last report twelve months have been added to the five as first reported; therefore I feel that perhaps I have something more tangible to report about.

As soon as I could make my adjustments after arriving in this community, investigations proved to me that I had a large field to serve; and, as I was the only resident worker, with ever increasing duties, I found myself wishing that I had either been born twins or triplets.

In the fall of 1931 when I arrived in Kansas City, the Missouri Conference appointed another elder for the Kansas City District, and at our first Quarterly Conference I had the privilege of participating in the meeting. One of the statements he made impressed me; for he, too, was beginning to realize the bigness of his task. He said: "Since coming to Kansas City I have wished many times that I had been born twins or triplets." Well, to make a long story short, it was through the influence of this elder that Garland Avenue Church has, for the first time in many years, a part-time pastor. This community has been unshepherded for many years; therefore, in the short time he has been with us, there is a marked difference in all departments of the church, especially the church attendance and the increase in membership.

In regard to our community program much progress has been made, especially since last fall. There seems to be two decided reasons for this growth—e.g., members of the Board made it possible for us to move into larger quarters, a much larger building better adapted for the work. This also gives us a five-room apartment on the second floor, making an ideal situation. It is comfortably furnished, and we are most grateful to the Board for looking after our material needs.

Last May when appointments were made, East Bottoms received another worker, much to the joy of all concerned in the work. Now I am convinced that my wish has come true; because when there was once only one worker, now there are three (including our pastor).

One of the outstanding features of our program is the Week-Day Church School which was established last fall after I came here. At that time two grades were released from the public school for this religious instruction. Beginning last fall, two additional grades were added, and at the first of the new year one more was added, making a total of five grades, with an enrolment of 135 children, which means we have about 75 per cent of the school enrolment in these five grades.

The Sunday school records show that our Sunday school attendance has increased twofold, and we attribute this interest to the Week-Day Church School, because we found upon investigation a large percentage of children not being reached by any church. The children like the Week-Day Church School; therefore, through this program, they have a desire to attend Sunday school. With the program of the Vacation Bible School and Week-Day Church School some 175 children have received religious instruction. We are looking forward and shall not be satisfied until we have the entire enrolment of the public school in our community receiving religious instruction.

It is a real joy to have the privilege of working under this Mission Board; the moral support that comes from this governing group is most gratifying. Together with the splendid co-operation of Institutional Church and other organizations, it has made it possible for us to carry on a most constructive program.

Surely God has richly blessed us, and we offer up our praises to him.

Deaconess Pearlye Maye Kelley, Club Worker, reports:

Kansas City is a lovely place in which to work. There are so many progressive organizations in the city that one may link their work on to and work with that it tremendously strengthens one's efforts. And another asset I have found is the agreeable people one works for and with here.

I am as yet so new that I hardly know what I have accomplished except that my own life has been greatly enriched. I am so happy and have enjoyed so much being privileged to serve my Master in the capacity of a deaconess. I covet your prayers that I may live and give my best.

Ensley Community House, Ensley, Ala.

Deaconess Dorothy L. Crim, Head Resident, reports:

As we think of the past year, judging by the many demands made upon us of all natures, we must realize that the House is a very great asset to the community. To the extent that we have lifted up Christ and his principles, to that extent have we succeeded in giving to our neighbors the thing they most greatly need.

The vast amount of unemployment in this industrial center is the cause of lowered ideals and aspirations. Often hope has entirely fled, and it has been ours to give a sympathetic understanding and to interpret needs from a first-hand knowledge to the outside and in turn the limit of the outside resources to our people. We have tried to cheer and inspire against all the problems that present themselves at this time. The situation has often been chaotic, and often it has been ours to inspire today, tomorrow, and the day after. The request for assistance and demands upon our time have sometimes been almost greater than we could endure. The House attendance has been 118,307, greater than any previous year.

The Park and Recreational Board placed a man upon our playground to direct sport and fair play for men and older boys. The House has been used faithfully for entertainment, to which the whole family has been invited, which was sometimes given by the neighborhood, sometimes by outside entertainment. Two orchestras and one band have used the House for practices, and often given beautiful and inspiring music to large gatherings.

The Red Cross Family Relief has furnished the House with labor for daily cleaning, etc. The Placement Bureau has sent us carpenters, electricians, and plumbers at their expense as we needed such.

A large part of August was spent by our Mothers' Club in canning soup mixture for the Red Cross and our own kindergarten. It would be difficult to find an organization that is better attended and helped its members more spiritually and intellectually than our Mothers' Club of sixty-five.

The great joy of our work culminates in the Bible School held four weeks in the summer. Our enrolment was 157 with 99 per cent of attendance, about one-third Catholic and six other creeds, representing six nationalities.

With the Community House and St. Luke Methodist Church, an outgrowth of the House, there is the closest co-operation and spirit.

Deaconess Alaska Terry, Girls' Worker, reports:

In the sewing department the girls over twelve years meet; they cut and make dresses, stitching on machines. Out of the twenty-five there are seventeen girls whose families are on Red Cross. Instead of churches and organizations doing the sewing for these girls, the Red Cross was asked that dress material be given to them and that same be made with supervision at the Community House. The other division (girls from six to twelve) are making towels, panties, and petticoats, something which each can use and which is essential.

One of the older Scouts last summer assisted in the Clinic; two helped in Red Cross canning; two received Scoutships for a week each at Camp Gertrude Coleman. Four girls have gotten five merit badges each; one, four merit badges.

The most enthusiastic Scouts are those who came from the Brownie group. Since September they have passed their tenderfoot and most of their second class requirements. They have made a baby layette in scouting. The patterns used are approved by the Maternity Health Center, of New York, and are being demonstrated at Mothers' Clubs by the Birmingham Health Department.

Miss Lucy Carlton, Boys' Worker, reports:

Boys from the age of six up belong to our woodwork clubs—Young Carpenters, Fair Players, Square Dealers, and Growing Americans, story-telling, and clubs. As a whole the boys have done good work. These boys are wide-awake, ready for work and play. Each boy as a whole has done good work, completing his project before beginning another.

Our main purpose in boys' work is not only to interest them in good health, to teach them to be skilful with tools, accurate in thinking, be loyal, and to do the work in clubbing, but most of all to become active Christians. Through these clubs we hope to introduce Christ to our boys. Then, and only then, will they be in a position to live complete lives. I have a class of some of these boys in my St. Luke Sunday school class.

Mr. Leon Yeilding, Playground and Senior Boys' Worker, reports:

The boys' work this year has been divided into three groups, club-room being used in cold weather. Here we play quiet games, listen to the radio, tell stories, and read. The playground is used for active games, such as football, basket ball, etc. The third group is the Boy Scouts. These boys do everything any troop does. Our troop has been to camp for a week and on one hike every week. As old members move away new ones replace them after passing the required tests. All the troop goes to some Sunday school. Those who are Protestant are in my class at St. Luke's Methodist Church, located two blocks west of Ensley Community House.

Mrs. Ann Kron, Kindergartner, reports:

In our Kindergarten, with double promotion, we have 108 children enrolled, representing 98 families, with average attendance of 52. These 98 families have been kept posted and in close contact with kindergarten and Community House. We strive by constant visiting to ascertain the child's moral and physical needs. If mother or teacher is having difficulty with the child, we try to discover the cause and

together work out a plan for correction. Practically all are having their clothing supplemented in order to enable them to attend school. When our clinic doctors recommend correction of physical defects, we get the consent of the parents and aid them in making these corrections.

The children's homes have been very disorganized with nearly all of the fathers out of work, so we have felt the children needed especial emphasis on working happily, regularly, and systematically. With this in mind, we tried unusually hard to have the children do everything possible for themselves. They do enjoy caring for the plants and animals, getting out and putting away their own materials, setting the table, and serving the lunch.

Our clinic doctors were happily surprised at the good physical condition these children have been able to maintain during these times. One child found to be anemic is given extra milk at the daily lunch served to all.

In sharing work and learning to be good sports in play and forming good habits of conduct and health, we feel that our children are being truly and happily socialized.

METHODIST DORMITORIES

Kirby Hall, Austin, Tex.

Mrs. B. R. Beeler, Director, and Mrs. C. F. Yeager, Business Manager, report:

At the opening of the University this year Kirby Hall opened with sixty-three students. We feel the economic conditions of the country kept us from having as great a number as usual.

We have had a splendid year, our girls seem happy, and we have some of the brightest girls in the University.

We have been able to meet all of our financial obligations.

We strive in every way to help the girls in their spiritual life and to know Christ in a real way.

Hendrix Hall, Columbia, Mo.

Mrs. Elizabeth Beam, Director, reports:

As I have been at Hendrix Hall only since June 8, 1932, my report will be incomplete. The summer term was on the eve of opening when I arrived; and, although new reservations kept coming in for a week after school opened, we still had three double rooms vacant through the summer. This was due largely to the low enrolment in the school, as all housing units on the campus suffered losses compared with previous summers. The students in Hendrix worked strenuously and long hours, as almost half of them were in the graduate school; and at the end of the summer fourteen women received degrees, half of them being Bachelor's and half Master's degrees.

As the religious organizations of the University had arranged services at the Missouri Methodist Church for each Sunday afternoon and on the campus each Sunday night, with worth-while speakers and good music, there was a good attendance from the Hall; and many went to church at the Methodist Church Sunday mornings, although we had nine different faiths represented among the students. Social life was very quiet during the summer, there being three brief gatherings of about one hour each; but, as they had been carefully planned, they seemed to serve the purpose.

School opened in September with a much lower enrolment than for many years, and Hendrix suffered in proportion, having only fifty

girls. Again we find most of the girls not Methodists, as we have ten denominations represented, with the Presbyterians leading in numbers. Leaders of the different denominations have been invited to the Hall for dinner to meet the girls, so they may have personal contact with people of their own faith. Devotions are held in the morning between breakfast and the first classes, and usually an informal "singing" on Sunday morning led by the girls.

As social life on the Missouri University campus is dominated by the Pan-Hellenic group, there has been nothing of that kind in Hendrix except very informal parties by the girls alone on two different occasions during this first semester. We have a number of sorority girls living in the Hall who have made their social contacts with their own organizations, and the others depend on University activities for diversion.

An epidemic of flu was a disturbing agency during late November and all of December, and many of the girls lost a great deal of time from their work. However, as we near the end of the first semester and are in the midst of final examinations, there seems to be little evidence of failure in work. This is partly accounted for by there having been a study hall established which is chaperoned by members of the House Council, which has jurisdiction over the activities of the Hall.

The building was put in perfect condition during the interim between summer school and fall term and presented a most beautiful picture to all those coming in for the regular school year, and is always admired by visitors from other houses on the campus as well as people from out of town.

We are hoping to make Hendrix Hall a real factor in the development of girls in the University by upholding the highest of Christian principles in our everyday living.

MEXICAN WORK

Mexican Mission, Dallas, Tex.

Miss Lula Bell, Head Resident, reports:

The year of 1932 brought to us manifold opportunities. More than 34,000 people came to our doors during the year.

My special work, other than office is clinics. Five doctors with love for humanity other than money, give volunteer service. The number of patients coming to our clinics last year totaled three thousand, nine hundred and forty-eight of them being new. We have had two hundred and seventeen T. B. patients. Ninety-five of these were active T.B. cases. One hundred were suspicious cases that we follow up giving advice and cod liver oil and so forth.

Forty-five of the two hundred and seventeen were children. We sent eighteen of the T. B. patients to the T. B. hospital.

In our estimation, our Daily Vacation Bible school was the best we have had. With an enrolment of three hundred and thirty-five and an average attendance of about two hundred and ninety-five.

The majority of our homes are not Christian but we are trying with our lives and Bible lessons to help make them so.

Deaconess Elma Morgan, Club Worker, reports:

If I had been told that a year's furlough and study at Scarritt would have meant all it did mean to me, I could not have believed it. And the best thing of all is the practical value this study is now bringing to me in the actual application of the principles of Religious Education in my contact with the boys and girls. Never have I had a

more wonderful opportunity for service, nor a better response in the various activities. With the older girls, 12-14 years of age, in the sewing school I am finding very worth while the course "Problems in Living." With the younger ones, 10-12, the study of "The Land Where Jesus Lived," is very interesting and helpful. The older manual training boys, 9-12 years of age, are enjoying the course, "Bible Victories" and are organized as "Knights of the Silver Shield." The splendid work done by the volunteer helpers from the various churches and from Southern Methodist University is clearly demonstrated by the type of work done by the boys and girls in sewing, manual training, scouting, and rhythm band. Never have I had greater joy in service nor a greater sense of gratitude for the privilege of service.

Deaconess Sarah Fernandez, Kindergartner, reports:

What a joy has been mine to work with little Mexican children for my first work.

Each morning when the kindergarten door is opened many little bright-eyed children come running, eager to get in to their happy toyland. The little girls rush to their playhouse, while the boys rush to get the little cars and other toys.

One of the projects this year has been the making of aprons by the children themselves. Both boys and girls made the aprons so they could wear them when painting at the easels, or cleaning the playhouse. It was a joy to see the children not only making the aprons, but also washing and ironing them.

At Christmas, instead of making things for themselves they made calendars for their fathers and planted narcissus bulbs for their mothers. Of course Santa Claus brought each child a gift and candy.

We have not stressed numbers so we have an enrolment of about fifty-six.

The work with the women in the Arts and Crafts Club has been very interesting. They have been painting on cloth this year. They have made beautiful pillow tops, tie racks, and various objects to beautify their homes. I have several very efficient assistants in this club. The membership of the club is about sixteen.

Homer Toberman Mission and Clinic, Los Angeles, Calif.

Deaconess Margaret Ragsland, Head Resident, Deaconess Hazel Shick, J. M. Casillas, Miss Loisa Jaurez, Mrs. Harry Patton, and Miss Sara J. Reed report:

During the past year the work at Homer Toberman Mission and Clinic has gone forward with gratifying success in all departments. The spirit of the church has been unusually fine. At Easter a class of seven joined the church; two infants and seven children were baptized. All church activities show steady growth with sustained interest—a fine young people's group, in Epworth League, and Sunday school.

Early in the year we rearranged our building to provide an indoor gymnasium which makes the boys' program more effective and also gives the girls opportunity to play the game. A senior Girls' Athletic Club and a World Friendship Club are new groups in the girls' department this season. Daily Vacation Bible School was above the average for attendance and for quality of program carried out—enrolled eighty-eight.

At the dental clinic we have faithful and regular service given by seven skilled dentists to one thousand thirteen patients of whom five hundred and forty-five received free care.

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| Total house membership | 439 |
| Total enrolled in clubs and classes | 594 |
| Grand total attendance (on all activities) | 82,872 |

Mexican Social Center, San Marcos, Tex.

Deaconess Mattie M. Cunningham reports:

The new year opens with encouragement. Young men returning from cotton fields are making notable increase in night school attendance. How they do apply themselves!

Young women formerly timid about coming to the Senorita Club are asking to have a part in it, and a happy time it is being made.

Mother's Club doubled this year. Members are as happy to help others as to receive help.

Noted improvement in work and inspiration from advancement are seen in sewing school.

Plans for Scout work summons enthusiasm of the boys. This came in response to a presentation of the Mexican work to the Young People's Department of the Methodist Church. Young men seemed ready for some active participation in Christian Social Race Relations—this the opportunity.

Contact, the keynote of the institution, makes possible the touch that may and does inspire higher ideals. "Too many white people think I must be all right," was the way one put it. Indications of effort to live up toward this expectation are seen in more cleanliness in the home and in person, more endeavor in control of children, and keener regard for truth-telling. She joined the Methodist Church and had her children baptized.

College and church young people add much and say they also receive great pleasure and benefit, not only in assisting in regular club work, but also in parties and special programs. After the Christmas program more than one Mexican remarked upon the happiness in the faces of these friends. One said: "There was nothing prettier than Miss ——'s eyes and face. They showed all the happy about Jesus and glad Christmas." A most beautiful thing to me was that this woman grasped the truth more perfectly in seeing it so sweetly expressed in the soulful expression of this one who had sacrificed to give her service to us that evening but found real joy in doing so. 'Tis but an oft repeated summons to let the light so shine through and in us that others, seeing good work and joy in the same, may glorify Him and be so brought to Him.

Mexican Methodist Church, Laredo, Tex.

Deaconess Mamie Robinson reports:

The first seven months of the year were spent in Fort Worth, Tex., as club and relief worker in the Wesley House, also helping in the Mexican Methodist Church. These were very busy and happy months. A total of 1,740 visits were made; many in behalf of the Red Cross relief work as our building was used as a distributing center for flour. There were 2,974 passengers taken in the car, 103 to the hospitals, others to Sunday school and church or to vacation school.

The work in Laredo as pastor's assistant is no less interesting but difficult as there is no car nor funds for the expenses. The thirty children in the pre-school class are given much training in English. The women have two classes weekly in English. Children under twelve have two hours of training Saturday morning. The older children have League Sunday afternoon. A play hour is conducted after Senior League Friday evenings. The church has all its other serv-

ices well attended. Many tracts have been distributed in the revival services, in jail services, and in visiting. Besides the visiting in connection with church and class work some 400 families have been investigated for the Red Cross relief work. The members of the American Methodist Church furnished transportation. The splendid co-operation of the pastor, Rev. Ezekill Alvarez, and his wife, May Johnson Alvarez, has done much to make possible the success we have had.

Mexican Community House, El Paso, Tex.

Deaconess Josephine Berglund, Head Resident; Deaconess Nelle McClain, Kindergartner; Deaconess Carrie A. Porter, Deaconess Anita Reil, and Deaconess Eunice Glenn, Teachers and Club Directors; Mr. W. G. Moore, Director of Boys' Work, report:

Each year when the time comes for a verbal report on the work of the preceding twelve months I feel incapable of the task. It is not a matter of mathematical calculation, you get that in the statistical report, but it means a weighing of the work attempted and a selection of the points that are vital, enduring, fundamental.

As I think of it I believe that the spirit which a worker puts into her work is a very vital thing and throughout the past year I have seen the workers give themselves unstintedly, not as hired servants, nor as pleasers of men, but joyously, graciously, abundantly, compelled by a personal interest in and a personal love for the people among whom they work. In return they have been rewarded by the love and confidence of their people. This has been manifested in various ways.

Appreciation and encouragement, loyalty and co-operation also are vital. To everyone there come times of discouragement, and often this year the weight of it has been lifted from our spirits by the love and appreciation and co-operation of the members of the American churches. They have not only attempted to grant our expressed desires but in a number of instances they have anticipated and given us things which we had not dared to ask for. They have given also of service. In cooking classes and sewing classes and Bible school and in giving inspirational talks and devotional talks their service has been both efficient and faithful. I could not pass the matter of co-operation without mentioning the perfect co-operation of the public school near us and the neighboring Methodist Episcopal settlement, the Mexican Presbyterian Church, our own two schools for Mexicans, and our own Mexican Methodist Church, South.

Service and International Relationships.—No child in our sewing classes has a better record of attendance than have our teachers. This service is rendered not wholly because of their love for their Master and love for the work sponsored by their church but in large measure because of their love for the Mexican people. One husband said not long ago that if his wife couldn't go to heaven when she died he was sure she would say, "Well, just send me down to the Mexican Community House and I will be satisfied." He was teasing of course and I believe he is as happy for her to come as she is to come. Also several of our Mexican friends have found in the settlement work an opportunity to serve their own people.

The activities might be mentioned but they are very much like the activities in other settlements. Our overflowing Bible school was very much like others; we are receiving government cloth from the Red Cross just as others are and we are having every week several classes of mothers from homes of the unemployed come and make clothes for their children under the supervision of competent teachers; our boys

are becoming better organized and we see a growing *esprit de corps* among them; a large group of girls and mothers are coming to feel that this is home to them; a number of our families have come into the church; the girls' clubs and classes are full as we can have them; many of our young people seem to be growing in character as well as in size, etc. And so, what is the net profit of it all? Only the "God of things as they are" can answer. We know that the answer depends upon his blessing our efforts.

Wesley Community House, San Antonio, Tex.

Deaconess Jane Wilkinson, Head Resident, reports:

It has been a real joy to work with our Mexican people again. To know them better has meant to love them better. It has been a very hard year for many of our people, but I have never seen people more willing to share. At the Christmas season we were able to give less materially to our groups than usual, but they themselves brought more to share with others than they had before. We have been able to supply a number of families with clothing and give milk to many who had little else to eat. In this giving we have co-operated with civic organizations. The nursery had helped a number of families maintain their self-support, and the children have been well and happy there. It has been good to see them develop in this wholesome environment. Our Week Day Bible School has met each Saturday morning with an enrolment of a hundred and fifty. One little girl who had borrowed a Wesley House Bible said last Saturday morning, "I didn't bring mine back today because mother wanted to read it." We have placed the Scripture in a number of homes where there was none.

One of the regrets of the year has been the closing of the baby clinic, but we hope it can be opened again before very long. We have now the prenatal and dental clinics. One non-interested physician said: "As I practiced in the community I could tell those families connected with the Wesley House. They were more educated along health lines."

We feel that God has given us many opportunities in reaching these people. Surely they are longing to know the better way of life and may we as his workers help them find it in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Miss Rosamond Johnson, Kindergartner, reports:

What a joy to work and play together in kindergarten in the best way and to learn of the Heavenly Father's love and care. The total kindergarten enrolment this year is sixty-nine with two sessions daily. The double session is necessary because of no regular assistant. A loyal part-time volunteer has been a great help.

The Daily Vacation Bible School primaries had a real adventure in World Friendship as we studied, *Children of One Father*.

In these times of need our P. T. A. members have shown real co-operation as they have helped one another and others in the community. They are striving to develop their own qualities of leadership and are more and more taking active part on their various programs.

Each Friday a number of these members meet as a sewing group. Their work has been of great value to the Wesley House and the community.

This organization has sacrificially continued their five-dollar monthly pledge to the work.

This year a music class of six has been organized. The hours spent in this work have been a pleasure and we hope profitable.

It has been a pleasure to serve again as Elementary Superintendent at our Mexican Methodist Church. In this department the teachers are making a study of religious education in a definite way. Five elementary teachers received credit from a Cokesbury class held recently. Our birthday offering has made possible some much-needed equipment. In this way we have shared in the Heavenly Father's work.

Miss Mary Riddle, Girls' Club Worker, reports:

One cannot know the joy and happiness of serving the Mexican people until he knows the people of the Mexican race. I have been very happy in my club work this year. Through contacts made in the clubs, in camp, in their social life, and visiting in their homes you know the girls better and you can understand their desires and ambitions of life. So it is a great joy to be their friend, yet the greatest joy is to know that they have accepted the ideals of Christ in their lives.

In spite of the depression I have had the largest enrolments in the club department that I have had since I have been in the Wesley House. We have two new clubs, and it seems that we have Mexican girls coming to our clubs from all parts of the city. Distance does not keep them away. As one of the girls said, "The Wesley House is my second home and I'll walk five miles every club night to go to the club meetings." This girl is a shining light for Christ among the Mexican people.

The girls are not only faithful and loyal to their clubs, but they take an interest in the other activities of the Wesley House, such as volunteer work with the younger girls' clubs, beautifying their club rooms and financing their department. This has not only been of educational training to them but it has made each girl feel that the Wesley House is really her own.

Besides my club work in the Wesley House I teach a class of young women in the Mexican Methodist Church. We have a fine group of young women in this class. Many of these Mexican girls who have been members of the class are now serving their church by teaching Sunday school classes, acting as secretary and treasurer of the Sunday school and holding offices in the Epworth League.

This has been a happy year for me, and I am praying that I may be able to serve the Mexican people as Jesus Christ would have me to serve them.

Deaconess Ruby Berkley, Boys' Club Worker, reports:

We may have been passing through a period of depression in regard to finances but by no means in regard to the number who attend our clubs. Not only has the enrolment in all of my clubs been greater, but the attendance has been better. The sad part is that my program has had to be so limited because I have had less money with which to carry on than heretofore.

"It is an ill wind which blows no one any good," though it seems to me that the boys appreciate the Wesley House in a way that they have not done before since I have been here. They seem to realize the financial condition and just how hard it is for us to keep going and they are always ready to help in any way that they can. They wash the car for us, clean the gymnasium, do any painting for us, when we are lucky enough to get any money to buy paint, and there are innumerable other ways in which they help. Of course, their lack of employment gives them time for these things.

Another way in which some of my older boys have become invaluable is in the help that they give me with the younger boys. I have one of

them to assist me with each of my younger groups and they have proved to be just about the most faithful volunteer help I have ever had.

Mexican Community House, Houston, Tex.

Deaconess Eugenia Smith, Head Resident, reports:

The depression has been very hard on our Mexican community and day by day they come to us, in their need, pleading for work. During the cotton-picking season in the fall it is not so hard, but much of the time there seems so little to do, and there are still thousands of unemployed, but they are used to suffering and are so patient and hopeful and trusting "times will be better." Then naturally, with often bad housing conditions and lack of proper food, we have had more sickness and suffering.

They have been even more responsive and appreciative to every little kindness shown and opportunities offered for development at the Wesley House. The tie between our home and theirs has been very warm and tender. We love to serve them. They come to us with their joys and sorrows. We are the connecting link between them and American life, also between them and the church.

We co-operate with all helpful agencies and the public school across the street has been most helpful. The principal is deeply interested in our work and we work together to see that all of scholastic age attend school. Last summer the school was used for a food station for the children of the unemployed, and we helped with investigations and records all the summer.

It made it necessary to move our D. V. B. S. to our Mexican church. We had 150 children in the D. V. B. S. and we had a very good one.

All of our clubs and classes have been full and overflowing. We do not need to solicit attendance. We stress Bible classes and the spiritual, as well as the social and educational. Many of the boys and girls in our Sunday school came first to the Wesley House.

A revival was held recently in our church just for one week and forty joined the church on profession of faith. All except two had been in some way connected with the Wesley House. Of course, we do not claim all the credit, but we just say the church and Wesley House are workers together in building up the Kingdom. Our preacher and his wife are very fine and consecrated and it is a joy to have their help and co-operation.

We have a fine board and some very splendid volunteer helpers, but there is so much we see that needs to be done we pray for another worker and better equipment and that our "King Eternal will lead on," and we are ready to follow where He leads and we are so glad to have a part in His program for the "Kingdom Extension."

Deaconess Sue V. Herrick, Kindergartner, reports:

Many varied and rich experiences have been mine this past year as kindergartner and assistant at the Wesley Community House.

It is a joy to have little children love and trust you and to see them respond to good influences. This has happened in our kindergarten.

To teach the teen-age girls in a Sunday school class is a great privilege. Six from my class joined the church this past year.

To have many splendid volunteer helpers eager to help and to see them grow by giving of themselves makes one thankful indeed.

Once a month I provide a social for the Mothers' Club and Missionary Society, always assisted by volunteer helpers. These socials are often a feeder for the Missionary Society, for our Sunday school, and for our Mexican Church.

To be called to homes in times of sickness and sorrow is a very great privilege, but sometimes a hard task as often one feels incompetent to advise.

I thank God for this place of service, for our splendid City Mission Board and for his leadership.

NEGRO WORK

Bethlehem House, Birmingham, Ala.

Mrs. J. R. White, Superintendent, reports:

As we come to the close of the year 1932 a voice comes ringing o'er the restless waves, saying, "Watchman, what of the night?" Because we see many definite spiritual changes we feel that we can say, "The morning dawns," the shadows are fleeing away, slowly but surely. With a few added responsibilities our activities have followed the same line as that of other years; the relief work and co-operation with the Red Cross has been far greater than that of any previous year. Our Mothers' Club together with many others in the Bethlehem House community have been giving three days a week sewing for the Red Cross Family Service Department; about 75 garments and 16 quilts have been made. One mother said, "My days to sew do not come fast enough, I am so happy to be helping somebody." In serving humanity they feel that they are serving God.

Our playground with its supervisors furnished by the Park and Recreation Board is a great blessing to the many who come.

The Park and Recreation Board also sponsors a "Community Sing" two nights a week at the Bethlehem House. The director is very capable and there is always a large attendance.

Our clinic is still proving to be a wonderful help to mothers and children; the nurse and doctor are furnished by our City Health Department.

As usual our Vacation Bible School was held for four weeks during the summer months; our enrolment was 258. In addition to our own teachers one of the playground supervisors gave her services to the children of the Beginners' Department.

Christmas was a time of great joy to all the Bethlehem House family; on our tree there was a gift for every nursery and kindergarten child, given by our Boys and Girls World Clubs throughout the Council even to those in far-away Oregon, and by auxiliaries in our own City Mission Board. How grateful we are for your kindness of remembrance. The club boys and girls were given Christmas parties with refreshments furnished by friends. The Christmas story and Christmas songs filled the hours with joy and gladness.

Our "missionary boxes" have indeed been "a very present help in trouble," for so many destitute families in our community.

Miss Carrie Lomax, Nursery Superintendent and Junior Girls' Club Worker, reports:

My work for the year has been varied as usual, but for the most part it has been with the nursery children, which is always a joy, and with the Junior Club girls, in sewing, cooking, story hour and recreational activities. This is also a source of great interest and joy to me. Every contact in this home inspires me to "give of my best to the Master."

Miss Elizabeth Branch, Kindergartner and Senior Girls' Club Worker, reports:

In May, 1932, sixteen boys and girls in "caps and gowns" received

their diplomas from our kindergarten; this was a great occasion for them. Their standing in the schools which they are attending is very gratifying to their instructor in kindergarten. We have on roll now 53, with a creditable daily attendance

My work with the senior girls in sewing, cooking, story hour, and other activities is a service of real joy. I am "looking on the bright side, trusting all to Him," as I face the task of 1933 with a heart full of joy and gladness.

Miss Allie Collier, Music Director and Boys' Club Worker, reports:

I feel that in making my report for the year I am only giving a glimpse into the many avenues of service that have been traversed. Our "Toy Orchestra" has been a great joy to the children, our friends, and their leader. Most pleasing to me is the development spiritually, physically, and intellectually of our boys in the clubs. We are seeking in every contact to teach Christian citizenship along with the woodwork and other phases of manual training work; everything we do must be along constructive lines in either work or play. The opportunity with each group gets broader with each passing hour. May the coming year find me pressing forward to a more glorious service for the Master.

Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga.

Miss Thelma Stevens, Head Resident, Mrs. A. W. Gardiner, Club Worker, Miss Dorothy Weber, Club Worker, and Miss Felicia Starks, Kindergartner, report:

The year 1932 has come to a close. We can look back on it with regret for our failures and satisfaction in the progress that has been made! The program of work has been enlarged and the results more satisfying. Surely God has been guiding our efforts.

Space will not permit a complete outline of the activities undertaken nor the work accomplished, but a few "milestones" of the year will have to be sufficient.

In brief the activities in general have included thirteen organized boys' clubs, five younger girls' clubs, two Girl Reserve clubs, two music clubs, one young people's club, community night, Bible school, kindergarten, clinic, playground, night school for adults, "game room," and welfare work in co-operation with the Red Cross, Juvenile Court, and Family Welfare Agencies. During the year approximately 1,000 different individuals have been enrolled in some organized activity at the center or one of its two extension projects. During the nine months of the school year, when a full program of activity is conducted, an average of approximately 1,500 contacts are made during the week.

The working force for the year, in addition to the four regularly employed full-time workers, has included seven part-time student workers from Paine College, and thirty volunteer student workers also from Paine College. In addition to these there have been from three to six volunteer student workers from other institutions in the city, and also volunteer service from four faculty members of Paine College. All student workers have been active members of a girls' or boys' leadership group, and have served under the supervision of some Bethlehem House worker.

Among the high points in the year's work may be included the summer Daily Vacation Bible Schools. During the months of April and May a Leadership School for Bible school workers was conducted at Bethlehem House. One hundred and fourteen church leaders registered for the course, representing fourteen local churches and a num-

ber of out of town churches, the latter represented by Paine College students. The course was helpful in many ways, and was the means of arousing more interest in D. V. B. S. During the summer eleven schools were held in the city, ten of which were conducted by local churches. The eleventh was at Bethlehem House, where three hundred children and fourteen workers made possible one of the most successful schools that the new Bethlehem House has known. The total enrolment of children of the city in the eleven schools was one thousand six hundred fifty! The goal for 1933 is 3,000 Boys and Girls in Bible School!

Children's Interracial Fellowship Day at Bethlehem House in January, 1932, was a "sight to cheer the heart." Approximately seven hundred children, white and Negro, met in the Bethlehem House gymnasium for a service of worship and praise. One big feature of the program was the mixed quartet, two white "six-year-olds" and two Negro "six-year-olds," who sang together, "Jesus Loves Me." The spirit of good will and real fellowship was manifested throughout the afternoon.

Another "heartening" experience of last summer was the arrival of gift boxes from our Boys and Girls World Clubs in fifteen states, where our Southern Methodist Church is located. Ninety-one boxes were received, and in each box was found materials that have been used and enjoyed by the Bethlehem House groups, kindergartners, and the sewing classes, cooking classes, and younger boys' clubs. Surely the spirit that prompted these gifts will some day make for a deeper sympathy and understanding of our Negro brother and a keener appreciation by the Negro for his white friends and brothers.

The Supply Department of the North Georgia Conference has sent thirty-two boxes of lovely supplies. Other boxes of supplies have come from Florida and Mississippi Woman's Missionary Societies. These are in addition to the gifts from the World Clubs, listed above. We are grateful for these gifts.

Bethlehem House has had much for which to be grateful. Some blessings were in the form of material gifts, which made possible new activities and put new life into the old. One gift of twenty-five dollars came in September from a friend of the institution, and this gift made possible the buying of some greatly needed manual training equipment and the beginning in a small way of a workshop for boys. This new project has added new life to the boys' work department. More than two hundred boys are participating weekly in some form of organized activity at Bethlehem House. Among these are twenty protégés of the Juvenile Court, who come weekly for special recreation and handwork.

Another gift came just before the Christmas Holidays, when the finances of the institution were at low ebb. A check for \$100 came from one of the leading citizens of Augusta. This was indeed a welcome and lovely surprise.

Bethlehem House seeks to co-operate with other social agencies of the city. During the past few months Bethlehem House assisted the Red Cross in distributing cloth to needy colored school children. A cutting-room was opened at Bethlehem House and interested colored women volunteered their services and 956 children were provided for. In addition to this, the members of the Bethlehem House staff have assisted in investigating cases where families have made application for ready-made garments, these garments being limited almost entirely to adults. Assistance was also given in investigating homes where families had applied for government flour.

Another new project at the Center this year is the "Music De-

partment." One club worker has organized a music club among the younger adolescents, and has twelve piano pupils, who come to Bethlehem House for piano lessons weekly. Capable students of piano at Paine College assist in this project. A monthly "Community Sing" period is also being featured with some success.

The girls' work for the year has included more than three hundred girls in the various organized activities at Bethlehem House and its extension projects. Both senior and junior Girl Reserves are now in the process of "fixing up" a room at Bethlehem House that will be a real Girl Reserve room. Attractive curtains have been made and furniture given to us by the City Mission Board is being fixed over and soon the girls will have a room where they may, not only have regular meetings, but where they may come and read and study or play the piano and enjoy the things that often are denied them in their own homes.

The Kindergarten Department has done a splendid work through the year. Fifty kindergartners have enjoyed the facilities available and the splendid program of activities provided for six days each week, including the Primary Department of the Saturday Bible School. The kindergarten orchestra has won "city wide" recognition through its public "recitals" and weekly programs for guests. The general activities of the group are much the same as found in other groups of like nature. The year's work has been on a high level and marked by more than ordinary interest and enthusiasm.

The big goal of the year has been to broaden the horizon of the community in the growing knowledge that God is the Father of all and that he wants each one to share with others his good gifts. The goal has not been reached, but through hard work, earnest prayers, and God's help the end is not yet! "Forward" be our watchword.

Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga.

Deaconess Ruth Bartholomew, Dean of Women, reports:

There are two big things that I shall always think of in connection with the year 1933—one is the depression and the other is the jubilee celebration in connection with the General Missionary Council. The former has not hurt us so much, for which we are very thankful, and the latter has helped us immensely. The enthusiastic interest and support given us by the leaders at the conference has inspired every faculty member to new efforts and given some students vision of possibilities in better race relations. Then the education of the people of Augusta and those attending the Council was very great. We get evidence of it often and shall for a long time to come. We feel that we have been started with a strong impetus on a new fifty years in which Paine will prove more useful and in which better Christian relations will prevail in the South.

Deaconess Ruth Patton reports:

If knowing another racial group better and being able to work with them more harmoniously is a part of the program of the Kingdom of Heaven, then I believe this second year's work has brought to me a deeper knowledge of what Christ meant by such an order. The girls in the dormitory have felt freer to come to our cottage to admire the flowers, sit in the porch swing, read the newspapers, or just carry on a friendly chat. It is this type of relation with the students that we try to cultivate.

In spite of the depression we had an increase in enrolment during the year, the increase being in number of city students. This meant an added number to come to me for training in homemaking.

Bethlehem Center, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Annie McIver Rogers, Head Resident, reports:

On starting to work in the fall, after studying the situation, it seemed that a weakness in our work was that little was being done for the adults of the community. To overcome this weakness we have made a start toward building up an Adult Department. The Kindergarten Parents' Club, of which Miss Napoleon will tell, has been meeting since fall; in February an adult Dramatic Club was formed, and beginning in March a series of popular lectures, planned to interest the man on the street, will be given by outstanding educators of Nashville. In addition to these groups the Mothers' Club is still a valuable asset to the settlement, and a Professional Men's Club meets for athletics once a week.

In November co-operating with the Red Cross we helped some of our families with the problem of clothes. Eleven mothers came for eight weeks to sew for their families, the material being supplied by the Red Cross. Miss Durham, one of our Board members, supervised this project.

At Christmas, in co-operation with the Christmas Bureau and the Big Brothers, we made between eight and nine hundred visits to investigate families asking for relief, and on Christmas Eve supervised the delivery of 620 Christmas bags to Negroes scattered all over Nashville.

The baby clinics continue to do a wonderful preventive work. They meet twice a week, and serve from 50 to 125 babies at each clinic. The Negro mother wants the best for her child, and most of the mothers make a point of having the babies clean when they come.

As another step toward interracial understanding a select group from both races was invited in January to a lecture given by Mr. Alfonso Shomburg, a Negro who is an authority on rare books. As a result of this a young white woman teaching in one of the colleges, who came that night for the first time to Bethlehem Center, is doing volunteer work for us.

In all the work of organizing and administrating a large settlement, such as Bethlehem Center has grown to be, we pray that we may never forget that we are here to carry out the spirit of Christ whose message on our corner stone is, "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly."

Miss R. Olivia Napoleon, Kindergarten, reports:

Our kindergarten children are active and happy. They come to school every morning at nine o'clock and reluctantly say goodbye at closing time.

All-round development of the pre-school child is our objective in the kindergarten. We are striving to build character, happy attitudes, correct mental and physical habits through play and purposeful activities.

On entrance, a history sheet is filled out for each child. This sheet includes the child's name, address, and information concerning his family and physical conditions. Each child receives a general physical examination and inoculations for typhoid and diphtheria. The results of these examinations are checked and the necessary recommendations are made to the parents concerning the child's health.

A new club was organized this term in connection with the kindergarten. The purpose of this club is, "Closer co-operation between the home and the kindergarten through parent education and fellowship." The meetings are in three divisions: The opening devotions and busi-

ness; the lesson period, which includes a lecture or discussion on some phase of child care and development; the last period is given to some kind of handwork, selected by the group.

The parents are gradually becoming interested and are beginning to feel free to ask questions and to discuss their problems with the leader and other members of the club.

We feel that the education of our parents and the gaining of their co-operation will be a great achievement in our community.

Deaconess Margaret Hodkins, Director of Girls' Work, reports:

Bethlehem Center is often called the "Friendly House," where the boys and girls share their joys and find fun in their work and play. Three groups of girls attended camp this past summer. The following letter written by one of the older girls, pictures her experiences and impressions of camp.

"Some evening just as the sun is about to sink we are found sitting on a large rock down by the creek giving thanks to God for the beautiful trees, flowers, and birds. As the sun hides its face, the hues of the clouds can be seen. Oh, it is a dream to see how nature blends the colors so perfectly together.

"We go to bed at 9:30, for after we have been traveling all day over the hills we are more than ready to rest and sleep. But sometimes we get so interested in our games after supper that we almost forget bedtime. We then beg Miss Hodkins to be allowed to play a little longer. Of course she is good-hearted and allows us to finish our game.

"At 6:30 the rising whistle is blown and then we can hear Miss Hodkins say, 'All right, girls, it is six-thirty.' At once we hurry from bed and get dressed. You see each one has an assigned task. One of the most popular is going for the mail. Almost every day I received a letter. Miss Young would say to me, 'Emma must have written those letters before you came to camp and had one mailed daily didn't you?'

"We have a new swimming pool. I think it to be the most peaceful and beautiful spot on the camp. The occasional whistle of a quail, or the tapping of a woodpecker, or the croaking of a frog are almost the only sounds that break in on the tranquillity."

The activities of the girls' department have been and are many. There has been a decided increase in membership. At present we have enrolled nearly 500 girls and have formed several new clubs. There have been hikes, sightseeing trips, basket ball, dramatics, recreation of all kinds, varied programs of interest, and handcraft, besides the sewing department in the Saturday school.

Perhaps the most outstanding event of the year was the annual Mother and Daughter Banquet. The attendance of so many mothers was pleasing. An interesting program was given by the various clubs. Last March the J. O. Y. girls planned and presented a carnival. They hope to make this an annual affair. The Y. W. C. A. girls gave a musical tea in February and a musical comedy in May. The money raised by these was applied on the final payment of our Bethlehem Center camp.

D. D. Nelson, Boys' Worker, reports:

The Boys' Department of Bethlehem Center has become a valuable form of work provided by the settlement for boys of this community. The department provides opportunities for the wholesome use of leisure through clubs, entertainments, classes, and various activities. It has proven to be the most useful method of our work of preventing

them doing mischief. The clubs operate to attract the boy from the street, to give an honorable outlet to his surplus energy, and to socialize him as well as to prevent his moral decay.

This year marks a year of success new to the department, both in the number of adequate leaders and in the increasing numbers of club membership. Our workers, four paid and six volunteer, have done commendable work. The Scout Troop has increased to 80 members; the Club Pack to 52 (under Mr. Sarreal); Pep Club (boys over 18) to 35; Oppolo Club (professional men) 12; Buddy and Primary Club (under Mrs. Fraizer and Miss Ashley) to 20; Radio Club (under Dr. Choo and Mr. Welton) to 25 members; the Sunday School League, sponsored by the settlement and embracing six churches, 65 members; Study Hall, 22. These are the principal clubs of the department; the others, such as dramatic groups, interest, craft, and play groups, supplement the work done in the above listed clubs.

We strive to create the desire among these boys to associate together—to help them find themselves in the complexities of modern society.

Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Miss Marian Brincefield reports:

Another year's work has been completed; and although we have tried to be true to the work, we have not accomplished all that we desired. Economic conditions during the past year have been such that it is impossible for us to report large numbers.

We were able to maintain a beautiful relation with our mothers through the Mothers' Club.

Our D. V. B. S. decreased in numbers but the type of work increased. We had three volunteer teachers from our training class who helped through the four weeks.

As we look back over the last quarter of 1932 we see a few high points in our work.

Through the City Health Department we were able to examine and give diphtheria toxoid to forty-seven children enrolled in our home.

We answered the call of the Phyllis Wheatley Home for more room by letting them use one of our rooms for their night school.

Our work has been a pleasure and a success because of the beautiful spirit and co-operation of the ladies of the Western North Carolina Conference. May we say to you with Anna Shipton:

Say not, 'Twas all in vain,

The anguish and the darkness and the strife;

Love thrown upon the waters comes again

In quenchless yearning for a nobler life.

OTHER ENGLISH-SPEAKING WORK

Wesley Community House, San Francisco, Calif.

Deaconess Nellie Howard, Head Resident, reports:

Wesley Church and Community House is the only institution of its kind on the Coast. It is situated just off Market Street, halfway between San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Ocean.

There is something going on at Wesley day and night. Our pastor, Rev. D. A. Hoover, whom we all love and who co-operates with us in a beautiful way, has charge of the church and all activities connected with it. The deaconesses look after all work which comes under Wesley Community House. Both church and Community House ac-

tivities have increased until it is difficult to find time and space for them all.

We have a very fine and efficient City Mission Board, made up of our Methodist women around the Bay, with Mrs. E. K. Biggerstaff, Berkeley, Calif., as president. In spite of the depression our work has grown, and we pray that it may continue to go forward under the guidance of our Heavenly Father.

Deaconess Clara Hodgson, Club Worker, reports:

Despite the "downs" at Wesley this year, the "ups" have continually had the lead—and we feel a great sense of gratitude for the things accomplished. We have seven week-day clubs, which include children from three to fifteen years and provide worship programs, handwork, outings, and athletics. The largest work is with our sewing schools, having an enrolment of 110. Work with the Missionary Society, Hi-League, and Sunday school has been intensive.

It has been a happy year. We know that our gentle Savior has not passed us by, and we feel confident that this tiny corner of his vineyard is bringing forth fruit to his glory.

Wesley Community House, Atlanta, Ga.

Deaconess Janet C. Head, Head Resident, reports:

The year 1932 has meant an addition in the numbers enrolled in clubs, in families with whom we have come in contact, and in our greater opportunity for service to our people.

In my work with the adult department I have co-operated with the Unemployment Relief Committee, and through the five foods classes which we have formed I have been able to know many of our mothers and fathers better. I have a devotional at all these group meetings and have been able to help with many individual problems because of this spiritual sharing of God's message.

In my Bible study group we are studying together the parables of Jesus and are making a personal application of what we are learning. I feel that this club is meaning more than it has before, for the women are taking a personal part in the discussions.

My work is growing from month to month, and I am praying that God will give me strength and wisdom to meet the increasing physical and spiritual needs of our people.

Deaconess Lucille Robinson, Club Director, reports:

My time at the Wesley House for the past six months has been spent in trying to learn the neighborhood, which is a rapidly changing one. Negroes live on some of the streets. On others are well-cared-for homes next to houses in great need of repairs. The neighborhood is a very interesting laboratory.

To relate one's self to the wide and changing community by means of clubs for boys and girls between the ages of eight and eighteen, which is my task, is very interesting. I also serve as counselor and teacher in the Young People's Division of a neighborhood church. The contacts that I make in this church are among the most valuable that I make in my work.

Deaconess Selma Pederson, Kindergartner, reports:

Each new year at the Wesley House is full of new joys and new opportunities for service. The thing which has made me most happy in my work with our pre-school kindergarten this year is the interest which the Jewish families in our community have taken in sending

their children to our school. Heretofore I had had only one Jewish child enrolled, and now over one-third of the enrolment is made up of Jewish children. For the first time since I have been at Wesley House we have had to close our enrolment for kindergarten, as we were beginning to have more children than could be adequately cared for. The children are happy, attractive youngsters, and the parents appreciate the opportunity to send them here.

My work with a story hour group for boys and girls five, six, and seven years of age and work with a music club composed of all piano pupils has been interesting.

Contacts have been made with new outside organizations, which will aid us in the carrying on of our work.

I thank God for the privilege of serving him here in our Wesley House community.

Wesley Community House, Louisville, Ky.

Deaconess Ellen Gainey, Head Resident, Deaconess Grace Thatcher, Girls' Worker, Hewett McIntosh, Boys' Worker, Mrs. W. W. Hopper, Music Director, report:

Workers at Wesley House have never had a better opportunity to share with others whatever of faith, hope, and courage we have appropriated from the Great Source of Supply than this past year has offered, and we in turn have often been greatly helped by the optimistic courage of many in the face of acute distress. We have been conscious that changed economic conditions called for change and expansion of program to help meet the problems caused by the enforced leisure of so many adults and young people, and in so far as we could, with our small staff, we have undertaken some new projects. One happy experiment last spring was the weekly play night for adults. Good programs given by various church groups or individuals, followed by an hour of games, sent large numbers of men and women home with lighter hearts and a happier outlook.

We have continued the sewing group for women, and their unselfish, helpful spirit in the sewing-room has been a real joy.

A group of quite young married women has been organized into a club of their own because they were really too young to fit into the program of the Mothers' Club. Nearly all these girls are facing serious financial problems in their homes, and the coming together for weekly fellowship has proved helpful.

On Thursday we have our program for the unemployed young women. They come at ten for free play in the gymnasium, after which they prepare their own lunch. It has been most interesting to see what good meals they can prepare at a very small cost, the average being less than five cents per capita. As soon as we can do so, we hope to enlarge this program for the unemployed young women. A beautiful example of the spirit of sharing is that of a group of teen-age girls, some of them new to the House, who came in the fall to ask the Girls' Worker to let them have a club "to help others." This group, named the "Service Club," has been a joy to the worker, and their services have included the repairing of toys to be used at Christmas, the preparing of a Christmas basket for a large Negro family, the repairing of garments sent into our supply closet, and sewing for the Red Cross.

For the men we have kept an open game room. This has been most successful so far as the unemployed young men have been concerned; but one of the older men said, "It looks too much like doing nothing just to play games," and the older ones have not availed themselves of this leisure time opportunity.

A radio room was also opened, and a small group have spent hours upon hours in there, remaking and repairing radios, learning codes, transmitting and receiving messages, etc. Others have found their greatest fun in the gymnasium with its organized group games. A few men have become interested in music and have come faithfully to their chorus work.

The Women's Chorus, with its splendid programs, has given much pleasure to the House and to numbers of the Missionary Societies and to several Negro churches. Music at Wesley House is becoming an integral part of all the departments and gives much satisfaction.

The program for the children's work has followed the general lines of the past few years. We feel that whatever can be done these days to keep children happy is work the Master approves. Our Well Baby Clinic is the largest in the city.

More time for reading has brought many more people to the Branch Library here this year than have formerly availed themselves of its use.

As we review the work of the year there wells up anew the feeling of thankfulness that Wesley House, in Christ's name, has been a good neighbor in this part of our city this year of 1932.

Wesley Community House, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Deaconess Moselle Eubanks, Head Resident, and Deaconess Inez Martin, Club Director, report:

During the past year there has been a steady growth in our work, both in numbers and interest. Many new people have come into our Sunday school and our week-day activities. A Mothercraft Class that meets bi-weekly has been a new venture this year, and is proving helpful to the mothers who attend. All of our week-day clubs have been well attended. At the Mother and Daughter Banquet given last spring we had the largest number of mothers present that we have ever had, and the same was true of the fathers at the Father and Son Banquet. Our Daily Vacation Bible School was well attended. One hundred and twenty-five certificates were given, and twenty-one received gold seals indicating three consecutive years of creditable work.

Of the eighty volunteers who assisted us, many were from our own community, young people who have grown up at Wesley House and are now taking their places as leaders.

We have made a special effort this year to keep our boys and girls in school. Clothes have been provided for many, and free lunches given those who otherwise would have to go without.

Wesley Institute, Memphis, Tenn.

Deaconess Jennie C. Congleton, Head Resident, reports:

The Wesley Institute has just passed its twenty-fifth anniversary. During these years scores of lives have been touched in the name of our dear Lord and Master. The good work is still going on, and God is blessing the efforts put forth.

The past year was indeed a trying one for our people, the majority being out of work most of the time. There would have been much more real suffering at times, while adjustments, readjustments, investigations, etc., were being made by relief agencies, had we not been here to meet the emergencies. It is a great privilege to be able to minister to the unfortunate under normal conditions, but a much greater privilege and joy in times such as we have been passing through. I feel the experiences of the past year have brought to me a

deeper consciousness of God and a deeper realization that in ministering to others we are really ministering to him. I pray that I may be privileged to render a larger service this year.

It warms one's heart to hear the many expressions of gratitude and appreciation from the women for what their connection with the Missionary Society has meant to them, and I feel there has come a rich spiritual blessing to each one.

During this period of unemployment many people have had to take advantage of free agencies for the first time. Our dental clinic ministered to five hundred patients in 1932.

Many mothers have been enabled to work with light hearts and contented minds because they knew their little ones were being protected and well cared for in the day nursery. One mother, leaving the community, said that Wesley Institute seemed more like home to her than the house she lived in because during the day when she was at work she always thought of her two boys there; it was home to them; therefore it was home to her.

Again we had our three weeks' Daily Vacation Bible School well planned and conducted by the two new deaconesses.

Wesley Institute Community Sunday school, with an enrolment of around 135, was conducted last year as usual.

My prayer for this new year is that God may give us a degree, clearer insight into the lives of the people with whom we work, that we may more intelligently and more sympathetically minister to bodies, minds, and spirits.

Deaconess Jessie Mae Byers reports:

This year we have twenty-seven children enrolled in the kindergarten. The attendance has been unusually good this year except for a brief period when the children were ill with the flu.

These children are busy all morning with games, toys, stories, colors, songs, scissors, and various other activities. They enjoy these activities, and through these we try to bring them to God as a loving Father. They learn consideration for others, how to share, and fairness.

The various churches of the city serve the lunch to the children, which meets a great physical need.

Our parties for special occasions are given by people in our churches who are friends of the Institute.

Sometimes it seems that we are doing little in this great field of service; but if we have helped one child to make the right start in life, then our work has not been in vain.

Wesley House, Nashville, Tenn.

Deaconess Lora Long, Head Resident, Deaconess Lora Lee Peder-son, Club Worker; Deaconess Una Smith, Wesley House Kindergarten, Deaconess May Coburn, and Lucy Holt Moore, Kindergarten, report:

This has been a very trying year for us all as we have faced the problem of keeping up the morale of our people and helping them make adjustments. We have created jobs of all kinds that they might feel they were paying for the help they were receiving from us. Many times as we listened to their stories we have been reminded that "man's extremity is God's opportunity," and after praying with them and giving them what help we could, they have left with new courage to go home and try again.

We have often marveled at the fortitude with which so many have

faced almost unbearable situations, and feel that they have really learned the source of all strength.

There has been a beautiful spirit of sharing among the church people that has enabled us to meet many of the needs of our people.

Our two community prayer meetings each week have been a power for good in South Nashville. The Lord is blessing this work, and through these meetings many of our new converts are finding a real place of service and are developing spiritually.

We have had a part in the distribution of Red Cross clothing, and through sewing groups in the Settlement and in the homes of the mothers have made up over eight hundred yards of material into clothing for their families.

The two kindergartens have been "full and running over" all year. Four of our girls, trained in our kindergartens and clubs, are now giving full-time service as assistants in the two kindergartens. We are also very fortunate in having a splendid group of volunteer helpers from the churches, not only in the kindergartens, but in all the other activities.

Our rhythm band is doing splendid work and has appeared on several programs.

We have had large groups in each Wesley House club this year. There were ninety-seven girls present on opening day in sewing school. At our Boys' Banquet over one hundred were served. Of course, we are interested primarily in helping the girls and boys who come to become fine Christian characters rather than in large numbers. We have seen them overcome difficulties and faults, heard them memorize sections from the Bible and lead in prayer, and we have realized anew the meaning of what our Master said: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Community Work, Tyler, Tex.

Deaconess Ruth Heflin reports:

Mr. and Mrs. Fair have purchased a car for the use of the deaconess and have also arranged for her to have \$125 a month for four months from the Community Chest for relief or rehabilitation work. They also insisted on paying \$60 of the \$80 damage on the car when Negroes wrecked it.

Practically everyone whom we have helped in any way has been enrolled in some Sunday school. We have had good attendance at our Tuesday afternoon meetings, and my class at Dawson Hill Union Church has grown from one to fourteen.

Through the generosity of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Christian Church and the Kays we were able to purchase a three-room "shack," furnished, for a widow and three children for the mere sum of \$15.

The Sunday school classes, Missionary Societies, and several of the clubs of the city as well as some of the business houses have been most generous in their offerings toward our work.

Wesley House, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Misses Fannie and Maggie Cox report:

Owing to the depression, our work was closed for about six months last year. We are happy to report that we have resumed work again and are going forward with hope and courage.

We minister to about forty families and have activities for all age groups. The attendance is better than ever before. We have twenty-one volunteer helpers who render valuable service.

POLYGLOT WORK

Wesley Community House, Fort Worth, Tex.

Deaconess Annie E. Price, Head Resident, reports:

Upon appointment to Fort Worth, Tex., I found myself wondering just what my contribution should consist of, since so many deaconesses have dedicated years of service to this field. Intricate, also, and many are the problems attendant upon this or any community, the personnel of which has so largely changed with the years.

An answer to my query suggests itself to me in the words of First Corinthians 15: 58b: "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the works of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Deaconess Felicidad Mendez, Kindergartner, reports:

I believe in the possibilities of little children to become the Christian citizens that the world so much needs. I also believe that the type of environment with which they are surrounded in early childhood largely determines the character of the men and women they will become.

Keeping this in mind, we have tried to furnish the children in the kindergarten with beautiful surroundings, and have tried to give them experiences which tend to develop them physically, mentally, spiritually. Projects for the year have been on Health, Citizenship, World-Friendship, and Nature. At Christmas time the children learned the story of the Nativity and gave a simple dramatization for parents and friends.

The kindergarten mothers' club has had the following projects: A series of health lectures; making of garments for the children's Christmas tree. At present they are having a very practical course in Home Economics, which is meeting a real need. Miss Bonnie Enlow, head of Home Economics Department at Texas Christian University, directs this work.

The primary department of the Sunday school is another of my responsibilities, and I am happy to have discovered two good teachers among the girls of the community.

I am grateful for the splendid spirit of co-operation shown by the women of our churches.

Deaconess Evelyn Holmberg, Club Worker, reports:

The most challenging part of my work this year has been my contact with individual personalities within my groups. The various clubs have been a means of discovering these individuals, and extra hours spent with them have given me a better understanding of their problems.

It has been difficult to secure helpers for the boys' department this year. There is a large group of boys of all ages who look to the Wesley House for their activities. Some of these activities include music, manual training, Hi-Y, football, basket ball, baseball, game contests, and social hours in the clubroom.

The volunteer helpers in the girls' department include representatives from the Young Woman's Christian Association, the Texas Woman's College, the Texas Christian University, and the different churches in Fort Worth. The activities of this department include music, sewing, cooking, game periods, hikes, baseball, Girl Reserves, and Camp Fire groups.

Miss Mendez and I have charge of the young people's services in

the Mexican Church. I have charge of the junior department in the Sunday school.

Wesley Community House, St. Joseph, Mo.

Deaconess Florence Blackwell, Head Resident, reports:

The year 1932 was an unusually good year in point of numbers and interest in the activities of Wesley House.

The Mothers' Club is meeting a real need in the lives of our women as they are being trained in hand and mind and spirit. The club members are conducting the devotionals themselves, and find great joy in doing it. A study course, which is an educational asset, is being conducted. The Bible study has been most popular. They always have some project for the help of other people; this year it has been furnishing layettes where they were needed.

The Vacation Bible School and the Saturday Morning Bible School are always well attended, the average attendance being more than a hundred and the quality of work very fine.

Thirty girls were sent to a camp for a week last summer.

Deaconess Helen Reeves, Girls' Worker, reports:

The girls' department consists of a "tumbling" class, a Brownie Pack, and three Scout groups. The Scouts are interested in passing the various tests denoting progress. Many of them are looking forward eagerly to that great day in the future when that high honor of First Class Scout shall be bestowed upon them. Several are working toward the highest rank, that of Golden Eaglet. Hikes and parties provide ample entertainment. I am happy to have the privilege of serving the Master in this place.

Deaconess Lillie Wood, Kindergartner, reports:

My work with the kindergarten this year has been both interesting and challenging. Little children as well as grown people have their problems, and it is often harder to help four- and five-year children work out their problems than it is grown-ups.

There are five nationalities represented in the kindergarten—Jews, Mexicans, Roumanians, Armenians, and Americans.

The largest enrolment for any one month has been fifty-five, and we are not equipped for more than forty.

Besides the kindergarten, I have a class of industrial girls. All of these girls are foreigners and Catholics. During the fall they had a sewing class. Now that spring is here, they are taking up swimming.

St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, La.

Deaconess Nettie Stroup, Head Resident, reports:

Three hundred children were enrolled in Vacation School the past summer. This was one of the most successful Bible Schools we have ever had.

An accomplishment of the past year's work is an organized choir. The music has been one weak phase of the church program, so special effort has been put forth to get the young people interested in church music. After several months of steady work the eleven members of the choir are now rendering special music for church services every Sunday morning. Vestments are worn, and we feel that the choir has really inspired worship in the Sunday morning service.

Our Christmas pageant, which was given the night of our Kingdom Extension offering, was one with a great deal more drama in it

than any we had given before. The young people have done a great deal of religious drama, and as Christmas drew near they asked for something real dramatic. "O Come, Let Us Adore Him," which has much drama, was selected, and it was well put on by eighteen characters. We also gave it in one of the large Methodist churches in the city, and an offering to help out our Kingdom Extension pledge was taken.

A Wesley Fellowship group has been organized among our young adults, which has proven quite successful. One of our young men was chosen president of the Wesley Fellowship Federation, which is a city organization of all the young adult groups of the city.

Another one of our young men is president of the City Epworth League Union. Both these young men are Syrians and have received all their spiritual training through St. Mark's. We feel happy when we see our St. Mark's young people filling places of leadership and responsibility in the church work of the city. Many of our youth and young adults are growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Master, and are giving their best talents to his service.

The Jewish leaders of Mount Sinai Temple asked St. Mark's to join with them and organize an interdenominational debating club. The initial debate was given by two of St. Mark's young people against two of the Jewish young folks. The subject was "Resolved, that the American Indian has been more cruelly treated in North America in the last four hundred years than has the Negro." St. Mark's debaters did honor to the institution by their splendid presentation of the affirmative side of the debate. One special aim of the club is to promote friendship and fellowship among the young people of the different churches throughout the city.

Besides the community center work, each deaconess here has her department in the church and Epworth League or Wesley Fellowship, which means a very full program for everyone.

Several new clubs were organized the past year, and in spite of the depression and other handicaps the work has gone steadily forward with keen interest on every hand. The Lord has blessed our efforts, for which we are truly thankful.

Deaconess Wortley Moorman, Nurse, reports:

"What have you done the past year at St. Mark's as a missionary nurse?" I am asked. "Oh, I have been quite busy about many things. I have written clinic records, ordered supplies, called doctors, dressed cut fingers, strapped ankles, trimmed corns, been doctor during the flu epidemic, dispensed medicine, distributed Red Cross clothing, collected laboratory specimens, loaned hot water bags and ice caps, loaned rolling chairs and crutches, relieved toothache, assisted the doctors in three hundred clinic sessions, taken patients to and from hospitals, arranged X rays, visited the sick, instructed in bedside nursing, given first aid examinations to Boy Scouts, distributed health literature, packed first aid kits for summer camps, reported communicable diseases, given hypodermics, vaccinated children, arranged for rest cures in summer camps, made dressings, and attended meetings."

"You have indeed been busy about many things," my friend remarks. The same voice asks: "Have you soothed any heartaches? Have you ministered lovingly? Have you inspired any souls? Have you been patient? Have you kept the faith? Have you given with simplicity? Have you shared your life gladly? Have you pointed the way to Jesus? This is your task."

Deaconess Maggie Marshall reports:

"What's in a name?" As I recall the names of individuals and groups which stand out because of this past year, I say that a name may mean much. Gaines, Rhodus, Whitty, Lehde, White, Levy, and others represent a body of women who give of their time and talents for the carrying on of my special work. Welborn brings to mind a little boy who has the ambition to become a doctor, although all his clothes are given him from St. Mark's. Fenasci represents a French girl who has developed into a real leader among girls of her age. Dalia is that Italian girl who is carrying over the parties and activities from St. Mark's to outside groups. Collins presents one who has found Christ as her ideal.

As I pass down the names of clubs I see the following: Willing Workers, a class of intermediate boys and girls who are really becoming Bible students; Sunbeam Girl Reserves, who shine far in a wide-awake program of athletics, camps, plays, both sacred and secular, and projects of varying nature; Boy Scouts, whose leader will lead them on to Christian citizenship; Gan G Club, which is a real gang of boys who play ball and work in shop equally hard; Sedarmoc (Comrades reversed) Club, a new club, which bids fair to make an outstanding record, as it is composed of girls who have been promoted from Girl Reserves because they have completed high school; El Wadad Club, meaning Friends in Syrian, which is an experimental group composed of older boys and girls, the only group of its kind outside of church groups which is seeking to bring about proper relationship between sexes; athletic groups, sewing class, other church groups, which stand for development of boys and girls.

Then the name of St. Mark's to many means health, words of encouragement, wholesome recreation, and spiritual growth; but to me as I have sought to bring these about it has meant six years of hard, happy work.

Deaconess Dorothy Lundy reports:

Here we have New Orleans with its flavor of early America, the old French Quarters with their romance, and in the midst of it all St. Mark's facing the needs and problems of a people—not of one, but of many races and nationalities. The history of the city is interesting, its romance intrigues, and it seems to mingle something strangely new with its antiquity. It is so with St. Mark's, for through its program it is telling a story that is age-old but thrillingly new—it is the social gospel.

Can a boy learn to live the Christian way of life in a ball game, in the workshop, through a story or song? Can a girl find the answer to the true values of life while making a notebook, or piecing a quilt, or as she sings and plays?

The work of our junior department is based on the belief that Jesus' way is the way that touches every detail of our lives. Activities for junior-age children are scheduled five days in the week. The Sunday program is one which attempts through wise teaching to link the children with the whole church program, so that when the time comes that they will be charged with the responsibility of the administration of the church they may have increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man, as did the Lad of Galilee.

Homes that could never be touched by the church are made to feel the influence of the institution through the boys and girls that engage in the week-day club activities. "Gangs" move their headquarters off the street corners. Their energies are redirected, and they are led to find a new satisfaction in wholesome activities.

There are very few immediate transformations, but effort invested in a junior boy or girl is expended with high faith that there will be a future payment of dividends.

RURAL WORK

Aberdeen Rural, North Mississippi Conference, Caledonia, Miss.

Deaconess Ethel Cunningham, Rural Worker, reports:

God never blessed me in so rich a way as when he sent me to this district and said, "Behold, your friends."

Our Board and Missionary Societies have touched 96 churches. Countless volunteer helpers have richly blessed our work. Miss Carter, who was with us two months, was a splendid advertisement for Scarritt. It has kept me busy getting ready for and placing all the help we had. We have reached 34 Methodist churches with Vacation Schools, all but one of the 20 circuits. We had 41 at the District Vacation School Institute. Our Conference Superintendent complimented the grades made by the 60 who received credit from the Cokesbury Courses we sponsored.

It seems the Lord let me break my arm, to make sure I would stay with a church just a mile away. There was no one else to take the young people's Sunday school class and to help them work out simple League programs. This Sunday school, which was organized nearly three years ago, has given opportunity for at least one leader to develop. He is steward, superintendent, teacher, League counselor, and recreational leader.

The best inspiration some of our weaker Missionary Societies have had has been Mrs. Vic Hoyle, a Board member. Our Kingdom Extension work has helped, but we still need to study and pray to learn to give of ourselves to the Master's work.

North Georgia Conference Rural Work

Miss Bert Winter, Rural Worker, reports:

It has been a busy, happy year in the Dalton, Gainesville, and La-Grange Districts, mostly in the Clayton, Ellijay, and Franklin Circuits, and touching other points where the pastors wanted special help for a few days. Some type of work was given in a total of seventy-six churches.

There were six Daily Vacation Bible Schools, with an enrolment of 455 children, resulting in some joining the church and many trying to follow their "motto" and "Be Doers of the Word." Seven Teacher-Training classes were taught, with an enrolment of two hundred, and 171 received credits. This increased the interest, attendance, and efficiency of these schools. Six Sunday schools were reorganized and literature furnished for the first quarter.

The ten cooking demonstrations, attended by about one hundred farm women, were most interesting and helpful, and increased the interest in the Missionary Societies that sponsored them. Special programs were put on in every church in the circuit in April, and the people were asked to come with an offering of farm produce for benevolences. Eight answered this call, and their produce was sold at the curb market, netting about \$60 for the offering.

Through the State Board of Health a tuberculosis clinic was held, and thirty two people were X rayed, and four were given special treatment as found needed. This was sponsored by the pastor with the help of the rural worker. Twenty-two Missionary Societies were organized, ten of these new ones, also two young women's and three

children's groups. Four mission study classes were taught, two being credit classes. The Kingdom Extension book was taught in seven churches, and many societies, Leagues, and Sunday schools were nurtured through talks, Council meetings, visits, and getting them to zone and district meetings and League Unions.

Sixteen League groups of the Young People's Division were organized and assisted in one League revival, and sponsored ten get-together parties for Leagues and Sunday schools.

Plays are coached to help out parsonages, paint churches, and get lights and songbooks; also assistance is given the stewards in collecting for pastor's salary and benevolences. Chapel is held at the day schools, and always their appreciation pays for the efforts, especially in the colored schools.

Through the Supply Department of the stronger societies we have literature, subscriptions to the *Voice*, some money for the sick, and boxes for pastors and needy calls. But the Santa Claus boxes for the weaker Sunday schools give us unbounded joy. It helps the Sunday schools to keep up their work through the bad weather, and this year two hundred children and several families enjoyed the five Sunday school trees and programs and would have had no Christmas but for this.

My heart overflows with gratitude to the women of the stronger churches for all their help and to the pastors of the smaller churches for their wonderful co-operation; and as I see the willing response to all my efforts, I thank God and pray to him to make me big enough for my job.

Cajun Rural Work, Calvert, Ala.

Deaconess Obra Rogers, Rural Worker, reports:

"And Jesus went about doing good." Thus we through the Community House have tried to do good wherever opportunity was given by relieving physical needs, by ministering to the sick, by teaching, by providing wholesome recreational activities, and by training in worship and leadership.

We have necessarily had to do a great deal of relief work because of the great amount of unemployment. The outstanding piece of relief work has been the giving of noonday meals to the school children. We have co-operated with the County Welfare Agency in distributing government flour and in the R. F. C. work. Many fine boxes of clothing have been received, and these have really gone to clothe the community. By the help of a very missionary-minded woman and her family, we were able to keep a needy child in our home for four and a half months.

Many sick people have been visited, and many, mostly children, have been carried to the doctor for treatment. Hundreds have been given medical aid through the school clinic. We have co-operated with county nurses in clinics for vaccination and immunization for smallpox, typhoid fever, and diphtheria. The worker visited in several homes with the county nurse and gave information concerning pregnant mothers.

Fifteen children have been enrolled during the year in the kindergarten. It is to be remembered that this is a rural community and children have long distances to come. Four children walk a mile and a half to attend the kindergarten. They are eager to come, and we believe they are learning some valuable lessons in social relationships. They gave six special programs throughout the year, which gave great pleasure to their parents and friends.

The boys have truly enjoyed their woodwork class. In this class

they have made everything from a spinning wheel, David harps, and bird houses to benches and tables for use in the schoolroom. The children always look forward to the handwork class on Wednesday afternoon. In this class we have not only made seasonal decorations, but most of the costumes used in the special programs during the year.

Three Daily Vacation Bible Schools were conducted with an enrolment of 121. Two Cokesbury Schools were held with an enrolment of ten. One Bible Study Course was taught.

Recreational activities have included frequent recreational hours at Shady Grove school, several parties at the Community House, and baseball.

We have made much of the special days. Christmas was a most happy occasion, made so by gifts from the junior department of the Brewton Sunday school and others.

Our work is closely connected with the little Methodist church in the community. This little church is trying to reorganize according to the new plan, and much interest is being shown in the work. We have helped as Sunday school teachers, League advisers, and as members of the Local Church Board of Christian Education. Six fine boys united with this church during the year.

In addition to the work at Byrd Church, other definite religious services have been the Junior League meetings held at the community house, and the Epworth League meetings and church services sponsored at Shady Grove. Meanwhile we have tried to keep in touch with the people through home visitation and attendance upon worship services in other communities.

The aid given by the women of the Alabama Conference has been splendid. If it were not for their gifts of supplies, we could not carry on our present enlarged program. We feel that this has been a good year and that we are very much a part of the community in which our Community House is located.

Rural Work, Louisiana Conference

Deaconess Ora Hooper reports:

"Do what you can with what you have where you are today," is a more appropriate motto today than ever before because the Church is truly handicapped in the rural communities.

The Chevrolet which is my assistant in rural work in Louisiana has had a very busy year taking me to thirty-four of the forty-eight rural churches in this district. Missionary auxiliaries, young people's unions, and World Circles of boys and girls were organized and supervised. Seven Vacation Bible Schools were conducted in the district.

Council in Atlanta was attended. Report of work done during the year was given at the preachers' Annual Conference and at the Woman's Conference. District meeting of preachers, Missionary Society, and young people were attended. Many zone meetings were addressed. Bible and mission study classes were taught, a pulpit was filled for a preacher, visits were made to sick and distressed to give relief, much Christian literature was distributed, and personal evangelistic work was done.

A children's institute to train leaders for children was worked up with Mrs. Crichlow, the Conference Superintendent of Children's Work. The aim of all work done has been to develop the fourfold life as expressed in Luke 2: 52: "And Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man." In other words, our aim has been to develop the educational, physical, social, and spiritual life.

North Mississippi Conference Rural Work, Wheeler, Miss.

Deaconess Dora Hoover reports:

One more year's work for Jesus, ranging from scrubbing churches to every phase of Christian service except preaching from a text.

We conducted two church schools, in which eighty-five were enrolled, using local helpers. We sent a box of handkerchiefs and pictures to Miss Howard, Songdo, Korea. The girls made sixty handkerchiefs in the church schools. World Clubs grew from these schools. In the spring I gave the children chicks to grow, the proceeds to go to church and clubs. When ready to market, they brought them to church, but kept the pullets. One boy who kept a pullet brought thirty eggs to church before Christmas. We have nests in the churches in which the children deposit their eggs.

Our Missionary Societies have been largely financed with poultry. We paid much of the expense of repairing the interior of one church with hens, and bought lumber for primary chairs also. Members of the community made the chairs.

One Missionary Society gave "Thanksgiving Ann" at a public meeting, and another gave the playlet on Ewha College. During the Week of Prayer we held one day's Retreat, which was a spiritual feast for all participating.

We were in revival meetings for twenty days, which resulted in thirty-three accessions to these churches.

We placed libraries in the three churches and are adding to them as we can procure the books.

We organized one Sunday school, one prayer meeting, and one Missionary Society; all are flourishing. We have observed Sunday School Day at each of our Sunday schools and had two Christmas programs.

There have been much poverty and sickness in our midst, and we have done what we could to help in relief work.

This has been a good year in the work, for which we are grateful.

North Arkansas Conference, Searcy District, Rural Work

Miss Mae Wess Bell reports:

The past year has been a busy, happy one; both blessings and accomplishments are worth recounting at this time. The work during the winter and early spring months was just a continuation of work started last year, visiting Sunday schools, Missionary Societies, in the homes of the people in the bounds of the Bellefonte Circuit, and helping in every way to promote the program of the Church.

During the summer I had the privilege of working with the presiding elder of the district in promoting and conducting Vacation Schools. Through the hearty co-operation of the pastors, Sunday school teachers, and the Woman's Missionary Societies, we were able to have fourteen schools in the smaller churches of the district. These schools were well attended by the children. Three Girls and Boys World Clubs were organized in connection with the schools held.

Since September it has been my pleasure to share the student life on the campus of the Valley Springs Training School. The work as teacher and that of sharing in the duties of matron and chaperon present varied demands for service. My work consists of teaching four high-school classes, one of which has been a course in Missions and Religious Education.

We have a splendid student body. The enrolment has been small, due to the fact that the school was unable to give as much student

help as it has in the past. We have enrolled about sixty-five students, in high school; sixteen of that number are boarding students. The school has been financed largely by the local community.

We appreciate so much the response the Woman's Missionary Societies have made in furnishing the dormitory with boxes of canned foods, linens, window shades, and drapes for the dining and social rooms. Books and magazines have been sent to the library also.

I have visited once a month each Sunday school and Missionary Society on the Bellefonte Circuit and Valley Springs. One new young people's organization and one Boys and Girls World Club have been organized on the Bellefonte Circuit.

Caledonia Rural, Timpson Circuit, Texas Conference

Deaconess Martha Stewart reports:

This has been one of our best years spiritually at Caledonia. People have turned to the Church as never before. Our average attendance at Sunday school and church in 1932 was 100, and we had 39 who did not miss a single Sunday. This year, however, our attendance has been around 85 per cent, due to the destitute circumstances of some of the families in the community. But the spirit of the people has been unusually fine.

Our regular church work has gone forward in a fine manner; each group (World Club, League, prayer meeting, etc.) has increased the high standard of their work.

During the past year we have made 1,162 visits in the community and traveled 6,197 miles. We have had our prayer meeting every Wednesday night, when the weather and roads were not too bad, and our average attendance for the year has been 31¼. We have had our social for the young people every Friday night and for all the people once a month.

We had our Daily Vacation Bible School for our children last summer, studying the Indians.

We conducted a two weeks' revival during the summer, and had thirty-three additions to the church, most of them on profession of faith.

We have a good Boy and Girl Scout troop doing nice work.

We have had one union program with the Negro Epworth League in this community, and this month (March 9-16) we held the first Negro Daily Vacation Bible School ever held in this community.

It has been a great year, and we feel very grateful for the opportunity we have in this community.

We have one girl who is planning to become a missionary, and this has come about because of the work of the church in this community and because she has been able to receive training which she would not have received had it not been for the wonderful co-operation of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Rural Work, Louisville Conference, Monticello, Ky.

Deaconess Amo Atchley, Rural Worker, reports:

My second year in the rural work has been more enjoyable, and I feel more has been done.

In making plans for the work I have tried to keep in mind the development of a fourfold life.

We have met physical needs by work with the country doctor and nurse, through clinics, lectures, private calls, and literature. Much food and clothing have been provided for the most needy, and work has been found for some.

The mind has been given employment by co-operation with the county agent in H. H. Clubs and private help in farming and gardening, by co-operation with the county superintendent of schools through giving the church for classrooms, making possible more teachers and better work, and by private instruction and distribution of much literature by the deaconesses.

The church is trying to meet the social and spiritual needs by a program of the church, consisting of Sunday and week-day sessions.

These are means to an end, that of bringing our rural people into that richer, deeper life that Jesus taught us of when he said, "I am come that ye might have life and have it more abundantly."

Rural Work, South Georgia Conference, Cairo, Ga.

Miss Bessie Miller, Rural Worker, reports:

Realizing that the Kingdom of God must come through building Christ into community life, our interest in South Georgia has been turned toward an experiment in this line. The Conference, with the co-operation of the local community, has erected a community house in connection with one of our large rural churches. Not only does this provide for a more adequate program on Sunday, but makes possible plays, pageants, debates, farm lectures, musicals, and socials for all age groups, thus making the church the real center of all community life. Books for a library are being secured from the Georgia Library Commission, a Boy Scout troop is in process of organization, and other efforts being put forth to meet mental, physical, and spiritual needs.

The greater part of the summer was spent helping in nine Vacation Church Schools and teaching in the Paine College Pastors' School.

Organization work has been done in three districts and other assistance given in every phase of the work of the church. People have been responsive, and the year has truly been good. A wonderful privilege is mine.

MISCELLANEOUS WORK

Southern Methodist Hospital, Tucson, Ariz.

Deaconess Louise Hill Smith reports:

It was my privilege to serve at Southern Methodist Hospital and Sanatorium, in Tucson, Ariz., for six months. Visiting with them, shopping for them, and administering to each patient, both at the Sanatorium and Hospital, holds a very special place within my heart as I think of the months I spent among these sick folks.

Very little can be accomplished as a group when serving these patients. The most outstanding to be mentioned of bringing the folks together were our Halloween and Christmas parties. On Thanksgiving we had "specialties" on the three trays that day, and baskets of fruit in the afternoon, one for each one.

Every Sunday morning each patient found on the breakfast tray a small decorative card (we might call it a place card). This card brought to them some passage of Scripture that might be helpful to them during the Sabbath.

On Saturday evening there was placed in the hands of each patient a copy of *Desert Sunshine*, our newspaper. It contained religious and secular thoughts, as well as a space used for jokes. The patients really looked forward to the weekly edition of "our paper." It was certainly a pleasure to bring this bit of cheer to their bedside.

There was such a joy to live among those people, and such a sat-

isfaction which came to me as I served them, and, as someone said, "to be their family to them."

Thomas M. Spofford Receiving Home for Children, Kansas City, Mo.

Deaconess Annie Alford, Superintendent, reports:

The year 1932 was a year mingled with joy and sorrow at Spofford Home. Nothing more beautiful have I ever seen than that of boys and girls gradually dropping off old habits by which they have been handicapped and growing into the true and the beautiful, coming into happy, normal life of childhood that our Lord would have them enjoy.

A number of the children were invited by several Missionary Societies to spend the entire summer vacation out on farms or in small towns, where they had the benefit of making new friends, hiking, wading, swimming, etc., besides being given a taste of doing chores around the homes. All returned for the opening of school with sun-tanned cheeks and robust bodies, happy and grateful for their vacations. Boys and girls who did not go to the country had the privilege of going to camp for a week.

I arrived the last of July to find Miss Burton, the former Superintendent, in Wesley Hospital desperately ill. On August 3 she closed her eyes and quietly slipped away. She had worked faithfully and well while here. Ninety-four children were cared for by the Spofford Home during the year. Some have been out in foster-homes several years, and all seem happy to have homes with the love of father and mother.

The people of Kansas City and of the entire Conference have been thoughtful in sending supplies to help carry on this work, and especially were we remembered at Thanksgiving and Christmas time.

We are striving to help the children to grow into lives of usefulness to Church and State. Is there anything more beautiful and worth while than saving the life of a child? "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

Deaconess Blanche H. White, Case Work Supervisor, reports:

The case work field at Spofford Home is most interesting. In studying a child before and after entrance and after it has gone again into the community, there is opportunity for learning much. One learns to respect the fine men in the medical profession who bring people to maximum health. One learns to co-operate with other agencies and to see that, after all, he holds one small, very small, bit of the world's work in his hands. One learns tolerance of religions, of others' foibles, and even of his own shortcomings in this study of what makes children act as they do. We may save a child, but the greatest service is not to the child, but to the ones who help him; for, after all, a social worker is not a self-sacrificing person, but a person who feeds his own soul on the work of the world, and is paid, not in money, but in satisfaction, in the feeling of going over the top. Jesus caught this vision long ago, but we have failed to see what he taught; for when he said that one must lose his life to gain it, he meant that in giving ourselves we get far heavier returns than we give.

Deaconess Jewell E. Matthews, Assistant Case Worker, reports:

The year has been a sort of jig-saw puzzle, made up of many strange and marvelous hours—hours with curving edges, hours with jagged ones, curiously shaped and yet fitting into the pattern in a way quite wonderful. My tasks have been varied, ranging all the way from

case work and nursing to filling in during vacations. Some of it has been bewildering, some discouraging, and much of it satisfying in its results. It has taught me much; for, in the words of our psychiatrist, "Experience is learning," and I believe has forced into my hands tools with which I may better meet life. I love the work because it has become a part of me in a way I didn't know possible. I love the children for themselves, for what they may become with wise care and training. I love being a part of a great plan whose motive is to preserve human personality. I love being able to see miracles that loving care can bring about. It is so good to feel in tune, to fill a niche, to have a place that is so cramped with opportunity to use "forces terrific" at one's finger tips!

Deaconess Esther Drinker, Secretary, reports:

Unless you love office work as much as I, you may not be interested in the report of an office secretary. But there is a fascination about making things "balance," and I always rejoice when the first of the month comes, so I can work on the books. Then we keep a family, child, medical, psychiatric, and school record on each of our sixty-three children, which keeps the typewriter singing several days a week. But lest this work should grow monotonous (which it doesn't), I supervise the children two days a week when the official supervisors are off, and find it is *lots* of fun. At the first sound of the 6:30 bell you hear the thud of feet hitting the floor, and they are ready for a new day of play, caring for their many pets, study, and work. But it is the close of the day which I like best, hearing the little ones read and sending them to bed, correcting arithmetic problems, criticizing maps, etc.; and when the study is finished, if there is a little time left, they entertain each other with original "plays." Then comes the best part of tucking them in, hearing their prayers (and they find so many, many things for which to be thankful), and a good-night kiss. Yes, I love it all—and I thank God for letting me live here with children who offer so many opportunities for service and with fellow-workers who make life more interesting and beautiful.

Virginia K. Johnson Home, Dallas, Tex.

Miss Mary L. Freeman, Superintendent, reports:

In reviewing the work of 1932, I find that in spite of the failure to accomplish the entire goal for the year, the year's work has not been in vain. There were fifty-five girls and eighteen babies to be cared for. This number is smaller than in past years, but shall we count results only by numbers? Happenings have been too numerous to record; disappointments have been many; discouragement was rampant at one season. However, the "silver lining" was found and hope was renewed.

In addition to the regular schedule, Daily Vacation School was held in June. Misses Hilburn and Fisher were ably assisted by Misses Emily Dorsey, Dorothy Watson, and Jacqueline Anderson.

Thanksgiving was real as we paused to give thanks for material and spiritual kindness.

Christmas sharing was again demonstrated in giving cheer to a worthy Mexican family.

The great challenge in this work is how best to stimulate the talent which God has bestowed and so develop the character that has been shattered by seeking happiness from the wrong source. The desire of the entire faculty is to accomplish this task in the name of Jesus Christ whose "grace is sufficient" for all things.

Deaconess Muriel Bell, Nurse, reports:

The first half of the year 1932 I worked in the Valley Institute, Pharr, Tex. I taught classes in Bible, sewing, and health at the same time I was school nurse.

I superintended and taught a class in Sunday school, attended the morning service at the English Church, and attended regularly the Mexican Church at night.

In June and July I helped in two Vacation Bible Schools, one in the Mexican Church in Pharr and the other in Brownsville, Tex., in the Mexican Church there. The enrolment in Brownsville was 98 and 65 in Pharr.

Since September first the work at the Virginia K. Johnson Home has kept me busy. First was the constant care of Mother Johnson, who was quite ill on my arrival here, then the young mothers and their babies. The Lord has tenderly watched over us and saved us from any serious illness. The general health has been very good with the exception of one major operation and a few minor ones. I hope to start with the Health classes soon.

I substitute as League leader and sometimes Sunday school and assist in office duty, prayer meeting, church services, and socials.

Miss Lillian Hilburn, Teacher, reports:

It is our aim in the Home to seek to develop the threefold life of the individual—spiritual, mental, and physical. We stress the spiritual, for we find therein the great need of the individual lies. Since coming to the Home it has been my earnest desire to lead these girls to a greater knowledge of Jesus Christ as their personal friend and Savior.

The attendance in the high school has reached as high as twenty-four during the fall term, although the present enrolment is nineteen. Four practice teachers from Southern Methodist University assist in teaching English Literature, Spanish, English II, and Early European Civilization. My work in the schoolroom is to supervise and teach some of the classes in high schools. I teach classes in Bible, History I, American Literature, Modern History, English History, and Spelling. I assist in teaching a Sunday school class, direct some of the girls' sewing, keep study hall, and take my turn on office duty as well as the other routine duties of the Home.

The girls in the high school may obtain credits by examination from the Dallas High School or through state examinations. Last May fifteen girls from the high school took the examination in Bible from the Dallas High School. Every girl passed the examination in Bible and made their high-school credit. There were thirty-six organized Bible classes in the city schools, and out of that number our class ranked fourteen, making an average of 87.2. Two girls from our Bible Class won the Linz Award, which is the highest award offered in the city schools for excellent attainment in Bible study. This year we expect to make our record still better.

Deaconess Johnia Dodson, Teacher, reports:

I have found real joy in my work as teacher in the grades this year. In addition to the regular course of study for the sixth and seventh grades, I teach Elementary Home Economics, help in physical culture each day, and teach Bible.

Miss Bess McLain, Secretary, reports:

My work for the past year has been Secretary rather than teaching as heretofore. In addition to regular duties of general office work,

I kept girls' supply room, took part in the religious and social activities and other routine tasks.

I have not had the close personal contact with the girls as in former years, but even so I make the most of my association with them to help them to a better understanding of the principles and love of Christ, and thereby to a more abundant life.

Miss Nora Pafford, Teacher of Outside Activities, reports:

The department of outside activities at the Virginia K. Johnson Home had a very prosperous year in 1932. A splendid growing season, plus planning and work, yielded generous results in garden, farming, fruit, dairy, and poultry divisions.

Supplies from these, in season, aided greatly in meeting living expenses, and a total of 1,600 containers of vegetables, pickles, and fruit was stored for winter use. A large part of the meat used was produced on the place.

Planting of shrubs and roses given by interested friends was made on the grounds, and almost the year round flowers could be gathered from the flower garden.

We are devoutly grateful to our Heavenly Father for all these material blessings, and we thank him for our spiritual privileges and blessings.

Miss Eva Watts, Dietitian, reports:

It is with pleasure that I come to make my report for the year 1932. The duties remain very much the same from year to year, but the contacts and joy in services increase with the years. In our work and in our play our motto is the Golden Rule.

It was my one pleasure of the year to attend the Woman's Missionary Conference at Sulphur Springs, Tex., and meet some of the women who help in our work here. Our donations for the year have been most generous. We have received sixty-three boxes of fruit, vegetables, eggs; for all of these donations we are truly grateful.

Holston Orphanage, Greeneville, Tenn.

Deaconess Belle Hennen reports:

As we come to the close of another year, it is with much love and a deep sense of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his manifold blessings to us during this time of "stress and distress."

What a joy to help care for 180 of his little ones, but what a sorrow to think of those many, many needy ones we could not help because of lack of means.

We had two very special days this year. On June 23, 1932, Holston Orphanage had its first "Homecoming." About one thousand children have been cared for since it was started thirty-seven years ago; and some forty men, women, and children, former members of the Home, with their families, some members of the Board of Directors, and friends were here. It was a thrilling occasion, not only for the vistors who came back, but also for those responsible for the present management and the working of the Home. The thought that the children here now will in a few short years be out in the world taking their places in the work of the Church and State impressed all of us with the responsibilities of our task and the possibilities wrapped up in the young lives under our care.

The second "special day" was October 6, 1932, when the Holston Annual Conference, in session in Johnson City, thirty-two miles from here, adjourned in the afternoon, and Bishop and Mrs. Ainsworth,

with more than four hundred ministers, delegates, and visitors, took lunch with us and after a short program spent the afternoon visiting the Home.

The speech made by a young man who spent seven years in the Home about twenty-five years ago was the high point of the program, and one of our most distinguished guests said, "If Holston Orphanage had produced no one else but him alone, it would have been worth while."

Mrs. J. J. Davis spent a number of years in the Home as a child, and for this reason our children are very much interested in her and the work she is helping to do in Africa; and it gave us much joy to have her name, through the gift of a friend, placed in the "House Beautiful" at Scarritt College by the children of Holston Orphanage.

Realizing more and more each year the wonderful opportunity for service that this Home offers, I thank my Heavenly Father that he chose me to serve here, and I know that "they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee, Fla.

Deaconess Winnie Lee Davis, Student Secretary, reports:

The work of the Methodist Student Organization of Florida State College for women during the past year has been promising in many respects. Plans begun last year have been carried out more definitely this year, and the girls are working with much enthusiasm and interest.

On registration days at the first of the year the Student Secretaries sat in line of registration, enrolling students in their particular churches, greeting former students, and welcoming new ones. Using the registration cards, the student leaders in the Organization visited all Methodist girls, and by means of Personal Record Cards more specific information was obtained. From this information our nine interest groups were formed—dramatics, choir, League work, instrumental music, teaching Sunday school class, office work, poster making, and welfare work (infirmary and orphanage). The executive group through which these activities of the year have functioned is composed of twenty student leaders. In addition to this group, there is one girl on each hall who keeps in touch with every Methodist girl on her hall, and encourages them in attending the services of the church.

Last November a group from our Organization met in Gainesville for our first Methodist Student Conference, which is composed of students from the various colleges in the state of Florida.

During the first week in December we were fortunate in having Dr. W. A. Smart, of Emory University, to conduct the first Religious Emphasis Week which has ever been held on our campus. Private conferences were held each morning, open forums for questions each afternoon, and a general meeting each evening, at which Dr. Smart spoke with that divinely uplifting power which is his. The spirit and inspiration which he brought to our campus is still being felt, and we hope he may be able to return to us next year.

Special activities we have carried on during the past year have been: receptions and parties, exam teas, camps, hikes, and other recreational activities. The girls also sponsor worship services, League programs, and special music at the church. At present we are preparing a choir and dramatic program to be presented at the Woman's Missionary Conference on the night of April 5 in Gaines-

ville. Directly following we begin our interdenominational pre-Easter services, which are held every morning at the Methodist Student House. A special feature of this week will be an Easter play presented at the church.

Our Organization is financed by individual pledges by the students, and this year, since the Woman's Missionary Conference of Florida, has supplemented our budget, we are able to meet all of our financial obligations.

Since moving to the Student House I find more time for conferences and personal interviews, and I am also able to make more contacts with the girls when they come over for a social good time, such as playing and singing, reading and cooking.

The success of the year's work has been largely due to the fine spirit of co-operation between the church, the faculty, and the Student Organization.

HOME WORKERS OF THE COUNCIL

DEACONESES

| 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 | Valley Springs, Ark. |
| 1931. | Aylor, Erlene | Aylor, Va. |
| 1928. | Baker, Athalia | Orangeburg, S. C. |
| 1922. | Bame, Fannie | Salisbury, N. C. |
| 1927. | Barnett, Ola Lee | Clinton, Mo. |
| 1928. | Barnwell, Mary Lou | Arabi, Ga. |
| 1927. | Bartholomew, Ruth | Gladys, Va. |
| 1923. | Bell, Muriel | Temple, Tex. |
| 1917. | Berglund, Josephine | Springfield, Mo. |
| 1924. | Berkeley, Ruby | Red Banks, Miss. |
| 1933. | Berry, Evelyn | Rosemont, Ga. |
| 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 | 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. |
| 1929. | Byers, Jessie Mae | Ector, Tex. |
| 1923. | Campbell, Lila May | Memphis, Tenn. |
| 1922. | Cantrell, Rachel | Roanoke, Va. |
| 1933. | Carlton, Lucy Edna | Hattiesburg, Miss. |
| 1932. | Carpenter, Mary Josephine | Madison, Va. |
| 1929. | Carryer, Ruth M. | Columbia, Mo. |
| 1932. | Carter, Mary H. | Woodlawn, Ky. |
| 1925. | Chandler, Mamie | Sumter, S. C. |
| 1928. | Clark, Mabel | Louisville, Miss. |
| 1915. | Coburn, Mae | Birmingham, Ala. |
| 1932. | Collins, Thyra Nell | Headrick, Okla. |
| 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 | Jackson, Miss. |
| 1928. | Davis, Zoe Anna | Houston, Tex. |
| 1909. | Denton, Frances | Fort Smith, Ark. |
| 1927. | Diaz, Dolores | San Antonio, Tex. |
| 1920. | Dodd, Dorothy | Hartsville, Tenn. |
| 1924. | Dorsey, Emily | Dallas, Tex. |
| 1909. | Dragoo, Rhoda | Palmetto, Fla. |
| 1930. | Drinker, Esther | Beggs, Okla. |
| 1917. | Driver, Mrs. Grace M. | Walnut Ridge, Ark. |
| 1922. | Duncan, Willia | Maceo, Ky. |
| 1910. | Durham, Mary Ora | Danville, Ky. |
| 1922. | Eaton, Bess | Staffordsville, Va. |
| 1926. | Edwards, Pearle | Pearle, Ga. |
| 1917. | Eidson, Minnie Lee | Jonesboro, Ark. |
| 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. | LaGrange, Ga. |

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| 1933. | Fowler, Anne Fay | Warsaw, Ky. |
| 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 | 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. |
| 1933. | Grissom, Mary Eleanor | Columbia, Ky. |
| 1911. | Grizzard, Gertrude | Nashville, Tenn. |
| 1933. | Harrison, Jeannetta | Winter Haven, Fla. |
| 1933. | Haynes, Laura Mae | McMinnville, Tenn. |
| 1930. | Head, Janet C. | Natchez, Miss. |
| 1933. | Heard, Hyda | Covington, Ga. |
| 1925. | Heflin, Ruth | Forest, Miss. |
| 1923. | Hendricks, Lillie | Oneonta, Ala. |
| 1923. | Henne, Belle | Fairmount, W. Va. |
| 1905. | Herrick, Sue V. | Whitney, Tex. |
| 1928. | Hodgson, Clara | Colusa, Calif. |
| 1930. | Hodkins, Margaret | Kansas City, Mo. |
| 1920. | Hoke, Gaye | Second Creek, W. Va. |
| 1932. | Holmberg, Evelyn | 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, Martina | Memphis, Tenn. |
| 1932. | Johnson, Annabelle | Oklahoma City, Okla. |
| 1931. | Johnson, Daisy | New Albany, Miss. |
| 1925. | Kagey, Lula | Norfolk, Va. |
| 1925. | Kee, Sarah | Rodman, S. C. |
| 1932. | Kelley, Pearllye Maye | Newnan, Ga. |
| 1932. | Kelly, Lorena | Mooresville, N. C. |
| 1924. | Kuntz, Sophie | New Orleans, La. |
| 1932. | Leeper, Alpharetta | Muskogee, Okla. |
| 1922. | Leighty, Edith | St. Joseph, Mo. |
| 1932. | Lemons, Clarice Leone | Kansas City, Mo. |
| 1922. | Leveridge, Ura | Cisco, Tex. |
| 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. | Lunday, Dorothy | 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 | Tallassee, Ala. |
| 1932. | Mendez, Felicidad | Fort Worth, Tex. |
| 1911. | Mitchell, Susie | Arlington, Tex. |
| 1922. | Moore, Glenn | Little Rock, Ark. |
| 1927. | Mooreman, Wortley | Rustburg, Va. |
| 1914. | Morgan, Elma | Stephens, Ark. |
| 1933. | Morton, Freda Eulene | Abilene, Tex. |
| 1931. | Needham, Marian | Corvallis, Ore. |
| 1922. | Nichols, Mary | Roxboro, N. C. |
| 1928. | Noll, Lena | Glasgow, Mo. |
| 1932. | Nuttall, Sheila | Shreveport, La. |
| 1928. | Osborne, Mary | Ada, Okla. |
| 1909. | Palmore, Constance | Lynchburg, Va. |
| 1931. | Patton, Ruth | Hartshorne, Okla. |
| 1928. | Pederson, Lora Lee | Sayre, Okla. |
| 1930. | Pederson, Selma M. | Sayre, Okla. |
| 1933. | Phillips, Helen | Springdale, Ark. |
| 1922. | Porter, Carrie | Zwolle, La. |
| 1928. | Porter, Willie May | Monroe, La. |
| 1923. | Price, Annie | Bee House, Tex. |

| YEAR | NAME | HOME ADDRESS |
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| 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 | Killeen, 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. |
| 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. |
| 1914. | Walker, Kate | Comanche, Tex. |
| 1921. | Watts, Mrs. Bithiah Reed | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| 1930. | Webb, Edith | Chillicothe, Tex. |
| 1933. | Webster, Verna Helen | Oxford, La. |
| 1929. | White, Blanche | St. Louis, Mo. |
| 1915. | Whiteside, Florence | Pine Bluff, Ark. |
| 1922. | Wilkinson, Jane | Union Level, Va. |
| 1933. | Williams, Bessie Anne | Shreveport, La. |
| 1932. | Willings, Ollie L. | Waco, Tex. |
| 1929. | Womack, Mollie | Nacoma, Tex. |
| 1929. | Wood, Lillian | Haw River, S. C. |
| 1923. | Young, Margaret | Luray, Va. |

APPOINTMENTS OF HOME WORKERS, 1933-1934

ALABAMA

Eva Comer Home, 1730 Eighth Avenue North, Birmingham, Ala.: Deaconess Kate Walker.
 Ensley Community House, 1404 Avenue H, Ensley, Ala.: Deaconess Dorothy Crim, Deaconess Lucy Carlton.
 Bethlehem House, 801 North Forty-sixth Street, Birmingham, Ala.: Mrs. J. R. White (employed).
 Wesley House, 314 Chandler Street, Montgomery, Ala.: Deaconess Bessie Bunn.
 Cajun Work, Calvert, Ala.: Deaconess Obra Rogers.
 Dumas Wesley House, Mobile, Ala.: Deaconess Gertrude Grizzard.

ARIZONA

Capitol Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Phoenix, Ariz.: Deaconess Ida M. Stevens.

ARKANSAS

Little Rock Conference, Camden District Rural: Deaconess Willie May Porter.
 North Arkansas Conference, District Rural: Miss Mae Wess Bell (employed).

CALIFORNIA

Homer Toberman Mission, 2017 Violet Street, Los Angeles, Calif.: Deaconess Margaret Ragland, Deaconess Clara Hodgson.
 Wesley Hall, 7 Elgin Park, San Francisco, Calif.: Deaconess Eula McCoy.
 Mary Elizabeth Inn, 1040 Bush Street, San Francisco, Calif.: Deaconess Ethel Jackson, Deaconess Glenn Moore.

COLORADO

First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Walsenburg, Colo.: Deaconess Mary Osborne.

FLORIDA

Wolff Settlement, 2801 Seventeenth Street, Tampa, Fla.: Deaconess Bertha Cox, Deaconess Dolores Diaz, Deaconess Alpharetta Leeper, Miss Thelma Heath (employed).
 Rosa Valdez, 1802 North Albany Street, West Tampa, Fla.: Deaconess Mary Lou Barnwell, Deaconess Emma Burris, Deaconess Eleanor Grissom.
 Wesley House, 1106 Varela Street, Key West, Fla.: Deaconess Lula Kagey, Deaconess Sara Fernandez.
 State Woman's College, 705 West Jefferson, Tallahassee, Fla.: Deaconess Winnie Lee Davis.
 Y. W. C. A., Miami, Fla.: Deaconess Mary Nichols.

GEORGIA

Wesley House, 342 Richardson, S.W., Atlanta, Ga.: Deaconess Janet Head, Deaconess Selma Pederson, Deaconess Lucille Robinson.
 Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga.: Deaconess Ruth Bartholomew, Deaconess Evelyn Berry.
 Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga.: Miss Thelma Stevens (employed), Miss Dorothy Weber (employed), Mrs. Abbie L. Gardiner (employed, Colored).
 North Georgia Rural, Franklin, Ga.: Miss Bert Winter (employed).
 South Georgia Rural, Cairo, Ga.: Miss Bessie Miller (employed).
 Vashti School, Thomasville, Ga.: Deaconess Daisy Ritter, Superintendent; Miss Charlotte Dye (employed), Business Manager; Deaconess Mary Fyold, Deaconess Mary Beth Littlejohn, Deaconess Cora Lee Glenn, Deaconess Marian Needham, Deaconess Esther Boggs, Deaconess Margaret VanLahr, Deaconess Anna Taylor, Miss Lena Chambers (employed), Deaconess Lorena Kelly, Deaconess Rachel Cantrell, Miss Mary Miller (employed).

KENTUCKY

Sue Bennett College, London, Ky.: Mr. K. C. East (employed), President; Deaconess Ola Lee Barnett, Deaconess Mae Sells, Deaconess Jeanetta Harrison, Deaconess Ruth Patton.
 Wesley House, 805 East Washington Street, Louisville, Ky.: Deaconess Ellen Gainey, Deaconess Elizabeth Russell.
 Kentucky Coal Fields, Neon, Ky.: Deaconess Pattie Allen.
 Louisville Conference Rural, Monticello, Ky.: Deaconess Amo Atchley.

LOUISIANA

St. Mark's Hall, 1130 North Rampart Street, New Orleans, La.: Deaconess Nettie Stroup, Deaconess Wortley Moorman, Deaconess Dorothy Lundy, Deaconess Margaret Hodkins, Deaconess Verna Webster.
 MacDonell Wesley House, Box 338, Houma, La.: Deaconess Ella K. Hooper, Deaconess Lillie Hendricks, Deaconess Elizabeth Covington, Deaconess Shiela Nuttall, Deaconess Ollie Willings, Deaconess Emma Vogel.
 Louisiana Conference Rural, Houma, La.: Deaconess Fredda Morton.
 First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Shreveport, La.: Deaconess Grace Gatewood.
 Co-operative Home, 412 Fannin Street, Shreveport, La.: Deaconess Mary E. Freeman.

MISSISSIPPI

Wesley House, 1333 East Beach Street, Biloxi, Miss.: Deaconess Katharine Arnold, Deaconess Martha Robinson.
 Moore Community House, 932 Davis Street, Biloxi, Miss.: Deaconess Sallie Ellis, Deaconess Sophie Kuntz.
 North Mississippi Rural, Booneville, Miss.: Deaconess Myrta Davis.
 Wesley House, 1520 Eighth Avenue, Meridian, Miss.: Deaconess Annie Trawick.

MISSOURI

Wesley House, 200 Cherokee Street, St. Joseph, Mo.: Deaconess Florence Blackwell, Deaconess Helen Reeves, Deaconess Laura Mae Haynes.
 Spofford Home, 2454 The Paseo, Kansas City, Mo.: Deaconess Annie Alford, Deaconess Blanche White, Deaconess Jewell Matthews, Deaconess Esther Drinker.
 Institutional Church, 702 Admiral Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo.: Deaconess Willia Duncan, Mrs. H. G. McCullough (employed), Business Manager; Deaconess Dorothy Dodd, Deaconess Lillian Addison.
 Kingdom House, 1102 Morrison, St. Louis, Mo.: Deaconess Florence Whiteside, Deaconess Pearle Edwards.
 Hendrix Hall, Columbia, Mo.: Mrs. Elizabeth Beam (employed), Director; Mrs. Ruby S. Alford (employed), Business Manager.
 Wesley House, East Bottoms, 420 North Montgall, Kansas City, Mo.: Deaconess Frances Howard, Deaconess Pearlye Maye Kelley.

NORTH CAROLINA

Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem, N. C.: Miss Marion Brincefield (employed, Colored).

OKLAHOMA

Wesley House, 1112 South Walker Street, Oklahoma City, Okla.: Deaconess Moselle Eubanks, Deaconess Inez Martin.
 State Teachers' College, Durant, Okla.: Deaconess Zoe Anna Davis.
 Settlement Work, Picher, Okla.: Deaconess Lois Tinsley.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Wesley House, 1310 Huger Street, Columbus, S. C.: Deaconess Ruth Carryer.
 Wesley House, 67 South Boulevard, Orangeburg, S. C.: Deaconess Connie Fagan.

TENNESSEE

Wesley House, 129 Wharf Avenue, Nashville, Tenn.: Deaconess Lora Long, Deaconess Lora Lee Pederson, Deaconess Mae Coburn, Deaconess Una Smith.
 McKendree Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Nashville, Tenn.: Deaconess Annabelle Johnson.
 Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.: Deaconess Mary Ora Durham.
 Ward-Belmont School, Nashville, Tenn.: Deaconess Oskie Sanders.
 Bethlehem Center, 314 Fifteenth Avenue North, Nashville, Tenn.: Deaconess Margaret Young, Deaconess Annie Rogers, Miss Olivia Napoleon (employed, Colored).
 Centenary Institute, 614½ Monroe Street, Nashville, Tenn.: Deaconess Berta Ellison, Deaconess Grace Thatcher, Deaconess Bessie Williams.
 Wesley House, 1505 Polk Street, Chattanooga, Tenn.: Deaconess Athalia Baker.
 Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 401 McCallie, Chattanooga, Tenn.: Deaconess Dorothea Reid.
 Wesley House, 1217 Marion Street, Knoxville, Tenn.: Deaconess Ola Gilbert.
 Protestant Orphanage, 801 Bradford Avenue, Nashville, Tenn.: Deaconess Bithiah Reed Watts.
 Wesley House, 562 North Fifth Street, Memphis, Tenn.: Deaconess Jennie Congleton, Deaconess Daisy Johnson, Deaconess Birdie Reynolds.
 Holston Orphanage, Greeneville, Tenn.: Deaconess Lila May Campbell.
 Wesley House, Murfreesboro, Tenn.: Deaconess Rosalie Riffin.

TEXAS

Mexican Work, 2502 North Highland Street, Dallas, Tex.: Miss Lula Bell (employed), Deaconess Elma Morgan.

Virginia Johnson Home, 901 South Madison Avenue, Dallas, Tex.: Miss Mary L. Freeman (employed), Superintendent; Deaconess Muriel Bell, Deaconess Thyra Nell Collins, Teacher; Deaconess Ruth Heflin, Office; Deaconess Mary Carter, Teacher.

Wesley House, 2131 North Commerce Street, Fort Worth, Tex.: Deaconess Edith Leighty, Deaconess Evelyn Holmberg, Deaconess Felicidad Mendez.

Rebecca Sparks Inn, 1118 Franklin Avenue, Waco, Tex.: Deaconess Susie Teel.

Wesley House, 150 Colima Street, San Antonio, Tex.: Deaconess Jane Wilkinson, Deaconess Ruby Berkley, Miss Mary Riddle (employed), Deaconess Martina Hyde.

Co-operative Home, 1111 McKee Street, Houston, Tex.: Deaconess Addie Greely.

Mexican Community House, 1815 North San Jacinto, Houston, Tex.: Deaconess Eugenia Smith, Deaconess Sue V. Herrick.

Mexican Work, San Marcos, Tex.: Deaconess Mattie Cunningham.

Mexican Community Center, 515 South Kansas Street, El Paso, Tex.: Deaconess Josephine Berglund, Deaconess Carrie Porter, Deaconess Nelle McClain, Deaconess Lexie Vivian.

Valley Institute, Pharr, Tex.: Miss Georgia Swanson (employed), Deaconess Eunice Glenn, Deaconess Ora Hooper, Deaconess Helen Philips, Deaconess Leone Lemons.

Caledonia Rural, Route No. 5, Timpson, Tex.: Deaconess Martha Stewart.

Holding Institute, Laredo, Tex.: Deaconess Carmen Blessing, Superintendent; Deaconess Ura Leveridge, Deaconess Alice Riley, Deaconess Mabel Clark, Deaconess Iva Lou Matkin, Deaconess Leona Giles.

Immigrant Port Work, 611 American National Bank Building, Galveston, Tex.: Rev. J. E. Reifschneider (employed).

Kirby Hall, Austin, Tex.: Mrs. B. R. Beeler (employed), Director; Mrs. C. F. Yeager (employed), Business Manager.

College of Industrial Arts, Denton, Tex.: Miss McQueen Weir (employed).

Mexican Church, Laredo, Tex.: Deaconess Mamie Robinson.

VIRGINIA

Wilson Inn, 3208 East Broad Street, Richmond, Va.: Deaconess Mary Daniel.

Wesley House, 626 Upper Street, Danville, Va.: Deaconess Mary Lou Bond.

William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va.: Deaconess Lena Noll.

Hopewell, Va.: Deaconess Grace Driver, Deaconess Anna Fay Fawler.

Park Place Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Norfolk, Va.: Deaconess Mamie Chandler.

WEST VIRGINIA

Holston Conference Coal Field: Deaconess Cornelia Godbey, Deaconess Evelyn Waddell, Deaconess Hyda Heard, Deaconess Erlene Aylor, Deaconess Mary Carpenter, Deaconess Verdine Anderson, Miss Emma Johnson (employed).

West Virginia Conference Coal Fields—Amherstdale: Deaconess Fannie Bame, Deaconess Margaret Cornett.

GRANTED FURLOUGH

Deaconesses: Frances Denton, Dorn Hoover, Minnie Lee Eidson, Anita Reil, Belle Hennen, Bess Sargent, Alaska Terry, Lottie Green, Maggie Marshall, Mary Glendinning.

CONTINUED ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Deaconesses: Bess Eaton, Emily Dorsey, Hazel Bulifant, Sarah Kee.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Deaconess Lena Long.

GRANTED SICK LEAVE

Deaconess Annie Price.

RELEASED

Deaconesses: Alice McLarty, Willena Henry, Gaye Hoke, Johnia Dodson, Hazel Shick, Edith Webb, Jessie Mae Byers, Louise Hill Smith, Lillie V. Wood.

RETIRED

Deaconesses: Mary Hasler, Jessie Drew Gill, Ida J. Moore, Elizabeth Taylor.

CONTINUED IN RETIRED RELATIONSHIP

Deaconesses: Mary B. Alexander, Bessie Allen, Elizabeth Billingsley, Mrs. Carrie L. Bond, Elizabeth Davis, Minnie Davis, Jennie Ducker, Maria Elliott, Mrs. J. C. Field, Sue T. Ford, Helen Gibson, Laura Harris, Ethel Jackson, Mabel Kennedy, Martha Lewis, Frances Mann, Selina Monohan, Adeline Peeples, Wilhelmina Wahlroos, Mattie Wright.

ON TEMPORARY RETIREMENT

Deaconesses: Rhoda Dragoo, Maude Fail, Mrs. Selden Bryan, Susie Mitchell, Nellie Howard, Mollie Womack, Sarah Louder, Constance Palmore, Ella Bowden, Mary Nichols, Mrs. Grace Driver, Rosalie Riggin.

INACTIVE DEACONESSSES 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, Roanoka, Va..... | Married |
| 1910. | Breeden, Rosa, Remington, Va..... | Married |
| 1922. | Brewer, Grace, Nashville, Tenn..... | Married |
| 1908. | Burton, Emma, Kansas City, Mo..... | Deceased |
| 1920. | Cannon, Elah, Hemingway, S. C..... | Married |
| 1912. | Cloud, Ellen, Pembroke, Ky..... | Transferred Foreign Department |
| 1917. | Cole, Sue, Glen Cove, Tex..... | Married |
| 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 |
| 1932. | Johnia Dodson, Revencroft, Tenn..... | Married |
| 1915. | Dryer, Josephine, St. Louis, Mo..... | Released |
| 1909. | Ducker, Jennie, Hopkinsville, Ky..... | Retired |
| 1908. | Duncan, Daisy, Chattanooga, Tenn..... | Released |
| 1904. | Elliott, Maria, Dallas, Tex..... | Retired |
| 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, Shellsound, Tenn..... | Deceased |
| 1926. | Hall, Mrs. Virginia, Barboursville, W. Va..... | Married |
| 1923. | Hatcher, Lois, Baxley, Ga..... | Married |
| 1910. | Harris, Laura, Chattanooga, Tenn..... | Retired |
| 1925. | Harrison, Crystal, Sedalia, Mo..... | Married |
| 1914. | Hasler, Mary, Springfield, Mo..... | Retired |
| 1909. | Henry, Wilena, Rice, Tex..... | Released |
| 1924. | Howell, Virginia, Telephone, Tex..... | |
| 1924. | Howie, Naomi, Waynesville, N. C..... | Released |
| 1922. | Hill, Juanita, Campbellsburg, Ky..... | Released |
| 1912. | Hughes, Elizabeth, Daleville, Miss..... | Released |
| 1907. | Jackson, Ethel, Lancaster, S. C..... | Retired |
| 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 |
| 1920. | Lewis, Martha, Tampa, Fla..... | Retired |
| 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..... | 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 |

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| YEAR | NAME AND ADDRESS | RELATION |
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| 1929. | Neal, Mattie Lou, Overton, Tex..... | Transferred to Foreign Department |
| 1909. | Nutt, Martha, Granbury, 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, Linedale, Tex..... | Retired |
| 1908. | Peeples, Adeline, Memphis, Tenn..... | 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, Nadaway, Ala..... | Married |
| 1923. | Souby, Mrs. E. L., Nashville, Tenn..... | Released |
| 1928. | Sykes, Maybeth, Rock Hill, S. C..... | Married |
| 1922. | Taylor, Mary Alice, Dallas, Tex..... | Married |
| 1910. | Thomas, Berta, Cataula, Ga..... | Released |
| 1922. | Voight, Marguerite, San Antonio, Tex..... | Married |
| 1921. | Waggoner, Estelle, Alaska, W. Va..... | Released |
| 1911. | Wahlroos, Wilhelmina, Louisville, Ky..... | Retired |
| 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 |
| 1903. | Wright, Mattie, Santa Ana, Calif..... | Retired |
| 1912. | Wynne, Nelle, Egan, Tex..... | Married |
| 1925. | Young, Mrs. Eugenia, Plattsburg, Mo..... | Married |

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 Jarratt, Rio de Janeiro | Texarkana, Tex. |
| 1911. Miss | Leila F. Eppts, Sao Paulo | Kingstree, S. C. |
| 1911. Miss | Lydia Ferguson, Rio de Janeiro | 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 | 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 | Bertha Simmons, Santa Maria | Carter, Okla. |
| 1931. Miss | Elizabeth Sneeden, Bello Horizonte | Bath, N. C. |
| 1932. Miss | Lillian Maxfield, Porto Alegre | Muskegon, Mich. |
| 1933. Miss | Cathie Lee Clark (Language study) | Paris, Tenn. |
| 1933. Miss | Fannie K. Wasley (Language study) | Perry, Fla. |

CHINA

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| 1884. Miss | Virginia M. Atkinson (Emeritus), Changshu Ku | Atlanta, Ga. |
| 1892. Miss | Alice G. Waters, Nanzhang | Murray, Ky. |
| 1894. Miss | Clara E. Steger, Sungkiang | Mountain Grove, Mo. |
| 1896. Miss | Ella D. Leveritt, Changchow | Monroe, Ga. |
| 1899. Miss | Mary M. Tarrant, Soochow | St. Louis, Mo. |
| 1902. Miss | Ida Anderson, Wusih | Jackson, Miss. |
| 1901. Miss | Mary Culler White, Sungkiang | Nashville, Tenn. |
| 1904. Miss | Maggie J. Rogers, Soochow | Marlin, Tex. |
| 1906. Miss | Nettie Peacock, Shanghai | Macon, Ga. |
| 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 | Mattie 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. |

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| YEAR | NAME AND FIELD ADDRESS | HOME ADDRESS |
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| 1923. | Miss Mary Bell Winn, Soochow | Ridgeway, S. C. |
| 1925. | Miss Anne E. Herbert, R.N., Shanghai | Bennettsville, S. C. |
| 1925. | Miss Ethel Wytelle Bost, 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., Soochow | 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., Changchow | Cotton Valley, La. |
| 1932. | Miss Louise Avett | Norwood, N. C. |
| 1932. | Miss Elizabeth DeLoache, R.N. | Camden, S. C. |
| 1932. | Miss Annie Price | Waco, Tex. |
| 1932. | Miss Hester Dale West | Floydada, Tex. |
| 1933. | Miss Mary Oni Holler (Language study) | Newberry, S. C. |

CONGO BELGE

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|-------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 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. |

CUBA

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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 | Florala, Ala. |
| 1925. | Miss Dreta Sharpe, Cienfuegos | Oreechee, 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

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|-------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 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 Manje Towson, Oita | Eastman, Ga. |
| 1917. | Miss Mabel Whitehead, Osaka | Birmingham, Ala. |
| 1920. | Miss Catherine Stevens, Hiroshima | Grenada, Miss. |
| 1920. | Miss Mary Searcy, Kure | Columbia, Mo. |
| 1922. | Miss Katherine Johnson, Hiroshima | Popular 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, Hiroshima | McAllen, Tex. |
| 1931. | Miss Gertrude Feely, Kure | Shelbyville, Mo. |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

| 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, Ga. |

KOREA

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|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 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..... | Oneonta, 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..... | Plafftown, 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..... | Elderville, Tex. |
| 1930. | Miss Susie Peach Foster, Chulwon..... | Brantley, Ala. |
| 1930. | Miss Ann Wallis, Choonchun..... | Hartshorne, Okla. |
| 1931. | Miss Marjorie Beaird, Seoul..... | Tyler, Tex. |
| 1932. | Miss M. Elston Rowland, R.N. (1923-30, Japan), Seoul..... | Washington, D. C. |

MEXICO

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|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1896. | Miss Edith Park, Saltillo..... | Amarillo, Tex. |
| 1911. | Miss Virginia Booth, Durango..... | Austin, Tex. |
| 1912. | Miss Lillie F. Cox, 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..... | Paudling, Miss. |
| 1924. | Miss Pearl Hall, R.N., Chihuahua..... | Dodson, Va. |
| 1926. | Miss M. Belle Markey (Cuba, 1902-25), Chihuahua..... | Abilene, Tex. |
| 1926. | Miss Irene Nixon, Chihuahua..... | Georgetown, Tex. |
| 1926. | Miss Helen Hodgson, Monterrey..... | Orrville, Calif. |
| 1926. | Miss Lucile Vail (Contract, Cuba, 1916-24), Saltillo..... | Cartersville, Ga. |
| 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, Saltillo..... | Port Arthur, Tex. |
| 1929. | Miss Ola Eugene Callahan, Durango..... | Greensboro, N. C. |
| 1929. | Miss Priscilla Walker, Chihuahua..... | Ashland, Miss. |
| 1929. | Miss Lulu Rawls, R.N. (Contract), Chihuahua..... | Greenwood, Fla. |
| 1930. | Miss Anna Belle Dyck (Contract, 1923-30), Chihuahua..... | Halstead, Kans. |
| 1931. | Miss Julia Thompson (Contract), Chihuahua..... | Marietta, Ga. |
| 1931. | Miss Berta Hirtzler, Monterrey..... | Kenner, La. |
| 1932. | Miss Beulah Hubbard..... | Wheeling, Tex. |
| 1933. | Miss Monta MacFadin..... | Cushing, Okla. |

POLAND

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|-------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1926. | Miss Sallie Lewis Brown, Katowice..... | Sussex, Va. |
| 1928. | Miss Eurania Pyron, Warsaw..... | Jackson, Miss. |
| 1930. | Miss Ruth Lawrence, Wilno..... | Beatrice, Ala. |
| 1931. | Miss Norene Robken, Wilno..... | Texarkana, Ark. |

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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. Wolff, Pensacola, Fla., Indian Mission..... | Alabama |
| 1884. Miss | Laura A. Haygood,* Atlanta, Ga., China..... | North Georgia |
| 1884. Miss | Dona Hamilton,* Paris, Tex., China..... | North Texas |
| 1884. Miss | Mildred M. Phillips, M.D.,† California, Mo., China..... | Southwest Missouri |
| 1884. Miss | Lou E. Phillips, California, Mo., China..... | Southwest Missouri |
| 1884. Miss | Mary W. Bruce,† Plattsburg, Mo., Brazil..... | Missouri |
| 1887. Mrs. | Josephine Campbell,* New York City, China and Korea..... | Los Angeles |
| 1887. Miss | Emma E. Kerr,† Brownsville, Tenn., China..... | Memphis |
| 1887. Miss | Kate R. Roberts,* Nashville, Tenn., China..... | Tennessee |
| 1887. Miss | Lelia Roberts (Emeritus), Bonham, Tex., Mexico..... | North Texas |
| 1887. Miss | Addie F. Gordon,* Port Gibson, Miss., China..... | North Mississippi |
| 1887. Miss | Elizabeth Hughes,† Meridian, Miss., China..... | Mississippi |
| 1887. Miss | Lulu Lipscomb,* Columbus, Miss., China..... | North Mississippi |
| 1887. Miss | Ada Reagan,† Nashville, Tenn., China..... | Tennessee |
| 1887. Miss | Marcia Marvin,* St. Louis, Mo., Brazil and China..... | St. Louis |
| 1888. Miss | Augusta V. Wilson,* Charlestown, W. Va., Mexico..... | Baltimore |
| 1888. Miss | Mary McClelland,† Brookhaven, Miss., China..... | Mississippi |
| 1888. Miss | Ella Granberry,† 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 | Johnnie Sanders,* Union, S. C., China..... | South Carolina |
| 1896. Miss | Margaret Polk, M.D.,* Perryville, Ky., China..... | Kentucky |
| 1896. Miss | Ida Shaffer, Carrollton, Mo., Brazil..... | Missouri |
| 1897. Miss | Susie E. Williams,† San Francisco, Calif., China..... | Los Angeles |
| 1897. Miss | Annie Churchill,† Burnett, Tex., Mexico and Cuba..... | Northwest Texas |
| 1897. Miss | Mary L. Richardson,* St. Louis, Mo., China..... | St. Louis |
| 1897. Miss | Leonora D. Smith,† Eclectic, Ala., Brazil..... | Alabama |
| 1897. Miss | Laura V. Wright,† Baltimore, Md., Mexico..... | Baltimore |

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| APPOINTED | NAME, FORMER RESIDENCE, FIELD | CONFERENCE |
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| 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,* Broomfield, 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, Eupora, 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 Edwin,† Murray, Ky., Korea | Memphis |
| 1905. Mrs. | Fannie K. Brown,† Knoxville, Tenn., Brazil | Holston |
| 1905. Miss | Irene King, Holden, Mo., China | Southwest Missouri |
| 1905. Miss | Elizabeth Claiborne,¶ Jackson, Tenn., China | Memphis |
| 1906. Miss | Elizabeth Lamb,† Fayetteville, N. C., Brazil | North Carolina |
| 1906. Miss | Eleanor Dye,† Evansville, Miss., Korea | North Mississippi |
| 1906. Miss | Sophia Mann,* Mexia, Tex., China | Northwest Texas |
| 1906. Miss | 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 Steser,† 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,† Ribeirao Preto, 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,¶ Granberry, 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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| APPOINTED | NAME, FORMER RESIDENCE, FIELD | CONFERENCE |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 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 Clark 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, Frederickstown, 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 Kennedy,† 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,† Binghampton, 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,† Granbury, Tex., Brazil | | Central Texas |
| 1913. Miss Lela M. Biler, 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 Wootley,† 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 Vandyke 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 |
| 1919. Miss Blanche Hager, Kobe, Japan, Japan | | Missouri |
| 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 |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

| APPOINTED | NAME, FORMER RESIDENCE, FIELD | CONFERENCE |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1921. Miss | Annie Justice Hanson,† Clifton, Tex., Korea | Central Texas |
| 1921. Miss | Alice E. Furry, R.N., VanBuren, Ark., Korea | North Arkansas |
| 1921. Miss | Lucy Belle Morgan, Georgetown, Tex., Brazil | Central Texas |
| 1921. Miss | Jessie Bloodworth, Hartsborne, 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,† Benns Church, Va., Brazil | Baltimore |
| 1922. Miss | Susan W. Brown, M.D., Columbia, Mo., China | Missouri |
| 1922. Miss | Mary Bailey Sloan, M.D.,* Monticello, Fla., China | 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 |
| 1923. Miss | Cornelia Crozier, Okeechobee, Fla., China | North Arkansas |
| 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,† Woodbern, Ky., Cuba and Mexico | Kentucky |
| 1925. Miss | Ruth Merritt, Murfreesboro, N. C., Brazil | North Carolina |
| 1925. Miss | Ellen B. Cloud,† Pembroke, Ky., Mexico | Louisville |
| 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 |
| 1927. Miss | Lenore Rees, Center Point, Tex., Mexico | West Texas |
| 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 |
| 1932. Miss | Margaret Pilley,† Mineral Wells, Tex., China | North Texas |

* Deceased. † Married. ‡ Transferred to Home Department of the Board of Missions.

REPORTS FROM THE FOREIGN FIELDS

BRAZIL

COLLEGIO BENNETT, RIO DE JANEIRO

MISSIONARIES: EVA LOUISE HYDE, PRINCIPAL; MAUDE A. MATHIS,
MARY HELEN CLARK, AULTIE BURNS

(Miss Hyde came to the U. S. A. in July, on furlough; since then Miss Mary Clark has been Acting Principal.)

MARY HELEN CLARK

As those of you who have had experience know, a school is a school, with classes, some of which are interesting and some of which are dull, and faculty meetings, and examinations, and rules and regulations, but somehow, all of this does not make interesting reading, so seldom finds its way into our letters. But lest some of you think, as some people have, that we do nothing but play around because we write of nothing else, I wanted to start your minds to thinking of your school days.

The greatest blow of the year was that Miss Hyde, the head-mistress of Bennett, packed her belongings and soon after the Sunday School Convention took her departure for a furlough, and left the rest of us to our fate, because you know there is no one like her for a head-mistress as the rest of us well realize. But we are comforted by the fact that she has not forgotten us but is in New York studying and from time to time sends us word that she is gaining lots of new ideas which she thinks will work in Bennett when she returns in July.

Having mentioned the Sunday School Convention, I just want to say that all who did not attend it missed a great opportunity, though I am sure that those who attended did not have nearly as good a time as we who helped to entertain. The Young People's Council met in the school, about thirty of the young people stayed here and we had a rare time. There were about seven nationalities represented and all were full of life. Those who had never been far from home before received impressions which will color their lives forever. Friendships were made that will last always, even though years may pass before we run across each other again. But some of the friendships will be even closer. In fact, two of the young people met on board and announced their engagement at dinner one night while the group was together. One never knows what far-reaching results a casual incident may have. It is cheering to meet attractive and interesting people from more than thirty countries, and to know that they have placed the ideals of Jesus above all.

Unfortunately many people from Brazil were not able to come, either because communications were interrupted by the revolution or because they were afraid that they would be caught in Rio and not be able to return home. Despite disappointments, however, the leaders of

the Sunday school movement in Brazil feel that great strides forward have been taken.

As a result of the convention the evangelical young people of Rio de Janeiro have organized a "Comité" which meets every month for discussions of ideals of young people. Some of our girls are very interested in the meetings and are enthusiastic about the fellowship with other young people of like mind. It has become trite to say that the youth of the land have to face many difficulties because that has been said from time immemorial, but it is just as true now as ever, and each generation feels that its problems are more difficult than those of any other generation. But we feel that the spirit of co-operation which is growing up among the youth of Brazil is an encouraging phase in the development of the country.

But I must stop generalizing and tell you something more about Bennett. Although our enrolment was not so large this year as last, our graduating class was larger, twelve girls completing the course. Of the group, two have offered themselves to the work among the Indians in Mato Grosso, but will have to wait a bit as they are too young and inexperienced to go. In the meantime they are going to teach in order to prepare themselves to better serve when the time comes. Another one is going to teach in Collegio Metodista, in Ribeirão Preto. Another is going to study law, another pharmacy, some are going into business, so in one way or another they will be busy.

We do not offer post-graduate work, but three of the graduates of last year returned this year for the study of languages and pedagogy. Isn't it too bad that our dream of a junior college has not been realized? The government university has courses planned for the boys, but nothing which is particularly adapted to the girls. So it is that we would like to open some courses which would appeal to the girls who finish our schools yet wish to spend more time in study: sociology, home economics, child-care, and many other things. During the convention a group of very influential people of various churches met here to discuss the possibility of a union college. We still hope that meeting will be a link in the chain of interest which is becoming stronger and stronger.

According to the rulings of the Brazilian Church we no longer have a missionary society for the girls but a society for young people. Consequently this year the girls' society moved out of the school into the church where the monthly meetings are held, attended by the boys and girls alike. The schoolgirls are just as interested as ever and the people of the town are much more interested; so we feel that the change was a good one. The devotional program and the business meeting come first and then there is a social hour which is usually very hilarious. No one can accuse that bunch of being a bit long-faced. Old plans of work were adapted to meet the new conditions but the old interests in the mission work among the Indians, in the parochial school, in charity remain the same. Athletic Clubs, English Club, Literary Club, Leper Association, Life Service Band, all claim their part of the life of the students here as in other schools.

In the life of the teachers there is fun and work, and sometimes those two words are synonymous. All of the teachers are retaining next year except one who still weeps because her husband's business takes him, and of necessity her, away from Rio. The Bennett alumnae love the school.

As for the American teachers there is little to say that has not already been said many times. Miss Mathis is on her job with much more pep than last year and feels that this vacation will see the

accomplishment of some of her dreams. Miss Burns, unfortunately, did not finish the year quite so well, but is sure that a vacation spent in the States among old scenes and friends will give her the needed stamina for next year. We were delighted this year when Miss Gertrude Clay, though too young to be sent out by the Council, came out to teach for us. Her father was a missionary for a number of years, so she is merely coming back home.

Lest the report of the Council become too bulky I shall leave all else to your imagination. If you want to know Bennett, come down some day and see our seventeen nationalities together speaking or learning to speak Portuguese. And may this year be filled with happiness and the Council with the spirit of the Christ.

PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE, RIO DE JANEIRO

VIOLA MATTHEWS, ALLIE COBB

Many new experiences came into our lives as we served the poor and needy during the past five years at the People's Central Institute. As we take a retrospective view we find that our own lives have been enriched because of the difficulties, the hardships, the sorrows, and joys shared together. The many manifestations of love and sympathy shown us during the last days and weeks made us feel that bonds of friendship united us more closely than we ever knew. We feel that we have won a place in the hearts and lives of those who have so little to bring joy and peace to them.

On November 25 we closed the most difficult yet most successful school year. As we compared the good order of this last night with that of previous years, we were brought to realize the great influence that the institute is having in the life of the community. The splendid address given by one of our consecrated Brazilian pastors and the original program carried out by the Brazilian teachers brought forcibly to our minds the results of Christian education.

This year has been a very full one for there were two revival meetings, and the entertainment of the Annual Conference, as well as the regular work of the school. During the year 410 children were matriculated and an average attendance of 280 was maintained. The kindergarten celebrated its fourth birthday in August and this year proved to be the best one with an average attendance of 24. Field Day and Indian Day were observed as usual where a keen interest was shown not only by teachers and pupils, but also by many of the parents who have been enthusiastic supporters of the school this year.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which is now actively engaged in Brazil, promotes every year an essay contest in which the children of many of the public and private schools of Rio take part. The subject chosen this year was "Health and Alcohol." One of our fifth-grade pupils, a very ardent member of the Juvenile Temperance Society, won the second prize—a bronze medal.

The Students' Club, organized in 1928, is wielding from year to year the much desired influence over those who graduate. The club with its directed games, organized sports, all-day picnics, devotional hours, and inspirational talks is helping the boys and girls to make their life decisions. How happy we are to have a large number of them in our Sunday school, some already faithful members of the church, and six who are going to make their public profession of faith on Christmas day.

It has been a pleasure to work with the children in their Junior League, to teach classes of boys and young women in Sunday school, to work with the women of the Woman's Missionary Society, to

co-operate with the young people in their various activities, and to serve on the board of stewards.

We are looking forward to a happy and restful year among friends and loved ones at home.

INSTITUTO ANNA GONZAGA, INHOAHYBA, D. F.

(The Orphanage)

MISS LAYONA GLENN, DIRECTRESS

Although the work to which I am assigned belongs distinctly to the Brazilian Methodist Church, I am still your representative and as such wish to give you an account of my activities during the past year.

The beginning of the year found us busy with the difficult task of making over an old, inadequate building into accommodations for the opening of the orphanage. We were anxious to make even a very unpretentious beginning as an evidence of good faith with D. Anna Gonzaga, whose generous gift to the church opened the way to the establishment of this institution. There were many complications, delays, and interruptions. The house had to be put in sanitary condition, and water and sewerage connections made. Government irregularities growing out of the revolution and a counter revolution held up the work for four months. So it was the first of May, 1932, when we were able to open the house and receive the small group of children for which we had prepared.

In the meantime our dear old friend and benefactress met with the disastrous accident which caused her death. You already know how, alone, at night, she fell and broke her hip, and after a fortnight of excruciating pain she passed away. She was laid to rest on the first of April, just one month before the orphanage became a living reality. It was a great disappointment to us, but we knew she was far happier and would not have called her back had it been possible.

Her sudden going brought additional problems and responsibilities. The estate, which was left entirely to the Church, had to be administered; this required the payment of heavy inheritance taxes and there was no ready money; thus funds that otherwise might have been used for developing the institute had to be applied to the expenses of the inventory and the orphanage—home and school—had to limp along as best it could. The winding up of the estate has not been completed but it seems the end is in sight.

In the home we have received ten orphan children—five boys and five girls. They range in age from eight to seventeen years and are taught to do all the housework, including cooking and laundry. They are divided into groups, and certain work is assigned to each group. The groups alternate weekly, so that the work changes and is not too heavy on any one group. They live as nearly a normal family life as is possible, and seem to enjoy it.

The school is separate from the home and really is a church or parochial school. The teacher lives in the home and goes with the children to the school at 9 A.M. and there directs the studies until 2:30, with an hour at mid-day for lunch and recreation. In the afternoon there are periods for study and for practical work and also time for independent, self-directed play, or whatever activities they plan for themselves. There were 37 pupils in school. Their studies were limited to the primary grades, for they have not had school advantages and the most advanced pupils were in the third grade.

School closed for vacation on December 28, and we arranged for all the orphans to spend a few weeks with friends, so as to have

a change. The first of February will find them in the home again, beginning the work of a new year.

This is only a small beginning and the work is out of proportion to the number. We feel, however, that a small group, well trained, will serve to leaven a larger body when the opportunity for enlargement comes.

Personally, I have kept well. I think this has been the most variedly active year of my life. I have done everything from housework to pruning orange orchards and raising poultry, but I have enjoyed it.

COLLEGIO ISABELLA HENDRIX, BELLO HORIZONTE

LELA PUTNAM, PRINCIPAL; LUCY WADE, ELIZABETH SNEEDEN,
SOPHIA SCHALCH

LELA PUTNAM

During the six years I have been principal of Collegio Isabella Hendrix the year just closed was the best. This may seem strange in view of the fact that our matriculation was lower than usual and our finances in the same condition.

For months we did not see how we were going to run until the end of the year without cutting teachers' salaries and making other reductions that would impair the work. When I returned from attending the World Sunday School Convention in Rio the last of July, I found our school funds reduced to exactly five dollars, with teachers' salaries and bills for July unpaid, and a revolution in full swing making it impossible for many of our best paying boarding pupils to return from their mid-term vacation. The second payment of our taxes had just been made and this left us bankrupt. There is a happy part to the story, however. While in Rio we had a windfall, a check for five hundred dollars from the Week of Prayer fund for taxes. This was sold at an unusually high rate of exchange, and we returned with full purse and fuller hearts to meet the bankrupt state of our finances. After two months the revolution ended, our pupils returned, payments came in, and all was well.

So much for the financial side. In a short report one can do no more than touch upon a few phases of the work. The primary department under the efficient supervision of D. Sophia Schalch and her group of teachers has taken on new life. The type and tone of work was much improved and as a result matriculation has increased.

A great addition to the school was the reopening of the Home Economics Department which had been closed for two years for lack of a teacher. Although handicapped by an inadequate knowledge of the language, Miss Sneed did exceptionally well, and has made a splendid start in the development of the department.

Our physical education course, under the direction of a very competent young Brazilian teacher, is the best we have ever had. On one occasion we were invited upon short notice to fill in with an extra number at a benefit performance. As there was no time to prepare anything special, we gave a thirty-minute program of the different types of daily gymnastics, drills, and exercises done in class. The beauty and precision with which our students executed these brought forth the most enthusiastic applause from the two thousand spectators in the stadium.

We have taken part in a number of civic and social betterment causes, seeking, thus, in a larger and more vital way, to enter into the life of the community and promote its welfare. One of the most

beautiful and lucrative festivals of the year was the one we gave in benefit of the lepers. It was the closing event of the program arranged by the State Society Against Leprosy for the campaign made during "Leper Week." Other welfare organizations in which we have co-operated are the Charity Hospital, Children's Hospital, Association for the Benefit of Poor Students, Society for Aid to Abnormal Children, Anti-Tuberculosis Society, and other minor ones, besides those connected only with our school and church.

The Alumni Association, organized two years ago, is extending its activities. Several meetings were held during the year and a good start made along several lines of endeavor. At the annual meeting for the election of officers held recently, plans were made for the coming year. These include different phases and types of work and recreation suited to the age, interests, and inclinations of the members, such as the athletic, literary-musical, and social service departments. The president is a graduate of our school, the State Normal School, and the Conservatory of Music. At present she is a teacher in the Normal School and is considered one of the finest of the group of younger teachers.

An innovation which promises to become a permanent part of our school activities was the organization of a mixed chorus of forty voices composed, for the most part, of university young men and students from our school. It is directed by our singing and voice teacher, who is also a teacher in the Conservatory of Music. The first public performance, given in the Municipal Theater to a full house and also broadcasted, was a tremendous success. Aside from being fine training for our students, it gives them wholesome contacts under the best conditions.

Most of our teachers have entered enthusiastically into school and church activities and have been, under all conditions, a loyal and harmonious group. Perhaps this, more than anything else, is the secret of the splendid year we have had.

I cannot close this report without mention of the World Sunday School Convention which we had the privilege of attending in July, and which was such an inspiration to us. In its deep spiritual tone, and marvelous spirit of unity it exceeded our greatest expectations. The revolution was on, everything about us was tense and uncertain, but not a discordant note was heard or manifested throughout the meeting. It was a great blessing to those who attended and to the evangelical work in Brazil which will reap its benefits for years to come.

LUCY WADE

Another pleasant year has passed. My work has been much the same, but there have been added duties and new experiences.

Most of my classwork was English. In addition to my five classes here in school I taught two classes of young women. The outside contacts I always enjoy for some lasting friendships are formed.

The English Department observed English Week and had some programs for assembly which the girls enjoyed very much.

I also taught geometry and a sewing class. The latter gave me an opportunity to know more about home life of the girls.

It was also my privilege to have charge of the scholarship girls, seven in all, who work to pay their way. Some do not know much about work when they arrive, but they soon get the spirit. One of them was graduated this year and will enter Collegio Bennett next year.

I continued to work with the young people in the church, in the Young People's Methodist Society as Superintendent of Missions, and

in the Young Women's Sunday School class as Social Service Superintendent.

In the Y. P. M. S. we studied the lives of John and Charles Wesley. This was a small beginning, but we hope to do better next year. The department of Missions has worked in two Sunday schools besides the Y. P. M. S.

During Christmas week clothing will be distributed among the poor, there will be a Christmas tree for the children, and on Christmas day a visit to the penitentiary.

The Young Woman's Sunday School class completed thirteen years of service November 2. We have a fine young woman for our teacher. Our outside work for the new year will be in the Methodist Orphanage.

May God bless our efforts and guide us.

ELIZABETH SNEEDEN

It was with great satisfaction that I received the news upon my arrival in Brazil, August, 1931, that I was to teach Home Economics in Collegio Isabella Hendrix. Along with this bit of glad tidings came also the great surprise that I was to have an electrically-equipped kitchen. Miss Putnam, principal of Collegio Isabella Hendrix, had made a contract with the Light and Power Company in Bello Horizonte, whereby the company and the school would use the same kitchen—the company furnishing the stove, frigidaire, and dish washer, and the school giving the room and necessary furniture.

School began the first of March. I had been in Brazil only eight, months, time enough to learn a great deal about Portuguese, but hardly enough time to enable one to lecture in a classroom. My first attempts to discuss the subject of foods were complete failures. However, I was determined that the girls should learn by some means or other. There were no Home Economics's textbooks written in Portuguese. I had loose leaf notebooks made for the girls. Each day I translated and wrote the lesson I wanted to give. Someone would correct what I had written, and then I would type the lesson, making carbon copies for each girl. At the end of the year each girl had about one hundred and twenty pages of subject matter and recipes. The girls took a great deal of interest in their notebooks, designing and pasting pictures in them. Many of the girls were anxious to make their notebooks attractive, but were unable to secure pictures. The two magazines I subscribed to, *The Ladies' Home Journal* and *McCall's*, furnished very few pictures for twenty-five girls. There are no magazines in Brazil that have pretty and tempting pictures of foods.

The Home Economics Department does not have a separate dining-room, so the girls partitioned off a corner of the large kitchen with screens and made a delightful place in which to eat. During the year the eighth grade served a breakfast and the ninth grade served a dinner. The guests at both meals complimented the girls highly upon the grace and dignity with which they served and entertained.

The exhibition at the close of school was a fair showing of what the girls had learned to do. There were shelves displaying cakes, candies, meats, and preserves that the girls had made. What interested the visitors most was to see the girls actually cooking and serving biscuits and waffles.

I have found the Brazilian girls and housewives eager to learn something of the art of cooking and making the home beautiful. It is Miss Putnam's desire to begin a class next year for a group of women in the city who are anxious to learn not only how to make pretty dishes, but also to learn the value of foods in the diet.

This report would not be complete without a word concerning the

help and interest of Miss Mathis, teacher of Home Economics at Collegio Bennett, Rio de Janeiro. Miss Mathis turned over to me last February pages and pages of typewritten Home Economics material translated and written in Portuguese. I am afraid that if I had not had these valuable pages that many times the girls would have had very little to study, for writing in another language is by no means an easy task.

SOPHIA SCHALCH

1932 was my first year at Collegio Isabella Hendrix, and I have enjoyed my work very much. I had the psychology and the methodology classes and the supervision of the primary department. I also had eighth grade Bible, third and fourth grade English, and first and second grade singing. Besides my teaching I helped take care of the girls in the boarding department and directed the opening exercises before school twice a week.

At the close of the term we had a very good exhibit of the work done by the children in the primary department, which was appreciated by the visitors.

What I liked most was the work I did in one of the town churches in Bello Horizonte. It is a very modest church; the members are humble folk but sincerely consecrated. I served as Sunday school superintendent and visited among the members; next year I shall continue the visiting, since through the contacts thus made the attendance at Sunday school improved very much. The members of the Sunday school asked for a Bible study class, so we organized one. We have thirty members, meet every Friday at half-past seven, and it is my pleasure to direct the class.

O PIRACICABANO, PIRACICABA

C. L. COOPER, PRINCIPAL; LYDIA FERGUSON, ALICE DENISON

LYDIA FERGUSON

In the rush of moving and getting settled in my new home it had slipped my mind that I should send you a report of the work in Piracicaba where I was stationed this year. Mr. C. L. Cooper is the director, but I am not sure he will send a report to the Woman's Department.

In the absence of Miss Mary Jane Baxter I was sent to the Collegio Piracicabano to take charge of the boarding department. I had never in my long term of service dreamed of going to Piracicaba, but am thankful I had the opportunity to work there this year. It has been the most blessed year of my life in some respects. To know the oldest boarding school we have, to learn to know the people of that part of the country, and know the workings of a government recognized mission school were experiences I value. And I had just enough teaching with my other duties to give me a contact with other pupils outside the boarding school. My work in the Sunday school was with college girls.

It was good to know and love the girls in the boarding department, and see the development in some. Three girls from non-Protestant families joined our church.

The scholarship girls are fine Christian characters and I am expecting good work from them in the future.

In spite of the financial crisis the boarding department had only two less than in the previous year. "The Gymnasio" had a great increase, and has prospects for a better year in 1932.

Everyone said there was a sweeter, finer, more co-operative spirit among the student body than ever before, and I am sure this was due principally to the tireless efforts of Mr. Cooper, who gives all his time and exuberant energy to the pupils in a self-forgetting way.

Miss Stradley, who was principal for so many years, helps in every way she can to make the school a continued success and she is very active in all the work of the church.

The most blessed of all my experiences this year was the reality, nearness, and support of my Heavenly Father in my difficulties. My new work will be in "Instituto do Povo" while Miss Matthews and Miss Cobb are on furlough.

COLLEGIO METHODISTA, RIBEIRAO PRETO

EMMA CHRISTINE, PRINCIPAL; HELEN JOHNSTON, ROSALIE B. BROWN

EMMA CHRISTINE

"The Methodista" began 1932 with bright prospects for a prosperous year. Enrolment in the higher grades increased satisfactorily over that of previous years, and there was greater demand for places in the boarding department; so, despite the financial crisis, our hopes ran high. But to offset this increase in attendance, it was found later, when balances were made, that the kindergarten and the first grade had failed to maintain their high per cent of matriculation. Thus the attendance fell below that of last year. However, all went well until the close of the first semester and we were fairly well pleased with the results accomplished.

But, with the beginning of the second semester, came also the São Paulo revolution, which caught a number of our boarders at home, beyond the borders and unable to return. As the revolution lasted three months and the readjustment period another two months our absent girls lost the semester and the school sustained a financial loss it could ill afford.

However, as there is always a cause for gratitude, it is with pleasure we register the loss of only one week of school work. This is all the more remarkable when we remember that the public schools and the government institutions lost anywhere from four to six months. But three months of anxiety, of apprehension, and of constant uncertainty as to whether we should be allowed to continue made an undesirable reaction on the work and the workers. So the second semester was far from satisfactory.

The outstanding event in evangelical circles was the World Sunday School Convention in Rio de Janeiro. Five of our faculty, myself included, made all necessary preparations to go; but the revolution made our going impossible. However, we could rejoice in its great success.

Miss Johnston embarked for the homeland the first of December. We shall miss her very much, but we are greatly pleased to have Miss Farrar take her place.

As the seventh grade functions this coming year, we shall be short three classrooms. The first grade will be compelled to infringe on the kindergarten. The fifth must pass to a small library for all of its classwork and the seventh will assemble in the end of a hall, upstairs, between bedrooms. We had hopes of rebuilding the corner house; but the money flows out faster than in. Another time—

In addition to the mission study class in the woman's society, work on the board of stewards, and the normal class in the Sunday school, I was honored with the superintendence of the intermediate depart-

ment in the Sunday school. We are furnishing the choir gallery with tables and chairs in an attempt to make the place more attractive to little folk.

The work of God's kingdom grows more interesting all the time and I am more and more thankful for a small share in it. Livingston was right: "It is something to be a missionary."

SAO PAULO

LITERATURE AND WORK IN CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

LEILA EPPS

The past year has been full of many and varied experiences; some of them were blessed ones and all of them drew us nearer to our God. He is richly blessing our efforts as we try to develop a more helpful method of service for the women of our church in Brazil. Our poor hearts ache when we think of the millions of them who are drifting along with no fixed faith, no fixed purpose—nothing that is steadfast.

Our work was interrupted during the year by a revolution. It was impossible to travel and it was impossible to get our mission and Bible study books published. We are hoping, however, to have them ready for our societies early in the new year. We believe that our Bible and mission study classes, with the work done in our District Institutes, are yielding splendid results in the development of our women. In our magazine *A Voz Missionaria*, we print the program material for the societies and the Week of Prayer services. I am trying my best to prepare helpful material for the use of our women and at least five thousand of them are using it every month. All over this great country the women are beginning to realize that they have an important service to render to others by co-operating in the work of our societies. Quite a number of men's societies are being organized and they also are using the material published in *A Voz Missionaria*.

The joy that comes from this service cannot be expressed in words and I am indeed thankful that the bishop saw fit to give me this same appointment for another year. I sincerely trust that the new year may be a better one for all of us and for our "beautiful Brazil."

CENTRAL CHURCH, SAO PAULO

RACHEL JARRETT, CHURCH VISITOR

As no report from Brazil will fail to mention the revolution I can say for the church visitor that those three months were the ones of the most intensive work. Our pastor was away in evangelistic work in the soldier camps, so that I felt a double responsibility to visit our anxious, fearful, war-excited people. Even some who were not members of our church sent for me to go pray with them. It was a terrible time. We felt our nothingness before the wave of war feeling, yet believed that God used us to strengthen the faltering faith of many of his little ones. Well attended prayer meetings were held every night in our church. Hundreds of New Testaments and quantities of leaflets were distributed to soldiers.

Our Sunday night Bible class of ten deaf mutes, of which I was so proud, was dispersed during this time and has not yet been able to get back together.

My activities have continued as before in the Missionary Society of the church. Our Home Department of the Sunday school now numbers more than a hundred, and has been interested in refurbishing the Primary Department rooms. One member, a public school teacher,

had never once attended a Sunday school, and is now a faithful member of our woman's class. A number of others have through the home study come back into the classes.

Through my visiting this year I have realized more than ever the power of the individual touch to bring people to Christ. Ever new is the joy of hearing that decision, "I must make my profession of faith." Precious hours the Lord gives us in His service!

My most satisfactory work this year has been with a fine Hi-League. The co-operation, enthusiasm, and ability of this group of boys and girls exceeded all my expectations. They had "festas" and picnics, held prayer meetings, visited hospitals, distributing literature, contributed to missions, helped to care for a poor family, started a missionary library, in fact, were my greatest hope for leadership for the future church. I say were, for to my great sorrow, I must give up this work, as missionaries are too few this year, and must fill up a vacancy in a longer established place. This is but one little spot in this great country where young life awaits the direction of the trained Christian leader.

COLLEGIO CENTENARIO, SANTA MARIA

LOUISE BEST, ACTING PRINCIPAL; MABEL JETTON, BERTA SIMMONS,
LILLIAN MAXFIELD

LOUISE BEST

In spite of an abnormal year in Brazil, which touched in a very vital way the State of Rio Grande do Sul, our schoolwork continued more or less as in previous years. The total matriculation for 1932 was 220, 83 being in the boarding department. Seven girls finished the normal course.

During the evangelistic campaign quite a number of our girls took a definite stand for Christ. Of this number three came into the church. We trust and pray that others may soon follow their example. It is not an easy thing for a girl to declare herself a Protestant when all her family and most of her friends are of another faith.

The literary society, because of unsettled conditions, was not able to give to the public their annual 7th of September patriotic program; but the one given at the close of school drew a full house.

A very unique feature of commencement week was a public demonstration given by the three girls who completed the three-year course in Domestic Science. There were also ten girls who received certificates for the short course.

A recent letter from the State Secretary of the Anti-Alcoholic Association classifies the group at Collegio Centenario as the banner one in the state. During the year this organization has been very active. On many occasions our girls have an opportunity to show what the white ribbon stands for by refusing to indulge in alcoholic drinks.

Miss Simmons organized and helped to give enthusiasm to an English club. These weekly meetings were attended by all the teachers and many of the girls.

Each Monday evening the girls who are members of the church or who are interested in their spiritual development meet for their student prayer service. The attendance grew from month to month during the year.

The girls, as in previous years, took an active part in Sunday school and in the young people's society.

Confident of the co-operation of both native and American teachers, I accepted the principalship during Miss Andrews' absence. It is a joy to say I was not disappointed.

The close of the year finds me looking both forward and backward: forward to home going, the meeting of loved ones and friends, and the renewing of body, mind, and spirit for future tasks; backward, reviewing the work done during this second term of service and thanking our Father for the privilege of service in this land of marvelous opportunities.

BERTA SIMMONS

With the end of 1932 has also come the end of my first year of teaching in Brazil. After the year's work here at Collegio Centenario I am no more in love with it than I was when I only knew it through observation. I have indeed enjoyed every minute of it.

I taught four classes of English from the second to the fifth grades, also sponsored the busy work of primary grades. We did a great deal of work and had a very pretty exhibit for the close of school. The last half of the year I had one hour a week with the primary in which I taught songs, verses, and games.

I sponsored an English club for the older students and the teachers. Most of them showed much interest and received benefit from the practice in speaking and using the English learned in the classroom.

In church work I have been superintendent of the intermediate department of the Sunday school. I feel that there was my weakest point of service. The department was well organized by Miss Best before it was given to me and was doing so nicely they did not notice the lack of a leader.

Language study goes on slowly, but I think it is a forward process.

LILLIAN MAXFIELD

I arrived in Brazil on July 22, on the steamer "American Legion," in company with the delegates who were going to attend the World's Sunday School Convention. I was entertained at Collegio Bennett while I was in Rio. On August 5 I went across the bay to Niteroi to live with a Brazilian family. Senhora Paixão, with whom I resided, was also my teacher.

In company with Bishop and Mrs. Thomas I left Rio in November, arriving in Porto Alegre about the middle of the month. I resumed my study of Portuguese immediately and since that time have been continuing the study of the language.

COLLEGIO AMERICANO, PORTO ALEGRE

MARY SUE BROWN, PRINCIPAL; RUTH ANDERSON, LILLIAN MAXFIELD,
CLYDE VARN, ZULA TERRY

MARY SUE BROWN

One more year has drawn to a close and in spite of its problems and difficulties we can say that it has brought many blessings and an abiding consciousness of the strength of the guiding hand of Him whose work we are trying to do.

Financially it has been rough sailing. Collections have been slow and difficult and many bills will never be collected. It is going to be a struggle to tide over the vacation time when there is no income from school fees. The matriculation, 244, was better than it was last year. There were 39 boarding pupils and 205 day pupils. Of these 164 were in the elementary school and 80 in the "Ginasio" and normal departments. The health record among the students has been good, but the teachers have not been so fortunate. There were a number of rather serious cases of illness among the faculty members, which of course

interfered with the regular school work. However, we had a good closing of the school and had the usual "festas." Our piano recital was considered very good, and the exhibition of school work attracted considerable attention during the three days on which it was held.

In January we had the pleasure of entertaining the South Brazil Woman's Missionary Society Conference. This meeting was a source of great satisfaction and inspiration, and to one who had seen the beginning of this work nine years ago it was proof that God's hand had directed these consecrated women in their desire to be useful.

A number of teachers and some of the older students have served in the local church either in the Sunday school or in the various organizations. The students are interested in the work of the Church; even those who are not Protestants are friendly and are ready to take part in the programs of the young people's society. The Patriotic Club of the school, without any solicitation or knowledge on the part of the faculty, voted to give the balance on hand in the treasury at the end of the year to our Methodist Orphanage fund. For a number of years the entire school worked for this orphanage and always with much enthusiasm.

Our school was officially recognized in April by the National Department of Education. Every official school has a permanent inspector who has extraordinary powers and authority over the school. To our consternation the department appointed an old priest who for some more than twenty-five years has been the most active enemy our church and schools have had to contend with. We refused to accept him, and as he would not resign, a most critical and delicate situation resulted. We appealed to all powers known to us from ordinary "deputados" to the military governor of the state, and even to the provisional President of the country. Even so, it was a three months' struggle. In September we were favored with the appointment of a man who is liberal-minded and cordial in his attitude. Our experience is an indication of the general trend in regard to Protestant institutions. The Catholic party is in earnest, lining up its forces preparatory to taking an active part in the organization of the new nation. Just as we were beginning to feel a certain degree of security in regard to our inspector, the political machinery rocked over to another side, and our inspector was forced to resign. We are once more at the mercy of the political winds that blow. We do not know what awaits us.

Miss Maxfield came to us in November and at once began the study of Portuguese. She is making progress and will soon be at home with the Brazilians in their language.

Miss Varn has taught English and Bible and carried her usual duties in the school. Miss Anderson has had classes in English and history and has helped in school duties, and continued her study of Portuguese.

Miss Terry came in January and took over the Day School at the Institutional Church, which was a great relief to me, for I had carried that responsibility for eleven years in addition to my work here as principal. She also supervised the elementary grades in this school which left me free for the many duties attendant upon the officialization of the school.

My church work has been for many years the teaching of the woman's class in Sunday school and of the Bible study class in the Missionary Society. I have continued this work with pleasure.

For all the blessings, and for the realization of His guidance, we close the year with thanksgiving, and with a prayer for strength and courage for the new duties which await us, we go forward into 1933.

ZULA TERRY

My work this year included directing and teaching in the Day School at the Institutional Church and supervising the first five elementary grades at Collegio Americano.

The faithfulness of the women in the Sunday school class which I taught at the Institutional Church was an inspiration. As superintendent of the Children's Society at that church, I enjoyed the co-operation of two other workers. The majority of the children in this society are pupils in the Day School, but many are from non-Protestant homes. Serving as chairman of the missionary department in the Women's Society, I had the privilege to help plan the special missionary program in December. At this service a young Brazilian woman who had visited the work among the Indians in the interior told about the conditions existing among these people and about the need there for a hospital properly equipped.

The Vacation Bible School at the Institutional Church in December claimed my time and effort for three weeks. With eighty-eight children enrolled and an average attendance of sixty-three, the workers in the school recognized the opportunities inherent in the work and have already spoken about the school for next summer.

CHINA

McTYEIRE SCHOOL, SHANGHAI

GRACE YANG, PRINCIPAL; JULIA WASSON, PEARL M'CAIN, JEANE CRAIG,
MARY OVERALL, LOUISE ROBINSON

I. ORGANIZATION AND ENROLMENT

There are at present three divisions of the school:

1. The junior and senior middle schools and the boarding department of the higher primary school with an enrolment of 381 students and a staff of 47 teachers.

2. Primary School No. I with an enrolment of 251 students and a staff of 12 teachers.

3. Primary School No. II with an enrolment of 198 students and a staff of 9 teachers.

Thus we have a total enrolment of 830 students and a staff of 68 teachers and administrative officers. Adding 60 servants brings the total number of people connected with the institution to nearly one thousand.

II. FINANCE

The current budget for the year is about \$110,000 (Mexican). This sum is met by tuition and other receipts from the students and does not cover the salaries of five American teachers sent out by the Mission Board. In other words the school is self-supporting with the exception of the salaries of the teachers sent out by the Mission Board.

III. REGISTRATION

The certificate of registration hanging in the school office is dated December, 1931, but owing to the change of the commissioner in the local educational bureau, we still lack a final statement from the Ministry of Education to complete the process. This official connection with the government has increased the work of the secretary and

the administrative staff in general who furnish statistics, fill out blanks, and give interviews, but it has not hindered or interrupted in any way the regular routine of the school.

IV. RELIGIOUS INTERESTS

The religious interests of the students, exclusive of that expressed in classes in Bible and religious education, are taken care of by the Student Church, the Junior and Senior Sunday schools, and the Junior Missionary Society, and the Y. W. C. A. representatives from these various organizations form a committee to plan for and conduct the daily vesper services. The Student Church is more or less a mother to the religious life of the school, for it not only plans its own services for Sunday morning but also links the school with outside projects of a religious or philanthropic nature. In the fall of 1931, for example, the church launched a campaign for famine relief which brought in approximately five hundred dollars. The Student Church is supervised by a board of stewards consisting of eight students and four teachers. Besides the Sunday morning service this group also plans the midweek prayer service on Thursday evening. The attendance at these services, though optional, is usually encouraging. The budget of the church is from one thousand six hundred (Mexican) dollars to one thousand seven hundred (Mexican) dollars, a part of which goes to meet the regular conference assessments of our church in China. The larger part, however, goes to the support of a free school in a village near McTyeire. This is the girls' most loved project. There are one hundred pupils who would not get an education were it not for this school. The girls conduct a Sunday school in this community and go after school hours during the week to teach singing, games, and the Bible. Christmas week at McTyeire would not be complete without a program furnished by the village children in charge of the student teachers. All students in the junior and senior middle schools attend the Senior Sunday school. Girls in the fifth and sixth grades are members of the newly organized Junior Sunday school and have as their teachers volunteers from the Senior Religious Education class who not only teach but also plan the worship services. A normal class is held each week. The older girls have shown real ability in directing the children and there has been a decided growth in the spirit of worship and in the ability of the children to take part in the services. One feels a religious atmosphere at McTyeire. There seems to be no feeling of antagonism to Christianity, but rather an attitude of interest and co-operation in the religious activities of the school.

V. OTHER EXTRA-CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

Representatives from each class form the Treble Clef Club. This club furnishes opportunity for advanced work in singing and contributes to the life of the school special music for special occasions. The regular singing classes furnish appropriate music for church services. The Athletic Association with a representative board in control provides for interclass games in the various sports. Good sportsmanship is being emphasized. The Chinese and English Literary Societies give opportunities for dramatic performances in which Chinese girls are especially gifted. The seniors give a play each year, the funds from which are used to publish the school annual, *The McTyeirean*. Some of the plays given in the past have been "The Twelfth Night," "Midsummer Night's Dream," and Barrie's "Quality Street." Although, as a rule, the school discourages the students' taking part in public programs outside the school, yet we

have felt it our duty and privilege to assist in such events as the dedication of the new national Y. W. C. A. building. We have also contributed to good international understanding by giving programs before the women's clubs of Shanghai.

VI. THE ALUMNAE

This report would not be complete without a word about our alumnae. In all 270 girls have graduated from McTyeire School. There have been 43 graduates from the music department. Formerly when there were no colleges for women in China our graduates went abroad for further work and there are 32 who have graduated from American colleges and 22 more who have studied abroad. Since Ginling College has been established and since several universities have opened their doors to women, we find our graduates in increasing numbers entering college in China. At present there are 7 students in American colleges, whereas there are 37 in colleges in China. Among the alumnae we have doctors, dentists, bankers, school principals, journalists, teachers, and Y. W. C. A. workers. A majority have married and many of these home makers occupy places of great influence. A mere list of names and statistics cannot convey the extent of the influence of well-educated Chinese women today. It is a pleasure to have in our present student body a goodly number of daughters of the alumnae.

VII. FUTURE PLANS

The money received from the leasing of the old Hankow Road property will make possible the erection of a much-needed new classroom building. The classes are at present inadequately taken care of in an old residence. The planning and construction of this building will be one of the most important projects of the new year.

McTyeire School is forty years old this year and therefore there should be a special celebration were conditions more normal. We are now planning to have this celebration after the completion of the new building next year.

OUTSTATION EVANGELISTIC WORK, SHANGHAI DISTRICT

ALICE WATERS

The beginning of 1932 found us full of hope and with our plans made for the work in the Shanghai District. But by the end of January we were in war and our work was interrupted for a half year.

Just before the war began our workers went for a short vacation. They were to return for the Chinese new year, when we planned to open a short-term school. Everything had been worked out, to the smallest detail. But when the time came to open the school, trains between Shanghai and Nansiang had been stopped and Nansiang was full of Chinese soldiers who converted our Bible women's home into a wireless station for the Chinese army.

On the night of March 2, Japanese soldiers occupied Nansiang. Our Evangelistic Center was occupied by Japanese soldiers who used it for Red Cross work for two months. When they went away almost everything removable had disappeared. The building was left in very bad condition and it took some time to get it cleaned, have windows and doors replaced and other necessary repairs done.

It was not possible for our workers to remain in Nansiang between January and the end of May. The greater part of this time they were in Shanghai and were able to keep in touch with Nansiang people and also with people from other stations occupied by Japanese soldiers,

since Shanghai was the place where most of the people from these places refueged. They worked in the camps and also visited among the people from the different stations where we had been working.

During the spring we held evangelistic services at Haimung, north of the Yangtze River, with good results. We also held meetings at other places on the circuit. Our group of Bible women went to Chung Ming Island at the mouth of the Yangtze River and held evangelistic services for the women.

Our workers returned to Nansiang to live the middle of June. On arriving they found much of our equipment gone. Since then we have been able to purchase what was absolutely necessary. Many things have never been replaced.

In the Evangelistic Center in Nansiang, we have a half-day free school for poor children with an attendance of twenty-five. Most of their mothers work in a factory near by. Twice a week we have children's meetings; we give them an hour or more for sewing and knitting, then have a story hour, followed by singing. We have another class which meets at the church. We also have a half-day school for women, which has enrolled sixteen pupils.

Weekly meetings for women have been held at Nansiang, Kading, and San Ling Daung with the best attendance we have ever had. At our Center the workers have carried on a Sunday school for neighborhood children; the attendance has been good. The most promising work in the district is at Kading where we have had a Bible Woman stationed for nine years. The weekly meetings and the afternoon Sunday school are both well attended. A great deal of work is done in the surrounding country. For several years we had been looking for a larger house, one better adapted to needs. In December, 1931, we found one and in January, 1932, began work in our new quarters. The outlook seemed very promising when our Bible Woman had to leave and Japanese soldiers occupied the place for two months. As soon as they left we went to Kading and did not find a thing in the house we had left there. All our equipment had to be replaced except three or four pieces which we later found in neighboring houses. Miss Mary Culler White came to our rescue and let us have some benches, a baby organ, and a few other things from a Bible Woman's home in Sunkiung District, which had been closed. All other equipment had to be bought, but we were able to reopen the home just before summer. We were very grateful last fall when an assistant Bible Woman was appointed to Kading.

This winter we have held three short-term schools in the district; one at San Ling Daung, with 22 students; another at Kading, with 19 students, and the third at Jeu Tsing Poo, with an enrolment of 77. In the three schools we gave certificates to 91 women who came regularly and passed examinations on at least one course of study. The main feature in each school has been the revival held in connection with it. We plan to open a school for the district in Nansiang on February 1, and are hoping to have pupils from the other outstations attend.

Our workers have given time, thought, and work to five missionary societies during the year. In membership, the one at Nansiang is the largest; the most active in Christian work is the one at Kading, though the society at San Ling Daung is very much alive.

Because of distance and the inconvenience of travel we have not been able to go to Lieu Ho and Tsz Dih as often as we wished. At Conference the church at Tsz Dih was put under the care of Moore Memorial Church, so this year the Bible Woman there will look after that work.

MARGARET WILLIAMSON HOSPITAL, SHANGHAI

School of Nursing

MARY HOOD, PRINCIPAL

After a wonderful furlough year in which many hospitals and schools of nursing were visited in Europe and America, and after having had a peep into some of our fine teaching institutions to observe new methods, it was indeed refreshing to return to our own school and to find the work here comparing favorably with that done elsewhere.

Within a few days it seemed natural to be back. Miss Pollock had left everything in such fine shape I felt as if I had only been away for a summer holiday. A healthy atmosphere and a spirit of progress seemed to prevail throughout the institution. The work done during the year, under the trying circumstances, has developed a deeper spiritual life among our nurses. Eight were baptized and joined the Church September 4.

A new class of twenty was admitted September 6, and of this number all except two are Christians. The work of the school year has started well. In our teaching staff is Miss Lea, who in our last report was studying at P. U. M. C., Peiping. She is now our hospital dietitian and instructor in dietetics for the nurses. We believe this is a step forward in efficient care for our patients.

The seniors are studying hard in preparation for N. A. C. examinations early in December. During the summer, the Country Hospital, Dr. W. S. New's Orthopedic Hospital, and Soochow General Hospital sent senior students for affiliation in obstetrical nursing and clinical nursing in the outpatient department.

We have one graduate nurse from Swatow, who entered September 1, to take our year's course of post graduate work. We hope in the near future to develop this department, for we have many applications for shorter courses and have not been able to give these satisfactorily.

The first Nursing Staff meeting was most interesting and instructive, the subject being the N. A. C. Conference reports. These reports were presented by our two delegates to the Conference, which was held in Peiping; both were most enthusiastic about the great things being done by their own nursing association. We are looking forward with pleasure to these staff meetings, which will be held monthly and with carefully prepared programs; they will bring to us much valuable information and instruction along nursing lines. A feature of the meetings that we feel will bring us into closer fellowship is the supper which follows the program.

The Public Health Department of the hospital is keenly interesting because of its ceaseless activities. It is always teeming with new life and growth. We are very much encouraged and trust this year will be our best.

ATKINSON ACADEMY, SOOCHOW

CHARLES J. VANE, MARY M. TARRANT

MARY TARRANT

In spite of the war which ushered in the spring term, our work this year has been uninterrupted. Since ours is a day school we did not close during the tense days when Japanese airplanes encircled the city dropping occasional bombs. Many of our patrons left Soochow for places they considered safer, but the attendance never dropped so low that we felt it necessary to close the school. It was often difficult to keep the attention of the boys on their lessons when the droning of

the airplanes was louder than usual. One week especially when bombs were dropped in repeated attempts to wipe out some wounded soldiers housed outside the city, the flash of fire was rather distracting. Some of the boys would be so frightened that they would beg, "Oh, pray, pray." So we would kneel down in the middle of a lesson to pray.

At last the fighting around Shanghai stopped. The airplanes no more visited Soochow, and the refugees gradually returned to their homes. The empty seats in our school were filled again with busy boys, and the work went on to the commencement at the end of June when large classes from the Middle School and the Primary received their certificates.

All of our students attend chapel and are in Bible classes. Once a week they meet in groups—Christians, probationers, non-Christians—led by the Christian teachers and the pastor. (Two of the older Christian boys teach the servants at this period.) This is a custom we started many years ago and which we find gives fine opportunities for definite instruction. Here questions can be answered and difficulties removed which it is not possible to do in a chapel service or a Bible class. Three different pastors have held revival services in the school for us this year. Besides these meetings, Dr. Stanley Jones was here in November and held special meetings for the students of the city. A large number of our students signed cards after all of these meetings signifying their desire to become probationers or active Christians. Some of these have already been baptized.

The enrolment during the year for the Middle School has been about 200; thirty per cent of these are Christians and fifty per cent probationers. In the Primary the enrolment for the year has been about 400, but the per cent of Christians and probationers is not so high.

The news that the Council does not feel able any longer to give Atkinson Academy an appropriation has come with a shock to all of us. Mr. Vane, the teachers, and those of the alumni who have heard the news feel sad at the thought of being "put out of the family." To be turned over to Soochow University does not appeal to us. The Church in West Soochow and the work of the Council—the Woman's Work, the Davidson Girls' School, the Embroidery Mission—all developed from contacts made through Atkinson Academy in its beginnings. Atkinson Academy has been called "the only son of the Council." Of course, the son should support himself. But time and preparation are necessary for self-support, and to have about half of the income of the school cut off suddenly comes as a terrible blow.

However, since there are so few schools in China in proportion to the multitude of children to be educated, and since so many of the church schools were closed during the revolution, we feel that we must make every effort to carry on our school. Those of the alumni who had a little wealth lost much during the war. Some of them, in spite of their losses, have expressed a desire to help the school start an endowment fund. In the meantime we face the new year with only our faith in the purpose of God for the future of the school which he has blessed and cared for in the past. Please pray for Atkinson Academy.

LAURA HAYGOOD NORMAL SCHOOL, SOOCHOW

BAO YU YANG, ACTING PRINCIPAL; MARY BELL WINN, KATE HACKNEY,
ELOISE BRADSHAW, ROBBIE LEE LEGGETT, ETHEL BOST

BAO YU YANG

Our enrolment this fall is three hundred fifteen (315). The students come from nine provinces. A number of them are from far

distances such as Szechuen, Honan, Hupei, Kiangsi, and even South Sea Islands. Some of them have already finished their high school courses and some have had several years of teaching experience—one has taught seven years. About half of the student body are Christians.

This year thirteen girls finished Junior Middle School work and twenty graduated from the Normal School. Among these normal graduates, three have taken up further studies in colleges or universities while the rest are teaching in different primary schools and kindergartens.

We have a teaching staff of thirty-eight; twenty-nine of these are 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. They give the school their most loyal support and the best co-operation that any institution could wish.

Our students are very interested in extra-curricula activities. They have organized a night school for the servants. Students in the upper classes take turns in teaching. Hence many of the servants can read and write. They hope that this work can be extended to the neighborhood sometime very soon.

Since our school was registered last year voluntary Bible classes have been organized. There are twelve groups this year. The Christian teachers volunteer as leaders. They meet their classes once a week after school. Having realized that spontaneous work will mean much more to the students than that which is forced upon them they stress discussing religious problems of immediate need in their daily lives. About ninety-nine per cent of the Normal and Junior Middle School joined these classes.

Our morning chapel is another chance for our spiritual growth. The leader who is in charge of the chapel service is free to use any subject relating to religious education. Besides, fine Christians of rich religious experience are invited to do individual work among the students from time to time. Last spring Miss Chi-Wei Yang came to us for this special work. She met the girls individually and talked over their problems with them. Once a year the school co-operates with other Christian institutions in having revival meetings. Last year we had Dr. Sherwood Eddy, whose inspiration and instruction meant much to us. We are so glad to report that sixteen students joined the church as a result of our work in the religious education department.

This fall as a result of Dr. Stanley Jones' meetings many of our students made decisions to live the new life interpreted by Dr. Jones according to the principles of Jesus' living. On Christmas Day Dr. Z. T. Kiang took eight of these students into St. John's Church.

One of the most encouraging changes taking place during this year is the good attendance of the daily vesper service. Many times we feel that our prayer room is too small.

On December 23, 1932, a celebration for the Thirtieth Anniversary of the founding of our school took place. Because of the present situation, both financial and political, we felt that it was not suitable to have a big occasion, so we celebrated only in small way.

Dr. Yi-Fand Wu, the President of Ginling College, delivered a very inspiring address at our Founders' Day service that morning while many other guests and representatives of various institutions made short remarks. The local government officials also sent greetings through their representatives.

There was a luncheon for the entire school and guests at noon.

A program was given by the students in the evening. Both were enjoyed by all.

On account of the political situation we had a very hard time during the spring term, but we are glad to report that this term has been very quiet and peaceful.

We do not hear bombs nor see refugees or wounded soldiers this term as many of us experienced at the beginning of the year. We certainly hope that the situation in the north will soon calm down. We are hoping that the new term will open up well after China New Year, and that we will have a most successful year.

DAVIDSON GIRLS' SCHOOL, SOOCHOW

MRS. Z. N. TSIANG, PRINCIPAL; LILLIAN KNOBLES, NOAMIE HOWIE

MRS. Z. N. TSIANG

In the fall of 1931, there were 402 students in Davidson Girls' School, but in the following spring term, owing to the Japanese invasion of Shanghai, the enrolment was decreased to 272.

One teacher and eight students were baptized this year, which makes a present total of sixty-five Christian students and twenty-eight Christian teachers who are church members. About 110 girls study in the six Bible classes which meet twice a week outside of school hours. One of these is a special training class for some of the older girls who teach regularly in the primary department of the Sunday school. One hundred twenty students attend Sunday school.

The Junior Missionary Society, which has about fifty members, has made satisfactory progress during the year. In addition to the regular monthly meetings, both morning watch and prayer meetings have been well attended.

Last spring during our week of special evangelistic services, Dr. C. C. Kiang gave inspiring talks each morning. As a result of his efforts twenty-two girls signified their desire to follow Jesus.

Many Soochow people heard the thrilling messages of Dr. Stanley Jones, who was here in November. Forty-two of our teachers and students pledged themselves to study and follow the teachings of Jesus more devotedly.

Since the registration of our school a seal has been granted us by the Board of Education. Last June for the first time the diplomas of the middle school graduates, seventeen in number, were sealed by the Kiangsu Provincial Educational Bureau. Those of the graduates from the primary school were sealed by the Wu-shien (Soochow) Educational Bureau.

For many years Davidson Girls' School and the Embroidery Mission occupied the same premises. In January of this year the latter institution moved to its new quarters at Dowdell Center. This made it possible for the school to expand by occupying the vacated building. One of its largest rooms is now a well-equipped science laboratory; another is a much-needed study hall; the smaller ones are used for recitations, practical arts, and offices.

The China Conference held its annual session in Soochow in October. We were delighted to have a share in entertaining the delegates, especially the women who were lodged in one of our dormitories. A number of our students took part in an impressive pageant which presented the Christian Education program of the church to members of the conference.

A satisfactory meeting of our Parent-Teacher Association was held on November 5. Although the attendance was not so large as we de-

sired everyone seemed to feel that the discussion of school problems, games, and conversation were quite worth while.

The past year has brought us nearer the realization of our purpose to provide a Christian education for Chinese girls. Through your continued help we hope to attain this goal more fully during the coming year.

DOWDELL CENTER, SOOCHOW

MITTIE SHELTON, MARY M. TARRANT

MITTIE SHELTON

Dowdell Center began work as a social evangelistic center in September, 1932. Since the Embroidery Mission was already established we started it first, and a week later we began work in the other two departments, the evangelistic and the social service. Miss Tsu Kyung Yung had been sent to us as evangelistic worker, and she began regular Bible classes with the women and girls at once. She also helps with any evangelistic meeting and in any visiting which can be done. She gives some time to the local evangelistic work in the church here, and visits with the Bible women in the homes. She has four Bible classes three times a week with the women and girls in the Center. Then she has a Bible class of church members. There are twenty-three in this class. Another Bible class taught is one of about thirty schoolgirls. She also teaches in the morning Sunday school and helps in the afternoon Sunday school. She helped teach in the Short Term School at St. John's from October 21 till November 4.

Miss Der Soo Tsung, a graduate of the Kindergarten Department of Laura Haygood, came to us in September. She has charge of the social service work. At present the work consists of the following activities. In the morning she has a free school for children who cannot go to a regular school. There are twenty-four enrolled in this school. On two days each week she teaches the girls in the Embroidery Mission singing and physical education. She also has a special class in Hygiene three days each week. On three afternoons each week she has a playground period for girls with an average attendance of fifteen or twenty girls. She has three girls' clubs, one for girls under fifteen, one for the older girls, and one for old students of Davidson School. Two of these meet twice each month and the Davidson Club meets once each month. We are hoping to organize other clubs as the way opens for them.

In the Embroidery Mission Mrs. D. P. King is in charge as manager and Miss Waung Kwe Fung as treasurer and secretary. There are fifty-five workers in the embroidery department now. Of these more than half are young girls who are also studying in the part time school. They are given Chinese, arithmetic, Bible, singing, physical education, and hygiene. Miss Waung teaches Chinese and arithmetic in the part time school and Miss Tsu teaches Bible, while Miss Der gives the work in singing and physical education.

We have thirty-four church members and probationers in the embroidery department. Our tailor is also a probationer. Three girls in the department were baptized on Christmas Day, and others of the younger girls wished to join but could not because of home opposition. We hope the way will open for them to join later on.

Financially the Embroidery Mission has had a very good year. Our receipts have been in full \$6,870, which we feel is a very good amount for a time of depression.

We have opened our bathrooms for women and children, and during the last month we have a record of 133 baths.

We are glad and thankful to report what we consider a very good beginning of the work in our new home, Dowdell Evangelistic Center, 170 Yang Yoh Hang, Soochow, China, and we are hoping that we shall be able to open other lines of work as the need arises.

WOMAN'S WORK, WEST SOOCHOW, CHINA

MARY M. TARRANT

The Woman's Work of our Church in West Soochow has been carried on as usual by the Bible Women, the volunteer helpers, and myself. During the war so cruelly inflicted on China by Japan last winter and spring, there was greater interest in Christianity. Backsliders who had not darkened the doors of a church for years came to the union prayer services, and non-Christians seemed more willing to listen to the gospel.

Our work is along the following lines: Sunday school classes, weekly meetings for women Church members and probationers, meetings in the Home for Old People, meetings in the Home for Old Women, daily visiting in the homes of the Church members, probationers, students, and any other homes that are open to us.

The gospel is indeed the power of God unto salvation to old and young, to all people in all lands who will accept it. A woman eighty-six years old in the Home for Old Women has given her heart to the Lord. Christmas Sunday the faces of the young people and children who joined the Church bore witness to their joy in Christ. A young widow whose husband and only child died a few years ago has been coming to our meetings and study classes recently. When she returned to the country not long after the death of her mother, she said to me, "I see nothing in this world but sorrow." Just before Christmas she decided to write down her name as a probationer and begin the Christian life. Her face was beaming when she brought me the card she had signed. "Now I have peace in my heart," she said, "it does not matter what comes to me."

Dr. Stanley Jones was here in November for ten days and our Bible Women received much help from the meetings.

WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SOOCHOW

MAGGIE J. ROGERS

The early part of 1932 was disturbed by the war in Shanghai; and although many people left Soochow, we were able to stay at our post and our work at St. John's was not suspended. For six weeks we held daily prayer meetings in the church, and each Sunday, after the regular services, the Christians from all parts of the city came to our Kong Hong church for three hours of fasting and prayer. Thus we were strengthened, refreshed, and enabled to go on with our work, although, for a while, bombing air raids were a daily occurrence.

All our workers have part in our three St. John's Church Sunday Schools; four groups of young people, thirty-five in number, were received into the Church during the year.

The Woman's Missionary Society continues its work of Bible study, mission study and active evangelism. Three new societies were organized this fall, including University Faculty women, hospital staff women, Laura Haygood teachers, women nurses, and some other community women; they have begun work in earnest and are glad for St. John's women to have a part in spreading the gospel.

At our Short Term Bible School last fall, fifty women took daily Bible study for two weeks. Results of the personal work, Bible lessons, and the revival are already beginning to show. Three whole families were baptized and received into the Church before the end of the year. The Bible Women and other Christian women visit regularly in the Hospital and the homes, hold cottage meetings, weekly woman's meetings, and Bible classes.

The Birthday Meeting of the Old Ladies' Club was held as usual, in May, with thirty members enrolled, ages ranging from 60 to 90. They thoroughly enjoyed this special occasion; since the meeting, two of the number have passed away, both were 87 years old and named "Fish."

Our children's work is a constant source of pleasure; Miss Yui, our kindergarten-evangelistic worker, is splendid with children, and I am grateful for such an understanding co-worker.

The morning class has a devotional period, study period, and game period, and the pupils have made great progress this year.

A Primary Boys' Club meets monthly and has officers who are able to carry on the work, with a little supervision. These meetings have been held for five years—from the Baby Division on up through the kindergarten, so the members have been trained and enjoy their Club.

There are several Junior groups and recently they prepared Christmas parcels for a Club of underprivileged children; they meet weekly and have devotions, study, and games.

The Baby Division is my Butterfly Club, which was organized in 1928. We have graduated several classes into the Primary Groups, and now we have an enrolment of 95 baptized babies, divided into five classes, each of which we entertain once a quarter.

The Christmas meetings were very happy occasions, and I can see much progress in the development of the children.

Our six Junior and Young People's Missionary Societies are doing good work and sent \$35.35 to the Conference Woman's Missionary Society this year.

In May our Primary Boys' Club and three classes of the Butterfly Club met with the Nursery School in the church on Sunday morning for a Children's Day program. At the Easter service sixteen of our Butterfly babies were baptized.

Dr. Stanley Jones was in Soochow this fall for a Workers' Conference, and he was greatly used of the Spirit. We were all refreshed and are daily more thankful to have a part in the work of the Lord here.

VIRGINIA SCHOOL, HUCHOW

CHIU LING, PRINCIPAL; MARY BLACKFORD, ALICE ALSUP, SUSIE MAYES
CHIU LI YING

In spite of the fact that most of this part of the country was upset last spring, Virginia School was able to complete a whole term's work. This was remarkable because usually, when troubles of any nature come, this school is the first to be affected. To our surprise, last term Huchow was a place to flee to, rather than a place to flee from, and we were able to repay some of the kindnesses shown us in the past.

Also for the first time in many years at the opening of school no teacher was kept away by flood or war. We have nineteen teachers on the staff. Of this number two are our own graduates who have just completed their college work, and three are missionaries. We were very sorry that Miss Stanford had to leave for America this summer

on account of illness, but are very glad to have Miss Alsup in her place this autumn. Miss Mayes has come to us, and is doing half-time language study. She is taking Miss Harmon's work.

The enrolment for the semester is two hundred and forty-eight. Eighty-seven of this number are in the middle school. From our point of view the increase in enrolment this year is rather large, although we realize that in comparison with other schools it sounds small. When junior middle school opened two years ago there were only thirty-one girls. Considering this we feel that the present increase is all that we can assimilate. Since the fall of 1930, two years of senior middle school have been added, and we are hoping that by next year the senior department will be complete. One reason the enrolment is comparatively small is because of the varying standards of schools in Chekiang Province.

Some years ago we had a home economics department which we hoped would become one of the outstanding phases of our work. Because of the lack of a trained teacher we were forced to discontinue it. This year one of our graduates who has majored in the subject is back with us, and we are reopening the department.

Last year much time and effort were spent in setting up a constructive health program. While the results were far from what we hoped, yet we feel that much was accomplished. This year we have continued the program with the help of the Huchow General Hospital. Physical examinations are given the girls twice a year, and follow-up work is done. As a result many girls have had their tonsils removed and half of the total enrolment are receiving trachoma treatment. Much interest is shown in weight, and all not up to standard are taking bean-cured milk.

Many people feared that registration would interfere with religious education, but we have not found that the case. A course offered in middle school on Christian Living was elected by all the girls. While it is not permitted to offer other courses during school hours, still it is possible to work through Sunday school classes, chapel meetings, song services, family worship and personal contacts. The girls have shown a real interest in all of these.

Registration of the school with the provincial government was completed a year ago. However, it has not yet been finally indorsed by the educational department of the central government.

The attitude of the local community has passed through three stages: first, ignorance concerning the school and its purpose; second, recognition of its value; and third, co-operation with the school. It means a great deal to us to have won the confidence of our patrons.

In looking to the future four things seem essential. The first of these is the remodeling of a part of the primary building. This building was formerly a school for Bible Women, and has been re-adapted only as need arose for new rooms. Present conditions necessitate changes, and if any provision is to be made for future growth, quite extensive remodeling will have to be done. The second thing is a new and more suitable gymnasium. Sixteen years ago our open-air gymnasium was the pride of Huchow, and the only one in the city. Today it no longer meets our needs. Another great need is for a course in industrial arts. The fourth need is for the re-establishment and building up of our music department to the place where we will be able to do our share in helping provide teachers for other places.

We feel that Virginia School is really needed as it is the only senior middle school for girls in this section of Chekiang Province. We hope that we may have the vision to see the needs of the girls physically, mentally, and spiritually, and the wisdom not only to build up a good

school, but to do all that lies in our power to bring about the Kingdom of Heaven in the hearts of these girls.

SUSAN B. WILSON SCHOOL, SUNG KIANG

MAU TAN LING, PRINCIPAL; NELL DRAKE, LUCIE CLARK

"Another year of progress, another year of praise,
Another year of proving His presence all the days."

And now a time of thanksgiving for all His blessing to us.

In spite of the fighting—the "undeclared war" in Shanghai, just twenty-five miles away—we have had a year of uninterrupted work and have enrolled more than four hundred pupils. Our schools in Sung Kiang were the only ones in our Mission that did not have to close. Many of our teachers and girls left for the winter vacation on the last train, the very day the fighting began in Shanghai. When the holiday season was over all the teachers were willing to return and share in the responsibility of taking care of the girls, the majority of whom were eager to get back to school. During those hectic days the teachers and pupils contributed money and made bandages which were sent to the hospitals for the wounded soldiers. Also the teachers and older girls studied nursing.

The spiritual side of our school life has not been neglected. We have daily religious chapel services, which the teachers and all the pupils attend voluntarily; prayer circles which meet every day; a Volunteer Band; Senior and Junior Missionary Societies, and the Epworth League. Also, all the girls are members of Sunday school classes, while a large number attend church services and study the Bible. Pastor Tsu led a revival meeting in the spring, and during the year two teachers and nineteen girls joined the Church.

The Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society met here the week school closed for the summer vacation, and all the teachers and many of the girls remained for the meeting. Several consecrated their lives for fuller service and one teacher has gone to study in the Bible Training School in Shanghai.

In July eight girls were graduated—all of them Christians. Two are now studying nursing, two are taking the Normal Course at Laura Haygood, and the others are continuing their studies in high schools. Nearly all made excellent grades—ranking first in their entrance examinations.

Our commencement address was given by Mrs. Herman Liu (Frances Willard Wang), wife of the President of Shanghai Baptist College. Mrs. Liu, a graduate of Northwestern University, "with her culture and strong passion for woman's emancipation and social reform," told about the work of the W. C. T. U. in China. She urged the girls to take up their responsibility in the great work of temperance, fighting opium, the anti-civil war campaign, and the establishment of better home conditions.

Now the Christmas season is approaching, and we are planning to share its blessings with these round about us. We will take gifts to 130 little orphans and to the 116 inmates of the Home for the Aged. For ourselves some of us are going to have "a pecan" from our own tree. The trees have grown from pecans sent by Miss Drake's mother many years ago. Since there are 226 girls and only 140 pecans, one pecan will be put in each Christmas bag as long as they last and each girl will draw for a bag. Now all are wondering who will be the lucky ones.

We are continuing our work toward registration, which must be

completed soon. Our graduates cannot enter other schools nor secure positions as teachers, if we have not complied with the government regulations within the given time.

Now for our *needs!* We have been giving and now we hope to receive, somehow, from somewhere, and very soon, another building. We have grown too big for our one building. Heretofore we have not had room enough for the boarders, but since the war we are overcrowded with day pupils. There is no room even for any more desks in the second grade. The fifth and sixth grades sit in the same room—more than fifty pupils—and three grades in the Middle School have to occupy the same room. For four years we have been asking for a primary building. The seniors are leaving a sum each year, the alumnae and others are willing to help, but this is not enough. Can you not “siang a fah tsu” so we can be better equipped to give

“Another year of service, of witnessing for His love;
Another year of training for holier work above.”

DAY SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN, NANZIANG

ALICE WATERS

As the principal of the Nanziang Day School and Kindergarten is away at present I am writing a short report of the work.

There are some conditions in the school for which we feel sincerely grateful. One is that in Mrs. Wong Au Zz we have an experienced principal who understands little children and knows how to influence them. Another is that we have a group of Christian teachers who work together harmoniously, for the good of the children and of the school.

For seven years our kindergarten was conducted in the back room of the church, which was entirely too small for the work. But this year we have a new building, the money for which was contributed by Miss Lochie Rankin's former pupils and friends, in China. The house—having three rooms and an ample porch—cost two thousand five hundred and fifty Mexican dollars. We have a balance of about three hundred Mexican dollars with which to buy equipment. The rooms have enough windows to furnish plenty of light and sunshine.

The contractor turned over the keys of the house to me on January 28, the very day the Japanese invaded Shanghai. The next night the little building housed 100 refugees from the fighting area of Shanghai, who had come here to get the trains going west. It was a shelter for that many people for thirty-three nights. The enrolment for the fall term of 1931 was the largest in the history of the school and kindergarten and, as we had raised the fees slightly, we were able to turn over to the treasurer a nice balance. We had a still larger number of pupils matriculated for the spring term of 1932, but Sino-Japanese hostilities began the day the fall term closed. On March 2 the Japanese entered Nanziang; on the 5th they occupied the school buildings and my home, where they remained for twelve days. I returned to Nanziang on the 19th and found that my house and the teachers' home had been broken into and everything of any value, except some heavy furniture, had either been ruined or carried away.

Japanese soldiers occupied Nanziang until May and, as most of the people had left the city, we were not able to open school until the 27th of the month. Fees for the spring term were very small and our teachers had to be paid, consequently we came to the end of 1932 with a deficit.

This past term the attendance at Sunday school and Sunday service has been the best we have ever had. The Missionary Society in the

school maintains its interest. A meeting, in charge of one of the leaders of the four departments, is held every Saturday. One of the deaconesses—Miss Lan—leads the Bible study and also holds a meeting for inquirers each week. At present there are about thirty.

EVANGELISTIC WORK, WUSIH, CHINA

MARGARET M. RUE

Our hearts are full of thankfulness to God because our work has been going on so quietly and peacefully since the dreadful days when we had to refugee during the Japanese trouble last spring. It was such a relief to get away from the sound of bombs, dropping day and night. Many of our factories were closed but most of them have opened again and our people are working busily. Unfortunately for the workers, the long hours were lengthened. Work now begins at 5:30 in the morning and stops at 6:30 in the evening. Many girls come directly to the night school as they no longer have time to go home to eat their suppers. Thus are they willing to sacrifice for the greater hunger of mind and soul. "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." The response to the appeal of God's Word is very beautiful, and many of these girls have given their hearts to him.

Our large factory settlement work had to be closed last summer when cuts had to be made in the appropriation. This caused us real distress but we want to renew our efforts to reach as many as we can from this center. One of our workers has done much welfare work in the big silk mill near us and it makes us rejoice to see how she is able to enter into the lives of both the leaders and workers in this factory. On holidays the girls come here for recreation and advice and Miss Tseu uses much of her time in giving the assistance. They welcome her Bible teaching and program work. Once each year the workers give a program of their own. Yesterday was the holiday on which it was given and it lasted from one o'clock in the afternoon till after ten at night.

Our days seem to be filled to the brim with classes, Bible and English, visiting in the homes, Sunday school work, looking after the children on the playground, program work with the young people, trips to the nearby country villages where we gather the villagers and tell them Bible and health stories, meetings and recreation work with the factory girls, etc.

One of the young boys of my Sunday school class, who graduated from our primary school, could not afford to go on to school so he went to stay with relatives in the country. We gave him some tracts when he went away and he stayed about a year. Very recently he returned with a glowing face. He said that he had no work to do so he had spent much of his time teaching the children of the village what he had learned about the Bible and now there were over 200 children who said that they believed in Jesus Christ. His knowledge of the Bible was not great but surely God can nurture such seed and we are so glad to go to follow up such planting.

About two weeks ago we closed a series of most interesting evangelistic services. Children on the street greeted the preacher as he walked along, with the songs that he had taught them. Last Sunday nineteen persons were received into the church. Another series is planned to begin in a few weeks and a short term school will be held in a country village in the home of a former student.

We are deeply conscious of the difficulties that the Church in the homeland is meeting but we trust that our hearts and prayers may be

more united than ever in calling upon the name of the Lord to deepen and strengthen our lives and add more fruit for his glory.

IDA ANDERSON, EVANGELISTIC WORKER

Just as we sent off our reports for 1931, congratulating ourselves that we had had a year uninterrupted by war, the Japanese opened war in Shanghai and all of the missionary women and children in Wusih were sent to Shanghai for several weeks. The Chinese stood by and carried on the work, though there was great fear in all hearts. Someone said that all the Chinese who could afford it went to some other place—some farther into the interior, and many to the foreign settlement in Shanghai which was considered the safest place, even though the city was at war. It was a very happy day when the fighting was over and we could return to our work in Wusih. And now we have reached the end of 1932, not daring to think what the coming year may hold for us.

It was a great grief to us to have to close our work at the factory center for lack of funds. However, we have been able to get workers housed and settled at the North Gate Center, and we still have a large night school for factory girls in our Mary Virginia Nabors Day School. We feel that we have already made popular, with the factories, the idea of doing something for the betterment of their employees, both socially and educationally, though the depression and the closing of so many factories may delay progress for a while.

Since the closing of the factory center, I have been free for more visiting in homes, which I have enjoyed very much. In company with a Chinese evangelistic worker, I have given four afternoons a week to visiting in the homes of our children of the Mary Virginia Nabors Day School. I have found this contact a help in understanding the home conditions of our children. With an enrolment of two hundred, this gives us a large field to tell the Gospel story in these homes. I have been impressed with the Christian messages the children have carried into their homes. They have been good little seed sowers. Every week we also send a tract home by the children asking them to explain it in their homes.

When we had our revival meetings just before Christmas, we filled our church three times a day with almost different congregations. Especially were the night services filled with men and women who listened with reverent attention. We closed the meetings with nineteen additions to the Church and a large class of probationers. God has been good to us and we look to him for many harvests among those to whom we are giving the Word.

KINDERGARTEN, FACTORY CENTER, WUSIH, CHINA

IDA ANDERSON

Our kindergarten at the factory center has been closed, as has all of our school work there. Miss Zung, our kindergartner, has been transferred to our Mary Virginia Nabors Primary School, where she will use some kindergarten methods in the first and second grades. We would like to open a kindergarten in this school, but haven't the room.

On account of the depression most of the silk thread factories have closed. This meant that the particular factory where we had our work couldn't afford to pay toward our support for the present, and as funds from America were less, the committee decided to close this work. I think that our school and kindergarten have served a very useful purpose and that there is need for such work. I know of

no other school where poor children can get free tuition. Some day I hope the factory will reopen this work. We hear many expressions of regret that the schools are not running, and many children are out of school on account of the closing, but it couldn't be helped.

MARY VIRGINIA NABORS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

IDA ANDERSON

Our principal, Miss Long, left us last fall to enter Ginling College; so we have had no principal this term, only a committee. However, we have succeeded for 1933 in securing the services of a young woman who has had two and one-half years of college at Ginling, and for financial reasons will have to leave college for a while. We are happy that we have been able to secure Miss Li as principal for 1933.

Our school has reached the point where we do not need to advertise. The students matriculate at the end of a term; and if there are any vacant seats for the next term, we let those who are on the waiting list know. We now have 200 students. I am ambitious for an enrolment of 240—40 in each of the six grades. At present we have 28 in the fifth grade, and in the sixth, only 14. The four lower grades have the waiting lists. I am sure that my ambition for the other two grades will be realized soon.

Some of our girls continue their studies in non-Christian schools here; very few are allowed to go away to school. Quite a number continue with us for special classes, and on Sundays these old students come to church.

I have just signed a contract with one of our girls who continued her studies through middle school and now is coming back to teach for us. She plans to teach here for two years, then go to Bible School to prepare for evangelistic work. I hope some day that all of our teachers and evangelistic workers will be those who have had their primary training with us.

Our school means much to the community. With other evangelistic workers, I have given four afternoons a week telling the gospel story in the homes of our children, and we have special meetings for the mothers, also send a tract into each home once a week.

Our children accept Christianity, but so often we have to let them go out into a non-Christian atmosphere when they leave us. Yet we are often rejoiced to find that some of them have not forgotten; and we are sure that the seed which has been faithfully sown will yield a harvest unto eternal life. Pray for us!

STEPHENSON MEMORIAL CHANGCHOW GENERAL HOSPITAL, CHANGCHOW

LORENA FOSTER, SUPERINTENDENT OF NURSES

Miss MacElwreath had charge of the Nursing Department most of the year, with Miss Ling Mei as her assistant. During this time a great deal of progress was made in improving the routine of the wards and of the Nursing Department in general. In September the present Superintendent of Nurses returned from furlough and Miss MacElwreath was transferred to Soochow Hospital.

Since October Miss Ling has been doing part-time duty as General Supervisor, giving her mornings to this work and studying English in the afternoons, preparatory to going to America next summer for special study.

Miss Dzen Eng Yui, of Soochow Hospital, came to us the first of July as Instructor and Supervisor of Practical Nursing. With a

special instructor for this purpose, we are able to give more time to the instruction of the students before they begin to work on the wards, and to supervise their ward work more carefully than was possible in the past.

Mr. Tang, one of our graduates, is returning this month from P. U. M. C., where he has just finished a five months' post-graduate course in teaching and administration. Miss Mo, another one of our graduates, who has had more than two years' work at P. U. M. C., will return in May to take charge of our operating room. Miss Mo has had several months' experience in the operating room at Soochow Hospital, and more than a year of her work at P. U. M. C. has been operating room experience.

At present we have ten graduates and fifteen students. We are taking in a new class this term and have already accepted six applicants. We hope to obtain several others, so that we shall have an adequate nursing staff when we move into the new hospital.

CONGO BELGE

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, WEMBO NYAMA

JOHN G. BARDEN

As we look back over the work of the Department of Education for 1932, there are certain tendencies which we note, certain phases of the work in which definite progress can be seen and felt, and certain phases which hold a challenge for the coming year.

Size of school: As the year closes we find that the enrolment of our school is approximately the same as it was when the year opened. Due to lack of funds, buildings, and equipment, we have had to restrict our enrolment. If we had accepted everyone who applied for admission our enrolment would have more than doubled. In the out-villages where we have evangelists we have been raising the requirements which the pupils there must meet in order to enter the Station School. Some schools have had to be closed for lack of funds.

Number of missionaries: Since the middle of the year we have had three full-time workers in the department and the added progress that has been made shows some of the abilities that our pupils possess when they have the supervision and instruction from missionaries that will challenge and bring them out. When one has to give his or her entire time to answering thousands of questions from teachers and taking care of the problem of discipline, instead of being a supervisor, helper, and teacher, the schools will remain almost at a standstill. We pray that there will always be sufficient workers available to carry on the work as efficiently as it is being done at the present time.

Religion: During the year we have made a definite effort through personal work with our pupils and teachers to develop in them more Christlike characters. We have given them talks in their classes during the week and in Sunday school on Sunday, and the spirit of co-operation and toleration has been growing among our pupils. Many of them have been making definite efforts to live the Golden Rule and to put into operation the Master's law of Love. Many boys and girls have finished the catechism, and their periods of probation and have been received into the church. In addition to the religious instruction that they receive in school, they attend the early morning prayer services each morning, and have their own meetings in the evenings twice a week, and attend church twice on Sunday.

Class Work: The quality of the work done in the classes has

definitely improved. The pupils have been more serious about the work, and the native teachers have been more concerned about their pupils making progress. Another contributing factor to good work, I think, has been the lengthened term. This year we have had two terms of four months each, and I think the plan has been a success. With the short term of former days the pupils had scarcely gotten into their work before vacation time had again come. Now they are able to get a good start and accomplish much before school is out.

During the year several new courses have been added to the curriculum; handwork, including basket-making, mat-making, and sewing. There have been classes in the latter for both boys and girls. The boys have a great desire to know how to sew and have made exceptional progress. In giving these courses it has been our purpose to give them something that would definitely help them in a material way in improving their homes. The sewing classes have been taught by Miss Zicafoose and Miss Rees.

Miss Rees has been giving instruction in art work, and the work which has been displayed in the school exhibits would have been a credit to the schools in America. These courses have included drawing, poster-making, and designing, all of which have taught pleasing combinations of colors, etc.

In addition to these courses we have taught reading, writing, arithmetic, hygiene, French, singing, nature study, gardening, carpentry, and brick-making.

We cannot be too enthusiastic about the progress that has been made in singing. Three times a week at the chapel hour we have devoted a period to learning new hymns, relearning and correcting mistakes formerly sung. With the aid of the piano, which has been played by Mrs. Braden the majority of the time, the pupils have learned that a song really does have a tune and that there is such a thing as staying on the key. The pupils have learned to love to sing and they can sing with gusto, charm, and ease.

At the Christmas program the male chorus of twenty voices sang a hymn in four parts. This is the first time that an attempt has been made at part singing, and the result was most encouraging. The group sang a hymn of four verses and chorus unaccompanied. They also sang two Christmas songs in French.

We have taken every opportunity to mention the great contribution the children of our Church in America made in giving the children of our Congo Mission a piano. It has been a wonderful aid in the improvement of singing both among our school children and the people of our congregation.

Woman's School: One of the most interesting phases of our educational work is that with the women in the Woman's School. Due to the fact that our women work in their gardens in the mornings the school is opened in the afternoons from 2:15 to 3:30 o'clock. The boys and girls in this part of Congo marry young and most of the men in the Bible School and many of those in the Day School have wives. These women all enter the Woman's School. Many of them are women who, as girls, spent several years in Girls' Homes, and they stand far above the women who come in from out-villages and have had poor educational advantages. We have eight classes taught by native teachers. There are two classes for those who have never been to school before, four classes for those who have been in Woman's Schools before, or in schools in the out-villages; one Second Reader Class, and one advanced class. These in the advanced class, with two exceptions, were formerly in Girls' Homes.

In connection with the Woman's School we have a nursery for the babies. Two girls from the Home take care of the babies under a

large tree near by, thus leaving the mothers free for class work. The babies are given baths, fed bananas, and given balls, blocks, etc., to play with. Miss Zicafoose is in charge of the Woman's School.

School Exhibits: At the end of each school term we have had an exhibit of the work done in all the classes of all departments of our school. We have not worked definitely for these exhibits, but they have been most illuminating in demonstrating the progress and possibilities of our pupils. The last exhibit was held while the evangelists and teachers were here for their annual gathering. It was a great surprise, an "eye-opener" for them. They were in many respects amazed to see the many things that the children had done. In the past we have talked to them about these things and told them that they could be done, but this is the first opportunity they have had to really see them accomplished.

Short Courses for Evangelists: Before the evangelists came in for their annual gathering we planned some courses to refresh them. During the few days that they were here Miss Rees taught a course, "How to Teach Arithmetic," Miss Zicafoose taught them how to make raffia bags in which to put their books and supplies, and the writer taught "How to Improve the Teaching of Reading." We hope that these courses will prove beneficial and when the next gathering comes about there will be other courses for them.

Kindergarten: Until the beginning of the second semester we had not been able to do very much with the work of the kindergarten. Early in the year from gifts of missionaries a small building for it was started and completed in time for the opening of the new term. Although we do not have much equipment as yet, we are gradually getting together a little. The children in kindergarten are very happy and enthusiastic.

Teacher Training: A great need for better trained teachers has been felt for a long time. At the beginning of the year a class was organized of those who had finished the II Degree School and the teachers to give definite instruction in how to teach the several subjects and courses given in our schools. At the middle of the year a second class was formed, and for the second term there were two classes in teacher training. We are giving this work before the students go to Bible School so that when they go out as evangelists-teachers they will be better prepared than their predecessors.

We feel very much encouraged with the work of the department, and we are looking forward with enthusiastic hopes and prayers for the coming year that the department may be instrumental in bringing many into the Kingdom of God and in hastening the time when his Kingdom may "cover the earth as the waters cover the sea," and his "will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

WILLIAMS' GIRLS' HOME HOME, WEMBO NYAMA

DOROTHY REES

"When the real, live, dirty, naked savage comes before you, not in book or letter, not in fancy or passing notice, but under your own eye; when you place your hand upon his shoulder and feel the dirt and nakedness; when you turn that man's face toward you and there you read—'no good thing'; when words . . . fail to show him as he is, then . . . you have to go to Jesus for faith to believe that for such he died; then you have to be very humble to look upon this poor creature and say, 'my brother.'" (W. W. Bagster.)

Had the author of this quotation used the feminine pronoun and in the place of man's face said child's face and "my sister" instead of "my brother," he would have described well one or many of the little

savage girls who come to the mission for admittance into the Girls' Home.

One particular child comes to memory now. She was about five years old. Her big black eyes were full of fright as she looked into the faces of the missionaries. She wore a string about her waist which held in place a cloth about the width of one's hand. Her body was so thin that her ribs could be easily counted and her skin was dirty and diseased. With her were three other people, her old father, an old woman, and a young man.

The young man was the child's husband. In infancy she had been sold by the father to this man. Some "marriage-wealth" or dowry had been passed at that time but later, from time to time, more wealth had been passed until the young man had given the father the equivalent of four hundred francs for his daughter. This was not such a large amount but it was large enough to make the child the legal wife of this man.

The husband was a Bible School student. He had almost completed his course of study and would soon go out as an evangelist. A mission requirement is that all evangelists must be married. The little girl was too young to go out as the wife of an evangelist. The father had used the "marriage-wealth" to buy a wife for himself. The old woman in the group was the father's wife. The father was not able to refund the young man his money and the young man needed the money to buy another wife. Thus these four had come to the mission. What could the mission do for them?

We redeemed the child. The young man was given his money, the father left his child to be put into the Home and promised to repay the mission the day of his daughter's marriage. All four of the people concerned were satisfied, unless it was the little girl.

It was a new life that she was entering. Her father was leaving her, she would not see her playmates again and the old care-free village life was over. She was facing new friends, a loving but stern matron as her new guardian and life of routine and school. We went to the Home. From a distance the girls in the Home saw the new child coming to join them. The message was passed, "a new child is coming to the Home." The children dropped their work and came running to us crying, "a new child, a new child, a new child," until fifty little girls had proclaimed the glad news. The matron also gave the child a hearty welcome. The child was frightened at first but in a few days she was playing and working and enjoying school with the other girls. She was bathed and her skin was treated. Her body became clean and her black skin which had been scaly became soft and beautiful. In a few days she received the allotment of clothing that is allowed every child.

Many similar cases are coming to me often. We have had to turn away many girls this year because there is no room for more. Most of this year there have been fifty-two girls in the Home, crowded into small rooms—seven or eight girls to the room. Their dining-room is a tree with a table built around it. Their kitchen is a little mud room which was built for a chicken house. Bright days their outside dining-room, and cooking outside, are not so bad, but when the rains come the children suffer for adequate cooking space and a place to eat.

But with all of the crowded conditions the children are happy and the work is going forward. Six girls married this year. Four of this number married Bible School students who are soon to go out as evangelists or teachers. One girl married a teacher and one married a house boy of one of the missionaries. All of the young men were

clean, healthy, young Christian men and these young people are going to build Christian homes.

Eight girls have had six months' training at the hospital and nursery during the year. Miss Armstrong reports that most of the girls have done well in this work. They have been of great assistance to her in helping nurse women patients and caring for the orphan children as well as having learned a great many helpful things that will prepare them to be better mothers.

Many of the girls are doing good work in school, rating among the highest in standardized tests that have been given during the year. Thirty-seven of the girls have had classes in sewing. Most of these girls are learning to sew well.

Fifteen of the girls in the Home are church members while many of them have finished catechism classes and are now on probation. All of the younger children with the exception of the orphans are in catechism classes. During the series of revivals held during the year several of the girls were brought to a vital knowledge of Jesus Christ.

REPORT OF COUNCIL HOME, WEMBO NYAMA

DOROTHY REES

During the dry season the Council house was reroofed. The long leaves of an indigenous tree was the material used. This was a long and tedious job, for the leaves had to be carried a long distance, then tied together before they were tied on the house. This material is probably the safest native material that could be used since it does not burn easily.

A bathroom was built on the east porch. The two bedrooms on that side of the house open into this bathroom, making these rooms much more convenient and desirable. The floor of this bathroom and the west bathroom were laid with brick and covered with cement. Two enamel bath tubs were bought with personal money. One was placed in the new bathroom. Some drainage pipes are needed before the other tub can be used.

The floor to one of the bedrooms was taken up because white ants had eaten the boards where they were placed together, leaving large cracks in the floors. Through these openings small snakes, mosquitoes, and sand flies could enter, making it very unpleasant for the person living in that room. When the floor was removed it was discovered that the sleepers were badly eaten and new ones were used.

The floors to the dining-room and another bedroom need to be repaired. It is too bad that so much money and time have to be put into such an old building when the same money might be put into a permanent building.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT, MINGA

ETHEL SHULER SMITH

The spirit manifested throughout the entire realm of the educational department of Minga District was one of earnestness and joy this year. In the station school the matter of discipline seemed to take care of itself because more and more the lives of the teachers are demanding respect and trust. Africa will be blessed in her educational program when some of her own citizens are able through consistent Christian living to have a tremendous impact for good upon her young people. This is happening in point of some of the teachers in Minga station school and will be increasingly true we trust.

The first Minga kindergarten was begun with the beginning of the year and has had an average attendance of twelve bright-eyed little

tots. These little children have been taught to form a few numbers on slates, to draw a little, to use crayons, to count orally from one to twenty, to sing simple songs, to play together and to march. They are very enthusiastic about their school.

During one quarter of this year the women had sewing as a part of their curriculum and manifested much interest. Their project was to embroider a little square of unbleached cloth in native patterns with colored thread. When the course was finished these squares of cloth, seventy in number, representing seventy African women, were displayed in the church so that all of the people of the village could see them. It was a happy moment for the women.

The head of the department had the privilege of taking a short itinerary during the third quarter. It lasted for five days and was a challenging experience. When one sees the great needs of the people in the outposts one longs to be in many places at once in order to help the earnest evangelists and teachers in these lonely places. The trip was made by bicycle, and seeing a white person for the first time seems such a novelty to some of the people, especially the women and children, that the particular white person feels that he or she is a newly escaped member of the zoo. Many interesting and funny things happened on the journey, but this missionary worker remembers most vividly the longing eyes of the women and little children in their search for the truth that sets one free, and it is her earnest desire to go back on other trips to these other sheep of the Heavenly Father in order that she may tell them about him. May they, too, come to know the meaning of joyous friendship with Jesus Christ.

At Christmas, members of the educational department assisted by all of the missionaries at Minga gave a pageant entitled, The Holy Night. A kind of amphitheater was made in a lovely, natural setting of palms so that not only our own village people might see it but many from out-villages also. All of the lepers came and sat with rapt attention as the scenes of the shepherds, the wise men, and of Joseph and Mary with the infant Savior were enacted before their eyes. The real appreciation manifested by the audience gave evidence that the message of the world's Savior was written upon their hearts in a new and vivid way.

As this year closes the members of Minga Educational Department are especially grateful for the new, mud dormitory for Mission Boys that the boys themselves have built save for the doors and windows. The group of eighty-seven boys went home for their three weeks of vacation with joyous expectation of entering their new abode upon their return on January 16.

The head of the department is very happy to be sending twelve young men to the Wembo Nyama schools upon the opening of the new term there in 1933. Most of these are splendid young fellows. One of them is uniquely beautiful in character and gives unusual evidence of living daily in the blessed Spirit of the Christ. His life seems consistently Christian. We who are so much interested in him (and his fellows) are praying God that if it accord with his will this young man may become a veritable Aggrey of Africa in many ways and serve his people.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, TUNDA

ANNIE MAE WHITE

The year 1932 has rapidly, happily flown by as on silvery wings, and we find ourselves enjoying another glorious Christmas in the Congo. Truly we count time only by the heart throbs in this land of sunshine.

When we try to write a summary of the work of the year, we realize

truly that this cannot be done with numbers. This year of financial depression has brought many unseen blessings, we feel quite sure. One is that our work here could not expand very much into new territory, so we have tried to place more emphasis on quality rather than quantity. Our "faithful few" have been more faithful, more deeply rooted in the Christian faith and living, and are much better prepared to help carry on the work of the Kingdom now than they were a year ago. It has been a constant source of joy and inspiration to watch their interest and sense of responsibility, for their individual tasks grow day by day. We believe that the majority of our mission boys whom we were able to keep with us on the station have developed into stronger Christian characters, and that they will do much in carrying the gospel to those of their brothers who have not had the opportunities which they have had here on the mission.

We are trying to meet the State requirements for education in the Congo, which we believe is very good so far as education goes. First of all we would have each boy and girl to find Christ and his way of life through our schools.

The co-operation of all the fellow-missionaries in the work of this department continues to be a great help and inspiration.

On last Sunday night, December 25, out on the grassy lawn, our native boys and girls presented the pageant of the Nativity scenes in a most impressive way. They seemed to have lost all consciousness of themselves in songs of praise and adoration of the Christ-child. This was a beautiful climax to a very happy year of service in the Congo.

GIRLS' HOME, TUNDA

CATHERINE PARHAM

The year 1932 has been marked by many changes in our Girls' Home at Tunda. We mention some of the material changes first. In January we moved from the old, crowded, mud building into a light, airy, five-room brick home. Here the girls have enough wooden benches for each to have a place to sit. For generations the women of Africa have sat on the ground, and it is not easy to get them off the ground now. We truly believe that "cleanliness is next to godliness" and that our girls will be more self-respecting if they keep clean. Each girl also has a bamboo bed and a blanket.

There has also been a change in personnel. The year opened with eleven girls in the home and is closing with sixteen.

As to the development of Christian character, we believe that progress has been made here too. In most respects the girls manifest a teachable attitude and a willingness to choose the right.

At the Christmas season the girls of the Home, together with the girls of the mission village, presented the pageant "When the Christmas Star Shone," by Mrs. Cronk, as translated by Mrs. W. B. Lewis. This is a missionary pageant showing representatives of all the children of the world. The girls entered into the spirit of it in a beautiful way and presented it nicely. We trust that its message will become a permanent part of their lives and that they may realize their responsibility in helping to advance the Kingdom of God on earth.

CUBA

COLEGIO ELIZA BOWMAN, CIENFUEGOS

FRANCES MOLING, PRINCIPAL; MATTIE LOU NEAL, FRANCES GABY,
DRETA SHARPE
FRANCES B. MOLING

As we look back over the past twelve months we think of the finishing and opening of the new school building as the most outstanding event of the year. The satisfaction felt and expressed by teachers, pupils, and the public in general amply repaid for the inconveniences of other years.

The educational problem is one in which we are all deeply interested. The university and institutes of the different provinces are closed, so there is no chance of higher training along educational lines, and students who can are leaving for other countries in order to continue their studies. The chances are they will never return and Cuba will thus suffer in years to come the loss of some of her best citizens.

Most of our teachers are actively interested in the affairs of the Church. One teacher, who is a violinist, and his wife have very recently united with the church and are already interested in the activities of the adult section. The school has a large group of students at work in the young people's department, and among them are several old students, who, after leaving our school, studied in the university at Havana. These have now returned to Cienfuegos and have recently joined the church.

Because of the financial depression, tuition payments have been delayed or not paid at all, and the loss has been considerable. The public schools are filled to overflowing, not because of their popularity but because of the depression. We have been forced because of conditions to reduce our rate of tuition, and this, together with a reduced matriculation, has caused a very noticeable decrease in our income, although we can say with a reasonable amount of satisfaction, the school has been able to meet all obligations for the year 1932.

We graduated a class this year of five from our Spanish department and they received the degree of "Bachiller" from the Provincial Institute of Santa Clara. Seven other students received certificates for having finished graded courses.

Much interest was manifested by our students during the Week of Prayer. The fact that Miss Neal had worked among the children of MacDonell School, and the fact that our building took form as a result of the prayers and efforts of our women in 1930, seemed to give inspiration not only to those who were contributing for the first time, but seemed also to increase the confidence of our Cuban teachers and workers in the cause of missions.

We have greatly missed Miss Crone, who is now on furlough. Because of her absence it became necessary to reorganize the work in the English department. Misses Sharpe, Gaby, and Neal, with the help of the Cuban teachers who could take certain classes, such as writing and drawing, have kept these grades up to standard, and this department made the best paying in the school.

The closing event of the year was the annual banquet held for the first time in the new building. The program and menu were prepared by graduate students who now live in Havana and both were thoroughly enjoyed by those who were present. They manifested their loyalty to the Eliza Bowman School on this occasion by proposing the establishment of a fund for the education of worthy pupils, and a

collection taken that same evening has already been placed on deposit in one of the banks for the use of some student in days to come.

Miss MacKinnon's visit to us in December proved an inspiration to teachers, pupils, and the workers in general. None were more enthusiastic or appreciated her presence among us more than the graduates and old students of our institution.

MATTIE LOU NEAL

This is my third year in Cuba. I teach the fourth and fifth grades and part of the sixth grade in the English department. The teaching in English is very slow, yet there come from it a certain joy and satisfaction that cannot be found elsewhere. Too, I have had charge of the dining-room and kitchen for the past year.

Since September I have been attempting to teach a class in our Sunday school. I have a class of children 7 and 8 years of age in the Primary Department. In spite of my deficiency in Spanish God has greatly blessed me in my efforts. In September I had only eight or nine on roll; now I have a class of 20 boys and girls, enthusiastic and full of life.

May the blessings of the Heavenly Father rest upon His work and upon those who are striving to carry on His work throughout the world.

FRANCES GABY

In the absence of Marie Crone, our primary teacher, who is on furlough, I am teaching the primary grades of the English department in our school. I have fifteen bright, enthusiastic little folks in my room whom I enjoy teaching very much. They know little English and it is a pleasure to see how quickly some of them learn to read, write, speak, and understand English.

In the local church I have the privilege of teaching a class of American girls in the Young People's Department, a class which calls for my very best.

Although the depression is at its worst (at least we hope so), and our enrolment is not so large as usual, I feel that God is blessing our efforts and that if we continue to carry on in spite of the odds against us our work will live and grow in the lives of many little children grown up, who will be able to do far more than we can ever hope to do. May God bless his work around the world and help us not to become discouraged in these troublous times.

DRETA SHARPE

In reviewing the past year's work I find nothing out of the usual routine to report. My teaching work has consisted of classes of English in the Spanish and English departments. In the church work I have found a class of married women in the Sunday school of the Central Church very interesting, also the work of the steward and the missionary society. I have the same class in the mission Sunday school that I have had all the years I have been here. This year may greater things be accomplished in His name and for the advancement of His kingdom.

COLEGIO BUENAVISTA, HAVANA

IONE CLAY, PRINCIPAL; MARY WOODWARD, LUCILLE LEWIS
JUANITA KELLEY

IONE CLAY

The drama of tragedy of which this little republic has been the

scene for several years has continued with undiminished intensity during 1932. Her participation in the world-wide depression, a disastrous cyclone, the ruinous price of sugar, the failure of the tourist trade—frequently called Cuba's "second sugar crop"—the widespread prevalence of graft in public places and the general sense of insecurity have brought the island to a desperate pass financially. A large degree of this state of insecurity is undoubtedly due to the political situation, growing out of recent Cuban history—the arrest and disappearance of high school and college students, the assassination in August of the head of the national secret service department, and in October of the president of the senate and of four members of the opposition, all in one day—the space allotted me does not permit the recounting of other incidents in Cuba's reign of terror. In November, after hearing of the imminent revolution, of the attacks to be made upon Havana and Camp Columbia near by, we sometimes went to bed at night wondering whether we would be awakened in the morning by the familiar sound of the rising bell or by bombs falling on the roof of the school.

Conditions like these tend, I believe, to make one more and more thankful for work and home and friends and a chance to serve. Both faculty and student body have worked with enthusiasm this year. Our enrolment has continued to increase, totaling at present exactly twenty per cent more than that of the same day last year. Of this number the majority are from Catholic homes, but considerably more than half are in our Sunday schools, the school bus having been pressed into service to bring day students to Sunday school. Our teachers and older students take an active part in the work of all branches of our church. The Loyal Temperance Legion continues its campaign of social education. Thus, and in the everyday contacts of schoolroom, home, and playground, we are doing what we can toward the solution of Cuba's problem through the Christian education of Cuba's citizens of tomorrow.

COLEGIO IRENE TOLAND, MATANZAS

CLARA CHALMERS, PRINCIPAL; ELIZABETH EARNEST, KINDERGARTNER

Cuba needs the earnest prayers and active interest of her friends now more than ever. She has suffered economic, political, moral, and spiritual depression raised to the *n*th power. All her schools of higher learning have been closed for more than two years and the youth of the land is in the streets. Revolution, bombs, and criminal political killing have been the order of the day. Christian education is no doubt one of Cuba's most urgent needs. Irene Toland has made a loving, sincere, and sympathetic effort to do her part toward meeting this need during the past year.

Miss Elizabeth Earnest, the director of our kindergarten, has been faithful in her services. Her programs of constructive activity, songs, and games have been deeply religious and spiritual, and she has faithfully taught her little ones to love the Christ who said, "Suffer the children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Miss Augusta Nelson is in charge of the English work of our school. The Cuban children like English and progress rapidly in the language. English is taught in all the grades of our elementary and preparatory school.

Our young Cuban teachers, who are intrusted with our elementary and preparatory grade work, are all well prepared Christian young women. The high classification of the Irene Toland School by the

city of Matanzas in the first rank of its schools is the testimony of the city itself to the intellectual efficiency of our teachers; and the Cuban Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society at its meeting last December called special attention to the fact that the majority of the leaders of the Cuban Missionary Society were graduates of the Irene Toland School.

Our native pastor, the Rev. Flor F. Reyna, is at the head of our Bible department and has also the work of our first year high school. He is one of our best prepared native ministers and appreciates keenly our educational work. He makes his Bible classes practical, in an effort to make the teachings of Christ live in the everyday lives of his pupils. He himself is a deeply spiritual man.

Miss Dolores Villa is the capable director of our music department. Her piano pupils advance rapidly and acquire a real love for good music. This department prepares helpful musical programs from time to time for chapel services. Chapel services are held regularly twice a week.

Pray for Cuba in this dark hour. There are misery, sickness, and suffering of all kinds. Pray for your work and the work of our Cuban Church that together we may give to Cuba the living Christ in the hearts of individual Cubans throughout this beautiful island.

CENTRO CRISTIANO AND KOREAN COLONY, MATANZAS

MARY LOU WHITE, GRACE GOODWIN

MARY LOU WHITE

The work of the Centro Cristiano as financed by the Department of Woman's Work, Board of Missions, comprises upkeep of building and grounds of the plant; the maintenance of a Bible Woman; the leadership of boys' and girls' clubs and playground activities by a staff of two missionaries, three paid Cuban workers, and a number of volunteer helpers; and a daily vacation Bible school in the summer.

Miss Julia Reid as Head Resident and Miss Grace Goodwin as Associate were the missionary staff at the beginning of 1932; after the departure of Miss Reid on furlough her place was taken in June by Miss Mary Lou White.

The playground is open after public school hours every afternoon except Friday, which day the missionaries endeavor to keep as a rest day. All children less than eight years old are under the leadership of Srta. Lila Interian. From eight to eighteen the girls are organized into two groups of Girl Reserves, the older group led by Miss Goodwin and the younger formerly by Srta. Julia Quirch and now by Srta. Laudelina Dias de Arce. Sewing, sports, hikes, and social and dramatic programs are the regular activities of these groups. Sr. Moises Boudet has charge of all boys from eight to eighteen years, in two organizations: Boy Scouts, meeting Saturday morning and on all patriotic holidays; and the Christian Social and Sports Club (Club Deportivo Social Cristiano), meeting at the regular playground hour. One of the interests of the year has been a series of basketball match games with the junior team at Colegio Candler. The Scouts are admitted to the C. D. S. C. without payment of extra fees. Members of the Epworth League of the local church are admitted to the Centro clubs and sports without payment of extra fees.

Attendance on the clubs varies month by month; for the last quarter 1932 the total enrolment was 128, though this represents a slight duplication in case of Scouts who are members of the C. D. S. C. In the present desperate financial condition of the country, even though club and playground fees have been reduced to a minimum, a

number of former members are now unable to attend. Forty-seven pupils enrolled in the daily vacation Bible school in July.

The clubs, however, are only a fraction of the activities and responsibilities of the Centro staff. The building, by courtesy, is offered for all services of the local church, of which Rev. Flor F. Reyna is pastor; and the Centro workers not only keep the building open and in order for all departments but are active members in the various organizations. Sunday and midweek preaching, the flourishing and well-organized Sunday school, the Woman's Missionary Society of 24 members, the Epworth League of 22 members, and all other meetings, regular or special, of the organized church are held in the Centro building. The Centro staff not only give enthusiastic volunteer service in the local church but, in co-operation with the pastor, endeavor to correlate church and club activities to meet the needs of the entire constituency.

The Bible Woman, Sra. Ana G. de Ruay, visits faithfully in the homes of the neighborhood, reads the Bible and leads in prayer where this is acceptable, leaves tracts and copies of the Gospels in other homes, and invites people to attend the church services. Through her efforts a number of people have been attracted to the church and have in time become members.

For 1932 the Centro missionaries attended service at the Korean Colony every Sunday afternoon, and had oversight of the day school (in Bible and in the Korean language) and the so-called "kindergarten." Duties at the Centro and cost of itineration made it impossible to supervise adequately the week-day work at the Colony; also, the removal of certain of the Korean staff from the Colony and the depleted school attendance due to the children's having to help work for the family living, together with the small need of teaching the Korean language in Cuba, contributed toward the decision to close the schools and discontinue the last of the paid staff. Furthermore, in view of the reduced appropriations from the Board of Missions for 1933 the Centro workers will attend service only twice a month at the Colony, on the Sundays on which the Matanzas pastor preaches. This withdrawal of so much Centro support is a blow to the little Korean church. Pray with us that the faithful ones may not falter.

JAPAN

LAMBUTH TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS, OSAKA

MABEL WHITEHEAD, MARGARET COOK, ANNE PEAVY,
MRS. LOUISE HINCHEY (CONTRACT)

MARGARET COOK

September found me back in my place at Lambuth after a year in America. What a year it was! 1931 and 1932 brought world-wide experiences that are changing men's thought of life, political, economic and religious. As regards missions, they were years of *com-missions* whose work of appraisal is now in turn being appraised.

Since settling down again to my own little part in the great missionary task I find myself appraising with a new perspective the work of our Lambuth.

Coming back greatly burdened because of Japan's relation to world conditions and her military program for the solution of her problems I have found the Christian church of every name and order actively

engaged in a united, widespread evangelistic movement that is emphasizing spiritual values and seeking to hasten the coming of God's kingdom in the Orient. It gives new hope that triumphs over discouragement and fear.

The Christian leaders in Japan, in contrast to the uncertain tone of parts of that masterly report, *Re-thinking Missions*, are boldly asserting that "there is no salvation for Japan except Jesus Christ." These were the words of Dr. Kagawa of Meiji and long a member of the Diet in Tokyo. He spoke them before a large audience largely non-Christian in a city where the Christian Education Association, of which he is president, was meeting.

Recently Dr. Ebisawa, Chairman of the National Christian Council of Japan, said in a published article that he and others are anxious lest the report be leaving out the heart of the Christian faith while over-rating the value of Oriental religions.

The very seriousness of world conditions today, and Japan's vital relation to them, seems to be leading the Japanese Christians to such consecration as never before, such witnessing and evangelistic effort, it seems to me, as characterized the Christian church in the days of Rome. What may not the issues be? The newspapers do not give front-page headlines to these things, but their influence will be felt, working together with that of true Christians in every land.

The financial difficulties of all our Mission Boards at home add to the problems today of the Christian Church in Japan. The way at present and for the near future is not easy, but our faith is that Immanuel God is here and in the Church at home and his cause cannot fail.

I found Lambuth carrying on in this faith. Our beautiful centenary building is still "a busy hive of activity."

On page 115 of the report of the Commission on Education in Japan, under the section "Training of Women in Religious Work," these words are found: "Practical experience should be combined with theoretical courses as is already being offered in some schools for training religious workers. The combination of training centers for kindergarten and other religious work, such as Lambuth Training School, is an excellent plan which should be followed more generally."

The work of the school in both departments and of the evangelistic center which reaches out to the factories and hospitals and needy sections of the great city of Osaka has never been better nor more far-reaching.

Our president, Rev. T. Tanaka, has the love, confidence, and co-operation of his whole staff and student body. Lambuth has suffered with him in the deep sorrow which came to him in February, 1832, when Mrs. Tanaka was taken from us. The benediction of her beautiful life abides. Her faith and prayers bless us still.

Mr. Tanaka, forgetting self, keeps the vision that makes his leadership constructive in every line of our work. His heart and help are given the whole, out to the farthest reaches of our social evangelistic program as it is being carried on during Miss Williams' furlough by Mrs. Kida and our first young graduates to major in sociology.

On Sunday nights Mr. Tanaka is in charge when our big kindergarten room becomes a gospel hall for passer-by and for our neighborhood. Here also our students of both departments get training in how to help in meetings and the way is opened for personal work, visiting, Bible teaching. This student practice is under the direction and supervision of Miss Whitehead, dean of the biblical department. The effect on the students is to deepen their experience and give them

the joy of evangelistic effort for others. Special responsibility is placed on the third-year biblical students.

One of the outstanding events of the year was carrying this actual experience for the third-year biblical students out into the country. Mr. Kugimiya, one of our teachers, was in the country helping Mr. Callahan in tent evangelism, and Miss Whitehead and these students want to help for ten days in that work. Results exceeded our highest expectations, both in spiritual help to others and to the young workers themselves.

In the same way twofold results have come from a recent three days' kindergarten evangelistic meeting planned by Miss Peavy and our young kindergartners. Teachers, students, children of kindergarten and Sunday school, together with mothers and fathers of the homes from which our children come, have been lifted toward God and helped.

A visit from Dr. King, who is with us in the interest of better Sunday school work in China, Korea, and Japan, was inspirational, not to Lambuth only but to a large group of the Sunday school teachers of the city. Our own Hirose San, whom Scarritt helped to get ready for the big work she is doing, had laid foundations that made many of Dr. King's hearers ready for his teachings.

Our community is closer to Lambuth than ever before in appreciation of what is being done for them through children's work, Sunday night services, special meetings, etc. This has been shown by request twice from the ladies of the neighborhood to come to us for cooking lessons from our trained nutrition specialist, Miss Higaki. She has responded gladly and followed up the opportunity to teach the things of God.

Doors are wide open on every hand. The settlement work we have long felt we ought to do is begging for our help. Kwansei Gakuin has gone ahead of us and organized a settlement in which they need Lambuth to care for the women and children. Teachers and students are responding gladly.

While I was in Chicago last year I visited the National College of Education in Evanston, where Miss Baker keeps the Christ ideal at the center of that wonderful school. She was leaving for a visit to Japan. While in Japan she visited Osaka and our Lambuth. As she watched the baby children of our kindergarten with their teacher at worship before their morning nap, she said, with the thought in mind of her own nursery school children and others in Christian countries, "There is no truer work being done anywhere," and added, "These children will never get away from a daily experience like this at this age."

We wait Miss Field's return from furlough and Miss Tachibana's from Scarritt and Peabody to help us with this work. And when they come we want Miss Takamori, so long with us, one of Japan's best-known and best-loved kindergartners, to see the best in America and lead us on to larger things for the mothers and homes of our children.

Music is one of the essentials in the training of our girls as kindergartners and Bible Women. When Miss Hager's furlough time came a substitute had to be found to take care of her good work. Mrs. Hinchey came as was reported last year. The group method of piano teaching which she introduced has passed the experimental stage for Lambuth. It has proven itself by its greater efficiency "except for exceptional individuals and conditions." Not only so, but a deepening spirit is manifest of mutual joy and appreciation, with greater opportunity for co-operation in music classes.

This greater co-operation, appreciation of the contribution of each

part to the work of the whole, and joy in all that under God's blessing is being done, is Lambuth's ideal. Our faces are to the future, for we are confident that God still has a mission for this institution which he has established and which is so vitally linked up with his kingdom in the Orient.

PALMORE WOMEN'S ENGLISH INSTITUTE, KOBE

C. HOLLAND, PRINCIPAL; K. SHANNON

In spite of the depression felt in many quarters Palmore Women's English Institute continues to go forward gradually. The enrolment is the best for the past four years.

Six young women graduated from the regular department and fourteen received certificates from the shorthand and typewriting department in March. All of them have positions in the offices in the city.

The first year of the lower department was crowded when fifty-two children came in from the primary schools. They have no fear of making mistakes in English and we hope to have some very strong English-speaking students at the end of their five-year course. The higher department received a number of good students from the five-year high schools of the city. We prefer all our pupils to enter after they have graduated from high school, although the children who come to us early will have better English when they graduate.

Rev. T. Tanaka of Lambuth Training School for Christian Workers conducted the special meetings in the fall. The interest was unusually good. There have been five baptisms during the year and fifteen who are in the probationers' class who will receive baptism later.

The special programs have been helpful and varied. In October Dr. Toyoda of the Imperial University of Fukuoka spoke at our meeting of English teachers after which one hundred twenty-five of us had supper together in our school. Mr. Susu-Mago of Honolulu gave us a beautiful program of vocal music in December. The Intercollegiate Play Contest was held in the fall and our school won the second place with the play: "The Second-Story Man." One of the third-year students received one of the first prizes for the best girl player. Dr. Kagawa spoke at a joint meeting sponsored by the two Palmares. The Central Church was filled and he was at his best in the presentation of Christianity as man's need for the day. Youth is awake to Dr. Kagawa's messages.

Christmas began early with us this year with a gift of 430 Yen from the graduates and Palmore Y. W. C. A. for a telephone. It has been installed and is already serving its purpose in making contacts with homes and new students. The year closed with the usual Christmas programs, including Miss Kawamoto of the city Y. W. C. A. with one hundred business girls in for supper, worship, and social hour, and the social evening for the Pan Pacific Club.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC CENTER, ZENRIN KWAN, KURE

GERTRUDE FEELY, MOZELLE TUMLIN

Kure is one of Japan's largest naval bases with a population of 200,000. Because of its connection with the navy, foreigners, both resident and transient, are watched closely and often investigated as spy suspects.

This attitude of suspicion, together with keen opposition to Christianity, is a handicap to our evangelistic work. We are prohibited from doing any work in the schools, visiting in the naval hospital,

and even going to the homes of certain kindergarten mothers on the naval compound. However, these restrictions do not apply to our Japanese co-workers, so we try to find comfort in relaying our love through them.

The Zenrin Kwan is located on a hillside between two different social classes. The upper neighborhood is composed of well-to-do people, many of whom are connected with the navy. The lower neighborhood is composed of rather poor people. The two classes do not mix well, so our work for them must be separated.

The Zenrin Kwan has a happy family of sixteen, including caretaker, cook, and children of widowed teachers. The Church Bible Woman, a religious education worker, language teacher, and personal helper, and kindergarten teachers are our evangelistic helpers.

Our work is divided into three large groups: children, young people, and adults. Our kindergarten is the largest piece of work for children. The enrolment is largely from naval homes. Any casual observer could surmise this fact by observing the children in their free play period—they all want to draw or build “gunkan”—battleships. At this point, especially, we have a big responsibility for teaching lessons of friendship and peace. Through a study of pictures and stories of children of other lands and by an exchange of letters, pictures, and toys we are trying to foster friendship in the hearts of the children and thus build for peace.

Through Bible study and other activities of the Kindergarten Mothers' Club we are trying to lead the mothers into the Christian life that they may establish Christian homes for their children and continue the training we try to give the children in the kindergarten. As a result of our efforts last year three mothers have become Christian and several others are attending the “Fujinkai”—woman's society of the Church.

The Playground Club and Children's Club are composed largely of children from the lower neighborhood. Through the activities of these clubs we have won the friendship of many of our neighbors. Quite a number came to our Christmas program and seemed to appreciate the efforts of the children to dramatize the Christmas story.

Work with three groups of children in various parts of the city completes our religious education program for children. The teachers of these three groups reach a class of children who would otherwise be untouched by Christian influence.

The Zenrin Kwan is doing three pieces of work for young people: a club for high school girls, an English conversation class for high school boys, and a club for young women, most of whom are high school graduates. Work with the first-named group is very difficult because of the many interruptions resulting from the irregularity of the extracurricular activities of the schools. The second group is large and enthusiastic, due mainly to the encouragement and co-operation of one of the teachers of English in the school. The third group has dwindled in numbers because of the numerous cases of matrimony. We are trying to reinforce the ranks, plan a program of study and spiritual cultivation, and give practice in social service that will help the members of the group to become Christian homemakers and leaders in their communities.

In addition to work with adults through contacts in the kindergarten and clubs and through constant visiting in the homes we have Bible study groups in Japanese and English and teach foreign cooking classes.

This last year we have put much emphasis on the social part of our work. We have done a great deal of entertaining in our home

and have found it helpful in making contacts and in demonstrating the "foursquareness" of the Christian life.

Our young people's camp last summer was a good example of the wholesomeness and practicability of the Christian life. For four days a group of us studied, played, and shared richly with each other. Misses Elston Rowland and Marjorie Beaird from Korea each made a real contribution to the success of the camp through teaching classes in recreation and hygiene.

All of our work is closely linked up with the local church. In reality our plant is a workshop where the various organizations of the Church carry on many of their activities and is a center from which we hope to lead the church members into definite Christian work in the nearby villages.

A report would not be complete without mentioning the valuable help of our Japanese co-workers. In fact, we feel that the bulk of the work is done by the Japanese workers. The missionary's contribution is along the line of making contacts, organizing new work, mapping out courses of study, and, most important of all, giving inspiration and support through living a Christ-filled life.

WORK WITH YOUNG PEOPLE IN OITA

LEILA BAGLEY

In one sweeping glance at the year's work struggles for the existence of work already begun and efforts to open new work loom large in the picture. But it has been in these that our joys have come. There are disappointments and heart aches when efforts fail, but there is deep and abiding joy in the fruits of labor we have been allowed to see.

The program of every week brings contacts with girls of every class in Oita, taught in separate classes as telephone, post-office, bank, hospitals, newspaper office, schoolgirls, teachers, bus girls, city office employees, and girls of the wealthy class living at home until suitable marriage can be arranged, but the things we consider most worth while are those that have brought all these girls together.

In April about one hundred girls of Kyushu met at Kamigawa for a five-day conference of study and training. Any girl was eligible, so we were able to make it possible for some of the less fortunate ones to go.

For Mothers' Day more than one hundred girls, including representatives from every type of our work, had supper with us and took part in our program honoring the mothers of the world.

In July with a small number we had a three days' camp with a program for physical, mental, and spiritual development.

The schoolgirls gave the Christmas program for the other groups. For this we rented the city hall and invited only the young girls of the city. The newspaper man who came returned the next day asking to be taught more of the Christmas message. It was the first time he had heard, but the message in song and drama had made him conscious of his need of a Savior. We are praying his experience may be that of many of the girls who came.

Our hearts have thrilled when young girls have come asking that we have prayer with them before they go away to begin homes with non-Christian husbands, and when we have been asked to add a Christian note in a wholly non-Christian atmosphere at a wedding feast. These and other touches which show how some of the girls have learned to depend upon God and letters telling of the joy and confidence they have as they attempt to establish Christian homes bring a

thrill to our hearts and the assurance that a share in helping others to know the fulness of life is a part of the life abundant for us.

KOREA

CAROLINA INSTITUTE, SEOUL

HALLIE BUIE, RUBIE LEE, RUTH DIGGS

HALLIE BUIE

As the years roll round and the time for the annual report draws near I always regret that the best things that come to us are those of which it is hard to write—the little things that mean much and yet are hard to pass on to others.

Could I sum up this year's work in one word, that word would be joy—joy in service for my Master, joy in watching the development of our schoolgirls, in seeing the change in their outlook on life, in feeling that the school's aim of character-building is being realized; joy in working with this splendid group of Christian teachers, each of whom, we believe, is an answer to special prayer that the Lord would lead us to select just the one that would fit best in this school, because in this land the character of each member of the faculty counts for so much; just one with a different outlook on life can ruin the spirit of the whole school. Therefore we are specially thankful for our teachers, who are truly Christian and who work together in such peace and harmony, each working for his Master.

A few weeks ago in a meeting of the Christian Educational Association of Korea among the questions for discussion was the teaching of the Bible. We are glad to say that at this time when many object to studying the Bible our girls love it. We attribute this in a large measure to our Bible teacher who is well trained, has a real experience, and understands girls—his daughter is one of our students. The girls say, "We ask Mr. Kim anything we want to, and he is always patient and kind and anxious to help us."

Many of them say that they are most thankful for having learned to take Christ as a personal Savior and several just lately have said that they shudder to think what they might have been had they not come to this school and learned to know Jesus.

One little second-year student in the high school said: "When I first came to this school I didn't know Jesus and was very indifferent about studying the Bible; soon I learned to enjoy it and after a time learned to distinguish right from wrong. I was jealous and proud and loved to fuss, but now I don't want to fuss. There came to me the thought of it being my duty to help others to know Jesus, and I felt greatly burdened for my parents who worshiped evil spirits; this last summer while I was at home on vacation my mother decided to become a Christian." The girl's face just beamed when she told me this.

Another one said: "In my study of Paul's life there came to me a Macedonian Call; I am very conscious of it. This call is to the women and children of my loved land of Korea, who have never had a chance to learn anything. I must help teach them the rudiments of education and most of all I want to teach them of Jesus."

Last summer sixty of our students taught in Daily Vacation Bible Schools, did good work, and were greatly blessed.

A few months ago a leading newspaper asked for samples of Korean and Chinese penmanship from the schools of this rank all over

Korea. We selected three samples of our schoolgirls' writing and all three were chosen and special mention of them made in the paper.

Our school chorus gives a special number each month at our largest Southern Methodist church here in Seoul and is asked so often to give numbers at various meetings; it's always a question as to how often they can do so without interfering with their schoolwork too much.

Our dormitory is financed entirely by the dormitory girls with the exception of the salaries of the matron and the janitor. The rules and regulations are made by the school, but are carried out by committees of girls elected by the girls in the dormitory. The matron is house-mother and adviser of all the committees, and the secretary of the school is special adviser for the finance committee.

Each girl in the whole school must supply herself with a small account book: in this she keeps an account of all the money she receives and how it is spent; her class teacher supervises it; thus teaching her simple bookkeeping. These books are sent to her father for inspection once every quarter.

A few years ago when our tennis teams were highly trained and we were entering the various tournaments it was brought very forcibly to our attention that a few were being trained specially to the neglect of the rest of the student body; therefore, we decided to have a regular daily thirty-minute period with the whole faculty and student body engaged in some kind of physical exercise; this is to be independent from the physical educational period; besides the good gotten from the exercise in the open air, the lessons learned in sportsmanship have been very valuable.

Our "School Society" publishes a magazine which has been very highly complimented; most of the articles have been written by the students and the graduates, though the teachers often contribute.

Two of our teachers were chosen last summer to travel in several of the provinces of Korea in the interest of teaching the Korean language. One was sent to the north and the other to the south. They said that they were impressed with the reports that came to them of our graduates. They were constantly hearing of their being good housekeepers, real homemakers, diligent, thrifty, and always showing a Christian spirit and an ability for leadership.

The government gave a small sum of money to the primary school, saying that it was to be used to begin some kind of industrial project. We decided to try to raise things, though we knew it wouldn't be easy to change our hillside, which is all disintegrated stone, into a garden spot, for we well knew the labor that had been required for the flower beds we had and enough for nearly five hundred children would be a task; however, each class was given a small plot of ground and was allowed to raise anything they wished. Most of them raised flowers: the playground was bordered with flowers, the school building was surrounded with a mass of bloom, even the window boxes, till everything was killed by frost. The fifth and sixth grades preferred to raise vegetables and they raised two crops on their small plots.

Our enrolment at the beginning of the new school year, April, 1932, was: High school, 247; primary school, 463; kindergarten, 41; total, 751.

Our white Christmas is still a blessing to the whole school, the collection this Christmas was 82 Yen; with this collection we support a leper in the hospital.

Just the day before our Christmas exercises there came to the high school a call for ten garments for the destitute Koreans in Manchuria.

The girls responded beautifully, bringing thirty-eight nice, warm garments.

For this year and all of its blessings we are deeply grateful to our Heavenly Father and to the women at home who are still remembering us though it means more sacrifice than ever before.

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC WORK, SEOUL, KOREA (UNION)

ELLASUE WAGNER, SUPERINTENDENT

The past year had been full of new difficulties, yet as we look back on these months just past it is with the realization that it has been the best year in the history of the Center, and that it has been a happy year.

The figures herewith will give evidence that our workers have all been busy and that there is an ever increasing and developing work radiating from this Center. These facts and figures speak louder than words. Miss Bair and Miss Rosenberger of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, and Miss Marion Kinsler of the Presbyterian Mission with twenty-two Korean assistants have performed what at times seems almost miraculous, considering our poor equipment, inadequate budget and unsuited buildings.

The work of the Home Economics has been held back because the absence of the Director, Miss Billingsley, on furlough. We are looking forward to her return in April with the beginning of the new school year. During her absence the assistant in this work, Mrs. Ko, whom she had trained and who had worked with her was able to carry on the most pressing part of the class work of the department, though she could not organize or carry on the "institutes," which have grown to be a vital part of our city social effort.

I do not know of any other institution of this kind either in the homelands or in the mission field where a larger proportion of the annual budget is raised locally. Do you? We have from the three co-operating Mission Boards an appropriation of 6,000.00 yen, while the local receipts for the year were 4,299.75 yen; it is a case of "root hog or die" with us.

In looking over this report one will see at first glance that there has been co-operation between the other mission institutions in this city and the Center. We are grateful for this and are looking forward to the day when there will be a much larger degree, even union, of a kind, between all the mission institutions in social service effort.

The young man who conducts the regular Sunday afternoon service for the parents of our poor children is a senior student of the Theological Seminary; he is much interested in these people and we believe that the influence of this service will be far-reaching.

The Public Health work is organized into the Seoul Public Health Union; Miss Rosenberger and her three nurses not only direct the milk feeding station, and visit in the homes of the babies attending the clinics, but the three clinics, at Severance Hospital, East Gate Woman's Hospital and the Center, have an exchange in doctors and nurses which is mutually helpful. The Mission Day Schools, six of them, throughout the city, have had the benefit of the services of the nurses in monthly health talks and clinics for the students.

We have a vision of the Center as a sort of laboratory for all the other institutions where students, teachers, nurses, and doctors may find a field for rich service. We are planning and working to that end. This being the only institution of just this kind in this city we have an opportunity to do something new and original in developing a spirit of co-operation in service.

With the beginning of April Miss Kinsler is expecting to be able to give more of her time to personal evangelism, dividing her time among the different departments. We cannot tell, in fact we have not tried to tabulate the exact numbers that have been influenced to come to Christ during this year through the efforts of the Center. But we do know that hundreds of lives have been made richer and fuller and happier through this agency, through unselfish and loving service; we know that many have come into closer touch with the Master and that not a few have come to know him as a real and personal Friend.

HOLSTON HIGHER COMMON SCHOOL, SONGDO, KOREA

LILLIAN NICHOLS, CLARA HOWARD, ALICE MCMAKIN

LILLIAN NICHOLS

Our school work has progressed in a very pleasing manner during the year. We began the school year in April with 363 and closed the following March with 322, which shows a small decrease in attendance, for such difficult times as people are everywhere facing.

We have had many experiences, some of them distressing, but our Father has been so good to us that the school has not suffered and for this we are grateful. Three of our teachers left in September and the vacancies have been temporarily filled. Our present matron came to us in April, the young woman who had been occupying this position, going to Ewha College to teach.

As to curriculum, our school is like others of its grade, since all schools of this rank have the curriculum definitely prescribed by the government. It is in the extra-curriculum activities that a difference can be distinguished. Kim Chong Woo Kam Ni Sa, from Seoul, led a revival for us, and following this we had a very beautiful service in our chapel when ninety-nine girls and one teacher were baptized. The pastors of the city churches assisted and it was an impressive service.

We have a very wide-awake Y. W. C. A., which is the religious department of the regular school association. Under the auspices of this department the religious activities of the school are carried on.

This year we have continued to take care of our leper, a piece of work the school has done consecutively for the past twelve years; a year's salary of a teacher in a boys' school in the country was paid; a creditable amount was contributed to the Missionary Society; and besides these several special collections for use at Christmas and other times were taken during the year. The girls have led chapel once a month, have conducted the evening service at the church once a term, and have sponsored religious and educative lectures.

We were happy when a large number of our girls assisted in the D. V. B. Schools this summer in the city and in their own homes in other cities. We were especially happy when ten girls volunteered to go to the country for periods of two weeks to teach such schools in places where, but for them, there could have been no schools. For carrying on this work a request was made for pencils, erasers, etc. The response was gratifying. Many girls brought nice new pencils and others gave all they had, tiny inch-long stubs, left after their last examinations were finished.

One of the most touching services during the year was the one in which these summer schools were reported. The pathos of the story brought tears to our eyes and both sorrow and joy to our hearts. We could see those little country children as these pupil teachers told us of their touching joy and gratitude, and we rejoiced that they had had the privilege of this glimpse into the great world of learning.

We have gained some notoriety during the year: The girls won first and second prizes at the Music Contest held in Seoul in June; in an art exhibit in Seoul, a first year student had one of her pictures accepted for presentation; twice our girls had the honor to bring home the banner won at tennis; and in an English Oratorical Contest one of our students won the first prize among girls' schools. She recited the "Famine," from *Hiawatha*, by Longfellow, and did it beautifully.

Now, last but not least our gratitude knows no bounds. Our prayers have been answered. The long looked-for gift for repairing our buildings has been received.

Our buildings are cramped and crowded, but soon we hope to have them enlarged and made much more adequate to meet our needs.

It has been a wonderfully rich year, filled with golden opportunities. We are happy to have been privileged to serve here and hope constantly that we may be able to reach more girls and through them more homes.

IVEY HOSPITAL, SONGDO KOREA

ROSA LOWDER, R.N., SUPERINTENDENT OF NURSES

The tenth annual meeting of the Nurses Association of Korea was held in our hospital chapel May 10-13. This was a joy we had eagerly anticipated for some years but not until our Korean Nurses' Home had been completed, in the summer of 1931, were we ready to extend an invitation to such a body of distinguished visitors.

Each session was full of interest. The reports from hospitals, nurses' training schools, and the public health organizations showed marked progress in spite of the financial depression.

The most outstanding event of the convention was the program rendered in our largest church in Songdo in celebration of Florence Nightingale's birthday. The nurses appeared in uniform and a great impression was made upon the audience of more than eight hundred.

During ten days of August a Young People's Conference was held in the famous Diamond Mountains of Northeastern Korea. We were glad to be able to arrange so that five of our nurses, together with Miss Rosser, could avail themselves of this opportunity.

The various branches of work of the hospital are being carried forward with success in spite of our handicaps. Although we sustained a large reduction in appropriations the first of the year, and therefore had to reduce our staff, we have not retrenched in our program of activity, and have even undertaken more than previously in the way of country clinics.

Our dispensary service includes the annual physical examination of around 2,500 students and their vaccination against smallpox and typhoid fever. Typhoid cases are treated in our isolation ward every year which is evidence of the need for our continued effort in public health and hygiene teaching in the city. Morphine addiction is a curse to a great many of these people. I know of no other place than the Mission hospital where they are successfully treated. Coming to us are a considerable number of these pitiful specimens of humanity, to be released from the awful clutches of the habit.

Let me tell of one such patient just cured. A woman of twenty-seven years came to us from Manchuria, a week's journey by train and by boat. When admitted she was in the depths of despair, having taken the drug for eight years. She was so addicted to the habit that she said of herself she never washed her face or combed her hair. Here at Ivey Hospital she found Jesus. One would not recognize her

now as the same woman who came to us five weeks ago. Of her own accord, since her dismissal from the hospital two weeks ago, she has been staying with our hospital Bible woman and studying at the Joy Hardie Bible School here in the city.

SONGDO INFANT WELFARE AND PUBLIC HEALTH WORK

HELEN BOSSER, R.N.

Sir George Newman, Chief Officer of the Admiralty of Health in England, says: "This education must be threefold: First, to teach how to preserve personal health; second, to teach how to avoid disease; third, to teach the communities the value of sanitary reform."

This is what we have attempted to do this year in our Public Health Work.

One of my greatest joys has been watching healthy babies grow. We have had bi-monthly clinics, but our crowd has grown so large that we have enlarged our waiting room and are planning to have more frequent clinics, giving others a chance to come. After the children are weighed, they are examined by the doctor who gives advice, also simple treatments. Each mother is given a record of her child's condition so that she may watch the development. If the child is underweight she is advised to give him bean milk which is prepared at a very small cost. Also special formulas are prepared for undernourished infants.

There has been a growing manifestation of interest on the part of the mothers in feeding and training their children, also in taking advantage of the weekly baths given.

The mothers' club meets monthly. Well-rounded programs are planned with a devotional period, games, special music, and always special emphasis upon health education.

Our Rural Public Health program has been carried on in connection with the District Evangelistic work.

I, as superintendent of the East Songdo District, have twenty-five churches, four schools, and two kindergartens. This is divided into three circuits with a preacher and a Bible woman in each circuit.

Wherever there is a school or kindergarten we have a live church. The Bible woman is responsible for itinerating in the whole circuit and can give only a small proportion of her time to each village, but the teacher is stationed in the village and not only teaches the children but is the outstanding leader in the church and Sunday school. She often fills the pulpit in the absence of the preacher and Bible woman.

During the year we have had one Teachers' Institute with the four districts combined, also special classes in each circuit. The Joy Hardie Bible School had the largest attendance it has had for years and we see results of its training when we visit pupils in their homes in the country.

The rural clinic work has gone forward this year. In previous years occasional clinics were conducted, where the need seemed greatest. The territory is so great that we could not hope to even touch it all. Songdo is divided into four districts. Miss Bertha Smith is in charge of the North and E-Chun districts, Miss Clara Howard of the West, and I of the East district.

Misses Smith and Howard have co-operated with me in a plan that I have wanted to put into practice for a long time. We have organized eight regular monthly clinics, two in each district, also other occasional clinics. The hospital supplies the doctor and the district evangelistic

work supplies the nurse. We share the itineration expense and each missionary accompanies the clinic in her own district.

Our usual program is a service at the church in the evening where we have both evangelistic and health talks and sometimes special music by our itinerating group. We have full houses and interested audiences.

We had a baggage rack built on the back of the evangelistic car for carrying medical supplies. Even though this is inadequate we have enjoyed the spirit of co-operation between the evangelistic workers and the hospital staff. Our purpose has been one, that of ministering unto the people as Jesus did through healing the sick in body and spirit.

While visiting in the homes of all classes in both city and country I have been impressed with the fact that the progress of medical science and hygiene is far behind the development in education and evangelism. The government hospitals and Severance are sending out doctors to treat the sick, but the mission institutions are the only ones attempting work of this kind.

We make more progress through keeping people well than through trying to heal the sick. Yet both must be done and both supplement each other. I feel that Ivey Hospital is still greatly needed.

When we compare the estimates of the different phases of our work and realize what a small per cent is used in medical work, we thank God for the progress that has been made in the last third of a century and appeal to you that in this time of great financial distress that the work of healing may not be diminished.

CHOONCHUN DISTRICT, WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK, PRIMARY SCHOOLS, AND INDUSTRIAL WORK

LAURA EDWARDS, MISSIONARY IN CHARGE

The first special work of 1932 was the Bible Institute, which opened January 4 and closed March 18. The women were enrolled in three classes, each with seven daily subjects, Bible, hygiene, arithmetic, writing, singing, cooking, and sewing. The attendance was good and the interest ran high.

All the while we were working in the Institute my regular daily Bible classes in the Primary School and Industrial Courses were carried on, and the evening evangelistic services in the church.

At the beginning of the new school year we welcomed into our Industrial course a new group of fine young girls, fifteen to eighteen years of age. This year we have had thirty in the course, which includes sewing, cooking, silk culture, poultry raising, gardening, and Bible, history, geography, physiology, hygiene, and arithmetic. The hours of daily work are from 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M. The girls are very enthusiastic about the work, both the practical and cultural subjects. This spring we planted a good orchard which will bear fruit in a few years: apples, peaches, plums, pears, grapes, and walnuts. The girls had a very fine garden this year from which they ate vegetables all summer and fall, canned much for winter use, and sold about fifty dollars' worth besides. They also enjoyed the care of the chickens and pigs. The silk culture, raising of silk worms, making thread and silk bat comforts is proving very profitable and will be very useful to them in their homes.

At the beginning of the term more than half of the girls were from non-Christian homes, and they themselves were not Christian, but now every girl in the group is an earnest Christian, and on Christmas Day eighteen of them were baptized and taken into the church.

These fine girls, during this short course, learn how to prepare good nourishing food at little cost and to make all kinds of practical clothing for themselves and members of their families and how to make their homes sweet and beautiful, real lights in the dark and dreary villages in the most mountainous and most backward province of Korea. The industrial problem has become so serious here that none of the girls in this province can hope to enter high school, and they *must* know how to make some contribution to the family living. The regular primary school and the *kuelpangs* (one teacher schools) scattered throughout the district in the places where there is least light and opportunity for knowing God and His way of life, are all crowded with eager children and are doing fine work. The girl teachers are real community workers, doing the work of teacher, pastor, public health, and social betterment. Out of such schools as these some of Korea's best leaders have come.

The Bible Women, each of whom is assigned to a large circuit, have done good faithful work, calling in homes and doing personal work, leading women into a personal knowledge and acceptance of Jesus Christ, and building up in him those who have already known him. They are also doing fine work with the Woman's Missionary Societies.

With my full program in Choonchun I have not found time to do all in the country places of the district that needs to be done, but I have visited the churches, taught in Bible Institutes, preached the gospel to Christian and non-Christian audiences and individuals, baptized people, administered the Lord's Supper, performed marriage ceremonies, and been just about as busy as I could be and very happy. For his blessed presence and his enabling grace I give him humble thanks and go forward into the new year hoping to render more and better service in 1933.

WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK, WONSAN DISTRICT

KATE COOPER

WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC CENTER, WONSAN

The inscription in Korean characters on the corner stone of our "House of Abounding Grace" is found in two scriptural passages—"And God is able to make all grace abound unto you and of his fulness have we received and grace for grace." As we look over the past year we find that God's grace has abounded unto us as we have tried to carry on his work and present Jesus Christ in such a way that those who came to us might receive the fulness of his grace.

We closed our spring term with a week of round conferences. We cannot call them round-table conferences because there was no table. We all sat in a circle on the floor in our chapel—teachers, students, and the Bible women who work with us here. The hours were very precious that we spent together talking about Jesus and the abundant life. Young lives were consecrated to his service and all went away for the summer vacation with a new vision of service.

In our training department for young women we had over sixty enrolled and a large number of these went out to the country to conduct Vacation Daily Bible Schools. These were well attended and the teachers came back greatly encouraged.

Our night school for those women and girls who have no chance to study elsewhere grow better each year. This year we have had the largest enrolment and the best attendance since we opened this feature of our work.

During the winter months we have a class on Sunday afternoon for new believers and catechumens. Our enrolment at present is forty-

eight. This is most helpful in leading the women of the city and night school to become established in their Christian lives, and after the proper study and heart preparation they are given baptism and received into the church.

Our music department with its chorus classes has been a joy to the students. They love music, both vocal and instrumental, and make good progress under our teacher, Miss Choi, whom God gave to us in answer to prayer. The classes in cooking, sewing, needle work, and embroidery during the fall and spring have been very interesting and helpful.

Miss Moore's life and most efficient work are a wonderful influence and example to the women and girls. Our women teachers, too, are more and more catching the vision of consecrated service and of sharing their blessings with their many unlearned and underprivileged sisters.

Just before Christmas the hearts of our women and girls were touched as they heard of the destitute condition of the refugees in Manchuria, so they took collections and each class and group made a suit of clothes. They are too poor to go to day school and pay fees, but out of their poverty they know how to give liberally. The letter telling how the children and women raised the money and with their own hands made the clothes was sent to one of our preachers in Manchuria and the news spread of the love and sympathy of those in the House of Abounding Grace in Wonsan. A newspaper reporter hearing this inquired concerning the news and was so impressed with the letter that he decided to cast in his lot with the Christians and believe on the Jesus who inspired people to love and help those in need whom they had never seen. He is now a faithful attendant at church and helping in the relief work.

WONSAN DISTRICT WORK

Our Bible Institute, District Class, District Missionary Society, and monthly missionary societies are all well attended, and the women are doing good work. We have 22 Bible Women giving their lives to the preaching of the gospel. The results of their labors cannot be expressed in figures. They minister to any and all in need at any and all times in every way possible.

In giving financial help and supplying teachers to 21 country schools, keulpangs, and kindergartens we are finding a great field of service. In each place where one of these is located both the church and village are blessed by the efforts of these teachers for the upbuilding of the community life. In most places there is no other effort being made to raise the standard of living and point the people to higher ideals.

Besides the regular forms of work it has been my privilege to help in the Summer Conference for Christian Workers at the Diamond Mountains, to hold Bible classes in various churches, to help in a United Circuit Class, and to lead the early morning prayer services at the Manchurian Mission Conference. Truly the promise has been fulfilled "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass."

CHULWON DISTRICT

EULINE SMITH

The year began with a month's institute for women, a number of whom came from the country churches. While the enrolment was less than it had been the year before, we felt that those who attended were better classified and therefore did better work on the whole than is

possible in larger, more diversified groups. I taught the Gospel of Luke daily. Once a week we had a missionary society meeting, using the programs for the year as far as possible. We changed the officers at each meeting because our purpose in having these meetings was to teach the women how to conduct such meetings and give them the actual experience. In order to have more personal contacts with the women, I went to the dormitory once a week for supper and stayed for prayers, and on another night each week we had a social, either at the dormitory or in our home. Because the space in our church building is limited, there was no place for them to have a Sunday school class at the church and after the first Sunday we met at the dormitory, having our opening exercises and lesson there and going to the church in time for the closing exercises of the adult Sunday school. Miss Myers is in charge of the school and will probably tell you more about it as a whole; I have mentioned the ways in which I had contacts with the women. Most of the women who come in from the country want to learn Bible especially in order to be of more service in their home communities. One woman walked seven miles home each week-end because there was no one to teach her Sunday school class while she was away, and she would walk the seven miles back to Chulwon early Monday morning.

Since April my appointment has been work with women on six circuits on the Chulwon District. During April and May, with the Bible woman in charge of the circuit and the Bible woman who works with me, I attempted to visit each of the thirty-eight churches and prayer places to which I am appointed. Since I have not been in Chulwon a long time, some of these places I visited for the first time. Just as we find everywhere, some are strong believers and others are on the verge of backsliding, but one hopeful thing is that no matter how busy they were during the day working in their fields and homes, at night men and women came to the church to the service and often some non-Christians came too.

In June we had our first pastors' school, all the preachers and Bible women in the district attending. We considered it a success and hope to have one each year. Mr. L. C. Brannan taught Bible one hour a day and led the revival services at night. During those meetings our vision of service was broadened and we were inspired to attempt greater things in his name.

One encouraging thing about the work on the Chulwon District is the fact that the people want to study. During the fall we did not visit from church to church but all of our work was done in classes, which lasted from a week to ten days. In some we had special work for women in connection with Mr. Emmerick's agricultural classes; some we conducted for women only, and twice we were asked to teach in classes in Chulwon Station. The women in the country classes have averaged between fifteen and twenty. Our program included "What It Means to Be a Christian," a sketch of the life of Jesus, child care, cooking, knitting, games, and songs, and at night there was always a meeting of some kind for the community at large. The children attending government primary schools come in great numbers to our night meetings. Usually we have a service for them preceding the one for adults. As I see the work on the Chulwon District, one of our needs is to have a Korean worker for these boys and girls in school. I believe that a number of them can be reached through club work as soon as we are able to employ a worker.

But there are other needs too and I must tell you about an experiment we made in the fall. Feeling that some definite work must be begun in non-Christian villages, the Bible woman and I rented two

rooms at a hotel and went out for ten days. The village we chose is one where there was a church a number of years ago. The first day we visited the homes, asking the women to come to the hotel that night. From the first they said that if we began preaching, they would not come, so we began our cultivation along other lines. In the afternoon they came to knit and cook, and at night there was a lecture, songs and games. There was not a Victrola in that village so they enjoyed hearing ours, and a little organ bought at that time with part of some birthday money I had received, helped us in teaching songs. The organ can be easily taken to most of the places we go to. On Saturday we told them that the next day was Sunday and that our program would be a little different from what it had been but that if any of them would come, we would be glad to have them worship with us. Two or three came for the morning service and a few more at night. The interesting thing is that on Monday night they began talking about Christianity and the entire evening was given to that subject. On our last evening, which was Wednesday, some boys sent word to know if men could believe. Knowing Korean customs as we do, we thought it best for them not to come in, but when they asked if we were not going to have prayer meeting on Wednesday, there was nothing to do but ask those thirteen young men into one room while the women sat in the adjoining room, and the Bible woman led prayer meeting. The boys laughed during the first prayer but became serious after that, read their tracts before leaving and asked if they could keep the sheets with the words of four hymns on it, saying they wanted to learn them. Our plan is to go out there once a month to meet with the women, fourteen of whom are enrolled. They attend well. I think that the next time we go it will be all right to begin teaching Bible. In December as we were waiting there to catch a train home, a young man asked why there was no one to work with the men in that village. Immediately we wrote to the Seminary and asked if someone were available for the Christmas holidays and we were fortunate in getting one of the senior class. He spent two weeks teaching children, who have no opportunity to go to school, how to read, and taught school children songs and other things. Without any organization to work with and no place to meet, he gave a Christmas pageant that is a credit to him. Though the ground was frozen, the pageant was given on a porch facing the main street of the town and some two hundred men, women, and children sat on mats or stood in the street for two hours. We are planning to preach there several consecutive nights sometime in the spring and trust that some of the seed that have been sown this fall may begin sprouting, if nothing more, at that time.

My report would not be complete without mentioning a Sunday school class of teen-age girls in Chulwon. Most of the girls attended the government primary school. Since I am an itinerating missionary, it is often necessary to get a substitute but I try to have other contacts with them. For a while we met on Saturday afternoon when we could, sewing, playing games, and talking about other lands. During the spring and summer each was given a small piece of ground for a garden plot and some of the gardens were very good. One child was most concerned to know if each child had to pay rent out of the vegetables she raised, and after she was assured that the rent had been paid, she said they would have to make a Thanksgiving offering from their gardens. On two consecutive Sundays in October, athletic days at the school kept them from coming to Sunday school but not wanting to miss, they asked if I could teach them those lessons on some other day. Of course I agreed. They remembered to bring their

collection when they came. For several months they fixed the church flowers each Sunday. At Christmas time they were interested in doing something for some poor children; so each of us made our contribution of money or material, and eighteen garments were made. After practicing their Christmas program until nine-thirty at night, they would sometimes come to sew; and some had their mothers to help with the sewing, though half of them are from non-Christian homes.

I have been very happy in my work this year, and I am thankful for an opportunity to serve here.

HONGCHUN DISTRICT

OLIVE SMITH

Since returning from furlough last October a year ago, I have been working in the Hongchun District both as evangelistic worker and supervisor of the schools. The district is one of the most mountainous if not the most mountainous section of our entire work. The district is pretty large and many of the churches cannot be reached except by foot or pack pony. Yet these people back in the mountains are in great need of schools, medical aid, sanitation, and most of all to know Jesus Christ and the peace which he alone can bring.

We have eleven keulpangs, four kindergartens, and two primary schools in the district which are being partly supported by the Woman's Council. I feel that this is one very important phase of the work especially if we secure the kind of teacher we try to get. She becomes Sunday school superintendent, teacher, night school teacher, and the very backbone of the church so to speak. When I go to one of these keulpangs and find that the children who would grow up in complete ignorance are being taught enough to read and write, and in some places the teacher is meaning a great deal to the community as well; I am glad that our missionary women back home are having a part in this very important work.

There are nine Bible women and two evangelistic workers in the District who are entirely supported by good women back home. These Bible women visit in the homes, administer to the sick, teach night schools for short periods at the time, teach in Vacation Bible schools, and any phase of work that a worker at home would do. We have had some very good work done in the District in the past year by these faithful women and hope we may have even greater things done another year.

I go out to these churches on the District at least twice each year, sometimes more. When I am out on these itinerating trips I visit in the homes of the Christians, and we usually have a song, read a portion of scripture, and have prayers together. I also try to get non-Christians to become Christians; quite often a number of these non-Christians come to the evening service which is held in the church. At times there are those among them who decide to accept Jesus as their Savior and guide for life. In the spring I went to a home and after talking a short while I found that they wanted to destroy all their devil worship things which were around in the house at various places. After we had prayers, they brought all these things out in the yard and a match was set to them.

I praise God for His goodness to me through the year, and I want to give him the glory for the good that has been done. I hope and pray that greater things will be done in his name during the coming year.

MEXICO

COLEGIO PALMORE, CHIHUAHUA

M. BELLE MARKEY, PRINCIPAL; ANNE BELLE DYCK, ALICE HARDT,
PRISCILLA WALKER

M. BELLE MARKEY

It is difficult for me to report satisfactorily our work in Colegio Palmore for the year 1932, since I spent half of the time on furlough in the United States. During my absence Srita. Ernestina M. Sanchez, Technical Directress of Palmore, served as principal: the teachers co-operated whole-heartedly and thus made it possible for me to have a much-needed vacation. The change of scenes and associations and the opportunity for study renewed my strength, physical and spiritual. I hope the result will be a more efficient term of service at Palmore.

The work in all departments of the school has been carried on as in former years, so there is little that is new to report. At the midyear vacation there were a few changes in the faculty. One Mexican teacher left to be married, another to study, and two others for rest and recuperation. Miss Jewell Golda Burns, after three years in Palmore, was transferred to Colegio Roberts, and Miss Priscilla Walker came from the Centro in Monterrey to take her place.

For the school year ending in June our enrolment was larger than that of the preceding year but so far, this year, it has been smaller. The financial situation caused by the depression has been felt very keenly in the state of Chihuahua.

One of our problems in the spring was an alarming shortage of water. However, the heavy rains in the fall relieved this condition, at least in part.

The general health of the teachers and student body has been excellent. We had an operation for appendicitis in July and another in September. Both cases recovered quickly and there were no complications, for which we are deeply grateful.

Our problems are many, and the financial one is serious, but we've counted our blessings and find that we had great cause for gratitude through 1932. We are trusting in the goodness and help of our heavenly Father and face the new year in His strength.

ANNA BELLE DYCK

Another new year has begun. As I look back over the old one I am grateful for some satisfying experiences I have had with the students and workers but I pray that sharing experiences with others, during this new year, may bring a deeper Christian growth to my life and to those lives with which I shall have personal contacts.

My schoolwork is to teach English as a language in the kindergarten, primary grades, and to a few classes in the commercial department. These classes, and the gymnasium work with the commercial girls, give me contacts with a large number of students.

My work in the primary department in Sunday school is a real joy. The department is well organized, having the regular three-year course in the graded literature. We also have an English class for little American children. School children and the children of the Daily Vacation Bible School last summer lent their aid in helping us make the room attractive. We have little chairs and tables painted green, a good collection of pictures on the walls, and neat curtains for the windows.

Some of the most satisfying experiences of the year have grown out of the close association with the boarding hall students. The work in the Epworth League also offers opportunities to work with young people. I have been working in the recreational department. We are making a thorough study of the amusement problems and trying to put our theories into practice by furnishing good, wholesome entertainment for young people.

PRISCILLA WALKER

I came to Chihuahua in September. My schoolwork is teaching special English classes of arithmetic, physiology, grammar, reading, and spelling. These pupils have finished the sixth grade and are taking special work in English. Then I have English classes in the grades and with the first-year commercial group. I have a gym class which I teach in Spanish.

The thing I like most is my close contact with the boarding pupils. It is my privilege to take those who want to go to prayer meeting each Thursday night. As the opportunities have presented themselves I have talked to them about Christ and his principles.

Then, too, I have the study hour one night each week which is always begun with a devotional. We have almost learned the One Hundred Third Psalm.

I have been appointed superintendent of the young people's department of the Sunday school. This is certainly a challenge and I pray constantly for that guidance which will enable me to keep Jesus before them.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, CHIHUAHUA

LILLIE F. FOX, PRINCIPAL; M. IRENE NIXON, MISSIONARY,
JULIA THOMPSON (CONTRACT TEACHER)

LILLIE FOX

Writing the report for the year is no holiday for me but the most strenuous day's work of the whole three hundred and sixty-five. Trying to make one's routine interesting to thousands of women is no child's play, but I am glad to tell them something about our work in Centro Cristiano, Chihuahua.

"From early morn till dewy eve" and on into the night, we work. Our day nursery opens at seven every morning and an average of 25 little folk are cared for daily, a total enrolment of 58 during the year. Breakfast, baths, play, dinner, naps, play, and supper are their program for the day. The thin, underfed ones grow fat and full of pep in our nursery.

The workers usually visit every morning or teach special classes. At three in the afternoon Misses Nixon and Thompson begin their English groups and these continue until nine P.M. three times a week. Sritas. Jaso and Pérez begin with Spanish groups. Also the curious little scratches of shorthand are seen and the music of the typewriters is heard floating through the air. These classes keep six teachers busy for three afternoons and evenings each week. They have enrolled in these groups 284 pupils, a goodly group for "hard times." The other evenings in the week are given to other English groups. An English club has been formed by the advanced English pupils and former students. The meetings are held monthly and everything is done in English even to the parliamentary action.

All of the students form the literary society known as the "Amado Nervo" Society. It is named in honor of the best-loved Mexican

poet. As well as being literary societies they are channels for the social meetings of the student bodies, and we feel that much is being accomplished through these groups.

The other afternoons are given to girls' clubs, one group speaking Spanish meets with Miss Nixon, another that speaks English with Miss Thompson. These form our Girl Scout troops of 50. They are lively girls, interested in everything as girls are all over the world. The Little Housekeepers meet on Saturday afternoon and a little cooking, a little sweeping and dusting, a little play make their program. These 18 are directed by Srita. Jaso.

The cooking class enrolment dropped to 20 this year. Srita. Jaso is in charge and does splendid teaching and the small number is due to other causes. This is only a part of her program, however, as she teaches Spanish, visits, and helps with the housekeeping.

Three afternoons and Saturdays the boys make the welkin ring on the playground. One hundred twenty-five have been members of this department this year with an average attendance of about sixty in the fall and winter, decreasing to about thirty in the summer. Basket ball, volley ball, baseball, marbles, ping pong, etc., make up their schedule. At present some of them are in a basket ball league and are beginning as winners, but who knows what the end will be! The Boy Scouts, fifteen in number, are well directed and doing splendid work.

The girls have the privilege of the playground the other three afternoons. This group is more limited this year, for which we are very sorry.

The nurse, Srita. Trevizo, is spoken of many times as the best-loved nurse in the city. She has given 3,600 treatments this past year and made 613 visits. Figures are cold, but the nurse's sympathy and skilled hands have helped many in their hours of suffering and given comfort to those in sorrow. She is a splendid example of what a trained Christian nurse can do.

Every Saturday morning from September until the last of May the little folks of the church and their friends gather in the church for Bible school, the enrolment has been 75. In July, a Vacation Bible School is an annual event, and a most happy, helpful one. The primary and intermediate departments enrolled 85. These schools are held in the church because it is against the law to have them in the institution, but they are directed by our Centra and are considered a part of our work.

Every day our workers are out visiting our students and the church people, especially Srita. Pérez. 965 visits were made this past year. All of our workers help in the church's program and are happy to do so.

A mothers' club was recently organized with 20 members. We are looking forward to great success in this club. Srita. Pérez sponsors this group of women.

In all the departments there has been an enrolment of 780. We give thanks and take courage.

It takes a week to see everything that we include on our program, so when you come to see us, be prepared to spend at least a week with us. You can see now why we work from early morn until late in the evening.

Our Father has richly blessed us in every way this year. Some of our people have joined the church and we hope they will make strong Christians, even Christian workers. Our faces are toward the front as God is leading.

COLEGIO PROGRESO, PARRAL

EMMA ELDRIDGE, PRINCIPAL; MYRTLE POLLARD

EMMA ELDRIDGE

Colegio Progreso has gone forward through another year, I will not say "in spite of the depression," but rather *because of it*. Each member of our group of workers, both Mexican and American, has felt the uncertainty of the future and for that reason has determined to make our co-operative effort count toward making the largest possible contribution to the lives of our young people and to the community. And so we took some forward steps that perhaps otherwise would not have been taken.

Our enrolment continued at the normal mark although our students were unable to pay the normal rates of tuition; but we felt that we could not miss the opportunity to give these children and young people healthful occupation in school at this time when the lives of many of them are being emptied of everything else.

Early in the year we organized a Mothers' Club which we feel, though it is still in its beginning, is going to fill a very special need. The Parent-Teachers' Association of which we have written in other years continues to be a success, making a cultural contribution to our families as a whole, but the club is to give the mothers an opportunity for mutual help in meeting their special problems. Our Student Discussion Groups in other years had yielded such satisfactory results that we determined to put more into them than ever before and to attempt to come closer to the everyday experiences of our boys and girls, to understand them more completely and to help them to face and solve satisfactorily their own problems. In this we have had their whole-hearted co-operation, and together we formulated a list of thirty "Youth Problems" which has formed the basis for many talks with individuals and with groups, helping them to think through.

Twice during the year our students have found expression for their spirit of good will in relief work. The first opportunity came through our friendly relation with the faculty and students of one of the neighboring public schools, when they worked out a plan for serving breakfast daily to fifty of their children who were undernourished. On hearing of it our boys and girls spontaneously offered their help and contributed the cereal and milk needed for one entire month. The second co-operative effort in relief work was made at Christmas time when each class in the school brought provisions to be distributed to needy families. In this way no less than thirty homes were supplied with food sufficient for several days.

Some of our projects in dramatization have been the expression of our developing group thought. For years we had talked of world friendship and brotherhood, we had organized an International Relations Club, and we had made an appreciative study of the biographies of outstanding individual representatives of various races. What was more natural than that a pageant, "The Dawn of Peace," should be written and staged by one of our teachers, Srita. Josefina Flores Gaona, and her pupils? Then as the years presented repeated occasions for thinking of the poverty and suffering about us, the story of Dickens' "Christmas Carol" was told. It caught the imagination of another of our teachers, Sr. José T. Ramirez, who set himself to translate and dramatize it. Both of these productions were presented most effectively, and coming as they did as a result of our united thinking they left still more deeply impressed the principles they embodied.

The past year was one in which we defined purposes and weighed values till even the children caught the spirit and set themselves the task of choosing a motto that should adequately express their ideals. Finally their collective thought was given form in the phrase, "Educacion, Amistad, y Progreso" (Education, Friendship, and Progress). We, their teachers, can think of no better ideal, and we want to help them to give it its fullest meaning and make it a reality.

INSTITUTO MACDONELL, DURANGO

RAMONA RIVERA, ACTING PRINCIPAL; DORA SCHMIDT, HELEN HODGSON

RAMONA R. RIVERA

Isaiah 41: 10. "Fear not for I am with thee; be not dismayed for I am thy God. I will strengthen thee, yea I will help thee, yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." The words of this precious promise sustained me when the responsibility of the direction of Instituto MacDonell became mine. The Lord has graciously fulfilled his word, for his love and wisdom have blessed and guided us. In the midst of these difficult times he has wrought out marvels in our midst.

Our matriculation has been excellent, notwithstanding the fact that a number of new private schools were opened near us. Some of our pupils, who matriculated in these, have now returned to our school.

The school authorities of the state and city continue to co-operate with us in the most kindly manner. The inspector appointed to our school has on a number of occasions expressed in public his appreciation of the work being done by our teachers in the different departments of our school.

The number of pupils in our boarding department is constantly increasing, and we are grateful for this opportunity of exerting a definite Christian influence over these young lives and trust that through them the gospel message may be carried to many others.

Many of our day pupils, since entering our school, have begun to attend our church services. Some of them have been converted and have joined the church, together with other members of their families.

We have rejoiced over the testimony of parents, who, though strangers to us, have brought their children to matriculate them, giving as their reason the fact that they had recognized the influence of a wholesome atmosphere on the pupils of our school that they had known.

Our Circle of Student Volunteers has done effective work in taking part in different church activities and in going out regularly in groups to visit the sick and strangers.

Thankful to our Heavenly Father for the privilege of serving Him, we go forward, desiring that each day our service shall be more acceptable unto Him.

CENTRO CRISTIANO, DURANGO

ETHEL MCCAUGHAN, HEAD RESIDENT; OLA EUGENE CALLAHAN,

HELEN HODGSON (SIX MONTHS)

Until the last of June the resident workers at the Centro Cristiano in Durango were: Misses Ethel McCaughan, Lenore Rees, Bessie Lyman, Narcisa Ferrel, Maria Gutiérrez, and Mr. Félix Torres. After the summer vacation neither Miss Rees nor Miss Lyman returned, and Miss Ola Eugene Callahan has been with us since the first of August. Mr. Joel Rodriguez, a graduate of Southern Meth-

odist University, has charge of our Commercial Department; Miss Esperanza Garcia is our piano teacher; and since Miss Lyman left Mrs. Beatriz Rivera de Rios teaches our Domestic Science classes.

Miss Callahan is our English teacher, and Misses Schmidt and Hodgson, of Instituto MacDonell, have also been helping us with English night classes as the majority of our students come at night and we are obliged to have two or three groups at the same time. The commercial classes and elementary Spanish and arithmetic for adults are also given at night, while the sewing, cooking, piano and some English classes are in the daytime. We have an English club which meets twice a month for the benefit of our own students and any other people who may desire to attend in order to acquire a better speaking knowledge of the language by means of practice.

During the first part of the year our troop of Girl Scouts was under the direction of Miss Rees and during the latter part under that of Miss Callahan. It is beautiful to see the growing interest these young girls take in social service work and the consequent development of their own character. They have recently made a number of visits to the State Orphan Asylum, taking clothing and fruit and directing games for the children there. A few days before Christmas all the children of the orphanage were brought to the Centro where the Girl Scouts rendered a beautiful Christmas program for them and afterward presented each child with a little gift, a bag of candy and an orange. The wife of the governor of Durango was present and seemed much impressed by the work of our girls.

Durango being a very fanatical city, the women and girls are under the influence of the priests to such an extent that many are afraid to come to a Protestant institution even though they would like to do so. The young men and boys being less dominated by the priests and also less restricted by parental discipline than the girls, frequent the Centro in much greater numbers. They use our reading and game room from morning till night, and also the playground during the hours it is open to them. Since our basket ball court was enlarged last spring a great interest has been taken in this game. Our boys have four organized teams, our "first-force" team holding the championship for Durango and also having defeated various teams from other towns. Our ball ground is well lighted and most of the match games are held at night; some of them have been attended by approximately four hundred people. Mr. Torres directs the games and sports, and also has two fine troops of Boy Scouts, one of younger and one of older boys, by means of which he is endeavoring to present high ideals of living to the boys, and we rejoice to see the response made by some of them.

Our clinic is under the care of Miss Ferrel, a graduate nurse of our hospital in Torreon. Besides treating patients under the direction of the physicians who co-operate with us by giving free consultations, she visits in the homes of the sick and tries to give relief there. So many of our patients are unable to buy their medicines, even though they receive free consultation, that different departments of the Centro have undertaken to raise funds to help them. The Girl Scouts, through selling candy and ice-cream, and the Mothers' Club, by means of a supper, have made generous contributions to this cause.

Miss Gutiérrez, our little deaconess on probation who graduated two years ago from the Bible Department at Colegio Roberts, has rather a varied program. She teaches elementary Spanish and arithmetic to adults, a Bible class for women, the Little Housekeepers' class, has charge of the girls' playground one afternoon a week, works in the Mothers' Club, is very active in Sunday school, League, and

Missionary Society, and gives much time to visiting in the homes, keeping in close personal contact with those who attend different departments of the Centro as well as with our church people, often bringing new persons to both.

Like every other institution and line of work, our Centro has keenly felt the financial depression. The income from local sources, as well as from the Mission Board, has decreased, but we hope next year to see an improvement financially as well as in other ways.

HELEN M. HODGSON

The months from July to January were spent in Instituto MacDonell, our school in Durango, while Miss Virginia Booth was at home for a six months' vacation. My work was teaching English in all the grades and night classes over in the Centro three times a week. I was chairman of the music committee for the church services and the Epworth League, so prepared all the special musical numbers. In this way I had close contact with the young people of the church. My stay in Durango was very happy. The work is well organized and the students show a good spirit in their work. It was a pleasure to teach them.

I have just come to Instituto Laurens in Monterrey, where I am observing and making the rounds with Miss Mary Hoyle, preparing myself to take her place when she leaves for her furlough about the first of February. I am very much impressed with the fine type of work she and Miss Hirtzler are doing with the boys and girls. I shall do my best to continue this beautiful work in character-building. It is a great challenge and offers a wonderful opportunity.

COLEGIO ROBERTS, SALTILLO

DORA INGRUM, EDITH PARK, RUTH BYERLY, LUCILE VAIL, JEWELL BURNS

DORA INGRUM

The remainder of the school year 1931 and 1932 continued about the same as I reported last year except for the loss of several days in the classroom because of rheumatism. The doctor discovered the cause almost at once and recovery was rapid. One week before commencement I was called to the bedside of my father who was very ill with cancer. He needed me so very much that I shall always be grateful that I was permitted to be with him the last twenty-one days he spent on earth.

Reports that came from workers at the school showed that the commencement was a good one.

I returned to Saltillo the last of July and have never enjoyed the month of August as much as I did here because of the enjoyable climate. It was indeed a contrast to the hot July in Missouri.

I am teaching only in the Normal Department this year. This gives me time to do a number of other things such as taking part in the Missionary Society, visiting in the homes, thus making it possible for me to form contacts outside of the classroom.

We have had very little sickness this year. Our health problem seems to have been solved when some large cans, with faucets, were made to hold boiled drinking water for everyone.

We have about six boarders less than we had last year, but considering the economic condition we feel that we have done well to keep the number we have.

Government restrictions have been more severe than usual, but there seems to be hope that this is only temporary.

The work of the Church has gone forward during the year. A number of our girls have made their profession of faith. Some of our girls take an active part in Sunday school and in League. Most of the teachers in Robert's College are also teachers in the Sunday school. One of our teachers is the Superintendent of the Sunday school.

We have had problems during the year, but we have been assured of our loving Father's presence even in the most trying moments.

EDITH PARK

This is the last day of 1932, and it is again time to send annual reports. Our hearts are full of gratitude for numberless blessings received during the year. We are again thankful that we are closing the year without a deficit, and though the prospect is not bright financially for next year we are not going to borrow trouble.

We have had the same group of missionaries and teachers as in 1931 with the addition of Miss Jewell Golda Burns, who came to us in September and has proved a valuable addition to our force. All have co-operated in the work, the Normal School teachers accepting with a beautiful spirit a second reduction in their salaries in September.

In the school year we have enrolled to date 360 students; 221 in the Primary Department and 139 in the Normal and Commercial Departments.

Since the opening of school in September my mornings have been devoted to office work as treasurer of the school, and I have had the afternoons free for evangelistic work, visiting, etc. I have a weekly Bible class with a group of women of the church who are interested in Bible study and another class on Wednesday afternoons in a town nine miles from Saltillo where we have a small but faithful congregation. This group, though formed of only a few devoted women, has been a great joy and inspiration to me, and I trust that the studies have been a source of spiritual growth to them.

Though there have been difficult days and problems hard to solve, we can say with a thankful heart, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

LUCILE VAIL

As I review the work I have tried to do during the past year it seems very little compared to the blessings that have come to me in service, and there is a prayer of thanksgiving in my heart for the goodness of my Heavenly Father.

In July of 1931 I left Chihuahua, where I had worked for five years, expecting to have a year's furlough. Circumstances arose which necessitated my return to the field earlier and I was away only six months. Three months of the time I spent at Scarritt and am grateful for the blessings I received there from my studies and association with teachers and fellow-students.

In January, 1932, I received my appointment to Colegio Roberts, Saltillo, Mexico, and reached here March 1 to begin work. In the spring I taught English classes both in the primary grades and the Normal Department. In September I was given the music department and that is my work this year with the addition of one English class in the first year Normal course. The music department is growing beyond my expectations and I am grateful for the number of pupils we have enrolled. It is my earnest desire to help our girls in every way possible and a number of them are learning church music and are able to help in the services.

In addition to my work in the school, I have my part in the work of the church and Sunday school. It is a joy to be counted as one who is seeking to serve the Master and these people who are dear to me, and I ask your prayers that my work may be more effective.

RUTH ELLYSON BYERLY

"Doing work that's nearest, though it's dull at times" is again my happy privilege in dormitory life. I find that teaching a girl to darn hose, or wash dishes properly, or dust in corners; lending hammers, scissors, or providing nails, paper, cord, or Flit gun is quite as justifiable and enjoyable as teaching Church History and Sociology. As faculty adviser of social life committee in the dormitory there are innumerable opportunities for telling work.

Decision Day in our Sunday school crystallized the purpose of a number of girls to become avowed Christians. Others are being received into church membership on New Year's night. New English classes in primary department give additional opportunities for contacts with town folks. At least one mother, with wise guidance of our pastor and a fellow-missionary, was led into a genuine Christian experience because of the visits of her son's English teacher.

It was a great joy to have had a term at Scarritt in company with one of our nationals, who later spent some weeks with me in the Baltimore and Virginia Conferences, making wholesome contacts and lasting friendships among the W. M. S members.

A real challenge is presented in the supervision of a part of the work of one of our deaconess probationers. It is too recent to foresee results for her, but it is exceedingly salutary for me.

JEWELL GOLDA BURNS

Living in the dormitory at Roberts, among our girls, has been one of the greatest joys I have known during my four years of service in Mexico. I am not going into detail about my school work, for teaching English is similar to most teaching anywhere else; so I want to talk about the pleasure I have found in my contacts with our boarding pupils. My radio attracts some girls to my room but others come because they want to talk with me. I thank my Lord and give him all the praise because I feel that through my friendship with our girls I have been able to help at least five in a very definite way. Some have talked of their personal needs; some have discussed the problem of bringing their loved ones to Jesus; others have sought comfort just because they were away from home for the first time and were homesick.

I feel that I have also been a help to several members of my Sunday school class, for I have a group of ten young girls who form the fourth year class in my Normal Department. Most of them respond beautifully and prepare their lessons in a satisfactory manner, though they are not members of the Church. During the Christmas holiday our class prepared a basket of fruit, nuts, and candy and paid a visit to the Civil Hospital here in Saltillo on Christmas morning. We are planning to do some small kind of social service each month during the new year.

Again I am thankful that God can use even the smallest deed, done in his name, for his own glory. I pray that my influence may be a source of joy and sunshine and that I may ever think and act wisely in all my dealings with our students.

INSTITUTE LAURENS, MONTERREY

MARY HOYLE, BERTA HIRTZLER

MARY HOYLE

I came to Instituto Laurens four years ago last August and each year I have watched the school grow. A few years before I came the high school was closed, and the year before I came, the first year was

reopened. During my first year the second year high school was also reopened, with only four pupils enrolled in it. Each year, however, another was added until last year the fifth and last was put on. Two of those four pupils of the second graduated last June, having finished the entire high school course. I do not claim any credit for this, but I am glad it was my lot to be here at such a time. Of these two graduates, the young man is still boarding at Laurens and studying in the State Normal preparing himself to be a teacher, while the other—a girl of seventeen—is studying in the State Medical College here in Monterrey.

Last year we had the largest enrolment of recent years, but this year, with two hundred and thirty-five pupils in the grades and ninety-five in the high school, we have past last year's record. Considering the financial depression, we are proud of that.

Also last year Bible was taught in all the high school grades although we had no extra money for it, nor a professor. This year we are continuing the course, with our church deaconess, Sra. Concepcion Reyes, in charge of the department. Although Bible study in Mexico must be absolutely optional on the part of the pupils, a goodly number are attending the classes.

We now have thirty-six boys and seven girls in the boarding department, which is a slight increase over the number we had last year. At times the work has been heavy, because, in addition to the dormitory, I have had teaching and have served as treasurer of the institution but in my co-worker, Miss Berta Hirtzler, I have found a competent and reliable helper and have been very happy.

Last month our director, Sr. Luz Marroquin, finished his law course and passed the state examinations. Because of his high standing in his profession many positions more prominent than that of Director of Laurens were offered him, but he has refused all that would remove him from his work as Director of this institution. For his loyalty, strong Christian character, and life, and his clean, brilliant mind, we honor him.

I've done very little this year outside my work in Laurens, except to visit the penitentiary, which I have been doing for three years. As regularly as we could Miss Hirtzler and I have visited the men in the English class and the woman's department. To both these groups we played Santa Claus at Christmas time. The prisoners have shown such appreciation of our feeble efforts that we have come to look forward to our visits to them.

My life in Mexico, especially these years in Laurens, has been happy and I am grateful to my Heavenly Father for the rich opportunities for service he has given me. I wish I might have done more. Early in the new year I shall return to the States for my first furlough and with Whittier can truly say:

"For what must be I calmly wait
And trust the path I cannot see.
That God is good sufficeth me."

BERTA HIRTZLER

I have spent my second, and I think the happiest, Christmas of my life in Mexico. I have learned that in trying to bring sunshine into the lives of others we find the greatest joy for ourselves.

How quickly time passes! Soon I shall have been at Laurens two years and I feel that I would rather be here than anywhere else in the world. With my English classes in the grades and the high school, language study and work in the dormitory, my time has been well filled.

I was glad, too, to find a place in my schedule for visiting the penitentiary.

The days spent here have been happy ones in spite of the little annoyances that sometimes come to cloud the sunshine, but the shadows never last long, and when they are gone the sunshine seems even brighter. So often I have thought of what Henry Drummond said: "The love and power of Christ in our hearts will make us missionaries, more than our words and works." In my work here there seems to come as ever greater challenge the thought that I must live in close and constant fellowship with Christ and make my life truly a power and an example for him.

CENTRO SOCIAL, MONTERREY

ANNE DEAVOURS, HEAD RESIDENT; BEULAH HUBBARD

ANNE DEAVOURS

Each year it proves more and more interesting to be working on a job along with others who share the responsibility of that job as volunteers working under the supervision of our employed workers. Sixty of these workers have gladly given some part of their time each week to make possible our program and have accepted their "bits" of responsibility in all seriousness.

Twenty volunteer story-tellers began last October to tell stories weekly in five schools to eight hundred boys and girls. At Christmas time and on special days we have extra story hours, and on these occasions the enrolment has reached about fifteen hundred. Many of these workers have no special interest outside of their regular home work, and welcome the opportunity to share their extra time in helping. Both the pupils and the teachers have been very appreciative, and the story-tellers are pleased to be addressed as "the story-tellers" when the boys and girls meet them on the streets. They feel so proud when the teachers speak of the ways in which the stories help their pupils.

Seven volunteers help weekly with two game hours here at the Centro and one in a park in another section of the city. Tuesday night from seven to eight-thirty the children from all around come to the Centro to play. On Wednesday afternoon after school the different grades in which we have story hours take turn about coming to play. Every Friday night from six-thirty to seven-thirty one of the workers, accompanied by three volunteer workers, goes to a park in another section of the city and with their help conducts an hour of stories and games. No story-tellers go to the schools in this district, but the children have certainly proved their interest in this kind of program by attending in very large numbers.

A dozen or more friends of the Centro from time to time upon request go in their cars on Sunday afternoons and bring the pupils from the school for the blind to the Centro for a recreational hour. Later they carry them home. Each Sunday afternoon two different volunteer workers help with the games and recreational program. The greater part of these volunteer workers are busy during the week, but gladly do their "bit" of helping on Sundays.

Every Tuesday and Saturday afternoon four volunteer workers, two of whom are mothers with several small children of school age, go in groups of two with the Mexican missionary to conduct a reading and writing class, a story hour, and a game hour with the women in the penitentiary. Every three months these workers are changed. These mothers are naturally very busy folks, but they have always been ready to receive their classes of instruction weekly, and have failed to report to work only in cases of sickness.

Then there are a number of substitute volunteer workers who for various reasons cannot accept regular work, but who are always ready to help out in times of special need.

Of course there are classes of English, reading and writing for adults, visiting, and clubs for girls and young women. The enrolment in the English classes is smaller than usual, and the club for young women is also small, but active. In one of the schools on the outskirts of the city the club worker has organized fifteen girls into a club group and both she and the teacher are well pleased with the result. At least once during the year each pupil is given the opportunity to help in some way with the volunteer work, and they are practically always ready to do their "bit."

There is a saying that many times you need a helper or a friend and have none, but that there is never a time when one cannot be a helper. It seems that our Centro folks have made it their business to be helpers and friends and have found true happiness in doing so. May their "bits" of influence be used to help those with whom they come in contact to be more nearly the kind of people that God wants them to be.

BEULAH HUBBARD

A year ago I was surprised, to say the least, when Miss Case told me that as no new missionary could be sent to the Congo this year, it seemed very likely that I should be appointed to Mexico. However, at the time for appointments to be read, a month later, I was glad to hear mine read out "Mexico." Now I have been here four months, and I am still glad it was Mexico. What a joy it is, also, to be in Monterrey with these beautiful mountains all around us!

Spanish is still very foreign to my ear even with so much time allowed for study, yet it is fascinating. I enjoy my few English classes and the work with the English Club. At Christmas time the girls of the English Club made dresses for five very old women and invited these old ladies to a party with program and supper planned to make them happy. Everybody, it seemed, was made happy—Club members as well as guests.

New blessings have come to me during these short months here. I desire to become "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

SIX MONTHS AS MISSIONARY TO THE CHURCH AT NUEVO LAREDO

MYRTLE JAMES

My eleven years in Mexico, including a short course in the National University where I studied seven subjects on different phases of Mexican life, had given me an insight into her wonderful possibilities and an impelling desire to help her realize them. So, during my furlough, I sought a fountain and, unlike Ponce de Leon, was not disappointed. I found it at Southwestern College in God's wonderful out-of-doors—just an extension of Overton Park, Memphis, Tenn. I returned determined to manifest my interest in Mexico's highest development for those in authority, that they may appreciate the fact that our Church stands for the great things for which they are striving. Our pastor, a fine product of Laurens Institute, says: "Mexico, believing religion has failed, seeks salvation through education—including temperance and hygiene and work." The city physician expresses himself as appreciative of my co-operation. A small paper publishes my continued health story. Bishop Pascoe's wife has arranged with the National Temperance Union to keep me supplied with temperance literature. "O, Methodist! Sure I'll contribute! But I wouldn't give a cent to the

Catholics," exclaimed an immigration officer, encouraging his comrades to donate to a Methodist collection for the poor. I was glad our Nuevo Laredo church inspired such confidence, but I knew I could not be true to her great teaching if I did not repeat, with explanations, John 3: 16.

"May I distribute this?" I asked, helping to serve the supper given by our church to the prisoners, and showing some Church literature. "Certainly," someone said; "Methodist, it is all right." I strive so to organize as to contribute to true nationalism, and toward the promulgation of the eternal Christian principles for which the Church stands. My tools are faith, love, work, and the smile that must never die.

POLAND

SALLIE LEWIS BROWNE, CONFERENCE WORKER, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, WARSAW

At the last Annual Conference I was again appointed to work with the Women's Missionary Societies and since my return from furlough in September have been helping in the groups adjacent to Warsaw, and trying by correspondence to keep in touch with the more distant ones.

Our societies are having a hard year because many of our people are out of work and still others are earning very little. Also since the local congregations are having financial difficulties, here as everywhere, the Woman's Missionary Society is called upon to help, and a large proportion of their funds has to go for local expenses. These circumstances, combined with the fact that even our pastors do not understand the real purpose of a missionary society, make it hard fighting for us to justify the name we have chosen for our organization. We are trying to concentrate on our Bible and mission study so that in spite of all difficulties the whole program of our work may show a gain in values not measured in money.

There are real reasons for being encouraged after scarcely three years of united work. Some of our women are showing promise of leadership and certainly the whole church has gained from the loyal and devoted spirit of this small group.

EURANIA PYRON, DISTRICT WORKER, WOMAN'S CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, KATOWICE

At the meeting of our Annual Conference last July I received a new appointment, this being my third appointment during my five years in the work here. This time I was sent to the town of Katowice in Southern Poland.

I came to Katowice the last week in September and began my duties immediately. I had been to Katowice twice before when acting in the capacity of Conference Woman's Missionary Worker, so in coming here I wasn't to be among absolute strangers.

Katowice, a coal mining town with a population of 150,000, is situated in the extreme southwestern part of Poland right near the German border. It is one of the much contested towns lying within the Polish Corridor, which before the World War belonged to Germany.

Our work in Katowice is now in its tenth year. The results of these ten years of labor show up rather encouragingly in the lives of our members and in their faithfulness in the support of the church. The

official count of our church membership here is about seventy. The majority of our members come from the poorer class of people, that is, intellectually as well as financially; but spiritually they are "the salt of the earth." They are a people who love the church and who serve her to the best of their ability and knowledge. In the performance of their duties, for instance, they come in contact with other people, talk with them about their church and interest them in her message and mission.

My work here, as in the former places, embraces woman's and young people's work along with playing for all our services. When it comes to musicians, we are very limited in all of our congregations throughout Poland. This is indeed a great handicap sometimes, especially when we are forced, in order to have music at our services, to employ persons to play who are not at all in sympathy with our work. It means everything I think, to have as organist or pianist one, who first of all, understands the spirit of the hymns and can play them sincerely to the glory of God; and secondly, one who not only is vitally interested in the cause that the church stands for, but one who can be truly happy in this service. This year I am giving music lessons to a little twelve-year-old boy in our congregation here and I hope to get him far enough along that he may be of real service to the church in the near future. He is a very talented youngster and is very eager to learn to play well.

Our local Woman's Missionary Society has thirteen members with an average of from seven to nine in attendance at every meeting. Twice a month we meet for sewing, once for our missionary program and business meeting, and once in the homes of the women for intensive Bible study and for prayer. This year is the first time we have ever tried to have cottage prayer meeting and Bible study because of the inadequacy of the members' homes to accommodate so many people at one sitting. However, being possessed with the desire to try out this project I approached the women concerning the matter and to my great surprise I saw that they were not only agreeing, but that they were even enthusiastic about it. I rejoice to report that these meetings have been most successful. From the very beginning they have been better attended than any other of our several meetings, with as many as fifteen and seventeen present.

We have also in Katowice an organized Epworth League and Sunday school, but both of these phases of our work throughout Poland are very weak, because we have so few children that are really our own. In my opinion this phase of the work can never be as successful as we are so anxious for it to be until some young people grow up in our church. Although there are many difficulties in connection with the young people's work, yet we are persistent in it because we believe in it.

I rejoice in the work that is mine here to do and I shall be truly sorry to be away from it for a whole year. I am sure too that my furlough, which is due this year, will also have its blessings and advantages.

RUTH LAWRENCE, TREASURER, WILNO

For another year my appointment has been to Woman's Work, Wilno, Poland. It means practically the duties and privileges of a pastor's assistant in the United States, transported to another country where the medium of expression is a foreign tongue. Many of our tasks and problems are the same as yours in America, except that ours are accentuated by the different psychology of a people, due largely to a Catholic background and long years of economic struggle. Some of our most difficult problems arise from the materialistic

motives so evident in many who come to our services and ask to become members of our church. One is tempted to feel that only material benefits are desired. On every hand we meet a spirit of mutual distrust among the people which extends even to the church group and retards the development of a strong active laity.

However, we feel that our church is filling a need in the lives of many who earnestly desire a fuller and deeper knowledge of God's truth. The interest taken in the Bible classes on Sunday and at the midweek services by the whole congregation evidences this. To one who has always lived in a Protestant environment where the open Bible is taken for granted, it is a revelation to be present in a Bible class and see the eagerness with which the people read aloud the lesson text and the strangeness with which they handle the New Testament in looking for passages.

We have great difficulty in gathering enough children together to form Sunday school classes. This is due principally to the fact that as yet we have few children in our congregation and because people who are Catholic, though it be only in name, through natural disinclination and fear of their priests, will not send their children to us. Last spring we were able to gather twenty children together one evening during each week for a Bible story and play hour. We had hoped this would be a nucleus around which we would build a real children's department in the Sunday school. However, since the reopening of our work after the summer vacation we have not been able to assemble more than seven children.

This fall we began our church work on the institutional plan, hoping thereby to enlarge our work and contribute more to the lives of those who come in contact with our church activities. Without additional expense we moved our chapel, the pastor's home, and the missionaries' home to a building located in the central part of the city and protected from the street noises by a small park. In this way we occupy the entire building and control the entrance which means a great deal in this part of the world where one must remember that "heretics," trouble makers, and enemies still exist.

Although one cannot say that conditions in Wilno are conducive to the growth of new Protestant groups, we feel that our work is advancing. During this year we have received twelve new members and baptized four babies. Since moving to a more central location many new people come to our services and manifest real interest. We have the friendship of the Lutheran and the Reformed Calvinist churches which are the only Protestant groups recognized by the Polish government. During the Christmas holidays we had several services in union with the Reformed Church. During the Universal Week of Prayer the different Protestant churches in Wilno will unite and have the prayer services in our chapel. We welcome this opportunity for co-operation.

The young people in the Epworth League are having a splendid year. This is the first year they have been able to assume full responsibility for the organization, and prepare their own program material. A part of their program is to sponsor and direct a public reading-room and the weekly social evening.

Due to forces beyond our control, our work among the White Russians in Wilno is gradually declining. At the close of the last school year only eight girls remained in our internat (dormitory) for white Russian girls, six having been sent home due to their attendance at a communistic gathering. This fall we opened the internat with fourteen girls, but one month later the director of their school ordered them to leave our internat, obviously to get them away from Methodist

influence. Four of the girls withdrew from his school, registered with the Lutheran church as Protestants and remained with us. Thus our internat for White Russian girls only has ceased to be and now we have an internat open to all students who wish to come. Of the eleven who are with us now seven are being provided board by missionary offerings of the women in America. This means that they are also provided the atmosphere of a Christian home, the opportunity to attend school, and the influence of our church activities.

At our summer conference for women I gave a series of Bible studies on the Mind of Jesus toward the Problems of Today. The women seemed to be intensely interested in the subject and since then they have been having these same studies in their home groups.

My work has many opportunities for comradeship and friendship with the people who are seeking the way to abundant living. To live and work with such people, to see possibilities for finer living in every contact and to help realize these possibilities is a joy. Often we feel discouraged, disappointed in people, and impotent to serve the Cause of Christ, but we know that our part is to keep ourselves in readiness to be used when and as God will.

NORENE ROBKEN, WILNO

The Woman's Missionary Society in Wilno this year has done exceedingly well. Though we have not been able to do all we had hoped to do, we feel greatly encouraged and believe the women are steadily going forward. This year we are urging the women to do more of the work of the society themselves. It is not an easy task to get them to take the responsibility in their own hands. Also, there is the problem of leadership. Here the people do not trust one another and usually would rather do almost anything than take a suggestion from one of their own people.

Tuesday evening is Woman's Evening at the mission. Besides the regular monthly meetings, we have had sewing meetings and a six weeks' course of Bible study, taught by Miss Lawrence. This course was wonderfully attended, and the way the women studied as well as entered into the discussions was a great joy to us all. After Christmas we plan to have another course of study, this course to be on missions.

From the sales of our midyear bazaar which we have recently held we will send about ten dollars to our orphanage. This year we are paying, from our monthly pledges, one-fourth the electric light bill of the mission.

This year we are teaching English at the mission. We have a class of eleven which meets twice a week for an hour. This class grew out of the need and the expressed desire on the part of some of our people. Several of them wanted to learn English so that they might be able to read inspirational and religious literature, which you can find written only in the English language. Five of the pupils of this class are university students; all of the others have completed the gymnasium. From the fees of this class we are able to pay one-half the electric light bill of the mission.

Besides this class we give English lessons to private pupils five hours a week.

FOREIGN STATISTICS

EDUCATIONAL WORK

| NAME OF INSTITUTION | 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 | 23 | 39 | 165 | 204 | \$11,672 59 |
| Collegio Bennett, Rio de Janeiro..... | 1921 | 11 | 8 | 22 | 58 | 222 | 280 | 20,308 48 |
| Collegio Centenario, Santa Maria..... | 1922 | 11 | 3 | 18 | 83 | 157 | 240 | 8,878 97 |
| Collegio Isabella Hendrix, Bello Horizonte..... | 1904 | 9 | 4 | 18 | 24 | 133 | 157 | 8,015 13 |
| Collegio Methodista, Ribeirao Preto..... | 1899 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 28 | 112 | 140 | 4,179 58 |
| Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba..... | 1881 | 14 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10,161 41 |
| Day School, Institutional Church, Porto Alegre..... | 1900 | 5 | 1 | 4 | ... | 148 | 148 | ... |
| Day School, People's Institute, Rio de Janeiro..... | 1906 | 5 | 3 | 11 | ... | 679 | 679 | ... |
| Day Schools, Rio District (3)..... | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | 224 | 224 | ... |
| Total for Brazil..... | ... | 28 | 114 | 232 | 1,840 | 2,072 | \$63,216 16 | |
| CHINA | | | | | | | | |
| Allene Barcroft, Sunkiang District..... | 1914 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Atkinson Academy, Soochow..... | 1896 | 9 | 1 | 17 | ... | 360 | 360 | \$ 1,891 35 |
| Centenary School, Changchow..... | 1908 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Davidson School, Junior High, Soochow..... | 1903 | 10 | 2 | 23 | 42 | 332 | 374 | 10,656 50 |
| Eslick Day School, Wuchen..... | 1921 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 180 00 |
| Factory Settlement Day School, Wusih (Closed at end of year)..... | 1920 | 4 | 2 | 4 | ... | 150 | 150 | 250 00 |
| Faith Johnson School, Changshu..... | 1913 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 500 00 |
| Humbert School, Changchow..... | 1910 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 500 00 |
| James and Lucy Faut, Sungkiang District..... | 1914 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25 00 |
| Laura Haygood Normal School, Soochow..... | 1902 | 14 | 5 | 33 | 75 | 240 | 315 | 5,831 98 |
| Mary Virginia Nabors School, Wusih..... | 1910 | 6 | 2 | 7 | ... | 200 | 200 | 755 48 |
| McTyeire High School and Primaries, Shanghai..... | 1891 | 12 | 7 | 61 | ... | ... | 830 | 49,500 00 |
| Nanzhang Day School (Yoe-h Li Girls' School)..... | 1911 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 225 00 |
| Reavis School..... | 1916 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40 00 |
| Susan B. Wilson, Junior High, Sungkiang..... | 1903 | 8 | 2 | 13 | 75 | 151 | 226 | 4,092 37 |
| Taichang Kindergarten and Day School..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Theodosia Wales School, Changshu..... | 1921 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Virginia—High, Primary, and Kindergarten..... | 1901 | 11 | 3 | 12 | 27 | 260 | 287 | 4,855 22 |
| Tang Teh School (Maria Lang-Gibson)..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 250 00 |
| Total for China..... | ... | 24 | 170 | 219 | 1,693 | 2,742 | \$79,553 90 | |
| CONGO BELGE | | | | | | | | |
| Minga Station and District Schools (27)..... | 1923 | 9 | 1 | 60 | 132 | 968 | 1,050 | \$ 20 00 |
| Mingo Girls' Home..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Tunda Station and District Schools..... | 1922 | ... | 3 | 25 | ... | 925 | 925 | 7 09 |
| Tunda Girls' Home..... | ... | ... | ... | 16 | ... | ... | 16 | ... |
| Wembo Nyama Station and District Schools..... | 1915 | 6 | 3 | 18 | ... | 362 | 362 | ... |
| Wembo Nyama Girls' Home..... | ... | 2 | 1 | 52 | 50 | 102 | ... | ... |
| Total for Congo Belge..... | ... | 9 | 104 | 200 | 2,305 | 2,505 | \$ 27 09 | |

FOREIGN STATISTICS

EDUCATIONAL WORK

| NAME OF INSTITUTION | When Founded | Number of Grades | Mis. and Amer. Teacher | Native Teachers | Boarding Pupils | Day Pupils | Total Pupils | Native Receipts |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|
| CUBA | | | | | | | | |
| Colegio Buenavista, Havana..... | 1920 | 10 | 6 | 6 | 16 | 140 | 156 | \$13,417 30 |
| Colegio Eliza Bowman, Cienfuegos..... | 1899 | 11 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 128 | 129 | 3,689 71 |
| Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas..... | 1899 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 11 | 105 | 116 | 4,506 46 |
| Total for Cuba..... | | 13 | 19 | 28 | 373 | 401 | | \$21,613 47 |
| JAPAN | | | | | | | | |
| Hiroshima Girls' School, Hiroshima..... | 1886 | | | | | | | |
| Japanese Kindergartens in Korea (2)..... | | 2 | 2 | | 54 | 54 | \$ | 283 85 |
| Kindergartens, Hiroshima District (11)..... | | 1 | 23 | | 456 | 456 | | 2,980 95 |
| Kindergartens, Kobe District (12)..... | | 4 | 23 | | 445 | 445 | | 4,909 40 |
| Kindergartens, Matsuyama District (6)..... | | 3 | 18 | | 318 | 318 | | 1,976 44 |
| Lambuth Training School, Osaka..... | 1922 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 50 | 17 | 67 | 4,980 49 |
| Palmore English Institute, Kobe..... | 1923 | 5 | 3 | 8 | | 208 | 208 | 4,505 00 |
| Total for Japan..... | | 17 | 82 | 50 | 1,498 | 1,548 | | \$19,636 13 |
| KOREA | | | | | | | | |
| Ewha (Union), Seoul..... | 1910 | | | | | | | |
| Carolina Institute, High School and Common..... | 1898 | | | | | | | |
| Choonchun District Day Schools..... | | 1 | 7 | | 150 | 150 | | |
| Chulwon District Day Schools..... | | 1 | 9 | | 233 | 233 | | |
| Francis Hitch Primary, Wonsan District..... | 1903 | | | | | | | |
| Holston Institute, High School, Songdo..... | 1904 | | | | | | | |
| Holston Institute, Kindergarten, Songdo (3)..... | 1918 | 1 | 7 | | 275 | 275 | \$ | 605 00 |
| Holston Institute, Primary, Songdo..... | 1904 | | | | | | | |
| Ivy Hospital Nurse Training School..... | | | | | | | | |
| Lucy Cuninggim High School, Wonsan..... | 1903 | | | | | | | |
| Mary Helm School, Songdo..... | 1907 | | | | | | | |
| Seoul District Day Schools..... | | | | | | | | |
| Songdo District Day Schools and Kindergartens..... | | | | | | | | |
| Union Methodist Woman's Bible and Training School..... | | | | | | | | |
| Woman's Christian Hospital, Nurse Training School..... | | | | | | | | |
| Wonsan District Day Schools..... | | | | | | | | |
| Total for Korea..... | | 3 | 23 | | 658 | 658 | \$ | 605 00 |
| MEXICO | | | | | | | | |
| Instituto Laurens, Monterrey..... | 1885 | 11 | 2 | 19 | 30 | 263 | 293 | \$ 4,915 76 |
| Instituto MacDonell, Durango..... | 1892 | 10 | 2 | 14 | 19 | 249 | 268 | 6,951 69 |
| Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua..... | 1890 | 8 | 4 | 12 | 43 | 353 | 396 | 16,945 00 |
| Colegio Progreso, Parral..... | 1887 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 26 | 190 | 216 | 7,750 00 |
| Colegio Roberts, Saltillo..... | 1887 | 12 | 4 | 19 | 69 | 324 | 393 | 11,045 00 |
| Totals for Mexico..... | | 14 | 72 | 187 | 1,379 | 1,566 | | \$47,607 45 |
| POLAND | | | | | | | | |
| Day School, Wilno..... | | 1 | | | | 360 | | |

FOREIGN STATISTICS

SOCIAL EVANGELISTIC WORK

| NAME OF INSTITUTION | Missionaries | Native Workers | Pupils | Clubs | Total Enrolment | Treatments or Clinics | Visits | Receipts |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------|------------|
| BRAZIL | | | | | | | | |
| People's Central Institute, Rio de Janeiro | 3 | 11 | 479 | 200 | 679 | 2,808 | | |
| Evangelistic Workers* | | | | | | | | |
| CHINA | | | | | | | | |
| Chentsch, Nanziang District | 1 | 5 | 79 | 70 | 149 | | 19,517 | \$6,870 00 |
| Dowdell Center, Soochow | | | | | | | | |
| Evangelistic Workers | | | | | | | | |
| I Zaung Ka, Hoochow | | | | | | | | |
| Kong Hong Institutional Church | | | | | | | | |
| South Gate, Wusih | 1 | 21 | 375 | 500 | 875 | 2,000 | | |
| St. John's Church | | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 26 | 454 | 570 | 1,024 | 2,000 | 19,517 | \$6,870 00 |
| CONGO BELGE* | | | | | | | | |
| Minga Hospital and Out-Stations | | | | | | | | |
| Leper Colony | | | | | | | | |
| Total for Congo | | | | | | | | |
| CUBA | | | | | | | | |
| Quinta Tosca, Matanzas | 2 | 8 | 179 | 153 | 332 | | | |
| JAPAN* | | | | | | | | |
| Airin Kwan, Oita | | | | | | | | |
| Evangelistic Workers | | | | | | | | |
| Zin Rin Kwan, Kure | | | | | | | | |
| Total for Japan | | | | | | | | |
| KOREA | | | | | | | | |
| Choonchun | 6 | 60 | | | | | 10,165 | |
| Evangelistic Workers | 3 | 11 | 396 | | 414 | 18 | | |
| House of Abounding Grace, Wonsan | 4 | 22 | 397 | 370 | 767 | 3,883 | 4,135 | |
| House of Harmony, Seoul | 3 | 12 | 601 | 95 | 696 | | | |
| House of High Aims, Songdo | | | | | | | | |
| Totals for Korea | 16 | 105 | 1,394 | 465 | 1,877 | 3,901 | 14,300 | |
| MEXICO | | | | | | | | |
| Centro Social, Chihuahua | 3 | 6 | 672 | 108 | 780 | 3,600 | 1,578 | |
| Centro Cristiano, Durango | 3 | 6 | 264 | 135 | 1,132 | 643 | | |
| Centro Social, Monterrey | | | | | | | | |
| Evangelistic Workers | | | | | | | 4,927 | |
| Total for Mexico | | 12 | 936 | 243 | 1,912 | 4,243 | 6,505 | |

*Statistical reports not received.

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

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| President | 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. |
| Vice-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. |
| Recording Secretary | 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. |
| Treasurer | 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. |
| Calendar Clerk | 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. |
| Superintendent of Christian Social Relations | 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. |
| Members at Large | 7. 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. |
| Education and Promotion Secretaries | 8. 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. |
| Organization Secretary | 9. (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.

(2) The Secretary of Children's Work shall develop and direct the work of the children. She shall publish quarterly and annual reports.

Secretary of
Children's
Work

(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.

Candidate
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.

Literature
Secretary

10. (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.

Executive
Committee

(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.

11. 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.

12. (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.

13. 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.

14. *Bureaus*

Bureaus

(1) Bureaus may be created where lines of work develop which require special supervision

Bureau of Christian Social Relations

(2) There shall be a Bureau of Christian Social Relations consisting of six members, who shall be the Chairmen of the Standing Committees on Industrial Relations, Rural Development, and Interracial Co-operation, International Relations and World Peace, and Christian Citizenship and Law Observance; and the Superintendent of Christian Social Relations.

It shall be the duty of this Bureau to outline Christian social activities, and to promote plans for the prosecution of the same; to assist in the development of lines of research, study and activities of these committees; 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.

15. *Standing Committees*

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.

(a) The Standing Committee shall serve during the quadrennium. Each committee shall elect its chairman.

(b) The chairman of a Standing Committee may call one meeting annually, the expenses of which shall be met from the treasury of the Council.

Industrial Relations

(2) There shall be a Standing Committee 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 Standing Committee 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.

(4) There shall be a Standing Committee on Interracial Co-operation.

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.

(5) There shall be a Standing Committee on International Relations and World Peace.

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.

(6) There shall be a Standing Committee on Christian Citizenship and Law Observance.

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.

(7) 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.

(8) 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 amend-

ments, together with the recommendations of the committee, shall be sent to the members of the Council before its annual session.

Committee on
Literature

(9) 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.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to plan the programs and literature ordered by the Council.

Committee on
Estimates

(10) 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.

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.

Committee on
Laws

(11) 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
Scarritt
College

(12) 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.

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.

Committee on
Lectureships

(13) There shall be a Standing Committee on Lectureships consisting of five members, one of whom shall be the President of the Council.

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

(14) 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
Co-operation
with Other
Agencies

(15) There shall be a Standing Committee on Co-operation with Other 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.

(16) 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.

Committee on
Spiritual
Life and
Message

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.

(17) There shall be a Standing Committee of Co-operation and Extension consisting of nine members. It shall be the duty of this Committee:

Committee on
Co-operation
and Ex-
tension

a. To work in co-operation with the Secretary of Organization of the Board of Missions, Woman's Work, in developing missionary societies of those Conferences on foreign mission fields which are integral parts of our Church and in missions in the United States. She shall report all such activities through the Secretary of Organization.

b. To cultivate and stimulate to greater effort and maintain friendly relations with the missionary societies in those Conferences on foreign mission fields which are not integral parts of our Church.

c. To constantly study the needs of the womanhood of other lands on all fields and seek in every way to keep the needs before the proper agencies of the Church that are best able to meet them.

d. To serve as an affiliating unit in co-operation with the Federations of Christian Women around the World of which the Council is a part.

16. Commissions

Commissions

(1) There shall be Commissions appointed or elected to study matters requiring fact finding and research. They are expected to prepare a digest of assembled facts, together with the thinking of the Commission, as a basis of conclusions or recommendations to be presented annually to the Woman's Missionary Council and which shall be carried out by conferences and auxiliaries.

(2) There shall be a Commission on Unoccupied Mission Areas.

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.

17. Such special or *ad interim* committees as may be deemed necessary may be ordered by the Council in annual

Special
Committees

session. The chairman of the special or *ad interim* committee may call one meeting annually, the expense to be met from the treasury of the Council.

Session
Committees

18. The work of the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session shall be conducted by Session Committees appointed by the Executive Committee.

a. Each Session Committee shall elect its own chairman and secretary, who shall be members of the Council with no secretarial relation to the Board of Missions.

b. These committees shall receive recommendations from the Secretaries and Superintendents of the Council and from the women Secretaries of the Board of Missions.

Amendments to
By-Laws

19. The by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual session.

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 *World Outlook*. 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 the *World Outlook*, 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 make quarterly reports to the Conference Superintendents of Literature and Publicity.

9. The Superintendent of the *World Outlook* shall be responsible for the circulation of the *World Outlook* throughout the local church. She shall, with the assistance of a committee, make a canvass of the entire membership, securing renewals and subscriptions. In co-operation with the pastor, she shall seek to present the magazine in attractive ways to the Sunday school, the prayer meeting, the missionary society, and the congregation. She shall report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Publicity.

10. (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.

11. The Superintendent of Supplies shall superintend the sending 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.

12. 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.

2. *Enrolment*.—An annual enrolment shall be held in October.

3. *The Leader*.—The leader of the World Children's Circle shall have the chief responsibility of the work of this department. She shall be a member of the Standing Committee on Children's Work.

4. *Meetings*.—The World Children's Circle may meet weekly. Studies shall be provided by the Department of Education and Promotion for three quarters.

5. *Intensive Mission Study*.—During the summer quarter an intensive period of missionary cultivation is recommended to take the place of regular weekly or monthly meetings. For this work a mission study book is recommended.

6. *Offering*.—The primary children should be trained in intelligent giving. The money from this department shall be used for work with children of this age at home and abroad.

A parent may enrol his child as a life member by the payment of five dollars or place the child's name on the Memorial Roll by the gift of ten dollars.

7. *Reporting*.—The leader of the World Children's Circle shall remit quarterly to the Superintendent of the Children's Work all the moneys of the department and make a complete report of the number enrolled, new members, and any other items of interest concerning the department.

8. *Promotion*.—Members of the World Children's Circle shall be promoted to the Boys and Girls World Club the first of October. Certificates of promotion may be had from Literature Headquarters.

BOYS AND GIRLS WORLD CLUB

1. *Ages*.—Any boy or girl from nine through eleven years of age may become a member of the Boys and Girls World Club.

2. *Enrolment*.—An annual enrolment shall be held in October immediately following promotion day.

3. *The Leader*.—The leader of the Boys and Girls World Club shall have the chief responsibility of the work of this department. She shall be a member of the Standing Committee on Children's Work.

4. *Meetings*.—The Boys and Girls World Club may meet weekly. Programs for these meetings shall be published in the magazine, *World Friends*, for three quarters.

5. *Intensive Mission Study*.—During the summer quarter an intensive period of missionary cultivation is recommended to take the place of regular weekly or monthly meetings. For this work a mission study book is recommended.

6. *Offering*.—Every member of the Boys and Girls World Club should make a regular offering to the children's specials of the year. Juniors may be enrolled as Life Members by the payment of ten dollars and be placed on the Memorial Roll by the gift of ten dollars.

7. *Reporting*.—The leader of the Boys and Girls World Club shall remit quarterly to the Superintendent of Children's Work all the moneys collected and make a complete report of the number enrolled, new members for the quarter, and any other items of interest.

STANDING RULES

COUNCIL

1. Standing committees shall meet for organization before leaving the place of meeting of the Council. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum, with the provision that the quorum of no committee be less than three. The actions of the quorum of each committee shall be submitted to all members of each committee.

2. Candidates who meet all requirements educationally and physically, and who are recommended by the faculty as eligible, shall receive appointment at the beginning instead of at the close of the senior year, contingent on the indorsement of the faculty, medical examiners, and Committee on Missionary Candidates at the close of the senior year.

3. Scholarships shall not be granted for home mission workers by Council or Conference to young women who do not meet the educational requirements adopted by the Council.

4. No recommendations for action shall be placed in the body of the annual reports of the officers of the Council.

5. Each and every memorial or resolution referred to a session committee of the Council shall be listed and reported back to the Council in a committee report.

6. The chairman of the Session Committee on Laws shall be given supervision of the preparation of a collection of the Standing Rules to be printed in each annual report of the Council.

7. Members of the Council at large shall give the pledges of the children separately from those of the adults.

8. The pledges taken at the Council meeting shall include all funds for authorized Council work.

9. All manuals, booklets, helps, etc., ordered by the Committee on Literature shall be submitted to each member of the committee before going to print.

10. The Council shall provide transfer cards for the use of members of the Missionary Society moving from one Church to another.

11. Unused balances and refunds in the regular appropriations each year shall be added to the basis of appropriation for the following year and be subject to reappropriation, it being understood that the amount shall not be added until the contingent fund shall have been estimated.

12. The Home Cultivation Secretary in Charge of Literature shall distribute literature for the United Day of Prayer appointed by the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions and the Council of Women for Home Missions.

13. In accord with the Council policy of granting in occasional instances the taking of special objects of support by individuals, auxiliaries, districts, or Conferences, all money collected for specials shall be used for those objects directly authorized by the Council. In case any individual, auxiliary, district, or Conference desires to direct an offering to some particular activity in Council work, some arrangement to that end shall first be made with the Executive Secretary in charge of the field in which the activity is located.

CONFERENCE

1. The Woman's Department in each Church paper shall be edited by one woman only. She shall be selected by the President and Corresponding Secretary of the patronizing Conference.

2. In each Conference Society a committee of three, one of whom shall be the Conference Secretary, shall be elected to visit the home institutions within its boundary and co-operate with them for the advancement of their work.

3. A campaign for mission study shall be urged in October and special effort made to organize classes in every Adult and Children's Auxiliary.

4. A yearbook of programs for Adult Auxiliaries shall be prepared annually by the Standing Committee on Literature and the Home Cultivation Secretary in Charge of Literature.

5. One handbook and one yearbook shall be furnished free to the President of each auxiliary.

6. Two copies of the booklet, *Helps*, shall be furnished free of cost to each Adult or Children's Auxiliary.

7. The week beginning with the first Sunday in November shall be observed as a Week of Prayer.

8. Auxiliaries attaining the Roll of Honor shall be given recognition at the annual meetings by the presentation of a token to be agreed upon by the Home Cultivation Secretary in Charge of Organization and the Conference Secretaries. The Conference having the largest number of auxiliaries reaching the standard shall receive recognition at the Council meeting.

9. The following schedule of quarterly events shall be observed as an annual basis of cultivation: (a) First Quarter—An Officers' Training Day in District or Zone Groups. (b) Second Quarter—A Membership and Enlistment Campaign. (c) Third Quarter—A Training Day for Mission Study Leadership. (d) Fourth Quarter—Week of Prayer and Harvest Day.

10. The Standard of Efficiency in Christian Social Relations shall be: (a) The sending of four quarterly reports to the Conference Superintendents; (b) a study of two handbooks (Interracial and Social Service); (c) definite service performed; (d) a regular representation from the committee in a mission study class; (e) the study of one of the special packets of literature recommended by the Bureau; (f) regular meetings of the committee.

CHILDREN'S WORK

1. A Certificate of Honor shall be granted at the close of each fiscal year to each children's auxiliary that has attained the Roll of Honor.

2. One day of the Week of Prayer shall be made a special day of prayer for the children, and a special program shall be prepared to be used by the children.

3. The offering of the children on Children's Day of the Week of Prayer shall be credited to the Children's Department.

4. Pictorial leaflets shall be prepared setting forth the specials for children.

5. Auxiliary Superintendents of the Children's Department shall co-operate with other organizations of the Church in promoting missionary education and activity among the children.

6. An effort shall be made by Auxiliary Superintendents of Children's Department to establish missionary libraries and curio cabinets for the use of children in their missionary studies.

7. A full presentation of the children's work shall be made at annual and district meetings.

8. Each Superintendent of the Children's Department shall endeavor to have the children's auxiliary give a demonstration of its work before the adult auxiliary once during the year.

9. The Conference Superintendents of the Children's Work shall secure the help of District Secretaries in the appointment of Superintendents of the Children's Department in each charge where there is no adult auxiliary.

10. The Conference Superintendent of Children's Work shall cooperate with the District Secretaries in planning the children's part of the program at the district meetings.

11. The Auxiliary Superintendent of the Children's Department shall represent the children at the annual and district meetings, but the World Club shall be also urged to send one of its own members as delegate to the district meeting.

12. A yearbook of children's programs shall be prepared annually by the Standing Committee on Literature and the Superintendent of Children's Work of the Council.

13. A special effort shall be made to secure trained leadership by conducting institutes and group meetings, encouraging attendance upon training schools and summer assemblies, and by promoting interdenominational conferences on children's work, even in the local community.

14. The Adult Auxiliary shall be asked to furnish the necessary equipment for children's work, financial assistance for social features, and delegate's expenses to Annual and District Conferences.

15. A standing committee on the Children's Department shall be appointed in each auxiliary, the Superintendent of the Children's Department to be the chairman of this committee.

16. There shall be a Conference Probation List on which shall be placed all new organizations, there to remain until they have made two reports to the Conference Superintendent, and at least one to the Conference Treasurer, after which they shall be transferred to the permanent record book. When organized such auxiliaries shall be furnished the regular literature.

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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.

