

(3) In preparing the monthly missionary meeting programme?

(6) Will you help circulate missionary information?

(1) Will you help in securing subscriptions for missionary periodicals; (2) circulating missionary books and tracts; (3) talking about them to those who take them so as to be sure that they are read?

(c) Will you help with the missionary scrap-book?

(1) Collect good, short stories and facts about our own missions, as well as world-wide missions.

(2) Gather from reports in the *Guardian* and *Missionary Outlook* such information as should be kept before our young people?

(3) Collect the pictures of our missionaries?

(4) Selecting good missionary poems?

(5) The pasting in and indexing of the matter for the scrap-book?

(d) Will you help select and practise missionary songs and hymns?

(e) Will you search the Scriptures for missionary texts and make copies of them, and bring the copies to the missionary meeting and have a copy given to each member?

(f) Will you write missionary letters to friends and to such as the Spirit may direct when you pray about this important way of interesting others in the extension of our Lord's kingdom?

(g) Will you seek by conversation to spread missionary information and arouse interest in our Christless brethren?

III. Will you try to suggest to the missionary vice-president ways and means of creating and developing an intelligent, active interest in missionary work in the Church, League and Sunday School.

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After these questions have been answered and returned to the missionary vice-president he could try to use all the volunteer workers in reaching all those who do not volunteer to take a part, and soon by systematic, prayerful effort every member of the League would be working or doing something for the Missionary Department. Labor begets love, and love calls for work.

### "Fall in; Quick March."

At one of our Methodist colleges, after thoroughly discussing the question and gaining the approval of the authorities, it was decided that the students would march in a body to take part in a demonstration in the city. Although they were of one mind and purpose, yet it was surprising the amount of time and effort spent in "lining up." Indeed, I believe we should have been altogether too late if one of the professors, seeing that it would be impossible to get every one ready to start at once, had not called out, "Fall in, quick march." Those who were ready led the way, and those who were late ran to catch up. Our appointed officers walked up and down the line and soon had a good, orderly procession. From our knowledge of the state of the work and from many letters we receive, we believe an analogous condition prevails in many district Epworth Leagues regarding the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions. There is one mind and one purpose, but there is great difficulty in getting started. We know of districts which have waited a whole year in this condition. They are getting tired before they start. Other districts which started on the "Fall in, quick march" plan are rejoicing in their

success. We see that the only difference between the successful district and the unsuccessful is, the successful fell into line at the call of the authorities, while those which are waiting had no one (District Officer) who led the way. This condition of affairs led to the appointment of the Chairman of the District on each committee appointed to confer with the General Board of Missions and marshal the Young People's Forward Movement. Dr. Sutherland is ready to provide each district with a missionary, and many districts are ready to do what they can to support a missionary each. We sincerely hope that as little time as possible will be lost in "lining up."

About twenty districts are at the present time in a partly organized condition. The majority of these districts have been waiting for nearly a year for the District Committee, which usually consists of the Chairman of the District, together with the District President, Missionary Vice-President and Secretary, to obtain the privilege of supporting a missionary under the direction of our General Board of Missions. Fifteen missionaries are now appointed to thirteen Districts to support.

We could compare the spirit and work of the Districts which have a missionary with those which have no missionary, but which have had as many advantages in every other way and by comparison show clearly that the definiteness of effort and prayer, the deeper interest and wider knowledge of missions, together with a large increase in missionary giving, prove beyond a doubt that we cannot bring our young people in too close touch with our mission work, nor can we make them feel too deeply their personal responsibility to the individual missionaries as their ambassadors for our King of kings.

The apostolic plan of the missionary sending letters to be read in all the Leagues is one of the best means of creating and fostering a disposition to "Pray, Study and Give" among our young people.

### Missionary Method Meeting or Missionary Fellowship Meeting.

EACH District Epworth League Convention should spend an hour or more in prayerful, free conversation on methods of organizing, developing and sustaining the Missionary Department of the League. Papers and speeches, be they ever so good, short or long, cannot take the place of a careful, calm consideration of successful work, and equally minute examination of the cause, or causes, of failure.

This Missionary Conference should be divided into two parts. Fifteen minutes could be spent in outlining the simple plan of "The Young People's Forward Movement for Missions," under some such heads as the following.

1. The authorization of the Movement by our
  - (1) General Board of Missions.
  - (2) General Epworth League Board.
  - (3) The Annual Conference.
  - (4) District and
  - (5) Conference Epworth League Convention commendations.
2. Its plan of work.
  - (1) A Missionary Department in every League, authorized by the last General Conference.
  - (2) "Pray, Study, Give" Plan.
  - (3) Prayer.—The uniting of as many members as possible in daily prayer, using the Cycle of Prayer