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"Help those Women for they labored with me in the Gospel"



HONOLULU, T. H.  
PARADISE OF THE PACIFIC PRINT  
1912

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*St. Col. J. M. Spaulding*  
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**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS  
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HELD JUNE 4, 1912.

The Woman's Board of Missions in forty-first annual session, convened as usual in the chapel of Central Union Church, fair with flowers, the president, Mrs. Theodore Richards, in the chair and Mrs. Elizabeth Waterhouse conducting devotional service.

After minutes of the preceding meeting and the monthly report of the treasurer were presented, there came annual reports from all the secretaries, the treasurer, the branch and auxiliary societies, and from the four departments of mission work. These reports were all approved and later placed in the hands of the publishing committee.

The program committee, through its chairman, Mrs. A. C. Alexander, presented the following report:

"The committee on program recommends for study during the year 1912-13 the following topics, prepared by Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery and taken from Mr. Robert Speer's book, 'The Light of the World.' The topics have been arranged for eight meetings. The general subject for the year's work is, 'A comparative study of the World's Great Religions.' "

## SCHEDULE FOR 1912-13

- September.** How the World goes to Church: Mrs. Arthur C. Alexander in charge.  
 Vacation Notes.  
 Report of the Hawaiian Department.  
 Report of Japanese Department.
- October.** The World's Bible, or Sacred Books: Mrs. W. L. Whitney in charge.  
 Report of Portuguese Department.  
 Special Collection for Armenian Fund.
- November.** The Leaders of the World's Great Religions: Mrs. John P. Erdman in charge.  
 Report of Chinese Department.
- December.** Moral Teachings of the World's Great Religions: Mrs. Edgar Wood in charge.  
 Report of Lima Kokua.  
 Report of Kin Kok Kong Tau Fui.
- January.** Social Institutions of the World's Great Religions: (Not including Christianity). Mrs. John W. Gilmore in charge.  
 Report of Missionary Gleaners.  
 Report of Hawaiian Department.  
 Special Collection for Pundita Ramabai.
- February.** Social Institutions of Christianity: Mrs. Doremus Scudder in charge.  
 Report of Aurora Band.  
 Report of Japanese Department.
- March.** The World's Ideas of God: Mrs. J. D. Marques in charge.  
 Report of Portuguese Department.

**April.** Strength and Weakness of the World's Great Religions: Mrs. Ernest Clark in charge.

Report of Chinese Work.

**May.** Praise and Thank-Offering; Topics to be announced later; Program Committee in charge.

**June.** Annual Meeting."

The above report outlining the year's study and the monthly programs was approved by the Board, as was also the following report of the committee on appropriations as presented by its chairman, Mrs. B. F. Dillingham.

#### APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1912-13.

Hawaiian Work—Miss Green .....	\$ 720.00
Chinese Work—Mrs. MacKenzie .....	720.00
Japanese Work—Miss Gulck .....	720.00
Portuguese Work—Bible Reader .....	120.00
American Board Station Work—	
Lin Ch'ing, China .....	30.00
Mt. Silinda, Africa .....	30.00
Associated Charities .....	10.00
Printing and Incidentals .....	100.00
Fifty dollars each to Hawaiian, Chinese and Japanese	
Departments for Special Work .....	150.00
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	\$2,600.00
From Savings Bank for—	
Makiki Bible Reader.....	\$120.00
Mission Study Leader—	
Salary .....	400.00
Traveling Expenses .....	200.00
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	\$3,220.00



#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The nominating committee, Mrs. A. A. Ebersole, chairman, named for officers of the Board during the year 1912-13 all the official circle for the year closing excepting Vice-President Mrs. Arthur Alexander, retiring after a second term; Home Secretary Miss Juliette A. Cooke, absent from the city; and Foreign Secretary Mrs. E. A. Jones, recently chosen as president of the Gleaners. There were also named for additional active vice-presidents, Mrs. Doremus Scudder, Mrs. W. J. Forbes and Mrs. J. P. Erdman; for home corresponding secretary, Mrs. Carl B. Andrews; and for foreign corresponding secretary, Miss Agnes E. Judd. These nominees were duly elected, and the list of names in full is given on the back cover of the printed Annual Report.

The president's address was an earnest appeal to the mothers of the church to consider the relative worth of Christian training for their children in home, Sabbath school, church service and mission work, as compared with other valued development along lines mental and physical; also the mother's responsibility in so guiding her children that the Lord may indeed "put His Spirit upon them" and "cover them with the mantle of his righteousness."

In greeting the guests of the day Mrs. Richards told of the delightful hour she had spent at the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church, of the "points" she had gathered there, and then introduced its president, Mrs. Arthur Smith, who brought greetings from her society, spoke of its work, of the growing spirit of unity among the churches, and of the hope that these women's organizations may come yet closer together in their mission work and mission study.

Mrs. R. E. Smith of the Methodist church told of their newly organized missionary society and hoped that later there might come good reports from it.

The president explained briefly the new project of the Board concerning a mission study organizer, and the work she would develop.

(This plan as voted upon by the Board is set forth in the annual report of the recording secretary.)

Dr. Scudder, pastor of the church, spoke of the importance of this work. He noted the growing interest in missions throughout the church at large in the last decade, and expressed his hope and belief that this particular mission study would tend not only to strengthen the zeal of the relatively faithful few, but would develop an interest among the many not now caring for these things. Especially he hoped that it might reach the maturer young people and bring into this phase of the Master's service their buoyant life and vigor.

Mr. Bowen, as superintendent, spoke of it earnestly in relation to the Sabbath school. Details must be left to the organizer, but he suggested the possibility of so grouping the twenty-four classes over ten years of age that each class might have a mission study monthly. He hopes mission interest in the Sabbath school may reach parents through their children, and that conversely the hearts of the parents may be turned unto the children and to the Bible school. And then in the interests of the usual work of the school he put this pointed question: *Why is it that with a present church membership of over a thousand, these Sabbath school rooms are not crowded with classes as they once were?* This cause and that will not wholly account for it—not even the removal of whole families through the organization of churches of their own denomination. We are still a larger church than we

were then. Might not one ~~cause~~ be named the *automobiling habit*? A concrete illustration this. In a Sabbath school and church-going household there was recently a family anniversary falling upon the Sabbath day. The father's suggestion carried that it be observed by an auto trip beyond the gates, where a properly quiet and most delightful day was spent. The next Sabbath a child preferred the surprising request: "Let us not go to Sunday school today. I don't like Sunday school. Let's go somewhere else." It was the apt question of the wise grandmother, "Why don't you like to go to Sunday school?" which elucidated matters. "Oh, it is so much nicer to go out in the automobile. We had such a good time last Sunday." A reverse example this. A man of mature years, always faithful in attendance, replied in these words to the question, "How came you by this Bible school habit?" "*My parents always attended.*" Those who had previously heard the president's strong words on parental responsibility noted this emphasis on her thought.

Chaplain Pruden of Schofield Barracks told of different denominational services held in the new chapel for the soldiers at Leilehua, one building serving all, and tending more readily to a religious atmosphere than did the old dance hall with its cigar stumps and beer bottles. This neat chapel was a gift of Honolulu people, a very large part of them affiliated with Central Union Church, and he took this opportunity to express his thanks, also distributing among his audience two picture post-cards showing exterior and interior views of the building.

The hours of close attention to the work in hand were most pleasantly relieved by a rich solo in the resonant voice of Mrs. Tackaberry, a violin solo by Miss Lewis, and two fine numbers by Lima Kokua singers from Kawaiahao.