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## Our Duty to Our Brethren in Distress

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**T**HERE is perhaps no attribute more emphasized in the Bible than that of charity. Charity is something that can not be exercised in behalf of oneself; it is that which calls forth from within us something that will respond to the help and need of others. It is a Christian duty and obligation on the part of those who are strong and who possess, to come to the aid of those who are weak and in poverty.

Today a great flood has stricken China. It is one of the greatest of the world's disasters in modern days and if not the greatest flood that has swept over China, it is second only to the great inundation of 1870 that caused such great loss of life and property. It is too early to estimate all the losses that have come to our brethren and sisters whose properties and all they possess are still submerged in the flood waters that cover great territories of China today.

We recognize that we are living in the day of God's judgment upon the earth and we know that the predicted disasters on land and sea will become more and more frequent and more extensive as we near the close of time. I would say to our church members who have escaped the perils of this and other great disasters that it should be a clarion call to us to place what we have on the altar for service in God's work while it may yet be used. To us who believe in Christ's second coming — that the end of the world is near — the recent flood should serve as a warning and lead us to a preparation of heart and soul to meet whatever may be before us. Our sympathy and our help should flow out bountifully to those of our brethren in need. Some day it may be you and I who have lost all and find ourselves in great need.

We are very thankful that such a large number of our believers throughout China have escaped the perils of this flood, but many have suffered and at this time are most deserving of the utmost we can do to bring comfort and aid. So far as our limited means will permit, we should bring restoration of what they have lost that they may be placed on an equal footing with us. Just as the early Apostolic church cared for the needs of those who had naught, so should we respond today. We read that after the great power of God's Holy Spirit was poured upon the church there was not "any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold, and laid them down at the apostles' feet; and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need." Acts 4: 34-35.

There is a time for the church to carry out its faith and its teachings in a practicable way, and this never brings loss to those who are moved through the influence of God's Spirit. That which we give will prove a blessing to the giver, and will bring great relief to those in need.

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## Note and Comment

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### A WORD OF SYMPATHY

With sorrow Mrs. Crisler and the writer learned a day or two ago, through a London paper, of the disastrous floods throughout the Yangtze basin. The accounts reaching us, though meager, are sufficiently full to cause us much concern, and to lead us to pray that the Lord's special mercies may be vouchsafed to the imperiled millions, including many of our own communion within the devastated area. We wish we might be nearer by, to render practical aid. Our sympathies go out after the suffering ones.

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### ARRIVALS

Pastor E. H. James and family, of Central China, and Pastor H. B. Parker and family, of South China returning from furlough per S. S. "Tatsuta Maru" arrived in Shanghai August 26, enroute to their fields of labor.

On the "Tatsuta Maru" were Professor and Mrs. Cecil Woods and child for service in the science department at the China Training Institute. Also Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson, for service in Kweiyang, Kweichow, West China.

The friends of Pastor and Mrs. J. G. Gjording were pleased to greet them as they passed through Shanghai, enroute to Singapore.

The "Empress of Japan" on September 1, carried as some of its passengers, Professor and Mrs. Frost and daughter of Shanghai, also Pastor and Mrs. Esteb and children of the North China Union, all of whom were returning from furlough.

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### SHANSI MISSION

WRITING from Peiping, Brother Appel sends a cheering word in regard to the work in the Shansi Mission. To quote: "I have just made another trip to Taiyuanfu, where I found the workers of good courage, and pushing the work in every department. The Shansi Mission reports twenty baptisms already this year, and Pastor Meng told me they would have at least that many more before the end of the year."

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WEEK OF PRAYER—  
DECEMBER 12 TO 19

### THE WORK IN SOUTH CHEKIANG

G. L. WILKINSON

SINCE the meeting in Nanking (April 15-24) we have held six consecutive meetings for our believers in different parts of the field, with a good interest and a good attendance. We are holding evangelistic efforts in our tent all the while, as well as other efforts in chapels and rented buildings. We have had 112 baptisms to date, which has brought our membership up to 924. The prospects are good that our membership will go well over the thousand mark by the end of the year.

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### DEPARTURE

BROTHER H. W. BARROWS and family left Shanghai August 31 on the "Empress of Russia" enroute to Washington, where they plan to make their home. Brother Barrows has accepted a call to connect with the General Conference auditing department.

It is with a great deal of regret that we lose Brother and Sister Barrows from the work in China, where they have worked so faithfully since their arrival in 1916.

In the early part of February of this year, Brother Barrows accepted work at the Shanghai Sanitarium as general manager and treasurer; Sister Barrows assisted in the accounting department. The Lord greatly blessed their effort in this work. During the period of their service at the sanitarium the collections in relation to the receipts were one hundred per cent. This is an excellent record, and the collections may be taken as an index as to how carefully the work was being looked after. The general physical plans of the Sanitarium and Clinic were likewise cared for, and every one appreciated the efficient help these friends rendered our work during this time of great need. Brother Barrows had not been in good health at any time, and felt greatly the strain of the work. The latter part of July he underwent a very serious operation from which he made a most satisfactory recovery.

A large group of our church members—both foreign and Chinese—were down to see them off, besides many of the business men and friends here in Shanghai.

As Brother and Sister Barrows leave for their new field of labor, we are sure they will be greatly missed by everyone in the China Division. Our prayers shall go with them that God may be very gracious and richly bless them.

### FROM KWEIYANG, KWEICHOW

M. C. WARREN

WE reached Kweiyang last Sunday night (August 9), and are holding meetings for about a week, and plan to leave next Sunday morning by bus for Chenning, four stages on the way to Yunnanfu, which place we hope to reach August 28, D. V. We started our loads along by carrier this morning. It is to our advantage that the days are long, but this is the season for rain. Rain does not hold us up if we have stone to walk on, as we have had from Chungking down here, but there are sections of the Yunnan road without stone.

We called at the yamen of Governor Mao, and secured a travel pass for the trip that calls for soldiers when it is considered necessary. The road is reported open, but small bands of robbers are operating in sections. We are of good courage and feel that the Lord is leading us. Of course we do not know into what He is leading us, but as long as we can know that He is leading we can leave all with Him.

We covered the last five stages from Tsunyi to Kweiyang by bus, making it in one day. What a change from the way I came over that road in 1918, and again in 1919, when we spent five days and a Sabbath each time! Work is being done on the road that will connect Kweiyang with the Yangtze. When that road is completed we will be able to make the trip in short time. The survey has been completed for a railroad from Chungking right south to Kweiyang and then on scuth. Early next year the road may be open for auto traffic between Kweiyang and Pichieh. It is reported that work is being done on the auto road from Yunnanfu to the border of Kweichow. It will soon be much easier to cover our field than it is today, and it is much easier now than it was two or three years ago.

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### MUKDEN HOSPITAL

If present plans carry, the new Clinic in the city of Mukden will be ready for operation by November 1, and the Hospital will be under roof by October 1.

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### BIRTHS

BORN, September 1, to Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Schutt, of the South China Union, a daughter, Evelyn Mae.

BORN, September 20, to Dr. and Mrs. Martin Vinkel of Mukden, Manchuria, a son, Edward Gordon.

## VISITOR FROM ABROAD

From the Home Board, we learn that Pastor O. Montgomery is to be with the China Division during its Quadrennial Council.

## SACRIFICES IN EUROPE

For a few weeks following the close of our annual meeting in Harbin, Manchuria, it has been the privilege of the undersigned to meet with several groups of believers in Europe. No attempt was made to visit with any of our faith in either Siberia or Russia, inasmuch as there are stringent regulations in effect controlling the conduct of all Christians, of whatever sect, in those regions. My first direct contact with those of our faith, was in Warsaw, Poland, where I visited the conference headquarters and the publishing house. Other denominational centers were touched, in Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Germany, Belgium, France. Everywhere I have found the brethren and sisters making many sacrifices in order to support and extend the cause of present truth in these lands and in the mission fields worked from these bases. The struggle to maintain and strengthen this constantly expanding movement calls for careful planning and for large sacrifices. Our constituencies are meeting these needs nobly in a time of well-nigh unprecedented economic depression. How true it is that the completion of the work being conducted by Seventh-day Adventists in every world division, will call for the placing of all on the altar of sacrificial service.

## FROM KIRIN MISSION

NILS DAHLSTEN

So far this year we have baptized fifty-five persons. The Lord is surely pouring out His spirit over the China field at this time, for the gospel seems to grip the hearts of the people as never before. We have a place where we have been conducting work for almost two years without visible effect. About a month ago the evangelist wrote us that a change had taken place, and that people who before had never cared to listen were now coming for Bible studies. Yesterday I went down there, together with Brother Blandford, and found about twenty people coming out regularly for studies, and more than thirty were attending Sabbath school.

## HARVEST INGATHERING IN EUROPE

Much is made of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign by our constituencies in the European field. It has been a pleasure to find carefully prepared periodicals in various lands, adapted for the special needs of the respective language areas. France and Belgium have their own, printed at the publishing house at Dammarie les Lys, France. Italy has its own paper, printed at Florence, Italy; Spain and Portugal are served in their respective areas; likewise various fields of the Northern European Division and of the Central European Division. No paper is published in Russia for Harvest Ingathering, we understand. One is issued at Warsaw, Poland--- a most attractive magazine. The Hamburg house publishes an Ingathering



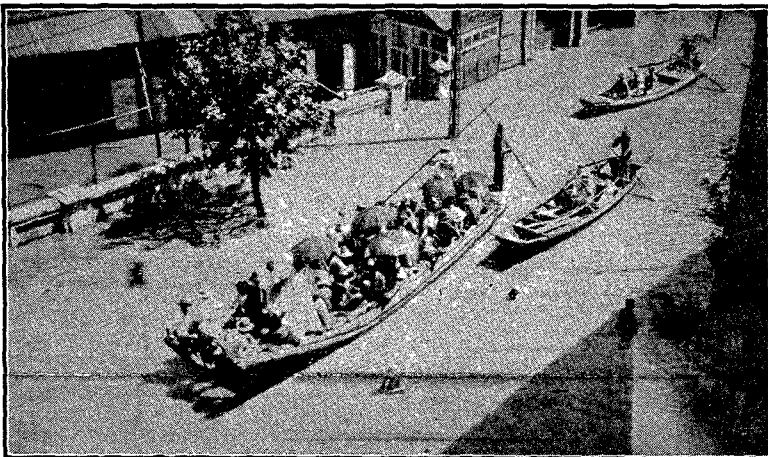
S. D. A. Camp on the Plains of Mongolia

Special for use in Germany and Austria. The Holland field is served usually by the Hamburg Publishing House. This year the Flemish section of the Belgian Conference is served by a "Special" issued in Flemish (Dutch) at our publishing house in France.

The efforts of brethren and sisters who are gathering in funds this year, have to be doubled and trebled over like campaigns in former years, if the amounts realized are brought up to the records established in the past; for the world economic depression is felt in nearly all of Europe. The goals are high, yet the church members are doing their best to meet these, and to exceed if possible the good records of former years.

The success of our brethren in Europe in supplementing their annual budgets by gathering in goodly sums through solicitation, should inspire us in the China Division to do all within our power to raise substantial amounts this year for the projects approved by mission committee. Money is not easily obtained in Europe. One union president in Germany told me that some of the brethren and sisters there had been stoned, and driven from the towns where they were soliciting. Others were forbidden to go from shop to shop, and were told to leave the city within a certain time. Still others were thrown into prison for soliciting thus, even after having secured a general permit authorizing them to gather funds for missions. But when they are shut away from certain districts, they work in yet others. In the aggregate, large sums are raised by persevering effort.

We shall pray that many blessings shall accompany the China solicitors who this year may be gathering in funds, in harmony with plans laid by the brethren in charge in the various union mission fields. Supplies can be obtained through Pastor C. C. Morris, Treasurer, China Division, General Conf. S. D. A., 25 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China.



Flood Refugees on a Street in Hankow

### FIRST IMPRESSIONS OF TATSIENTU

During the biennial session held in Chungking, June 26 to July 4, Brother and Sister Paul Bartholomew were assigned to the Tatsienlu Mission Station, where Dr. and Mrs. Andrews have labored so long and faithfully. The following letter from Brother Bartholomew indicates that they are full of courage for their new duties:

"We are here in Tatsienlu at last, and we enjoyed every bit of the way. I never knew China was so pretty; but really there are places here that would be hard to reproduce in the States. Our trip out from Chungking took just a month, but it did not seem so long. There are so many interesting things to look at and think about.

"We were most delighted to find two Chinese on the road who were very much interested in the truth. One of them, a student, believed every thing, and would have gladly been baptized right there; but of course we will just have to keep in touch with him for a while, while he studies, and proves his belief.

"When we arrived, we found the Tibetan printer fully believing, and much interested in another Tibetan, on up country. Friday morning this other Tibetan, Gya Dru came in. Both wanted to be baptized on Sabbath. Before the baptism we examined them very thoroughly, and found they have a firm belief in God, and in Jesus as their Saviour from sin. They both fully and gladly went forward in baptism.

"In the afternoon we celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's House.

It would have done your soul good to see those big men softened, and touched by the Spirit of God, taking part. I washed the feet of the new man Gya Dru; then he washed mine. And he was not content to just wash my feet, but had to put my hose and shoes on afterward! It was a great joy to us all.

"Surely the Lord is pouring out his Spirit. While the Doctor and I were out giving out tracts to some caravans, we approached one long-haired fellow. Before we could say any thing, he said, "The Lord from heaven is quickly coming, isn't he?" That might not mean much in some countries, but to us here it sounded pretty good.

"This is a beautiful place in which to work. I only wish I could speak the Tibetan language now. Dr. Andrews started back down yesterday. We will busy ourselves with Chinese for a while now."

### TWO PIONEERS

AT the close of an evangelistic service held last Sunday night in a London theatre by Pastor Roy A. Anderson, I met Pastor and Mrs. G. F. Jones, who in the earlier years of the work in China and the Far East were members of our staff. Their labors were chiefly in Singapore and in the Malayan Archipelago; but at times Brother Jones attended meetings of the executive committee in Shanghai. Brother Jones pioneered the Singapore work. Later he labored in the Solomons, in New Guinea, and in New Hebrides, and always as a pioneer. His labors have been crowned with success, under the special blessing of Heaven. When we talked of these matters together, he and Sister Jones told me that it has been a constant surprise to them that the Lord can use human instrumentalities in winning the lost; and continually they go to God and plead for help divine, realizing as they do the utter helplessness of mere man when left to himself. Our labors can be successful only when we have direct communion with Heaven.

Brother and Sister Jones are assisting in the evangelistic effort being conducted in North London. Pastor Anderson and his associates have already won a hundred or more; and their aim is to win a thousand in London. Brother Jones is not sure whether he can stand the winters in London; and he has thought seriously of wintering in Northern Africa in some place where he can win Mohammedans to the faith.

It is refreshing to meet with workers who are seeking out the hardest places. London is a most difficult field of evangelistic labor; yet God honors those who are giving themselves wholeheartedly to soul-winning endeavor at this time.

Brother Anderson has organized a choir of a hundred voices. A score or more of these he took from the general congregation, and brought them onto the platform, where they sit clothed in a special garb. The singing is most excellent, and an effective auxiliary, withal. And every one of those who was taken from the congregation and trained as a member of the choir, has become converted, and is now baptized. Last Sunday night, when the speaker was referring to scripture after scripture, fourteen Bibles were being used by front-row members of the choir, and many in the higher banks of seats back of the

footlights, were seen with their Bibles, turning from text to text. It is good to see so much of earnest effort being put forth in the world's metropolis at this time to extend a knowledge of saving truth to large numbers. May special mercies attend these workers, and Brother and Sister Jones as they assist in this truly "pioneer" service in old London, and may the inspiration of their example help us who are younger to press into like service in the China Division.

London, August 28.

### OBITUARY

Thomas Richard Fossey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fossey of Wenchow, was born October 6, 1929, and died September 5, 1931.

Sabbath morning, while all were busy getting ready to go to church, Tommy wandered out to the pool in the front of our Wenchow compound, fell in, and was drowned. An amah had been left in charge of him, but she, thinking he would be all right, had gone into her room for a few minutes.

The funeral services were held in the chapel of the Wenchow school at noon, Sunday, September 6, and then we laid him to rest in the foreign cemetery at Wenchow. The Reverend Scott of the Methodist Mission had charge of the services at the grave, and the writer, assisted by the Reverend Scott and Pastors B. F. Gregory and Chen Yu Shih had charge of the funeral service.

George L. Wilkinson

Gretta Jean Quade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Quade, of Foochow, was born April 24, 1926, and died September 2, 1931, after a very brief illness. Mrs. Quade and the children were spending the summer on Kuliang, while Mr. Quade was attending a convention held in Canton. August 24 Gretta attended a children's party, and on returning home complained of a pain in the stomach, which proved to be the most virulent form of bacillary dysentery. Sometime after nine on the night of her death Gretta called for her mother, and said "Jesus, Jesus; Mama, I love Jesus." About midnight the little one slipped away, leaving as her last tribute to a mother's and a father's care of her, "Mama, I love Jesus." Beautiful floral designs were received from sympathizing Chinese friends. The funeral service was conducted by Bishop Gowdy, and the body was laid to rest in the foreign cemetery.

Beta Sheirich

# Report of the China Division Sabbath School Department

For Quarter Ending June 30, 1931

(All Offerings in U. S. Gold "2 for 1")

| Conference or Mission | Number Schools | Average Membership | Average Attendance | Birthday Offering | Investment Fund Offering | 12 Sabbaths Offerings | 13th Sabbath Offering | Total Offerings to Missions |
|-----------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Central China         | 87             | 3,024              | 2,653              | \$ 23.05          | \$ 15.89                 | \$ 673.08             | \$ 164.38             | \$ 876.40                   |
| East China            | 140            | 4,836              | 3,845              | 11.37             | 409.63                   | 1,619.97              | 297.17                | 2,338.14                    |
| Manchuria             | 28             | 1,139              | 869                | 5.27              | 3.66                     | 569.66                | 86.73                 | 665.32                      |
| North China           | 32             | 971                | 931                | 5.91              | 17.64                    | 338.46                | 48.26                 | 410.27                      |
| South China           | 105            | 3,672              | 2,880              | 38.44             | 32.98                    | 752.94                | 128.41                | 952.77                      |
| West China            | 68             | 1,481              | 1,569              | 2.26              | 4.52                     | 315.24                | 25.04                 | 347.06                      |
| Total                 | 460            | 15,123             | 12,747             | \$ 86.30          | \$ 484.32                | \$4,269.35            | \$ 749.99             | \$5,589.96                  |

BESSIE MOUNT, Secretary

## ELEMENTS OF GROWTH IN OUR SABBATH SCHOOL WORK

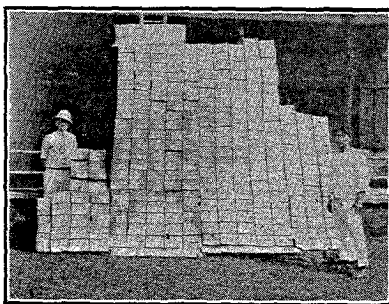
BESSIE MOUNT

As the union Sabbath school reports for the second quarter have reached the Division office, we have rejoiced over the evidences of growth in this important line of work throughout our field. Our Division summary shows 17 more schools and 506 more members than were reported for the first quarter of this year. East Szechwan has had the greatest growth in these respects, having added 12 new Sabbath Schools and 266 members,—an increase of 60 per cent in the number of schools and 55 per cent in membership. For the second quarter this Mission had an average Sabbath School membership of 749, and an average attendance of 818. Only three other missions in the Division exceed this record in Sabbath School attendance,—namely, South Chekiang, Honan, and Kiangsu. Surely there is joy in heaven as the truth thus rapidly finds its way into darkened minds and hearts. The Lord is able to make a "short work . . . upon the earth."

In the report published herewith, all offerings are given in gold at "two for one," as in past years. The total offerings show a gain of 59 per cent over those for the corresponding quarter of last year, while there has been an increase of 39 per cent per capita offerings. The Investment Fund offering is larger than for any quarter in the past.

We are particularly happy to announce that the Sabbath School membership and per capita offering goals set by the Division at the time of the last Spring Council have been reached. Our Sabbath school membership for the second quarter was 151 per cent of the actual current church membership,—just one per cent over the goal. The weekly per capita offering for this period was 10.3 cents, Mexican, or three-tenths of a cent in excess of the goal.

Truly the Lord has blessed the efforts of His people in Sabbath school endeavor. Let us look to Him for strength to make this last quarter of the year best of all!



A shipment of books from the Shanghai press going to the two colporteurs who are pioneering the way in the Sinkiang Province

WE learn that Dr. Griggs has gained twenty pounds and his wife eight since leaving Shanghai. Both are making very encouraging progress.

## MORE SABBATH KEEPERS AMONG THE MIAO

Brother D. R. White, of Yunnanfu, writes as follows: "One of our workers came in yesterday telling of an isolated group of seven Miao families who kept their first Sabbath July 25, and the next morning asked if it were a sin to work on Sunday. On being assured that it was not, they joyfully went out to work, to eke out an existence that we would hardly call "a living," but with hearts made lighter and brighter because of a fuller knowledge of Christ. One of this number is here now studying. He had his verse memorized this morning, though today was his first day to attend class. When Brother Fu came back from Len Swee Keo, the village of these Miao, he said he could feel that he had been prayed for. We do appreciate the prayers of our brethren and sisters; for we know that in answer to their prayers God has sent His angels to guide, protect, and care for us and the work."

## KALGAN HOSPITAL

It has been possible to secure from a military godown all the corrugated iron necessary for covering the new chapel at Kalgan, which has effected a saving of more than a thousand dollars. Word has been received to the effect that this hospital is to be completed and ready for dedication on December 5.

## Reports From the Field

### SOUTH CHINA WORKERS' INSTITUTE AND EFFORT

FREDERICK LEE

THE spirit of evangelism is ever increasing in China. Greater interest and enthusiasm is being manifest in the conducting of public efforts and general soul-winning work. Our workers every where are becoming awakened to the wonderful opportunities that are ours in these momentous days. We shall soon see many souls added to the church as a result of this work.

A union workers' institute was held recently in the city of Canton. The South China Union officers were very zealous in promoting this institute. Forty of the leading evangelists in the union were in attendance during the three weeks' period of the institute. These men represented five different dialects: however, as most of them understand Mandarin it was used as the general medium of speech. Two hours each day were spent in Bible study, and one hour in Round Table talks on evangelistic problems, especially going into the method of conducting systematic public efforts. A general outline of the discussions was prepared by an editorial committee, and this was finally put into mimeograph form and given to the workers at the close of the institute. The workers thus obtained much material of practical worth.

A public effort was conducted in the Canton city church during the whole time of the institute. It had been planned to hold a larger effort in a theater, but such a place could not be obtained at the time. Meetings were held every evening, and there was a most excellent attendance from the start, the church being filled to capacity. Every afternoon the workers attending the institute spent their time in evangelistic work, such as distributing announcements of the meetings and visiting those interested. During the first two weeks the names of about two hundred interested persons were handed in.

We soon recognized many familiar faces in the audience night after night, and it was an inspiration to the writer, who spoke each night on some vital subject in connection with our message, to watch the expression of interest on their faces. Never have the great opportunities

to witness for the truth in every nook and corner of this country been impressed upon us so forcibly. Even though the Canton church was on a narrow street, difficult to find, we found a most interested group of persons every night. One or two nights were rainy and the little street in front of the chapel was covered with water; yet the attendance on these nights was very good, consisting mostly of those who were attending regularly.

After the first two weeks, we held a short service each evening for those who were definitely interested. One evening we asked those to stand who desired to do the whole will of God and keep His commandments. About sixty earnest people stood.

This effort is being continued in a strong way, as well as a large number of Bible classes. There are evening meetings twice a week. Besides the Bible classes in the church, there were about twenty-five openings for Bible classes in the homes of interested people.

The workers were greatly encouraged over the results of this special effort. We are sure that when this effort is completed we shall see many accepting the truth.

After the workers had been together for three weeks they scattered to their various places of work. Definite plans were laid for the conducting of a large number of evangelistic efforts in many centers of South China during the fall and winter months. Let us pray that God will give courage to those who are definitely interested in this truth that they may fully step out and accept it.



Gu-Ndri      Tibetans      Gya-Dru

### FIRST-FRUITS FROM TIBET

J. N. ANDREWS

SABBATH, August 15, was a day of rejoicing at Tatsienlu. On that day our dreams of years were fulfilled, when two men from Tibet were baptized.

Gya Dru has been associated with us for two and a half years in the printing work at Tatsienlu. During this time, in the daily morning worship for Tibetan helpers, he had learned more and more about the gospel, and had given up his tobacco and alcohol. Our Chinese workers also had encouraged him, till he joined in prayer on the Wednesday night meeting before we left Tatsienlu in March. During the past few months Brother Wu Yuin-An continued morning worship with him, with the disadvantage of reading only in the Chinese and the other reading but haltingly in the Tibetan. I was happy on reaching Tatsienlu in August to learn Gya Dru had put away his belief in Tibetan superstitions, and was determined to follow the Lord. Though his wife at first objected to his becoming a Christian, she finally agreed that each one must follow his own convictions.

As we came into Tatsienlu Gya Dru met us away down the valley, with the word - "There is a Tibetan here who says he believes in God, and has come just to see you." This man soon called to see us, and I found him to be a man with whom I had studied a year ago at Kata (Chinese, Tai Lin). He is partly of Mohammedan stock; had been trained for years as a Lama, and is well educated in Tibetan learning. He left the lanasery some years ago, married, and is now working as a tailor.

During our few days' stay at Kata, Gu-Ndri had been interested in the gospel. He came again and again to read and study with us, but his continuous joking and frivolous character made our Chinese workers feel that there was little hope of helping him. But in Tatsienlu as he joined in the Bible studies, and in prayer, and told how he had been believing in the true God during all these months, we were pleased to note the change in his words and behavior. He had read through the New Testament, and Genesis and Exodus; the parts of the Old Testament which he had. He accepted the points as brought out in the studies, and in his



Dr. J. N. Andrews' baptizing first Tibetan S. D. A. converts

bright, earnest manner asked that he might be baptized, along with Gya Dru, the printer.

As we prayed with and for him, we could but believe that God had timed his journey and ours, that we might be able to help him at this time. It was a blessed Sabbath day, of baptism, meetings, and communion service. As our songs ascended in the Tibetan, Chinese, and English languages, we were happy for this day, which we had hoped so long to see. We are glad, too, that as Brother and Sister Bartholomew take up the work at Tatsienlu, they may have this encouragement of a real beginning of Tibetan believers.

SOUTH CHEKIANG JUNIOR MIDDLE SCHOOL

A. FOSSEY

Our Educational institution in South Chekiang has passed a very successful and encouraging term this spring. After the trouble last fall, during which time the schools were closed for a few months, we re-opened in February organized as a Society admitting no one to the institution but our own church members who were passed upon by the local mission committee. As a result the school had an enrollment of about seventy pupils, all of a good, loyal class.

The spiritual tenor of the school was altogether changed this spring; in fact, it seemed the very best since I have been connected with the school. This was especially noticed in the Friday evening meetings, at which time the students gave good testimonies of their Christian experience. Besides holding weekly prayer bands, many of the students, rising early in the morning, formed little bands in which they sought the Lord's blessing. About a half-dozen

boys spent the afternoons canvassing in the city, earning the means to pay their board, thus helping along the publishing work. Four finished their course of study, two of whom plan to continue study with the China Training Institute at Chiao Tou Tsen; the third goes to the Shanghai Sanitarium while the fourth, a young lady, hopes to teach a country school. We hope next year to be able to train a few students to do evangelistic work.

At the close of the spring term, a summer school was held for evangelists, taking the place of the regular summer school at Chiao Tou Tsen. Over forty were in attendance. The subjects studied were Bible Doctrines, Preaching Methods, Sabbath School Work, Home Missionary work, Denominational History, Chinese.

We are of good courage, and plan to do thorough teaching during the coming fall term.

FAR EASTERN ACADEMY

HARRY H. MORSE

The enrollment of the Far Eastern Academy the opening week of the school year 1931-32 was fifty-one. This is seven more than for the corresponding period last year. Of this number twenty-one were in the dormitory.

We are pleased to have Mrs. N. F. Brewer, from the Central China Union, assist us in the Church School Department. Miss Florence Numbers is teaching in the Primary department in place of Miss Lillian

Anderson who returned home after a very successful period of teaching. We are glad to welcome back Mrs. S. L. Frost who is taking up the work of the Music Department again. The other members of the faculty are the same as last year.

Already we have had a Harvest Ingathering Day and twenty Academic students, who went out with teachers and Conference leaders, reported Mex. \$1,336. A further account of this work will be given later.

ADVANCE IN NORTH CHEKIANG

C. SCHROETER

THE first half of the present year has passed, and we are very thankful to our Lord who has blessed our work so much. Forty-seven persons have been baptized, and still there are twelve places in our mission where others are ready for baptism. With the Lord's help, we hope that we can reach our goal for this year, which is one hundred souls. The Lord is opening many new doors and we see that the harvest is ripe. The Holy Spirit is working among this people and is calling them to the Heavenly Kingdom.

We are putting forth strenuous efforts to increase our tithe and offerings, and we hope to be able to show a marked increase by the end of the year.

LITERATURE SALES OF NORTH CHINA

THE literature sales of North China for July this year were more than one-fourth of what they were for the entire year of 1930.



Summer Institute at Wenchow, Chekiang

# Floods in Yangtze and Yellow River Valleys

## THE YANGTZE FLOOD

C. C. MORRIS

In a general way the situation regarding the great Yangtze Valley flood, is quite clearly understood by the reading public throughout China, as much has been written for both the English and Chinese newspapers. However, a brief report as to the effect this flood has had on our work and Mission property, doubtless will be of interest to the readers of the REPORTER.

It is now over a month since the flood became serious. As the weeks have passed the situation has grown worse and worse. Our brethren in Central China have been greatly perplexed to know how to shape their work, and asked counsel and help from the Division. Dr. Miller was just getting back from South China when some of these questions were referred to the Division Office. A large amount of work had accumulated during his absence, thus the writer was requested to make a trip to Hankow to assist the brethren of Central China in adjusting conditions which have come about as a result of the flood.

I left Shanghai for Nanking on the night of September 2. At Nanking I took the airplane for Kiukiang, and from there went up to Kuling where several of the brethren were staying. The next afternoon we went on to Hankow where the committee met for counsel; Brethren Brewer, Longway, Davis, Graham, and Shaw being present.

Before reaching Nanking on the morning of the 3rd, as daylight appeared, water was to be seen all along the railroad. Passing through Nanking from the R. R. station to the air field, the streets were covered with water, two to three feet deep. Many refugees had come into this section, providing for themselves as best they could. All along the streets mat sheds were erected, which provided a little protection from the rain and sunshine. As the water rose higher and higher, the people blocked up their beds and cook stoves, keeping them just a few inches out of the water. There lay the sick, old and young; men and women were seen standing in the water preparing meals or washing clothes or caring for the children.

Boys and men were fishing in the streets of the city. The stench and general situation was bad.

Bad as was the situation in Nanking it did not compare with what came later! The trip by airplane afforded a wonderful opportunity to view the flood area. Very soon after leaving Nanking, I was impressed with the vastness of the flood. Last April when making my first trip up the Yangtze I saw this great farming section at its very best. The crops looked beautiful; just as far as one could see were the beautiful green rice fields. This time looking down on this broad valley, the water extended from one mountain range to the other. Roofs of houses and tops of trees appeared above water; and when there was a little strip of land above the water, it was completely covered with men, women, children, dogs and other animals. Such things as they were able to save from their houses were with them. Bed clothes or mats were put up on poles to keep off the hot sun. Men were seen scratching the dirt up out of the water in order to make a little larger place, or to repair some place that had been washed away. Many of the farm houses of brick construction were still standing, but from all appearances the inmates had fled. Almost without exception, the Chinese houses have trees planted about them. It was interesting to study this from the air. Wherever there was a roof appearing out of the water, there were the tops of trees surrounding it. What a sad picture it was to see the thousands of blocks of trees with no house left in the center! The number of houses that have collapsed into the water, and the number of people who have lost their lives probably will never be known. In the Yangtze Valley, according to conservative estimate, there are ten thousand square miles of fertile farm land covered by water. From below Nanking to Sha Si, a distance of seven hundred miles, the Yangtze has overflowed and gone beyond its normal bounds for from five to sixty miles in width. Think of the number of people left homeless! It is not only the Yangtze Valley that is passing through this experience; but in Honan are great stretches, and still more in Hunan

about which we are not writing in particular.

It was after dark when our boat arrived at Hankow from Kiukiang. We took a sampan from the wharf to the side entrance to the Ching Shih Tang city chapel. This new building has proven a great blessing to our Central China workers and believers during this experience. Our sudden and unannounced arrival (due to telegraph communications being broken) brought to an abrupt ending the song service in the home of Brother and Sister A. N. Bierkle, where we were entertained. On the way to Hankow mention had been made of the many mosquitoes that were bothering, so it was not surprising to notice the several sticks of mosquito "punk" burning in the room. After chatting for some little time some one called out the "punk has burned out." Some new sticks were lighted with a word of explanation that they were not so much for the mosquitoes as to kill the smell. Before the night was over we fully appreciated the need of keeping the "punk" burning. All the filth of the city is poured into the water; and there are dead bodies in some sections, which, together with the decayed grain in godowns, contribute toward making a very unpleasant and unhealthful situation.

The next morning we took a sampan through the city streets over to the railroad, where we transferred into the Mission launch and made our way out into the open sea, in the midst of which is our Wang Gia Dun compound. Our property has been covered for weeks by fourteen feet of water. The compound wall was the first thing to give way and fall down; after which the following have fallen down and are completely destroyed; The Hupeh Intermediate School boys' dormitory, girls' dormitory, factory, kitchen, and dining hall, and two other buildings besides the gate house. The chapel building is still standing, but is damaged beyond repair,—there being large holes in different parts of the walls, and the partition walls under the chapel room are all washed down. The chapel floor sags badly, and in the event of another heavy wind the building will in all probability collapse. The five



foreign homes are completely wrecked. The roofs of three of them are supported by post-like sections of the walls which have not fallen down. The floors are gone entirely, and it would be possible for sampans to travel right under the roof from east to west or north to south. The other two homes were double houses. They have not fallen down so badly, but have great holes washed out of the walls, and in the event they do not collapse, would have to be built over. The smaller buildings in the foreign compound have disappeared entirely.

The water came up in the Wang Gia Dun section very rapidly, and unfortunately at a time when the brethren of the compound were away. Upon receiving word of the situation, they returned and worked untiringly to remove furniture and everything that could be taken away in boats. Files and furniture in the offices, which were on the ground floor of two buildings, are a total loss. Some who read this are acquainted with the location to which we refer, and will remember that things were pretty well built up all the way from our compound to the city. Now you can look from the top of our city chapel right over to the compound. There is nothing left above the water to mark where all those buildings out from the railroad to our compound once stood. Much has been written about this flood, but the half has never been told.

A survey is being made to ascertain the loss that has come to our Chinese members. Sufficient information has not yet been received to make a report, but in all probability the loss will be greater than we now dare to imagine. Our hearts go out in sympathy to our Chinese and

foreign brethren in Central China who have lost so heavily in this flood. I did not hear a word of complaint or of discouragement. All are facing the situation manfully. Arrangements have been made which will permit of every family remaining in Central China, scattered somewhat, to be sure, but within their own union, where they will be able to carry on their work. Some who have been teaching, but whose class rooms are now destroyed, are going to preach. There is no plan to let down, or give up, or quit; but "they help every one his neighbor, and every one saith to his brother, be of good courage."

S. S. "Fuh Wo"  
Sept. 7, 1931

### FLOODED AREAS IN ANHWEI

O. B. KUHN

ACCORDING to all reports, Anhwei has been greatly afflicted by the high water. The Hwai River in the north, and the Yangtze in the south, have become vast lakes from twenty to a hundred miles wide. Numerous other streams are similarly enlarged, so that great areas are now under water. Millions of people have lost their homes and crops. The middle of last month I visited the Beng Pu district in the north, and just recently made a trip on the Yangtze, and from what I witnessed I know that the newspapers have not exaggerated conditions in their reports of the flood. One has to see this thing in order to believe it.

Our rented chapel at San Hoh Gien, in north-west Anhwei, with all the furniture, was swept away beyond recovery. The rented chapel at Chen Yang Gwan was filled with water and collapsed. The

chapel and school buildings owned by the mission at Nan Djao Dzee were flooded, and parts of the buildings and compound walls fell down. Because of the water, the efforts begun in the three tents were brought to a close before much could be accomplished. The work in several chapels was likewise interfered with. Until the water recedes enough to allow of examination we will not know just what our losses are in chapel equipment. Experts declare that it will require a month or two for the water to drain off.

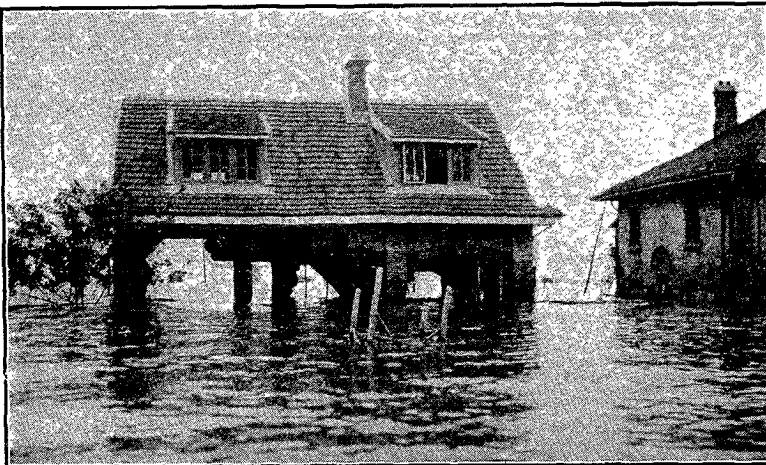
Thus far this year there have been thirty-three baptisms. It is expected that fifty or sixty others will be baptized before the close of the year. The church membership is now 296. The Sabbath school membership is 622, with an average attendance of 567. Literature sales for June amounted to \$2,141; for July, \$1,615; and for August, \$700. The decrease in sales is due to the colporteurs' territory being inundated.

### OUR CHURCH MEMBERS IN THE FLOOD AREA

C. C. MORRIS,

Members of the China Division Committee have been giving study to the matter of placing before all our people in China the urgent need of rendering assistance to the flood sufferers. The present flood is commonly spoken of as one of the greatest catastrophes the world has seen. There is a duty and responsibility which comes to each one of us to render assistance to those less fortunate than ourselves, who are passing through this terrible experience.

Now, a most natural thing would be for us to want to know the actual condition of our own people. We would naturally want to help them, feeling that they were our first responsibility. The vast area affected by this flood renders it impossible to give any accurate report on the condition of our people at this early date. Efforts are under way to secure this information, but with methods of communication cut off, almost entirely in the rural sections, it is not an easy task. Viewing as I did just ten days ago, this terrible flood and the destruction it has caused, I am certain that many, many of our church members have lost everything and are in dire need of help. The situation is so serious that we can not wait for a survey to be made before placing this appeal before our church members. Your help is needed now. Let each one respond liberally.



Condition of houses in Wang Gia Dun Compound, Hankow, as a result of the flood.

| Name of Union Missions and Provincial Missions | No. of Mission Stations | No. of Mission Outstations | No. of Organized Churches | Baptized Membership June 1931 | Baptisms April to June, 1931 | Net GAIN during three months Minus sign - loss | No. Ordained Ministers | No. Licensed Ministers | No. Licensed Missionaries | No. Colporteurs | Total No. Foreign Laborers | Total No. Native Laborers | Total No. Laborers both Foreign and Native | Foreign Tithe Receipts April to June, 1931 (gold) | Native Tithe Receipts April to June, 1931 (gold) | No. Sabbath Schools | Sabbath School Membership | Total Sabbath School Offerings (gold) April to June, 1931 | No. of Schools | Total Enrollment of Schools |       |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| <b>CHINA DIVISION TOTALS:</b>                  |                         |                            |                           |                               |                              |                                                | 14                     | 4                      | 66                        | 1               | 75                         | 178                       | 253                                        | 2,501.42                                          |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                | 9                           | 1,195 |
| <b>GENERAL CHINA DIVISION</b>                  |                         |                            |                           |                               |                              |                                                |                        |                        |                           |                 |                            |                           |                                            |                                                   |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| Angew Mission                                  | 1                       | 29                         | 6                         | 825                           | 14                           | 14                                             | 6                      | 5                      | 5                         | 1               | 13                         | 1                         | 14                                         | 1,121.60                                          | 59.95                                            |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| Enam Mission                                   | 1                       | 18                         | 6                         | 429                           | 14                           | 14                                             | 4                      | 7                      | 19                        | 20              | 10                         | 66                        | 79                                         | 192.02                                            | 192.03                                           | 28                  | 1,272                     | 325.57                                                    | 13             | 174                         |       |
| Enghai Mission                                 | 1                       | 13                         | 7                         | 191                           | 33                           | 33                                             | 1                      | 6                      | 21                        | 20              | 6                          | 63                        | 67                                         | 546                                               | 1,114.67                                         | 22                  | 546                       | 1,571.46                                                  | 5              | 105                         |       |
| Kanun Mission                                  | 1                       | 13                         | 7                         | 191                           | 33                           | 33                                             | 1                      | 4                      | 23                        | 23              | 6                          | 61                        | 67                                         | 1,437.99                                          | 1,437.99                                         | 16                  | 590                       | 2,487.80                                                  | 4              | 96                          |       |
| Kangai Mission                                 | 1                       | 12                         | 4                         | 197                           | 2                            | 2                                              | 2                      | 5                      | 9                         | 3               | 3                          | 34                        | 37                                         | 90.72                                             | 90.72                                            | 14                  | 354                       | 97.97                                                     | 5              | 147                         |       |
| Shang Mission                                  | 1                       | 2                          | 1                         | 127                           | 127                          | 127                                            | 1                      | 2                      | 2                         | 8               | 5                          | 19                        | 19                                         | 32.00                                             | 32.00                                            | 7                   | 282                       | 33.00                                                     | 2              | 82                          |       |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | 5                       | 74                         | 25                        | 2,012                         | 90                           | 90                                             | 18                     | 29                     | 80                        | 83              | 38                         | 247                       | 285                                        | 1,121.60                                          | 699.16                                           | 87                  | 3,024                     | 876.40                                                    | 29             | 783                         |       |
| <b>EAST CHINA DIVISION</b>                     |                         |                            |                           |                               |                              |                                                |                        |                        |                           |                 |                            |                           |                                            |                                                   |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| Amoy Mission                                   | 1                       | 15                         | 9                         | 236                           | 1                            | 1                                              | 5                      | 6                      | 1                         | 1               | 10                         | 5                         | 15                                         | 1,477.84                                          | 221.11                                           | 19                  | 537                       | 182.56                                                    | 7              | 200                         |       |
| Kiangsu Mission                                | 1                       | 16                         | 13                        | 685                           | 41                           | 41                                             | 2                      | 1                      | 5                         | 6               | 2                          | 33                        | 35                                         | 1,142.40                                          | 1,142.40                                         | 20                  | 1,176                     | 1,171.95                                                  | 4              | 328                         |       |
| North Chekiang Mission                         | 1                       | 12                         | 11                        | 412                           | 12                           | 12                                             | 2                      | 1                      | 6                         | 5               | 2                          | 31                        | 35                                         | 1,271.42                                          | 1,271.42                                         | 22                  | 508                       | 91.64                                                     | 1              | 26                          |       |
| North Kiangsu Mission                          | 1                       | 5                          | 4                         | 223                           | 40                           | 40                                             | 1                      | 1                      | 2                         | 5               | 5                          | 12                        | 12                                         | 186.03                                            | 186.03                                           | 9                   | 310                       | 1,557.42                                                  | 8              | 316                         |       |
| South Chekiang Mission                         | 1                       | 67                         | 24                        | 897                           | 64                           | 64                                             | 4                      | 11                     | 27                        | 5               | 5                          | 62                        | 67                                         | 377.38                                            | 246.80                                           | 70                  | 2,715                     | 2,493.57                                                  | 8              | 316                         |       |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | 7                       | 115                        | 53                        | 2,743                         | 165                          | 165                                            | 18                     | 20                     | 48                        | 25              | 21                         | 208                       | 229                                        | 1,707.24                                          | 1,921.06                                         | 140                 | 4,835                     | 2,338.14                                                  | 20             | 691                         |       |
| <b>LANGKATEAU DIVISION</b>                     |                         |                            |                           |                               |                              |                                                |                        |                        |                           |                 |                            |                           |                                            |                                                   |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| Chien Koo Mission                              | 1                       | 1                          | 1                         | 90                            | 90                           | 90                                             | 1                      | 1                      | 4                         | 1               | 8                          | 2                         | 10                                         | 831.45                                            |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| Haiyang Mission                                | 1                       | 3                          | 3                         | 134                           | 15                           | 15                                             | 1                      | 2                      | 2                         | 5               | 1                          | 2                         | 2                                          | 33.80                                             | 33.80                                            | 6                   | 52                        | 11.54                                                     | 2              | 64                          |       |
| Lyuh Mission                                   | 1                       | 2                          | 2                         | 134                           | 15                           | 15                                             | 1                      | 1                      | 0                         | 1               | 1                          | 12                        | 15                                         | 1,112.40                                          | 1,112.40                                         | 6                   | 266                       | 1,021.44                                                  | 2              | 94                          |       |
| Lyuh Mission                                   | 1                       | 2                          | 2                         | 134                           | 15                           | 15                                             | 1                      | 1                      | 0                         | 1               | 1                          | 12                        | 15                                         | 1,112.40                                          | 1,112.40                                         | 6                   | 266                       | 1,021.44                                                  | 2              | 94                          |       |
| Lyuh Mission                                   | 1                       | 2                          | 2                         | 134                           | 15                           | 15                                             | 1                      | 1                      | 0                         | 1               | 1                          | 12                        | 15                                         | 1,112.40                                          | 1,112.40                                         | 6                   | 266                       | 1,021.44                                                  | 2              | 94                          |       |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | 3                       | 23                         | 16                        | 914                           | 51                           | 51                                             | 3                      | 4                      | 10                        | 20              | 11                         | 56                        | 70                                         | 831.45                                            | 1,977.60                                         | 28                  | 1,139                     | 665.32                                                    | 8              | 340                         |       |
| <b>NORTH CHINA DIVISION</b>                    |                         |                            |                           |                               |                              |                                                |                        |                        |                           |                 |                            |                           |                                            |                                                   |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| Angew Mission                                  | 1                       | 7                          | 4                         | 34                            | 32                           | 32                                             | 2                      | 3                      | 2                         | 1               | 6                          | 2                         | 8                                          | 1,165.44                                          | 117.72                                           | 9                   | 391                       | 216.56                                                    | 5              | 180                         |       |
| Kongli Mission                                 | 1                       | 2                          | 1                         | 16                            | 8                            | 8                                              | 2                      | 3                      | 2                         | 3               | 1                          | 13                        | 16                                         | 152.87                                            | 152.87                                           | 2                   | 46                        | 81.13                                                     | 2              | 180                         |       |
| Kongli Mission                                 | 1                       | 2                          | 1                         | 16                            | 8                            | 8                                              | 2                      | 3                      | 2                         | 3               | 1                          | 13                        | 16                                         | 152.87                                            | 152.87                                           | 2                   | 46                        | 81.13                                                     | 2              | 180                         |       |
| Shantung Mission                               | 1                       | 4                          | 4                         | 31                            | 9                            | 9                                              | 5                      | 3                      | 11                        | 12              | 4                          | 16                        | 16                                         | 270.23                                            | 270.23                                           | 13                  | 498                       | 92.76                                                     | 6              | 155                         |       |
| Shantung Mission                               | 1                       | 4                          | 4                         | 31                            | 9                            | 9                                              | 5                      | 3                      | 11                        | 12              | 4                          | 16                        | 16                                         | 270.23                                            | 270.23                                           | 13                  | 498                       | 92.76                                                     | 6              | 155                         |       |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | 4                       | 17                         | 10                        | 790                           | 49                           | 49                                             | 11                     | 8                      | 29                        | 21              | 17                         | 87                        | 108                                        | 1,165.44                                          | 508.62                                           | 32                  | 971                       | 410.27                                                    | 11             | 345                         |       |
| <b>SOUTH CHINA DIVISION</b>                    |                         |                            |                           |                               |                              |                                                |                        |                        |                           |                 |                            |                           |                                            |                                                   |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| Changshu Mission                               | 2                       | 18                         | 9                         | 150                           | 8                            | 8                                              | 1                      | 1                      | 1                         | 2               | 6                          | 2                         | 8                                          | 847.62                                            | 29.80                                            | 13                  | 619                       | 1,441.42                                                  | 10             | 355                         |       |
| Changshu Mission                               | 2                       | 18                         | 9                         | 150                           | 8                            | 8                                              | 1                      | 1                      | 1                         | 2               | 6                          | 2                         | 8                                          | 847.62                                            | 29.80                                            | 13                  | 619                       | 1,441.42                                                  | 10             | 355                         |       |
| Changshu Mission                               | 2                       | 18                         | 9                         | 150                           | 8                            | 8                                              | 1                      | 1                      | 1                         | 2               | 6                          | 2                         | 8                                          | 847.62                                            | 29.80                                            | 13                  | 619                       | 1,441.42                                                  | 10             | 355                         |       |
| Kangai Mission                                 | 1                       | 47                         | 5                         | 752                           | 1                            | 1                                              | 6                      | 10                     | 25                        | 6               | 10                         | 68                        | 64                                         | 623.24                                            | 623.24                                           | 23                  | 590                       | 1,691.10                                                  | 5              | 118                         |       |
| Kangai Mission                                 | 1                       | 47                         | 5                         | 752                           | 1                            | 1                                              | 6                      | 10                     | 25                        | 6               | 10                         | 68                        | 64                                         | 623.24                                            | 623.24                                           | 23                  | 590                       | 1,691.10                                                  | 5              | 118                         |       |
| Kangai Mission                                 | 1                       | 47                         | 5                         | 752                           | 1                            | 1                                              | 6                      | 10                     | 25                        | 6               | 10                         | 68                        | 64                                         | 623.24                                            | 623.24                                           | 23                  | 590                       | 1,691.10                                                  | 5              | 118                         |       |
| Kangai Mission                                 | 1                       | 47                         | 5                         | 752                           | 1                            | 1                                              | 6                      | 10                     | 25                        | 6               | 10                         | 68                        | 64                                         | 623.24                                            | 623.24                                           | 23                  | 590                       | 1,691.10                                                  | 5              | 118                         |       |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | 4                       | 17                         | 10                        | 790                           | 49                           | 49                                             | 11                     | 8                      | 29                        | 21              | 17                         | 87                        | 108                                        | 1,165.44                                          | 508.62                                           | 32                  | 971                       | 410.27                                                    | 11             | 345                         |       |
| <b>EAST CHINA DIVISION</b>                     |                         |                            |                           |                               |                              |                                                |                        |                        |                           |                 |                            |                           |                                            |                                                   |                                                  |                     |                           |                                                           |                |                             |       |
| East Szechwan Mission                          | 1                       | 21                         | 13                        | 414                           | 132                          | 132                                            | 1                      | 4                      | 3                         | 1               | 5                          | 19                        | 21                                         | 1,076.14                                          | 150.45                                           | 32                  | 719                       | 182.15                                                    | 9              | 201                         |       |
| East Szechwan Mission                          | 1                       | 21                         | 13                        | 414                           | 132                          | 132                                            | 1                      | 4                      | 3                         | 1               | 5                          | 19                        | 21                                         | 1,076.14                                          | 150.45                                           | 32                  | 719                       | 182.15                                                    | 9              | 201                         |       |
| East Szechwan Mission                          | 1                       | 21                         | 13                        | 414                           | 132                          | 132                                            | 1                      | 4                      | 3                         | 1               | 5                          | 19                        | 21                                         | 1,076.14                                          | 150.45                                           | 32                  | 719                       | 182.15                                                    | 9              | 201                         |       |
| East Szechwan Mission                          | 1                       | 21                         | 13                        | 414                           | 132                          | 132                                            | 1                      | 4                      | 3                         | 1               | 5                          | 19                        | 21                                         | 1,076.14                                          | 150.45                                           | 32                  | 719                       | 182.15                                                    | 9              | 201                         |       |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | 6                       | 48                         | 20                        | 690                           | 140                          | 140                                            | 12                     | 13                     | 51                        | 12              | 15                         | 105                       | 120                                        | 1,076.14                                          | 286.36                                           | 68                  | 1,481                     | 347.06                                                    | 13             | 283                         |       |
| <b>DIVISION TOTAL END OF 1931</b>              | 14                      | 184                        | 166                       | 10,085                        | 499                          | 499                                            | 106                    | 116                    | 392                       | 100             | 216                        | 1,414                     | 1,739                                      | 9,280.91                                          | 6,972.95                                         | 460                 | 15,123                    | 4,589.96                                                  | 127            | 5,215                       |       |
| <b>1930</b>                                    | 14                      | 179                        | 155                       | 8,803                         | 495                          | 495                                            | 92                     | 126                    | 382                       | 205             | 210                        | 1,041                     | 1,289                                      | 7,010.87                                          | 7,011.44                                         | 408                 | 12,684                    | 3,510.71                                                  | 99             | 5,094                       |       |
| <b>1929</b>                                    | 14                      | 139                        | 131                       | 7,130                         | 340                          | 340                                            | 94                     | 117                    | 375                       | 178             | 206                        | 956                       | 1,182                                      | 6,509.57                                          | 5,348.91                                         | 376                 | 11,814                    | 2,904.75                                                  | 97             | 4,762                       |       |
| <b>1928</b>                                    | 14                      | 136                        | 133                       | 6,590                         | 296                          | 296                                            | 74                     | 120                    | 354                       | 139             | 206                        | 725                       | 931                                        | 4,995.66                                          | 3,647.23                                         | 330                 | 9,758                     | 2,684.53                                                  | 85             | 2,447                       |       |

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### ANNUAL MEETING (QUADRENNIAL COUNCIL) OF THE CHINA DIVISION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The annual meeting of the China Division of the General Conference Committee, spoken of as the "Quadrennial Council," is appointed for January 22 to February 6, 1932, at the Division office, 25 Ninkuo Road, Shanghai, China. The first meeting is called for 7:30 P. M., Friday, January 22. Members of the China Division of the General Conference Committee are expected to be present in time for the opening meeting.

H. W. Miller, *President*  
C. C. Crisler, *Secretary*

### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FAR EASTERN ACADEMY

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors and Constituency for the Far Eastern Academy will be held in Shanghai on January 21, 1932, 7:30 P. M., in the council room of the Division Office Building. All members are invited to be present in order that the regular business of electing a faculty, the making of a budget, and all other items which pertain to the business of the Academy may be transacted for the coming year.

H. W. Miller, *President*  
H. H. Morse, *Secretary*

### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THE CHINA TRAINING INSTITUTE

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors and Constituency for the China Training Institute will be held in Shanghai on January 19, 1932, at 9 A. M., in the Council Room of the Division Office Building. All members are invited to be present in order that the regular business of electing a faculty, the making of a budget, and all other items which pertain to the business of the Institute may be transacted for the coming year.

H. W. Miller, *President*  
D. E. Rebok, *Secretary*

### ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES PUBLISHING HOUSE

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Signs of the Times Publishing House is called for January 20, 1932, at 9 A. M. in the Division Committee Room, 25 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China. The usual reports will be rendered, and necessary business transacted.

H. W. Miller, *Chairman*  
E. R. Thiele, *Secretary*

### ANNUAL CONSTITUENCY AND BOARD MEETING OF THE SHANGHAI SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL

Notice is hereby given of the annual constituency and board meeting of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital, called to convene at the Sanitarium Chapel, 150 Rubicon Road, Shanghai, China, at 10 A. M., January 21, 1932, at which time annual reports will be rendered and the usual business transacted.

H. W. Miller, *Chairman*  
W. E. Eberhardt, *Secretary*

### A WORD OF GREETING

Although far away from China, Mrs. Crisler and the writer are constantly thinking of their associates, and are praying that the Lord may bless and keep all the workers and believers. We have enjoyed the privilege of meeting with many of like faith in Europe, and are now spending a month in England. Everywhere we find the brethren and sisters pressing into soul-winning service. This is indeed a time of reaping in the European fields. We have been encouraged by what we have seen. In October we shall probably be in attendance at the Autumn Council. We plan on sailing from San Francisco November 14, by the s. s. "Shinyo-maru," for Shanghai, which port we are scheduled to reach December 7, if the Lord will. Meanwhile, our general address will be in care of the General Conference, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C., U. S. A.

London, August 28.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

After October 1 the office address of the China Division will be 525 Ningkuo Road, and the Publishing House, 515 Ningkuo Road.

### WEEK OF PRAYER

H. W. MILLER

DECEMBER 12 to 19 has been appointed by the General Conference as the annual Week of Prayer. Let us seek the Lord for special blessing upon His work and workers at this time. The evangelization of China is one of the greatest missionary problems before our denomination today, and without the blessing of God can never be completed during the time of this generation. Great distress has spread over China as a result of the terrible floods of a few months ago. Many homes, where families were living in comfort a year ago, have been swept away, countless lives have been lost, and thousands and millions made poverty stricken and dependent by this calamity. Our schools have been greatly tried in their efforts to carry forward their work in harmony with the plan that God has ordained for our educational work.

All these conditions certainly behoove us to seek God with all our heart, as did Hezekiah when confronted with the death sentence. When Daniel looked upon the distressing condition of God's people at Jerusalem he set himself to prayer and abstemious living. For three whole weeks he engaged in prayer. Surely the problems before God's chosen people in those days were no greater and should create no more earnestness and anxiety on the part of the messenger than the needs of this world and the perils that we face at the present time.

How helpless we would be in this work without God's blessing upon our feeble efforts! This Week of Prayer ought to be by far the best in our history. In addition to putting forth effort to bring ourselves into a close touch with heavenly power, shall we not reach out for the many that we have had opportunity to pray with and work for, with the hope that God's mighty power may touch their hearts and bring them to full and complete acceptance of His message. Shall we not plan for a very liberal offering to the Lord, in gratitude for His many blessings, and come forward to the help of His cause when it stands in such need of financial resources? We can confidently count on the Lord's doing His part if we relate ourselves to Him in such a manner as to receive the power that He has in store for those who seek Him.