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THE WEEK OF PRAYER

H. W. Miller, M. D.

DECEMBER 7-14 has been set, the world over, as a week for special prayer and self-examination—a call to a full and complete consecration. A feeling is settling upon many that but few more of these blessed annual prayer seasons, when all God's children come together to seek the Lord in contrition of heart and mind, will come to us before the Lord Himself shall appear in glory. With this in mind, many of those represented by the wise virgins are already shaping their affairs in respect to this greatest of all events to the human race.

Before us, who represent the church of God on earth, lies the world in a pitiful state. Who can be ignorant of the heartaches, the disappointments and the restless state of mankind to-day? We realize our fewness in number, how swiftly time flies by, how little we find time to do; but do we stop to consider that if more of the love and power of God possessed our lives, our usefulness in bringing souls to Christ might be multiplied many fold? There is need for a mighty revival among us that all sin, all criticism and faultfinding, so destructive to spiritual life, may be put away.

Let us make this Week of Prayer a time of getting together, a season of such earnest seeking of God as was experienced by the disciples in the upper chamber at Jerusalem; and we may reasonably expect like results. Indeed, we are promised even greater results; for that was foretold as the early rain and we are to see the latter rain.

Let us now begin earnest efforts to prepare for the Week of Prayer by putting away all differences and envy, and responding out of a sincere heart, as did Paul to the Spirit's call when he said, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?"

News and Miscellany

A Cheering Message from Pastor Frederick Lee

From the first letter that Pastor Frederick Lee wrote back from Angwin, California, Sept. 24, 1935, some weeks after his return to the States, Dr. Miller has kindly given us opportunity to copy out a few items of news, as follows:

"At last we have reached a place where I can relax and enter upon the program of recuperation for which I returned home. The trip across the ocean to Los Angeles was fairly pleasant, though it became very tiresome, as usual, to one who does not enjoy the sea any too well.

"I was glad when we could get away from Los Angeles. The place I wanted was away in the woods, and now it seems I have found it. We are in a very quiet yet beautiful place about fifteen minutes' walk from the college. I have been busy cleaning the place up, the first two weeks of our stay here, but have not finished yet. An old lady going by the other day remarked, as she saw me raking away at the rubbish, 'Well, it is worth a month's rent to clean this place up.'

"The college has been making some fine improvements this past summer, and the work is not yet completed. The enrollment, the largest in its history, has been brought up materially by the Students' Association, which during the summer vacation put on a big campaign for new students. Instead of making the teachers go around and look up students, the Students' Association, of which my son Milton has been serving as president, proposed to the college management that the students themselves work to find other students; and this simple plan has brought about gratifying results to all concerned.

"Well, we are glad we are here. It is surely an ideal place, and most beautiful, with the tall pines all around.

"While it was a hard pull for us in more ways than one to pick up and leave China as we did, yet I am sure it was the right move to make. I am sure that it was the best move for me. I greatly appreciate what the brethren have done in working this all out. I cannot tell just how long it may be before I can again take up real responsibilities. I shall never lose interest in the work in China, where I have spent so many years; but before I go back I do want to be sure that I can stand up under a strain of labor. I shall continue to seek for restoration, and meanwhile shall be praying for the work over there.

Harvest Ingathering Field Day, Lanchow Oct. 14, 1935

JOHN OSS

At the close of the joint meeting of the Kansu, Chinghai, and Ninghsia provincial missions, held at Lanchow, a Harvest Ingathering field-day was held in which between thirty and forty took an active part. On the last day of the session, a Harvest Ingathering Rally program was conducted. On the morning of that day, a meeting was held, when study was given to methods of

solicitation; groups and territories were announced by a committee previously appointed; and the papers and supplies were distributed. Besides the regular papers, each group was given tracts to hand out. At an early hour all were off to their territories, and during the day worked enthusiastically.

In the evening, after the day's work, an experience meeting was held, and enthusiastic reports were given. As each band reported, the total amount gathered was written on a large piece of paper and posted up. Some reported finding those interested in our special message; others had found those who were sick, and had directed them to the sanitarium for treatment; and some found those specially interested in our educational work. As the totals reported by each band were added up, the aggregate total was \$405.97. Before this field-day nearly \$1,000 had been gathered.

This field-day brought great courage to all. Each delegate returned to his home church or company determined to do more in bringing the knowledge of our work to the public, and in asking for help for its maintenance and expansion.

Oct. 24, 1935.

Practical Results — Efforts to Teach the Women How to Read

THROUGH Miss J. Holmes, one of our Bible women, we learn that in a province in the interior, as the result of opening and holding for several weeks in one of our country churches a women's class, several of the women learned to recognize nearly all the characters used in the "One Thousand Character" text-books, and since that time have been very deeply interested in promoting our church work. For two years these sisters have gone out in the Big Week campaign, and thus far have sold \$11 worth of books. One sister sold \$3 worth; another, \$2 worth; the rest sold lesser amounts, the total being \$11.

Some of the needs of these women are being met through issuance from the Signs of the Times Publishing House of literature adapted to their special limitations; the characters used are of the larger form and the matter presented is in a very simple style. Yet other material is being prepared on the stone for use in the first few lessons of these Bible classes, and thus the women are led step by step into fullness of knowledge and faith and loving service.

It is marvelous how much can be accomplished by painstaking effort in bringing to the point of literacy those who are desirous of turning from their former limited spheres of knowledge into the broad fields that are opened to them through the learning of essential characters. In two or three years' time some of these women are able to read nearly the entire New Testament Scriptures, and some of these who have enjoyed so many precious benefits through direct contact with the Holy Scriptures, are constrained to help yet others to the attainment of like knowledge. Thus the good work is multiplied many fold.

Incalculable financial benefit may accrue to our church in China through a careful seeking out of women of promise who have not yet become literate, and bringing them into classes wherein they may gain the essentials of simple yet helpful learning; for thus they are enabled to unite with others in carrying forward our cam-

paigns such as the Big Week campaign, the Harvest Ingathering campaign, and all that has to do with the promotion of Sabbath school and other church activities. Direct benefits come through the exaltation of the home-life, and the observance of health principles in the care of children and youth. Many, many benefits come out of a little painstaking care on the part of our pastors, teachers, and other spiritual leaders in bringing to our women a knowledge of letters.

1936 M. V. Reading Courses —in English

C. LESTER BOND

THE Missionary Volunteer reading courses (in English) for 1936, we believe, will take their place among the most profitable and popular of all our reading course books. These books deserve a much larger sale and circulation than our courses have had for the past few years. Nothing is more appropriate to present as a New Year's or Christmas gift than a good book, and we do not hesitate to say that the books in these courses are among the best obtainable. Promote their sale among the members of your church.

One of the most helpful and steadying influences for young life is the reading of worth-while books. Every young man and woman, every boy and girl, should be encouraged to build a personal library of the best books and should form the habit of spending some time every day with these friends.

The books of the courses this year are less expensive than those in many of the former courses, and with careful planning and saving every Seventh-day Adventist family with children or youth can provide itself with a full set. For a number of years the sale of the reading course books has lacked a considerable amount of averaging a complete set for each church. We are counting upon the leaders and other officers of our Missionary Volunteer societies to help us change this trend and give these books the circulation they ought to have.

The courses for 1936 are as follows:

SENIOR

(U. S. Currency)

- "Pilgrim's Progress," John Bunyan, \$1.00
- "Heroes of Civilization," Joseph Cottler and Haym Jaffe, \$2.00
- "Triumphs of Faith," Mrs. John Oss, \$0.60
- "Footprints to Success," C. L. Paddock, \$0.60

Entire course, \$3.60

JUNIOR

- "William Carey of India," Percy H. Jones, \$0.90
- "The Master Builders," Mary H. Wade, \$1.65
- "Wild Animal Stories," Vol. 1, North America, Neil Wayne Northey, \$1.25

Entire course, \$3.25

PRIMARY

- "Wonder Tales of the Bible," Arthur W. Spaulding, \$2.25
- "Art Stories," Book 1, William G. Whitford, Edna B. Lick, William S. Gray, \$0.68

Entire course, \$8.85

For Our Spiritual Uplift

A Sanctifying Light

"The Spirit breathes upon the Word
And brings the truth to sight;
Precepts and promises afford
A sanctifying light.

"My soul rejoices to pursue
The steps of Him I love,
Till glory breaks upon my view
In brighter worlds above."

— Cowper.

The Week of Prayer Season

MUCH can be accomplished by those conducting the meetings of the Week of Prayer, when particular attention is given to the youth who for several years have been carefully instructed in the principles of our faith but who have not yet fully determined to yield themselves to God. As we endeavor day by day to draw near to our dear youth and help them to make wise choices, we shall find them responsive; and not a few will be touched by the influences of the Holy Spirit and will yield themselves to Jesus. Through the converting power of God some who have stubbornly persisted in wrongdoing will undergo a change of heart. It is our privilege to enter upon the serious work inseparably linked with the Week of Prayer season, and to do our part in seeking to win those for whom our hearts are burdened, and bring them into church fellowship with us, through sound conversion, and baptism.

There is yet another line of endeavor that should be kept in mind, and that is to speak words of hope and encouragement to any brethren or sisters whose minds have become filled with uncertainty as to their Christian experience. Often there are those very close to us whose struggles of mind we little suspect, and who through timely encouragement could be led to triumph. Those who have given themselves anew to God and have pledged themselves to witness for Christ, will heed the voice of the Holy Spirit that bids them speak to others the word of hope and courage. Thus many a wavering heart may be cheered, and brought to realize anew Christ's love and ministry. When a sinner is helped to understand that God loves him,

the heart is subdued, and the tempted one turns from self to the Mighty Helper for forgiveness and overcoming grace.

How great is our privilege at this time, of uniting as a group of believers to witness for Christ! Let us first prepare our own hearts by confession, and, if need be, by restitution or the making right of wrongs. Then in humility let us draw near to those whom we may wish to help.

Among the children, the youth, and the tempted ones, there are some who have been carefully and fully instructed in our Sabbath schools, but who have not yielded wholly to the influences of the Spirit. If we do our part, working together with our Heavenly Father for the saving of the lost, we may see entering into our ranks, through baptism, this very year, a considerable number who without such encouragement might a little later find themselves on Satan's ground and in utter spiritual discouragement—perhaps beyond any further help on our part.

The opportunities of to-day may not come tomorrow. Let us endeavor to make the very most of the Week of Prayer season upon which we are about to enter, as appointed for December 7-14, 1935. c.

"Family Worship" Tracts

THE home missionary department have gone to much pains to get out an excellent little tract on *Family Worship*, made up of extracts from "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VII, pp. 42-44. This tract is in a simple yet dignified and pleasing style of Mandarin, and

should find its way into every home where at least some of our believers can read.

Pastor Longway prepared for the home missionary service of the first Sabbath in August, throughout the China Division, a special program on the importance of family worship; and one of the articles for that service, entitled, "The Family Altar," by Brother E. L. Longway himself, has been given in English on page 14 of the August issue of the China Division REPORTER.

We urge upon all the importance of checking up in the various centers where the home missionary services are usually held (or where they should be held), to make sure that this special program on family worship, has been observed. The *Gazette* containing the program was mailed out to the fields too late for it to reach distant centers prior to the day appointed for the service. However, this subject of a careful teaching of all our Sabbath-keepers concerning the conducting of family worship can never grow old; and it is therefore suggested and urged that where the program has not yet been had, it be arranged for, with as strong leadership as may be available. And, if possible, let all make sure of having in hand the extra leaflets, containing the extract from the Spirit of prophecy (Volume VII pp. 42-44), to hand out to every head of a household,—and to all members of the church in homes not wholly Christian, also,—in connection with the program given. Thus the advantage of a united review of benefits accruing daily to us through the maintenance of the family altar, may be realized throughout our Division field. c.

The Aftermath

While twilight shadows lengthen on your path,
And footsteps grow more cautious in the way,
Perchance in evening's kindly aftermath
You may redeem the losses of the day;
In places where wild tares and briers lay,
You may reap swaths of ripened golden grain;
And when you travel home you may convey
A precious sheaf, an evidence of gain,
Assurance that your labor was not performed in vain.

— MAY C. KUHN.

Reports from the Field

My Master

"I love, I love my Master;
I will not go out free;
For He is my Redeemer,
He paid the price for me.

"I would not leave His service,
It is so sweet and blest,
And in the weariest moments
He gives the truest rest."
— Miss F. R. Havergal.

The Institute's Pastoral Training Class and Its Work

S. H. LINDT

FIFTY-SIX students are enrolled this year in the two classes of pastoral training being conducted at the China Training Institute. Last year the class numbered thirty-two, twenty of whom are back in school this year continuing their studies. Of the last-year class eighteen came on the ministerial scholarship basis, and only two failed to come back to carry on the second year's work. The new class numbers thirty-two, the same as the class last year. Sixteen of these are receiving financial aid through the scholarship plan. Thus out of the fifty-six students in this group thirty-two are being helped financially by the mission.

While there are some objections to financing students through school, yet under certain circumstances it can be justified. China has been going through a series of calamities in the way of flood and famine that make it impossible for many of our young people to secure funds, so that unless they have help some are compelled to break off their training just at the time when it is most urgent that it be continued. The ministerial scholarship plan has been a means of aiding many to reach their aims. And setting this plan in operation has served to urge home upon the youth of our Chinese church the importance of the work of the ministry and to put it in a place of vantage.

The students in the ministerial group are leading out in the spiritual activities of the school. They are active in all group meetings and in the regular departmental activities. The second year students are doing a special work in the near-by villages

in giving weekly Bible studies in a dozen homes and villages in the surrounding country. Nearly two score people are listening with interest to the explanation of the word as it is given from week to week by these young men. In these meetings the second-year students give the Bible studies, while the first-year students assist in singing, visiting, and in other ways. In Chiaotoutseng we now have a Sabbath school organized and regularly conducted by our students,—the most thorough and systematic effort that has ever been conducted for the people of this vicinity.

The regular seminar of the pastoral training group meets each Thursday evening, and in this meeting reports are given of the work being conducted; new groups are organized to fill new calls for village Bible readings; visiting brethren are called in to give instruction as opportunity offers; and round-table discussions of mission work and problems are conducted, with capable persons chosen to lead out in the presentation of the topic.

It is sincerely hoped that the ministerial scholarship plan may be continued till a few groups have been graduated and sent into the field. Then as these take up their duties and work shoulder to shoulder with those who have been trained in other ways, it will be possible to make comparisons and determine the real worth of the scholarship plan.

In closing may we solicit the interest of all our workers in this phase of our educational work? And will you not continue to remember this group of students and their teachers before the throne of grace, that the work done here may truly bear the impress of the Divine.

*Chiaotoutseng, Kiangsu,
China.*

For the Girls and Young Women of South Fukien

A. L. HAM

FOR thirty long years Sister B. L. Anderson has planned, worked, and prayed that she might reach her cherished hope of providing a school where the girls and young women of South Fukien could secure a Christian education. It has been her thought that such a school as she planned to establish would give a training, not only along ordinary lines, but in practical work,—in

home-making and domestic science, and in Christian service.

Now, after these long years of toil and patient endeavor, she is privileged to see the fruit of this labor of love. She has completed the building of a nice three-story granite structure on land she purchased for it to rest upon. It was ready to open at the beginning of the present school year, free of debt. It was a joy to Mrs. Anderson, and to the rest of us who were present, that she could present this splendid institution, with its grounds, to the Mission. A property worth fully \$30,000.00 *Mex.*, it certainly is a monument to her love for the girls of China; and for her God; and in its erection is revealed the devotion she has shown to a worthy purpose.

The Board and committees, in accepting this gracious gift, which represents so much in self-sacrificing labor, could only feebly express to Sister Anderson their deep appreciation, and pledge themselves to the carrying out of her purposes in the establishment of this school.

The Constituency of the South Fukien Mission, at the time of the recent annual meeting, showed in characteristic ways their appreciation for this splendid gift.

In this enterprise, Pastor Anderson has aided Mrs. Anderson greatly. He is now sacrificing and planning in an effort to safeguard the material interests of the Training Institute located at Amoy. His present goal regarding it is to rebuild the main building, which has been badly damaged by typhoons and by the inroads of white ants.

May the Lord richly bless Pastor and Mrs. Anderson and their associates in the work of the South Fukien Mission.

Wanted: Phonograph and Stereopticon Equipment

PASTOR LIU DJUNG KWANG, director of the West Hunan Mission, informs us that he would very much like to have given the West Hunan Mission, in behalf of the evangelistic work they are undertaking in several *hsien* cities, a good modern phonograph or even one of older type, with some records of sacred music such as hymns of praise; also a stereopticon with slides of our denominational history and some slides on hygiene and on the new earth.

Anyone in the China Division having material of this sort available for use as gifts to border missions, may report to the China Division treasury. c.

Through Jehol

(Extracts from a letter received recently from Pastor W. J. Harris, of Peiping)

I RETURNED this morning from a very interesting trip through Jehol. This is a busy province. Everywhere new railroads are being put through, and these are now only 180 *li* away from Jehol City (Chengteh). New railway stations and half-built railway shops, new bridges and tunnels, and all kinds of railway stock, are to be found throughout that portion of the country. Motor-bus roads also are being pushed through the province. It is a beautiful sight, as you motor along, to look both down and up and see your road winding for many miles against the distant mountainside.

After a few days spent in Jehol City, Brother Goh and I took a bus for the station at Pingchuan. We had started Harvest Ingathering work at Chengteh. From Pingchuan we went on via the new railway line up to Chihfeng, to the north of the province and the largest city in the province. Evangelist Chu Yun T'ing, formerly of Shansi, has been there for over two months, trying to secure a proper chapel site.

We were able to secure a good site. Evangelist Hsu Chi Li, formerly of Shantung, is now located at Chaoyang. We called on the head military official there, who was interested and appreciative of our work. He gave us \$20. We succeeded in locating two favorable chapel sites. In Chaoyang there is a Doctor Wang who has a small hospital where we are at present holding our meetings. Dr. Wang is preparing for baptism.

I am now on my way up to Kalgan, where some matters in connection with our building plan at Kalgan need attention.

Our Harvest Ingathering campaign in the North is moving along, though not mounting up to any large figures yet. In dollars we are not high, but in number of hours spent, and also in the number participating in the work, we are ahead of previous years. We hope eventually to reach our goal.

The "Mo Shi Mu Sheng"

THE most helpful publication issued by our Signs of the Times Publishing House for our church members is our bi-weekly church paper, the *Mo Shi Mu Sheng*.

The name of this paper is the very name that Jesus took upon Himself. "I am the good Shepherd," He declared. He constantly had a care for those who chose to follow Him. To-day in our church we have not only our pastors and teachers and our associate brethren and sisters to help us to keep true to our vows of consecration; we have in a very special sense, a *good shepherd* in the regular visits of our church paper. Through a careful reading and study of the instruction coming to us in the *Mo Shi Mu Sheng*, we are strengthened and fortified to withstand the evil influences with which we may be surrounded and to go forward with our special work of witnessing for Jesus wherever we may be.

How important it is that we make sure that the members of our Chinese churches are receiving every copy of the *Mo Shi Mu Sheng* that is printed, and that we encourage others to subscribe for it and to read it and to put into practice the teachings it advocates.

Opening of the Northwest Union Training Institute

D. E. REBOK

"GOD'S WORK done in God's Way will never lack for God's Means to carry on His work." This motto of that great missionary, Hudson Taylor, has been fulfilled in every step in the development of our work in this great Northwestern area of China.

When the financial depression was most severe and when budgets and salaries were being reduced in all the missions of our Division, when some missionary societies were closing their work and withdrawing from the field, when business men were thinking in terms of burying their money and other valuables for fear of this and that, it was then that our Division Committee decided to launch our work in the Kansu, Ninghsia, Chinghai, and Sinkiang Provinces and open up the work which now holds the attention of all our believers throughout the churches in this great world division.

In the fall of 1931 the Border Province Band in the China Training Institute began to pray for the work of the two pioneer colporteurs, and to study the territory, problems, and opportunities in the Great North-

west. Two years later the first general meeting was held in Lanchow and land was purchased for the establishment of our headquarters for this union. When the time came to open up the work, the doors opened before us and true to the motto above God's Means to do the work before us were provided in a very special way. And remarkable providences, are attending the founding of a training institute in this field.

At the same time that we felt the need for a training institute in the Northwest, God was already preparing the heart of a brother in Central America to make an offering for the erection of the buildings needed at the headquarters in Lanchow. The means for the medical center was also provided by a friend in China who wished to show his gratitude for the personal help he had received from our mission work.

Thus the means were provided for the erection of the Northwest Training Institute. It was a real pleasure to meet with teachers and students in their building on the evening of September 22 and join in the opening exercises of this Institute, which is bound to play a most important part in the extension and finishing of the Lord's work in this great territory.

Speeches were made by the union Superintendent, the China Division educational secretary, and the principal of the Institute. There were present two groups of students, the number being about three times as many as were present in Chowkiakow in Honan when the China Training Institute was first opened in 1910. Of these, eighteen students are members of the ministerial training class, who are preparing to open the new work made possible by the special appropriation from the General Conference for border province work; fifteen are regular students in the seventh and eighth grades, who are preparing to enter the Lord's work in the future.

Before closing the special meeting teachers and students by a rising vote desired to have their gratitude for the gift of the Training Institute passed on to the donor, Dr. Dunscombe, in the form of a letter by the educational secretary.

We rejoice in God's opening providences and consecrate ourselves to do God's work in God's own way.

Lanchow, Kansu,
Oct. 14, 1935

Shanghai Language School

FRIENDS of the Home Study Institute—Oriental Branch, were pleased recently to inspect the down-town offices of President W. A. Scharffenberg, who for many years has so successfully conducted language study classes by the correspondence method and also orally by the aid of trained teachers, and in groups formed into classes.

The offices at 153, Nanking Road, Shanghai, were opened on Sept. 16, 1935, as "The Shanghai Language School"—to be conducted under the auspices of the Home Study Institute. At the offices are classrooms for the convenience of students who can drop in at fixed hours for language study. Many business corporations to-day are requiring their employees to acquire a knowledge of vernaculars in use in China; and the Shanghai Language School affords students the exceptional advantages long enjoyed by those taking work under the teachers of the Home Study Institute.

From the announcement of courses of study offered, we quote:

"The Institute is offering two major courses of study in the Chinese language,—an Elementary Course, prepared for business men, office workers, busy housewives, and others who are unable to devote more than three or four hours per week to the study of the language; and an Advanced Course, prepared primarily for missionaries, consular officials, educators, and others who desire a fuller knowledge of the language.

"The Institute will be prepared to organize classes in the first, second, and third years of the Elementary Course, and in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of Years I, II, and III of the Advanced Course. Classes for students in Years IV and V will be organized if desired.

"Work will be offered in both the Shanghai and Mandarin dialects.

"The Elementary Course introduces the student to an oral vocabulary of 2,500 words at the rate of 500 words per year, and to a reading knowledge of 500 frequently used characters at the rate of from 50 to 150 characters per year.

"The Advanced Course introduces the student to an oral vocabulary of 20,000 words, at the rate of 4,000 per year; a reading knowledge of 5,000 characters at the rate of 1,000 per year; and a writing knowledge of 2,000 at the rate of 400 per year.

"Descriptive announcements of either the Elementary or the Advanced Course may be had on request."

It was a pleasure indeed to meet with Professor Scharffenberg in his down-town offices on the occasion of the launching of this new extension of the Institute's activities, and to wish him and his associates God-speed and every success in their efforts to bring to many the great advantages accruing through persistent

effort to complete the courses of instruction so carefully formulated and clearly written out.

Perhaps not since the monumental work of Dr. William Rainey Harper, founder of the University of Chicago with its Correspondence School as an integral part thereof, has so painstaking and sustained an effort been made to illumine and make plain the intricacies of an Oriental tongue, as has been taking place during the past fifteen years here on Ningkuo Road, Shanghai. Dr. Harper's effort—a life-time labor of love—was on Hebrew; a somewhat similar effort, on Assyrian, marked the life-work and the devotion to a noble cause of Professor A. H. Sayce, of Oxford University; and now we have with us, as a daily associate, one who quietly, and with no great university backing, is as determinedly and as lovingly at

work on an Oriental task, as were Drs. Harper and Sayce.

It is a noteworthy fact that in the instance of the two scholars referred to, their unceasing labors were spent not primarily in the interests of mere scholarship or to bring fame to the universities with which they were so intimately connected, but rather *pro gloriam Dei et ecclesiae*. The honor of God, the exaltation of the Holy Scriptures and their intelligent use, and the furtherance of the spread of gospel truth,—these were the high motivating principles impelling Drs. Harper and Sayce to continue indefatigably at their self-appointed task; and thus, we understand, it is with our beloved brother who invited us to participate with him and his associates in the pleasures of an evening spent together in the newly opened Branch Office at No. 153, Nanking Road.

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H. M. Blank No. 5			
Division Conference Report of Home		Missionary Work	
IN THE CHINA DIVISION FOR QUARTER ENDING		June 31	1935
Note—Please fill out this blank in duplicate within sixty days after the close of the quarter. Mail one copy to the General Conference Home Missionary Department and reserve one copy for your loose leaf file.			
General Information			
a. Number added to the division since last report as the result of missionary work of lay members			432
b. Number of churches and companies			555
c. Number of churches and companies sending in a report			398
d. Number of unions sending in a report	33 Local Missions	Unions	7
e. Number of churches holding first Sabbath missionary service			224
f. Number of churches conducting fifteen-minute church missionary service			209
g. Number of churches holding a weekly missionary service other than the fifteen-minute church missionary service			109
h. Number of churches organized into working bands			169
i. Number of churches operating literature depositories			121
j. How many of the following classes and special bands are operating in your division? Bible Training	170		Home
	Nursing 26	Home Bible Study League 171	Home Foreign 16
		Dorcas 16	Literature 82
k. Total amount of offerings during the past quarter for local missionary work, including Missionary Volunteer			41,26
	Adult Members	M. V. Members	Total
NUMBER REPORTING MISSIONARY WORK	5506	5024	8520
Report of Missionary Work			
a. Number of Bible reading or gospel meetings	75752	21838	97590
b. Number of missionary visits	79831	20561	100392
c. Number of persons taken to Sabbath school or other services	21953	9292	31345
d. Number of persons given needed help	22672	12960	37632
e. Number of treatments given	15758	8325	24081
f. Number of articles of clothing given to the needy	4674	887	5561
g. Number of books, missionary periodicals, or tracts distributed	165521	86432	221953
h. Number of missionary letters written	5039	3179	8215
i. Hours of Christian help work	8141	5820	13961
j. Baskets of fruit or flowers given away	252	215	467
EVERY MEMBER A WORKER—EVERY WORKER A REPORTING MEMBER			

Progress and Hope

E. L. LONGWAY

EVERY ONE is hopeful of the future when progress is discernible in the present. The 1935 second quarter's home missionary report shows progress in nearly every line of activity. Four hundred thirty-two new members were added to the church during the one quarter, as compared to 295 for last year. Three hundred ninety-eight churches and companies sent in a report, as compared to 361 last year. One hundred seventy churches are carrying on Bible reading training-classes, as against 154 a year ago. Eight thousand five hundred thirty are reporting members, a gain of 2,719 over the 5,811 who were reporting last year. One of the most hopeful indications of progress is the gain of 7,700 pieces of literature distributed, a total of 231,963 being given away this quarter. And our First Sabbath Offerings are \$413.26, as against \$321.69 a year ago. These are all indications that God's "peculiar people" are ready to do their part in the finishing of the work in the China Division.

But we still have 157 churches and companies that are not reporting. How many of them are in your field? We still have 4,851 of the 13,381 membership—as of December 31, 1933—who are not reporting. How many of them are recorded in your list of church members? We still have 331 churches and companies who do not have regular monthly missionary meetings, and 237 churches and companies who do not conduct a weekly home missionary service. How many of these churches and companies are in your field?

The progress evident gives us hope for the future. Let us strive for the goal of every member a working member, every church a reporting church, and every church holding a weekly home missionary meeting.

Towels and Sheeting

THE industrial department of North China Training Institute at Fengtai, Hopei, report a considerable reduction in the prices of their "quality brand" towels and sheeting. They will be pleased to answer any inquiries addressed in care of Prof. G. G. Hamp, in charge of the industrial department at the address given.

"Just What I Have Been Looking For"

THAT will be the response of many to our newly issued booklet, "Fundamentals of Bible Doctrines," by Pastor W. E. Strickland. This book was primarily prepared for use in Bible-study classes. Finding an urgent need for something that could be used as a basic text in connection with his studies with inquirers at his evangelistic efforts, Pastor Strickland prepared the manuscript which we are now sending forth in its present form.

Wherever the Word of God is being studied and read, and wherever men and women are endeavoring to learn more fully fundamental Bible truths, there "Fundamentals of Bible Doctrines" will find a wide field of usefulness.

Seventy-six lessons in easy Mandarin, covering all the essentials of present truth. Ninety-six pages. Price 20¢ per copy. Trade basis.

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Bad Times, but Good News

DJANG DZEN-HAI

BECAUSE of the flood, and adverse business conditions, our Harvest Ingathering receipts in Honan are far below those of last year. One man of prominence at Kaifeng, the provincial capital, gave \$200 this year; other donations in Kaifeng amounted to \$30, a total of \$230. But though the amount received was small in comparison with former years, all whom we met seemed to appreciate the work of our Society, and the special truths that we teach.

One whom we solicited, who bears large responsibility in Honan affairs, once a patient of the Shanghai Sanitarium, expressed his appreciation of our medical work, and also of our system of education. He plans to visit our Institute at Chiao-toutseng. He gave to our Society this year ten dollars, which is the same amount he contributes annually to the Christian church of which he is a member.

Another gentleman of prominence, also a Christian, looked through our Ingathering paper, and his face was wreathed in smiles as he wrote down his \$5 donation. Then he began to talk with us about the message we preach. His final words made a deep impression on me. He said: "I am heartily in favor of your method of observing the seventh-day Sabbath; for surely it is the Sabbath as commanded in the Bible. Other churches observe Sunday, but truly they are bowing to a custom established by the Catholic church." This gentleman subscribes regularly to the *Signs of the Times*. It is evident that he is impressed with Bible truth. I plan

to send him a few books dealing with the gospel message. I solicit your prayers in behalf of these men.

From reports coming to hand I anticipate receipts of about \$600 from the churches in Honan.

Our Institute at Fengtai

FROM information through various sources in the North we have word of progress at the Fengtai school, where Professor G. G. Hamp has been placed in charge.

A few youth of promise have been brought in from the border provinces comprising a considerable part of the North China Union, and these will be given a special year of intensive training preparatory to going out as pioneer workers in areas not hitherto worked. The funds granted by the Home Board for border work, include the Jehol and Cha-Sui Missions, and also the Mongolian Mission.

All these advantages being brought to our youth in the North are much appreciated by our brethren and sisters comprising the constituency in those parts.

It is anticipated that the coming school year at Fengtai will be the very best they have ever had.

It is planned by the North China Union executive committee that sometime early next spring the dedication of the newly constructed administration building will be held, and at that same time there will probably be held a Youth's Congress, with limited yet representative attendance.

Statement of Mission Offerings Received from Union and Local Missions

of the CHINA DIVISION of S. D. A. — 25-cts.-a-week-Fund — October 31, 1935

Values in Mex.

基督復臨安息日會中華總會收入捐款一覽表

每安息二角五分捐款——截止一九三五年十月卅一日止——以國幣計算

Name of Mission 教會名稱	Time Covered by Report 本報之時間 各時間	Annual 年捐	H. V. Dept. Totals 根據本會 各處部報告	Sabbath School 安學捐 日	Week of Sacrifice 克己捐 安	H. V. Dept. Totals 根據本會 各處部報告	Mid-Summer Offer'g 夏季捐	Misc. for Missions 雜捐	Amount Received 收總 入數	Membership Dec. 31 1935 一年友 三友數	Due on Goal To Date 及達的 期之目	Over 超目 的	Short 尚差	Per Week For Member To Date 1935 1934 至時友 每安 報教每 告九 一五	Per Week For Member To Date 1935 1934 至時友 每安 報教每 告九 一五	
Central China Union: 華中聯合會	Jan. to Sept. 1935 一月底止	\$3,400.00*	\$3,400.00*						\$3,400.00							
Bonan 河南		32.91		2,106.28	4.00	55.67	25.97	3.69	1,228.52	900	9,675.00					
Hunan 湖南		22.00		573.19		100.30	22.93	9.73	728.15	460	4,945.00					
Hubei 湖北				1,158.44		242.07	42.91	37.84	1,481.26	504	5,418.00					
Kiangsi 江西		3.80		359.23		139.29	.20	3.49	506.01	291	3,128.25					
Union Total 華中合計		58.71	3,400.00*	3,197.14	4.00	537.33	92.01	54.75	7,343.94	2,155	23,166.75		15,822.31		.079	.072
East China Union: 華東聯合會	Jan. to Sept. 1935 一月底止	\$16,000.00*	\$16,000.00*			2,153.97*			18,153.97							
Anhui 皖北		20.90		879.83	1.60				902.33	520	5,590.00					
Kiangsu 蘇北		30.84		7,173.60	2.00		65.82	16.11	7,288.37	750	8,068.50					
N. Kiangsu 蘇北		.26		1,358.40	107.21				1,465.87	411	4,418.25					
N. Chekiang 浙北		20.39		650.66					671.05	663	7,019.75					
S. Chekiang 浙南		64.89		851.45	1.04				996.63	1,156	12,427.00					
Union Total 華東合計		137.28	16,000.00*	10,913.94	111.85	2,153.97*	145.07	16.11	29,478.22	3,490	37,517.50		8,039.28		.196	.189
Manchurian Union: 滿洲聯合會	Jan. to Sept. 1935 一月底止	\$3,500.00*	\$3,500.00*						3,500.00							
Heilungkiang 黑龍江		13.00		276.44		58.42	18.11		365.97	103	1,107.25					
Kando 黑龍		1.00		312.18	2.00	18.77	24.90		358.85	172	1,849.00					
Kirin 吉林		2.50		241.86		95.55	1.50	.80	344.21	186	1,999.50					
Liaoning 遼北				1,564.59		164.54	65.42	1.53	1,796.08	337	3,622.75					
Sungari 松花江		.60		709.71		52.23	25.43	22.27	810.24	420	4,515.00					
Union Total 滿洲合計		17.10	3,500.00*	3,104.78	2.00	389.51	135.36	24.60	7,173.35	1,218	13,093.50		5,920.15		.137	.160
North China Union: 華北聯合會	Jan. to Oct. 1935 一月底止	\$6,000.00*	\$6,000.00*						6,000.00							
Hopei 河北		3.00		452.13	4.66	48.32	1.20	7.00	513.31	47	505.25					
Jehol 熱河		1.10		1,074.52	7.11	116.93	60.85	105.79	1,368.20	462	4,966.50					
Mongolia 蒙古				77.26	8.07	51.90	6.00	.40	144.73	27	290.25					
Shansi 山西				186.52	112.75	39.60			338.87	10	107.50					
Shantung 山東		3.70		193.03	27.01	98.43	26.20	5.11	353.48	239	2,569.25					
Shantung 山東		.55		589.84	43.72	96.48	4.80	6.49	741.88	558	5,598.50					
Union Total 華北合計		8.35	6,000.00*	2,573.30	203.32	451.66	99.05	124.79	9,460.47	1,343	14,437.25		4,976.78		.164	.138
Northwest China Union: 西北聯合會	Jan. to Aug. 1935 一月底止	\$2,500.00*	\$2,500.00*						2,500.00							
Chinghai 海尼				82.50		26.23			108.73	24	210.00					
Chooi 卓				1.91		1.88			3.79							
Kansu 甘肅				501.46		70.75	15.10	12.27	599.58	88	770.00					
Ninghsia 陝西				31.52		33.90			65.42	65	568.75					
Shensi 陝西		3.62		262.66		76.80		6.24	349.32	382	3,342.50					
Sinkiang 新疆				66.63		7.87			74.50							
Union Total 西北合計		3.62	2,500.00*	946.68		217.43	15.10	18.51	3,701.34	559	4,891.25		1,189.91		.150	.131
South China Union: 華南聯合會	Jan. to Aug. 1935 一月底止	\$4,000.00*	\$4,000.00*			1,970.25*			5,970.25							
Canton 廣州		187.58		2,450.29					2,637.97	710	6,212.50					
Hainan 海南				68.40				.35	68.75							
HaiKon 客家		45.71		597.08					642.79	725	6,343.75					
Keangsi 廣西				581.67					581.67	295	2,581.25					
N. Fukien 閩北		255.72		406.22				24.10	686.04	499	4,366.25					
S. Fukien 閩南				520.03					520.03	400	3,500.00					
Swatow 汕頭		5.18		431.44					442.62	380	3,325.00					
Union Total 華南合計		494.29	4,000.00*	5,095.13		1,970.25*		43.95	11,651.62	3,009	26,328.75		14,765.13		.089	.066
West China Union: 華西聯合會	Jan. to Oct. 1935 一月底止	\$3,000.00*	\$3,000.00*						3,000.00							
S. Kweichow 貴州		31.80		53.00	281.21	93.30	13.46	3.59	476.36	150	1,612.50					
S. Szechwan 川東				166.60	1,047.96	248.41	44.75	126.77	1,654.43	531	5,708.25					
Sikang 西康		53.00		112.00	218.46				383.46	10	107.50					
N. Kweichow 貴州				210.34	8.00	29.00	19.86	2.20	269.40	509	5,471.75					
N. Szechwan 川西				230.79				4.60	235.39	149	1,601.75					
Yunnan 雲南		5.30		484.38		64.40	106.58	5.52	666.18	258	2,773.50					
Union Total 華西合計		90.10	3,000.00*	2,473.14	349.71	138.15	266.67	35.85	5,685.22	1,607	17,275.25		13,590.03		.053	.070
DIVISION TOTAL 總會統計		\$809.45	\$35,731.60	\$28,264.11	\$670.68	\$5,854.30	\$73.26	\$318.56	\$72,406.16	13,381	\$136,709.75		\$64,303.59		\$.126	\$.129

From Pastor Nils Dahlsten

(This contribution of deep interest has been delayed in publication. Editor)

We take this opportunity of quoting briefly from a letter written by Pastor Nils Dahlsten:

"We arrived, as you know, at Sian the first of June, 1934; and the tenth of the same month I started an effort in that city, which lasted until the end of July. The attendance was very good, and we secured a number of names and addresses of people who were willing to study the Bible. However, the weather was so hot that it was very difficult to do much visiting in the daytime; we therefore decided to have a Bible class in the chapel before the regular preaching service. The gates in Sian close at dusk, so I had to sleep in the chapel during the time the effort lasted.

"The first of August I was asked to go to Lanchow, so the interest in Sian was turned over to the Chinese evangelist. I understand that there was a baptism later on.

"Before coming here I had heard much about the great Northwest; but one must see it before he is able to appreciate it. I was told that the trip from Sian to Lanchow could be made in six days, so I did not take much food and bedding along; and I certainly had to suffer for it. It took not six days but twenty-eight. We made a little better time coming back—twenty-five days. By that time it was beginning to get cold, and food and water along the road was the poorest imaginable. It rained all the while, and as the roofs were leaking everywhere, we were not even able to keep dry in the hotels. I finally managed to get home by riding donkey-back part of the way after the car was wrecked at Lupanshan. After reaching home I had to spend some weeks regaining my strength, as the privations along the way had given me a very persistent case of indigestion, and also insomnia.

"I am now back in Lanchow. It took twenty-nine days to make the trip, as the road is in a very bad condition. Several times the carts turned upside down—twice in a river; but fortunately nothing was irreparably damaged. This last trip is the worst one I have had in many a day, and I reached Lanchow with ears frozen, and with my stomach so upset that the doctor has thought best to put me on a milk diet to soothe the inflammation."

Later correspondence from Brother Dahlsten has been of unusual interest, as he has been assisting in church and other work at Lanchow, while steadily making essential preparations for pioneering in the northwestern "neck" of Kansu, in the hope of later entering Sinkiang.

中華總會書報工作按月總報告單

MONTHLY SUMMARY OF COLPORTEUR WORK

CHINA DIVISION

(中國通用帳目)

FOR THE MONTH September 1935 民國 24 年 9 月份 (MEXICAN DOLLARS)

聯合會及差(團)會名稱 NAMES OF UNIONS AND MISSIONS	書報銷售 BOOK SALES INCLUDING HELPS			雜誌銷售 SALE OF MAGAZINES			書報共計價值 TOTAL VALUE OF BOOKS AND MAGAZINE SALES
	書報員人數 No. of Colporters and Helps	書報員姓名 No. of Women Colporters and Helps	書報價值 Value of Books and Helps	雜誌份數 No. of Single Copies	雜誌價值 Value of mags and Singles		
CENTRAL CHINA UNION 中央聯合會	August and September						
Huans 皖 南	11	1197	213.97	256	384.00	597.97	
East Hunan 湘 東	16	2226	402.74	113	338.44	741.18	
West Hunan 湘 西							
Hupoh 湖 北	7	1126	113.10	125	187.50	300.60	
Kiangsi 江 西	6	383	454.80	144	294.00	748.80	
Total for Central China Union	40	5532	1184.61	638	1203.90	2388.51	
EAST CHINA UNION 東亞聯合會							
Shensi 陝 西	5	489	250.00	95	97.50	347.50	
Kiangsu 江 蘇	12	629	176.00	397	595.50	771.50	
North Kiangsu 蘇 北							
North Chekiang 浙 北	4	289	216.00	165	251.25	467.25	
South Chekiang 浙 南	3	504	199.00	35	52.50	251.50	
Total for East China Union	24	1911	841.00	663	996.75	1837.75	
MANCHURIAN UNION 滿洲聯合會							
Heilungiang 黑 龍 江	3	154		92	138.00	138.00	
Kindo 關 東	2	710	257.50	214	252.50	510.00	
Kien 吉 林	2	44	69.40	39	58.50	117.90	
Liaoning 遼 寧	12	860	578.29	500	750.00	1328.29	
Suipai 綏 芬 北							
Total for Manchurian Union	25	1768	895.20	845	1199.00	2094.20	
NORTH CHINA UNION 華北聯合會							
Chahar-Suiyuan 察 哈 爾 綏 遠	5	317	81.00	82	123.00	204.00	
Hopei 河 北	14	535	377.15	391	586.50	963.65	
Jehol 熱 河							
Mongghu 蒙 古							
Shansi 山 西	3	122	25.43	46	69.00	94.43	
Sberuang 山 東	12	434	67.90	263	394.50	462.40	
Total for North China Union	34	1409	551.48	782	1173.00	1724.48	
NORTHWEST CHINA UNION 西北聯合會	August						
Chinghai 青 海							
Chene 甘 肅							
Kangsu 甘 肅	11	342	302.20	87	136.34	438.54	
Ninghsia 寧 夏							
Shensi 陝 西	6	217	118.67	94	142.16	260.83	
Sinkiang 新 疆							
Total for Northwest Union	17	559	420.87	181	278.50	699.37	
SOUTH CHINA UNION 華南聯合會	July and September						
Cantonese 粵 語	12		2377.50	1167	1906.00	4283.50	
Hainan 海 南							
Hanka 客 家	4	75	40.13	87	130.50	170.63	
Kwangsi 廣 西	2	139	102.20	104	156.00	258.20	
North Fucan 閩 北	2		63.86	43	64.50	128.36	
South Fucan 閩 南	5		36.69	188	281.75	318.44	
Szechow 浙 江	3		127.08	213	29.35	156.43	
Total for South China Union	29	215	3065.58	1603	2568.60	5634.18	
WEST CHINA UNION 華西聯合會	Report not received						
East Kweichow 貴 東							
East Szechwan 川 東							
Szechwan 川 西							
West Kweichow 貴 西							
West Szechwan 川 西							
Yunnan 雲 南							
Total for West China Union							
Total for China Division	169	11,394	2965.84	4717	7419.75	14378.29	

1. Total Sales Same Month Last Year. Gain.....Loss.....
 2. Total Number Colporters Working Same Month Last Year. Gain.....Loss.....
 3. Cumulative Sales Jan. 1 to date. Gain.....Loss.....
 4. Cumulative Sales Same Period Last Year. Gain.....Loss.....

Signatures: JOHN OSS

Christianity: Its Nature

"CHRISTIANITY is so great and surprising in its nature that, in preaching to others, I have no encouragement but in the belief of a continued divine operation. It is no difficult thing to change a man's opinions. It is no difficult thing to attach a man to my person and notions. It is no difficult thing to convert a man to spiritual pride, or a passionate man

to passionate zeal for some religious party. But to bring a man to love God, to love the law of God while it condemns him, to loathe himself before God, to tread the earth under his feet, to hunger and thirst after God in Christ, and after the mind that was in Christ, this is impossible. But God has said it shall be done; and bids me go forth and preach, that by me, as His instrument, He may effect these great ends; and therefore I go."—Cecil.

Provincial Meetings--Northwest China Union--1935

The Kansu, Chinghai, and Ninghsia Provincial Meeting

JOHN OSS

THE joint meeting of the Kansu, Chinghai, and Ninghsia provincial missions was opened in the city of Lanchow on Friday evening, October 4, and continued till October 12. All the workers and delegates from the three missions were present except the evangelist from Pingliang and Brother Chen Tzu Chin from the Choni section in southwestern Kansu. The Ninghsia delegates came by horse-cart, taking fourteen days to reach Lanchow. Brother Tsai Shu Chen had a difficult trip from Choni, but reached the meeting on time.

The meeting was held in the chapel of the newly erected Training Institute administration building. The motto for the meeting, "Finishing the Work in the Kansu, Chinghai, and Ninghsia Missions," was made the keynote of a message given by Pastor G. J. Appel, superintendent of the union and acting director of the Kansu Mission. Interesting reports were rendered by Pastor G. J. Appel, Chen Wen Hsiao, and Wen Dzeh Shan, the directors of the Kansu, Chinghai, and Ninghsia Missions. The treasurers and departmental secretaries reported for their respective missions and the evangelists and teachers gave brief reports of the activities in their stations. All revealed a definite program to push the work into new territory.

On account of the unsettled conditions, the colporteurs have had great difficulties in many places in the Kansu Mission. Five have been imprisoned during recent months, three having been in prison over one month each. Yet in spite of these difficulties the colporteurs are of good courage. Plans were laid for a larger and more efficient literature work.

Among the delegates in attendance was Brother Sung Yung En, of the Chinghai Mission. This brother, who is now an evangelist in one of the out-stations, first learned of the truth through the efforts of our pioneer colporteurs in Northwest China, Djeng Hsiang-pu and Beh Djin-djen, who secured his subscription for the *Signs of the Times* maga-

zine. Truly the seed sown by these self-sacrificing workers, who laid down their lives in distant Sinkiang, is bearing fruit. At the *hsien* city of Loh Tu, in the Chinghai Mission, our pioneer colporteurs also distributed literature. As a result of reading the *Signs of the Times*, two leading men in the city accepted the Sabbath truth and became the charter members of our church at that place.

The members at Loh Tu are earnest in doing missionary work, and new interests are springing up in the vicinity as a result of their earnest labor. Pastor G. J. Appel also reported finding at the newly opened station at Suchow in northwestern Kansu, some who also had met Brethren Djeng and Beh, and who had been impressed by their godly lives.

At a special meeting held to promote the distribution of our literature, each worker entered enthusiastically into the spirit of the hour. Over 150 clubs of the *Signs of the Times* magazine, the *Shepherd's Call*, and the *Sabbath School Helper* were received. A large amount of literature was also purchased and taken back to stations by the workers and delegates.

On the last Sabbath of the meeting a special service was held, when the Northwest China Training Institute was dedicated to the Lord. The dedicatory sermon was delivered by Pastor D. E. Rebok. This institution, with Brother Goh Chao O, formerly of the editorial staff of the *Signs of the Times* Publishing House, as head, is doing a good work in training the youth in Northwest China.

As the meeting drew to a close, some apprehension was felt as to whether we should be able to reach Sian in time for the Shensi annual gathering, as the road had been closed for some weeks. On the last day of the meeting, however, the first commercial busses reached Lanchow, and it was announced that the road was open.

It was the privilege of the writer to attend the meetings at Lanchow in the autumn of 1933, when a recommendation was passed asking that the Northwest China Mission be made a union. At this time we were housed in small rented quarters, with very few workers and be-

lievers in this new field. To-day what a change we see! As I saw the modestly built but well-equipped sanitarium, the training-center for our youth, and the homes of our workers, and thought of the great change that has been made, I said to myself, "What hath God wrought!" The greatest encouragement, however, was in the apparent growth in grace in the lives of the workers and believers, and in meeting the many new believers who have accepted the last-day message since that time and who are preparing for the return of the Saviour.

Sianfu, Shensi,
Oct. 25, 1935.

Something Happened!

(A report of the work
in the Shensi Mission)

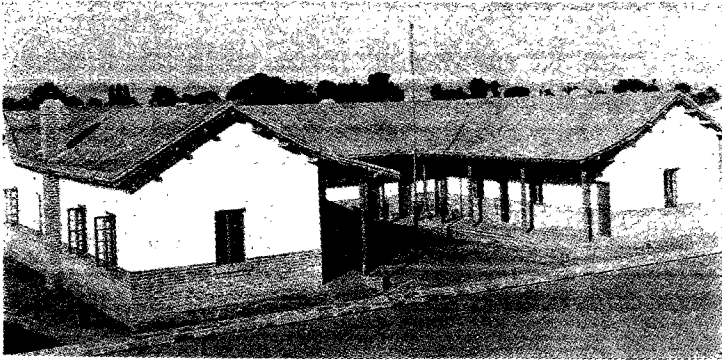
D. E. REBOK

ADVANCE! Advance is the keynote of the China Division to-day, and nowhere is this watchword being fulfilled any more fully than in the northwestern section of our Division field.

As is, and has been, and always should be, the colporteurs are the men in the first line of this advance. They have carried the truth for this time into the very heart of Central Asia. We know that this pioneering work is not easy. It calls for men of dauntless courage and great perseverance; and at times demands unparalleled sacrifice,—in loneliness, privations, imprisonments, persecutions,—yes, at times, even the loss of life itself.

In these days of reduced budgets, decreasing incomes, can we find in any mission a more effective, more economical, yet more productive line of work than that of the self-supporting colporteur? The Division field missionary secretary calls for two thousand such faithful men as Djeng Hsiang-pu and Beh Djin-djen, the men who pushed our work in 1931 and 1932 beyond Tihwa to Kashgar, and the borders of Siberia. May the spirit and devotion of these men fill the hearts of our colporteurs everywhere.

As I think back over the work in Shensi, I am reminded that here again it was a colporteur named Wu, from Honan, who was the first to make his way back over the mountains and through desolate valleys as far as Tungkwan, the converging point of three provinces—Honan



Main Building of Northwest Union Training Institute, in the Chapel of which the Lanchow Meeting was held

Shansi, and Shensi.

It's an interesting story and easy for our imagination to carry us back to that day of years ago, when Brother Wu was passing along and heard the sound of a Christian hymn coming from a room near by. He drew nearer and saw an old gentleman and his daughter. Our colporteur asked if the man, Liu Dan Djih, were not a Christian. Mr. Liu replied that he was, and from a distant village in Shensi. From the questions Mr. Liu surmised that the questioner might also be a member of some mission, and expressed surprise on learning that Brother Wu was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Mission. "What is the mission?" inquired the old gentleman; "I have never heard of any such mission."

In the course of the ensuing conversation it was learned that Mr. Liu had brought his daughter from Gospel Village to Tungkwan on his way to Peiping to put her in school, and then he intended to return over the long, rough road back to his home in Gospel Village. Brother Wu was surprised when the old man said, "I want you to go back there with me, and teach my people the things you have been telling me." The colporteur went, and such an interest was created that soon Pastors Liu Djen Bang, Frederick Lee, and Dr. Selmon were on their first trip into Shensi to follow up the work of the colporteur-pioneer. Something usually happens when colporteurs go pioneering.

So it goes, has gone, and will continue to go. Can any mission direct or afford not to search out, train, and develop a large group of colporteurs in his territory? It is passing strange that we are so slow to avail ourselves

of this most effective and most productive means of warning the people in every province and every country.

From that little seed sown in Gospel Village, it is a long step that brings us to the Shensi annual meeting which covered October 25 to November 2 in the western suburb of Sianfu. Over 500 of our baptised church members were all represented during this week of holy convocation. From north, east, south, and west they came. Some walked, some rode their horses or donkeys, while others came by the big two-wheeled carts which are common to that part of China.

Every church was represented but the one to the far north in Yülin, which is now surrounded by unfriendly foes making it impossible for our people to get out. Some one mentioned that about one-fifth of our membership were in attendance at the Sabbath meetings.

The big evangelistic tent, pitched on the school grounds, added the necessary touch to make the annual meeting held in Sian seem more like one of the old camp-meetings in the homeland. Delegates and visitors lived in the recently completed school buildings. This was the first meeting of its kind that I have attended in China in eighteen years.

The little shower about sunset Friday evening, just after the tent had been pitched, did not dampen the ardor of Seventh-day Adventist Chinese workers and believers who had come long distances for a special spiritual blessing. Our minds went to that old familiar hymn,

"There shall be showers of blessing,
Send them upon us, O Lord!"

He surely answered our prayer, for with each day came new revela-

tions of His power, and richer spiritual blessings than our people had ever known before.

Matthew 24:14 was the thought held before the audience each hour. It was written on the banner across the rostrum, and proclaimed in the Bible study hours. The work of John the Baptist in preparation for the first appearing of Jesus typifies the work of Seventh-day Adventists before His second coming. Likewise his message of the kingdom of heaven should be our message for today. How important it is that that kingdom be found in each of our hearts; for if it is not first found here, it is not likely that we shall be found there.

The director of the mission, Pastor Z. H. Coberly, read 1 Peter 2:1-10 for the scripture lesson at the first meeting on Friday evening at seven-thirty. Emphasizing the ninth and tenth verses, he pointed out that in a literal sense, only a few years ago, we in attendance were not a people; but to-day we are called the people of God. What a wonderful privilege! Do we prize it as we should? Let us who are called, and chosen, be sure that we are faithful and worthy even unto the end. This appeal helped to solemnize every heart and became the central thought of our devotion, prayer and testimony meetings.

The publishing department, represented by Brethren John Oss of the Division, Liu Fuh An of the union, and Lo Hwei An of the local mission, arose to the opportunity and they magnified their office and their work by an excellent display of literature, charts, and other promotion material. The last Thursday night was devoted to a literature sale. Over 100 subscriptions for the Chinese Family Group of our papers were taken, and immense piles of old magazines and books and pamphlets were sold at cheap prices and carried away by our workers and believers to be used in their literature ministry.

The Sabbath school department work was not to be overshadowed; so the secretaries, Miss Mount, Mrs. Appel, and Mr. Djang, true to their reputation, fixed up their display of sand-boxes, paper cut-outs, goal devices, and charts to show that the Sabbath school is the heart of the church; and they made plain the difference between a good and a poor arrangement for Sabbath school work.

According to the home missionary secretary's report, one would gather

that our Laymen's Movement is not very strong in Shensi. In fact, the records show an average of but three reports per member for the year, and but one new person brought by our members each quarter to our church services. From the secretary's report it would appear that either our church members are not working, or else they are working on the basis of not letting their left hand know what their right hand doeth.

I am inclined to think it may be the latter; for we are interested in such work as that being done by an enquirer, Tsai Er Hsin, who has himself heard but a few Bible studies during a month's stay in Sian. He was, however, set on fire by what he heard and hastened back to the Li Ch'uan community to make known his newly found truth. This center is about one hundred li northwest of Sian. Soon a large group of people were studying with Brother Tsai; and though he told them all he knew, they still were not satisfied. They selected one of their number to go with Brother Tsai to Sian to appeal for someone to come among them and make known more fully the marvelous things which they had heard.

Brother Lo Hwei An was sent to investigate this interest, and there found a people in search for truth who had been famishing for lack of spiritual food. Eagerly they listened as he presented the messages from the Bible, and thirty-five signed a paper signifying their willingness to obey the law of God and prepare for Christ's coming. They pleaded with him to live among them as a shepherd and a pastor for lost sheep of Israel.

What shall we do with such calls as they come from this quarter and that? Shall we be deaf to such earnest appeals for some one to teach and lead them into a full knowledge of the plan of salvation?

Think of it,—a baptized church membership of 159 in 1931, and 506 in 1935, with forty or fifty more just waiting for baptism! Our membership has more than trebled in four years, but our budget for 1935 is even less than it was in 1931. Four evangelists are in charge of seven districts of so great a province as Shensi with its 92 *hsiens*. "What can we do? Give us an additional \$1,500 a year, and we can double our present membership in two years," cried our director. And what must we say to such pleas?

Perhaps the story of Brother

Djang I Fang of Sanyuan must be our only answer. Here was a very successful merchant who subscribed to the *Signs of the Times* in 1917 when it was brought to him by two colporteurs from Honan. He read his paper month by month, and the silent messenger spoke earnestly to his heart and mind. In 1922 colporteurs came again, and again he subscribed for the paper. This time he was so much impressed with the messages that he bought a Bible and began studying it very diligently. Soon afterward he met our Evangelist Li in that district and decided to obey the truth. The very day this merchant made his decision and wrote a letter to Brother Li asking him to come to his shop and help him, that very day Brother Li felt impressed to go to Sanyuan and see what he could do to help this man in the struggle he was having.

Brother Djang sold out his business, was baptized, and consecrated himself to the service of the Lord. He is now operating a self-supporting school, and a chapel in his own buildings. He has become a real missionary on a self-supporting basis.

Delegations were present from several other places where the seed of truth has found lodgment in the hearts of interested ones. They came in person with their silent longings and earnest requests for some one to come and preach the Word. Must they return to their villages with no assurance of help? How long, O Lord, how long must they wait in darkness?

As I left that meeting in Sian, and even as I write to-day, the impression that now stands out in my mind is one of unprecedented opportunities, providential openings, and a great scarcity of workers to gather in the harvest of this portion of the world-field. Something is truly happening in Shensi and the whole of the Northwest; but as I listened to those interesting reports from the workers and believers, and contemplated the situation in the Shensi Mission, my mind went time after time to that familiar text in Matthew 9:37, 38, "Then said 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."

With the dedication of the Shensi Training Institute now removed from Tsaotan and rebuilt at the compound in the suburbs of Sianfu, we should see many young people trained and

made ready to enter the work in Shensi.

May God richly bless the work of the Shensi Mission, is the hope and prayer of all His people.

*Somewhere on the Yangtze River,
Nov. 7, 1935.*

Kansu Provincial Mission of S.D.A.—Director's Report, 1934

G. J. APPEL

WE are very glad to welcome the workers and delegates who are with us to-day in attendance at the Kansu Provincial Mission annual meeting. At the meeting held in Lanchow in the fall of 1933, the Northwest Union was organized to function henceforth as a regularly constituted union mission; and Kansu was fully organized into a provincial mission. Since that time the territory of this mission has been defined as the province of Kansu with the exception of ten counties in the northwestern part which have been assigned the Sinkiang Mission.

As far as we know, when it was decided to open up work in the Northwest in 1931, there was not an Adventist in all these Kansu cities and villages. The Central China Union for a limited period had sent in a few colporteurs, and the large cities along the highway leading to Sinkiang had been canvassed by the two faithful men who are thought to have lost their lives while returning from Tihwa. A tribute should be paid to the thorough work of these colporteurs; for wherever they visited there are enquirers who desire to know more of the message these men bore.

Pastor J. H. Effenberg and associate workers arrived in the city of Lanchow in 1932, and after thorough search decided upon the rental of a Chinese compound just outside of the southwest corner of the city wall. Later a chapel was rented inside the city, efforts were held, and a church was organized.

To open the Northwest by entering Kansu in April, 1932, was indeed an act of faith on the part of the Division Committee. Some felt that no thought should be given to entering upon new work when appropriations were being cut and when it appeared as though working forces in older fields would need to be reduced in order to balance budgets. "Why talk of and plan for advances," they inquired, "when we have not sufficient for present needs?" But such reasoning is not in harmony with God's plan. Only



*Delegates and Friends in Attendance at the Annual Meeting,
Lanchow, Kansu, October, 1935.*

when the children of Israel moved forward did God cause the waters of the Jordan to part; it was when the leaders were willing to step into the waters, that God opened the way. It was a sacrifice on the part of the other unions to release a family here, a budget there, and in some cases even to give a part of the base to assist in the creation of this new field; but the Lord has richly blessed as the result. When the "priests" moved forward, God made a road through "Northwest's Jordan."

The Lord has promised that He will finish His work and cut it short in righteousness. How this was to be done in a new field where workers were few and transportation facilities so difficult, was a problem. The Jordan again opened. An influential man of means in China was a patient of the Shanghai Sanitarium. He was cured. In appreciation for the help received he made a gift to this cause that made possible the purchase of land for this compound and the erection of the buildings for the Northwest Sanitarium and Hospital. Again, Dr. Dunscombe, a physician in Inter-America, being impressed that a school was needed for the training of our young people, gave the funds to erect the buildings for this training institute, in the chapel of which we are holding this meeting. Surely where man's resources fail God provides a way.

During the year evangelistic efforts have been held in Pingliang, Tashingying, and Lanchow. As the result of these and the Bible classes conducted, 45 have been baptized. The present membership is 138. Counting the work in Choni, we have five chapels, and have opened work in five of the fifty-five *hsiens*. One of these *hsiens* was entered this year.

A school in Lanchow, and another in Tashingying, were conducted last year, with a total enrolment of

seventy. Two-thirds of the young people attending the training institute at Lanchow this year are from Kansu.

Our six Sabbath schools with a membership of 189, have had offerings totaling \$760.26, an average of seven and seven-tenths cents per member per Sabbath.

The Kansu Book and Bible House serves as a depository not only for the Kansu Mission, but also for Chinghai, Ninghsia, and Sinkiang. The total sales the past year were \$5,546.33. The work of our faithful colporteurs is showing results. Letters have been received from the southern part of the province, representatives of over 100 people requesting some one to come and teach them the message.

OUR NEEDS

A trained worker is needed who can spend his entire time as director of the mission. At the present time the union superintendent is carrying this work but has not been able to devote much time to it.

Plans have already been made to open up Liangchow in the fall. Plans should also be made to open up work in the southeastern part of the province.

Districts should be organized with one in charge of each.

We need colporteurs who are willing to work in the scattered country villages and outlying *hsiens*, men who will follow the Master's example,—who will go from village to village, spreading abroad the message of a soon-coming Saviour.

In Tashingying, where we have an organized church of 54 members, a building site has been donated. We need \$500 with which to purchase materials to build a chapel, a school building, and workers' quarters. The church members are willing to donate the labor.

We need above all these an inflil-

ing of the Holy Spirit, that we may have power in our lives to win souls, and quickly to finish the work in the Kansu Mission.

The Chinghai Mission

CHEN WEI SHIAO

(A synopsis of the annual report of the director, as rendered at the Lanchow, Kansu, general meeting, October, 1935.)

IN August, 1932, the gospel message for these last days was carried into Chinghai; and in October, 1933, the Chinghai Provincial Mission was formed. The people of the province are Chinese, Mongol, Tibetan, Mohammedan, and other classes and races; this adds to our perplexities in undertaking and conducting a work that will eventually include all.

During the few years since we have entered, the Spirit of God has been working in Chinghai, with the result that in January, 1934, we had 23 church members; and at the end of 1934 we had 37, in two organized churches and three companies. There are fourteen *hsiens* in Chinghai, but we can have access at present to only nine of these. Of the nine, we have interests and work of a permanent nature in only five.

Our out-station in Tatung was opened by Evangelist Mi. We are grateful to the union for the help given us in June, 1934, by Pastor Wu Dzeh Shan, who spent some time in Lotu, where the congregation averaged about one hundred. We now have five baptized believers in Lotu. In July, 1934, work was undertaken in Hwangyuan; and Mr. Feng, who understands the language of the tribes-people of that district, has been stationed there.

Last year we were given additional help, in the labors of Mr. Wu Fang Beh and Mr. Yuan Shu Kwei. In March Mr. Wu began to serve as treasurer and educational secretary. At that time I went to Shanghai to attend the divisional constituency and council meetings, returning in May. For two months we visited our out-stations, and held meetings. About that time some very severe troubles arose within our territory, making it impossible for us to travel many of the roads of our field, these having become closed; and this necessitated our confining our efforts to *hsiens* already opened. We now have (October, 1935) 47 baptized church members. We are grateful to our Heavenly Father for His special blessings upon our young mission here in Chinghai.

Four students are being sent to Lanchow for training, in the hope that these may yet have opportunity of serving, upon their return, in

assisting us to open the four remaining *hsiens* into which we are allowed to travel. (The *hsiens* beyond, are still largely under Tibetan control, and very difficult to enter just now; and other adverse influences have recently come in to close the doors even more tightly, at least for the present.—*Editor*.) In territory still open to us, we are visiting every village and town, first in the five *hsiens* already opened, and later, if present plans carry, in the remaining four still accessible. We pray that when the Lord returns in glory, He may find a group of people waiting for Him in Chinghai.

Ningshia Provincial Mission

WU DZEH SHAN

(A synopsis of the annual report of the director, given at the Lanchow, Kansu, general meeting, October, 1935.)

THE people in Ningshia first heard the third angel's message at the close of 1932, when Evangelist Shao Djen Siu was sent by the Northwest Mission into Ningshia. Before he left Lanchow, he was given a letter of introduction by Mr. Wang Dzi Ching to a friend in Ningshia by the name of Mr. Hsueh Deh Pu; so when Mr. Shao reached Ningshia he was welcomed by Mr. Hsueh and stayed at first with him. Mr. Hsueh introduced him to his friend, Mr. Su Chi Ming.

A few days later, two colporteurs from Shensi, Chu Szi Ching and Dzu Yu Ming, reached Ningshia. Thus the colporteurs began selling books there about the same time Evangelist Shao began preaching.

In May, 1933, the Northwest China Mission sent Mr. Lu Ding Fang to Ningshia. Later, in June, Pastor J. H. Effenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Tan Deh En, Mr. Shiao Keh Ching, and I started for Ningshia. We had many interesting experiences on the way. The first four days we went by auto-bus; then we rode on camels for three days; yet another three days were spent on goatskin rafts; and at the end of our journey by water we once more mounted camels and thus entered Ningshia. Plans were arranged for holding an evangelistic effort; and then Pastor Effenberg and Mr. Shiao Keh Ching went on to Yulin. Those of us who remained held two meetings every day, and also a Bible class. When Brethren Effenberg and Shiao returned, Brother Effenberg examined some who had been studying for a considerable time under Evangelist Shao Djen Siu and others, and eleven were baptized, including Mr. and Mrs. Hsueh, to whom our pioneer evangelist had been introduced by the friend in Lanchow; and also Mr. and Mrs. Su, to whom Brother Shao had been

introduced by Mr. Hsueh.

Shortly after these beginnings, Brother Shao Djen Siu was constituted director of the work in Ningshia; he also serving in the capacity of an elder of the newly formed church in Ningshia.

On the occasion of my second visit to Ningshia, in the spring of 1935, the Northwest China Union asked me to take the responsibility of the directorship, and they added a little to the former budget appropriation allowed this new field. We are grateful for this financial help. This year we have opened work in two new *hsiens*; namely, Pinglo, where Mr. Shen Yu An serves as evangelist; and in Ningso, where Mr. Tan Deh En is the evangelist.

On August 12, 1935, another baptismal service was held, when seven were added to our ranks. On the same day we were made glad by the coming of Mr. and Mrs. Chen Wen Hwan; he to serve as our treasurer, and as secretary for the Sabbath school and educational departments.

Brother Shao Djen Siu, who so faithfully pioneered the way in Ningshia, has been transferred to Lanchow. We are sorry to lose him, but are glad that when he went, he could be accompanied by four students who are now in training at our union institute in Lanchow. We are looking forward to their return to the Ningshia Mission, strong for labor.

Our church membership now numbers twenty-three baptized believers. We hope to double this number during the coming year, and also to double the Sabbath schools. We have no day school as yet; for we are unable to provide either room or furnishings. And as regards the book-work, we are "bankrupt." We used to have one or two colporteurs, but now we do not have any. We are looking to our union publishing secretary to help us in this matter. We also hope to have, some day, strong home missionary and Y.P.M.V. departmental work, and some medical work.

The treasurer's report, showing the financial standing, with accompanying explanatory charts, can not reveal fully the faithfulness and earnestness of our members. In their love for the truth they have sacrificed in an effort to make possible the continuance of Brother Wang in self-supporting work. This brother, like Paul of old, has a heart filled with love and, like the apostle, seems to feel, "Woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!"

There are ten *hsiens* in our territory; namely, Chungwei, Chungning, Kinki, Lingwu, Yuwang, Yen-chih, Ningso, Ningshia, Pinglo, and Tengkow. We have work in only

three of these. We plan to open two more next year. Our work is large, but our laborers are few. We ask the help of our brethren in extending our activities to the borders of Ningshia.

Our Sanitariums

New Canton Sanitarium

(From a newspaper report in the "China Press," Shanghai, Sept. 26, 1935)

ALIGHTING from the big Douglas northbound plane from Canton yesterday afternoon at the Lungwha Airdrome, from a three-day round trip to the southern city, Dr. H. W. Miller, superintendent of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital, declared, "The Canton Sanitarium and Hospital is now officially opened and dedicated to the work of healing the sick and of teaching those in health how to keep well.

"Many friends have contributed toward the expense of making possible the creation of this memorial dedicated for the maintenance and improvement of the health of the people of Kwangtung Province; and among those giving freely of their funds for this purpose, are friends not a few in Shanghai, as well as many in Canton and Hongkong."

The *China Press* representative learned further through Dr. Miller concerning the founding of the Canton Sanitarium and Hospital, that years ago a Cantonese gentleman by the name of Law Keem, at that time living in California, having acquired naturalization papers as a United States citizen, decided to return to China to minister to the sick-poor. He was entirely self-supporting, not being in the employ of any society, although he had already become a Christian and was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He matriculated in a medical school at San Francisco, and upon completing his course practiced for a time at Fresno, California.

SETTLED IN FATSHAN

Then he returned to China under the call of the Mission Board of Seventh-day Adventists. First he settled in Fatshan,—that beautiful city about 20 miles southwest of Canton, where he began his medical practice, persevering until he had established a well-equipped hospital-dispensary. From Fatshan he went on to Nanning, in western Kwangsi, and there

again succeeded in erecting a hospital-dispensary that through the years has grown in influence.

During a cholera epidemic Dr. Law sought to relieve the sufferings of the poor, but in the course of this ministry for others, he himself contracted the disease and died within three days.

Not in vain, however, had Dr. Law Keem given his life. Others followed, having learned of the successes attending his medical work in South China, and thus was undertaken the larger work. Two years ago some of those connected with Dr. Law's original hospital at Fatshan, undertook to build up a medical institution along sanitarium lines to serve the city of Canton. The site chosen was in the suburb Tungshan, and there for upwards of a year builders have been at work erecting the structure formally opened and dedicated last Wednesday.

Dr. Miller, in charge of the medical work of the Board of Missions of Seventh-day Adventists in China, referred to the Canton Sanitarium as the twelfth institution of its kind established in China and operated under their organization. He outlined briefly the purposes of the Canton Sanitarium, of not only providing a modern, complete institution in its equipment to which the sick may resort in time of need from Canton and throughout South China, but also the work of these institutions as health centers from which community welfare work shall be carried forward.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. Kang Chia-hou, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs of the Municipality of Canton, whose interest in the Canton Sanitarium has greatly assisted in the completion of this institution. Another speaker was Mayor Liu Chi-wen, who has contributed actively to the establishment of the Sanitarium, as have also his civic associates. Mr. Fletcher, the American Consul-General, also addressed the meeting, expressing the interest of the American community in contributing helpful service for the sick, of which the Canton Sanitarium is a fitting example.

Mr. E. L. Longway, who has had general charge of a solicitation campaign, expressed deep gratitude to

the donors who had made possible the erection of this modern, three-story fire-proof sanitarium. The institution has accommodation for first-, second- and third-class patients, with a bed-capacity of 40; and on the day of opening had practically its full bed-capacity occupied with the sick.

During this trip up and down the China Coast, Dr. Miller had opportunity to confer en route with associates engaged in various mission and uplift enterprises at Wenchow, Foochow, Amoy, and Swatow.

In Appreciation of Gifts— Canton Sanitarium

E. L. LONGWAY

(Synopsis of words of appreciation for gifts received, as expressed by Pastor E. L. Longway during the formal opening exercises of the Canton Sanitarium-Hospital, Tungshan, Canton.)

Mr. Chairman; Your Honor, Mayor Liu; Dear Friends—

In opening this new building to the public to-day, we wish that it might be possible to mention by name each and every one who has had a part in making the institution possible. On the cornerstone of this building are these significant words: "Christ Himself, the Chief Cornerstone." This building is a memorial to Christ's love for sick and suffering humanity. So we would first express our thanks to Almighty God, for it is His Spirit that has moved men, in these times of financial hardship, to contribute for their means for this building.

Our good mayor, Mr. Liu Chi-wen, deserves much of the credit for the completion of this new hospital. Since we first visited him in the summer of 1933, and told him of our hopes and plans for Canton, he has been an unfailing friend and helper. The same can truly be said of all departmental heads of the city government. So today we formally thank the mayor and his associates for their assistance and friendship.

Another who has been untiring in his efforts to assist is our master of ceremonies, Dr. Kan Chia-hou. Letters of introduction, personal interviews with friends, advice and encouragement, as well as a substantial personal gift, merit the thanks we heartily tender Dr. Kan.

Pastor A. L. Ham, the chairman of the board, should not be forgotten today. For some fifteen years Pastor Ham has promoted the idea of a sanitarium for the Canton he loves. Dr. H. W. Miller is another

who has done much to bring this institution to its present happy moment. Dr. Miller used his influence with our Mission Board in Washington to get its approval for this Sanitarium. And with his many other pressing duties, Dr. Miller has still found time to approach Cantonese and other friends in Shanghai and Nanking, who have responded with liberal gifts. Today, at this formal opening, we wish to extend our thanks to Dr. Miller.

Over five hundred individuals have contributed either funds or materials for the new building. The gifts have ranged in size from \$10,000 to \$1.00. All gifts of \$50.00 and over have been listed on the bronze plaque, which will be permanently installed in the hall of the ground floor. No distinction has been made between the various currencies donated. A permanent record of gifts of less than \$50.00 will be compiled and made available for inspection at any time. To each and every one of our donors we express our sincere thanks.

Mr. E. C. Wood, the architect, not only drew the plans for the building, but was present from morning until night nearly every day the building was under construction. So today we have this substantial building, well planned and beautifully finished, thanks to Mr. Wood.

The Lien Tat Company and Mr. Chung have more than justified our confidence in them as expert builders. Mr. Chung has also contributed liberally to the building fund.

The plumbing and terazzo work was done by the Warren Company of Hong Kong. Friends have been kind enough to remark that the floors of this building are the best of the kind in Canton. We thank Mr. Warren for the good work done on the floors and plumbing.

The steel windows and doors used in the building were supplied by the Canton Steel Window Company. Besides giving us an excellent quality of workmanship and materials, Mr. Tang contributed most liberally to the building fund.

The wiring of the building was done by Jardine's Engineering. The fixtures have been installed by the hospital management, and are not yet complete. We thank Jardine's Engineering firm for a fine piece of work done at a most sacrificial figure.

Finally, we express our appreciation to these friends who have honored us with their presence today. We would solicit your continued interest and support for this new medical institution. It is not our institution; it is yours; for you have made it possible. We will do our utmost to conduct the institution in such a manner that "Christ Himself, the Chief Cornerstone," may be honored and glorified, and His kingdom brought nearer to men.

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To our readers we wish A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

In this issue we are including reports from four of the six provincial missions of the Northwest Union. Owing to the distance of Pastor Nils Dahlsten and Brother Phil. H. Shigley and their families from the Lanchow center, stationed as they are temporarily at Suchow, enroute to Sinkiang, no report was given of the Sinkiang Mission at the Lanchow meeting, aside from general mention of our situation in those parts in the reports rendered by Brethren Appel of the union and Oss of the Division. Our sympathies go out to the lonely workers at the far outposts, of which Suchow is one of the farthest of all. Yet another provincial organization not represented by its director at Lanchow, was the recently organized Choni-Tibetan Mission, with present headquarters at Choni. The director, Pastor J. Harold Shultz, being on furlough, and others of that station having left because of the presence of hostile armies in the immediate vicinity, those in charge of the work in the Northwest can do but little in the Choni-Tibetan territory of the Northwest until following the return of Brother Shultz. Many remarkable providences have been met in the conduct of this special mission in its earlier stages, and hopes are entertained of its eventual enlargement.

The reports rendered by Pastor Appel and his associates, and by representatives from our offices in Shanghai, will be read with care; for the impetus already gained by our brethren laboring in the Northwest is most unusual, and gives ground for abundant hopes of an early and bountiful spiritual harvest.

In presenting figures on the 25-cts. per week fund, we are encouraged by the net totals, which include considerable amounts received as late as October 31, 1935 although we can not give the figures for some unions for any date later than Sept. 30, 1935. The Ingathering returns are based, not on official treasury returns, but rather on the reports sent in from field union missionary secretaries to the general home missionary departmental headquarters in Shanghai, and are subject to the usual later adjustments by the respective treasurers concerned. However, on this point it may safely be added that in perhaps every instance the totals for the year, rendered in the official reports of the union treasurers, will be in excess, by some thousands, of figures included in the report of funds given in the statistical table appearing in this issue.

The returns coming in from those engaged in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, reveal a spirit of perseverance most commendable; for never in the history of our solicitation work, have we met with financial depression so distressing in nature as exists just now in nearly all parts of the lands included within our divisional boundaries.

For Sale

One table top gasoline stove. Instant lighting. Used only three months. Cost G. \$ 50.00. Will sell at reasonable price. Also white porcelain top table. Address. Far Eastern Academy.

News from the Westernmost Outpost

"HOME missionary departmental work is being pushed as fast as possible. Just now it seems that the Division brethren can't find us a Chinese evangelist; but we can distribute literature, invite folks to come to the Bible studies and to attend Sabbath School; we can also give a little food to the hungry, and make missionary visits. We have but one helper, Wei Huai-deh, for gate man and general go-between. We formerly had him as gardener and water-carrier in Lanchow. Now he is giving a half-hour sermon each morning to the patients, using the picture rolls to illustrate his talks. He studies hard daily, using the text-book by Pastors Lindt and Giang on "Bible Doctrines." He is one of the first converts that Brother Effenberg had in Lanchow as the result of the tent effort held near the Catholic cathedral there. On one recent feast day he took a thousand tracts and spent the entire day on the streets, talking with people about our doctrine."

This is the good news from Brother Shigley, written from our westernmost outpost, Suchow, Kansu. With even one such home missionary worker in the new Sinkiang mission, we are confident that there will soon be a harvest; for the Lord has promised that His word shall not return void. Let us remember these faithful witnesses in the Far West.

E. L. LONGWAY.

The New Morning Watch Calendar

D. A. OCHS

THE Morning Watch Calendar for 1936, laden with Bible promises, is ready to go into the hands of thousands of the world over, old and young, rich and poor, believers and unbelievers. Now it is waiting for some one to send it on its mission of mercy, cheer, and comfort.

Shall we not do our part to place the calendars in as many hands as possible? Let us resolve to increase the circulation in these ways:

1. Give them to neighbors and friends.
2. Send them as Christmas and New Year's cards.
3. Distribute them in hospitals and sanitariums.
4. Place them in hotels, Y. M. C. A.'s and Y. W. C. A.'s.
5. Give them to Sabbath school class-members.
6. Encourage Sunday school superintendents to supply them to their class-members.
7. Present them to students in our school homes.
8. Give them to graduating classes in our institutions.
9. Encourage dealers in greeting cards to put them on sale.
10. Suggest to managers of business houses that they supply their employees.
11. Encourage Juniors and young people to sell them from door to door to raise money for Sabbath school investment. (If this is done, a charge of not more than ten cents should be made.)
12. Place them in the waiting-rooms of our doctors' offices, and encourage the doctors to accompany them with Bibles.
13. Get the calendar for your own use, and observe diligently the Morning Watch.

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 Jan. 23-29, 1936, at the Division office, 526 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China. The first meeting is called for 8 A. M., Thursday, January 23. 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 of the China Training Institute will be held in Chiaotoutseng, Kiangsu, China, Jan. 17-19, 1936; the first business session to be held on Saturday night, January 18, at 7 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. LIU, *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 Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1936, at 8 A. 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., Wednesday, Jan. 22, 1936, 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 Monday, Jan. 20, 1936, 7:30 P. M., in Chapel Room of the China Division office. 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.

D. E. REBOK, *President*.
H. H. MORSE, *Secretary*.