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## Advantages in Concerted Action

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**F**ROM the beginning of our organized denominational endeavor we have gained much encouragement from the total results of the efforts of many who are striving toward the same objective. As we think of the results that have come to our work in the China field, even since the China Division was organized, we can lift our hearts in praise that God has gone before; and when we try to total up the results of all our working force, we have very gratifying figures. How remarkable it is that this work goes on notwithstanding reduced budgets. Many economies that have been effected show us possibilities of carrying forward our work in a strong way in future years.

Thus far we have concerned ourselves mostly in planning for our budgets, but now we are beginning to give consideration to planning the time of our working force,—in other words, to lay out a program to accomplish our unfinished task and to measure out a portion for each of our personnel. Our leaders all willingly and gladly are marking their leadership by themselves taking the initiative in getting under the burden of definite assignments in evangelistic endeavors and in several campaigns that call for the raising of funds. We cannot but believe that such an opportunity is going to net us more tangible results than we have ever seen before. Such an apportionment of our tasks should include every organization we have,—our sanitariums, our dispensaries, our schools, our several churches, and not only our publishing forces, but the members of our printing plant.

As this goes to press, we have just come from the South China meeting, where this field had undertaken a goal of 525 members to be received into the church in 1935. Never in this field, do we think, has there been a stronger program put forward for accomplishing such a task, and for lining up every member of the constituency to its execution.

The China Division Executive Committee has recommended to all union and local organizations the outlining of definite programs for soul-winning work during the year 1935, including the naming of areas within their respective fields that are to be entered for the first time. This program of expansion, as adopted during the first quadrennial council held by the China Division at the beginning of 1931, and which has already brought to us a doubling of *hsien* occupancy, should surely help us to reach the ideals cherished by the rank and file of our workers and laity everywhere. The fullest possible cooperation of every member is anticipated. We believe that our dear brethren and sisters will put forth their whole strength in concerted action to conduct this year the greatest soul-winning campaign ever undertaken in China.

## For Encouragement

### The Song

*I prayed, "God let me make a song  
To cheer the faint in heart;  
In all this great, wide world of work,  
Grant me this little part."*

*But as the years went by, I learned  
That song is born of sorrow;  
And I must bear the cross today  
If I would sing tomorrow.*

*And Oh! I did not wish the grief,  
The pain and bitterness;  
But God said, "This must be thy part  
If others thou wouldst bless."*

*The holy rapture of the saints  
Comes after hours of pain,  
As gardens put forth fragrance  
After showers of rain.*

*The sweet repose of peaceful hours  
May follow days of grief,  
As fruit will follow blossom,  
And bud emerge in leaf.*

*So through the days, my heart must learn  
To suffer and be strong,  
If I would know His beauty,  
And write for Him a song.*

MAY COLE KUHNS

Shanghai, China  
December 12, 1934.

### A Song-Book in Beh-Miao

AT Kwenming (Yunnanfu) there was handed me a copy of a translation of some of the songs that were published originally in Mandarin, but that now have been published in mimeographed form in a translation for use among the Beh-Miao (the White Miao) of Yunnan. This adds to the list of languages in which we have begun to publish. Our workers in Yunnan and in Kweichow are preparing other material in carefully written form, in the characters used by various tribes of the Miao, and have hopes of seeing these issued by

the Press, if it be found that photographic zinco-plates prove a practicable solution for us, unable as we are at present to secure the special types (Pollard Script) used for the printing of the Miao New Testament.

### Reporting for the "Reporter"

AGAIN and again, through the years, a careful check-up has been made in the Division office to learn whether an issue of the REPORTER about to go to press, contains something from every union field within our territory. Ofttimes when such a check-up brings to our knowledge a lack of mention of the conditions and needs of some union from whom no reports have been received, search is made for possible material, and a few lines, at least, are prepared and inserted, in an effort to maintain a balance in the presentation about to be sent forth.

At best, we have fallen far short. Sometimes a "Diary" may be printed; sometimes a series of provincial meetings in a union are well reported, including the annual addresses of directors and departmental leaders; sometimes even the full report of the death of some beloved worker, with a synopsis of the funeral address, adds several columns for the union in which the worker lived and labored. Yet another factor has entered into the seeming disproportion of space allotted to some union; namely, the sojourn of the editor himself for some months therein on an extended itinerary, during which opportunities for securing material for publication are made use of, and thus that union

seems to have an unusual amount of space.

However, notwithstanding other factors, the chief reason why some unions have considerable space given their reports, is that those in service within those unions, actually send in to us reports and letters giving an account of activities and results within their respective spheres of labor. Reports are always welcomed; and while the limitations of our space often compel us to abbreviate the reports to a half or even a third of that which comes to us, yet an effort is made to include everything that can add to a general and even detailed knowledge of conditions and needs, and also of providences accompanying those engaged in service.

### The Y. P. M. V. Goal in the United States and Canada

STORIES are being read, Sabbath by Sabbath, in the North American Young People's Societies, of progress in the North China Union Mission, to the support of which work all Y. P. M. V. offerings for missions during the year 1935 are to be applied. The goal is fifteen thousand dollars gold—and that is not all; for the goal includes the gaining of a sympathetic understanding of opportunities and needs that will link the youth of these homelands with the China Mission for all time. This project is one for which all in the China field might well pray daily, that the youth may be blessed in their endeavors, and particularly that the cause in North China may be prospered of Heaven as never before.



General View of the "Tungshan" Mission Compound, Canton, South China, in the main building of which the quadrennial session of the South China Union was recently held.

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## With Our Bookmen

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### Organizing the Colporteur Band at the China Training Institute

JOHN OSS

THE writer visited the China Training Institute on January 13 and 14 to assist in the organization of the colporteur band for promoting the interests of the literature work during the remaining portion of the school year.

The faculty called the students together for a special meeting the evening of our arrival, when a talk on the objectives of the publishing department and the part our young people can have in making known the last message, was given, and a call was made to join the band. One hundred seven of the students responded by volunteering to prepare to sell literature during the vacation period.

Later, officers were chosen to foster the work of the band. A leader, an assistant leader, a secretary and an assistant secretary, and a committee were selected. A faculty advisor will assist the student leaders. The next morning, at another meeting of the student body at the regular chapel period, the needs of the present hour, the opportunities for service, and the need of a thorough preparation were considered. The students took a keen interest in the discussion.

There are twenty-four students in attendance at the China Training Institute who, through the sale of our truth-filled literature, made full or part time scholarships during 1934. There is an excellent colporteur spirit in the school. The faculty and band leaders are enthusiastic in their belief that a strong work can be done in promoting the literature work before the time of the annual institute, which will be held near the close of the school term.

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### Division Publishing Department

THROUGH Pastor John Oss, secretary of the division publishing department, we have learned of various activities in the way of special promotion, including visits on his part to several of our training centers where students are volunteering for

colportage the coming season.

Writing of a visit to the China Training Institute, where Brother Oss assisted in the organization of the colporteur band he reports:

"Many of the students at the China Training Institute are planning on selling Pastor Lee's new book, 'Our Marvelous Age,' which will be off the press soon. Others will be selling Dr. Miller's medical book, 'The Way to Health,' also some will work with 'Busy Man's Library,' 'Hope of the World,' and 'The Signs Magazine.'"

The issuance of the new edition of testimonies on book work—"The Colporteur Evangelist"—gives promise of adding fresh impetus to the promotion of colporteur work throughout the division field. Another most helpful volume on colportage is "Testimonies for the Church," volume nine, to be had in its completed form in Mandarin.

The reports coming in from various unions following the closing of books as for December 31, 1934, indicates that many tract societies the past year have been able to report a small net gain. This is one of the most encouraging features that can be mentioned in connection with the colporteur work as it is shaping at the present time.

Considerable thought is being given at the union sessions to a study of the literature ministry. The brethren everywhere have determined to make the present year a record one in literature distribution in the China Division. c.

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### Benefits that Come to Students from Colportage

D. E. REBOK

*Educational Secretary,  
China Division*

EDUCATION is not limited to a school room nor a textbook. Neither do we get all of our training for life by listening to a teacher. In fact many of the most important lessons in living come from our contact with people in the every-day round of activities which makes our society as it is going on in real life to-day.

To me there is a clear distinction between education and instruction. As one wise man has said, "Education is learning how to live," while "instruction is the giving of information." The latter can be done most effectively and efficiently in

our well equipped and staffed schools but the former must be gained from a great variety of sources and agencies.

From personal experience and observation I am convinced that few students can afford not to take a few years of practical education in the colporteur work, when we remember that "the final end and aim of all thought, and all education, is summed up in the word 'self-expression,' which compares with that of meeting people in real life and convincing them by various means of self-expression to the extent that they will buy our books and magazines.

For this reason we, as teachers and school administrators, urge all or as many students as possible to go into the colporteur work. In addition to this scholastic training, there are the financial benefits which have been sufficient to give many a student an academic and college education without a dollar's cost to his parents. This opens a way for worthy-poor students to rise to higher and higher levels in school work. Such self-help results in self-reliance and economic independence.

Need we mention the privilege of meeting governors, generals, industrial and social leaders; of seeing various parts of one's own country, and visiting famous places which rich people spend much money to go to see? All these are but the by-products of the colporteur work; and they are not without value and benefit to every one who is willing to pay the price of a few months in the literature ministry.

Beyond, and by far the greatest benefit which comes from student-colporteur work, is the satisfaction which comes from placing in the hands of people everywhere the Word of God—the pearl of great price—the way of salvation—eternal life. Can any joy surpass that which will come to the student-colporteur, when some day in the New Jerusalem, a man or woman will extend a grateful hand and thank him for the book or paper which he sold one hot summer's day in Hankow or Sinkiang?

For the joy that is set before us and for the benefits which are sure to come, let us rally to the colporteur work this summer, and every summer until the Lord comes. Dear students, many of you should matriculate in the School of Life for a three months' course in Christian Salesmanship in the summer of 1935.

Shanghai  
February 11, 1935

## Quadrennial Session, South China Union, Canton, Jan. 25 to Feb. 2, 1935

### Report of South China Union Mission for Two Biennial Periods 1931-1932 and 1933-1934

O. A. HALL

*(Synopsis of report rendered during the Canton Conference, by Pastor O. A. Hall, who, during the entire four-year period under review, has served as superintendent of the South China Union.)*

AFTER four years of separation, it is our happy privilege to assemble in regular session, for conducting our mission business, and for spiritual uplift. We do this with deep feelings of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His manifold blessings bestowed. During the four-year period some sections of our field have been affected by political disturbances. The North Fukien Mission, in particular, and the South Fukien Mission and the northern section of Hakka to some extent, have passed through periods of civil strife. The workers of these sections have shown a commendable spirit of courage and loyalty by remaining by their stations, and continuing the work to the best of their ability, even under extremely dangerous conditions. For God's protecting care, we to-day express our gratitude.

We also wish to express our gratitude to God for the prosperity and the measure of success that has attended the work in the various missions and departments of the Union during the past four years, for the light that has shined into the dark places, and for the precious souls that have been gathered into the family of God, uniting with the remnant church, that is so soon to triumph.

We wish to express our appreciation to the General Conference, and to our brethren and sisters in America, for the help that has been granted our union through the appropriations that have come to us so regularly during these years of depression and financial uncertainty, and also for the help and spiritual uplift that have been coming to us through the visit of Elder and Mrs. Spicer, who were able to conduct fruitful efforts in five of the six missions of South China. Now Elder and Mrs. J. L. McElhaney are here,

whom we most heartily welcome. It is with gratitude mingled with sadness that we think of the last visit of our beloved brother, H. H. Hall. We shall miss his strong help and counsel in our publishing department. The home missionary department was materially advanced by the visit of Pastor J. A. Stevens to our union.

It is with sadness we note the absence of a few of our faithful workers who, during the past four years, have fallen in death at their posts of duty and service, these including—

Hakka — George Chong  
Kwangsi — Chen Chuen Wa  
N. Fukien — Gu Tak Bo  
S. Fukien — Dr. Li, Keh Stu Ching

To the bereaved relatives and friends, we express our deepest sympathy. A number of laborers have been lost either permanently or temporarily from the work of this union during the past four years, some because of illness, others on account of reduction of mission finances, and some through transfers to other fields. Among these are Brother and Sister L. W. Shaw; Brother and Sister H. N. Quade; Brother and Sister Schutt; Brother and Sister R. M. Milne; and Mrs. J. P. Anderson and Mrs. A. L. Ham for a prolonged stay in the homeland because of the needs of their parents and children, but who will soon, we trust, be returning.

Brother David Hwang and Brother Tan Kia Ou are now engaged in the sale of books in other lands.

Of those transferred, may be mentioned the following:

Evangelist Tan Nai Sai, of South Fukien Mission, answered a long-standing call from the Philippine Union for an Amoyese-speaking worker to labor among the Chinese of that field.

Professor Hwang, for years in the Amoy Middle School, is now a member of the faculty at Chiaotoutseng.

Pastor Chong Fah Min, of the Hakka field, took up ministerial work among the Hakkas of Malaya.

We miss these workers in our union, but trust they may be a blessing to other sections in the Lord's vineyard.

We also regret that some of our workers, because of present illness, are not able to be in attendance at this meeting.

While we have had these losses during this period, we are encouraged to note that some needy lines of work have been supplied with help. Dr. Bates, who returned to the States and completed his medical course, returned to take up medical work in the city of Canton.

Brother C. E. Wimer, of Canada, responded to the call to connect with this union as Publishing Department Secretary, to fill the vacancy caused by the transfer of Brother R. M. Milne to Malaya. Pastor E. G. Annofsky joined our union three years ago, and after a period of language study connected with the Canton Middle School. Miss Ketterman joined us last fall for the English church school in Hongkong.

This gives a total of foreign workers for the union, including wives, of thirty-five,—a slight decrease. Of these, five are serving as mission directors, two in direct evangelistic work, and eight in general and departmental work.

Within the South China Union there is a total of 306 Chinese workers,— 11 ordained ministers, 101 ministerial and missionary licentiate, 24 Bible women, 36 colporteurs, 65 medical workers, and 69 in educational work. For the various departments, evangelistic, 136; publishing, 36; medical, 65; educational, 69.

These are serving a population of more than seventy-two millions in six distinct language areas, with scores of dialects.

As revealed by the accompanying membership chart, during the past ten years a goodly number of precious souls have been gathered in; though we are not satisfied with the results.

During a ten-year period there have been 2,408 persons baptized, while our net gain in church membership is 934, revealing a heavy loss. During the past four years, the total baptisms number 1,040, and the net gain in membership is 553,—again a loss. This is a condition that should be given careful consideration.

There are within the union 251 *hsien*s, of which 76 have been entered.

During recent years it has been a real struggle for our missions and institutions in South China to maintain the work in hand and care for

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further developments as the work advances. It may be interesting, and even surprising to some, to know that as compared with five years ago, this union is now receiving for its regular work 45% less appropriation than at that time. To maintain a growing work on a rapidly decreasing budget, has been no small task, but all have set themselves to do it, and we thank the Lord for His help which has enabled the work to go forward to such a degree.

During the four-year period that has passed by since last we met, our workers have united in 110 public efforts; and in addition, there has been a strong effort throughout the union during the past two years for the strengthening of the believers in our churches, the district revival meeting plan having been adopted.

The medical department of our work has made good progress during the past few years. Considering present conditions our four hospitals have had fairly good patronage, and have made a good financial showing. It will be of interest to note that our medical work is practically self-supporting except for some appropriations received toward physicians' salaries.

We are very anxious that our medical work be extended beyond the doors of institutions out into the various sections of our fields and among our out-stations.

Our departmental secretaries have been laboring untiringly, and have had your hearty co-operation; and during this session they will report on the various activities in their respective lines of endeavor.

In concluding this report, it is our earnest prayer that God may bless the efforts put forth throughout this union during the past four years. As we face the future, may we during this meeting boldly present our needs at the throne of grace, and there receive help for the speedy completion of the task assigned us. We have truly come to the time when we should lift up our eyes and look on the fields, white unto harvest. Very definite plans should be laid at this meeting for rapid advance into every unentered section. May we each make this meeting a time of deep heart-searching, that through reconsecration we may have a new and complete fitting up for service as we go back to our various fields and lines of work, for faithful service and unflagging effort in finishing the work.

### The Cantonese Mission 1931 — 34

P. L. WILLIAMS

*Synopsis of report rendered by P. L. Williams, director of the Cantonese Mission of S. D. A., during the biennial session of the South China Union Mission held in "Tung-shan," Canton, Jan. 25 to Feb. 2, 1935. This report covered, in a general way, four years, although more particularly the past two years, Brother Williams having served as director for about a year, prior to which time the director was Pastor A. L. Ham. During these years the associate director has been Pastor T. S. Woo, who has recently been appointed director of the newly formed Hainan Mission; and now Brother Williams again returns to the Union treasury work, and Pastor Le Tat Ming becomes director of the Cantonese Mission. — EDITOR.)*

FOUR years have passed since we have met together on an occasion such as this. It has been six years since we have had the privilege of entertaining this assembly in Canton; so at this time we wish to extend, with pleasure, a hearty greeting and welcome to the delegates and friends who are gathered here to attend this biennial session of the South China Union Mission.

For the greater part of the past four years the Cantonese Mission has enjoyed peace throughout its territory. This has helped much in the carrying on of the work in this field; and we feel it is fitting we praise God for His care over both His work and His workers. During the first three years of the period under review, the Cantonese Mission activities were carried on under the able leadership of Pastor A. L. Ham with a small but efficient force of Chinese and foreign laborers; and it is due to men who have gone before us, that the work has progressed the past year.

Through the blessing of the Lord and the united efforts of all concerned, steady progress has been made year by year. The baptismal record for the successive years stands at 47, 61, 97, 90—a four-year total of 295. At the beginning of the year 1931 the baptized membership stood at 550; at the close of the year 1934 it had reached 783—a gain in four years of 233.

The work has been carried largely by our native laborers, and we have been much encouraged and cheered as we have observed their development through the years. In

South China Union Mission Membership Chart

Year	Stations	Churches	Members	Baptized	Gain
1925	79	35	2366	176	104
1926	93	41	2471	173	105
1927	89	42	2044	148	—427 Loss
1928	94	39	2204	287	160
1929	106	40	2500	327	296
1930	108	40	2643	257	143
1931	107	41	2739	140	96
1932	105	43	2892	241	153
1933	103	47	3009	329	117
1934	97	48	3196	330	187
Total				2408	934
<i>In Biennial periods as follows:</i>					
1925-1926	93	41	2471	349	209
1927-1928	94	39	2204	435	—267 Loss
1929-1930	108	40	2643	584	439
1931-1932	105	43	2892	381	249
1933-1934	97	48	3196	659	304
				2408	934

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the Sabbath school department, under the leadership of Brother Lo Pak Tsim, goals have been reached in nearly every line; the offerings for the past year having been slightly in excess of the \$3,500 (Mex.) goal fixed by the Union. Until June, 1934, Brother Lo carried also the home missionary department; the last half of 1934 this department was fostered by Brother Lei Tat Ming. In Big Week receipts, and in Harvest Ingathering returns, there have been steady increases, some of the regular hudget expenses having been met from H. I. returns, greatly to the strengthening of our Mission advance. The H. I. receipts for the years 1931-32 totaled Mex. \$6,569.80; for the years 1933-34, Mex. \$7,214.07, and this last at a time when heavy amounts were being raised also for the Canton Sanitarium and Hospital project.

Brother Hoh Wai Yee, while teaching full time at the Institute, is also Y. P. M. V. secretary, and has done faithful work, with most encouraging fruitage both in soul-winning lines, and in fostering new work in the Island of Hainan. Brother H. S. Leung, principal of the Canton Training Institute, served also as secretary of the educational department, and has looked after the interests of the youth in a very commendable manner. We are especially grateful to Dr. Miller for the help he has rendered in assisting us to secure an industrial building second to none in Canton City for the manufacture of health food products, as an industrial unit in connection with our Training Institute for the youth of the Cantonese Mission.

From year to year the medical work in the Cantonese Mission has been developing, and particularly has this been so during more recent years under the leadership of Dr. F. E. Bates; and to-day we see nearing completion the main building of the Canton Sanitarium and Hospital, here on our "Tungshan" Mission Compound. We are grateful to the many who have been soliciting in behalf of this enterprise.

Much of the time our publishing work has been in charge of Brother Lo Pak Tsim, the tract society secretary; and while the sales have varied much, and in 1934 there was a drop owing to the transfer of five of our best colporteurs to other lines of missionary endeavor, yet the total

sales of denominational literature for 1931-32 were M. \$26,115.85, as compared with M. \$28,013.77 for the years 1933-34—a gain during the last hiennial period of M. \$1,897.92.

During the past four years several evangelistic efforts have been held. In 1934 there were four large efforts—in Shiukwan, Namfung, Namkwan, Hongkong. Pastor Frederick Lee, of the Division Ministerial Association, led out in the Hongkong effort; he also led in an effort in Canton in 1931. The Toishan effort in 1932 was led by Pastor O. A. Hall, assisted by Brethren Woo, Tso, Anofsky; a substantial church is now established in that city. It is too early to announce final results of efforts held during 1934, but the prospects are good for fruitage.

Within the past two years the Island of Hainan has been entered, and there are now 35 baptized believers there,—17 at Hoihow and 18 at Namfung. The beginning of this work was brought about by the efforts of the young people's society of "Tungshan" and Canton. Their missionary spirit spurred them on to undertake great things for God, and their efforts have been indeed blessed. This work in Hainan has been carried on for two years without any regular hudget appropriations; but now all the funds that the young people and their friends raised, have been used up, and some adequate and more permanent provision should be made in behalf of that great island with more than three million inhabitants.

If time were to permit, we would faintly mention the faithful efforts of every evangelist and Bible woman, every teacher, every colporteur, in every chapel and throughout the cities, towns, and country districts of our Cantonese Mission. These, and our medical workers as well, and our office secretaries, have all had their share in labors and sacrifices for the upbuilding of the Cantonese Mission through the years. Brother S. S. Wong, in charge of our treasury work, has borne heavy burdens; and notwithstanding lessening hudgets, he has united with others in keeping the expenditures within the incomes. No deficits are found recorded in the Mission, Institute, or Tract Society balance-sheets at the close of the year 1934.

Our needs are many. The greatest need of all is for more of the Holy Spirit, and for more love of the Master, which will lead us on to do far greater things in the future than in the past. We hope something may be done at this meeting, to assist us in entering quickly the many *hsiens* as yet unentered.\* It is our desire to open, if possible, during the year 1935, four new centers,—two on the mainland, and two in Hainan. We believe this is not beyond what we should undertake, and we wish we might enter, this year, double this number. It has been the hope of the Cantonese Mission that by the close of another two-year period, eight more "light-houses" will have been added to the two already established on the Island of Hainan, thus giving that field at least ten centers; and we have hopes of seeing as many more new out-stations opened on the mainland, also.

We believe this can be realized, if all will pull together. To this end let us seek God; for we know that "not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord," shall the work be finished in the Cantonese Mission.

\* Note.—During the biennial session, a reorganization of the Cantonese Mission was effected, through the setting apart of the Island of Hainan, together with the two lower *hsiens* of the Liangchow Peninsula, as a separate field, known as The Hainan Mission, with Pastor T. S. Woo as director, and with headquarters at Haihow, the capital. A small sum has been set aside as the beginnings of a Budget, but this is altogether inadequate, and it is hoped that friends of this mission field will continue their beneficences in its behalf as hitherto.—EDITOR.

### Colportage in Hainan

THE pioneer colporteur of more recent years in Hainan, Brother Tso Wing Kei, now engaged part time in evangelistic work, reports the winning at Namfung of a Hainanese by the name of Wen Chung Shuen, who has volunteered to enter the colporteur work, and who during his first five days, under the tutelage of Brother Tso, secured sixty-eight subscriptions for the *Chinese Signs*, besides selling some small books.

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### The North Fukien Mission

V. J. MALONEY

*(Synopsis of quadrennial report rendered by Pastor Maloney, director, on the work of the North Fukien Mission of S. D. A., during the biennial session of the South China Union in Canton, Jan. 29, 1935, was accompanied by many carefully prepared charts, which added to the interest, and made very clear the advances realized. Lack of space necessitates the publication of only a brief synopsis of the full report, but an effort has been made to include the larger items, and the general totals for the period under review. — Editor.)*

AS WE review the past four years of advance in the North Fukien Mission, we realize that notwithstanding perplexities and political unrest, God has been with His children, and has wrought through them some wonderful victories. Souls have been born into the kingdom of grace; many blessings have been received by God's people, in protection from those opposed to Christianity, and from the ravages of war, for which mercies we render our most sincere thanks.

However, we have not been without some very severe and sad trials of our faith. Wars, and the activities of those seeking to destroy any and all who accept the Christian religion, and perils along the highways under control of bandits, have brought many troubles upon our church members and upon workers traveling about. Only a few days ago word came that the deacon of our church at Lo Nguong had been captured by bandits and killed, and his two sons had been taken away, and are held for ransom. At Wondai two members lost their lives when the Communists swept down upon that place in 1933. At Chung Haiu our colporteur evangelist Ding Ung Sung was shot, as was also a lay brother of the same place, in 1931. At Ciong Hu Bang our people suffered much, and one of our brethren there was wounded in 1934 during a raid. In 1934 one of our members at Lo Nguong, and one at Ding Hai, suffered gun-shot wounds. One of our evangelists, Kieu Daik Bo, while at his regular duties in Futing, became sick, and died. We trust that the sufferings and death of those mentioned may be as the watering of the ground for a greater harvest of souls in North Fukien than ever before.

NOTE.— The Director placed tokens of remembrance on a map of the North Fukien Mission, in commemoration of those who had undergone severe trials, even unto death. During the session, later, a resolution of sympathy and remembrance was adopted, covering all such cases of suffering and death, — *Editor.*

Three new chapels have been built, two others have been remodeled, and yet another two have come to us as gifts, during the past four years. One of these chapels given us, is not far from the Ciong Hu Bang church, and is given by Mr. Dang Neng Cu and Mr. Dang Hang Go as an encouragement to us to open up work in that new area, where as yet we have no believers. During the quadrennium four new *hsiens* have been entered, and some new out-stations have been established; but inasmuch as some places have been closed, the total number of out-stations has not been increased. Our baptisms these four years totaled 168; and after deducting deaths, transfers, and apostasies, our net increase has been 85, bringing our church membership of baptized communicants up to 510.

During the quadrennial period the tithes and offerings have totaled Mex. \$19,768.56, as compared with Mex. \$13,450.47 from 1927-30—a gain of Mex. \$6,318.09 over the previous quadrennium.

The Sabbath school, Educational, and Y. P. M. V. departments have been under the faithful direction of Mr. Ling Buong Sieng. Our training institute at Foochow, under the principalship of Mr. Nga Ong Ing, has had an annual enrolment of from 100 to 128. Of those graduated many have gone to Chiaotoutseng for additional training, and some to the Shanghai Sanitarium for nurse training.

Within the past year the facilities for carrying on our workshops in the Institute have been increased considerably. The hooked-rug has kept a number of students and two or three women busy, and has provided the students an opportunity to earn a portion of their expenses in connection with their attendance at the Institute. The profits on this industry are not great, but there has been no loss. During the year 1934 a new industry, the weaving of hats

("Panama weave"), has been undertaken. This gives promise of development into a good industry, there having been thus far no loss, despite lack of capital. Mrs. Maloney has charge of the industrial features of the Institute.

In colportage the net returns on sales were only a little more during the past four years than during 1927-1930. Our sales have been averaging nearly Mex. \$3,850 a year. Portions of our field have been closed against all colporteurs during the entire quadrennium, as the Communists have been ruling in a considerable number of *hsiens*, and this has had its reflex influence on our records of advance the past few years. The opening of roads and of new bus lines is a great encouragement to us. Our mission stations now extend northward to the borders of South Chekiang, and southward to the borders of the South Fukien Mission. Our evangelists have conducted from eight to fifteen revival and evangelistic efforts annually. Old churches have been refreshed, and new churches have been raised up.

We thank God, and take heart as we find our comfort in Him "who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted."

### Kienning-fu Evangelistic Meeting

V. J. MALONEY

A BLESSED meeting was held at Kienning-fu (North Fukien) during the month of October, 1934. The meetings were conducted in the chapel, and though the attendance was not large, yet there was a steady coming in from beginning to end of the same people. As a result, a number have entered the Bible class which Mr. Ciong Chiong Mi is conducting. One of those deeply interested desires to go to Chiaotoutseng, where he may enter the school and study fully the doctrines and ways of this message. A former Buddhist nun has been attending church at Kienning-fu place for about two years, and plans to be baptized soon. Three have already been baptized. Mr. Ging Ko Bing led out in the studies during these meetings.

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### The Swatow Mission 1931-34

K. T. KHNG

*'Synopsis of report rendered by Pastor K. T. Khng, director of the Swatow Mission, during the biennial session of the South China Union at Canton in January, 1935. This report covers the quadrennium of 1931 to 1934 inclusive.'*

Dear Delegates Present,—

THE Swatow Mission most cordially greets you again with the presentation of her quadrennial report. Recalling these years of "depression," indeed "we are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; and how can we not be thankful with you, and give praises to the Almighty God who has so abundantly blessed us!

#### THE PIONEER DAYS

I am reminded that in just a few more days, on the 6th of February, we shall come to the end of the 29th year, and the beginning of the 30th year, of our Swatow Mission history. On that ever-to-be-remembered day (the 3rd of the first month of the 31st year of Kwang Hsü of the Manchu dynasty), Pastor Ang and family, with a group of independent Baptists, began to keep the Sabbath in Chowchowfu as the first Sabbath-keepers of the Swatow Mission. These, as it were, once crossed the bridge, and the whole army went forward conquering and to conquer until this day.

We recollect with gratitude that the father who bore these first-fruits of our mission, is Pastor Kweh Tsz Theng (otherwise known as Pastor N. P. Keh), of the South Fukien Mission, and now living in Kulangsu, Amoy. The circumstances that brought about his entrance into the historical records of our mission were very common, but not trivial. Just a few months before the date named, while enroute to attend a Canton general meeting in the summer of 1934, his boat stopped in the Swatow harbour to unload and reload her cargo, and he went ashore at Katcheo and wandered into a Baptist school. This resulted in an appointment by Principal Hia Liang Chip, now a church-member, for him to return and teach Bible doctrines. This he did at a later date, but on Sabbath and Sunday he made it his practice to go out and do personal work. He visited Pastor

Angin Chowchowfu often, and later with Brethren Anderson and Hankins from Amoy, the result being bringing into the faith these first Seventh-day Adventists in Swatow. 'Tis passing strange to note now that the usual stopping of a boat in a harbour and a wandering ashore should open a Swatow Mission. How our pioneers worked in the early days! What zeal they possessed!

With a zeal similar to that of those who won them, Pastor and Mrs. Ang for three years or more preached our faith at their own expense in our present Chowchowfu chapel, where they kept the first Sabbath, later bought the chapel, and gave it to our mission. At this time Pastor Ang with Pastor Kwek (Keh) gave sixty dollars each to open a station in Kit-Yang city, employing also a colporteur to sell literature. Suffice it to say that those years of promoting our cause at his own expense cost him, at current value, \$6,000.00 worth of rice-fields. What earnestness the pioneers possessed! May we be like them, and much more!

#### THE PRESENT HISTORY

Amidst the fall of the Manchu Dynasty and the rise of the Chinese Republic, 29 years have gone by for the present Mission. In all, seven directors—five foreigners and two Chinese—have been in charge. The mission now has eighteen stations, composed of five organized churches, with thirteen companies and new stations, in eleven of the twelve districts (*hsiens*) of her territory. There is a constituency of 400 members among a population of approximately six millions, according to the latest government census; these being largely Swatowese and Hakkas. The mission owns lands, with and without buildings, in fifteen places in five districts of her territory.

The present staff of workers is divided as follows: 12 evangelists, 2 evangelistic-teachers, 1 field secretary, 1 office secretary, 4 salaried teachers, 2 subsidized teachers, 4 Bible women, 4 colporteurs, 1 self-supporting evangelist, 1 self-supporting Bible woman—a force of 32 in all.

The record of baptisms for the past four years is as follows: In 1931, 25; 1932, 31; 1933, 65; 1934, 50; making a total of 171 baptisms or 42¼ % of her present constituency. In 1931 there was a membership of 325; in 1934, 400; making a small gain of 75 members.

#### THE DEPARTMENTS

Our Sabbath School's number 18, as against 14 in 1932, with a membership of 531, as against 373 in 1932. The Sabbath school offerings are \$716.15 in 1934, as against \$637.72 in 1932.

Mr. Joseph Hwang is in charge of our colporteurs. They made the following net sales: 1931, \$2,555.81; 1932, \$2,926.61; 1933, \$6,419.72; 1934, \$3,168.68 making a total of \$15,070.82. We regret that we have not always made our goals. The last year was especially hard, when many of our young men who had learned salesmanship from us, left us to work for other concerns. Nevertheless, according to our last report we had entered every district of our territory with the *Signs of the Times*. We cordially invite our young people to help us to pioneer into every place with our gospel literature.

Our Home Missionary Department also has been in charge of Brother Joseph Hwang since 1933.

The Y. P. M. V. department is training our young people to take part in the programs each week. At present we have one Senior and five Junior societies, having a membership of 211 in all. In the campaigns for Big Week and Harvest Ingathering the students are always a great help. We look forward with large hope to seeing these young people finish the work of God in this part of the field.

Formerly the territory of the Swatow Mission comprised only eleven districts (*hsiens*). In the beginning of 1934 the Hakka Mission very kindly presented us with the Pou district (*hsien*), having a population of about 200,000, in an area of 6,235 square miles thus making our territory like Caanan of old,—just 12 districts. Eleven of these have been entered, leaving just one still to enter. If we find the man, this district will be entered in 1935.

During these four years we have erected only one new church building, the one at Ngkangfu, made possible by the donation of land, money,

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and work by the brethren and sisters there, and with the help of \$350.00 from Sabbath school overflow trust funds. This church was finished and dedicated last year. Plans are now being drawn for the Chowchowfu chapel. The Tngke church is also to be built if there is any money left after building the Chowchowfu chapel.

### GOOD PROSPECTS FOR MORE SOULS

There are always good prospects to get souls anywhere in the Swatow Mission if one will in faith work laboriously and prayerfully in one's allotted. Our workers need to believe more the words of Christ: "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." Our work in Nam Au, an island *hsien* in which evangelistic work was for the first time undertaken less than two years ago, will illustrate this.

When Miss Khu Song Cheng volunteered to open the work in the island district (*hsien*) of Nam Au, some doubted that a woman could do proper pioneer work there, and even suggested to me that it was a mistake to send her,—a waste of time and money. Before she went, she was told what God expected of her, and that He would help her to work as truly as He would help any man. For a little over a year, I sent her written encouragement from time to time. This last December I was able to visit her. I found that she now has two families—eight persons in all—coming regularly, with other interested ones, to our Sabbath school.

While visiting at Nam Au, I held night services, and Miss Khu was able to gather some thirty people that she had befriended, to attend nightly. In the day, when visiting around with her, it seemed to me that the whole community had become acquainted with her. Had the weather permitted, many interested ones would have requested baptism. Several are studying to this end. This year we may expect a dozen or more as her first-fruits from that island district.

### A WITCH CONVERTED

In the island *hsien* of Nam Au, where Miss Khu has been at work, is a Chinese woman who for twelve years was a famous witch. This woman was often possessed by devils. She would go without food for days and call herself by the names of different idols. At such times people would come to her to ask for health pills and safety medals, when she would rub her hands, or spit out of her mouth, and these pills and medals would come forth to be passed out as she desired. I have since asked her where she got these. She told me she really did not know where they came from. She gave me as souvenirs the only two medals she had remaining in her possession.

When Miss Khu began work on this island, she providentially rented a house next to this woman. Upon her arrival, the woman very kindly assisted Miss Khu by cooking her food. Miss Khu, not knowing she was a witch, befriended her.

At the hour of morning and evening worship, Miss Khu would ask her and her family to join her. She taught them first to sing our hymns and then to study with her the simple Bible questionnaires and answers of Mrs. Miller's textbooks. In time they were able to read, and to repeat and pray the Lord's prayer. But although she learned all these, the woman still retained her idols in her house.

One night the devil possessed her, and her daughter came to tell Miss Khu. Miss Khu went over to the house and prayed earnestly for her, and the devil left. Experiences like this were repeated many times. But one night by a dream she was told to cast away her outer garment, wash the inside one, and to walk *east* instead of *west*. Being a believer in dreams, she interpreted the outer garments to mean protection. They must refer to her protective gods that sat with swords in hand on both her doors, the superstitious sign above on the outside, and the idols and ancestor tablets on the inside. She took all these idols down, cast them away, and cleansed the place with water. From that day she made up her mind to walk *east*—to lead a new life, by worshipping

God rather than to continue to practise the old works of witchery, which was to walk *west*. What a conversion!

However, the devil was not willing to let her go without an effort. One night as she got into bed, she heard some one ask her in the dark if she were really going to obey her God. She replied, "Yes." The voice reminded her that she had a vow unpaid. She replied that she had no money with which to pay this vow. Then regaining her presence of mind, she asked the voice who he was that should ask her for such a vow, and if he might be seen by her. The voice replied that it was too late now. Then the evil spirit beat her until she was blue with marks. But the woman refused to yield to the power of evil, and today she rejoices with her family in the message of the third angel, after having been possessed by the devils for twelve years. She is a strong witness for the truth. Thanks be to God for His never-changing grace that saves sinners everywhere!

### OUR EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS

As for some time the director has been the only ordained minister in the mission, and has had to look after the general work, all correspondence, the promotion of Sabbath school, Y. P. M. V., and educational departments and the campaigns of "Big Week" and Harvest Ingathering, he could find time to carry on evangelistic efforts in all stations for only a few days, and thus assist the workers by examining those ready for baptism, helping to interest others in the truth as much as possible, performing the baptismal rite, holding communion service, and then going on to another station. Much help has been given in summer months by the teachers and by others.

### FINANCES

According to our last trial balance there is a net worth of \$637.94 in our Book and Periodical House, which shows a small gain of \$215.21. Our appropriation from 1931 to 1934 was cut from \$1,091.89 to \$669.00

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each month, giving us much perplexity when we could not in any way cut down our work. Indeed we were troubled to know how we might manage to hold our work intact. While our expenses stayed the same, our receipts were not any too good, since the depression had hit Swatow, causing much decline in business. With droughts and rains causing the farmersto lose their harvests also, our tithes and offerings, in general, did not increase as we had expected. In such bad times, when many business places went bankrupt, it was also seemingly too much to expect good results out of the "Big Week" and Harvest Ingathering campaigns; yet in spite of the above circumstances, God's work must advance, and He has blessed us abundantly financially. Our degree of self-support for the year 1931 was 29%; for 1932, 31%; for 1933, 37%; for 1934, 36%; or an average of 33% for the four-year period. In 1931-1932, the total receipts were \$11,028.46; for 1933-1934, they were \$12,071.39.

### OUR APPRECIATION

Either the devil had not worked so hard, or the workers had worked harder to keep troubles out, and keep peace within the whole Mission; for during the last two years we have enjoyed peace. Although not less than half a dozen dark clouds were seen on the horizon, yet never did they pour down; and we appreciate this very much.

All our workers have shown very good co-operation in endeavoring to do their best in fulfilling all duties assigned them, thus making this report possible; and we appreciate this also.

And above all we appreciate the visits, the counsels and the help that the leaders of the General Conference, the Division, the Union, and the China Training Institute were able to give from time to time to aid us in reaching to our ideals and success. We take this opportunity to thank them and to invite them to come more often to our help.

### OUR NEEDS

Lastly, our needs are many. Above all, we need workers who can understand their own personal

needs,—intellectual and spiritual. They need to know that unless their personal needs are met, other needs may never be filled at all. They need to know that their intellectual and spiritual "depression" makes up the "depression" of the Mission, and only when their depression is relieved, will the depression of the Mission be over. They need to know where and how to get their needs supplied.

Our mission needs many more consecrated workers, full of the pioneer spirit of zeal and sacrifice, who have visions of results, workers who will plan and put in full time. Such workers the Lord can consecrate to Himself by His Holy Spirit, to win souls, and to prosper in all things.

As workers, we need your gift of prayers, that God may give us the gift of all gifts—the Holy Spirit—that we may glorify Him more and more.

Now as ends the twenty-ninth year of our mission work, and begins the thirtieth year, we need fully to consecrate ourselves to God anew for a more successful year. Thank you for taking so much of your time.

## Hakka Mission — 1931-1934

P. V. THOMAS

IT has been our novel experience during this term of service to be in the field for three and a half years without being harassed by war and political turmoil. For this we are grateful to God and to the ministry of the angels in holding in check the "winds of strife." As we recount our blessings, I am sure it will please the Lord that we endeavor to make His goodness known to others, and pass on to them the hope and joy we have found. In "Ministry of Healing" we read the encouraging word: "Our heavenly Father has a thousand ways to provide for us of which we know nothing. Those who accept the one principle of making the service of God supreme, will find perplexities vanish and a plain path before their feet." (page 481.)

The results of the work done the past four years in Hakka may be shown partly by the number of baptisms. These should increase membership, but there has been a large exodus to the Straits Settlements and the Islands, and this with other reasons has kept our membership down.

Year	1931	baptized	7
	1932	baptized	28
	1933	baptized	28
	1934	baptized	70

We are glad that this number have followed their Lord by public confession. We pray that we may have wisdom to instruct them in the good way, that they may be built up in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord."

The canvassers have pushed the literature ministry into every *hsien* in the mission.

The Fui On Hospital, in charge of Drs. H. C. James and Dr. Ethel James, has continued its ministry of healing for the suffering in the neighborhood. It is showing a gradual growth in receipts from year to year. The figures are as follows:

1931-1932	\$11,271.75	Mex.
1933-1934	11,050.45	
Total, 4 Yrs.	\$22,322.20	

The 1934 receipts were the largest of any year, being M. \$6,105.55.

The number of house patients are given as follows:

1931-1932	646
1933-1934	745
Total, 4 Yrs.	1,391

No. of house patients for 1934,—the largest of any year,—426.

The number of dispensary patients:

1931-1932	8,155
1933-1934	6,200
Total, 4 Yrs.	14,355

There has been a marked increase in the out-calls; and the obstetrical work shows a gain every year.

The nurses' training school has graduated three classes of nurses,—in 1932, 2; 1933, 1; and 1934, 4. At present the hospital is employing one graduate nurse and 14 student nurses, besides other helpers.

Among recent acquisitions in the line of equipment, is an X-ray which will be a great help when the electric light plant is able to operate

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again, or when we secure a plant of our own.

Just at present Doctor Ethel James is sick, for which we are all sorry; and we pray that the Lord will restore her to strength and service soon.

The Sabbath schools have continued their work of teaching, with consequent blessings. We regret we have not reached the goals of some years either in numbers or in donations. The secretary has visited each of the stations at least twice a year and some stations oftener, and we are glad to see a little increase in numbers within the last year or so.

The Sabbath school donations as given by years shows an encouraging upward trend, with, however, some depression at the end.

At present we are conducting eight primary schools, employing 14 teachers in all, with 273 pupils. The teachers collect the tuitions and in several of the schools receive a small subsidy to supplement their tuition receipts; and they also carry on the evangelistic work in the chapel. We want to foster this work until every Seventh-day Adventist child is being educated in a Seventh-day Adventist school. Several industrial items have been tried with the hope of finding something that would bring in funds and provide work for an industrial higher primary school at Waichow. Some experience has been gained and some money lost, but the funds have been private, so no losses have had to appear on the records. We want to follow the Lord's guidance in our educational work as well as in all other lines.

In the Harvest Ingathering work we have had some good experiences. In two places officials have invited us to open up medical work in their midst.

The financial items are given in charts, which show the budget as received by the field, and the donations by years and also by churches. There has been a great cut in the budget appropriated and other special funds from the home base, but there are a number of encouraging things.

This year the committee arranged for opening three new *hsiens*. Pastor Lo visited Chung Sun in order

to find out the possibilities of opening up work. Pastor Ng was appointed to spend a month at Tsz Kam, the half way place between Waichow and Ng Wah. We also have an evangelist under appointment to Lung Moon. This year we shall surely get into these places. We hope to appoint local pastors in older stations, and send workers into new fields. In three more years or less we should have some work in each of the *hsiens* of the Hakka field.

This year we are also working on providing places of worship, and a place has been taken over for ten years at Wo Peng. The workers are enthusiastic about the work there. They have just finished an effort there in the new place, and have baptized sixteen. They also gathered \$60 in the Harvest Ingathering. We have land and are now preparing and getting the material in shape for a church building at Lau Lung. About \$400 has been raised by the brethren at Hok Shi Ha for their church home. A hundred dollars of this has just been turned into the mission to apply on this fund, and the rest is promised.

We are not satisfied with our report and wish that it were better. We have received many blessings from the Lord, and we want to show our gratitude by faithful and loving service. Pray for the work in the Hakka field, that both workers and people may be more faithful and earnest, and reach the standard the Lord has for them, and be ready to go home when He returns.

### The Kwangsai Mission of S. D. A. — 1931-34

J. P. ANDERSON

*(Synopsis of report rendered by Pastor J. P. Anderson, director of the Kwangsai Mission of the Seventh-day Adventists, during the biennial session of the South China Union, Canton, January 25 to February 2, 1935. This report covers the years 1933 and 1934, and looks also toward work proposed for the years 1935, 1936, 1937.)*

THE Kwangsai provincial mission is made up of the province of Kwangsai together with four of the southernmost *hsiens* of Kwangtung. In all, there are ninety-eight *hsiens*. In Kwangsai alone there are 83,076

square miles of territory with a population reported to be 10,734,100, of which number 6,003,300 are men and 4,730,800 are women—an average of six persons to the family.

In this report the writer is omitting elaborations on history, biography, anthropology, flora and fauna, scenery, and modernization,—any one of which items might be considered with profit. In passing, it may be remarked that all of the mission out-stations save one can be reached by auto-road.

Present work is established in ten out of a total of ninety-eight *hsiens*. At the rate of opening up one new *hsien* per month, it would take us seven years before we could have one out-station in each of the *hsiens*. It is difficult to see how the mission is going to accomplish such a program. Yet, in faith, a program to last as long as the present tenure of office, has been mapped out for definite advance work which it is believed the mission can carry through.

*(Note.—On a carefully prepared map hung up before the delegates, the director called attention to the hsiens already permanently entered, and to the new work soon to be undertaken; also that which it is planned shall be inaugurated and seen through to completion during the next three years.—Editor.)*

Every member is expected to give a definite sum, above other regular donations, towards this forward movement. Certainly that which is asked of the members they are able and willing to give. Surely if the church is to do that which God wishes it to do, a sacrificial spirit will have to take possession of laity and workers alike.

The special evangelistic efforts, conducted by Brother and Sister V. M. Hansen and helpers, and by Pastor Lo and others of the Chinese brethren, have all been fruitful. From our experience it is felt certain that success can be expected whenever earnest endeavor is put forth. The past two years special efforts have been held in nine different places. Of these, four have been in new *hsiens*.

Our present baptized membership stands at 346, which represents an increase of 69 since the year 1932.

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In the capital, Nanning, the mission owns a commodious building on one of the best streets. This building has been repaired, so as to make a very acceptable preaching-hall in which to hold meetings. Besides space assigned for workers' quarters, it will seat 320 people comfortably. We trust the Lord will prosper us in our purpose to acquire the ownership of at least one new chapel per year.

Our present corps of workers: We have in Kwang sai one Chinese ordained minister, and one foreign (since increased to two); six Chinese evangelists; one Chinese Bible woman, and one foreign; two Chinese teachers; one accountant in the office; one sustentation beneficiary, a widow, who assists in Bible work; also a considerable number on the staff of the Nanning Hospital, including Dr. and Mrs. Coffin; and an average of five canvassers during the past year. Too high praise cannot be given some of these canvassers for their courage and fortitude.

Much improvement has been noted in the Sabbath schools, yet a great gap remains to be bridged before perfection can be reached. The home missionary secretary receives reports regularly. As to our educational work, we have one lone primary school, located at Nanning, with an enrolment of 35. Our youth are meeting with a real problem in the compulsory military training laws of the province. We have nine students attending the Canton Training Institute, and six at the China Training Institute at Chiaotoutseng.

It is the definite aim of our mission to start some work among the tribes people during 1935. Towards this end the Kwang sai Y. P. M. V. society have sponsored a budget of Mex. \$500, which all feel can be raised. Some contacts with the Yao tribes have already been made.

The Hospital, under the direction of Dr. Coffin and associates, has prospered, as evidenced by the report rendered by him. (Note. — See page 14 of this issue of the REPORTER for a synopsis of the Doctor's report. — Editor.)

Our forward movement is indicated on the accompanying chart, which shows the new *hsien*s to be entered during the three-year period for which we are just now planning;

also the *hsien*s already entered where we plan on holding further evangelistic efforts and on organizing churches. (Note. — Brother Anderson at this point explained a large chart on the wall, showing the entire list of ninety-eight *hsien*s in the Kwang sai Mission, and indicating both those already permanently occupied, and those it is planned to occupy during the next three years. This was a most carefully worked out plan for advance year by year, with due regard to budget limitations and the fewness of workers available for undertaking new work. A total of eleven or twelve new *hsien*s will have been entered by the close of the three years, thus bringing to pass a doubling of present *hsien* occupancy, together with a substantial strengthening of churches and companies already established. — Editor.)

May the members and workers of Kwang sai be visited anew by God's Spirit, to the end that they may have ability to accomplish the work given them to perform! The members of the Kwang sai church in Christ greet you all.

God is working out His purpose as year succeeds year:

God is working out His purpose,  
and the time is drawing near —  
Near and nearer draws the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
When Kwang sai shall be filled with  
the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea.

From Yunnan-Kwangtung border  
where'er man's foot hath trod,  
By the mouth of many messengers  
goes forth the voice of God;  
Give ear to Me, ye *hsien*s: ye vil-  
lages, hearken to Me,  
That Kwang sai may be filled with  
the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea.

What can we do to work God's  
work, to prosper and increase  
The progress of the Gospel, the  
reign of the Prince of peace?  
What can we do to hasten the time —  
the time that shall surely be  
When Kwang sai shall be filled with  
the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea?

March ye forth in the strength of  
God, with the banner of Christ  
held high,  
That the light of the glorious Gos-  
pel of truth may shine through-  
out Kwang sai,  
Fight ye the fight with sorrow and  
sin, to set their captives free,  
That Kwang sai may be filled with  
the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea!

All we can do is nothing worth, till  
God shall bless the deed;  
Vainly we hope for the harvest, till  
God gives life to the seed;  
Yet near and nearer draws the  
time, the time that shall surely  
be,  
When Kwang sai shall be filled with  
the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea.

J. P. A.

(With apologies to A. C. Ainger)

### The South Fukien Mission of S. D. A. — 1931-1934

B. L. ANDERSON

(Synopsis of report rendered by Pastor B. L. Anderson, director of the South Fukien Mission, Canton, Jan. 29 1935)

TO THE DELEGATES OF SOUTH  
CHINA UNION MISSION IN CON-  
FERENCE ASSEMBLED:

Greetings!

AS WE look back over the past four years and review the endeavors put forth, experiences had, and attainments reached, in preaching the imminence of the Kingdom, we thank God and take courage. In spite of opposition from seen and unseen enemies, permanent progress has been made in practically all lines of our work.

Two invasions of armies opposed to Christianity and to all other forms of religion, have left their withering blight in many districts. The church at To-Kang, the first interior chapel opened in Fukien Province, suffered severe persecution four years ago, which resulted in the closing of the chapel for months, and much loss to the members. And now once more this chapel is again plundered by bandits. Three of the church members were carried off to the mountains about two months ago. After a fortnight in loathsome confinement, one of the three, a young man, at midnight observed that the sentinel was asleep; and so our brother, bowing in silent prayer for a moment, fled into the darkness, and finally made his way out of the mountain fastness and reached home — but only to stay for a night, fearing revenge. The other two brethren are still lying bound in the mountains, waiting till a ransom of six hundred dollars is paid.

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During the four-year period we have sustained the loss of five experienced workers. Dr. Lee Sek Eng, right in the midst of his evangelical and medical labors at Chiang-Chow, was stricken down and died suddenly, in September of 1933, leaving a widow and nine young children. In August of 1934 Keh Siau Cheng, the evangelist in charge of two stations, Hai-Teng and Chioh-Be, passed away after a severe illness of less than two days, leaving a widow with seven children. Our efficient field secretary, E. H. Ngo, was transferred to work in the Union. Evangelist Tan Nai Se was transferred to do evangelistic work for the Chinese in the Philippine Union. Brother S. T. Hwang, formerly the principal of the Bee Hwa Training Institute, was called to teach in the science department of the China Training Institute. The loss of these workers has left us very short-handed, and virtually crippled. We are taking some consolation in the hope that among those now in training will be developed some efficient men for us, and that the fifteen young men and women now studying in the China Training Institute will soon be ready for service.

Of our younger children desirous of securing a Christian training, we now have under our care 250, with prospects of further increases.

Due to the untiring efforts of our publishing secretary and his company of devoted colporteurs, the literature sales have been steadily increased, both in the distribution of books and in the securing of subscriptions for the *Signs* magazine. For the past year the total sales amounted to \$7,403.07 Mex.; and for the four years the total value of literature sold is \$28,007.25. The *Signs* subscription list at the close of the year 1934 stood at 3,193 — the highest in our history.

It is our steady aim to give careful attention to evangelism. God has in a special way blessed in the many evangelistic efforts held. The baptisms for the quadrennial period total 171, and of these 108 were received into church fellowship during the past two years. We now have fifteen stations, including eight organized churches, with a membership, according to the latest report, of 422. We have now permanently entered eleven of the thirty *hsiens* in the

South Fukien Mission. Two new *hsiens* were entered during the past year. Suitable chapel buildings with provision for classrooms for the children and living quarters for the workers, are provided in the more important places where we have organized churches. The last place to be provided such quarters is the church in the city of Amoy. Our next move in providing a place of worship will be in the city of Chang-Chow, where we are still paying out considerable money as rental for quarters that are not suitable for our purpose.

We believe that the command of our Lord, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations," is more urgent now than ever before. We are therefore under orders, and are facing the future with courage, knowing that the promise is sure, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

### Departmental Conventions prior to the Canton Conference

IN harmony with carefully laid plans, the officers and departmental leaders of the South China Union Mission held a three-day departmental convention on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, — January 23 to 25, 1935, — just prior to the opening of the biennial session of the union. The departments having representation in this convention were the publishing, educational, Sabbath school, home missionary, home commission, ministerial, young people's. The physicians from outside Canton were unable to leave their hospitals long enough to join with us; the treasurers, also, were occupied with business connected with the closing of the year's records, and thus were unable to participate to any extent. Indirectly, however, both these lines of service were represented and recognized at various times; for the strengthening of any one department naturally depends on the strengthening of all.

A spirit of unity and of mutual co-operation characterized the convention from the first hour. Again

and again the interrelationships existing in all our denominational endeavors, were stressed. Surely we are of one mind and one heart, else the successful conduct of a convention of so many lines, to the building up of all, could not have been so happily successful throughout.

Pastor O. A. Hall, as superintendent of the South China Union, introduced at the beginning a motto; namely, "FINISHING THE WORK," as expressing the chief aim of all branches of our organized movement. In South China our aim is to complete the work of warning all South China; in other sections the aim is a like one; and soon throughout the world this aim will have been attained; for it has been decreed that in this closing generation "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

Reports of some of the good things set before the delegates from the three provinces of Fukien, Kwangtung, and Kwangsi, have been promised by participants in the presentation of papers and in discussions that followed. But little time could be spared for general discussion, as only three hours could be allowed any one department. Time was given, however, to a study of the blessings that come through spiritualization of our departmental work and through adaptation to meet varying circumstances and needs. The harmonious development of the entire body of believers — the Lord's church here upon the earth — comes in proportion as we follow the Divine pattern, and press together while recognizing in the Lord Jesus our great Leader.

The services during the first evening of the convention, were led by the union superintendent; and in the symposium conducted by him during this hour, all the directors of the six missions of the South China Union took part. The second evening was given to a study of the spiritual phases of our departmental work; the division secretary introducing the study, and all the division department leaders adding their testimony in favor of closest spiritual understanding and fullest co-operation. During this hour the medical department was represented by the superintendent of the Canton sanitarium. The services on the third

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evening were led by the division secretary, in further study of benefits gained by the provincial missions and by the union through a fostering of all interests of the church by means of departmental activity on a co-operative basis; thus making sure of a church "established in the present truth," and which might be likened to a group of disciples of our Lord who as beneficiaries of all gifts of the Spirit, "all come in the unity of the faith, and of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: that we henceforth be no more children, . . . but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the Head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love."

Brother O. A. Hall and his associates have done excellently well in their support of and blending together of all departmental branches of our cause in the South China Union Mission; and the benefits so apparent from the convention just held, are in no small measure the result of the balanced program that has been followed in this field through a series of years and in a number of smaller like conventions held in provinces and in district and church gatherings.

In attendance were practically all the delegates that had been brought in to represent their respective constituencies and institutional organization constituting the South China Union Mission. May heaven's blessing continue with the churches and companies, as the principles set forth in the convention are spread abroad in every station and outstation throughout the South.

c.

"Tungshan," Canton  
January 25.

### Home Missionary Dept.— South China—1933-34

L. C. WILCOX

(Note.—The report of the South China Union Home Missionary Secretary, Pastor L. C. Wilcox, as rendered during the biennial session, Canton, in January, 1935, dealt in considerable part with plans for a strong development in lines of personal service during the years 1935-36. Of the labors of laymen during the past two years, only a few words can be given in this synopsis.—Editor.)

WHATEVER success has come to our Home Missionary Department the past two years, has resulted from God's blessings upon the earnest efforts of our lay members, local missionary secretaries, and other local mission workers. We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to our fellow workers and church members for their faithful co-operation. Though we have passed through two years of financial distress, our reports show that our "Big Week" and Harvest Ingathering campaigns have made slight gains in 1933 and have been holding up well during 1934—a result possible only because of earnest work, with full dependence on the Lord Jesus. One encouraging feature is the increasingly large number of churches and church members taking active part in these campaigns. It is being demonstrated that our churches can do well in such efforts when organized and led. Very gratifying indeed are the results that have come from such efforts in Swatow, Canton, Toishan, and other places where lay members have succeeded in attaining goals.

That our church members have a spirit to labor, and are willing to go forth when taught how, is evidenced by our reports of net totals from time to time,—thousands of Bible readings, missionary visits, tracts, distributed, etc., etc. The results of such missionary service can never be summed up with accuracy; eternity alone will reveal the lasting good brought about.

But even intense missionary activity, of whatsoever nature, cannot be highly effective in soul-winning, unless the personal life exemplify the character and spirit of the Nazarene. As expressed in the writings of the Spirit of prophecy, "What the world needs to-day is the light of Christ's example reflected from the lives of Christlike men and women."

With lives fully dedicated to the

purpose of finishing the work of God in our part of the world field, and our hearts on fire with the love of Christ, let us strive to make the coming year one of earnest soul-winning effort!

### Nanning S. D. A. Hospital

DR. DAY D. COFFIN

(Synopsis of report rendered for the years 1933 and 1934, during the January, 1935, biennial session of the South China Union Mission)

TWO more years have passed very speedily; and as we consider them, we have much for which to be thankful. Kwangsai has not been seriously involved in warfare during this time; the Government has been quite stable; and nothing has occurred to interrupt our work. The people of this section are feeling the economic depression this year much more than they felt it last year, but our patronage has not been seriously reduced.

Our capacity for patients remains the same since the completion of the new addition early last year. There are 19 private rooms and 4 small wards, accommodating in all 39 patients. The laboratory which was established last year has become a help in diagnosis and has developed some earning capacity as well.

No particular changes have occurred in our staff, excepting that Miss Ada Woo left us to become the wife of Dr. Herbert Liu. We were quite handicapped for several months, until Miss Shiu arrived to take her place as head-nurse. Miss Shiu has carried on ably, and we are grateful to the Shanghai Sanitarium staff for her assignment to us. In our staff there are now 27, exclusive of Mrs. Coffin and myself. These are:

Miss Shiu, superintendent of nurses  
Miss Annie Lo, pharmacist and preceptor  
Mr. Chiu Chung Man, laboratory technician  
Four graduate nurses  
Four senior nurses in training  
Four junior nurses in training  
Four students working while waiting for classes to open  
Hospital laundress  
Nurses' laundress  
Janitress  
Three male helpers (coolies, janitors, etc.)  
Cook and two helpers

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Mrs. Coffin serves efficiently as treasurer, bookkeeper, and matron.

We are fortunate in having an exceedingly fine class of young people on our staff. With very few exceptions, they are earnest and energetic and have fine altruistic ideals.

While some progress has been made, we are not satisfied with the work of these two years. An attempt is being made to keep much more complete and scientific records of the patients, and to improve the service given them.

Although the spiritual atmosphere of the institution has been good, we have not been as active as might be desired. One male and one female graduate nurse have given either all or part time to evangelistic work, both in the hospital and in connection with the two evangelistic efforts held in Nanning this year. All the hospital workers seem to have a keen interest in the work of the mission.

Our needs are real. We must have more laboratory equipment. We have no incubator, nor proper centrifuge. We have no equipment whatsoever for electro- or physiotherapy. If we have good success in maintaining our patronage, it may be possible for us to add a few of these items during the coming biennial period. We need to be more

in earnest concerning the opportunities given us for spreading a knowledge of present truth. We need to be sedulous in seeking for spiritual as well as material and scientific improvement. Our greatest desire is that through our united efforts the institution may accomplish the work which the Great Physician intends it should.

### Colportage in South China: 1931-34

C. E. WIMER and E. H. NGO

(A very brief summary of some of the leading items mentioned in the good report rendered by the publishing department of the South China Union Mission during the recent Canton biennial session, is all that can be published at this time. The brethren were cheered as they listened to this report, replete with incidents illustrating the guiding hand of Providence. - c.)

NOTWITHSTANDING adverse financial situations prevailing throughout the period under review, and also losses in personnel that have been keenly felt by those in the South China field, the net results of the labors of our bookmen in this union have been encouraging, the past two years showing in the aggregate even more literature sales than during 1931-32. The year 1934

was not as productive of returns, but this came about in part because of the assignment of several of our good colporteurs to other lines of endeavor, thus automatically decreasing the sales totals. Prospects are good for replacements, and coming days will surely bring increases in sales.

The students of the school have been earning some scholarships, last year twelve students in the Cantonese Mission alone having attained this happy end of their literature ministry.

Institutes have at times brought up the total number engaged in taking orders, and plans have been laid for further institutes shortly.

During the past biennial period the South Fukien Mission has made notable advances, partially through bringing into their force of bookmen several women whose sales from shop to shop have been unusually good. The *Signs* subscription list has been brought to the highest point ever reached in South Fukien; and in that field several students last summer earned scholarships.

Many stories of fidelity might be narrated. Our bookmen have braved hardships innumerable, and again and again have been delivered from situations seemingly hopeless.

By biennial periods, the total denominational literature sales throughout the three provinces stand as follows:

1923-24, Mex.	\$45,058.57
1925-26,	57,274.10
1927-28,	59,546.14
1929-30,	91,290.18
1931-32,	72,482.74
1933-34,	78,097.86

We thank the Lord for these increases, and pray for His continued blessing on the literature ministry.

### From the Fengtien Mission, Manchuria

THROUGH Brother John M Chen, secretary-treasurer of the Fengtien Mission, Mukden, we learn that an excellent colporteur institute has recently been held in Mukden and twelve are going out to canvass for *Signs* subscriptions. Four others are to sell books. Especial attention will be paid this year to work in country districts and the largest sales of any year are anticipated.

Of late an evangelistic effort has been held in Mukden with the local chapel filled night after night. c.

#### Comparative Report - Six Yrs.

##### Nanning Hospital

	1929-30	1931-32	1933-34
Out-patient Dept.,			
Different persons registered,	6,155	8,276	10,668
Out-patient Dept.,			
Returns,	11,247	5,574	10,605
Total out-patient visits,	17,402	13,850	21,273
Average out-patient census (daily) 29		23	35.5
Different persons occupying			
Hospital beds,	761	1,185	1,658
Total No. of days above patients stayed in Hospital,	7,580	9,179	16,610
Average daily census of			
Hospital patients,	10.4	12.5	22.75
Obstetrical cases delivered,	78	99	275
Charity work,	No record	No record	For Yr. 1933, \$3,950.00
Hydrotherapy,	No record	No record	For Yr. 1934, cases 12,399

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### The Nanning Effort

REPORTING while in the closing days of the recent Nanning effort, Pastor V. M. Hansen of the Kwang sai Mission writes:

"We have had a record attendance from start to finish. It has been very encouraging to have the chapel filled from night to night. We have now organized Bible classes for thirty who desire to study with us on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights. Our preaching services are conducted on Sunday and Thursday nights. Our Sabbath attendance is fair, but not so large as we should like to have it. We are glad, however, to see several coming regularly to meetings on the Sabbath, and to see others as a result of further study making decisions to cast in their lot with us more fully and to keep wholly the Lord's appointed day of rest. Some who have been in the valley of decision have purchased Bibles, which is an indication that they are really desirous of searching further into spiritual truths."

### The Educational Work in South China — 1931-1934

L. C. WILCOX

(Brief synopsis of a report rendered by Professor L. C. Wilcox, educational secretary of the South China Union, at the Canton biennial session, January, 1935. Only a few of the items set forth in this excellent survey of results and of needs, can be included in this synopsis.—c.)

OUR chart tells us we have thirty-eight educational training centers in our union, including three Training Institutes of intermediate grade, and furthermore that we have one hundred and three churches and companies. These figures indicate that hundreds of our Seventh-day Adventist children are being deprived of some of the precious privileges and blessings that should be theirs through proper training under favorable influences. That the loss of such privileges means loss to the church, is a fact too well proven by experience to call for comment. The problem of how best to save our children for the cause of God and the kingdom of Heaven, challenges our best thought. The pledge-and-tuition plan, together with partial subsidies from Budget appropriations, bring to us some returns; but

these methods of financing the proper training of our youth, must some day be supplemented with yet other methods, before we meet in any adequate manner the grave responsibility devolving. Any amount of study and experimentation along such a line, will surely be repaid many fold.

In our plannings we have also sensed a special need, again and again, for qualified and consecrated teachers beyond those already available; we are looking in eager expectancy to our Training Institutes to help us solve this problem.

Our three junior Training Institutes are doing good work, but in these the combined number totals only 145, as compared with upwards of 1,000 in the lower primary institutions. But the ratio of attendance at higher institutions, is gradually increasing; and there has been gratifying advancement, also, in the qualifications of our teachers for their work. The 1934 summer institute at Chiaotoutseng was of special benefit in this connection.

In the realm of vocational training, advancement is noted at Fochow, under the leadership of Sister Maloney and others; at Amoy, as encouraged by Brother and Sister B. L. Anderson and others; at Canton, as fostered in the past by Professor Parker and more latterly by Brother Annofsky. The plant at Canton has been strengthened very materially through the completion of the food factory and the installation of machinery for the teaching of health food manufacture and kindred arts. But these beginnings, though substantial, must be supplemented and added to, not only in the centers named, but at Swatow, Nanning, Waichow, and elsewhere. A great program is before us, calling for the construction of industrial units, the securing and installation of additional equipment chiefly along instructional lines combined with that which will bring financial returns to the students as well as to the institutions; and all this will call for the closest supervision, and for our loyal and sacrificial support by our influence and by our gifts.

In closing, may we express gratitude to God for the loyalty to true principles revealed by our faculties, by our splendid student-bodies, and by parents and friends. We face great and difficult problems; but we believe that our youth of to-day, rightly trained, will measure up to God's program for them for the finishing of His work.

### A Benediction of Prosperity

J. H. MCEACHERN

THE strongest words within the covers of the Bible are those used by John to express God's benediction of prosperity upon His people.

"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper." 3 John 1:2.

It is the privilege of every Christian salesman in our ranks to claim this text personally every new morning. The colporteur needs prosperity; and there is power in this word from God to insure him success if he will but comply with the laws that govern prosperity.

The first requisite for success is a vision of possibilities. "Where there is no vision, the people perish." *Prov. 29:18*. The colporteur should visualize a certain average number of orders written into his prospectus every day and then go out and hand his pen to a sufficient number of prospective customers to make his vision become a reality.

Next in importance is prayer augmented by faith that claims the promises of God. "Prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence." *"Steps to Christ," page 99*.

Then comes diligence. "He becometh poor that dealth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich." *Prov. 10:4*.

Thoroughness in working territory. "He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread." *Prov. 28:19*.

Faithfulness in tithe paying. "Bring ye all the tithes," and I will "open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing." *Mal. 3:10*.

Our heavenly Father's most ardent wish is that we may prosper. "And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them." *Deut. 28:13*.

## Four Years of Progress—South China Union—Gains in Many Departments

### The South China Union Sabbath School Dept. 1931 — 1934

MRS. O. A. HALL

THE very first Sabbath school report in the China field was made from the territory now embraced in the South China Union. Brother La Rue, who came to Hongkong in 1888, faithfully filled out his Home Division envelope record and sent it in regularly to the General Conference Sabbath School Department.

The first Sabbath school in China was organized in the city in which we now meet, in 1902. And Pastor J. P. Anderson prepared and mimeographed the first lessons in 1907.

Year by year the work has grown until in South China alone, at the end of 1934, there were one hundred and eleven Sabbath schools, with a membership of 4,059.

The chart before us will show the number of Sabbath schools and the membership for the past ten years. (Note.— This chart, as exhibited, revealed many encouraging items.— EDITOR.)

The number of Sabbath schools and the membership has not increased as rapidly as we wish it might have been increased, and we shall all earnestly work and pray that many more lights may be lighted in the still unentered portions of our field.

Wherever a Sabbath school is conducted, however small, it sheds forth a light, and through its influence souls are led to an acceptance of the truth, and into the fellowship of the church.

The membership of the Sabbath schools in our union is 135% of the church membership.

The division goal is 150%, and it is an excellent goal. Nothing gives greater promise of a good increase in church membership, than to see a large number of inquirers attending our Sabbath schools. This is a recruiting ground of the church. Shall we not in every mission strive as never before to bring new members into our Sabbath schools, and thus through the work of this department help in substantially increasing the memberships of our churches?

#### OFFERINGS

How eagerly have we watched for the reports each quarter which

showed how we were progressing on our offerings goals! The goals as set by the various missions totaled \$8,000, which was set as the goal for the union for 1934. The records for the year closed leaving our tower (the South China Union goals device) unfinished. \$391.40 was needed to complete the work of building; our total offerings for the year amounted to \$7,608.60. We are glad that the Cantonese mission went over its goal and has a good surplus. The Swatow mission made a noble effort and nearly completed their tower, lacking but \$50.46 of reaching their goal. If the first months of the year could have shown as good a record as the last, every block in the tower would now be red.

The next mission in the list was Hakka, which lacked but \$86.08 of making its goal. North Fukien and South Fukien stood about the same, lacking \$208.75 and \$214.39 respectively of reaching their goals; and the Kwangsi mission lacks a little of making up their goal.

We have all tried, and though some have failed in doing all they had hoped to do, we should not be discouraged. With a new year before us, "Let us arise and build," and with a determination such as Nehemiah had, set ourselves to the reaching of our goals, and the speedy finishing of the work.

The offerings for the past four years were as follows:

1931	\$7,554.61
1932	8,566.75
1933	7,700.11
1934	7,608.60

This makes a loss in 1934 over 1933 of \$91.51. When the financial conditions and fluctuation in exchange are taken into consideration, our losses are not as real as the figures show.

We are glad to see the interest taken in the Birthday Offerings. A total of \$1,537.48 has been given in the past four years.

While the Investment Offerings during the past four years have shown a very good increase over the previous period, there has, however, been a decrease in the amount received during the past year, the Investment Offerings received in the four-year period being as follows:

1931	\$312.16
1932	662.48
1933	518.99
1934	422.60

May this year bring to each member of the Sabbath school of South China a large measure of the Spirit of God, so that when a few more years shall have gone by, and Jesus comes again, we may enter the Sabbath school in heaven, where Jesus Himself will be our Great Teacher.

### Fu Ting Meetings

V. J. MALONEY

DURING the month of October, 1934, some good meetings were held at Fu-Ting and Seng Gie, North Fukien. There has been a good interest, which continues to grow. At the close of these meetings eighteen were baptized. Word has just come from another village near Seng Gie that a new interest has developed, and upon the conversion of seven or more of the villagers many more at that place have been moved to study the Bible. Those who were converted showed a great change in their lives. They had been men of evil habits, gamblers, etc., and now, having left off these habits, they live new lives and are attending church and reading their Bibles.

### Safe Into Lanchow

THOSE who have made the trip across the long road from Sianfu to Lanchow know how happy one is when actually getting through to the destination safely. This has been evidenced anew in a communication recently received from Pastor George J. Appel. To quote:

"We arrived here yesterday, after spending a little over four days on the road from Sianfu. It was very cold, especially over Hua-chia-lin, where we drove through a snow-storm. Our goods also have arrived, so we are here "bag and baggage." We especially praise the Lord for His protecting care on the road. Several cars have been robbed lately, but we came through safely. Pastor L. H. Davies and family, who accompanied us, are setting up house-keeping for the present in temporary quarters at the hospital; and Mrs Appel and I are living with Brother and Sister Shigley. Brother Shigley's health has been restored, and he hopes to journey on soon to the station soon to be opened far to the west of Lanchow, when the way opens for him to accompany Brother Dahlsten to their appointed field."

## Prayer for Reapers

I. H. EVANS

"Then saith He unto His disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." Matt. 9:37, 38.

Lord God of Hosts! Open Thy people's eyes  
That they may see earth's whitened harvest field  
Widespread. May note the precious grain that lies  
Unreaped. Open! that they may see the promised  
yield

Perish because no sickles touch the grain,  
Making Thy Son's great sacrifice in vain.

Lord God of Hosts! Quicken Thy people's hearts!  
Cause them to feel what pain, what grief, is Thine  
While wasted lie these heathen lands, vast parts  
Of Thy domain, untouched by Love divine.

Help them to share Thy bitter grief,  
And move them, Lord, to send relief.

Lord God of Hosts! Open Thy people's purse,  
That they may give—not less but more and more!  
O, may they never taste the bitter curse

Of Meroz! Help them their treasures all to pour  
Into this saving work of grace,  
Thy coming hastening on apace.

Lord God of Hosts! Call forth our young and strong  
Into Thy harvest field where die the lost  
In sin's black night of fear and hate and wrong.

Lord! call them forth to toil at any cost  
To self in gain and home and life;  
Baptize them for earth's final strife.

Lord God of Hosts! Open Thy church's door!  
Send forth Thy flock, north, south, and east and west,  
To reap the ripened fields! Upon them pour

Thy Pentecostal power for toil, not rest.  
That ransomed multitudes may stand  
With those who reaped, at Thy right hand.

## Changes of Address

Pastor and Mrs. Geo. J. Appel,  
and Pastor and Mrs. L. H. Davies,  
formerly of North China, may here-  
after be addressed % S. D. A. Mission,  
Lanchow (Kaolan), Kansu, China,

Pastor and Mrs. J. Harold Shultz,  
on furlough, % Pastor J. E. Shultz,  
South Lancaster, Massachusetts.  
U. S. A.

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## Ciong Hu Bang Meeting

V. J. MALONEY

FROM Nov. 23 to Dec. 1, 1934, a revival and evangelistic meeting was held at the Ciong Hu Bang chapel (North Fukien). The keynote was firmness in the truth, and turning from three phases of sin,—lusts of the flesh (1 John 2:15-16); association and contact with the people of the world (Rom. 12 and 13); and false doctrines and beliefs. Emphasis was laid on knowing the difference between the doctrine of men and devils, and God's truth, and the importance of pressing forward together. An excellent spirit prevailed throughout. Many confessions of sin were made, and many prayers ascended to God for victory over every evil and for the conversion of friends and loved ones. At the close of the meeting ten were baptized. There was an excellent attendance at both the day and the night meetings.

## Dates of Union Biennial Sessions and of Spring Council Meeting — 1935

CHINA TRAINING INSTITUTE, <i>Chiaotoutseng</i> :	
Constituency meeting, . . . . .	March 14—17
SHANGHAI SANITARIUM, <i>Rubicon Rd.</i> :	
Constituency meeting, . . . . .	March 13
SIGNS PRESS, <i>315 Ningkuo Rd., Shanghai</i> :	
Constituency meeting, . . . . .	March 13
FAR EASTERN ACADEMY, . . . . .	March 13
SPRING COUNCIL, CHINA DIVISION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, <i>525 Ningkuo Rd., Shanghai</i> ,	March 18—25
CENTRAL CHINA UNION ( <i>possibly Hankow</i> ):	
Biennial session, . . . . .	March 29-April 6
NORTH CHINA UNION, <i>Fengtai, Hopei</i> :	
Union biennial session, . . . . .	April 9—15
MANCHURIAN UNION, <i>Mukden</i> :	
Biennial session, . . . . .	April 17—24
WEST CHINA UNION, <i>Chungking, Szechwan</i> :	
Union biennial session, . . . . .	May 10—28

Note.—This statistical table is for the Fourth Quarter only, and should not be confused with the complete annual statistical tables covering the entire year 1934 appearing in the next issue-c.  
**STATISTICAL REPORT of the CHINA DIVISION MISSION, Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1934**

中華總會一九三四年第四季統計表

以美洋為本位

All values in U.S. Gold on the basis of 24 for 1.

1 Number of Missions 教會數	2 NAME OF MISSION 會名	3 Number of Mission 幹事 十	4 Number of Mission 幹事 十	5 Number of Mission 幹事 十	6 Baptized Member. 受洗者 十	7 Baptized Member. 受洗者 十	8 Ordained Ministers 牧師		9 Licensed Ministers 傳道士		10 Licensed Missionaries 傳道士		11 Bible Women (not including column 10) 女傳道士		12 Book and Periodical 派書員		13 Other Workers (not including 12) 工人		14 Total Evangelistic 傳福音的工人 總數		15 Medical Workers (including those licensed) 醫士		
							Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西	Native 中	Foreign 西
1	Div. Office & Div. Inst.							14	3	1	3	50	18		1	1	205	13	7	15	11		
2	Central China	5	79	27	2076	29	5	14	5	15	15	42	3	11	33	54	15	119	3	6			
3	East China	7	170	91	3797	124	7	12	2	16	9	99	2	31	21	25	13	186					
4	Manchuria	6	39	23	1336	28	3	3	4	10	11	23	1	8	1	22	1	11	67	6	19		
5	North China	7	35	15	1630	172	7	5	2	7	10	34	8	1	45	9	14	102	3	21			
6	* Northwest China	6	20	14	661	85	4	2	1	1	7	19	8		5	3	8	29	4	10			
7	South China	7	97	49	3209	84	11	16	4	27	20	70	1	23	1	28	25	13	158	6	66		
8	* West China	7	66	23	1837	205	5	6	4	15	11	39	9		23	4	9	72	3	1			
9																							
10																							
11																							
12	TOTALS	45	506	242	14546	727	56	61	23	94	133	344	7	98	4	178	326	96	740	40	134		
16	Total Laborers 工人總數	17 Foreign 西		17 Native 中		17 Total 總數		18 Total Offerings 奉獻 總數		19 Total Contributions 奉獻 總數		20 Total Receipts for 奉獻 總數		21 Total Contributions 奉獻 總數		22 Number of 奉獻 總數		23 Number of 奉獻 總數					
1	65	242	3116.78			3116.78																	
2	25	196	821.06	893.60		1714.55	574.27		2.40		14092.39		161.03		90	3275							
3	18	215	828.87	1711.18		2540.06	94.26		810.38		3905.28		229.40		237	7045							
4	18	115	461.76	1001.73		1463.49	313.45		131.72		2031.51		216.98		48	1860							
5	19	145	525.57	719.71		1245.28	1051.96		22.29		3052.04		32.77		58	1693							
6	12	62	410.55	739.27		1149.82	317.26		35.69		1047.24				82	722							
7	35	271	1042.44	2103.01		3145.45	219.67		119.36		3209.10		16.15		111	4059							
8	20	104	496.98	835.98		1332.96	529.14		46.07		2141.33		9.48		92	1808							
9																							
10																							
11																							
12	212	1350	7704.00	8004.38		15708.38	3100.01		1167.91		29478.89		655.81		668	20462							
24	Average 平均	26 S. S. Offerings to For Fiscal Year Sabbaths		27 Total Church Offerings		28 Total S. S. Offerings for Quarter		29 Amount of Time Spent Outside China		30 Total Value of Goods and Perishables (All Literature)		31 Number of Church Members		32 Estimated Value of Goods		33 Apprentice Sabbath Camps		34 Number of Church Members		35 Enrollment of Church Schools		36 Total Number Printed	
1	3112	367.34	65.05	432.39	199.00	2612.78	40	50672.80	5200	27	590	35											
2	6228	1203.13	153.81	1356.94	275.23	416.97	42	54260.00	5450	36	1128	42											
3	1527	291.84	59.57	351.41		1611.87	20	18440.00	2370	13	543	21											
4	1685	326.97	31.95	358.92	152.06	4389.84	11	10800.00	900	17	318	20											
5	846	168.28	24.47	192.75	175.34	232.76	7	4880.00	800	18	350	20											
6	3661	733.16	148.49	881.65	56.66	1975.19	29	19601.31	5350	34	1120	43											
7	1851	429.93	71.09	501.02	429.49	1164.32	22	18600.00	2680	17	392	22											
8																							
9																							
10																							
11																							
12	18910	3520.65	564.45	4075.08	1287.78	12403.73	171	177254.11	22750	165	4529	207											
37	Number of Teaching Staff	43 Men Women		44 Number of Teachers Men Women		45 Total Number of Teachers		46 Estimated Value of Schools and Equipment		47 Expenses of Missions		48 Number of Yang People's Missions		49 Missions		50 Y. P. S. Missions		51 Y. P. S. Missions		52 Y. P. S. Missions			
1	3	432	4	818	1340	10	15	28	1	54	26000.00	7000.00											
2	4	151			741	2	4	38	16	60	16443.20		33	901									
3	3	120			1246	1	39	15	55	9400.00	546.17	49	2035	.78							.93		
4	2	46			589			24	6	30	5048.40	1409.27	16	625							2.00		
5	2	56			374	1	19	11	31	16060.00	373.95	25	539								3.36		
6	1	27			377			21	4	25	3220.00		13	265									
7	5	146			1266	2	4	46	15	67	11800.00	1490.62	36	1357							36.18	6.90	
8	1	36			428	1		12	10	23	17560.00	1091.45	16	316									
9																							
10																							
11																							
12	21	1014	4	818	6361	16	24	227	78	345	105531.60	11911.46	188	6038	.78						36.18	13.19	

\* As adjusted after receiving more full statistical data following the publication of the third quarter's report.

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### In Attendance at the South China Union Session

THE China Division officers and departmental leaders, with the exception of Pastor Frederick Lee, have had the privilege of uniting with delegates from union, provincial, and institutional organizations of the South China Union Mission, in a departmental convention and in the biennial session held in "Tungshan," Canton, January 23 to February 2, 1935. Pastor and Mrs. J. L. McElhany, of the Home Board, were with us from the evening of January 25—the opening hour of the conference proper. Throughout, the blessing of the Lord was vouchsafed.

It has been long since the brethren and sisters of these parts have had opportunity to get together; for while the session has been termed a "biennial" one, in reality it is the first held for nearly four years. Reports, therefore, while covering the past biennial period in detail, extended back also over the second two-year period ensuing since last we met in like capacity. In other columns summaries of the reports and of the proceedings are given, though necessarily in an abbreviated form. As our cause enlarges in every section, and organizations multiply, it becomes more and still more necessary to beg the privilege of publishing synopses rather than full accounts of good papers presented at our union biennial sessions. Long will be cherished the sweet spirit of Christian fellowship pervading this session of the oldest of our China Division organizations. May the biennial period of 1935-36 upon which we have already entered, be the very best ever enjoyed by our dear brethren and sisters of the South China Union!

Canton, February 2.

The Division Executive Committee have placed under appointment, to serve as superintendent of the South China Union Mission, Pastor A. L. Ham; and they have further appointed Brother P. L. Williams as secretary-treasurer of the South China Union Mission. These brethren should be addressed at P. O. Box 310, Hongkong, China; their residence will be at No. 40, Stubbs Road, Hongkong.

Brother W. E. Eberhardt has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the East China Union Mission, with headquarters at No. 1207 Yuyuen Road, Shanghai, China. The former incumbent, Brother C. S. Sissons, has resigned, being desirous of returning early with his family to the States; and in response to his urgent request for release, his resignation has been accepted; appreciation having been expressed by the China Division Executive Committee for his services during the years he has spent in the South and East China Unions. Brother and Sister Eberhardt and children have already reached Shanghai and have taken over their responsibilities in the East China Union, Brother Sissons and family having sailed for San Francisco on February 17 per s. s. "President Pierce."

### The Anhwei Mission

FROM Nanking, under date of November 11, 1934, Pastor B. Petersen writes:

"Here in Anhwei we still have the bandits with us, and many other visitations. The people are suffering, but we have been able to carry on our work, and the Lord has blessed the efforts put forth. A goodly number have been baptized, and several new stations have been opened. I am sure that we shall be able to reach our goal of 150 souls. We have passed the 100 mark, but I have not heard just how many Pastor Wu has baptized. We were so taken up with our Harvest Ingathering that I lost two opportunities to baptize this year. In yet another place we were asked to baptize a large number, but did not feel that the time had come; later these will have developed in spiritual experience and can receive the rite of baptism; so I expect we shall have a goodly increase in membership again next year.

We have just about doubled our Harvest Ingathering this year over the year 1933.

"To-morrow morning I take my violin and other evangelistic material and start off for Ningkwofu to conduct a series of meetings. I shall probably be back in Nanking about the last of the month. This Ningkwofu station is the eighth place we have opened up this year. I have urged Pastor Wu to get into Hwoku this year as we have been promised a house in that place if we will come and start the work there. If he succeeds in getting there, it will be the ninth station opened this year. By carefully managing our finances, we have been able to make some progress, and we are coming out nicely at the end of the year without any deficits; but this result has been attained only through making many sacrifices and in making sure of keeping expenditures at the lowest possible minimum consistent with making advancement into new territory."

### The Canton Sanitarium

VISITORS to our "Tungshan" compound, in the suburbs of Canton, are overheard commenting favorably on the general appearance of the Canton Sanitarium-Hospital building, now nearing completion insofar as externals are concerned. The interior finish may require some months more, but all will doubtless be completed by the time the last of the funds being subscribed by friends will have been paid in. Funds have also been received for a considerable portion of the furnishings, although much will be needed later on to perfect the equipment. A financial "drive" to close up, as nearly as may prove practicable, the solicitation campaign, was begun during the closing days of the biennial session, and has been in progress since, with the hope of closing it during the latter part of February. It is a source of satisfaction to know that so many encouragements have attended the faithful efforts of the solicitors, including many long weeks of ingathering on the part of Pastor E. L. Longway, and of others, loaned by the Division to assist. Dr. Miller has been handed some substantial sums by friends in Shanghai, to add to the fund. One of the later workers to join those engaged in solicitation, is Dr. Constance J. Wen, of the Shanghai Sanitarium. These and all others in this service, unite in recognizing the help of Heaven in connection with the upbuilding of a medical institution for Canton and the South with funds secured from friends whose interest has been aroused in this enterprise to an extent not often seen even in China.

### Annual Meeting of the China Division of the General Conference Committee

THE next annual meeting of the China Division of the General Conference Committee, is appointed for March 18-25 1935, at the Division office, 526 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China. The first meeting is called for 8 A. M., Monday, March, 18. Members of the China Division of the General Conference Committee, together with the ten representatives from the seven unions and the major divisional institutions as named by the controlling committees of these respective organizations, are expected to be present in time for the opening meeting.

H. W. MILLER, *President*  
C. C. CRISLER, *Secretary*

### Annual Meeting of the Constituency and of the Board of Directors of the China Training Institute

THE annual meeting of the Constituency and of the Board of Directors for the China Training Institute will be held in Chiaotoutseng, Kiangsu, China, March 14-17, 1935; the first business session to be held on Thursday night, March 14, at 8 P. M., in the Administration Building. All members are invited to be present in order that the regular business of electing a faculty, the making of a budget, and all other items which pertain to the business of the Institute, may be transacted for the coming year.

H. W. MILLER, *President*  
B. A. LU, *Secretary*

### Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Signs of the Times Publishing House

THE annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Signs of the Times Publishing House is called for March 13, 1935, at 7 P. M., in the Division Committee Room, 526 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China. The usual reports will be rendered, and necessary business transacted.

H. W. MILLER, *Chairman*  
T. C. CHEN, *Secretary*

### Annual Constituency and Board Meeting of the Shanghai Sanitarium—Hospital and Clinic

NOTICE is hereby given of the annual constituency and board meeting of the Shanghai Sanitarium—Hospital and Clinic, called to convene at the Sanitarium Chapel, 150 Rubicon Road, Shanghai, China, at 8 A. M., March 13, 1935, at which time annual reports will be rendered and the usual business transacted.

H. W. MILLER, *Chairman*  
J. C. SHULL, *Secretary*

### Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Far Eastern Academy

THE annual meeting of the Board of Directors and Constituency for the Far Eastern Academy will be held in Shanghai on March 13, 1935, 4 P. M., in the Chapel Room of the Far Eastern Academy. All members are invited to be present in order that the regular business of electing a faculty, the making of a budget, and all other items which pertain to the business of the Academy may be transacted for the coming year.

C. C. MORRIS, *President*  
H. H. MORSE, *Secretary*