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What About 1933?

Dr. H. W. Miller

HIRTY-THREE is a familiar date to Seventh-day Adventists; for we all recall that 1833 was the notable year of the falling of the stars, which was one of the most dramatic of last-day signs. Only a few years ago there were many living witnesses of the falling of the stars, but I presume few if any of these are living now.

Can we not make 1933 --- the 100th anniversary of the falling of the stars --- a notable year in connection with the history of God's work in the China Division, by scattering the largest number of pages of our literature, which we are told are to fall in these lands like the leaves of autumn; by passing our goal of 100,000 subscriptions to the "Signs of the Times;" by adding at least 3,000 church members; by working especially among our young people, getting them into our schools; and by extending our work into territory heretofore unentered by our workers. Conditions in China are more favorable for the advance of the gospel than at any time since our work began.

We have just passed through our annual Committee Council, which will long be remembered by our workers, as being marked by much of the blessing of God. A constructive program was outlined, which when carried out will serve to extend our work in the China field. The review of the progress of God's work for 1932 was most encouraging; it served to give great hope in planning for larger goals in every line than heretofore. We must never be satisfied with doing less. It should be our constant aim to expand and do larger things for God.

As we see the fast-fulfilling signs that tell us the Judgment hour is drawing near, and read of the marvelous working of God's Holy Spirit in all the world, we recall the statement that the scenes of Pentecostal times, when the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved, "are to be repeated, and with greater power. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost was the former rain, but the latter rain will be more abundant. The Spirit awaits our demand and reception. Christ is again to be revealed in His fulness by the Holy Spirit's power." We can undertake large programs of evangelism; for the presence of His Spirit in all its fulness and power makes all things possible, and certain of fulfillment and triumph.

Summary of Proceedings --- China Division Officers' Council --- Dec. 26, 1932. to Jan. 7, 1933

Officers' Council of the China Division Committee

[Shanghai]

December 26, 1932, to January 7, 1933

Synopsis of Proceedings

Dr. Miller in the Chair.

Present: Brethren H. W. Miller, H. H. Hall, C. C. Morris, N. F. Brewer, E. L. Longway, S. L. Frost, W. A. Scharffen-berg, O. A. Hall, K. H. Wood, Geo. J. Appel, John Oss, J. H. Effenberg, M. C. Warren, C. C. Crisler, Miss Bessie Mount.

Remarks by the Chairman

Chairman's Opening Remarks Dr. Miller referred to world conditions, and to special opportunities now opening before us in the China Division for evange-listic advance; and he emphasized the supreme importance of our giving ourselves wholly to the Lord anew and of seeking for Heaven's help throughout our Officers' Council. Brethren Brewer, Oss, and Morris led in a season of prayer.

Report on the Autumn Council

The Chairman outlined in a general way decisions arrived at during the biennial Autumn Council held in Battle Creek, and of the responsibility devolving upon us at this time in the light of actions as recorded in the General Conference minutes. While funds are low, marvellous results are nonas recorded in the General contractory minutes. While funds are low, marvellous results are coming to us and to our sister division fields in using to advantage the limited resources still available.

The 6% Cut

Through careful management, combin-ed with sacrifices beyond anything hitherto known, the Home Board have not had to decrease base budget appropriations more than six per cent. It is understood, how-ever, that during the year 1933 further percentage cuts may become essential if estimated incomes be insufficient to cover the amounts awarded. In many parts of the world field the leaders of our cause are planning to do everything in their power planning to do everything in their power to supplement these funds with increased tithes and offerings. Harvest Ingathering returns, and through putting into effect rigid economies.,

Provisions for meeting the Cut

As an initial step in meeting the situation created by the six per cent. cut in base appropriations to come to the China Division, it was—

Voted, That in our plannings for 1933, we proceed on the basis of a general cut of six per cent. on both the foreign and native sections of our budget. The foreign portion shall be met through an applica-tion of the full percentage cut to all foreign wages and expenses, and through economies in operation. The native portion of the cut shall be met through increased tithes and offerings, carefully planned annual Harvest Incathering campaigns. etc. it being unofferings, carefully planned annual Harvest Invathering campairns, etc. it being un-derstood that no deficit be incurred in operating. It is further agreed that a supreme effort shall be made to preserve intact our limited amounts already set apart as operating capitals for the various unions, local missions, and institutions.

Appreciation was expressed for the unfailing support being given our mission-ary advance by brethren and sisters of the homelands.

Communication to the

Home Board

The Chairman expressed gratitude to God for the leadings of the Holy Spirit in times of great perplexity. Notwithstand-ing severest reverses in the homelands, our brethren and sisters are doing their very best to keep to a minimum the cuts that must be made in division budgets. Upon motion, duly seconded, it was—

Voted. That the members of the China Division Executive Committee in Council assembled hereby express our thanks to the brethren and sisters of the homelands in granting us so liberal an appropriation. These funds we regard as from the Lord These funds we regard as from the Lord through His chosen agencies, and we plan to use appropriations from abroad to fur-ther as rapidly as the Holy Spirit may permit the interests of the cause through-out the China field. We cannot fully realize the sacrifices represented by the realize the sacrinces represented by the appropriations forwarded to us, but we do appreciate the continued liberalities of our brethren and sisters in sustaining God's work in the great needy fields of work in the great needy heathenism.

Union Reports

Reports from Union Superintendents Union superintendents were given op-portunity to present brief reports of pro-gress during the past year, together with requests for consideration.

Sessions Committees

Upon motion, duly seconded, it was voted that the Chair appoint the usual session committees. The following were announced:

Finance: C. C. Morris, chairman; H. H. Hall. N. F. Brewer, E. L. Longway, O. A. Hall.

Plans: Geo. J. Appel, chairman: H. H. Hall, S. L. Frost, John Oss, W. A. Scharffenberg. Miss Mount, M. C. Warren, J. H. Effenberg, K. H. Wood, C. C. Crisler.

Nominations and Credentials: C. C. Crisler. chairman; K. H. Wood, J. H. Effenberg, E. L. Longway, M. C. Warren.

Daily Program

Morning session, 8-12; afternoon session. 3-5; evening session, 7-9; China Training Institute, Chiao Tou Tseng, Dec. 30, 81; Sanitarium annual meeting, Rubicon Road, Monday, Jan. 8. 1983, 9 a.m.; Far Eastern Academy annual meeting, Monday. Jan. 2. 7 p.m.; Signs Press annual meet-ing, Tuesday. Jan. 3, 8 a.m.

During the meetings from day to day, the sub-committees brought in various re-commendations; and among these are some of general interest, which, as finally adopt-ed, are as follows:

Gratitude to God

Whereas, Our believers, workers, in-stitutions and churches throughout the China Division have enjoyed the Lord's constant blessing and protection during the year 1932; and— Whereas, This year has witnessed the entrance of the third angel's message into every province of China, and the baptism of large numbers of converts in all parts of this field; therefore.— Resolved, To express our heartfelt gratitude to our heavenly Father for these and many other mercies, and to rededicate ourselves to the finishing of the Master's work in the territory of this Division.

Week of Sacrifice

Whereas, Since the adoption in 1922 of a Week of Sacrifice, a large sum of money has come into the treasury from this scource, thus helping to keep our workers in the field; and,—

Whereas, Our workers in all fields have generously contributed one full week's in-come to this fund each year; therefore,---

We recommend, (1) That in order to maintain our worldwide mission program and to provide for entering as many as possible of the many providential openings before our workers, we urge all our laity to join with our workers in the annual week of Sacrifice.

(2) That this offering be promoted in a strong way in the *Shepherd* and in the *Reporter*.

Schedule of Meetings --- 1933

Voted, That the following constitute a general schedule of biennial union sessions and other general meetings, (on basis of approximately three days for conventions and six days for the union sessions)

South China Union

Convention, March 23-26 Union Session, March 27-April 1

East China Union

Convention, April 4-6

Union Session, April 7-12

Shanghai Church Rally

Joint Services, Range Rd., April 8 Sabbath.

China Training Institute

Spring Week of Prayer-April 13-17

Central China Union

Convention, April 19-21 Union Session, April 21-26 Honan Rally At Yencheng April 28-30

North China Union

Convention, May 3-5 Union Session. May 5-10

Manchurian Union

(Convention,	May	17-19
Uni	ion Session,	May	19-24
Harbin	(Russian W	org)	

General Meeting, May 26-30

West China Union

Union Session, June 23-July 1 West China Union Summer School July 2-August 14

Northwest China Mission

Lanchow General Meeting, Oct. 20-25 Lanchow Colporteur Institute, Oct. 26-28 Nov. 2-4 Sianfu (Shensi) Rally,

Annual Spring Council---1934

Voted, That the Annual Spring Council for 1934 be fixed for Jan. 24-31, 1934; with the China Training Institute Constituency meeting at Chiao Tou Tseng, Jan. 19-21, 1934; the Shanghai Sanitarium-Hospital and Clinic Constituency, Jan. 23, 1934; these meetings to be preceded by a Division Officers' Council Jan. 14-18, 1934.

Plans and Resolutions Adopted by the 1932--33 Winter Officers' Council --- China Division

On Evangelistic Advance

Voted, To adopt as a pattern to be followed in all the planning of China Division mission organizations and institu-tions during the year 1933, the series of resolutions on evangelism passed by the General Conference Committee during its biennial session held in October, as follows:

Whereas, The fast fulfilling signs of the time give unmistakable evidence that we are rapidly approaching the end of all things earthly, and the advent of our blessed Lord; and,--

Whereas, We have reached the time for the swelling of the loud cry of the message, when the earth is to be lightened with the glory of the Lord; and,—

Whereas, Since the Londy ind, movement for larger evangelism two years ago, unprecedented gains have been made in our church membership in all the world, indicating that the Spirit of God only waits for the co-operation of an awakened, willing church to finish the work and to cut it short in righteousness; and,--

Whereas, Soul-winning and actual gain in membership is to a large degree the real measure of success in the work of God; therefore,--

We recommend, 1. That during 1933 the movement for larger evangelism be pressed forward with all possible energy and determination.

(2) That conferences and missions having unoccupied territory make a survey of their field and place a part of their evangelistic force in such territory, with a view to extending the influence of the message and rasing up churches in new places. We suggest that ministers having special talent for public evangelism be chosen and set apart for full time service in this work in this work.

(3) That conference officials definitely study with departmental leaders, heads of institutions, and church pastors how to make their work definitely soul-winning in character, setting soul-winning goals before their respective organizations at the beginning of the year.

(4) That each local and union mission (4) That each local and union mission give careful study to ways and means of entering all the hsiens within his un-occupied territory at the earliest possible date, mapping out a program by which this can be accomplished through the apportionment of the task over a series of mean is used argument to be affected in years; such arrangements to be effected in connection with the union sessions.

(5) That all ministers and elders who have the responsibility of receiving new members into our churches be urged to follow the plan of carefully instructing them in preparatory classes, that they may thus become fully established in the faith hefore being accorded into church faith before being accepted into church fellowship.

(6) We recommend, That the China Division membership goal for 1933 be set at 15,000, made up as follows:

Central China					2,600
East China					3,800
Manchuria					1,500
North China					1,500
Northwest Mis	sio	n			520
South China					3,400
West China					1,680
			Tota	ı	15,000

Ministerial Reading Course

Whereas, One of the books included in Chinese Ministerial Reading Course for 2. namely, "Testimonies, Volume 9," 1932. namely, "Testimonies, Volume 9," has not been available during the entire year; therefore.-

We recommend, (1) That credit cards be issued to those who have completed the reading of the remaining books of the 1982 course, and that this book be dropped from the course; and further,

(2) That "Testimonies, Volume 9," be (2) That "Testimonies, Volume 9," be made a part of the Chinese Ministerial Reading Course for 1933, being substituted for "The Story of the Advent Movement," already announced as part of the course, inasmuch as this book was used two years ago. The course for 1933 would then stand or followed. as follows:

- "Testimonies, Volume 9," by Mrs. E. G. White
- "Eleven Great Christians," by Evan Morgan, S. T. Hsu
- "Learning to Teach from the Master Teacher," by John A. Marquis

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(3) That suggestions of books for the (3) That suggestions of books for the 1934 Reading Course be passed on prompt-ly to the Ministerial Association, and that this course be decided upon sufficiently early to allow of promotion and securing of books in all parts of the field by the beginning of 1934.

(4) That the Chinese Signs of the Times Fublishing House be requested to stock and offer these reading course books in a group offer at as favorable a price as can be secured.

Promotion of Reading Courses

We recommend, (1) That union super-intendents be responsible for promoting both the Chinese and English Ministerial Reading Courses in their respective fields, securing enrolments for the reading course and encouraging the placing with tract societies orders for books six months prior to the beginning of the year concerned; and further. and further,-

(2) That these orders be secured suffi-(2) Init these orders be secured sum-ciently early to be in the hands of the Ministerial Association Secretary by June 30, so that members in all parts of the field may receive the books in time to begin their reading at the first of the current year.

Appeal for More Colporteurs

Whereas, There is need of greatly nlarging our colporteur force to circulate emarging our colporteur force to circulate the large amount of truth-filled literature prepared by our publishing houses; and,— *Whereas*, God is preparing the hearts of the people for the reception of the message through the printed page,— *We recommend*, That union and local

missions unite in securing large additions to their present army of gospel colporteurs, and that no effort be spared to give these recruits the most careful training for their important work.

Strengthening the Work

in Large Cities

Whereas, There are great possibilities of circulating a large amount of our truth-filled literature in the large cities in the China Division; and,—

Whereas, There is need of closer co-ordination of all evangelistic endevaor in these large cities; and of a plan by which the colporteur may receive more individual training, and the field secretary be enabled to conserve his time and expense; therefore.

We recommend, (1) That each union and local mission join in an effort to re-cruit a large number of full-time colpor-teurs to work in each of these cities.

(2) That these colporteurs be encour-aged to report to the evangelists in charge all interests awakened, thus increasing the possibilities of soul-winning results.

Sabbath School Offering Goals

Whereas, Our Sabbath school offerings have shown a gradual decrease during the first three quarters of the year, thus re-flecting general economic conditions, but at the same time bringing hardship to our world-wide work; and,—

Whereas The opportunities for ad-vance before our workers throughout the world are greater to-day than ever before, and any heavy reduction in our general mission funds seriously handicaps our work: therefore mission funds work; therefore,-

We recommend, (1) That the blessings of sacrifice for the support of God's work constantly be kept before our workers and members, both foreign and Chinese; and that they be urged to put forth every effort to maintain their regular offerings; and,-

(2) That the Sabbath School Offering Goal for foreign workers in the China Division be set at \$5 Mexican per week per family.

(3) That the average weekly per capita Sabbath School Offering Goal, in-cluding both foreign and Chinese offerings be set at twelve cents Mexican for 1933.

"Soul-winning Sabbath School "

Whereas, The translating work on the manuscript for "The Soul-Winning Sabbath School." abridged and adapted from the English book of that title, is now completed.

We recommend, (1) That the Sabbath School Department be authorized to arrange for the editing and printing of this ma-terial and further,—

(2) That the fund of \$400 Mexican which was voted in 1931 for the translat-ing of this manuscript, but which it has not been necessary to use for that pur-pose he used as a subsidy to apply on the cost of publishing this book, in order that the selling price may be kept within a reasonable figure.

Territorial Adjustments

The sub-committee on territorial read-justments, reported, and their recommenda-tions were adopted by vote, as follows:

Whereas, The northern part of Shensi cannot easily be reached from Sianfu, but can easily be worked from Ninghsia by way of southern Suiyuan; and,—

Whereas, Since the North China Union cannot easily work the southern Suiyuan district,-

We recommend, That the territory in Suiyuan Province south of Lat. 40 be assigned to the Northwest China Mission.

Whereas, The eastern part of the pro-vince of Jehol cannot be worked by the Manchurian Union under present conditions; therefore,-

We recommend. That the eastern half of the province of Jehol be assigned to the North China Union Mission.

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Harvest Ingathering

Whereas, The blessing of the Lord has attended the Harvest Ingathering work, and it has proven a spiritual blessing to our constituency, and has brought in a large amount of funds with which to for ward the work of God; and,-

Whereas, Due to the shrinkage of funds from abroad, there is greater need than ever before to secure more funds within our division with which to carry forward the interests of the work,—

We recommend, (1) That a special effort be put forth during 1933 in rallying the whole church to take part in the campaign, and that we approve of the following goals and projects:

Projects : Class 1A		Mex. \$ 4.350
Church Extension	· . ·	7,650
GOAL		12,000

East China:

Manchuria: Projects: Shenyang Sanita Clinic 1A		ım		nd	5 000
GOAL:	·	·	·	•	15,000
Church Extension	·	·	•	·	7,500
Projects : Class 1A					7,500

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North China:

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GOAL: .							10,000

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GOAL:						4.000

South China:

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Evangelical 800	
Medical 1,500	
Church Ext. Hongkong 1,200	
Miscellaneous 500	5,000
Hakka Projects:	
Church Extension . 1,000	
Evangelical	
Medical 1,500	3,000
Varan and Desidents	
Kwangsi Projects:	
Church Extension . 1,000	
Evangelical 1,000	
Educational 1,000	
Medical 500	3,500
North Fukien Projects:	
Church Ext. & Edu. 1,000	
Evangelical	1,500
South Fukien Projects:	
Church Extension . 1,500	
Evangelical 500	2,000
S-stor Dastanta	
Swatow Projects :	
Edu. & Evangelical . 1,500	1.500
GOAL (South China):	16,500

West China: Projects: Class 1A Church Extens Union Schoo				2,500 2,000
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GOAL:		:		2.500 7,000
Summary of Goals	::			
Central China				12,000
East China				15,000
Manchuria	•		•	6,000
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West China	·	•		7.000
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(3) That the campaign for 1933 be conducted at the date set at the China Division Quadrennial Council; viz., Septem-ber 16 to October 18.

(4) That the Harvest Ingathering Rally be held on September 16 in all of the churches.

(5) That so far as possible, Harvest Ingathering conventions be held in con-nection with the union and local meetings and that Harvest Ingathering regional and church conventions and institutes be held in the provincial missions.

(6) That the English edition of the Chinese Harvest Ingathering paper, known as the Survey of Progress, be printed again in 1983.

10% of H. I. Funds for

Reappropriation

Voted. That of all Harvest Ingathering funds received by the various unions, ten per cent. of the total be credited to the China Division to be held as a fund for reappropriation by action of the Division Executive Committee.

Tithes and Offerings

We recommend, That the Division pro-vide at an early date for the translation and publication, for use in the churches of the China field, of the compilation of quotations from the Bible and Spirit of prophecy on the tithing system, as sub-mitted by Pastor O. A. Hall; these to be distributed in the unions and local missions at Division expense. at Division expense.

Five-Year Course, Evangelists

all phases of evangelistic endeavor; there-fore,— We recommend, That union superin-tendents and mission directors put forth special efforts during the year 1933 to place the advantages of this course of study before our workers, and to speak person-ally with each worker, laying before him the desires of this Committee that each worker endeavor to become more efficient in the Master's service. Revised Tract Society Discounts on Trade Books and Tracts : We recommend, That in the China Division the publishing house allow tract societies twenty per cent. discount on all trade books and tracts.

Gradation of Schools

We recommend, The following grada-tion of our schools in the China Division:

(1) That the China Training Institute continue to serve the China field as our central training school, carrying the usual courses of study for our junior college.

courses of study for our junior college. (2) That the Canton school carry eleven grades of work as at present, with the understanding that when prevailing standards as to teachers, equipment and apparatus can be met, and there are suffi-cient students to make practicable the carrying of higher work, the union may authorize this school to increase its work to full twelve grades. This school shall serve the three local fields of Canton, Kwangsi, and Hakka for the middle school grades carried with the exception that Hakka and Kwangsi be authorized to carry grades seven and eight in their own field, if standards can be met as regards teachers and equipment. teachers and equipment.

(3) That the Amoy school continue to carry ten grades of work as at present.

(4) That the following be listed as of junior middle school grade carrying up to and including nine grades of work, as necessary:

> Central China Union: Yencheng; Hankow;

Changsha: The rating of Changsha is not finally fixed, but left for later consideration by the Division Com-mittee after further consultation with the Central China Union.

East China Union: Wenchow; Bengpu

Manchurian Union: Mukden

North China Union: The North China Union School

Northwest China Mission: Sianfu (Tsaotan)

South China Union : Foochow; Swatow

West China Union: West China Union School

(5) That upon the opening of the North China Union School at the new location, the Tsinan school carry only up to and including grade seven; and that the Hopei school at Peiping carry only the first six grades.

(6) That the Kiangsi and Hupeh mis-sions continue as at present, with the Hankow school serving both fields for grades seven to nine.

(7) That all other schools carry grades one to four, or grades one to six, as unions may arrange.

(8) That any change in the gradation of our China schools from this arrange-ment be made by the Division Committee; requests for such changes being made through the union concerned.

Attendance at Middle Schools

Voted, That the Division Committee encourage all in responsibility in our various unions to hold closely to general recommendations now reiterated, looking toward the keeping of our youth in their several union fields for their schooling until such time as they can complete all the grades offered in our denominational schools in their respective regional areas, prior to their going on to Chiao Tou Tseng.

Plans and Resolutions Adopted by the 1932--33 Winter Officers' Council --- China Division

Committee on Nominations— General Appointments

The Committee on Nominations, Credentials and Licenses, and Calls, submitted their report, which, upon motion, duly seconded, was adopted, as follows:

Inasmuch as some general appointments made during the Quadrennial Council in January, 1932, were for a two-year period, all such appointments are continued without change, it being understood that at such time as Professor Frost might be released by the General Conference from his present responsibilities in order that he may respond to the call from the China Training Institute, he become as from that date one of the appointive members of the China Division Executive Committee.

The former two-year appointments, continuing as from January, 1933, for yet another year, or until such time as the 1934 Spring Council of the China Division Executive Committee may renew appointments, are as follows:

China Division Auditor: C. C. Morris.

China Division Transportation Agents: C. C. Morris, chairman; the treasurers of the South and Central China Union Missions.

China Division Building Committee: C. C. Morris, chairman; H. W. Miller, E. C. Wood, D. E. Rebok, Geo. J. Appel, K. H. Wood, C. C. Crisler, A. Mountain.

China Division appointive members of the China Division Executive Committee: D. E. Rebok, Frederick Lee, R. W. Paul, W. A. Scharffenherrg, J. Effenherg; also, from such time as he may be officially released by the General Conference for service in China Training Institute, S. L. Frost.

China Division Ministerial Association: Frederick Lee, secretary; Advisory Council: Frederick Lee, division officers, superintendents of union missions, union evangelists, division departmental secretaries, principals of advanced schools in China Division.

China Division Home Commission: E. R. Thiele, chairman; H. W. Miller, S. L. Frost, Mrs. B. Miller, Mrs. T. F. Mi, H. C. Shen, B. A. Liu, Mrs. O. A. Hall, Mrs. E. L. Longway, Miss Elsie Liu, Mrs. M. C. Warren, Miss J. Holmes, Mrs. Chen Gien Wen, Mrs. N. F. Brewer, Dr. Constance Wen, Mrs. Effenherg, Miss Anna Loo, Mrs. C. B. Green, Miss Lucy Audrus, Djao Wen Li.

Departmental Committees

Educational and Y.P.M.V. Dept.: Secretary, S. L. Frost, Members: S. L. Frost, John Oss, Miss Bessie Mount, S. H. Lindt. Educational and Y.P.M.V. secretaries of union missions; the heads of training schools in the division, the heads of senior and junior middle schools; the superintendents of union missions.

Home Missionary Dept.: Secretary E. L. Longway, Members: The division publishing and home missionary secretaries; the union and local home missionary secretaries as appointed; the union field missionary secretaries; the executive heads of union and local fields.

Medical Dept.: Secretary, H. W. Miller, M. D. Members: The division medical secretary; with the physicians connected with all recognized sanitarium treatment-rooms, and hospital-dispensaries in the China Division; and superintendents of nurses in institutions conducting nurses' training schools.

Publishing Dept.: Secretary, John Oss. Members: The division publishing and home missionary department secretaries; all union field home missionary secretaries within our territory; all local field missionary secretaries; the head of the publishing house in China; together with the chief editors as appointed by the Division Committee; the superintendents of all union missions.

Sabbath School Dept.: Secretary, Miss Bessie Mount. Advisory Committee: The division Sabbath school secretary; all union Sabbath school secretaries; assistant editor of the (China) Sabbath School Helper; Frederick Lee, E. R. Thiele, K. H. Wood, H. C. Shen, Joseph May, C. C. Morris, Yeh Kwen Gan.

Appointments for One Year

CHINESE SIGNS PRESS EDITORS:

Shi Djao Yueh Bao: (The Signs of the Times): Frederick Lec. editor; Y. H. Chu, E. R. Thiele, associate editors.

Mo Shi Mu Sheng (The Shepherd's Call): E. R. Thiele. editor; Joseph May, Y. H. Chu, Frederick Lee, Goh Djao Oh, associate editors; C. Y. Lin, assistant editor; the following to serve as contributing editors: H. W. Miller, C. C. Crisler, S. L. Frost, John Oss, Bessie Mount, O. A. Hall, E. L. Longway, M. C. Warren, K. H. Wood, Geo. J. Appel, N. F. Brewer, J. Effenberg.

Appointed Assistants: The Press Board is hereby empowered to appoint any editorial assistants that may be found essential, for any for the periodicals issued by the House.

Sabbath School Helper: Bessie Mount, editor; assistants, Yeh Kwen Gan, Mrs. K. H. Wood.

The China Division Gazette: S. L. Frost, editor; associates, John Oss, Frederick Lee, Yeh Kwen Gan, Bessie Mount; the general editorial, translating, and proofreading work being borne largely by the various departments concerned.

The China Division Reporter: C. C. Crisler, editor.

Book Editors: Frederick Lee, general book editor; Y. H. Chu and E. R. Thiele, associate book editors.

Beading Committee: Frederick Lee, chairman; E R. Thiele, vice-chairman; B. A. Lir., Joseph May. S. H. Lindt, M. R. Liu, John Oss, K. H. Wood, O. A. Hall, Dzou Pei Hsin, E. L. Longway, Tan Kia O. Goh Djao Oh. Djao Wen Li, H. C. Shen, S. L. Frost, D. E. Rebok.

Chinese Harvest Ingathering Special for 1933: Editorial Committee; C. C. Crisler, chairman; John Oss, Y. H. Chu, E. R. Thiele, Goh Djao Ob, Frederick Lee, H. C. Shen, F. M. Larsen, E. L. Longway.

Summer Schools--Regional--1933

Voted, That during the year 1933 three Summer Schools be authorized; the one in West China Union to be attended by Pastor Frederick Lee, Miss Bessie Mount, and Liu Meng Ru; South China, by Brethren Liu Peng Nien and P. E. Quimby; Chiao Tou Tseng (serving East, Central, North, Northwest, and Manchuria), by C. A. Carter, and available members of the faculty at Chiao Tou Tseng.

Voted, That the expenses of travel of the teachers attending the summer school at Chiao Tou Tseng from Northwest, Central, East, North, and Manchuria, and also the teachers that go out to instruct in the regional schools held in South and West China, be pooled and paid on an equal basis irrespective of distance and relative costs.

The "Big Week"

Whereas, There has been a change in the Big Week plan, allowing each Division the privilege of selecting its own projects and disbursing the funds received,—

We recommend, That the Big Week be continued in the China Division on the same basis as heretofore; and,-

(1) That the projects for 1933 be:

Central China:	Mex. \$	Mex. \$
Hankow Intermediate School Classroom and Factory Equip- ment Vencheng Hospital Nurses' School Classroom Equip-	1,750	
ment	200	1,950
East China:		
Anhwei Middle School Industrial Equip- ment	750	750
Manchuria:		
Mukden School Library Laboratory Equipment	250 250	500
North Chnia:		
Mongolian Press North China Middle	500	
School	1.750	2,250
Northwest China:		
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South China:		
To be named	1,500	1,500
West China:		
Miao Press	500	

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China Training Inst. Printing Equipment	850
Textbook Fund	750
Tibetan Literature	100
Subsidy	400 2.000
Total Bigweek Goal	Mex. \$12,000

(2) That the date be May 6 to 13, 1933.

(3) That the book "Shall We Save the Home?" be sold.

(4) That the goal be \$12,000 Mex.

(5) That the funds be disbursed at the first full meeting of the Division Committee following the close of the campaign.

Report of the China Division Sabbath School Department

Union Mission	Number Schools	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Birthday Offering	Investment Fund Offering	12 Sabbaths Offerings	13th Sabbath Offering	Total Offering to Missions
Central China	89	2,924	2,441	\$ 9.34	\$ 26.22	\$ 432.06	\$ 82.42	\$ 550.04
East China	164	5,045	4,632	9.71	215.23	1,143.57	171.44	1,539.95
Manchuria	38	1,681	1,343	8.21	23.83	359.52	53.80	4 45.36
North China	53	1,000	892	7.77	19.35	308.63	52.93	388.68
Northwest Mission	14	357	393	4.82	.08	64.68	8.48	78.06
South China	106	3,711	3,063	33.58	64.91	595.98	104.58	799.05
West China	80	1,751	1,937	5.25	2.59	370.66	75.85	454.35
Totals, 3rd Qr., 1932	544	16,469	14,701	\$ 78.68	\$ 352,21	\$ 3,275.10	\$ 549.50	\$ 4,255.49
Totals, 3rd Qr., 1931	483	14,950	13,014	\$ 84.80	6 42.08	\$ 4,212.98	\$ 881.52	\$ 5,821.38
						BESSIE	MOUNT, Sec	retary

For Quarter Ending September 30, 1932

THE comparison above reveals an increase of 61 Sabbath schools and 1,519 members for the year ending September 30, 1932. These gains take on new interest when it is remembered that Sabbath schools are now in operation in provinces where our work was not established a year ago. Two of these, Jehol and Chinghai, appear in our Sabbath school records for the first time in the report given above. The others, entered a little earlier, are Chahar, Suiyuan, and Kansu. May the Sabbath school be one of the channels through which the light of the third angel's message may shine rapidly into all parts of these newly entered fields!

Our average attendance shows a slightly greater gain than that in membership, being 89 per cent of the Sabbath school membership, just two per cent higher than for the third quarter of 1931. Nearly 32 per cent of our Sabbath school members maintained a perfect record in attendance, daily study of the Sabbath school lesson, or in both of these items, for the quarter under review.

The heavy loss indicated in offerings is due in part to the different basis on which offerings are reported in gold. Our actual loss for the quarter is \$1,004 Mexican, as compared with the corresponding period of 1931. Any loss is too great, however! Let us rally with renewed determination to the support of our Sabbath school offering goal, given elsewhere in this issue of the REPORTER. The greater part of 1933 is yet before us. What will its record be in Sabbath school endeavor?

BESSIE MOUNT

BOOKS BY MRS. E. . WHITE

"Beginnings of Things" (Wenli).—A history of the human race from creation until the time of Abraham, being a translation of an abridgment of the first twenty-three chapters of "Patriarchs and Prophets." 192 pages. Cloth binding. Price, 40 cents (Mex.).

"Christ Our Saviour" (Mandarin and Wenli).—The story of our Saviour's life and work on earth, told in a way to appeal to the heart. 72 pages. Paper cover. Price, 30 cents.

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"Gospel Workers."-A translation of the first seven sections of the English "Gospel Workers." Contains helpful and timely instruction for all who would be successful soul-winners. 292 pages. Paper cover edition, specially priced at 25 cents; printed on better paper and bound in imitation limp leather, specially priced at \$1.00.

"Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing."—A beautiful explanation and interpretation of the sermon on the mount. 158 pages, Paper cover, 80 cents. Cloth cover, \$1.00. (Mandarin.)

"The Triumph of the Remnant."—A translation of chapters 36-40 of "Great Controversy," depicting the final trials and triumph of God's people. 112 pages. (Mandarin.) Price, 10 cents.

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"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. IX (Mandarin).—A complete translation of the English volume by Mrs. E. G. White. Should be in the hands of all our workers and also all our churchmembers; and it is an excellent volume also for those who have had some instruction in baptismal classes. Ready in cloth binding, at \$1.00 Mex.: and in paper covers at 60 cents each. Order through your Tract Society.

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The China Training Institute **Constituency** Meetings

B. A. Liu

SYNOPSIS OF REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CHINA TRAINING INSTITUTE

(December 30, 1932)

In the absence of President Rebok on furlough since June of this year, it has devolved on the undersigned, as Acting President, among other administrative duties more or less unfamiliar to him, to render this report concerning the work of the Institute for that part of the current school year now in the past.

The Keynote

of the life at this Institute, was struck in the text used by Pastor Lindt at the first regular chapel exercise of the school year, when he quoted Matthew 6:33: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness: and all these things shall be added unto you."

Only by continually seeking the kingdom of God in our classrooms, dormi-tories, and factories, have we been able to realize the many blessings that have befallen the faculty and members of the Institute in both spiritual and temporal things.

The enrollment this year is the largest since the opening of the institution at the present location. The faculty and members have been preserved in health and peace amid a time of nationwide unrest and worldwide depression. A good spirit pre-vails among the members, resulting in a favorable atmosphere for the growth and development of their spiritual, mental, and physical powers. The factory has been kept busy by orders received and contracts **made** in direct answer to prayer.

Progress is in evidence in all phases of the work, so that the Institute is suffer-ing appreciably from "growing pains" which will become more apparent to you as you proceed to study our problems and needs at this meeting.

The Faculty

The Faculty this year has been augmented by the return of Brother and Sister Quimby and Brother and Sister Landis from furlough, and of Brother and Sister Woods from their language study in Peiping. Miss Wu, our preceptress, having answered a call to connect with the Division Sabbath School Department, we were glad to receive into our faculty Mrs. Mi Deh-feng, pre-viously preceptress and teacher in the Kiancsu Junior Middle School. About the middle of October Miss Alice M. Roberts arrived from United States to take up the work of teaching English and music, formerly carried by Miss Ivadel Eaton and Mrs. Liu Deh-ging, both of whom having also taken up other work at the Division headuarters. For the first part of the school year, prior to Miss Roberts' arrival, help was kindly given by Sister Landis and Sister Woods in the teaching of those two subjects, and the work of these ladies deserves much credit and appreciation.

Special mention needs to be made of the work of Brother Quimby, who, as Acting Director of Instruction and Chief Tutor in History, has done much in foster-ing the particular interests of the instruc-tional work of the Institute. With the opening of three classes this year in college science and mathematics by Brother Woods, the premedical department has at last found its footing; and this department promises to grow into one of the most important phases of our training work,

especially in connection with the prepara-tion of future medical evangelical workers workers so greatly needed in the China field.

Brother Landis has filled a long-felt Brother Landis has filled a long-felt need by devoting his entire time during the past four months to the selling of our industrial products and the purchasing of some of the materials and supplies needed for the industries. In view of the expense involved in keeping Brother Landis in the field all the time, and in view of our need for supervisory help in the agricul-tural department especially during the strawberry season, some readjustment might be made at this time so as to take proper be made at this time so as to take proper care of all our needs.

care of all our needs. Just before the opening of school Brother Djeng Deh-li was called away from his work as Chinese supervisor for the Factory to serve as principal of the junior middle school in the Northeastern Union. He took with him also one of the important foremen. Later repeated calls came from the Northwest Field for our foreman carpenter to take up pioneer evangelistic work in the province of Ning-hsia, and the Factory nobly stood the loss in making a contribution to the field. Lastly the Home Study Institute called away our second factory supervisor, leaving Brother Brett with a much depleted force to carry on that important department of our work.

Acting on information supplied by Bro-ther Frost, chairman of the Local Board of Administration, that body extended an in-vitation to Pastor Hwang Dz-gin, of Szechwan, to join the faculty of this Institute as Chief Tutor in Chinese Lang-uage and Literature. On account of recent fighting in that province, Pastor Hwang and his family have so far been prevented from coming down, but word has been received that they will come down as soon as the road is open again for travel.

The Membership

The Membership of two hundred and fifty-six young people is drawn from all parts of China, and includes two from the Malayan field. We have kept to the policy of receiving into our membership only those who are either baptized church members or children of Adventist parents, except some who have come with special recommendation from the mission committees. It is our belief that if all our young people were encour-aged to come who ought to be receiving a training for the Lord's work, our enroll-ment could easily be brought up to three hundred or three hundred and fifty in the next year or two, provided we have dormitory space enough to house that number. Both our dormitories are at pre-sent being used beyond the limit of their capacities, and in order to relieve the overcrowded condition and meet the needs of future growth, urgent consideration overcrowded condition and meet the needs of future growth, urgent consideration must be given at this meeting to the question of providing more space for both the boys and the girls. In spite of many handicaps,

The Home Life

The Home Life of the members in the Dormitories has received very careful and satisfactory at-tention from the preceptor and preceptress. Besides bearing their share of the teaching load, they have worked untiringly for the physical needs and comforts of the boys and girls under their care. The cafeteria plan introduced this year appears to have solved many of our chronic problems with the boarding question. It has, however, added considerable burden to the hard working preceptor and preceptress; for, without a steward or matron to take charge of the boarding departments, they have had to give attention also to that important phase of the members' home life.

The Industries

The Factory, the Farm and Cannery, together with the Instructional and the Home Departments, are providing work for eighty-six boys and twenty-seven girls, or slightly more than half of our total enrollment above the primary grades. There has been closer coordination this

year between the industrial and instruc-tional department than ever before. To bring about still closer coordination, and to utilize all our facilities to the fullest extent, we are proposing to reinstate the plan of alternating sessions of work and study for two divided sections of the student body. This means that one group of students will go to classes in the fore-noon and work in the afternoon, while another group will do the reverse. Thus the industries can also take on more student workers than is otherwise possible.

A new line of industry was added when we took over the printing equipment of the Kiangsu Junior Middle School, when of the Kiangsu Junior Middle School, when that school was temporarily amalgamated with the junior middle school scetion of this Institute. At present it is giving work to five boys, but utimately we hope to see from twenty-five to thirty students given employment in that department. It is essential for us to have some additional type and equipment in order to handle even ordinary job printing in English or Chinese Chinese

Vocational. Industrial, and Agricultural Training

Only a few days ago, there was a proposal presented to the central executive body of the Chinese Government, with a view to establishing Character Training, Physical Culture, and Vocational Instruc-tion, as the three fundamental purposes of national education. With a message of educational reform for the world, embrac-ing those identical principles, are we content to stand back and allow worldly educators to take away from us the leader-ship in this work of reform?

It may be well, brethren of the Board, to review at this time the plan that was presented to you by Brother Rebok last January, which included definite sugges-tions on the teaching of agricultural, mechanical, and home economic courses to our boys and girls.

"Medical Evangelistic Work"

Under this heading we read in "Coun-sels to Teachers," page 519: "In connec-tion with our larger schools there should be provided facilities for giving students thorough instruction regarding gospel medical missionary work. This line of work is to be brought into our colleges and training schools as a part of the regular instruction."

In this country where our medical work finds particularly favorable reception, and where the professional requirements of medical practise are not as high as in other countries, there seems to be no valid reason why we should not carry out the above instruction in providing for the training of medical evangelical workers to help spread the message.

help spread the message. A doctor with the proper qualifications and a large vision, connected with the faculty of this Institute, would find here as promising and fruitful a field of service as he could desire. Even to take care of the health of the Institute family alone, and to serve the local community living in the scores of villages around, in addition to teaching a class or two in general health principles and the elements of medicine, would be enough work to keep a doctor busy. It is hoped that the Board will see fit to request the General Con-ference for the appointment of one of our doctors already in China or to come out from the States to serve in this Institute. We should also like to see the medical department of the China Division cooperate with us in working out a comprehensive were a doctor for the computer to with us in working out a comprehensive course of study for those preparing to enter this medical evangelistic work.

Progress in All Departments

As you hear or read the reports of the As you near or read the reports of the various departments of activities in the Institute, you will feel with us that there come many problems, some of which we feel to be large enough to marit your attention and consideration at this meeting.

Gratitude and Appreciation

Our gratitude first goes to the Father in Heaven, who has bountifully given us of His blessings, continually led us in all of His blessings, continually led us in all our pragers, and specifically answered our prayers in times of perplexity and need. We wish also to register our ap-preciation of the generous support given by the Board in granting us a liberal budget in the face of reduced mission appropriations, and in providing for a strong faculty to carry on the various departments of our work. Credit is due to all the members of the faculty and other workers in the Institute for faithful performance of their duties. Mutual con-fidence and close cooperation on the part of these have, under God's grace, con-tributed to what success may have attended our efforts thus far in the training of our youth for character and service in His cause. cause.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FACTORY,

CHINA TRAINING INSTITUTE

1932

R. A. Brett

(Synopsis of the report rendered at the Constituency Meeting, December, 1932, by R. A. Brett, superintendent of Industries)

During the year 1932 God has abun-dantly blessed us. We know that you will feel happy as you listen to this report and join us in praise and gratitude to our God for His help and protection.

The year had barely commenced when there came the Shanghai incident. What were we to do? Eighty boys and girls on our hands—work must be found or they would have to go home. The brethren met together and felt impressed to send one of our number up river to seek orders. The Lord led in a marvelous way and orders to the value of eight thousand dollars were placed with us. These orders we were able to complete and dispatch, keeping the wheels turning to the end of the school year. year.

The treasurer's report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1932, shows that the net sales of furniture, etc., were \$\$1,600.89, an increase of \$36,148.80 over the previous year, The net profit, though slight, was nevertheless an encouragement to our Board nevertheless Board.

Our payroll contains ninety-eight names, including nine regular group leaders and workers; eighty-six strudents, sixteen of whom are girls; and three coolies. It has been a pleasure to watch these young people applying themselves to such unaccustomed labour. Very many of them quickly learn and adapt themselves. Not only are they working their way through school; they are learning how to handle tools and make things, using methods which will prove useful in after life. For the past twelve months \$\$2,262.30 has been paid in wages representing just about 103,300 hours of labour. The last three months of the year have been rather slack and we have been hard put to it to fand work for all the students. We ask for your prayers that work may be found for all.

During the year under review calls have been frequent, Among those who have left are Mr. Djen Deh Li, Chinese Superintendent, to be principal of the Mukden School; Mr. Yang Gwoh Gwang, paint room foreman, as teacher to the

same establishment; while the foreman carpenter, Mr. Shao Djen Hsiu, has been called to open up evangelical work in Ninghsia. We much regret the loss of these trained men, but we believe the Lord will bless them, and already hear that experience gained in our factory is serving them in good stead in these new fields.

We do feel, however, that a small permanent staff is vitally necessary, and we ask that you extend to us some measures to protect this staff from eager raiders.

Up to this time it has been our custom to give all students commencing work at the beginning of the school year a flat rate of seven cents an hour. We feel that the time has arrived to make changes. A scheme has been worked out and will be presented to you for your approval at this meeting.

The following is a list of articles completed and delivered during the year:

300 Tubular Beds

1.337 Angle Iron Beds

166 Fowler Type Hospital Beds 3,437 Desks, Chairs, Benches, Stools, etc.

44 Tables

50 Shelving Units and Lookers,

and hundreds of smaller articles

Enquiries recently were made from a medical specialist in Shanghai as to what should be correct postures of students while studying, ishapes of seats and backs, slants and heights of tables, backs and seats. Based on the information thus secured we were able to evolve and place on the market a new type of adjustable classroom desk and chair known to our customers as the "Universal Type Class-room Desk and Chair." This is finding favour with some of the leading school-men in Shanghai and elsewhere.

We can report wheeled stretchers, medicine cabinets, spinal fracture beds and sanitary cans among our new ventures.

medicine cabinets, spinal fracture beds and sanitary cans among our new ventures. The Lord watched over and cared for all through the year. Our machinery is of a dangerous type, not one accident has taken place. Not one student who needed work was unable to find it. Some of the tasks undertaken seemed impossible, yet we were divinely guided. Not one of complained of. All the machines ran smoothly and well, there being no serious breakages to repair. While other factories were closed owing to war or failing through serious depression, the Lord led customers to our doorstep. At the beginning of December, without any inroduction what-view, the president of the Honan Univer-sity, Kaifeng, visited this Institute. A large auditorium is being completed in his nome of our products in Wuhan and Yang-metal auditorium chair was suitable, he asked if upon receipt of plans we would finding that just over 2,880 people could by a seating plan. This we did, finding that just over 2,880 people could by a seating plan. This we did, finding that just over 2,880 people could by a seating plan. This we did, finding that just over 2,880 people could by a seating of the year 1933 will see us at work on the second largest order by could tell you much more of the Lord's we could tell you much more of the Lord's helping hand.

Pray for us, brethren, that the Lord may continue to bless us, to keep us humble, willing servants of His in this sphere, and as true as the steel we fashion. Pray for those earnest boys and girls upon whom our message in this land is soon to depend, that they may develop into reliable and self-supporting workers; and that the lives we lead as we teach them may be those of overcomers, never losing sight, as we progress, of the purpose God has in mind for this institution.

Educational Work

BIBLE TEXTBOOKS FOR USE IN OUR SCHOOL

Grades 1-3. "Bible and Nature Teach-ing Outline." For Teacher's use. Price, 30 cents.

*Grades 1 and 2. "Bible and Nature Stories." For Teacher's use. In two volumes. Price per volume, \$1.00. Flash cards for use in connection with these lessons,-set of 104 cards in case, \$1.50.

*Grades 1 and 2. Pupil's notebook to accompany Bible and Nature lessons. Two books, one for each semester. Price each, 20 cents.

Grade 3. Bible Lessons for Third Grade. Bible stories from creation to the death of Jacob. 443 pages. Price, 60 cents.

Grade 4. Bible Lessons for Fourth Grade. "Old Testament History from Egypt to Canaan. 414 pages. Price, 60 cents.

Grade 5. "Old Testament History," Volume 2. Covering the history of God's people from the death of Joshua to the rebuilding of Jerusalem. 385 pages. Price, 25 cents.

Grade 6. "New Testament History." Lessons on the gospels. 654 pages. Price, 25 cents.

Grade 7. "The Gospel to All the World." A translation into Mandarin of the excellent standard English text published by Pacific Press. There are two parts; namely, (1) "Acts of the Apostles;" (2) "Since the Days of the Apostles." The first part has 93 large double-column pages; the second, 138 This Grade 7 textbook is one of the most valuable works that the Signs Publishing House has ever issued, for the constant use of our evangelists, Bible workers, and other engaged in gospel ministry. It is especially helpful for studious and con-scientious inquirers. A careful reading of its pages will "strengthen, stablish, settle" our brethren and sisters in the essentials of faith and doctrine.

*Grade 8. "The Plan of Salvation." Simple studies in Bible doctrines. Loose leaf lessons. Price, \$1.00.

**Grade 9. "New Testament History." Loose-leaf lessons. Price, \$1.00. Grade 10. "Old Testament History." 250 pages. Price, \$1.00.

All prices quoted are in Mexican. All orders, save the exceptions noted, should be sent through your tract society to the Signs of the Times Publishing House, 515 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China.

*Order through your tract society from C. A. Carter, 71 Wu Tsu Street, Hankow, Hupeh.

**Order through your Tract Society from The Home Study Institute, 525 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai.

With China Bookmen

SIGNS OF THE TIMES PUBLISHING HOUSE

Shanghai, China

Synopsis of Annual Report of the Manager for Year Ending December 31, 1932

F. E. Stafford

(This report was given at the Constituency Meeting, Jan. 3, 1933)

With profound gratitude we acknow-ledge the protecting hand of our Heavenly Father in keeping the Press and the Press workers from harm during the troublous conditions of the past year. Surrounded by scenes of destruction in the early part of the year, our Press buildings were miraculously preserved from harm, and the work of sending out our literature went forward without interruption.

The general monthly average of book and periodical sales has been higher than last year. Nearly 5,000 copies of the new medical book, "The Way to Health," have been sold since September, when the first shipments were made.

Supments were made. The Signs circulation is frankly dis-appointing. The year closed with the cir-culation at 77,904, which is 22,096 less than the combined union mission goals of 100,000 set at the first of the year. North and South China Unions went over their goals, but their goals were not as high as those of East and Central China.

The circulation of the Shepherd is even more disappointing. North China is the only field that reached its goal, while the total circulation reached only 1,355, which is less than half of the combined union mission goals, set at 3,050.

Improvements in the Factory: New Type

A number of improvements have been made in the factory which will greatly facilitate increased production, as well as improve the quality and appearance of our books and periodicals. The most important of these was the rearranging of our type room, and addition of a new font of No. 5 type. A new typenesting machine has here room, and addition of a new font of NO. 5 type. A new typecasting machine has been installed in our foundry, and a complete font of NO. 4 matrices has been ordered. We have begun to cast type from some of the new molds, and it is of a clean uniform quality, and all of the same height.

New Fireproof Vaults

New Fireproof Vaults Two new fireproof vaults have been constructed at a cost of \$2,032.27 Mex. The vault doors were purchased locally, thus greatly decreasing the cost. One of the vaults is being equipped with cabinets to store our halftone cuts. Book-plates will be stored in the old vault. The other new vault is used to store the mailing lists of our periodicals, thus making room for better order and more floor space in the mailing room, and also affording protection to the lists. The proof-room and Chinese foreman's office have been moved to the top of the vaults, an excellent mezzanine floor, with fine light for the proof-readers, anu a commanding view of the whole factory floor for the Chinese foreman.

New Books Published during the Year

"The Way to Health."—The new "The Way to Health."—The new medical book by Dr. Miller, "The Way to Health", has met with an enthusiastic reception in every part of the field. A total of 13,000 cloth and 1,000 leather were printed. The cloth book sells for \$5.00 Mex. and the de laze leather edition for \$10.00. Sales up to December 31 amounted to 4,089 cloth and 722 leather. We are now preparing to print another edition of the leather on a heavier paper, making a slightly thicker book. The plates have been carefully revised and checked over for errors.

"The Age of Conflict."-Three editions of the Big Week book, "The Age of Conflict," were printed, making a total of 145,000 copies. It was bound in paper and sold to the tract societies for 30 cents less 60%. The Press sold 135,975 copies at 12 cents, bringing in a gross total of \$16,317 Mex.

"Harvest Ingathering Papers.--We printed 45,000 copies of the Chinese Harvest Ingathering papers, and 2,500 copies of the English edition, Survey of Progress.

"Hymns of Praise."-A new edition of "Hymns of Praise" has just been com-pleted. About fifty new songs were added. new edition

Bieled. About hity new songs were added. Bible Lessons for the Seventh Grade— "The Gospel to All the World," a book of 231 pages, was printed from manuscript furnished by the Educational Department. It is a translation of Mrs. Alma E. McKibben's "The Acts of The Apostles" and Gladys Robinson Stearn's "Since the Days of the Apostles."

Days of the Apostles." "Testimonies." Volume Nine.—After years of preparation and waiting, the first volume of the "Testimonies" to be put into the hands of our Chinese believers is now ready to print. The plates were completed in December, and finished books should be ready for delivery in January. Two styles of binding will be offered,— paper covers at 60 cents and cloth covers at \$1.00. This price was made possible by a subsidy of \$300 gold supplied by the Division from funds given for this purpose more than ten years ago. Set of Thisty Tracta Append spring of

Set of Thirty Tracts.—Anew series of thirty tracts printed on bright-colored paper of a convenient size for the pocket was printed during the summer, and 345,000 of these tracts have been rold was printed during the summer, and 345,000 of these tracts have been sold. The price is \$5.00 a thousand less 20%. In sets of 30, one of each kind, the price is 20 cents a set. For the special use of our workers an edition of these tracts was printed on good white paper and bound in green cloth, with suggestive methods for using tracts, printed in both Chinese and English, in the front of the book. It makes a very nice, compact volume, handy to carry around, and it should become an important part of every worker's equipment.

Home Missionary and Sabbath Calen-dars.—In response to repeated requests from the field, 15,000 copies of a Home Missionary and Sabbath Calendar were printed in November.

Advancement in Many Lines

Religious Activities.—In addition to the Sunday morning chapel hour, fifteen minutes are devoted every morning to worship in the various departments of the Press. The Morning Watch and Sabbath School lessons are studied in a systematic manner, with each of the employees taking his part in leading worship on different mornings.

Special revival services are being plan-Special revival services are being plan-ned for the Press workers in our own chapel, during January. Brother Stričk-land from Central China, and Mrs. B. Miller and Pastor Chen Lan Fang from the East China Union, have been asked to assist in these meetings, which will be held every night for two weeks.

every night for two weeks. In Retrospect.—Just twenty-two years ago, on January 10, 1910, I stood with Brother B. A. Roberts one icy cold morn-ing and viewed the smouldering ruins of what was left of the Signs Publishing House as it, was then conducted in a Chinese alley in Pao Hsing Li, next to the Commercial Press. There was not much to be saved, but the old Wharfdale Press was dug out of the ashes, and cleaned up, and with paper and ink supplied by the Commercial Press, we began the arduous task of getting out a Chinese New Year's Special of the Signs magazine. It was in the middle of a bitter cold winter. and we had practically nothing to work with. The writer was busy installing a photo-

The writer was busy installing a photo-engraving plant at the Commercial Press, and worked in the Signs Press at night helping Brother and Sister. Roberts, and a number of our Chinese workmen who are still with us to-day, namely Wong

Wen Tien, Swen Dji Deh, and Hsu Bao Chen. When the Commercial Press eng-raving plant was ready to do business, the first job we did was the cover of the Signs magazine. It was a picture of the old Dragon Flag of the Chinese Empire done in colors, and when it was printed it made such a hit with the people that we sold a total of 10,000 copies. I remember the figure because it was the first time I ever heard the Chinese word *wan*, meaning 10,000. I also remember the jubilation of Dr. Miller, Brother R. F. Cottrell, who was acting as editor, and Brother and Sister Roberts, at our success in bringing the Roberts, at our success in bringing the Sicross circulation up to that high figure. It was an achievement for which we It was an achievement for thanked God.

It was an achievement for which we thanked God. "What Hath God Wrought!"--On October 16 of this year, when I stepped into the Press building here on Ningkuo Road, and heard the busy whir of the presses, and saw the 106 workers busy at work, in a well lighted building with modern machinery and equipment, I felt like exclaiming, "What hath God wrought!" I was surprised and greatly pleased to learn that the annual turnover of the Press business was close to a quarter of a million dollars. In the ten busy weeks since then I have tried to analyze the situation, and have come to the conclusion that The Signs Publishing House, in the providence of God, is now on the eve of an era of even greater expansion in the next ten years, if time should last that long, than it has experienced in the past decade. Under the prospering hand of our Heavenly Father it may "accomplish a work the magnitude of which is not yet realized."

SYNOPSIS OF REPORT OF THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT, SIGNS OF THE TIMES PUBLISHING HOUSE SHANGHAI, CHINA

1932

E. R. Thiele

(Extracts from report giving during the Constituency Meeting, Jan. 3, 1933)

We are grateful to our Father in heaven for the privilege that has been ours of another year of witness-bearing to His love and goodness by means of the printed page. At a time when all the world is in doubt and perplexity, when men's hearts are failing them for fear as they witness are failing them for fear as they witness the striking and serious events taking place all about them, it is indeed a great privilege and a solemn responsibility to be able to point out the meaning of these important times, and to direct attention away from the transient things of earth to our great Father of love.

to our great Father of love. Especially do we wish to express our thankfulness for the privilege of being able to continue our work in the production of literature through the trying conditions of the past year. Our work has at times gone on to the accompaniment of machine-gun fire and the reverbration of shells, but there has been no let-up in the stream of message-filled literature going out into the field. The demands have at times been heavy upon us, and the problems that arose not to co easy to solve, but with the guidance and blessing of the Lord we have been enabled to carry on. Especially critical were the times when

have been enabled to carry on. Especially critical were the times when our papers were held up in the Northeast. Holding to the policy, however, of not publishing anything in our periodicals having to do with the difficulty that pre-vailed, our periodicals have again been permitted into the Manchurian field. Frequent inquiries have been made of us as to why we have ignored this outstand-ing crisis, and frequent calls have come for us to publish in our journals articles on this subject. Especially did some of

the younger men feel that we should throw open the columns of our papers to the publication of their views on the national crisis, but it was felt best that such material be withheld. We believe the policy maintained has proven to be the wisest under the circumstances.

under the circumstances. More and more are the people of China coming to look to us for a definite message for such a time as this. As our colpor-teurs go out into the field, people expect from them books and papers giving a satisfying answer to the deeper questions of their souls. More and more is Heaven looking to us to faithfully do our part in su^{--1} ying the people of China with a mess-age of comfort and cheer for such an hour as this. More and more do we sense our need of an entire consecration to God so that the literature that is here prepared may breathe the spirit of the coming world, and may lead men away from paths of and and may lead men away from paths of darkness and into the light of our Father's love.

"Signs of the Times"

The Signs of the Times magazine con-tinues to be our leading agency for the presentation of our message to China. Every effort is being put forth to make the Signs a strong evangelizing factor. The one objective of this paper is to give our message with a clear and certain sound. Articles are prepared with the sole motive of bringing the reader to Christ. We try to cover every important phase of our message in the Signs, so that those who read may have a clear understanding concerning the important truths of this time. When people subscribe to the Signs The Signs of the Times magazine contime. When people subscribe to the Signs they expect to receive a magazine convey-ing a very definite message for this time, and in that expectation they are not disappointed.

appointed. One of the items at present being run in the Signs is a series of articles on the Sabbath from the pen of Elder Carlyle B. Haynes. This material when finished will be available for a future book on the Sabbath question. One of the greatest needs of the Signs is for contributions from our workers in the China field. Those acquainted with the needs in this part of the world and with an understanding of the world and with an understanding of the preparation of material for the Signs. Our doctors in China could through this agency greatly broaden theri fields of use-fulness. We hope to receive more material from local contributors in the future. "The Shenhard's Call"

"The Shepherd's Call"

"The Shepherd's Call" As it has been given to the Signs to proclaim to those still without the fold the solemn message of the hour of God's judgment come and to call men back to an allegiance to Him who is the Creator of heaven and earth, so has it been given to the Shepherd to do its part in the building up of the Chinese church in the faith once delivered to the saints. The publication of much of the valuable in-struction left us by the Spirit of prophecy continues to occupy an important place in the Shepherd. Approximately two-thirds of "Ministry of Healing" has now appear-ed in the pages of our Chinese church paper, and we hope to finish the publica-tion of this book before the close of 1933. Publication has also been commenced in the columns of the Shepherd of the new "Church Manual" prepared by Brother McElhany. McElhany.

McElhany. Since the inauguration of the China Division Gazette to take the place of the China Christian Educator, it has been the aim of the Shepherd to throw open its pages for the publication of such depart-mental material as should be available to all the church. We have appreciated the interest that the departments have taken in supplying us with material alone their lines. During 1932 there were published in the Shepherd 28 articles on publishing and home missionary work, and 41 articles on educational and missionary volunteer work or other items intended primarily for the young. In addition to this we have of "Pioneer Stories" by A. W. Spalding which formerly appeared in the Educator.

There appeared in the Shepherd during 1932 a total of 402 articles; 203 of which were translated, and 199 of which came from Chinese sources.

Books

Books The past year was one of activity in the book department of the Press. Among the important publications of the year was Volume Nine of the "Testimonies." All will rejoice over the fact that this im-portant volume of the Spirit of prophecy is now available to our Chinese church. Another very important book was "The Way to Health." by Dr. H. W. Miller, a volume we have long looked forward to. The Publishing House wishes to extend to Dr. Miller an expression of its sincere appreciation in China of this splendid, au-thoritative, practical work on the science of health and healing. The services of Doctors J. N. Andrews and A. L. Tai, who assisted in the preparation and trans-lation of the book, were also appreciated. The serious crisis that at the beginning

The serious crisis that at the beginning of the year came upon China furnished opportunity for the publication of a Big Week booklet dealing with the present "Age of Conflict." Manuscript for a book on "The Home" has also been prepared in the editorial department for a Big Week book for 1992 book for 1933.

Other items taken care of during the past year were a revision of our Chinese song book, "Hymns of Praise," with the addition of 49 new songs to the same, and a revision of the Church Record Book for the Chinese church.

Miscellaneous

The editorial department is always happy to assist in the work on the annual Harvest Ingathering paper. It is our endeavour to make this paper as attrac-tive as possible, so as to present our work in a true light to those to whom we ap-peal for funds. In addition to the regular Chinese Harvest Ingathering paper, there was issued last year a cheaper four-page edition for the use of our members who work among those of more limited means. An English edition was also issued for the first time, for those working among English-speaking people.

Ish-speaking people. Calls continue to come from certain sections of the field for copies of our In-gathering paper at an earlier date than we have been supplying them in the past. It is possible for us to issue the paper earlier if we will close the forms earlier. In order to insure the issuance of this paper at the time desired by the field, all material intended for use therein should be in our hands by January.

be in our hands by January. During the past year we completed the publication of our new series of 30 tracts, 12 of which had been published during 1931. This new series, it is gener-ally agreed, is the most concise, readable tract material on present truth we have yet issued. Complete sets of the entire series have been bound together, making a neat little handbook on the various doctrines for this time.

Other tracts issued during the year were: "Tithing a Moral Obligation," by Elder C. H. Watson; and "Clean and Unclean Foods," by E. R. Thiele.

The Future

While much has already been done in the way of preparation of literature for the church and the field, a great deal more is still before us. During 1933 we should look forward to the publication of another volume from the Spirit of prophecy. The translation of "Ministry of Healing" by Brother Joseph May will soon be com-pleted, and plans ought to be laid for the publication of this book during 1933. The new "Church Manual" by Brother Me-Elhany, publication of which has already been commenced in the Shepherd, should be published in book form during the pre-sent year. The "Marked Bible." publica-tion of which was completed in the columns of our Chinese church paper over a year ago, is also available for publication in

book form, and could be run soon. Fre-quent calls have come to us for a new book on Bible readings. Pastor S. H. Lindt of the China Training Institute has in collaboration with Pastor Giang Tsung Gwang prepared the manuscript of a book on "Bible Doctrines." This manuscript was originally prepared in Chinese, and would make a splendid manual for all our workers, as well as a fitting text-book for our schools. It is ready now for publication, if desired. During the past year an action was takken regarding the publication of a Chinese cook-book. Miss Elsie Liu, who is taking a course in dietetics at Loma Linda and who is greatly interested in this subject, has been re-quested to take the lead in the preparation of such a manuscript. There is need for a simple handbook for our members on the conduct and care of a Christian home. Plans ought also to be laid for the early production of a new subscription book dealing with the serious issues of these present critical times. The reading public of China is in need of the message such a book would bring. Surely we would not be faithful to our trust if at such a critical juncture as this we did not do everything in our power to furnish a distressed and perplexed people with the only message juncture as this we did not do everything in our power to furnish a distressed and perplexed people with the only message of enlightenment, comfort and hope for this time,—the very message God has set us as watchmen to proclaim at such an hour as this. We should therefore definitely plan for the early publication of another new subscription book. Meanwhile, we are still publishing that precious volume, "The Hope of the World," and anticipate a large sale of this treatise on present-day issues. issues.

In making our plans for the future, we would suggest that careful considera-tion be given to the publication in our Press of literature in the languages of other peoples within our reach, as well as in Chinese. We have a new medical book from the pen of Dr. H. W. Miller, the manuscript of which was originally pre-pared in English. Many who have seen the Chinese copy of the book have asked whether or not it could be procured in English, and have expressed their desire for an English copy if such could be pro-cured. A beginning has been made in our outlying regions in the publication of material in Tibetan, Mongolian, Miao, and other languages and dialects. But are there not greater opportunities and needs in these fields than can be taken care of by the small local presses with their more limited facilities which are now available?

Editorial Personnel

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Annual Constituency Meetings: Shanghai Sanitarium & Clinic

Dr. H. W. Miller

[Report of Medical Superintendent, Shanghai Sanitarium - Hospital and Clinic, during Annual Constituency Meetings, January 2, 1933]

We cannot present the data for a full year's work, but the report for the eleven months will give the general trend of the progress seen the past year in our institutional development here.

During 1932 we had the generous gift of a head nurses' cottage, costing close to \$20,000 Mex. and while we did not have all the money in hand when we began building, we had the promise of it, and we bank a good deal on promises in China. In many parts of the world promises do not seem to be counted for much these days; but we are able to bank 100 % on them in the China field. We are very proud to be able to report such a state of affairs to our brethren in the homelands. We are thankful to the donor for the gift of this splendid building; and we have already sent her a vote of thanks for her generosity.

We have passed through a real crisis in our medical work. Our China Training Institute was struck a great blow when the students had to evacuate in 1927; many of you had to leave your stations at that time; but we have always been able to run our medical work. Fyen during the troubles in Shanghai this past year. we keep our work in continuity: but we did find ourselves in a very embarrassing situation in trying to maintain our Clinic work within three or four blocks of the center of the warzone. We kept open as long as possible, but finally had to evacuate, bringing some of the patients out to the Sanitarium, and distributing them among other hospitals in the city. We were glad for this country institution. Sister White, you will recall, told our people years ago to get out into the country with our institutions .

When we came out into the country to start the Shanghai Sanitsrium, popular opinon was fully against the feasibility of the proposition.

They said people wouldn't come out to a sanitarium in the country, and that we would stay here with an empty building for years; that there was danger of kidnapping and all these disquieting conditions. Every reason was given to make us feel it was unwise to go out so far; and yet during the time the war was going on, we kept this institution running, and it was full.

While we had two lines of defense between here and the city, yet they very kind y opened the lines for us. It is wonderful to be under the protection of the living God. We saw His providence in many, many instances in connection with our experience last year in this war. Our place seemed to be a very safe place to be in, all through the trouble; it was really much safer and more comfortable for patients than in the city where they were so close to the cannon and the machine-gun fire. Thus far we have no regrets that we built this institution so far out in the country. We are in times of depression and trouble, and we shall have to face such conditions more and more in these last days when the elements are being greatly disturbed in this old world; yet it seems to me we have abundant evidence that we can trust our case to God. He says we can finish the work, and that we should go forward in faith, trusting our work and workers to Him.

One thing that always encourages me, is to send workers into the field. We have been able to send out several of our graduate nurses to the other institutions to help, and have been able to carry on here in spite of losses.

We regretted to lose Dr, and Mrs. Paul and Brother and Sister Erich; but they have opened up a needy work in in Manchuria.

We have been glad to welcome Dr. and Mrs. Butka into our ranks: also Brother and Sister John C. Shull, who have recently come into our institution. We have been pleased to receive the services of Brother Hartwell and others who have come in and taken hold of responsibilities.

Those who have been trained in our institution are assuming more and more the responsibilities of the work here at the Sanitarium and Clinic.

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The Manager's Report --- 1932 Shanghai Sanitarium

W. E. Eberhardt

(Report rendered by W. E. Eberhardt at the Annual Constituency Meeting, 150 Rubicon Road, Jan. 2, 1933)

In looking back over the past eleven months of the present year, we can truthfully say that we have had a remarkable year in many ways. The first six weeks of the year we found a good patronage at the Sanitarium, and prospects were bright for another good year; but these hopes were soon sadly shattered with the outbreaking of hostilities in Shanghal. Due to the trouble, all roads leading to the Sanitarium were soon barricaded, thus making it difficult for patients to come, as well as creating a feeling of unsafety in remaining here. We soon found that it was necessary for us to take delivery of our supplies, such as fuel and food provisions, and these at greatly increased prices. Our patient list kept diminishing from then onward for a number of months. This, together with Dr. Miller's absence from the Sanitarium for a good share of the time during the year, has been a decided drawback financially to the institution.

However, every one has put forth earnest efforts to uphold the patient list as much as possible, and we wish here to especially thank the office staff, Mr. Y. C. Hsu at the Clinic, and Mr. Lee and Mr. Shih at the Sanitarium, for their faithfulness in caring for the many duties that came to them.

The addition of a new head nurses' home, completed last July, under the supervision of Brother E. C. Wood, has helped solve the problem of housing our head nurses. This, as you may already know, was made possible by the generous gift of Mex. \$18,000.00 from Mrs. Julia Chow.

Several small improvements have been made during the past few months, such as a new laundry chute, repainting of the operating room, together with the changing of the main hot water lines leading to each of the treatment-rooms.

A new Hobert food mixer was purchased for the culinary department.

The main hallway on first floor was partitioned off by two swinging doors, thus keeping the noise of ringing telephones, and clicking keys of typewriters from annoying patients while trying to rest.

The most noticeable improvement, and one greatly appreciated by our patients, however, is the installation of a Telefunken Radio set, with loud speaker in the parlor. Other attachments include a microphone, to be used in either the parlor or church, and ear phones for all patient rooms, thus enabling the patients, who are confined to their rooms, to listen-in to the services rendered in either place.

Another Sanitarium car was disposed of during the year, so that we only have two now,—an Oldsmobile and Reo Speed Wagon.

In referring to the Clinic, we might say that it also was enjoying a splendid patronage at the beginning of the year, but due to last winter's outbreak many patients left the institution. Inasmuch as a goodly number of these patients had lost their homes and all they possessed, they were unable to settle their accounts upon leaving, and this brought a great loss to the institution. Due to one of the rooms being partially damaged by a shell explosion during the trouble, some repair work was necessary to put it back into shape. In the line of improvements, we have added a laundry chute connecting the fifth floor to the first floor. The sixth floor was is now in an excellent condition. Note-Detailed financial statements

Note.—Detailed financial statements for the entire year of business were not presented, only eleven months of returns having became available for comparative analysis. The manager reported the usual losses at the Clinic because of the large amount of charity work undertaken there. In the Sanitarium there had been a slight gain, due chiefly to subsidies still received from the Home Board to meet in part the cost of the foreign members of the staff. The prospects for the coming year are excellent, although it is recognized that as long as we conduct the Clinic chiefly for general sanitarium work on the philanthropic plan on which it is founded, we shall always have need of close economies, careful management, and a staff, both foreign and native, laboring on a sacrificial basis rather than for commercial gain. But the awards for such labor, while not to be measured in terms of dollars and cents, are nevertheless of a most satisfying nature, and amply repay for all the toil and the devotion that can be put into medical missionary endeavor.

"The Line Shall Not Break"

In submitting the poem appearing on another page under the title, "The Line Shall Not Break Where I Stand," Mrs. O. A. Hall writes from Hongkong under date of December 14:

date of December 14: "Just a note to enclose the copy of a poem which we clipped from a W.C.T.U. paper, The Union Signal. The sentiment struck a responsive chord in our hearts, and led to a determination on our part to be faithful in the place and to the work to which God has called us. Trials and difficulties may multiply; but in God's strength we want to allow no break in the line where we stand."

Constituency Proceedings

A general summary of the reports of committees on plans, nominations, etc., as finally adopted during the constituency meetings, will be given in our next issue.

General Articles

The Line Shall Not Break Where I Stand

I will stand in the pathway of duty For a cause which shall never retreat; 'Tis with God-given strength I shall conquer

And the foe in the conflict defeat.

stand 'gainst a great host of will

Will stand 'gainst a great host of darkness
And list' to the Master's command
Sent down from the heavenly portals—
"The line must not break where you stand."

The line shall not break where I stand, For I'll answer the Master's demand, And shout with God's armor around me, "The line must not break where you stand."

I will stand in the pathway of duty, Though the dark clouds of sin o'er me

roll, For with prayer and the sword of the Spirit

Despair shall not enter my soul.

I will fight against Satan, the tempter, By faith holding firmly God's hand, By the sign of the cross I'll be victor----The line shall not break where I stand.

-LAURA D. WHITMORE (Adapted)

The General Emphasis in Missionary Work

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(Extracts from an article in "The Chinese Recorder" for January, 1933, by Rev. E. C. Lobenstine)

Kev. E. C. Lobenstine; During a notable session of 'the In-ternational Missionary Council, held at Herrnhut, Germany, in the summer of 1932, "The question to the consideration of which both in the committee and in sub-committee most time and thought was given, was that of the central emphasis in missionary work.... Three brief pronouncements were made on "The Cen-tral Emphasis in Missions;" (Christianity and the Forces of the Modern World; and "The Task of Evangelism." A brief quotation must suffice here. In connection with the Central Emphasis of Missions it is said: 'If we have anything to bring in the name of God to a world in need, it is certainly not our own piety, our own way of life, our own modes of the Church has to give in its world mis-sion is the good news of a Divine act in history of the Word made flesh. Apart from this there is no Christian mission. "In face of the powerful anti-Chris-tion forces emeriand in the world to day

from this there is no Unristian mission. "In face of the powerful anti-Chris-tian forces operating in the world to-day we reaffirm our faith that the revelation of God in Christ is the only way of de-liverance for mankind, and that it alone can provide the foundation for an order of society that will be according to the will of God.

"'We need continually to ask ourselves whether everything contained in the pre-sent missionary activity serves the one dominant purpose of making clear the Message of Jesus Christ in all its fulness.

Message of Jesus Christ in all its fulness. ""We have no other task; for while there is much that is useful and good, "one thing is needful." Yet, while the task is one, the forms in which it has to be fulfilled are many. A living faith must show its effects and fruits in every de-partment of human life. We must not shrink from an uncompromising protest against all that is unchristian in modern thought and life."

"Under the Task of Evangelism, the world's desperate need of regeneration is emphasized in the following terms:

" (Christianity calls men to a complete conversion of the mind, and a radically new life. Our evangelistic task is so to present Christ to men that they will be confronted with the necessity of a real decision. We desire to call the churches and missions to a more earnest evangelistic endeavour.

"'Our aim is the personal conversion of men to a new life in Christ, to com-plete surrender to God, and to new rela-tions of love with their fellow-men. From a true conversion of heart and mind there must follow a new discernment of ways of living that are in accordence with the mind living that are in accordance with the mind of Christ.' "

Glimpses of Our Brethren

Those resident in Shanghai have been privileged of late to meet some who have been passing through, enroute to and re-turning from meetings being held in our sister division. Professor and Mrs. Frederick Griggs recently spent a few days with us, and brought comfort and cheer by their presence and their reports of progress in the Far East. Brother Eugene Woesner has been in attendance at meetings of the Home Study Institute at meetings of the Home Study Institute.

at meetings of the Home Study Institute. One afternoon in mid January Pastor W. A. Spicer came to our offices, and paid brief visits to many in our various mission compounds. He was enroute to meetings in Japan and Chosen. Pastor MacEachern, also, has passed through, enroute to meetings in his field; and Brethren Armstrong, Oberg, and H. M. Lee have touched at the port of Shanghai while enroute to Committee meetings in Manila. Manila.

It is a privilege indeed to have these occasional glimpses of our brethren who are face-to-face with the same peculiar problems that are now being faced by our workers in China, as we are all drawn closer and still closer into those times of trouble that must eventually close with Armageddon. May Heaven's mercies at-tend those who are at work in these Far Eastern lands, preparing a people ready for their returning Lord.

OTHER BOOKS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

"The Story of the Advent Message," by Matilda E. Andross.—A history of the rise and development of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, showing the growth of its various departments, and its rapid expansion into all the world. Abridged. 418 pages, and appendix. Paper cover Price \$1.00. Cloth cover. Price, \$1.50.

"Studies in Christian Education," ar-ranged by W. E. Howell.-A series of questions on the purpose, scope, and plan of Christian education, with answers chiefly from the writings of Mrs. E. G. White. Should be in the hands of all our educational workers. 101 pages. Paper cover. Price, 20 cents.

"Junior Missionary Volunteer Manual," prepared by the Y.P. Missionary Volunteer Department.—A manual explaining the organization, aims, and ideals of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society. Especially valuable to church school teachers, and to all who are interested in leading the youth into fields of proper activity and service. 107 pages. Paper cover. Price, 25 cents.

The Sabbath School Workers' Training Course (English)

This Course will be profitable not only to those who are directly engaged in Sabbath school work, but to all our foreign workers. It is based upon the book, "The Making of a Teacher," and upon our magazine, the Sabbath School Worker.

"The Making of A Teacher"

"The Making of A Teacher" This is an old-new book—old in that it was first published in 1905; new in that it has just been thoroughly revised and reprinted. The revising was done by the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference at the request of book. Although the author, Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, was an eminent scholar and educator not of our faith, he was a Christian man of deep piety, and there is found in his book nothing erroneous or skeptical or otherwise out of harmony with the fundamentals of our own belief. Fortunately, it is written from the stand-point of a Christian educator for other and His principles and methods are and His principles and methods are and studied. The book deals with magination, judgment, laws of teaching, and much here are twenty-five chapters, averaging about the pages each. Price to averaging about the pages each. Price to averaging about the pages each. Price to order averaging about the pages each. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Seventher averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages factor. Be sure to order averaging about the pages facto

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The Subdath School Worker This publication of the General Con-ference Sabbath School Department is well known to Seventh-day Adventists through-out the world. For many years it has been a regular visitor to thousands of Christian homes. Each number is alive with in-structive articles, inspiring accounts of sacrifice and service, pertinent suggestions, and enlightening lesson helps for all divi-sions. To read the Worker month by month is to enjoy it and to appreciate its value to any Sabbath school and to every officer and teacher. No laborer in the Sabbath school can afford to be deprived of this help. of this help.

For several years now the Worker has been a part of the yearly Training Course. Perhaps no decision ever made with respect to the Course has so strengthened and popularized it as has the determination to make the magazine a part of each year's course course.

Recently the Worker was increased in size by about one third, with no advance in price. Rates: Single copy, 1 year, 90 cents; two or more copies to one address, each, 75 cents. Order of your Book and Bible House.

Suggestions

Weekly assignments and outlines throughout the year are given in the Sabbath School Worker, beginning with the January number.

the January number. Those taking the course should enroll with the union mission Sabbath school secretary,—inform him of your plan to study the course. When the course is finished, inform him of that fact also, together with a statement of your opinion of the value of the course. Upon receipt of this information the attractive litho-graphed Training Course certificate will be issued. issued.

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Remember, efficient Sabbath schools provide for the Training Course; progres-sive officers and teachers take it.

J. C. THOMPSON.

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Midwinter Officers' Council

At the close of the year, following the return of Dr. H. W. Miller from the Autumn Council of the General Conference, an officers' council of the China Division Committee was held; and to this were invited the heads of union fields. In view of the decision arrived at to hold biennial union sessions in all the union fields, as announced in another column, it was been thought best to defer the usual annual Spring Council of the China Division Committee, until next January. Meanwhile, all sections of the field will be meeting with representatives of the Home Board and of the Division, in their respective Union sessions; and in connection with these, three-day departmental conventions are to be held. This will afford opportunity for many workers to get together for the study of problems that have a bearing on the healthful development of our missionary advance.

Several pages of this number of the Reporter are devoted to a summary of the proceedings of the Midwinter Officers' Council. The main burden of those in attendance was so to plan the work of the year 1923, that there may be steady advancement, notwithstanding limited budget allowances. In China, as in all other world divisions, there is an expressed willingness to continue our mission work along the broad sacrificial lines that have brought to the Advent Movement so much of strength in years past. Our cause was begun with no promise of financial backing. In the earlier years there were no budgeted funds available. Everything attempted was on the basis of faith in God, and trust in His power to bring to the cause the funds essential. And those who led out, gave themselves and their all in sacrificial service, with little or no thought of financial support. God honored their faith; and little by little the material resources were added to and multiplied, until our cause seemed to be resting on a very solid financial basis. All the while, however, our real financial strength has been our trust in Heaven's help, and not in anything that comes from material resources; "for we walk by faith, not by sight." 2 Cor. 5:7.

In these days of financial uncertainty, it is a comfort to us all to review the experiences of the past, and to renew our confidence in Heaven's power to help in every time of need. During the year upon which we are entering, with plans outlined as set forth in resolutions and announcements given in other columns of this number of the *Reporter*, we know that the Lord will continue to bless in a special manner those who put their trust wholly in Him, and advance in His name.

Transferred to Lanchow, Kansu

Brother and Sister Philip H. Shigley, of Shanghai, have been transferred to the Northwest China Mission, and are to live at the Lanchow headquarters. They left Shanghai the last week of January for their new home in Kansu. Until recently, Brother Shigley has been a member of the office staff at Division headquarters; and Sister Shigley spent some years as nurse at the Shanghai Sanitarium City Clinic. The prayers and best wishes of their friends go with them as they undertake language study, preparatory to mission service in the interior.

In the Interests of Self-Help

At this time, when special efforts are being made to advance rapidly from *hsien* to *hsien*, giving to extended areas the warning message, it has been thought advisable to strengthen the agencies that multiply our number of self-supporting missionaries and that increase our funds. This has led to the appointment of Pastor E. L. Longway, formerly superintendent of the West China Union, to the secretaryship of the China Division Home Missionary Department. It will be the aim of Brother Longway and his associates to encourage our laymen everywhere to engage in soul-winning endeavor, and also in the raising of funds for the support of the Harvest Ingathering Campaigns are to receive especial attention, and plans have already been laid to continue the policy already in operation of making these and similar campaigns deeply spiritual.

Our hope of reaching all China with the advent message in our day, rests largely with a consecrated and carefully instructed laity. In proportion as we can bring into active spiritual service a devoted church membership in its entirely, can we hope to attain more and more toward the self-help so essential for the completion of the missionary task we face in this land. The brethren of the Division Committee are confident that all our workers throughout the field will rally to the support of the newly reorganized home missionary department, and give to Brother Longway the hearty support they have hitherto accorded Fastor Oss.

Brother Oss is now left free to devote his time chiefly to the continued development of the colporteur forces throughout the provinces of China. The aim of the publishing department is to cover annually every hsien, as rapidly as possible. In some provinces this has already been done; but in other provinces less than half the hsiens have been entered by the colporteurevangelist. Institutes will be held, and special plans will be outlined anew during the coming union biennial sessions.

We are on the threshhold of substantial increases in literature sales and in the winning of souls as the result of the combined ministry of colporteurs and laymen. Pastor J. A. Stevens, in charge of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, will be in attendance at nearly all our union sessions this coming spring and early summer, to unite with Brother Longway and associates in planning for a Laymen's Advance. Brother H. H. Hall, in charge of the General Conference Publishing Department, will unite with Brother Oss and associates at our union sessions in similar plannings for a self-supporting colportage ministry. Surely the Lord will be pleased as we all unite with these departmental leaders in laying broad foundations for self-help through divinely appointed agencies set in the midst of the church for our encouragement and aid in times of unparalleled opportunity and need.

Arrivals

On the s.s. "Asama-Maru," January 14, from California, Dr. and Mrs. James, for service at Tatsienlu, West China. Brother and Sister James Saturday night, Jan. 14, took ship on a river boat for the journey up the Yangtze-kiang to Chungking, where they will transfer and proceed on their journey to Tatsienlu, along the Tibetan borderland. Brother and Sister Bartholomew, already a year and more at Tatsienlu, have long waited for the coming of a physician to take over the superintendency of the hospital dispensary of the Tibetan Mission. Dr. James will give time at first to a study of the Mandarin language; he must later undertake also some study of Tibetan; for the work at the Tatsienlu station is bi-lingual.

Annual Constituency Meetings

Inasmuch as the usual annual Spring Council has been postponed, for financial considerations, until January, 1934, the annual Constituency meetings of the Signs of the Times Publishing House and of the Shanghai Sanitarium were held in Shanghai during the first days of January, 1933. The Constituency of the China Training Institute met with the faculty and students of the Institute at Chiao Tou Tseng during the closing days of 1932. Reports of some of these gatherings, in abbreviated form are given in the current issue of the *Reporter*, and further extracts will appear in our next number. Many encouragements were mentioned, and resolutions of gratitude to the Father of all mercies were drafted and adopted. It is definitely planned that the year 1933 shall be the best our China institutions have ever had.

Marriage

Married, on January 18, 1933, at 6 p.m., in the Sanitarium Chapel, 150 Rubicon Road, Shanghai, Pastor Claude B. Miller, of Yunnanfu, and Miss Irene Virginia Dawson, of the Division Offices, Shanghai; Dr. H. W. Miller officiating. Brother and Sister Miller are planning on reaching Yunnanfu, Yunnan, their field of labor, early in February.

Pastor and Mrs. Wilkinson for West China Union

Following the assignment of Pastor Longway to special service as leader of the Division Home Missionary Department, the China Division Committee placed under appointment, as superintendent of the West China Union Mission, with headquarters at Chungking, Szechwan, Pastor Geo. L. Wilkinson, until recently in charge of the South Chekiang Mission, and more latterly of North Chekiang. Brother and Sister Wilkinson took ship the evening of January 14 for the fortnight's journey up the Yangtze-kiang for Chungking, and were accompanied by Brother Longway, who returns shortly with his family for residence at Division headquarters. The prayers and hearty support of

residence at Division headquarters. The prayers and hearty support of all go with Brother and Sister Wilkinson as they enter upon their labors in the Far West. Their ministry in the Chekiang Province has been signally blessed. During their years of service at Wenchow and in all the heisens of that extensive district. many loyal men and women were raised up to unite with them in labor; and these have been brought to the point of successful soul-winning. Thus their former field is not being left shepherdless. Where at the beginning there were none to lead out, now there are many; and with them are Brethren Gregory and Fossey, and their companions, to stand as counselors. As the cause of truth takes deep root

As the cause of truth takes deep root in province after province, the groups of laborers that are being developed, are sharing more and more in the burdens of promoting and financing our mission work; and thus the way is being prepared for steady advances, with attendant gains in an increasingly large degree of self-support. At best, however, such results are attained slowly, and only by most earnest and selfsacrificing effort; and we need to rally to the support of those who are now called upon to carry on without the help of tried and true workers formerly with them. How assuring, at such times, is the Lord's own word, "Lo, I am with you"! His cause is not dependent on any, one man or on any group of mere men; for He Himself is the Leader and the Enabler of us all; and to Him, rather than to man are we to continue to look as we go forward in His name.

forward in His name. May special mercies attend Brother and Sister Wilkinson as they lead out in faith in the West, and continue to hold to the policy they have been following hitherto, of encouraging all, whatever their experience, to look to God and to depend wholly upon heavenly agencies for enabling grace to advance into every hsien.