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## Educating Our Youth

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**F**ROM the very beginning of our church organization, the training of efficient workers has been considered of vital importance. At first we had but few believers and no training-school. In those early days men hoping to enter the work were associated with older experienced men, listened to their presentation of the truth, and began their ministry while associating with these trained workmen.

Then came our first school—Battle Creek College, opened in 1872. Many were the promising youth who attended this school, and who were helped by Brother and Sister White, Elder Uriah Smith and other leaders, in order that they might soon enter the work of God. Other schools followed, until now, for our membership, we rank among the first in the number of students in training in our denominational schools. These schools are training-centers from which our supply of workers is generally secured.

In the Far Eastern Division we now have an advanced training-school in each large language area where we are carrying on our work. A good number of faithful workers have already received a training for service in these schools; but there must be many more who shall carry this message to their own people. We have great need of better trained and more consecrated workers.

We should never forget, when we study the needs of the field, that we have no method or means of training recruits to the native staff of workers equal to our schools. Every director and superintendent ought to select young people of promise that should receive training in our advanced schools, and make it possible for them to attend our schools for such length of time as will qualify them for service. Many will need encouragement to attend school; others need no more than a suggestion; and there are some who may need to be shown how they can finance themselves while in school.

Wise leaders plan in advance for a good supply of trained workmen. Who would undertake to manufacture watches or automobiles without skilled workmen? How can we do the great work before us without trained men? And how can we secure such men unless we see to it that we have young people in our schools?

Our schools are not perfect. We are circumscribed in men and means. Yet the fields that are showing growth and making progress are the fields whose workers have been trained in our schools.

This coming school year should see all our schools in the Far Eastern Division filled to their fullest capacity. It is now time for all the directors and superintendents to make sure that they have their full quota in the schools for the coming year.

It pays well to arrange for the students to be on hand a few days before the date set for opening the school. A late-comer is disadvantaged the whole school year. Plan early, and get the best among our young people to enter our schools this year.

## Statistical Returns for the First Quarter of 1924

AS shown in the quarterly statistical summary appearing on pages 6 and 7 of this issue, we have now passed the thirteen-thousand mark in our total baptized membership, the figures standing at 13,065, as against 12,845 for the preceding quarter, a net gain of 220 for the three-month period. This is in advance of the gains for the corresponding period last year, but is far less than the goal fixed for this year. The gain in the Sabbath-school membership is large, a net 1,604 for the three months represented by this report. This doubtless comes in part through the exercise of more care in some sections in reporting all who attend the Sabbath-schools from week to week.

The gains in membership have come from the Philippine Union (249 net gain), East China (22 net gain), Malaysia (17 net gain). Six Unions remain stationary—no losses and no gains; these are Chosen, Japan, Manchuria, South China, West China, East Siberia. North China reports a net loss for the first quarter, of 15 members; Central China reports a net loss of 53 for the quarter. Deducting the losses from the gains, our net gain in baptized believers for the entire Division field for this first quarter is arrived at—220.

The losses, when traced to provinces, are found to be as follows: Shantung, 9; Chihli, 6; Honan, 3; Hupeh, 41; Shensi, 16.

The tithe receipts are averaging above the total average of last year. The same is true of the Sabbath-school offerings in most of the Unions.

There continues to be a sharp decline in the number of church schools (137, as against 148 three months before).

As the record for the first quarter is announced, the second quarter's work has been completed, and there remain to us only six months for attaining all that was planned at the beginning of the year. The present freedom we enjoy to labor unmolested among many of the peoples within the territory of our Division field, may not long continue. Already there are ominous portents of troublous times ahead. We must do all possible while the Lord of the harvest holds the winds of strife and gives us opportunity to lift our voices in warning and in loving entreaty. Let us exalt the Saviour, and keep our eyes upon Him as we minister to the needs of the perishing. He will see to it that our labors are not in vain.

### The Inadequacy of Statistics

Some of our workers are in troubled areas, where it is most difficult to bring about tangible results in any given length of time. Our hearts go out in sympathy to these earnest workers who are unable to report all they had thought to report of net results. Let us continue to sow the seed in living faith, and labor with much prayer. Those in the Division offices who are tabulating these statistics, while eager to see the mounting totals, recognize the fact that "some things cannot be put in tables of statistics. You cannot tabulate loneliness, or show the curve of hope deferred which makes the heart sick. Yet these are the things which make the difference between the shedding of ink and the shedding of blood for the Kingdom."

There are those in troubled districts who are turning apparent defeat into victory, by instituting strong evangelistic efforts in the narrow sphere in which they are confined, thus building up a strong church right where they are to serve later as a great light to all the region round about.

May the remaining six months of 1924 be the very best in our missionary experience!

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## The Chinese Harvest Ingathering Special for 1924

BY the time this announcement is read, the first edition of the Chinese *Harvest Ingathering Special* will have been completed by our Shanghai publishing house. By July ten 1,000 will be sent on to Honolulu, and 15,000 to the United States. The Philippines are using 1,500, and Australasia 2,000. The papers sent to these countries outside of China do not have on the cover any price-mark. They will be used in the ordinary way in the general Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

Copies of this edition with no price-mark on the outside cover are obtainable for use in any portion of the China field where they may be especially desired.

### Edition For China With Price mark

We are running an edition for use by the rank and file of our laity in the China field, and on the outside cover of these is plainly printed a price of twenty cents Mex. (small money) per copy. It is planned that church-members be encouraged to take an average of ten copies for every baptized believer, and sell these to friends and neighbors in the communities where they may be living, at twenty cents Mex. (small money) per copy, returning the proceeds to the mission. Any copies unsold are to be returned in good condition to the missions using them. Thus many of our believers can be brought into the work of acquainting the people of China with the onward progress of our message, while at the same time assisting a little in financing the cause of missions.

Sample copies of the special edition with price-mark thereon will be sent out from the Shanghai office about the 10th of July. The priced edition is identical with that on which no price-mark appears aside from this one added feature of printing on the paper a fixed price.

An effort has been made to embellish the paper with good illustrations. A careful write-up is given on our work in various parts of the world and particularly in the China field, and the progress made during the past year or two is chronicled. This Ingathering Number, like the one published last year, is in reality an annual report of work conducted for the Chinese people, and for others as well.

If sufficient orders are received, a second edition will be run to meet the demand. The first edition is limited in number, and orders will be filled as received. Those who do not place orders early may have to wait from four to six weeks before receiving papers.

The price has not been determined as yet. Although the paper is reduced in size to sixteen pages plus cover, the cost will probably be about equal to that of the paper published last year, inasmuch as a better quality of stock is being used and effort is being made to do careful work in every detail, thus adding somewhat to the initial expense.

Orders should be addressed to Mr. H. W. Barrows, Treasurer, 25 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai. c.

### Workers' Institute in Nagcarlang, P. I.

WE have had an excellent workers' institute in Nagcarlang. The workers testified that it is the best they have ever attended. We were together during the whole month of May, and had a definite time set aside daily for prayer and Bible study, which was largely done out alone under the trees. Truly the Lord has come very near to us and blessed us.

Manila, June 4.

E. M. ADAMS.

## GENERAL ARTICLES

### The Lord Our Helper

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side,  
Let Israel now say;  
If it had not been the Lord who was on our side,

Then the waters had overwhelmed us,  
The stream had gone over our soul:

Blessed be the Lord. . . .  
Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
Who made heaven and earth.

### "The Work That Lies Nearest"

"If ever we are to work in earnest, it is now. The enemy is pressing in on all sides like a flood. Only the power of God can save our children from being swept away by the tide of evil." These words were written some years ago by the servant of God. If true then, they are doubly true to-day. Surely the times are evil. In the same article, after referring to the careful training of the young among the children of Israel, Sister White writes, "As in their day, so now the Lord would have the children gathered out from those schools where worldly influences prevail and placed in our own schools, where the word of God is made the foundation of education."

It is sincerely hoped that the hearts of our leaders and parents throughout this great Far Eastern field will be turned to the children and youth in a new and tangible way at this time. Every boy and girl, young man and young woman should have opportunity to attend our own schools this year.

As the work expands, as schools multiply, as teachers are needed, and as workers for every phase and department of the work are in great demand, how often do our thoughts carry us back a few years. We realize that we might have been more faithful in seeking out the children and youth among us and in urging them to fit themselves by a thorough education for the work.

I believe it is not pleasing to God that there should be any backward trend in regard to the establishment and maintenance of elementary and higher grade schools. Each year should see an increase in schools, in trained teachers, and in the number of pupils in attendance at these schools.

Shall we not plan at once to obtain the best teachers possible for this school year. May the boys and girls in our churches and homes be sought out, and urged to attend our schools.

May the young men and women be influenced to go to our middle schools and training-centers, there to be taught to fear God and be fitted for service in His cause.

Why may not this year witness a real advance in the number of our own students in attendance at our schools, and in a deepening of the interest of parents and leaders in the work of these respective schools! May the hearts of all be fully united in the work of shepherding and feeding the lambs of the flock.

Shanghai, June 24.

S. L. FROST.

### An Appeal to Workers

(*Note.*—In an indirect way there has come into our hands a stirring appeal sent out by Pastor A. L. Ham, director of the Cantonese Mission, to all the workers, Chinese and foreign, within his Mission. While not intended by him for publication, this Appeal to Workers, in the form of a circular letter, is so filled with suggestive methods on soul-winning that we venture to publish a synopsis of the Appeal for the encouragement of others who are trying to bring about similar results. c.)

"Cantonese Mission Office,

Tungshan, Canton, May 18, 1924.

"An Appeal to the Workers of the Cantonese Mission:

Dear Brethren,—

"For the past few days I have been thinking I should write you a letter, bringing to your attention a matter that has given me no little anxiety for some months past, and especially since receiving a letter from Pastor I. H. Evans regarding this matter.

"For some time we have not been having the success we should have had in getting people to accept the truth. Last year only seventeen were baptized and added to the church rolls. The same number were dropped from the records, so at the close of the year we had not gained anything in the membership.

"As you no doubt remember, I have said much before about this, both in workers' meetings and when visiting you at your stations. While we have often studied together how to have greater success in winning souls, I believe conditions at present are more favorable for our accomplishing what we have all desired to see accomplished, than for several years in the past.

"One of our suggestions has been that more time be spent in giving Bible readings in the homes of the people. You will recall our vote, in the workers' meeting, that during the first quarter of this year each worker find six places where Bible readings could be given, in addition to the regular meetings held in chapel and school. It was further suggested that the number of Bible readings be increased from time to time, until every worker had all he could do in this line.

"As I have gone out to the stations to visit you and help you in your work, I have been cheered to find some doing this work in the homes of the people. Some have begun public meetings for interested ones in near-by villages. Brethren, we must pray and labor with all earnestness, that souls may be converted. Our success in this soul-winning campaign is dependent largely on our faithfulness in carrying out the program outlined.

"I am glad to be able to report that the workers in Canton, our headquarters, and at Fatshan, where we have our medical dispensary, are faithfully engaged in this work of giving Bible readings in the homes of the people, and that they are having results. Sometimes only a few are in attendance; at other times the rooms are full.

#### Twenty-six Baptisms

"You will be encouraged to learn that thus far this year we have baptized twenty-six precious souls, and their names have been added to our church membership. We praise God for this beginning, but it is only a drop in the bucket as compared with what should be accomplished by the many tried workers in the field. Let us resolve to do still better right along, until a much larger number can be brought into the truth in the same length of time. It can be done, brethren, if we will but pray most earnestly, and set ourselves to the task as we should.

"I must call your attention to the fact that while gaining some members, we are at the same time losing some. This

"ALL our youth should be permitted to have the blessings and privileges of an education at our schools, that they may be inspired to become laborers together with God."—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

is not as it should be. Are we as faithful as we should be in setting the right example before the new converts, and in exerting a right influence over them, that they may build strong Christian characters that will withstand the storms of evil? I believe that if every worker and church-member would pray for and take a real interest in the ones who are weak in the faith, we would not lose many. It grieves us to have to drop any names from our church books; for we are anxious to help save these people, and we know every one is precious in the Lord's sight—a son or a daughter for whom Christ died. Let us, then, be more guarded in the matter of our influence.

"While we are anxious to increase our membership, we must still maintain our policy of being most careful in baptizing people. They must be thoroughly established in the truth, and given time enough to study thoroughly all points of our message. On the other hand, we as workers must ever keep before us our one purpose of winning men and women to Christ, and must labor with all diligence to this end.

#### All to Share in Soul-Winning Effort

"It matters not what department we are most interested in, we must remember constantly that every branch of our work has been established for the one purpose of gaining converts for Christ.

"Pastors and evangelists are especially devoting their energies to *saving souls*, and to building up the members in Christian character and faithfulness.

"Doctors and nurses, while relieving suffering, are to make as the supreme purpose of their lives *the pointing of sin-sick souls to the Great Physician*.

"Teachers in our schools should have as their greatest aim *the saving of souls*. They should not lose sight of this aim for a moment, but should strive most earnestly to make everything count toward this end.

"Colporteurs should sell literature with the object of *saving souls*.

"Workers in the home missionary department, likewise, are a part of our army of soul-winners; and without souls won they have not won the victory; for *winning souls is winning the victory*. The mere giving of Bible readings and the holding of a set number of meetings, is not winning the victory, but is simply a means to an end. Under the blessing of God, *let us win the victory by winning many souls to Christ*.

"The Sabbath-school, Educational, and Young People's Departments are organized for the purpose of *winning souls*. Good programs, orderly Sabbath-schools, good scholarship, all have their place; but unless souls are won, these other things will all have been in vain.

#### A Suggestive Program

"God 'is not willing that any should perish.' He has taken us into partnership with Himself in this soul-winning work. As workers, we need to be aroused at this time regarding our duty and privilege. With our ultimate success in view as workers, I wish to make a few suggestions:

"1. That we set apart Sabbath, May 31, as a day of special prayer that God may show us more clearly than before our duty, and prepare us by His Holy Spirit for soul-saving work; and that all the Sabbath services of this special day, including Sabbath-school, preaching service, and young people's program, be conducted with special reference to this one aim of winning souls during the months that shall follow.

"2. That, insofar as is consistent, personal and church goals be set, as an added incentive to earnest effort; and that

hereafter all pray and work more definitely than ever before for the salvation of souls.

"3. That all, by more constant attendance at all services, show by example and spiritual leadership the importance of 'not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is,' to the end we may be a positive help in all church work.

"4. That every worker, no matter what his special responsibility or department, recognize that it is his or her duty to labor personally for the salvation of those in need of help.

"5. That we earnestly pray for one another and for the salvation of the lost, and that we express anew our purpose of co-operating with one another as never before in making successful our campaign for converted souls in the Cantonese Mission.

#### An All-Absorbing Life-Purpose

"May the Lord bless us as workers, and help us to make the winning of souls the all-absorbing purpose of our lives. Thus this year may be made the best we have ever had in our history, and each succeeding year may witness still more faithful service and still greater results in conversions, till Jesus comes. In that final day of awards, may we have many stars in our crowns.

"Very sincerely yours in the Master's service,  
(Signed) A. L. HAM."

#### A Call to Loyalty

WE are rapidly approaching the crisis of our work. Satan is working with all deceivableness of unrighteousness, knowing that his time is short. The enemies of our message are becoming more and more bitter against it, and more determined than ever to crush it, using the vile weapons of misrepresentation, calumny, ridicule, and a provocative fighting attitude. God allows these things to test our mettle and to reveal the real quality of our faith and the true temper of our souls. It is very sad to notice that under the increasing difficulties, some Seventh-day Adventists, ministers and members alike, are falling out by the way. They are weighed in the balances of God and are found wanting. Like some of the trees cut by the wood-cutter, they appear good and sound on the outside, but they are rotten at the heart. Some faint as they hear the roaring of the enemy, and they are deceived into thinking that some day the situation will ease up a bit; then it will be easier for them to serve God. Others are defeated by their lusts, believing that the purpose of life is to indulge in eating, drinking, smoking, committing fornication, gambling, etc. But God despises shirkers and deserters. He honors those who, with the Spirit of the mighty Christ, go into the thickest of the fight. The cause of God wants young men who are not cowed by the boastful voice of the enemy, but are inspired by it into intenser loyalty and love to the truth committed to us.

Brethren and sisters, believers all in the great threefold message: Remember that our message cannot be defeated. Its triumph is assured. The Almighty Arbiter of the destinies of men and nations has decreed that this message will triumph. Rev. 18:1. The defeat of the enemy has been decreed also. It has been irrevocably written that Babylon is fallen, fallen. Rev. 18:2. Why fear a fallen enemy that is already brought to the ground? Let us not fear him, but let us now earnestly engage in the work of rescuing from his grasp the people of God that he has held captive for so long.

God is calling the honest souls from out of the midst of fallen Babylon, saying, "Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." Rev. 18:4. Let us all co-operate with God in this work of rescue.—*Leon Z. Roda, one of our ordained Filipino evangelists, in "Echoes from the Ilocano Field," May, 1924.*

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## God's Hand of Protection over His Workers

INCLUDED in a general report from Brother F. P. Griener during the East China Union session in Nanking last March, is the following instance of another of God's many providences for the protection of those engaged in His service:

"During the summer of 1922 there was an unusually severe typhoon in the southern part of the Union. One of our conscientious colporteurs was caught among the mountains in a very sparsely settled part of the country. He was trying to compel those in 'the highways and hedges' to hear the last invitation to men. It was growing dark, and as he was making his way along a narrow mountain path amid the storm, seeking a place of shelter, he came to a small river. There was no other way to go but to cross this stream. The colporteur removed his shoes and stockings and started to cross the ford.

"The water was rising rapidly, and the stream was very swift. When in midstream he lost his footing, and was washed into the deep part of the river. He could not swim, and as he went under he prayed to God for help.

"He sank twice, and on coming up the third time his hand touched a large log which was being rapidly carried down by the stream. As he told me his experience he said, with tears in his eyes, 'It was God who caused that log to float in just the place where I was sinking, and at just the exact moment when I was sinking for the last time.'

"This is not an isolated instance where our colporteurs have been in peril of their lives while carrying the glad tidings of Jesus' soon return. God has His hand of protection over these men. It would be most interesting if the men who have labored in both heat and cold, through peril by land and water, and whose lives have been endangered by bandits, could stand before us and tell what God has been able to do through their efforts. This report will not be complete until we see in the kingdom the men and women who have found their Saviour through the literature scattered throughout this Union by the faithful colporteurs."

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## A Visit to Shwen Miao Gwan, Nanyangfu, Honan

THIS spring, while in Nanyangfu, Honan, helping two colporteurs to get started in their work, it was my privilege to visit Shwen Miao Gwan, the largest and richest temple in Honan. Calling at the place, we were entertained most courteously by the *dao-su* in charge. We showed him our book, "Health and Longevity," and he readily signed for a copy for the temple. Then he brought out a copy of "Heralds of the King," which he had bought from some of our men last year. So the light of God's truth finds its way into even the very strongholds of Satan, and who can venture to say what the harvest will be?

After treating us to a dinner of well-prepared food, the *dao-su* invited us to look through the temple grounds, a privilege which we gladly accepted; and I shall try to give some idea of the many interesting things we saw there.

The buildings are all of brick and are substantially built, some of them having been built about five hundred years ago. In all there are about three hundred *jen*, or rooms. The temple has four thousand Chinese acres under its direct control, including the famous Du Shan, the source of the pink, green and blue jade used so extensively in Honan for ornaments and for furniture decoration.

We were led into an outer court, and there we saw the image to the "Dirt Cow." This famous creature, so the story goes, was made by one of the early emperors in Sian. This emperor had many enemies who plotted against his life, and one day as he was hard pressed by them, he leaped onto the back of this dirt cow. The cow, immediately endowed with life, carried the emperor on her back from Sian to Nanyang. When she reached Nanyang she refused to go farther. She died in the temple, and this monument was erected to her memory.

Near this monument is an ancient well, said to have been dug more than two thousand years ago. The legend is that any person who will drink water from this well for a whole year will never have any sickness. In another court we were shown a mammoth iron kettle used once each year to prepare food for all who come to the temple on that day. The kettle weighs over one ton and will hold food sufficient for five hundred persons.

The temple has one hundred eighty priests, of greater or less degree of rank and power. These priests are employed in tilling the ground, printing prayers to be burned in the temple, repairing the buildings, or teaching in the school that is conducted for orphan children. At the time of our visit twenty-three small boys had just been gathered in from the streets, and the priests were making clothing for them. The plan is to give these boys a good education, and then let them make choice of whatever line of work they wish to take up. They have organized a branch of the Red Cross among their members, and are really well in touch with what is going on in the world.

The temple grounds are beautifully arranged, even to the foreigner's Western taste. In one of the back courts are three artificial hills, and these hills are all surrounded by water. Many kinds of fish are bred in these ponds, and here and there are patches of beautiful white lilies. In one of the rooms overlooking a lily pond, is a set of furniture made in Western style, and all inlaid with the best blue and green jade. It is an ideal spot to rest a while and enjoy the quietness of nature, an experience rarely to be had in overcrowded and hungry China.

As we went from court to court and from altar to altar, my heart was made to realize the great work to be done in turning the minds of the Chinese people from all this splendor and outward display to the worship of the true God, who dwelleth not in temples made with hands. May God help us all to be faithful in doing our very best to bring the Light of Life to those who are in such great darkness.

E. L. LONGWAY.

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"AS a church, as individuals, if we would stand clear in the judgment, we must make more liberal efforts for the training of our young people, that they may be better fitted for the various branches of the great work committed to our hands. We should lay wise plans, in order that the ingenious minds of those who have talent may be strengthened and disciplined, and polished after the highest order, that the work of Christ may not be hindered for lack of skilful laborers, who will do their work with earnestness and fidelity.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

# Statistical Report of the Far Eastern Division Mission for

1 Number of Mission	2 NAME OF MISSION	3 Number of Mission Stations	4 Number of Mission Outstations	5 Number of Organized Churches	6 Baptized Membership of Organized Churches	7 Baptized During Quarter	8 ORDAINED MINISTERS		9 LICENSED MINISTERS		10 LICENSED MISSIONARIES		11 BIBLE WOMEN (not including column 10)		12 Other Foreign Women (Unlicensed)	13 BOOK AND PERIODICAL CANVASSERS		Number of Mission	
							Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native		Foreign	Native		
1	Division						8		4		39					2		1	
2	Philippine Union	4	71	84	4740	303	6	8	2	28	14	24		16		1	70	2	
3	Chosen Union	3	17	21	1360	7	5	5	4	22	13	37		5		1	21	3	
4	Japan Union	1	14	9	376	2	3	4		9	3	2		1	6		15	4	
5	Manchurian Union	2	8	8	175		2		2	2	3	6		1			9	5	
6	Central China Union	4	58	23	1239	24	4	6	8	10	13	50		11		1	33	6	
7	North China Union	2	10	3	162		4	1	2	2	6	9				1	4	7	
8	South China Union*	6	85	32	2127		11	7	3	49	18	28		22		1	15	8	
9	West China Union*	3	4	2	84		3	1	3	2	5	6		1			3	9	
10	East China Union	5	51	22	966	19	5	3	5	7	10	40		1	22	2	7	10	
11	Malaysian Union	10	21	17	1137	59	18	2	5	27	24	18		1	3		18	11	
12	East Siberian Union	1	8	16	699		1	2			1			1	1		2	12	
13	TOTALS, 1st Qr. 1924	41	347	237	13065	414	70	39	38	158	149	220		3	83	6	9	197	13
14	*Estimated The totals given below for preceding years reveal the growth year by year.																		
15	Totals, 1st Qr. 1923	46	342	231	10980	278	60	37	55	157	155	219		6	66	9	9	224	15
16	Totals, 1st Qr. 1922	43	315	194	9802	295	59	35	49	154	138	186		3	67	7	7	155	16
17	Totals, 1st Qr. 1921	41	275	173	8106	279	65	29	50	156	176	167		4	54	11	3	157	17
18	Totals, 1st Qr. 1920	38	212	160	7060	331	55	25	46	147	133	135		5	59	9	1	165	18
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38						
Number of Mission	Average Attendance S. S.	S. S. Offerings to Foreign Missions for First Twelve Sabbaths	Thirteenth Sabbath Offering	Total S. S. Offerings for Quarter, including Thirteenth Sabbath Offering	Retail Value of Periodical Sales (including Subscriptions)	Value of Book Sales (on Basis of Retail Price)	Total Retail Value of Book Tract and Periodical Sales (All Literature)	No. of Church Buildings Owned by Mission	Estimated Value	Seating Capacity Approximate	Number of Church Schools Conducted	Enrolment Church Schools	Number of Mission						
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2	4185	1079.03	91.31	1170.34	744.40	15364.88	16151.88	59	19390.91	9840	7	256	2						
3	2631	478.33	53.82	532.15	1404.52	834.28	2247.12	50	9707.50	4670	24	750	3						
4	317	344.62	133.50	478.12			1195.25	6	12000.00	750	1	19	4						
5	202	88.47	16.08	104.55	573.07	337.43	910.50	1	2500.00	200	5	133	5						
6	1787	312.31	70.91	383.22	889.36	1059.13	1948.49	15	8777.00	1425	14	259	6						
7	250	96.05	16.60	112.65	232.54	258.76	501.87	1	1500.00	400	5	200	7						
8*	3226	319.66	83.10	402.76	930.50	1213.51	2144.01	11	14700.00	2500	46	1557	8						
9*	160	64.03	9.67	73.70		185.20	185.20	1	3000.00	250	3	94	9						
10	1432	396.77	27.20	423.97	303.96	130.45	589.21	5	7175.00	800	20	543	10						
11	1965	835.51	221.85	1057.36	1357.40	3331.72	4724.09	5	9395.00	600	10	219	11						
12	576	245.42	18.75	264.17	23.15	17.00	40.15	1	12233.04	450	1	28	12						
13	16731	4260.20	742.79	5002.99	6458.90	22732.36	30637.77	155	100378.45	21885	137	4067	13						
14	Totals First Quarter, 1923, 1922, 1921, 1920, given below																		
15	13647	3654.83	720.18	4375.01	4202.79	16592.62	23316.24	75	46250.00	10610	135	3911	15						
16	10292	3614.93	708.48	4323.41	8370.77	15748.28	28908.31	70	36945.00	10005	132	3517	16						
17	9319	3807.72	754.12	4561.84	7433.70	20094.05	27545.40	68	29638.00	9090	119	3193	17						
18	8107	2834.21	617.89	3452.10	7659.60	18328.89	28758.07	63	35912.00	9065	76	2174	18						

# the Quarter Ending March 31, 1924 All Values in U. S. Gold

14 MEDICAL WORKERS (including those licensed)		15 OTHER WORKERS (not else- where listed)		16 TOTAL LABORERS (net total)		17 TITHE RECEIPTS (U. S. GOLD)			18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
Foreign	Native	Native	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Total tithe Receipts (Foreign and Native)	Tithe Per Capita	Total offerings Foreign Missions Excepting S. S. and Y. P. M. S. as noted Columns 27, 51	Total Contributions Home Mission Work exclusive of Harvest Ingathering and Sustentation Funds	Total Receipts, Harvest Ingathering Work	Total Contributions of Local Church Work not included in Columns Nos. 20 and 21	Number of Sabbath-Schools	Membership		
8	7	51	51	76	1632.29		1632.29									
		74	22	150	591.58	4367.34	4958.92		72.37	77.50	987.42	32.20	139	4917		
	4	19	22	100	520.59	896.17	1416.76		3.41	59.08		232.32	119	3580		
			12	31	285.63	849.85	1135.48						14	432		
		11	7	23	141.95	187.72	329.67		2.32				11	259		
2	11	16	25	169	484.75	534.51	1019.26		72.64		208.16	2.17	69	2325		
		10	12	33	185.29	123.73	309.02		9.14	.63	260.51	5.35	13	295		
2	8	75	32	204	811.90	750.00	1561.90						76	3810		
1		1	11	15	210.95	52.91	263.86						5	218		
		42	21	114	1628.20	495.72	2123.92		36.46	54.83	159.62	148.57	54	2107		
		12	48	80	968.06	2467.39	3435.45		238.16	120.47	533.49	109.04	35	1255		
		4	3	11	62.55	180.48	243.03		26.80				18	576		
13	30	315	266	1006	7523.74	10905.82	18429.56		461.30	312.51	2149.20	529.65	553	19784		
6	44	246	283	1018	5003.08	8662.78	13665.86		724.97	134.07	4831.45	202.70	483	16916		
16	48	271	263	976	6411.16	8257.92	14669.08		832.50	174.64	3361.95	909.82	425	15036		
13	50	234	307	886	6670.51	9311.20	15981.71		389.85	264.91	805.58	636.33	382	11820		
22	49	149	247	743	2682.07	7599.51	10281.58		235.38	1176.49	828.96	467.85	357	10080		
39	40	41	42	43	44		45		46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53
Number of Intermediate Schools	Enrollment of Intermediate Schools	Number of Training Schools	Training Schools Enrollment of	Total Enrollment	Men	Women	Men	Women	Total No. of Teachers	Estimated Value School Buildings and Equipment	Expense of Maintenance of Schools	Number of Young People's Societies	Membership	Y. P. S. Contributions for Foreign Work	Y. P. S. Contributions for Home Mission Work	Y. P. S. Contributions for Local Society
		1	221	230	5	3	13	4	25	17000.00	2131.70					
3	91	1	304	651	2	6	10	15	33	17600.00	2385.72	28	830		.17	6.41
		1	148	898	2	1	35	4	42	12782.57	3126.88	29	1547		.83	
		1	54	73	2	2	2	1	7	3000.00	716.00					
				133			2	3	5	590.00	138.70					
2	190			449	2	3	30	3	38	16200.00	1219.00	3	240			
1	50			250	1	2	9	3	15	3500.00	273.00	2	106			
3	379			1936	4	6	72	23	105	19235.00	1020.00	7	360			
				94		1	10	1	12	650.00	225.00					
2	95			638	2	1	25	7	35	834.16	986.97	10	349			.34
1	125	1	146	490	5	4	14	5	28	2765.00	245.22	2	136			
				28			1	1	2		129.60	1	46		2.57	
12	930	5	873	5870	25	29	223	70	347	94156.73	12597.79	82	3614		3.57	6.75
10	803	6	956	5670	22	26	209	67	324	101043.46	14896.41	79	2828	36.47	5.50	39.14
11	716	5	784	4812	24	23	195	57	294	101250.50	8364.21	38	1384		1.30	8.96
8	538	5	567	4213	24	20	169	42	255	81120.14	12166.67	30	765		8.80	
6	387	5	461	3022	17	12	118	42	189	73638.75	5175.89	28	571	7.30	47.37	8.13



### Words of Thanksgiving to God from East Siberia

WE are very glad to pass on to you words of joy. The Lord is good to us here in Harbin, and has given us 34 souls already this year. In Vladivostok He has given us 24 souls, and in Hailar 4. We hope to reach our goal of three hundred this year.

We are sending six men out to sell literature. They will go afoot, two and two. We are sending one of these little colporteur bands west, along the Chinese-Eastern Railway; another of the bands travels southward, still another eastward. They will visit every home along their way, and tell the people about the soon coming of Jesus, and leave with them if possible some literature. We hope and pray that the Lord will bless them very much.

Harbin, June 12.

T. T. BABIENCO.

### A New Interest in Cebu

IN spite of our inability to man properly the Cebuan field as yet, we are nevertheless continuing to receive good reports from there. I once heard Elder F. M. Wilcox say in a sermon that man's necessity is God's opportunity. Certainly He seems to be blessing the brethren down there. They have just begun a tent-meeting in Mandawe, a *barrio* seven kilometers from the city of Cebu. Brother Wenceslao Rodriguez has been endeavoring to do the speaking along with his other work. He writes that they have been having fully eight hundred in attendance. That field is ripe for the gospel. I feel so sorry that we cannot carry on far more aggressive work than we are at present able to undertake.

Manila, P.I., June 4.

S. E. JACKSON.

### Braving the Bandits

"ON our last trip through the northern part of Hupeh Province," writes Pastor O. A. Hall under date of June 17, "our plans were somewhat interfered with by the officials, and we were not allowed to visit some of the places we had intended to visit. Just a few days before we reached Yingcheng, there had been another flurry with the bandits along the way we had planned to go, and the officials sent us notice not to venture any farther.

"As the church at Lotienhsien had not been visited for a year and six months on account of the activities of bandits, we felt that we should go if at all possible; so we sent back a reply to the magistrate that we would plan to visit this place, and not go to some of the other smaller places where the trouble was the worst. He sent no further protest to this plan.

"The next morning the magistrate sent along a corps of soldiers to escort us to Lotienhsien. Of course we had much rather have been without them, and tried to persuade them not to go; but when they returned to their commander, the number was doubled, and they came following after us to see us safely through. We met with no trouble at all, and came back over the road alone without any molestation."

### Russian Work in Shanghai

FROM the biennial report of Pastor K. H. Wood, director of the Kiangu Mission, rendered this spring at the East China Union session, we glean the following regarding the Russian work in progress in Shanghai:

"Three years ago we made request to the North China Union Mission for Pastor and Mrs. G. Hmelevsky to come to Shanghai and engage in evangelistic work among the Russians who have been coming to Shanghai in large numbers during the past few years. In the fall of 1921 these workers joined our Mission, and have since been actively engaged in holding meetings and doing Bible work among the Russian people. During the two and one-half years they have been in Shanghai they have personally labored for and studied with between six and seven hundred persons. These interested ones have purchased one hundred forty Bibles and 400 copies of other books published by our people.

"It is a recognized fact that the Russians in Shanghai are an exceedingly difficult class to labor for, but we have a few first-fruits of Brother and Sister Hmelevsky's efforts. Five have already been baptized, and it is expected that eight or ten more will be ready for baptism in the near future. Our Russian work has been strengthened by members who have come from other places, and we now have twelve baptized Russian believers in Shanghai."

(*Note:* The number of baptized Russian believers in Shanghai has since been increased by several, as there have been recent accessions by baptism.)

### Sabbath-school Work in North China

OUR Sabbath-schools in North China are developing leadership, and are deepening the spiritual experience of our membership. An effort has been made to reach all the goals set by the general department. During the past few years since Mrs. Frederick Lee undertook the work of the Sabbath-school department in this Union, she has been assisted by a bright young Chinese man who has acted as her secretary. This young man, recently appointed as Sabbath-school secretary of the Chihli province, has shown much interest in this department, and by his neat charts and graphs has helped to make the Sabbath-school intensely interesting.

FREDERICK LEE.

### From Pastor Finster

IN a communication mailed shortly after his return from the Spring Council to the Malaysian Union headquarters at Singapore, Pastor L. V. Finster writes:

"We had a pleasant trip all the way to Singapore. Mrs. Finster improved all the way. We have been very busy setting up for housekeeping again after many months of separation. The first evening we were here the people of the church gave us a very pleasant evening in honor of our twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

"Our main school building here is nearing completion. We shall be glad when it is finished. Since his return from furlough, Pastor B. Judge has gathered two thousand dollars, Straits currency, for the school building fund.

"Everyone here seems to be reasonably well, and of good courage. It has been thought best for Pastor Judge to hold an evangelistic effort here in Singapore for the Eurasians until the time of our coming biennial session."



## 1924 Goal: 3,000 Net Increase

### Our Goal

ONE half of the year 1924 has now witnessed our work in behalf of winning souls to Christ. The last half will hasten on apace. Each passing day is of great value in our soul-winning campaign.

We ought to take our inventory of the results of our work. Our schools, sanitariums, and printing houses keep a monthly record of their work, and know approximately their gains and losses. Even the early church kept a record of souls won to Christ. If not, how could they report the results of Pentecost, and succeeding efforts? They knew and recorded it for our inspiration and example. Every Superintendent and every Director should know the results of the past six months in his field, and of course each worker knows what he has done.

To-day the "Holy Spirit awaits our demand and reception." Christ has promised, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." No one has to work alone. No one need fear what man can do, for "God is our strength and salvation." Our success lies in winning souls to Christ. There is nothing in position, save as it affords larger opportunities for soul-winning. There is nothing in material things that will endure. The souls of men are the all important thing. True success lies in winning sinners to accept salvation, that they may live eternally in the kingdom of glory. All else will perish and be destroyed in the lake of fire.

Why should not each Union appoint some hour in the day when all the workers would unite in earnest prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. *United prayers* accomplish much. A whole Union united in definite prayer daily will see wonderful progress.

We cannot do a great work without united effort. Every day counts, and our leaders must be at the front doing their best for God. We can surely do much more than we have done by prayer and hard work.

Some say the Holy Spirit must do the work. Granted. But the Holy Spirit has not yet done this work without the help of man. All we lack in the East is men, led and inspired by the Holy Spirit. The great commission is, "Go." Unless men are willing to go, they will not find the promised blessing. We are to go, and make Christians.

Let each field do its full share in winning souls to Christ. Our goal is easy if every one will do his best.

I. H. EVANS.

### Colporteur Institutes in South China

PASTOR J. J. STRAHLE is attending colporteur institutes in South China. From letters received we gather the following: "We have had profitable visits to Foochow, Amoy, and Swatow. The Amoy students set a goal equaling two or three times that of last year. They are also taking five thousand of the special Hygiene Number of the *Signs*. All these fields are planning to take part in Big Week.

"At Foochow there was not such a large number to draw from for the colporteur work; but all the mature students attended the classes regularly. A few of the evangelists living near Foochow also attended, as well as the faculty.

"The Canton student colporteurs set their goal at \$10,000 worth of truth-filled literature to be sold this year. This is fine,—a good example for others to follow."

### Needs of the East China Union

IN rendering his report at the opening meeting of the East China Union session held in Nanking March 14-21, 1923, Pastor J. G. Gjording, the Union Superintendent, spoke of outstanding needs as follows:

"Much might be said of the need for men and for money; but these are by no means our greatest needs, for they will come when our consecration is complete. We need all to remember that it is people that count; we should therefore put ourselves into people; for they touch other people, and those, others still; and so we go on working forever in those we have won to Christ. If we could win 556 souls during this fourth biennial period, and keep those we now have, it would make our membership 1,500. Does that goal look big? It is not. For if each of the 143 workers in the Union will win four souls, or two a year, the goal would be reached. Shall we do it?"

As workers, we need to consecrate ourselves anew to the work,—to take up our cross, and follow. We need to follow Jesus more closely, asking Him to roll upon our hearts a greater burden for souls. As leaders, we need to get out and live with the people more, giving both worker and congregation more help than we have been giving them. We need to study our Guide-book more, and to follow what we teach more closely in our daily lives. We may demand and expect to receive the Holy Spirit, and to be used by it for the finishing of the work in East China.

Let us therefore, as workers, cling unto God in prayer. Let us aim higher, ever working for greater results in our work for the Master and ever exercising more faith in the power of God. And let us pledge ourselves before God, and in the presence of our brethren, that we will do our *best* during the period that we now have before us; and let us see if we cannot pass our membership goal before we meet again in this capacity. "He that winneth souls is wise." "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

### Work and Workers of the Kiangsu Mission

IN the report rendered by Pastor K. H. Wood, director of the Kiangsu Mission, during the biennial session of the East China Union Mission, Nanking, in March, an outline of the work and workers of the Kiangsu Mission was given, as follows:

"The territory of the Kiangsu Mission comprises the southern part of Kiangsu Province and the northern portion of the Chekiang Province. In this territory the 'Wu' dialect is generally spoken.

"We are at present conducting evangelistic work in eighteen cities. We have twelve organized churches and eleven unorganized companies in our twenty-two chapels. During the past three years, nine outstations have been opened and six churches organized. Two hundred seventy-three members have been added to the churches by baptism, making the total baptized membership of this Mission five hundred and four.

"Our foreign staff of workers in this field consists of two foreign families, one giving full time to work for the Chinese, and the other giving full time to work among the Russian population of Shanghai; also Sister B. Miller, who is engaged in evangelistic and Bible work among the Chinese women. Our force of Chinese workers consists of three licensed ministers, three missionary licentiates, twelve Bible women, nine church-school teachers, and one colporteur."

## Medan, Sumatra, N.E.I.

"It is just one month since we arrived here in Medan," writes Pastor I. C. Schmidt, director of the North Sumatra Mission, under date of May 12. "Medan is certainly a nice little place. With the help of the Lord we shall certainly do all we can to build up the work in this Mission. We are badly in need of a chapel and also a schoolroom or two. We are therefore planning to start a campaign to raise some funds with which to build a chapel and supply a place for a church school. We could even now have about a dozen of our own children. . . . We are glad to be here. The future looks as bright as God's promises. Our church-members are busy distributing tracts and holding Bible readings. I am doing Bible work in the afternoons and evenings, and leaving the mornings free for soliciting work."

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## How One Provincial Mission Plans to Encourage Systematic Giving

TO ASSIST the members of our South Chekiang Provincial Mission in systematic giving, we have prepared a donation card for them to use during the year 1924. On one side of the card we have a pledge printed, with space in which may be written one's name, location, and the amount that he or she may fix as the goal for the year's benevolences. On the opposite side of the card spaces are prepared for every week during the year, where the amounts given week by week can be written down. Thus we endeavor to encourage every member to set an individual goal for giving.

Inasmuch as no definite goal can be set for the payment of tithe, we have prepared another card on which to keep the tithe record. On one side of this, Malachi 3:8 is printed, and a space is given for one's name and address. On the opposite side there is a space given for recording the amount of tithe paid during any week or month during the year.

These cards have been distributed to all members and inquirers throughout the Mission, and are already leading to definite results, many setting goals for twice the amount they gave during 1923.

GEO. L. WILKINSON.

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## Financing the Shanghai City Church

(*Extractions from a report recently made by Pastor K. H. Wood*)

THE soliciting of funds, the securing of the church site, etc., has extended over a period of several years, but it is with thankfulness that we can now report the Shanghai city church-building under construction, and we anticipate its completion in the early summer of this year.

"When this enterprise was undertaken, it was planned to invest \$15,000 Mex. in the building, this amount to be raised locally. Since that time, however, building costs have increased, and the requirements of the work have grown to such an extent that the cost of the church will be more than twice the amount originally planned. The total amount raised locally toward this enterprise will well exceed \$20,000 Mex., there being \$19,000 in cash and pledges at the present time, including the rents received from the buildings on the property. The funds for the purchase of the church site and \$6,200 gold toward the building were furnished by the General Conference, for which at this time we express our sincere thanks."

## The Fengtien Mission—1923

(*Synopsis of a report rendered by the director, Pastor B. Petersen, during the annual meeting held at Liaoyang, Manchuria, in May, 1924*)

WHEN we review the work accomplished in the Fengtien Mission during the past year, we are led to exclaim with the Psalmist, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

The Fengtien Mission, comprising the populous territory within Manchuria known as the Fengtien Province, is gaining in strength. Thirty-one were baptized last year. There are six churches with a membership of 128. One church was organized last year in Haicheng, and a new chapel was opened during the latter part of the year in the city of Mukden. The Mission is now carrying on work at eight stations, and has a working force of one licensed minister, six licensed missionaries, one Bible woman, four church school teachers and eight colporteurs.

### Evangelistic Efforts

Special efforts were put forth during the past year at several of the stations, with varied results. In some places the people responded readily to the gospel invitation, and handed in their names for further study. Our last effort was held in the city of Mukden, where for two months the church was crowded with people. The workers are now following up the interests created, and we hope to see good results. We should plan more definitely for such efforts. A tent has been ordered, and we believe this will be a great help in our future evangelistic efforts.

### Tithes and Offerings

During 1923 the native tithe amounted to \$886.48 Mex., an annual average of \$7.26 Mex. per member. The Sabbath-school donations totaled \$632.98.

### Home Missionary Work

This department is of the utmost importance to our work. It stimulates the church-members and advances the cause of God among our neighbors. This department is growing, and we appreciate the faithfulness of our workers in sending in a monthly report of the work accomplished at the different churches. Our aim should be to enlist every member as a worker for God.

### Church Schools

Good progress has been made in our church schools. The Mission maintains four schools. The enrolment is now one hundred and ten. Besides this, the Mission has at present three students at the Shanghai Missionary College who will return this year to teach.

### Colporteur Work

God has greatly blessed our faithful colporteurs during the past year. Our sales totaled \$9,359.84 Mex. The last report shows that the Fengtien Mission is second in sales in the China field, being superseded only by the Honan Mission.

### The Outlook

The prospects for the coming year are bright. Reports are coming in from several chapels where a goodly number are awaiting baptism. At this meeting we should plan by the help of the Lord to double our membership by the next meeting. But in order to do this we will need a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit, a greater faith in the promises of God, and a deeper consecration. To this end let us work and pray.

BERNHARD PETERSEN.

## From Across the Seas

*Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Raley, Loma Linda, Cal.:* "Although we cannot be in the foreign field, yet we are located among many missionaries. This is a place of great activity. We remember you all in our prayers, and trust the Lord will keep those who are there in health and courage for the finishing of the Lord's work in the Far East."

*Pastor W. K. Ising, Berne, Switzerland:* "We are in touch with a young man to fill the call for China. I note that you want this man to be in China by the fifteenth of September, which I think will be possible."

*Miss Bessie Mount, 2627 Cook St., Cincinnati, Ohio:* "I am at home again after my Colorado stay. I left the sanitarium March 13, but spent several weeks visiting friends at various places en route. In Boulder I had a pleasant visit with Brother and Sister Mullinnex. While in College View, I visited Brother and Sister Roger Altman. Their hearts are in the mission field. She has had a long, hard fight for health, but is steadily improving.

"I spent several days in Berrien Springs, with Brother and Sister C. E. Weak. Found Sister Weak looking much better than I expected to find her. She seems to be really on the mend now. Mr. Swen, whom also I met, is enjoying his work in Emmanuel Missionary College, and is evidently making good. He was quite delighted to see us—and we him. His wife plans to leave Washington, and continue her nurses' training in Hinsdale, that she may be nearer him.

"I have decided to spend the summer in Berrien Springs, taking light work in the Summer School while I finish recuperating. If I can continue to gain during the summer, I have every reason to believe that I shall be ready for real work then, anywhere—but I hope, of course, that that 'anywhere' may be China.

"My prayers and best wishes are with the work and workers over there, and I shall be happy when I can again take my place among them."

*Pastor R. F. Cottrell, Loma Linda, Cal.:* Referring to the labors of some former associates in the Far East, Brother Cottrell writes: "There is nothing in all the world that can compare with the joy of breaking the bread of life to those just emerging from densest heathenism.

"Doubtless you have heard that I sprained my knee one evening in December, and that I am confined to the bed once more for a season. I hope it will not be for much longer; and we see evidences that I may soon be around once more."

*Miss Bessie A. Dowell, "Mizpah," Fox Valley Road, Wahroonga, N.S.W.:* "Our Harvest Ingathering Campaign is just about to begin. We have set as the Union Conference goal, fifteen thousand pounds sterling. The College has opened with a marked increase in attendance. In Queensland and South New Zealand the evangelistic work of Brethren Knight and Kent is being greatly blessed of God. At the Christchurch camp-meeting no less than fifteen took their stand for the truth. They had not heard of the message before.

"You will be sorry to learn that Brother H. C. Stacey has had to relinquish his work for a while on account of insomnia. He will be absent from the office for about five months.

"Kindly remember me to friends in the Far East."

*Pastor M. A. Hollister, Topeka, Kansas:* "We are very anxious to do our part in providing the sinews of war for our mission fields; and you may be sure our hearts are in

the finishing of this work. We want not only to see the work finished in Kansas, but I want to see the great worldwide field cultivated and prepared for the harvest.

"I take a great deal of interest in reading the reports from the OUTLOOK, regarding the work in various parts of the Far Eastern field.

"We were saddened the other day to learn of Elder Loughborough's death, although we have been anticipating it for a long time. The old pioneers have fallen one by one. . . . To me this is a startling fact. The great question comes, How long are we going to delay the coming of the Lord by our lack of preparation? Something must come to this people, and soon, that we may finish the work.

"Kindest Christian regards to the many friends we have in the Far Eastern Division."

*Pastor and Mrs. Geo. L. Wilkinson, At Sea, en route to the States:* "We have had a pleasant voyage thus far, and all are well. Although we rejoice to be returning home to meet loved ones and friends, we think of China as our home, and hope to be back soon."

*Pastor and Mrs. N. F. Brewer, 52 Berkeley St., West Somerville, Mass.:* "If all goes well, we will sail on the s.s. "Empress of Canada" leaving Vancouver the 14th of August. I understand there are quite a number going on that boat."

*Pastor and Mrs. M. G. Conger, Newfane, N.Y.:* "Our hearts are still with God's missionary work in China. We pray for you, and the work there. . . . I have been laboring as strenuously here as I did in China for our foreign mission work, and I trust God has been and is still blessing the work I have been doing for Jesus' sake. . . . We expect to be in China sometime in the future to help."

*Pastor W. A. Spicer, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C.:* "Of a truth it does appear most clearly that the Lord pours out His Spirit most powerfully in the darkest spots. It seems as if He is trying to teach us that the unentered regions and the remotest districts are to be hurried along to catch up with the districts where we have done more work. The field is one field. It cannot be finished in any place until it is finished everywhere. Really by all the story of New Testament times and by the instruction of all the Bible previous, and of the Spirit of Prophecy, I do believe our commission is to get the points of light set through all the dark world. We cannot expect to settle down in a few provinces or countries until we have finished there. I do believe the Lord wants us to finish this work within a few years. I must believe it. The time is ripe for it. . . .

"We are really getting splendid words from all the fields, but the *Review* brings you the story week by week. If only we could send more men and more money, that would fill the cup to overflowing."

(*Note.*—Within four weeks of the time Brother Spicer wrote, the Home Board found it possible to grant an additional \$20,000 gold for bringing workers into the Far East during 1924, and our list is now being filled, and several families are expected by early fall. When we learned of this additional grant, and were privileged to send an enlarged list of calls for recruits to come in 1924, we were constrained to acknowledge, in our letter to Elder Spicer and the Home Board: "When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The Lord hath done great things for them. The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." c.)

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The statistical summary for the first quarter of 1924 appears on pages 6 and 7 of this paper. An analysis of the report is given on page 2.

Pastor E. M. Adams, president of the Central-Southern Luzon Conference, writes under date of June 4 that "a colporteur has just found a family of five that has been keeping the Sabbath for two years. This is the result of reading a book sold by a colporteur."

Pastor and Mrs. F. A. Pratt and children, of Bangkok, Siam, passed through Shanghai June 16, en route to the States on furlough. Their first stop will be with friends in Modesto, California, where Sister Pratt hopes to recuperate sufficiently to go on to their old home in New England. For those unaccustomed to continuous humid heat, the climate of Bangkok is trying, and Sister Pratt is in especial need of a furlough. Brother and Sister R. P. Abel remain in Bangkok to supervise our work there during the absence of Brother Pratt.

Brother and Sister R. M. Cossentine and children, en route to Manchuria, spent a few days in Shanghai in mid-June. Brother Cossentine is glad to be back for work in the Manchurian Union. He and his family left by train the morning of June 24 for Changchun.

Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Paul, completing their first year's work in the Nanking Language School, have been brought to Shanghai, in order that Dr. Paul might take charge of the City Offices of the Shanghai Sanitarium, 34 Nanking Road. This early transfer has been necessitated because of the departure to the States of Dr. D. E. Davenport on June 7.

Prof. and Mrs. D. E. Rebok and children left Shanghai June 16 for the States, on furlough. As they were nearing Yokchama June 20, Brother Rebok wrote back, "We are all well, and are having a pleasant trip. My home address will be Mount Holly Springs, Penna., U. S. A."

Prof. and Mrs. D. S. Williams, of the Yencheng Intermediate School, Honan, are spending June and July in Shanghai as members of the faculty of the Summer School for Teachers.

Pastor W. E. Gillis telegraphs of the safe arrival of his party at Sianfu, Shensi.

From Canton and Hongkong Pastor J. J. Strahle passed on to Manila by a steamer leaving June 18. "We have been here at Canton for several days," he writes, "holding many meetings with the students before they go out to their fields of labor."

Born, to Pastor and Mrs. W. B. Ammundsen, of Baguio, Mountain Province, P.I., a son, Burton Everett, May 11.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. James Henry White, of Peking, a daughter, Daphne June, June 10.

## Ingathering Papers—Special Notice

Those desirous of securing a supply of Ingathering papers in any language, should place their orders early with their respective Union Mission Treasurers, or with Brother H. W. Barrows, Division Treasurer, 25 Ningkuo Rd., Shanghai, China. At best, the time for ordering these papers is none too early, and the orders should be filed without delay. The Chinese edition will be ready for shipment from Shanghai early in July.

Missions, churches, and individuals should make sure that orders are filed with their Union Treasurers in ample time. This applies to papers in the English language as well as to all Ingathering papers in other languages. No stock of English papers is kept in Shanghai except by prearrangement. c.

## A New Division Paper

From the officers of the Inter-American Division, Brethren E. E. Andross and S. E. Kellman, we have received the first issue of an eight-page monthly, *The Inter-American Messenger*, provided as "a channel of communication through which those who are serving in this widely scattered field may speak 'often one to another' to comfort and to encourage all in the King's business." The territory covered by the Inter-American Division "embraces Mexico, the five Central American republics, Panama, Colombia, Venezuela, British, Dutch and French Guiana, the West India and Bahama Islands. Within this territory there is a population of approximately 40,000,000, speaking Spanish, French, Dutch, and the various Indian languages."

The *Messenger* is fifty cents per year. Office address: Box 143, Balboa, Canal Zone, Panama.

## A Correction

We are informed that the baptismal record given for the East Siberian Union, in next to the last horizontal column of the statistical summary appearing on pages 8 and 9 of our May 1 issue, is not correct. The total baptisms of the Eastern Siberian Union were 75 during the year 1921, and 135 for 1922, and 206 for 1923. Their goal for 1924 is 300.

We are further informed that in the Malaysian Union report for the year 1923, twelve members were counted twice through an inadvertence, which lessens the Singapore Mission membership to a net total of 238 instead of 250.

That which was published was the best available information to date, and cannot now be changed for last year; but we are glad nevertheless to give the corrected totals.

## An Announcement

In the listing of Far Eastern Division editors in a recent issue, the complete list of editors for the Chinese *Sabbath-School Helper* was not given. As arranged, it stands thus on our records:

*Sabbath-School Helper:*

Editor: Mrs. A. B. Evans.

Assistants: H. O. Swartout, E. R. Thiele.

## Pastor F. A. Detamore's Address

From the *Lake Union Herald* we learn that Pastor F. A. Detamore's address is Cicero, Indiana, U. S. A. He has recently been asked to carry the young people's and home missionary departments in the Indiana Conference.

## How Some are Working to Attain

### Our Soul-Winning Goal

On Sabbath, May 10, Pastor Juan Afenir baptized twenty-two new converts at Tayug (Northern Luzon, P.I.). This brings the number there to thirty-eight. There are more preparing, and we pray that the fifty-mark will soon be reached.—"*Echoes from the Ilocano Field.*"

While at home for a little while, in Tagudin, Ilocos Sur, P.I., Brother Tito P. Atigo has been holding meetings each evening, and a large number have been attending.—*Idem.*

O. A. Hall, Hankow: "When we returned from a trip through the north-central part of the province of Hupeh, another baptismal service was held here for the Hankow chapel. Ten went forward in baptism and united with the city church."

T. T. Babienko, Harbin: "We have baptized in Harbin 34, Hailar 4, and Vladivostok 24, this year."

## Appointment of Far Eastern Division Auditor

Recently there was received from the officers of the General Conference a notification of the appointment by the General Conference Committee of Brother G. S. Luther, of the Chinese Signs of the Times Publishing House, as Auditor of the Far Eastern Division. This is in response to a recommendation passed on to the Home Board by the Far Eastern Division Committee, and fills the vacancy created by the return of Brother F. H. Raley to the States. Brother Luther has already served for several months in this capacity, having audited the books in Singapore, Manila, and Hongkong early last spring, and having just returned to Shanghai from an auditing trip covering the work in Tokyo, Seoul, Mukden, Harbin, and Peking. Brother Luther will continue as hitherto his work as treasurer and assistant manager of the Signs Publishing House, Shanghai, and may be addressed at 25 Ningkuo Road. c.

## Appropriation to Peking Union Language School

During the Spring Council an appropriation of \$1,500 gold was made to the North China Union Language School, supplementing a like sum granted recently by the Home Board. Two years ago a grant of \$2,000 gold was made to this school by our Home Board. Thus a total of \$5,000 gold has been awarded this institution by our General Conference.

In response to a request from the South China Union, five hundred dollars Mex. has been appropriated for relief funds, to assist our people in war-stricken districts in the Hakka Mission.

## Obituary

*Doolittle.*—Henry Richard Doolittle was born at the Kuling Hospital Aug. 4, 1922, and died in Nanking June 10, 1924, being just twenty-two months and six days old. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Matthew 19:14. The interment was in the Nanking Foreign Cemetery, where we believe the little one sleeps in Jesus, awaiting the morn when the angels of God shall place it again in the arms of its parents. J. G. Gjording.