

The China Division Report

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Lessening Administrative Costs

DR. H. W. MILLER

WITH the income to the Mission Board diminishing the past year or so, and at the same time the church is being called upon to enter upon a more energetic and aggressive program of evangelism into all the world, we may well study various ways and means of doing an enlarged work on a reduced budget in the China field. Thus considerable economy may be effected wherever possible, not only in the expenditure of means, but in encouraging every worker in a wise use of time.

As we have reached a period in the China Division where the masses of people are ready as never before to listen to the preaching of the gospel, it is for us to give study how to release men and funds for direct evangelistic work, and also how best to simplify our organization and make such combination of labor and elimination of duplication of effort as shall cut down administrative expense. It often happens we can use more direct methods with a saving of time and expense, and yet do more efficient service.

One great danger that continually confronts the church is that of spending too much effort on the organization itself. As a matter of fact, the Apostolic Church had a very flexible organization, and it was also a very simple type of organization. But it was wide awake with the spirit of evangelization, endeavoring to preach the gospel to every man everywhere Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

In the beginning, when man was created, he had a perfect body, and was the object of symmetry and beauty; and his bones, muscles, nerves and organs were adjusted and arranged in a marvelous and most harmonious way. But until he was breathed into his body the breath of life, man was a very helpless and unprofitable object. It is possible for us to spend much time, thought, and effort on organization, while the church moves backwards instead of forwards. We shall ever need the motive power of the Holy Spirit to impart life to the workers; and when the Holy Spirit operates in the life, there is little lost effort, and results are certain to be seen in the saving of souls.

To-day in China, where our evangelistic laborers are so few, every effort should be put forth to rest administrative responsibilities on as few as possible, so as to make available for evangelistic work a still larger number of workers. The living messenger is the great need in the mission field.

"How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written: How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"

It is never difficult to be busy or keep busy; but the wise thing is to do our utmost along the lines that count most; and in God's work that is through coming in contact with the unsaved and proclaiming to them God's last message of mercy; and He has said that "His word shall not return unto Him void."

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while now there are eighty-three, which is an average of 1.37 Sabbath schools a month added during the two-year period. This mission now has half the number of Sabbath schools in the Union and nearly half the Sabbath school membership. Our Sabbath school membership is also over twice our baptized membership.

SABBATH SCHOOL COMPARISONS

	1929	1931
Number of Sabbath Schools	50	83
Membership	1,673	2,140
Average attendance	1,062	1,676

Our members continue to show the same interest in leading their friends and neighbors to a knowledge of the truth as has been shown in previous years, 125 names of new believers bearing witness to this. It is a common occurrence to see church members talking about the message to others while traveling in boats, while walking by the way, or while plying their various trades. Such faithfulness and earnestness is bound to bring results.

The Wenchow school, with an enrolment of sixty-seven students during this past semester, has been carrying on in a strong way with Dzang Yao Zih as principal. A number of our workers have been students of this school, and we hope many more will become workers as time goes on. This past summer we conducted our first summer school with an enrolment of thirty-eight, seven of whom have since been sent out as evangelists.

The literature work has shown some gains, but not as large as we hope to see when our field man has his time exclusively for field work.

LITERATURE COMPARISONS

	1930	(Dec.)	1931
Total Sales	\$ 2,100.78		\$ 4,185
Number <i>Signs</i> subs.	331	"	961
Number <i>Shepherd</i> subs.	81	"	132
No. S. S. <i>Helper</i> subs.	160	"	119
Number <i>Educator</i> subs.	45	"	50

The Lord has wonderfully blessed the work in this field, yet we have accomplished only a small part of what He could do through us if we were fully consecrated to Him. It is true that we have entered every hsien in our territory; but there is still a great work to do in each hsien. Think of Nyang Hai with a population of 557,101, where we have only just begun to work. The six hsien in Te Tsiu average only one member for every 53,000 people. Now we must transfer our energies from the work of getting into every hsien to that of getting into all the cities and villages in

each hsien until every city and every home has been warned.

This work of going from home to home and from village to village is the last great work to be accomplished by God's people on this earth, and will be carried on largely by the laity. In Vol. 9, page 126, we read:

"In visions of the night representations passed before me of a great reformatory movement among God's people. Many were praising God. The sick were healed, and other miracles were wrought. A spirit of intercession was seen, even as was manifested before the great day of Pentecost. Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families and opening before them the word of God. Hearts were convicted by the Holy Spirit, and a spirit of genuine conversion was manifest. On every side doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. The world seemed to be lightened with the heavenly influence. Great blessings were received by the true and humble people of God. I heard voices of thanksgiving and praise, and there seemed to be a reformation such as we witnessed in 1844."

In presenting these figures, we realize that we are hastening on toward the day when all mission statistics will be simplified and expressed in but one item—souls numbered in the kingdom of God, and saved for eternity.

SOUTH CHEKIANG STATISTICS

Tithe	\$1061.30	1330.75	1657.06	2165.44
Big Week	\$24.79	50.79	95.10	115.10
Annual	\$242.92	241.86	374.19	544.62
Harvest Ingathering				657.09
Free Will	.80	1.73	4.00	2.00
Mid Summer	\$70.32	59.85	141.80	204.16
Sab. Sch. Re.	\$459.27	539.59	802.53	1246.90
13th Sab.	\$40.50	75.71	105.62	174.85
Birthday	\$21.07	38.54	50.89	54.35
Investment	\$1.02	16.96	61.45	199.20
Week of Sac.	\$193.85	296.27	422.55	524.60
Spec. wk.				368.58
Flood Relief				169.84
Total	\$2115.84	2652.05	3715.19	6426.73
Total 1928, 1929	\$4,767.89			
Total 1930, 1931	\$10,141.92			

INTO SUIYUAN PROVINCE

PASTOR GEO. J. APPEL writes under date of March 9: "We are very happy to report definite plans to open up work in the Suiyuan Province. We have asked Pastor Meng to start this new work, and are sending a man along with him as assistant evangelist. The treasury work we shall carry on from the union office for the present.

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now known as the China Division.
Today we are in the lead.

MEMBERSHIP COMPARISONS

	1928, 1929	1930, 1931
Membership (1929)	606 (1931)	1,023
Total baptized	249	454
Net gain in membership	213	417

We now have thirty-two organized churches, fourteen having been organized during the past year, an average of more than one new church each month.

Two years ago there were fifty Sabbath schools in this mission

Giao Wen Li to assist in getting him started in his new work, which is to fill the vacancy caused by Pastor Meng's transfer to Suiyuan.

"Pastor A. A. Esteb and I are planning on making a trip to Jehol next week to take out two colporteurs, and to look over the field. We are going forward by faith in planning to enter that province soon, as thus far we have no assured means of support for permanent work; but we believe the Lord will in some way bring to us the means required to open up the work."

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ANHWEI MISSION—1931

(A synopsis)

O. B. KUHN

(As rendered by the mission director at the annual meeting held in Nanking early in March)

THE development of the work in the Anhwei Mission has made necessary the division of its territory. At the last biennial session of the East China Union Mission, therefore, a large section was formed into a new organization known as the North Kiangsu Mission. The Anhwei Mission now comprises all of Anhwei Province, the Nanking district situated south of the Yangtze River in Kiangsu, and the Suchowfu district in the northwestern part of Kiangsu Province.

Together with other provinces of China, Anhwei was afflicted by the flood. In the northern part of the province 8,000,000 people lost their homes, their crops, and their winter clothing. Millions more in the Yangtze Valley suffered a similar loss. Our chapel at San Hoh Gien was swept away by the water. The chapel at Djeng Yang Gwan collapsed. The school building and worker's quarters of the Nan Djao Dzee property fell in, and the chapel building and compound walls were damaged. Three tent efforts, two in the north and one in the south, were forced to close.

Nevertheless in the mission as a whole some progress was made. A two months' evangelistic effort was conducted in Nanking by Pastors Lee, Shen, and Hartwell. The mat tabernacle seated 800. Thousands heard the message, and a number are now studying the Bible in their homes with our workers. Some have joined the baptismal class. As the result of this effort, a goodly company, we believe, will eventually be baptized.

Recently, the large village of Hsing Liu, in the North, was burned and looted by a thousand bandits, who carried away a number of the residents. These bandits burned the pulpit platform and some benches in our chapel, and robbed the self-sup-

porting evangelist of his clothes, money, and bedding. Other members of the church suffered, also. Our companies of believers at San Hoh Gien, Yun Hoh, Nan Djao Dzee have also suffered, more or less, from the bandits.

At Tai Ping Fu, in December, we dedicated our new church building, erected at a cost of \$1,600, the local company contributing \$600, and the East China Union Mission \$1,000.

Property for chapel and church school purposes has been purchased in Beng Pu. This will strengthen our work in the city, and be a help to the provincial junior middle school situated near there.

Last year the Anhwei Junior Middle School enjoyed an enrollment of sixty, and graduated six students from the ninth grade. Of these graduates, two are taking the nurses' course in the Yencheng Hospital, and one at the Shanghai Sanitarium; two are continuing their schooling at Chiao Tou Tseng, and one is doing evangelistic work.

Evidence of the grace of Christ working in the hearts of the people is frequently seen, and we are grateful for the opportunities and possibilities before us in this field. Even the dreadful catastrophe of the flood and the scourge of bandits contribute to the advancement of the cause; for "when the judgments of God are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness." (Isa. 26:9) And, surely, we may hope that in the near future, as the workers and believers reconsecrate themselves for more earnest and efficient witness, many will be led to the Lord.

Detailed information of the progress of the work may be had from the table of statistics.

THE ANHWEI MISSION REPORT: STATISTICAL COMPARISON

Not including N. Kiangsu.

	1929	1930	1931
Organized Churches	5	7	10
Baptized Members	228	226	320
Baptisms	26	62	73
Sabbath Schools	15	17	19
Avg. Memshp. of S.S.	321	428	567
Church Schools	6	7	6
Ch. Sch. Enrolment	132	160	168
Intermed. Sch. Enrol.	55	60	67
Tithe of Workers	\$1041.79	1247.17	1075.83
Tithe of Members	\$236.36	475.73	307.54
Mem. Tithe per cap.	\$1.40	2.37	1.30
All Tithes per cap.	\$6.55	7.92	5.20
All Offerings	\$537.44	609.46	1288.61
All Other Off. sent to Miss. Treas.	\$266.28	288.73	681.02
Harvest Ingathering	509.53	604.52	722.14
Big Week Sales	\$63.00	550.45	625.62
Literature Sales	\$5499.17	9073.62	9271.92
Nat. W'kers on full pay	33	29	27
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IN NORTHERN SHENSI

"BROTHER Coberly and I have made an interesting trip to the northern part of this province. We visited Fu Ying Ts'uen, T'an Chia P'u, Pa Li Tien, and T'ai Ping Ts'uen. We found the people very responsive, and all took an active part in the Week of Prayer devotional exercises, even to the youngest students at Pa Li Tien.

VISITING A LIVING BUDDHA

IN his report of work among the Russians in Harbin, Pastor M. Popow told the story of one Russian brother who decided to secure a Harvest Ingathering gift from a living Buddha, — a Mongolian priest. He went to the place where this Buddha was living, and was refused entrance. There were two hundred soldiers standing by as body-guards. After prayer he went once more, another day, but was again refused. The next day, after earnest prayer, he went again, and the soldier said, "Come once more, come to-morrow; and if perchance the living Buddha invites you in, then we can let you see him."

The next day, our brother went to the place where this priest was living; and to the surprise of the soldiers and all standing by, he was given the word that he might go in and see this so-called living god. He gave to the priest a New Testament wrapped in a handkerchief, and the living Buddha spoke kindly with him and later gave him twenty dollars as a Harvest Ingathering gift. The living Buddha signed his name in the subscription book, and now this signature can be seen by all who are approached by the solicitor.

Brother Popow closes by saying, "I am very glad that the living God has opened the way for His living Word to be brought to the attention of a living Buddha."

FROM SIANFU

UNDER date of March 16, Brother Harold Shultz writes to Dr. Miller of the evangelistic effort held during February and March in Sianfu. To quote in part: "We have been having some meetings here in Sianfu during the last month. Brother Coberly, Pastor Fan, and I have shared equally in leading the meetings until last week, when Pastor Wu arrived from Anhwei, and he is now taking a share of the public speaking.

"The interest continues; and although there are many who come merely out of curiosity, as in all efforts, there are large numbers who come almost every night, and stay through the entire service.

"We call for signatures every evening, and there are usually from five to fifteen who sign up, desiring someone to visit them. Not the slightest opposition has been experienced so far. Several evenings the chapel was filled, and no more seats could be found. I estimate the seating capacity to be about 180."

AMONG THE RUSSIANS

PASTOR M. POPOW, during the Quadrennial Council, rendered a report concerning work among the Russians in Harbin and throughout Manchuria. The brethren there are of good courage, and are conducting at the present time three evangelistic efforts. The membership of the mission at the close of the year was 425. Several have been won during the year, but as others have moved away, the membership at the close of the year stands at the same figure as at the beginning. This does not indicate, however, the actual progress being made in soul-winning in the Russian section of Manchuria. Every year a number of those who hear the message and receive baptism, later go to places in Russia and elsewhere.

The world depression is felt in Harbin possibly as much as in any part of the world field. Many, many of our own people are out of employment, and conditions are exceedingly severe. However, our brethren and sisters do not complain, but share with one another and do the best they can under the adverse circumstances.

AT AN OLD STATION

O. B. KUHN

AT Ying Shang Hsien, in November, we held a ten-days' meeting for our believers, who came in from seven or eight surrounding churches. In the evenings services were conducted for the public. The chapel there, which seats over two hundred, was crowded every night, a hundred or more finding standing-room in the aisles and in the courtyard. Bound-footed women with infants in their arms, unable to obtain seats, stood throughout the service. The people manifested the greatest interest; there was no ridicule, blasphemy, nor opposition heard. Concerning this meeting, our workers said that they had never seen anything like it before.

I noticed one man in particular who seldom left the chapel between the meetings, but would sit waiting for the next service to begin. He told me that his brother had been employed in our mission for fifteen years as an evangelist, but that he had always opposed his brother, and ridiculed the gospel. Now a great change has taken place in his heart. He enjoys hearing the doctrine preached, and regards the gospel as a most precious thing, full of beauty and truth.

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THE BIG WEEK — MAY 6 - 13,

JOHN OSS

BIG WEEK idea had its beginning in 1913, when Andrew Roedal, the secretary of the North Dakota Conference, encouraged the co-workers to put forth a special effort to sell literature during one week. This effort was successful, and the idea grew until the Big Week plan was officially launched at the Fall Council of 1920. From that time onward, year by year, the plan has developed.

The Big Week Missions Extension Plan has meant much to our work in all parts of the world. The year this campaign was launched, we were publishing literature in only 99 languages and dialects; to-day we are printing in 146 different tongues. This means an average of four new languages each year since the campaign began. During the twelve-year period, including 1932, the Big Week funds have provided \$1,774,030.11 gold for the establishment and development of publishing, educational and medical enterprises in various parts of the world. During these years it has assisted in 379 different projects.

One hundred fourteen of these projects have been used for the extension of our literature work, such as establishing publishing houses, providing equipment, assisting Book and Bible Houses, the translating and preparing of new books, etc.

Our educational work has been greatly assisted through the Big Week plan. Since its beginning, 136 educational projects have received help from this fund. Thus the campaign has done much in all lands to assist in the training of our young people. Much also for the relief of suffering has been accomplished; for in all 126 medical enterprises have been assisted. From the north, the south, the east and the west come words of appreciation from those who have received healing for both body and soul in these institutions.

The General Conference has been most liberal in including in the Big Week budget each year several projects for China. Our publishing interests in China have been helped to the extent of \$92,890.91 gold. This fund has done much to equip the Signs of the Times Publishing House and to provide operating funds for our tract societies and for the translation and production of new books. What we see in our publishing work to-day is in no small part due to the help received from this source. Our educational institutions in the China Division—in Shanghai, Canton, Yencheng, Sianfu, and West China—have received \$13,680.00 gold for the extension of their work. Our medical institutions have been helped to the extent of \$54,800.00 gold. Since 1921 the China Division has received the large sum of \$170,110.91 gold for the extension of publishing, educational and medical work.

The largest part of these amounts has come from places outside of China. Year by year our believers in other parts of the world have worked untiringly to make possible this large sum of money for the advancement of the work in our Division.

The plan of selling literature and turning in the profits and giving a day's earnings to the Big Week fund is comparatively new to many of our members; but we believe that as they see what others are doing to assist us in this work, they will put forth more earnest efforts than ever before.

Our gains cannot be expressed in figures and material things alone. Eternity alone will reveal the full fruitage in souls won to the truth through the individual effort, the personal touch, of those carrying the books to the people, and also by the far-reaching soul-saving influences of the institutions made possible by the funds brought in by this means.

The date set for the campaign this year is May 7 - 14, and it is hoped that our workers and believers everywhere will rally as never before to assist in this work of carrying our truth-filled literature to the people.

ANNUAL BIG WEEK CAMPAIGN -- 1932

Setting apart of May 6 to 13, 1932 as the time when all workers in the China take part in a Big Week Campaign, the announcements and articles that are a careful study.—Editor.

MISSIONS EXTENSION FUND

BIG WEEK



The Date: May 6 to 13, 1932

THE BIG WEEK AND OUR MEDICAL WORK

H. W. MILLER

AS THE result of generous contributions received throughout the Far East and the world-wide field, several medical institutions have been started on their mission in behalf of suffering humanity.

Our institutional work has been appreciated, not only by patients, but also by the public who have given liberally for its support. During the past year, sufficient funds have been raised for the development of further dispensary-hospital work, some of which is planned especially to accommodate the poor. It is the aim of medical centers to afford, if possible, equal privileges to the sick of all classes—both rich and poor. We are glad to be definitely at work along these ideals for the care of the sick.

In connection with our Shanghai Sanitarium, a training school for nurses is conducted. About one hundred are now in training, and it is planned that the graduated who go out may help in medical work in other sections of China and the Far East. Those in training include Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, Malays, and Filipinos.

The program of our institutions embraces health lectures, community health educational work, and the development of health literature. The profits from the circulation of our literature during Big Week, go far toward making possible the carrying out of our institutional program from year to year.

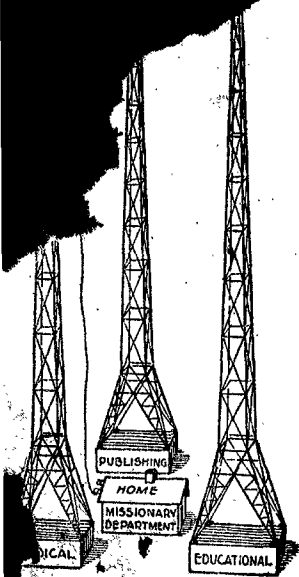
FINANCING THE WORK IN CHINA

C. C. MORRIS

WE are living in a great financial age. None of us can free ourselves of financial responsibilities as individuals, or in the home, the church, or the state. Members of the average home usually have to bear responsibilities and thus assist in its maintenance. The church is but a family on a large scale. Each member must learn to bear responsibility if the church is to function and carry on its work.

The New Testament record of the work and activities of the early church closed when but a comparatively small area had been covered. We are now in a time of growth and activity and universal endeavor, the meaning and extent of which the prophet could best convey in the words, "I saw an angel flying in the midst of heaven." How fitly this represents the tremendous growth and development that has come to this movement!

We read all through the Bible in regard to sacrificial offerings made on the part of God's people. In our present-day organization and methods of promoting the giving of offerings, we have several that are well known to us as a people. We speak of them as the Annual Offering, Mid-Summer Offering, the Week of Sacrifice, Big Week, Harvest Ingathering, etc. These are special times when every member of the church is called upon to do a little extra in the way of sacrificial giving for the interests and welfare of the church.



1932 Goal \$3,000 Gold

Help Finish the Threefold Message by Doing Your Part in the Threefold Plan that Embraces Our Publishing, Medical, and Educational Advance in Every Land of Earth. The 1932 List of Worthy Objects to Receive Aid Include 14 Medical, 13 Publishing, and 26 Educational Projects.

Make the Big Week a Big Literature Week

ORGANIZING FOR A SUCCESSFUL BIG WEEK CAMPAIGN

L. E. REED

In the great campaign of destruction called war, the militarists of modern nations plan carefully the details of their operations months, and even years, before actually starting to fight. In the constructive and more delicate task of presenting our truth-filled literature to the world, and gathering money to carry on the work, how much more important it is that forethought be exercised. The suggestion of the Home Missionary Department, that our churches give careful consideration to the various items and problems in connection with carrying out the campaign, at least a month before the opening date, is most practical.

Among the items which should be included in the considerations of the church committee are the following:

1. Ordering of books and supplies.
2. Assigning of territory to be worked during the campaign.
3. Setting of goals.
4. Arrangements for the rally meeting.
5. Provision for gathering in books, supplies, offerings, etc. at the close of the campaign.

For some of these items a mere mention is sufficient. The ordering of books and supplies is important and will require considerable thought by the committee; but it can be disposed of by a short letter to the Tract Society, requesting the required number of books and the necessary supplies to go with them. But the task of assigning the church territory is not so simple as it at first appears. Some members can work the shops to advantage, while others can better call at homes, and still others are able to visit the officials. Then, too, we should conserve our territory for future work, and not assign territory enough for a week's work to one who is working only one day.

As regards the setting of the goals, the actions taken by the China Division, as printed on this page, will be helpful.

One of the things for which to plan early is the Sabbath Rally Meeting Program, by which we secure the attention and active cooperation of the whole church. In preparing these programs, the materials in the *Christian Educator* should be used, though this

suggestion need not discourage initiative. Generally, the part of the church leaders. General programs have been arranged and after considerable thought by people. Let us do our best to present in a manner the topics and thought. Clauses sent out from the Department.

One way to secure power is to have members to do their part in this. *and do it ourselves.* Once we have we shall become possessed with it. In turn kindle a fire in the world. We shall also have some literature. The subscription lists.

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BIG WEEK PLAN

(Extracts from official minutes, Quadrennial
Council of China Division, 1932)

Whereas, The Extension Fund plan now includes medical and educational as well as publishing projects, thus inviting the entire denomination to more earnest endeavor in its behalf; therefore, —

We recommend, (1) That our lay members be encouraged to devote at least six hours during Big Week to the sale of literature, applying the profits to the Extension Fund.

(2) That colporteurs continue to share in the Big Week plan, giving the profits of the biggest day's sales.

(3) That all mission and institutional workers join in the Extension plan by selling literature during the Big Week, applying their entire profits to the fund, in addition to their personal income for one day.

(4) That, in case of inability to devote time and effort to the sale of literature during the Big Week, lay members make an offering to the Extension Fund equivalent to at least one day's income.

(5) That Sanitariums and schools arrange for one or more field days during the Big Week.

(6) That publishing houses and branches close one day of the Big Week to enable employees to contribute an active part to the success of the Extension Fund plan.

(7) That the financial goal be \$1.00 Mexican per member, based on the membership January 1 of the current year.

(8) That the Big Week date for 1933 be May 6 to May 13.

bles... us urge... all to do the... The schools and... institutions will have a field day when all will go out. The rally meeting should be held the night before these field days. The local churches may have a series of field days, with the leaders accompanying different persons each day. Some may be more successful than others in selling books, but we can all reach the time goal. Let us determine to work faithfully, and God will reward our efforts with wonderful results.

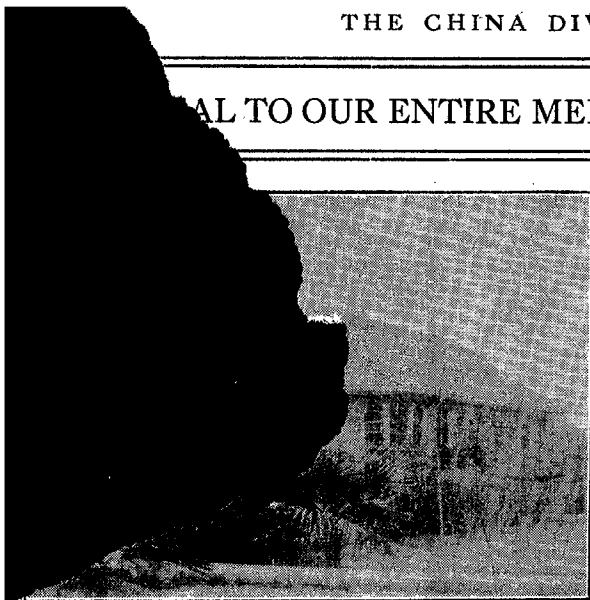
The closing part of the campaign is very important and should be given special thought. The good day or week of experiences is just over, and now the time has come to tell each other in the experience meeting how the Lord has blessed our humble efforts. What wonderfully enthusiastic meetings these are! Let the leader be there with his pencil and paper to get the names and addresses of all the

interested ones found during the campaign. These should be turned over to the Home Missionary Society for careful follow-up work.

At this time all the proceeds from literature sales and the Big Week offerings should be collected. Experience has proved in almost every case that it is best for the worker to buy a money order and send the funds to the mission treasurer.

Above all, let us remember in all our plans and work that this is a soul-winning campaign. The money collected is used to carry on evangelistic work. The books sold are filled with truth. And while we are working, opportunities will come to witness for Christ. May the Lord bless our plans and work with us to win many precious souls.

AL TO OUR ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHINA DIVISION



One of the dormitories of the Hankow Junior Middle School before the flood.

OUR SUPREME OBJECTIVE: THE WINNING OF SOULS

C. C. CRISLER

ALL the campaigns conducted by Seventh-day Adventists have as their supreme objective the winning of souls. And this is especially true of the Missions Extension Fund Campaign. The plan is such that in order to carry it out, we go forth from our own homes to the homes and shops of neighbors and friends, and to others farther away whom we may not have met before, and place before them our precious literature.

Of opportunities thus given us to win souls, one who has long had success in this work has said:

"As you go from place to place, you will meet many people who desire to know more about God and the message for this time. One of the great objects of the Big Week is to bring our people in touch with honest hearts who are longing to know the truth. Do not stop with selling the literature, but follow up these interested ones with more literature and Bible studies. Let us always put 'Souls ahead of goals.'"

Another worker who has had success in Big Week Campaigns, has wisely said:

"Signs all about us show that the coming of the Lord is nearer than when we first believed, so we should work while there is yet day, for 'the night cometh when no man can work.' We need to reach out and warn our friends and neighbors of the meaning of the fearful conditions that are coming upon the world."

"THE AGE OF CONFLICT"

A new Big Week book for 1932 on the stirring issues of today. Just what everybody will want at this time.

Chapter Headings are as follows:

1. THE RISING TIDE OF CONFLICT
2. THE PRESENT OUTLOOK
3. ARMING FOR CONFLICT
4. THE CREAKY MACHINERY OF PEACE
5. THE COMING CONFLICT
6. THE COMING PEACE

The book contains 96 pages, is well illustrated with new cartoons and photographs of the present strife, and will retail at thirty cents Mex. per copy

Place your order immediately.

BIG WEEK ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. The Big Week has provided \$1,774,039.11 gold including 1932 budget, for the establishment of publishing, educational and medical projects.
2. The Big Week has assisted 369 different projects,—
 - a. 114 publishing projects.
 - b. 136 educational projects.
 - c. 126 medical projects.
3. The China Division has received \$170,110.91 gold for publishing, educational and medical work.
4. During 1931, 83 workers in the China Division received their salaries from the Big Week fund.
5. The 1932 Big Week budget calls for \$128,857.93 gold to be used for 65 projects in 30 different countries.

JOHN OSS



The same dormitory of the Hankow Junior Middle School as shown above, but after the flood.

NEW LITERATURE IN CHINA

H. A. ANDERSEN

"ENEMIES OF HEALTH," a small crisis series booklet, was revised and printed for sale during the Big Week early in the year; but it was sold through the year in many of the unions, with also considerable sale to countries outside of China. Of this booklet we billed 81,369 copies.

Of the 2,000 copies of "Story of the Advent Movement" (by Mrs. Matilda Erickson Andross) printed, we have sold about 1,100 in the short period of six months, which sale would suggest another printing to meet the demand.

Another large volume of 442 pages, completed last year for our students in China, is "Bible Lessons for the Third Grade." We have printed 2,000 copies. This book retails at \$.60 less 10%.

The subscription book for 1931, "Knowledge and Progress," is a book containing 334 pages. It has illustrations in colour and has been bound in substantial cloth covers. 17,000 copies were printed, of which we have sold 8,700 copies.

Other New Literature

1. "An Appeal to our Churches on Home Missionary Work." Tract.
2. "Personal Hygiene." Tract.
3. Twelve small pocket tracts which are part of the thirty being prepared by Pastor F. Lee.
4. Harvest Ingathering Regular Magazines, 45,000 copies.
5. Harvest Ingathering Special Magazines, 60,000 copies.
6. Home Missionary Calendars, 5,000 copies.

Exceptional sales were recorded in the month of June, which registered the highest figure for the period of one month. \$45,000.00 Mex. worth in retail value was billed out. Total sales for the year of \$221,333. 12 Mex., of which the *Signs* billing represents 39% and the *subscription books* 38% of the whole.

One hundred and thirty seven thousand copies of *Health and Longevity* have been sold, and this book is still selling very well. No doubt we shall have to reprint this book during the next six months, following which time we hope Dr. Miller's new medical book will have been completed.

We may well unite in thanking God for the guidance of His loving Spirit in our humble efforts to accomplish His mighty program of distributing the printed message in China. We can confidently look forward to larger sales, more efficient manufacture, and consequent attendant blessings of God during the year 1932, when our sales figure should be set at *One Quarter Million Dollars*.

WITH OUR CHINA EDITORS

E. R. THIELE

(Extracts from report rendered by Pastor E. R. Thiele during the annual constituency meeting of the Chinese Signs of the Times Publishing House, Shanghai, January, 1932)

IN the publications that have been issuing from this House it has been and will continue to be, our one aim to give to the millions of China the cheering, glorious word of the imminence of our Lord's return, and to present in no uncertain tones the solemn call for men to get ready to meet the Lord.

During the past year we issued one new subscription book, "Knowledge and Progress," for the material of which we are largely indebted to Prof. D. E. Rebok and Dr. A. L. Tai; "The Story of the Advent Message," and a third-grade Bible textbook. Books that we are working on at present, and which we hope to issue during the present year, are Bible textbooks four and seven, Volume Nine of the Testimonies, "The Marked Bible," a new medical book by Doctor Miller, and a Big Week book. We also issued during the past year twelve numbers of a new series of thirty tracts. Ten more numbers of these tracts are already in hand, and we hope before long to have the entire series completed.

PERIODICAL DEPARTMENT

Our activities in the Editorial Department have been, however, very largely concentrated upon the periodicals issuing from this House. The *Signs of the Times* continues to meet with a favorable response in its endeavor to give the last message to China. In each issue we keep to the forefront the prominent features of our message. The true meaning of the unusual events of our times, the blessed hope presented to the world in a knowledge of the imminent return of our Lord, and the importance of the Bible Sabbath are items that are continually kept before our readers. And it is a singular fact that the blessing of Heaven has rested in a special manner upon these efforts to give our message a certain, stirring, ringing sound.

Special efforts have been put forth during the past few years to secure more material. A survey of the past three years shows that in 1929 we published 113 articles from Chinese sources and 78 foreign, making 60% Chinese articles; in 1930 there were 107 Chinese articles and 63 translated, or 63% Chinese; in 1931 it was 108 Chinese and translated 70, or 60% Chinese.

The *Shepherd's* general church paper field. This paper more and more building agencies in China. As the pioneering into the territory naturally follows in the trail of the *Tracts* prophetic promises prominent period we have in the *Shepherd's* the Testimonies brought this volume where it may now be in book form. We have continued with the publication of "Ministry of Healing," and, if the means can be provided, hope to continue with this item till its completion. "The Marked Bible" is another book that the pages of the *Shepherd* have made available to the China field.

EDITORIAL PERSONNEL

Brother Frederick Lee, our general editor, is temporarily ill, else he would be reporting to you to-day.

Brother Y. H. Chu has continued his efforts in behalf of the *Signs* and the book departments. Brother Yeh Kwen Gan has been occupied with the *Educator*. Brother Ling Chia Yu has worked on the *Sabbath School Helper* and has devoted some time to the *Shepherd*. Brother Goh Djao O has done valuable work on the *Shepherd* and has acted as our Chinese editor. We are happy to welcome to our midst a new worker, Brother Hsieh Chiang Hsun, who came to us from Chiao Tou Tseng. The departure of Brethren Joseph May and Benjamin Tseng for the States for the pursuit of further educational work left us very much handicapped in our translating force, but we are looking forward to the time of their return, when we hope to receive from them more efficient service than ever before.

These are times when we appreciate the able assistance that has been made available to us. We need special grace and wisdom during these days of perplexity that we may effectually perform the important tasks committed to us. The future is bright with promise, a great wealth of our message-filled literature is yet to go forth from this House to do its part in the warning of the many millions of this great land. That we may not fail in our efforts toward the execution of this purpose is our earnest hope.

MISSIONS IN HUPEH

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report rendered at the meeting of the Hankow during Davis, director, prevailing conditions is marvelous can be made but the plan present have been sent, but the situation has been reached here in much of the province is very difficult or impossible to carry on work. Most of our outstations are all the time in danger of being taken over by the communists; but our workers have bravely stayed by their stations. In one instance the soldiers entered a city where one of our workers was, but he escaped. At another time our Hankow evangelist was captured by the communists and held for a few days, but was later released without receiving bodily harm. We feel to praise God for the protection He has given His people in the midst of these dangers.

The flood of the Yangtze Valley was a terrible calamity to the people of Hupeh. As far as we know, none of our Hupeh believers were drowned. We thank the Lord for sparing the lives of His people.

The property of our mission school at Wang Gia Dun was destroyed. All the school buildings except the chapel, fell, and as a result were almost a total loss. We had no method of carrying on our school work in Hupeh this year, so sent some of our students to Chiao Tou Tseng and some to Hunan. We are thankful to the people in America who have come to our assistance and provided means for the restoration of our school.

As a result of the epidemic of cholera following the flood, we lost the wives of two of our workers, — Mrs. Hwang Dzi Kang and Mrs. Liu Yang Ku. We regret the loss of these workers, and extend our sympathy to their relatives.

The expected result of the flood is the state of famine existing in this province now. The Chinese refer to it as a great famine, because it is so wide in extent and so severe.

Before these calamities, we had a strong colporteur force in the field doing successful work; but now the

men are having difficult times, and our sales are not nearly as high as they were.

The past few months we have opened up new work at Hsiao Kan, Chin Cou, and Tsai Tien. Good meetings have been held in all three places, and at two of them new believers will soon be ready for baptism. There are a few from these places attending this conference. The evangelistic meetings have been well attended, and our workers have been encouraged by the interest shown. We have plans for more new evangelistic efforts this year.

The doors to the gospel have been closed in many towns, and we must pray the Lord of the harvest to open them again. In other places the doors have been thrown wider open.

We look to the Lord for His leading and blessings and help, that a large number of people from Hupeh may be made ready to meet Him when He comes.

FOR THE WOMEN OF HONAN

MISS JOSEPHINE HOLMES and her coadjutor, Miss Grace Dju, were constantly at work among the women in attendance at the Honan annual meeting held in Yencheng during March, 1932. Sister Holmes is entering upon her third year in the China field; and Miss Dju, a graduate nurse from the Shanghai Sanitarium, and formerly of Honan, is her associate. Several women have been in training for a time, and excellent progress is being made. Three or four simple booklets, in large characters, have been run already by the lithographic process, as aids for those who have yet to become familiar with the characters so essential for the reading of the Gospels and other portions of Holy Scripture.

It is no easy task to work among women who are mostly from the illiterate class; but work such as this has its own sweet reward in results attained.

Sister Brines and Sister James are also working for the women of Honan, although not as Bible women. Their labors are mostly in the school and the hospital at Yencheng and in the community round about.

Of a women's Bible class organized at Yencheng, Miss Holmes writes, under date of March 1:

"Our women's Bible class will soon close, and we shall be starting out into the field again. Four women have been enrolled, and I hope at least three of them will be able to go out into our local churches this spring. We have been having class work for them from nine o'clock in the morning until one-thirty. Afternoons they have been working among the women of the villages around here. Perhaps you know they are women who could not even read our little 'Gospel Primer' a year ago last fall. Now they are reading and enjoying 'Steps to Christ' in their reading class, and 'The Key to Health' in their 'Health and Sanitation' class.

We have our trials, of course. The women of the community are in such a state of mind that it is almost impossible to arouse them to the need of learning anything spiritual. There are a large number of homes that are being visited each week. One woman is ready for baptism.

"In the past we have only visited churches within about 150 li of Yencheng. This spring we plan to visit the churches farther out. Our most successful way of teaching is with pictures and stories. We are planning to take our organ with us this spring. That will be something new. We may not do it more than once, but we are going to try it, anyway."

An outstanding instance of devotion to the women of Honan, is the work of Miss Edith Johnson, in charge of the girls and of the women's wards of the Yencheng Sanitarium-Hospital and Nurses' Training-school. Year after year Sister Johnson has held to her ideal of bringing up nursing standards at the Honan medical institution, until to-day she has the satisfaction of seeing in the Sanitarium-Hospital many nurses who have received a thorough training and have been graduated with honors. With but few exceptions, the entire nursing staff of the institution, are locally trained.

Mrs. H. K. Smith, until recently of the West China Union, is stationed temporarily at Yencheng, giving most of her time to treasury work; but her spare time is used in part for the encouragement of the women. Sisters H. R. Dixon, W. E. Strickland and L. H. Butka were for some years stationed in Yencheng, and greatly added to the strength of our working forces among the women of Honan, but they are now transferred to other spheres of activity.

All honor to the sisters who have chosen to give so much of their time and thought and love to the spiritual upbuilding of the women of Honan and all China.

SECURING NEW WORKERS

FOLLOWING the reading of a most excellent paper on "How Shall We Build Up Our Corps of Workers in the China Division," as prepared by Professor D. E. Rebok for presentation during the Quadrennial Council held recently, Dr. Miller spoke in general approval of some of the principles and suggestions set forth in this paper, and stated that during the World War it was demonstrated by many organizations that when man-power is in demand, those who are needed may be trained much more quickly than by ordinary processes; and notwithstanding the lessened time spent on such training, the results are surprisingly effective. Thus it was when nurses became so scarce, and sturdy, intelligent women who volunteered for nursing were given the essentials of instruction in nursing in a comparatively few weeks of intensive training. Dr. Miller continued:

"One of the poorest gatemen I ever knew became one of the best colporteurs in our ranks, selling hundreds and thousands of dollars worth of literature every year. It is surprising what God can do with those who give themselves fully to Him for service.

"In the days of laying foundations in the Philippines, when Brother Finster and his associates were so very short of laborers, they followed the policy of setting many at work after careful selection and comparatively brief training; and then these who had been chosen, were taught line upon line, precept upon precept, while actually at work; they learned much by attempting to do much; and thus many a good worker was eventually secured, made strong through passing test after test in the school of experience.

"And well may we follow methods of this sort in distant sections of our field, where much must be undertaken with very few at hand to assign to the multitudinous tasks. We are to educate, educate, educate—but not necessarily always in the usual schoolroom such as we first think of when planning to secure trained workers. Nor are we to try to man our fields to any great extent, through the transfer to the newly-opened fields of workers who have been developed in the older fields. A few such must be transferred, it is true, to lead out and to set pace and to instruct others; the majority of the workers may be developed, in many practical ways, right on the ground; and these will become like strong foundation-stones in the building up of the cause of God throughout our borders."

OUR RUSSIAN SCHOOL

THE brethren have continued their school work in Harbin. Three years ago this school numbered only forty-nine. At the present time there are one hundred and twenty-six students. It is very difficult to house all these in the present quarters, and the brethren are asking and urging that funds be supplied for establishing a school for the Russian believers in new quarters somewhere near Harbin, but sufficiently out in the country to give opportunity for farming and gardening and other industrial lines. The Russian brethren are asking for a teachers' institute this coming summer, and propose to hold it during August, when the weather is not so very hot in the North.

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have no hole bored in your ear to testify of your gladness to serve. By many signs you will reveal your willingness to serve. You will not render "hourly service," such as one gives when measured by the clock. It will be a *smiling* service, even though your patient does not smile; a *thoughtful* service, wherein you will think of a hundred things to do that are not required of you; a *loving* service, revealing tender, compassionate care; a *spiritual* service, which above all else the world needs. God sends you forth to save not only the bodies but the souls of men.

Jesus after training His disciples said to them, "Henceforth I call you not servants, but I have called you friends." Thus He called them into a higher service than they had known before. How great the difference between the service of a servant and that of a friend. It is to this service of friendship that Christ is calling this graduating class. There are many willing to serve for fame, but the graduates from Seventh-day Adventist sanitariums and schools must serve by love. Yours must be no perfunctory service. Your motive is to be found in these words: "If any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified." 1 Peter 4:11. You are to go forth to render friendly service, spiritual service, to all; and the reward is certain for all who serve in this way. Humble service rather than fame—be faithful to your motto, dear youth, and your joy will be full.

MORE MONEY FOR

BESSIE M.

WORKERS in the present need by giving weekly such increase of offering as they are able." "Five cents more each week for missions" is the slogan that is being sounded in every Sabbath school in North America, and Sabbath school members are being urged to increase their offerings by this amount or more. Surely those who are being supported in mission fields by the gifts of our loyal people at home—gifts that in many cases mean real sacrifice—cannot do less than they are planning to do in this emergency. Some, perhaps, can increase their gifts by much more.

Referring to a recent letter sent out from the Division Sabbath School Department in regard to this call for increased Sabbath school offerings, one of our union Sabbath school secretaries writes:

"I was much interested in your letter regarding increased Sabbath school offerings. I feel sure that you can count on the — Union for a good increase this year in spite of adverse conditions. One person who received your letter said that she wept as she read the appeal from the General Conference. Our people in this field are loyal, and they will not fail in this time of crisis."

We like the ring of a response like that, and we trust that it finds an echo in the heart of every Seventh-day Adventist in China! Let it truly be said of us all that we are loyal and that we will not fail in this time of crisis.

AN EDITION OF 100,000

THE printing order for the first edition of the Big Week booklet in Mandarin, "The Age of Conflict," is for 100,000 copies. The booklet will be of 108 pages, with colored cover, and is to sell for 30 cents Mex., less 60% to Book and Periodical Houses, and 50% to colporteurs.

China Division Reporter

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and Liu Din Fang, has included
visits to Lanchow, Sining, and
other cities of Kansu and Chinghai. An
evangelistic effort, with Brethren Wu,
Shultz, and Liu in charge, is already in
progress in Lanchow. We are holding
over until our next issue the story of these
first visits into the Northwest.

TRANSFERS EFFECTED

During recent weeks several transfers have been effected, including—
J. Effenberg, wife, and child, from East Szechwan Mission to Northwest China Mission.
Liu Din Fang and wife, from East Szechwan Mission to Northwest China Mission.
E. L. Longway, from Central China Union, to West China Union Mission. His family, still on Kuling, are to follow later.
N. F. Brewer, from Central China Union to Manchurian Union. His family, now in Shanghai, will follow later.
M. C. Warren, of West China Union, to Central China Union. His family are in Shanghai, and upon completion of the renovation of our Mission premises in Hankow, will move to the union headquarters in that city.
B. Petersen and wife, of Manchurian Union Mission, to the Anhwei Mission.
H. R. Dixon, wife, and daughter, from the Honan Mission to the West China Union Mission.
Dallas R. White, formerly of the Yunnan Mission, has gone up the Yangtze with Mrs. White for service in the West China Union.
Mrs. Thelma Smith, of the West China Union to the Honan Mission for temporary service in Yencheng until such time as D. C. McFeters and wife, now in the North China Union language school, can take up work in Yencheng.
Dr. A. L. Tai, and wife, from Yencheng Sanitarium-Hospital, to the Shanghai Sanitarium Clinic.
Nurse Teng Wen Chi from the Shanghai Sanitarium Clinic to the Mukden Clinic.
W. I. Hilliard, wife, and children, from the Central China Union to the Manchurian Union.
A. Mountain and family, from the Shanghai Sanitarium to the Central China Union (this to be consummated as soon as current work at the Sanitarium can be completed).
W. E. Strickland to the West China Union for special service during the next four months in evangelistic efforts in Chungking and Chengtu.
Djang Tzi-chiang, wife, and child, of the Honan Mission, to the West China Mission, where Brother Djang is to serve as a leader of colporteurs.

CORRESPONDENCE

From C. B. Miller, Yunnanfu, March 17:

"Since returning to Yunnanfu I have baptized four from our Bible Institute. One of these four was an I-pien. He is our first convert from this tribe, and as far as I know he is the first from his tribe to join any Christian church.

"Last week we finished translating and printing the Miao Sabbath-school lesson quarterly for the second quarter of this year. We are now translating the new small tracts that have just been printed by the Press.

"Pastor and Mrs. Feng are now both well, and with others of our workers are laboring hard to win souls. Pastor Feng is out with the tribes-people."

From W. E. Strickland, Ichang, enroute to Chungking, March 30:

"We are nearing Shasi. Thus far the trip has been a pleasant one. We look forward with deep interest to our evangelistic efforts at Chungking and Chengtu."

From Wm. J. Harris, Tsinanfu, March 15:

"Our spring work is shaping, and we are looking forward to a good year. Pastor Chiao, our former publishing secretary, has been appointed director of Shansi. Brother Meng thus becomes freed to go to open up new work in Suiyuan. We are planning to open up new work in Shantung immediately. Brother Davies and I plan to look around in the south and west of Shantung, where until the present we have undertaken little of evangelistic work. Brother Shen plans to leave Dungchang, the station he opened last year, and launch out this time in the southern part of Shantung. The other men are branching out from their present work and thus reaching into nearby hsien."

From Pastor P. E. Quimby, 203 "B" East Laurel St., Glendale, California, March 20:

"While on furlough we have tried to use every moment of our time to make ourselves more qualified than hitherto for another term of service in the China field. We have followed with deep interest the trend of events in the Orient."

"We have been filled with sorrow to hear of the death of Dorothy Lee.

"I have had some very interesting experiences in meeting with our brethren and sisters in churches in this and neighboring conferences. I speak one or two times each Sabbath, usually on China Missions. Our church members are loyal and true.

"We plan on getting back into China prior to September 1, 1932."

From Professor F. A. Landis, Route 4, Box 151-A, Chico, California, March 14:

"We hope and pray the brethren and sisters in China will be protected and cared for in this time of great danger and trial. The papers over here have been publishing a great deal for the past six weeks regarding conditions in Shanghai. We hope a solution will be found for the difficulties that have arisen."

Emmanuel Missionary College, March 19, 1932

The School of Music of Emmanuel Missionary College has recently sent us an announcement, presenting "Maude Mae Miller in a graduating piano recital, Saturday evening, March 19, 1932, at 8 o'clock, in the College auditorium." Congratulations are extended to this former pupil of Far Eastern Academy, whose graduation also from the regular college course of the Berrien Springs school is scheduled for May of this year.

Pastor M. Popow, P. O. Box 20, Newtown, Harbin, Manchuria, February 6:

"Upon my return from the Quadrennial session, I found all our people well. No one had been hurt during the fighting here, and no church-member lost anything. The times, economically, are most terrible now for our people, however; for many of them are out of work.

"Amidst all these troubles, our meetings have been continuing unmolested. We have held regular services all the while, even when the Chinese armies were retreating through the city. The attendance at present at our three evangelistic meetings in various parts of the city, is excellent."

Pastor Geo. L. Wilkinson, "At sea," enroute to the States, March 28:

"We are having a good trip across. I hope China will have a good year, and that the cause of God will make progress in all departments. I shall be glad to visit the homeland again, and know I should. I shall take even greater enjoyment, a little later, in returning to my work in China. I regard it as a great privilege to be connected with the work in China. I shall be anxious to receive all copies of the Reporter. My address will be Route No. B, Box 182, Roseburg Ave., Modesto, California, U. S. A."

Miss Hazel I. Shadel, Berrien Springs, Mich., March 24:

"How I wish I could pen the words, 'I'm coming back.' But as yet it seems I am not to give you this word. Because of conditions over which I have no control, I am planning on remaining here for at least a time, and shall soon be taking up work at Hinsdale. If the time ever come when I can return, I shall gladly let you know.

"My father has been transferred to the Central Union, with headquarters at Lincoln, Nebr., and will soon be moving there with mother.

"I wish to be remembered to all. My address will be in care of the Hinsdale Sanitarium, Hinsdale, Illinois, U. S. A."

EXAMPLES OF CAREFUL REPORTING

During the meetings of the Central China Union provincial missions, beginning with the Yencheng annual conference, very careful reports were rendered of receipts and expenditures. Brother H. R. Dixon's report for Mission, Hospital, and School at Yencheng, were thorough-going and illuminating. This was true later of the report prepared by Brother Davis and his treasurers at Hankow, by Brethren G. G. Hamp and Chen Tsai Shing at Changsha, and by Brother Alfred F. Tai at Nanchang. Many of the reports were presented in the form of charts showing relative progress in partial self-support through the years. In general, all sources of income show increases—not large, but steady and growing rivulets of revenue giving promise of further increases in days to come. In some fields the percentage of self-support for the native work, notwithstanding budget cuts, has been brought to upwards of 50%; but this does not take into account any amounts expended in union administration, nor does it usually include costs of providing educational, publishing, and medical advantages. Even so, the figures recently presented during annual meetings, are indeed heartening—and especially so when from districts like those suffering from flood, famine, war, and other most adverse conditions. The work of our faithful treasurers in the provinces, is much appreciated, and will surely bear fruitage in an increase of revenues.