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LETTER FROM MISS

GLENN IN BRAZIL

The following letter has been received by Miss Eunice Craig from Miss Ora Glenn, who is so well known in this section of North and South Carolina:

Lavras, Minas, Brazil,
March 8, 1920.

My dear Friends

There are so many things I would like to tell you on this second Monday of our school year that I hardly know where to begin. That school really has begun I have not the slightest doubt; for as I write from all sides comes the sound of singing or practicing, so that I can hardly collect my thought sufficient to write. We have no school on Monday, but as this is my first day on duty in the dormitory, I have almost an old time Monday feeling, notwithstanding the holiday. It is good to be in harness again and to feel oneself attached to the great educational carriages once more.

In the Charlotte Kemper we have enrolled nearly 90 girls, of whom more than 40 live in the dormitory. Places are reserved for about 10 more, so we shall have an enormous family. Miss Marchant and I moved up here before any of the other teachers came, and had with us the first two girls who entered—two girls from the country 20 miles from Campobello. They had come to take the train there, traveling as nearly everyone does on horseback, their trunks being carried by a burro. I shall never forget the first evening prayers we had in the dining room, the two Marias (for though sisters, both are named Maria), Miss Marchant and I. They were listening to the reading of the Bible and prayer for the first time. It brought before me so forcibly the splendid opportunities to be found here to accomplish the purpose for which we came here, to point the way to the true Saviour of mankind. I beg each of you to pray earnestly for us teachers this year that we may be real "channels of blessing" through which the Holy Spirit may work to the end that those of our students who have not yet accepted Christ as their Lord and Master, may do so during this year.

Perhaps you would like to meet the teachers of the Kemper; I am sure you would enjoy knowing them. Our director is Miss Catherine Bookwalter, who has been teaching here for seven years, and so knows just how the work ought to be done. Her home is in Villa Americana, which place was settled after the Civil War by Americans who left the United States at that time. I know an aunt of Miss Catherine's in York, S. C., Mrs. Drakeford. Last year Miss Catherine was away on a leave of absence to which every teacher in the Instituto Evangelico is entitled every seven years, and we are so glad to have her back again.

Miss Bella Kull is the daughter of one of the oldest missionaries of the Northern Presbyterian church, and is a sister of Mrs. B. H. Hunicutt, one of our Christian Endeavor missionaries. She is a cousin of Sarah Hansell in Japan and of Eloise Gay of Atlanta, a class mate of mine at Agnes Scott. Her sister, Ann Mary will graduate here this year and expects to go to the States to study next year. Their home is in Guarapava, Panama, a ride of four days in a hack from the nearest railroad station. To come to Lavras they had to travel for eight days. Miss Bella's room is next to mine so we enjoy real college life in being able to run into each other's room to talk over each day.

We have three Brazilian girls who teach also; they are pretty, sweet and capable. Their names are Amelia, Maria Rosa and Iracema. All graduates of the Kemper.

I have referred to Miss Marchant before but I don't believe I have given you a life size picture of her. We have been together ever since I came and I feel as if we had been friends all of our lives. She is fine looking and just as fine as she looks. She has relatives in Abbeville and Chester, S. C., and many friends in Columbia, where she taught for several years. Her official duties are legion, as she is treasurer of the mission, secretary of the Instituto Evangelico, and manager of the book store. Besides these things she does a great deal of visiting, which is one of the most important ways to reach people. Until the Knight's house is finished she is sharing my room, and I am enjoying her so much.

In my letters that follow I hope to introduce to you all the missionaries and workers, so that you will feel a live, personal interest in my friends here; and that, also, you may feel your hearts and

purses opening wider to the cause of missions here and everywhere.

I must tell you what a wonderful feeling it is to listen to Portuguese. Every one who learns a new language must have the experience I have had and am having. At first every thing was one grand jumble and the only impression I received clearly was that of an admiring wonder that everybody could so successfully imitate the noises of the New York elevated trains. Later I could separate the noises into words; still later I was able to understand the meaning of some of the words, but always in listening, I translated into English what I heard. At last I can listen without translating and you don't know how grand and glorious it is. It gives one courage, to go on trying to learn more of this wonderful language for it is wonderful and I like it more and more.

I am sure that I shall not be able to send a personal answer to each letter I receive from you dear friends from now on, as I have tried to do up to this time, for I shall be as busy as a whole swarm of bees. It looks as though my music class would number more than 30; and besides I shall have five sight singing classes, two glee clubs, and the church choir to occupy my time. I am so encouraged because of the fact that we are to have two new pianos soon; one is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan of Columbia, S. C., and the other is being bought by the school.

Please keep up the good work of elevating my morals. It has risen several degrees lately because of the fine letters some of you have written. I thank you and assure you that every word is appreciated.

May God bless and keep you every one. I am,

Cordially yours,
(Signed) ORA M. GLENN,
Nashville, Tenn., April, 1920.

Any letter with 5 cents postage, or post card with 2 cents postage, addressed to Miss Ora M. Glenn, Lavras, Estado de Minas Geraes, Brazil, will reach her

LYCEUM COMMITTEE MAKES SPLENDID REPORT.

The lyceum committee has a most gratifying report to submit to the public for the past year. Altogether it is the most successful in its history. This is true both as to the course of entertainments provided and the financial receipts.

The committee received altogether from the sale of tickets \$1,553.88. This includes season tickets and door receipts.

They paid to the Redpath Lyceum Bureau for their attractions \$725, for printing and other incidentals \$22.52, and for the services of the city librarian \$306.36. Five hundred dollars went to the library for the purchase of new books.

The ladies are to be warmly commended on their business skill in handling the lyceum so successfully. Often these courses are provided at a loss, and excellent management is required in order to show a clear balance sheet at the end of the season. But these ladies realized a handsome profit from this public spirited venture. They provided a very attractive series of entertainments for the city, and a clear donation of \$500 to the public for the purchase of new books. And more than half of all the money involved in the project from beginning to end remained in the city. Of how many business firms can the same be said? And yet some benighted folks say that women are poor financiers! And there are even some men who say that a lyceum course is a public drain, and only carries good money out of town!

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