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A Kindly Reminder of the Crisis Confronting Our Home and Foreign Boards.

The receipts are less than they were at this time last year. We have time enough to turn threatening defeat into a glorious victory.

Our Urgent Request.

A burning sermon on Missions and a worthy contribution from every member. *Each church must advance over last year. We must have before midnight, April 30th; for Foreign Missions \$21,000, Home Missions \$15,000.* The way out is to get to work in earnest.

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... EDITORIAL ...

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O. E. BRYAN.....Associate Editor

LET US GO FORWARD.

SERIOUS TIMES.

This is no time for treating lightly the call of the Master. We need large sums for His work during the remaining days of April.

We must have for Home Missions \$15,000 and for Foreign Missions \$21,000. A large sum, but it can be secured by united effort and heroic giving. Do not belittle a great occasion by undergiving. Kentucky Baptists must be loyal and liberal. Pastors must not shirk responsibility. Defeat or victory rests with you.

The fact that you have built a new house of worship does not release you from your duty to the lost at home and abroad.

Our Boards will have great reports to present at New Orleans. There must be no debt.

Give large sums and hurry them to us. It will require sacrificial gifts to enable us to meet our apportionment.

I can but be anxious as to the outcome. Please think, pray and give. The war is important, but Missions are more so.

This is no time to dilly-dally about our Lord's work. We must conscientiously meet our obligations to Home and Foreign Missions. The resources of our State in every direction have been marvellously developed and increased during the past year; the Budget System has served to discipline and quicken our people and make them more alert to the interests of His cause. The very exertion to raise the large amount will serve to brace us up and enable us to throw off useless tissues.

Our faithful missionaries must be sup-

ported. Their present salaries which are inadequate must be paid. We need some changing up. A brick-layer gets a better salary than a school teacher, a hotel clerk gets a higher wage than a professor, and a school janitor or a chauffer receives more salary than a Minister. Many policemen receive \$1,300 a year and a pension, while the average Baptist missionary receives from \$600 to \$1,200 and no pension. Our ministry must receive sufficient support if we expect them to be efficient.

I plead with our W. M. U. organizations, our Y. W. A.'s, our pastors and our churches to do royal things for our entire Budget and make special gifts to Home and Foreign Missions between this and April 30th. Hurry the money to us.

I heard the other day of a man who gave as his excuse for not going to church that the preaching so affected him that he always gave more than he could afford. The man lived in another State. I have not heard of any of our people who were so affected.

BE DEAD IN EARNEST.

There never was a period in the world's history when each day was so great with destiny. Conditions call for correct views of life and duty. It calls for the serious note in every Baptist. The prices for food stuffs have reached the highest point. The opportunities for usefulness were never so great. We need to whisper in the ear of every Christian, "Quit ye like men; and be strong." The times call for self-denial. The food situation will soon be serious, but far more serious is our duty to our God and to the extension of His Kingdom. It has been well said: "A world is in its Garden of Gethsemane; is being stretched upon its cross; let us watch and be sober."

Send us the names of all who would like to attend the Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans, May 16th.

KENTUCKY BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME.

We need \$1,500 each month for this worthy institution. We are not receiving it. Each month, what is lacking, is borrowed in bank. Intelligent people know what the inevitable will be if pastors and churches do not enlarge their gifts. Brethren, rally to the support of our orphans and helpless children!

The clerk of a Baptist church wrote me the other day that his Association was giving so much to orphans and widows, that they had nothing for Missions. I turned to the minutes of his Association and found that thirty-five churches had given less than \$10 to orphans!

Brethren, we need money to meet our obligations to the various objects of the Budget. The Ministers' Aid Society have now come into the Budget System. We must have \$333.33 each month for our aged and infirm ministers and their widows. Will you help us?

DOING THE IMPOSSIBLE.

I was at a Church dedication recently when a very prudent brother said to us, "It is a human impossibility to raise the debt on this Church." I said, "That may be true, but you must not overlook the promise of Jesus, 'I am with you.' His presence makes possible impossibilities."

As our newspapers tell us of the war spirit, the interference of our Missionary operations, the high cost of living, many will be tempted to be discouraged. If we should leave God out of our plans, the strongest optimist would be forced to become a pessimist. "With men it is impossible, but not with God, for with God all things are possible." There is another passage equally comforting and strengthening, "All things are possible to him that believeth." When Christ has been formed in us and we become the partakers of the divine nature, it is then that things which otherwise would be impossible become possibilities.

Surely the will of God is to be carried out as we come to the closing days of our offerings for Home and Foreign Missions. No man or woman imbued with the Spirit

of God can dare to vacillate or falter. We must have team work. There must be no balking by any pastor or any flock. Get in touch with God, Brother or Sister, and all your discouragements will disappear. Doubt is just another word for inability.

The Southern Baptist Convention meets in New Orleans May 16th. We should not have fewer than three or four hundred messengers from Kentucky. Churches should send their pastors. They are underpaid and should not be expected to defray their own expenses. They will gather fresh material for their sermons that will far more than compensate the extra expense to the church. Please let us have your name at the earliest moment possible. We rejoice that a goodly number have already written asking for cards of enrollment.

DO NOT DISSIPATE.

I was on a train yesterday when there was such leakage in the steam pipes that the engine was unable to pull us and a fast train had to be stopped and passengers transferred. Coaches were all right and had all the officers. Our trouble was escaping steam that was not going where steam ought to go to drive the piston rod and carry us forward at the rate of fifty miles an hour.

Much of the funds of the Baptists of Kentucky is being dissipated by heeding unnumbered calls for outside interests. We must stand shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart and unitedly press forward concentrating all of our financial means upon the great interests which we have undertaken to support in the Budget System. Now that war has been declared, many other interests will press upon us and we shall have to help them, but not to the neglect of the work we have in hand. Those countries in Europe engaging in war, sacrificing lives and money in the most extravagant way the world has ever seen are giving more to Mission work than ever before in their history. The crucible through which they are passing has consumed the dross and made the image of Christ to shine brightly upon them as the face of an individual is reflected by a molten mass in a great melting pot. To defer our funds

OUR AIM—2,000 New Subscription and Renewals to the Home & Foreign Fields and Kentucky Mission Monthly, during April

from direct Missionary work to other interests is not only unwise, but will lead to sure disaster. Nevertheless, patriotism calls for us to give liberally to certain new enterprises that are made obligatory by the state of war which now exists.

Dr. Early has just closed a Bible institute in his church at Stanford. The entire Association was reached in a campaign for Home and Foreign Missions, and the pastors have organized and distributed the field in such a way that no pastorless church in the Association is to go without a special effort for Home and Foreign Missions. Most of the churches in the Association are using the budget system; those not using it are taking special offerings.

There is a loud call for enlargement in our missionary operations. Our Lord says: "Ask of me and I will give thee the heathen for thy inheritance and the uttermost part for thy possession." This calls for big talks, earnest prayer and large giving.

The inevitable has come to pass. War has been declared against Germany. We must be discriminating. Patriotism should lead every able-bodied American to offer his services to his country. Our Christian President has drawn clearly the line of distinction between war and hatred. We are fighting against the spirit of militarism and not the German people. It is democracy against autocracy. Forty per cent of the population of the United States is of German extraction. Every alien in our country must be true to our flag or else be treated as a traitor. We must shoulder a gun and go to war, but not with burning hatred for the German people. We will fight our hardest as is our duty, but without bitterness toward those who are against us. We have no fight against the German as a people, but with all our soul we cry aloud, "Down with autocratic despotism."

There are fifty-three preachers in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary who are pastors in the State of Kentucky. These young men are pastors of some of our best churches.

Elder J. L. Dotson has closed his labors in South Kentucky Association. He is now in a meeting at Cane Valley in Russell Creek Association. He is a zealous, untiring worker, and we trust that he will be very successful.

A missionary was asked how he spent his idle moments. Here was his reply: "Looking after gardens; shipping freight to missionaries in an interior station; looking after mission property; building houses; receiving native visitors from country churches; writing letters to individuals, Sunday Schools and churches in America; wrangling with custom officials in regard to food stuffs from the United States; receiving police and civil service officials in their social calls; returning same; killing rats in the cellar; mending roofs and killing mosquitoes and time."

In addition, the missionary is a teacher, pastor, preacher, superintendent, evangelist, plumber and translator.

Four hundred thousand of the seven hundred and fifty thousand Syrian Christians have been killed by Moslems during this present war. Our Lord says to us positively: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me—to the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8.

While we were wondering whether we shall close our books this year without a deficit, our eyes fell on this paragraph:

"No woman so poor but she has a few coppers for the plate. . . . If I tell you the Beech and Bush tribes of our mission, which had at a given date an enrollment of 20,000 converts and a church membership of 5,000 . . . if I tell you that this people gave in the year of that date the sum of \$14,000, gathered, as I have told you, and applied to the service of the Kingdom, will you not be saying that this Bantu is a man of works? . . . The Lord Jesus, standing over against the treasury, watches this child of His unwrap from a leaf packet or take from a beaded address two mites—and that is often and often the whole fortune!"

CONCERNING DESIGNATION.

O. E. Bryan.

According to Webster, to designate is to point out or indicate. In relation to denominational finances to designate means to point out or indicate where denominational money is to be invested or used.

The question that should concern us most is, who should do the designating in co-operative denominational work? Referring to I Cor. 16:2, the best text for our present Budget System, we are reminded that Paul, a representative denominational leader in the sense of inter-church relation and co-operation, did the designating. In relation to this offering we fail to find the remotest hint that any church or individual in Corinth or Galatia pointed out, indicated or designated where this money should be expended. Paul came to them with the suggestion that they give of their means to the saints. He suggested that everyone, on the first day of the week, lay by him in store as he prospered, that no collection be made when he came.

Our \$225,000 Kentucky Baptist State Budget was designated by the General Association of Kentucky Baptists in their regular session when they voted to accept the report of the Budget Committee. This Budget is designated to all the interests fostered by the General Association according to the following percentage of division: State Missions, 33 per cent; Home Missions, 18 per cent; Foreign Missions, 27 per cent; Education, 9 per cent; Ministerial Education, 2 per cent, Ministers' Aid, 2 per cent; and Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, 9 per cent. The majority of Kentucky Baptists authorized the Budget and designated where the Budget should be invested. If we are to abide by the majority vote, as Baptists should in their co-operation as well as in their local affairs, we will not designate our offerings sent through the regular denominational channels. This money has already been designated in the Budget and Kentucky Baptists voted for this Budget.

Christ alone saves the world, but He does not save it alone. He needs you and me. We must give ourselves, our money, our prayers and our service.

CROWDING TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

Last Sunday, I was at Wytheville, Va., to aid one of my sons in the Gospel, Rev. W. E. Abrams, in lifting an indebtedness on a new house of worship. The Baptists had been few and poor and had never been allowed to get any foot-hold in the place. They were called the "hobo church." When any Baptists came to town, they were told if they wanted any social recognition, they must join one of the other churches. But Mr. M. L. Harrison moved there from West Virginia. He and his wife are true Baptists, and he is prospering in the lumber business. They agreed to give \$7,500 toward a new church and have already paid \$10,000. The house is a gem and has cost \$25,000. This weak church and another Mission station is all that the Baptists have in Wythe County. It is one of the neediest Mission fields I know of in the country and deserves the generous consideration of the Baptists of Virginia and the Home Mission Board at Atlanta.

I spoke to two Sunday School classes, addressed the Sunday School, preached at eleven o'clock, took a collection; preached at three o'clock and took a collection; preached at night and took a collection and we dedicated the house at about ten p. m. It was a strenuous day. But really every day in the present age calls for men and women to work as human flesh and blood never toiled before.

The opportunity for making money and for winning souls to Christ were never so great in the history of the world. It is possible that "The sons of this world are in their own generation wiser than the sons of light"? For more than two years our financiers have been crowding every moment of the twenty-four hours for the making of money. Shall we not crowd the twenty-four hours for Christ, especially during the remaining days of April? Can we not learn valuable lessons from our great financiers? I have been in Boston and New York, and I have found that to make an engagement with one of these busy money-makers, you must either see him at lunch or on the trolley as he is en route to his suburban residence or as he goes from one directors' meeting to another. We must make our time for Christ as valuable as

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these men make theirs for gold. We must learn to not delay and put off our work. We must study the secrets of efficiency as manifested in the lives of our great money kings. We must push Missions as they push business. We must never delay a decision. We must glorify God by promptness in all our affairs for Him. We must prayerfully systematize all our work. Our faith must be boundless and our will indomitable. Moody's great success was rather in putting ten men to work than in undertaking to do the work of ten men. This must be true of our Pastors.

I was at a meeting of directors in this city recently and a busy man was complaining because a minister and a layman had tarried at lunch and were keeping him from business in which he was making large sums of money.

I was at a meeting some months ago of some directors in New York. One great financier was there two minutes before the appointed time. The others walked in right on the minute. It must be thus in our church life and in our Missionary undertakings. We must crowd twenty-four hours

for Christ without straining. We have now the greatest opportunity for Christian service in the history of this world just as we have the greatest money-making opportunity. The world was never more responsive to the message which Christ has sent us to deliver to the lost and we dare not vacillate. We dare not hesitate, we dare not fail to meet our full apportionment to all the interests of our Lord's cause and especially to our Home and Foreign Mission work. We plead with Kentucky Baptists to hear and heed our earnest call. We must resolutely and definitely devote ourselves to living and working for Christ.

A UNIQUE MOUNTAIN EXPERIENCE.

In November we started to work on the church at Fleming. The house was completed and dedicated on the first Sunday in this month. It has Sunday school rooms and up-to-date conveniences. It is heated with steam, lighted by electricity, and seated with pews which will accommodate about two hundred. There is a room in

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... SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT ...

WALTER L. BROCK, General Secretary.
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205 E. Chestnut Street, Louisville, Ky.

PADUCAH TRAINING SCHOOL.

Beginning Sunday, March 4th, Paducah Baptists devoted a week to Teacher Training. Brother Harry Strickland delivered the opening address, and regardless of the very disagreeable weather, many were present to hear him and enroll in the different classes. Pastor R. G. Bowers taught "Talks with the Training Class"; Brother W. L. Brock had a large class in the Bible section of the "Normal Manual;" Mr. Strickland conducted a class for Intermediate workers, using "Our Big Boy in the Sunday School" as text book.

The school was held at the First Baptist Church and there was much evidence of thorough preparation for the meeting. The ladies of the church served excellent lunch every evening for those taking the studies, making it possible for busy men and women to come from their work promptly at six each evening. It was indeed a blessing to be present. The School closed with a great recognition service the following Sunday. Plans were made and put into effect for the progress and upbuilding of the work.

WEST KENTUCKY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The First Baptist Church entertained this great gathering from March 13 to 15 and from every section of West Kentucky, Pastors, Teachers and Workers had come to hear the splendid addresses. Pastor F. L. Hardy and his noble people proved to be excellent hosts. The list of speakers included what we believe to be "our best" and the subjects treated by them were such as to be of vital interest to those engaged in the upbuilding of the Kingdom through our Bible Schools. We came away with our hearts burning and resolved to continue with renewed power the teaching of the Word and all things whatsoever He has commanded us.

The Convention adjourned to meet next year on Tuesday after the second Sunday in March.

OWENSBORO TRAINING SCHOOL.

It would be difficult indeed to surpass the Owensboro Teacher Training School in point of interest and enthusiasm. All five churches joined to make this the greatest Sunday School event in the history of Owensboro Baptists. Pastor Sam P. Martin and his splendid corps of workers had made extensive preparations and a great audience assembled at the opening of the school.

Brother Harry Strickland was the feature of the week, teaching the first division of the "Manual" and speaking each evening in his matchless way, on different phases of Sunday School work. On the last evening, all voted to make the Training School an annual event and already Owensboro is looking forward to a greater and better school next year.

Standing to date of five leading States, March 31, 1917:

Normal Diplomas—Texas, 6,928; Kentucky, 4,794; North Carolina, 3,958; Georgia, 3,934; Mississippi, 3,335.

Red Seals—Texas, 1,041; Kentucky, 947; Alabama, 586; Tennessee, 479; Mississippi, 473.

Blue Seals—Kentucky, 548; Texas, 546; Alabama, 303; Georgia, 251; Tennessee, 235.

Normal Diplomas issued in Kentucky during March, 1917:

Enterprise—Kearney Adams, Bert Arnett, Helen Arnett, May Arnett, Myrtle Arnett, Lizzie Cain, Earl Cooper, Brady Justus, Buell H. Kazee, Charles Keeton, Floyd Lykens, Cecelia May, Hettie Frances Prater, Jessie Prater, Ethel Rice, Mabel Rice, Richard Salyer.

Long Run—Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, Clara Spanier, Katharyne Starke, Linda Wigal, Nancy Wigal.

West Union—Theda Barksdale, Syvilla Ferron, Mrs. W. S. Smith, Ruth Stephens.

Union—Hall Arnold, Gertrude Crain, Lila Estes, Ludie Holowell, C. M. Jewett, Logan Maffett, Mrs. Logan Maffett, Gladys Ran-

kin, Norma Rankin, Mrs. C. B. Renaker, Mrs. Harcourt Switzer, Mary Thompson, Sadie Thompson.

Bracken—R. J. Wood.

White's Run—Mrs. Mattie Young.

Sulphur Fork—Mrs. J. P. Gray, Mrs. Margaret Nuttall, Mrs. B. G. Pearce, Kathryn Pearce.

Colored—Rev. W. P. Offutt.

Red Seals issued in Kentucky during March, 1917:

Long Run—Rev. William Jackson, Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, Paul Powell, Mary Louise Shelley.

West Union—Mrs. Jennie Covington.

Rockcastle—J. W. Cox.

Bracken—S. P. Wheeler.

Union—Logan Maffett.

Blue Seals issued in Kentucky during March, 1917:

Union—Logan Maffett.

Post Graduate Diplomas issued in Kentucky during March, 1917:

Bethel—Rev. E. L. Edens, Mrs. E. L. Edens.

Gold Seals issued in Kentucky during March, 1917:

Bethel—Rev. E. L. Edens, Mrs. E. L. Edens.

The following is a list of Normal Diplomas by Associations ending March 31, 1917:

Long Run, 764; Blood River, 456; Elkhorn, 351; North Bend, 274; West Union, 198; Pulaski County, 174; Bethel, 165; Daviess County, 155; Campbell County, 140; Three Forks, 95; Graves County, 93; Bell County, 89; Wayne County, 81; Nelson, 80; Union, 80; West Kentucky 77; Bracken, 77; South District, 70; Little River, 70; Ohio River, 65; Muhlenberg, 63; Enterprise, 63; Mt. Zion, 62; Ohio Valley, 59; North Concord, 58; Ohio County, 56; Baptist, 56; Shelby County, 56; Concord, 53; Tates Creek, 51; East Union, 50; Creenup, 48; White's Run, 47; Breckenridge, 44; Russell's Creek, 44; Franklin, 39; Sulphur Fork, 38; Salem, 37; Liberty, 35; Crittenden, 35; Severn's Valley, 31; Warren, 26; Little Bethel, 24; Boone's Creek, 21; Central, 19; Freedom, 17; Allen, 16; Goshen, 16; Oneida, 13; Laurel River, 12; Simpson, 12; Lynn, 11; Russell County, 10; Rockcastle, 9; South Kentucky, 8; Ten Mile, 6; East Lynn, 5; Logan County, 3; Upper Cumberland, 2; Barren River, 2; Henry County, 2; Gasper

River, 1; Owen County, 1; Blackford, 1; Colored, 11. Total, 4,835.

Transfers and Duplicates, 41. Total, 4,794.

A-1 Schools in Kentucky.

Murray Baptist Sunday School, Murray—H. B. Taylor, Pastor; Barber McElrath, Superintendent.

First Baptist Sunday School, Cynthiana—C. W. Elsey, Pastor.

First Baptist Sunday School, Russellville—Homer Felts, Superintendent.

First Baptist Sunday School, Williamsburg—E. F. Wright, Pastor.

Whitesville Baptist Sunday School—A. C. Hutson, Pastor.

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The Order of Programme

Morning—

8:45 to 9:00Devotional
9:00 to 9:45Old Testament
9:45 to 10:30New Testament
10:30 to 11:15Theology

Afternoon—

1:30 to 1:45Devotional
1:45 to 2:30Sermon Making
1:45 to 2:30Woman's Work
2:30 to 3:15B. Y. P. U. Work

Evening—

7:00 to 7:15Devotional
7:15 to 8:00Sunday School Work
8:00 to 8:30Sermon or Address

The Faculty—

DEAN—E. H. BLAKEMAN.

Teachers—	Subjects—
W. W. Landrum	Old Testament
L. C. Kelly	New Testament
H. L. Winburn	Theology
E. C. Stevens	Sermon Making
C. S. Leavell	Sunday School Work
N. T. Barnes	B. Y. P. U. Work
Miss E. S. Broadus	Woman's Work

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... WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT ...

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THE VICE-PRESIDENT FOR WESTERN DISTRICT.

Owing to the resignation of Mrs. C. D. Richards, since our Annual Meeting, the position of Vice-President for the Western District of Kentucky W. M. U. has fallen vacant, and the Central Committee had charge of filling it until next November. We are happy to announce that Mrs. R. H. Tandy, of Russellville, has consented to serve, and Superintendent of Associations in need of help are invited to write to her for counsel. She is open to invitations for attending Conferences or other gatherings. Mrs. Tandy is well-known in Western Kentucky, having served as Superintendent of Muhlenberg Association while living in Greenville. As Dr. Tandy is now President of Bethel College, she will have advantage for gaining wider acquaintance; and she is endowed with full information, love for Missions, energy and enthusiasm.
E. S. Broadus, for the Central Com.

GOOD NEWS FROM FREDONIA.

Mrs. Edgar Barnett, Superintendent of Ohio River Association, writes of the Spring Conferences at White Sulphur and Smithland, the latter being for Little River Association. Here they were very enthusiastic, and Mrs. Barnett and Miss Mattie Wilson were greatly encouraged to see so much interest in the Lord's work. At White Sulphur, they were invited to the lunch and given charge of the afternoon service, in order that they might share the benefit of hearing Missionary Hart from Argentine. At Smithland, he spoke in the evening to an appreciative audience, and seed were sown that will surely bring forth much fruit.

At Fredonia, a special meeting of W. M.

S., G. A. and Sunbeams was attended by forty-four, and a splendid program given, with the five collection of \$30, the proceeds of Sunday eggs for a few weeks. There were also donations for the Children's Home at Glendale, of clothing, provisions and toys, valued at \$45. The interest and enthusiasm reached our homes, and some of the men were as much interested as the women." Since last March, the Fredonia church has spent \$1,400 on six new Sunday School rooms, furnace, baptistry, and repairs, and has given more to Missions than in any previous year. We congratulate the church, the pastor and his wife, a true helpmeet.
E. S. B.

LIFE SKETCHES FROM A HEATHEN LAND.

By Miss Lula F. Whilden.

This deeply interesting book should have a wide reading. Costing only 50 cents, it may be had from Mrs. J. R. Fizer, 1306 Hampton street, Columbia, S. C. The South Carolina women have published this little volume as a memorial to the author, whose first and last days were spent in that State, while about forty years were given to South Carolina. Her own experiences while laboring among Chinese women are told in simple, but graphic language, and from just the kind of personal narrative that we always find most attractive from our returned missionary. We learn to know very interesting characters; for instance, the old, blind beggar, who had lost all her kindred in a terrible storm, and when won to Christ and baptized, exclaimed: "So many brothers and sisters," and carried the good news to every home where she begged for her daily bread.

Some of us will remember reading these sketches, or at least a part of them, in the "Heathen Helper," which was published in Louisville by Miss Agnes Osborne in the early years of our Central Committee. It is all the more gratifying to see them in book form, and thus accessible to other generations of readers. E. S. Broadus.

Sixteen names have been received of those expecting to go to New Orleans. It is desirable to receive all such names promptly, that appointments be made according to Districts.

Wanted—One Thousand Subscribers to the Kentucky Mission Monthly and Home & Foreign Fields.

OUR NEEDS.

With only about three weeks before the closing of the books for the Convention year, April 30th, we are much concerned about the large amounts still needed of our apportionment for Foreign and Home Missions. Our needs are: Foreign Missions, \$2,799.17; Home Missions, \$3,235.57. We plead with you women of Kentucky to do your best at this time for Foreign and Home Missions. Last year we did not meet our full apportionment for either of these objects. With both of our Boards in such great need we can make an extra effort and at least do our part towards preventing a debt. When we fail to meet our apportionment the Debt is our Debt and not the Board's Debt.—J. C. B.

AFTER MANY DAYS.

Some years ago an immigrant mother coming over to make her home with her married children in the United States was upon arrival here, detained because of some eye trouble and placed in a hospital for treatment. Her detention proved long and tedious, and we tried to bring her cheer and comfort by visiting that Institution at least once a week. Poor mother, how she watched our coming, for it was one ray of light in her sorrow and darkness. How she needed to be comforted, and actually drank in the words we brought her and gladly knelt down with us in prayer.

Her teaching received in the Roman Church made it hard for her to find the way out, yet we felt sure there a work of grace going on in her heart, and faithfully we continued to sow the living seed and to relieve her sorrow.

Naturally of a grateful heart, she was deeply appreciative for all this, and even after her release and removal to her loving children, she did not forget it. From time to time she wrote to let us know how they were all doing, even remembering us on Valentine day.

But imagine our great joy when a short while ago, in a letter she sent us, we saw words like this: "I, my four daughters and two of my sons-in-law, have been converted. The scales have fallen from our eyes,


now, we can see." "We are saved, gloriously saved! Oh, the wonder of God's love." "Now I understand what you have tried to show me in the days gone by." "Oh, how happy are we!" Yes, she even told of the day and hour when they saw the light and accepted Jesus. It had been a hard struggle, but they came out victorious. Praise the Lord.

But how did this come about? The little church around the corner (Christian) awoke to their opportunity and remembered the little colony of foreigners that had settled there. Not able to speak their language, they managed to find some one from the distance and to induce him to come over and help them. And now invitations were given and visits made and services started just for these people and the above was part of the results achieved in a very short while.

The seed had been sown a long time ago, but it needed some one to care for and water it. Oh, glorious gospel of peace and joy, it is still the power of God unto salvation, and whosoever will, may come! These were willing, but still needed to be guided and cheerfully they followed. And this is exactly as we had seen it long ago and tried to show our people wher ever we could. The Immigrant needs us at the post of entry, but he needs us still more wher ever he takes up his abode. To wait until he is able to understand our language would be fatal in many instances, and the best time to reach him is directly after his coming among us. What can be done by our God-fearing people and missionary church is possible for others, and ought to be done without further delay. Are we ready? The Lord help us answer, "yes, here am I, use me, yes even me."

My Dear Mrs. Hinkle:

The foregoing just coming to my notice, I thought it might interest your readers. It was a joy to be with these people about a week ago and find them truly converted, eager for the salvation of others. In a very few minutes this "mother" had managed to call quite a number of her people that I should both hear and see what the Lord



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had done for them. The Lord bless this story to all who read it and cause a real interest in behalf of the Immigrants to be shown by greater endeavor put forth everywhere.

Yours in Him,

Marie Buhlmaier.

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the rear to be used for a library and reading room as well as a Sunday school room. When I went there, there was an indebtedness of some fourteen hundred dollars, all of which has been provided for.

There is much wickedness and indifference, but we encountered no real opposition. The management and employees have ever been wondrously kind. I took a singer with me and his expenses were taken care of. My own board at the hotel was fully met. I raised money to purchase a good musical instrument, and I am sure that the people will pay half the salary of a capable pastor. The principal and the teachers of the public school were very kind. I spent half an hour with them every morning. At four o'clock the teachers brought the children to the church house where our services were held. We organized a fine children's choir. At night I preached to good congregations. An old lady who has always lived in that vicinity and who is worth fully twenty-five thousand dollars, was the only person who refused to contribute when solicited. Jews, Syrians, Catholics, Methodists, Presbyterians, and Episcopalians, as well as Baptists constituted my audience each night and gave generously when offerings were taken. We had thirty-four conversions during the meeting which lasted twelve days. There are three thousand souls in the vicinity of the Fleming Church. There is much hard work to be done, but it offers a fine field to the right man. Superintendent T. S. Raymond and Mr. R. F. Cole, Manager, who have ever been very courteous in their treatment, attended the services occasionally and contributed liberally to all the contributions. The truth is, I have never received finer treatment in any community in the state than was accorded me during my stay at Fleming.

Mr. E. M. DeMaine, the Civil Engineer, though not a member of any church, has taken as much interest in the erection of this house as if he had been a Baptist deacon. Brother W. L. Watson, of Ashland, Ky., who sawed the framing free of all cost, was present with us one night. He was highly gratified to see such a splendid house of worship. There is no other church house within a radius of six miles and never

has been since Kentucky was a State. Truly, the Lord has greatly blessed us at this point, for which we are very grateful.

Our Lord has given us a great message to deliver to the people in our own State, in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention and to the ends of the earth. Our liberal gifts to State, Home and Foreign Missions is our reply to the challenge of the cross.

At this writing we are deeply concerned regarding the gifts of our people to Home and Foreign Missions during the remaining days of the month. There was never a more serious situation in our history. A great victory will mean much for the on-going of the Kingdom. This is a progressive age, but the genius of our denomination accommodates us to the changing conditions. We are well able to accomplish what we have undertaken. Let us make good.

We must maintain a deep spiritual life in all of our churches which should counteract the temptations which come to our people from the unprecedented increase in material prosperity. Generous giving to the Mission cause is a splendid Baptist tonic.

The B. Y. P. U. Convention at Bowling Green was a glorious success. More than two hundred and fifty young people from all parts of the State were representatives in this convention. When this splendid body of young people reach maturity and take the reins, Kentucky will feel their organized and prepared lives.

About one dozen of the children from the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home at Glendale, accompanied by their splendid Superintendent, Brother J. W. Vallandingham, visited the Bowling Green Convention and gave a splendid demonstration of their work. They had charge of the meeting and rendered a program which delighted everyone. Those who heard them were convinced that there are hearts and brains in the Glendale home. No band of children in Kentucky could have done better.

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Christian Education is a Scriptural doctrine. The Great Commission is clear on the teaching program. The Denominational School is the only school that is free to teach the Bible in its true doctrines. One's theology goes to form his thinking and his thinking determines his conduct. Ideas rule the world. Christian Education aims toward having the pupil think in harmony with God's great principles as revealed in His Word.

The value of Christian Education has been demonstrated by history and experience. The Hard Shell Baptists have failed to educate, and so doing have given the world a good illustration of waning influence. The history of our Denominational Schools is the history of Missions in most every State. One can find by investigation that all denominational development has been simultaneous with the growth of the Christian Schools. These schools form a Mission atmosphere that is healthful to all denominational progress.

Christian Education is denominational power. God uses weak things to confound the mighty only when weak things are the best things. The apostles were weak men in an educational sense, but became mighty, efficient men under the three-years' training of the world's greatest Teacher. When God desired to lead a nation out of bondage, He called Moses, an educated man. When God desired to start world missions on their westward progress, He called Paul, an educated man.

Christian Education is the education of one's spirit. This is the highest form of education. Some one has said that man is a three-story building: the first story is physical; the second story is mental, and the third story is spiritual. The last story is the loftiest. State schools are good as

far as they go, but they only go two-thirds of the way. They give physical and mental culture, but do not even profess to give spiritual culture. The best that the State can give falls short of the highest that is in man. Certainly the best part of man should have a chance for development. Where there is no Bible, there is no spirituality. The fact that your child is a spiritual being, is an imperative call for Christian Education.

Christian Education prepares the way for all Missions. Graduates of Christian schools are among the leaders in the churches as laymen and pastors. These are trained to care for all departments of denominational work.

Christian Education brings the pupil in contact with Christian teachers. The teacher is one of the greatest factors in the education of any individual. Our Denominational schools have the choice teachers of all the land. These mighty men are prepared to train the hands, the head and the heart. They will leave the marks of their personality and spirituality on the lives of their pupils.

Money invested in Christian Education will be a profit-bearing investment throughout eternity. What greater investment can there be than to invest in boys and girls who are to spread the Gospel to every land?

Kentucky Baptists are facing the problem of the rapid development of their schools. Our problems are the problems of development, not failure. Christian Education as a Missionary investment has a claim on every loyal Baptist. Those who have no college education will give of their means on the principle that one who has been denied of this opportunity realizes the need of education even more than one who has had better opportunities. The blind man realizes the need of sight far more than the man with good eyes. The uneducated man realizes the need of education far more than the man who has it.

Let us all together, educated and uneducated, get under the burden and place our Christian schools where they should be. It was the Master's last request that the Gospel be preached and that men be taught to observe His teaching. Let us respond to His last request for His sake, and with His noble spirit.

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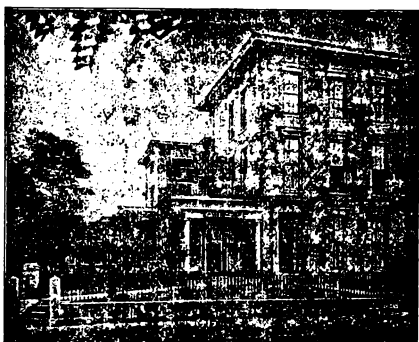
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