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Mission Study Class Series Set by Methodist Women

"To Combine Our Efforts for a Lasting Peace" is the general theme for the series of missionary study sessions that the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church is sponsoring next month.

For the four Tuesday mornings of April, starting April 3, Mrs. Edmund D. Soper, a missionary of the Methodist church, will come from Evanston to conduct the classes.

The sessions will be held at the Methodist church from 9:30 to 11 on April 3, 10, 17 and 24. All women interested in missionary education are invited to attend.

During the series the necessity, possibility and strategy for working together for peace will be stressed.



MRS. EDMUND D. SOPER

Mrs. Soper has had a long and interesting career in the mission field as a teacher.

Tour Far East

From 1948 to 1951 Mrs. Soper, with her husband, emeritus professor of history of religions at Garrett Biblical Institute at Evanston, taught in Union Theological seminaries in India, Malaya, the Philippines and Japan.

This missionary trip included two years of service in India, where Dr. and Mrs. Soper visited 52 different mission stations in addition to teaching in Leonard Theological college at Jabalpur, Central Provinces.

She had shorter terms of teaching in the other countries they toured. She also flew to Korea for a short visit to Ewha Woman's university, where she was director of religious activities from 1925 to 1939.

In each country Mrs. Soper was in touch with the Student Christian Movement, with the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and with the interdenominational colleges supported by World Day of Prayer offerings.

Aids Home Program

Mrs. Soper's experience in this country has included study at Illinois Wesleyan university, the University of Chicago and Garrett institute.

She has served the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Rock River Conference as secretary of student work, vice-president and dean of the conference school of missions and Christian service.

She has taught missionary education and Christian social relations courses in many Methodist schools and interdenominationally at Lake Geneva and in the Chicago area.

Despite her busy schedule she finds time to write articles and program materials to further the interest in missions.

Mrs. Corliss Anderson, Christian education chairman of the local W. S. C. S., arranged the study course.

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