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Missions and the Early History of the W. M. U.

[The following splendid address was delivered by Mrs. D. F. Horton at the Jubilate Celebration in Boone on Sunday, Apr. 26.]

The last words of our Lord "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" is applicable to all Christians. Then it is our Christian duty and privilege to help in the extension of the Masters Kingdom. We are called to be coworkers with God in the grandest work on earth, a work which angels would be glad to do. God has planned for man to help him in this work. He has honored us by calling us to his service. Therefore we are in perfect harmony with Gods plans when we labor together earnestly and truly for souls and for the extension of the Masters Kingdom in all the world. The world is lost without the message which Christian people alone can give. Therefore we like Paul in our lesson of April the 12th are debtors to the lost world. Now realizing the great responsibility that is ours as a Christian people and I will bring it down to the Baptist people of Three Forks Association? Should we not awake to the realization of the fact that we are not doing what we should in our association.

The report of our association last year was enough to stir the hearts of every true Baptist in Three Forks association to greater activities. To what shall we attribute these small contributions in our churches.

It is not because the Baptist of Watauga Co. are lacking in wealth. No, I believe that it might be truly said that the Baptists hold the greater part of the wealth of the county. Neither is it because we are lacking spiritually, for no doubt a more consecrated people could not be found than the people of Watauga Co. Then in view of this it seems to me that one of the things most needful among our churches is the circulation of our denominational papers. If we would be interested along mission lines, we must have information concerning the work. Then I would urge our people to take the Biblical Recorder and the Foreign Mission Journal. Then a system means much to our work.

Already we are beginning to realize how regular monthly offerings count, judging by what the W. M. U. reported this year.

Perhaps there are many who are scrupulous concerning the work that the women are trying to do, and look upon it as being a new fad, but go with me back to the earliest days of the 18th century, when consecrated women were among those who were praying and giving and in their devotion and self-sacrifice were laying the foundation upon which the foundation on which the W. M. U. are building today.

The oldest Womens' Society in America seemed to have been the Boston Female Society for Missionary purposes organized in the year 1800. This was established by Miss Mary Webb. There were 14 in the society, 18 Baptists and 6 Congregationalists. Separate accounts were kept of the contributions, of Baptist and Congregationalist, and by the year 1819 the Society had contributed \$3,825.00, of which the Baptist members gave \$2,220.00. For eleven years its contributions were for home missions. Then, being deeply impressed with the work done by the English Baptist missionaries in India, they resolved to give \$200.00, the entire subscription of the year 1811 to the translation of the Scri-

tures carried on successfully by the Missionaries at Serampore Bengal. Two years later Mary Webb organized a Baptist Woman's missionary Society, and also organized a children's cent society, which in 1811 contributed 27.00 to the Baptist Mission Society. Then in 1811 under the leadership of Mrs. Townsend, the women of Wadmalaw and Edisto formed a mite society. Their earnestness and liberality is shown by the fact that in 1812 they reported to the association \$122.50 for work among the Catawba Indians. The Edisto members at that time held their membership in the church of Charleston, S. C. By the extra ordinary energy of Mrs. Townsend, a neat little church was put up and completely furnished with everything desirable for the house of God, and was dedicated in 1818. Thus again was verified the promise "that he that watereth shall himself be watered." Gradually the work increased and that Judson's call to American Baptists for foreign missions in the year 1812, found Southern Baptist women ready to respond. We follow with interest the rapid springing up of female mite societies in Richmond, Charleston, Fredericksburg, and others. God's spirit was moving upon the hearts of the women. Hence the seed was sown, and the result is that our Womens Missionary Union now comprises 1,072 societies, including Royal Ambassadors, Sunbeams and Young Women's Auxiliaries. The report of the Treasurer showed that a total of \$40,255.13 had been contributed during the year. But with all this the W. M. U. would be counted a failure in a measure if they should stop with the attempt to merely improve their system of finance. They must look deeper and farther and higher for the secret of success. Surely it cannot be too strongly emphasized that a minister of the Gospel should be the outcome of careful thought and of agonizing prayer. He should be the product of the spiritual forces of the churches of Christ.

Throughout the history of the Christian Church the men whom God has used most effectively have been the direct outcome of faith and prayer, and as a rule this faith and prayer have embodied in the heart and life of some good woman or mother. It was a woman's faith and courage that saved Moses alive against the command of the King. It was in answer to a woman's earnest prayer that God sent Samuel to drive back the darkness of the time of the Judges and to prepare the way for the glorious day of King David. Back of Charles Spurgeon was a mother of whom he said "in later life, I cannot tell how much I owe to the solemn words of my good mother." He then speaks of his mother's prayers for him and adds, "Some of the words of that prayer we shall never forget, even when our hair is gray" Is this not enough to show that it is God's purpose that woman's faith and prayer shall have a large place in producing the men who are to lay the world at Jesus feet? It is with those thoughts in our mind that we would call upon the women of our churches, that when they are planning their work in and for the propagation of the Kingdom of God in the earth, they arrange to give some time, thought, prayer and sacrifice to the matter of producing men.

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STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

Durham has voted \$500,000 for water works.

Mt. Airy is to have a new and commodious railway station.

A portrait of Judge Joseph Harvey Wilson, was presented to the Supreme Court on the 23rd inst.

Congressman James M. Cudger Jr. has introduced a bill in congress to establish a fish hatchery in his district.

The Corporation Commission has ordered a new assessment of property in Mecklenburg county for the reason that the last assessment is smaller than that of 1910.

The Bankers of the State will meet at Raleigh May 12th, 13th, and 14th. Hon. John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency will be principal speaker.

The inscription offered by Prof. Alphonso Smith of the University of Virginia has been selected for the monument soon to be erected to Gen. Nathaniel Greene on the battle field of Guilford.

A pipe organ which has been in use 75 years at Chatham N. C. and the same organist, Mrs. A. M. Houghton, has played it for 66 years. She is in her eightieth year, but plays the instrument as well as anyone can.

Mrs. Jack Evans of Beaver Dam Haywood county, died last week from the effects of burns received while she was trying to extinguish a fire near her home. She fell into the fire and was horribly burned, aid having reached her too late.

The experimental station of the U. S. Government at Canton, Haywood county, to determine the best foods and manner of feeding cattle, was successful. Valuable information as to the results secured can be had by writing to Mr. Peden, Superintendent, Springdale Farm, N. C.

The Camp Life Booklet, issued by the Southern Railway is now on the press, and can be had by applying to the Greater Western N. C. Association, Asheville. It tells in detail of the military and civil camps in the mountains of this State.

North Carolina is to spend nearly five millions on good roads in the near future, which surpasses any of its sister States, counting what is to be gathered from counties, townships, cities, villages, towns and the State. We should be proud of this record, for it places our state in the vanguard of internal improvements.

The Womens Exchange of Asheville has closed because of lack of support. It has been successfully conducted for fifteen years and afforded a market for the fancy and other work of resident ladies. It served a good purpose and it is a pity that it could not continue.

Mrs. Bettie Hutchinson and Miss Corrie Tinsley, charged with having kidnapped the five years old daughter of E. C. Cole of Buncombe, will not be returned to this State by the authorities of Washington, the Governor of that State having refused to honor Gov. Craig's requisition for their return.

A wireless station is to be established on Mount Mitchell in the Black Mountains to connect with the Langren Hotel at Asheville, J. W. Dunn having leased the plateau on top of that highest peak east of the Rockies, where he will build and carry on as a tourists hotel a log cabin Inn for the entertainment of the thousands of people that visit that noted place every year.

Our Place in the Picture.

The April number of the "Home and Country" magazine, an illustrated monthly magazine of the Daughters of the American Revolution of the United States, contains a most pleasing account by Mrs. Lindsay Patterson of Winston-Salem of the unveiling of the Boone marker at this place on the 23rd day of last October. There are excellent pictures of Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, chairman, and of Mrs. William N. Reynolds, State Regent, and of one of the markers. The following excerpt are copied:

"Twelve boulders have been placed along the Trail marked by tablets.—His cabin near the Yadin was on a beautiful bluff wild and isolated now as when the hardy pioneer made it his home. There the first tablet was placed on the arrow-shaped stone that marks the spot. The next marker is at historic Shallowford, where Cornwallis crossed on his way to fight Greene—and still later, made more famous by Winston Churchill in his book, "The Crossing." The tireless State Regent and the Chairman went in their cars, and with invited guests, followed the Trail, attending and participating in all the exercises, and afterwards serving picnic lunches. From all sections of the country people gathered to take part; schools attended in a body; the children singing patriotic songs unveiling the tablets, and having a good time generally. One of the most enthusiastic unveiling was held in the town of Boone, Watauga county, where the boulder was placed in the Court House Square, and about six hundred people were present. Boone lived there several years, and many traditions of him still linger in that most beautiful mountain country. A list of places marked will enable the reader to follow the trail across the State:

1, Home near Yadin River; 2, Shallowford; 3, Huntsville; 4, Yadinville; 5, Wilkesboro; 6, Holman's ford; 7, Elkville; 8, Three Forks Church; 9, Boone; 10, Hodges Gap; 11, Graveyard Gap; 12, Zionville.

"Locating the Trail through North Carolina was the real labor of the undertaking, as the chairman found, to her speechless amazement, that no history or map had any record of it. Then began a long and weary hunt through old letters and ancient manuscripts, and still no results. Then the chairman wished she had died when a baby, so she wouldn't have to explain to the Daughters that she had asked them to mark a trail that could not be found. But the old adage about its being darkest just before the dawn held good, and all at once light came. Dr. Archibald Henderson, of Chapel Hill, a descendent of Judge Henderson sent extracts from family papers, Mr. W. L. Bryan of Boone, and an encyclopedia of interesting information concerning him, give valuable suggestion, while Mr. John P. Arthur, of Asheville, went over the entire trail, interviewing all the old inhabitants concerning it, and writing down all that they told him; Mr. P. M. Wilson, of Washington, sent government map, while the State Regent and Daughters were tireless in their efforts."

Thus does our town of Boone get its proper "place in the picture, near the flashing of the guns," as this magazine circulates throughout the United States.

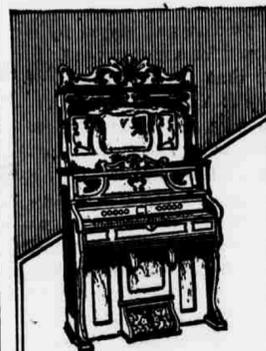
Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

The Last Boone Marker.

At the request of Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, chairman of the Boone Trail Committee of the D. A. R., Mr. W. L. Bryan sent Mr. W. A. Miller to Cook's Gap Saturday for the purpose of placing the last marker on the trail of Daniel Boone in this State. He was assisted by the following public spirited citizens of that locality: Thomas L. Critcher, R. A. Green, Richard Green, C. L. Cook, and a worthy colored man named Jack Grimes. These would accept nothing for their labor in helping to place the heavy boulder in position; and in addition, Mr. Critcher furnished dinner to the visitors from Boone, and provided all the tools which were required to complete the job. If there is not a large and flourishing town in the vicinity of Cook's Gap within a few years it will be because the land owners ask too much for the lands; for every natural advantage required for a town is there, including water from springs a hundred feet higher than the general level, which is exactly that of the town of Boone, 3332 feet.

The barn of W. M. Buckner, sheriff of Madison county, was burned last week. The barn was large and filled with foodstuff all of which was a total loss. Just the week before the handsome residence of Sheriff Buckner had been burned, and he believes that both acts were those of an incendiary.

The volunteer army bill passed both houses of Congress on the 25th. This bill authorizes the President to call for volunteers by proclamation and make the necessary regulations for receiving while war is imminent or existing, enlistment to be apportioned among the States according to population. Officers are to be appointed by the President, and he is to organize brigades and divisions without regard to State lines. The enlistment period is to be for four years, as in the regular army, and volunteers would be placed on a war footing as in the regular army. At the close of the war, however, the President is required to disband such troops at once.



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