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CERTAINTY ESSENTIAL FOR SUCCESS

DR. H. W. MILLER

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS have always found great comfort and consolation through their faith in the word of God, and their confidence in the fulfilment of prophecy. It is difficult for us to realize how empty would be our world program if there were doubt and uncertainty in our minds concerning its ultimate triumph; but a state of uncertainty is settling down upon men and women in all the world in every profession and in every line of business. The world depression is largely the result of uncertainty. Through their inability to solve national and international problems heretofore readily solved, men have lost their confidence. In financial and banking concerns they have lost confidence because of the inability of these institutions to make good their obligations. They have seen treaties wilfully disregarded, and practically all restraint removed. With the rapid collapse of great world institutions, misgiving and skepticism is taking the place of trust; and lack of trust naturally makes for failure.

Looking to our day, Christ said, "When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" Perhaps no other single phrase describes so well the world situation to-day. But another and a different picture is presented. Speaking of God's remnant people on the earth, the prophet John exclaims, "Here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." While earthly organizations everywhere are crumbling, God's work, founded upon the faith of Jesus, is rapidly coming into notice as something that is true, sure, and successful. It was this certainty of his position that enabled Daniel, under a threat of death, to stand before King Nebuchadnezzar and relate to him a prophecy that foretold the downfall of the kingdom, and to say unflinchingly, "*The dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.*"

The apostle Peter says, "We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place." The world is dark with skepticism and doubt, but the sure word of prophecy can be expounded to-day with the same degree of certainty that Daniel expounded the dream to the king.

I trust that it will be the experience of every worker of the China Division to abide in this great confidence and assurance. Some even among us are losing their way. The admonition of the apostle Paul—"Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward"—is timely for this day. "The just shall live by faith."

Note and Comment

SHENYANG SANITARIUM-HOSPITAL TRAINING-SCHOOL FOR NURSES

DR. R. W. PAUL

ON Sabbath, November 26, 1932, a helpful service was held in the Pei Sz Chan (Mukden) church in preparation for the opening of the Shenyang Sanitarium-Hospital Training-School for Nurses. The head nurses and the new class, most of whom were present, came dressed in uniform, and occupied seats in the front of the chapel.

The writer spoke on "The Medical Work in our Message." Attention was called to the fact that a small dispensary was opened in Changchun, Manchuria, in November, 1930. Later it was decided to move the medical work to Mukden, and thereupon the dispensary was closed in Changchun and a dispensary-hospital was opened in Mukden in December, 1931, called the Shenyang Clinic. Dr. Martin H. Vinkel has the honor of being the first Seventh-day Adventist physician to conduct medical work in Manchuria.

An advance step is now being taken,—that of opening a Training School for Nurses. To do this just at this time is a real work of faith. Some have said that there could not be a more inopportune time; but we know that God is in this Movement and He must be in the medical work, as it is as closely related to the Movement as a whole as the right hand and arm are to the body. It furnishes a part of God's great plan for preparing a people to stand before Him at His second coming.

One of our greatest objects is to educate missionaries; to train young people to act as medical missionary evangelists, who at every opportunity present the Word of God to the people and lead them to the foot of the Cross. This, in its fulness, and in harmony with our other lines of endeavor, is the last gospel message. Our work is one of education.

It always gives us a thrill to see nurses in the beginning of their work; and a still greater one when they march in all dressed in white at their graduation.

It is an important part of both the student and the graduate nurse, to be always trying to advance in learning; to obey the laws of health; to be an earnest student of the Bible, to be faithful in attendance at all religious services, and to direct their patients to God through the lessons found in Nature.

Following this presentation of the place occupied by the Medical Work in our Message, we listened to the rendering of appropriate Chinese music; and then to an address by Dr. Vinkel, on how our medical work differs from that of others. A special song was then sung by a small group of Chinese children, and a short address of welcome was made by Brother O. G. Erich, the newly elected superintendent of nurses. The Russian student nurses favored us with a special song in Russian; following which, were the usual closing exercises.

The new class entered upon their training with enthusiasm, beginning their class work December 1, 1932. Thus a new era is marked in the advancement of our medical work in the Manchurian Union Mission.

SOLICITING IN BEHALF OF THE SHANGHAI SANITARIUM CLINIC

Mrs. JOHN OSS

(Synopsis of a report rendered before members of the Shanghai Sanitarium Constituency during the annual meeting held at 150 Rubicon Road, January 2, 1933).

MANY times some have come to me with the suggestion that we may have built too large a Clinic on Range Road. To all I suggest in answer that this build-

ing has come to us in response to most earnest prayer. If it had not been for the prayers of our people, and the vision which Dr. and Mrs. Paul had of this Clinic, which has been carried out by Dr. Miller and others, in all probability we would not have this building to-day. Thus it has been during the past year in maintaining the running expenses of the Clinic. We have had some substantial financial returns in direct answer to prayer and faith. In the days of Israel the Egyptians lent unto the Israelites "such things as they required." Our maintenance has come in as it has been required. When we face a special need and solicit in faith, we are not disappointed. Over and over again we have proved the truthfulness of the words of the Good Book,—Mark 11: 22, 24,— "Have faith in God. . . . What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

We are in need of a dormitory at the Range Road Clinic,—some place where the nurses will have room to spread out and have more air. They need some recreational features, as they are in the heart of a great city, and have to face many temptations. We already have ground on which to build, and all we need is a proper building for the housing of our youth. In John 14: 14, we have the Saviour's assurance, "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." *Let's trust Him for a dormitory!*

CLASSES FOR THE STUDY OF THE CHINESE LANGUAGE

Djang Peh-an

(Synopsis of a report on the Chinese
Language Department of China
Training Institute)

The work of this department has been carried on as usual. The required work includes daily practice in penmanship and the keeping of diaries, and weekly assignments in composition and reading notes. The aim is to train the use of the hand and wrist in writing easily and without undue effort. The courses of study are arranged so that the proportion of the old-style language and the difficulty of the selections increase with each advancing grade. The practical use of the language, as well as appreciation of literature, has received attention.

There are one hundred and thirty students, or almost two-thirds of the whole student body, enrolled in the Chinese classes. Most of these are in the lower grades. Through lack of help and means, we have not been able to give proper attention to extracurricular interests or to the preparation of supplementary teaching material. This is something constantly in our heart.

The Lord has blessed us in giving us the help of Brother Li Kwang Tung in teaching the junior grades, and of Tsao Tsuin Kai as assistant in correcting the written work. May He continue to bless our efforts in His holy cause.

TWO EXCELLENT BOOKS

The Press has received from publishers in the States sample copies of two most excellent books written for all our people and for the general public, but more especially for children and youth; namely, "In the Amazon Jungles" by Pastor F. A. Stahl (price, Mex. \$2.50 plus postage); and "Jungle Heroes and Other Stories," by Pastor Eric B. Hare (price, Mex. \$3 plus postage). The volume by Missionary Hare is supplemental to his earlier work entitled, "Jungle Stories." Orders for these new books should be sent through your Tract Society, or through the Signs of the Times Publishing House, 515 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China.

F. E. Stafford

Bible Text-Books

BIBLE TEXTBOOKS FOR USE IN OUR SCHOOL

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

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

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

Entering New Territory

A VISIT TO KOKONOR

FROM a personal letter written by H. L. Graham from Lanchow Kansu to Pastor H. W. Miller under date of January 31, 1933, we take the liberty of quoting the following:

"Dear Dr. Miller:

"WHEN I came to Hankow a short time ago to make final arrangements for our Changsha building project, Mr. Gale urged very insistently that our Mission release me for a short trip to Kokonor for his company. I was not at all anxious to make the trip, but passed his request on to the Union committee, secretly hoping there would be opposition to my going, so I would have a good excuse to refuse Mr. Gale. But everyone seemed unanimous that I should go. And when your wire was received favoring the trip, the committee voted to accede to the Gale Company's request.

"I am very glad now that the opportunity came, for it has brought courage and inspiration to me to see the manifest working of God in preparing the way for a quick work in the last great unentered area of China. Truly we can say, 'What hath God wrought.'"

"The trip out to Sining was without event, save a long, hard battle with the snow in crossing the 13,000 feet range. The rivers were quickly negotiated on the ice—even the swift Yellow River having a coating one-and-one-half feet thick. I wore three pair of woolen socks, felt shoes, two pair of heavy woolen underwear, full complement of winter apparel, topped off by an aviator's fur suit and helmet, but the only time during the twelve days' trip when I was really warm was when we had returned to Lanchow. The weather conditions delayed our work so that I could not get back in time to catch the plane as per our original schedule, and hence I am one week late.

"I found the work going nicely in Sining. There were about twenty out to the meeting Sabbath, and there are two places without the city where companies meet. With Brother Chen I visited all the believers in the city. That Chen Wen Hsioh enjoys his work is evident from his statement that at last he has come into the earthly Canaan—all his life he had been hoping to find just such a place, and now his ambition has been realized.

"General Ma, uncrowned king of Chinghai (Kokonor) seemed real pleased with my work on his radio. We were soon in communication with all parts of China, as well as stations in India and Tibet. I told the General I was anxious to see the Tibetans at home in their own environment, but needed an interpreter and some gasoline. These were soon forthcoming—and in addition a dozen officers and soldiers from his own staff accompanied us on a trip out from Sining. I was very surprised to see that all the Tibetans with whom we came in contact were more than friendly. They opened their houses to us and gave us the best they had. Everywhere they were anxious to receive the Tibetan Bible portions and tracts I was distributing. Some of them chased the auto for a long distance begging for tracts, well knowing it was Christian literature.

"My greatest surprise was the reception accorded me at the great lamasery of Kumbum. In Tibet the lamas have been noted for their hesitancy to allow foreigners to travel in their land. In this lamasery, one of the most famous in Tibet, where several thousand lamas reside, I was invited into the private apartments of the Abbot, seated in a place of honor, and pressed to eat and drink of the best the

place afforded. The Abbot and lamas were well pleased with the Tibetan literature, showing most interest in Dr. Andrews' ten commandments chart. That the friendliness of the lamas of Kumbum is not an isolated case was brought home to me a few days later when I made contacts with many other Tibetans. On this trip we reached a point within 22 days' march from Lhasa.

"Enroute to Kokonor, seventy miles from Lanchow, we passed the twin cities of Ping Fan, which during the Manchu dynasty were the respective seats of the civil and military administrations, this being the last outpost in China proper. Here a large garrison was stationed to resist Tibetan advance into China. Now the tide has turned, and it is the Chinese who are pushing the Tibetans back into their own country. Then for 120 miles we advanced through what was once Tibet, arriving at the capital of the newly formed Chinghai province. Here I learned with a thrill that the successful Mohammedan troops of General Ma in their recent campaign have pushed the Tibetan forces nearly 1,000 li further into Tibet, consolidated their hold upon the country, and have established lines of wire and auto communication.

"Since the Chinese authorities freely allow missionaries to work and reside in the territory they control, this opening of iron-barred Tibet can have but one meaning to Adventists—the Lord has taken affairs into His own hands, and bids us enter the doors so miraculously opened before us! Who will be the first into Tibet proper? Chinghai is the gateway.

"I called upon many Tibetans in Chinghai, one of them being the personal representative of the Panshan Lama, recently returned from Nanking. He was most friendly, and in the course of the conversation stated that arrangements might perhaps be made for me to cross Tibet and enter Lhasa. While I doubt that this could easily be done at the present time, yet it shows a wonderful change in the attitude of Tibetan officials.

"Only to-day here in Lanchow I happened to meet the Lama in charge of the great monastery of Labrang, a member of the Central Government Tibetan Affairs Committee, stopping here for a few days enroute from Nanking to his home city. His first words were, 'Will you stay here at the hostel with me?' He would hardly take no for an answer. After a long conversation he startled me by an invitation to accompany him to Labrang to see the great butter festival and devil dances, to which Tibetans for hundreds of miles are already hastening. He assured me that my trip would be entirely at his expense. When I finally tore loose from this lama, he was still pressing me for an affirmative answer that I would accompany him day after to-morrow to Labrang.

"A year ago all eyes in the China Division were turned toward the Northwest and we hoped that in some way we could break into the province west of Shensi. While we were still wondering how it could be done, motor roads were built and opened before our very eyes, and the Seventh-day Adventist pioneer truck was one of the first vehicles over the trail. An air route was inaugurated as if by magic, and among the first passengers were Seventh-day Adventist missionaries. Within a year not one, but three provinces have been opened—and the end is not yet! For now in a most unexpected manner we find an open door, and a long road inviting, right into the heart of forbidden Tibet, and in that country a friendly reception assured us.

"But still other Macedonian calls are heard here in Central Asia. Our two Chinese pioneers with longing eyes peered into inaccessible Turkestan—the roads were barred to them for a year or more. Then they slipped through. Now conditions have changed so that anyone can freely pass through Kansu into Turkestan (Sinkiang) by motor car or caravan. In three days an expedition from the Eurasia Aviation Corporation is leaving here for Liangchow and Suchow to establish emergency flying

fields, even taking complete radio equipment and operators to leave in these new stations. These fields, together with those at Hami, Urumchi (Tihwa) and Chuguchak, insure permanent and regular air service from Nanking through Turkestan, right to the Soviet border.

"I have spent two weeks in the company of a business man who has recently returned from several extensive tours of Turkestan. Without doubt conditions for our work are more promising there than in any other part of China. The people are sincere, friendly, and as compared with their brethren in over-crowded sections of China, economically well off. One of the most interesting souvenirs I am bringing back from this trip is a piece of Turkestan money printed on cloth.

Here are some of the great cities of this vast territory and the distances between them:

| From | To | Days March |
|---------|---------------|------------|
| Lanchow | Suchow | 18 |
| Suchow | Hami | 18 |
| Hami | Tihwa | 18 |
| Tihwa | Kashgar | 56 |
| Tihwa | Ili & Kuja | 20 |
| Tihwa | Chuguchak | 20 |
| Tihwa | Karashar | 10 |
| Tihwa | Turfan | 6 |
| Tihwa | Barkul | 18 |
| Tihwa | Zaisan | 28 |
| Tihwa | Kobdo in Aiti | 28 |

"Truly, as our evangelist in Kokonor says, 'This is the land of promise!' That God has miraculously led us during the past year we cannot doubt. And we as verily believe that the doors swinging open before us here in Central Asia indicate that we are to press on and on. These roads have been opened for us! These air lines rushed through for us! The present friendly and receptive attitude of formerly hostile people has been brought about for us! Ancient Israel saw no more wonderful miracles in their march to the Promised Land than we see now. May we continue to advance into these opening providences as we did last year!

"Sincerely your brother,

"(Signed) H. L. GRAHAM."

ADVANCES IN SHANTUNG

W. J. Harris

We have just closed a very good workers' meeting that we have been conducting for three days over the week-end. The workers have now all returned to their fields of labor, and we are looking forward to a good year under the Lord's blessing. This past year was the best year that Shantung has ever had. Every item of our work showed good development. Our tithes, in spite of the cut, have been held up, and surpass the figures for 1931. Our baptisms were 96, as compared with 89 for 1931. Harvest Ingathering was over \$1,000.00 in excess of 1931. So we praise the Lord. Our book and literature sales were over \$15,000.00. We feared when we lost Bro. Chiao Wen Li last year that we would do well to hold up to the previous record; but by the help of the Lord we surpassed it by over \$2,000.

Our men set a souls goal of 150 for 1933. That is a high goal, and we shall need to plan thoroughly and work earnestly to reach it; but I believe that if we start right, under the providence of God we can do it. Every worker promised to establish definitely two new meeting-centers in adjacent *hsiens* this present year. That will more than double our *hsiens* already entered, and that means earnest effort. We now have established work, either chapel centers or home Sabbath schools, in eighteen *hsiens*. Several of those have been just newly entered in 1932.

Annual Constituency Meetings

The "Signs" Press

(Signs of the Times Publishing House Board of Directors and Constituency, Minutes of Meetings held Jan. 3, 1933, in the Division Committee Room.)

Present: H. W. Miller, H. H. Hall, C. C. Crisler, W. A. Scharffenberg, F. E. Stafford, C. C. Morris, S. L. Frost, E. L. Longway, N. F. Brewer, B. Mount, J. Effenberg, J. E. Schultz, W. A. Scott, W. T. Wang, Y. H. Chu, B. C. Hsu, R. Dixon, J. Oss, G. J. Appel, C. Y. Lin, K. G. Yeh, M. C. Warren, O. A. Hall, P. C. Shan, L. E. Reed, K. H. Wood, F. M. Larsen, Mrs. E. R. Thiele, Mrs. W. A. Scott, E. R. Thiele.

Prayer by K. G. Yeh and E. L. Longway.

Remarks by Chairman

The Chairman, Dr. H. W. Miller, gave expression to our thankfulness to God for His providence and blessing in enabling the House to continue its operations during the trying and perplexing times of the past year. A hearty welcome was extended to Brother and Sister F. E. Stafford, who return to China after an absence of seventeen years; and our appreciation was expressed to the General Conference and the Review and Herald for the release of Brother W. A. Scott for service in the Publishing House. The services of Brother J. E. Schultz, who has been with us for the past four months, have also been appreciated. Dr. Miller called attention to his visit to Brethren Joseph May and Benjamin Tseng, who are attending school at Pacific Union College, preparatory to taking up work in the editorial department of the Publishing House, and who are looking anxiously forward to the time when they can be with us again.

Report of Manager and Treasurer

The report of the manager and treasurer was presented by Brother F. E. Stafford. (This report, in abbreviated form, appeared in the January issue of the Reporter.)

Voted, To accept the report of the Treasurer, subject to audit.

Remarks by H. H. Hall

Brother H. H. Hall, Secretary of the Publishing Department of the General Conference, who was permitted to be with us at the meeting, called attention to the splendid progress that our present report shows in the Signs and book departments over the reports of recent years. Special gratification was expressed over the publication of Volume Nine of the "Testimonies," the best volume on home missionary work ever published by this denomination. The issuance of this book should see a marked increase in activity on the part of our lay members in China in the giving of this gospel to those about them.

Remarks by J. Oss

Brother Oss expressed his satisfaction over the fact that our present report shows total sales of over \$241,000 during 1932, a total much higher than he had hoped for. This splendid record has been achieved during a year of unusual trouble and unrest and has been made possible through the self-sacrificing efforts of our colporteurs in the field.

Editorial Report

The report of the editorial department was presented by E. R. Thiele. (A full synopsis of this appeared in January issue of the Reporter.)

Appointment of Committees

Voted: That the Chair appoint committees on Nominations, on Plans, and on Finance. Committees were named.

After the assignment of the items on the agenda to the committees appointed, it was

Voted, To adjourn to 2:30 p.m.

At 2:30 p.m. the Constituency reassembled, and was led in prayer by Brother C. C. Morris.

Resolution of Gratitude

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has during the past year of war, unrest, and perplexity, seen fit to graciously guide and protect us; permitting the Publishing House to continue its operations through the many dangers that threatened; blessing us in the preparation and sale of our gospel-filled literature; bestowing His tender care upon the workers in the House; sustaining our representatives in the field; and leading many to a light of this blessed truth and to a closer walk with Heaven, therefore,

Resolved, That we express to God our heartfelt gratitude for His tender love and care, and that we reconsecrate ourselves to Him for more faithful service in this rapidly closing work.

Report of Nominating Committee

Voted, That the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted, as follows:

Manager, Treasurer, and Circulation Manager, W. A. Scott. (Absent in language study.)

Acting Manager, Treasurer, and Circulation Manager, F. E. Stafford.

Assistant Treasurer, T. C. Chin.

Superintendent, W. T. Wang.

Local Board: Frederick Lee, chairman; W. A. Scott, vice-chairman; F. E. Stafford, acting vice-chairman; E. R. Thiele, secretary; H. W. Miller, C. C. Crisler, C. C. Morris, Y. H. Chu, K. H. Wood, Director of Kiangsu Mission, F. M. Larsen, W. T. Wang, T. C. Chin, G. O. Goh, P. E. Shan, J. Oss, E. L. Longway.

House Committee: W. A. Scott, chairman; F. E. Stafford, acting chairman; Frederick Lee, E. R. Thiele, T. C. Chin, W. T. Wang, Y. H. Chu, P. C. Hsu, G. A. Lee.

Policy Amended—Assistant Treasurer—17 Board Members

Voted, That Article IV, Section 5 of the Operating Policy, be amended to

authorize a Local Board of 17 members, and to include an Assistant Treasurer as one of the officers of the Local Board, making this section read as follows: "The membership shall annually elect a Local Board of seventeen members, naming the officers thereof. The officers of the Local Board shall consist of: The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, General Manager, Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer."

Policy Amended—Principal of Kiangsu Middle School

Voted, That in view of the discontinuance of the Kiangsu Middle School, item "f" of Article IV, Section 1 of the Operating Policy of the House listing "The Principal of the Kiangsu Middle School" as one of the members of the Publishing House Constituency, be eliminated.

Raise in Price of the "Signs of the Times" Magazine

Voted, That the yearly subscription price of the "Signs of the Times" magazine be increased to \$1.50 Mex. in China and \$2.50 in Sinkiang, and that the price for single copies be 15 cts. each, the discount to Tract Societies to be 50%, and to colporteurs 40%, this change to take effect with the June, 1933, issue.

New Features for the Signs

Voted, That we request the "Signs of the Times" to publish a department on the Home, and to feature such subjects as Health and Healthful Living, and further to feature in some prominent place in its pages helpful testimonials from its readers concerning the value that the "Signs" has been to them.

Colporteurs to be Encouraged

Voted, That in the operation of our field work we encourage colporteurs to use, as far as consistent, "Hope of the World," and other standard religious books, and the "Signs of the Times" Magazine with its wealth of spiritual instruction and comfort for these times of peril concerning which special light is shining from the prophetic word.

Voted, That we offer a combination subscription price of \$1.50 Mex. for the "Signs of the Times," the "Shepherd's Call," the "China Division Gazette," and the "Sabbath School Helper," this offer to apply to our workers leaders and church constituency, and that the details of the distribution of these magazines be worked out by the management of the Publishing House.

Goal for the "Signs of the Times" Magazine

Voted, That the goal for the circulation of the Chinese "Signs of the Times" for 1933 be set at 100,000 for the China Division, and that the union goals be set as follows:

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| Central China | 18,000 |
| East China | 20,000 |
| Manchuria | 9,000 |
| North China | 18,000 |
| Northwest China | 5,000 |
| South China | 20,000 |
| West China | 10,000 |
| Total | 100,000 |

Goals for "Shepherd's Call"

Voted, That the goal for the circulation of the "Shepherd's Call" for 1933 be set at 2,800 subscriptions, and that the union goals be as follows:

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| Central China | 500 |
| East China | 900 |
| Manchuria | 150 |
| North China | 300 |
| Northwest China | 75 |
| South China | 700 |
| West China | 175 |
| Total | 2,800 |

Tibetan Book

Voted, That the request from the Northwest China Mission for the publication of "An Outline of Bible Doctrines" in Tibetan, with illuminated paper cover, size approximately 128 pages, and price around \$2.00, be referred to the incoming Local Board for favorable consideration, if, after making a detailed estimate of costs involved, it be found that such publication be possible while at the same time safeguarding the financial interests of the House.

Discounts on Literature

Voted, That the following schedule of discounts be adopted for literature issued by this House:

| | To Tract Societies | To Colpor-teurs |
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| Subscription Books— | | |
| Religious | 60% | 50% |
| Subscription Books— | | |
| Medical | 50% | 40% |
| Trade Books | 20% | |
| Tracts and Pamphlets | 20% | |
| Church, Sabbath School, and Departmental Supplies | 10% | |

Adjustments in Literature Prices

| Subscription Books: | | | |
|---------------------|-------|----------|------|
| Steps to Christ | .20 | formerly | .10 |
| Key to Health | .30 | " | .20 |
| Age of Conflict | .30 | " | .20 |
| Great Man of | | | |
| Western Asia | 2.00 | " | .40 |
| Beginnings of | | | |
| Things | 2.00 | " | .40 |
| Our Day in the | | | |
| Light of Pro- | | | |
| phesy | 1.00 | " | .25 |
| Hope of the | | | |
| World—cloth | 3.00 | " | |
| Hope of the | | | |
| World—paper | 1.50 | " | 1.00 |
| Knowledge and | | | |
| Progress | 3.00 | " | |
| Way to Health— | | | |
| leather | 10.00 | " | |
| Way to Health— | | | |
| paper | 3.00 | " | |
| Way to Health— | | | |
| cloth | 5.00 | " | |

Trade Books Raised in Price:

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|------------------|-----|----------|-----|
| Bible and Nature | .40 | formerly | .30 |
| Experiences and | | | |
| Views | .30 | " | .25 |
| Gospel Workers | .35 | " | .25 |
| In His Name | .30 | " | .25 |
| The Lighted Way | .40 | " | .25 |
| The Way of Life | .20 | " | .10 |

Books Reduced in Price:

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| Handbook of | | | |
| Terms | 2.00 | " | 3.00 |

Reduction in Price of Tracts

Voted, That we make a reduction in price of 40% on the new series of 30 tracts, setting apart in our 1933 budget an item of \$500 to apply on losses during the present year in the sale of these tracts.

The session was closed by singing "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Adjourned.

Dr. H. W. MILLER, *Chairman*
E. R. THIELE, *Secretary*.

Shanghai Sanitarium

Synopsis of Minutes of Annual Constituency Meeting of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital, held in the Sanitarium Chapel, 150 Rubicon Road, Shanghai, Jan 2, 1933.

Dr. H. W. Miller in the Chair.
The meeting opened with song.
Prayer was offered by Brethren O. A. Hall and J. C. Shull.

Those present were: Dr. H. W. Miller, C. C. Crisler, C. C. Morris, G. J. Appel, N. F. Brewer, O. A. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. John Oss, K. H. Wood, S. L. Frost, Dr. R. N. Calvert, Dr. L. H. Butka, Dr. Constance J. Wen, F. M. Larsen, E. C. Wood, Mrs. E. C. Wood, Miss Hazel Shadel, P. H. Shigley, H. H. Hall, W. A. Scharffenberg, E. R. Thiele, A. R. Boynton, Mrs. A. R. Boynton, Mrs. A. Mountain, W. E. Eberhardt, Mrs. W. E. Eberhardt, Mrs. R. N. Calvert, Y. C. Hsu, S. J. Lee, R. H. Hartwell, J. C. Shull, Mrs. J. C. Shull, Mrs. C. C. Morris, Miss Tillie E. Barr, A. Quisido, Mrs. A. Quisido, Matilda Follett, Ethel Chenalloy, Dora Tang, Ruth Ladd, Eveleen Goodenough, P. L. Chang, Mrs. L. H. Butka, Mr. Effenberg, E. L. Longway, H. R. Dixon, M. C. Warren, A. Mountain, F. E. Stafford, C. C. Bailey, Mrs. C. C. Bailey, Bessie Mount.

There were several nurses and other sanitarium helpers present, also several other friends from the field and community. Remarks were made by Dr. H. W. Miller, the Chairman; also interesting reports concerning the progress of the work during the past year were rendered, as follows:

Medical Director of the Sanitarium—Dr. R. N. Calvert

Medical Director of the Clinic—Dr. L. H. Butka

Supt. of Nurses—Mrs. A. R. Boynton

Chaplain—R. H. Hartwell

Solicitor's Report—Mrs. John Oss

Manager & Treasurer—W. E. Eberhardt

Upon motion, duly seconded, the treasurer's report for the year 1932 was accepted, subject to audit. The constituency adjourned at noon, and were served a special dinner in the Sanitarium dining-room. During the hour, Dr. Miller gave a talk on soy-bean milk, and called especial attention to the samples of milk being served.

AFTERNOON SESSION

At 3:00 p.m. the Chairman, Dr. H. W. Miller, called the afternoon meeting to order; the attendance being about the same as during the morning session.
Prayer.

Resolution of Gratitude

Whereas, During the year 1932 God has blessed the Shanghai Sanitarium and Clinic in their divinely-appointed healing ministry in behalf of suffering humanity; and,—

Whereas, In spite of the fact that the early part of the year was marked by war and strife in this immediate vicinity, the lives of the workers of this institution have been miraculously preserved, and the properties have escaped serious damage; and,—

Whereas, A kind providence has prospered the institution in this time of uncertainty and depression with means and all requisites; therefore,—

Resolved, That we herewith express our heartfelt gratitude and praise to our Heavenly Father for all His mercies, and anew consecrate our lives and all for the advancement of the health ministry in both its bodily healing and soul-saving phases; and beseech the special blessing and favor of God upon the institution, its work, and workers for this, another period of service.

We Recommend, That the incoming local board be authorized to relinquish our present city office space in the Sassoon House if imperative, on the basis of removal (preferably not earlier than next autumn) on terms financially favorable because of the inconveniences and losses thus sustained by us; we on our part seeking to re-establish city offices properly situated and affording approximately the equivalent of present space without materially increasing rental expense.

Dental Department

We Recommend, That the incoming local board arrange for the early re-opening of our dental department, preferably on the basis of its being staffed with nationals of our own faith, and conducted at the Clinic.

Solicitation Goal

We Recommend, That a solicitation goal \$40,000 *Mex.* for the maintenance and operation of the Shanghai Clinic during 1933, be set, and that the foregoing mentioned sum shall include annual grants received from the Municipal Council and other donors.

Dormitory for Clinic

Whereas, There is imperative need of a home for the nurses at the Clinic where their physical, moral, and social interests can be cared for and properly safeguarded; and,—

Whereas, There is great need for classroom facilities at the Shanghai Clinic; therefore,—

Voted, That we request the China Division for the services of Mr. E. C. Wood to draw plans and secure estimates on a building to be erected on our property adjoining the Clinic to the east, same to be used to house an outpatient department; a book depository and sales room; city offices; and necessary dormitory space, with provision for student recreation; and,—

Voted, That these plans be forwarded to the General Conference building committee following their approval by the China Division Building Committee; also,—

Voted, That we request the China Division to authorize a campaign of solicitation for necessary funds to cover the cost of erecting and equipping such a Clinic Dormitory, if approved.

Sianfu Dispensary Grant

Voted, That we grant the request of the Northwest China Mission for one thousand dollars *Mex.* for the Sianfu Dispensary.

Shenyang Sanitarium Grant

Voted, That in accord with the request of the Manchurian Union Mission we grant them four thousand dollars *Mex.*, to be used in partial payment of the expense already involved in the construction of a protective wall around the property at Pei Ling.

Laboratory Equipment

Voted, That a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars *Mex.* be used for the purchase of new laboratory equipment; suggestive list of requirements, with prices, to be submitted by Dr. Griggs and approval of the local board secured before any purchases are made.

Mid-Summer Training-School Class

Voted, That a maximum of ten girls be admitted to the Nurses' Training-School Class to begin June 1, 1933. (*Note*.—*Since this action was taken, the Board have increased the maximum to twenty.*)

Appropriation to North China Union

Voted. That in view of the request received from the North China Union for a Russian nurse and wife to work in Mongolia, we appropriate a sum of one thousand dollars *Mez.* for this purpose, which will meet approximately one-half of the expense involved in this enterprise.

Call for Head Nurse

Whereas, Our training school work cannot be carried on efficiently without the full time services of an instructor of nurses; therefore,—

Voted. That we request the Division to place a call for a recruit to act as head nurse, to arrive as early as possible and thus relieve Miss Ladd, who will devote her full time to the instruction of nurses, it being understood that the Sanitarium shall provide for outfitting allowance and transportation of the recruit at minimum tourist rate.

Faculty and Staff for 1933:

Medical Superintendent—Dr. H. W. Miller
 Asst. Medical Superintendent—Dr. L. H. Butka
 Medical Director—Sanitarium—Dr. R. N. Calvert
 Medical Director—Clinic—Dr. L. H. Butka
 Business Manager—J. C. Shull
 Ast. Business Manager—W. E. Eberhardt
 Obstetrics & Pediatric Dept.—Dr. C. J. Wen
 Physician at Clinic—Dr. A. L. Tai
 Interne—Sanitarium & Clinic—Dr. Wm. Nethery
 Asst. Treas. & Chief Accountant—Sanitarium—S. J. Lee
 Treasurer & Cashier—Clinic—Y. C. Hsu
 Treasurer—Sanitarium—J. C. Shull
 Supt. of Nurses—Elizabeth Redelstein
 Acting Supt. of Nurses—Mrs. A. R. Boynton
 Acting Foreign Head Nurse—Sanitarium—Ruth Ladd
 Foreign Head Nurse—Clinic—Matilda Pollett
 Night Supervisor—Sanitarium—Eveleen Goodenough
 Night Supervisor—Clinic—Mrs. Jean Liu
 Surgical Supervisor—Sanitarium—Annie Mai
 Surgical Supervisor—Clinic—Mrs. A. Quisido
 Bathroom Head Nurse—Ladies—Miss L. Semerova
 Head Nurses—Clinic—Ethel Chenalloy
 Head Nurse—Clinic—Phang Hock Chin
 Head Nurse—Clinic—Leah Woo
 Head Nurse—Clinic—Lela Hwa
 Head Nurse—Clinic—Dora Tang
 Head Nurse—Clinic—Jacob Sun
 Head Nurse—Clinic—Chu U Ming
 Pharmacist & Lab. Technician San.—P. L. Chang
 Laboratory Technician—Clinic—Angel Quisido
 Bathroom Head Nurse—Mens—A. Merziakoff
 Preceptress—Sanitarium—Marjorie Li
 Preceptress—Clinic—Miss B. Yen
 Preceptor—Clinic—A. Quisido
 Solicitor—Mrs. John Oss
 Roentgenologist & Men's Head Nurse—Sanitarium—A. R. Boynton
 Chaplain—R. H. Hartwell
 Bible Worker—Miss Grace Hsu
 Dietitian—Sanitarium—(to be filled)
 Dietitian—Clinic—Mr. C. Lamanero
 Matron—Sanitarium—Mrs. E. C. Wood
 Chef—Sanitarium—C. C. Bailey

Members of the Board: Dr. H. W. Miller, Chairman; C. C. Morris, Vice-Chairman; John C. Shull, Secretary; C. C. Crisler, W. E. Eberhardt, Dr. L. H. Butka, Dr. R. N. Calvert, Dr. C. J. Wen, Miss Matilda Pollett, Miss E. M. Redelstein, Mrs. A. R. Boynton (substituting), K. H. Wood.

House Committee

The House Committee is asked to meet once a week alternating between the Sanitarium and the Clinic; Dr. Miller presiding when present; in his absence Dr. Butka to preside at the Clinic and Dr. Calvert at the Sanitarium: Dr. H. W. Miller, Chairman; Dr. L. H. Butka, Acting Chairman, Clinic; Dr. R. N. Calvert, Acting Chairman, Sanitarium; Miss E. M. Redelstein, Mrs. A. R. Boynton (substitute), C. C. Bailey, W. E. Eberhardt, Y. C. Hsu, Miss B. Yen, John C. Shull, Marjorie Li, Matilda Pollett, Dr. Wm. Nethery, S. J. Lee, Dr. D. E. Griggs, R. H. Hartwell.

Medical Internships at Shanghai Sanitarium

We Recommend. That the plan for medical internships as outlined by the General Conference Committee, during its recent Biennial Session, be approved as the basis on which we shall receive medical internes, and that this plan to spread upon our minutes, as follows:

"Whereas, The Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital is recognized by the American medical authorities as a hospital accredited to give the interne year to medical graduates; and in view of the heavy demand in the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital for medical service, and the excellent opportunities for interne experience; therefore,—

"Resolved. That we approve of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital receiving annually one or more internes from our College of Medical Evangelists on the following conditions:

"1. That the candidates be those who are approved by the Mission Board and by the College of Medical Evangelists as having missionary qualifications.

"2. That as far as possible they be selected with regard to the possibility of continuation of service in the mission field, should they prove their fitness for such service, and should opportunity to do so be afforded them.

"3. That the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital provide living quarters, board and other remunerations for such internes on a basis comparable to that accorded internes in our home institutions.

"4. That the transportation to Shanghai and return to the home field be at the charge of the internes:

"5. That in the event of an interne in the Shanghai Sanitarium being placed upon the permanent staff of missionaries in the mission field, he be allowed his transportation to the field, as well as outfitting allowance, as is allowed in the case of those regularly called from the home field."

Voted, to adjourn.

H. W. MILLER, *Chairman*
 W. E. EBERHARDT, *Secretary*

The Training Institute

Synopsis of Minutes of the Annual Meeting of China Training Institute, Chiao Tou Tseng, Kiangsu, China December 30, 1932.

Present: Dr. H. W. Miller, C. C. Morris, H. H. Hall, C. C. Crisler, John Oss, W. A. Scharffenberg, S. L. Frost, Miss Bessie Mount, O. A. Hall, K. H. Wood, H. L. Shull, S. H. Lindt, B. Petersen, N. F. Brewer, J. Effenberg, G. J. Appel, M. C. Warren, E. L. Longway, Liu Meng-ru, Lee Wei-ching, Lin Gia-yu, B. A. Liu; also C. L. Woods, John Shull, R. A. Brett, F. A. Landis, Chas. Larsen, Cecil Guild, W. A. Scott, P. E. Quimby, Miss A. M. Roberts, Giang Tsung-gwang, Lu Shoudao, Lee Sing-jong, Wang Yung-yao, Chen Ming, Ho Ping-duan, Lee Tien-hsi, Mrs. Mi Deh-feng.

The members of the board arrived at the Chiao Tou Tseng station about six o'clock, a.m. After breakfast at the homes of the various faculty members, a tour of inspection was conducted, starting from the main building and including the factory, and both of the dormitory buildings.

Opening Meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel

The opening meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. H. W. Miller. Prayer was offered by Brethren E. L. Longway and B. A. Liu.

Chairman's Address: In a brief address given by the Chairman, it was explained that on account of the shortage of mission funds, the Division Committee had decided to postpone all the regular Division meetings scheduled for the spring of 1933, including the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the China Training Institute. However, taking advantage of the presence of the Division officers and union superintendents in Shanghai at this time, a special meeting of the available members of the Board of Directors had been called to meet in order to appoint a faculty for the school year of 1933-1934, and to transact other necessary items of business. The Chairman also commented on the exceptionally large enrollment of the present school year. He called attention to the urgent need for workers in all parts of the field, and reaffirmed that the preparation and training of workers is the sole purpose for the establishment of this Institute. He urged that special attention be given to train men and women as quickly as possible for positions of responsibility.

Acting President's Report: The acting president, B. A. Liu, rendered a brief report of the work and progress of the Institute in its various lines of activities for the period since the beginning of the school year 1932-1933. (Note.—A synopsis of this report was published in our January issue.)

Report of Business Manager and Treasurer: A report on the financial operations of the Institute for the school year ending June 30, 1932, was then read by the business manager and treasurer, H. L. Shull, together with a certificate of audit signed by C. C. Morris, the Division auditor, after which it was—

Voted, that the report of the treasurer be accepted as submitted.

Remarks by H. H. Hall: First quoting Luke 12:1, 2, Brother H. H. Hall, of the General Conference, remarked on the vastness of the task of giving this message to the millions in China. He pointed to this Institute as a place to supply workers for the field; therefore the one great aim of this Institute should be to train the students to carry the gospel to the world quickly.

Remarks by Professor S. L. Frost:

"Seventh-day Adventists have a good educational system. The Lord has permitted us freedom to preach the gospel in China. Just recently the Chinese government abolished the teaching of 'party principles' in all schools. This Institute has a good location, away from city influences. I am glad for the good reports that have been rendered. They show that we are not 'beating the air,' but really have the objective before us to send back to the field an army of trained workers."

Department Reports: The following department reports were then read:

- Report of Religious Life and Activities—S. H. Lindt
- Report of the Acting Dean—P. E. Quimby
- Report of the Factory—R. A. Brett (as published in brief in the Reporter for January)

On account of the lack of time, other reports of the work of the various departments were not read, but they were included in the bound copy of reports as follows:

- Report of the Bible Department—S. H. Lindt
- Report of the Normal Department—B. A. Liu
- Report of History Department—P. E. Quimby
- Report of the Medical Preparatory Department—C. L. Woods
- Report of the Chinese Language Department—Djang Peh-an
- Report of the English Department—Mrs. P. E. Quimby
- Report of the Music Department—Miss A. M. Roberts
- Report of the Home Economics Department—Mrs. P. E. Quimby
- Report of the Home Life—Lu Shou-dao

Appointment of Committees:

Voted, That the Chairman appoint the usual committees on nominations and plans.

The meeting was adjourned till 3:00 p.m., after prayer by Professor W. A. Scharfenberg. Upon reassembling for the afternoon session, the brethren were led in prayer by Pastor Giang Tsung-gwang.

Partial Report of Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee, through its secretary, Pastor K. H. Wood, rendered a partial report, which was accepted, as follows (including some names brought in at the evening meeting of the Board):

Partial List of the Faculty for 1933-1934:

- President, B. A. Liu
- Dean, S. L. Frost
- Business Manager, Treasurer and Director of Church Business Group, H. L. Shull
- Director of Religious Activities and Director of Ministerial Group, S. H. Lindt
- Director of History Department, P. E. Quimby
- Director of Medical Preparatory Group, C. L. Woods
- Superintendent of Factory and Tutor in Mechanics, R. A. Brett
- Director in Chinese Language and Literature, Hwang Dz-gin
- Preceptor, Lu Shou-dao
- Preceptress, Mrs. Mi Deh-feng
- Principal Model Primary School, Wang Yung-yao
- Assistant Tutor Church Business Group, Chen Ming
- Tutor in Home Economics, Mrs. P. E. Quimby
- Institute Nurse, Mrs. H. L. Shull
- Assistant Tutor in Preparatory Department, Grades 7-9, Li Kwang-tung
- Assistant Tutor in Preparatory Department, Grades 7-9, Ho Ping-duan
- Assistant Tutor in Primary Department, Grades 5-6, Miss Djao Tung-mei
- Bookkeeper, Wang Sien-tung

(Placed under appointment during the evening meeting)

- Director of Normal Group, B. A. Liu
- Assistant Tutor Normal Group, Wang Yung-yao
- Assistant Tutor Ministerial Group, Giang Tsung-gwang
- Assistant Business Manager, F. A. Landis
- Assistant Tutor in Science and Mathematics, Lee Tien-hsi
- Director of English Department, Miss A. M. Roberts
- Director of Music Department, Mrs. S. L. Frost
- Assistant Tutor in Chinese Language, and Literature, Djang Peh-an
- Printing Department and Office Work, Gia Shou-dji
- Assistant Tutor in Primary Department, Grades 1-4, (Referred to Local Board)

Request for Professor S. L. Frost:

Voted, That a request be placed with the China Division for the release of Professor S. L. Frost to connect with the China Training Institute as Dean.

Management of Farm and Cannery:

Voted, That the question of the management of the Farm and Cannery be referred to the Local Board for assignment.

Request for Institute Physician:

Voted, That a request be placed with the China Division for a physician to connect with the Institute as Institute Physician and Director of Medical Missionary Department as soon as budget provision can be arranged therefor.

Local Board for 1933-1934: S. L. Frost, Chairman; H. L. Shull, Secretary; B. A. Liu, S. H. Lindt, Giang Tsung-gwang, R. A. Brett, P. E. Quimby, C. L. Woods, Lu Shou-dao, Mrs. Mi Deh-feng, F. A. Landis, B. Petersen, Swen Tsung-gwang.

Partial Report of Committee on Plans:

The Committee on Plans, through its secretary, Miss A. M. Roberts, rendered a partial report, which was accepted. Later on, during the evening hour, at a final meeting of the Board of Directors, further resolutions were submitted by the Committee on Plans. Some of the resolutions adopted are as follows:

Gratitude:

Whereas, under the blessing, protection, and guidance of our heavenly Father, this Institute has enjoyed another prosperous year,—

Resolved, That we hereby express our heartfelt gratitude for an exceptionally large enrollment of consecrated students, and for the spiritual and temporal blessings that have rested upon both the instructional and industrial departments of the work; and further, that we dedicate this institution anew to God for the coming year for the training of laborers for the closing work of the message.

(On passing this resolution, all those in attendance rose to their feet, while Pastor Brewer led in an earnest prayer of thanksgiving and dedication.)

Leaflet on Ministerial Courses:

Voted, That a careful statement be prepared for early issuance, as an eight-page printed leaflet, outlining clearly the theological courses, and other attractive studies being offered by the Ministerial Department of this Institute; and that this be used during the coming annual provincial meetings and biennial sessions in an effort to lead young men and women of promise to enter upon early definite preparation for gospel ministry.

Vocational Training Courses:

Voted, That we look with favor upon the introduction of vocational courses of study into our regular curriculum; but that as a beginning we recommend the opening of vocational training courses only in such subjects as we are now or will be in a position to cover with limited funds such as general agricultural subjects, mechanical drawing, and domestic science; other subjects to be added as conditions and circumstances may warrant in view of available teachers and facilities.

Adjustment of Dormitory Space:

Voted, That building operations on the projected new dormitory be postponed, but that adjustment of present crowded accommodations in the dormitories be referred to the Local Board for action; and further,—

Voted, That the unions keep the young people in their respective union schools up to the grades for which those schools are accredited, but that exceptions be made only by careful consideration of the union committees in counsel with the Institute, and that the problem of providing additional dormitory space be deferred until the next annual Constituency meeting.

Field Work for Institute Faculty Members:

Voted, That the assignment of field work for members of the Institute Faculty during the summer or at other times be left for the Division to take up in connection with the making up of all the spring and summer itineraries; and that the necessary travel expenses for those members for whom there is no such provision in the Institute budget be borne by the unions in whose territory their work may be assigned.

Reading Committee for Bible Doctrines Book:

Voted, That the Division be requested to appoint a reading committee to read over the manuscript of a Bible Doctrines textbook prepared by the Ministerial Department of this Institute, and that arrangements be made for its early publication.

Separate Cannery Building:

Voted, That the China Division be requested to provide out of the Extension Funds a sum of \$2,500 Mex. for putting up a separate building to house the Cannery, thus enabling the present space occupied by the Cannery Department to be released to the Girls' Dormitory.

Domestic Work Policy:

Voted, That it shall be the policy of this Institute to require every student to work at least three hours per week at the rate of five cents per hour; the equivalent of this amount being charged against his account each period in advance, to be met either by work or by cash payment; and that the required work to be performed by students be distributed over various parts of the Institute campus.

Amendment to Operating Policy:

Voted, That section 3 (b) and Section 4 under Article IV of the Operating Policy be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 3. b. To care for and safeguard the resources and finances of the Institute, and pass on all major items of expenditure and departmental requisitions."

"Section 4. The Local Board shall meet regularly once every week throughout the school year, and at such other times as may be necessary."

All other unfinished business being referred to the Local Board, the meeting adjourned, *sine die*, after prayer by Pastor O. A. Hall.

Dr. H. W. MILLER, *Chairman*
B. A. LIU, *Secretary*

FROM FIELD LEADERS

REPORTS FROM UNIONS

During the Officers' Council of the Division Committee, held in mid-winter, the various union superintendents gave brief reports of work undertaken and accomplished during the past year. A synopsis of these reports is given in the columns that follow. Many blessings are reported, and a determination to advance notwithstanding present untoward conditions. — *Editor*

THE NORTH CHINA UNION

Geo. J. APPEL

We have had a very good year in the North; in fact, it has been the best year we have ever had. You will remember at the time of our meeting last winter we placed before the delegates the needs of opening new work in North China. Today we are happy to report that we have definitely organized work in every province of North China, including Suiyuan and Jehol. I was present at the first baptismal service in Suiyuan, when nine were baptized. Pastor Goh Djao Liang, who for eight years has been connected with the Tsiman school, has been transferred to Jehol, and he with his associates are now laboring in that province.

We have opened up a number of stations in Shantung. Pastor Shen is now laboring in the southern part of this province. He met me at the train a few days ago, and said that about thirty people are interested in the truth, and a large number are already keeping the Sabbath. We have opened up a new station in North Shansi—Tatung.

We do not have full reports; but the advance copies of trial balances for this year as compared with last are very encouraging to us. We have gains in every mission offering. Our Sabbath school offerings show a gain of 25 per cent; the Big Week shows a gain of over 100 per cent; the Investment Fund over 100 per cent; our Harvest Ingathering at the end of November was about the same as last year; on this we have received approximately \$10,000 *Mez.* Very little of this money was solicited for special purposes. As we visited our friends we told them of our educational and medical work. One experience we had shows us how the people of the world are appreciating what we are doing. Pastor Esteb and I were down in Shantung doing some Harvest Ingathering work. We had hoped to see the Governor. He had been away fighting, trying to recover the eastern part of that field, and we thought it was going to be impossible to see him, as he had just returned and was very busy. When we gave our card to the gateman, he said the Governor was leaving that night for Tsingtao. He took our cards, and came back in a few minutes with the word that the Governor would be out in a few minutes. In our conversation with him he said: "Whenever I meet you people, it seems there is a peace comes into my heart; I never have otherwise." We mentioned our work, and told him that we hoped he would do as much as he did last year. He signed up for \$1,000. The Lord has blessed us, and we are making friends throughout the field as a result of this work.

About two weeks ago I received word that there had been about eighty baptisms in Shansi, which almost doubles their membership for the past year.

The work in the North is growing. Dr. Coulston and wife are working hard; prejudices are being broken down. We entered that field, as it were, as if against a stone wall. No one welcomed us. The people there purchased all the literature they could find against Adventists and circulated it over the field. This was a help to our work, as many wanted to find out more about this message.

The work in Mongolia has been going very slowly. It seems this is one of the hardest fields we have entered. Brother Christensen and his wife are working with diligence. He and his wife and child went out onto the plains this summer. Upon returning to Kalgan, it was found that Sister Christensen was very sick. She has been confined to her bed for two months. They have only a native assistant who spent a year in Chiao Tou Tseng, and he has arthritis and it is doubtful whether he will recover. (*Note—He has since died—Editor.*) There are also some boys to set the type. Brother Christensen brought in five young men from Mongolia and organized a school. Three of these boys can neither read nor write.

The folks in Kalgan are of good courage. The Lord has marvelously blessed their efforts, and we believe with the publishing of tracts and a few small books, this coming year will see good results in our work in Mongolia. Brother Christensen is doing translating work, and is teaching arithmetic and geography in the Mongolian language.

We hope to be able to report five hundred baptisms in 1933. I think during the next biennial period we can just about double the North China membership. Our departments are strongly organized, and with the blessing of the Lord we believe the message can be speedily finished.

THE MANCHURIAN UNION

N. F. BREWER

There is a great field of opportunity in the Manchurian Union. Notwithstanding unsettled conditions, the colporteurs have done well. The sales for the first eleven months of 1932 are about a thousand dollars *Mez.* more than they were for 1931.

We are glad that we are able to have our union school open. In our industrial department we are making bandages. We put up about 5,000 bottles of grape juice this year, which finds a ready sale.

Our women's work is going forward. Mrs. Hilliard and Mrs. Broderson are devoting practically all their time to this work.

The baptisms during the year 1932 will be more than they have ever before in Manchuria. We expect to have over two hundred by the end of the year.

During the year 1932 our medical work has been greatly strengthened, through the coming in of Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Paul, and Brother and Sister O. G. Erich. These, with Dr. and Mrs. Vinkel, constitute a strong medical force indeed. It is our hope to open the Shenyang Sanitarium-Hospital at no distant date. The Lord has been opening the way before us as we have gone forward in faith, a step at a time.

The past few months we have been able to open up two new places. At one of these, Dairen, Pastor C. L. Blandford is located; and he reports encouraging beginnings.

All our workers in the Manchurian Union Mission plan for steady advancement the coming year.

THE WEST CHINA UNION

E. L. LONGWAY

It is a pleasure to represent the West China Union Mission. Let us start in with East Szechwan, where we have a work covering from sixty to seventy *hsiens*. At present we have something like 25 stations, and the membership is over five hundred. During the summer of 1932 we held a large evangelistic effort in Chungking, but were perhaps unfortunate in leaving it without proper supervision following the close of the special preaching services. As a result of this effort eight were baptized. When I came back from Kweichow to Ta Chi Kou, 20 more were baptized, and a church was organized.

Brother Dallas R. White, director, is of courage. Our union school is located in the East Szechwan Mission. This year it is being operated in Paoning. We have an enrolment of forty-two in our union school, all grades from one to nine being carried. Our teachers are being supplied from our own union. Brother Hughes writes encouragingly of the spirit of teachers and students.

West Szechwan covers the Western half of the field. We have a small work there, though it has been carried on for about sixteen years. The cities in this part of our field are connected quite generally with automobile roads. West of the Chengtu plain are many tribes-people. It has been voted to start work immediately among them. The tribes occupy territory covering from five hundred to six hundred *li* from north to south. It is a famous district. We believe that before another year is gone, we shall have some new members in that region.

In West Kweichow the baptisms have been about forty-five during the past year; and in West Kweichow the number is from sixty to eighty. We have a very interesting work in Kweichow among the tribes-people. Brother Lo's heart was touched at this meeting. He was the first convert. As he saw those people coming in and recalled that six years ago he was the first one, he took courage, and we all took courage. The work in Pichieh needs help. Pastor Ho is a good worker, but he is the director, the only ordained man, the leading evangelist, a school teacher, the provincial treasurer, and everything. He has to do much of his work alone. It is too bad to have a man of this type tied up so he can not get out to baptize those who are ready. We have over a hundred young people in Pichieh who have no school privileges. Some of them are sixteen and eighteen years of age, but have never been to school a day in their life. They have ability—in fact are some of the best people we have in West China.

We want \$8,000 so we can open a school in the country where the tribes-people of Kweichow can get the training they must have. There is the greatest amount of poverty in West Kweichow that I have ever seen. They do not have bedding to cover them at night. Students come to school without bedding. There is not much chance for industry, but we have thought to give them the chance to raise their own food. They will be glad for the opportunity. We want the Division to give us \$3,000 for that school, and we propose to raise the rest. When we told the magistrate what we are planning to do, he gave \$100. He said he would send soldiers over to level the ground, and that they could carry the timber. If anybody stops us, the will give us some assistance on that.

East Kweichow has a larger territory than West Kweichow and perhaps in some ways a larger opportunity. At the time of the East Kweichow meeting we were impressed with a map Brother Buzzell had of his stations. A great section of Kweichow remains unworked. Most of their converts are from the black Miao. We had a good meeting at Kweiyang, though a chapel is needed. The only place we have is back of the compound, and it is almost impossible to get the people back in there. With a church out in the front we should have a church of one hundred. Kweiyang is a beautiful city. We have good prospects there. I am sure there are many who would welcome us.

Yunnan reports upwards of 140 converts for the year. Our work in this province is not spread out to any great extent.

There isn't much to say about the work in the Tibetan Mission, with Tatsienlu as the center. We want to send two trained men from our schools into that section. There are openings among the tribes-people north of Tatsienlu.

It is our hope to strengthen our training-school, and soon have workers and funds for extending our borders and bringing to multitudes a knowledge of saving truth.

THE EAST CHINA UNION

K. H. WOOD

It seems that this has really been a short year. At the beginning, the war in and around Shanghai delayed our work and slowed things down considerably; so we have had only about nine months out of this year for advance work. We are very grateful to the Lord for His blessings. There have been ten large evangelistic efforts held in tents or commodious buildings, besides many efforts in chapels and smaller tents. We have also endeavored to conduct some self-supporting evangelistic efforts by taking collections from the beginning to the end. I might say that in three of these we were able to cover practically all the expenses, except the ordinary running expense of the buildings. These efforts were all held in large cities. Sister Miller conducted eight institutes for women believers this year.

Our Sabbath schools have shown a good increase over last year, as well as the membership. Our literature work has shown a good increase in spite of the fact that during the first three months we were nearly at a standstill. At the end of this year we will no doubt be well over \$35,000. I think it is the largest amount ever sold in East China.

The Home Missionary work has been carried on strongly throughout the year, especially in the Harvest Ingathering work. We appreciate the very faithful work done by those who had a part in raising these funds. In Wenchow we went Harvest Ingathering in the day, and held meetings at night.

There are many new interests. We find that where the flood and bandits have been and other troubles have affected the people, they are more earnest, and are seeking the comfort and hope which the gospel can give them. They find the things of this world so insecure that they are looking for something more substantial. In many places we hear there are goodly groups in baptismal classes.

The Spirit of the Lord is working mightily on men's hearts. They are realizing that a time of reckoning is coming; that the time of judgment is near, and that now is the time to settle their lives and have faith.

We had an excellent Week of Prayer in Nanking, and I am glad to say that we have had excellent meetings throughout the field. For instance, right here in Shanghai over a hundred were in attendance at the Week of Prayer.

We are planning for a more aggressive evangelistic work in the future.

It is really a time of harvest and reaping. While we have had a shortage of funds, yet we have endeavored to study how we can do just as much work with less money. Every one of our missions has cut down to the quick. The work has suffered greatly from the cut. We have had to call off evangelistic efforts in order to save expense, but we know the Lord is leading, and we look forward to this being our best year in all lines of endeavor.

THE NORTHWEST CHINA MISSION

J. H. EFFENBERG

The Northwest is the youngest mission,—in fact, it is the "baby sister"—of the China Division. As you all know, we were able only eight months ago to start the work out there. We are thankful for the help the Division brethren have been able to give.

Last summer we pitched our tent outside the city wall of Lanchow and had a full attendance. The tent was small, but we had good meetings, and the Lord blessed our efforts. We have a fine group of young people. We have organized a church of thirty-five, and have thirty in the baptismal class. We have two outstations within a radius of fifteen or twenty li from Lanchow. We hope we shall soon have a strong work there.

From Lanchow we went to Sining. The authorities were very kind to us. They loaned us vacant lot, and assured us that they would give us any help we needed. The China Inland Mission have been working there for nearly fifty years, and have a little over a hundred members. We had a full tent every night, even in rainy weather. When Brother Crisler was up there, we organized a church of eight; and we have another baptismal class of about twelve. We thank the Lord for this success in this hard field.

We hope some day we can have a work for the Tibetans; for in the Northwest we have access to perhaps one-fourth of the world's Tibetan population.

We have sent an evangelist into Ninghsia; he has already organized a Sabbath school. Two colporteurs are working in the southern part of Ninghsia.

In the province of Shensi our work is steadily progressing. On account of famine and other troubles, the largest part of our church-members up north of the Wei River have been scattered into various parts of the mission. We should go after them, and perhaps use this as an opportunity to advance the truth. Since we have had no money for this special work, I have asked one of our older members to go after them, at personal expense; and a conference worker also has gone; and they have found our baptized believers in three *hsiens*. Nearly a hundred church-members up there are living in caves because of the famine; and our workers have organized three big Sabbath schools and three home Sabbath schools in those districts. We hope in the near future we shall have an established work in the three *hsiens*.

THE SOUTH CHINA UNION

O. A. HALL

We feel thankful for the blessing of God that has rested upon our work in South China the past year. In spite of cut budgets and other difficulties, we have endeavored to press on.

We have been sorry to lose, on account of health conditions, Brother and Sister L. W. Shaw, who were laboring in Hongkong. This has been a decided loss to the work in that important center.

We have been endeavoring to prosecute the evangelistic phase of our work throughout the union. It has been difficult to see how this could be done with limited funds, but we have gone forward in faith.

One man who came into the truth with five other members of his family as the result of the evangelistic effort had in Canton, contributed liberally to open up work in his native city of Taishan; and when we sent an evangelistic company into that section, he came personally to introduce the workers to the people of his home town. I was very glad to have the privilege personally of spending the month of November in this effort in Taishan. We found the people receptive. The meetings were held in a matchbox about 40 x 60, which was able to accommodate about four hundred comfortably. The attendance from the first night to the close of the effort was gratifying. Every seat was occupied, and many were standing. A number have expressed their purpose to accept the truth.

During the early fall, Brother V. M. Hansen and his company of workers conducted a very successful effort in a city in Southern Kwangsi, and later a second effort was conducted. In Waichow, the headquarters of the Hakka Mission, a successful effort has recently been held. The Hospital staff conducted a clinic each day in connection with the effort, averaging daily from forty to fifty treatments.

In Kwanfung our workers have pressed toward the Hunan border on the north and into Hainan Island on the south. The Kwangsi Mission has opened new stations and strengthened the former ones.

Swatow is pressing the work into every *hsien*.

Recently the island of Hainan was entered by a resident colporteur who is supporting himself by the sale of his literature, while carrying on missionary activities. It is hoped later to send an evangelist to this island. Brother Milne, who recently visited the island, brought back a map showing a network of automobile roads over almost the entire island. Almost every city along the coast is accessible by automobile service.

About twenty-five evangelistic efforts have been held in the South China Union during the year, and practically all these have resulted in bringing souls into the truth. We feel that the greatest work before us just now is to press on in this evangelistic work.

Our tithe has shown increases, as have literature sales; \$52,000 worth of literature has been placed in our territory this year. There has been a substantial increase in the *Signs* list. This oldest of the China unions, with its splendid territory for literature sales, should make even a better record during 1933.

The Sabbath school department shows that some advancement has been made. Our intermediate schools have been running without any particular trouble this year, and they have a good enrollment of earnest students.

We appreciate the fact that approval has been given for our going forward with the plans for the Canton Sanitarium-Hospital. This will mean much to the development of our work in the great southern metropolis. Our medical missionary work, as it is being conducted by our four hospitals in Canton, Fatschan, Nanning, and Waichow, is exerting a telling influence on the people.

We ask an interest in your prayers, that God may bless us in our work in South China. We consecrate ourselves to Him for more earnest and faithful service during the year 1933.

THE CENTRAL CHINA UNION

M. C. WARREN

I FIND Central China a very good field. While the work has not shown the progress that it might have shown under different circumstances, yet I am sure you are all glad that it has not gone backward. The workers have been following the program of evangelism stressed in the Council in Shanghai. We have conducted over twenty evangelistic efforts this year in Central China. These have brought many souls into the truth, besides giving to a very large number a knowledge of this truth. Pastor Strickland and others connected with the lan of distributing tickets before the campaign opened. This encouraged the better class to attend—the class we meet on Harvest Ingathering and when working with the *Signs*. The Hankow meetings have been well attended, and close attention has been paid to the studies. The prospects are very promising.

During the past year the matter of entering new territory was stressed at each of our annual meetings where we had Pastor W. A. Soicer and others present; and so the workers have been trying to press out into new sections, though it is hard to find enough capable workers to enter these new sections in a strong way. Each director is trying to the best of his ability to enter new territory. We are very glad to have Miss Holmes stationed at Chengchow, Honan. It is like opening a new station to have a foreigner make her home there. There are great sections in this field that have never been worked and still stand as territory new to this message, except as our colporteurs have carried the printed page ahead of us into these districts.

It is very encouraging to see how the work is going forward in the Hunan Province, where eight new *hsiens* have been entered this year. We have launched out to the border of Kweichow.

We are able to report 197 baptisms thus far this year.

Reports from the Field

THE WEST KWEICHOW MISSION ANNUAL MEETING

S. L. FROST

The writer and Brother Oss of the China Division have recently spent about four months in the West China Union. Several annual meetings were held during this time at the respective provincial Mission headquarters, which we attended. Brother Longway, at that time the West China Union superintendent together with the departmental secretaries Hwang, Djang, and Chen, were the union representatives at these meetings.

Pichieh is the headquarters of our West Kweichow mission. To reach this city, whose elevation is 5,400 feet above sealevel, required eleven days of quite strenuous travel from Chengtu, the center of our West Szechwan mission work. For a considerable part of the way, the path leads up the side of mountains. The traveler, who must needs walk, has opportunity for much physical exercise, which is a blessing in itself.

Some hardships and dangers and deprivations were met with, but nevertheless the trip was enjoyable. The lovely mountain scenery, the beautiful clear streams of cold water, the wonderful waterfalls, the great profusion of wild flowers, the luscious berries that grow along the paths, as well as the friendliness and responsiveness of the people met with along the way, all combine to make a pleasant and profitable trip.

Arriving on Friday afternoon, October 22, the day of the beginning of the meeting, we found already there a large proportion of the delegates and believers who were to be in attendance. Pastor Ho Ai Deng, who upwards of five years ago opened up the work, and who has been director of the mission, led out in the first meeting, and was in charge during the mission sessions.

This gathering of from 130 to 140 believers was somewhat different from the usual annual conference in China, as there were present representatives and believers of five different peoples or tribes. The Chinese were there; also representatives from the Nosu, Heh Miao, Chwan Miao and Nan-ging families. All understood the mandarin language, which rendered it convenient for the carrying on of the services, to give and to receive instruction.

The period was one of blessing and help for us all, as we daily and hourly opened our hearts wide to the blessings, and spiritual joys brought to us through the Holy Spirit's ministry. Brotherly love and kindness prevailed.

The report of the director, Pastor Ho, showed that there has been a steady growth of believers year by year. In 1928 there were 130 members; at the close of 1929 there were 182; in 1930 there were 266; in 1931, 359; and to date the total was 400 which included seventeen baptized during the meeting. Quite a number in various places were expecting baptism, and it was thought that the total gain for the year would be about sixty. No such good gains were reported in tithes and offerings, however; but a new inspiration to be faithful in tithing and generous in gifts to the Lord and His cause was manifest in the meetings. Quite a number came forward during meetings, or at the close and brought old tithes and made liberal gifts.

The Sabbath school offerings for the two Sabbaths of the meeting amounted to over eighty dollars, Mexican, which, considering the poverty of the people, was regarded as good. A special object of need was brought before the delegates. A number of the students who were in attendance at the school were poor, some even without sufficient bedding and covering

for the cold winter just coming on. The situation was spoken of, and those assembled were given opportunity to assist. Workers and believers united in raising \$300 to be used in behalf of these needy students.

The need of a good school building and better school facilities for the training of the earnest young people of this mission was presented before us. Scores of promising youth in this mission should receive a more thorough Christian training, and facilities are altogether inadequate. We learned of mature students who have never had any school privileges. For example, one girl of twenty-one years of age, herself in the third grade, urged that her sister, now sixteen years old, who has never been to school, be given an opportunity to attend. Others had similar requests. The delegates united in beseeching the Union mission and Division to give consideration to their needs and to assist in providing adequate educational facilities for these worthy young people.

Good plans for the year 1933 were discussed and large hopes expressed. A goal was set for sixteen new Sabbath schools, and a Sabbath school membership goal of 1,000 by the close of the year 1933. The church membership goal has been set for 600 by the end of the year, which would mean the adding of 200 new members.

Our hearts were greatly cheered and blessed as we noted the faithfulness of these believers located so far away in the west of China.

Their earnest prayers and fervent testimonies will not be forgotten.

WITH THE SANITARIUM CHAPLAIN

(Synopsis of report of Pastor R. H. Hartwell, Rendered at the Shanghai Sanitarium Constituency Meeting, January 2, 1933)

During the first five months of 1932, Pastor A. Mountain was chaplain of the Sanitarium; and of his most excellent work, with attendant success, I need not report in detail, as the influence and the fruitage of his labors among us are known to all.

Your present chaplain came to the Shanghai Sanitarium on the first day of June, 1932. At the present time we are teaching ten Bible classes for the nurses each week. Six of these are taught at the Rubicon Road Sanitarium and four at the Range Road Clinic. The nurses are doing very well in these classes, and we believe that the knowledge thus gained is very practical. Five mornings a week these classes are conducted at 5:30; and following the Bible classes we have morning worship with the nurses. At nine o'clock every morning, except Sabbath, we have worship with the coolies and other helpers.

In addition to visiting and studying with the patients, we also try to entertain them by furnishing a daily dinner program on the radio from twelve to one o'clock. Again from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., the patients are entertained with music, readings, or talks from the parlor. These are directed or furnished by the chaplain and given over the radio, which is now connected with every room.

The best part of two days are spent at the Clinic each week. Here we have found many good opportunities for giving Bible studies and doing personal work in addition to conducting the nurses' Bible classes.

We take pleasure in mentioning the very good work of Miss Hsu. Her labors have resulted in some conversions and again we have been caused to rejoice over the Lord's blessings resting upon such work.

We understand that eight patients have been baptized at the Clinic this year. We feel decidedly a very special need for a strong evangelist, or better still, a Chin-

ese pastor to be located in the Clinic for full-time work studying with the patients and taking a fatherly interest in the spiritual life of the nurses.

The 1932 Harvest Ingathering collected by the Sanitarium church members was well over \$4,000 Mex. About fifty members of our family joined in the campaign. And may I add that every doctor took an active part this year, thus setting good examples and inspiring others to join in the good work.

Village work has been carried on constantly in the surrounding villages, and quantities of literature and picture cards have been freely distributed.

The recent week of prayer brought real blessings to nearly every one in our family. The chaplain, together with Pastor L. E. Reed conducted fifty-six meetings during that week. These meetings were held both at the Sanitarium and also at the Clinic, and we were pleased with the interest shown. It would have done your hearts good to hear the prayers going up to our Father in English, Chinese, Korean, Russian, and Japanese languages.

BOOKS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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

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

SCHEDULE OF CONVENTIONS

Decision has been made by the China Division Executive Committee to postpone all union sessions, and dates formerly published for union sessions are hereby canceled. However, publishing and home missionary conventions are to be held in all unions, as follows:

South China, Hongkong, March 24-29

East China, Wenchow April 6-10,

Hangchow, April 13-17

Central China, Hankow, April 21-26
Yencheng, April 28-30

Northwest China Mission:

Convention, Sianfu, May 3-7

Lanchow General Meeting, Oct. 20-25

Lanchow Colporteur Institute, Oct. 26-28

Sianfu (Shensi) Rally, Nov. 2-4

North China, Tsinan, May 10-13

Peiping, May 14-17

Manchuria:

Convention, Mukden, May 20-24

General Meeting,

Russian work, Harbin, May 26-28

West China:

General Meeting, Chungking, June 23-28

Summer School, June 28- Aug. 8

SABBATH AFTERNOON IN SHANGHAI

ON Sabbath afternoon, January 28, Pastor John Oss, secretary of the China Division Publishing Department, brought to our minds afresh many providences connected with the beginnings of our denominational literature work in the China field. The story is indeed one of divine interventions and wondrous leadings; for from small beginnings our literature ministry has extended until today it touches every province and every *hsien*.

Brother Oss referred to the Saviour's message sent to John the Baptist in response to questionings on the part of John's disciples. Naught that was new was sent back as the Saviour's reply to His beloved friend; but that which had before been well known, was repeated; and thus it is today, when considering God's leadings in our publishing advance. With the apostle Peter we may say, "I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them."

Under ten heads Brother Oss reviewed the story of the past; and in summarizing these points we pass on to *Reporter* readers the following outstanding facts:

1. The work of Morrison as a pioneer missionary and translator of the Holy Scriptures was a noble beginning.
2. William Milne as a coadjutor, brought to Morrison and to Christian communities much of comfort and aid.
3. Chen Lung's special mandate against Christianity, proved a help; not a hindrance.
4. Leang Ah Fah and his sacrificial labors, availed for much during pioneer times.
5. The Taipings and their early study of the Biblical prophecies and of the Sabbath truth, might have had a different record had they kept true to some of their earlier ideals.
6. Father Abraham La Rue and his labors, are even to-day a constant inspiration to us all.
7. Translation of the tract on the Judgment, by Mok Mun Djung, brought strength to us in a time of need, and marked the beginning of our publishing in China.
8. Establishment of the Seventh-day Adventist publishing work in China at Shang Tsai Hsien, Honan, and the sending of literature into Yingshanshen, resulted in conversions of several strong laborers.
9. The later enlargement of the publishing work, its transference to the Shanghai headquarters, and the issuance of Tibetan, Mongol, and Miao literature, are features fraught with great results.
10. The attitude of the leaders of our denomination from the beginning, and their promotion of the literature ministry, is in harmony with the true pattern given us through the spirit of prophecy.

How true it is that "though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase." Thus it has been with our denominational publishing work in the China field, and through all the nations of earth.

JUNIOR MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR THE NORTHWEST AT TSAO TAN, SHENSI

BEGINNING with early October, 1932, the Northwest China Mission has been conducting its Junior Middle School at Tsao Tan, near Sianfu, Shensi. Nearly thirty students in grades seven to nine are in attendance. The facilities are meager, only small appropriations having been available for the construction of buildings and the installation of equipment. Brother Z. H. Coberly, in charge, has an excellent corps of teachers under

the leadership of Brother Lo Hwei An. The school is on a plot of eighty-five mow, situated about ten miles north of Sianfu. The land was given us for school purposes. Many providences have attended the carrying on of advanced school work in Shensi, and the brethren there have hope of adding to their working forces shortly through the help of those now in training.

FROM PASTOR V. M. HANSEN, OF KWANGSI

In a letter from Nanning, Kwangsi, January 31, 1933, Pastor V. M. Hansen writes as follows regarding evangelistic experiences he has been having since the close of the annual meeting for Kwangsi Province last July:

"My family and I have finished a two-months' effort in Lung Chow, Kwangsi, a city near the Annam border. We left Nanning by motor car Wednesday morning, November 23, and did not reach Lung Chow until long after dark. The Lord was very good to us, giving us a safe trip without any serious mishap, although the road was muddy and slippery, and we had one of the most dangerous rides I have ever taken in a car.

"After the ordinary preliminaries, we began our meetings on the 29th of November. The first night the chapel was packed, with many standing inside and out. The workers estimated that at least 40) were present the first night. With special arrangements we could seat about 150. Our attendance at these meetings was good from the start, and we had more than a full house during the entire effort.

"I preached for twenty-seven nights consecutively. We began Bible classes about a week before I quit preaching. Over twenty came out to these. Mrs. Hansen and a Chinese lady worker conducted the Bible class for women, while the two evangelists conducted the Bible class for men. Later I formed a baptismal class, which I conducted myself. We had about twelve in this class.

"When Brother J. P. Anderson arrived later on in Lung Chow, seven were ready for baptism, and went forward in this rite. On Sabbath we held the ordinances.

"All but one of those baptized were young people. The older person was a man forty-one years of age, with a good education. Of the others there were some who had had some education. One is a born artist, and has already done wonderful work for us. Another of the boys, the youngest in the group, went to Canton with Brother Anderson to continue his schooling. One of the girls who was baptized is to attend school at Nanning. We hear she is bringing another girl with her.

"Mrs. Hansen and I have enjoyed our work immensely. We have now been itinerating for over four months. We have taken the children with us, and they have fared very well thus far. The Lord has blessed us as a family with health, and we do thank Him for His manifold mercies. It is a privilege indeed to have a part in this closing work.

"I suppose you have already heard there were fifteen baptized after the Lau Chow effort. While we are not getting converts in large numbers down this way, yet we are thankful for those who have the courage to step out and accept this blessed truth. A little later we are hoping that others from both Lau Chow and Lung Chow will take their stand for the truth. In both places there were a number who ought to be ready in six months or so. We trust that the evangelists will do good follow-up work.

Multiplying Agencies

THE DIVISION PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT—1932

JOHN OSS

AS WE look back over the year's work, we can see evidences of the Lord's blessing, for which we are grateful. While we have no detailed figures to present, I am pleased to report a gain over last year. One of our outstanding needs is more colporteurs. As we compare the work of the past two years, we find that we now have only a very few more colporteurs than we had a year ago.

We have a great need for trained leaders. This is especially true in the local missions. We could use ten field secretaries in the missions right now if we had them. We plan on holding some union colporteur institutes this spring. I trust the shortage of funds is not going to result in taking leaders out of the colporteur work. The tighter the funds get, the more leaders we need to put colporteurs into the field to engage in self-supporting missionary work.

I have spent considerable time in the field during 1932, getting into seventeen provinces and attending eighteen local meetings since we were together a year ago. It has been a great encouragement to be at these different meetings, and to promote the literature work. We need to give more attention to all phases of these departments. We should plan to strengthen our work in the larger cities and in populous centers. We have big possibilities here. More should be done in places where so much wealth is centered.

The publishing department has gotten out a news letter in Chinese once a month, and has just completed a series of lessons on gospel salesmanship which has been prepared by Brother R. M. Milne. One hundred eighty copies have been mimeographed, and we believe these will be of much help to book leaders and colporteurs.

I am of good courage as I see what the Lord is doing through the literature work as a pioneer agency for entering new territory. It is doing much to break down prejudice and to prepare the way for the message. We are encouraged to see the brethren in Kalkan go ahead with the printing of Mongolian literature. We believe the Lord will use the printed page in a strong way in Mongolia. Brother Claude Miller, of Yunnan, is interested in some permanent literature for the Miao tribe.

THE DIVISION HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

JOHN OSS

THE home missionary work is making progress in practically every line. Our reporting membership has increased from fifty to about sixty per cent, during the first three quarters of 1932. Progress is being made in tract distribution; but the excellent series of tracts that we have should have a larger circulation.

The Lord has blessed in the Harvest Ingathering work. This campaign should be the biggest campaign of the year. The Harvest Ingathering ben fits are not all financial. It is excellent missionary work to call regularly on our friends and neighbors. If we even were receiving no money, it would nevertheless be missionary work well worth while. It gives us a wonderful opportunity to get into touch with the people. As we present our work, we get a good response. We have large resources at our command. God blesses as we go forth to gather them in.

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HOME MISSIONARY DEPT.

PASTOR E. L. LONGWAY and family reached Shanghai from Chungking, Szechwan, on Monday, February 20, and are now settled in the Ningkuo Road mission residence compound, occupying the dwelling familiarly known as "House No. 21," although the present numbering is No. 465. Their permanent address is 525 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai. Brother Longway has already taken up his responsibilities in the Division offices, the Home Board having officially appointed him as the Home Missionary Secretary for the China Division; Brother Oss continuing as the Field Missionary Secretary. All correspondence pertaining to the home missionary departmental interests, may hereafter be addressed to Brother Longway.

"WROUGHT OF OUR GOD"

"THE words of Nehemiah: . . . They said unto me, . . . The wall of Jerusalem . . . is broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.

"And it came to pass, when I heard these words, that . . . I prayed before the God of heaven: . . . Prosper, I pray Thee, Thy servant this day. . . .

"So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days. And I arose in the night, I and some few men with me; neither told I any man what my God had put in my heart to do at Jerusalem. . . . Then went I up in the night by the brook, and viewed the wall, and turned back, and entered by the gate of the valley, and so returned. And the rulers knew not whither I went, or what I did. . . .

"Then said I unto them, Ye see the distress that we are in, how Jerusalem lieth waste, and the gates thereof are burned with fire: come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more a reproach.

"Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me. . . . And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work. . . .

"So built we the wall; for the people had a mind to work. . . . So the wall was finished . . . in fifty and two days. . . .

"And it came to pass, that . . . all the heathen that were about us . . . perceived that this work was wrought of our God."—*Selected from the Book of Nehemiah.*

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"IN TROUBLOUS TIMES"

IN the prophetic vision given Daniel in response to his prayer for knowledge concerning the future of God's people on earth and the accomplishment of their mission as outlined of Heaven, the prophet was instructed concerning the kingdom

of Judah and Jerusalem, their beloved city, that 'the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.'

The work of God on earth is advanced, oftentimes, in periods of great distress. And to-day, living as we are in that portion of prophetic time known as "the last days," which toward their very close are to be characterized by "a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation," we are to go steadily forward, praying to the God of heaven and earth, "Prosper, I pray Thee, Thy servant this day." As we strengthen our hands for this good work, having "a mind to work," our cause will advance from strength to strength in all areas, whether peaceful or beset by troublous times; and eventually, having allowed no opportunity to pass by unimproved, and having entered quickly into places yet open for the proclamation of truth when other places seem for a time closed, we shall find ourselves rapidly completing our labors, and those round about who hitherto have known but little of the true God and of things heavenly, will perceive that "this work was wrought of our God."

These recognitions of Heaven's plan, may well be made by us all at a time when several of the populous provinces within our Division field, with more than a hundred million within their borders, seem to have been drawn into a conflict that doubtless will be fraught with results most momentous. Let us be much in prayer, and quick to discern the opening providences of Heaven for fruitful labor where labor may yet be entered upon, notwithstanding the many most distressing influences round about. Thus, having had "a mind to work," we shall be privileged to complete our labors, notwithstanding the "troublous times;" and thus the nation of heathendom all about us will clearly perceive and acknowledge "that this work was wrought of our God."

Our deepest sympathy is extended at this time to our brethren and sisters in the North and Northeast, on both sides of the disputed lines, while they are called upon to pass through the valley of the shadow. Our prayers are ascending with theirs, and our hope is in God.

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THE FAMINE IN SHENSI

In a personal letter written to Pastor C. C. Morris from Sianfu, February 12, 1933, Pastor J. Effenberg reports:

"Upon my return to Sianfu, enroute to Lanchow, I found that we are sorely in need of a continuation of appropriations monthly from the Famine Relief Fund. The people are in a pitiful situation. Personal effects, home furnishings, even doors and windows and the lumber from buildings, are being sold for a pittance. Wives and children are being sold for a few dollars—anything to buy a little food. Living costs in this district are rising rapidly. A dollar buys only six catties of wheat-flour to-day, Barley-flour, the main food for the people now, has gone up 100% in price within the past fifteen days. On account of the famine, highway robberies are becoming more and more frequent and terrible. The roads are practically deserted in some sections. People dare not travel, even close to Sian. At Chang Ping Tsuen, the last of our church members have finally moved away and the village is deserted, the chapel locked. Brother Crisler can tell you of one of the

ladies who greatly needed help. He suggested that we should take her as a teacher at Balidwen. A few days ago she died of starvation—our help came too late.

"We have taken an action asking the Division to kindly grant us another \$1,200 Mex. of Famine Relief Funds, to be distributed during the months of March, April, and May. If there be rain, there is a possibility of a small wheat harvest early in June; already half of the wheat has been killed. We cannot imagine the suffering of our people should there be no wheat in June. We pray you will do your best. We must save the lives of our members."

Note.—The funds requested have been granted by the Division Executive Committee.—c.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Cabled advices from the Home Board outlining the necessity of exercising the utmost care in conservation of funds during the weeks of financial uncertainty upon which we have seemed to enter, have led the China Division Committee to postpone all union sessions. Conventions, however, as formerly planned, are to be held, in harmony with a revised schedule appearing at the close of column three on page 10 of this issue c.

DR. D. E. DAVENPORT

BY cable from the Home Board we learn of the death of Dr. D. E. Davenport in mid-February at Washington, D. C., where in recent years he has been serving as associate medical director of the Washington Sanitarium. It has been known by his friends for some months, that he was suffering from tumor on the brain. Many prayers were offered in his behalf, and skilled medical care was given at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, as well as in the Washington Sanitarium; but it seems that the Lord in His infinite wisdom has seen best to allow our beloved brother rest from his labors. But his works will ever follow him, here in China, as well as in his homeland; for it was Dr. Davenport who pioneered our present medical work in Yencheng, Honan, giving some of the best years of his early manhood to the upbuilding of that center of healing and of training; and later he united with others in getting under way, in its initial stages, the medical work later developing into the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital.

The China Division Executive Committee have spread upon their Minutes the following resolution of appreciation and sympathy:

"Having received the sad news by cable of the death of our beloved fellow worker, Dr. D. E. Davenport, who spent so many years in our medical work here in China, it was—

"VOTED, That the secretary express to Sister Davenport and family the heartfelt sympathy of the workers here in China at this time of great trial, and of our deep regrets that the Doctor should have to lay down his valuable service in behalf of humanity at the very height of his career."