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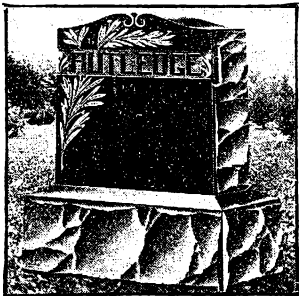
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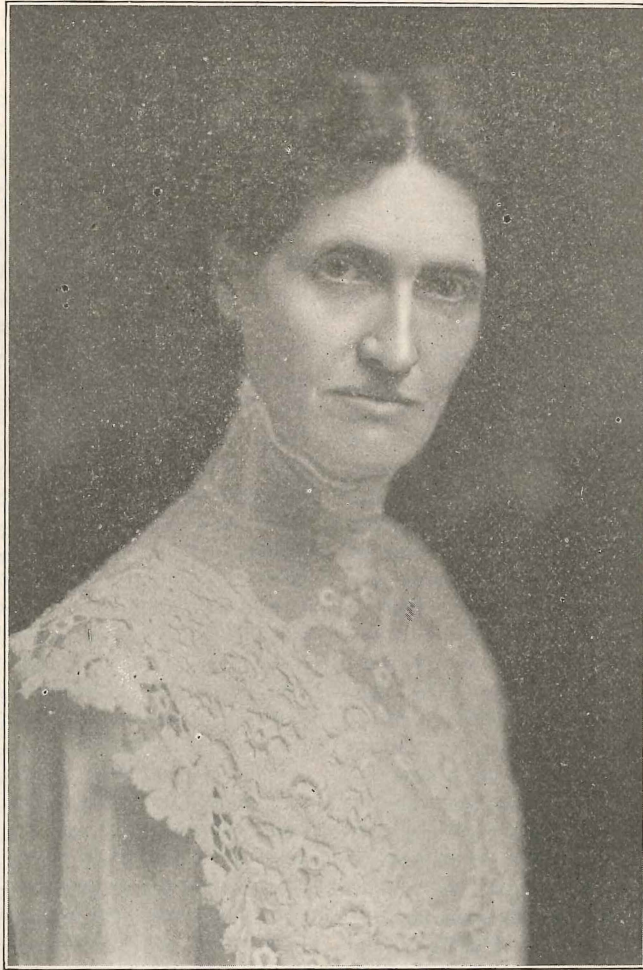
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MISS MATTIE PRIEST.

ANOTHER LOUISVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME MISSIONARY.

Almost from the first, the Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home has been a missionary centre.

The little children's gifts to missions are far more than those of the average church.

Many years ago Miss Eliza J. Robertson went as a self-supporting missionary and she lies buried at Jerusalem. Next, Mrs.

Laura Davault went to China, and in September, Miss Mattie Priest, Superintendent, will sail with her devoted sister, Miss Sallie Priest, to Shanghai, China, and will probably take a position in the hospital, she being an experienced professional nurse. Many prayers will go up for these good women and the Orphans' Home.

Thos. D. Osborne.

... EDITORIAL ...

W. D. POWELLEditor

AN IMPERATIVE NEED.

We must inspire our Baptist people with the proper motive for continuous, faithful, denominational effort in behalf of State Missions. There must be a proper motive to stimulate us in our actions. Many church members are so occupied with other things that the cause of Missions is overlooked. When a matter gets out of the mind it is very easy for it to get out of the heart.

Doctrinal soundness is essential to a healthy growth in missionary zeal.

Our churches are in dire need of suitable leadership. Often the people will respond if there is only someone to lead them.

We are doing all in our power to encourage the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society in every church in the State. Our women are beginning to duly appreciate the importance of rendering effective aid in the fearful destitution that abounds in our beloved State. The frontier is no longer in the West but is found in our own and other States where new towns are springing up and where there are vast stretches of country and no one to preach the Gospel. No State in the Union has such urgent need for houses of worship as we have in Kentucky. Often \$25, \$50, \$75 or \$100 will encourage a congregation to arise and build. We must call on the W. M. U. to give us substantial aid to the extent of \$1,000 for Church Building besides the \$8,000 for State Missions. The State Board is now supporting several women who are engaged in organizing Women's Missionary Societies and, in addition we furnish the headquarters for the organization and we are joining the Home and Foreign Boards in the support of the W. M. U. Agency. We feel sure that our noble Kentucky women will appreciate our interest and aid in their behalf and that loyally they will support that work which has for its object the redemption of Kentucky for Christ and His Kingdom.

BAPTIST GROWTH.

In 1838 there were 1,500 Baptists in Louisville. Today we have 27 white churches with 15,000 members. We have also 30 colored churches with a large membership. We have grown in the spirit of Missions throughout the State, as well as in membership. We are having many Association campaigns at the present time to arouse the interest and dormant energies of our 1,846 churches. We must devise some means to reach every church and each individual member. Our State Board of Missions is only the channel through which each individual church must work. No church can shirk its individual responsibility in doing Christ's work. Doing that work will help the church, exalt Christ and bless the world. Churches are Christ's appointed Missionary forces and they cannot transfer their responsibility to others.

Men and women looking into God's Word and realizing His orders will be forced to obey and do their duty. The New Testament is a key to open men's hearts and purses. Covetousness is intemperance in greed. It hinders preachers and leaders in the development of churches and Associations. The true mission of the churches is missions. For this they were organized. They stand for the life, the doctrine and the spirit of their Head. When we unite with the Church of Jesus Christ we join an army of conquest. Every member is a soldier and must learn obedience, subordination and self-sacrifice. The soldier soon learns that his is not a life of ease but his duty is to endure and persevere. Giving is a plain duty and not optional. A covetous man should be disciplined as quickly as a thief or a drunkard. Bitter acrimonious denunciation will not develop a church in the Christian graces. The essence of life and death must be the burden of our themes.

There are other things which churches should do besides support missions, but none of them can be placed on a parity with missions without dishonoring Christ and injuring the churches.

There must be a generous flow of funds from the churches, Sunday Schools, Mis-

sionary Societies and the friends of missions into this office for the support of our State work. Our missionaries must be paid promptly and the work of building Baptist meeting houses must be encouraged. We have aided more than one church for each week of the seven years that the writer has served as Secretary. Calls come to us almost weekly for timely aid. We cannot afford to turn a deaf ear where outside help is really needed to enable the congregations to supply themselves with suitable buildings in which the Lord's work can be carried forward. This giving to the poor is really lending to the Lord and will bring its reward both in this world and the life to come.

A WORD OF CAUTION.

I wish to caution Baptist Churches and Pastors against allowing indiscriminate offerings for objects as this may interfere with the work of supporting State Missions and Church Building. It seems there is no end to the list of objects clamoring for the ear of the denomination. I pass no judgment upon the merits of each one, but I am fully convinced that State Missions are basal and fundamental. We cannot be loyal to Christ without taking care of the interests of His Kingdom. Our desire is to take Kentucky completely for Christ and to vitalize the churches now in existence so to make this a base of operation in worldwide evangelism. The prospects for State Missions were never more encouraging. We have an abundance of literature which is both inspiring and informing and pastors are beginning to call for it for distribution in their respective fields. We supplement the salaries of pastors at needy points. We have co-operative evangelists, city missionaries, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. workers and our great work for aiding in the erection of church buildings at mission points. We must have \$50,000 for State Missions and \$10,000 for Church Building. This will require united and concerted efforts of our pastors and churches, Sunday Schools, Women's Missionary Societies, Young People's Societies and the friends of Missions. We are already heav-

ily in bank and our obligations must be met promptly. Our Women's Missionary Societies must make the effort of their lives in behalf of State Missions.

VISITING A BAPTIST LANDMARK.

I left my office on Saturday, August 1st, for a visit to Tate's Creek Church on the invitation of Pastor Petty. I was handsomely entertained by Bro. John Deatherage and his nieces. Sunday morning it was a pleasant ride out the Lexington pike eight or ten miles. The corn in the fields was the finest I have seen in my travels. We passed in sight of the home of the erratic but brilliant Cassius M. Clay.

Tate's Creek Church was organized in 1790. There had been two revival seasons in Kentucky. There were then forty-two churches, forty ministers and three thousand one hundred and five members in the State. The only other Baptists in the entire Mississippi Valley at that time were eighteen churches in Tennessee, with eight hundred and ninety members and one church with a few members in the Western District. There were three Associations, namely: Elkhorn, Salem and South Kentucky. The whole population of the State was 73,675.

Eight new churches were organized in Kentucky in 1890. For ten years there was a spiritual dearth in the State.

We had a fine congregation yesterday and one of the finest dinners was served I have seen in my travels. The house is a substantial brick building which was erected in 1852. We raised \$238 to make some needed repairs and improvements. They have preaching twice a month, but should have a pastor for full time. They are amply able to support him.

CHURCH TO CHURCH CAMPAIGN IN MT. ZION ASSOCIATION.

Beginning July 10th, at Woodbine, Ky., I have been conducting a church to church campaign in Mt. Zion Association. The matter of getting into the rural churches is always a very interesting feature, as so many times they think advantage might be

taken of their independence, however, in this Association the fearful spirit was not shown, but the welcome spirit.

In order to reach the churches on May 7th, at Corbin, I called the Executive Board of the Association and a number of the pastors and laymen together and laid the work out before them and asked their co-operation. In that meeting the churches were divided among the pastors and laymen present, and they were to see the pastors and churches for an all-day meeting.

A suggestive program of dates and topics for discussion were submitted by way of a personal letter to each church for their approval. An all-day meeting with twenty-four churches was sought and twenty-two gave us a hearty welcome.


The purpose of such a meeting deserves special attention. In this Association with rural churches the pastors are poorly paid, many not over \$1.00 per month, and they travel from six to twenty miles and only one service each month.

The Mission spirit is at a very low ebb and such an organization as the W. M. U. was never heard of by the most of the women, and a returned missionary is a strange man in a strange country with most all these churches. So it has been our mission to discuss thoroughly pastors' support, World-Wide Missions and the Bible Plan of Giving.

The Bible Plan of Giving has had special attention and outlined, as commanded by the Lord to Israel, in Gen. 14:18,28; 20. Lev. 27, 30-33, and as commanded by the Lord to Baptists. I. Cor. 16:1-2.

Pastors' support as taught in the Bible has had special attention. We have given thorough information to State, Home and Foreign Missions, and have used charts made for this campaign to show what was accomplished last year. We have given special stress on September 27th as Missionary Day in the Sunday Schools for State Missions. There have been tracts given out to each congregation.

We naturally ask the question: "What good has been done?" On July 23d Rev. Frank Marrs, of Mexico, joined us and has been delivering some great addresses covering Missions in Mexico. It was clearly seen that his messages won their way to



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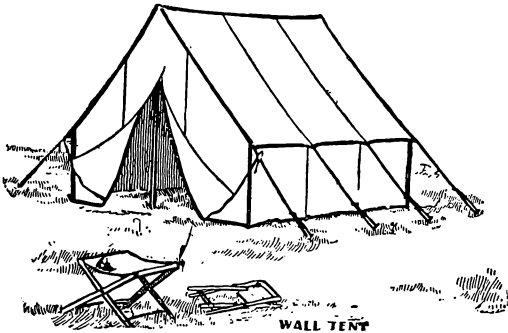
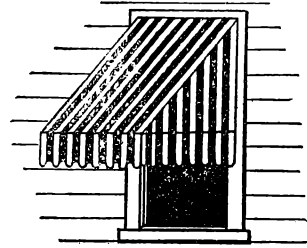
the hearts of the people. There is no way to estimate the value of his work in this Association. His work alone is worth the effort of this campaign.

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Benton Baptist Sunday School, Benton; Rev. N. S. Castleberry, pastor; Judge Joe L. Price, superintendent.

Fifth Street Baptist Sunday School, Lexington; Rev. Walter L. Brock, pastor; Mr. Frank L. Smith, superintendent.

Midway Baptist Sunday School, Midway; Rev. J. Pendleton Scruggs, pastor; Mr. W. B. Cogar, superintendent.

First Baptist Sunday School, Mayfield; Dr. W. M. Wood, pastor; Mr. W. H. Albritton, superintendent.

Cynthiana Baptist Sunday School, Cynthiana; Rev. C. W. Elsey, pastor; Mr. W. H. VanDeren, superintendent.

Highland Baptist Sunday School, Louisville; Dr. A. Paul Bagby, pastor; Dr. B. D. Rivers, superintendent.

Calvary Baptist Sunday School, Lexington, Rev. T. C. Ecton, pastor; Mr. W. H. Porter, Superintendent.

First Baptist Sunday School, Louisa, Rev. Olus Hamilton, pastor; Mr. B. J. Calloway, superintendent.

Murray Baptist Sunday School, Rev. H. B. Taylor, pastor; Mr. Barber McElrath, superintendent.

Glasgow Baptist Sunday School, Rev. W. H. Williams, pastor; Mr. Elisha Dickey, superintendent.

Blandville Baptist Sunday School—Rev. J. M. Burgess, pastor; Mr. W. J. Hagood, superintendent.

First Baptist Sunday School, Jellico, Tenn.—Rev. J. E. Martin, pastor; Mr. Z. D. Baird, superintendent.

Baptist Tabernacle Sunday School, Louisville; Rev. Wallace Wear, pastor; Mr. Matt S. Mann, superintendent.

First Baptist Sunday School, Bowling Green; Dr. L. W. Doolan, pastor; Mr. J.

Whit Potter, superintendent.

Pollard Sunday School, Ashland; Rev. W. C. Pierce, pastor; Mr. R. N. May, superintendent.

The following is a list of Normal Diplomas by Associations ending July 31, 1914.

Long Run, 644; Blood River, 445; Elkhorn, 296; North Bend, 264; West Union, 192; Daviess Co., 153; Bethel, 130; Campbell Co., 127; Pulaski, 127; Bell Co., 80; Nelson, 79; West Ky., 74; Wayne Co., 69; Bracken, 67; Graves Co., 65; S. District, 64; Little River, 60; N. Concord, 57; Union, 56; Ohio Co., 55; Baptist, 53; Ohio River, 53; Muhlenberg, 49; Concord, 46; Enterprise, 46; Shelby Co., 43; Greenup, 39; Breckenridge, 39; White's Run, 39; East Union, 37; Ohio Valley, 37; Tate's Creek, 37; Franklin, 36; Liberty, 35; Crittenden, 34; Russell's Creek, 27; Severn's Valley, 26; Salem, 24; Three Forks, 23; Warren, 22; Little Bethel, 22; Mount Zion, 21; Sulphur Fork, 21; Boone's Creek, 19; Freedom, 17; Laurel River, 12; Oneida, 12; Simpson, 12; Lynn, 11; Central, 11; Goshen, 9; E. Lynn, 5; Ten Mile, 4; Rockcastle, 4; Allen, 2; Cumberland, 1; Gasper River, 1; Owen Co., 1; S. Ky., 1; Logan Co., 1.

The standing to date of the five leading States, July 31st, 1914.

Normal Diplomas—Texas, 4,187; Kentucky, 4,021; Georgia, 3,017; North Carolina, 2,632; Mississippi, 2,168.

Red Awards—Kentucky, 681; Texas, 514; Georgia, 308; Mississippi, 257; Tennessee, 256.

Blue Awards—Kentucky, 425; Texas, 283; Georgia, 173; Alabama, 147; Tennessee, 138.

Blue seal graduates during the month of July, 1914:

Miss Alice Fritts, Bracken Ass'n; Rev. L. J. Covington, Graves Co. Ass'n; Miss Zella Lowe, Graves Co. Ass'n; Miss Bessie McGinnis, Long Run Ass'n; Miss Ethel Rogers, Long Run Ass'n; Miss Lillian Wood, Long Run Ass'n; Mrs. Ruth Robb, Cynthiana (Union Ass'n).

Honor Roll Sunday Schools of Kentucky. (Those agreeing to contribute at least once each quarter to State Missions.)

Bell's Run; Fifth St., Lexington; Marion;

Oakdale; Cynthiaana; Louisa; Falmouth; Benton; Morehead, Tabernacle, Louisville; Adairville; Stamping Ground; Gilbertsville; Birmingham; Augusta; Cropper; Wallin's Creek; Harlan.

PINEVILLE INSTITUTE.

In the beautiful mountain city of Pineville, from June 8th to 14th, I was with Brother W. C. Sale in a most delightful institute; so much good accrued from the holding of this meeting that I cannot take the time to account it in full, but only tell of a few items of interest. We had with us Dr. J. J. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist church, Knoxville, Tenn., his addresses were full of power and were of great benefit to all who heard them.

Dr. W. D. Powell was also present, and, as always, was full of good messages along the lines of Missions and evangelistic work in general.

The writer had the privilege of delivering thirteen Normal Diplomas to the class so splendidly taught by Brother Sale, while the B. Y. P. U. Manual was taught by Brother N. T. Barnes. The work of the B. Y. P. U. under Brother Barnes is making rapid strides in our State as it should do under the leadership of one so well qualified to inspire the young people with sane ideals. As I saw this class develop under his training, and watched him day by day, I was struck with the fact that he did it almost as well as Flake himself, which is the highest praise I could give him.

Dr. J. M. Roddy, in his addresses on the Country Church was a pleasure and an uplift to those fortunate enough to hear him. Brother W. T. Robbins, who will do evangelistic and Sunday School work in Bell County Association during the coming year, as well as W. A. Cowen and others aided in making this institute a success.

One great feature of this institute was the fact that the evangelistic note was sounded throughout the meeting, eight joined the church on Sunday and six were baptized that same afternoon.

It was a great pleasure to be with Bro.

Sale and his people, who, under his splendid leadership, are moving on to greater work in the Kingdom of God. I shall look forward with great pleasure to the time when duty calls me to that section of the State again.

INSTITUTE AT CROPPER.

J. M. Price.

It was a genuine pleasure to be with the Cropper church in a week's institute. Already a training class had been organized by the pastor, Rev. F. M. Huggins, and a part of the work covered.

During the week, the remainder of the first division of the Convention Normal Manual was covered and seven received certificates on that part of the book.

A census was taken and on Sunday the school graded. A rather remarkable result was attained on Sunday when Miss Grace Watkins, the newly-elected Superintendent of the Cradle Roll, added twenty-eight names to that roll that day.

The school is in earnest and will go forward. Curtains will soon be put in, and the training class is continuing the book with several additions. The school went on the Honor Roll.

Brother Huggins, the pastor, is a splendid example of what a seminary pastor can do spending his vacation with his church, and the school is blessed with an exceptionally fine superintendent in the person of Brother J. E. Watkins.

Church to Church Campaign.

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that they request everywhere for Miss Leachman to come back next year, and they want her to come and live in the mountains. We have had as many as ten pastors who have given over one day to the Campaign, and a number of laymen. There were a number of men who followed to as many as four churches because of their deep concern, who never before were interested in Missions.

In my judgment a church to church campaign will doubly pay in an Association.

F. R. Walters.

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W. M. U. NOTES.

"God will do in answer to the prayer of the weakest here, what otherwise He could not do."

A fact worthy of the attention of all is the W. M. U. Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention gave one-third of the amount that Southern Baptists gave to all missions last year and \$53,000 more than the one-third. When we take into consideration that of the 23,000 white Baptist churches in the Southern Baptist Convention only about 7,200 have organized W. M. U. work, that of the churches having W. M. S's, only about one-eleventh of the women belong to the societies, and that ninety-nine per cent of these give to missions through the church as well as through the society, the task before us is clearly seen, that of enlistment of all the women in churches where our work is already organized and organizing in other churches.

A question so often asked us is, "What mountain schools are under the Home Board and which ones are under the State Board?"

The State Board has none of our mountain schools under its oversight. The Home Board only has oversight of three Kentucky mountain schools, Barbourville, Hazard and Magoffin Institutes. Magoffin Institute is located at Salyersville.

Our other mountain schools are either under the Baptist Education Society or are working independently. We are making this statement that you may know when you send in money for a certain school whether we give you credit for Home Missions or Baptist Education Society. Some ask: "Can't we get credit for State Missions if we send to a Kentucky Mountain School?" No. For the State

Board doesn't have the oversight of the schools.

We are anxious that every Society shall observe the "Day of Prayer for State Missions" on September 22nd, and if impossible to observe that day, observe another day, using the programs sent out.

We have enough envelopes for you to have one for each woman in your church. Write us how many you need, number the envelopes and keep a list of the women you give them to, with the number opposite their name and see that every one is turned in, even should it be empty.

We want to make the greatest contribution to State Missions this Fall we have ever made, yes, we want to double our contribution. We can, if we will.

We are anxious for all our women to take "The Kentucky Mission Monthly." How do you like this, our W. M. U. Number? You can get this, the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field, all three, for sixty cents.

The recommendations of the State Mission Board to Kentucky W. M. U. for the year ending October 31st, 1914:

1. That each Society loyally and liberally support the different features of our State work.
 2. That of the amount given by the W. M. S's, \$1,000 be designated to aid in church building at mission points; \$1,000 for City Missions, and the remainder to support missionaries.
 3. That the Y. W. A.'s give \$300 on the salary of Miss Leachman, and \$50 to sustain mountain pastors.
 4. That the Sunbeam Bands give \$240 to be used in furnishing Bibles, Testaments, Gospels and Religious tracts for the destitute.
 5. That the amount given by the Royal Ambassadors be designated to place the windows in a mountain church at some needy point.
- Apportionment for W. M. S., \$5,000; Y. W. A.'s, \$800; S. B., \$240; R. A. \$25.
W. D. Powell, Cor. Sec.

On August 5th an Associational W. M.

U. was organized in Liberty Association, at the request of the Superintendent, Miss Alice Garnett. Miss Garnett of Glasgow, was elected Superintendent; Mrs. McGuire of Horse Cave, Assistant Superintendent; and Miss Maude Emerson of Beech Grove church, Secretary-Treasurer. A committee was appointed to draft a constitution to be presented for adoption at the next meeting. They voted to have the next meeting in the Spring at Beech Grove church.

Splendid reports of the year's work were made by the societies represented: Beech Grove, Canmer, Glasgow, and Horse Cave. Bon Ayr was represented, but made no report, as it was only recently organized.

The Corresponding Secretary had the pleasure of meeting with and talking to the women.

On Sunday, August 2nd, the W. M. S. and R. A.'s of Harrodsburg had special meetings. This was the day for the Missionary Rally of the South District Association to be held at Harrodsburg. Rev. McFarlan preached at the morning hour. Miss Bertha Mitchell, our field worker, who has been with the Missionary Campaign in South District from its beginning, talked on "The Training School and Settlement." Mrs. Hinkle presented the work of the year, and the immediate needs of our State Mission work. The Harrodsburg W. M. S. fulfilled all points on the Standard of Excellence last year, and we found them a noble band of women. It was a great pleasure to meet with them.

Program for the Day of Prayer for State Missions, September 22, 1914:

"Prayer moves the arm that moves the world."

1. W. M. U. Hymn of the Year—"The Son of God Goes Forth to War."

2. Prayer—For the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in this service.

3. Scripture Readings—Mark 11:22-26; Psalm 55:17; Acts 6:4; Luke 18:1; Eph. 6:18; Jas. 5:16.

4. Y. W. A. Hymn—"O, Zion, Haste."

5. What do you understand by State Missions? (Ans. in State Mission Catechism). Is it an important work? Are State Mis-

sions Biblical? Acts 1:8. (p3). What must a church do to be saved? (p4). What about City Missions? (p4). Name a great loss and why? (p5). State one way of stopping the leakage? p6). What does Dr. Powell say on page 6 of the State Mission Catechism about every church having a Missionary Society? Where are Kentucky Baptist Headquarters? (p7). (N. B.—The W. M. U. has given up P. O. Box 396. Please address all mail to 205 E. Chestnut, Louisville, Ky.)

6. Talk on the State Board, its work and workers. (Taken from pages 6 and 8, Catechism).

7. Prayer—For Dr. Powell, Secretary of State Missions, for his health and strength and that great spiritual power may be given him to do the work. For each member of the State Board, that great wisdom and discretion may be given them to plan wisely for the most efficient and effective work for the Lord in Kentucky. For all pastors, evangelists, colporters, field workers, and the office force of all our Baptist work in the State.

8. Hymn—"Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone."

9. Short History of W. M. U. work in Kentucky and how it has been helped by and is helping in State Missions.

10. Solo—"A Little Bit of Love."

11. A Chain of Prayers—For our community, our city missionaries, our W. M. U. work and workers, our W. M. U. Settlement in Louisville, the people reached through it, Miss Emma Leachman, the city missionary in charge, and that our offerings for State Missions may be just what God would have it.

"Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God." Acts.

12. Royal Ambassador Hymn.—By R. A.

13. Recommendations of the State Board to the W. M. U.

14. Sunbeam Hymn—By the Sunbeams.

15. Offering.

16. Benediction.

HISTORY OF THE W. M. U. OF KENTUCKY.

It is difficult for writers of history to get the facts of the real beginnings or things which happened so many years previous.

And so there may have been Woman's Missionary and Aid Societies previous to 1874 of which we have no record. The W. M. S. of Russellville was organized in 1874, and has the distinction of being the first society on record in Kentucky.

Central Committee.—In 1878 Drs. J. L. Burrows and C. H. Toy, as per request of the Foreign Mission Board, appointed a Central Committee from the societies in Louisville. This was in pursuance of action taken by the Southern Baptist Convention in May of the same year. At first six women, from the four newly organized societies, were appointed. Afterwards as new societies were organized in other churches in the city, one member from each society was added to the Central Committee, until the number reached twelve.

First Report.—In May, 1880, the first report was issued. The nineteen societies then in existence reported a total gift of \$535.65.

It is interesting to know that eighteen of the nineteen societies are still in existence.

Officers Through the Years.—The first president was Mrs. Leora Robinson; corresponding secretary, Miss Agnes Osborne, who is still a member of the Central Committee and editor of the W. M. U. columns in the Western Recorder; Miss Louie Delph, treasurer. The second president was Mrs. Mary Burrows Fontaine. In 1885 Miss Ellen Carey became president, followed by Miss E. S. Broadus, who served until, in 1904, at her request a presiding officer was elected for the annual State meeting, Miss Broadus taking the name of chairman of the Central Committee.

In 1891 Miss Agnes Osborne removed from the State, but since her return some years later has been a faithful member of the Central Committee. Upon her removal Miss Mary P. Caldwell became corresponding secretary. In 1892 Mrs. Matlack became secretary.

In 1895 Mrs. Hamet Cary was made corresponding sec.-treas., and Mrs. Thos. D. Osborne recording secretary. Mrs. J. N. Prestridge succeeded Mrs. Osborne. In 1896 Mrs. B. G. Rees became corresponding sec.-treas. In 1911 Mrs. Rees became treasurer, which office she still holds.

Mrs. B. F. Procter was the first president of the Womans' Association of Kentucky, and Mrs. C. E. Eads recording sec.-treas. The same year, 1904, Miss Willie Lamb was appointed corresponding sec.-treas. In 1909 Mrs. Loraine Bramble was elected president, and Miss Elizabeth Garrott recording secretary. In 1910 Mrs. E. B. Sayers became president, Miss Lamb resigned, and Miss Nona Lee Dover was employed to continue the field work, which she had so successfully conducted during the summer, also to do the combined work of Miss Lamb and the lately lamented Mrs. Sherman, who was distributor of literature.

In 1911 Mrs. J. W. Stephenson was elected president, Miss Margaret Webster taking Miss Dover's place in the office and field work for a few months, to be succeeded by Miss Clifforde Hunter, who afterwards sailed as a missionary to China in the fall of 1913. In 1912 Mrs. W. E. Mitchell was elected president, Miss Elizabeth Garrott remaining recording secretary. Upon the resignation of Miss Hunter, which took effect in June, 1913, it was found necessary to employ an office secretary, Mrs. Janie Cree Bose, as well as a corresponding secretary, Mrs. Kate C. Hinkle. The work had more than doubled under the wise management and strenuous efforts of those bearing the burdens.

Contributions.—At first all contributions were made to the foreign work. In a few years, however, the Home Board asked that the women contribute to their work and soon after the Sunday School Board claimed a share of our interest, though at first no money was asked but aid in securing subscribers for periodicals. Samples were sent out in every package from our office.

Some Difficulties.—Many efforts were made to interest the Kentucky women. Letters to pastors produced few answers; postmasters were written to and a number of them replied; clerks of churches and Associations were requested to help secure names of Baptist women and slowly the advance was made.

Meeting of Southern Baptist Women.—In 1887 the Southern Baptist Convention met in Louisville and the Kentucky Central Committee arranged a meeting of the wo-

men in another church, asking women from different States to take part in the program. This led to another meeting, where it was agreed to effect some organization of the W. M. S.'s in the States under the Southern Baptist Convention, most of which had Central Committees.

First Delegates.—In 1888 three delegates from Kentucky were sent to Richmond, Va., and aided in the organization of the W. M. U., Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. Miss Agnes Osborne was present at that meeting. Miss E. S. Broadus, president of the Central Committee, was elected vice president for Kentucky, and has served continuously ever since.

First State Meeting.—In 1890, for the first time, a woman's meeting was held during the sessions of the General Association, which has been done continuously ever since, this being our annual State W. M. U. meeting.

First Report to General Association.—About the same time the women requested permission to have their report read in the General Association and printed with their minutes. After some years of this policy it became the custom for a committee on Woman's Work, appointed by the Moderator to make a report to the General Association, as a regular part of the work of that body. In 1912, the Moderator styled this report, "The crowning event of the meeting."

Objects of Special Gifts.—The first special objects for which money was given were the outfit and passage money for Miss Sallie Stein, who was supported by the Young Ladies' Society of the First church of Richmond, Va.; then the support of Mrs. Holmes, of China. In 1890 contributions to the Brick Cards for the Havana church and to the Christmas offering for Pingtu, China, were made. During that year fifty-five societies reported the total gifts amounting to \$2,517.26. In 1897, in connection with other gifts, thirty-eight boxes were sent to missionaries. In 1898 the Bible Fund was recommended and mite boxes and the self-denial fund appears on the list of contributions.

In 1901 in addition to the Foreign Mission offering we undertook to build a home for

Dr. and Mrs. McCloy in South America, to cost \$3,500.

Definite work for Mountain Schools was begun and \$1,382.11 was given for schools at London, Oneida and Pineville. This was given in cash, organs, hymn books, seats, and other furniture, and clothing. The State Board had requested that the women take this as their special part in State Missions. In 1902 the Church Building Loan Fund was pressed and Mountain Schools. In 1905 the Margaret Home became a new object for our gifts. The Home Board had taken charge of all mountain schools. \$517.50 was given for a home for women missionaries. In 1907 great interest was shown in the purchasing of a home for the Training School, established by the W. M. U., Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention. In 1909 we began to support a missionary among colored women. 1910 receipts included a special fund of \$360 for Miss McKenzie's Hospital.

In 1911, \$3,191.02 was given to the Jubilate Fund. 1913 the Jubilate celebrations, with the special offerings for the Judson Centennial Fund and Home Church Building Fund marked our special efforts.

Work of Central Committee.—In 1895 the plan for a division of labor among members of the Central Committee was begun. The work was growing so rapidly that the one or two whose time was partly occupied with their home duties could not efficiently cope with it, so Mrs. Matlack was put in charge of the department for sending boxes to frontier and mountain missionaries. Mrs. Woody took charge of the literature department, sending out tracts, packages of literature and mimeograph letters. A mimeograph was given by Elkhorn Association. Miss Broadus all of these years has been chairman of the Central Committee and has wisely directed the work of the whole State. Kentucky women can hardly realize what a gift God has given us in our Miss Broadus, progressive along all lines which tend to advancing the cause and yet wisely conservative, she has led us safely through the most critical periods. We do feel that God gave her to us, and kept her for us all these years, especially for this work.

The Central Committee have always giv-

en their services to the Union without salaries. Kentucky W. M. U. owes a great debt to the faithful services of the Central Committee. In 1904 they requested of the Union that 4 per cent of undesignated funds might be kept for the expense fund. Much was required for postage, the bookkeeping was that of a real business; funds coming from 245 societies, so it was necessary to have one who could devote more time to the work than these busy housekeepers could give. It has often been said that the Kentucky W. M. U. has been run on a cheaper basis than any organization or business in the country.

Sunbeam Leaders.—In 1900 Mrs. T. H. Wayne was elected Sunbeam Leader and Miss Lida Ramey, Baby Branch Leader.

In 1903 Mrs. J. A. Taylor became Sunbeam Leader. 1907 Miss Edna Wilson was made Sunbeam Leader, followed by Miss Mary Louise Warren in 1911. Miss Warren still fills this office.

Y. W. A. Leaders.—In 1908 Mrs. J. P. Creal was elected Y. W. A. Leader, and in 1912 Mrs. Thos. Rodman became Y. W. A. Leader, which position she still holds.

R. A. Leaders.—The Royal Ambassador Leaders have been Mrs. S. H. Bennett, 1909, and Mrs. Max Schloss, 1910, to the present time.

In 1910 Miss Ruth Ellison gave some months to the field work organizing many new societies.

Home Department.—The Home Department of W. M. U. work was begun in 1902. In June of 1913 we began tending all funds through our State Boards, keeping nothing for expenses, at the same time the Foreign, Home and State Boards began giving us a certain amount for our running expenses.

This same year the State Board gave us a nice large room in the State Board Building, 205 E. Chestnut street, Louisville, Ky., for the W. M. U. office. For a year or more previous to this they had allowed us to use a corner in the hall for this purpose. This room has been furnished by the Women's Societies of the State giving \$1 each, that is, a little more than half of them have given this. With this money an Underwood Typewriter and sanitary typewriter desk were bought, a long table for the handling of our literature, filing cabinets, two desk

chairs and rugs have been bought.

In the Associational and church to church campaigns put on in Kentucky by the State and Foreign Boards, requests have come for a W. M. U. representative to go in each campaign. So at our request the State Board furnished us Misses Northington and Mitchell for two months for this summer field work. They also allowed Miss Leachman to go in the field among the women for State Missions. All of these workers and the Corresponding Secretary have been organizing new societies wherever practicable.

Growth.—To show something of the growth of the W. M. U. work, we give a few dates and figures:

In 1880 there were 19 societies, whose total gifts were \$535.65.

In 1890 there were 55 societies, whose total gifts were \$2,787.59.

In 1900 there were 98 societies, whose total gifts were \$3,864.24.

In 1904 there were 245 societies, whose total gifts were \$5,595.55.

Convention year ending April 30th, 1914, there were 758 societies, whose total gifts were \$27,712.36. (This includes State Missions and Jubilate offerings.)

Kentucky Missionaries.—There have gone out missionaries from our ranks to the Foreign, Home and State fields. Among these Mrs. George W. Burton, Shanghai, China, 1853; Miss Julia McKenzie, Yang-Chow, China, 1894; Mrs. Peyton Stephens, 1895, Chefoo, China; Miss Emma Thompson, 1900, Hwang-Hien, China; Mrs. E. J. Walne, Japan; Miss Sallie Priest, Shanghai, China, 1906; Miss Eula Hensley, Crefoo, China; Miss Louella Houston Beddoe, Yingtak, China, 1909; Mrs. Florence Powell Harris, 1910, China; Miss Florence Benge, Oneida, Ky.; Miss Ruth Ellison, Prestonsburg, Ky.; and Miss Mallie Baker, Barbourville, Ky.

(To Miss Broadus and Miss Osborne credit is due for the collection of dates and preservation of much of our history. We are not offering this in any sense as a complete history of our Woman's Work in Kentucky, but simply as a sort of outline of the principal events. We hope in the near future to have a more detailed history of our work written and printed in pamphlet form).

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