

TALKS OF HER WORK IN CHINESE MISSION

Mrs. John Lowe Relates to Local Baptist Society Experiences in Orient.

IN FIELD 17 YEARS

Schools, Hospital and Chapel Established Outside of City's Wall.

The Baptist Women's Missionary Society has elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Frank Sharp; vice-president, Mrs. Ella Sharp; secretary, Mrs. Philip Branam; treasurer, Mrs. Louis Switzer. The opening of a mission study class, to be conducted every Monday, under the direction of Mrs. J. C. Thornton, was announced.

Mrs. J. S. Wharton, in charge of the program, talked on "Are We Keeping Up with the Army of God in Conquering the World?" Miss Frances Beebe of Stephens College sang "Nearer My God to Thee." Mrs. John Lowe, who has been for seventeen years a missionary in China, told of her experiences in China and the opening of the missionary station at Lai Chou Fu by her and her husband. Before the Boxer uprising, Lai Chou Fu, a city of 100,000 had been anti-forward, with her gates locked tightly against the "foreign devils" and their religion. But this revolution opened the way through many heretofore closed doors in China.

Station Opened in 1901.

About 1901, Mr. Lowe, one helper and Mrs. Lowe, with a Chinese woman as interpreter, opened a station in the heart of Lai Chou Fu. Little work could be done at first. Mr. Lowe gave medical aid; a library of books on western science, which were in great demand by the Chinese at that time, was opened; school was conducted for several Chinese boys, all of whom became Christians.

After a short time a lot was bought outside of the city wall, and on it the compound was established and missionary work conducted. Mrs. Lowe, accompanied by her Bible woman—for no woman in China is respectable who goes out on the streets alone—daily walked into the city and, whenever possible, talked to the Chinese women.

At the end of two years the building on the compound were completed, and the first Christian church established, with seven members, men from the villages. Mrs. Lowe, after getting the permission of their husbands, sent for the wives of the seven members, brought them to her home, and in a week converted them.

Rounded Up Chinese Women.

From April to June Chinese women came to the Buddhist temple at Lai Chou Fu. Mrs. Lowe sent her Bible woman to the temple to invite the women to her home. Through curiosity they came and were taken to the American residence in the compound. Everything was shown them. When told of Heaven, they looked at the American house and exclaimed, "This must be Heaven." News that the foreigners were not devils, as reported, spread, and at the end of the season, Mr. and Mrs. Lowe had entertained 1,500 women.

At the end of five years, in the compound were three residences, a chapel too small for its congregation, a hospital building, a boys' training school, a women's training school and a girls' training school.

Mrs. Lowe returned to the states a short time ago on a year's leave of absence.

Burned House Being Remodeled.

The house at 717 Missouri avenue, recently partly destroyed by fire, is being remodeled and will be ready for occupancy about January 1.

WESTERN UNION GIVES BONUSES

Local Office Distributes \$230—First Monthly Meeting Held.

Each of the employees of the Western Union Telegraph Company who has been with the company for a year or longer received a check yesterday from the head office as a Christmas gift. Five of the Columbia office men received a total of \$230. The company has also promised an increase in wages effective the first of the year.

The managers of the Central Missouri district of the company were the guests of the local management at the Athens Hotel Friday evening at a dinner preceding the first of the monthly meetings held by the employees of this company. The meeting was held under the direction of William T. Brown of St. Louis, district commercial agent for the company.

After the dinner, the meeting was adjourned to the hotel parlors, where talks relative to the service of the company were given. W. B. Gage of Columbia gave a talk on advertising, and Mr. Brown, W. M. Bower, manager of the Sedalia office, and C. A. Raum of the Columbia office suggested how employees might improve the service of the company.

Monthly meetings such as these have been held over the state. They arose from the fact that the meeting of the district managers in the larger cities produced such an increase in business that it taxed the traffic departments to handle it. They are now being tried in the smaller units.

Stephens College Notes

Mrs. J. W. Lowe of Liberty, Mo., came Friday to visit her niece, Miss Hope Hammer. Mrs. Lowe has been a missionary in China for about fifteen years. She spoke in chapel Saturday morning.

Miss Doris Stubblefield was called to her home at Malden, Mo., Friday by the serious illness of her mother.

Miss Oolooah Burner, the National Student Secretary of Y. W. C. A., and Miss Ina Scherredock, student secretary of the State Schools in the south central field, were the guests of the Y. W. C. A. Thursday. Miss Burner conducted the Y. W. C. A. meeting Thursday night. Her subject was "The Ten Commandments."

Mrs. Pearl Beauchamp, of the Latin department, left Thursday afternoon for Fulton to be with her mother who is very ill.

About 100 students and members of the faculty attended the concert given by Cecil Fanning in the University Auditorium Thursday night.

The second of the series of class basketball games was played Tuesday afternoon between the juniors and academy students. The final score was 26 to 2 in favor of the juniors.

The second birthday dinner of the year was given in the College dining room Wednesday night by the Y. M. C. A. for those having birthdays during November, December, and January. About fifty students and faculty members were guests.

An after-dinner program of piano-forte music was given in the chapel Friday night by fourteen pupils of Miss Blanche Preston. The following girls played: Misses Jessie Adams, Marian Babb, Rowena Berry, Helen Cotton, Helen Pawver, Gertrude Gobble, Edith La Bryer, Irma Locke, Virginia Newkirk, Ruth Quigley, Gladys Robinson, Doris Stubblefield, Alice Tomblinson, and Dorothy Whitaker.

THE LADIES of the Episcopal Church will give a "CHRISTMAS BAZAR" at the home of Mrs. E. A. Logan, 507 Rollins St., Tuesday Afternoon, Dec. 19, from 4 to 10 p. m. There will be on sale Candy, Aprons, Fancy Articles and "Grab" Bags. Supper served at 6 o'clock

HEARS PAPER ON SOCIALISM

Intercollegiate Society Discusses Some Modern Political Problems.

Two papers, one by S. Marx, a review of Baschenbusch's "Christianity and the Social Crisis," and the other by R. Smith, tabulating the results of the panic of 1907, followed by a discussion, made up the program at Friday night's meeting of the Missouri chapter of the Intercollegiate Socialist Society at the Y. M. C. A. Building. Thirty-five attended.

Yielding to the demand of members of the society for a review of Socialism, the program committee decided to have two papers on the history and development of Socialism at the next meeting, one by E. Rosenberg, and the other by F. E. Shapiro. The club will proceed with its present course

of discussing present conditions, after which Socialism will be discussed as a possible and probable solution of present social arrangements.

The next meeting of the society will be held January 5.

Missionary Society Elects Officers.

The following officers of the Women's Missionary Society of the Wilkes Boulevard Methodist Church were elected Thursday afternoon: President, Mrs. G. W. Nollner; first vice-president, Mrs. W. P. Martin; second vice-president, Mrs. M. M. Jacobs; superintendent of publicity, Mrs. W. W. Wade; social service, Mrs. Cecil Griffin; supplies, Mrs. Frank Rose; corresponding secretary, Miss Grace Henderson; recording secretary, Mrs. George Starrett; treasurer, Mrs. P. W. Stone.

LIBRARY RECEIVES NEW BOOKS

War Stories and Works of Standard Authors Are Listed Here.

The University Library has received several sets of books and separate volumes on widely different subjects. "Straight America," by Frances A. Kellor, is a book on national problems. "A Journal of Impressions," by May Sinclair, contains personal impressions written at the beginning of the European war. "The Biography of Ella Flagg Young," tells of a half century's work in the Chicago schools. Another book is "Four Weeks in the Trenches," by Fritz Kreisler.

The sets are ten volumes of Rudyard Kipling, bound in half morocco; eleven volumes of George Eliot, in cloth; six volumes of Moliere; twelve of Henry Fielding; six of Ralph Waldo Emerson; eight of Daniel Defoe, in

cloth; eight of Victor Hugo; fifteen of Charles Dickens; nine of James Madison, in buckram. Many references have been added.

Miss Mary Ellen Baker, head cataloguer, says it will be some time before the new books will be ready to be placed on the shelves.

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