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## More Members

DR. H. W. MILLER

**T**HE latest statistics taken from the 1933 *Shun Pao* "Year Book" show that the present population of China is 490,782,767, or a little over one-fourth of the inhabitants of the earth. While the percentage gain in our membership the past two years compares very favorably with that in other lands, still our total membership in proportion to our immense population is indeed small; and the needs of those who as yet have not had the opportunity to hear Heaven's message of mercy, should call forth increased faith and effort on the part of us all. Is there any reason why we should not expect that the church membership of our mission should be as large as is found in America? If such a viewpoint be in the order of Providence, it means we should increase tenfold in the next few years. No man can predict the ratio at which the Lord's work can move forward under Spirit-filled men; for in the parable of the sower, we learn that some seed "fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundred fold, some sixty fold, some thirty fold. *Likewise may our resources increase.*

It is but natural that, inasmuch as the great majority of the people of China are very poor, their tithes and offerings cannot ordinarily be as large *per capita* as in some other lands; hence in this time of financial stress the greatest hope for the Church in China is that of finding more souls, who will pay more tithe, to gather still more souls, until our resources shall have increased an hundred fold. Growth in membership has been the great asset depended upon by our denomination throughout our history for promoting a great forward missionary movement into all the world. In proportion to our growth in membership have come the funds. The fact that at this time of financial stress, this movement has a world-wide membership, is greatly to its advantage, since it matters not in what section of the world there is prosperity, the work likewise enjoys its benefits. If we in China could but double our membership, we then could approach self-support for our native work; and herein lies our greatest safety in these times of world uncertainties.

## Note and Comment

### A Chapel for Kweiyang

"We are now busy building our Kweiyang chapel," writes Pastor Alexander B. Buzzell from the Kweichow capital on February 2. "The foundation is being laid, and we plan to have the chapel completed by the time we must leave to attend the Union meeting appointed for June 23-28 at Chungking.

"We are all well here. During the past weeks, while in the midst of a local "war," God has protected us in many ways. Surely He is our Refuge and our Strength.

"Good success attended our Harvest Ingathering campaign and a total of about \$1,300 Mex. was received, in addition to a pledge of \$200 we hope yet to be given.

"The work is going forward encouragingly. I have just returned from a trip to all the stations, and while with the evangelists I found that many are preparing for baptism a little later,—the prospects are that forty or fifty will be going forward in this rite in early spring.

"We are living in the close of time, and we wish to remain faithful, and to do our part in the finishing of the work given us of Heaven to do in our day.

### From Pastor F. A. Allum

Those long in our work in the China Division, and others also of later years, will be glad to learn of a special message from Pastor F. A. Allum, now of the Australasian Union, to us. Under date of January 1, 1933, he writes:

*"The joy of the Lord shall be your strength." (Neh. 8:10.)*

Two of Pastor Allum's sons; namely, Wallace (aged 25) and Lawrence (22), are in Australasian Missionary College, "Avondale," Cooranbong, N. S. W., avowedly preparing for service in China, or wherever the Lord may permit them to labor. Pastor Allum himself in his communication reiterates a hope he has long cherished, of some day having the privilege of again entering China as an associate with others in the proclamation of the closing message in this land.

May the Lord bless you, Brother Allum, and Sister Allum, and the sons preparing especially for mission service, and other members of your family; and may He in His own time and way answer as seemeth good in His infinite wisdom the prayers and the earnest wishes of which you write in your communication sent to the China Division headquarters on the first day of this new year. c.

### Progress in Shensi

Pastor Z. H. Coberly, in a personal letter written February 28, informs us of the holding of a series of evangelistic meetings by Pastor Wu Dzeh Shan at a village north of the Wei River, between Changpingsuei and Taipingsuen. Our mission received urgent invitations verbally, and also a communication from some of the leading

men of the village, asking that we hold services with them. Already a mission Sabbath school has been organized there.

In Liudjiatsuen and in Dungalutsuen, where mission church schools were being held last winter, fourteen were baptized in December. In Balidwen twenty-eight were baptized on Christmas day, and that evening the ordinances were celebrated. Some interests in those districts promise fruitage this spring.

Yet another district now opening up before Brother Coberly and his associates, is south and west from Sianfu. Evangelist Fan, formerly pastor of the Sianfu church, has been transferred to Lantien to look after interests in this newly occupied district. Those in attendance at our meetings, have sought us out on their own initiative, and our problem is to meet their demands upon us; for our workers are but few in number.

To quote further from Brother Coberly's communication:

"We baptized seventeen here in Sian a week ago last Friday. Seven of these were students in the school in Tsaotan. There are about ten more for the Lantien district ready for baptism that were unable to get here this time.

"We were surely thankful a day or two ago for the radiogram granting us further aid from Famine Relief Funds. Things are looking worse all the time. The wheat that looked so good up around Puchen last fall, is about dead now. If the Lord does not open the windows of heaven soon, there will be no hope of any crop of wheat this spring and that will mean that the famine will be prolonged at least until they can get a crop this fall, if it rains in time so that they can get that. Please ask the brethren there to remember this province in their prayers.

"Mrs. Coberly is very busy in the dispensary. She treats from twelve to fifteen a day. Several are coming regularly to the Sabbath services because of coming to the dispensary.

"We are trying to work harder than ever before, and are expecting greater blessings than ever in the work here."

(Note. — *Sin'e this letter came, we learn by wire that some good showers have fallen in Central Shensi. We rejoice in this mercy. c.—*)

### In North Fukien Mission

V. J. Maloney

(From a personal letter, Dec. 13, 1932)

I recently returned from one station where I baptized eleven. At another station I baptized two. At this latter place we had one of the most spiritual meetings I have ever attended. Notwithstanding adverse weather conditions, about one hundred people attended regularly; and I have never seen more heartfelt confession, and a calling upon the Lord for salvation from sin. And in the testimony meeting held, I think every soul stood up and testified, with no backwardness as is not infrequently manifested, but rather with eagerness, as from the heart.

By careful planning, and by continuing to stress the importance of faithfulness in tithing, we hope to come out by the close of the year with little if any deficit, notwithstanding heavy expenses earlier in the year in connection with the construction of some churches and other activities.

Pastor Chai, by the help of the Lord, has been brought out of his sickness, for which we are very thankful.

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

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

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## From Field Workers

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### Progress in Anhwei

BERNHARD PETERSEN

THE year 1932 passed into history as the best year yet recorded in the Anhwei Mission, insofar as soul-saving is concerned; and after all, this is our great aim in all our missionary endeavors. One hundred eleven souls were baptized and united with various churches throughout the mission. Progress was made in other lines, such as in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, the returns from which surpassed any former records. Of special interest are the tithe receipts, — nearly double those of the previous year. Surely the Lord must have touched the hearts of the people to be faithful in turning over to the Lord His own! Other conditions being equal, an increase in tithe means an increase not only in funds to further the advance of the Gospel, but above all it means a better spiritual condition among the believers, and an increase in the blessings from God to His people.

The provincial school at Bengpu has had its largest attendance of students during the past year. Several will be graduated at the close of the year; and a larger number are planning to enter the colporteur work than the mission has territory to provide.

Several new stations were opened last year; but we are planning for a greater advance than ever before into new territory. Anhwei is an old field; but much virgin territory is available everywhere. The outlook is bright, and we have faith to believe that the gains this year will exceed those of last year.

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### Hopei: A Vast Field

PASTOR C. B. GREEN, director of the Hopei Provincial Mission, writes from Peiping on April 20, 1933:

"According to my careful tabulating of the most recent map of Hopei, I figure we have in our field 131 *hsiens*. We have permanent work in twelve. There are six or seven other *hsiens* in which there are members or persons who are very interested in the truth. Truly, there is a large field before us here

in Hopei. Pray for us, that the power of God may come upon the church, and that every member may be a soul-winner. We are now on an active program for each evangelist to enter two new *hsiens* during this present year.

"Nine souls were baptized down at Shih Chia Chuang last Sabbath as a direct result of the six weeks' effort held there by Pastor Meng. It is his first series of meetings since he was appointed the Union evangelist. He is full of courage.

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### At the Conventions

C. C. CRISLER

THE publishing and home missionary departmental conventions, as scheduled in recent issues of the *Reporter*, are bringing encouragement and determination to those in attendance, and will surely result in large increases in book-sales and in Harvest Ingathering and "Big-Week" receipts. The influences of general gatherings such as these now being held, quickly spread throughout our churches and companies; and it is planned that those in attendance be given opportunity to set before the rank and file of our constituency in many places the plans and methods being followed in these efforts to distribute literature and to increase revenues.

Pastor H. H. Hall (world secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department) and Pastor J. A. Stevens (world secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department), supported by Brethren Oss and Longway and by China leaders in the various regional areas, will attend as many of the conventions as may be practicable. In some instances they must divide their forces, in order to hold two conventions at the same time. Following the North China Union convention at Peiping, where all will be reunited, Brethren H. H. Hall and John Oss will return to Shanghai for further work at the Press, and will be joined by Brother W. A. Scott, to give further study to Press problems prior to Brother Hall's departure in May for Japan and the States, Brother Scott returning to Peiping for further language study. Brother Stevens will go on from Peiping to Mukden, where also will be Brethren Miller, Morris, and Longway to unite with Pastor Brewster and associates.

The writer attended for a few days the Hangehow Convention for the North Chekiang, Kiangsu, North Kiangsu, and Anhwei provincial missions of the East China Union. Many evidences of the workings of the Holy Spirit were manifest from day to day. We are entering upon one of the most blessed series of experiences we have ever had in the history of our China Mission. May we renew our consecration to our Leader, and pledge ourselves to unite in holy endeavor in His name, and thus advance into larger and still larger fields of service, even in the midst of forbidding circumstances in every realm, whether social, political, financial, or religious.

The program before those who have given themselves to the proclamation of the everlasting gospel, is outlined with unmistakable clearness in the Holy Scriptures and in the testimonies of the Spirit of prophecy. This program of heavenly origin is outlined, in terms of today, in the plans and resolutions and in the general ruling policies that are being studied and followed in every part of our China Division. In days past the Lord's especial blessing has accompanied the carrying out of such a program. Let us continue to advance in His name, gathering courage and experience and added strength with every forward step, until the three-fold gospel message will have been sounded to all these judgment-bound peoples, and until all who may be led to follow their Lord and Saviour will have had every possible opportunity to prepare for His return. "And then shall the end come."

Again we suggest and urge that all workers unite in praying that Heaven's blessing may rest upon these conventions and upon the carrying out of the plans and campaigns now being studied and undertaken.

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### Harvest Ingathering---1934

A CALL has come from the Home Board for Harvest Ingathering material for use in the 1934 issues. All such material should be on our Shanghai desk by the close of June, inasmuch as the Home Board require us to forward it in time to reach them by August 1, 1933, Let us do all we can to gather in some suitable material at earliest opportunity.

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## Report of Kwangsi Mission: Years 1931, 1932

J. P. ANDERSON

THE 270 believers of the advent movement in Kwangsi extend greetings to those in attendance at the annual council for the South China Union. We thank and praise our Heavenly Father for His care and keeping since last we met. Words fail of describing how much better we have fared as regards peace and order in the province of late. We now have peace and a very good and stable government. The officials are meeting with success. Kwangsi now ranks as nearly the model province of China.

The province is provided with some of the most beautiful and fantastic natural scenery in China. Much could be written about its natural resources, its sparse population, its aboriginal tribes, its place in Chinese history; about Tak Cheng, who fought for fifteen years to hold one pass between Annam and Kwangsi and was successful in the end; but as this is a report of our missions, I will not tire you with a recitation of this province's glory, past or present.

Our mission has been operating for eighteen years. Of the laborers from abroad who have in the past worked here, are the following: Dr. and Mrs. Law Keem, Pastor and Mrs. H. B. Parker, Pastor and Mrs. P. V. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. Day D. Coffin, Brother and Sister Loren Schutt, Brother and Sister V. M. Hansen. Some have labored longer, some shorter periods; but all have contributed their share in the up-building of our evangelical and hospital work in Kwangsi.

Among our Chinese workers there are many who have labored long and faithfully. Some of these, notably Dr. Law Keem and Pastor Chan Chuk Ping, have passed on to their rest. Others are faithfully carrying on endeavoring to complete the work entrusted to them by the Master.

This year, on account of having peace and good order, quick transit being provided by the many auto roads, we have been able to hold a number of special evangelistic efforts. The first one was held in Lau Chow, by Brother and Sister Hansen, together with Brethren Wong King Sing and Yeung King Sam, and Sister So. Most of the public evening preaching was done by Brother Hansen. The others assisted in giving Bible readings,

visiting homes, and in otherwise helping generally in order to make the effort a success. At the close of this effort fifteen were baptized. This fruitage was the result of the combined efforts of workers in past years, and of this special time of preaching services, when several were at last brought to the point of decision.

Among those who were baptized was one lady just one hundred years old. Truly, after serving other gods for a century, then turning to the true God, she must have met with something worth while in her new-found hope.

Our next effort, at Lo Hui, was conducted by Pastor Lo, Brother Wang King Sing, and Sister So. Lo Hui is the largest market town in the province. Over 30,000 people come to buy, sell, and barter on the days market is held. Moreover, it is very centrally located, and on the auto cross-roads. From the first the meeting was a success, the attendance averaging about two hundred a night. The speakers put enthusiasm into their preaching. Soon a Sabbath school was organized with a membership of fourteen. Of this number, some have been baptized. The surrounding country is dotted with villages, so we shall continue to work in and around here for some time. The government is building a model town close by, and we hope to have permanent quarters in this central location.

The third effort was held in the city of Lung Chow, the military headquarters for the defense of China's southern frontier. The city is located in a beautiful valley in the extreme southwest corner of the province. It is an old city, hoary with tradition and historical incidents. The Lung Chow effort was conducted by Brother and Sister Hansen, assisted by Brethren Chow Hie Nien and Lien Hang Tsun, and Sister Chan. Brother Hansen did all the public speaking, the others assisting in giving Bible readings and house-to-house visitation. As a direct result of this effort five men and two women were baptized on January 20. One of those baptized is now attending the school at Canton. Another one has considerable talent as an artist and has assisted very materially in making up the charts used during the meeting.

A fourth effort is now being held in Yung Yuen, by Pastor Lo and Brother Cheung Pooi Hung. Good attendance is reported. This is the most cultured city of the province; so surely we ought to make certain

of having light shining out from it.

In all of these efforts a very systematic tract distribution has been carried out. Much house-to-house visitation has been done. Charts and Bible verses were written out in large characters and hung up so all could see and read. Some of the charts used displayed considerable ingenuity in their make-up. Simple devices gotten up in an original way add much to the interest, and are oftentimes a great help in holding the audience.

There are ninety-three *hsiens* in Kwangsi, of which nine have been entered. Besides, we have a few *hsiens* in Kwangtung, in which we are operating three out-stations. At the rate of five new *hsiens* per year it would take us seventeen more years before we could cover them all; hence we feel that we must devise ways and means for speeding up on this part of our program. It may be that if we were to plan wisely and live close to the Lord, we could enter ten places per year. Surely this is a major problem; to its solution we wish to see consecrated all the energy and skill of our workers and lay members.

At the present, our membership stands at 277, being an increase of 34 over the previous biennial period.

Our Nanning hospital continues to have a good patronage, and is prospering. It could not be otherwise, with the care and devotion that Dr. and Mrs. Coffin and their co-workers give the patients. Truly God has blessed this institution. It will render its own report; hence I shall not enlarge upon its activities.

We shall push with all our energy our evangelistic work, hoping, praying, relying on God's promise that the seed sown for His kingdom will eventually spring up and bear fruit, some thirty, some sixty, some an hundred-fold.

**W**ORSHIP the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before Him, all the earth. Say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: He shall judge the people righteously. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof. Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord: for He cometh, for He cometh to judge the earth: He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with His truth.

—Psalm 96:9-13

## South Chekiang Provincial Publishing and H. M. Conventions

E. L. LONGWAY

THE South Chekiang publishing and home missionary convention was held at Wenchow, April 6-11. The attendance ranged from about 150 on week days to nearly double that number on Sabbath. All of the South Chekiang workers, with the exception of two detained by sickness, were present.

Our hearts rejoiced to know that since all the 24 *hsiens* in the South Chekiang mission have been entered, plans are being carried into effect looking toward our occupying every township. Another goal is, one hundred Seventh-day Adventists in every *hsien*. The baptized membership has shown a steady growth, from 609 in 1929 to 1,067 at the close of 1932. A map of South Chekiang was beautifully lighted by 95 small electric light bulbs, vividly setting forth the location of the 95 churches and companies in the field. All hearts responded to the theme presented by Pastor Stevens, and represented by these shining points of light on the map. Surely "the earth shall be full of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

A few facts and figures from reports indicate progress in all departments of the work. The Sabbath schools have a membership of 2,322, or more than 200% of the church membership. Offerings of all kinds show a substantial gain over previous years. Fourteen new outstations or companies were added in 1932. One more township was reported "open" during the meeting, and another black spot was removed from the map. Three *hsiens* now have believers in every township. Sixty-nine townships in South Chekiang are still to be entered, but the workers are looking forward to claiming at least one township each during this year. If they can carry out this program, another two years will see Seventh-day Adventists in every township in South Chekiang. There are only two more townships to be claimed in the whole Wenchow prefecture!

The home missionary department has been busy. The ratio of reporting membership has climbed from 5% to 52% during the past fifteen months. Many interests spring up as a result of this work. One church member gave a tract to a certain man, and now five families are keep-

ing the Sabbath and calling for further instruction.

The literature sales for the past two years showed a very marked increase. The colporters have set a goal of work in every township, and a *Signs* goal of 2,500 annual subscribers to be reached before the end of this year.

The *Shepherd* was promoted one evening, and a goal of 350 subscribers was set. Another item of interest was the \$120, Mex., Sabbath school offering raised on Sabbath, April 8. The people—children, old ladies, one and all—took an active interest to see that we did not fall short of the goal.

We have a fine nine-grade school in Wenchow, with a staff of six teachers. The enrolment this year is 126. Ten are to be graduated from the ninth grade at the close of the school year. This school is a great factor in the success of our work in South Chekiang. Recently three mow of land were purchased to provide space for the erection of a much needed boys' dormitory.

A "Big Week" field day was held the last afternoon of the convention, and nearly three hundred books were sold. Goals were set for every church and every worker, and we look forward to a real harvest from the "Big Week" work in South Chekiang.

The Sabbath school has as its motto, "To Enter Every Township in South Chekiang This Year." This idea of system and order, first entering "every *hsien*" and then going on to "every township," makes one realize that the message is going to "every nation, kindred, tongue, and people."

An ordination service was held on Sabbath, April 8. Brethren A. Fossey, Liu Hsiao-tien, and Pan Tzi-chang were ordained to the gospel ministry.

The brethren greatly appreciated the cheering messages and good instruction given by Pastor J. A. Stevens and others. Let us pray for the workers and believers in South Chekiang as they press on into "every township" in South Chekiang this year.

## Colportage In Many Hsiens

FROM Pastor William J. Harris, director of the Shantung Provincial Mission, we learn that during the year 1932 the colporters entered 96 of the total of 108 *hsiens* in the Mission. Brother Harris himself has planned on getting into every *hsien*

as soon as possible, with the aid of his motorcycle. He has already entered during the present year more than 30, and had planned on spending the latter part of April and early May on a trip into the southern and western portions of the province. Shantung is a tremendous field, and while crossed north and south and part way east and west by a railway, it is nevertheless mostly beyond the touch of modern facilities for transit, and much labor is required to get into the various districts.

Last year, in Kansu, two-thirds of the *hsiens* were entered by our colporters. During 1932, many *hsiens* in the province of Sinkiang also were entered by our colporters. It has been estimated that throughout China during the past two years upward of eighty per cent. of all *hsiens* have been entered by our colporters, and that during the past five perhaps ninety-five per cent. of the total number of *hsiens* have been entered one or more times by these tireless workers. Surely we may well pray that the distribution of literature throughout the China field may be accompanied by the deep movings of the Holy Spirit, and that light may shine brightly from that which is left in the homes of multitudes.

## East Szechuan Mission

Pastor Dallas R. White, director of the East Szechuan Mission, writes under date of April 26, 1933, of a trip he has made up the Ga Ling Giang, "taking in the greater share of the territory between Chungking and the city of Hochow." Brother White states: "We have some five Sabbath schools in this district, and a good nucleus for a church to be organized soon. Last Sabbath I had the privilege of baptizing six in a nice pool at Wen Tang. The weather was fair; and with the warm water gushing out from the mountain side and the birds singing all about, it seemed a beautiful Sabbath to celebrate this holy ordinance. As we were some distance from our lodging place, we took a boat back and enjoyed a happy song service with everyone joining in. We have two chapels in this section. One of them is a new and large building which we have just gotten instead of the old and small one in the village of Tsai Djia Chang. We shall open a five-week series of meetings in this chapel, beginning May 5.

"We have held three large efforts in East Szechuan during the first quarter of this year. This quarter will see several short and two large efforts. We have taken three of our workers from older places and are opening new work. We shall do all we can in the way of helping these places with visits from our departmental secretaries and by correspondence; but we feel it is time for development of local talent in leadership, leaving workers free to do evangelistic work in new places. We sincerely believe that this is going to mean an advance step. Our healthiest work is in places of this kind.

# Our Provincial Meetings

## Cantonese Mission Advances

*Note to the Reader. — The report that is given in the following general survey of activities in the Cantonese Mission, while late in appearing because of having been inadvertently misplaced among galleys of "used" types after having been set up, is nevertheless as fresh in interest as on the day of its public reading by Brother Ham last summer in Canton. When carefully planned advances are undertaken in faith year by year, the Master of the vineyard will in His own time and way cause precious fruits to appear.—c.*

### REPORT OF THE CANTONESE MISSION—COVERING THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1932

A. L. HAM

*(Synopsis of annual report, rendered on July 13, 1932, during the conference of the Cantonese Mission, held in Tungshan, Canton, China)*

We have come to another mile-post in the history of the work of the Cantonese Mission. Each year we look both to the past and to the future. We recount blessings enjoyed, experiences passed through, and progress made; then we lift our eyes and look on the fields, white for the harvest, and seek to plan wisely to advance along all lines and on all fronts.

It is fitting that we pause and render to our Heavenly Father thanksgiving for His protecting care, and for opening providences so plainly manifested. We thank Him for growth spiritually among our membership, and for the addition of 47 through baptism during the year, making a total on June 30, 1932, of 670 members, besides approximately 130 enrolled in regular Bible classes. The past year has been the best in our history.

Starting early, at the time of the Chinese New-year festival, a group of teachers from the Junior Training School elected to spend their vacation by holding an evangelistic effort in our rented school building in Ng Ngaan Ku. A surprising interest was manifested, there being as many as 300 attending the night meetings, with from 100 to 150 attending the mid-day meetings. The mid-day meetings were in the interest of health and home education. Later on in the year an effort was conducted in Im Po, where we secured a theater which would seat a thousand or more. Here we had an attendance of from six to eight hundred people for the night meetings and from two to three hundred at the mid-day meetings. Many names of interested ones were handed in, and

about thirty were enrolled in the Bible class.

Pastor Frederick Lee's effort in Canton in connection with the Union Ministerial Institute was well attended, though the place of meeting, our little church, was small, and the location not the best. Very good results are coming from that effort.

Besides these three special evangelistic efforts, we conducted others with good attendance and some results at Siu Lam, Tai Po, Sun Wui, Koon Lon Hu, Mong Kok and Sai Kung, making a total of nine for the year. Much follow-up work from these efforts has been carried on, resulting in over 40 being baptized.

The teachers of our schools have shown a spirit of earnestness in these special efforts. Special labor has been put forth also by many of our field workers to win souls to the Master. Mention should be made of the work in Hongkong by Pastor and Sister L. W. Shaw, and of the faithful lay-members of the church there. We thank God for the precious fruit from their labors in this great port city. We all regret that failing health has compelled Brother and Sister Shaw to return to America, and we pray God's blessing upon them there.

The increasing support and labor of our lay-members in missionary endeavor constitutes a very encouraging development in our work. The future success of the work as a whole depends, under God, very largely upon the lay-members' doing their best to carry on the local church activities, so the workers under salary can be free to go to the unentered sections. The workers and constituency of this mission are pledged to the program of "greater evangelism," and to occupying as fast as possible the unentered portions.

We are happy to be able to present to this conference two newly organized churches for membership,—Mongkok, with 27 members; and Taijo with 20 charter members. The work in Taijo is not more than two years old.

Our five regular and twelve student colporteurs, led by Brother Lo Pak Tsim, last year sold \$14,873.40 (Mex.) worth of literature. At present the status of our literature work is the best in its history. Now Brother Leung Wa Yau is our literature leader.

We have 10 church schools, with an enrollment of 302, in charge of Brother Leung Hing San. The work of these schools is carried on just as it is in other lands; great good has come to our children therefrom.

Closely connected with these schools is the work of the Junior Y.P.M.V., under the efficient direction of Brother Hoh Wai Moa. The youth of the Junior school society received \$300.00 Harvest Ingathering funds and \$339.00 Big Week. They are giving their offerings each quarter for opening work in Hainan Island.

Brother Lo Pak Tsim has succeeded wonderfully in keeping up interest in the

Sabbath schools of the mission. He also has encouraged greater effort on the part of our membership in home missionary work, and our people have done well in the various campaigns fostered.

With the arrival of Dr. F. E. Bates and family, our medical work took on new life. In less than a year, and under quite perplexing circumstances, the doctor and his associates here have made exceptional progress in getting our medical work established in Canton. God has given our doctors and nurses favor with influential men and women who approve our Sanitarium methods of treating the sick and who are awaiting our decision to "arise and build," at which time they desire to assist us. Dr. Hung and his staff at Fatsan are doing good work, and just this year it seems that the tide has turned, and the income is now sufficient to meet the expenses and provide some needed equipment.

In no other phase of our endeavor is shown such marked progress as in our financial showings. The mission, the Fatsan Hospital-Dispensary, the Canton Sanitarium and Hospital, and the Mission Tract Society, closed their books for the year 1931 in good shape financially. The books for the school have not been audited; but I am confident they will show a gain for the year's operations.

Our tithes increased about 2,000 dollars Mex. for the year. There was a general increase in all offerings. It took all these increases in income to balance our cut budget at the beginning of the present year. Now with an additional 12% cut for the last eight months of 1932 it will be necessary to increase our income from tithes and local offerings, or else reduce operating expense.

We trust this meeting may be blessed and directed in planning for advance into many unentered regions of our field. We need much of the Holy Spirit's power for service. We need vision for the work before us. Let us unitedly seek God for His guidance and blessing, and in the power of His might press forward, that His work may soon be finished, and our Saviour come to claim His own.

### 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.

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## General Report of the Hupeh Mission for the Years 1931 and 1932

(Read by Pastor C. H. Davis, Director, during the Hankow general meeting held April 21-26, 1933)

THE biennial term just closed has been filled with outstanding calamities and events that lead us to realize that the Lord's work is rapidly closing in the earth. It has been the lot of the people of Hupeh to witness and to suffer from several of the terrible tragedies that have fallen upon the world. The largest of these was the flood of 1931, bringing tremendous loss and suffering, and heart-breaking scenes of distress. This tragic flood was followed in large sections of the province by drouth and famine, and the sufferings of the people have been further added to by organized banditry on a scale unprecedented. All sections of the province, to within a few miles of Hankow (and this city has itself been in imminent danger a few times), have suffered. The bandits have gone through the country in hordes of tens of thousands. It does seem that the "little time of peace" for this world has about closed, and that the "time of trouble such as never was" is beginning.

Following the flood, Djang Hsun Djen, our Hankow evangelist, while doing famine relief work, was taken by the bandits and held for a few days. A number of others captured at the same time were later taken out and shot. Djang himself was led out with them to the execution ground; but there one of the leaders said that a mistake had been made, and Djang was sent back to his prison and later released. We thank the Lord for his deliverance in answer to the prayers of the church.

Evangelist Chen Yu Beh also was captured, with 120 others, and marched away from his home. All excepting Brother Chen were bound roughly with ropes, but no attempt was made to bind him. When they had gone about twenty li, they unexpectedly met a company of soldiers, who opened fire; and the bandits fled, leaving their captives; and thus Brother Chen was released. He said that he had spent the time in prayer while walking.

Our workers have often been called upon to face danger, and have been protected by God. In every emergency our Heavenly Father has ways and means to care for His people according to His own plan.

Our staff of workers has been depleted somewhat because of the

decrease in appropriations; nevertheless, last year was a banner year for baptisms in the Hupeh Mission. The following figures will give an idea of what is being accomplished in soul-winning through the years:

Members	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932
add d	78	43	72	62	131
Total Membership	356	386	428	446	492

Church records have been gone over and corrected and brought up to date as nearly as possible each six months; but because of disturbed conditions, it has not been possible to keep membership records absolutely up-to-date.

During the past two years we have opened up new work in Siao-kan, Kinchow, and Puchi. We are urging our workers to train the membership to the point where local talent can be used, thus releasing evangelists for advance work. With this in view, we have been able to secure buildings and meeting-halls in the following places: Hsienning, Hsientaodjen, Liukungho, Kin-kow, Siakan, and Puchi. It is a decided help to have these additional buildings in which special efforts can be held.

Brother and Sister C. A. Carter and Brother Li Kuen Ren have had to meet many problems in getting school started at Wang Gia Dun. Opening school out there after the flood was like opening school in a wilderness,—there was so much to be done in clearing up and building; yet a good school has been conducted, in grades five to nine, with about sixty students attending. There has been plenty of work for the students. The place has now quite a different appearance from what it had before the opening of school, and there has also been a noticeable development in the experience of the students.

The attendance at the Ging Shih Tang in Hankow City had dropped down to about thirty or forty on Sabbaths following the flood, but through special efforts held, and the earnest work of Brethren Clark and Djang Hsun Djen and Miss Dunn, the attendance has been growing, until now we have more than a hundred attending the Sabbath services.

This report does not touch the publishing, home missionary and Sabbath school departments, because the secretaries of these are giving separate reports.

For whatever has been accomplished in Hupeh, we give God the thanks and the glory, and trust that in His mercy He will forgive us for

anything that we have done or left undone that is not fully in harmony with His will. We pray that by His grace there may in future be abundant blessings poured out upon the Hupeh church and upon all the workers in this province.

## Into New Hsiens in Hunan

H. L. GRAHAM

(From a personal letter received from Pastor H. L. Graham, director of the Hunan Mission, written by him at the close of the year 1932, we quote the paragraphs that make up this brief report.—c.)

AT our annual meeting in Changsha held during April, 1932, the workers covenanted to advance into adjacent hsiens, while at the same time continuing to uphold the work in the fourteen hsiens where we already had churches or companies.

Since that time, beginnings have been made in the following places, where every Sabbath a company of believers meet:

Chenchow	Lurg Hui
Le'ya g	Hsin Hwa
An Ren	Tung P'ing
Bei T'u T'ang	Liling
Feng Hwang	Yuan Chow
Pu T'ien Yuan	(Tsz Kiung)

This represents work in eight hsiens (counties) where we had nothing in 1932. In two of these places several have already been baptized. In six, chapels have already been purchased, or quarters definitely donated for meeting purposes, or funds raised for the purchase of property. The first-mentioned station (Chen-chow) is near the Kwantung border, and the last place (Yuan Chow) is on the Kweichow border.

The Lord has blessed in enabling us to advance into these places in the face of a budget cut of more than 20%. We believe the Lord has been blessing our meager resources even as He blessed the widow's cruse of oil.

## From Miss Holmes

UNDER date of December 17, Miss Josephine Holmes writes from Chengchow, Honan, where she has been spending upwards of half a year already in intensive Bible work, following the evangelistic effort held last autumn by Pastor W. E. Strickland and associates:

"The work is going nicely here. To-day there were about thirty

adults out to meeting. The yearly offering was taken, and about \$17 Mex. was received, besides Mr. Chang's and mine. There was one \$5, one \$3, one \$2, and seven \$1 offerings. The rest was given in copers. We felt encouraged, since as yet we have no baptized church-members here.

"There is an intelligent group of women here in the city. They are in some ways more easy to work with than are the women of the country districts. Two women have already begun paying their tithes, and all but one of the women in regular attendance at our services, have taken off their jewelry, and that one is a member of another church.

"We have had printed by the lithographic process a small textbook made up of easy Bible studies; and while this has some mistakes in it, it serves nevertheless as a guide for the women in Bible classes. At best we have issued only a makeshift, to serve us until some one else does better and supplies us with a series of easy Bible studies in printed form for these women.

"I have a very comfortable place in which to live. It is in a Chinese house, but my bedroom has a board floor and glass windows; and I have two little stoves in which I can burn coal. I am really very comfortable.

"I have nothing of unusual interest for the Harvest Ingathering paper. I am engaged in just the common round of keeping up the interest developed during the evangelistic meetings, and helping the inquirers to grow in things spiritual."

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### From Pastor W. J. Harris

(From a personal letter written by Pastor Harris, Tsinanfu, Shantung, March 13, 1933)

THE Lord is blessing us in Shantung. Our literature sales are already in advance of last year's record for this period.

We are endeavoring to spread out into adjoining *hsiens*. This, as you know, has been our plan for the past two years. Some progress has been made. At our recent workers' council, new emphasis was given this, and more concrete plans were laid than have hitherto been followed. We have passed an action designating the month of April as "New Work Month." We have learned that unless a certain definiteness is

given to our planning, oftentimes matters come in to shelve our plans. We have therefore aligned our spring work in a way that leaves April open to spend chiefly on new work. During our workers' meeting every one of our laborers pledged not only to enter new territory in April, but actually to get something permanently under way (whether a "home" Sabbath school, or a regular Bible class organized in some home or homes, or other work as may be arranged for) in at least two *hsiens* hitherto unentered. Every one of our workers is now planning his individual itinerary for April. We are expecting to see great things undertaken during that month. How this movement may develop by the close of the present year, I cannot foretell. I personally have a heavy line-up for "we"—for my motorcycle and myself (to pattern after the phraseology of Colonel Lindberg when referring to his aeroplane and himself). Brother Duan, formerly an evangelist, but now provincial home missionary secretary since the release of Pastor Chiao Wen Li for the directorship of Shansi, will accompany me on the motorcycle, and we hope to connect with every worker during this month when they are in "new territory." I cannot say much, however, of this anticipated effort, inasmuch as the "armour" has not yet been taken off. Six months from now, perhaps, we may be able to report more definitely concerning actual results; but we can say now our laborers have a mind to work, and we are going forth in faith, even before knowing just how to work out some of our problems. This getting about, and entering new territory, necessitates considerable travel, and we are already extremely limited for travel funds. But there will surely be found some way of financing that which seems so essential; and so we have planned in faith on this April advance.

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### Opening Work in Hainan

A. L. HAM

(Extracts from a personal letter written to the Division Office, under date of December 18, 1932)

WE sent a colporteur and family to locate in the island of Hainan, as you know. He has had a place for holding meetings, and writes me of a very good interest there. Because of lack of funds and workers with which to man so many evangelistic efforts at one time, we have been unable to put on a large effort in

Hainan at the beginning; but there are nearly twenty in attendance at the Sabbath meetings, and some are anxiously inquiring after Bible truth.

(Later.—Pastor A. L. Ham, in company with Pastor O. A. Hall and others, spent some time in Hainan early in 1933, and reports finding the self-supporting colporteur doing very well indeed, with an encouraging interest developing. Brother Hall writes (March 2, 1933): "We came into contact with some very nice people. Hoikow and the eastern section seem progressive, and the people rank well with those of South China. The prospects are good for considerable sales of literature."—c.

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### Dairen, Manchuria

N. F. BREWER

(Extracts taken from a private letter)

"Our evangelistic effort here in Dairen is still in progress. I have been here for nearly a month, and we have had meetings every night, also on Sabbath forenoons. A number are in attendance at our Sabbath services, and some have already taken their stand for this truth.

"There is a call for us to hold an evangelistic effort in Chinchow, a city about sixty *li* from Dairen. In Chinchow we understand about twenty are already interested, and have prepared a meeting place for us, and are now beseeching us to go to their place to hold an effort. One of the inquirers there received the Sabbath truth by reading a tract written against Seventh-day Adventists; and he is now keeping the Sabbath. We have no one to fill the Chinchow call, as yet. Like calls are coming in from other parts of the field, also. We are very short of workers; and this a pity; for this field is really ready for a spiritual harvest.

"Pastor C. L. Blanford, who was formerly stationed here in Dairen for some months, and did excellent work, is now unfortunately in ill health, and must spend some time at our Shenyang Sanitarium. Brother C. D. Smith, our book leader, as you have already learned, is also sick at present in the hospital at Mukden. It is difficult to continue work in a strong way while these workers are incapacitated for a time by serious illness. We are praying for their early recovery; and we trust earnestly, also, that yet other workers may be raised up to unite with us. Dairen is a large city of much importance; now seems to be an opportune time to labor for the spiritual interests of men and women in this place and vicinity. This is a fine city, well-built, with excellent communications by motor-road with near-by places.

57, Yanagimachi, Dairen, Manchuria,  
May 8, 1933,

## The West Szechwan Mission Annual Meeting

John Oss

In company with Pastors S. L. Frost and E. L. Longway, the writer left Chungking, the headquarters of the West China Union, for Chengtu, where the annual meeting of the West Szechwan Mission was to be held, Sept. 30—Oct. 8, 1932.

The roads were bad, due to heavy rains; but through the blessing of God we reached our destination on Friday, in time for the opening meeting.

One is much surprised to find so far in the interior of China a city like Chengtu. When Marco Polo, the Venetian adventurer and traveler, visited this place in the thirteenth century, he spoke of it as a "very great and rich" city. Its wide, straight streets have a modern aspect, and it is an important educational and trade center. We are fortunate in having our own property inside the north gate of the city.

Our meeting was held in the new church. This building has a ground floor, used for mission offices and for classrooms for the higher primary school.

Workers and delegates from all the stations were in attendance, and the regular colporteurs were present. Excellent reports were given. The colporteurs related how God is going before them and opening doors difficult and how they are finding many interested in the truth for this time. We have a faithful group of colporteurs in West Szechwan. Brother Chang Djen Kuo, formerly of the North West China Mission, is now field missionary secretary for West Szechwan, and has entered encouragingly upon his work.

One of the most heartening reports by the evangelists was given by Pastor Yu Tsei M'n, who had recently spent some time working among the tribes-people northwest of Chengtu. Brother Yu's story of the customs and the life of the people, was listened to with interest; but the thing that brought most joy and encouragement to all was the fact that many of the tribes-people are interested in the truth, and are calling for a worker to come and instruct them further. At the conclusion of Pastor Yu's report, a vote was taken to send a worker to follow up the interest at once. At the close of the annual meeting the mission committee took action that Brother Lin Han Ching accompany Pastor Yu on another visit, and plan to locate permanently among these tribes-people, who are collectively known as the Chia-rung. The beginnings are making among them are in the southeastern section of their territory. We are told that to the far west there is an interested tribesman who speaks the Tibetan language, and who has visited our station at Tatsienlu a number of times. Let us remember this new work among these tribes-people in a special way in our prayers.

Brother and Sister Paul P. Bartholomew, of the Tibetan Mission, were in attendance at the West Szechwan annual meeting. They had been in Chengtu for some time on account of Brother Bartholomew's illness. We were glad to find that he had regained his health and that

they were planning on returning to their home, Tatsienlu, at the close of the meeting. Brother Chen Tseh Chiao, formerly field missionary secretary of the West Szechwan Mission, will return with them as their Chinese teacher and to assist with the work for the Chinese people. We found Brother and Sister Bartholomew of good courage. Their station is furthest west of anywhere we have sent foreigners to reside.

A deep Christian experience, more emphasis on evangelism and on pushing the work into new territory, and greater faithfulness in personal work, were made the keynotes of the meeting. On the last Sabbath a baptismal service was held. Seven were baptized.

Following the annual conference, a short Harvest Ingathering institute and field-day was held. And later, as we bade one another *Godspeed* and left Chengtu for Kweichow and Yunnan, the workers took Ingathering papers and supplies with them as they returned to their stations to continue the Ingathering work in their respective churches and surrounding spheres of labor.

## Forty Years Ago in Kansu

C. C. Crisler

"THE first missionary to come to this city was not permitted to live here," a veteran minister of another Board told me as we stood on an elevated place overlooking a lovely old *hsien* city of Kansu Province. "The people in the city would not allow the stranger to enter the gates," the missionary continued; "and he had to find a home among the cave-dwellers of that village you see across the valley about three *li* away."

Looking away from the city walls, I saw a great stretch of hills beyond the valley in which the *hsien* capital is situated; and the hills were honeycombed with entrances to caves, wherein dwell many, many men, women, and children—a village of some thousands. It was in that village hewn out of the interior of the hills, that the first missionary and his family lived; and it was there that the first converts were instructed preparatory to baptism. In one of the cave-dwellings the first church was organized, the first communion held. But eventually the prejudices of those living in the proud city (in those days a "*chow*" city) gave way, and the missionaries were allowed to extend their labors to families within the walls, where to this day the workers have continued their ministrations.

Thinking back to beginnings, it seems indeed most providential that the way has been so wondrously pioneered by men and women of resolute purpose and amazing fortitude and deep Christian experience. While in some instances there is to-day little to show, outwardly, for their sacrifices, large numbers of the converts having lapsed into heathenism, there is nevertheless a vast difference between the conditions of to-day, and those of forty years ago, in provinces like Kansu. All honor to those of other faiths who have given their lives in noble Christian service, with no thought save that of bringing to men and women in darkness the light of gospel truth. And while we on our part are held responsible by Heaven to sound the last solemn gospel message of warning and invitation to *all*, in *every land* and in *every hsien*, let us not forget, as we pause to sound the warning in these places already occupied by others who have not yet united with us in giving this special call to the Lord's children,—let us not forget that

we have a most solemn charge from Heaven to extend the warning message to *all*, literally *all*; and that thus we must continue advancing into large sections of difficult territory hitherto unentered by any mission workers of any other Board. Advance we must into the farthest and most difficult sections; and already our pioneer laborers are doing this, in almost every province in the China field. God is blessing them, and giving them the same support. He gave to others who entered this land prior to the coming of our workers into China. What an inspiration the labors of those who have gone before, is to us! How untriflingly they sought to master the language, to prepare grammars and dictionaries and other language helps, and to translate the Holy Scriptures into the language of the people! And how self-sacrificingly they labored! What hardships they endured!

It is well that we read often, and closely follow, the principles enunciated in our "Statement of Relationship to Other Societies," which has become an integral part of the "Working Policy" of our Home Board. In this it is declared, among other things, that—

"1. We recognize every agency that lifts up Christ before men as a part of the divine plan for the evangelization of the world, and we hold in high esteem the Christian men and women in other communions who are engaged in winning souls to Christ.

"2. Wherever the prosecution of the gospel work brings us into touch with other societies and their work, the spirit of Christian courtesy, frankness, and fairness should at all times guide in dealing with mission problems. . . .

"3. As to the matter of territorial divisions and the restriction of operations to designated areas, our attitude must be shaped by these considerations:

"(a) As in generations past, in the providence of God the historical development of His work for men, denominational bodies and religious movements have arisen to give special emphasis to different phases of gospel truth, so we find in the origin and rise of the Seventh-day Adventist people, the burden laid upon us to emphasize the gospel of Christ's second coming as an event 'even at the door,' calling for the proclamation of the special message of preparation of the way of the Lord as revealed in Holy Scripture.

"(b) As this advent proclamation is described in scripture prophecy, particularly as the Revelation of Christ sets it forth in the terms of Revelation 14: 6-14, it is commissioned that this special message of the 'everlasting gospel' which is to precede the coming of the Saviour shall be preached 'to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people.' While this commission makes it impossible for us to restrict our witness to this phase of the gospel to any limited area, and impels us to call it to the attention of all people everywhere, our policy is to make the great masses of the people our special aim in evangelistic work."

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STATISTICAL REPORT of the CHINA DIVISION MISSION, Quarter Ending December 31, 1932.

中華總會一九三二年第四季統計表

All values in U.S. Gold on the basis of 2 1/2 for 1. 以美洋為本位

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\* On the basis of two for one.

## Report of the China Division Sabbath School Department For Quarter Ending December 31, 1932

(All Offerings in U. S. Gold - "2½ for 1")

Union Mission	Number Schools	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Birthday Offering	Investment Fund Offering	12 Sabbaths Offerings	13th Sabbath Offering	Total Offerings to Missions
Central China	88	3,069	2,823	\$ 29.91	\$ 33.15	\$ 387.74	\$ 129.31	\$ 580.11
East China	177	5,498	4,841	18.55	248.93	1,346.71	199.37	1,813.56
Manchuria	36	1,627	1,245	15.94	29.20	362.11	60.46	467.71
North China	50	1,094	1,001	14.56	19.57	326.43	56.59	417.15
Northwest Mission	23	587	731	.40	4.41	122.27	17.54	144.62
South China	106	3,882	3,184	62.19	134.70	644.97	134.69	976.55
West China	73	1,358	1,377	10.34	39.14	582.25	61.24	692.97
Totals, 4th Qr., 1	553	17,115	15,202	\$ 151.89	\$509.10	\$ 3,772.48	\$ 659.20	\$ 5,092.67

BESSIE MOUNT, Secretary

### Sabbath School Helps in Chinese

ATTENTION is again called to material available in the Chinese language for the use of our Sabbath school officers, teachers, departmental secretaries, and all who are interested in helping our Sabbath schools to reach higher standards. This material includes the following:

"*Successful Sabbath Schools.*"—A concise manual on Sabbath school organization. 42 pages. Paper cover. Price, 10 cents.

"*Instruction on the Sabbath School Work.*"—A brief compilation of the most important instruction from the pen of Mrs. E. G. White, concerning the conduct of our Sabbath schools. 32 pages. Paper cover. Price, 10 cents.

"*Learning to Teach from the Master Teacher.*" by John A. Marquis.—A splendid help for those who are seeking to follow the methods of the Master Teacher. Used

as a textbook for the Chinese Sabbath School Officers' and Teachers' Training Course for 1932-1933. An abridged translation of the English. 42 pages. Paper cover. Price, 15 cents.

"*Songs of Gladness.*"—41 songs for children, for use in the Sabbath school and church school. Made up of selections from "Sunshine Songs," "Christ in Song," and other sources. Paper cover. Price, 10 cents.

"*The Soul Winning Sabbath School.*"—Abridged, adapted, and translated from the English Sabbath school manual of the same title. Much more complete than "Successful Sabbath Schools," and a book that will, under the blessing of God, enable the Sabbath schools that adhere to its ideals and carry out its instruction truly to become soul winning Sabbath schools. This book will be ready a few weeks hence and will contain approximately 200 pages. Price will be announced later.

"*The Sabbath School Helper.*"—An 80-page quarterly journal for those working in the Sabbath school. Contains articles on all phases of Sabbath school work, as well as teaching helps and notes on the Sabbath

school lessons. It should be in the hands of every Sabbath school officer and teacher who reads the Mandarin. Subscription price, 25 cents per year.

The prices quoted above are in Chinese dollars (Mex), and apply to the China field. The first three mentioned publications may be obtained in English in mimeograph form from the China Division Sabbath School Department, at 10 cents per copy.

We bespeak your co-operation in placing these publications in the hands of those who are carrying responsibilities in the Sabbath school work throughout the China Division field, to the end that our Sabbath schools may win, instruct, and hold those who come within the circle of their influence.

BESSIE MOUNT

## "Shall We Save the Home?" --- ("Big Week" Booklet for 1933, by E. R. Thiele)

Why ask the question, "Shall we save the home?" Is the home actually in danger? If so, why? What does this danger involve? What is its significance to the individual, to society, and to the state? What is to be the home of the future?

Here is a book dealing with one of the most vital issues of our age. It deals largely with outstanding signs of the times and their bearing upon the institution of the home. The book has 96 pages, is well illustrated, and sells for 30 cts. Mex. per copy. Usual discounts.

The Chapter Headings are as follows:

1. Is the Home Imperiled?
2. Undermining the Foundation
3. Factors of Decline
4. Harbingers of Ill
5. Forces of Dissolution
6. Problems and Their Solution
7. The Greatest Crisis of History
8. With Chart and Captain on a Troubled Sea
9. The Home of our Hearts' Desires

## The China Division Reporter

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### Arrivals

For service as a supervising and teaching nurse at the Shanghai Sanitarium, Miss Lydia Siebold, of Washington, D. C., and of the Hinsdale Sanitarium. Miss Siebold's arrival, on April 17, brought much encouragement to the Sanitarium staff and to us all.

Miss Lela Hwa, R. N., after several years of training in the States, plans on returning to China by mid-June, for service at the Sanitarium.

On April 29, from their short furlough, Professor and Mrs. G. G. Hamp, for their second term of service, in Central China. They are taking their work anew at the Changsha, Hunan, station.

### Departures

On April 17, per s. s. "Conte Rosso" for Europe and the U. S. A., Dr. R. N. Calvert of the Shanghai Sanitarium staff. Following a few weeks with Marshal Chang, Dr. Calvert will take postgraduate work in Vienna and in the United States, and will be back into Shanghai by Nov. 1, 1933. In mid-April Mrs. Calvert and daughters left Shanghai direct for the States, on leave.

In the party accompanying Marshal and Mrs. Chang for Rome, was Miss Osnes, R. N.

Mrs. L. E. Reed and child, of the East China Union, left Shanghai for the States on furlough in mid-April, in company with Mrs. Calvert. Pastor Reed is remaining in China until autumn, for important work.

At the close of several weeks of auditing in behalf of the General Conference, Brother H. W. Barrows left Shanghai the last of April for Washington, D. C. The visit made by him at this time serves to assist and encourage us materially in a period of financial perplexity. We wish Brother Barrows Godspeed as he returns.

### The West China Union School

In a country district known as Da Bao, about sixty li north of Chungking, the brethren of the West China Union are completing preparations for opening their middle school early next fall. Brethren H. R. Dixon and C. A. Woolsey are uniting with some of the Chinese workers in getting everything into readiness. Meanwhile the temporary school for the West has been transferred from Paoing to

Chungking because of troubled conditions in the North. Pastor Hughes, in charge as principal, reports encouraging progress on the part of nearly all students in attendance.

A regional summer school running from June 28 to August 8, 1933, is to be held at Chungking, Szechwan, and twenty or more from various parts of the field are coming in to join those in the East Szechwan Mission in this special school.

The West China Union brethren and sisters have been waiting for their school for more than ten years, and are rejoicing in the prospect before them.

### Our Offerings

Every mail from the homelands brings word of resolute and unceasing effort on the part of the brethren and sisters, both leaders and laity, to keep up their high averages in offerings. With sadly decreased incomes, but few can increase their tithes. In the maintenance of former standards in offerings, however, our brethren and sisters are revealing high courage and noble self-sacrifice; and as a result, the mission treasury is daily replenished.

Here in the mission field, we on our part have the twofold responsibility of keeping our offerings flowing into the treasury on the basis of goals no lower than formerly; and, secondly, of making the best possible use of every dollar entrusted to our stewardship. In the final analysis, these dollars granted us for the support of our mission work, are for the winning of souls. Let us make sure of our spiritual standards, and of bringing into every agency the loving devotion and the untiring effort that will lead men and women to the point of decision and of sound conversion. Thus many sacrificial offerings now being made will bear fruitage in souls won for the kingdom.

### From Mrs. Hattie I. Porter

Recently we were made happy through the receipt of a communication from Sister Hattie I. Porter, who in former years stood by the side of the late Pastor R. C. Porter in many a difficult field, including China and the Far East. It will be recalled by our older readers that Brother Porter was at the head of the Far Eastern Division at the time of its organization in 1915, but that failing health led to his return to the United States in 1917, where after a few months of suffering, he died of sprue contracted while with us in the China field. Those who thus give their lives in willing sacrifice in the midst of their efforts to build up the cause with which we are connected, become linked with us in a very special manner. In all places where formerly Brother and Sister Porter labored, they are held in loving remembrance.

Sister Porter writes from Battle Creek: "Everything that comes to us through the *Review* concerning the China Division field, is eagerly devoured. What is this to what is left unsaid? . . .

"We are getting to be so large a company of Adventists the worldover, that one cannot keep track of conditions as easily as when we were but few in number. I would be a stranger should I return to China now; so many of the workers

have been changed to other fields, and some are back in the homelands. What a meeting it will be when we all get home to heaven! I expect we shall be years and years getting over the territory, and meeting friends we knew here on this earth. This will be part of our rich reward.

"I cannot ask to be remembered to friends; for so few know me now. But if you chance to meet one occasionally who knew us when we were with you there, please remember us to them. Our experience in China, and in all other places, was so sweet until illness came and turned our happiness into sorrow. I am glad it can never be so again. The reunion day is fast drawing on.

### From "The Woodward's"

Twice or thrice before have we been cheered by a message of greeting from Brother and Sister C. N. Woodward and their daughter, Miss Mary, who now have their home in Keene, Texas, U. S. A., but who in earlier years were familiar figures in Shanghai and Manila and throughout the Far East. Brother Woodward, it will be remembered, served as secretary-treasurer of the China Mission, as manager of our Presses in China and Manila, and as our general auditor. Sister Woodward was prominent in Sabbath school work, early serving as secretary of the Far Eastern Division Sabbath school department and later, as Sabbath school secretary of the Philippine Union.

Since their return to the States by medical order in the year 1921, Brother Woodward has been connected continuously with the Southwestern Union Conference, and has kept remarkably well, notwithstanding the word of the physicians that he could no longer endure the strain of his service.

Our latest word from "the Woodward's," as they are lovingly designated by their old friends in the Far East, is as follows:

"Time goes by so quickly. It seems but a short time since we passed through Shanghai from Manila on our way home. Signs of the end are thickening, and from the present trend of affairs we may surely know that the Lord's coming cannot be delayed much longer. We are thinking of the time when we can meet our many friends here and there when the last great call is finished. Word from China indicates that the gospel has about reached the well-nigh countless millions of inhabitants there. That being true, it must be true that smaller regions soon will have been warned.

"We are well, and are trying to be faithful in the part of the cause where the Lord calls us to be actors for Him. Hope you are well. We send greetings to the laborers in that vast empire."

### Advancing in Faith

Troubles not a few have recently come to several members of our Mission. The discipline of trial has its appointed place in bringing us into close relationship with our divine Lord. Fellowship with Him through suffering also brings us into close fellowship one with another. Financial necessities, while just now bringing added troubles to those already pressing sorely, should not dishearten; for as representatives of the meek and lowly Saviour, "We advance by faith, not by sight." It seems ordered of Providence that troubles be permitted, that we may learn the lesson of advancing in faith.