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LORD, SEND FORTH LABORERS!

"Oh, my fellow laborers, let us day by day lift up one earnest cry to the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest! Let us ask earnestly and unceasingly for the very best men who can be found. Let us not lose heart or give up hope, but importunately ask for the men we need. Let us ply the churches with arguments, pointing to the innumerable millions perishing in pagan darkness. And all the while let us never cease to ask in faith from the Lord Himself, and according to our faith laborers shall be given us."—Extract from a missionary sermon preached in Shanghai.

A Day of Intercession

THROUGHOUT the world our brethren and sisters are called upon to observe Sabbath, July 10, 1920, as a special day of prayer and fasting, that the Lord of the harvest may send forth laborers into His harvest.

This call originated in the mission field. The brethren in India, burdened with desire for additional workers to strengthen their staff, appealed to the Home Board for more recruits, and suggested the setting apart of a special day for fasting and prayer. To the General Conference Committee they wrote from Lucknow:—

"We feel deeply burdened because of the slowness with which our meager force of foreign missionaries in this field is being strengthened. We appreciate the fact that our brethren in America are earnestly trying to help us; but as we endeavor to keep up with the work and to take advantage of some of the unprecedented opportunities that are open before us, we are constantly faced with the fact that our present force, especially in the directly vernacular work, is entirely inadequate. We are trying to cope with a work already started in twelve languages, with believers and literature in several others, and yet our entire force devoted to the vernacular work stands at twenty-six families and five single workers.

"We greatly value the plan approved by the Mission Board for the reorganization of the work in our field, and the addition to our staff of a number of experienced administrative workers; but we are convinced that this additional help will not accomplish what it might unless it is accompanied by an extensive strengthening of the staff of younger missionaries who can fully acquire the language of the people. We plead for a special effort to be made in behalf of India with this end in view. . . .

"First of all, brethren, we would ask that the church in America make special prayer for the work in India. Could not one day be set aside for fasting and intercession to God for this great field? Great obstacles to the missionary advance have yielded in answer to the earnest prayers of believing men and women. What might we not expect from the Lord for India in answer to the united prayers of His people? These strongholds of darkness will not yield to any ordinary pressure. Were our missionary force ten times what it now is we should still be impotent to cope with the task before us, unless God greatly helped us. Nothing but His mighty power working on the hearts of the people will accomplish what is needed here.

"In every division of our field the work is taking on a new aspect. The slow years of preparatory work in language study and the development of training schools are commencing to bear fruit. We are beginning to see a more ample growth than ever before, and have evidence that this is only leading on to larger developments of the work among the native people. Everywhere the doors of oppor-

tunity are wide open; and to see this situation continually and yet be able to do so little to meet it, causes us great perplexity. In the few language areas already entered our force is limited to one or two foreign workers; whereas if we only had more help a much wider scope could be given to the work. We therefore appeal to the General Conference to grant us special consideration for the next two years in order to restore to us in some measure the years of war that have affected India's cause so unfavorably.

"Moved by these considerations, we earnestly request—

"That the mission board appoint a day when the brethren in America and the brethren in India can unite in special intercession to God for His work in this land, asking Him to raise up the consecrated laborers needed for His harvest here, to supply the means to send them forth and to support them, and to so bless the work already done in India that from the seed sown there may spring up many agencies that will become strong factors from within this land for the evangelization of its peoples."

When this appeal was presented to the General Conference Committee, it was felt that with all the fields under the same pressure as the India Union, this day of special prayer should be set in behalf of all the fields, and it was—

VOTED, That we appoint the Sabbath of the Midsummer Offering, July 10, 1920, a day of special prayer to God for laborers to enter the great mission fields.

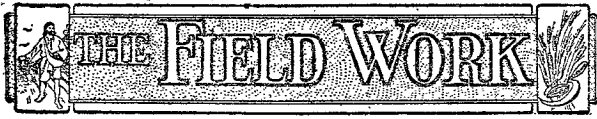
At the Spring Council of the Far Eastern Division Committee this action of the Home Committee was given recognition in the following resolution:

VOTED, That the day of special fasting and prayer, July 10, 1920, appointed by the Mission Board in connection with the Mid-Summer Offering for Missions, be observed throughout the Far Eastern Division.

It is in the hope of arousing our brethren and sisters to a realizing sense of present needs and future responsibilities in mission lands, that the General Conference Committee has appointed this day of intercession and heartsearching. Let every Sabbath-keeping believer in the Far East join heartily in this season. The world situation we face constitutes a most solemn call to service,—a call which must reach every believer whom God would have join the ranks of the workers.

Let us as laborers who realize in some degree the greatness of the task to which we have set our hands, pray for fulness of faith, of courage, and of power. God's Spirit is at work among the peoples of earth; we as Heaven's representatives may be endued with a power that cannot be gainsayed. In these hours of supreme opportunity we dare not fail.

C. C. CRISLER.



Sorrow and Joy

ON April 4, in our own dooryard, I suffered a second sunstroke (the first time was early last summer). A second sunstroke is very easily taken, and is usually much more severe than the first. This time it was nearly fatal, and there were several days in which the doctor thought it would be so. If not fatal, he feared my mind would be ruined. Head, heart, lungs, stomach, bowels, and kidneys were all involved. The doctor finally tapped the spinal cord and drew off some of its fluid to relieve the pressure on the brain, and in twenty-four hours I was decidedly better.

After one month I am just getting about the house again, but the doctor has admonished me not to go out of the house in the day time, and has plainly told me that if I remain in China and take up my work again, my life will be measured by but a few months,—that we should leave the Orient by the first obtainable passage. This we are now arranging to do.

This means that we must leave the work we love so much, and to which we had joyfully dedicated our lives until the end of time, if the Lord should so will. We had not wished to return to the States for more than a furlough. All this makes our hearts very sad.

But notwithstanding this we are *glad*,—glad that God has spared both life and reason, and that after a few months of recuperation in the States I may have my usual health and do regular work. For this we are exceedingly grateful.

It is very difficult to secure booking on a short notice; but as the doctor says I must not spend the summer in China, we are trusting God to open the way for us to get home. We are hoping to sail the last of May or early June.

J. G. WHITE.

Tsinanfu, Shantung, May 12.

The Hankow Intermediate School

THE Hankow Intermediate School is about to close a year's work. School opened last fall the first week in October. The students average low in grade but mature in age, so that once started their progress is rapid. No class will come short of finishing a full year's work.

The Lower Primary School has enrolled twenty-five students, the Higher Primary thirty-eight, and

the Middle School twenty, making eighty-three in all, fifty-seven boys and men and twenty-six girls and women. Sixteen will receive Lower Primary diplomas and five Higher Primary. The students range in age from seven to thirty-eight, averaging nearly twenty.

The year is closing with all obligations met and a little to spare. During the year a library of about three hundred volumes has been collected; but there is still a shortage of maps, charts, and material for use in the schoolrooms, and there is almost nothing in the way of laboratory equipment.

Although conducted co-educationally, care and the Lord's blessing have prevented any serious trouble in this respect. Neither death nor serious sickness has visited the school during the year. The Bolshevistic spirit and the students' strikes, which have been such a curse to schools throughout China this year, also largely passed us by.

When our plans are the Lord's plans we can trust Him to help solve our problems, and we can rest assured that He will bless all efforts put forth for the purpose of spreading the Last Message.

H. O. SWARTOUT.

Wang Gai Dun, Hankow.

May 5, 1920.

Items from Hangchow

ONE day our school teacher at Hangchow visited a heathen temple where he is acquainted with some of the people, in the hope of speaking to them the words of life. He found that the woman of the temple, a worshiper at that place for twenty-seven years, had broken her leg or hip bone. She had sought help of the doctors, but they could not do anything for her.

The teacher told her about the Great Physician and His power to heal disease, and asked her to believe in Him. She said that she would, and after the teacher had prayed for her, she rose from her bed and was able to get about.

Later this woman felt that she could not leave her temple and the worship there. Soon on her upper lip there came a great swelling. Believing this to be an evidence that her course was not pleasing to God, the woman confessed her sin and prayed for forgiveness, and gave herself fully to Jesus. The swelling disappeared immediately. She left the temple service, and now comes every Sabbath to church.

I asked this sister if she knew Jesus. She replied, "O yes, I have seen Him." Then she told me that she had had a dream in which she saw

Jesus by the riverside, and He spoke to her saying, "You are my child."

Another woman walking by our chapel one day saw our church name, and stopped to inquire what it meant. The sister at the chapel gave her two tracts on the Sabbath. She read these tracts and accepted the truths they taught. She then gave the tracts to another woman.

This woman also saw the truth, but having been for eleven years an earnest church member, she felt that she could not leave her church. She made the matter a subject of prayer, and each night would get up to pray that she might be shown her duty clearly. Her husband, an unbeliever, ridiculed her for getting up at night to pray. This continued for two weeks. Then one night, while lying in bed with closed eyes, but not sleeping, a bright star appeared before her vision, on which were the words, "Ta Tsali O' So ngie (World, Israelites, Sabbath.) Convinced now of her duty, the woman wrote to her pastor telling him of her determination henceforth to keep the Sabbath of the Lord. To-day she is rejoicing in the knowledge of this truth, and is seeking to walk in the way of God's commandments.

MRS. B. MILLER.

Scattering the Broad-sides

WE quote a few paragraphs of a personal letter received from Sister F. H. DeVinney, of the South China Union. They serve to show what is being done by our foreign sisters here and there throughout the Division to give a knowledge of the third angel's message to the people of Chira. Sister DeVinney writes:—

"I have been going out once a week in Hongkong on one of the principal streets, taking two hundred Broad-sides to the homes of the people. I go up on one side of the street, and back on the other side, and going to the same places so many times I get well acquainted with many of those whom I visit. I have had some good talks with the English-speaking Chinese. One foreigner to whom I have given some of our papers, would like to subscribe for the *Signs of the Times*, and two young men, Indians, have told me they want to be Christians. As these young men speak and read English I gave them a Bible, some of our good papers and the Broad-sides in English.

"Each time, before I start out with the papers, I kneel down and ask God to bless them and water with His grace the precious seeds of truth. And I ask Him to help me; for we know that without His sweet blessing and help our labor is all in vain. And we also know that with Him there is no failure.

I wish you could see how sometimes when I am on the street the people reach out their hands to me to give them a Broad-side; and I think, What is two hundred amongst this great multitude! We need a capable Chinese Bible worker to follow these Broad-sides and help explain the message to these dear people. Surely, the harvest is great, and the laborers are few."

The full results of such effort as this will never be known to the faithful worker this side of eternity. But God knows. "My word," He declares, shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that whereunto I sent it." So we may labor on in faith, confident that with God "there is no failure."

The Northern Luzon Mission

PASTOR R. E. HAY, director of the Northern Luzon Mission, writes the following from Baguio, Mountain Province, where his family are spending the summer, and where Brother Hay joins them as his work permits:—

"I returned last Monday from a trip through the mountains to Lubuagan, then over the range to Bangued and Vigan; then back along the coast, visiting the new companies at Narvacan and Tagudin.

"Brother Emilio Valera has been holding meetings at Narvacan, and for six weeks had an audience of from two to four hundred every night. There is now a Sabbath-school of seventy at that place and a baptismal class of over thirty.

"At Tagudin Pastor Roda is holding meetings, and while the attendance has not been so large as at Narvacan, yet a number have decided to obey the truth. Among these are relatives of the city secretary of Baguio, Brother Villanueva. When he began to keep the Sabbath Brother Villanueva expected that he would have to give up his position; but the Mayor has granted him Sabbaths off. He is very earnest and has circulated more than a hundred pesos worth of literature among his friends here.

"Last month we passed all previous records for book sales in this field, some 4000 pesos worth of orders were placed, and the indications are that May will show fully as many sales. The Lord is going before us in a remarkable way, and we want to keep humble that we may be used in the accomplishment of even greater things.

"I expect to leave early in the morning for a trip covering most of Pangasinan, visiting the col-porteurs Mrs. Hay and the children are enjoying Baguio very much, and I do also when I can be here."

BROTHER F. P. GRIENER, of Wenchow, writes, "You will be interested to hear the results of our nine days' trip to Ch'i Ch'i. We sold books and tracts and took orders for the *Signs* to the amount of \$59.31. We had a good time. One night we spoke in the chapel belonging to the Independent church. I gave a talk, and then Brother Wilkinson spoke, and he was followed by one of our evangelists. After the meeting we gave out some literature. The people told us that they had never before heard about the Seventh-day Sabbath, and that they would look into this question. Yesterday I received a letter in which it was stated that there are forty-six who wish to keep the Sabbath. We believe that the Lord has some souls in that city."

SPRING COUNCIL OF THE FAR EASTERN DIVISION COMMITTEE

Report of Proceedings

THE Spring Council of the Far Eastern Division Committee was held in Shanghai April 25 to May 6, 1920. At the opening meeting there were present Brethren I. H. Evans (*Chairman*) F. H. De Vinney, O. A. Hall, C. L. Butterfield, B. P. Hoffman, S. E. Jackson, F. A. Detamore, Frederick Lee, R. J. Brown, H. W. Barrows, C. C. Landis, S. L. Frost, C. E. Weak, and C. C. Crisler.

Four members were absent; namely, Pastors F. A. Allum (whose field was represented by Brother Brown), B. Petersen, R. F. Cottrell, and M. C. Warren.

Pastor De Vinney led in an earnest season of prayer for Divine guidance.

A program was adopted, providing for the holding of committee meetings from nine to twelve in the morning and from three to six in the afternoon, leaving the evenings and a mid-day period open for sub-committee work.

Among the principal items on the Agenda were (1) Budgets; (2) Evangelistic Work; (3) Tithes and Offerings; (4) Union and Local Meetings; (5) Institutes; (6) Central School of Academic Grade for the Children of our Missionaries; (7) Statistical Reporting; (8) The Publishing Work; (9) Furloughs and Vacations; (10) Building Operations and Rentals; (11) Educational Texts; (12) The Sabbath-school Work; (13) Medical Work; (14) Educational Work; (15) Assignment of Recruits; (16) Requests from Unions. Only the briefest notice of some of these items can be made in this report, pending further consideration by the Division Committee and the Home Board. On other items, recommendations were drafted and finally adopted, as given below.

Evangelistic Advance

Considerable time was spent by the Committee in a study of the field as a whole, and of various sections of the field, with special reference to the thinness of the line of evangelists for advance work. Our foreign force in Far Eastern lands is very little more than it was three or four years ago. In some instances, notably in Japan, it is less. Yet never before have the doors been open so wide, and never have opportunities for gathering in a harvest of souls been so favorable. The time is at hand for a strong advance in the preaching of the Word.

Some practical measures were adopted for the remedying of the situation, at least in part. Among these are the placing of calls with the Home Board

for a goodly number of recruits with evangelistic experience, to come out during 1921.

The good work accomplished by some of the native evangelists, was dwelt upon, and the brethren were encouraged to do everything possible to strengthen the native pastorate and to develop soul-winners, through whom, under the blessing of Heaven, a mighty work may be done. At the time the Saviour instructed His chosen disciples, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest," He stopped not with the mere suggestion that prayer be offered; He actually sent out the Twelve to preach concerning the kingdom of heaven. And after these returned rejoicing over the power of the Spirit accompanying the preached word, "the Lord appointed *other seventy also*, and sent them two and two before His face into every city and place, whither He Himself would come." And having multiplied, insofar as was possible with the resources in hand, the number of laborers in the field, He again said unto His disciples, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."

We may learn from the methods practised by the Great Teacher. The three angels' messages are to be proclaimed in a short time in these Far Eastern lands, and every agency that can serve must be pressed into active ministry in some branch of the cause of God. Thus the number of laborers will be augmented, and many will be prepared for the Judgment hour. But of even more importance than an increase in our number of active laborers, is a reconversion of heart and life, in order that our service may be fruitful in souls won for the Kingdom. A spirit of intercession, and of agonizing for souls, must take possession of every one called to minister; and every hour must be improved to the best advantage, in order that our efforts may prove effective. We must learn to labor as those who must give an account in the fast-approaching Day of Judgment. Now is our day of opportunity and of most earnest labor; soon the night cometh, when no man can work.

Tithes and Offerings

Charts were presented showing the amount received in tithes and offerings during the year 1919, and for several preceding years. While the amount was not large, the percentage of increase was good. The brethren discussed ways and means for instructing more fully the Church of Asia in the grace of giving, and adopted the following recommendations:

Whereas, The statistical reports covering work in the Far Eastern Division for the year 1919 indicate an encouraging advance in the gathering of funds in certain lands within our Far Eastern territory; and,—

Whereas, This reveals untiring effort on the part of both leaders and laymen,

Resolved, That we express gratitude to God for what He has enabled His children to accomplish in an endeavor to meet, in part, the expense of mission work; and that we pledge ourselves to continue to encourage all in the grace of giving.

Whereas, The attainments made in partial self-support fall far below what must be developed in Far Eastern lands,

Be it further resolved, That we reiterate and emphasize the recommendations passed by this body one year ago, as follows:

Whereas, The importance of tithe-paying in the building of Christian character is well recognized; and,—

Whereas, The ever-enlarging work in the newly-opened fields demands large increases in the tithe receipts of the native churches throughout the Division; therefore,—

(a) *We recommend*, That union missions, local conferences and local missions bear their share in the financing of our organized work.

(b) That they encourage and promote the faithful payment of tithes and offerings by their constituencies.

(c) That in an effort to increase the mission offerings, each conference or mission raise a definite sum per week on the *per capita* basis, the same to be used in the prosecution of the work under the direction of the Mission Board.

We recommend, That for the more speedy accomplishment of this end, the following plans be adopted:

(a) That each conference or mission begin, at an early date, a campaign to bring their constituency up to a 100 per cent. tithe-paying basis.

(b) That once a year a tract on the importance of tithe-paying be distributed to all believers.

(c) That a reading on this subject be prepared by Pastor Evans and sent to all conferences and missions, and printed in the English and vernacular church papers published throughout the Division, each conference and mission to appoint a Sabbath on which this reading shall be read to the churches and companies throughout its territory.

(d) That all ministers and evangelists place greater emphasis on this phase of the teaching of Scripture, and urge faithfulness on the part of all believers in assisting to bring the Light of Truth to those who sit in darkness.

Statistics

An hour was spent in a review of the obligations and benefits connected with the gathering and use of statistical information covering the varied activities of our denominational advance. Recommendations were adopted as follows:

Whereas, The careful and prompt compilation of denominational statistics has proven of untold value as a guide and an inspiration in missionary endeavor; and,—

Whereas, Statistical information covering a number of specified items is required of all our missions by the Home Board,—

We recommend, That a special effort be made to acquaint the officers of our churches, conferences, missions, and institutions with the plans being followed by the General Conference in gathering statistical information; and that we urge continued faithfulness in the endeavor to secure prompt and complete returns.

We further recommend, That detailed statistical reports be published quarterly in the ASIATIC DIVISION OUTLOOK not later than three months following the close of each quarter.

Budgets for 1921

Some days were given to a study of Budget requirements for the year 1921. The increasing number of workers and of stations calls for a most careful study of the financial needs of the work, and this brings much responsibility upon the various provincial and union committees in the preparation of the Budgets. The times demand the undertaking of new work; yet the responsibility of shepherding properly that which has been gained in our baptized membership makes heavy inroads on the time of the few who are stationed in the fields. In the Budget for 1921 requests have been made for a few evangelists to supplement the labors of those already at work; and if these are forthcoming, we shall hope to see a considerable advance made in meeting at least in part the pressing calls which at present can not be followed up with evangelistic efforts.

Foreign Book Depository

Arrangements were made for the carrying of a stock of our standard English and other foreign books, pamphlets, and tracts, as necessities may require, by the Shanghai Publishing House. This will make possible early delivery of many publications that may be desired. The recommendation reads thus:

Whereas, The Far East affords a large and fruitful field for the sale of our English and other foreign publications, and an ever increasing business is being done with this line of literature, making it necessary that a depository be established at some convenient point to which our various fields of the Division may look for stock without its being necessary to send to the States and spend two or three months in filling orders,—

We recommend, That a depository for English and other foreign publications be established in connection with the Signs of the Times Publishing House at Shanghai, China.

In taking the above action it is with the understanding that fields like the Philippines and Malaysia, when ordering large stocks for regular colporteurs, will continue to place their orders direct with the home offices, thus saving in the matter of freights, handling, etc.

Text-Book Funds

A recommendation was passed appropriating to the Signs Publishing House, Shanghai, a trust fund of \$1761.02 gold at current rate, made up of a donation from a brother for Asiatic publishing work; this sum to be administered by the Shanghai House as a trust fund in perpetuity for the issuance of educational texts. In this connection, there was referred to the Shanghai House for favorable consideration the request of the South China Union for the publishing as soon as possible of the McKibben series of Bible lessons in *Wenli*. The South

China Union is supplying the translations for these texts, free of charge, as a gift to the educational work in the China field.

Provision was made for the Chosen Union Mission to set aside from Thirteenth Sabbath overflow funds the sum of \$1000 gold as a special text-book fund with which to print educational texts; this fund to be held in trust by the Seoul Publishing House and used in perpetuity for this purpose.

Building Operations

The Building Committee gave study to plans submitted for mission homes and institutional buildings in various unions. Favorable action was taken on the requests of unions to proceed with the building of mission homes in South China, the Philippines, Chosen, and West China; also for school dormitories in South China and Malaysia, and a dispensary in West China. With reference to the launching of building enterprises not absolutely essential the present year, caution was advised, and all were agreed on following the policy of postponing any building operations that could be postponed without serious injury to our work. It was—

Voted, That in view of the present adverse rates of exchange and the high cost of building supplies, union committees be counseled to proceed on a conservative basis in the erection of mission houses and other buildings, undertaking during the present year only that which seems imperatively necessary.

Voted, That in each union those in responsibility take especial pains to make sure that the mission-owned properties within their borders are kept in proper repair, in order that the depreciation in value may be reduced to a minimum. We suggest that care be taken to protect properly all exposed woodwork and metal surfaces and roofs.

Educational Work

We recommend, That during the present year we plan to strengthen our educational work in the various unions by encouraging our more capable native teachers to carry, in centers approved by the union committees involved, the fifth, sixth, and seventh grades of school work as may be required, under the watchful supervision of some foreign worker who shall serve as provincial or union educational secretary.

We further recommend, That in view of our limited constituencies in the Far East and the difficulties experienced in organizing strong faculties for the higher schools now in operation, we advise against the establishment of any more intermediate schools during 1920 and 1921; but in this connection we would suggest the advisability of placing in our 1921 budget, calls for teachers to come to the Far East for language study preparatory to entering upon educational work as may be arranged in future.

Whereas, The scholarship plan has proven a great blessing both spiritual and financial to our young people in other lands; and,—

Whereas, This work gives great promise of good here in the Far East both as a means of giving the message to the unwarned millions, and in furnishing our young people with the funds necessary for their education in our training schools; and,—

Whereas, close supervision of these young people is imperative for efficient and proper work, and this needed supervision can not be given to best advantage during the extremely hot months,—

We recommend, That our school boards give careful study to the question of fixing vacation periods at a time that will give our scholarship students advantage of the more favorable summer months, preferably those just preceding the extremely hot season.

A. signment of Recruits

We recommend, That Pastor W. J. Harris, a recruit soon to arrive for the China field, be assigned to the North China Union, to fill their 1920 Budget call for a treasurer-evangelist, with the understanding that he have a year in the Peking Union Language School.

Sabbath-school Department

We recommend, That Mrs. I. H. Evans be appointed to carry the Division Sabbath-school Department during the absence of Pastor R. F. Cottrell from Division Headquarters.

Workers' Institutes and Union Sessions

In the fall of 1920 and through a greater portion of the year 1921, union conference sessions will be held in the various sections of the Far Eastern Division field. The brethren of the Division Committee planned to make these general gatherings occasions for a spiritual revival and uplift. The following action was taken:

"We recommend, That union meetings and institutes be held in the Far Eastern Division during 1920-1921."

Since this action was taken, a cable has been received from the Home Board announcing that Pastor H. C. Lacey, of Washington, D. C., has been appointed to join Pastor Evans and the Union brethren in this special institute work, and that he sails for Shanghai July 24. It is probable that Professor Lacey may remain with us a full year. This will permit him to attend most of the Union sessions, the first of which is to be held in the Philippines in November, followed by the South China Union meeting in December, and the Malaysian Union in mid-winter. Announcements of later meetings will be made in due course.

It is possible that arrangements may be perfected for some special institute work in the Central China Union in connection with the local meetings to be held in Henan and Hunan in September of 1920.

Let us pray that the way may be opened for an abiding work of grace during these important union gatherings.

C. C. CRISLER.

School for Children of Missionaries

RESOLUTIONS were passed this spring by the Far Eastern Division Committee providing for the establishment in future of a central school where the children of our missionaries in the Far East can receive training in the first twelve grades of the regular curriculum followed in our denominational schools. Our resolutions have been submitted to the Home Board and as soon as arrangements have been perfected, definite announcement will be made. We are endeavouring to have a teacher on the ground ready for service by October 1. Our resolutions read as follows:

"Whereas, In Far Eastern Division territory, our foreign forces have been increased to an extent that necessitates early provision of some sort for the proper education of the children of our missionaries; and,—

"Whereas, On January 12, 1920, an action was passed by the Mission Board recommending 'the establishment of a school for children of our missionaries in the Far East,' and asking 'the Committee for the Far Eastern Division to submit a statement of plans for operating such a school, with estimates of the expenditure required for the beginning of the enterprise;'

"Be it resolved, That the Far Eastern Division of the General Conference plan definitely on the establishment of a school of academic grade for the education of children of our mission-

aries in this territory; and that in shaping our plans for the development of such an enterprise, the following policy be adhered to insofar as circumstances may permit:

"(a) That the school for the children of missionaries provide instruction up to twelve grades as necessities may require, the course of study to be in harmony with that outlined and approved by our General Conference Educational Department.

"(b) That the school be located on the Ningkuo Road Mission Compound in Shanghai.

"(c) That beginning with October 4, 1920, or at such time this fall as may prove more practicable, there be opened a church school for the children and youth resident in Shanghai, with provision for a limited number of boarding students.

"(d) That a call be placed with the Home Board for the coming out early this fall of a lady teacher of normal training, to serve as an instructor in this school, it being understood that at present the number of students will not be large.

"(e) That as early as may prove practicable, permanent provision be made for instruction in advanced grades, and also for the housing of boarding students. It is thought that for some time to come a commodious yet modest and comparatively inexpensive dwelling house, planned for the convenience and comfort of teachers and students, with space for classroom work, may suffice."

C. C. CRISLER.

Report of the Far Eastern Division Sabbath School Department

For Year Ending December 31, 1919.

Offerings U. S. Gold.

Conf. or Mission	No. Schools	Mem.	Ave. Att.	Sen.	Int.	Prim. Kind.	Home Dep't.	Perf. Att.	No. Bapt.	12 Sabbaths	13th Sabbath	Total
Old North China			(First Quarter)						10	584.62	121.63	706.25
Peking			(First Quarter)							15.63	2.37	18.00
Cent. China	61	1625	1239	1249	211	135		66	58	672.49	228.73	901.22
West China	6	152	119	95	57	4		52	16	123.68	31.42	155.10
North China	7	134	101	106	28					114.46	37.10	151.56
East China	46	1070	845	717	96	257		184	36	753.87	129.50	883.37
South China	49	2067	1891	950	390	239		88	5	987.09	172.85	1159.94
Japan	14	330	265	222	35	73		13	4	1025.39	344.29	1369.68
Chosen	80	1677	1306	1150	527		109	1777	128	960.97	320.04	1281.01
Manchuria	7	123	103	89	7	27		122		148.70	52.93	201.63
Malaysia	22	487	450	262	92	65	68	350	69	1666.13	465.15	2131.28
Philippines	51	1790	1411					600	77	1683.43	393.21	2076.64
Totals	343	9455	7730	4840	918	1327	177	3452	403	8736.46	2299.22	11035.68

Report of the Far Eastern Division Sabbath School Department

For Quarter Ending December 31, 1919.

Offerings U. S. Gold.

Conf. or Mission	No. Schools	Mem.	Ave. Att.	Sen.	Int.	Prim. Kind.	Home Dep't.	Perf. Att.	No. Bapt.	12 Sabbaths	13th Sabbath	Total
Cent. China	61	1625	1239	1249	211	135		66	37	206.11	69.65	275.76
West China	6	152	119	95	57	4		38	5	49.58	15.23	64.81
North China	7	134	101	106	28					27.75	6.87	34.62
East China	46	1070	845	717	96	257		170	36	276.33	47.94	324.27
South China	49	2067	1891	950	390	239		15		262.32	38.36	300.68
Japan Union	14	330	265	222	35	73		52		265.77	87.01	352.78
Chosen Union	80	1677	1306	1150	527		109	452	48	210.69	74.95	285.64
Manchuria	7	123	103	89	7	27		33		36.00	18.34	54.34
Malaysian	22	487	450	262	92	65	68	117	23	463.69	108.02	571.71
Philippines	51	1790	1411							515.45	135.42	650.87
Totals	343	9455	7730	4840	918	1327	177	943	149	2313.69	601.79	2915.48

QUARTERLY REPORT

Statistical Report of the FAR EASTERN DIVISION Mission for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1919

ALL VALUES IN U. S. DOLLARS

Statistics derived from reports received from missionaries
List all stations those places where foreign work is done (column 1)
List all countries those places where no foreign work is done (column 2)

Number of Missions	NAME OF MISSIONS	Number of Missions Stations	Number of Missions Churches	Number of Ordained Ministers	Baptized During Quarter	Ordained Ministers		L. Service		Licenses		Bible Women (not including column 10)	Other Foreign Workers (Column 11)	Deos and Physical Laborers		Medical Workers (including those reported)		Number of Missions	Other Workers (not elsewhere listed)		TOTAL LAMONIES (not sold)	TOTAL TRUST RECEIPTS		Per Capita (Monthly Income)	Total Outlay (Monthly Income)	Total Contributions for Home Missions (Monthly Income)	Total Receipts for Home Missions (Monthly Income)	Total Contributions for Local Church in Chinese Church, not sold	Number of Mission Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
						Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native			Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native		Foreign	Native		Foreign	Native								
1	PHILIPPINE UNION	4	1	25	1303	124	4	3	6	13	14	14	8	1	62	1	1	5	25	103	\$646.57	\$1547.20	\$	1.45		536.25		50	1480	1209	
2	MANCHURIAN UNION	2	5	1	62	2		1					1		7		2	3	3	11	66.85	32.15		1.22							
3	CHOSEN UNION	3		17	578	1	4	3	2	14	12	32			12	1	4	3	5	23	61	343.22	606.82		233.63		112.77		88	1574	1180
4	JAPAN UNION		7	7	373	2	2	5	13				1		12		4		17	35	291.17	760.02		168.13							
5	CENTRAL CHINA UNION	3	52	36	1002	18	4	3	2	8	7	39	1	7	27	1	3	6	12	96		243.05		\$	42.90	758.58	\$5.60	27	891	689	
6	NORTH CHINA UNION	2	5	2	68	12	1		2	3	1	6			8		6	1	4	19		28.89					11.80	7	155	126	
7	SOUTH CHINA UNION	6	52	28	1301	40	7	5	4	42	17	18	9		20		3	7	35	28	192	434.67	461.26		213.58	101.20	1401.33	45	1964	1752	
8	WEST CHINA UNION	2	2	2	51	10	1	4	3		4		4		6		8		8	17	83.29	42.28				6.90	5	134	103		
9	EAST CHINA UNION	1	17	9	549	55	3	2	2	4	6	25	15		11		9	5	11	75		805.28		140.08		60.72	42	1502	1276		
10	**MALAYSIAN UNION	8	10	7	348	6		10	8			1			7		10				25	214.90						13	442	352	
TOTALS		31	151	134	5635	260	34	22	37	97	69	134	2	45	1	172	3	10	60	156	616	\$2080.67	\$4526.95	\$758.09	\$144.10	\$2808.93	\$85.02	277	8142	6687	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25					
NAME OF MISSIONS	Number of Missions	Number of Stations	Number of Churches	Number of Members	Number of Baptisms	Number of Deaths	Number of Marriages	Number of Children	Number of Orphaned Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children	Number of Native Children					
1	\$334.65	\$40.26	\$374.91	\$517.98	\$15572.29	\$16090.27	1	\$5000	500	2	16	1		1	60	76	2	1	2		5								
2	34.62	11.90	46.52	304.84	109.61	414.45					2																		
3	176.71	52.28	228.99	27295	199.32	824.70	21	3200		7	213	3		1	67	280	2		0.6		18	\$12938.15	\$962						
4	266.73	96.43	363.16	6213	735.82	88.27					4																		
5	264.38	65.54	339.92		341.04	1181.67	4	5300	700	8	110	5			110			9		9	275.00	11	200						
6	40.08	11.92	52.00		881.50					1	12	6																	
7	205.82	27.74	233.56	25	281.98	1019.07	6	5350	1700	35	1229	7	5	416	1	18	1663		43	17	60	11325.00	\$696	3	110		\$6.31		
8	32.39	7.61	40.00	1818	437.51	50.22				2	60	8			60			2	3	1	5								
9	327.10	31.95	359.05		35.90	440.06	1	1000		23	571	9			571				19	6	25		4	70			5.65		
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	\$1682.48	\$345.63	\$2038.01	35351	2854.39	\$20167.39	\$22503.84	33	\$19850	2900	77	2211			5	416	4	145	2760	5	2	92	24	122	\$24538.15	\$1658	18	380	\$11.96

* NO REPORT FROM MALAYSIA. HENCE 1918 FIGURES GIVEN FOR THAT FIELD.

QUARTERLY REPORT

Statistical Report of the FAR EASTERN DIVISION Mission for the Quarter Ending June 30, 1919

ALL VALUES IN U. S. GOLD

Statistics desired for each separate provincial mission
List as follows those places where foreigners reside (column 4)
List as outstations those places where no foreigners reside (column 4)

Number of Missions	NAME OF MISSIONS	1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		11		12		13		14		15		16		17		18		19		20		21		22		23		24		25																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																												
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QUARTERLY REPORT

Statistical Report of the Far Eastern Division Mission for the Quarter Ending September 30 1919

ALL VALUES IN U. S. DOLLAR

Statistics desired for each separate provincial mission
List as column those places where foreigners reside (column 4)
List as outstations those places where no foreigners reside (column 4)

Number of Missions	NAME OF MISSIONS	3	4	5	6	7	8		9		10		11		12		13		14		15		16		17		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25		
							Ordained Ministers	Licensed Native Ministers	Licensed Native Ministers	Licensed Native Ministers	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native									Foreign	Native
1	DIVISION PHILIPPINE UNION	4	7	27	1500	47	4	4	5	11	16	18	8			49	1	21	1	69	39	101	\$526.17	\$1600.40												
2	MANCHURIAN UNION	2	5	3	87	16	2		2	5	3	3		2	1		7		2	3	8	20	106.38	69.92	\$ 2.78											
3	CHOSEN UNION	3		51	925	36	6	4	1	23	12	27					14	2	6	8	14	19	76	248.58	423.20		\$279.26	\$ 94.00	30.07	79	1727	1111				
4	JAPAN UNION	3	11	14	309	5	4	3	2	12	1	4		1	7		9		4	2	14	31	242.46	999.92	41.64	2.13		117.69	14	328	216					
5	CENTRAL CHINA UNION	3	61	35	1000		5	6	7	11	15	38	7			35	1	3	6	11	27	114	296.71		3.36			19.75	60	1346	1116					
6	NORTH CHINA UNION	2	5	2	68	14	2		2	3	4	8					5		6		8	14	50.00	64.17				4.60	6	150	116					
7	SOUTH CHINA UNION	6	52	28	1264	76	9	4	4	40	19	18		10		16		4	7	17	32	169	450.19	457.03	12.50	10.00	213.02		47	1996	1808					
8	**WEST CHINA UNION	2	2	2	59		1		3	2	4	3		4		6	1		8		8	15							6	122	99					
9	EAST CHINA UNION	2	40	13	694	42	4	2	4	6	8	28		21	3		7		9	14	19	84	342.11	321.78	58.19				40	1241	1141					
10	**MALAYSIAN UNION	8	10	7	348		12		5	9	21	2					7		10											18	495	460				
TOTALS -----		35	193	182	6254	236	55	23	45	122	126	149		53	11	155	17	1	138	199	715	\$2132.93	\$4233.13		\$118.37	\$291.39	\$307.02	\$228.05	329	9062	7451					
Number of Missions	S. S. Offings to Foreign Missions for Propaganda	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	
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** No report received from Malaysia and West China. Figures given for these two Unions are estimates based on latest data available.

Quarterly Report

Statistical Report of the Far Eastern Division Mission for the Quarter Ending December 31, 1919.

ALL VALUES IN U. S. GOLD

Statistics desired for each separate provincial mission
 List 25 missions those places where foreigners reside (column 3)
 List 25 missions those places where no foreigners reside (column 4)

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ANNUAL REPORT

Statistical Report of the Far Eastern Division Mission for the YEAR Ending December 31, 1919.

ALL VALUES IN U. S. GOLD.

Statistics declared for each separate provincial mission
List as stations those places where foreigners reside (column 3)
List as enclaves those places where no foreigners reside (column 4)

Number of Stations	NAME OF MISSIONS	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																									
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In Memoriam

Richard T. Sisley, April 27, 1920

WHERE fragrant breezes softly blow,
And Southern Cross her vigil keeps,
Where Java's millions come and go,
Our friend in Jesus gently sleeps.

He lifted high the One who died
On Calvary's cross to cleanse from sin.
Mahomet's creed he oft denied,
And urged that Christ might enter in.

For Java lay upon his heart
As once the world the Master pressed;
Her needs were of his life a part;
He gave his all, refusing rest.

His generous bounty fed the poor,
The helpless never asked in vain;
The orphan entered oft his door;
His heart was touched with others' pain.

Forgetting self, his constant thought
His Master's work and Java's need.
He lived to serve, and freely wrought,
His life a sacrifice indeed.

They laid him low at setting sun,
While lengthening shadows slowly fade;
His life's work finished, nobly done;—
He was a man the Master made.

—I. H. Evans.

Shenghai, April, 1920.

An Aged Worker Fallen

THE sad word has been received from Batavia, Java, telling of the death of Brother Richard T. Sisley, at Weltevreden, a suburb of Batavia, where our mission headquarters for West Java are located. The message states that Brother Sisley died of dysentery. For more than a year Brother Sisley has not been in normal health. After his return from the States in 1918, he suffered an attack of influenza which left his body weak; and although he seemed to recover from this disease, yet he frequently had attacks of sickness, until forced to surrender under the hand of death.

Brother Sisley was well known among our workers in America and Australia, and throughout the Far Eastern Division. His brother, W. C. Sisley, has served the cause of truth for years in many lands; and his sisters, Mrs. G. B. Stair and Mrs. Maud S. Boyd, have also been connected with our work for many years.

Richard Sisley was born in England; but early in life went to the United States, where he grew to manhood and helped to support his widowed mother. Later, after the loss of his wife, he went to Australia, where he was connected with the Avondale School,

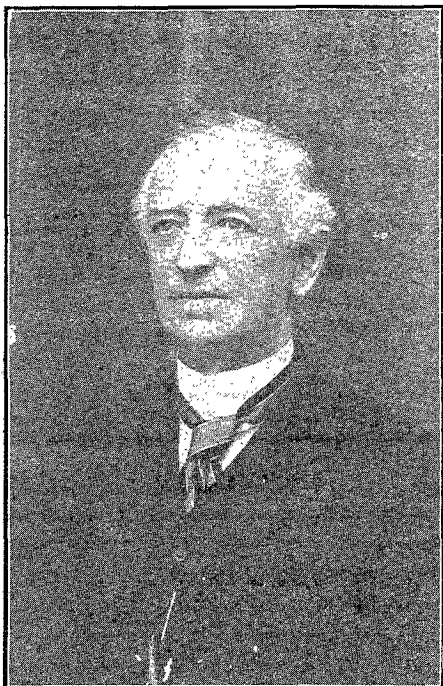
and where he won the love of all who knew him. At that time Java was under the watchcare of the Australasian Union Conference, and Brother Sisley became very much interested in accounts that were given of the work in that populous island of some 35,000,000 people. He tried to encourage young married couples to go there as teachers, to do self-supporting work in missionary lines.

In the year 1910, stirred with the need of doing something definite for the lost souls of Java, Brother Sisley decided to go himself as a self-supporting teacher and missionary. He was then sixty-two years of age, alone in the world, and without much money. Arriving in the field of his choice, he selected his location at Soekaboemi, about four hours ride on the train from Batavia; and at once began teaching. In a very short time he had a number of students, and from the first paid all his own expenses. He was extremely economical, living alone in a simple house where he conducted his school, doing his own cooking and house work, and walking to the places where he gave private lessons, though most of us who are young and strong would feel that we must ride. He had undaunted faith in God, and this faith claimed in a very practical way the blessings of heaven. At one time he was ordered by the Government to leave the place, as he did not have a permit to do mission work there; but he remained and went forward as before, and was not further molested.

In process of time a little company of Sabbath-keepers were gathered together there, and they are ardent and faithful in the service of the Lord. For a time Brother Sisley acted as elder of the church at Batavia, where they held their membership. In time his work of teaching brought him more means than he wished to use for himself, and he supported a number of native missionaries, and later two native evangelists in China.

One could not be in the presence of Brother Sisley without feeling the influence of his godly life. He was by no means a hermit; for although he was alone up in the hills of that little city, yet he kept in touch with the world as well as in touch with God. He was a great student, and even at his advanced age took a number of studies in the correspondence school, glorying in the high grades that were awarded him. He loved his Bible, and sought to follow its teachings. He was companionable as a friend, warm-hearted and true. In 1918 he went to America on business and attended the General Conference; but he returned within six months, for his heart was in Java. He said he was homesick to be at his work.

'After his return to Java he soon had his work going again; but he was not strong in health as he had been. Many of his friends urged him to return to America, where he could be with his loved ones; but he felt he must stay by his post until some young couple would come to take his place. Then, he said, he would go home. He died at his post, and is buried in Java, the land he loved, and from which place he will be raised with the faithful when the Lord returns.



Richard T. Sisley

There are now only four foreign Seventh-day Adventist families left to give the truth to 35,000,000 souls in Java. Their hearts go out to God and to the brethren at home for help.

May we who are still permitted to do for God be inspired to greater faithfulness by the consecration of this devoted man. And let us pray that some who desire to act a part in foreign mission work, but who still remain in the homeland, may respond to this call, determined to follow the voice of God, even though it leads them to a grave in some lonely portion of the earth.

May this soldier of the cross who has been buried there be as the kernel of wheat which, when cast into the ground, brings forth a rich harvest. We pray that God may put into many hearts the desire to come to Java to do and die for His truth.

F. A. DETAMORE.

DIVISION NOTES

BROTHER AND SISTER J. G. WHITE, with Miss Rachel White, sailed from Shanghai for the States June 6, per s. s. "*Empress of Asia*." Brother and Sister White expect to remain on the Pacific Coast during the summer, or until such time as Brother White shall be sufficiently strong to resume work. Our prayers follow these workers, that, although obliged to leave the field they love so dearly, they may still be used of God for the advancement of His cause in home and mission fields.

PASTOR I. H. EVANS left Shanghai June 4 for Mukden, Manchuria, to assist in a local meeting to be held there. He will visit our Tsinan and Peking mission stations on the way. From Mukden he will proceed to Japan for another meeting, visiting mission stations in Chosen en route.

BORN, to Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Hilliard, of Shanghai, May 21, a son.

BORN, to Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Frost, of the Shanghai Missionary College, June 10, a daughter.

SEVEN families arrived in Shanghai on the twenty-fourth of May, for service in the Far East. Brother and Sister B. Petersen, returning to Mukden from a short furlough, were accompanied on the s. s. "*Nanking*" by Brother and Sister George Halvorsen, who will reside in Mukden; also by Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Falconer and Brother and Sister Paul Williams (nurses) for our dispensary in Kwangsai, South China and by Brother and Sister O. W. Morgan, for office work in Shanghai. Toward evening the s. s. "*Nile*" docked, bringing Pastor and Mrs. W. B. Ammundson for the Northern Luzon Mission, and Pastor and Mrs. W. J. Harris for the Peking Mission. We extend to these families a most hearty welcome, and wish them Godspeed in their language study and future labors.

FRIENDS on Gigungshan recently reported the arrival of Pastor W. E. Strickland, suffering from a sunstroke. The day he was stricken, he was wearing his helmet continuously and was clad in khaki. He had endeavored to take every possible precaution, but was worn at the time and was unable to withstand the sun's rays. Brother Strickland is now much better as the result of careful nursing under the supervision of Drs. Davenport and James, who were called down from Yencheng for counsel. The C. I. M. missionaries who are summering on Gigungshan, very kindly opened their ice-house and supplied all the ice that was needed for the treatments, and assisted in many other ways. Their kindness will never be forgotten.

It will be necessary for Brother Strickland to remain indoors most of the time during the day and to live on Gigungshan until October 1, when, the physicians say, he may return to the plains.

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The Day of Intercession

THE attention of all is called to the statement made on pages one and two of this issue, concerning the Day of Intercession appointed for Sabbath, July 10. Our needs are many; all Heaven is at work to supply these; yet we must remember that *it is in proportion as we pray in faith while making the best possible use of present advantages*, that God strengthens our hands and multiplies our mission forces. From the beginning of the Advent Movement to the present day, every advancement in numbers and in influence has come as the result of unceasing prayer and unwavering faith. "This is the victory that hath overcome the world, even our faith." (A. R. v) Let us make the Day of Intercession one of personal reconsecration and of a renewal of our faith in God's unfailing purposes.

Division Sabbath-School Department

IN the absence of Pastor and Mrs. R. F. Cottrell from Shanghai for a prolonged furlough in order that Brother Cottrell may regain his health, the Division Committee at its recent session arranged for the carrying of the work of the Sabbath-school Department by Sister I. H. Evans. To quote from the Minutes:

"We recommend, That Mrs. I. H. Evans be appointed to carry the Division Sabbath-school Department during the absence of Pastor R. F. Cottrell from Division Headquarters."

We bespeak for Mrs. Evans the same hearty co-operation on the part of all, that was accorded Brother and Sister Cottrell. All correspondence concerning the Sabbath-school work should be addressed to Mrs. I. H. Evans, 25 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai. Letters from outside the China field may be addressed to her, Box 523, U. S. Postal Agency, Shanghai, China.

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The Statistical Reports

IN this issue of the OUTLOOK are published statistical reports of denominational activities in the Far Eastern Division, covering the fourth quarter of 1919; also a summary for the year. The figures given in these tables bear silent record to the degree of progress already attained in the mission lands where we are operating. They fall far short of telling the whole story. Men can no more number the Israel of God to-day than in the days of Elijah; yet statistical reports do reveal in large measure the status of our work from year to year, and are worthy of our most careful study.

At the close of 1919 our baptized membership stood at 6,699, which is 617 more than at the end of the preceding year. Gains are fairly well distributed all over the field. The most marked increases have come in the Philippines, South China, and East China. The baptisms during the year totaled 1,317, our best record for any year. But we can not be satisfied with the year's record. In our mission field, with 230 foreign and 755 native workers, a total of 985 engaged in the various lines of service, we surely should show a more substantial growth. Let us unite in making the year 1920 one of fruitful ministry in every union field. Already we are entering upon the last half of the year. God honors those whose high resolves are accompanied by untiring effort. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." "The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."

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Special Notice to Far Eastern Missionaries

THE publishers of the "Review and Herald," our church paper, announce an advance in their subscription rate to \$3 per annum, beginning July 1, 1920. They urge that their old subscribers renew prior to July 1, in order to take advantage of the old rates which continue until that date. Brother L. W. Graham, the Manager of the Periodical Department, writes:

"It is not necessary for the orders to reach Washington by July 1 in order to secure the advantages of renewing or subscribing at present rates, but if the orders are given by the individual through his office not later than June 30, the old rates will apply on such subscriptions." The present rates, which will not be changed until July 1, are:

One year	\$2.50
Two years	4.75
Three years	7.00
Six months	1.50

Surely every member of our Far Eastern foreign force will avail himself of this offer. We could not do without the "Review." Every number brings inspiration and practical help. Let the subscriptions be placed early.