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## Greetings to the China Church

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As we pass into another year, we feel a deep sense of thanks and praise to our Heavenly Father for His tender love and care over us the past year. The year 1933 was wonderfully productive, we having passed almost every goal of any previous year. While world organizations all about us are crumbling, the church of God is making steady and continued advance. Our hopes are still *greater* for 1934.

We have now opened up work among all the peoples lying within the China Division and have Seventh-day Adventist believers from among them. Our work has also entered all the provinces of China. In some of these provinces, our literature is entering every hsien. And in one provincial mission, we not only have believers in every hsien, but are also working toward the goal of gaining members from every district and village within the hsiens.

There is great need for an enlarged plan of missionary work in China today. The program of 1933 will not suit for 1934. With the added membership of the past year, the enlarged experience and vision gained as a result of an added year of labor, and the increased number of institutional-trained workers ready to enter the field, we should expect to launch forward, as never before in our history, on a broad program of evangelism.

The year 1933 closed with one of the largest and most successful efforts held at Changsha that we have ever known in our work in China. The gathering of several hundred souls in China's great Northwest this past year serves also as an evidence of the outpouring of the latter rain. Shall we expect to do less in 1934, or shall we determine that 1934 shall end with even more advance over 1933 than did 1933 over 1932? God on His part is ready to do a mighty work, and is seeking men and women with faith and vision enough to launch out on a very active program for Him. The whole of China is receptive to the gospel, as is also its tributary peoples of Mongolia and Tibet.

We ought to see double the number of believers come into our church in 1934 over that of 1933. We ought to see our literature sales, the output of our publishing house, doubled. Things like these have happened repeatedly in connection with God's work in the past. While this work, of course, depends on the special blessing of God, yet the obtaining of this blessing is easily within the grasp of every faithful follower of Christ.

Our most urgent need is for workers who will follow in the steps of Abraham; willing to go into any part of God's great vineyard, even to the remotest parts of this field. It is for the remote parts of China that we need workers today. We could use colporteurs by the hundreds, and we need a score or more of evangelists to become living preachers.

It would seem that if we were ever prepared to do a large work under the blessing of God, it is now. But let us consider the essentials that a church must possess in order to be mightily used of God. When the church is ripened in its Christian experience so that the members truly reflect and properly represent the great truths of the Bible and the principles of the gospel, then it is that God can send to us as it were a multitude. He cannot win those who are seeking salvation into a church where there is carelessness, indifference, and a lack of earnest sincerity in doing all that God commands. Therefore, a spiritual church, one in which there is unity, is our need in China today.

Souls were never gathered with less effort, and never did we see a greater spirit of searching after that which is true and that which is right than at this very time. The average man of whatever country he may be a citizen today realizes that there is no hope for the world the way it is trending. The things that formerly were builded upon, and in which men had confidence, are failing today. Men are, therefore, looking for something that is genuine; and this message is just that. It is supported by the fulfilling of prophecy on every hand.

Let us make this a year of earnest prayer to God for power and blessing. Let us give our whole heart, our soul, our might toward the proclaiming of this glorious message! May hundreds for whom we have labored be saved in the great day of Christ's coming, which is near at hand, even at the door!

# Summary of Proceedings---China Division Winter Council---Shanghai, January 12-23, 1934

## Officers' Council of the China Division Committee

January 12 to 23, 1934

### Synopsis of Proceedings

Dr. H. W. Miller in the Chair.

*Present:* Brethren H. W. Miller, C. C. Morris, O. A. Hall, K. H. Wood, G. L. Wilkinson, N. F. Brewer, G. J. Appel, M. C. Warren, J. H. Effenberg, John Oss, S. L. Frost, D. E. Rebok, E. L. Longway, W. A. Scharffenberg, C. C. Crisler; Miss Bessie Mount; and by invitation, B. A. Liu, Dzo Pei Hsin, E. R. Thiele.

The delegation united in singing the hymn, "A Year of Precious Blessing" ("Christ in Song," No. 575). The Chairman read some comforting and suggestive scriptures from the messages to the seven churches, as recorded in the second and third chapters of the Apocalypse. It seems that our Divine Leader, in dealing with Christian believers and workers in His cause, follows the plan of first mentioning commendable traits and works, and of stressing also the great essentials of Christian living and service, including loyalty, faithfulness, earnestness, and full consecration.

The brethren united in a season of prayer led by Pastors B. A. Liu, G. L. Wilkinson, and O. A. Hall.

### Remarks by the Chairman

The Chairman outlined many evidences of the prospering hand of the Lord during the past twelve months. We have enjoyed Heaven's guidance and protection, and have been led into fruitful fields.

Those present, being invited to testify of God's goodness, expressed their determination to make the year upon which we have entered the best we have ever had; and to this end they united in a rededication of all to the accomplishment of the work devolving in this momentous period of earth's history.

In closing the testimony service, the Chairman expressed gratitude to the Lord and to the brethren for the blessings of which many spoke; and also for the spirit of co-operation shown in all divisional, union, provincial, and institutional activities since the China Division was organized. It is not because no occasion has arisen for difficult situations, but rather because of the long-sufferance, the patience, and the great devotion of our brethren. This is indeed an added evidence of consecration to the cause that we all love supremely.

The Chairman referred to the sorrow we have met during the past year in the death of several of our prominent Chinese workers, and suggested that these losses should be dealt with later by the Plans Committee in a series of resolutions of sympathy.

There have been some outstanding accomplishments, including the bringing of another mission area to the point of their coming to us at this session with a request for recognition as a fully organized union mission; also the opening of the Shenyang Sanitarium, and the construction and opening of union middle schools in North China and West China. Several smaller additions to our work in the way of facilities and substantial increases might be mentioned in this connection.

Through the Home Board at its recent Autumn Council, various recommendations

are coming to us; and these should have consideration, including further application of the tenure of office principle to certain classes of workers; the quarterly revision of church records; the importance of maintaining strong colportage work throughout the fields; and the value of consecrated, prayerful, continuous effort in all lines of endeavor throughout our Division ranks.

### The Division Treasurer's Report

The report of the Division Treasurer, Pastor C. C. Morris, had been drawn up as for Dec. 23, 1933, it not having been possible to close up the year's record in all respects. It is probable that the year's operations will show a slight gain, although not more than a few tens of dollars, the margin having been very close throughout the year.

The Treasurer referred to some special providences that have brought to us in various ways some substantial gifts during the past year. These include the return to the Division of a surplus from some organizations with earning power. However, the net totals thus realized through various sources do not begin to cover the calls already filed with the Treasury for appropriations during the year 1934. It is evident that all possible effort must be made throughout the year to increase the resources from within our own borders. The Home Board have done an extraordinary thing in voting to us a continuance of the amounts being received in appropriations during the closing months of 1933; and while they do not promise to continue these all through the year, yet they have given many, many evidences that they are solidly back of our missionary advance, and that they will stand by us in every practicable way to see us through these times of extreme financial stress.

### Standing Committees

*Voted,* That the standing committees be as follows:

*Finance Committee:* C. C. Morris, chairman; G. L. Wilkinson, G. J. Appel, M. C. Warren, K. H. Wood, O. A. Hall,

*Plans Committee:* N. F. Brewer, chairman; D. E. Rebok, E. L. Longway, John Oss, Frederick Lee, C. C. Crisler, S. L. Frost, Bessie Mount, J. H. Effenberg, W. A. Scharffenberg, B. A. Liu, Dzo Pei Hsin.

*Nominating, Credentials and Licenses, Committee:* C. C. Crisler, chairman; G. J. Appel, Frederick Lee, M. C. Warren, W. A. Scharffenberg.

*Voted:* That authorization be given the chairman of the various committees to call into their sessions committee councils such local brethren as may be available from time to time for counsel.

### Sabbath Services

At 7 p.m., Friday, the brethren of the Council, together with a large representation living in the Shanghai area, assembled in the Chinese chapel at Ningkuo Road. Dr. H. W. Miller addressed the Council, outlining from Malachi 1:11 and other scriptures the prophecies portraying a great movement for the salvation of peoples from all the nations of earth. We have now reached the very closing hours of this movement, and the special providences attending the Lord's work at this time in the midst of trouble and confusion such as the world has never seen before, seem to indicate that the

Lord is already beginning to pour out His Spirit in fulness of power. We have reached the beginning of the time when the third angel's message is to be given with a loud cry; and our consecration must be such as to assure the working forces throughout the China Division the mighty help that heavenly agencies are to give in these closing days. It will take all there is of us, and the utmost of endeavor, to compass the work assigned us in this China Division; but God has set before us an open door, and it is ours to enter in His name and to advance quickly in the work He has given us to do.

On Sabbath afternoon, at four o'clock, the Council and visiting brethren and sisters reassembled in the Chinese chapel at Ningkuo Road to receive the report of the Division Secretary.

At seven p.m. the reports of Pastor O. A. Hall, superintendent of the South China Union, and of Professor D. E. Rebok, Educational and Y.P.M.V. Secretary for the Division, were rendered. (A synopsis of these will appear in a later issue of the Reporter).

The Sabbath services brought comfort and hope and courage. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us; and in His name all are determined to advance from strength to strength.

### The Devotional Hour

Morning by morning, at eight o'clock, the Council spent a devotional hour. On Sunday morning, January 14, the leader was Pastor G. L. Wilkinson, superintendent of the West China Union. On Monday morning Pastor G. J. Appel, superintendent of North China Union, led; other superintendents followed, successively,—Pastor M. C. Warren, of Central China, on Tuesday; Pastor N. F. Brewer, of Manchurian Union, Wednesday; Pastor O. A. Hall, of South China Union, Thursday. Many spiritual lessons, and many essentials of service, were brought out anew and emphasized; and earnest seasons of prayer were held at the close.

### Union and Departmental Reports

The evening hours were given to the receiving of annual reports from the unions and institutions comprising the Division organization. Synopses of these will be published in due course.

### Daily Program

The hours were crowded during this Council, inasmuch as the time allotted was a little less than that ordinarily used. The standing committees closed their work sufficiently early to permit of completing most of the business by Thursday evening, January 18. The brethren took the midnight train on that date for Chiaotoutseng, where the Constituency meeting of the China Training Institute was held, January 19 to 21—the week end. Sunday afternoon the return journey to Shanghai was made, in order that the Constituency meeting of the Shanghai Sanitarium might be held on Monday, January 22, and of the Signs of the Times Publishing House on Tuesday, January 23.

During the meetings from day to day, the sub-committees brought in various recommendations; and among these are some of general interest, which, as finally adopted, are as follows:

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### Gratitude to God

*Whereas:* During the years since the formation of the China Division as a separate section of the world field, there has been development in every line, resulting in the adding to our ranks of some thousands of loyal Seventh-day Adventist believers; and,—

*Whereas,* During times of strife and unrest and financial stress, the Lord has shown us favor, in making possible the retention and increase of our working staff, the maintenance and strengthening of our missions and institutions, and an uninterrupted continuance of our soul-winning program through evangelism and in the distribution of gospel literature; and,—

*Whereas.* The interest of the peoples of this land in the gospel message in its present-day setting, has been awakened and revealed to an extent marvelous in our eyes, indicating as it does that the agencies of Heaven are at work in every place, preparing hearts to respond, and that this field is indeed "white already to harvest;" and,—

*Whereas,* The Lord in tender mercy has had a special watchcare over both ministry and laity, and has wrought wondrous deliverance in times of peril and need, thus permitting of an extension of our lines of advance into every province of China and into nearly one-fifth the entire number of hsien; therefore,—

*Be It Resolved,* That we, the China Division Executive Committee in Winter Council assembled, do express unto our Heavenly Father our deep gratitude for His good hand upon us; and that we unite in renewing our dedication of all that we have and are, in behalf of bringing quickly to China's millions a saving knowledge of Heaven's message of warning and entreaty that has brought to us and to our associates throughout this land so much of comfort and hope and assurance and peace.

### An Expression of Gratitude to the Home Board

*Voted,* That the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists be apprised of the appreciation and gratitude of the China Division Executive Committee and associates throughout our borders, for the liberal grants awarded our field for the current year, and for the words of sympathy and brotherly love sent us by the officers of the Home Board when communicating to this Division their decision to continue during 1934, if at all practicable, the same appropriations to missions as were sent out during 1933.

It is a constant encouragement and inspiration to us that the appropriations for missions are met by remittances regularly month by month, notwithstanding the financial stringency prevailing. We do thank our brethren and sisters throughout the homelands, for their sacrificial efforts to support the cause of missions in non-Christian lands; and we extend to them our greetings and our love. We pray that the prospering hand of our Heavenly Father may be upon them, and that in the day of final awards those who are giving so liberally shall see of the travail of their soul, and shall share in the joys of whole-hearted soul-winning service.

### Resolution of Sympathy

*Whereas,* During the year 1933 some of our associates have suffered death while in the midst of their labors, thus sealing their testimony through making

the supreme sacrifice in behalf of their Lord and their fellow men; we, the China Division Executive Committee in annual Council assembled, do hereby record our appreciation of their service, and extend to their families our sympathy and love. We pray that the God of all comfort may in mercy sustain and bless those who have been passing through these great sorrows. Victories are bought through toil and sacrifice, even to the yielding of life itself. The gospel was instituted through the humiliation and death of its Author, and its beneficent influence has been extended through all the centuries by similar experiences on the part of its advocates. In a little while, God's chosen ones will have the joy of reunion in the earth made new.

Among those whose names have come to our attention, we are pained to record Mrs. Wu Dzeh Shan, formerly of Anhwei, and later of the Northwest China Mission; Evangelist Ch'iu Deh Bao (Kieu Daik Bo), of the Fukien Mission; Dr. Li of Amoy; Brother Sung Deh Djuin, of Honan; a teacher in the Anhwei Mission, who suffered martyrdom at the hands of bandits last autumn, and whose wife also gave her life in sacrifice: the daughter being carried away and held as a captive. Other names will be remembered by others, as of the company of those who rest from their labors, while their works do follow them.

The Division Executive Committee wish also to express their deep solicitude in behalf of the two colporteur evangelists, Brethren Tseng Hsiang-pu and Beh Djin-djen, who, after two years of most earnest and devoted labor throughout the Northwest, they having touched at some of the most distant points, including Kashgar, were returning joyously to their families from whom they had been separated so long. These brethren have not been heard from since January of last year, at which time they were on their way to the city of Hami. Their present whereabouts or fate is unknown; but daily we are praying in their behalf, with the hope that possibly we may yet hear of their safety. We extend to the grief-burdened hearts, sorrowing for the disappearance of these loved ones, our deepest sympathy. Their sorrow is ours, and their hope of a glad reunion whether in this life or in the resurrection day soon to dawn, is our hope and assurance. May the worthy example of these noble pioneers in the Northwest lead us to greater consecration of life and effort, to the hastening of the day of final deliverance.

### China Division Representation at the 1934 Autumn Council

*Voted,* That we spread upon our minutes a request that Dr. H. W. Miller, president of the China Division, attend the coming biennial session of the General Conference Committee, to be held in the autumn of 1934.

Inasmuch as two members of the Division Committee will be in the States on furlough at the time of the Autumn Council, it was—

*Voted,* That Pastors John Oss and K. H. Wood be authorized to be in attendance at the 1934 Autumn Council.

### 1935 Spring Council of The China Division Committee

*Voted,* That the schedule for the next annual Spring Council of the China Division Committee be fixed as follows:

Constituency meeting of the China Training Institute, March 1-3, 1935;

Constituency meeting of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital, March 4; Constituency meeting of the Signs of the Times Publishing House, March 5; (open for officers' council or otherwise, March 6 and 7); Spring Council of the Division Executive Committee, March 8-16.

*Voted,* That the unions and division institutions be authorized to have in attendance at the 1935 Spring Council the nine Chinese representatives from each union and major institution as outlined in our published Division policy; and in addition a tenth Chinese representative from the newly-formed Northwest China Union.

### General Summer School, and China Division Educational and Young Peoples' Departmental Council

*Whereas,* In view of the fact that no regular summer school has been conducted in our China Division since 1930, and that there is urgent need of bringing together our union and local mission educational and young peoples' secretaries and school principals for a council this year,—

*We recommend,* (a) That a regular summer school session be held in the summer of 1934 at Chiaotoutseng;

(b) That all of our union and local mission educational and young peoples' secretaries, all principals and all full-time permanent teachers in our Junior Middle Schools, and at least a majority of regular church school teachers who may be benefited, attend this summer school;

(c) That an Educational and Young Peoples' Council be held in conjunction with the summer school;

(d) That the expense for this summer school be pooled, requesting the China Division to bear one-half, and the union missions to bear the remainder;

(e) That the arrangements for this summer school session and council be made by a board of seven members to be appointed by the Division Committee.

### Foreign Ministerial Reading Course

*Whereas,* The General Conference is putting forth much effort in the selection and promotion of the Ministerial Reading Course each year for use of all evangelistic and missionary workers; and,—

*Whereas,* There is much benefit accruing to the work when the whole body of workers is united in one study effort of this kind, and,—

*Whereas,* The China Division is now supplying The Ministry to all our foreign missionaries,

*We recommend,* That careful study be given to the contents of The Ministry as it comes from month to month, and that a special effort be put forth to enroll every foreign worker in the Division in the Ministerial Reading Course from year to year, urging the completion of each course in the prescribed time, the same to be reported to the Division Ministerial Association Secretary through the union superintendents concerned, or direct to the Division Ministerial Association Secretary where Division institutional workers are concerned.

### Chinese Ministerial Reading Course

*Whereas,* Our Chinese evangelistic workers are able to broaden their knowledge, deepen their Christian experience,

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and become better fitted for greater soul-winning endeavor by following a prescribed course of reading and study.—

*We recommend,* That all union superintendents and mission directors consider it one of their definite responsibilities to enroll every evangelistic worker in the Ministerial Reading Course from year to year, and that all be encouraged to complete each course in the prescribed time and report the same to the Division Ministerial Association Secretary through their local and union leaders. Credits will be issued by the Division Ministerial Association Secretary and countersigned by the union superintendents concerned.

### Five Year Course For Evangelists

*Whereas,* We are told that "men of God must be diligent in study, earnest in the acquirement of knowledge, never wasting an hour," and further that "through persevering exertion they may rise to almost any degree of eminence as Christians; as men of power and influence." and,—

*Whereas,* The Five-Year Course for Evangelists has been the means of encouraging a large number of workers to undertake greater efforts at self-improvement and to increasing their knowledge and efficiency in soul-winning work,—

*We recommend,* That division and union officers make special efforts to enlist every evangelistic laborer in this course, and that attention be called to the fact that credits may be secured by study in any of our resident schools, or in the Home Study Institute, or in a summer school.

### Evangelistic Advance

*Whereas,* There are now unprecedented soul-winning opportunities in every part of our field, and the minds of people everywhere are open as never before to the reception of truth; and,—

*Whereas,* The systematic presentation of our message in a carefully conducted effort is one of the best ways of stirring up an active and intelligent interest among all classes of people.

*We recommend,* That a regular program of evangelistic efforts be outlined for each field, and that careful study be given how to conduct these meetings in an orderly and extended way so as to bring actual results to the church, and that special attention be given to suitable methods for securing a steady attendance on the part of the better classes in the community.

### Missions Extension Fund —Big Week

*Whereas,* The Missions Extension Fund has been an instrument in building up the institutional work of the Educational, Medical, and Publishing Departments in the China Division, and,—

*Whereas,* There is still a great need in many fields for further development of the institutional work of these three departments: and,—

*Whereas,* The Big Week has been instrumental in bringing the truth to the attention of many who otherwise would never have such an opportunity; therefore,—

*We recommend,* That the Big Week Plan be continued in the China Division; and that—

(a) The date for this campaign be April 7 - 14, 1934

(b) The goal for Big Week Extension offering be set at an average of \$1.00 Mex. per member.

(c) That our division, union, and provincial training institutes plan for at least one Big Week field day, and that all our teachers and students be urged to take active part.

(d) That special effort be made to enlist every church member in the Big Week Campaign, placing emphasis on house-to-house work, thus insuring a wide circulation of the book, "The Meaning of Our Times."

(e) That a Missions Extension offering be taken in all our churches on April 14, 1934, and that all salaried workers be urged to make an offering of one day's salary, and that church members be encouraged to contribute the equivalent of one day's income.

(f) That we urge our colporteurs to take part in the Big Week Campaign, donating the proceeds from the largest day's sales to the Missions Extension Fund.

(g) That the Big Week Projects for 1934 be approved as follows:

#### Central China:

Honan School Library,	\$ Mex. 300
Hunan School Bathroom,	300
Hankow School Laboratory Equipment,	400
Kiangsi Tract Society Rooms,	400
Yencheng Hospital Lithotribe,	450
Total,	1,850

#### East China:

Industrial Educational Work,	2,000
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#### Manchuria:

Industrial Capital for Union School,	500
Library for Nurses,	200
Total,	700

#### North China:

North China Training Institute, Industries,	600
Mongolian School—Industries,	200
Jehol Mission—School Equipment,	150
Shansi Mission—School Equipment,	150
Shantung Mission—School Equipment,	300
Total,	1,400

#### Northwest China:

For Tibetan work in Choni	1,000
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#### South China:

Canton Book and Periodical House Working Capital,	500
Hakka School Equipment and Industrial Work,	300
Kwangsi Regular Work,	200
South Fukien Industrial Equipment,	350
North Fukien (to be supplied),	325
Swatow Educational,	325
Total,	2,000

#### West China:

East Szechwan Book and Periodical House Capital,	1,000
Tibet " " "	200
West Kweichow " "	300
West Kweichow School, Library and equipment for union school,	500
Total,	2,500

*We recommend,* That the Missions Extension Funds be held in each Union Mission, and disbursed either pro rata, or to any special listed project, as receipts may warrant and as the Union Committee may determine and that these funds be distributed at the first meeting of the Union Committee following the close of the campaign. It is understood that all Big Week funds be reported to the Division Treasury for reappropriation to the respective unions.

### Special Days, Offerings, and Campaigns for 1935

"Signs" Rally,	Jan. 5
Sabbath School Rally,	Jan. 19
Christian Home Day,	Feb. 9
M. V. Day,	Mar. 9
Big Weekly Rally,	Apr. 6
Educational Day,	July 27
Harvest Ingathering Rally,	Sept. 7

### Special Offerings

Missions Extension Offerings,	Apr. 13
Summer Offering,	July 20
Week of Sacrifice Offering,	Oct. 12
Annual Offering,	Dec. 14

### Special Campaigns

Signs Subscription Campaign,	Jan. 1 - 31
M. V. Week of Prayer,	Mar. 9 - 16
"Big Week,"	Apr. 6 - 13
Harvest Ingathering Campaign,	Sept. 7 to Oct. 26
Week of Sacrifice,	Oct. 5 - 12
Home Study Institute Promotion Week,	Oct. 19 - 26
Week of Prayer,	Dec. 7 - 14
"Shepherd" Subs. Campaign,	Dec. 7 - 14

### Reading Courses For Chinese Women

*Whereas,* There is a great need of instruction among our women in China concerning the principles of home-making and proper child-training; and,—

*Whereas,* Our Reading Courses have in other fields proved of great benefit to those who have pursued them; therefore,—

*We recommend,* That approval be given to the adoption of reading courses for our Chinese women, an elementary course for those who are just learning to read, and an advanced course for those who are further along in their education.

*We further recommend,* That for 1934 the books to be adopted for these courses be as follows:

#### COURSE A (ADVANCED)

"A Short Study of Education in the Christian Home,"	Z. K. Zia, .25
"The Happy Family,"	Liu-Wang Li Ming .40
"Mothers of Famous Men,"	Archer Wallace, .15
"Shall We Save the Home,"	E. R. Thiele, .30
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#### COURSE B (ELEMENTARY)

"Building Child Character,"	Mrs. Dorothy D. Barbour, .10
"Household Hygiene,"	Ethel Rowley, .05
"Gospel Truth for Village Women,"	Nettie M. Senger, .05
"Mrs. Wang's Diary,"	Margaret H. Brown, .03
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### Tenure of Office

*Voted,* That a portion of the provision for an extension of the principle of tenure of office to include pastors of churches, be adopted as a part of the working policy of the China Division. The recommendation adopted reads as follows:

"In view of the wide approbation given the tenure of office plan adopted by the 1931 Autumn Council, and the benefits noted in many instances,

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"We recommend, That for the China Division this plan be extended to include pastors of churches, the term usually not to exceed five years, excepting where foreign language work indicates otherwise; it being understood that in carrying out this plan ministers of experience and standing shall not find themselves disconnected from the work at the end of the five-year period.

### Non-Participation in Matters Political

We recommend, That in the China Division policies sent out by the Home Board to our denomination regarding participation in political matters, be carefully regarded.

In an era of swiftly changing world conditions, with political, racial, and national issues stirring the hearts of men, it seems timely to remind ourselves anew of the mission of the church of Christ in the world, and of our commission from God as gospel ministers and as members of the church.

The work of the minister and of the lay member is to bring to men the message of God's love for all and to preach the gospel of salvation from sin and eternal life through Jesus Christ.

We are "ambassadors for Christ" sent alike to peoples of all races and nations, regardless of forms of government or political alignments. We recognize the right of every worker or member to exercise the franchise granted by his citizenship according to his own judgment and conviction, in the fear of God. The church seeks not to influence its members in these matters. We counsel, however, that the gospel worker needs to keep out of his heart the spirit of the antagonisms and controversies that divide men in political and social and economic affairs, so that he may work without hindrance for the salvation of all.

The missionary who goes to foreign lands may keep in his heart love of home and earthly country; but he is to remember that he is in a far land to represent the heavenly country and the way of salvation from sin. While teaching the way of eternal life, the missionary must bear in mind also the need of so instructing the people as to inculcate loyalty to the government under which they live, and Christian respect for the authority of governors and administrators. Regardless of form of government, the gospel recognizes the basic fact that civil governments among men are essential to civil order. "The powers that be are ordained of God." Rom. 13:1.

As followers of Christ we recognize all men as the children of God. "God is no respecter of persons." Acts. 10:34. He "hath made of one blood all nations of men." Acts 17:26. The love of God shed abroad in the heart brings love for all men, of all races and of all religious persuasions alike. While we ask for ourselves the God-given boon of freedom of conscience and the right to worship God according to faith and conviction, we ask the same for others of every religion and race. The voice of Christian faith is lifted up in behalf of the persecuted and oppressed at all times.

With evidence on many sides of increase of the spirit of national rivalries that lead to friction and disturbance of peaceful relations, we ask our public speakers and the editors of our papers to use care that international affairs shall not be dealt with in such a way as to suggest that our church attitude in one country is critical of the forms of government or political institutions in other countries.

Our mission is to show mankind in all the world that prophecy is fulfilling, that the coming of Christ is at the door, and to persuade men and women everywhere to accept the gospel of salvation from sin.

### Quarterly Review of Church Membership

In the interests of safeguarding our church membership, to the end that all members shall be accurately accounted for; and further, that there be no injustice to any member who may be present or absent, whose name may be under consideration,

We recommend, (a) That the church membership record be reviewed once each quarter, and that efforts be put forth to get into communication with all absent members, and prayerful, earnest efforts be made to reclaim those who may have become wayward or who may have given up the truth.

(b) That where faithful efforts put forth in harmony with the instruction in Matthew 18, fail to reclaim them, action dropping their names from the church records be deferred for a period of three months, except in aggravated cases.

(c) That in the transfer of church members by letter, our churches adhere strictly to the instruction given in the Church Manual, pages 82 and 83, giving special attention to the following: "At the end of the quarter and of the year, when church statistical reports are made up, all members to whom letters have been granted, but whose return certificates have not been received, are to be counted in the membership of the church granting the letters. When the return certificate has been received, certifying that the member has been accepted by the receiving church, the name is then to be dropped from the list of the granting church, and deducted from the next quarterly statistical report. The receiving church will place that name on their rolls, and the member will be included in their next quarterly report."

### Making Our Sabbath Schools Soul-Winning

Whereas, We are told through the Spirit of prophecy that "the object of Sabbath school work should be the ingathering of souls," and further, that "the Sabbath school should be one of the greatest instrumentalities . . . in bringing souls to Christ"; therefore,—

We recommend, (a) That our workers and leaders throughout the China Division cooperate in an effort to make our Sabbath schools more effective soul-winning agencies, constantly holding before the officers and teachers in these schools their sacred responsibility for the salvation of their members, and endeavoring to lead them into personal, soul saving work,—

First, In leading the unconverted youth in our Sabbath schools to a definite surrender of their hearts to Christ.

Second, In perfecting Christian character in the lives of all believers, and firmly establishing them in the truth, through more effective teaching of the Sabbath school lesson and promotion of prayerful, daily study of the same.

Third, In bringing in those not of our faith, to join us in worship and Bible study in the Sabbath school, constantly working to lead to a full acceptance of the truth.

(b) That as an aid in reaching the above objectives, the circulation of our new departmental book, "The Soul-Winning Sabbath School," be strongly promoted in all our China Sabbath schools.

### Increasing Our Sabbath School Membership

Whereas, The Sabbath school is the greatest influence we have in leading our people in the three-fold spiritual objective of daily study of God's word, of personal work for the unconverted among us, and of sacrificing to advance the work of God in all the earth; and,—

Whereas, It is apparent that in some sections of our field considerable numbers of our church members are not enrolled in the Sabbath school; therefore,

We recommend, (a) That a careful survey be made, by comparing church and Sabbath school membership lists, to ascertain the true condition in this respect.

(b) That union and local mission workers, together with officers in our local churches and Sabbath schools, put forth a special effort during 1934 to bring actively into the Sabbath schools all Seventh-day Adventist church members either as regular or as Home Division members.

Whereas, A most fruitful field for increasing our church membership is found among those from without our ranks who can be led to become regular attendants at Sabbath school; therefore,—

We recommend, That increased efforts be put forth to enlarge the scope of our Sabbath school work,

(a) By urging every Sabbath school member to lead at least one other to become a regular Sabbath school member during the year;

(b) By encouraging Sabbath school members to pass on to some one else some truth learned in the Sabbath school lesson each week;

(c) By greater attention to the development of the Home Department phase of our Sabbath school work, urging isolated members, wherever possible, to conduct Home Sabbath schools and to invite their friends and neighbors to join with them in study.

### Strengthening the Work for the Children in Our Sabbath Schools

Whereas, The Sabbath school bears a very direct responsibility for the conversion of our children and youth; and,

Whereas, This phase of our work is found to be weak in many of our schools; therefore,—

We recommend, (a) That in each local field the Sabbath school secretary, mission director and other workers who have opportunity in their visits among the Sabbath schools and through correspondence, give special attention to promoting the organization of such divisions for the children and youth as may be needed and as outlined in "The Soul-Winning Sabbath School."

(b) That our Sabbath schools be urged to provide, insofar as possible, the supplies and equipment essential for effective work in these divisions.

(c) That in order to bring our youth to a definite decision for Christ, our Sabbath schools be encouraged to hold at least one carefully planned consecration service during the year, according to the general plan outlined in "The Soul-Winning Sabbath School."

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### Special Sabbath School Number of the "Shepherd"

In order to set before our people anew the importance, benefits, and responsibilities of the Sabbath school,

We recommend, That a special Sabbath school number of our Chinese church paper, *The Last Day Shepherd's Call*, be issued in June, 1934.

### Sabbath School Offerings Goal for Foreign Workers

Whereas, Heavy reductions in income make necessary some adjustment in the Sabbath school offering goal for foreign workers; therefore,—

We recommend, That the Sabbath school offering goal for foreign workers be set at \$3 Mex. per family per week, it being recognized that the individual goal remains as it always has been, in harmony with the teaching of the scriptures, "according as God hath prospered."

### Sabbath School Investment Fund

Whereas, The Sabbath School Investment plan is proving a fruitful source of income for missions and of blessing to members who follow the plan; and,—

Whereas, There is now special need for improving every proper means for increasing our mission offerings; and,—

Whereas, The plan is so broad that all members, whether living in city, village, or rural community, can have a part, the methods of raising investment mission funds being so varied that none need be excused because they cannot find a way; and the money thus raised, as a rule, coming from a little extra exertion, or work, or self-denial, thus increasing the ability of each member to give without detracting from funds which might be given to other enterprises; therefore,—

We recommend, That each local mission director and Sabbath school secretary place before the Sabbath schools in each local mission the blessings that have come to the cause through this project, with the definite objective of seeing that this plan is launched in all our Sabbath schools.

### Birthday Offerings

Whereas, The remembrance of one's birthday is sanctioned in the writings of the Spirit of prophecy in these words, "For life, health, food, and clothing, no less than for the hope of eternal life, we are indebted to the Giver of all mercies; and it is due God to recognize His gifts, and to present our offerings of gratitude to our greatest Benefactor. These birthday gifts are recognized of Heaven;" therefore,—

We recommend, That this plan be faithfully promoted in every Sabbath school, with the thought in mind of including all members, both old and young.

### New Work Extension Fund

We recommend, (a) That the plan of crediting to the China Division 10% of all Harvest Ingathering funds received by the various unions, be continued;

(b) That of this fund, up to 5% shall be used for the Ministerial Scholarship Plan, and the remainder for a "New Work Extension Fund;" furthermore,—

(c) That this Fund be distributed at the first full meeting of the China Division Committee following the close of the campaign; and—

(d) That this feature of our campaign be strongly promoted among our churches, thus fostering a missionary zeal among our people; it being understood that "New Work" especially apply to evangelistic advance in large, unentered portions of our field.

### Appointments

That the following be appointed to act as a board to arrange for the work of the coming Summer School at Chiaotoutseng: D. E. Rebok, chairman; S. L. Frost, B. A. Láu, Frederick Lee, C. G. Morris, H. L. Shull, W. A. Scharffenberg.

That Mrs. G. L. Wilkinson be appointed to act as temporary treasurer of the West China Union in the absence of H. R. Dixon, who is soon to leave on furlough.

That Pastor B. Petersen be hereby appointed to serve as Acting Chairman of the East China Union; this to be effective during the absence on furlough of Pastor K. H. Wood, superintendent.

That Brother H. W. Christian serve as acting Chairman of the North China Union in the absence of Brother Appel.

That Pastor Geo. J. Appel be hereby appointed to serve as acting Chairman of the Northwest China Union in the absence of Brother Effenberg, soon to leave on furlough.

That Pastor J. H. Effenberg be appointed as superintendent of the newly-formed Northwest China Union.

That Brother P. H. Shigley be appointed secretary-treasurer of the Northwest China Union.

It is understood that these last two appointments, like all other similar appointments, are on the basis of continuing for a one-year period, or until the next Division Committee Council.

### Ministerial Scholarship Plan

Viewing with grave concern the general tendency of students in attendance at the China Training Institute to choose other courses rather than those leading directly into evangelistic endeavor,—

.. We recommend, First: That our field leaders, especially those in the union and local missions, be urged to carry this matter constantly on their hearts and to do their utmost to inspire as many as possible of our talented young people to choose the ministry for their life-work. Especially would we urge that at the time of signing matriculation blanks this question be carefully reviewed and the young people given earnest counsel and direction in their choice of school work to the end that a larger group will come to the Institute with a determined purpose to take the ministerial course preparatory to active evangelistic endeavor in the field.

Second: That we inaugurate the Ministerial Scholarship Plan, the object of which shall be to assist worthy young people of either sex who wish to prepare for evangelistic work; and—

That a trust fund be set up in the Division, amounting up to five per cent (5%) of the total Harvest Ingathering receipts each year, to finance this plan; the same to be appropriated to the unions at the annual Division Council; and that the appropriations be held in the union treasuries as a trust fund administered by the unions in behalf of the complete scholarship plan, on the following basis:

(a) That each student going to school on the basis of this plan, be given a credit to his account in the school from this fund, of an amount not to exceed M\$60 for one school year.

(b) That the Institute grant a discount in tuition and fees to equal one-third of this credit granted the student from the scholarship fund, not to exceed M\$20.

(c) That these students come to the Institute on the regular 27-hour per week work basis, and be permitted to take classwork accordingly.

(d) Where summer work is to be done, the transportation to and from the field, and maximum allowance, be met by the union mission from which the student comes, out of the Ministerial Scholarship Fund.

(e) That this plan be made available only to those who firmly intend to devote their lives to service in direct evangelistic work, and who show a reasonable promise of success in the same.

(f) That individual students, to benefit from this plan, should have completed at least nine grades of work or have its equivalent in general knowledge and experience, and have had at least three months of colporteur experience, or its equivalent in active field work.

(g) That candidates for these scholarships be nominated by the local mission committees.

(h) That such nominations be passed on to the union office, and after authorization by the union committee the necessary credit involved be sent to the China Training Institute.

(j) That near the close of each school year a Ministerial Scholarship Committee, made up of the Secretary of the Ministerial Association, the Secretary of the Educational Department of the Division, the President and the Dean of the Institute, and the Head of the Ministerial Department of the Institute, the President of the Home Study Institute, and, when available, a representative from the union concerned, review the cases of all students enrolled under this plan, and where found satisfactory recommend the student back to the union from which he came, for service in some form of direct evangelistic work.

(k) That where the above Ministerial Scholarship Committee feels that the student does not give promise of success, or where by observation of his summer's work the union concerned is inclined to doubt his ability in this line the student be urged to take up some other line of study.

(l) That assistance under this plan be given to promising students who meet the standards for both the school and the field for a period not to exceed three years.

(m) That the Division Educational and Ministerial Departments and the Institute counsel together in developing a course of study for this group of students which shall approximate to the work of grades ten to twelve.

(n) That a reasonable amount of scholastic credit be given by the Institute for summer field work and for experience in canvassing.

(o) That in the course of study emphasis be placed upon Bible, Denominational Endeavor, Medical Missionary Evangelistic, and general knowledge courses.

(p) That students coming to the Institute in accordance with this plan shall receive their direction as to choice of subjects by the head of the Ministerial Department.

### The Laymen's Missionary Work

.. Whereas, Since the organization of the China Division earnest efforts have been put forth to enter new territory with a view of occupying every hsiens in China; and,—

Whereas, We are told that the "work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work;" therefore,—



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We recommend, That each local mission committee make a careful study of unworked territory adjacent to each church or company, and outline a definite program of work for carrying the truth to the people in the surrounding districts.

### "How To Give Bible Readings"—Home Missionary Department

Whereas, We are told to "take our Bibles and go forth to warn the world;" and,—

Whereas, There is a great need of training many of our church members in giving simple Bible Readings; therefore,—

We recommend, (a) That the local missions arrange for all our evangelists and Bible women to take the Home Study Institute course in "How to Give Bible Readings;" and—

(b) That the Home Missionary Department be authorized to adapt and translate the abridged series of "Ten Lessons on How to Give Bible Readings—for the Use of Bible Workers' Training Classes in the Churches," and that 2,000 copies be supplied in either printed or mimeographed form to the field; and further,—

(c) That special efforts be put forth during 1934 to conduct a training class in this course in every church, and that we encourage all our members to enter these classes to prepare for more effective missionary work.

### First Sabbath Home Missionary Service

We recommend, That an effort be made to hold on the first Sabbath of each month the Home Missionary Service in each church and company, and that the officers of each union and local mission promote the taking of the regular first Sabbath offering for Home Missionary work.

### Recruiting Colporteurs

Whereas, There is a great need of increasing our colporteur force,

We recommend, (a) That each union continue its recruiting efforts both for regular and student colporteurs until every section of the field is fully manned with self-supporting literature workers; and,—

(b) That we have as our goal the doubling of our colporteur force by the next annual Committee Council.

### Colporteur Institutes

Whereas, The changing conditions in China demand greater salesmanship efficiency and greater spiritual power in the colporteur if he would succeed and remain in the field; therefore,—

We recommend, That the regular colporteur institutes be held for a period of at least ten days, thus affording time for a thorough course of instruction in the art of selling.

### Colporteur Sales' Goal

We recommend, (a) That each union adopt as its colporteur sales' goal for 1934 an increase of at least 10% over the sales of 1933.

(b) That each union apportion its goal among its local missions, and that at each local mission institute this goal be further divided among the colporteurs; and that a special effort be made by the

field missionary secretary and by each colporteur to reach the individual goals set.

(c) That our Signs subscription goal for 1934 be:

South China, .....	20,000
North China, .....	18,000
East China, .....	20,000
Central China, .....	18,000
Manchuria, .....	9,000
West China, .....	10,000
Northwest China, .....	5,000
	100,000

### Colporteur Goals For The Saving of Souls

Whereas, According to the Spirit of prophecy, the publishing work, if properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order, and equal to that of the ministry; and,—

Whereas, Its objective is ever to be the saving of souls,—

We recommend, That the soul-saving aims of the work be stressed at our colporteur institutes, emphasized in our promotion literature, and that each colporteur set a personal yearly goal for the saving of souls; and further,—

That he be asked to report regularly the name of those who manifest interest in the truths of the third angel's message.

### Colporteurs For Selling Small Literature

Whereas, The sale of our smaller literature is an excellent means of giving the message; and affords a training for those who later take up the sale of our larger books or magazines,

We recommend, (a) That the sale of our small literature be encouraged and given special attention.

(b) That the sale of our smaller literature be featured in a strong way at the union and provincial meetings.

(c) That the publishing department secretary in each field join with the home missionary secretary in holding conventions in the churches, taking with them literature for sale, and conducting field days in connection with each convention field.

(d) That those showing aptitude for the sale of smaller literature be encouraged to devote their whole time to this line of endeavor, with a view to entering the work as permanent regular colporteurs.

### Acquainting Church Members With Our Literature

Whereas, If we are to have the greatest success with our literature work the whole church must support the literature program.

We recommend, (a) That a special effort be put forth to acquaint our church constituency with our literature and the work of the publishing department.

(b) That there be a literature display at all our union and provincial meetings.

(c) That lists of our books and periodicals be published in our church papers.

(d) That the publishing house and the book and periodical house secretaries do more to acquaint our workers and believers with new literature put out by our publishing house.

(e) That articles on the experiences of people accepting this truth through reading of our literature be published in our church papers.

### Sets of Writings By Mrs. E. G. White

Whereas, The "Testimonies to the Church" are a great help in building up our workers and believers in the faith; and,—

Whereas, We now have many of these books available in Chinese; therefore—

We recommend, That the Signs of the Times Publishing House cooperate with the field in promoting a strong campaign during the coming meetings, and endeavor to place in the hands of as many of our workers and believers as possible, full sets of such writings of Mrs. E. G. White as are already printed in Chinese; and that we ask our publishing house to publish these books in a uniform style and size.

### Gradation of Schools

Whereas, Our mission budgets are greatly reduced and call for every possible economy in the operation of our work; and—

Whereas, Our constituencies, faculties, and facilities do not warrant any change in the gradation of our schools as set by the China Division in January, 1933; therefore,—

We recommend, That the schools in all of our local and union missions remain for the present on the standards set by the China Division Committee in 1933, and that the Educational Department proceed with the detailed study of each school and its work; and,—

That the Educational Council to be held this summer endeavor to standardize and unify the work of our schools in harmony with existing policies.

### Use of School Register in All Mission Church Schools

Whereas, Permanent and accurate records are very essential in our school work, and since we are frequently called upon to make reports concerning individual students and schools as a whole; therefore,—

We recommend, That each local mission supply a copy of the printed School Register to each of our church schools in its territory, and that the local educational secretary be expected to see that they are left up to date. These school registers are published for the Educational Department by the Signs of the Times Publishing House at a list price of sixty cents Mex. a copy.

### Policy Regarding the Listing of Our Schools For Statistical Purposes

For statistical convenience and uniformity in the reporting of our school system,—

We recommend, That every school where grades 1—4, or 1—6, are given, be counted as a separate church school, whether such school is alone in a chapel or in connection with some higher grade school; and that we list its number of students distinct from the number in the grades of the school in the next higher level of gradation; as, for example, the China Training Institute would appear as having two schools,—one church school, grades 1—6 with so many students; and one training school, grades 7—14 with so many students.

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## Missionary Volunteer Goals for 1934

We recommend, That for the year 1934, the following M. V. Goals be set:

- (1) Young people converted and added to the church
- (2) Number observing Morning Watch
- (3) Number reading Bible through—Certificates Issued
- (4) Number receiving Standard of Attainment Certificates
- (5) Number receiving Reading Course Certificates
- (6) Money raised for missionary work
- (7) Number of societies

### Central China

1. 100
2. 100%
3. 100
4. 50
5. 250
6. \$1,250 Mex. (\$500 G)
7. 75

### Manchuria

1. 50
2. 100%
3. 20
4. 20
5. 20
6. \$500 Mex. (\$200 G)
7. 20

### South China

1. 75
2. 100%
3. 60
4. 25
5. 70
6. \$1,250 Mex. (\$500 G)
7. 30

### Northwest China

1. 30
2. 100%
3. 10
4. 10
5. 10
6. \$250 (\$100 G)
7. 14

### East China

1. 150
2. 100%
3. 150
4. 60
5. 150
6. \$3,000 Mex. (\$1,200 G)
7. 75

### North China

1. 50
2. 100%
3. 25
4. 25
5. 50
6. \$250 Mex. (\$100 G)
7. 20

### West China

1. 50
2. 100%
3. 20
4. 20
5. 20
6. \$300 Mex. (\$120 G)
7. 30

## Names of Our Junior Middle Schools in China

Since there is great confusion as to the proper name for Junior Middle Schools throughout our China missions, and for sake of uniformity and convenience in use,

We recommend, That the name "training institute" be adopted for all our schools, and that differentiation be made

by adding the name of the area each serves—for example, "North China Training Institute," "Honan Training Institute."

## Selection and Guidance of Young People In Their Vocational and Educational Choice

Whereas, It is very difficult for our school administrators to know the special aptitudes and capabilities of the many young people who come to our schools as new students; and,—

Whereas, There are various needs for definite types of workers in our missions calling for specially trained workers; and,—

Whereas, Our local mission committees know both the students and the needs for workers in their respective areas; therefore,—

We recommend, That from the students going to the China Training Institute each year, each local mission committee by formal action select and guide at least one to enter the Ministerial Course; one, the Church Business Course; one, the Normal Training Course, and one to be trained for general denominational departmental work; and,—

That these selections be made known to our Institute head so that proper classification and matriculation may be carried out by the school in harmony with the wishes of the mission committee.

## Home Study Institute Campaign Week

Whereas, The plan of setting aside one week each year for the promotion of the Home Study Institute has resulted in great good; and,—

Whereas, This plan has brought the advantages of the Home Study Institute to a large number of workers and laymembers who would otherwise not have heard of our work,—

We recommend, That October 20-27, 1934, be set aside for promotion of the Home Study Institute work, and that material be prepared for the *Shepherd*, the *Gazette*, and the *REPORTER* for this campaign. And further,—

That our leaders be requested to promote the work of the Home Study Institute at that time with the object of enrolling our workers and as many of the lay members as possible in definite courses of study.

## Local Home Study Institute Representatives

Whereas, The appointment of local representatives has been the means of greatly strengthening the work of the Home Study Institute in our local missions,

We recommend, That local mission committees give study to and definitely appoint some one to foster this phase of our work in their missions.

## Advanced Course

Whereas, The Home School has recently prepared an advanced course on missions and mission problems for our missionary body throughout the world; and,—

Whereas, The materials covered in this course are of invaluable help to our missionaries,—

We recommend, That during the year 1934 special efforts be made to encourage our foreign workers to enroll in and to complete this course of study.

## Course of Study for Educational Workers (In Chinese)

Whereas, Many of our teachers are desirous of carrying on a more systematic and continuous course of study while teaching,—

We recommend, That the Educational Department and the Home Study Institute give favorable consideration to the preparation of a special course of study in Chinese for our educational workers, a portion of which could be taken by correspondence.

## Regional Institute for Teachers

We recommend, That a committee of five; namely, D. E. Rebok, W. A. Scharf-fenberg, S. L. Frost, Frederick Lee, and B. A. Liu, be appointed to draw up an outline of the plan for the Regional Institutes for teachers, to be conducted in 1935, and that the plan be submitted to the China Division Committee at the next annual Council.

## China Training Institute Work Privileges

Whereas, It is our general policy that students above the ninth grade (except in certain specified schools) be sent to Chiaotoutseng for the Senior Middle and Junior College work,

We recommend, That in assigning the work privileges, preference be given to the ninth grade graduates in all of our Junior Training Schools and students in the grades above; and,—

That aside from the Kiangsu Mission, whose Junior Middle School interests are being served by the China Training Institute, all other Junior Middle School Students attend their own local or union mission schools until they be graduated from the ninth grade.

## Supervisor of Home School Work

Whereas, Frequent calls for help from missionary parents come to us regarding the elementary school work of children being taught in the homes; and,—

Whereas, The early years of school work mean so much to children in the formation of right study habits; and,—

Whereas, Parents need counsel as to proper text books, tests, and teaching materials; therefore,—

We recommend, That Miss Ruth Atwell, in her work in the Home Study Institute, be invited to become a supervisor of such Home School work, and that the Division Educational Department and Far Eastern Academy join the Home Study Institute in this important work by having the heads of these institutions become a Committee on Guidance for Home School Work.

## Health Reform

We recommend, That the importance of living out the principles of health reform, be urged upon our people, and the use of a balanced diet without flesh-foods in all of our boarding schools, sanitariums, and hospitals, and at all general meetings where boarding arrangements are made for those in attendance; and further,—

That a course in practical dietaries be worked out at an early date by the Division Medical Department and offered through the China Training Institute



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and the Home Study Institute; and that a series of articles on this subject be presented in the *Shepherd* during the present year. It is further requested that the Division Medical Department work out a course of training for cooks for our institutions.

### Employing of Dismissed Workers

*We recommend*, That on the termination of a worker's employment with the Mission, whether voluntary or otherwise, a recording action of the same be made by the employing mission or institution; and that a clear statement of all the facts in the case, together with a signed statement of the terms of settlement, be filed with the union superintendent and local director; and further,—

That any committee or board desiring to employ a worker who has previously been dismissed, or who has resigned, present to the union committee in whose territory the one desirous of reinstatement as a worker was formerly employed, a request for the facts concerning the applicant involved, including a statement of his activities following the time he was dropped from the former employing organization.

### Church Clerk Report Blanks

*Voted*, That the Signs of the Times Publishing House be requested to supply proper church clerk report blanks for securing reports from local churches, which are to be sent in to the local mission office regularly every quarter, to serve as a basis for making up the quarterly statistical reports for the union. A special committee was appointed; namely, Brethren Frederick Lee, O. A. Hall, M. C. Warren.

### Reports of Council for Local Shanghai Papers

*Voted*, That Pastor Frederick Lee be requested to arrange for reports of our Winter Council to be supplied the editors of Shanghai papers.

### Self Support—Method of Figuring

*Whereas*, There is great need of following a uniform method of reporting on local self-support of local missions (excluding wages and expenses of foreign workers),

*We recommend*, That all monies raised in a local mission, such as tithes of workers and members, offerings, Harvest Ingathering receipts, and all other mission gifts, rents, and tuitions, be considered the receipts of the said local mission, insofar as compilation of self-support statistics be concerned.

*We recommend*, That all local missions report on their percentage of self-support to the union, and that the union include the same in its report to the Division.

*Voted*, That \$300 Mex. be passed on to the Press as subsidy from the Text-book fund, for the issuance of the ninth of the series of Bible text-books.

### Method of Placing Orders with Signs Publishing House for Literature

*We recommend*, That throughout the Division a uniform plan be followed in

the placing of orders with the Signs of the Times Publishing House for literature, and in the payment of same when cash does not accompany order the plan to provide safeguards for both purchaser and dealer, be as follows:

(a) That on all orders involving the sending in to the publishing house for large numbers of books and other literature (other than subscriptions), the Book and Periodical House secretary shall first counsel with and secure the O. K. of the mission director (or, in the director's absence, of the mission treasurer), prior to placing such orders.

(b) That duplicates of publishing house statements sent to Book and Periodical House, shall be sent in duplicate to the union treasurer also.

(c) That every month the Book and Periodical House shall send through the local mission treasurer, credits to the union for such amounts as may be due the publishing house according to the time-limit policy followed by the publishing houses in extending credit to Book and Periodical House.

(d) That the union treasurer shall remit to the publishing house regularly, every month, in accordance with said credits received from the Book and Periodical Houses by the union.

bath school from week to week, be conducted by some approved group of believers, under the general supervision of our organized agencies. However, it is also recognized that a hsien may be reported as "occupied," when a regular worker of the mission, including approved self-supporting resident colporteurs, have by Committee action been placed in a territory hitherto unoccupied, and have undertaken religious services on a permanent basis, looking toward the building up of a constituency in the new territory thus entered.

### A Word of Appreciation from the Chairman

This being the last hour of the Winter Council of the Executive Committee, the Chairman expressed appreciation of the spirit of unity and cooperation that has prevailed during our sessions. The number of items on the agenda has been unusually large, and it seems as if much business has passed through our hands during the few days we have been together; but the Lord's blessing has been with us, and we may look forward with confidence to the best year that we have ever seen in the China Division.

### Adjournment of the Council

The hour having come for holding the Far Eastern Academy Constituency meeting, it was—

*Voted*, To adjourn to the call of the Chair.

Benediction was pronounced by Pastor Z. H. Coberly, director of the Shensi Mission.

H. W. MILLER, *Chairman*  
C. C. CRISLER, *Secretary*

### Unauthorized Issuance of Denominational Literature

*Voted*, That in the issuance of literature in printed form in the China Division, we hold to the General Conference and Division policies of having all MSS. examined and passed upon by the Reading Committee of our denominational Press, prior to publication; and further, that such MSS. be published through our regular denominational channels, and not privately or by missions. It is understood, of course, that this does not refer to those periodicals edited by departmental organizations at Division headquarters, or to other promotion material prepared by these general departments, when such has first been authorized and approved by Division Committee action.

The Division Secretary is requested to communicate this action, together with the text of the general and divisional denominational policies governing these matters, to all members of our foreign staff throughout the Division; and also to arrange for a statement regarding this matter, to appear in the columns of the *Shepherd*.

### General Outline of What Constitutes an "Occupied" Hsien

*Voted*, That in general it be recognized that occupancy of a hsien presupposes the establishment of permanent and organized religious work in the hsien, and the holding, regularly, of services, including at least one organized Sabbath school. An isolated church-member belonging to the "home division" of the Sabbath school, would not constitute sufficient reason to warrant the reporting of a hsien as "occupied." Mere residence of two or three isolated church-members in a hsien, would not suffice. It is essential, at the least, that regularly organized religious services, including Sab-

### "Melting-Pot for Missions"

A plan has been devised by the Home Board looking toward the gathering in of returns through the release of gold and silver ornaments, which may be sold and the proceeds used to swell the Twenty-five-cent-a-week Fund in behalf of missions. A resolution was passed by the Division Committee, calling attention to this important step being taken by the Home Board and by many world divisions. This resolution, as recorded in our minutes, reads thus:

In the time of Israel the people of God brought their gold and silver ornaments to assist in the building of the sanctuary; and as a result, great blessings were experienced.

The Lord in His purpose has given us instruction that precludes the wearing of gold and silver ornaments; and there are, no doubt, many thousands of such ornaments in the homes and safe deposit boxes of our people; and—

*Whereas*, The present crisis in our foreign mission program calls for personal sacrifice in helping to sustain the cause of God; therefore,—

*Resolved*, (a) That Sabbath, May 19, 1934, be fixed as a day on which our people throughout the China Division be invited to bring a thank offering of gold and silver ornaments to the Lord.

(b) That in the China Division all donated jewelry or ornaments be sent to the Division Treasury and sold, and that the proceeds therefrom be reported to the respective unions and applied on the Twenty-five-cent-a-week Fund.

STATISTICAL REPORT of the CHINA DIVISION MISSION, Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1933

中華總會一九三三年第三季統計表

ALL VALUES IN U.S. GOLD ON THE BASIS OF 1:2 for 1.

以美洋為本位

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15				
Number of Mission Stations	NAME OF MISSION	Number of Mission Stations	Number of Mission Stations	Number of Members	Baptized Members	Baptized Members	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Licensed Missionaries	Bible Women	Book and Periodicals	Other Workers	Total Evangelistic Workers	Medical Workers				
站數	會名	站數	站數	人數	受洗人數	受洗人數	牧師	教士	傳道士	女傳道士	書報	(含傳道員)	工人總數	醫士				
1	Div. Office & Div. Inst.						15	3	1	53	16	1	205	13				
2	Central China	5	77	25	2187	95	6	12	5	15	17	3	32	17				
3	East China	9	160	80	3403	231	7	13	2	18	9	3	27	12				
4	Manchuria	5	31	20	1197	80	4	3	5	10	11	5	1	21				
5	North China	4	30	11	1235	103	7	5	3	7	9	8	1	37				
6	Northwest China	3	16	11	480	41	1	1	2	1	5	2	1	13				
7	South China	7	103	47	3027	41	11	14	6	26	18	23	1	28				
8	West China	6	56	27	1570	62	5	7	4	20	11	5	15	4				
9																		
10																		
11																		
12	TOTALS	39	473	221	13099	653	56	58	28	100	133	299	6	80				
16	Total Laborers	17		TITH RECEIPTS		18		19		20		21		22				
1	Foreign	Native	Foreign	Native	Total tithes		Total offerings		Total Receipts for		Total Contributions		Number of		Membership			
1	69	242	1377.50		795.99	1377.50	2191.67	129.99	432.08	432.08	609.22	592	17828	89	2855	6158		
2	28	194	1395.68		1742.32	2735.65	545.82	2932.55	413.30	201	6158	39	1681	51	1021	81		
3	18	197	993.33		1661.37	1763.82	36.10	73.58	1076.27	106	3308	75	1444	20	87	1444		
4	20	103	984.26		452.71	1160.34	174.45	20.56	135.28	20.87								
5	19	94	544.26															
6	8	47	218.08															
7	34	233	102.45															
8	20	92	707.63															
9																		
10																		
11																		
12	216	1202	6323.19		6290.95	12514.14	1074.60	100.47	5574.61	609.22	592	17828						
24	Average	26		27		28		29		30		31		32		33		
1	2626	345.00	60.67	405.67	135.32	3037.80	38	43236.00	4610	22	729	24	5	100	3	3		
2	5580	1283.98	139.38	1423.36	3466.28	141692.00	2140	14	523	24	523	24	12	206	13	13		
3	1298	319.84	37.40	357.24	90.40	3466.28	40	10800.00	1500	12	206	13	12	233	13	13		
4	913	329.83	32.18	362.01	160.76	1399.08	20	16240.00	2610	35	1271	40	12	236	17	17		
5	897	125.95	28.17	154.12														
6	3342	606.32	118.10	724.42														
7	1294	454.30	55.01	509.31														
8																		
9																		
10																		
11																		
12	15950	3465.22	470.91	3936.13	366.48	18198.27	187	174209.31	22510	133	4182	165						
37	38		40		43		44		45		46		47		48		49	
1	5	1164	3	602	1866	13	16	24	9	62	16000.00	1800.00	33	769				
2	4	133			862	1	3	35	7	46	16291.20		30	1235				
3	2	104			983			20	16	36	8400.00	511.58	19	705				
4	1	53			576			24	5	29	4988.40	1688.82	14	281			14.18	
5	2	90			296	1		10	5	16	1660.00	136.33	11	208			1.57	
6	1	34			267			12	4	16	4400.00							
7	5	131			1402	3	4	34	8	49	11800.00	1240.00	21	861			11.50	
8	1	36			272	1	1	15	7	25	17700.00	400.00	3	55			1.94	
9																		
10																		
11																		
12	19	1745	3	602	6529	19	24	175	61	279	81239.60	5776.78	131	4114			11.50	17.49

Statement of Mission Offerings Received from Union and Local Missions  
of the CHINA DIVISION of S. D. A. — 25-cs.-a-week Fund — November 30, 1933

Values in Mex.

基督復臨安息日會中華總會收入捐款一覽表  
每安息二角五分捐款——截至一九三三年十一月三十日止——以國幣計算

Name of Mission 教會名稱	Time Covered by Report 本報之時期	Annual 年捐	Harvest Ingathering 善工捐	Sabbath School 安學日	Week of Sacrifice 克恩捐	"Big Week" 大恩捐	Mid-Summer Offer'g 夏季捐	Miscel. for Missions 雜捐	Amount Received 收總入數	Membership Dec. 31 1933 一九三三年年底會員數	Due On Goal to Date 及期應達之數	Over 超目的	Short 尚差	Per Week Per Member To Date of Report 每時每分至本報之日期	
														1933	1932
<b>Central China Union</b>															
Honan 河南	Jan. to Nov.	\$ 11.90	\$1,041.32	\$ 2,016.21	\$ 59.78	\$295.66	\$ 7.67	\$ 7.93	\$ 3,440.47	854	\$10,034.50	\$	\$6,594.03	\$.085	\$.140
Hunan 湖南	Jan. to Nov.	13.95	1,450.25	856.29	17.40	172.39	41.50	15.88	2,547.66	426	5,005.50		2,467.84	.127	.178
Hupeh 湖北	Jan. to Nov.	9.07	2,359.03	1,135.23	137.64	303.43	54.96	36.98	4,027.27	406	5,240.50		1,213.23	.192	.243
Kiangsi 江西	Jan. to Nov.	9.07	863.48	271.12	75.05	85.69		3.70	1,308.11	234	2,749.50		1,441.39	.118	.171
Union Total	Jan. to Nov.	34.92	5,694.08	4,278.85	289.87	857.17	104.13	64.49	11,323.51	1,960	23,030.00		11,706.49	.122	.175
<b>East China Union</b>															
Anhui 安徽	Jan. to Nov.	41.15	750.22	799.12	9.45	351.48		.42	1,951.84	320	3,760.00		1,808.16	.129	.092
Kiangsu 江蘇	Jan. to Nov.	590.98	13,910.51	9,957.69	453.71	1,352.19	484.40		26,709.48	826	10,410.50	16,298.98	.644	.601	
N. Kiangsu 蘇北	Jan. to Nov.	137.87	755.05	1,405.25		191.78			2,490.95	197	2,314.75	176.20	.258	.137	
N. Chekiang 浙北	Jan. to Nov.	28.06	390.00	861.01	2.00	178.16			1,459.23	487	5,722.25		4,263.02	.063	.085
S. Chekiang 浙南	Jan. to Nov.	59.52	717.39	1,335.44	132.99	254.33	65.30		2,564.97	1,023	12,020.25		9,455.28	.053	.076
Union Total	Jan. to Nov.	817.58	16,523.17	14,359.51	598.15	2,327.94	549.70	.42	35,176.47	2,913	34,227.75	16,475.18	15,526.46	.295	.245
<b>Manchurian Union</b>															
Heilungkiang 黑龍江	Jan. to Nov.		3.92	168.97	15.08	28.76	11.20		227.93	40	470.00		242.07	.121	.205
Kando 間島	Jan. to Nov.	20.03		202.31	37.39		10.44		268.17	136	1,998.00		1,329.83	.042	.052
Kirin 吉林	Jan. to Nov.	2.83	70.55	366.12	24.48	73.20	4.50		541.68	174	2,044.50		1,502.82	.066	.107
Liaoning 遼寧	Jan. to Nov.		997.58	1,710.75	49.23	87.23	11.22	16.54	2,872.55	322	3,783.50		910.95	.188	.182
Sungari 松花江	Jan. to Nov.	.80	667.01	1,376.17	126.76	223.32	51.74	50.88	2,496.68	425	4,993.75		2,497.07	.125	.094
Union Total	Jan. to Nov.	23.66	1,739.06	3,824.32	250.94	412.51	89.10	67.42	6,407.01	1,097	12,689.75		6,482.74	.126	.119
<b>North China Union</b>															
Chahar-Suiyuan 察哈爾	Jan. to Nov.	4.60		645.19		4.42	63.85	23.50	741.56	8	94.00	-647.56	1,972	4.645	
Hopei 河北	Jan. to Nov.	.38	5,104.36	1,433.19	108.79	241.96	165.65	36.48	7,090.61	355	4,171.25	2,919.56	4,485	5.21	
Jehol 熱河	Jan. to Nov.		41.43			64.20			105.63		105.63				
Mongolia 蒙古	Jan. to Nov.	30.00		368.03	80.58	41.65			520.26	21	246.75	273.51	527	3.52	
Shan si 山西	Jan. to Nov.	7.00	577.00	202.29	56.40	101.92	14.83	4.48	953.92	102	1,198.50		234.58	.201	.356
Shantung 山東	Jan. to Nov.	3.60	1,432.73	630.08	120.26	172.01	39.71	3.97	2,402.36	396	4,653.00		2,250.64	.128	.314
Union Total	Jan. to Nov.	45.58	7,114.09	3,320.21	366.03	626.16	284.04	68.43	11,824.54	822	10,363.50	3,946.26	2,485.22	.287	.486
<b>Northwest China Union</b>															
Chinghai 青海	Jan. to Nov.									3					
Kansu 甘肅	Jan. to Nov.									14					
Ninghsia 寧夏	Jan. to Nov.									159					
Shensi 陝西	Jan. to Nov.														
Sinkiang 新疆	Jan. to Nov.	5.25	1,226.27	1,076.39		209.12			2,517.03	176	2,068.00	449.03		.304	.496
Union Total	Jan. to Nov.														
<b>South China Union</b>															
Canton 廣東	Jan. to Oct.	84.45		2,715.51		468.11		44.58	3,312.65	560	6,160.00		2,847.35	.134	.201
Hakka 客家	Jan. to Oct.	47.41		805.92	10.54	237.71			1,101.58	757	8,327.00		7,225.42	.033	.047
Kwangsi 廣西	Jan. to Oct.	42.05		814.73		33.06			889.84	252	2,772.00		1,882.16	.080	.167
N. Fukien 閩北	Jan. to Oct.	350.41		546.36		254.77		34.04	1,189.58	445	4,695.00		3,705.42	.060	.096
S. Fukien 閩南	Jan. to Oct.	1.40		884.77				21.68	907.85	375	4,125.00		3,217.15	.055	.099
Swatow 汕頭	Jan. to Oct.	19.89	5.00	511.07		301.86			837.82	350	3,850.00		3,012.18	.054	.095
Union Total	Jan. to Oct.	545.61	5.00	6,278.36	10.54	1,299.51		100.30	8,239.32	2,739	30,129.00		21,889.68	.068	.111
<b>West China Union</b>															
Szechwan 四川	Jan. to Nov.	6.64	2,331.20	1,653.09	265.44	109.84	292.20	62.26	4,720.67	529	6,215.75		1,495.08	.115	.388
Szechwan 西康	Jan. to Nov.	4.40	789.39	521.29	47.92		78.50	13.96	1,455.46	122	1,433.50	21.96	.253	.159	
Sikang 西康	Jan. to Nov.		523.19	288.48	96.50	35.20	53.00		585.19	6	70.50	515.69	2,078	2.278	
E. Kweichow 貴東	Jan. to Nov.		200.90	320.88		2.78	52.89	3.80	677.77	100	1,175.00		497.23	.144	.477
W. Kweichow 貴西	Jan. to Nov.		.43	320.88			69.00	8.58	401.67	377	4,429.75		4,028.08	.022	.020
Yunnan 雲南	Jan. to Nov.	1.00	111.86	754.58	112.23	42.05	106.25	37.56	1,165.53	41	481.75	683.78	.604		
Union Total	Jan. to Nov.	12.04	3,433.78	4,061.51	522.09	189.67	661.84	126.16	9,007.29	1,175	13,805.25	1,221.43	6,020.39	.163	.288
<b>Union Total</b>															
DIVISION TOTAL		\$1,484.64	\$35,735.45	\$37,199.15	\$2,037.62	\$5,922.28	\$ 1,688.81	\$427.22	\$84,495.17	10,542	\$ 126,514.25	\$ 22,091.90	\$ 64,110.98	\$.164	\$.219



Hopei Mission	熱河	1	10	4	417	48	49	2	4	8	7	3	25	28	212.90	40	70	6.18			*20	1	
Jehol Mission	熱河	1	1		21	13	13	1	2	2			3	3	32.51	1	24					1	
Mongolia Mission	蒙古	1	1	1	10			1	2	1			2	4	11.27	3	18	36.52	1	7		1	
Shansi Mission	山西		4	1	202	15	15	1	8	13			24	24	79.00	6	143	20.49	3	24	90	9	
Shantung Mission	山東	1	12	4	545	21	17	3	2	8	14	4	32	36	229.69	27	410	81.02	6	92	108	24	
TOTAL FOR NORTH CHINA	華北總數	4	20	11	1,235	103	98	12	10	35	38	19	94	113	1,196.44	51	1,021	362.01	14	296	395	54	
NORTHWEST CHINA MISSION	西北區會	1						2	4	1	4	3	7		380.00					1	34		
Chinghai Mission	青海		2	1	20	7	7		1	1	1		3	3		3	51	7.33			*14	3	
Kansu Mission	甘肅	1	6	2	85	34	22		1	3	1	2	6	8		8	354	98.89	2	53	66	4	
Ninghsia Mission	寧夏		2	2	21		11			3	1		7	7		2	31	10.25			*33	2	
Shensi Mission	陝西	1	6	6	354		4		1	8	7	2	26	28		18	445	37.65	10	180	73	7	
Sinkiang Mission	新疆												2	2								*59	
TOTAL FOR NORTHWEST CHINA	西北總數	3	16	11	480	42	44	2	3	19	13	8	47	55	380.00	31	881	154.12	13	267	245	16	
SOUTH CHINA UNION	華南聯合會							4	1	7	2	10	2	12	22.68								
Cantonese Mission	廣州	2	18	12	651	11	11	5	8	10	9	6	44	50	796.51	20	650	311.41	8	228	63	15	
Hakka Mission	客家	1	21	8	740	4		4	1	25	4	6	40	46	149.88	21	580	84.71	7	220	21	10	
Kwangsi Mission	廣西	1	13	5	295	11	11	2	6	10	5	6	54	60	145.44	13	251	76.22	4	120	97	14	
N. Fukien Mission	閩北	1	22	9	499	1		2	3	18	3	2	42	44	220.24	21	888	75.80	8	303	37	15	
S. Fukien Mission	閩南	1	15	8	482			4	5	9	4	4	27	31	305.96	14	881	114.41	6	324	24	9	
Swatow Mission	汕頭	1	14	5	360	14		4	8	9	2		24	24	123.07	17	558	61.87	7	207	11	9	
TOTAL FOR SOUTH CHINA	華南總數	7	103	47	3,027	41	22	25	32	88	29	34	233	267	1,763.82	106	3,808	724.42	40	1,402	253	72	
WEST CHINA UNION	華西聯合會							3	4	3	1	6	8	14	707.63					1	36		
E. Szechwan Mission	川東	1	18	13	531			3	4	7	6	2	28	30	139.92	20	400	202.63	6	50	61	18	
E. Kweichow Mission	貴東	1	5	3	147		-23	1	3	7	2		2	12	14	64.30	6	138	42.65	1	8	49	7
Sikang Mission	西康	1		1	7				3	3		4	2	6	9.10	1	7	65.02			*34	1	
W. Szechwan Mission	川西	1	4	3	133	9	10	2	3	6	5	2	11	13	69.02	10	131	59.61	1	26	57	7	
W. Kweichow Mission	貴西	1	20	5	509	9	9	1	4	10			20	20	119.57	28	494	47.66	1	70	35	7	
Yunnan Mission	雲南	1	9	2	243	44	44	2	3	9	1	4	11	15	50.80	10	274	91.74	3	82	99	8	
TOTAL FOR WEST CHINA	華西總數	6	56	27	1,570	62	40	12	24	45	15	20	92	112	1,160.34	75	1,444	509.31	13	272	335	48	
DIVISION TOTALS 3rd Qr. 1933		39	473	221	13,099	653	550	114	128	432	197	216	1,202	1,418	\$12,614.14	592	17,828	\$3,936.13	155	6,529	1,904*	360	
本總會一九三三年第三季統計																							
"	"	1932	440	208	11,595	355	299	107	129	435	191	217	1,047	1,264	15,237.68	544	16,469	4,255.49	128	5,170			
"	"	1931	383	176	10,585	590	500	108	142	398	163	212	1,012	1,224	20,167.30	483	14,960	5,821.38	124	5,110			
"	"	1930	359	153	9,044	377	241	92	116	404	183	215	1,021	1,236	15,567.20	418	12,737	3,684.49	101	4,781			
"	"	1929	323	137	7,951	348	214	94	126	392	175	208	1,017	1,225	11,745.10	387	11,131	3,689.24	105	3,853			
"	"	1928	287	145	7,468	452	419	77	124	364	114	213	754	967	11,169.93	345	10,345	3,164.39	97	3,690			
"	"	1927	270	133	7,459	196	176	70	139	446	77	190	673	863	12,382.91	286	8,740	2,363.27	74	2,233			
"	"	1926	256	116	6,971	227	197	70	136	327	143	185	817	1,002	7,549.00	291	9,728	2,370.86	116	4,725			
"	"	1925	237	96	6,324	410	367	82	117	306	142	181	825	1,006	9,377.82	274	10,614	1,953.91	125	4,548			
"	"	1924	228	95	5,085	124	96	55	102	250	109	163	663	826	6,206.55	233	8,776	1,615.05	103	3,883			
"	"	1923	225	103	4,714	47	14	53	82	236	103	169	640	809	4,603.00	222	7,713	1,430.23	101	3,519			

\* In provincial missions indicated by single stars, there are "Guh" and "flags" in addition to the regular "hsien" districts. We are not attempting to list the number of "Guh" and of "flags" in missions thus marked; nor are we including in our totals any "districts," "Guh" or "flags" for Mongolia and Tibet.

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

\* 有單粒星之區省會除通常之"縣"外尚有"旗"及"區"之劃分但上列之表並未將各該省會之"旗與區"之數目計算在內即總數之中亦未含有蒙藏之"部"或"旗"

\*\* 松花江區會內之俄人工作,在東北各省均有辦理惟"縣"數則未列出蓋已分列於遼寧吉林及黑龍江各區省會之下矣

one of these outstations 72 members were present at a recent observance of the Lord's Supper. At another station, where no regular worker is located, a visiting worker found \$110 in tithes and offerings waiting to be sent to the mission treasury. Our worker was perplexed to know how to carry so large a sum of money through the robber district separating this station from the outside. The money was secreted in a large belt and strapped about the body of a poor coolie. The worker followed at some distance behind the coolie as he passed through the bandit-infested country, but the Lord had cleared the road for these sacred funds to come through unmolested.

It was felt that this company that for years has been giving loyally to the support of the work should have the help of a regular worker. They were asked whether they desired a teacher and school or a preacher. Their reply was, "Send us a good preacher to help build up a strong church."

Many of our believers are calling for help to win souls. In one hsien not yet occupied a room and chapel furniture has been donated and is waiting for a worker. A building of 13 rooms has been offered in another place. Ten of our teachers in Honan are carrying evangelistic work in addition to their school teaching. We also have four church school teachers who are self-supporting and who help in the evangelistic work.

Our Honan Middle School is endeavoring to train workers to help fill the many calls for preachers and teachers in the field. The present enrollment of 220 taxes the capacity. There are many more young people in our churches who would be glad to attend if we could supply work that would enable them to help meet their expenses. We are in need of funds to make possible some additions to certain of our buildings. We also need foreign help for teaching the industrial work.

In spite of floods and bandits, last year was a good year in soul-winning for Honan. A net increase of 134 in church membership was made during the 12 months closing with the third quarter last year. That was an increase of over 17%, bringing the membership up to 914.

Miss Josephine Holmes is stationed at Chow Gia Kow, that center where years ago several foreign workers were stationed.

#### HUPEH MISSION

Large sections formerly held by Communists in Hupeh have been cleared, and the union superintendent, in the absence of the director, has visited all but three of the stations. We were sorry to find that many of our believers falling into the hands of Communists have lost their Christian experience and appear to be beyond the reach of help.

Nine special evangelistic efforts were conducted in Hupeh during 1933. The most important ones were held in the Wuhan district, where a strong church is being built up. We are encouraged by the response to some of these efforts and over the class of believers being won. Sixty-four were baptized during the year. One young man baptized in Hankow was carrying heavy responsibility in a large business firm. He was not only able to retain his position, but his salary was advanced from \$60 to \$100. He and several other recent converts are our largest tithe-payers. This new brother took a real interest in the Harvest Ingathering campaign this winter, and personally solicited funds from friends to the amount of \$234.

The Hupeh Middle School enjoyed a very good year. The present enrollment is 62. Brother and Sister Carter have thrown their energies into the rebuilding of this school that was destroyed by the flood. During the year the boy's dormitory was completed by student labor. A substantial building was erected for factory and dining-room use, and a smaller building providing homes for our teachers. A successful broom factory is being operated. The girls have done well at needlework and in the making of candy.

#### HUNAN MISSION

In 1932 many unworked sections of Hunan were entered. During the past year efforts were made to strengthen the work so recently opened.

We were glad to see a new chapel erected in Changsha, but it was added cause for rejoicing when we saw every seat that could be crowded into that chapel occupied night after night by interested listeners drinking in the message being preached by Elder Frederick Lee. That interest is now being followed up by a good force of workers, and we hope to see a strong church established in the important city of Changsha.

The Hunan Middle School is being conducted in a strong way and a good class of students are in training.

#### KIANGSI MISSION

Work in Kiangsi during the past year has been carried on under great difficulties. As all here know, large sections of the province are still under Communist control. Foreigners are not allowed to travel in the province aside from between the cities of Kiukiang and Nanchang, the capital. The director, Pastor John Liu, has taken his life in his hands as he has gone about in the interests of the work. In one instance others traveling with him were killed while he escaped with his life.

In one large city where Pastor Liu laid plans for a series of evangelistic meetings, the mayor of the city sent out an order forbidding the holding of the effort, on the plea that it might lead to a Communist uprising. Pastor Liu went right to the mayor and presented the message to him, and showed him how this message was the safeguard against the Communistic menace. The order was changed, and a successful effort was held.

Even under these conditions the colporteur work has made advancement over 1932. The literature sales for 1933 amounted to \$7,357.67. (Mex.)

#### THE YENCHENG HOSPITAL

The Yencheng Hospital enjoyed a good patronage during 1933. In fact, at our recent union committee meeting the hospital released their budget to enable the laying of plans for new work in the three of our provinces. It will not be easy for this institution to be self-supporting; but Dr. Brines has set out to reach this ideal, and we can believe his efforts will be crowned with success.

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

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

# REPORT OF THE Y. P. MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT of the CHINA DIVISION of S. D. A.

For the Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1933 Mexican to Gold at 2.50 Rate

Names of Union Conferences, or Local Conferences, or Societies		Report of Society Organization						Report of Missionary Work											
		No. Societies	Societies Reporting	Total Membership	No. Associate & J. P. Prop. Members	Total Average Attendance	No. Members Reporting	No. Societies Reporting (No. Meetings)	Total Sr. & Jr. (No. Members)	No. Baptized (Whom P. Helped)	No. Belonging to Miss. Bands	Bible Readings Meetings Held	Missionary Visits	No. Persons S. S. (Sung by S. S. Services)	No. Persons S. S. (Whom Needed Help)	Number Treatments Given	No. Articles of Clothing Given	No. Books, Missary Periodicals, or Tracts Distributed	No. Miss'y Letters Written
CENTRAL CHINA	Sr.	8	8	347		308	298		9			325	484	114	235	179	49	1,765	17
	Jr.	25	23	422		361	339		12			122	136	137	90	63		535	2
	Total	33	31	769		669	597		21			447	620	251	325	242	49	2,300	19
EAST CHINA	Sr.	15	15	785		526	287					1,299	1,460	502	759	854	24	4,787	129
	Jr.	15	15	450		405	162					620	366	170	217	210	2	725	15
	Total	30	30	1,235		931	449					1,919	1,826	672	976	1,064	26	5,512	144
MANCHURIA	Sr.	7	7	185		144	82					657	828	110	34	178	38	3,230	38
	Jr.	12	10	520		466	196				63	99	41	18	6	6	6	2,018	
	Total	19	17	705		610	278				720	927	151	52	178	44	12	5,248	38
NORTH CHINA	Sr.	8	8	166		117	139		23		114	1,037	1,458	205		309	32	4,923	334
	Jr.	6	6	115		79	84				80	120	150	20	53	3	769	2	
	Total	14	14	281		196	223		23		194	1,157	1,608	225	362	33	5,692	336	
NORTHWEST CHINA	Sr.	3	2	76		45	39					259	422	201	119	1,117	34	4,690	79
	Jr.	8	3	64		79	21					102	214	77	6	34	4	505	
	Total	11	5	140		124	60				25	361	636	278	125	1,151	40	5,195	79
SOUTH CHINA	Sr.	6	6	478		425	198		2			54	75	46	206	73	6	904	27
	Jr.	15	9	383		355	209					35	80	45	15	29	2	1,038	7
	Total	21	15	861		780	407		2			89	155	91	221	102	6	1,942	34
WEST CHINA	Sr.	2	2	41		41	41					48	127	28	33	115	16	265	47
	Jr.	8	7	129		128	108					176	185	77	22	15		1,053	14
	Total	10	9	170		169	149				4	224	312	105	55	130	16	1,318	61
SENIOR TOTAL	49	48	2,078		1,606	1,084		34		139	3,679	4,854	1,206	1,386	2,825	199	20,564	671	
JUNIOR TOTAL	89	73	2,083		1,873	1,079		12		84	1,218	1,230	1,230	368	404	15	6,643	40	
GRAND TOTAL	138	121	4,161		3,479	2,163		46		223	4,897	6,084	2,436	1,754	3,229	214	27,207	711	
Names of Union Conferences, or Local Conferences, or Missions, or Societies		Financial				Devotional & Educational				Progressive Class Work									
		Offerings for Local Society Work	Offerings for Foreign Missions	Harvest Ingathering Reported by Young People	Bible Week Funds Reported by Young People	No. Observing Morn'g Watch	No. Bible Year Certificates Issued	No. Reading Course Cert. Issued	No. Standard of Attainment Cert. Issued	No. "Master Classes" Plus "Comrades" Plus Issued	No. "Friend" Plus Issued	No. "Companion" Plus Issued	No. "Comrade" Plus Issued	No. Who Rec'd Vocational Honors	Temperance Pledge	Hours Christian Help			
CENTRAL CHINA	Sr.	\$ 1.98	\$1.60	\$	\$	229			1										
	Jr.					291													
	Total	1.98	1.60			520			1										
EAST CHINA	Sr.	40.90		280.00		328			19	14	27								
	Jr.					562			63	77	2								
	Total	40.90		280.00		890			19	19	29								
MANCHURIA	Sr.	10.96				90			12	4									
	Jr.					450			4	16									
	Total	10.96				540			16										
NORTH CHINA	Sr.	1.46		3.08	1.80	123													
	Jr.	.04				95													
	Total	1.40		3.08	1.80	218													
NORTHWEST CHINA	Sr.	8.92			3.36	45													
	Jr.					40													
	Total	8.92			3.36	85													
SOUTH CHINA	Sr.	13.44	22.76	1.80	40.00	215	15												
	Jr.	.86	.06	89.20		234	20	2											
	Total	14.30	22.82	91.00	40.00	449	35	2											
WEST CHINA	Sr.	.37				18													
	Jr.	1.32	.10			34													
	Total	1.69	.10			52													
SENIOR TOTAL	\$ 77.93	\$24.36	\$ 284.88	\$45.16	1,048	46	15	27											
JUNIOR TOTAL	2.22	.16	89.20		1,706	24	65	2											
GRAND TOTAL	80.15	24.52	374.08	45.16	2,754	70	80	29											



### Lessons Learned During a Sabbath Afternoon Service

At the Sabbath afternoon worship hour, held regularly at Chiaotoutseng for the foreign members of the staff, Dr. H. W. Miller addressed those present on the 20th of January. He said, in part:

"In the Scriptures we read that on a certain occasion the Lord Jesus declared, 'Man, thy sins be forgiven thee.' At once those standing by challenged Him accusing Him of presumption. He answered, 'That ye may know that the Son of man hath take up your bed, and walk.'

"We all know that we have multiplied facilities in the China field. When we power to forgive sins, I say unto you, arise, came to divide up with the Far Eastern Division and to look about into the amount of investment in schools, publishing houses, etc., they had more publishing houses, of course; but still we had almost

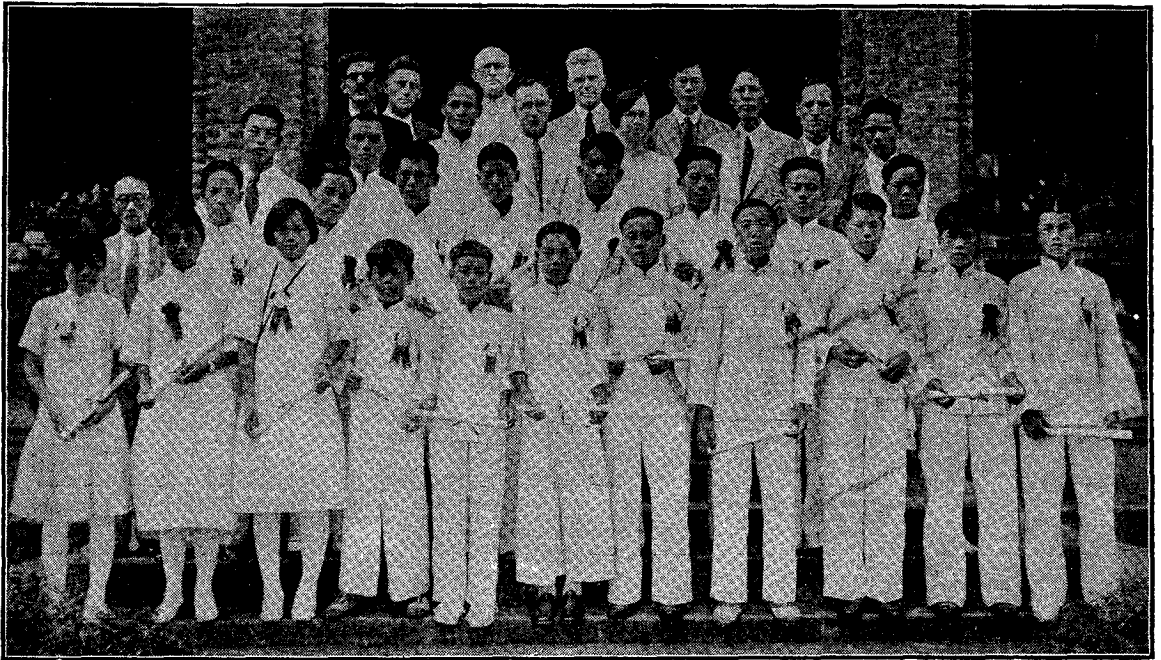
two-thirds of the assets in facilities. Of course we have more people—we have at least three-fourths of those formerly comprising the old Far Eastern Division. And we are adding to these; and even though we have been passing through a severe financial crisis, we have been able to build two middle schools, to complete one sanitarium, and to draft planes for two others. Besides, some additional dormitory space has been provided.

"Now what are all these facilities for? What is our purpose? Are we endeavoring to demonstrate our skill in the manufacture of saleable goods? Are we entering upon competition with the factories and farms of the world? No; these are all facilities to be used for the salvation of souls. We are seeking to give large numbers of people medical aid so that they may be healed of their diseases, and in order that they may also know of the preciousness of our faith. Christ used healing as an evidence of the validity of His position as a

Divine Teacher.

"The great thing now is to use every agency for the one purpose of making more converts and disciples. It does not seem to us that there could come to us many more appeals for schools and medical institutions of large proportions; but it seems that now the principal thing to concern ourselves with as the vital thing is to increase greatly our membership."

The Doctor referred to various experiences of Bible characters, and particularly to Paul, to James, and to Peter, as those who labored untiringly for the upbuilding of the church. We have reached a thrillingly interesting time in the history of God's church upon earth. Soon God's purpose will have been met, in the calling out and perfecting of a people prepared for the return of the Lord. May we cooperate so unitedly with Heavenly agencies, that every facility may be used to the greatest possible advantage in seeking and saving that which has been lost.



### FRUITS OF THE CANTON JUNIOR TRAINING SCHOOL

*"Who can determine which one of a family will prove to be efficient in the work of God? There should be general education of all its members, and all our youth should be permitted to have the blessings and privileges of an education at our schools, that they may be inspired to become laborers together with God."*—"Counsels to Teachers," p. 44.

*The accompanying picture of the graduates in our Canton Junior Training School is typical of the 6,529 children and young people in our 155 schools in the China Division this year. From among them must come our future leaders—the men and women who will finish the work of God in China. They are the church's greatest asset.*

D. E. Rebok, Secretary

Shanghai  
January 26, 1934

## General Articles

### Are You A "Sitter"?

A. MOUNTAIN

"FOR the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried concerning this, Their strength is to sit still." (Isaiah 30:7.) A strange text! Yet it reminds us of the fact that there is no sitting still in the Christian life. Inaction is sin: stagnation means death. A warfare, a race in which every hindering weight must be cast aside, are typical Scriptural illustrations of the purposeful action that should characterize the life of the Christian.

Egypt is a type of sin. Evidently this was their great sin—they could not be moved. The presence of God's people in their midst for four hundred years made little impression upon them. Again and again Pharaoh refused to be influenced by the evident manifestation of God's power. He hardened his heart. Yet they had a wonderful culture. The civilization of ancient Egypt, as revealed by the archaeologist, surprises us today. They had science and wealth and education—just like the world today; but they stood still as far as the knowledge of God, or being influenced by the Truth, is concerned.

Egypt's sin—to sit still! "What hast thou to do in the way of Egypt?" (Jer. 2:18.) I wonder if any of us are partakers of her sin? Or are we all making progress in our work, our methods, and above all, in the development of Christian character and experience? We cannot sit still and yet count ourselves as part of the Advent MOVEMENT! It's a MOVEMENT! The testimony of Paul's enemies—"For we have found this man . . . a mover"—carries with it a commendation that cannot be over looked. We can say Amen to that accusation—a MOVER! May we never have a worse condemnation.

Does this find us MOVERS, or are we sitting still in a condition of self-satisfaction? Just look back a little and see what progress we have made, what mile-stones we have passed. We hear of folk who are so fond of work, they can sit all day and watch others at it; and doubtless there are not a few who enjoy watching and reading about the pro-

gress of this message, without themselves getting under its burdens. Now, as never before, is working time. God would call us out of Egypt and her sins. ". . . called my son out of Egypt. . . . I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by the arms. (Hosea 11:1, 3.) God would teach us all to GO. He would take us by the arms, as it were, and pull us to our feet, and teach us to GO—make us MOVERS in this Movement. We must join in the conflict, if we would share the victory and enjoy the reward.

### Another Message of Greeting From "The Woodwards"

Keene, Texas, November 29, 1933

Dear Brethren and Sisters.—

ANOTHER year is slipping away, and it is time for this little message to speed on its way to our friends across the sea. You must remember always that we do not forget our brethren and sisters scattered here and there throughout the great harvest field, and especially the ones in the fields in which we have labored. We wish for each of you the precious protection and help that the dear Lord extended to us while we tried to do our best in China and also in the Philippines. It may be with some of you as it has been with us, that our hearts are filled with a desire to see many more of those dear people, whom we love, ready to be gathered when Jesus comes. We are praying to this end, and for each of you, that your strength fail not.

Yours in Christian service  
THE WOODWARDS

### The China Division Home Missionary Dept.

THE China Division Home Missionary Department, for quarter ending June 30, 1933, report for our general information that during the quarter there were added to the church as the result of missionary work of lay members, 293 baptized believers. This record is made up of reports from 256 churches and companies out of a total of 389 that might have reported. Further facts are given as follows: No. of churches conducting fifteen-minute church

missionary service, 148; No. of churches holding a weekly missionary service other than the fifteen-minute church missionary service, 72; No. of churches organized into working bands, 145; No. of churches operating literature depositories, 42. In the division there were 136 Bible Training bands; 25 Home Nursing classes; 110 Home Bible Study Leagues; 30 Home Foreign; 30 members of Dorcas society; 49 pieces of literature distributed. Total amount of offerings during the past quarter for local missionary work, including Missionary Volunteer work, \$211.21 Mex.

	Adult Members	M. V. Members	Total
No. Reporting Missionary Work	3,248	539	3,787
<i>Report of Missionary Work</i>			
No. of Bible readings or gospel meetings	60,218	6,683	66,901
No. of missionary visits	118,103	8,158	126,261
No. of persons taken to S. school or other services	15,755	2,563	18,318
No. of persons given needed help	23,343	4,950	28,293
No. of treatments given	14,904	3,396	18,300
No. of articles of clothing given to the needy	1,672	398	2,070
No. of books, missionary periodicals, or tracts distributed	217,634	30,349	247,983
No. of missionary letters written	4,328	923	5,251

### Along Hunan's Borderlands

WRITING of extensions of the work in the Hunan Provincial Mission during the year 1933, Pastor H. L. Graham, director, tells of encouraging reports from the "western front" of Hunan—along the borders of Kweichow, where the worker stationed at Tsz Kiang is making regular trips to several settlements of tribes-people and is being well received. Along the eastern border, in P'ing Hsiang, two or three new companies are reported. This is just across the line, in Kiangsi, one of the hsiens of which is worked from the Changsha headquarters.

While the borderlands are being worked, an intensive effort is being put forth simultaneously in Changsha, Hunan's capital; and some of the best people of the city are in attendance at the evangelistic services being led by Pastors Frederick Lee and H. L. Graham. The number present at the regular Sabbath services has already been doubled and trebled.

## From Brother Buzzell

ONE thing that I am glad to report to you is that in the mountains among the tribes-people our work is beginning to bear fruit. I had the privilege a few weeks ago of baptizing one from the Chiang Min (Kiarung) tribe, thus adding one more tongue that our message is going to. The Kiarungs are a fine, bright people, and I have great hopes for the future of the work among them. They have ways and dress much like the Tibetans. I hope to have a good representative group of these interested people at our annual meeting this spring.

God has blessed in our work since going to Chengtu, and I am thankful to Him for the way He has used us. We have baptized twenty-five since last September. The work has gone slowly in this field; but I firmly believe that God is beginning to work by His Spirit, and I pray that He will give me faith to go forward and to step into the open doors that are being opened at this time.

*Chengtu, Szechwan, Dec. 8, 1933*

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## From Ninghsia

EVANGELIST SHAO DJEN SIU, of the Ningasia Mission in the Northwest, in a recent communication, expresses gratitude for the great things the Lord has been doing in Ninghsia, the capital of the province of the same name. "Though we have only eleven members," he writes, "every one of them is earnest and faithful. They are giving liberally in their offerings.

"When we returned from Lanchow to Ninghsia after our recent general meeting, the roads were dangerous. Daily the bandits are robbing travelers. But, praise the Lord, we were led safely through by Him.

"We have had some encouragements in our Harvest Ingathering campaign.

"Please remember the work and workers in Ninghsia, in your prayers."

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"No other knowledge is so firm so consistent, so far-reaching, as that obtained from the study of God's word. Here is the fountain of all true knowledge."

## The History of "Dollar Day"

By L. FLORA PLUMMER

"Dollar Day" simply grew. The first sprouts appeared in 1917. These were the result of the self-planting of the idea in the hearts of the people. After a few months the General Conference Sabbath School Department took the hint, and began to talk and write about "Dollar Day." In the report for the quarter ending December 31, 1917, five conferences are listed as having given on the last thirteenth Sabbath of that year as many Dollars as there were church members in the conference. All honor to these names: Northern Illinois, Florida, District of Columbia, Saskatchewan, West Virginia. Later, conferences, Unions, and the General Conference voted their endorsement of the plan, and it was then that the "Dollar Day" idea became fully established. The writer very much like that way of setting a goal. First we have the voluntary achievement of a substantial minority. Then the goal is set for all.

Have you any idea how many dollars "Dollar Day" has brought to this cause? The number is amazingly large. From the close of 1917 to the close of 1932, the dollars on the thirteenth Sabbath amount to \$5,531,378.28.

Now we have the privilege of closing up the history of "Dollar Day" by making it more effective than ever. The Autumn Council authorized its vigorous promotion, and many friends are receiving the goal as an old friend. By remembering the goal through the entire quarter, many can earn or save a dollar, and others can give more, that the average of a dollar per church member may generally be reached.

### *More Good News*

The "overflow plan" has been adjusted and it would seem that each field in turn might almost feel sure of an "overflow" in addition to the regular appropriation. How the mission fields long for their "overflows." The appeal is made in the Missions Quarterly, and most of the things called for have been stricken from the budget. The "overflow" will put some of them back, and we can make it as large as we will, and the field will surely get the extra money. When the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering reaches \$60,000, the field will be given an "overflow" of \$1,000. This "overflow" will be increased by 10% of any amount from \$60,000 on. We can make it as

large as we will. If it should reach \$70,000, the "overflow" would be \$2,000. There is no limit; the 10% extra will be given on every extra dollar given, no matter how large the amount may be. In prosperous times the amount given on the thirteenth Sabbath frequently exceeded \$100,000. The total amount received as "overflow" by the various mission fields totals \$547,315.64. No one can possibly regret his share in this giving. Neither shall we have cause for regret for what we shall yet give.

What a blessed privilege is ours, dear Sabbath school members! We have the opportunity on each of the twelve Sabbaths of the quarter to give liberally that the work may be maintained where it is already established and the missionaries not called home. On the last Sabbath of each quarter we have the opportunity of making an extra gift that the work may be extended and some of the urgent appeals answered.

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## The Second Baptism in Watlam, Kwangsi

LO SIN TSAI

It will be recalled that at Watlam, the newly opened place in Kwangsi, the first evangelistic effort was followed by a baptism of six who were received into church fellowship.

We have now had our second baptism at Watlam. Six more have received this rite, and have united with our church. This is a part of the fruitage of the Bible Class of forty organized following the close of the evangelistic effort. Many have opposed those who have come regularly to listen to Bible studies; but victories for the Lord have been gained. Our twelve members attend services regularly. They show earnestness and liberality. They are faithful in the support of our church work, and give much toward the Sabbath school goals. They have remembered the Week of Sacrifice, too. We are thankful for these results; and we solicit the prayers of God's people in behalf of the cause in this new center.

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"Wherever in His providence God has placed you, He will keep you. 'As thy days, so shall thy strength be.'"

## FROM TROUBLED AREAS IN FUKIEN

In a personal letter from Pastor V. J. Maloney, director of the North Fukien Provincial Mission, written January 4, 1934, the situation existing in Foochow and adjoining territory is vividly described. In North Fukien there are six prefectures containing 33 *hsiens*, which, with two other *hsiens* from a prefecture lying partly in an adjoining mission, give to North Fukien Mission a total of 35 *hsiens*. To quote from Brother Maloney's letter:

"Some of our prefectures lie wholly within Communist territory and have for the last two or three years, so no work has been done in them. All the others excepting probably two or three are troubled with bandits. However, most of the territory has been entered this year by colporteurs.

"The troubles of North Fukien have been many this year. Much of the territory was already in the hands of Communists but in August they made a big push and entered more territory. Then in addition came the rebellion against Nanking and the war with the Central Government forces. Foochow has been bombed a number of times by airplanes. Considerable property has been destroyed and some thirty lives lost, and the end is not yet.

"In October one of our evangelists, Mr. Kieu Daik Po, died at his station in Futing. Word came a few days ago that our evangelist at Sieng It, Mr. Sia Huoi Ding, has been captured by the bandits and held for ransom. The Communists wrecked one of our chapels in the up-river district, and took all the evangelist had in the way of clothes, furniture, etc. Besides all these troubles, there have been other things of a very perplexing nature. We are of good courage, however, and are thankful for the protecting hand of the Lord that has been over us and the property of the mission. Bombs have fallen on four sides of the property in Foochow,—too close to be comfortable,—but the Lord has spared the mission property and the lives of the workers and church members. In the earlier Communist raids up river two members died as a result of the trouble.

"Our baptisms have not been so many this year,—only thirty. There are some forty more waiting for baptism, but on account of the trouble we have been unable to reach them. A letter came a few days ago saying to come on up to their place, as there were several who wanted to receive baptism. Another letter came from the same place to-day, making the same request, and in fact some of them rather plan to come to Foochow in order to be baptized.

"Our tithes and offerings have been quite good this year, in spite of all the calamities that have come. Some good meetings were held during the year,—revival and evangelistic.

"Conditions do not look very promising just now for the immediate future, but we have faith in God and know that He will take care of His own, and that the work will continue in spite of the difficulties that Satan can raise to prevent it. We are looking forward to the speedy consummation of the work of the Lord in the earth, and His coming in glory.

"My wife and I were in the city during two of the raids; and with the planes flying right overhead and dropping bombs close enough to hear the swish of the projectiles hurtling through the air, does not make any one feel any too peaceful.

"Trust that you will continue to remember us in your prayers,"

## Occupying Strategic Centers

Benjamin F. Gregory

Upon surveying our field last year, we found that, though we had work in every *hsien*, still there were three *hsien* cities in which there was not a Sabbath school; namely, Taichow, Wenling, and Hsiang San. In each case it was the largest city in the *hsien* and the commercial center as well as political headquarters. We felt the truth should be planted in these centers, so we set our goal to open work in them as soon as possible. We realized this would mean an outlay of money for buildings, and that the cities must be manned with strong evangelists.

Today we are happy in the reaching of our goal. The first place entered was Wenling. Brother Gung Keh-lung, one of our workers of longest experience, went to this place last year and worked in the city and surrounding territory, till he now has two Sabbath schools opened,—one in the city and one in the country. We have not yet gotten a satisfactory building for the Wenling company, but we are glad we have the company worshipping there each Sabbath, and we believe we shall yet be able to secure a suitable building for our work there.

Brother Chi Teh Ming opened the work in Taichow. A special evangelistic effort was held, and now we have a company of Sabbath keepers. Two have presented themselves for baptism. We trust they may be baptized this quarter. We have been blessed in the getting of a very suitable building here, without chapel-rent expense.

This month Brother Pan Tsz-chan moved to Hsiang San, and has opened the work with a special evangelistic effort. He has secured a building that is very ideal in location, appearance and adaptability for our work, without incurring rent expense to the mission. I had opportunity to attend the fifth night's meeting of the series. His subject—"Which Way to Peace?"—held the attention of the large audience crowding the hall and the street in front of the chapel. Throughout the congregation I noticed earnest inquirers listening to the message. Many have not missed a meeting, and it is evident they intend to continue to come night after night. Evangelist Pan reports a Sabbath school organized.

October 31, 1933

In Attendance at Union  
Committee Meetings

Prior to the opening of the Annual Council of the China Division Committee, Dr. H. W. Miller met with the brethren of the Manchurian, North China, and Central China Union Executive Committees to go over matters pertaining to the development and extension of the work in these great areas during the year upon which we are now entering. Encouragements not a few are coming to the leaders of our union organizations, and the prospects are excellent for the best year ever known in our denominational history in China. But such a result can be attained only through unremitting diligence and through an unwavering faith in the divine agencies that Heaven places at our disposal. In every union those leading out in the general and provincial work are giving themselves anew to the Lord for prayerful, sacrificial service throughout the year 1934.

## The Heilungkiang Mission

Pastor Wang Fu Yuan, in charge of the Heilungkiang Mission, united with Pastor Lindt at Dairen during the few weeks spent in holding an evangelistic effort there the past summer; and now Brother Wang is conducting an evangelistic campaign in Harbin (in Mandarin). Prior to opening this effort, Brother Wang made the round of our Heilungkiang out-stations, and was accompanied by Pastor N. F. Brewer, superintendent of the Manchurian Union. In writing of this, Brother Brewer reports:

"I have just returned from a trip in the north, where we visited the out-stations in the Heilungkiang Mission. This Mission we have recently organized, with Brother Wang Fu Yuan as acting director. He is entering upon his work wholeheartedly. There are three or four places where interests are springing up, and we also visited these places. There are good prospects for the work in Heilungkiang."

## From Chone, Kansu

Pastor J. H. Shultz, in a private letter to Dr. Miller, under date of January 15, reports having had a strenuous trip down from Lanchow to Chone, the new station he and his family are occupying among Tibetans of Southwestern Kansu. Erroneously, it was difficult to secure food; the weather was bitterly cold; and the passes were long and high. Yet at last Chone was reached in safety.

The cottage that has been under construction, cannot be completed prior to springtime; but improvisations have been made, although there are many drafty places, and the two available stoves are insufficient to warm more than two or three rooms. The bedstead was broken in transit, and Brother and Sister Shultz have been spreading their bedding on the floor, until they can arrange otherwise. With all the yeast used up, and with no baking powder, the bread supply has been indeed limited.

Brother Shultz reports the kindest of treatment to him and family on the part of the Tibetans. The Sabbath services are attended by a few Tibetans, and by some Chinese who come in from the surrounding district. In closing, Brother Shultz writes:

"I have not yet started my study of the Tibetan language, but hope to get a teacher soon. Good teachers are hard to find. I shall be most happy when able to converse direct with these people in their own language, instead of through the medium of Mandarin. Mrs. Shultz treats from six to ten people every day, though our medical supplies are of the most meager nature, and her time is limited. Those treated, appreciate the service much, as there is absolutely no one to help them otherwise. I trust we may soon have a small dispensary building, timbers for which have already been promised us without cost."

## Winter Provincial Meetings

Several provincial meetings are scheduled for February and March. Some from the office will attend nearby meetings in East China, and one or two others have been assigned to those in the North China Union.

The annual meetings for Central China may be held very early in the spring. The dates have not yet been finally fixed.

## Report of the China Division Sabbath School Dept. For Quarter Ending September 30, 1933

(All Offerings in U. S. Gold, at two and one-half for one)

Conference or Mission	Number of Schools	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Birthday Offering	Investment Fund Offering	12 Sabbaths Offerings	13th Sabbath Offering	Total Offerings to Missions
Central China	89	2,855	2,626	\$ 10.32	\$ 13.13	\$ 321.55	\$ 60.67	\$ 405.67
East China	201	6,138	5,580	7.91	175.56	1,100.51	139.38	1,423.36
Manchuria	39	1,681	1,298	7.60	9.30	302.94	37.40	357.24
North China	51	1,021	913	5.05	19.39	305.39	32.18	362.01
Northwest Mission	31	881	897	1.04	1.99	122.92	28.17	154.12
South China	106	3,808	3,342	37.38	46.19	522.75	118.10	724.42
West China	75	1,444	1,294	2.57	13.73	438.00	55.01	509.31
<b>Totals, 3rd Qr., '33 :</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>17,828</b>	<b>15,950</b>	<b>\$ 71.87</b>	<b>\$ 279.29</b>	<b>\$ 3,114.06</b>	<b>\$ 470.91</b>	<b>\$ 3,936.13</b>
<b>Totals, 3rd Qr, '32 :</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>16,469</b>	<b>14,701</b>	<b>\$ 78.68</b>	<b>\$ 352.20</b>	<b>\$ 3,275.12</b>	<b>\$ 549.51</b>	<b>\$ 4,255.51</b>
<b>Gains, 12 mos. :</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1,359</b>	<b>1,239</b>					
<b>Losses, " " :</b>				<b>\$ 6.61</b>	<b>\$ 72.91</b>	<b>\$ 161.06</b>	<b>\$ 78.60</b>	<b>\$ 319.38</b>

**M**UCH as we regret to do so, we are forced to add a space for "losses" in connection with our Sabbath school report this time. The comparisons that begin so beautifully, with splendid gains in schools, membership, and attendance, end with a loss in every financial item. China Division workers will note these losses with regret, I am sure, and will join in a wholehearted effort to avoid a similar record in the future. With new schools being added all the while, and with an ever increasing membership, cannot our Sabbath schools maintain a steady — if not a growing — stream of offerings to missions, even though some members must of necessity lessen their gifts? Read carefully the Sabbath School Department Recommendations found on pp. 5, 6, for a solution to this problem. The Investment plan, diligently followed in every school, would do wonders to offset unavoidable losses. The cause we serve is abundantly worth the extra effort required to do this.

Special attention is also called to the recommendations dealing with soul-winning, increasing our membership, and work for the children. Think what it would mean if these actions were truly carried out in every Sabbath school throughout our field! Our youth being led to Jesus; daily Christian growth through more diligent study and better teaching of the Sabbath school lesson; every church member in the Sabbath school; our membership greatly increased — possibly doubled — through the efforts of Sabbath school members to bring others; many helped by precious truths passed on to them by faithful members of the Sabbath school; and souls for whom Christ died being led to a full acceptance of the truth. Surely these results are worth striving for. May we see them realized more fully in 1934 than ever in the past.

Bessie Mount, Secretary

### Sabbath School Helps in Chinese

"Successful Sabbath Schools." — A concise manual on Sabbath school organization. 42 pages. 10 cents.

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

"Learning to Teach from the Master Teacher," by John A. Marquis. — A splendid help for those who are seeking to follow the methods of the Master Teacher. Used as a textbook for the Chinese Sabbath School Officers' and Teachers' Training Course for 1932-1933. An abridged translation of the English. 42 pages. Paper cover. Price, 15 cents.

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

"The Soul Winning Sabbath School." — Abridged, adapted, and translated from the English Sabbath school manual of the same title. Much more complete than "Successful Sabbath Schools," and a book that we hope will, under the blessing of God, enable the Sabbath schools that adhere to its ideals and carry out its instruction to become in very truth soul winning Sabbath schools. 203 pages. Attractive paper cover. Price, 40 cents. (This book should be ordered from The Home Study Institute, 525 Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, China.)

## Sabbath School Dept.

### Report of the China Division Sabbath School Department

BESSIE MOUNT

(As rendered during the Division Winter Council, January, 1934)

PERHAPS no other institution among us is a truer gauge of the actual progress the third angel's message is making than the Sabbath school, with which our work first takes the tangible form of an organization in any place. In presenting a report of this work in the China Division for the past year, it is with a sense of the responsibility which rests upon the Sabbath school as one agency for preparing a people to meet Jesus; with the hope that it may do its part in perfecting Christian character, through the study of God's Word, in the lives of all who are now of us; and the prayer that it may be used of God to lead many others to Him.

#### NUMBER OF SABBATH SCHOOLS

At the close of 1932, 553 Sabbath schools were in operation in our field. This number had been increased to 592 by the end of the third quarter of 1933—a gain of 39, or an average of one each week. It is as yet too early to have complete returns for the fourth quarter, but we do have definite word of a sufficient number of new schools to bring our total for the year to more than 600. East China reports a net gain of 36 Sabbath schools for the year, with a dozen others, newly organized, to appear in 1934 reports; the Northwest has added 10; the latest available figures for the other unions—those for the third quarter—show Manchuria with a gain of 3, West China 2, North and Central 1 each, while South China's number remains the same as at the end of 1932. Thus in all probability we shall have added the equivalent of one new Sabbath school for each week of 1933.

To the South Chekiang Mission belongs the honor of leading our entire field in number of schools and in the occupancy of territory. This mission reports a net increase of 11 Sabbath schools for the year, bringing their number to 101, approximately one-sixth of our total for all the China Division. This is an average of one Sabbath school for every 75,420 of the population in that field.

If we had Sabbath schools throughout all China in the same ratio to population, we should have not 600 schools, but 6,507!

It was my privilege to spend a few weeks in this field last summer, and to see in operation some of the methods being used to accomplish such marvelous results. One of these is, *working toward a definite goal*. The first thing that met my eyes when I stepped into the director's office was a goal chart expressing the purpose of the workers in this mission to plant at least one Sabbath school in every *chu*, or township, throughout the field. The last of the *hsiens*, 24 in number, was occupied more than a year ago.

Two very impressive maps occupy prominent spots on the wall of the director's office, and I believe the inspiration and the challenge of these two maps has much to do with the onward march of the message in South Chekiang. One is a map of the territory of the mission, with the location of every Sabbath school marked by a tiny electric light bulb. Truly there is inspiration in the sight of this map, when the current is turned on and it is all alight. The *chu* districts are depicted on the other map, those as yet unoccupied being covered with black paper, which can only be removed when the organization of a Sabbath school marks the occupancy of a *chu*. This map is a silent but powerful challenge to those who gaze upon it.

Still other secrets of success are the cooperation of lay members—who carry the burden of leadership where possible, thus freeing the workers for the fostering of new interests—and the development of the Home Department Sabbath School idea. Many of the Sabbath schools now in operation began with one or more Home Department members,—members who did not hide their light under a bushel but let it shine out until others were meeting with them from week to week to study God's Word, and in time a regular Sabbath school could be formed.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Our summary for the second quarter of 1933 records the highest Sabbath school membership yet reported for this field,—18,251. This dropped to 17,828 for the third quarter, (the latest figures available), an increase of 1,357 over the figures for the third quarter of 1932, or a net gain of 8.2 per cent.

Our Sabbath school membership goal—150 per cent of the current church membership—was exceeded

by two per cent for the first quarter of the year, while the third quarter found us five per cent under this goal.

It should be remembered that one aim of the Sabbath School Department is, "All the church in the Sabbath school, and all the Sabbath school in the church." No field can truly be said to have reached its Sabbath school membership goal while church members are missing from its ranks, for a prime responsibility of the Sabbath school is to instruct and hold believers. But its responsibility does not end here, nor should we be satisfied with merely gathering into the Sabbath school those who are members of the church. In these numbers in excess of our church membership, who can be brought within the circle of Sabbath school influence, lies our most fruitful field for increasing our church membership.

In the matter of membership, as well as in the number of Sabbath schools, the South Chekiang Mission has set us an excellent example, with one Sabbath school member for every 2,720 persons in her territory. A like ratio in all the China Division would give us a Sabbath school membership of 180,361—approximately ten times our present membership. If such a standard has already been reached in one mission, will similar results be realized throughout the field before the work is finished?

#### ATTENDANCE AND LESSON STUDY

No phase of Sabbath school endeavor deserves greater attention and emphasis than the matters of Sabbath school attendance and study of the lesson, for these measure with a fair degree of accuracy the degree of benefit our members are receiving from the Sabbath school. Those who attend irregularly and who show little interest in the study of the lesson need not expect to receive rich blessings from the Sabbath school, nor can the Sabbath school expect to hold permanently the interest of such. Occasional absences are unavoidable, but occasional attendance is a danger sign.

It is gratifying to note that for the third quarter four unions had a Sabbath school attendance of 90 per cent of the membership, or above. North and South China have a record of 89 and 88 per cent, respectively, and only in Manchuria did the attendance fall below 80 per cent. During the twelve-month period ending September 30, 1933, a total of 25,880 Cards of Honor have been issued, including those for Perfect



Attendance, Daily Study, and for both of these accomplishments. In other words, a little over 36 per cent of our members, on the average, attain a perfect record in Sabbath school attendance, or daily lesson study, or in both of these items each quarter.

#### OFFERINGS

We come now to another vital phase of our work,—vital because it affects not the individual Sabbath school member alone, nor the local school, nor yet the mission, the union, or the Division, but our work in the ends of the earth. The Sabbath school offerings from China are but a small per cent of the total mission funds disbursed by the General Conference, it is true, yet their increase or decrease has its effect on the sum total of those funds. To the credit of our people be it said that thus far the China Division has been responsible for a very small part of the total decrease in Sabbath school offerings. Gains have been recorded year by year, and even for the twelve-month period ending September 30, 1933, there has actually been a gain of \$1,064.03, or 2.4 per cent, over the Sabbath school offerings for the preceding twelve-month period. The figures are:

S. S. Offerings, 12 months ending Sept. 30, 1933	\$ 45,865.57
S. S. Offerings, 12 months ending Sept. 30, 1932	44,801.54
Gain	\$ 1,064.03

A loss of 1.4 per cent is registered in receipts for the first three quarters of 1933 as compared with the corresponding period of 1932.

S. S. Offerings, first nine months, 1933	\$ 33,133.84
S. S. Offerings, first nine months, 1932	33,620.52
Loss	\$ 486.68

There is cause for real concern over the sharp drop for the third quarter of 1933, when the offerings were \$2,376.16 less than for the second quarter of the year, and \$798.48 less than for the third quarter of 1932. Our per capita offerings for the third quarter of 1933 dropped to 6.4 cents,—which is from two to four cents less than that for any other quarter during the past two years. Figured in gold, this represents a weekly per capita offering of a trifle less than 2.6 cents,—the lowest yet recorded for the China Division. We realize and appreciate the efforts that are being made by many of our loyal people in this time of reduced incomes, in order to give for the advancement of the cause they love. Our people are not a wealthy people. "Hath not God chosen the *poor of this world rich in*

*faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?" James 2:5.*

In some sections of our field our people extract a meager living from their little plots of ground and seldom see any money. Yet even these find a way to give. Pastor Hwang, of West China, tells of the plan for our Miao believers to bring corn for their Sabbath school offerings, since they do not have money to give. One of these brethren came to Sabbath school bringing a bowl of rice as his birthday offering, and in the West Kweichow Mission a brother over eighty years of age brought a hen for his Investment Offering.

"*Rich in faith!*" Such is the character of those who will be heirs of the kingdom. How often we have prayed the Lord to *increase* our faith. Should we not welcome the experiences that give us opportunities to exercise, test, and develop it?

In a time like this it brings courage to our hearts to remember these words from the Spirit of prophecy: "*The small sums saved by deeds of sacrifice will do more for the upbuilding of the cause of God than larger gifts will accomplish that have not called for denial of self.*"—"Testimonies," Volume 9, p. 158. If the Lord can use small gifts to accomplish more in His cause than large gifts will accomplish, surely He can show us how to make small sums accomplish more in supplying our own actual needs than larger sums would accomplish without His blessing.

*Faith will find a way.* There is no cause for discouragement over our financial situation, but there is abundant need for giving diligent study to ways and means of increasing the offerings in our Sabbath schools throughout the field. After all have given to their utmost from their own resources there is yet a very fruitful way to increase the offerings of our schools, and that is through the Investment Fund.

#### THE INVESTMENT FUND

The first Investment offerings in China were given in 1925, when South China reported \$8.00 received in this way. The Investment idea has spread, and has increased in momentum year by year until every field—including our newest, the Northwest Mission—regularly reports Investment Offerings. These gifts now aggregate \$14,752.75.

Nearly \$10,000 of this amount has been raised by Sabbath school members in East China during the past six years. Even this splendid sum gives but a slight hint of the

possibilities in this plan, for only about a third of the Sabbath schools in this union have adopted the plan, and probably less than half of the members in these schools are following the plan quarter by quarter. It can readily be seen that if all the members in every school in East China were following the plan the results would far exceed those now realized. And if this is true in East China, which even now leads the field in this respect, what might not be accomplished if every one of our 18,000 Sabbath school members were following the Investment plan, and were *doing his best*?

The possibilities in this plan are unlimited, and the Investment stories which come to us lead us to believe that few, if any, need find the plan an utter impossibility. In far away Tatsienlu this plan has taken root, and our members there gave their first Investment offering at the end of the first quarter of this year,—an offering amounting to \$5.60 from a school of nine members.

If the possibilities in this plan are unlimited, the methods used are likewise endless. Garden produce and prepared foods of various kinds have been sold to secure Investment money; money saved from travel, and by buying goods at sale prices has been given; children have denied themselves of sweets, and whole families have eliminated certain dainties from their diet that they might have something for the Investment Fund; some have given the money saved by doing their own tailoring; some give earnings from sewing or knitting for others; weaving baskets and making envelopes are yet other methods in use; housewives interested in the welfare of their gardens—as well as in the Investment Fund—pay children a copper apiece for moths or cocoons destroyed; a poor brother in Wenchow denied himself his customary two coppers a day for mosquito incense, that he might devote this amount to the fund; coat hangers have proved a fruitful source of income for this fund among the girls in the Far Eastern Academy, and among other efforts of the students in this school, a picnic supper served cafeteria style on the lawn one evening was both a happy occasion and a financial success; in a period of nine weeks the cook in one of our foreign homes at Chiao Tou Tseng cleared \$10.75 from the sale of bean sprouts—his investment; some have given in money the value of gifts received, some the profits from the sale of literature and still others



have brought offerings for recovery from sickness or for other special blessings. Such are some of the ways by which gifts small and large have found their way into the Investment Fund in our field, and there are countless other plans waiting for wide-awake Sabbath school members to discover and make use of them. How many can we discover in 1934?

#### DEPARTMENTAL LITERATURE

A report of the work of the Sabbath School department would be incomplete without mention of the departmental literature which must come from the presses in a constant stream, and the preparation of which consumes many, many hours of painstaking effort in the office.

Aside from our regular publications, — Sabbath school lessons, the *Missions Quarterly*, *Sabbath School Helper*, special programs for Rally Day and Investment, Training Course lessons, etc., last year saw through to completion a Chinese edition of "The Soul Winning Sabbath School." Judging from the many words of appreciation received, this book fills a long-felt want, and will be a material aid in strengthening our Sabbath schools throughout the field. It came from the press in early August, and to date 740 copies have been sold. It is the textbook for the Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course for the present year, and is included in the Ministerial and Teachers' Reading Courses, as well as in the Five-Year Course for Evangelists. We bespeak the cooperation of every worker to the end that its help may be made available to officers and teachers in every Chinese Sabbath School.

At the end of the third quarter the number of *Helpers* going to schools in our field stood at 1,164, slightly less than an average of two for each school. North China's schools have been served best, with an average as high as seven for each school in the union.

#### LOOKING FORWARD

Now we are entering upon a new year, radiant with possibilities, rich in opportunities. During this year we long to see our Sabbath schools in the China Division approach more closely the high standards God has set for us, in *study*, in *experience*, and in *service*. Greater attention should be given to the training of our Sabbath school officers and teachers, both through the formation of teachers' training classes and through individual study. Higher standards

of study, order, and reverence should be maintained in our schools; more effective work should be done for the children, and greater attention should be given to our illiterate members, — all to the end that the lessons learned in the Sabbath school may bear fruit in Christian living.

But this is not all. Greater and yet greater efforts must be made for the unwarned masses around us. The Sabbath school affords unlimited opportunities for doing missionary work, and every member may have a share in making it what God has said it should be, "one of the greatest instrumentalities, and the most effectual, in bringing souls to Christ." For this new year we long not only to see better Sabbath schools, but to see our members everywhere join in an effort to increase our Sabbath school membership, through personal service in inviting friends and neighbors to the Sabbath school, and through the wider development of the Home Sabbath School plan.

The last hour of earth's history is upon us. But a little time remains in which to complete the task committed to this people. Suppose this very year should be the last before probation closes. If we could know that it were, would it be spent as other years have been, or would a new earnestness take possession of every member and lend speed to our efforts to give the last gospel message? Marvelous things could be accomplished in one short year by our 13,000 church members if they were truly fired with zeal for this message. Appropriations have been cut, and funds are limited, but there has been no decrease in the Holy Spirit's power. It is available today in just as abundant measure as it was at the time of Pentecost, when 3,000 were converted in one day, — and it "awaits our demand and reception." May it come into the lives of our Sabbath school members in greater measure in 1934 than ever before, and make this the most fruitful year we have ever seen in the study of God's Word, in the development of Christian character, and in the winning of souls.

"The Sabbath School Helper." — An 80-page quarterly journal for those working in the Sabbath school. Contains articles on all phases of Sabbath school work, as well as teaching helps and notes on the Sabbath school lessons. It should be in the hands of every Sabbath school officer and teacher who reads the *Man darin*. Subscription price, 25 cents per year.

## Reports from the Field

### Central China Union Mission — 1933

M. C. WARREN

(Report of progress in the Central China Union during the year 1933, as rendered by Pastor M. C. Warren, superintendent, during the Division Council, Shanghai, January, 1934)

THE blessing of God has rested upon His work in Central China during the past year. The Lord's protecting hand has been over His workers, and many have been drawn closer to Him and granted a larger measure of success in the work. There appears to be a greater interest on the part of the people to listen to the message for this time.

During the year closing with the third quarter of 1933, there were 296 baptisms and a net increase in church membership of 187, which is a little less than 10% increase over our membership at the beginning of that period. Work was being conducted in twelve more outstations than were reported twelve months before.

The third quarter's statistical report for the union records:

77	Outstations being operated
25	Organized churches
2,187	Baptized members
89	Sabbath schools
2,855	Sabbath school members
23	Church schools
529	Church schools enrollment
4	Intermediate schools
316	Intermediate schools enrollment
833	Total enrollment
33	Young people's societies
1,173	Membership of young people's societies
\$ 3,720.63	Sabbath school offerings for three quarters
\$23,226.54	Literature sales for three quarters
	(\$31,324.93 sales for 12 months.)

Although financial conditions in Central China last year were the worst in years, yet the Lord moved upon the hearts of unbelievers to give us over \$7,000 through Harvest Ingathering effort. We would express our appreciation for help rendered by Dr. Miller and Pastor Longway. Without their help our goal would not have been reached.

#### HONAN MISSION

The Honan Mission is the oldest field in Central China, and here we find our strongest work. Thirty-three of Central China's 77 outstations are to be found in Honan. At

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## Winter Council—The China Division Executive Committee

The brethren of the China Division Committee met in Shanghai on the 12th of January to hold the annual committee meeting, and also the institutional constituency meetings, and remained together until Tuesday night, January 23. Many of the actions taken are published in the current issue. Other proceedings will appear in the March Number of the REPORTER, together with synopses of some of the annual reports rendered. Yet other reports will be given in later issues.

The winter council was characterized by a spirit of unanimity and courage. It is recognized that when the Lord's hand is upon His workers, the results will be abundant and abiding. The brethren have returned to their respective fields, and several of the Division staff have left the general offices for attendance at the spring meetings.

## In South China and at Yunnanfu

Dr. H. W. Miller and Pastor C. C. Morris left late in January for special work in the South China Union, and also to attend the annual meeting of the Yunnan Mission appointed for Yunnanfu, February 16-34. Pastor G. L. Wilkinson, superintendent of the West China Union, will also be in attendance at the Yunnan meeting, and in order to get there, he also will go by the South China route, transferring at Haiphong to the French railway lines running to the capital of Yunnan. His return from the meetings to Chungking, will be overland.

## Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Williams arrived in Hongkong January 8, per s. s. "President Wilson."

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Green reached Peiping February 9, having gone from Kobe via Korea and Manchuria, after crossing the Pacific on the s. s. "President Jefferson."

Pastor and Mrs. C. H. Davis and children reached Shanghai February 13, returning from furlough in Australia.

Pastor and Mrs. W. E. Strickland and children, and Mrs. Thelma Smith and son, returned from furlough February 26, on the "President Johnson."

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. James and son returned from furlough on the "President Lincoln," reaching Hongkong February 5.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Eberhardt and children, per s. s. "President Jackson," for their second term of service. Brother Eberhardt has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the South China Union, with headquarters at Hongkong.

## Birth

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bartholomew, of Tatsienlu, West China, in December, a son, Norman.

## Sabbath School and Young People's-Educational Council at Chiao Tou Tseng—1934

Those were wonderful summers that we teachers and workers used to spend together in our Summer Schools. No one can estimate the amount of good accomplished. We see the results as we go about from place to place. Those who were faithful in those Summer Schools are now our leaders in every phase of our mission work. The depression and cuts in budget stopped those summer sessions, and now we feel the need for them in every part of the field. What shall we do about it? How can we meet these needs? Such questions call for answers.

Some have advocated Regional Summer Institutes of several weeks' duration in six or seven sections of the China field as the best way to reach all of our teachers and other workers in the Local Missions. This plan has been agreed upon as the best possible arrangement. However, it will not be put into operation until the summer of 1935.

In preparation for it, and in order to make it succeed, we must have an Educational and Young People's Council this coming summer, when a complete program will be worked out and then submitted to our China Division Committee at the Winter Council of 1935. The President of our Division urges that this Educational and Young People's meeting this summer at Chiao Tou Tseng be enlarged so as to include as many of our teachers as possible. This means that we can have a regular Summer School session—the first since 1930.

Truly this is our opportunity for a great meeting of our educational and young people's workers. Every one should be in attendance. We hope to make it the best session ever held in our China Division. The Union Committees are now choosing the representation, and I am sure every teacher and secretary will be willing to travel the cheapest possible way in order to make the limited amount of travel money include the largest number of persons possible. By a little personal sacrifice and inconvenience for a few days, we can double the number of workers who can attend. I am sure our educational and young people's workers are all willing to sacrifice for the good of our cause, and for the extension of benefits to a greater number of our fellow teachers and workers.

Let us look forward to June 20-August 5 as the "Great Days" for our Department Advance. Let us pray God to bless in the plans and preparations, and for the success of this Summer School and Council.

D. E. Rebok, Secretary

Shanghai  
January 26, 1934

## Colporteur Institutes

Brethren John Oss and E. L. Longway left on January 28 to hold colporteur institutes, Brother Longway proceeding to Central China, while Brother Oss serving East, North, and Manchurian Unions.

## Departures

Pastor A. L. Ham left for furlough January 23, per s. s. "President Cleveland," his family having preceded him by some months.

Pastor and Mrs. H. L. Graham and Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Dixon and children left Shanghai, February 17, on the s. s. "President Lincoln," for the States.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Schutt and children sailed for the States per s. s. "President Lincoln," February 14, from Hong Kong.

## The Morning Watch Calendars in Use

With 6,500 students in our schools in China, and a baptized membership of over 13,000, we had faith to print 5,000 copies of the Morning Watch Calendar for 1934. We thought to encourage our Young People's Secretaries and Mission Directors on December 26 by sending out the word that the South China Union Missions had taken 1,210 copies—more than one-fifth of our entire edition.

Imagine my surprise to receive this paragraph from Pastor W. J. Harris of the Shantung Mission a few days later: "I was interested in your recent circular letter on the Morning Watch Calendar. Thought you might like to know that Shantung ordered 530 of these wonderful booklets! Have not sold them all yet but hope to before long. Surely every reading member should be a follower of the Morning Watch. What better practice could one possibly have in these days of doubt and danger?"

That is a fine record for Shantung—one-tenth of our 1934 edition of the Morning Watch Calendar in use among our church members there. That is an average of one Calendar for every church member of that mission. On that basis, we should print 13,000 copies of our 1935 Morning Watch Calendars—and such a thing is not beyond us. With the same amount of effort put forth in each Mission as was used in Shantung, it could be done.

The following is our standing on January 23, 1934:

South China Union	1310 copies
1 for every 2.3 church members	
North China Union	850 "
1 for every 1.4 church members	
West China Union	497 "
1 for every 3.2 church members	
East China Union	371 "
China Division Institutions 411	"
1 for every 4.4 church members	
Central China Union	320 "
1 for every 7. church members	
Northwest China Union	170 "
1 for every 3. church members	
Northeast China Union	150 "
1 for every 8. church members	
Singapore	100 "
Cash Sales	220 "
Total	4,399 "
or 1 for every 3 church members of our China Division	

There are still about 600 copies on hand, and we hope one more effort will be put forth so that the whole edition of 5,000 copies may be sold by the end of February, 1934. It can be done.

Shanghai D. E. Rebok,  
January 26, 1934 Secretary

## Hospital-Dispensary Unit at Lanchow

Negotiations have been nearly finished for the purchase of a plot of land outside the South gate of Lanchow, and Dr. Vinkel has expressed willingness to proceed to the Northwest by early spring to head up the medical work there. A modest hospital dispensary is to be completed by mid-summer. The funds used in establishing this small hospital-dispensary have come to us as a special gift from a friend interested in the extension of the medical work in China.

Mrs. P. H. Shigley has been serving with some Chinese physicians in the earlier stages of our medical work in Lanchow, and the present plan of providing better facilities is an outgrowth of the good work undertaken by our Chinese friends in collaboration with mission workers.