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ALL ABOARD!

Kentucky Baptists, by unanimous action of their State Board of Missions, endorse the \$75,000,000 Campaign launched by the Southern Baptist Convention and accept as Kentucky's apportionment \$6,500,000. The special Education Campaign has been merged with this larger movement in which ample provision has been made for every interest fostered by our denomination.

The Kentucky Budget enlarged has become the plan of the whole Convention; let's unite in one mighty effort of Christian fellowship and unselfish service.

*O. E. BRYAN,
Cor. Secretary.*

*JNO. L. HILL,
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"LET HIM THAT HEARETH SAY COME"

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... EDITORIAL ...

O. E. BRYAN Editor

THE SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLAR PROGRAM.

At the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta a program of Seventy-five Million Dollars for the next five years was adopted. This Seventy-five Million Dollars is a large budget; in principle it is essentially the method Kentucky has been advocating for several years. At a meeting of the Commissioners appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention to direct this campaign the Seventy-five Million Dollars was apportioned to the States, Kentucky's part being Six Million Five Hundred Thousand. This Seventy-five Million Dollar Budget was apportioned to the different interests of the Southern Baptist Convention as follows:

Education	\$20,000,000
Foreign Missions.....	20,000,000
Home Missions	12,000,000
State Missions	11,000,000
Ministers' Aid.....	5,000,000
Orphans' Home.....	4,700,000
Sanitarium	2,175,000
National Memorial.....	125,000

This Budget is different from Kentucky's annual Budget only in the two following ways: It will be necessary to add Sanitarium and the Roger Williams Memorial, which is the church building being erected in Washington City by the Northern and Southern Boards combined. And, second, the program differs in that the pledges are to be secured in one large simultaneous drive, an Every-Member Canvass of the Southern Baptist Convention for the whole five years, rather than an annual Every-Member Canvass, as advocated by Kentucky Baptists. This is the only vital change from our plans. The truth is other States that have not adopted a budget system will have much more trouble to adjust themselves to this new program.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, of Fort Worth, Texas, was elected to lead the campaign. We advocated an Every-Member Canvass each year for five years, but we were overwhelmingly in the minority. There seems to be nothing else to do but to fall in line with a great unified drive and do our dead-level best. Kentucky's apportionment is entirely fair. We are just beginning our Education Campaign, which will count in this drive, whereas many other States had completed their Education Campaign last year.

O. E. BRYAN.

STEWARDSHIP AND ENLISTMENT.

J. S. Compere, Assistant Secretary.

What Is the Budget?

We are not concerned here with the dictionary meaning of the word, nor with the history of the word, but with the present use of it. In these days the word is used, as far as it applies to religious work, to designate a certain way of raising money for religious work. The money may be raised for local church work, or for general kingdom, interests, or for both. The essential thing in the budget idea is that money for all objects (that are included in the budget) is put into one fund and divided between the different objects. There are at least four ways in which the budget system may be worked.

1. The Unified Budget.

By this plan the money for all objects to which the church members are asked to give is put into one fund, and every dollar (or dime, or penny) that is contributed is divided between these different objects. The church decides at the beginning (or some time before the beginning) of the year what amount will be needed for pastor's salary, incidentals and other local expenses. They also decide what amounts they should give to general objects, such as State Missions, Home and Foreign Missions, Orphans' Home, Christian Education, and any other

objects to which the church proposes to contribute. These sums added together make up the budget of the church for the year. It is also decided to divide the money in a certain way. Usually there is first a general division between local expenses and outside objects, as, for instance, when it is agreed that 50 cents out of every dollar shall go to home expenses and 50 cents to outside objects. These main divisions are again subdivided, especially among the outside objects. It might run something like this: Of every dollar given for outside objects 20 cents shall go to Home Missions, 10 cents to Orphans' Home, 10 cents to Christian Education, and 5 cents to Associated Missions. (I do not mean to recommend these special amounts, but only to illustrate the plan.) By this plan every single contribution would help along every single object supported by the church. Some part of every contribution, if it were only a cent, would reach every one of these objects.

2. Budget for Local Expenses.

For various reasons some churches may not wish to adopt the unified budget for all objects fostered by the church, but will wish to have a budget for all local expenses. Instead of collecting money specially for each separate object, such as pastor's salary, janitor, fuel and lights, organist, insurance, etc., they estimate what will be needed for all of these for the year. Then pledges are made by the members and contributions are given for this home budget. Some part of every contribution to this local budget reaches every object for which the church must pay in carrying on its work at home. Outside objects are not included in this budget, and money for them must be raised in some other way.

3. Budget for Outside Objects.

This simply means that money to all outside objects fostered by the church is put into one fund and divided on a percentage basis, as indicated above. The church decides what amount it should give during the year for each one of these objects, sums them up into a total, and takes pledges and receives contributions for this total amount. Every contribution is divided between the different objects and some part of every contribution reaches every object included in this budget. This, of course, says nothing about local expenses. Such expenses

would be raised in whatever way might seem best to the church.

4. A Budget for Certain Objects.

This is like No. 3, except that instead of making a budget for all outside objects, only certain special objects are put into this budget. Some prefer to put into this budget the less important of the outside objects—or, rather, those that require smaller sums of money—and leave the others to be provided for by special collections. By this plan such objects as Orphans' Home, Ministerial Education, Old Ministers' Relief, Association Missions (perhaps), hospitals, etc., would go into the budget and contributions to the budget would be divided among them. But such objects as Home and Foreign Missions, State Missions, and Christian Education would be taken care of by special collections. Dr. L. R. Scarborough specially recommends this plan, only combining it with a budget for local expenses.

5. Two Budgets.

By this plan a church has two budgets, one for local expenses and another for outside objects. Though the pledge may be taken at the same time, two pledges are taken from each person who contributes, taken from each person who contributes, one pledge for the budget for local expenses and another pledge for the budget for outside objects. The duplex envelopes (with two separate pockets) may be used for turning in the contributions, or two separate envelopes may be used. (Usually some envelope systems will be used.) Generally there will be two treasurers, one for the local funds and another for outside objects. It is possible for one treasurer to handle both funds, but it is much easier and much simpler if there are two treasurers. Dr. J. T. Henderson, Secretary of the Baptist Laymen's Movement, strongly urges this double budget. In putting it on, the budget for outside objects could include all outside objects to which the church expects to contribute, as in No. 3 above, or it could be made to include only certain special outside objects, as in No. 4, leaving the others to be taken care of by special collections independently of the budget.

NOTE WELL! It is expected that, as far as possible, every member will contribute to whatever budget the church may adopt. It is also expected that the contributions

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will be paid regularly, every week or every month, or every meeting day if the church has meeting on two or three Sundays of each month. It is expected also that all contributions shall be divided between all the objects included in the budget for which they are given.

PRINCIPLES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE COMMISSION APPOINTED BY THE S. B. C. ON THE \$75,000,000 PROGRAM.

1. The objective shall be the raising within the next five years of a minimum of \$75,000,000 for kingdom interests, exclusive of local current expenses, building, equipment, improvement, etc. The \$75,000,000, has been distributed by authority of the convention as follows:

One big campaign in the fall or spring for the \$75,000,000 in pledges, and apportioned to the States by the same authority as follows:

sociation and Convention is asked to devote one day of its next session to this huge and vital task; the summer Assemblies and Chautauquas are requested to provide on their programs for the presentation of this object.

4. As preparatory to the campaign and at as early a date as may be practicable, each State should put on a well-organized and vigorous campaign in accordance with resolutions 2 and 3 on page 71 of the Minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention for 1919 for increasing the circulation of its denominational weekly—or weeklies—and the denominational weeklies are urged to press the great cause, both by giving utmost publicity and giving it vigorous and sustained editorial support.

5. September is designated as "Intercessors' League Month," during which time earnest effort shall be made among the churches to enlist the members in a covenant to pray regularly and importunately that this campaign may be divinely directed

	Sou. Bap. Con.	Per cent.	Kentucky
Education	\$20,000,000	26.6	\$1,733,333 1-3
Foreign Missions	20,000,000	26.6	1,733,333 1-3
Home Missions	12,000,000	16	1,040,000
State Missions	11,000,000	14.4	953,333 1-3
Ministers' Aid	5,000,000	6.4	433,333 1-3
Orphans' Home	4,700,000	6.2	407,333 1-3
Sanatarium	2,175,000	2.4	188,500
National Memorial	125,000	1.4	10,833 1-3
	<hr/> \$75,000,000	<hr/> 8.6	<hr/> \$6,500,000

This Commission did not distribute, but cordially commends the distribution and apportionment made by others.

2. The method shall be a simultaneous campaign in all the States of the Convention, during which time contributions proportionate to ability shall be secured or solicited from every member of every church within the bounds of the Convention. Contributions from friends not of these churches will be welcomed, but members of other denominations are not to be solicited.

3. The \$75,000,000 program should be the main subject for discussion and consideration of every District and State Association or Convention for this year; every As-

and signally blessed.

6. October is designated as "Enlistment for Service Month," during which time the Sunday School Board, the Woman's Missionary Union and the Laymen's Committee are requested to aid the Commission in a campaign of enlistment.

7. November is designated as "Christian Stewardship Month," during which time the doctrine of stewardship shall be expounded and the members of the churches exhorted to adopt the New Testament standard of giving.

8. Conferences of pastors and laymen by cities, counties and associations are recommended as preparatory to the simultan-

eous campaign. Mass meetings should be held, whenever practicable, for important information and stimulating interest. Chairman Truett should address these meetings, particularly in the centers.

9. The Commissioner from each State in attendance upon this meeting and consenting to this service shall be charged with the duty, in co-operation with the State agencies, of a suitable presentation of this object to the District and State Associations and Conventions. In other States a commissioner shall be appointed by our chairman for each State for this task. Each Commissioner shall keep an itemized account of his legitimate expenses incurred in behalf of the fund in his State and the State Executive Board, or Board most nearly corresponding thereto, of that State is asked to pay the same monthly upon proper vouchers.

10. Chairman George W. Truett is requested to visit as many State Conventions, Chautauqs, Assemblies and Encampments as possible in the interest of this fund and the Sunday School Board is asked to provide all his expenses incurred in the interest of this campaign. The said Board is also asked to defray the expenses of the meetings of the Commission or of Committees of the same.

11. The current pledges for Education in several of the States shall be considered a part of those States' apportionment of the \$75,000,000. The current pledges for the Church Building and Loan Fund of the Home Mission Board shall be considered in a similar manner.

12. All funds shall be paid through the regular channels of the States and each State shall make daily reports of subscriptions during the simultaneous campaign to headquarters at Nashville, Tenn.

13. It is suggested to the States that they designate their pro-rata and proportionate part of funds for such objects in the \$75,000,000 program as may not now be on the budget of the States and churches.

14. A committee of five is hereby authorized, of which the Chairman of the Commission shall be a member, to present a preparatory appeal to the denomination. The Sunday School Board is asked to bear the expense of printing and mailing this appeal.

15. A campaign-committee of five, a secretary each from the Foreign and Home Boards and three other persons, shall be appointed by this Commission to organize conferences, create literature, and have charge of the campaign, under the direction of the Commission. The headquarters of this campaign-committee shall be Nashville, Tenn., and the committee shall begin its work without delay. Said Committee is authorized to employ such agents and agencies as may be expedient to accomplish its work. The Sunday School Board is requested to provide its expenses, all such expenditures to be made after consultation with that Board. It is hoped that at the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention all the expenses of the Commission will be prorated among the different interests represented in the \$75,000,000 program. The Commission pledges itself to conduct the campaign as economically as is consistent with efficiency.

16. Every Board, organization or object which is to share in this \$75,000,000 fund is hereby called upon to make a thorough-going survey of the purposes to which it proposes to devote its percentage of the said fund and to present to the Commission at the earliest practicable date a sufficiently itemized statement of the needs to be met in order that the denomination may be able to understand and evaluate all these benevolences.

17. All general benevolences being provided for in this program, no other such campaigns should be made in the bounds of the Convention during the five-year period, except the Missionary Days in the Sunday School, and the secretaries and the General Boards of the Convention are asked to present and urge the \$75,000,000 program as a whole.

18. This entire plan of campaign contemplates the loyal co-operation of our splendid women upon whose helpfulness in every kingdom enterprise we confidently rely. It also contemplates the active participation of deacons and laymen without whose counsel and unstinted aid we can not hope to succeed.

19. Our colored Baptist brethren of the South, particularly those represented by the National Baptist Convention, incorporated, and the Lott Cary Convention, and the Bap-

tists of the Northern States and of Canada are respectfully requested to plan and project a campaign among their churches for benevolences corresponding in time and aim to the one in which we are engaged.

The Campaign Committee consists of:

Dr. Geo. W. McDaniel, Richmond, Va.

Dr. F. C. McConnell, Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. H. L. Winburn, Arkadelphia, Ark.

Mr. Geo. E. Hays, Louisville, Ky.

Mr. J. H. Anderson, Knoxville, Tenn.

Dr. Geo. W. Truett, Dallas, Texas, is ex-officio member.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough is leader of the campaign.

STATE B. Y. P. U. OF KENTUCKY.

O. T. Black, Secretary.

Just as Uncle Sam sent out the call for volunteers at the beginning of the war, so Southern Baptists, and especially Kentuckians, are sending out the call for volunteers for the greater and lasting army of our Master. Having just returned from the service of our country and having seen such great tasks accomplished by our soldiers on a larger scale than was ever thought possible, it is now my desire to enter into the greater Service of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and to enlist, through these columns, the young Christians of Kentucky who are going to make up the greatest army the world has ever known.

Since Uncle Sam's soldiers must undergo a course of rigid training, before they become efficient, why shouldn't the Soldiers of Christ do likewise, and what better "Training Camp" could the young Christian attend than the B. Y. P. U.? The world today is calling for wide-awake, "all around" young men and young women. They must be developed not only along one phase of life; but attention must be given, equally, to the spiritual, physical, social, and mental life of young manhood and young womanhood. This may all be accomplished in the B. Y. P. U. How? Let me tell you. By the faithful study of the Systematic Bible Readers' Course; by participating in the Devotional part of the weekly meetings; by the study of topics and text-books especially designed for young Church members; and by attending the social features of the B. Y. P. U. which afford clean, helpful "good-times-for-all."

The old idea that there was nothing for the young Church member to do has at last

become "a thing of the past." Our Churches are becoming alert to the necessity of training the YOUNG PEOPLE, not only for individual service, but for the Church as well. Since this is a day for young people, let us realize our responsibility, and surround them with the helpful influence of Christian training rather than neglect them, and with cold indifference allow our young people to go on seeking amusement through worldly pleasures which brings ruin to thousands and thousands each year.

Enlist now in the B. Y. P. U., and if there isn't one in YOUR Church, start a Recruiting Station YOURSELF, and thus BROADEN YOUR PRESENT USEFULNESS. Boost your own Union, and soon the army of Baptist Young People throughout Kentucky will be known throughout the world!

The Executive Committee of the Kentucky State B. Y. P. U. convened in Louisville on Saturday afternoon, May 24th, at the call of the president, Prof. J. W. Compton, of Owensboro, at the office of the Baptist State Board of Missions. The officers present were: Prof. J. W. Compton, Owensboro, President; Will P. Payne, Franklin, and W. T. Perry, Covington, Vice Presidents; Miss Florence M. Washer, Office Secretary; A. J. Schafer, Lexington, Chorister, and George R. Jewell, Louisville, Press Reporter. Brother Black was present at the opening of the session and reported what was done in the interest of the B. Y. P. U. at the Southern Baptist Convention.

Various phases of young people's work were discussed and an outline of the program for the coming Fifth Annual Kentucky State B. Y. P. U. Convention to be held at Franklin, April 19th to 22nd, 1920, was drawn up. Vice President Will P. Payne, of Franklin, told of arrangements that are being made by his people for taking care of the coming convention. Dr. O. E. Bryan expressed the hope that ere long the office of B. Y. P. U. Field Secretary will be filled, and all indications pertaining to the coming convention seem to be focussing down to one point—the greatest convention in the history of B. Y. P. U. work in the State. Vice President Perry has already started boosting the North Kentucky B. Y. P. U. Association as the place to hold the Sixth Annual Convention in 1921.

Geo. R. Jewell, Press Reporter.

... SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT ...

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There is jut one way to get on the honor
 roll and it—

Twenty-five Sunday Schools "A-1" in 1919
 under the New Standard of Excellence. Six
 so far, others to follow.

Pontotoc, Miss., is the only "AA-1" Sun-
 day School in the world. Watch our news
 notes closely if you want to see the second
 "AA-1" School. Watch still closer.

In May we had 55 Diplomas granted com-
 pared with 58 in April. Kentucky still
 holds second place in the number of diplo-
 mas, but it is not a matter to take for
 granted that we shall keep for North Car-
 olina had 344 in April and 84 in May which
 brings them to a total of 5,327, while Ken-
 tucky holds 5,565. Let us keep our record
 that we have maintained for so long.

In the number of Gold Seal, Post-graduate
 Diplomas, we hold third place. Texas leads
 with 90, Alabama second with 42, and Ken-
 tucky third with 40.

We are glad to give the names of those
 receiving Blue Seals, Post-graduate Diplo-
 mas, and the Gold Seal Diploma for May.
 They are:

Blue Seals: Bowling Green—Rev. B. E.
 Willoughby; Jellico—Mrs. Sam C. Baird, E.
 E. Disney, S. B. Douglas, Mrs. M. G. Hardin,
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 J. E. Martin, Mrs. D. D. Scott, Mrs. Frank
 Smith; Louisville—Mrs. R. A. Eddleman;
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 Robinson, B. F. Siler.

Post-graduate Diplomas: Louisville—Mrs.
 O. E. Bryan; Mentor—D. B. Jolly, Mrs.

Stella Ratcliffe, Ella Short; Owensboro—
 Mrs. Nancy Allen.

Gold Seal: Guston—Mrs. H. L. Bell.

The Rural Sunday School Campaign.

Since our last information about the Cam-
 paign, we are glad to state that plans have
 now been perfected to visit eighteen Asso-
 ciations and be on our Rural Campaign Pro-
 gram.

Greenup Association was visited June 5-
 13. Baptist, Simpson and Sulphur Fork As-
 sociations have been visited June 14-20.
 Wayne County, West Union, Tate's Creek,
 and Little River Associations will be visited
 June 21-27. Blood River and Rockcastle As-
 sociations will be visited June 28-July 4.
 Three Forks Association and South Ken-
 tucky Association will be visited July 5-11.
 Crittenden, Irvine, and Laurel River Asso-
 ciations will be visited July 12-18. Pulaski
 County and Elkhorn Associations, July 19-
 25, and finally Ohio County Association will
 conclude our program on July 26-31.

If you are in any of these Associations
 and interested in our program, we would be
 glad to give you the information as to the
 exact place to be visited if you will write us.

A local Pastor will be in charge as Cam-
 paign Manager and we will have some ex-
 perts in Sunday School Methods to accom-
 pany the Pastors and Associational Super-
 intendents on the itinerary.

Associational Superintendents.

Since our last report many new names
 have been added to our list as our Associa-
 tional helpers. We are thankful that daily
 we receive cards of acceptance from those
 whom we have asked to help serve in this
 great work. Next month we will publish
 a list of those whose names have been add-
 ed since our last list was published. Now
 we would say to these and to others who
 have accepted, as well as to those who have
 been asked, that the plan is working fine
 and we are expecting our Sunday School
 cause to prosper as never before.

Allow us to quote from just one letter.
 Dr. A. E. Threlkeld, Associational Superin-
 tendent of Missions in Concord Association,
 has written the following:

"Three Sunday Schools have been or-
 ganized and I go to New Columbus to-
 morrow to try to organize one there.

If I am successful, this will make one Sunday School in every Church in Concord Association."

With this as an example, we feel encouraged and we know that many others are doing similar work in Associations all over this state. When we get the 900 workers we will surely make the Sunday School cause foremost of all the auxiliaries of our Church work. If you have been asked to serve as one of the twelve in your Association and if you want more information in regard to it, do not hesitate to write us for we are glad to give all the information that it is possible for us to impart.

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A Word to the Superintendent.

Brother, do you really want your School the best? If so, we have the very thing in a nutshell for you. Write and ask how can I make my Sunday School the best. A letter will be sent on the next mail telling you.

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A Word to the Pastor.

Brother Pastor, be honest, how long since you have taught a Teacher Training Class in your Church? Mr. Joe B. Moseley, State Secretary of Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Work of Arkansas, may be quoted as saying this:

"I find that the man who emphasizes Teacher Training solves all Church problems."

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THAT JELICO SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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Mrs. Sam C. Baird.

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"And what is so rare as a day in June?

Then, if ever, come perfect days;
Then Heaven tries earth if it be in tune,
And over it softly her warm ear lays."

June 1st was a rare and perfect day for the Baptists of Jellico and every heart seemed in tune two weeks before we had planned to have eleven hundred in Sunday School on that day, it being the eleventh anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Martin's sojourn with us. So well had the work been done, or, to come nearer the real reason, in such high esteem is this faithful pair held by everyone, that they came on willing feet from far and near to do them honor, and

instead of eleven hundred, we numbered twelve hundred and sixty-six. The commodious church was crowded, but as a result of systematic and united planning by teachers and officers, everything was carried out in good order and without a jarring note.

After the usual teaching period an interesting specially arranged program was given, illustrating the teaching policy of this school, which the pastor says is "From the cradle to the grave." The oldest and youngest persons present were given special distinction. The oldest woman present was Aunt Delphia Smith, aged 86, and the oldest man was Uncle Adam Siler, aged 88, both of whom are charter members of the Jellico church. The youngest girl baby was Juanita Earles, the youngest boy being Edward Johnston, both aged six weeks. It was indeed an impressive sight when these aged people, their earthly pilgrimage nearly over, were led to the front of the church, and the proud young mothers, holding their beautiful babes, came and stood beside them. Thus does the Sunday School reach all ages.

The presence of our State Secretary, Brother J. R. Black, added much to the occasion. At this point he took charge of the program and in a unique and beautiful way conferred the different awards upon those members of the teaching force who had completed the course of study suggested by the Sunday School Board. Symbolizing the door of Knowledge which had been opened to them by their study of teaching methods, four beautiful gates had been prepared for these candidates to walk through: Mrs. Sillus Newman and Mrs. Oscar Baird had completed the first book of the prescribed course, and it was their privilege to open the first gate, which was a white one, and receive their diplomas. Mrs. N. S. Jones, Mrs. E. H. Siler, Miss Jennie Brummet and Miss Mabel Frammel had finished three additional books, and they were awarded red seals after coming through the red gate, making the second step in the study course. Four more books had been studied by Mrs. M. G. Hardin, Mrs. D. D. Scott, Mrs. Frank Henneman, Mrs. F. L. Smith, Mrs. S. C. Baird, J. E. Martin, S. B. Douglass, T. R. Hill and E. E. Disney.

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... WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT ...

CENTRAL COMMITTEE

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205 East Chestnut, Louisville, Ky.

IMPRESSIONS OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The weekly denominational papers have had accounts of our meeting in Atlanta, the annual gathering of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South. But some personal recollections are here given, and some points of special emphasis.

It was pre-eminently a meeting of thanksgiving, for, since our last assembling together, the greatest of wars had come to an end and many of us have rejoiced over loved ones safe at home again. We were glad that large gifts had flown into the treasuries of our Boards, and that our women had not only met, but exceeded, their apportionments in every State but one, and that one of the newer members of the body.

There was a large attendance, eleven States having the full number allowed, twenty-five delegates. This has been increased to forty from each State, including the Vice President. Those States which are far away from the meeting place will have to make great efforts to secure the full number, or else run the risk of having the policy of the Union regulated by the States that are close at hand. We must also guard against the danger of lessening the feeling of responsibility that each delegate should have as to regular and prompt attendance and participation in discussion. This time the Kentuckians were in their places, alert and responsive. As the officers sat upon the platform, behind upon the choir seats in the first tier were the Vice Presidents, who spoke for three minutes each upon some phase of the State work, preferably Mission Study and plans for the new Campaign for Christian Education. Presently the seats above us were filled with Atlanta ladies, who were introduced as chairmen of Hospitality Committees, and members of the Georgia Executive

Board, whom we were pleased to greet and thank for their labors in our behalf. The flowers were most beautiful in the churches, and upon the luncheon tables on Saturday. It seemed almost magical for so many roses and manifold flowers to be blooming outdoors in the middle of May, and we realized that we were indeed in the Sunny South.

There were great advances in our undertakings. Responding to the appeals made before the Convention, and agreeing to cooperate with the tremendous program voted for, we became responsible for the effort to raise in five years three million dollars for Christian Education, and in ten years to give one million to the Ministers' Aid and Annuity Fund. Kentucky women will be asked to give \$280,000 to the first and \$92,000 to the second. Truly the day of small things is past, and we must learn to think and to give in large terms for our denominational enterprises, even as we have learned to give to the Red Cross and the War Orphans and other campaigns made necessary by the war.

The Training School hour was made peculiarly impressive by the great "cloud of witnesses," sixty-four young women who have been students, and who told us of the many lines of work in which they are now engaged. Dr. Pinnock asked permission to tell of fine work done in Africa by some former students, Miss Olive Eden being one of them who went from Kentucky, though of Tennessee birth. Mrs. Eager's report was beautifully read and Mrs. McLure spoke from her heart to ours.

The Margaret Fund has helped twenty-three boys and girls to get their college education, and so many of the missionaries' children are applying for scholarships that our apportionment for this fund is increased, as is the case for the Training School. Almost all the young people helped by the fund are planning to give their lives to missionary service. Let us continue to pray that this may be our reward.

The special young people's service on Friday afternoon was a great success. It was planned and presided over by Miss Susan Tyler, of Baltimore, who has been ably serving in Miss Dixon's place since she went to France. Much was done by Miss Mary Gray, younger daughter of Dr. B. D. Gray,

and the girls from Bessie Tift College motored seventy miles that day to be present and give a processional that was very effective. Cox's College was largely represented and there were six girls from an Arkansas college. Where were all the Kentucky college girls. Let us hope to see some of them next year at Washington. As girls from each State gave a brief statement of their Y. W. A. work and progress, Miss Sallie Morton, of Owensboro, responded from Kentucky, and two members of the Y. W. A. stood. We had hoped to have at least five of our delegates come from these younger societies, and we must keep on trying to interest them in attending our State and Union meetings, that they may feel the stimulus of being with many others who are like minded and from whom they may learn much that is useful.

The luncheon to missionaries on Saturday was attended by 400 women, and the addresses by Mrs. Gill and Mrs. Calder Willingham were beautiful indeed, while sweet music and lovely flowers helped to give a festive air. Dr. Gambrell's sermon on Sunday was the crowning joy of these joyful days.—E. S. B.

Monterey, Mexico, Gral. Trevino St. 57½
—My Dear Miss Broadus: I take the liberty of addressing a letter to you, encouraged by the recollection of past favors. I had the honor once to be one of the missionaries supported by your missionary society, and during that time you gave me a trip to Kentucky to attend your General Association—a meeting I have always remembered with pleasure and gratitude to you.

I have been working in Mexico for several years now as an independent missionary, in connection with the Baptists, of course, but with no connection with a board. Something over a year ago I finished translating your father's Commentary on Matthew. I felt that it was such an honor and privilege to translate a book so great and learned, and yet so simple, so faithful to the truth of the Bible, and one that will be such a boon to Spanish-speaking preachers. It seemed to me if I could live to finish it I could almost say "Let now thy servant depart in peace." But—well as I got on toward the end of it I quit saying anything

about departing in peace, but rather prayed that I might live to translate other commentaries. I am now just finishing the "Christian Workers' Commentary," by Dr. Gray, of the Moody Bible Institute. After that I am to translate "Studies in the New Testament" by Dr. A. T. Robertson, your brother-in-law, and "Training in the Baptist Spirit," by Dr. VanNess, at the head of our Publication House in El Paso, Texas. So you see my prayer is being answered. Forgive these personal notes.

A few days ago I was in Saltillo, where our Theological Seminary is being conducted by Dr. Rudd for the Northern Baptists and Dr. Lacy for the Southern Baptists. It is doing splendidly. They have, I believe, twenty-seven students, two at least of whom are from Central America. They are hoping to receive pupils from Mexican churches in the United States next session.

We are hoping and planning to have our Mexican National Convention meet this fall. It has not met for several years on account of revolutions. It has been, of course, unsafe to travel on the railroads, as a favorite diversion of the bandits for all these years has been the blowing up of trains. There isn't much to prevent the meeting of the Convention now except the poverty of the preachers, caused by the high prices of everything; this makes it hard to come from distant parts of the Republic. Still, they all seem anxious for it to meet.

My excuse for writing you this letter is that I wish to ask you to do me another favor. Years ago I asked you to have sent to several Mexican preachers copies of the Western Recorder after the subscribers in the States had read them. I remember with gratitude your cordial response. That is what I wish to ask now. They can't afford to take papers, but they would be very glad to have them, and they would be a great help to them. Many of them read English; it is always one of the principal studies in the theological schools here, so that the preachers may be able to read evangelical literature in English, as we have so little in Spanish. I give my Recorder to my pastor. Counting on your compliance, I will give one address now, and if you write that you can get the papers, I will, with the help of my pastor, make out a list of ad-

dresses to which the papers can be sent. This address is Rev. Daniel Sierra Barocio, Aguascalientes, Mexico, Templo Bautista.

He is an earnest man, and an intelligent and vigorous writer, as his frequent communications to our Mexican Baptist paper show.

Hoping I may be forgiven for taking up so much of your valuable time, I remain, with warmest Christian regards, Yours sincerely,
Sarah A. Hale.

(Miss Broadus now has five other names of Mexican Baptist preachers, which she will be glad to furnish to anyone who agrees to send on her religious paper after reading it.)

SOUTH CHINA W. M. U.

Never did you seem closer and dearer to us, your sisters in far-off China than during a little farewell meeting we had with Mrs. Love in February, when she talked to us women of South China of your deep love for us, of your keen interest in the smallest event of our lives and your continual prayers in our behalf. Tears were in every eye, for most keenly do we realize how often we are unworthy of such affection and confidence. But it was with one heart that, at the close of that meeting, we pledged ourselves anew to more united and systematic prayer for you in your great sustaining work for the same "royal service" to which we are giving our lives in a foreign land. For, after all, how really one is the whole woman's work of our convention—your part there of support and enlistment and our part here on the firing line, the one no more important than the other if each be done with an eye single to His glory. To this end we, the twenty-nine American women of the South China Mission, with the hundreds of Chinese women and children represented in our thirty-odd societies, will be remembering you at the throne of grace during your busy convention week in May. Also, we covet your prayers for our June gathering in Canton, when the South China W. M. U. is to vote upon plans submitted in Shanghai in March for an all-China and Japan organization, this union to include all of the five Southern Baptist missions of the East. The advantages to be gained from such an organization can hardly be estimated, yet

there are many problems connected therewith. The past year in our union has been one of genuine advance along many lines, and our prayer for 1919 is that this year as never before our Chinese women may get the burden of the souls of their sisters upon their hearts. Our "love be with you all in Christ Jesus."—Laurie Smith Williams.

JAPAN.

It is with joy and thanksgiving in our hearts that we report progress in our woman's work in Japan during the past year. At the last annual meeting of our women missionaries we adopted a standard of excellence similar to that used in the W. M. U. in the homeland. It has put new life into the societies and given us a definite goal toward which to work. The native Christians are delighted with this step forward and see the advantage of more definiteness in our work. A very great cause of rejoicing is that the money has been received from the Foreign Mission Board for the land of our long hoped-for girls' school to be located in Kumamoto. Many of you have given of your money and prayers for this object and we hope that you will continue both to pray and give until the fund is completed. We shall be thinking of you and praying for you as you meet this year to plan for another year's campaign. Our earnest prayer will be that the Holy Spirit may be so powerfully in your midst that you shall plan greater things for the Kingdom than you have ever done before. May you who stay at home, and we, your representatives, who are on the firing line, and the native Christians, all be united in one great purpose of making Christ known to a lost world, that this coming year may be the most wonderful in world-evangelism that we have ever known. May we clasp hands across the thousands of intervening miles as we rally around our leader. As the world has been so racked with bloodshed and suffering during the past four years, may we, with a mighty determination give ourselves to bringing the Prince of Peace into the hearts of sorrowing, sin-sick men and women so that the peace which passeth understanding may fill hearts even unto the uttermost parts of the earth.—Mrs. W. Harvey Clarke.

MY WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

I was attracted to the work among the negroes because of their eagerness to learn. Of course, there were other attractions, too; but this was the main one. I am going to try to tell you of my work just as though I were standing before you speaking to you. I believe it will be more interesting.

We work with them through the settlement plan. In Louisville, Ky., where I have been working, we have two Baptist settlement houses. This plan is best, because there is so much to teach the negroes, and it must be taught in such a simple manner that time does not permit individual work, and so the settlement houses, with their many classes have proved to be the very best plan.

The negroes are a very religious class of people. They love their church services, and have more services in one week than a great many white churches have in a month. They also like elaborate services, with lots of music, much speaking and lengthy prayers. I once timed an old colored brother in his prayer and found that he could pray for exactly one hour and fifteen minutes without resting. Their services are very long, usually lasting not less than two hours and a half and often three and four hours. Of course at the Settlement House we do not have such lengthy classes or Sunday School services, for we want to show them what can be done in a short, well organized service. The negro is very firm in his belief and his faith is far greater than that of his white brother. He loves his Lord because of what He did for him, and he is going to do all he can to show the world how much he thinks of his Saviour.

The negroes are ignorant, but are very eager and willing to learn. They are never too tired to listen to someone who will tell them something that they do not know, nor are they ever too busy to try something that is anxious to learn how to do things in the church life. They want to know how to be better Sunday School teachers, better church officers and better deacons. They are always willing to take a suggestion and try it out.

In the Settlement House we have the Sunday School, which gives them training in Scripture, and also the Bible Study class, which we have organized like a Junior B. Y. P. U. and which gives them a great deal of Scripture knowledge.

In the domestic classes we have sewing, cooking, manual training, crocheting and knitting. This teaches them how to do practical things which will be helpful to them in every-day life and which may be used as a means of livelihood.

Visiting is another essential thing. We go into the homes of these people and talk with them, pray with them, cheer them up in times of trouble and find out just what they need most, and if it is at all possible supply them with it. Many a sick child has been gladdened by a piece of fruit that "teacher" brought them, and many a tired and wearied mother has been eased of her burden by the clothes and shoes that some of "teacher's" friends have supplied.

Altogether it is a worthy work and we ask the prayers of the people all over the country that the negro may be better supplied with teachers and workers to help make his lot in this world easier and more cheerful and to bring him closer to the Saviour who died for the world.—Florence Washer.

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This class was entitled to blue seals, and entered the third gate, which was blue. The fourth gate was gold, standing for the Gold Seal, which is conferred upon those completing the post-graduate course, consisting of five books. This last distinction is, of course, hardest of all to reach, and the pastor's wife, Mrs. Martin, was the only one privileged to pass beneath the glowing archway of the Golden Gate.

After beautiful music by the choir and stirring singing by the congregation, the beloved pastor, whose chief concern is for lost souls, made, in closing, a special appeal to the lost. Strong men, mothers, young people and children were alike impressed, and many asked for prayer. Every Rally Day of the past has brought its blessed reward of saved souls. This one, we know, will be no exception, which, with many other beautiful results of our glorious rally of June, 1919, makes us and our faithful pastor and his gifted wife happy and ready for another year of work together.

THE ARGENTINE.

Indications are that the Argentine woman is beginning to come into her own. At present there are two strong organizations, not to be classed among the Catholic charity societies, which are working for the uplift and progress of women. There is also a body of women that is working for fair labor conditions. Now is the time for Christian women to show their strength and the spirit which should characterize an essentially Christian organization. As a general rule, the women's societies in our churches are exceedingly democratic, the missionaries striving to place responsibilities upon the native women as much as possible. In Rosario the societies of the different churches unite periodically for inspiration and discussion of methods. They are a brave group. Here in Buenos Aires, where distances are great and life strenuous, we have not yet learned to come together, but none the less are working for personal growth, church aid and missions. In the smaller towns the women are, as elsewhere, the life of the churches.—Mrs. S. M. Sowell.



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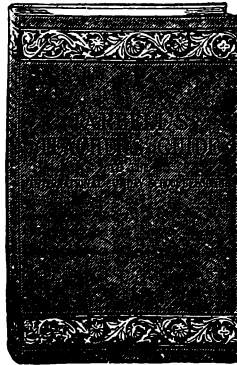
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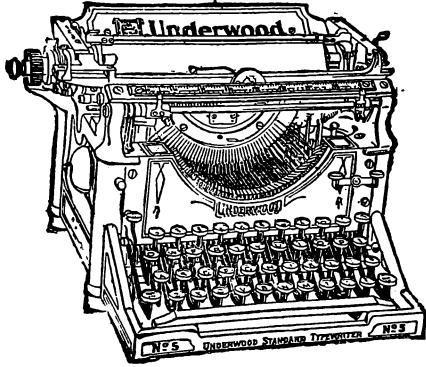
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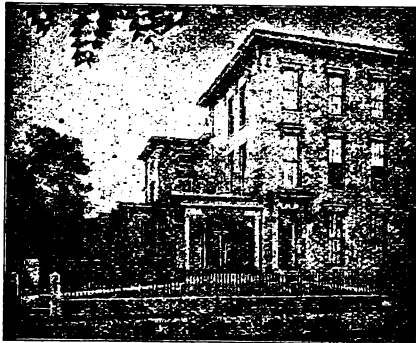
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