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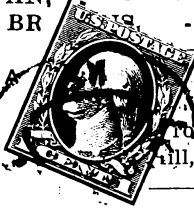
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Association Apportionments

REVISED

The following apportionment to the District Associations is the revised table for 1919 as prepared by the Apportionment Committee. We have made a general 10 per cent flat increase on all the Associations that have not reported a Budget. We have not yet received a perfect file of District Association Minutes for this year. Some of the following apportionments may not correspond with the ones in the minutes. We would appreciate a correction by any Association officer where a mistake has been made. District Association Boards are requested to make the apportionments to the churches.

Association	Apportionment	Association	Apportionment
Allen	\$ 715	Greenville	55
Baptist	935	Henry County	2,200
Barren River	440	Landmark	6
Bell County	998	Laurel River	600
Bethel	13,200	Liberty	3,300
Blackford	1,500	Little Bethel	1,870
Blood River	8,690	Little River	4,840
Boone's Creek	3,960	Logan County	1,635
Booneville	55	Lynn	1,128
Bracken	3,120	Long Run	29,000
Breckenridge	1,650	Lynn Camp	55
Campbell County	3,864	Mt. Zion	8,800
Central	3,355	Muhlenberg	3,850
Concord	5,600	Nelson	5,500
Crittenden	1,100	North Bend	4,620
Cumberland River	110	North Concord	440
Daviess County	18,000	Ohio County	2,750
East Lynn	660	Ohio River	5,681
East Union	5,335	Ohio Valley	7,260
Edmonson	440	Owen	1,100
Elkhorn	22,000	Pulaski	4,000
Enterprise	1,650	Rockcastle	715
Franklin	4,153	Russell County	363
Freedom	286	Russell's Creek	3,300
Gasper River	908	Salem	2,435
Goose Creek	275	Severn's Valley	4,950
Goshen	1,155	Shelby County	7,108
Graves County	5,308	Simpson	5,500
Green River	55	South Concord	44
Greenup	1,894	South District	6,054
		South Kentucky	1,333
		South Union	66
		Sulphur Fork	2,750
		Tate's Creek	2,497
		Ten Mile	2,750
		Three Forks	1,100
		Union	2,750
		Upper Cumberland	473
		Warren	5,170
		West Kentucky	5,022
		Wayne County	1,370
		West Union	6,600
		White's Run	1,980
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... EDITORIAL ...

O. E. BRYAN Editor

THE BUDGET.

O. E. Bryan.

The Budget is simply the entire amount the Kentucky Baptist State Board proposed to raise this year for all the different interests co-operating in our Unified Plan.

The following table according to the recommendation of the Budget Committee and the vote of the General Association, is a 10 per cent increase over the guaranteed Budget for 1918. We have taken as a basis for State Missions what was actually spent for this interest last year, and have figured a 10 per cent increase. State Missions is now carrying one-half of the Army Work at Camp Taylor, West Point, and Stithton. The following Budget is guaranteed, and one-twelfth of it must be paid each month to the various interests:

Foreign Missions...	\$57,750	27¼ per cent.
Home Missions	38,225	18¼ per cent.
State Missions.	74,800.	35¼ per cent.
Christian Education	16,500	7½ per cent.
Ky. Baptist Children's Home	18,700	9 per cent
Ministers' Aid	3,850	1½ per cent.
Ministerial Education	2,200	1¼ per cent
Total	\$212,025	100 per cent

The following percentage of division of Budget money has been recommended by the committee appointed by the State Board to make this distribution. The change is made to avoid running fractions through our books, and to strengthen some of the weaker interests. The per cent of division must ever be flexible to take care of the lagging interests. Christian Education has received the largest gain in this division, and State Missions the greatest loss. Christian Education has accumulated the larger

debt. This table is an effort to adjust the division of money to the demands of the interests. We are trying to be transparent and frank in our statements.

Foreign Missions	27 per cent.
Home Missions	18 per cent.
State Missions	33 per cent.
Christian Education	9 per cent.
Ky. Baptist Children's Home....	9 per cent.
Ministerial Education	2 per cent.
Minister's Aid	2 per cent.
	100 per cent.

This means if the donor has only One Dollar to give, he will give:

- 27 cents to Foreign Missions;
- 18 cents to Home Missions;
- 33 cents to State Missions;
- 9 cents to Christian Education;
- 9 cents to Ky. Baptist Children's Home;
- 2 cents to Ministerial Education;
- 2 cents to Ministers' Aid;

Or, if the donor has One Hundred Dollars to give, he will divide as follows:

- \$27 to Foreign Missions;
- \$18 to Home Missions;
- \$33 to State Missions;
- \$9 to Christian Education;
- \$9 to Kentucky Baptist Children's Home;
- \$2 to Ministerial Education;
- \$2 to Ministers' Aid.

The following Budget is the one made in keeping with the program of the Southern Baptist Convention, Kentucky taking 10 per cent. of the \$2,500,000.00 this year for Home and Foreign Missions. This Budget is not guaranteed, but we should do our best to raise it:

Foreign Missions	\$150,000
Home Missions	100,000
State Missions	74,800
Christian Education	16,500
Ky. Baptist Children's Home....	18,700
Ministerial Education	2,200
Ministers' Aid	3,850
Total	\$366,050

The Budget should come first. We should not stop, however, at the Budget. It is only the minimum of our undertakings and presents our guarantee to the different interests. We should strive for the larger program in keeping with the Southern Baptist Convention in its efforts to raise two millions and a half for Home and Foreign Missions. This will require special offerings after our Budget has been paid. In these times of reconstruction when the mission fields are open to all the world and when the Macedonian call comes from every land, we should do our best in the name of the Master to meet the world's great need. It will require two dollars where we gave one last year to bring victory to the Southern Baptist Convention. Let us do this for the sake of our Master.

Investigating the Budget.

O. E. Bryan.

The Kentucky Baptist Budget is the Lord's treasury. Out of this comes the amount we pay annually to State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, Ministers' Aid, Ministerial Education and Christian Education. We are the Lord's stewards and must render an account for the way we invest His money.

State Missions.

The Baptists of Kentucky are investing thirty-three per cent. of their annual Budget in State Missions. The State Board employs a General Secretary and an Office Secretary; five General Evangelists; two Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Secretaries, and two W. M. U. Secretaries. They pay part of the salary of more than one hundred Missionary Pastors. They employ several workers among the Negroes and are conducting a Church Building Campaign among struggling churches.

Home Missions.

Kentucky Baptists are investing eighteen per cent. of their annual Budget in Home Missions. The Home Board is doing work in Cuba, Panama and among the foreigners and Negroes of the South. They employ eighteen enlistment field workers and twenty-five evangelists. They conduct a Church Building Department and help several State Boards with their annual Budgets. Kentucky Baptists had a large part in this

work. We are giving about nine per cent. of all the contributions to Home Missions.

Foreign Missions.

Kentucky Baptists are investing twenty-seven per cent. of their annual Budget in Foreign Missions. The Foreign Board is supporting Missions in Africa, Argentina, Brazil, Italy, Japan, Mexico and China. In these countries the Missionaries do personal evangelistic work, maintain hospitals, printing presses, schools and train churches in denominational work. Kentucky contributes about nine per cent. of all the money given to Foreign Missions in the South.

Christian Education.

Kentucky Baptists are investing nine per cent. of their annual Budget in Christian Education. The State Board is helping Georgetown College, Cumberland College, Bethel Female College, Russell Creek Academy and Oneida Institute. Hundreds of young lives are trained each year for future service in these schools. No one can compute the good that will come from such training in this age when the Bible is barred from the public schools.

Ministerial Education.

Kentucky Baptists are investing two per cent. of their annual Budget in the support of the struggling preacher boys in our colleges and in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. As go the preachers of the State so will go the people. Money invested in Ministerial Education will bear fruit in all parts of denominational work in years to come.

Ministers' Aid.

Kentucky Baptists are investing two per cent. of their annual Budget in the support of aged and infirm Ministers. Last year our people helped more than fifty of these worthy brethren who have worn out their lives in the Master's cause in Kentucky. The Budget will not allow the old worn-out preacher to be cast out.

Kentucky Baptist Children's Home.

Kentucky Baptists are investing nine per cent. of their annual Budget in the support of the orphans at the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home at Glendale. The State Board pays the running expenses of the Home every month out of the Budget. In

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this way the Budget cares for the daily needs of one hundred children.

The above figures briefly show how the Kentucky Baptist Budget is invested. Would you like to have a part in this good work. If so, send your contribution to

O. E. Bryan, Cor. Sec'y,
Baptist State Board of Missions,
205 E. Chestnut Street, Louisville, Ky.

How Much Shall I Give This Year to the Budget?

I. IF I REFUSE TO GIVE ANYTHING I practically vote in favor of calling all of our foreign missionaries home; I vote in favor of discontinuing our good work under the Home Board in the South; I vote in favor of taking off of the field all of our State workers and closing the office of the State Board of Missions; I vote in favor of starving one hundred orphan children at Glendale; I vote in favor of turning out of doors without food or shelter fifty-six old preachers who have worn out their lives in the Master's service; I vote in favor of sending one hundred preacher boys home from school for lack of funds, and I vote in favor of closing all of our denominational schools for lack of funds to pay the teachers. All of the above interests are included in our Budget. Can I afford to cast this ballot?

II. IF I GIVE LESS than I gave last year, I favor reduction of the forces on all of our mission fields and stinting of all of our benevolent interests. At this time, when living expenses are increased and the world's doors are open and the Macedonian call comes from every land, can I afford to retrench?

III. IF I GIVE THE SAME as last year, I am in favor of holding the ground already won, but as not in favor of an advance.

IV. IF I GIVE MORE than I gave last year, then I favor an advance along all lines. What the Southern Baptist Convention has asked us to do this year will require a seventy-six per cent. flat increase. Nothing less than two dollars this year to where we gave one last year will bring victory according to the program of the Southern Baptist Convention. Can't I double my offering this year because of the

world's great need, because of my Master's commission and because of God's goodness to me? Shall I not do it now for Christ's sake?

We ask the Treasurers of the District Association Boards and the Treasurers of the churches to send in all money, promptly, to O. E. Bryan, Corresponding Secretary, 205 East Chestnut Street, Louisville, Ky. Tracts furnished free.

"HOW THE W. M. U. HELPS THE STATE WORK."

As a Missionary Society, the W. M. U. does not contribute to all the interests included in the Kentucky State Budget. Our State Budget includes missions and benevolence. The W. M. U. is not a Benevolent Society, but a Missionary Society. Their name, purpose and spirit are all missionary.

While they do not contribute to our benevolent interests, they do greatly supplement all of our mission interests, chiefly, State, Home and Foreign Missions. These are the three largest items in our State Budget, and represent more than seventy-five per cent of the entire Budget. No other auxiliary is more helpful on the financial side of Missions than the W. M. U.

The enlightenment and enlistment along missionary lines coming from the W. M. U. are greatly helpful to the churches. The spiritual life of our good women is an inspiration to us all. Perfect harmony has marked the relations between this department and the State Board. We are truly hopeful that through their splendid leader, Mrs. Janie Cree Bose, the W. M. U. may have the greatest year in its history.

Our programme, as outlined by the Southern Baptist Convention, will require seventy-six per cent flat increase in missionary offerings to be twice what they were last year. Let us start out with the motto, "Two dollars for missions where we gave one last year."

We earnestly solicit the prayers of the W. M. U. workers throughout the State for our great Missionary Enterprise at this time of the world's Missionary crisis.

A CALL TO PRAYER AND REVIVAL MEETINGS.

An investigation of twenty-two District Associational minutes for 1918 shows the following: Out of 592 churches with a membership of 96,000 there were but 4,113 baptisms reported. This is about 23 baptisms to the one thousand membership. Also we noted that over 35 per cent. of the churches reported no baptisms.

Now, will this estimate hold good when the remaining District Associations are heard from? I fear it will not, for in the above report there are more than half of the all-time pastor churches reported. Also there is more than half of the guaranteed Budget for 1919 represented by the above District Associations.

Brethren, I am not pessimistic. We had as well face facts and grapple with them. I am confident that from 35 to 40 per cent. of our churches reported no baptisms last year. This is an alarming condition and should drive us to our knees in prayer and rekindle the fires of evangelism.

Yes, conditions have been against us. No one has felt this more keenly than the writer. The unprecedented winter of 1917 and 1918, when our churches were closed or greatly retarded for almost three months. Following this came the distraction of the public mind because of the war. The many war issues to be brought before our people, the great Liberty Loans and drives for Red Cross and war work all had their effect in our reports for the last year.

But in this new year we face a more serious problem than we did last year. For almost four months our churches have been closed; our hearts torn and bleeding by the home-going of so many of our loved ones because of the great epidemic of influenza that has swept over our land. Shall we not now lift up our eyes to the hills from whence all our help cometh and from the depths of our souls cry "Thy will be done?" Many of our churches have had no revival meetings and many no conversions or baptisms since their report to the Association last summer or fall. Is it the will of God for us to wait the old and accustomed time for our revival meeting, or to seek His will and launch forth upon His promises and face weather conditions of midwinter, the bad roads and the former

precedents; yes, face anything and everything and start a revival meeting in the old church and throw our all into the first principle for which Christ instituted His church—seeking to save the lost?

If we have been neglectful of this, our first duty, O Lord, forgive and lead us to start the fires of evangelism as never before, roll upon our hearts the burden of lost men and give us grace to face the problems and start this year as "true fishers of men."

Baptists cannot live without the spirit of evangelism. It is part of us. The first memories of our own experience of grace recalls desire to carry this same joy to others, and our experiences are akin. Nothing can be substituted for evangelism. Here I wish to say this word: The giving of our money to save the lost away from home does not release our obligation to lost men at home. We gave vast sums of money last year to save a lost world, but did we put forth the proper effort to win those at home? I venture this answer: The true steward of God that gave large gifts to win the lost away from home was the more anxious and zealous to win those at home. And yet I fear there is stealing in upon us the idea that we can measure our successes upon a cash rather than a soul basis. Here is danger of materializing our religion. To keep it spiritual we must save the lost.

Baptists cannot carry on their work without the spirit of evangelism. Right now there is facing us a titanic problem in the depleted condition of our treasury because of the influenza closing our churches, and the increased call for Foreign Missions as well as Home Missions, the call for the Hospital and for one million four hundred thousand dollars for education. All of these worthy objects so near and dear to our hearts, stand hesitating and faltering, wondering what is best to be done in this dark hour.

God is calling. Let us heed the call by starting old-time revival meetings. Some District Associations so keenly feel that nothing but a revival can enlist their church people back, their Sunday Schools back, to at least normal conditions, that they are alking and planning for a revival meeting in each of their churches, to begin as soon

as the plan can be thoroughly understood by the pastors and churches. Some are talking and planning for simultaneous meetings throughout their associations as soon as possible.

What is wrong with evangelistic campaigns, mass-meetings on the subject of evangelism and old-fashioned revival meetings? Yes, and old-time religion must not be left out, for that is what we need as never before. I am praying and others have covenanted with me, and each morning we are praying in many parts of Old Kentucky for a revival to sweep over this entire State. Do we want it? Will we do His will to obtain it? O, what an influence and benediction a State-wide revival would be at this crucial time. Will you not join with us and pray and seek to know His will in this matter as never before? If so, the problem will soon find its solution. "When evangelism smites the rock in Kentucky the mission streams will flow." Yes, and hospital streams will flow, and educational streams will flow. Yes, and streams for the orphans and the minister and the struggling young minister will flow to overflowing.

What does God want in Kentucky? Do we seek to know the answer. I feel sure it is the answer of old: "Return unto me." Have we not heard enough of world conditions to know the doors are open for the gospel as never before? Will we be true to our trust? O, God, give us grace to throw open our hearts, and our church doors, to those around us and let them know and feel that we want them saved. Then to those afar let us throw open our purses and let the spirit of evangelism touch every people, country and clime that knows not Jesus as the only Saviour and Lord.

YOUR MISSION.

By S. N. Grannis.

This is said to have been a favorite song of Abraham Lincoln's; he encored it not less than eighteen times when sung at a Sunday School convention at Washington in 1861.

If you cannot on the ocean
Sail among the swiftest fleet,
Rocking on the highest billows,

Laughing at the storms you meet,
You can stand among the sailors
Anchored yet within the bay,
You can lend a hand to help them
As they launch their boats away.

If you are too weak to journey
Up the mountain, steep and high,
You can stand within the valley
While the multitude goes by;
You can chant in happy measure
As they slowly pass along;
Though they may forget the singer,
They will not forget the song.

If you have not gold and silver
Ever ready at command;
Reach an ever helping hand,
You can succor the afflicted,
O'er the erring you can weep;
You can be a true disciple,
Sitting at the Master's feet.

If you cannot in the harvest
Garner up the richest sheaves,
Many grains, both ripe and golden,
Will the careless reapers leave.
Go and glean among the briers
Growing rank against the wall,
For it may be that the shadows
Hide the heaviest wheat of all.

If you cannot in the conflict
Prove yourself a soldier true;
If where fire and smoke is thickest
There's no work for you to do;
When the battlefield is silent
You can go with careful tread;
You can bear away the wounded,
You can cover up the dead.

Do not, then, stand idly waiting
For some greater work to do;
Fortune is a lazy goddess—
She will never come to you.
Go and toil within life's vineyard,
Do not fear to do or dare—
If you want a field of labor
You can find it anywhere.

The object of Education is not external show and splendor, but inward development.—Seneca.

"Education without religion is simply ve-neering rotten wood."—Bishop Welsh.

... SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT ...

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IS YOUR SCHOOL A-1?

The Twelve Associational Superintendents.

No plan will work itself, but we are glad to know that a good plan can be worked. This idea of twelve specialists who are volunteer helpers in every Association sounded like the land of Utopia to some people, but now that it is proving such a success everybody is rejoicing it. True the twelve helpers have not been appointed in all of the seventy-five Associations as yet, but they have been asked in thirty and over sixty per cent. have accepted upon first invitation. Literature is placed in the hands of these at once that pertains to the one phase of work in which they are interested, and then they distribute it to the local workers in the home churches.

If your Association is anxious for these twelve helpers to be appointed at once you can be a great help to us by notifying our office of this fact and then to help us with your suggestions and answer some questions that will be sent you. Those who have been asked to accept a place should feel honored, and we feel honored when we hear from one who has accepted. Let us say here in credit to the men who have been asked to act as Associational Superintendents of Sunday School Architecture that as a rule they are the first ones to answer a letter, and that so far out of those replying none have refused to do the best that they can.

It may seem that much noise has not been made, or not much is now being made, about the appointment of these 900 volunteer workers in the State, but we had rather make the greatest noise when it has been done and we can show something definite and not tell all theory. It is working where we have the helpers and soon we hope to have them all over the State. Permanent work is now being done that will last on and on. Rejoice with us in this, and if our letters are promptly answered it helps at this end of the line more than any-

thing, so we will expect to keep in touch with our friends and make the appointments as rapidly as the information comes to us.

The New Standards of Excellence.

No Sunday School has become "A-1" until it had a Standard to work by. For some years we have had a good Standard, but now we have a better one, and are very anxious that every Sunday School in Kentucky obtain one of these Wall Chart size Standard of Excellence and strive to reach it. It is adapted to every school in our State and through the Associational Superintendent of Standardization we hope not only to get it in your hands, but also to see that it is reached this year. If you want one write us and you shall have it free. Last year there were only seven Sunday Schools in the State that reached the Standard, and this year surely we ought to have twenty-five. Will you be one of them? Cynthiana and Murray have already answered and now we only need twenty-three. How can you reach it? By placing it in full view of the Sunday School and by calling attention to it every Sunday. Reach the points one by one. Already you have reached many of them. Why not undertake to reach the others? In connection with this you should have the NEW New Convention Normal Manual. It is just revised and ready for distribution.

Churches and Sunday Schools Visited.

Since our last notes for the Mission Monthly we have had the privilege of visiting the following places: In Louisville, Hazelwood, East Church, Twenty-second and Walnut, Weaver Memorial and Crescent Hill. Owensboro for a conference and a week's Training School at Jellico. It is no trouble to find plenty of places to go, as invitations are still coming to us, and we appreciate them, even if somebody did ask before someone else. We are keeping a record of invitations and will be glad to come just as soon as possible.

Facing Our Task As It Is.

In one way the past year has been unparalleled in the trials that have come upon our Sunday School work. For a long time we have been speaking of difficulties in

Sunday School work, but never until the year 1918, since we have grown to the place that we have, have we met so many seemingly unsurmountable difficulties.

Throughout the whole year one thing that has greatly handicapped the Sunday School work has been a shortage in leaders. Many Pastors went as Chaplains. Then Superintendents and Teachers have engaged in Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. work and many of the main workers in the Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.s were the men who have rallied to the call of the colors both as volunteers and under the selective draft.

To add to the difficulty of keeping the Sunday Schools up to the standard, early in the year a coal shortage caused many of them to be closed for some weeks, and now at the close of the year, and to make the problem still more serious, the "flu" epidemic has caused a ban to be put on most of the cities, villages and country churches, that made it impossible to meet, for several weeks.

Right now the Sunday School is facing a most acute situation. Naturally it is more difficult to rally our Sunday School forces in the winter time and to add to this we must also remember that sickness and sorrow in the homes of our people make it in many instances impossible for them right now to assume the responsibility which they have formerly borne. Without leaders it is hard to go forward.

And now in addition to the internal conditions many outward ones must be faced. For the next few weeks new conditions that have arisen are going to affect our Sunday School work in a tremendous way. Right now we must do our best or all that we have done to keep the home fires burning will be lost.

Among these external conditions which will influence our work may be named a few. First, the war is now ended, and all people everywhere are as though they were dazed. It is not only poor Russia that is trying to find herself, but all the nations, with America included, are trying to locate themselves in their thinking as well as in a business and financial way. For so long we have been "keyed up" to such a high pitch, and so eager to know what would be the outcome of each day's conflict that we can hardly realize peace has been de-

clared, for we are still asking the question, "What next?" The excitement has created a desire for something thrilling in the experience of the individual each day. The effect of all this on our Sunday Schools is going to have a disastrous outcome if we are not on our guard. The thrilling stories that have been told in the campaigns and several drives may make the Sunday School seem a tame place not only for those returning to us, but for those of our own who have been probably too eager for the exciting only.

In the next place we must remember that the emotions of the people have been appealed to so often that they cannot be reached in a religious gathering now as easily as some months ago. The heart of hearts in many cases is closed. Of course the Sunday School is not expected to merely stir the emotions of people, but when a people become hard-hearted it is time the teaching of God's Word was being presented in a way that would get into the heart. Those who have been depending on Emotionalism may find themselves not only critical in the Sunday School, but coming to a place where they will begin to wonder, some to doubt.

Another thing that will have a telling effect on our Sunday School work is the fact that there is a relaxation on the part of some. The spirit of holding together until the war is over had prevailed. Now since it is over the question is asked, why any longer? or why not take a rest? The many months of anxiety may not bring a speedy solution.

Once more we would say that those who have been most faithful in our Sunday School work have been so busy with outside calls that real study and preparation for the Sunday School has been neglected. Our thinking will make the future. We believe that it can be truthfully said that the Sunday School Teacher or Officer who does not make the right kind of preparation now for the duties on Sunday will find himself or herself utterly at a loss. It will take real study and the whole truth presented in the best way to keep people in the Sunday School now.

For all of these problems what solution are we going to find right now? First of

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... WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT ...

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Over and Above.

When apportionments are being planned out, and pledges made for our Woman's Missionary work, we often feel that we are promising all that we can possibly give, and then perhaps some call comes for unexpected needs to be met, our hearts melt in sympathy, and we are moved to special effort or sacrifice that we may give over and above what we thought we could do. So often have such calls come for objects that our Boards had no funds in hand to aid, that our Laymen have an Emergency Band, of individuals who will undertake to give an extra five dollars to meet such a case. Never more than once in a year is such a call to be made. Such an advantage this plan has been that our women are asked by our Southern Union to form such an Emergency Band, and we want one thousand women in Kentucky to join it. This year the call is for \$50,000 to found the Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial in the Church Building Fund. This is an emergency in the sense that it is not provided for by the State Apportionments, the money is greatly needed by homeless churches, and such a memorial is a fitting tribute to one who wisely led us and beautifully illustrated consecrated Christian womanhood. February is the special time appointed for making this emergency pledge and gift, but names will be received at any time, and the list kept on file at our office.

What is in a name? Stewardship is only a broader conception of tithing, and tithing is only another name for proportionate giving; that is, planning a due proportion of all we own for the Lord's use. Haphazard giving usually means waiting to be moved by special pleas, which draw from us per-

haps an undue share of our substance, leaving the regular and constant demands of God's cause unprovided for. The tither makes out a list of all the money she can expect to receive during the year, puts a tenth aside for religious giving, and portions it out conscientiously, to the support of her church, the Lord's poor and missions, leaving some part for the unexpected calls which are sure to come. Some people can give much more than a tenth, and do give more gladly, while some who could give largely fail to realize their privilege. There are a few who really cannot give a tenth, but should decide on some just proportion. Most of us will find the tithe a reasonable share of what we receive, and are asked to sign cards prepared by our Union called "Stewardship cards." Are there not two thousand Kentucky women who will sign these cards and send them to 205 East Chestnut? Your own conscience must decide as to the objects to be provided for by your tithe. Not money alone but your time, your talents, energy, should be dedicated and duly apportioned. It has been said that if one-tenth of all our church members were tithers, our mission boards would have abundant resources for the enterprises they are fostering, and for those they long to undertake.—E. S. B.

We deeply sympathize with Mrs. Heck and all the family, in the death from Influenza of her son, Prof. Henry Heck, of the University of Virginia.

Since Miss Dixon has resigned the post of Young People's Secretary for work in France, much of the work will be in the hands of Miss Susan B. Tyler, Chairman of the Young People's Committee.

The Young People's Committee will have the privilege of changing the topics for the Junior meetings when necessary to do so in order to make the meetings of interest to the young people, but following as nearly as possible the general topic.

Stewardship Covenant.

Recognizing, 1st, that I am God's steward, that he has the rightful and supreme claim upon me and my possessions; 2nd, that God said to ancient Israel, "The tithe is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord";

3rd, that Paul says concerning giving, "See that you abound in this grace also"; and, 4th, that the results of thus honoring God have always been most gratifying, enriching both the giver and the Kingdom,

I, therefore, promise, as a recognition of my stewardship and an expression of my love to God, to lay aside until further notice at least one-tenth of my income for the support of his cause. First they gave their own selves unto the Lord. II. Cor. 8:5—Of all that thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto thee. Gen. 28:22.

A Blessed Week.

Many happy messages have come to the W. M. U. office, telling of great results from the Week of Prayer for World-wide Missions. One society, after these days of prayer, was led to support a Missionary in China (which will mean for this society three times as much for Foreign Missions as last year's gift for this cause). Many other societies tell of how the women were led to double their Foreign Mission apportionment, and all tell of a greater interest in world-wide missions and of a deepening of the spiritual life of the women. If the sorrow and suffering that has come to us through the war and the epidemic of influenza has brought us closer to the Master, has led us to see our responsibility to send the gospel to those who sit in darkness, and has given us a spirit of sacrifice, then it has not been in vain.

Let more of these good messages from the Week of Prayer come in. How they hearten the workers in the office!—J. C. B.

War Work Campaign.

How we do hope that our Vice Presidents, Superintendents and Presidents and leaders of societies will catch a vision of the great need of this present time, and when bans are lifted and spring weather comes that they will go out in a real war-work campaign for the Master and that during the remaining months of our convention year we may do wonders, making up for months of interrupted meetings, and be able to send to the Boards the last of April our share of the two and one-half millions for Home and Foreign Missions.—J. C. B.

Emergency Pledge.

Since I am deeply interested in the work fostered by our denomination and recognize that crises sometimes call for unusual and even sacrificial support, I hereby pledge myself, until further notice, to pay at least five dollars in response to any appeal made by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention, with the understanding that there shall never be more than one such emergency call during the year.

A Reminder.

Almost nine months, or three-fourths, of the Convention year have passed and just about one-third of the apportionment for Foreign Missions has been received and less than one-third of that for Home Missions. This means that Kentucky W. M. U. has over \$14,000 yet to raise for Foreign and over \$10,000 for Home Missions just to reach the apportionment. However, we believe the Christmas offering has been delayed by the epidemic and that the societies are seeking to do their very best, not willing that we should fall below the mark, but the rather that we shall go beyond and come up to our share of the big program of our Boards. Thus we are confidently looking for a large flow of the Lottie Moon Christmas offering into the W. M. U. office during the last days of January. Otherwise we shall have sorry figures continuing to stare us in the face.

The apportionment for the Sunday School Board Bible Fund has been met. So we shall be glad if societies not having paid their dollar to this fund will add it to the much needed apportionment for Foreign or Home Missions.—(M. G.)

Scholarship Money Needed.

We are very anxious that every society that has not already sent in the Training School Scholarship apportionment, please send this small amount as soon as possible. Our Scholarship Girls at the Training School will soon be in need of the other half of the scholarship to meet their bills for the spring term—the largest of these bills is usually paid in February. To this end we would ask each society treasurer to look over the apportionment card and if the small apportionments for the Training

School, both expense fund and scholarship fund, have not been paid please forward this amount to the W. M. U. office as early as possible, that the expense fund may be ready to supply the needs of our school, and that our Training School girls may not be embarrassed for lack of the scholarship money promised them.—(J. C. B.

INFLUENZA IN THE GLENDALE HOME.

Ninety-three of our children are in bed with influenza. Five medical nurses are giving their entire time. The situation is pathetic. The Home is too congested for such afflictions, two and three children in one bed; in some rooms there are more than a dozen children. There is no greater demonstration of the necessity for new buildings and more room than this unexpected affliction. Baptists of Kentucky must arise to the needs of the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, and put two wings to the main building this year. We ask praying people everywhere to remember these orphans in prayer, and especially Brother and Sister Vallandingham. They are greatly overtaxed. The Secretary of the State Board has wired the Home to spare no expense in caring for the children at this time. We believe the State Board will stand by this proposition.

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all, ban or no ban, pray much. The leaders must take the burden of the School to the Lord in prayer. Here is the solution. He knows how to help. Ask Him. Let Teachers, Officers and Pastor join in united prayer for the progress of the teaching of God's Word through the Sunday School.

Second—Perfect Your Organization. Experience has proven that an organized method and effort will bring the best results. We have an organization for the School at large, for each Department and for each class, that we believe will bring the desired results. The more people that can be enlisted and given a specific duty will mean a better Sunday School.

Third—Visit. If you cannot go to Sunday School or meet your class there, why not meet them individually in the homes? Where the Health Board permits it, a good plan is to have your class meet you in your

home. Then' also, you may have the class each visit another, and carry flowers to the sick members. Thus, in keeping in close touch with each member of the class the work of the whole Sunday School will be helped.

Fourth—Adopt and strive to reach the A-1 Standard of Excellence for the Sunday School in January, 1919. Upon application this Standard (the New one) will be mailed you free of all charges. Secure and post it for the first Sunday in the new year. Get it now.

"THE OLD KENTUCKY HOME."

Stephen Collins Foster, in his matchless melody, "The Old Kentucky Home," has touched the heart strings not only of the citizens of Kentucky, but of the world. The word "Kentucky" is full of rythm and music. The word "home" holds most that is sacred in the memory of mankind. With these two words, Mr. Foster has charmed millions.

The author has strangely blended Northern sentiment and Southern plantation melody. He brings out two pictures of the same Ante-bellum darky home. In the first stanza, he pictures a happy home, and in the third, he pictures a home ruined by slavery. The chorus, true to the darky's nature, pictures him singing under his burden. There is a charming, hypnotizing something in the melodious strains of this song that enraptures and enriches the soul. Somehow, it steals into the soul with a thrill uncommon to man.

Following are the original words by Stephen Collins Foster:

The sun shines bright in the Old Kentucky Home,

'Tis summer, the darkies are gay;

The corn top's ripe and the meadows in the bloom,

While the birds are making music all the day.

The young folks roll on the little cabin floor,

All merry, all happy and bright,

By'n by, hard times comes a knocking at the door,

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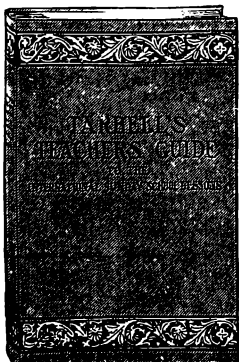
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Chorus.

Weep no more, my lady! Oh! weep no more today!
We will sing one song for the Old Kentucky Home,
For the Old Kentucky Home far away.

They hunt no more for the possum and the coon,
The day goes by like a shadow o'er the heart,
With sorrow where all was delight;
The time has come when the darkies have to part,
Then my Old Kentucky Home, good-night!

The head must bow and the back will have to bend,
Wherever the darky may go;
A few more days and the trouble all will end
In the field where the sugar canes grow.
A few more days for to tote the weary load,
No matter 'twill never be light;
A few more days 'till we totter on the road,
Then my Old Kentucky Home, good-night.

Under the spell of this song, the wandering sons and daughters of Kentucky have seen through the tear mist in their eyes, the Old Kentucky Home. One has seen a cabin on the mountain side, another has seen a mansion in the Bluegrass. Whether cabin, cottage or mansion, it is the Old Kentucky Home. There is no place like home, and certainly to the Kentuckian no place like the Old Kentucky Home.

State Missions is an effort to improve conditions of the homes of Kentucky by keeping before them Christian ideals. Let every loyal Baptist remember that the State Mission books close October 31st. It is now time for the annual offering to Christ and old Kentucky. We trust you will not put this matter off. Delay is dangerous. Let us be faithful to our State and through our State to the rest of the world.

Love can sun the realm of night.—Schiller.

CITY B. Y. P. U. RALLY.

Tuesday night, January 21, a rally of the Louisville Baptist Young People's Unions was held at the Walnut Street Baptist Church. There was a fine attendance of young people and after the transaction of some little business Dr. A. Paul Bagby gave a fine address on the subject of "Power." Dr. Bagby's addresses are all well worth hearing, and this one was exceptionally timely.

He discussed Power under the heads Personality, Price, and Passion, using as a basis for his remarks Christ's words: "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto myself." Dr. Bagby's closing words were: "If there were five hundred persons in Louisville with a real passion for souls the city would be won for Christ in the next year and a half."

An exchange says that a lady who was looking about in a bric-a-brac shop, with a view to purchasing something odd, noticed a quaint figure, the head and shoulders of which appeared above the counter. "What is that Japanese idol over there worth?" she inquired. The salesman's reply was given in a subdued tone: "Worth about half a million, madam; it's the proprietor."

The following extract from the Biblical Recorder should be of interest to Kentucky Baptists at this time, in view of the Educational Campaign soon to be launched in Kentucky. The difference between the two cases is in the amount:

"It's a true story and the man really lives in Missouri. One of the teachers in Meredith College was telling him about the resolution of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina to raise a million dollars for our schools. He threw himself back and laughed heartily, declaring that he had seen religious bodies pass resolutions before. We have been greatly handicapped in our work, but unless we sadly misread the signs of the campaign our people are going to have that million dollars subscribed so quickly that it will soon be our time to laugh. Let us see to it that it is done at once, and then we can turn to our friend in Missouri and say to him. 'He laughs best who laughs last.'"

A cablegram from Yanchow, China, announces the death of Dr. John T. Anderson, one of our Southern Baptist missionaries. During 1914 and 1915 Dr. Anderson was resident physician at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Lexington, Ky. He was well equipped for his work and gave promise of a long and useful life. His sudden taking away will bring sorrow to his many loved ones. Like Luke, he was a consecrated Christian gentleman. One by one the workers go, but the work goes on, till the Son of Man shall come in His glory.—Western Recorder.

State Evangelist Don Q. Smith preached at East Baptist Church, Louisville, on the nights of January 5th and 12th. His sermon on the night of the 12th on "The Three Crosses" was especially fine. The pastor, W. M. Nevins, has been down with the influenza, but we are glad to know that he is improving.

No sane person will deny that there is pleasure in sin and worldliness, but where can you find a devotee of pleasure who can sing with Browning:

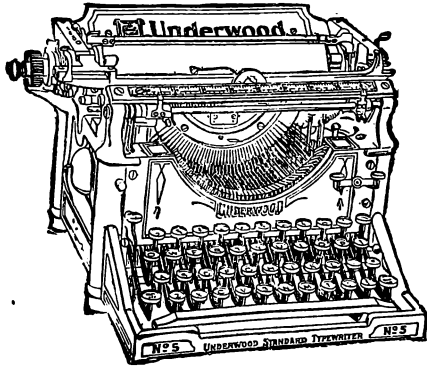
Grow old along with me!
The best is yet to be,
The last of life for which the first was made:
Our times are in His hand
Who saith, "A whole I planned,
Youth shows but half; trust God; see all
nor be afraid!"

Church treasurers and others making remittances to the State Board would confer a favor on the office force if they would observe the following suggestions:

1. Give the name of the Association and church from which the gift is sent.
2. Make checks payable to O. E. Bryan, Cor. Sec'y, or to Baptist State Board of Missions. Gifts from W. M. U. societies should be sent to the Corresponding Secretary or Treasurer of the W. M. U.
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