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Keeping Watch

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THE second advent occupied no minor place in the instruction imparted by the Saviour Himself, and this great theme was taken up and carried on by the writers of the New Testament. With them all the second coming of Christ is the culminating event in the plan of salvation. When Christ spoke concerning His second coming, He almost invariably closed His discourse with the admonition: "Watch." This charge follows His great discourse on the signs of His coming; it follows the parable of the ten virgins; and it is the climax of other lessons on being prepared to meet Him with joy when He comes.

Watching is not easy. Perhaps of all things that try the temper and break the spirit of man, to watch for an expected event is the most difficult. An army can march and prepare for battle with spirits high and banners flying; but to camp, and wait, and keep watching, with nothing happening, requires unusual will power and a high degree of discipline. Often at such a time well-organized armies disintegrate, dissatisfaction smoulders, quarrels break out, and the morale is broken. So it is with the watchmen on the walls of Zion; the most strenuous demands are not in active field work, however hard, but in waiting and watching for the coming of the Lord.

Watching implies readiness. One can not be said to be watching for the Lord's return unless he is ready for that event. Christ draws two pictures — readiness and unreadiness. Had the good man of the house known at what hour the thief would come, he would have been on the watch. The faithful servant gives the household of God meat in due season; but the unfaithful servant says in his heart, "My Lord delayeth His coming," and entangles himself with the affairs of this life.

Watching implies being wide awake. No one can watch who is sleeping on his job, and will not arouse himself. The danger lies in the hour when the watchman is asleep. No menace is so great to an army as a drowsy guard. The lives of all are endangered by one indifferent, sleepy watchman. In the army, to sleep on guard is a capital offense, and costs the life of the sleeper. But with the church the sleepy, drowsy watchman may bring ruin to all under his influence, and none save the Lord can punish. Surely such will come to judgment with blood on their garments. If heaven and the church appoint men to be watchmen, what an accounting they must give for a church unprepared for the coming of the Master! The faith of the people is the product of the watchman. Every preacher produces his own kind. A fruitful watchman will have a people ready for the Lord's return.

The Master's command is, "Be ye also ready." If the cry should be sounded to-day, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh!" would we be ready to go forth to meet Him? The charge is to all: "Watch therefore: for ye know neither the day nor the hour when the Son of man cometh."

Training Our Youth

The Educational Department of the
Far Eastern Division

S. L. FROST

(Synopsis of some outstanding paragraphs taken from the annual report rendered by Professor S. L. Frost, Division secretary of the Educational Department for the Far East, during the April Committee Council held in Shanghai. This report covers the year 1928).

THE early part of 1928 was almost as perplexing a time for our educators and leaders in the field as was the year 1927, when in the China field many of our mission educational institutions were closed. In instances not a few, it was impossible to open Christian schools throughout the year 1928. At present, however, all our higher-grade schools in China have been reopened, although the enrollment in most of them is still comparatively low. The Junior Middle Schools for China are located in Mukden, Tsinan, Yencheng, Hankow, Changsha, Ying Shang Hsien, Shanghai, Wenchow, Foochow, Amoy, Canton, and Chungking.

In Chosen twenty-six schools have been in operation. One of these is the training school at Soonan. Our teachers throughout Chosen number sixty-eight, and the enrollment of students is reported as 1,479. Seventy-eight of the students have been baptized during the year. In the training school, there have been 328 students enrolled; 209 of these are either Seventh-day Adventist church members, or children of Seventh-day Adventists; 120 worked for their school expenses in whole or in part—40 doing full work, 20 half work, and 70 less than half. Farming, carpentry, health food manufacturing, and sewing are the chief industries.

In Malaya, 33 schools were in operation during 1928, with a total of 2,050 students. In the Malayan Union Seminary, in charge of Professor Hendershot, the complete enrollment, including the girls' school, was 328. About 30 students were baptized in this school during the year.

In Japan only three schools have been conducted,—one for Japanese boys, one for Japanese girls, and a small church school for the children of our missionaries in Tokyo. The combined enrollment of all three schools was 69. Industries have been introduced. These include agriculture, building, health food products, and sewing. Thirty-four students worked full time, fourteen half time, and thirteen less than half. Two students earned scholarships.

The Far Eastern Academy for the children of missionaries has had a good year, with an enrollment of 32. The students are from Japan, Korea, Manchuria, Sumatra, and several parts of China.

With the closing down of several of our higher schools in China because of political unrest, the Fireside Correspondence School took on a new impetus. The enrollment to date is almost 900, and the active list includes 574 students. This is the highest enrollment of any school in the Far East.

In Harbin a mission school has been conducted for our Russian young people, the enrollment having been 39. Some from among these have earned a portion of their expenses. Five were baptized during the year.

In the Philippines, Brother Amundsen, the principal, and his associates, have worked earnestly to make the past school year the best in the history of the Philippine Junior College. The enrollment was 260. Four students earned full scholarships and two earned half scholarships. The industries of the school include carpentry, gardening, laundry, sewing, and embroidery. The Jaro Middle School (Iloilo, in the West Visayan Mission), enrollment was 104 students. In Artacho, 99 were in attendance from various portions of the Northern Luzon Mission. A school building has been erected in Cebu, and this places the East Visayan Mission on vantage ground educationally. The total number of schools in the Philippines is nineteen, with 1,171 students in attendance.

The department has spent considerable time in making the *China Christian Educator* a help to teachers and students throughout the China field. This paper carries programs for the young peoples' and home missionary departments, as well as ministerial association material.

Various steps have been taken in the preparation and issuance of text books in certain Far Eastern vernaculars for use in our schools.

A considerable portion of the budget of various fields is used in connection with our educational advance. We would appeal to boards and other responsible committees to give close study to the ideal of having every Seventh-day boy and girl in our own schools, where they will be receiving that which tends toward holiness and a love for the cause of God.

36,000,000 Children Without Schooling

There are, according to an estimate made by the educational authorities of the country more than 36,000,000 children in China to-day without any schooling. It will require at least \$250,000,000 annually to enforce compulsory education in China, and at least 1,200,000 teachers will be necessary to take care of the work.

Girls' School at Singapore

The girls' school at Singapore had an enrollment during 1928 of 70 pupils, 20 of whom were in the dormitory. The government is allowing the girls' school to become a part of the Malayan Union Seminary, and be under the same management; accordingly, the principal of the seminary, Professor Hendershot, has been placed in charge of all our school work at Singapore.

High Ideals of Character

V. J. MALONEY

THERE is one thing that new China needs,—a need realized by every one who has made a thoughtful study of conditions. She needs a new emphasis placed on the teaching of righteous virtues and uprightness of character. China needs these exalted principles in order that her citizens and her students, who will become the future officials and leading men, may have those high qualifications of character that will harmonize with the excellent ideals of the new government.

In no place are these virtues more strongly emphasized than in the Christian schools.

Not only do the Christian schools endeavor to instill righteous virtues and high ideals and those things that make for strength of character in students, but they teach a strong course of study in the different branches of useful learning,—history, geography, mathematics, languages, physiology, etc.

In the larger schools the students are taught some useful industry. This not only aids them in earning a portion of their tuition expense, but teaches them the usefulness and the honorableness of labor.

In our middle school at Foochow, we endeavor to carry out these ideals faithfully.

Could a business man, official, or any citizen who desires to see these virtues taught the people, make any better investment than by helping an institution that is emphasizing and exalting these ideals before students and people?

Erratum

In the July issue a short note concerning the splendid membership attained by the Kiangsu Mission was inadvertently inserted twice, the type having been set in two different offices. A report of this sort will bear repetition, although an apology is due the readers of the *OUTLOOK* for having been given the report twice in the one number.

General Articles

Home Missionary Work

C. C. MORRIS

"BUT ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8.

Witnessing for the Master is the great work which our home missionary department endeavors to do. This work of witnessing may be done through kind words spoken, kind acts performed, by giving Bible readings, helping the poor, ministering to the sick, and in many other ways.

It is not the Lord's plan that this work of witnessing be assigned to the ministry alone. This is clear from a statement in Acts 8:1: "And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria except the apostles." Perhaps the great success which attended the first efforts of the apostles at Jerusalem made the early church think its work was about finished. It was then that the Lord permitted persecution to visit them, and scatter them into the fields beyond. The record says they were all scattered except the apostles; and verse four says, "Therefore they that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the word." So we see that the laity had much to do with this work of witnessing in the early church.

It must needs be the same in the closing period of the work of the church on earth. The laity can do far more than the ministry in witnessing for the truth. If fifty lay members were to witness of the love of God to them, to one or two individuals each day, that would be more than their pastor could do, and it would be more effective. For after all, many people sort of believe that the pastor is being paid for what he does, and it is his job; so his efforts may not always be understood or appreciated.

If we could organize our lay members more fully into working societies, and encourage each member to win one soul a year, think of what a wonderful work that would be. Such a thing is

not at all impossible, and we could do it, by the help of the Lord, if we really set ourselves to the task.

We believe there is no other department in our work which has any greater possibilities before it than the home missionary. May the Lord add His blessing to our united efforts for the future.

Hongkong.

Working For the Higher Classes of Women

MRS. B. MILLER

IN Romans the fifteenth chapter and the fourth verse we read these words: "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning." Paul, in 1 Cor. 9:20-22, says, "And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law; to them that are without law, as without law (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law. To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some."

The Spirit of prophecy tells us; "The Lord has a work for women as well as men to do. Women may take their places in the work at this crisis, and the Lord will work through them. If imbued with a sense of duty, and the Spirit of God, they will have just the self-possession required at this time.

"The Saviour will reflect upon these self-sacrificing women the light of His countenance, and this will give them a power which will exceed that of men. They can do in families a work that men can not do, a work that reaches the inner life. They can come close to the hearts of those whom men can not reach."— "Testimonies," VI:117

In working for the higher classes of women there are many things that one must do; and I shall here enumerate some of them.

First: We must plan to spend a great deal of time with them in order to gain their confidence and later win them.

Second: We need to practise the instruction given by Paul to study our readers.

Third: The use of health principles. Many times one may get people interested by giving treatments to the sick, thus showing forth the character of the Master. Sometimes we may get others

interested by teaching them healthful cookery. Visiting in the homes and showing a personal interest is also a good way to gain their friendship.

Fourth: In the giving of Bible studies we must first have mastered the subject ourselves, so that we can give these in so interesting a manner as will awaken in our readers a desire to come again.

I do not think that one can follow a set rule for the giving of Bible studies. We must study our readers, and with much prayer and faith in God work for them.

Unless the higher classes become truly converted, they are unwilling to give up the pleasures of this life; but if they experience a real conversion, they will give up everything and follow Jesus. I have seen them willing to work for God at a sacrifice of position and name, and like Moses, "when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt."

It is surely time for God's people to take up the work among the higher classes. There are many jewels among these. Many will accept the gospel message if it is brought to them; and God will hold us responsible. We learn through the Spirit of prophecy that the medical work is to be an "entering wedge" to this work, and truly it is to the higher classes of people. Now that our sanitarium work is getting so well established here in the Far East, and the official and educated classes are going there for treatment and are showing such an interest in our work we can use this as means of getting into the homes of the people. May the Lord help us at this time to improve the opportunity, and save many precious souls for the kingdom, is my prayer.

Miscellany—Far East

THE secretary of the National Bible Society of Scotland estimated that of the 1,849,500,000 making up the population of the world to-day, there are still 1,000,000,000 who have as yet never heard that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. While this estimate may be larger than some might make, it is nevertheless appalling to think of the many millions who are yet to be given the gospel message. Surely with so many to be warned, it behooves us to distribute "specials" hereafter by the million.

General Reports from the Field

The Philippines' Sanitarium Building Fund

NOTABLE in the annals of sacrificial endeavor in the Philippines, is an action on the part of many colporteurs in subscribing to the sanitarium building fund one or two pesos a month for a period of twelve months. While the amount each month is small, yet the aggregate is considerable, and helps swell the general fund, which we understand is now within 10,000 pesos (\$5,000 gold) of the entire amount desired. A special drive for raising the remainder is on for the latter part of August.

The Chihli (Hopei) Provincial Mission

Geo. J. APPEL

(Synopsis of report of Director, at the Peiping (Peking) biennial meeting, May, 1929).

LAST year we were thankful our work had not been interrupted as it had in other parts of China; but this year we have been in the midst of conditions that come as the result of war. However, we feel grateful to God that while in other fields our workers have been persecuted, with chapels occupied and looted; we have been spared from these trials. We regret our report of progress cannot be greater than it is.

Aside from the Peiping center, our work is developing chiefly in villages near Shenchow and also at Tientsin. These places along the railway are easy of access. In Peiping there are four centers, including the headquarters at Ta Fang Chia Hutung.

The women's work has progressed remarkably well thus far. The attendance of women at meetings was formerly small. Now it is almost equal to that of the men.

The membership of the Hopei Mission at the end of the first quarter of 1929, was two hundred thirty-two baptized believers. Of these, seventy-six were baptized during the past two years. The net gain in membership has been seventy-one.

It is the hope of those connected with the Hopei Mission, to see the membership doubled within the next two years. The prospects before us are as bright as the promises of God. Let us keep our needs before Him, seek Him as never before, and receive of His Spirit for soul-saving endeavor.

Foochow Annual Meeting

D. E. REBOK

THE regular annual meetings held by our various missions are great factors to bind together the workers and believers of the fields. Without doubt, these gatherings do much to maintain the unity of our work, to foster a world-wide vision of this Advent movement, and to promote the plans and methods for carrying on the work of the church. Between seventy and eighty attended the North Fukien Mission meeting regularly, while on Sabbath about one hundred thirty were present to enjoy the celebration of the ordinances, and to witness the baptism of twenty-one brethren and sisters as administered by Pastor C. C. Morris, the union superintendent, in the baptistry of our Foochow church.

The meeting began on the evening of July 2 and continued until the evening of July 6. Pastor V. J. Maloney, the director of the mission, carried through a good program, and conducted the first regular business sessions of the mission. The committees appointed did their work very well, and many excellent plans were presented and discussed by the delegates. Everyone enjoyed the reports from the various departments and stations. Fifty-two were baptized last year, and good increases were made in some lines of offerings.

Several were in attendance who, because of having bought the five dollar package of the *Signs of the Times* Press publications, were reading themselves into the truth. The workers are planning a campaign to distribute 80,000 tracts this year in an effort to carry out every-member evangelistic work with the goal of each member bringing at least one to Christ during this year. Brother R. M. Milne and the local Chinese department secretaries emphasized their work in a strong way and met a hearty response to the plans suggested.

May the Lord bless the work in this mission, and bring about the conditions necessary for the outpouring of the latter rain.

South Fukien Annual Meeting

D. E. REBOK

IT was good after an absence of nine years to be privileged to visit the South Fukien Mission for its annual meeting July 9-13, 1929. About 50 workers and delegates were in daily attendance at the chapel of the Bee-Hwa Bible Training School at Kulangsu. More than a hundred were present for the Sabbath services. A good spirit prevailed throughout the meeting, and our Chinese members

and workers enjoyed sharing the responsibilities of planning for the work as evidenced by the enthusiastic way in which they discussed the plans and methods in the "conference" hour.

Six new believers were baptized in the ocean just in front of the school property. This service was conducted by Elder B. L. Anderson, who has just recently returned from a furlough in Europe and America.

Brethren C. C. Morris, R. M. Milne, and the writer took part in the devotional, departmental, and Bible study hours. With renewed consecration our workers went out from the meeting to do a more aggressive evangelistic work than in the past. We desire the prayers of all our believers in China, that the work in this field may make greater progress this year.

We were sorry to see Brother Carman and family leave the field the day before the meeting opened. Sister Carman has been suffering from sprue, and hopes by returning home to regain her health. This leaves Pastor B. L. Anderson alone in the work there at present. In spite of the disturbed conditions in the interior, our workers are doing good work, and the Lord is blessing them in many ways.

East China Y. P. M. V. Department

W. A. SCHARFFENBERG

(Synopsis of report rendered at the East China Union biennial session).

Our first departmental institute found thirty-five in attendance. Three such institutes have been conducted during the biennial period. Goals are fixed during these times, and thus each society, each mission, and the union as a whole, knows at what to aim during the coming year. Goal charts aid in keeping these activities before the youth. The score card and an honor pennant add to the interest.

The East China Union missionary volunteers, in addition to local mission work, are planning to open up one new station in China each year. Our present plan is to purchase land to build a chapel and to furnish it. One such chapel was equipped during 1928. The goal for 1929 is to purchase land and erect and equip a chapel in the village of Chiao Tou Djen.

If the young people earnestly evangelize, the Lord will use them to do a mighty work. There are many Daniels among the youth of East China to-day; and while not all these are as yet recognized, yet the Lord understands, and in His own time and way will cause some to step forward to the front and do a mighty work for Him in China.

The Chosen Union Mission

H. A. OBERG

(Synopsis of report rendered by Pastor H. A. Oberg, superintendent of the Chosen Mission of Seventh-day Adventists, on the opening day of the biennial session held in Seoul, June 20-29, 1929).

It is with thankful hearts that we recount God's providences in opening the doors of Korea to the proclamation of the third angels' message just twenty-five years ago. This biennial session of the Chosen Union should take the form of a silver jubilee, in commemoration of God's stately leading of His people. Think of those two Koreans noticing a strange sign on a street in Kobe, Japan, indicating that preaching services were held within the hall; of their going in and becoming interested; of the manner in which the message reached Korea; and later how the Macedonian call was sent to Japan asking for some one to come over and instruct them more fully. From that small beginning we find Seventh-day Adventists to-day in every province of Korea, with 24 organized churches, 113 Sabbath-schools, a well organized publishing house providing ample literature, a training school developing a strong corps of workers, and our entire plan of church organization being carried out in fullest detail.

At the close of 1926 our baptized membership in Korea totaled 1,752; at the close of 1928 the number was 1,936, or a gain of 184 for the biennial period. Our Sabbath-school membership stood at 4,467 at the close of 1926, and at 5,292 at the beginning of 1929, making a gain of 852 during the biennial period. Native tithes totaled *Yen* 20,063.94 during this period, and *Yen* 18,127.82 during the previous term, showing a gain of *Yen* 1,936.12. Sabbath-school offerings show a gain of *Yen* 1,632.08 during the last biennial period, bringing the total offerings for this term up to *Yen* 13,642.10. Literature sales during the previous term were *Yen* 55,123.58; for the past two years they totaled *Yen* 64,420.34, or a gain of *Yen* 8,896.76. One interesting feature of our literature work is the increased subscription list, which is mounting month by month, the July issue just going through the press being 21,500 copies. Truly God is richly blessing this feature of our work, and we ascribe praise and glory to Him.

Although there has been a curtailment in the number of church schools, bringing our list from 33 at the close of 1926 to 27 in 1928, the student-body has increased from 1,130 to 1,436—a gain of 306. The enrollment in the Soonan Training School stands at 328.

Long have we waited for a doctor to head up our medical work. We

were most glad to welcome Doctor and Mrs. George Rue a few weeks ago. Although just recently reaching our field, Dr. Rue has already rendered valuable service in assisting the sick. A new atmosphere is noticeable at the Soonan Hospital; and we can assure the doctor of plenty of hard work, with the accompanying joy of service. All are made happy to see our medical work reorganized for wider service.

Brother R. S. Watts has been chosen to carry the work of the home missionary department. We hope, with a strong campaign launched this fall, we may perfect the organization of our lay membership in soul-winning activity.

God has richly blessed our work in Korea the past two years, and we ascribe to Him all the praise. However, there is one feature of the work which should receive special attention at this time; for it represents the one object of our existing as a people, and that is the winning of souls. As I glance over our statistical report covering the twenty-five years of work in Korea, I notice that in 1923 our baptisms for the first time went over the two hundred mark in a year. During the 1923-24 biennial term total baptisms reached 552; the next term 514 were baptized; and the last term just closed showed a total of 596. It seems to me we should begin thinking in larger terms. Cannot we get away from the 500-group during the new biennial term, and launch out on a great soul-winning campaign, which will increase our baptisms in a material manner? We see indications of an increase with baptisms of 333 last year. Let us sound a ringing call to all our evangelistic workers, as well as lay members, urging a fuller consecration to God for service and for the finishing of the work. May we all as individuals so relate ourselves to God that He can bestow a special outpouring of His Holy Spirit upon us, is my prayer.

From Pastor J. W. Rowland

WRITING from Jesselton, British North Borneo, under date of April 23, Pastor J. W. Rowland, director of the British North Borneo Mission, reports having baptized nine more from the Dusun tribe, which brings the total number who have been baptized from that tribe, up to thirty. Brother Rowland recognizes that these people have no knowledge of letters in the modern sense of the term, nor have they any schools as yet, but there are many among them who are longing for a better way, and our workers are doing everything possible to extend among the Dusuns a knowledge of Bible truth.

The Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital

H. J. PERKINS

THE Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital opened its doors for business May 1, 1929. Now, after only about three months, we can already feel a difference in the attitude of the people in our community. For over fifteen years our mission headquarters have been here in a suburb of Tokyo, and while no untoward actions against us have taken place, yet we have been looked upon somewhat as strangers. Now this is changing. Surely the medical work is the right arm of the message.

Inasmuch as Japan is quite modern in all respects, including the practice of scientific medicine, we do not have the same classes of patients that some other missionary institutions have. Yet we are having wonderful results. Dr. Getzlaff, our medical superintendent, remarked to me one day that he was unable to see how some of the patients made so much improvement. Some who have come to us, are almost beyond relief; for it is as a last resort they come to learn whether the foreign doctor has some "wonderful" remedy to alleviate their ailment.

A few days ago Dr. Getzlaff was called to a home in the community to visit a man who had pneumonia. Later the doctor told the man that one lung was fully congested and that the other was badly involved. The patient was brought to our institution at once. In ten days he was able to leave, a well man. Prior to his departure he told the doctor, "If I had not come to this hospital, I would have been sleeping by this time"—meaning that he would have been dead. He said also that our doctor was always smiling and making his patients feel that they were going to get well.

I was translating for the doctor as this patient was expressing his gratitude; and I told him that in addition to the doctor's being a good physician and having good equipment, he prayed every morning to his God to give him success in healing the sick that came to him. The man had never thought of this, and remained quiet for a minute or two thinking about it. Then he said: "I am surely going to inform all my friends and neighbors about this place, and tell them that if they ever get sick, this is the very best place to come to get relief." A few days later he brought to us two patients from quite a distance.

We ask an interest in the prayers of our believers everywhere in behalf of the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital, that it may prove the entering wedge in many hearts in this Land of the Rising Sun, where souls are very difficult to win to the Lord.

South Chosen Mission

H. J. BASS

(Synopsis of report rendered by Pastor H. J. Bass during the biennial session held June 20-29, 1929).

LOOKING at things from a human standpoint, it would be easy to give as discouraging a report as that of the ten spies who went to spy out Canaan; for there are many large cities and innumerable smaller villages, with their conditions of prejudice, indifference, ignorance, superstition, and want, to be taken for God in South Chosen. Before the giants of the land, our handful of workers seem to our physical eyes little better than so many grasshoppers attacking a herd of elephants. But when one puts on his spiritual magnifying glasses, he beholds each worker as a David going out with stone and sling to meet Goliath, and confident of success because he goes forth in the name of the Lord.

When I open my eyes to this fact and remember also the earnest souls who have already been won in the South, I have faith to believe that we are well able to fully possess the land for God. In fact, I am glad to be able to report a decided advance toward that end during the past year. We are building up strong companies in many of the larger cities.

The gathering momentum of our work gives promise of results to come that will surprise us. What we need most is that each worker and colporteur consecrate his every power to God. If, in the words of Wesley, the twenty-five workers and twenty colporteurs of the South feared nothing but sin, and knew nothing but Jesus Christ and Him crucified, we could soon set the South of Chosen on fire with this message. May God inspire our hearts as He did Moody's, till we, too, resolve that by God's grace we will show the world what God can do through the labors of a few dozen consecrated men and women in Korea.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless: the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."—Psalm ciii, 1, 2.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O most High, to show forth Thy lovingkindness in the morning, and Thy faithfulness every night."—Psalm xcii, 1, 2.

"Thus will I bless Thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in Thy name. My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise Thee with joyful lips."—Psalm lxxiii, 4, 5.

"Because Thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of Thy wings will I rejoice."—Psalm lxxiii, 7.

Women's Work—North China

LUCY ANDRUS

ALTHOUGH this, is in no way a report of the women's work in the North China Union during the past biennial period, I am glad to say a few words in regard to our efforts for the Chinese women.

The North China Union has only three Chinese Bible women. All three are in the province of Hopei. At the close of the year 1925 Hopei had twenty-nine Chinese women members; at the close of 1928, fifty-nine. Of these, some have come from other Protestant churches, from Catholicism, from Mohammedism; and some had formerly no form of worship.

Of the first-fruits in Shansi, two of the six baptized are women. In Shantung one-third of the new members are women.

From the opening of the term last fall the girls of the middle school at Tsinan have conducted women's meetings each Sabbath afternoon, thus gaining some training in gospel work as well as affording the women of the neighborhood an opportunity to hear the gospel. Sister White and Sister Davies have superintended the work.

At the annual meeting of Hopei and Shansi held in January, 1929, it was recommended:—

(a) That the North China Union establish a women's training school.

(b) That a Bible worker be invited to visit at least twice a year every chapel that is without such help.

(c) That each evangelist endeavor to bring to the faith of this message the wives and daughters of all men who are members of his church.

(d) That in every church the women who can read be encouraged to help the illiterate, that all who are willing to learn may complete the "Gospel Primer" by the end of this year at the latest, following it up with other suitable reading.

(e) That each chapel arrange for a woman's meeting once a week; and where there is no woman Bible worker, that the evangelist's wife assume the responsibility of inviting and welcoming the women, and that the evangelist conduct the meeting.

Since the first of January, 1929, Bible workers in Peiping have made 759 visits, held 274 Bible studies, conducted 34 meetings, besides assisting with special efforts street chapel meetings, baptismal classes, and other services. Twenty-eight women have either completed, or are now reading, the books suggested in the recommendations. At present a woman's meeting is conducted at each of the three meeting-places in Peiping once each week. There the gospel is given to them in a simple form, and they learn to sing and pray.

It is a well known fact that by far the larger proportion of worshippers in the temples, are women. Now, when idols are being thrown out on to the streets, and priestesses are being sold, and placards are posted in every province and city advising people against heathen worship,—*just now is our day of opportunity to give the warning message.* May the "Lord of the harvest" send forth faithful, self-sacrificing workers to gather in the sheaves.

Central Chosen Mission

CHEI TA HEUN

(Synopsis of report rendered by Brother Chei Ta Heun, director of the Central Union Mission, during the biennial session, June 20-29, 1929).

Two years ago I was called to the leadership of the Central Chosen Mission, and I wish to thank the Lord for His keeping power, and for the help and kindly interest shown by the brethren.

A decided effort to strengthen some of the weaker places in the field has resulted in building up real strong work in several places. Three companies have become organized churches, and three family Sabbath schools have become organized Sabbath schools. Besides this, we have established organized Sabbath schools in seven new places, two of which are regular out-stations. Five new family Sabbath schools have been established. Thus a total of twelve new places have been entered and claimed for Christ.

Recognizing that the newly created interests are our most promising fields for advance, and yet knowing that only as we gather tithes from our own people can we hope for additional workers, we are making every effort to increase the tithe of the field. We believe that our brethren, in realizing these possibilities, will be more faithful in tithe-paying. We already see evidences of a forward move in this matter.

Because of a shortage of funds and workers, there are five large cities in our field in which as yet we have no established work. We have several standing calls for help to which we have thus far been unable to respond. We need additional laborers, in order to carry forward the Lord's work in Central Chosen in a strong way.

By the Treaty of Shimonoseki, April, 1895, the Pescadores, a group of thirty-six islands with seventy-two villages to the westward of Formosa, were ceded to Japan in perpetuity at the same time that Formosa (Taiwan) was made a part of the Japanese realm.

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EXTRA FOR NOS. 8 and 9

Instruction that has come to us:

"Arise, Shine; . . . Lift up thine eyes round about, and see . . . Then thou shalt see and be radiant, and thy heart shall thrill and be enlarged: because the abundance of the sea shall be turned unto thee, the wealth of the nations shall come unto thee."

Is. 60:1,4,5 (R. V.)

"The God of Heaven, He will prosper us; therefore we His servants will arise and build."

Neh. 2:20

"The Lord has placed His goods in the hands of unbelievers as well as in the hands of believers; all may return to Him His own for the doing of the work that must be done for a fallen world. As long as we are in this world, as long as the Spirit of God strives with fallen men, so long are we to receive favors as well as to impart them. We are to give to the world the light of truth as revealed in the scriptures; and we are to receive from the world that which God prompts them to give in behalf of His cause."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

HARVEST INGATHERING FAR EASTERN DIVISION CAMPAIGN DATE: SEPT. 1. TO OCT. 12, 1929

Denominational Goal:

\$ 1,250,000 For Missions

900,000 From America

350,000 From Other Lands

Europe, Africa, India, Australia, South America, the Islands of the Sea, have joined the procession of Ingathering lands. The Far East is doubtless the largest single recipient from the funds raised in this campaign. We have done something in raising money in this campaign. But in view of the great needs, have we done our full duty?

What will our response be in September-October?

Remember:

Sept. 1 to Oct. 12 is the Date.

If You Have Not Ordered Your Papers, Do So Without Delay.

Shanghai is Publishing in Chinese.

Organize Your Forces Early.

Set A Good Liberal Personal Goal.

Do Not Hesitate to Request Liberal Donations.

Personal Influence and Example Count Big.

Keep Your Field Informed as to the Progress of the Campaign.

Pray for a Large Ingathering of both Souls and means.

HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN—1929

In view of the setting apart of Sept. 1 to Oct. 12, 1929, as the time when all workers in the Far Eastern Division are to take part in a Harvest Ingathering Campaign, the announcements and articles that follow will be given careful study.—Editor.

The Call to Action

AT the spring meeting of the Far Eastern Division Committee, the following action was unanimously passed:

Harvest Ingathering

Whereas, Great blessings, both spiritual, and financial, have attended the Harvest Ingathering work; and,—

Whereas, We have been told through the Spirit of prophecy that we should go to those not of our faith for means for the prosecution of our work, even in heathen lands; therefore,—

We recommend, That each mission so plan the regular work of all mission employees that they may be assigned a definite part in the Harvest Ingathering campaign for a period of at least two consecutive weeks; this united effort of workers and laity being directed to the achievement of the Ingathering goal within the official six-week campaign period

We further recommend, That the date for our 1929 campaign be September 1 to October 12, and that the goal for 1929 be \$ 50,000 gold.

The Harvest Ingathering

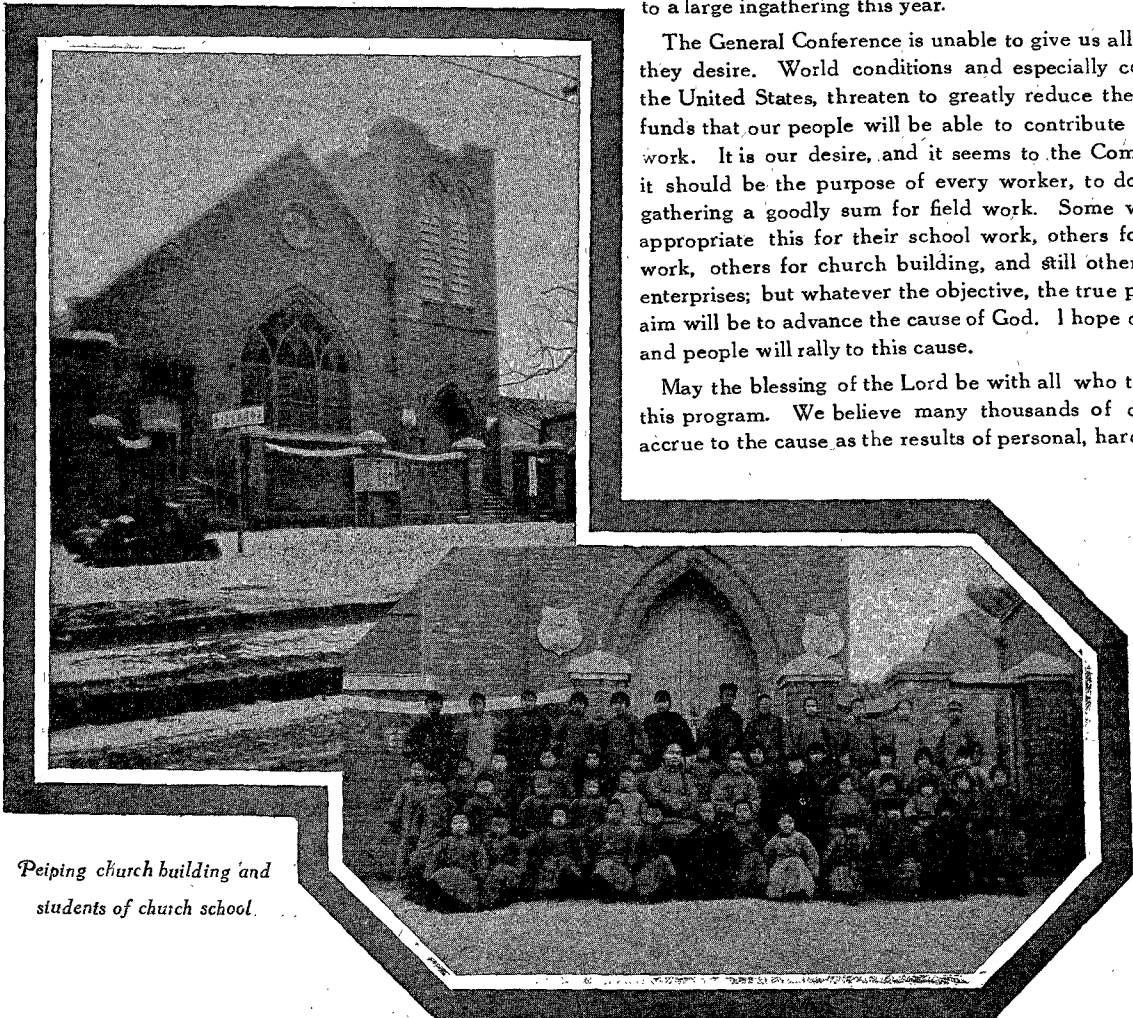
I. H. EVANS

THE HARVEST INGATHERING is one agency by which the General Conference has been able to gather together from those not of our faith a large sum of money for mission work. It means much to our cause and especially to the mission fields, to have this ingathering fund, and our brethren this year are planning to put forth the biggest effort in the history of our work that this fund be greatly increased over any amount derived from it during the past.

The Far Eastern Division Committee have considered this question and have recommended that in our fields we undertake to raise a large amount of money through the Harvest Ingathering this year. There is being prepared in Shanghai a special number of the *Signs Magazine* for distribution among the Chinese. Other parts of the field will bring out special numbers of their papers to some extent, and we hope our churches, our ministry, and our workers will give themselves to a large ingathering this year.

The General Conference is unable to give us all the money they desire. World conditions and especially conditions in the United States, threaten to greatly reduce the amount of funds that our people will be able to contribute for mission work. It is our desire, and it seems to the Committee that it should be the purpose of every worker, to do his best in gathering a goodly sum for field work. Some will want to appropriate this for their school work, others for literature work, others for church building, and still others for other enterprises; but whatever the objective, the true purpose and aim will be to advance the cause of God. I hope our workers and people will rally to this cause.

May the blessing of the Lord be with all who take part in this program. We believe many thousands of dollars will accrue to the cause as the results of personal, hard work.



Peiping church building and students of church school.

Home Missionary Program

September 7, 1929

Harvest Ingathering Rally Day Program

1. Opening Song: "Stretch Every Nerve." P. 793.
2. Scripture Reading: Matt. 13: 24-43.
3. A few Short Sentence Prayers.
4. Announcements.
5. Special Music.
6. Readings:
 - "A Victorious Campaign"
 - "The Inward Preparation"
 - "Lord, What wilt Thou Have Me to Do?"
7. Discussion of Harvest Ingathering Plans.
8. Home Missionary Offering.
9. Secretary's Report.
10. Closing Song: "What Hast Thou Done?" P. 96.
11. Benediction.

Note to Leader: The secret of success in this campaign lies in efficient leadership. It is easy to contribute success to numbers and ability. However, in the Lord's work these are secondary. Gideon's army of three hundred volunteers were not selected because of physical or intellectual qualifications, nor was it the number that brought confusion to the enemy. God simply used a consecrated leader with a few willing workers to accomplish His work. Regardless of the size of your company, you should organize well. Then inspire your members with courage, confidence, and enthusiasm for the task before them. Decide to reach your goal in at least six weeks. Discourage them from dragging it into several months. Provide each authorized solicitor with a suitable map or outline of his or her territory. See that all have solicitors' cards or letters, and a supply of papers or other material. Do not expect the members to look after their own supplies, because it invariably leads to procrastination. Warn your members against criticizing those who come short of doing their part. It is better to invite them to go along with you to learn how to proceed.

A Victorious Campaign

L. V. FINSTER

The 1928 Harvest Ingathering endeavor throughout the world according to thrilling reports, facts, and figures received by the General Conference Home Missionary Department was a

victorious campaign Elder J. A. Stevens: "In the history of our work there was never a more successful Ingathering campaign than the one we had a year ago." Evidence of this was true in our own field as well as in other parts of the world. Not only has this been true in funds raised, but in souls influenced and won to the truth.

It is of interest to know that during 1928 the sum of \$55,445.18 (gold) was raised in Harvest Ingathering campaigns here in the Far Eastern Division. This is indeed a most inspiring achievement. It reveals what can be accomplished with strong faith under the blessing of God.

Now we face the Harvest Ingathering campaign for 1929. Will it be as successful in its achievements as was the 1928 endeavor? Most decidedly it must be; we feel it must surpass any past achievements. The time of our Lord's return is drawing nearer, and our needs are growing greater. This message is to grow into the "loud cry."

Right in this connection we would suggest a few reasons as to why we feel the 1929 campaign will exceed any previous one:

1. The Harvest ingathering plan is heaven-born; hence when properly conducted it receives the support of both the angels and the Holy Spirit.

2. This phase of our work is a soul-winning agency both in scattering the truth and in raising funds to carry the light to other souls.

3. The papers are being prepared this year, with the aim of setting our work and our needs clearly before the mind of the inquiring public.

4. The people are becoming more and more interested in the work conducted by our society; hence their liberal support.

5. Each year a number of our people are rallying to the activities of the Ingathering work, rendering unstinted service; and this is proving a deep spiritual blessing.

6. Our native workers and lay members now find it possible to share with us in the blessings of the Ingathering activities; thus their added strength and co-operation will help yield returns.

7. The Harvest Ingathering campaign is increasing in influence and

power in every field throughout the world. It is becoming more successful every year; so we can there fore confidently expect 1929 to witness the greatest victory yet attending the campaign in the Far Eastern Division.

Let us then unite our prayers, our hearts, our service; and let us all together make the present campaign not only a victorious one, insofar as funds raised are concerned, but a mighty power in the hands of God in helping to advance into new territory, and in this way quickly finish the work God has committed to our charge.

The Inward Preparation

L. V. FINSTER

THE Harvest Ingathering campaign is a two-edged sword. One edge of this sword is silently cutting away the misrepresentations of the enemy. It is God's ordained means of educating the people of the far East concerning the principles, aims, and activities of Seventh-day Adventists. Multitudes are thus being prepared to study and accept this message. Pentecost and the kingdom of God alone will reveal the mighty preparatory and educational work of the Harvest Ingathering magazines. We are to-day setting the stage for that mighty revival and "loud cry" that is to lighten the earth with the glory of this message.

With the other edge of our Ingathering sword we cleave the darkness of heathenism and cause the light of God's just message to shine into the heart of Satan's kingdom. We gather in the means; we go from door to door with our eyes fixed upon the whitening harvest fields. Money in itself is not our objective. We need a spiritual vision and faith which sees upon Ingathering coins the image of souls saved. It is love for those in darkness that ever impels us onward. The knowledge that our work in this campaign will save a soul for eternity should thrill us through and through. For that one soul Jesus would have died.

What is our inward preparation? In vital essential, it is a passion for souls. But you say, How will this burden for souls come? Tarry long in Gethsemane,

at the cross and by the altar, and God will kindle this flame of passion upon your altar-heart. As your own yearning and longing of souls finds the dear Saviour, He will enthuse you, He will set you into activity for others, that they too may find Jesus. Our greatest need to-day is for that flame of spiritual love which alone can set us on fire for God and for men.

Do we believe that the coming of Jesus is near? Do we know that we have the last message of God for mankind? Do we realize that the call of God is upon us, and that we are made responsible for this generation? Let us determine to enter into the joy of the Lord in personally working for the salvation of souls. In working for others our own souls are blessed, while in withholding the light from others the curse enters our own souls. The trumpet is sounding in Israel to-day. Who will step forward to wield the Harvest Ingathering sword? Should not every Seventh-day Adventist come up to the help of the Lord in this campaign?

"Lord What Wilt Thou Have Me to Do?"

L. V. FINSTER

OUR minds are carried back this Sabbath morning to the experiences of the early Christian church. Its members, and particularly its leaders, all enjoyed the even, unruffled influence emanating from their Lord. The sunshine of His presence had subdued their characters. His love for the lost had changed their selfish, self-centered lives until their all-absorbing ambition was the salvation of others. They had been bathed in the showers, of the "early rain," and the Holy Spirit had enriched their lives. Its constraining power had urged them on and on with the message of the hour against the strongest fortresses of heathen superstition, and they were undaunted as they faced the traditions of the Jewish ceremonies. The rising tide of persecution which finally ended in the martyrdom of the Dark Ages was no serious obstacle to those who had but recently seen their Lord and Master suffer upon the cross. In fact, the memories of that tragic scene were so

real to them that they too longed for the baptism of blood. When the transformed Peter was to be crucified he did not shrink, but said he was not worthy to be crucified as was his Master; and he asked to be nailed to the cross with his head downward.

This Sabbath morning, dear brethren and sisters, we find ourselves surrounded by the closing scenes of earth's history. Many outstanding fulfillments of prophecy have taken place since our last Harvest Ingathering campaign--- fulfillments for which we as a people have looked for many years. Blind indeed, must be that soul who can not read the handwriting on the wall! Hard indeed, must be that heart which does not say, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?"

The Harvest Ingathering campaign for 1929 gives to you and to me another opportunity of revealing our confidence in this advent message---our loyalty to Christ and our love for the salvation of others. Listen, and you will hear the still small voice this Sabbath morning speaking to your heart in no uncertain tone, saying, "Arise and go;" "Arise and shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon thee." We do rejoice that the Lord has revealed His saving message to us. What a blessed privilege it is for us to endeavor to save others. We are told by the servant of the Lord that "God could have reached His object in saving sinners without our aid; but in order for us to develop a character like Christ's, we must share in His work. In order to enter into His joy---the joy of seeking souls redeemed by His sacrifice---we must participate in His labors for their redemption." Let us one and all resolve to do our part as the believers did in the early Christian church, until this advent message has resounded to earth's remotest bounds.

A Few Suggestions

J. A. STEVENS

DURING the 1928 Harvest Ingathering campaign, \$818,335.57 gold was raised in this effort by our people throughout North America, thus furnishing 28.93 percent. of the mission funds raised dur-

ing the entire year. And this money has sent workers into fields to carry the light of truth to those in darkness. Souls have been won, and they in turn are winning other souls. Harvest Ingathering results are accumulative. Indeed, not until the time when the time when the redeemed stand before God, and precious souls respond to their names, who are there because of the faithful, patient efforts put forth to raise Harvest Ingathering funds, will we know how large a number have been saved by the means thus provided.

To-day church elders and leaders should present local plans for the organization of the church for Harvest Ingathering work, in order that all may be in readiness to begin the campaign at the appointed time.

In every church attention should be called to faithfulness in reporting missionary work done during the Harvest Ingathering campaign period. Undoubtedly more missionary work is done by our members at this time than at any other season of the year. But, strange to say, missionary reports are usually fewer in number than at any other time. Do not fail to report. Oftentimes a Bible study is given with a Harvest Ingathering canvass, some one ill is found and treatment administered, or a missionary visit made. *Report, report, report!* And let others know of the good work you are doing. It will encourage greater activity throughout the entire field.

Words Of Appreciation

W. A. SPICER

IT is splendid the way in which the medical centers are developing over the East, we continually get good news from the world field. Rumania reports 39 new churches received into one conference---the Transylvania Conference. Their meeting covered a two-year term, but it seems almost impossible that regular work could have so increased their churches in two years.

Brother H. E. Rugers tells us that his new report shows fifty-five languages added last year. That is a marvelous record. Our total is 335. now.

The Sabbath School Department ---- Far Eastern Division

Notes From the Sabbath Schools

MRS. I. H. EVANS

North China

"I AM glad that I can report eighteen live, growing Sabbath schools in the North China Union," writes Brother H. N. Broderson, the union Sabbath school secretary. They are working to increase the home division members, seeing in this plan an opportunity for missionary work for the neighbors and friends of the isolated believers. When the work was started in Shansi, a Sabbath school was immediately organized at Taiyuanfu; and from the reports that come of the work being done it is hoped that other schools will soon be organized. Faithful departmental secretaries are carrying on the work in Shantung and Hopei. They are working hard; but in the Sabbath school work we can not leave all responsibility to the secretaries. Every church member has a duty to perform toward the Sabbath school."

East China

"We need another Sabbath school card in Chinese," wrote Mrs. K. H. Wood recently. This need was for a "Transfer of Membership" slip, which is being stocked in Chinese by the Press. This card will make it easy for those who attend a summer school, for instance, to transfer their membership without loss of credits in attendance and daily study.

At the time of the Investment Fund offering at the close of the second quarter, \$224 Mexican was taken up by the three churches in Shanghai, as follows: Range Road, \$127; Sanitarium, \$67; and East Shanghai, \$30. "I hope we may receive \$1,000

Mexican from the Investment fund in 1929," writes Mrs. Wood. "If we can do this, it will help on our per capita."

Chosen

At the recent biennial meeting for Chosen, held in Seoul during the latter part of June, Mrs. Theodora Wangerin, union Sabbath school secretary, gave an excellent report. Following are a few outstanding items from it:

It is now twenty-five years since the third angel's message entered Chosen. As we review the wonderful way in which God has led us, we can only exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" Our organized Sabbath schools now number 121, a gain of 17 for the two-year period; and our membership stands at 5,633, a gain of 1,025. We are sorry that we can not report a membership of 6,000, but we hope and pray that our membership may reach this mark before the year ends. Though our church members are more faithful in attending Sabbath school than they have ever been, there is still a large number of missing members every Sabbath, and we must work for greater faithfulness. During the period covered, there were 2,353 members who were present every Sabbath, and 1,251 who studied the lesson every day. To 161 persons who had maintained a perfect record in attendance and daily study for *three years*, a little leather case to hold the lesson pamphlet was given; and 1,314 persons received a book-mark as a reward for a year of perfect attendance and daily study. For the two-year period the Sabbath school offering amounted to Yen 14,450; and it may be noted that for the twenty-five year period the total

Sabbath school offerings have been Yen 63,387

Over The Top

BERTHA SHANKS CHANEY

THE Sabbath school of the Philippine Junior College, which is located in a suburb of Manila, set their Thirteenth Sabbath offering goal for the second quarter at Pesos 92. There are 185 students enrolled, and they rather thought that if they gave an offering which would average fifty centavos a piece, that would be about all they could do.

Their energetic young Filipino superintendent kept the goal before them by putting placards up in the chapel, and in other ways. A field day was organized, and twenty-seven went out to sell booklets and magazines. Pesos 23 was cleared in this way in a few hours on the Sunday before the offering was given. A number of young men who work in the woodworking department of the college and cannot well leave their work, volunteered to give what they would earn on field day, or half what they would earn.

Even the children entered into the effort. The leader of their division suggested that they make the week a week of sacrifice, since they were too young to go out and sell papers or to work; and they saved their centavos instead of buying the sweets they are so fond of.

The spirit of helping forward the great missionary movement which is being carried on by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, swept into the school, and, to the great joy of all, when the offering was counted it summed up Pesos 138.11.



General view of faculty and students, China Theological Seminary.

The Sabbath school at this place is of special interest

Literature Ministry

Colporteur Work—Chosen Union

R. W. PEARSON

(Synopsis of report rendered by R. W. Pearson, field secretary of the Chosen Union, during the biennial session held June 20-29, 1929).

It is with thankfulness and praise in our hearts that we report to you concerning the literature ministry in the Chosen Union for the biennial period under review. Many books have been sold, but no doubt the thing which has caused the most interest is the growth of our *Signs* subscription list. The five months in the year 1929 have witnessed a very healthy increase, averaging a thousand a month, until now 21,000 are going out monthly.

Our desire is not only to sell lots of books, but we want our literature to lead souls to Christ. We see evidences of advance in several parts of our field, due to the literature ministry. A company of over twenty members has been raised up in the Central Mission as the result of one young man who read the *Signs* magazine. We believe firmly in the motto, "More Signs, More Souls."

We believe that before Jesus comes the literature work will be one of the greatest movements in Chosen. Our prospects are bright; we are full of hope and courage; we believe the Lord has great things in store for us here in the future. May we each realize the importance of the printed page, and consecrate our lives to the Lord for greater service. Thus the work will quickly be finished, and we shall hear those beautiful words, "Well done, good and faithful servant," said to each of us.

North China Union

A. A. ESTEB

ONE of our Hopei colporteurs has won several men to the truth. He writes me now of two more who have promised to pay tithe. Only yesterday a letter came from him telling of another man who has promised to pay five dollars *Mex.* a month tithe. This colporteur is Mr. Han, who came to our institute a few months ago, and told us he felt he had been especially "called" to the colporteur work. I believe that when men feel a "call" to work for the Lord, they manifest a faith and courage that God can bless. Truly the Lord works through His chosen instruments. This man is working in villages and small towns, yet he sold over \$210 *Mex.* worth of our literature in March.

A Prince and a Great Man Has Fallen

THEODORA WANGERIN

SOME months ago, when on my way home from a trip to the far north, I stopped at one of our oldest churches in the Central Mission of Chosen, and learned with sadness of the death of a devoted member, Brother Whang-Young-III. It was said that our brother had indeed been one of the pillars of that church.

May I narrate a few circumstances connected with his Christian experience. Brother Whang-Young-III accepted present truth about eighteen or nineteen years ago. As he was the only one in the family to accept of Christianity, his relatives were very bitter. For twelve long years the persecution from his father and other relatives was great. Not being permitted to worship in his home, he went out to the hills to pray. It was said that for six years, every morning he went without fail to a certain grove a short distance from his home. During these seasons of seeking the Lord, he prayed much for the conversion of his father and relatives.

About eight years ago the family moved to another house. Ten large "crocks" in which the idols were kept, were also moved. Thinking that he must do something to arouse in some way his father so that he would see the utter futility of spirit worship, he broke all ten of these crocks! The father became very angry, and after giving his son a severe beating, he forbade our brother to come home either to sleep or to eat. But the son continued to pray much for his father, and two months later he was rewarded by seeing his father turn towards Christianity.

During the past five or six years all of the family have come into the faith. As the result of the earnest prayer and faithful work of our brother, four families of relatives have accepted the truth—about thirty members in all. Half of the church members are related to this canvasser.

The father, a lovely old gentleman who at one time so bitterly persecuted his son, became the elder of that church four years ago! And it is indeed a miracle to see what progress he has made in his spiritual life. He has developed into a staunch Christian.

Our brother comes from a wealthy home. Three years ago he decided to give his entire time to the colporteur work. He closed his shop and began to go from place to place. It was while out selling our literature, that he died. On this trip he had been away from home for about forty days. Before leaving his home he had told his father that this time he would be away from home for a long, long time. He had made preparations to stay out and canvass for some time. While on this trip, he

sold many books, and then came on to Seoul to get more territory in which to work. Four days after he came to Seoul, he died unexpectedly of double pneumonia. What a sad experience it was for the old father to come to Seoul to get the remains of his beloved son!

Every evening while at that place, the brethren would gather in this home and try to comfort the family by singing songs of Zion, by reading precious promises, and by relating experiences of our brother while fighting the battles of the Lord; and then they would all pray together. Although the few days spent at this church were days of sadness, yet they brought joy to my heart. It was a pleasure to see our brethren comforting each other in this manner.

We believe that although our brother is resting from his labors, his works will follow him, and that many more will accept of present truth as the result of his work of love and sacrifice.

Siam's Railways: Shortening the Distance to Europe

WHILE the development of air passenger traffic is being watched with some interest in Siam and Malaya the railways are steadily shortening the distances between the Far East and Europe.

The linking up with the Burma and the Siamese lines by the trans-peninsular line joining the Siamese system at Prachuab Krikan, will put Bangkok 36 hours by rail from Moulmein, as against thirty-four by rail to Penang. The respective distances will be to Moulmein 1,298 kms. and to Penang 1,158 kms.

Work is now proceeding on the Burma side, and Mergui is expected to be reached in 1932, and from Moulmein to Akyab, the fashionable place for aviators from the west, bound for the Far East to alight, a line is being built which will enable the rail journey between the two points to be made inside 24 hours.

From Akyab to Calcutta it is 20 hours by a good steamer. In other words in five years' time if construction is continued at the present pace, it will be possible utilising boat and rail services, travelling at ordinary speeds, to make London from Bangkok in 16 days, as compared with the 24 or 25 days now taken journeying by train to Penang and thence Home by mail steamer and across France by train.

This new route would be: Train Bangkok to Akyab; boat to Calcutta; train to Karachi; boat to Basra; thence train to Calais, if, as seems not unlikely, an understanding is about to be reached between Britain and Turkey regarding railway building.—"Straits Times."

Note and Comment

West China Union

SOME most interesting stories were told by Pastor M. C. Warren during the Spring Council of 1929 in Shanghai.

When passing from West Kweichow to West Szechwan, Brother Warren found two places in the latter field where a number were interested in present truth. These interests were followed up by Pastor Hughes, and now about thirty are keeping the Sabbath as a result. At another place twenty were found keeping holy the seventh-day Sabbath. One member of this newly formed organization was a subscriber to the *Shepherd*, and had induced several others to send in subscriptions.

In the West Kweichow Mission, under the directorship of Pastor Ho I Deng, with headquarters at Pichieh, we have one hundred thirty-four baptized believers. During a recent annual meeting held in Pichieh, the spirit of the Lord touched many a heart, including members of the Nosu and the Miao tribes, and souls are being won as a result.

Pastor Warren reported that "on the way to the Pichieh meeting we stopped one night at the home of a poor Miao believer. There were a number gathered in that evening, and a little girl and a little boy were brought forward. They said the children wanted to repeat some verses. The little girl and little boy repeated the whole of the first chapter. They kept repeating until when they finished they had repeated the whole book of Ephesians without any assistance. Then they repeated the five-star memory verse set, without any help. The little boy seemed to follow along when they were repeating Ephesians, but when repeating the memory verses Esther, the little girl, had to follow him a bit.

"You will be interested to know that it is a Nosu worker who has been helping them with this memory work. She not only works in this district, but walks back and forth over a distance of fifteen stages. She doesn't know what it is to ride, and yet she has time to train children like that.

"This little girl had fifty cents, and wanted to know if that would be enough to take her to the annual meeting at Pichieh and back home. I told her I thought it would be enough. *It was.* She went to the meeting and enjoyed it. It was cold weather. She was a poor orphan, having no relatives. The only clothes she had were some discarded clothes that some of the friends had given her; but she went

to the meeting with the fifty cents, and returned with new clothes. I believe when we trust in the Lord it is hard for Him to refuse to answer our prayers.

"I met an old Miao farmer who wanted to repeat verses the same as the little children had done. This old gentleman couldn't read a character two years ago. He was very coarse featured. He repeated the whole book of Ephesians, and then started on the five-star memory set, but I asked him to wait until the next morning, as it was very late and cold. The next morning he was around early to repeat the rest of the verses. He would have gone with us to the annual meeting, but could not leave his wife, who was down with typhus.

"You will agree with me that only the blessing of God has made possible the opening of two new provincial missions—East Kweichow and Yunnan—the past year; for when we think of the conditions that prevailed during 1927, we can only give God the thanks for these two new missions. Surely angels have been holding the winds of strife."

Chosen Union Training School 1927-28

H. M. LEE

(Synopsis of report rendered at the biennial session of Chosen Union Mission, June 20-29, 1929, by Pastor H. M. Lee, principal of Chosen Union Training School).

THE two-year period under review has brought us many privileges and blessings. In 1927, when Professor Frederick Griggs was with us for a short period, a number of students were baptized. On a later visit, during 1928, when he could stay with us a full ten days, sixty of the students were baptized. During the present year Pastor C. W. Lee met with teachers and students, and as a result a baptismal class has been formed.

The school enrollment includes one hundred in the primary grades, one hundred sixteen in the higher grades, eleven in the ministerial department, and twelve in the women's training course—a total of two hundred eighty-nine. One of the leading features the past year has been a ministerial training class, under the auspices of Pastor C. W. Lee. Eleven have been in attendance.

Our training course for women Bible workers numbers twelve.

Our industrial department, while bringing considerable help, has not yet become fully self-supporting, nor have we sufficient labor of certain sorts to meet the growing demand. We are giving study to this and other problems, and are working toward the end that our youth may be "as plants grown up" and "as corner-stones polished after the similitude of a palace."

Results of Big Week in Philippines

M. F. WIEDEMANN

DURING 1926 some one sold a copy of the Big Week booklet to a dentist in a certain town. Both he and his wife were greatly stirred up over what they read. They were Protestants, and were much agitated by the contents of the book. Finally they met one of our workers who was able to explain more of the truth to them, and as a result both the dentist and his wife are now loyal, baptized members of our church in their town.

During 1927 a home missionary worker sold one of the booklets, "The Story of Jesus," to a man on the Island of Romblon. His interest was aroused, and as a result he and his whole family have been baptized. Word has recently come to us of another family who have found the way to life as a result of the 1927 Big Week book. Do you think it pays, brethren, to take part in this campaign? It takes only a few hours of our time, and the results are bound to be gratifying.

Progress in Northern Luzon

BERTHA SHANKS CHANEY

IN February and March I spent five weeks in Northern Luzon, in company with Pastor Roda, visiting churches and Sabbath schools right down the coastal plain from Laoag, Ilocos Norte, to Burgos, Pangasian.

According to our custom when holding Sabbath school conventions, the new mission map was frequently hung up during our trip, and used as a basis from which to present the great missionary program carried on by our church throughout the world. In later meetings the map was frequently referred to and there could be no doubt of the absorbing interest our people had in it.

While in this northern territory, I took occasion to make a three-days' trip to Bontoc, in between conventions. It surely seems the message for these last days must be established soon among the sturdy, self-reliant mountain people of the interior of Northern Luzon.

A Spray for Destroying Insects.

TO KILL mosquitoes, flies, moths, etc., in the house, the following mixture, freely sprayed by means of an atomiser pump, will be found useful: 1 gallon Kerosene, 2 ounces Oil of Citronella, 1 ounce Oil of Camphor, ½ ounce Oil of Wintergreen.

While spraying, and for half an hour afterwards, keep the doors and windows closed.

Women's Bible Institute in Hangchow

MRS. B. MILLER

We opened our Bible institutes at Hangchow the sixth of March, with an enrollment of twelve regular attendants—six men and six women. There were several others attending part of the time. Our daily program was as follows: Class work from 8.30 a.m. until 12 m; 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. The rest of the afternoon we spent in personal work.

We used five hundred sets of broadsides during these two months, separating by twos to visit the homes around the territory near our chapel. At the close of our institute we had fourteen new inquirers, and had begun giving Bible readings to these interested parties. Report has come to us that several more have come to our chapel who are interested through the influence of these fourteen. We plan to gather the same class for Bible study next year, and thus prepare a few for service.

Following our institute, we visited fifteen of our stations. Everywhere we go, we find that God is working on the hearts of our people. At Oe Toong we found a very interesting case. An old lady living with her family of more than one hundred members could read her Bible, and she had a good understanding of our message. She is lame and can hardly walk. The rain poured down; but she was brave, and was baptized. Several women in this large family are interested in the gospel.

At another place we have one family where eleven people are united in the gospel. A wonderful miracle has been wrought in this family. A child formerly deformed and unable to walk, has been healed by prayer. The child can walk, and seems perfectly all right. At this place we have three faithful sisters who do home missionary work, and they have won more souls to God than the Bible women. We find that when our people get the spirit of labor for others our work makes rapid progress.

Here in Shanghai one of our faithful sisters goes out every day to work for souls, unless home conditions prevent. She wanted me to go with her the other day to give Bible studies to some of her converts, and I found that she has six women who can be prepared for baptism. Last winter this sister came to our women's prayer meeting one Thursday afternoon and wept. I asked her what the trouble was. She said she had been working with one old lady who is practically blind, and her daughter-in-law had kicked her out of the house. She continued to go, and

the other day she took me to this home. The old lady's eyes have been healed in answer to prayer and the son and daughter-in-law are favorable to the gospel. I could not but praise the Lord for the power of a life that is hid with God in Christ. I realize more than ever before that the progress of our work depends upon our churches uniting with us in soul-winning.

May God give us who lead out in this closing work, the true spirit of soul-winning is my earnest prayer.

From Pastor M. C. Warren

UNDER date of July 18, Brother Warren writes of various features of the work in the West China Union. He has spent several weeks in Chungking, inasmuch as many difficulties have been arising requiring his presence at headquarters.

He writes: "It seems that one trouble follows another in swift succession. One of our best Chinese workers, the district leader of the — district, is in the third class jail in —, and every effort of ours has failed thus far to secure his release. The man is guilty of no wrong. He built a structure on our mission lot in that city; and, though the house is two feet within the line set in our deed as our boundary, he is accused of having encroached on the neighbor's land. It is only an attempt on the part of the officials in the place to crush our work and extort money from us. A telegram states that our brother is very sick,—and little wonder, when he is confined in that foul place during this very hot weather.

"Our chapel at — was wrecked and looted by soldiers who had turned against constituted authority and had become a law unto themselves. The workers barely escaped with their lives. In fact, the Bible woman died a few days later.

"Pastor — was called from — to assist in getting — out of prison. He writes me that he made the trip to —, though when he left home his wife had been sick with dysentery for two weeks and was having a temperature of 104. He was doing all he could to help Brother — out, but did not know whether his own wife was still alive or not. He tried to call on the magistrate, but the man would not meet him. Our only hope of help is in the Lord.

"The evangelist and his wife at another station near — were almost beaten to death, and were caused to flee....

"Conditions seem better in Kweiyang just now. I hear there is trouble in Yunnan. No mail has come through for some time."

Among the Dusuns of Borneo

Brother Rowland reports that there are six different places among the Dusun tribe where workers should be immediately placed. The Dusuns live over a scattered area in the north of Borneo, and besides this tribe there are many other tribes, chiefly Dyaks, who gladly receive instruction in matters spiritual.

Brother Rowland writes further: "On one of my recent trips I walked twenty-three miles in order to visit two villages where an interest has been awakened among these people. From one of the villages there are six who make the trip of twenty miles every Sabbath, coming and going, to attend Sabbath school. As I went to this village, I was surprised, when we called them together, to meet thirty men and women who had come to hear. When asked how many wanted a home in the better world (which has been pictured to them), there were about twenty who held up their hands. The Lord has been moving on the hearts of these heathen, and they are coming to the light. We need much of the Holy Spirit's power; for He alone can change the heart. We want to be so consecrated to the service of God that the Spirit may use us to accomplish His will among the people. Remember Borneo at the throne of grace."

Tithe-Paying Stories

BERTHA SHANKS CHANEY

AMONG the many interesting features which marked the annual meeting of the Northern Luzon Mission in May, 1929, were the impromptu testimonies given one afternoon in the conference session. Here and there arose a brother or a sister to tell of special deliverances or blessings. One man told of how the fields of neighbors had been trampled and badly damaged by carabaos at night, while his own fields, lying next the road along which the huge gray creatures had passed, were untouched. He felt that this protection had been given because of his faithfulness in tithe-paying.

Another had seven cocoanut trees, one of which was dedicated to the Lord.

Sister Afenir, the director's wife, told of material blessings coming from carefully counting and tithing the eggs. There was some sort of epidemic that went through the Philippines a few months ago, killing off chickens like flies. Sister Afenir lost none, and her neighbors came to her to ask what kind of medicine she gave them to keep them all so healthy. She has four exceedingly energetic little boys who take a very lively interest in all this.

GENERAL PROGRAM — SPRING MUSICAL RECITAL

Given by the Students of the Far Eastern Academy
On the Lawn, 7 p. m., May 13, 1929

Part I

- Piano Trio: "La Belle Francaise" Clarence Miller,
Helen Warren, Henry Kuhn
- Song: "The Invitation" Advanced Singing Class
- Piano Solos:
- a. (1) "The Zoo"
 - (2) "The Muffin Man" Gilbert Sissons
 - b. "Little Boy Blue" Bernice Gillis
 - c. "The Waltzing Doll" Mary Lou Lee
 - d. (1) "The Sandmans Song"
 - (2) "Laughing Waters" Kathryn White
 - e. "Fairy Boat" Valerie Mountain
 - f. "Holiday's Rejoicings" Irene Barrows
- Piano Duets:
- a. "The First Violet of Spring" Alice Kuhn, and
Eleanor Warren
 - b. (1) "Jack and Jill"
 - (2) "Little Bo-Peep" Carlton Gjording and
Maude Miller
- Songs:
- (1) "Smile and Be Cheery"
 - (2) "Clock Song" Primary Room
- Piano Solos:
- a. "Roses For You" Eunice Cossentine
 - b. "Flower Song" Walter Barrows
 - c. "A Parade" Barbara Kime
 - d. "The Roses Dream" Dorothy Lee
 - e. "Irish Melody" Allan Cossentine
 - f. "The Moon Glade" Spencer Kime
- Trio: "Young Hearts" Eleanor Warren,
Frederic Strahle, Barbara Kime

Part II

- Songs:
- (1) "Before All Lands"
 - (2) "Chiming Bells" Advanced Singing Class
- Piano Solos:
- a. "Souvenir" Frederic Strahle
 - b. "Spring Song" Eleanor Warren
 - c. "Rondino In G" Vernon Mountain
 - d. "Hungarian Dance" Kenneth Wood
 - e. "Traumerei" Helen Warren
 - f. "Morning Prayer" Ruby Wang
 - g. "Trailing Moonflowers" Mrs. W. E. Eberhardt
- Piano Duets:
- a. "The Burial of a Doll" Dorothy Lee and
Kenneth Wood
 - b. "Snowdrops" Milton Lee and C. Miller
- Song: "The Violet" Primary Room
- Piano Duets:
- a. "In the Forest" Lillian Anderson and
Maude Miller
 - b. "Young Volunteers" Ethel Miller and
Maude Miller
- Piano Solos:
- a. "Menuet" Henry Kuhn
 - b. "Song of the Troubadour" Janet Wood
 - c. "Skirt Dance" Clarence Miller
- Song: "Sunshine and Rain" Singing Classes

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In harmony with our usual custom we have combined two issues of the summer months, bearing date of August and September, 1929.

THE WEEK OF SACRIFICE

For five consecutive years our workers and many of our brethren and sisters throughout the world have united in dedicating to God during a Week of Sacrifice appointed each year, the equivalent of a week's wage or average income.

We are about to come to the Week of Sacrifice for 1929, and the Far Eastern Division has fixed upon the date for the China field, as October 6-12. This week includes October 10, a memorable day indeed for China, and suggesting noble sacrifice. Let us all take part, and show honor to God and to His holy word by dedicating to Him the wages or other income we usually receive for one week. The funds should be gathered up in all our churches in China on Sabbath, October 12, 1929, and forwarded to the provincial treasury.

The Division brethren have stated the plan in a resolution reading as follows:

"Whereas, The Week of Sacrifice is designed not only as a means of gathering funds for our mission endeavors, but also to teach our people the meaning of personal sacrifice as a fundamental element in our character and Christian experience; and,

"Whereas, There is an increasing need of more funds to carry the rapid advancement of our message into unworked fields therefore,—

"Resolved, That we endeavor to thoroughly acquaint each worker with the purposes and blessings of the Week of Sacrifice, and urge every one to take his full part in it."

The Chosen Union have been authorized to have their Week of Sacrifice September 21-28, 1929. The world date, followed in several of the Unions in the Far Eastern Division, is November 23-30.

The offering given at the time named is not one that is enforced upon our workers and laymen, but is a free-will offering. All are most cordially invited to participate. And may Heaven's blessing rest upon every giver.

TRANSFERS

Miss Ida E. Thompson, from the Central China Union (Hankow) to the Shanghai Sanitarium, to serve as preceptress of the Nurses' Dormitory at No. 150, Rubicon Road.

Miss Hwang Mo Hsin, from the South China Union, to Chiao Tou Djen, to serve as preceptress at China Theological Seminary.

Brother and Sister W. P. Henderson and son Milton, from division headquarters, to Mukden, Manchuria, where Brother Henderson is to be field missionary secretary of the Manchurian Union.

Pastor and Mrs. L. B. Mershon, formerly of British North Borneo, now to serve in Malay States Mission, with headquarters at Kuala-Lumpur. Brother Mershon is director of the mission in that important yet difficult field, largely Moslem.

ARRIVALS

Brother and Sister Ithiel E. Gillis, from the States, for service in the Chosen Union, where Brother Gillis has been appointed secretary-treasurer, with headquarters at Seoul (address c/o S. D. A. Mission, Outside East Gate, Seoul, Chosen). This family of recruits come not as strangers inasmuch as Brother Ithiel has spent nearly twenty years of his life in the Far East; and when he returned from college for service, he came direct to Shanghai in order to have a visit with his parents, Pastor and Mrs. W. E. Gillis, prior to taking up work in Korea. Thus another has been added to our growing list of workers of the second generation of our entry into the Far East.

Pastor and Mrs. L. B. Mershon, from furlough, in Australasia and the States, for a third term of service in the Malayan Union.

Pastor and Mrs. E. R. Thiele and son Lorwin, from Washington, D. C., U. S. A., for another term of service; Brother Thiele resuming his work as a member of the editorial staff at the Shanghai Signs of the Time Publishing House.

Mrs. L. V. Finster, from the United States and South Africa, for another term of service in the Far East. Sister Finster will teach in Far Eastern Academy, and her address is No. 25, Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China.

Brother and Sister H. A. Anderson and daughter Dorothy, from Seoul, for service in Shanghai, where Brother Anderson has been appointed manager of the Signs of the Times Publishing House.

Brother and Sister E. J. Kraft, from furlough in the States, for another term of service in Japan. Their address, as formerly, is Box 7, Yodobashi P. O., Tokyo, Japan, Brother Kraft again resuming charge of the book work in Japan Union. For upwards of a year Brother A. Koch has made excellent records as leader of literature distribution, and has endeavored to spiritualize the work and to secure substantial returns in the winning of souls.

Miss Ruby Barnett, from North Pacific Union, arrived in Shanghai per s. s. "Empress of Asia," and is to go on to the Philippine Union September 19 to serve as nurse in the Sanitarium at Manila.

BIRTHS

Born, in Shanghai, August 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Coberley of the Central China Union, a daughter, Lois Faye.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Buzzell, of Kweiyang, Kweichow, a son, Master Alexander.

Born, June 24, to Pastor and Mrs. W. B. Riffel, of the Southern Luzon Mission, P. I., a son, Gordon William.

DEPARTURES

August 24, per s. s. "Empress of Russia," Brother and Sister H. W. Barrows and their children, H. Walter, Jr., and Miss Irene, on furlough. Brother Barrows goes at this time as the representative for the Far Eastern Division at the coming Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee, appointed for Columbus, Ohio, where Pastor S. E. Jackson also is to be in attendance.

Mr. H. J. Bass and family left Korea the 4th of July, returning from Keizan, South Chosen Mission, to the States on furlough.

Mrs. L. I. Bowers and children, of Korea, left for the States on furlough, per s. s. "Siberia Maru," sailing from Kobe about the 31st of July.

Mrs. J. G. Gjording and children left Shanghai August 7 for Singapore, accompanying Pastor Gjording, who has charge of the work in the Malayan Union.

THE SHANGHAI SANITARIUM EXTENSION CLINIC

Unusual providences are still accompanying the efforts of Brethren Miller, Strahle, and associates in the effort to secure sufficient to warrant the completion of the entire building project outlined by controlling committees in behalf of the Shanghai Sanitarium Extension Clinic at 35 Range Road — in the very heart of this city. Almost daily new friends are appearing to assist materially in the consummation of the project which now seems to be assured of success in every way.

RETURN TO BATAKLAND

Pastor D. S. Kime sailed from Shanghai August 20 for Batakland. It will be recalled that after many years of service in work that could be done without a permit, Brother Kime has been given permission to labor freely in a large district of Batakland in Central Sumatra. The prayers of all go with Brother Kime as he returns to that great mission field, now being conducted under the auspices of the Central European Division. His address is Sipogoe, via Sipirok, Sumatra, Netherlands East Indies.

WITH THE SICK AT THE SANITARIUM

Among the patients at the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital of late have been a number of workers from various parts of the Far East. The benefits of this institution are being felt more and more as our workers learn of advantages offered.

Several have made only a brief stay, for minor ailments; others have remained longer; some have undergone serious operations. All have happily recovered, or else are convalescing.

Among those to come in from the fields, are Mrs. D. S. Williams from Chiao Tou Djen, Mrs. R. M. Milne from Canton, Professor and Mrs. G. G. Hamp from Changsha, Professor F. A. Landis from Chiao Tou Djen, Pastor W. E. Gillis from East China Union.

Shanghai workers have included Pastor I. H. Evans, who for a time was seriously ill and suffered much following an operation for appendicitis, but who has now returned to his home on Ningkuo Road and is daily gaining strength. Fortunately, he had completed the round of union sessions in various fields prior to this time of illness; and present prospects are that he can meet appointments made for autumn and winter.

Others who have recently been in the Sanitarium as patients, are Miss Bessie Mount, who has made good recovery; Mrs. J. G. Gjording, who later went on to Singapore; Mrs. Dr. Griggs; Professor C. A. Carter of Kiukiang; Mrs. A. A. Esteb of Peiping, Pastor and Mrs. V. J. Maloney and children of Foochow; Professor Lin of Foochow; Professor Chiang of Wenchow; Pastor Ang and family of Swatow.

Of guests other than members of our mission there have been many of all ranks and classes, including His Excellency, the President of the Republic of China, and Madame Chiang, several members of the cabinet and of the army and navy, the head of the national legislature; and many from business and professional ranks; physicians, bishops, missionaries. The rooms have been full to overflowing all the while. It will be a boon to the Sanitarium when the Extension Clinic can be completed. The prospects are that the Clinic will be ready for occupancy by mid-year, of 1930.