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## "No Divination Against Israel"

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**B**AALAM was called to curse Israel. Rather than meet this victorious people in open conflict, King Balak of Moab sought out a prophet to perform some divination against them. But he reckoned not with the God of Israel. Taking the prophet to Pisgah's height where he might view the people whom he wished to curse, Balak awaited the dire pronouncement. Imagine his surprise when he heard Baalam uttering these words: "Surely there is no enchantment against Jacob, neither is there any divination against Israel; according to this time it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel; What hath God wrought!"

To the protestations of Balak, Baalam replied, "How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed?" "He hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it." Again Balak endeavoured to accomplish his purpose by taking the prophet to another promontory from which he might catch a different view of this people whom he both hated and feared. But the scripture tells us that "Baalam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel abiding in his tents according to their tribes; and the Spirit of God came upon him." Again he pronounced blessing upon the host of Jehovah.

"Surely there is no . . . divination against Israel." What comfort we find in these words to the church of Israel to-day. In these times of uncertainty, when panic and fear rule the hearts of men, what calming assurance comes to us when we realize that God's church is secure, and cannot be overturned by the enchantments or the manipulations of men. Israel stands upon a sure foundation. She need not be troubled though dwelling in a wilderness; for the God of Jacob will sustain her. She need not fear though an host rise up against her; for Jehovah of Hosts is her leader. Thank God! that in the midst of this confused and troubled world we still see Israel calmly abiding "in his tents according to their tribes."

Though the power of evil has endeavoured to stop the Advent Movement, which embodies spiritual Israel, and has from time to time rallied an host to stay its onward progress, yet to-day we see this people marching steadily forward on every battle front, and in every border land, calm in their strength, and confident in God who has called them forth.

When some about us become unsteady in their faith, and others become overwhelmed with fears, let us calm our souls in the abundant assurance that there is "no divination against Israel," and that now it shall be said of her, "What hath God wrought!"

## Note and Comment

### From Pastor John Oss

While at Swatow, June 14, 1933, Pastor John Oss wrote:

"I have gotten this far on my way, and from this city I shall be going on to Amoy. I left Hongkong yesterday afternoon on one of the Douglas boats and came in here this morning. Pastor Kang is out in the country, but will be home this afternoon or to-morrow, they say. I am to hold some meetings with the students in the school here and help one of the regular colporteurs working in the city.

"I spent the last week-end at Toishan, back of Macao. Had a good series of meetings with the new believers there. I got back into Hongkong Monday evening.

"I am much encouraged over the prospects for the book work here this year. It seems that we shall have a good year. We are trying to give the students as much help as possible in the field. I am to help at Foochow and Amoy. Brother Milne will help in Kwangtung; and Brother Wu, the Union man here, will work at Swatow and later come to Amoy. I shall be able to work with him for a time, for which I am thankful. Brother Wu is taking hold of his work in an encouraging way."

### Book and Periodical House

At the Chinese Signs Press Constituency Meeting in 1932, it was voted that the name, "Tract Society" be discontinued and "Book & Periodical House" adopted. This action has not been carried out, but the Publishing Department is taking advantage of the printing of new supplies to use the new name on all new forms printed. The Press is glad to cooperate in using the proposed new terminology; and from this time forward, we shall use the name Book and Periodical House in all of our correspondence and printed matter. Your co-operation is solicited.

### First Mongolian Tract

Pastor F. E. Stafford, in "The Signs Publishing House Sales Promoter," writes:

"Congratulations, Brother Christensen: We are happy to announce the arrival of the first piece of Seventh-day Adventist literature to be published in the Mongolian language. It is a twenty-six page tract, "The Beginning and End of All Things" printed with our own type by the Mongolian S. D. A. Press at Kalgan. 2,000 copies were printed, and it sells for \$3.00 (Mex.) per hundred. Thus one more language is added to the many in which this "gospel of the kingdom" is being carried to "every nation, kindred, tongue and people."

### Young People's Rally Day In Foochow

V. J. Maloney

On Sabbath, May 20, a special rally-day program was given by the young people of the Foochow Training Institute. The program was all prepared by the young people themselves; and those taking part gave instructive and spiritual talks.

### For Our Encouragement

In the January, 1933, issue of The Advent Survey, organ of the Northern European Division, "greetings for 1933" are given in terms of Holy Scripture:

"Be not afraid nor dismayed; for the battle is not yours, but God's." 2 Chron. 20:15.

### Pressing Towards the Goal In Anhwei

Bernhard Petersen

Our work for the summer is now in full swing, and a general advance is seen all along the line. Satan is trying to discourage us with repeated cuts in our budget, but no retreat has yet been sounded anywhere. There is a determination throughout the working force to press forward in spite of obstacles and hindrances. Two of our workers have started a tent effort in Hofei, in the very heart of Anhwei. This station was opened last year by one of our workers, but it was not possible at that time to hold a tent effort. Now the meetings have started and are unusually well attended. A large number of inquirers have sent in their names, desiring to study the message further.

About two weeks ago Professors Quimby and Woods started tent-meetings at the Nanking mission compound, which is located in the best district of the city. These meetings are attended by an earnest and attentive audience; during the autumn we hope to reap a large harvest from this effort.

Recently several new Sabbath schools have been started and new hsiens opened. The prospects for the year are very good. Next week we are planning to conduct our first baptism for the year, at Tangtu, where seven are awaiting this rite. Some of these are a result of an effort I held some time ago with the help of the local workers. Several baptisms are scheduled for the near future. From the different stations more than sixty inquirers have already sent in their names, requesting baptism. Notwithstanding the cut in the budget, the Anhwei Mission is carrying a very heavy program, and every worker is pressing forward to reach the mission goal.

### In the West China Union

Pastor George L. Wilkinson, of Chungking, writes under date of June 7, 1933:

"Pastor Ho has returned to his field, writes encouragingly of the way the work is going in West Kweichow, and tells of baptisms and of his hopes in regard to passing the 500 mark in membership before our annual Chungking meeting. He has already had 55 baptisms in his field this year. He also tells of the unusually high price of rice and corn, and requests aid to help some of the members who are in need. We will probably give his request consideration when all are here the later part of this month. We have had 92 baptisms that have already been reported to me from different sources but I am sure there have already been 100 in the union.

"We have word from our men that they are on the way to the meeting, and we believe the Lord is not going to disappoint those who are coming to seek a blessing.

"We are delighted to know that Professor Liu is planning on being with us this summer; for we know he will be a great help to us during the meeting and summer school. I suppose the brethren in Shanghai are leaving about now for here."

### News Items From North Fukien Mission

V. J. Maloney

Revival and departmental meetings are being held in different sections of the North Fukien Mission. While we were in the Hinghwa section, Pastor O. A. Hall came by motor-car over from the nearest station of the South Fukien Mission, and joined us for a meeting at Hankong. He was accompanied by Brother Ngo Thian Sek of the Hie-Ang station of South Fukien. After a profitable week in that place, with about fourteen entering the baptismal class, we came to Foochow.

From Foochow we went to Futing, which is our farthest station up the coast toward Chekiang. While there we went to another small place where an interest had developed. This place was only about thirty li from the border of the South Chekiang Mission. It is interesting to note that the different mission stations are linking up, gradually covering the land of China.

At these meetings seven were baptized, and some thirty-five or forty entered baptismal classes.

### Harvest Ingathering Papers Ready

An edition of 5,500 copies of the 1933 Harvest Ingathering papers has been printed, and we are now mailing them out to the distant fields. About half of these go to countries outside of China. An English edition will be printed, called "Survey of Progress." All orders should be sent to the China Division Office, 525 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai.

## West China Union Mission—Biennial Session, Chungking, Szechwan,

June 23-28, 1933—General Reports

## West China Union Meeting

FREDERICK LEE

THE West China Union Meeting, which was held the latter part of June, was well attended by representative workers from every section of this far-flung field. We become astonished when we think of the great distances these workers have to cover. It took Brother and Sister C. B. Miller and associate workers who came up from Yunnan, thirty days to reach here. Brother and Sister Buzzell, and Brother and Sister Johnson, with the workers who came with them, were twenty days on the trip. Brother and Sister Bartholomew made a quick trip from Tachienlu, in 14 days.

We were glad to see these workers from every section of the field. They came in full of courage and hope in spite of the perplexities and dangers that beset them on every hand. It was a real pleasure for me to greet Pastor Ho Ai Deng, who came in from his field in West Kweichow. A number of workers came with him to attend the summer school.

Altogether, we had a feast of good things at this union session, the Lord giving a most wonderful blessing on the last Sabbath we were all together. Every worker reconsecrated himself to the service of the Lord in this needy field. A number of our tribes brethren were in attendance. There were representatives from a number of the Miao tribes, and one or two from the Nosus. At one of the Sabbath school exercises, one of the Miao boys who came up from Yunnan sang us a song in his own tongue. He also showed us a song book that has been prepared for the use of the "Great Flower Miao" people. It is a translation of songs found in our Chinese "Happy Song Book" for children. These have been mimeographed and bound in book form. Bro. C. B. Miller reported that he had already sold 600 of the song books to these earnest mountain people.

I can well imagine how the hills and valleys in that section of Yunnan must ring with these songs of Jesus and His love. These people very readily learn the songs, and they love to sing. Bro. Miller has also prepared Sabbath school lessons for these people. There is now work among these tribes people in four of the six missions in this union, about one-half of the membership in the union being from among these most responsive people of the mountains.

The work is going forward with increasing impetus in every one of the missions. The baptized membership to date is well over 1,500 for the Union,

our largest memberships being in East Szechwan and in West Kweichow. In spite of the cut in appropriations, and the small budget which many of these fields have, our workers are planning on an advanced work. They are going out with a determination to add 44 new "hsien" within the next two years to the 41 already entered. They also are purposed to increase the membership to 2,500 by the time of the next union meeting. With the spirit that we have witnessed among our leaders and workers out here, we fully believe that with the help of God they will attain unto these goals.

While here, I have been greatly impressed with the way in which our Tibetan work is developing. Bro. Bartholomew reported new interests in his section of the field. A young Tibetan who is greatly interested in the truth was in attendance at the union meeting, and is now attending the summer school. Bro. Bartholomew told of two Tibetans who came to our compound at Tachienlu looking for a man who had a book about God. They had traveled two months from inner Tibet. They obtained the books for which they were looking, and have returned with them to their homes.

Bro. C. B. Miller of Yunnan has plans to carry forward work among the Tibetans of West Yunnan, where we now have a company of believers. He finds a great center of Tibetans in this section of the country, who live on the most direct and nearest road into Lhasa from Chinese territory. While attending our union meeting, word came to us from Shanghai regarding a most wonderful opening among Tibetans in the Northwest. Thus we see the messengers of the advent message advancing on this stronghold from three great centers. We are now astride the three great highways into this "closed" province. The work among this people is receiving an impetus that cannot be held back until we have won many Tibetans to the truth.

In Bro. Wilkinson's report, he stated that West China is a land of opportunity for the gospel. As we heard the reports come in from various parts of the field, we were impressed with the truthfulness of this statement. I believe this field has before it a history which will be most interesting as it unfolds before us. Our pioneering brethren in West China have had a long, hard pull to get the work to where it is at this time; but we believe that it has now reached a place where the momentum of progress will rapidly increase from year to year in every branch of the work and every section of the field.

At last this section of our China field has a central school for workers. It has a most beautiful situation on the banks of the Gialing river, 60 li above Chungking. Here, in the midst of nature, and far from the noise of cities, our students and teachers will have a quiet retreat for the contemplation of the works of God and a study of the Word. The school buildings will be well completed by the time school opens in the fall. Brother A. E. Hughes, the principal, is gathering together a group of consecrated teachers; and the prospects for the first year of school are very good.

A school was conducted by Brother and Sister Hughes in the northern part of the province last year. There were many difficulties and dangers that had to be met, such as anti-Christian opposition, wars and rumors of wars, uprisings, as well as the inconvenience attendant on the conducting of a school without proper facilities and equipment. It was necessary for the teachers and students to flee before the approach of an advancing hostile army; but they were able to do this in an orderly way with little break in their school work, and they were able finally to complete their year's work in buildings rented here in Chungking.

A few changes were made during the union sessions. Brother F. W. Johnson was appointed director of the East Kweichow Mission; and Brother A. Buzzell was appointed director of the West Szechwan Mission; Brother Dallas R. White continues as director of the East Szechwan Mission; Brother Claude E. Miller as director of the Yunnan Mission; Brother Ho Ai Deng as director of the West Kweichow Mission; and Brother Paul Bartholomew as director of the Si-Kang Mission (Tibetan).

We have been glad to note the pioneering spirit manifest on the part of our sisters in this union. They come in from long and tedious journeys over mountain roads with a smile on their faces, and they start out again on these journeys without complaint. As we saw Brother and Sister Claude Miller start out on their thirty-day trek across the mountains for their Yunnan home; and Brother and Sister Bartholomew, Dr. and Mrs. James, among their multitude of boxes, getting ready for the long journey to Tachienlu; and Brother and Sister Buzzell, who have come over the great passes from East Kweichow, we could not help but thank God that our young missionary leaders have such plucky and consecrated wives. We found this same spirit manifest in the other missionary wives whom we met here, those who have to face difficulties which are most perplexing.

We were likewise glad to find the true spirit of sacrifice among our Chinese workers. They are taking cuts in wages without complaint, and are going forth with courage when their appropriations for work are almost nil. We are indeed entering on a new day in our work in China, when men and women are going out in faith; and God is rewarding their efforts.

*Chungking, Szechwan,  
July 17, 1933.*

**The West China Union Mission**

GEO. L. WILKINSON, *Supt.*

*(Biennial report, West China Union,  
at the opening meeting of the union*

*session in Chungking, Sze., June 23-28,  
by Pastor Wilkinson, superintendent)*

WEST CHINA is a land of opportunity. The people in its many large cities, its extensive rural sections, and along its tribal borders, are receptive to the gospel story. Its eighty-five and a half million people are waiting for the message we have to give them.

We have already entered 41 of our 301 hsiens, or nearly 1 in 7, which is not quite as good an average as the 1 in 6 entered for the entire division. The number of hsiens in which we have entered in the various missions, is as follows:

Name of Mission in W. Ch. Un.	No. of Hsiens Now Entered	Goal—Addi-	Goal—Addi-
		tional in Yr. 1933	tional in Yr. 1934
East Szechwan .. ..	12	3	5
West Kweichow .. ..	9	4	5
Yunnan .. ..	8	4	4
West Szechwan .. ..	7	3	4
East Kweichow .. ..	4	4	4
Tibetan Mission .. ..	1	1	3
A Total of (hsiens) ..	41	60	85
	(at present)	(by Dec. 31, 1933)	(Dec. 31, 1934)

While gains have been made by the Sabbath school department in West China, the 73 schools having 1,358 members at the close of the year 1932, yet we observe with sadness that our Sabbath school membership is only 98% of our baptized church membership. This reveals a weakness we hope may be remedied soon. One good way to do this, is to get more Sabbath schools. Many of our evangelists look after only one Sabbath school, in the chapel center. If every evangelist could serve also some neighboring town, and organize a mission Sabbath school without having to hire an extra evangelist or rent an extra chapel, in a short time we might easily double both the number of our Sabbath schools, and their attendance. Some evangelists could look after two or three Sabbath schools in near-by places, in addition to those conducted in the towns in which these workers are located. With our decreasing budget, it does not look like we shall be able to continue renting and equipping new chapels; but such inability does not prevent us from having more and more Sabbath schools. The new school members can be taught to help support our world-wide work with tithes and offerings. And as our Sabbath school membership increases, our baptized membership also will increase. If this year, in every one of our Sabbath schools of West China, we could have five baptized this year, we would pass our goal of 1,680 by December 31, 1933.

The literature sales for the past year, according to the publishing house figures, amounted to Mex. \$17,033.37; and there are 5,866 Chinese "Signs" magazines coming into our field every month since the end of March, which is a gain of 851 since the beginning of the year.

According to the first quarter's report, we are receiving 90 copies of the "Sabbath School Helper," and 157 of the "Church Officer's Gazette," which is a gain over the previous quarter of 7, 20, and 22, respectively. We must have larger gains than these. The church papers contain the instruction our members must have to establish them in the truth and keep them in touch with our world-wide work. It has been said by some that faithful readers of our church papers seldom apostatize. These church papers are not only for the workers but also for our laity, who will be willing to subscribe when they realize the importance of these papers. A goal of 175 copies of the "Shepherd" has been set for us, which is 85 more than our present list. That means only one subscription for every eight members. Surely every mission can attain an average of one subscription from every eight members, if enough effort be put forth to tell the people the importance of these magazines. Some will wish to take advantage of the club offer of Mex. \$1.50 for all our magazines.

One of the resolutions passed on "Evangelistic Advance" for 1933, by the Division Winter Officers' Council, reads:

"That each local and union mission give careful study to ways and means of entering all the hsiens within his unoccupied territory, at the earliest possible date; mapping out a program by which this can be accomplished through the apportionment of the task over a series of years; such arrangement to be effected in connection with the union sessions."

May I suggest a goal of at least 39 more hsiens, or a total of 80 hsiens to be opened by the time of our next union meeting. (NOTE: This was afterward by vote brought up to 85, as

indicated in the table given above.—Editor.) The entrance into new hsiens will surely assist us in gaining more members. The past two years have seen nearly a doubling of membership in East Kweichow, West Kweichow, East Szechwan; while in Yunnan the baptized membership has increased about eight times in the two-year period. During the biennial term of the years 1929—30, there were 382 souls baptized, and a net gain of 321, bringing our membership up to 751; whereas during the past two-year period of 1931—32, we have had 765 baptisms, a net gain of 633; a total membership of 1,384. In the local missions, the membership comparisons are as follows:

	East Szech- wan	West Szech- wan	East Kwei- chow	West Kwei- chow	Yun- nan	Ti- bet
Membership, Yr. 1932 ..	489	112	145	441	191	6
Membership, Yr. 1930 ..	286	95	79	260	25	6
Net Increase, Yrs. 1931—32..	203	17	66	181	166	0
% of Increase, 1931—32 ..	71%	18%	84%	70%	664%	0
Goals Fixed During Union						
Session for Dec. 31, 1934	650	160	300	800	500	75
(Total Memb. of 2,485)						

COMPARISON OF OFFERINGS

	Yr. 1929-30	Yr. 1931-32	Gain
Big Week .. ..	Mex. \$ 633.66	\$ 965.86	\$ 332.20
Annual Offering .. ..	1,480.31	2,791.97	1,311.66
S. S. (regular) .. ..	4,511.06	6,850.71	2,339.65
Thirteenth Sabbath .. ..	823.22	1,079.29	256.07
Week of Sacrifice .. ..	1,932.94	2,846.65	913.71
Harvest Ingathering .. ..	.	6,512.20	6,512.20
Mid-summer Offering .. ..	.	303.19	303.19
Mission .. ..	.	21.76	21.76
Totals .. ..	\$9,381.19	\$21,371.63	\$11,990.44

During the biennial period, the Cheng-tu and Kweiyang churches have been built, and the union school property and the land for the Yunnanfu headquarters has been bought. This year we are building the union school buildings. We appreciate much the careful and able oversight Brother C. A. Woolsey is giving the construction of our union school buildings.

The work of the school this year has not been without its difficulties, the institution having had to be moved from Paoning to Chungking on account of the communists near there; but still the year's program has been carried out, and good work has been done. One of the students was not able to recover from the spell of sickness which he had here in the school at Da-chie-go; but we are thankful that others who were sick at the same time fully recovered. Had it not been for the good care Dr. and Mrs. James and Pastor and Mrs. Hughes gave, many students might have had a much worse time of it.

During the past year every mission in the union has made a better showing than any of the other missions, in one or more lines. The East Szechwan Mission received the largest amount of Harvest Ingathering receipts; West Szechwan has the largest "Signs" list; East Kweichow received the largest amount of "Big Week" receipts; West Kweichow has the largest number of Sabbath schools and Sabbath school membership; Yunnan had the largest increase in membership last year; the Tibetan Mission has the highest per capita tithe.

We wish to thank the Division and the General Conference for the two foreign families which came to us last year,—Brother and Sister Guild for Yunnan, and Dr. and Mrs. H. E. James for Tatsienlu. Both families are busy at language study, and anxious for the time when they can work in the vernacular for the people in West China.

Our greatest need is a deeper consecration, a willingness to forsake all, and follow the Master. When we can do this, we know that we are well able to go up and possess the land. And

should we not at this time say, as Joshua did, "Let us go up at once to possess it (West China); for we are well able to overcome it."

Meeting Famine Conditions

In some sections of the China field, famine conditions continue to prevail. One of the more recent calamitous failures of crops, is reported from Kweichow. The West China Union Mission, at its recent meeting in Chungking, set apart a small fund to assist; to this the China Division Committee has voted an additional five hundred dollars *Mex.* from the general treasury. Our Famine Fund is practically exhausted. We understand that conditions in Shensi, while still exceedingly bad, are slightly better just now than a few months ago. Many members of our churches north of the Wei River, have moved permanently into *hsiens* farther north, where there is more rainfall.

A few districts in the South Chekiang Mission have had to have special consideration by the East China Union the past few weeks. At best, it seems that the specter of want is not far removed from considerable portions of this great land; and we shall always have occasion to share with those in need. And we have an opportunity, also, to assist some through careful instruction in better methods of farm cultivation and other forms of husbandry, and in the proper conservation of crops and of other resources of whatsoever nature. The observance of the tithing system, also, we know, will bring great relief to many a family who otherwise might become reduced to dire penury and extreme want; for "the blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich."

Thus, in addition to grants in aid for immediate assistance, let us encourage the youth and those older to learn as much as possible concerning improved methods of farming, gardening, animal husbandry, and the cultivation of small fruits and of saleable plants and herbs; and let us also persevere in the teaching of trades, and in leading all, whatever their education or estate, into faithfulness in rendering to the Lord His own in tithes and offerings.

An Open Letter

Sianfu, Shensi,  
May 19, 1933

Dear Doctor Miller:

For some time I have planned to write you, and tell you something of the dispensary work here. When we first heard of the May meeting to be held here, I hoped that you would be coming too. The help you gave me when you were here a year ago this spring has been of great value to me. Do you remember the old lady with the terrible sores on her head and face? You told me it was *Yaws*, so I at once gave her the *Neo*. After three shots she was entirely well. She had had for twelve years. Since then I have had many cases, and the treatment never fails.

The work here has grown until it is really more than I can possibly handle. I believe it has grown in a natural, normal way. There has been no advertising, except by the patients I have helped, and I have not called myself a doctor; in fact, I tell the patients plainly that I am not. Last month I treated four hundred and seventy patients. The gateman says I turned away as many as we took in. I tell them not to sell more than twenty-five tickets for a day, as that is all I can care for, but they come and tell me this one has walked sixty and that one is in such pain that many times it runs up between thirty and forty.

Lately I have been having some very hard cases. I realize I have not the experience to handle them. Just now I have a man who has a terrible infection in his arm. He first went to the hospital, and they wanted to take his arm off, so he came to me. Well, I don't know how it is going to be. I am treating it with hot and cold, and have opened it up and put in several drains. How I long for a doctor to help bear the responsibility in some of these hard cases! I have really felt very tired out of late; not from the work, but from the worry over some of these things that I do not know how to handle.

We are looking forward to your visit to this field this fall. We think and pray for you in your great responsibilities, and the many duties which are yours.

Very sincerely,

(Signed) Mrs. Z. H. COBER

LATER: I think in my last letter I mentioned a man with an infected arm. The entire hand and arm was involved. I had as many as eight drains in one arm, but continued daily with hydrotherapy treatments. His arm is now entirely well, and he is very happy and grateful. He attends Sabbath services regularly.

## West Szechwan Mission

C. A. WOOLSEY

*(Report of the Director for two-year period, as rendered during the Chungking meeting, June, 1933)*

At the biennial session of the West China Union held two years ago, I was appointed acting director of the West Szechwan Mission. Owing to building operations then in progress and projected for the Da Chi Gou compound, my departure for the West Szechwan field was delayed until the first of December, and the family did not follow until in May of last year. Arriving in Chengtu, my immediate work was to build the chapel on the compound there. Quotes were obtained on the various building materials, bids entertained, detailed drawings made, and finally the contracts let. Work started near the end of January, the first dirt being moved January 24 1932.

Up until the first of last year, Chengtu was the only organized church in the Mission. Property had been rented for use as chapel and tract society rooms as well as living quarters for some of the workers about four city blocks away from the compound. This rented property had served admirably for a number of years, but about three years ago was taken away from us by the military; and from that time on a little dwelling-house of Chinese construction on the compound had been used for a meeting-place and for tract society. This was entirely inadequate for our needs. Our new chapel building, made possible by special appropriations for which we are deeply grateful, is a two-story structure sixty by thirty-three feet, built at a total cost of almost exactly Mex. 10,000. The lower floor houses mission and tract society offices and our primary school. In the upper story are located the auditorium and the Sabbath school rooms. Other buildings were later erected on the foreign compound; namely, a kitchen and dining-rooms for the students, and two small cottages for workers' quarters. While the placing of these buildings makes rather cramped quarters for all concerned, and is not all the best arrangement yet, on account of lack of means for the purchase of more land, it seemed the best thing that could be done.

Prior to the beginning of work on the chapel building, I had the privilege of organizing three churches in the Mission; viz., Kwansien, Sinsing, and Pen-shan. This division of responsibility in giving the church members the privilege of regular communion services was expected to be a source of strength as well as of material progress.

During the past year, Chengtu and the role of the West Szechwan territory suffered one of the worst wars in its

history. For a considerable period before actual hostilities broke out and for a considerable time after the fighting ceased, conditions were such as to prohibit all travel either within or without the city. Even in January of the present year, after things appeared to be fairly quiet, and I had made a trip out to Kienchow and Tsiyang, I returned to Chengtu just in time to be successful in getting in before the lines again closed, cutting off all traffic. Statistics show that the province of Szechwan has indulged in nearly four hundred wars since the establishment of the Republic.

Beginning May 29 last year, after extensive advertising and with the help of Brother Strickland from the Central China Union and some of our own union officers, we started an effort in our newly completed chapel in Chengtu. Attendance was good from the first; capacity crowds, including many from the educated classes attending night after night. The interest and behavior were good, and we counted on a number of converts from the effort. Satan, however, moved upon certain of the radical student element to break up our meetings, which they succeeded in doing, it being deemed advisable not to continue at the time. The meetings lasted but eight days. While it seems that there was no direct fruitage from the time and expense put forth in the effort, yet it is to be hoped that seed has been sown both by the spoken word and by the literature distributed at the time that may yet bear fruit in the Kingdom. Since the meetings, several people of education and culture have been coming to my office for Bible studies. One of these has already become a baptized member, and others still manifest keen interest in our system of truth.

Owing to certain changes in the location of workers in the field, it became necessary to leave one of our organized churches without a paid worker. Accordingly, we closed the chapel in Pen Shan and moved it to a more central location for the members. Before leaving the church thus without a worker, we held a home missionary rally at their new chapel location in Gung Ni Chang. The members greatly appreciated this three-weeks series of meetings, and made good progress in the study of methods of giving the message to their neighbors. They are now enthusiastically carrying on home missionary work among their neighbors, with good interest. Moreover, they promise to pay the rental charges on their chapel, asking the Mission only for the loan of the chapel furniture and deposit money on the chapel property. It does us all good, I am sure, to see our laity come forward and get under the burden in this manner at a time when the Mission is so hard pressed for means with which to carry on. We in West Szechwan feel that real and lasting progress is being made. It indicates that the Lord has many true people

among us whom He can lead to carry on the work even amid strenuous times. It shows that He is not dependent upon money nor salaried workers to do His will. It proves that He has stretched out His mighty arm to finish the work and to cut it short in righteousness.

When I came out to China and went to Chengtu to study Mandarin, I remember that Brother Blandford, who was then the director of the West Szechwan Mission, expressed the hope that it would be possible to send the light to the aborigines dwelling in the mountains back of Kwansien. His burden for these people never met fruition, however, and until near the close of last year we had no one especially working for these tribes.

At our last annual meeting our committee decided to send Brother Lin Hanchin into the mountain wilderness to search out those of the tribes people who might prove to be good soil for the gospel seed. Accordingly, after Brother Lin had made a journey of inspection in preparation for opening work among them, he and his young wife moved out to Wei Chow. These young people bravely face the privations and dangers which are entailed by life in that far away post, and are spending their lives in a determined effort to plant the banner of Prince Emmanuel among those simple people who have hitherto been held by the chains of the prince of darkness.

The tribes people have some customs and manners of worship that strongly remind us of those of ancient Israel. They burn offerings of cattle and sheep, and believe that in some way through the merit of these offerings their sins are forgiven and merit is obtained for themselves, hence it becomes easy to point them to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world. Brother Lin was preparing to attend our biennial meeting here at Chungking, when the road was cut off by war conditions now obtaining in that region. He and his good wife need our prayers. They are dwelling in the stronghold of Satan. That whole region is often overrun by bandits. Communication with the outside world is thus often cut off. The winters are rigorous, and the snows are very deep, thus practically prohibiting all travel through a large part of the winter. A life in that section of the field is necessarily one of privation and self-denial.

Our one school of West Szechwan is now doing good work. In 1930 there were 21 students enrolled; in 1931, 22; and in the 1932-33 school year we had 38. School equipment, which up to last year was negligible, is now valued at \$300. Library and laboratory equipment, while not complete by any means, afford a valuable asset to the efficiency of the school. Part of this has been obtained through appropriation from the Division and part through private donations. The

grounds are cramped. For greatest efficiency in our school land should be provided not only for ample recreation grounds but also some space for the raising of flowers or vegetables. Something in the line of a school industry should also receive careful study.

The publishing department has already reported the literature sales in our field. Last year \$4,426.75 worth of literature sales were reported, but according to the tract society record, more than \$3,500.00 worth passed out of the hands of the Tract Society. By far the major portion of this went to the colporteurs, so that by reckoning their discount it may be readily estimated that considerably more than the amount reported through the publishing department was actually sold by the colporteurs. There is little room for doubt that more than half of all literature sold in the West China Union during 1932 was sold in West Szechwan. We can but thank God for His wonderful care over the faithful colporteurs during the war period through which we have just passed. During the past months of the present year, our colporteurs have been especially blessed. One colporteur during the month of May (last month) sold literature sufficient to bring his own portion of the proceeds up to more than \$80; and the average per month for each colporteur thus far this year is about \$60. Surely this indicates that the Lord is blessing this branch of the work and it is truly going "forward with increasing success."

Last year four school girls, without previous experience, sold \$1,500 Mex. worth of books in eleven weeks. Most of these were old books that had been regarded as unsaleable—some of the covers having been torn away and the books badly damaged from mildew. Several of their customers bought one of each of all our subscription books. One man came to the compound and took delivery at the compound gate, subscribed for the *Signs*, and carried an armful of books away with him. Several of those visited by the colporteurs became sufficiently interested in our message to attend church services.

WEST SZECHWAN MISSION—YRS. 1931-32

	1931	1932
Membership .. ..	95	118
Outstations .. ..	4	6
Organized churches ..	1	4
Native tithe (avg. of 3 quarters) .. ..	\$62.24	\$170.83
Native tithe per capita ..	.65	1.44
Sabbath Schools .. ..	6	9
S. S. Membership ..	125	135
S. S. Attendance ..	174	131
S. S. Offerings 12 ..		
Sabbaths .. ..	\$40.45	\$ 90.59
S. S. Offerings 13 ..		
Sabbath .. ..	5.19	\$ 5.73
School equipment .. ..	—	\$300.00
School buildings .. ..	—	\$1,100.00

The Tibetan Mission—S. D. A.

P. B. BARTHOLOMEW

(Report rendered by the director, at the West China Union biennial meeting, Chungking, Sze., July 23-28, 1933)

SIKANG is the province west of Szechwan. It changes its size and shape nearly every year, depending on the frequency and extent of the "Border Wars." This province is peopled with various races. Most prominent in the east are the Chinese. But all through the province can be found Tibetans, and along the border, both to the north and the south, are tribes of various kinds. Some of these are very fierce and wild. Others are coming to be very friendly towards our messengers and towards the message we bear.

We have been very much crippled during the past two years because of lack of workers. Our hospital has stood empty because we have had no doctor to take charge. Our dispensary has done but little during this period. Our printing press has also been silent. There was no one to be typesetter for us in the Tibetan language. One man is busy at present stapling tracts, I am glad to report.

As far as figures show, our report is very small; but when the sheaves are all garnered in, I doubt not that there will be many from the land of Tibet.

Shortly after the last union meeting in Chungking, we were happy to baptize the first two Tibetan men to accept the third angel's message. The name of the one is Jya Dru, the other Gu Ndri. These men have had much to face; for others try to get them to give up their new religion and return to the old, a religion that has held all Tibetans for hundreds of years. But these men, although they are human and sometimes err, are pressing on.

And at this meeting I am glad to say that the third Tibetan expects to be united with this message by following his Lord in baptism. We thank God that progress is being made.

There are other contacts with Tibetans also which thrill us. Just recently two Tibetans came to the compound inquiring if this were the place where they could get books about God. We invited them into the parlor and let them listen to the phonograph. These people dearly love music, so we quite often use this method. Before playing a record, we translate the idea of the record of sacred music and also give them a little of the gospel. By the time we are finished they know about God, creation, the fall of man, redemption, our Saviour Jesus, His soon coming, and the beautiful home He is now preparing for those who love Him.

After they had heard, I secured a few tracts to give them and asked if they would read a gospel portion if I would give it to them. They then told us their story. They were from a far-away place—it took them two months to make the journey the way they travel. While on the road they heard of a Tibetan in Tatsienlu who had books about God. When they arrived in Tatsienlu they began asking for the man with the books. Many people knew there was such a man, but no one seemed to know where he lived. And so for three days they kept inquiring. The evening of the third day they found us. Then they begged, "Please give us the book. We will surely read it."

I saw their desire, and so gave them each a Tibetan New Testament, and a "Bible Doctrines" (Tibetan) book between them. They were so happy; and so we parted. They went back inland, and we have not seen them since; but I like to think that if we never see them again in this life, we shall meet in the world made new.

As for the evangelistic phase of the work, it too has been lacking. For some time there has not been one colporteur or preacher working in the entire field. Our language teacher has been doing extra work—holding meetings three times a week lately, but not in the year 1932.

We have one Sabbath school in Tatsienlu. It has averaged about seven members per Sabbath, and for the last two-year period has sent more than \$1,100.00 to support work in various mission fields.

I know of no other way of spreading the message in this land where foreigners are forbidden to enter, except by sending in literature. Many of the people never live more than fifteen days in one place; so we must prepare tracts and books and send them in on horseback Tibetan by men who can go in and who can spread the literature and study with the people. There are great opportunities in this line of work in Tibet.

The East Szechwan Mission

DALLAS R. WHITE

(Report rendered during the Chungking biennial session for the year and half period, January 1, 1932, to June, 1933)

AS WE look back over the work of the past year and a half, we are made to realize that no power on earth can stop the onward march of this message of God. Using the words of the psalmist, surely "This is the Lord's doing" (Ps. 118:3). No man or combination

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THE CHINA DIVISION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
 STATISTICAL SUMMARY—INCLUDING PROVINCIAL MISSIONS—QUARTER ENDING MAR. 31, 1933

ALL MONETARY VALUES IN U. S. GOLD, ON THE BASIS OF 2:2 FOR 1

基督復臨安息日會中華總會一九三三年第一季統計報告

(包括各省(區)會統計,表中一切款項皆以美金計算每圓作銀幣二元五角)

Name of Union Missions, Provincial Missions, and Division Institutions	會務推行處 No. of Mission Stations	會務推行分處 No. of Mission Outstations	已組織成立之教會數目 No. of Organized Churches	一九三三年三月底之教友數目 Baptized Membership Mar. 31, 1933	一九三三年一月至三月底受洗人數 Baptisms Jan. to Mar., 1933	三個月間之受洗人數 Minus sign—loss No. Ordained Ministers	牧師人數 No. Licensed Ministers	教士人數 No. Licensed Missionaries	傳道士人數 No. Colporteurs	書報員人數 Total No. Foreign Laborers	西國職員人數 Total No. Native Laborers	中國職員人數 Total No. Laborers Both Foreign & Native	中西職員總數 Total To the Receipts (Gold) Jan. to Mar., 1933	安息日學學員數目 Sabbath School Membership	安息日學學員數目 Sabbath School Membership	安息日學捐收總數 Total Sabbath School Offerings Jan. to Mar., 1933	一九三三年一月至三月份 No. of Schools	學校數目 Total Enrollment of Schools	學生人數 Total No. of "Heians" (Country) in every Provincial Mission	每省(區)會平傳道員數 No. of "Heians" already permanently occupied by S. D. A. Missionaries	已佔全會平傳道員數 No. of "Heians" already permanently occupied by S. D. A. Missionaries	
																						武機關名稱 聯合會省(區)會
DIVISION OFFICE 總會辦事處							7	1	9	2	15	8	23									
SIGNS PUB. HOUSE 時北報館							2	2	6		6	80	86									
SHANGHAI SANITARIUM & CLINIC 上海療養院							1	1	28		19	101	120					1	74			
CHINA TRAINING INSTITUTE 中華三育研究所							5		14		15	30	45					3	256			
FAR EASTERN ACADEMY 遠東中學							1		8		9	4	13					2	42			
HOME STUDY INSTITUTE 東方函授學校							2		3		3	18	21					3	1,400			
TOTALS DIVISION OFFICE & DIVISION INSTITUTIONS							18	4	68	2	67	241	308			\$1,344.60		9	1,772			
CENTRAL CHINA UNION 華中聯合會	1						3	4	7	1	12	18	30			579.84		1	12			
Honan Mission 河南	1	31	6	353			6	4	12	5	7	25	32		291.93	31	1,426	261.96	16	524	120	15
Hunan Mission 湖南	1	17	6	443	1	1	5	6	12	5	6	48	54		173.23	30	731	94.65	7	155	74	21
Hupeh Mission 湖北	1	15	3	505	13	13	2	4	17	8	5	41	46		150.60	16	644	149.25	4	173	63	12
Kiangsi Mission 江西	1	10	5	277		--2	2	4	7	3		30	30		105.34	13	352	32.28	3	14	77	13
TOTAL FOR CENTRAL CHINA 華中總數	5	73	25	2,078	14	12	13	22	55	27	30	162	192		1,500.94	90	3,153	538.14	31	878	339	61
EAST CHINA UNION 華東聯合會	1						4	1	6	2	8	8	16		681.39							
Anhui Mission 安徽	1	19	10	401			3	6	20	4	2	30	32		133.14	23	913	66.26	5	244	65	10
Kiangsu Mission 江蘇	4	13	11	700			3	2	8	12	3	37	40		1,543.46	21	1,205	1,223.31	3	180	39	12
N Kiangsu Mission 蘇北	1	15	9	258			1	1	2			11	11		300.46	18	787	155.63	2	61	23	3
N Chekiang Mission 浙北	1	21	14	589			3	2	11	5	2	32	34		103.84	32	756	92.98			40	14
S Chekiang Mission 浙南	1	81	33	1,065		--2	3	9	39	6	4	69	73		211.40	31	2,454	150.46	9	431	24	24
TOTAL FOR EAST CHINA 華東總數	9	150	77	3,013		--2	17	21	85	29	19	187	206		3,073.59	125	6,115	1,698.69	19	916	136	63
MANCHURIAN UNION 東北聯合會	2						2	4	9	1	15	16	31		646.75				1	35		
Heilungking Mission 黑龍江		3	2	73				1	2	1	5	5	5		47.24	3	123	15.99	1	15	44	6
Kando Mission 關東		3	2	134		--10	1		3	1		10	10		40.74	9	444	23.96	2	150	3	3
Kirin Mission 吉林	1	6	4	173			1	1	6	6	2	19	21		66.31	6	205	55.80	3	25	33	6



Sungari Mission		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
TOTAL FOR MANCHURIA 東北總數		5	31	20	1,090		-101	6	14	32	16	20	99	119	1,585.55	39	1,604	468.91	16	574											
NORTH CHINA UNION 華北聯合會								3	2	4	1	8	1	9	674.38																
Chahar-Suiyuan Mission 察綏		1	2	1	30			1	1	3			6	6		3	60	58.14													
Hopei Mission 河北		1	10	3	342	1	-45	2	2	12	8	3	21	24	130.61	19	443	151.35	5	141	171	12									
Jehol Mission 熱河			1							1			1	1		1	17	10.00													
Mongolian Mission 蒙古		1	2	1	10		-5	1	2	1		2	2	4	1.96	3	23	46.03	1	5											
Shensi Mission 山西			4	1	187	10	13	1		7	9		19	19	100.44	3	123	26.00	1	19	92	5									
Shantung Mission 山東		1	7	4	420			4	1	11	12	5	40	45	152.65	23	460	80.20	6	145	103	19									
TOTAL FOR NORTH CHINA 華北總數		4	26	10	1,049	11	-37	12	8	39	30	18	90	108	1,060.04	52	1,126	371.72	13	310	412	44									
NORTHWEST CHINA MISSION 西北區會								2		5	1	4	4	8																	
Chinghai Mission 青海			1	1	13			5		1		2		4		1	40	2.92													
Kansu Mission 甘肅		1	3	1	53			12		4	2	1	2	8	10	9	363	65.45	1	45	56	2									
Ninghsia Mission 甯夏		1	1	1	3			3		1		2		3	3	1	6	4.56													
Shensi Mission 陝西		1	9	5	294	15	39			7	4	5	2	30	32	13	267	37.65	10	156	98	11									
Sinkiang Mission 新疆														2	2																
TOTAL FOR NORTHWEST CHINA 西北總數		2	14	8	363	15	65	2	13	11	13	8	51	59	271.40	24	676	110.58	11	201	241	16									
SOUTH CHINA UNION 華南聯合會								4	1	5	2	10	2	12	498.72																
Cantonese Mission 廣東		2	19	11	640	19	19	6	7	10	10	6	42	43	963.40	21	676	346.47	8	241	67	10									
Balcha Mission 客家		1	21	8	725		-25	5	2	25	4	6	40	46	145.12	22	700	121.29	7	220	15	9									
Kwangsi Mission 廣西		1	13	5	284	7	7	1	6	10	5	6	52	58	140.44	13	264	106.52	4	110	97	12									
N Fukien Mission 閩北		1	20	9	481	3	2	2	3	18	3	2	42	44	446.76	18	838	62.87	3	241	33	21									
S. Fukien Mission 閩南		1	15	6	405			4	5	9	4	4	28	32	539.88	14	775	80.00	4	210	24	6									
Swatow Mission 汕頭		1	14	5	360	4		4	8	9	2		30	30	142.02	15	600	70.33	8	205	11	7									
TOTAL FOR SOUTH CHINA 華南總數		7	102	44	2,895	33	3	26	32	86	30	34	236	270	2,876.40	103	3,853	787.48	34	1,227	247	65									
WEST CHINA UNION 華西聯合會								3	4	4		6	8	15	361.75																
E. Szechwan Mission 川東		1	20	13	524		35	3	3	10	4	2	28	30	220.45	16	446	158.88	6	70	61	13									
E. Kweichow Mission 貴東		1	4	3	143		-2	2	1	7	2	4	8	12	57.86	6	113	108.99	2	20	49	5									
Sikang Mission 西康		1		1	7			1		1	4		4	1	10.48	1	8	63.98													
W. Szechwan Mission 川西		1	6	4	118	5	6	1	2	5	4	2	9	11	47.62	10	134	38.52	1	38	57	10									
W. Kweichow Mission 貴西		1	20	5	447	10	6	1	3	13			21	21	49.76	28	541	23.44	2	70	35	7									
Yunnan Mission 雲南		1	8	2	192		1	2	1	9		4	10	14	38.16	10	286	61.51	3	70	99	7									
TOTAL FOR WEST CHINA 華西總數		6	58	28	1,431	15	47	12	15	47	10	22	86	108	786.08	71	1,528	455.32	15	294	335	43									
DIVISION TOTALS 1st Qr 1933 本總會第一季統計一九三三年		38	454	212	11,919	58	-13	111	129	424	157	218	1,152	1,370	12,498.70	564	18,055	4,430.84	148	6,172	1,914	326									
" " " " 1932 一九三二年		38	405	193	10,784	66	-75	106	140	415	144	217	962	1,179	12,053.77	552	16,491	4,872.17	123	4,948											
" " " " 1931 一九三一年		34	362	163	9,586	163	110	89	118	424	133	212	970	1,182	10,735.48	443	14,617	2,241.29	123	5,108											
" " " " 1930 一九三〇年		33	340	144	8,352	42	1	94	136	341	177	211	1,021	1,232	13,120.51	408	13,487	3,924.33	117	4,748											
" " " " 1929 一九二九年		31	297	139	7,400	80	78	82	119	386	145	199	944	1,143	10,264.94	372	11,399	3,102.22	114	4,005											
" " " " 1928 一九二八年		28	272	140	6,907	60	38	74	113	364	105	211	735	946	10,087.89	314	9,323	2,723.81	87	3,260											
" " " " 1927 一九二七年		24	273	134	7,177	47	21	72	141	352	86	181	750	931	9,327.99	294	10,059	2,586.70	73	2,795											
" " " " 1926 一九二六年		25	248	115	5,574	38	-18	75	141	315	101	196	817	1,013	9,791.36	286	11,467	2,524.19	126	4,883											
" " " " 1925 一九二五年		22	237	96	5,666	99	-436	55	126	255	88	162	687	852	7,851.37	258	10,534	2,205.59	121	4,920											
" " " " 1924 一九二四年		22	216	90	4,753	78	-46	55	99	233	78	159	634	793	7,239.92	228	9,014	1,500.85	103	3,730											
" " " " 1923 一九二三年		21	224	105	4,491	38	-7	47	115	239	90	170	651	821	5,314.55	230	8,323	1,409.32	108	3,678											

\* In provincial missions indicated by single stars, there are "Chu" and "feng" in addition to the regular "hsien" districts. We are not attempting to list the number of "Chu" and of "feng" in missions thus marked.

\*\* The Russian work in the Sungari Mission is conducted in all the provinces of Manchuria, and the "hsien" are not named, inasmuch they have already been given under Liaoning, Kirin, and Heilungkiang.

STATISTICAL REPORT of the CHINA DIVISION MISSION, Quarter Ending March 31, 1933

會一九 年第 季統計表

ALL VALUES IN U. S. GOLD DOLLARS 以美洋為本位

Table with 15 columns: 1. Number of Mission, 2. NAME OF MISSION, 3-5. Number of Mission (Chinese), 6. Baptized Members, 7. Baptized During Quarter, 8-10. Ordained, Licensed, Missionaries, 11. Bible Women, 12. Book and Periodical Conveyers, 13. Other Workers, 14. Total Evangelistic Labors, 15. Medical Workers.

Table with 16-23 columns: 16. Total Laborers, 17. TITHE RECEIPTS, 18. Total offerings, 19. Total Contributions, 20. Total Receipts for Harvest, 21. Total Contributions for Work, 22. Number of Schools, 23. Membership.

Table with 24-36 columns: 24. Average Attendance, 25. S.S. Offerings, 26. Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, 27. Total S. Offerings, 28. Amount of Tithe, 29. Total Retail Value, 30. Total Value of Literature, 31. Number of Church Members, 32. Net Gain, 33. Approximate Section Cases, 34. Number of Church Members, 35. Enrollment of Chinese Schools, 36. Total No. of Pupils.

Table with 37-52 columns: 37. Number of Inter-mediate Schools, 38. Enrollment of Inter-mediate Schools, 39. Number of Training Schools, 40. Enrollment of Training Schools, 41. Total Enrollment of all Schools, 42. Total Enrollment of Chinese Schools, 43. Number of Foreign Teachers, 44. Number of Native Teachers, 45. Total Number of Teachers, 46. Estimated Value of Buildings and Equipment, 47. Expense of Maintenance, 48. Number of Young People's Societies, 49. Membership, 50. Y. P. S. Contributions for Foreign Missions, 51. Y. P. S. Contributions for Home Missions, 52. Y. P. S. Contributions for Local Society Work.

## Report of the China Division Sabbath School Department

Quarter Ending March 31, 1933  
(All Offerings in U. S. Gold -- "2 1/2 for 1")

Union Mission	Number Schools	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Birthday Offering	Investment Fund Offering	12 Sabbaths Offerings	15th Sabbath Offering	Total Offerings to Missions
Central China	90	3,153	2,954	\$10.55	\$27.71	\$409.74	\$90.14	\$538.14
East China	185	6,115	5,512	103.30	201.96	1,259.83	133.60	1,698.69
Manchuria	39	1,604	1,183	10.29	9.20	387.78	61.64	468.91
North China	52	1,126	960	5.84	11.20	307.83	46.85	371.72
Northwest China	24	676	512	1.60	.29	97.48	11.21	110.58
South China	103	3,853	3,224	40.85	44.74	590.64	111.25	787.48
West China	71	1,528	1,457	6.28	4.83	384.09	60.12	455.32
<b>Total</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>18,055</b>	<b>15,802</b>	<b>\$178.71</b>	<b>\$299.93</b>	<b>\$3,437.59</b>	<b>\$514.81</b>	<b>\$4,430.84</b>

### East Szechwan

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of men can bring this work to naught. Men may oppose this movement, they may clicque together against it, but the cause of God goes marching on. There have been many times when the way has seemed dark and difficult; but the Lord has led us through these dark hours.

Courage, faith, and trust are the words we hear from around the field. "Come over and help us open an effort," is a request that keeps coming to us from our stations. We have had seven evangelistic efforts in East Szechwan during this year and a half. Some were short; the total number of weeks was only twenty-three; but the results have been gratifying. We averaged a baptism and a half for each week of effort—thirty-eight baptisms for the seven efforts while our total number of baptisms is forty-six for the whole period. We have some thirty-five to forty in Bible classes preparing for this rite, while a number are here attending this meeting with questionnaires made out.

Some of our number have fallen asleep and await the call of the Life-giver. Others have felt the lure of the world and walk with us no more; still others have failed to hear the fruits of conversion. But notwithstanding these losses, we are glad that our mem-

bership list has grown; it standing at present at 534.

Pastor Strickland's evangelistic effort and workers' meeting last year was a source of strength to us. At the same time, Pastor Longway and the union field secretary, Brother Djang, conducted a colporteur institute, from which a number went out. At the same time we also studied over the proposition of getting our large list of school teachers out into the field for at least a part of the summer. For these we conducted another institute at Hsin Tsen Pa, where we also held an evangelistic effort concurrently. Our teachers went into the field and gained a new experience. In all, we have had four colporteur institutes; and in August, 1932, we had nineteen colporteurs in the field, with four field secretaries to look after them. Our tract society reports business amounting to Mex. \$6,569.96 for 1932, and for the five months of 1933, \$1,214.87. Our *Signs* subscription list has been good—\$1,126.80 for January to April, 1933, alone. Our sales for Sabbath school supplies and the *Shepherd's Call* ran low because the mission stopped supplying these free. However, this list too, is growing again. The new combination price is an encouragement.

The mission operated six schools for the 1932-1933 school year, with an enrolment of 125. At the same time six self-supporting schools have been running,

with an enrolment of over 125. Students from these schools are requesting baptism.

We have a total of thirty-six Sabbath schools, with a membership aggregating 570. Our offerings have been good. One of our Sabbath schools has proved itself to be a real live organization. The members felt that the quarters were two small, so looked up a new place, with a higher rental, which they raised locally. They cleared up the new hall, papered the windows, and moved the furniture over; all doing something toward fixing up the quarters and making them inviting. And then what do you suppose they did?—Why, they put on an evangelistic effort (one of the seven efforts already mentioned). They borrowed the use of one of the mission's Petromax lamps, but the cost of the oil, and all other expenses they carried locally. We have baptized ten in this district this year, and hope soon to organize the whole group, numbering twenty-three, into a church. These folk are a happy lot; suppose those who are here to-day stand, so you can see them. (Several stood.)

Mrs. Hughes has been superintendent of a beautiful little Sabbath school here at Da Chi Geo. With a bright group of students for Sabbath school teachers and members, this has been an inspiration to all who have visited it. It has led out in all the goals, the investment offering being especially good.

We want to thank the Division and union for the help given us in Harvest Ingathering work. Brethren Oss, Frost, and Longway led us, and in a few short days we had around \$3,000 *Mex.* In other places also we received gifts. Away out in Suiting, a gentleman who has purchased nearly all of our subscription books, gave us \$100 *Mex.* and seemed glad to do so. When we were leaving his place, his Fu Gwan Djan invited us into his office. He seemed to have something on his mind that kept him ill at ease. I hardly felt at liberty to solicit him, when he had just been up with us to his chief and we had already gotten the \$100 in silver from the treasurer. However, I turned the leaves of the paper he held in his hand and mentioned a bit more about our plans for the union school; and then I placed the signature book before him showing what success we had had, incidentally telling him that his name would look well in it. His eyes beamed his joy as he reached for his brush pen to sign up. He called in person at our chapel that evening to bring his donation, and we had a good Bible study with him.

In the past some missions have measured their progress by the amount of funds used. We would draw attention to our reduction of expense, and increase of self-support.

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## East Kweichow Mission

A. B. BUZZELL

*(Synopsis of biennial report by the director, rendered during the Chungking meeting, June 23-28, 1933. This report covers the years 1931 and 1932, with forecasts regarding the immediate prospects of further development.)*

As I review the work and experiences we have enjoyed in the few years of our labor in the East Kweichow mission, my heart is filled with praise to God for all that He has done for us and the way that He has blessed our work. And in rendering a report, may the workings of Providence be revealed, and may we individually gather courage.

During the past two years in East Kweichow many new things have been attempted, and the advancement seen has cheered our hearts. Many have accepted of the Saviour. The people are responding to gospel truth more at this time than at any other time since the work was started in this field.

We now have work in seven places. I should like to tell you of the work in each of the out-stations, but time will not permit. (Note.—A map was displayed, showing the entire field, and places already occupied.) Our aim is to spread out from these stations and

make ever and ever wider circles until we have reached every *hsien* in the province.

During the past year our advancement has been seriously handicapped by wars and by banditry; but God has blessed and protected. The present membership of the East Kweichow field is now one hundred and seventy. This more than meets the goal that was set for us at the last union session.

Last year our "Big Week" books landed in Kweiyang the first of August. We went to work first from door to door, selling single copies. Then we took in the official class. Before time for our annual meeting our books were all sold and I am glad to say that Kweichow stands at the head in the returns from "Big Week" in West China. Among the official class we sold in large amounts, and many times we have seen the books being sent out by the official to his friends and under-officers.

About the time for the opening of our annual meeting in the autumn of 1932, war clouds began to arise, and on the last day of the meeting troops were leaving the city. However with the help of Brethren Longway and Oss, we started our Harvest Ingathering.

The amount raised came to \$1,212.80 *Mex.* Had it not been that a second siege and turnover came to Kweiyang, we could have gone out to other cities, and would have been able to more than double the amount. As it was Brother Johnson and I were out to Anshun doing Harvest Ingathering, when we received word that Kweiyang was under siege. We hurried home over desolate and dangerous roads, so as to be with our loved ones. We reached the city only to find that we were shut out. Fighting had started outside the south gate. We were shut out for only a few days, and soon were issued a special permit to enter. The siege lasted for over ten days. After this trouble it was impossible to do more in the H. I. campaign. We feel to thank God for the courage that he gave us to undertake Ingathering work in times of stress.

Our two colporteurs of East Kweichow have been blessed of God, and the subscription list is now up to over seven hundred. Our colporteurs are self-made men. They have not had any one to help them. We have never had a field man nor have they ever had the privilege of attending a colporteur institute. These men need the help and encouragement of such gatherings, and I hope that in the rear future they will have such help. Others are ready to join them; but first they must have training. May God bless the seed sown by these faithful men.

For the past few years our small school in Kweiyang has proven a help to our youth in that city. Four of the students have come to attend the Union school when it opens this fall. We

hope that workers will be developed from among these few students.

Just before leaving Kweiyang we held an evangelistic effort followed by a Bible school. We had an excellent attendance. Ten have already been baptized as a result of this effort. These were all young people attending government schools. These with several others now awaiting baptism, wish to attend our Union school, and prepare to enter one of our hospitals and receive training as nurses. Our prayer is that God will bless these young people and help them to keep close to Him, and that they may realize their aims.

On our last trip to the stations we baptized seventeen. More are in preparation, and I feel sure that this year will see many souls won to Christ. Up to this time there have been twenty-seven baptized in Kweichow during 1933.

Besides the other work that has pressed in, we have had much building to do during the past two years. We have built a new office building and a visitors' room. We have put up two chapel buildings at two of our out-stations; and before leaving Kweiyang we finished the Kweiyang city church. It makes our hearts glad to see these monuments to the work of God springing up throughout the field.

In our work especially for the women, we have found that when our Bible workers visit these women in their homes, we can get results. Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Buzzell have done a lot of this work.

Just now Kweichow is in the midst of a famine and many of our members are hungry and in need of food. Our workers also are in need. Can we not in some way at this time make some plans for their relief?

May the Lord of all grace be our strength and helper as we continue to labor for Him.

(EDITORIAL NOTE.—Brother Buzzell's report included carefully prepared financial charts, which are not here reproduced, inasmuch as many of these figures may be found in our regular quarterly statistical summaries for the various provincial missions of the China Division.)

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## Yunnan Mission of Seventh-day Adventists

CLAUDE B. MILLER

*(Report of the director, rendered at the Chungking biennial session of the West China Union, June 28, 1933)*

THE opportunities for preaching the gospel in the province of Yunnan are

greater than they ever have been before. At present conditions are more peaceful than during the past several years. One can travel from north to south, and from east to west, in comparative safety. All my travel during the past two years has been done without military escort.

As we look at the map of Yunnan, we see it is a province of great distances and of slow means of travel. For the millions who sit in darkness, we have only a few chapels to shed the light of truth upon their path; but we are told "to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide their foot into the path of peace."

First I should like to call your attention to the "Faith" chart, which is hanging before you, as follows:

YUNNAN MISSION—"FAITH" CHART

1928	Membership	11
1929	"	19
1930	"	25
1931	"	39
1932	"	191

We call this the "Faith" chart for two reasons: (1) because the progress here shown is a result of the faith of the workers; (2) because the converts are all strong believers in the soon-coming of our Saviour. The prospects for this year are greater than those of the past year. At present Brother Liu Hen Ih is at Likiang, 18 days west of Yunnanfu. From his latest correspondence he reports that between twelve and fifteen persons are ready for baptism. Brother Liu is a faithful itinerating preacher. At present he has interests in two or three of the surrounding *hsiens*. He hopes to have converts in these several places awaiting baptism when I visit this district early in the autumn.

The work in Tali is also progressing nicely. Five have been baptized already this year, while others are preparing for baptism.

The work in Hsin Ping is very interesting because of the classes of people whom we meet there. Thus far, our work in the city has been among the Chinese. To the north we have made contacts among the *Nosu*; to the west and south among the *Miao*, and among the *Tai* along the River. We have good interests, and hope for a few baptisms before the end of the year.

The work to the north of Yunnanfu is chiefly among the "Big Flower" *Miao*. At present two-thirds of our membership is from this district. Our chapels are not in the cities, but in villages scattered among the mountains. A number of these chapels have been built by the people themselves, and

others with but a little help from the mission. There are people preparing for baptism in more than twenty villages in this district.

Next I would like to call your attention to the "zeal" chart.

YUNNAN MISSION—"ZEAL" CHART

	S. S. Offerings	Tithes
1928	<i>Mex.</i> \$146.87	<i>Mex.</i> \$ 100
1929	318.08	80.43
1930	544.20	138.12
1931	524.90	171.80
1932	543.36	357.06

We are glad to see our tithe increase as our membership increases. The *Miao* seldom pay tithe in cash, but it comes in corn, buckwheat, and potatoes. These must be sold, and with an exchange of \$9.60 (local currency) to equal one dollar *Mex.*, it demands a tremendous amount from these mountain people to affect greatly our financial items.

We are glad to report real progress in our *Miao* printing work. Our first *Sabbath School Quarterly*, which was printed nearly two years ago, was merely a lesson outline. Later we followed the same idea, but in more complete form. For the past two or three quarters, with co-operation from the Division, we have been able to get out a complete quarterly, and that on time. We feel that the *Sabbath school* department deserves the credit for the success among the *Miao* tribes. We have also gotten out two editions of our little song-book, the first edition 200 copies and the second edition 400. We are grateful to Elder E. W. Farnsworth for the financial assistance he has given us, in the *Miao* printing work.

We are now conducting three church schools, with a total enrolment of seventy, forty-six of whom are from Seventh-day Adventist homes. With two or three more teachers we believe it would be possible to double our present enrolment.

Our "Big Week" campaign last year was a real success. Within two weeks

we had sold our 2,000 copies, and these for \$2.50 (local currency) per copy. While our total income was not as great as some, we are still thankful for this accomplishment.

We are grateful to the Division for securing the services of Brother and Sister Guild. We are sure they will be able to fill a great need in the work in Yunnan. Our hearts are full of courage and hope for the future.

Treasurer's Report—West China Union Mission S. D. A.

Biennial Period Ending June 30, 1933

H. ROMAIN DIXON

In the financial department of the West China Union Mission, we would not claim perfection for the methods we have tried to put into operation, and we are only too glad to have suggestions and constructive criticisms. Our prayer is that by these methods or others that may be used, we can help our workers and church-members to come up onto a higher spiritual plane; for we can only get right with God spiritually when we have made it right with Him financially. We all need to realize more fully the relationship we sustain to God,—He as owner, we as stewards.

Having been in this union for only a little over a year, it is somewhat difficult to know just what needs to be presented to do the most good. We have prepared three charts showing comparisons among the various missions for a few of the financial items.

Chart No. 1 shows the total expenses, total income, and per cent of self-support for every mission for the years 1931 and 1932. The per cent of self-support for most of the missions and also the average for the union shows an increase in the year 1933 over 1931. The income items do NOT include Harvest Ingathering receipts.

	Expense <i>Mex.</i>	Income <i>Mex.</i>	%	Expense <i>Mex.</i>	Income <i>Mex.</i>	%
East Kweichow	\$3,830.45	\$1,280.37	33.4	\$4,647.85	\$2,095.35	45.1
West Kweichow	5,424.55	1,433.80	26.4	6,356.90	1,751.17	27.5
East Szechwan	20,783.71	6,720.14	32.3	14,325.36	5,231.82	36.5
West Szechwan	6,517.81	1,796.91	27.5	5,592.09	2,088.55	37.3
Sikang	1,181.77	876.71	74.2	1,325.69	716.81	54.1
Yunnan	3,017.65	1,383.45	45.8	4,291.38	1,822.03	42.5
TOTALS	\$ 40,755.94	\$13,491.38	33.1	\$36,539.27	\$ 13,705.73	37.5

The World "Shrinking Up"

WRITING from Chungking, where he was attending the biennial session of the West China Union Mission, Pastor C. C. Morris commented on the rapidity with which mail can now be sent from place to place.

"It is now June 28," he writes; and to me it seems indeed wonderful to receive mail here that left Shanghai two days ago. Brother J. L. Shaw has observed that "the world is shrinking up;" and surely this is true nowadays in China, as well as in other places. These rapid transit facilities greatly aid us in our work; and it seems that it must be the Lord's doings in thus making possible the quick finishing of His work.

"I am glad to tell you that we are having a very profitable meeting here in the West. The brethren are united, in plan and purpose in quickly carrying the message to this vast territory."

Within ten days after the writing of these lines, Brother Morris reached Shanghai on the s.s. "Ichang" of the Yangtze Rapids S. S. Co., and gave us further word of the advancement of the message in the West. There is every reason for encouragement. The field is a vast one in area, and the difficulties are many, including as not least the slowness of travel from place to place, as compared with the ease and rapidity of transit in other parts of the world field. The workers, nevertheless, are getting about into many places; and the goals are higher than ever before. One goal is that many new *hsiens* be entered this year and next (as reported in detail in the article in this issue by Pastor Geo. L. Wilkinson). Courage possesses the hearts of the workers as they prepare to return to their respective spheres of labor for the coming biennial period.

Would you be willing to have your working force cut down that small? Again we are told that if God's people would pay a faithful tithe, there could be "one hundred workers where now there is but one."

"The student cannot surpass his teacher." Brethren and sisters, will you to-day make a new covenant with God to do all in your power to help our church-members to pay their honest tithes? One of the greatest influences is *example*. We all receive presents sometimes. Is this not income? Do we stop to think that tithe should be paid on this? I cannot say what tithe you should pay, neither can you say what tithe another should pay. May God help us to deal with Him honestly.

Chart No. 2 gives a comparison of the church members' tithes and offerings for the year 1932 for all the missions. The records in most of the missions were not kept to show the amount of church members' tithe for 1931, or we would have shown the comparisons between the two years as well. We would especially ask you to consider the item of per capita tithes. We believe that there is much room for improvement in this item. God holds us just as responsible for faithfulness in giving an honest tithe as in sacred observance of the Sabbath. Just as it is displeasing to Him for us to use part of the Sabbath for our own business, even so it is dishonoring Him for us to present a sum of money as tithe when it is not a whole tithe.

WEST CHINA UNION --- TITHES & OFFERINGS YEAR 1932  
 CHART # 2.  
 (All values in Mex. dollars)

	East Szechow	West Szechow	East Szechuan	West Szechuan	Sikang	Yunnan	Totals
Church Mem. Jan. 1, 1932	122	377	329	100	6	41	1,175
Church Mem. Tithes	\$311.32	\$127.48	\$506.00	\$321.12	\$30.09	\$136.78	\$1,432.79
Tithe per capita	2.55	.34	.96	3.21	5.01	3.34	1.22
Annual Offering	79.34	43.40	265.35	310.64	54.88	39.50	793.21
Missions Extension	335.42	13.05	71.32	95.45	13.80	295.91	824.95
Mid-Summer	27.19	--	251.00	--	--	25.00	303.19
Harvest Ingathering	1,212.80	195.43	3,505.18	1,070.37	118.00	--	6,101.78
Twelve Sabbaths	623.49	229.60	1,622.66	429.63	362.01	467.93	3,795.32
Thirteenth Sabbath	94.08	53.47	237.19	49.49	54.34	75.43	564.00
Week of Sacrifice	280.64	72.92	502.34	179.54	110.00	162.84	1,308.28
Weekly for Missions	3.25	--	14.05	4.48	--	--	21.76
<b>TOTAL OFFERINGS *</b>	<b>\$ 2,656.21</b>	<b>\$667.87</b>	<b>\$6,469.07</b>	<b>\$2,139.60</b>	<b>\$713.03</b>	<b>\$1,066.71</b>	<b>\$13,712.39</b>
Per Capita Offerings	\$21.77	\$ 1.77	\$12.23	\$21.40	\$118.84	\$26.02	\$ 11.67

\* Not including tithes of church members.

The Spirit of prophecy tells us that ancient Israel were required to give fully one-fourth of their income in tithes and offerings; and if I read it aright, in addition to 10% as tithe, a second tithe or 9% was used for charity and benevolence, leaving about 6% for offerings. With this as a guide, our tithes should be nearly equal to our total offerings. I wonder if we have reached that standard. We are further told that while the giving of this large amount might be expected to impoverish the people, on the other hand it was one condition of their continued prosperity.

The tithe in ancient times was for the support of the Levites or ministers. The same is true to-day. If that were all we had to use for the salaries in West China Union, how many workers would we have in each mission?

No. 3 shown some interesting facts as to our growth during the past two years and what it has cost per member net gain. Look it over and draw your own conclusions.

WEST CHINA UNION --- COMPARATIVE STATISTICS --- GROWTH; NET GAINS  
 CHART # 3.

	East Szechow	West Szechow	East Szechuan	West Szechuan	Sikang	Yunnan	Totals
Church Mem. Jan. 1, 1931	79	260	226	95	6	25	751
Baptized during 1931	36	126	277	11	2	15	467
Net Gain for 1931	43	117	243	5	0	16	424
Total Operating Expense 1931	\$ 3,230.45	\$5,424.55	\$20,783.71	\$6,517.81	\$1,181.77	\$3,017.65	\$40,755.94
Cost per person net gain	\$ 89.08	\$46.36	\$85.53	\$1,303.56	--	\$ 188.60	\$ 96.12
Membership, Jan. 1, 1932	122	377	529	100	6	41	1,175
Baptisms for 1932	25	67	48	16	--	155	311
Net Gain for 1932	23	64	40	12	--	150	209
Total Operating Exp. for 1932	\$4,647.85	\$6,356.90	\$14,325.36	\$5,592.09	\$1,325.69	\$4,291.38	\$36,539.27
Cost per person net gain	\$ 202.08	\$ 99.33	--	\$ 466.01	--	\$28.61	\$ 174.83
Membership Jan. 1, 1933	145	441	489	112	6	191	1,884

## From the Field

### Advances into the Tibetan Borderland

(EDITORIAL NOTE.—The letter that follows is but the first of a series, outlining clearly the opening providences of God among Tibetans. From these letters we will give extracts in our next issue.)

Lanchow, Kansu,  
May 19, 1933

Dr. H. W. Miller  
525 Ningkuo Road  
Shanghai

Dear Doctor:

We have arrived here in Lanchow safely, and very glad are we to get here. All of our goods, with the exception of a few pieces, are here in good condition. We have fixed up our quarters a little more, and though they are quite cramped, we are getting along fairly well.

Mrs. Shultz and the children came up on the plane and arrived here only three days after I did.

I understand the Division is planning to undertake further work in Sinkiang. Two Eurasia trucks are going day after to-morrow from Lanchow right through to Tihwa, and have "huchow" covering everything that accompanies them.

A few days ago I saw a man coming into our yard here at Lanchow. I asked him whom he wished to see and he said the person in charge of the mission. I told him that Mr. Effenberg was away, and asked him what he wished. I found that this was the man whom Brother Graham met. He has cast away his lama robes of fine silk and costly fur, and now believes in Christ, and is trying to do all in his power to preach the gospel message to his people. Some time ago he went from here to Labrang, rented a small place, hired a gatekeeper, repaired where necessary, and invited his Lama friends to hear the gospel. He was a very influential abbot before. For three days he preached to them Christ, what little he knew. He had a copy of the New Testament in Tibetan, and is having them copy it by hand. He left with them a copy of the Law Chart in Tibetan, and then wrote to Brother Effenberg for help. Brother Effenberg was away, and the letter came only last week, being delayed on the road. His Lama friends asked him daily if the answer to his letter had come, and he had to say, "No." Finally they almost forced him to come himself all the way from Labrang to Lanchow, to see if the letter had come or not, and whether we would come there and give them the message. This man is the most genuinely converted man that I have ever seen. He wants to see all of his people won for Christ, and says that he thought his influence can take us right through into Tibet.

This man was formerly the personal representative for the Panchen Lama, and also for the Choni Prince. He has been to Nanking several times by airplane on special missions for the government. He holds the rank of District Magistrate among his own people. Last winter, while on a commercial mission, his caravan was set upon by bandits near Tsingying, and he personally lost over thirty six thousand dollars worth of goods. Most of his men were killed, but he escaped. This incident showed him the futility of trusting in any "fu yeh," and when he met Mr. Graham, and Pastors Lu and Chen, he accepted the Saviour. His is a simple faith. He places all his dependence on God. He keeps the Sabbath, and tells of the Saviour to all he meets.

Inasmuch as so many Tibetans who understand Chinese are up there waiting for an answer to their appeal, we have thought to respond at once. Mr. Chen, the local evangelist, and I are leaving Sunday. We shall visit Titao first, and from thence go on to see the Choni Prince and from his residence we are to go on to Labrang.

The faith of the Tibetan abbot who has come to take us back to his people, brings tears to my eyes. I cannot believe that such faith will go unhonored. Would that we had more. We could thus bring the message to the heads of the Tibetan nation. Pray that God may give us strength, and that our presentations of the message may move their hearts to follow Him.

At the present time, we have on this proposed trip a very uncertain road to travel, but we are placing our trust in Him who has sent this man to us. Truly God is opening the long-closed doors before our very eyes. Shall we not enter?

I must close, and prepare for the journey, With Christian love.

(Signed) HAROLD SHULTZ.

### Baptisms in North Fukien Mission

V. J. Maloney

On Sabbath, June 3, an interesting baptismal service was held, at Foochow. Eleven of those baptized were young people from the school who had been in the baptismal class since the school Week of Prayer in March, when Pastor Lyle C. Wilcox was here. Thirteen were baptized in all. Among them were Vance Maloney, Jr., and Betty Jean. It makes our hearts rejoice to see all these young people taking their stand on the Lord's side.

### English Church Letters

The Press has printed a supply of English Church Letters of Commendation. The price is three cents (Mex) each. Churches needing such letters can now secure them by writing to Signs of the Times Publishing House, 515 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China.

### China Division 1932 Home Missionary Department

JOHN OSS

In compiling the 1932 annual report of the Home Missionary activities of our faithful believers in the China Division, I am reminded of the words of Jesus spoken to those on the right hand, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." Matt. 25:40.

In extending the invitation to inherit the kingdom, the Master said, "For I was an hungred, and ye gave Me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took Me in; naked, and ye clothed Me; I was sick, and ye visited Me; I was in prison, and ye came unto Me." Matt. 25:35, 36.

Our lay workers reported giving 265,425 Bible readings, making 329,520 missionary visits, and taking 60,984 persons to Sabbath school or other services. They helped 94,214 needy persons, gave 79,638 treatments, and gave away 11,178 articles of clothing. 982,671 tracts were given away, and 24,307 missionary letters were written.

The two campaigns promoted by the Home Missionary Department show progress. The "Big Week" receipts for 1932 were \$6,984.68 Mexican as compared with \$5,402.18 Mexican for 1931. During 1931 \$34,721.69 Mexican in regular Harvest Ingathering funds were received, but the receipts for 1932 amounted to \$44,723.62 Mexican. More of our church-members took part in the campaign than ever before, and many received a rich spiritual blessing by taking part.

With decreasing budgets and an ever expanding work, we must look to the Ingathering method as one of the main avenues to increase our funds with which to carry on. We have thus far barely touched the possibilities in this line of endeavor. Each field should carefully plan to enlist more of its members to assist in systematic solicitation.

The "Big Week" and Harvest Ingathering campaigns are a means of forwarding our work into new territory. They are excellent soul-winning agencies, and should be aggressively promoted.

During 1932, fifty-four per cent of our church-membership reported doing missionary work. Our goal is "every believer a working and reporting member," and we should not rest satisfied until we have reached this objective.

Only eternity will reveal the real fruitage of the work done by our church-membership during this year. As we go on endeavoring to do greater things during 1933, we trust that when the Lord of the harvest returns, there will be a rich fruitage of souls as a result of the seed sown and the work done during 1932.

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### Visits to the Fields

VARIOUS of the Division Staff have been out and in from our general offices during the past sixty days.

Dr. H. W. Miller, returning from attendance at union sessions in the South, the East, the Central Union, and in the North and Northeast, has returned to headquarters, where he has continued, save for one later absence of upwards of a fortnight in South China and in the Philippines.

PASTOR C. C. MORRIS, in addition to attending the union sessions of the earlier months, made a trip to the far West to be in attendance at the Chungking meeting. With him on this last-named trip were Pastor Frederick Lee and Professor B. A. Liu. Brother Morris returned shortly following the close of the union session, while the others from the Division remained with brethren of West China to lead out in the conducting of summer school and special evangelistic labor for West China. They are to return to Shanghai by mid-August.

MISS BESSIE MOUNT and MISS IVY WOO spent four or five weeks during June-July in the South Chekiang Mission, holding week-end Sabbath school conventions, and meeting with groups of workers and believers in the interests particularly of Sabbath school endeavor.

PASTOR L. E. REED, of the East China Union, accompanied by Brother H. S. Woo of the Division H. M. Dept., spent three weeks in home missionary visits to points from Chingkiang via Tsingkiangpu to Hsuechow in the North Kiangsu Mission. They report most encouraging progress, although the economic conditions are difficult in the extreme, particularly in districts threatened by a repetition of flood disasters of former years, and by imminent famine.

PASTOR JOHN OSS returned on July 22 from six weeks in the South China Union in the interests chiefly of book distribution work. South China is losing shortly Pastor R. M. Milne, for some years their leader of bookmen, he having been called by the Far Eastern

Division to serve as secretary of the field missionary department of Malayan Union. Brother Oss reports prospects for the best year in book and periodical sales ever enjoyed by South China.

OTHERS of Chiao Tou Tseng teachers in field service this summer, include Brethren P. E. Quimby, Wang Yung Yao, Chang Hsi Hsin, Li Tien Hsi, Cecil L. Woods, S. H. Lindt, and Hwang Dz Keh.

PASTOR E. L. LONGWAY, secretary of the Division home missionary department, has been spending a month or more with brethren of the South China Union, chiefly in the Hongkong and Canton areas, in the interest of the Canton Sanitarium-Hospital project. Associated with him have been various ones, including Dr. H. W. Miller and Pastor John Oss of the Division, for a few days; also Pastor O. A. Hall, Pastor A. L. Ham, Professor L. C. Wilcox, Pastor R. M. Milne, Dr. F. E. Bates, and others of the South China Union. The campaign, although not long in progress to date, bids fair to be an assured success by the latter part of August, at latest. This is indeed most encouraging.

PROFESSOR S. L. FROST has been dividing his time among various projects and needs, including school and general interests at the Wu-Han area and at Sianfu, and a visit to the Pengpu school, with several visits to Chiao Tou Tseng, where more latterly he and Sister Frost have moved, in order that he may serve the school as dean, registrar, member of the teaching faculty, and superintendent of the farm. Professor Frost's counsel has for long years been appreciated as he has sought to build up the interests of the two important Division departments to be carried henceforth by Professor D. E. Rebok, already installed in the Division Offices, as announced in another column. Mrs. Frost will teach vocal and instrumental music. Brother Frost continues as an appointive member of the China Division Committee.

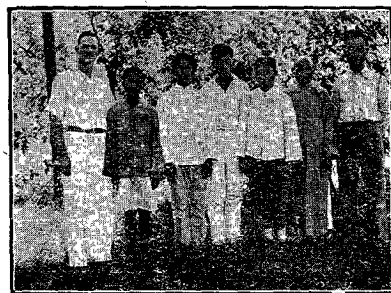
PROFESSOR B. A. LIU, president of China Training Institute, has spent two months and more of time during the vacation period, to carry heavy responsibilities in West China Union; first, as a delegate from the Division to the biennial session of that great Union; and secondly, to take a leading part in the instructional work of the Workers' Institute being held in Chungking from late June until early in August. Brother Liu's ministry has been appreciated by those in West China from whom we have heard since his arrival among them. He will be returning to Chiao Tou Tseng by about mid-August to unite with others in getting everything into readiness for the opening of school work at the Institute beginning September 10, for the school-year 1933-34.

### Arrivals

ON the s.s. "General Pershing," July 25, from Washington, D.C.; Professor Harry H. Morse, returning from furlough for another term of service at Far Eastern Academy. Mrs. Morse has remained in the West for a few weeks, but will soon be sailing for Shanghai.

ON the s.s. "President Taft," June 24, from New York City, N. Y., Professor D. E. Rebok, returning from furlough for a third term of service. Mrs. Rebok and the children are following later, per s.s. "President McKinley," scheduled to arrive in Shanghai August 18. Brother Rebok is transferring his household effects from Chiao Tou Tseng to Shanghai, preparatory to taking up residence at headquarters as the newly appointed secretary of the educational and Y. P. M. V. departments of the China Division.

ON Friday, June 23, per s.s. "President Jackson," Miss Elsie Liu and Miss Lela Hwa, returned students for service in the China Division. Miss Hwa is already connected with the Shanghai Sanitarium, 150 Rubicon Road, as a graduate nurse. Miss Liu is not in the best of health, and is spending some time at the Sanitarium as a patient, preparatory to engaging in labor as health may permit.



Representatives of three different tribes, and a Tibetan, in attendance at West China Union session, June, 1933.

### Commencement Exercises in Nanchang, Kiangsi

ON June 24 we held our commencement exercises here in Nanchang. There were many present in this gathering. After the song service, Pastor Liu Djung Gwang gave us a sermon. Then Mr. Sung gave us a talk. After that the certificates were handed out. There were eight completing the higher primary course and six finishing from the lower primary school.



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## "EVERY ONE HIS PART"

DR. H. W. MILLER

**WE** ARE approaching the time for another Ingathering Campaign. Never before have we looked forward with such dependency upon the funds from this campaign to cover the many needs, as we do this year. With the reduced appropriations coming to our field, it is now possible for us to carry on the work only through the substantial aid of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. This year we are planning to raise \$70,000 (*Mex.*). We believe \$100,000 could be raised through the earnest cooperation of every church-member. Some can do much; others may do less. What a great blessing it would be to our work were we to gather in this year \$100,000 for promoting the work of this message!

Past experiences in these campaigns have shown that we often gather funds from least expected sources. It is always an encouragement to us to join in endeavours for the onward advance of God's work, in which we may be assured of His blessing and of His Holy Spirit. He will impress hearts to respond to our appeals; He will impress us with the sums for which to appeal; He will help us also to know to whom to appeal. When we thus cooperate with Heavenly agencies, there is success ahead for every one. We may not find every one willing to respond to our call, but we most certainly will find some. We know that in the end all the needs of God's work will be provided for; and as we go out and call upon men and women to turn their treasures into this our cause, we must not do it with a feeling that it is begging or asking something that might be a hardship to the giver, but rather that we are leading him into a line of philanthropy that will bring to him large spiritual returns. Every cent that any man puts into God's work will bring to him a blessing, and in time he will learn that "there is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." Prosperity is brought to firms and individuals who put their treasures into the blessed work of God.

We are inviting a blessing upon every one to whom we appeal for funds; and why should not every member of our church be a partaker in this Ingathering work? We trust that none will let the season go by without entering into this campaign and devoting as much time as possible to this great need. We are looking forward hopefully to such additional help this year, believing that in only a little while "He that shall come will come, and will not tarry." Let us all join forces and do the best we have ever done, because of the need of sustaining present work and of pressing on into enterprises in which there are unprecedented opportunities.

May God's richest blessing attend every one having a part in this precious Ingathering work this year.

## HARVEST INGATHERING IN AMERICA

J. A. STEVENS

*Secretary Home Missionary Department of the  
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THE Harvest Ingathering plan to raise funds for missions was the rebirth of an ancient plan to accord the public the privilege of contributing to God's work. In accordance with divine counsel, Moses instructed Israel to solicit gifts from the Egyptians. On another occasion, centuries later, Cyrus, king of Persia, issued a proclamation that opened the way for the Jews to solicit gifts for the restoration of the temple at Jerusalem.

Thus the Harvest Ingathering plan is in accord with divine appointment, and its success through the years testifies to the blessing of the Lord upon it. From a very humble beginning in America, it has been successfully carried on in all parts of the world, until now it provides almost one-third of all the funds for our missions program. Not only so, but it has been the blessed agency for bringing the light of God's gospel message to the attention of multiplied millions of people.

The Harvest Ingathering plan was officially adopted by the General Conference in 1908, and the first campaign was conducted that year. The amount of money raised in that first campaign was \$14,136.00. Every successive year the campaign has been conducted, and during the first twenty-five years gains were registered, with the exception of two or three years, until the annual total grew to \$1,298,035.44 in 1930. The world-wide depression has seriously hindered Ingathering work during the past three years and the receipts have not been so large.

The important part the Ingathering Campaign has had in building up the work, may be better understood when we learn that for twenty-four years, an average of G. \$1,500.00 through this single source per day has flowed into our missions funds, and during the five-year period ending with 1931, the average receipts were G. \$3,300.00 per day.

From the very first Harvest Ingathering Campaign in America in 1908, to the present year, Seventh-day Adventist ministers and other workers and members have responded loyally to the campaign "call for service" each year. Never has the task been an easy one, but faith in God and persistent effort have achieved increasingly gratifying results year by year. In a number of conferences the percentage of members taking part in the campaign has been very high; and in a large number of churches a full 100% have worked to insure the achievement of the church goal. The average for America for many years has been about 50% of the members actually engaged in the campaign work.

In each campaign many millions of people have been interviewed and millions of Ingathering magazines have been distributed. Prejudice against Seventh-day Adventists and their work has been broken down, as the public have come to know that our Mission Board is among the

greatest, if it be not the greatest, of all foreign mission organizations. Many thousands of friends have been enlisted as regular contributors from year to year, and thousands of others gladly respond with a gift when approached by our solicitors. These donors include high government officials, governors of states, judges, mayors of large cities, and other persons of prominence. Such persons have made liberal gifts, and their generosity has been a great encouragement to our laborers and a strength to our cause.

But the average gift in America is not large, coming usually as it does from small business places, or from a private home. The goal of the individual church-member for many years has been \$10.00 (gold); and a very large number of members have reached this goal, and some have even gone far beyond it. Often, since the hard times came it has been necessary for members to work day after day, for ten days, or longer, to raise an amount equivalent to the average goal; but they have toiled on till the aim was reached. Groups of young people have sung gospel songs on the streets at nights, soliciting gifts from the homes as they walked along. Even the church school children have shared in the work of soliciting gifts, and a large sum has been raised by them.

In this way our workers and members in America have raised as much as G. \$800.00 in one year. But that was in 1930, before the hard times had gripped the country. In 1932 it took even greater effort to raise \$528,000.00, because many friends were not prepared to make so liberal a response as in more prosperous years. But the fine totals attained in these times of depression, reveal the wonderful loyalty of our ministers and members to our work in far-off lands. They have gladly put forth the extra effort that has been required to reach the goal, and have continued on and on with the work until they have won success.

What we have recorded of the earnest work of our ministers and members in America, could also be said of our believers in other parts of the world. This is particularly true of England, France, Germany, and other countries of Europe; also Australasia, South Africa, and South America, where the public has very kindly responded to our appeal for gifts. In many parts of the orient our appeal has met with a generous response from officials and business leaders, and this has been especially marked in China.

But the ever-pressing needs that multiply with the increasing opportunities for helpful service, require continued liberality from our kind friends. As in all the years of the past, every cent of every gift is applied faithfully to the work to which it was contributed, and thus our purpose to alleviate suffering and to enlighten humanity is fulfilled.

## RESULTS OF THE 1932 HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN, AND OBJECTIVES FOR 1933

C. C. MORRIS

AS WE enter the 1933 Harvest Ingathering campaign, we are impressed with the needs of our work as never before. Since the time of the 1932 campaign we have had to pause, from the pressure of other duties, to balance our budgets and shape our work in harmony with lessened appropriations from abroad. At the time of writing (April 1, 1933), we are awaiting definite word as to the exact amount of another cut that has been announced and that will be put into effect as from May 1.

With a rapidly expanding work to care for on the one hand, and these repeated cuts in appropri-

ations on the other, we are brought under the necessity of looking to our own resources, and of devising ways and means in our own field for supplying the needs of our ever expanding work.

The Harvest Ingathering plan provides a method whereby we can very largely meet the needs of our work for 1933, if every member will faithfully do his part. We are confident that there are great possibilities in Harvest Ingathering work in the China field, because we know what has been done the past year or so. We are listing below a few figures which will be of encouragement as we enter the 1933 Campaign.

### *1932 Harvest Ingathering Receipts*

<i>Union</i>	<i>* Member- ship</i>	<i>Amount H. I. raised in 1932</i>	<i>Amount per capita</i>	<i>1932 H. I. Goals</i>	<i>% of Goal raised</i>
Central China	2000	\$ 5,884.55	\$ 2.94	\$ 12,000.00	49%
East China	3037	12,286.39	4.05	13,500.00	91%
Manchuria	1185				
North China	1019	10,014.82	9.83	12,000.00	83%
Northwest Mission	233	1,668.36	7.16	1,200.00	139%
South China	2885	8,767.72	3.04	15,950.00	55%
West China	1236	6,101.78	4.94	7,600.00	80%
Totals	11595	\$44,723.62	\$ 3.857	\$ 62,250.00	72%

\* Sept. 30, 1932

All the good that come from a Harvest Ingathering campaign cannot be tabulated in figures of dollars and cents. The contacts that are made, the impressions for good left, the seeds of truth planted, the prayers offered, and many other "good works" accomplished through the campaign, will never be known this side of the Kingdom.

Due to local conditions within their field, Manchuria is not represented in last year's report. Other sections of the field did well. The amount raised in the Division as a whole was nearly \$3.86 (Mex.) per member; the larger part of which was

raised for special enterprises. By raising on the average \$3.86 per member in 1933, and applying all of it on regular (class 1) work (providing this nextcut is not more than 10%), only thus could we be able to maintain our Chinese work on a basis comparable with 1932. By raising \$5.00 per member, we might be able to expand our work somewhat beyond the status of last year.

Our goals and objectives for the year 1933 should be increased in proportion as this year's needs exceed those of last. "As thy days, so shall thy strength be. (Deut. 33: 25.)

## 1933 HARVEST INGATHERING PROJECTS AND GOALS

E. L. LONGWAY

**T**HE China Division Committee, in a meeting held in Shanghai January 4, 1933, passed the following actions relative to the 1933 Harvest Ingathering Campaign:

Whereas, The blessing of the Lord has attended the Harvest Ingathering work, and it has proven a spiritual blessing to our constituency, and has brought in a large amount of funds with which to forward the work of God; and,—

Whereas, Due to the shrinkage of funds from abroad, there is greater need than ever before to secure more funds within our division with which to carry forward the interests of the work,—

We recommend, (1) That a special effort be put forth during 1933 in rallying the whole church to take part in the campaign, and that we approve of the following goals and projects:

<b>Central China:</b>		
Projects:		Mex. \$
Class 1A		4,350
Church Extension		7,650
<b>GOAL:</b>		<b>12,000</b>
<b>East China:</b>		
Projects:		
Class 1A		7,500
Church Extension		7,500
<b>GOAL:</b>		<b>15,000</b>
<b>Manchuria:</b>		
Projects:		
Shenyang Sanitarium and Clinic 1A		5,000
Class 1A		1,000
<b>GOAL:</b>		<b>6,000</b>
<b>North China:</b>		
Projects:		
Church Extension		5,000
Class 1A		5,000
<b>GOAL:</b>		<b>10,000</b>
<b>Northwest China:</b>		
Projects:		
Lanchow Dispensary Operating Expense		1,000
Northwest China Training School, main bldg.		1,000
Class 1A		2,000
<b>GOAL:</b>		<b>4,000</b>
<b>South China:</b>		
Cantonese Projects:		
Educational	1,000	
Evangelical	800	
Medical	1,500	
Church Ext. Hongkong	1,200	
Miscellaneous	500	5,000
Hakka Projects:		
Church Extension	1,000	
Evangelical	500	
Medical	1,500	3,000
Kwangsi Projects:		
Church Extension	1,000	
Evangelical	1,000	
Educational	1,000	
Medical	500	3,500

<b>North Fukien Projects:</b>		
Church Ext. & Edu.	1,000	
Evangelical	500	1,500
<b>South Fukien Projects:</b>		
Church Extension	1,500	
Evangelical	500	2,000
<b>Swatow Projects:</b>		
Edu. & Evangelical	1,500	1,500
<b>GOAL (South China):</b>		<b>16,500</b>

<b>West China:</b>		
Projects:		
Class 1A	2,500	
Church Extension	2,000	
Union School 1934 Operating Budget (Class 1A)	2,500	
<b>GOAL:</b>		<b>7,000</b>

<b>Summary of Goals:</b>		
Central China	12,000	
East China	15,000	
Manchuria	6,000	
North China	10,000	
Northwest China	4,000	
South China	16,000	
West China	7,000	
<b>GRAND TOTAL 1933 HARVEST INGATHERING GOAL,</b>		<b>70,500</b>

From these actions we can readily see the great part the Harvest Ingathering has come to occupy in our regular mission work. As funds from America decrease, we should welcome this opportunity to make rapid strides toward self-support, insofar as the native section of the budget is concerned. In some local mission fields this is already an accomplished fact, the local offerings, with the Harvest Ingathering funds, being sufficient to cover the total native section of the mission budget.

But one of our shortcomings in past years has been that we have placed perhaps too much emphasis on the large amounts some are able to get from the very wealthy or official class, and have neglected the smaller gifts that can be solicited by anyone from every class of people. Our goal for churchmembers is set at \$5.00 (Mex.) per member. The average offerings per churchmember last year was \$3.86. Surely, with the greater need facing us this year, we can reach the full \$5.00 per member goal. Bro. Giao Wen-li Shansi reported that the Taiyuan church had been able to exceed the goal. Bands were organized in the church, leaders appointed, territory assigned, and the work carried through until every band had reached the goal. It would seem that what the Taiyuan church did last year, every church can do this year.

Let us get an early start. "Well begun is half done." September 16 is the official date for the opening of the campaign. But even before this date

every local church and company should be organized into bands, with leaders appointed and definite territory assigned. The local church committee, in consultation with the resident worker, should make these plans, prepare supplies, and appoint goals to each band. Then on September 16 let these plans be made known to the church, the supplies distributed, and work begin.

Where possible, the Sabbath-school teachers should act as Harvest Ingathering band leaders. It is vitally important to have capable leadership. Let these band leaders meet at least once a week during the campaign, to talk over plans and suggestions. Let every band leader put in at least some period of time with every member of his band in actual field work.

Let us make an earnest effort to enlist 100% of our members in this work. If 50% of our members can raise \$44,700.00, then it would seem that 100% of the members at work should produce \$89,400.00. Let a blackboard or large sheet of paper be divided into squares, one for every churchmember. These squares can be covered with black paper, and as week by week the members report, more and more of the black paper can be torn away, until the whole goal is reached. Then every Sabbath, at the 15-minute service, the goal-chart for the whole church should be brought up to date.

Let us make an effort to close the campaign on time. "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. Eccl. 3:1. Begin on time, September 16, push the work every day of the six weeks, and close with Sabbath, October 28. Then, unless you are otherwise instructed, let all unused supplies, all unreported funds, and the territorial record of the year's work, be sent on to the provincial mission treasurer.

Follow up the interests developed by the Harvest Ingathering work. The names of those who are interested in the truth or our work, should be reported to the local home missionary secretary and to the resident worker. Afterward, the ones who have become interested should be regularly visited, given literature, and urged to attend church services. This is one of the most important phases of the Harvest Ingathering campaign.