

afterwards, however, when I went to thank the head official of the prison for his courtesy and sympathy during the year of my visits, he made a curious request of me. ' There are in the prison at the present moment," he said, "over thirty men who are awaiting the execution of the death sentence. I shall give you their names and I want you to help them."

And so began what one might call my prison work. Each year since then I have been given the names of the men condemned to death in this prison and letters have come from hundreds of others awaiting trial, begging me to send them Christian books and to visit them. The time came when it was necessary for me to decide whether I could keep on with this work, for, if that was to be, it would necessitate my giving up the Y.W.C.A. work of which I had been National Secretary for ten years. I resigned from the Association, came