

What Organization Did

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I found it very difficult to obtain the necessary interest in my class, before organizing it, so last November we decided to organize. My boys seemed very enthusiastic over the organization, and ever since we have had great interest and a very good attendance. My class is not very large, but I venture to say that the interest shown by these boys surpassed by a large degree the interest, in many instances, manifested by a much larger class.

Everything required of them seems a pleasure, and they are working very earnestly for the betterment of their class, and the Sunday School as a whole.

We hold regular meetings at which we have a devotional part followed by our class business. At our regular meetings, we take up an offering which helps to increase the class funds. When the roll is called each member responds with a verse of scripture, and in this way I increase the scripture memory work.

The boys prepare their lessons at home and answer questions and discuss the lesson with great fervor.

To increase the church membership interest I am adopting The Children's Guide to Christ and the Lord's Supper as suggested by the PRESBYTERIAN PUBLICATIONS. I also try to instil into the minds of the scholars, their great need of coming to Christ, seeking him while he may be found; helping them to realize that if they do not act when the Spirit moves them that they will put off from time to time and thus grow hardened, and finally give up the thought of their spiritual welfare altogether. Some of my class have already

taken the great step, and I am hoping more will follow their example at the coming Communion. I try to impress on the boys, that it is a solemn command, but, that we must search our hearts, and so cleanse them, that we may be worthy partakers of the Lord's Supper.

We have our missionary and lookout committees, whose duty it is to look after the boys who should be attending this class and are not, and they try to persuade them to come and enjoy our meetings.

To encourage regular attendance at the church services, we are adopting the Certificate for Church Attendance, issued by the General Assembly, and are using cards suggested to assure the absent ones that they are missed by the class.

The class contributes weekly by the Duplex Envelopes to missions, and responds generously to any additional calls which may be made.

As yet our moneymaking plans are limited, but we anticipate doing good work along that line in the spring and summer. It does not seem as easy to devise plans for making money in a boys' class as it is in a girls'; probably I am wrong in that respect, but it appears to me to be harder.

This is my first class apart from a Primary class, and I feel my inefficiency to teach the boys, but I am planning to take the New Standard Teacher Training Course. I am sure it will be a great help to any teacher whether experienced or not.

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WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

General Pershing's Sunday School Training

Major-General John J. Pershing, leader of the American expeditionary forces in France, as a boy received religious training in a Methodist Sunday School. His brother, a Chicago business man, is quoted by the San Francisco Chronicle as saying: "I attribute the many fine characteristics of my brother to our early and strict Christian training. Our mother was an ardent and devout Methodist. We always had family prayers and Bible reading, and observed the Sabbath."

He tells an incident illustrating the general's conscientiousness and truthfulness as a boy. "One of my brother's traits," he says, "has always been absolute truthfulness. He is and always has been on the square through and through. One Sunday a gang of boys, including John and myself, went for a walk. We came along by the Margrave orchard, and the peaches looked tempting. As boys will do, we got into the trees and filled our pockets. . . That night John and I talked it over, and John insisted that we must tell father.