

THE
AMERICAN BOARD

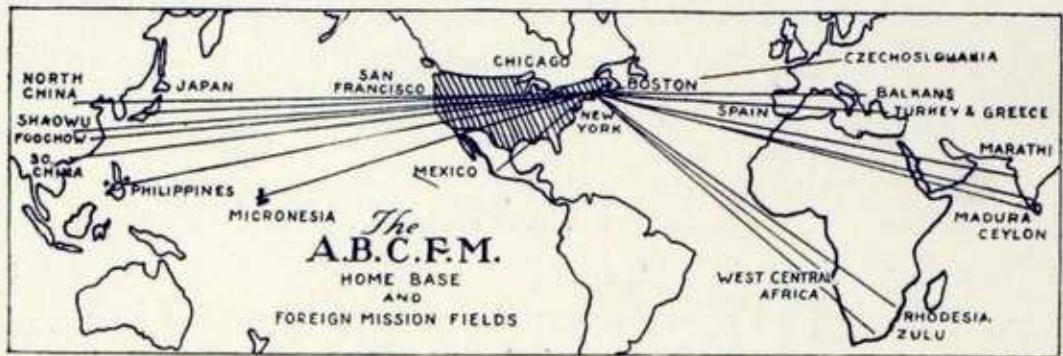
IN
THE NEAR EAST



Greece, 1820

Turkey, 1830

Syria, 1823



What Is the American Board?

The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions is the oldest foreign missionary society in America. It was started at a meeting of an association of Congregational churches in 1810, in response to the urgency of some keen young college men eager to carry the Gospel to the heathen. Though it has always been closely related to the Congregational denomination, it has enlisted the service and support of members of many churches. In 1924-25 sixty-seven new missionaries were appointed for service under the Board, of whom thirty belong to churches other than Congregational. The American Board, with its affiliated Woman's Boards, maintains Christian work in seventeen mission fields throughout the world. Its yearly budget is more than \$2,000,000.

In 1819 the first missionaries to the Near East started out with instructions to see: "What good can be done? By what means? What can be done for Jews? What for pagans? What for Mohammedans? What for Christians?"

For over one hundred years the missionaries of the American Board have been following this program of doing good by all means to all the people. Schools, churches, hospitals and social and industrial centers have been maintained. The printing press has produced wholesome literature in English, Turkish, Armenian, Bulgarian, Greek and Kurdish. Daily contacts of helpfulness have been established in home and marketplace. Despite political upheavals and racial migrations the missionaries of the Near East have continued their ministry of free service to all.

Greece

Athens

School of Religion: 54 St. Alexander Street. Old Phaleron on the Bay. Reached by electric cars from Athens or Piræus.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Pye, of Minnesota

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Marsh, of California

Mr. Edgar M. Ross, of Illinois

The School of Religion is the only theological training school under the American Board to meet the needs of Turkey, Greece and Syria. It provides training for priests, pastors and Christian workers, and maintains three departments of study.



SCHOOL OF RELIGION, ATHENS
Mr. Pye, Principal, in center of front row

Girls' College: Old Phaleron

Miss Emily McCallum, of Canada

Miss Minnie B. Mills, of Nebraska

Miss Annie E. Pinneo, of Ohio

Miss Helen Larrabee, of Massachusetts

Miss Charlotte Ferguson, of Pennsylvania

This school was transferred from Smyrna after the tragedy of 1922. It has been eagerly welcomed by the Greek people and the government.



BUILDINGS OCCUPIED BY GIRLS' COLLEGE, OLD PHALERON
Salonica

American College: Charilaos

Salonica is the ancient Thessalonica. To the church in this city Paul wrote his epistle to the Thessalonians. Salonica may be reached in a few hours from Athens.

Pres. and Mrs. G. E. White
Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Getchell
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Compton
Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Brewster

Rev. W. E. Hawkes
Mr. M. H. Bigelow
Mr. Chase Harper
Miss Mary Robbins



HEADQUARTERS OF AMERICAN COLLEGE, SALONICA



THE SEWING CLASS, AMERICAN GIRLS' SCHOOL

American Girls' School: Salonica

Miss Lena L. Lietzau, of Michigan
Miss Grace M. Elliott, of South Dakota
Miss Mary E. Arnold, of South Dakota
Miss Sadie E. Watton, of New York



BOY SCOUTS BITHYNIA HIGH SCHOOL CONSTANTINOPLE



THE BIBLE HOUSE

Turkey

Constantinople

The Bible House: Finjanjilar Yokushu, Stamboul

Here are found the central offices of the American Board in Turkey. Here have been published the modern translations of the Bible in Turkish, Armenian, Greek and Bulgarian. Originally owned by the American and Foreign Bible Society, it now belongs to the American Board.

The Personnel of the Bible House

Mr. and Mrs. Luther R. Fowle, of Massachusetts
Rev. and Mrs. Fred F. Goodsell, of Minnesota
Rev. and Mrs. Charles T. Riggs, of Massachusetts
Rev. and Mrs. Frederick W. MacCallum, of Canada
Mrs. Elvesta T. Leslie, of Michigan

Bithynia High School: Erenkeuy

Rev. and Mrs. James P. McNaughton, of Canada
Rev. and Mrs. R. Finney Markham, of Kansas
Rev. and Mrs. John H. Kingsbury, of New York
Mr. Frank Ferguson, of Alabama

Arrangements to visit this school may be made at the Bible House. Its location on the Marmora, among the kiosks of the wealthy pashas of Constantinople, is most beautiful.



BITHYNIA HIGH SCHOOL.



GIRLS' SCHOOL, SCUTARI

American School for Girls: Scutari

Miss Mary E. Kinney, of Massachusetts

Miss Mary W. Riggs, of Massachusetts

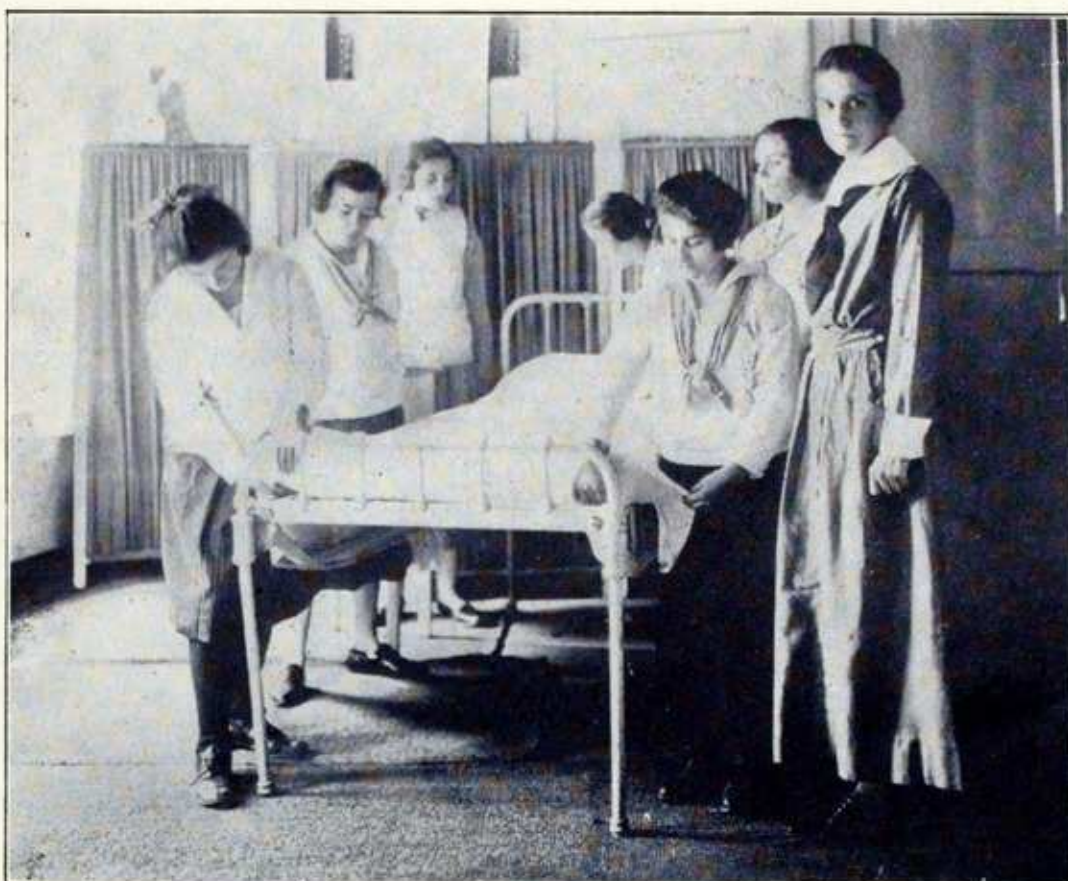
Miss Isabelle Harley, of Rhode Island

Miss Katherine O. Fletcher, of Connecticut

In the stone buildings formerly occupied by the American College for Girls this boarding school for girls is now amply accommodated.



YOUNG MISSIONARIES IN THE LANGUAGE SCHOOL, CONSTANTINOPLE



HOME MAKERS IN TRAINING, GEDIK PASHA

Gedik Pasha School: Stamboul

Miss Ethel W. Putney, of Massachusetts
Miss Annie M. Barker, of Canada
Miss Ellen W. Catlin, of Vermont
Miss Elizabeth L. Lewis
Miss Margaret Rogers

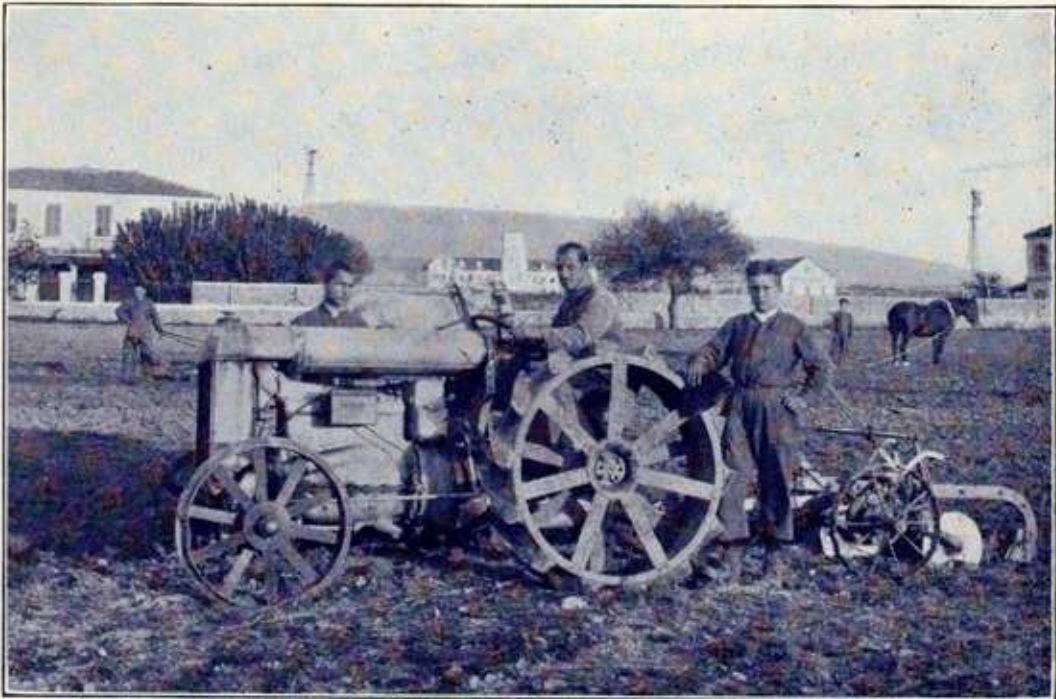
Two hundred and fifty-six pupils are reported in this institution, which combines kindergarten, primary and secondary school activities. Boys and girls are together in the lower grades. Located in the heart of the Turkish residence section of the capital of the Near East, it has unparalleled opportunity to touch the life of the people most closely.

Smyrna

International College

Pres. and Mrs. Alexander MacLachlan, of Canada
Rev. and Mrs. Cass Arthur Reed, of Michigan
Prof. and Mrs. Caleb W. Lawrence, of Maine
Prof. and Mrs. Samuel L. Caldwell, of North Carolina
Rev. and Mrs. Harrison A. Maynard, of Kansas
Mr. Archie H. MacFarlane, of Pennsylvania
Mr. Charles Van Zanten, of Michigan
Mr. Harold Disbrowe, of Canada
Mr. Richard Dutrow, of Maryland
Mr. Samuel Williams, of Pennsylvania
Mr. Frank Woodruff, of Kansas

Four miles out from the city along the line of the Aiden Railway lies the broad campus of this remarkable institution. It may be reached by rail or by auto in a few minutes, and the visit may be combined with a trip to Mt. Pagus and the Tomb of Polycarp.



ON THE FARM, INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE, SMYRNA

American Collegiate Institute

Miss Olive Greene, of New York
Miss Anne E. Gordon, of Canada
Miss Ruth Crockett, of Maine
Miss Margaret Hinman, of Oregon

While the former buildings of the Collegiate Institute were destroyed in the fire of 1922, a most beautiful campus had already been secured outside of the city on the shores of the bay and a new building of suitable proportions is about to be constructed. This is pre-eminently a school for Turkish girls and is located in a most delightful Turkish section of the city of Smyrna. Its present buildings are utterly unsuitable, but the spirit and devotion of its teaching staff make up in no small measure for the material deficiencies.



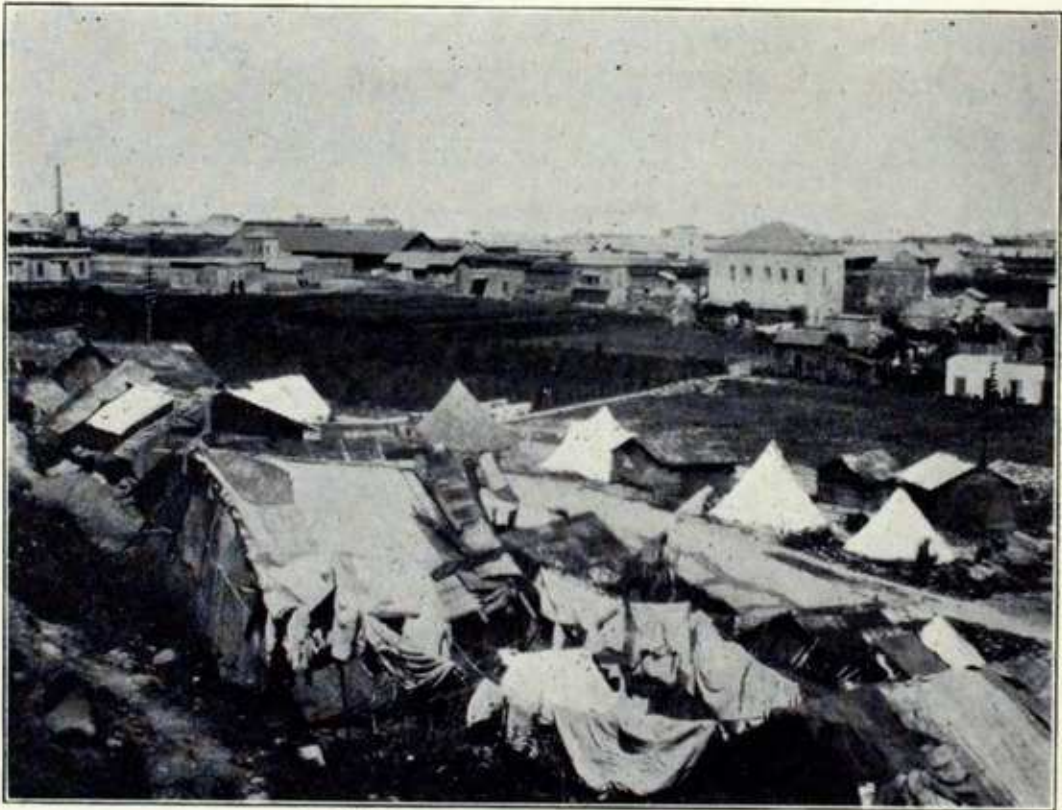
Syria

Beirut

American-Armenian School

Miss Elizabeth S. Webb, of Illinois
Miss Jennie Brown, of England

This school is necessitated by the presence in and around Beirut of thousands of Armenian refugees whose children cannot accommodate themselves to the existing schools of the city whose language is Arabic.



REFUGEE SHELTERS, BEIRUT

Aleppo

At the northern extremity of the French mandate in Syria, and at the terminus of the Damascus-Aleppo Railway, which connects with the narrow-gauge line from Beirut, is the key city of northern Syria. In its half-million inhabitants are numbered some 40,000 Armenians, mostly refugees from Asia Minor.

Armenian Boys' High School

Rev. and Mrs. John E. Merrill, of New York

Now under the direction of the Board of Managers of Central Turkey College, formerly located in Aintab. This is the highest educational institution for the Armenians in Syria, and is under the direction of a local board of managers made up of Armenians and Americans.

American High School for Girls

Miss Lucile Foreman, of Ohio

Miss Harriet C. Norton, of Massachusetts

Miss Lucy Mather

Miss Mary D. Cashmore, of Delaware

Continuing the Central Turkey Girls' College in Marash and the Girls' School in Aintab. This also ministers to the Armenian refugees of this region.

INTERIOR STATIONS OF TURKEY

*Merzifoun. Near the Black Sea Coast. School work just beginning
Formerly scene of Anatolia College, Girls' School and Hospital*

Rev. and Mrs. Walter B. Wiley, of Massachusetts
Dr. and Mrs. Wilson F. Dodd, of New York
Miss Charlotte R. Willard, of Massachusetts
Miss Bertha Morley, of Ohio
Miss Emma Zbinden, of Switzerland
Miss Mary I. Ward, of Massachusetts
Miss Fanny G. Noyes, of Kansas

*Brousa. May be reached in a few hours from Constantinople
American Girls' School*

Miss Jeannie L. Jillson, of Massachusetts
Miss Edith M. Sanderson, of California
Miss Lucille E. Day, of Colorado

*Talas. Near the center of Asia Minor
American Hospital in operation*

Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Clark, of Michigan
Mr. and Mrs. William Sage Woolworth, of New York
Miss Adelaide S. Dwight, of New York
Miss Sylvia T. Eddy, of Connecticut

*Adana. Near the northeast corner of the Mediterranean
American Hospital and Girls' Seminary*

Dr. and Mrs. Cyril H. Haas, of South Dakota
Dr. and Mrs. William L. Nute, of Missouri
Miss Grace M. Towner, of Kansas
Miss Jessie Martin, of Canada
Miss Lucie Borel, of Switzerland
Miss Sara Beahm, of Virginia
Miss Lillian C. Brauer, of North Dakota

*Tarsus. The home of St. Paul, a few miles from Adana
St. Paul's College closed for some months by the government, but re-
opened again in 1925*

Rev. and Mrs. Paul E. Nilson, of Illinois
Rev. and Mrs. Leslie J. Adkins, of England
Mr. Roger P. Matteson, of Illinois
Mr. Richard B. Smith, of Vermont
Mrs. Emily Block, of England

Marash. Northeast of Tarsus

*Central Turkey Girls' College and Central Turkey Theological Seminary
were formerly located in this city, both now closed*

Rev. and Mrs. James K. Lyman, of Illinois
Miss Ellen M. Blakely, of New York

Aintab. Formerly the site of Central Turkey College

Azariah Smith Memorial Hospital continuing at present

Dr. and Mrs. Charles C. Piper, of England
Dr. Caroline F. Hamilton, of Connecticut
Miss Elizabeth M. Trowbridge, of Michigan
Mr. and Mrs. Merrill N. Isely, of Kansas

Mardin. North of Mesopotamia, not far from Bagdad Railway

Miss Agnes Fenenga, of Holland
Mr. Alford Carleton, of New York

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