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## The Value of Medical Ministry

DR. H. W. MILLER

**M**EDICAL ministry was given us from Heaven chiefly to restore in man the divine image, and, through its combined physical and spiritual influence, to present him as a fit subject for the kingdom; to alleviate pain and suffering; to aid the workers and members of the church in the development of strong bodies, free from disease; and to promote lofty thought and spiritual life. It is especially helpful in reaching the higher classes and men of means; and in the Spirit of prophecy we read: "As a means of overcoming prejudice and gaining access to minds, medical missionary work must be done, not in one or two places only, but in many places where the truth has not yet been proclaimed." . . . "Heavenly angels are waiting for human beings to co-operate with them in the practical carrying out of the principles of truth. It is through the agency of the sanitariums and kindred enterprises that much of this work is to be done. These institutions are to be God's memorials, where His healing power can reach all classes, high and low, rich and poor. Every dollar invested in them for Christ's sake will bring blessings both to the giver and to suffering humanity."—*Counsels on Health*, pp. 513, 219.

We are glad to be able to report a very substantial increase in our medical work throughout the Division during this past year. We now have a staff of twenty physicians, twelve of whom are foreign, and eight Chinese. The following figures are approximate: We have two hundred student-nurses enrolled in our training schools. Including the above staff, there is a total of three hundred and fifty employees in our medical institutions, which are now supported out of the institutional earnings, with the exception of a few of the foreign doctors who are being paid by appropriations from the homeland, together with sundry appropriations to promote mission dispensary work, charity medical work, etc.

We feel that the Lord's special blessing has been upon our medical work in a very marked manner this past year. We are thankful to God for His power, and that He is recognized all through our medical work as the One who heals.

We hope and trust that God will multiply the blessings of our health work in behalf of this great, needy people, and that it may prove to be a means of helpfulness to lead thousands to seek salvation from moral imperfection as well as from their physical ailments. And this happy result we already see taking place in the lives of many who have in faith laid hold on the Heaven-sent principles that have characterized the conduct of our medical work from the beginning.

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## General Miscellany

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### Our Kalgan Medical Center

GEO. J. APPEL

THE work of the North China Sanitarium and Hospital is steadily moving forward, and the institution is having a good patronage, having had as high as fifty-one patients at one time. The institution is now operating without any budget from the Union, aside from the foreign salaries,—and that in what is thought to be one of the poorest provinces in all China. The Lord has manifested His healing power in a marked manner in a number of cases.

A few months ago a young woman was brought into our hospital at Kalgan in a dying condition. She had tuberculosis of a serious type, and there was quite evidently nothing that human hands could do to save her. However, her case was taken to the Great Physician, and He in mercy saw fit to spare her life. She is now well again, and much interested in Bible truth.

On another occasion a young man was brought in. He was nineteen years of age and had been blind since he was five. Upon examination, it was found that cataracts had completely covered both eyes. The doctor, with the aid of that Hand which always guides our God-fearing physicians, removed one of these cataracts. When the doctor removed the covering, the first thing the young man said was, "I see a great light!"

The daily endeavor of those connected with the hospital is that many may be healed not only of physical ailments, but also of their sin-sick souls, and see the great light of the third angel's message.

When General Feng and his associates left Kalgan, many of the soldiers who were patients in the hospital were left stranded without money. These, of course, had to be cared for till they were able to leave, though the expense was expected to be a total loss. The unpaid bills left by them amounted to over \$1,000. However, later, Doctor Coulston called on the new governor, who had given a smaller gift to the hospital; and this friend of ours added to this sufficient to cover these unpaid bills. Thus the Lord rewards and works for those in His service.

### Doubling Our Colporteur Force

JOHN OSS

AT the time of the Winter Council, the following action was taken relative to increasing our colporteur force:

#### *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.

Knowing that the sale of our literature is an excellent way of doing missionary work, and is a means of training men to enter later the colporteur work as full-time workers, the Division Committee also took the following action:

#### *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 held.

(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.

This second action, if faithfully followed out, will do much toward reaching the goal of doubling our colporteur force.

A successful colporteur is one of the best helpers in recruiting men to give their lives to the literature ministry. Each colporteur should consider it a part of his work to assist in selecting and training colporteurs.

The following quotations from the Spirit of prophecy show the urgency and need of a larger force of consecrated colporteurs:

"The great and wonderful work of the last gospel message is to be carried on now as it has never been before. The world is to receive the

light of truth through an evangelizing ministry of the word in our books and periodicals. Our publications are to show that the end of all things is at hand. Let our literature give the message as a witness to all the world."—*Vol. 9, p. 61*

"Our books and papers are to be brought before the notice of the people; the gospel of present truth is to be given to our cities without delay. Shall we not arouse to our duties?"—*Vol. 9, p. 63.*

"Time is short, and our forces must be organized to do a larger work. Laborers are needed who comprehend the greatness of the work, and who will engage in it, not for the wages they receive, but for a realization of the nearness of the end. The time demands greater efficiency and deeper consecration."—*Vol. 9, p. 27.*

"From the light given me, I know that where there is one canvasser in the field, there should be one hundred."—*C. E., p. 7.*

The China Division Publishing Department appeals to all to make the doubling of our colporteur force by the next Winter Council, a subject of special prayer; and we ask our whole church constituency to work untiringly toward this end.

*Tsinanfu, Shantung,  
March 11, 1934.*

### Among the Mongols

THE first page of literature to be printed on the new press for the Mongolian work was a translation of that beautiful song "Tell It Again." Yes; it is being told again; and while you are enjoying comfortable homes with pleasant surroundings, Brother Maltsev and family are up on the Mongolian plains, living in a small adobe brick house with the temperature many days reaching from forty to sixty degrees F. below zero,—preaching the message, "Tell It Again." Last summer we spent a Sabbath with them and held Sabbath school and meeting in a "yurt;" for their house was at that time in process of construction. Tears of joy filled our eyes as we saw the people, young and old, many of whom only a few weeks before had never heard the name of Jesus, coming over the grassy hills and plains to worship the Creator. Where they came from we could not see; for the huts were few and far between; but by the time the meeting opened every available space in the "yurt" was filled. How happy we are that they are coming from Mongolia.

## The South Chekiang General Meeting

FREDERICK LEE

IT has been two years since the brethren and sisters of the church in South Chekiang has been privileged to meet together in general meeting. We found a group of earnest people, numbering more than 200, gathered in the large chapel of the mission school, as we arose to address them on the opening night of the meeting, February 19.

There were gathered here representatives from every one of the 101 companies of believers scattered throughout the 24 hsien of the mission. On the wall beside the platform hung an illuminated map of this field, blazing with lights, every light representing a church or a Sabbath school. Eighteen new lights have been added to this map since the last general meeting. It was an inspiration to see these lights shining forth from every section of the mission.

On the other side of the platform hung a small chart on which were the words, "Enter every chü," which represents a new goal for this mission. The goal of a Sabbath-school in every hsien has already been reached. Of the 130 "chü," 67 have already been occupied. The director in his report quoted the words of Sister White which say, "*God's word was obeyed, and as a result there were memorials for Him in every city and village.*" The brethren are looking forward to the day when this word will be fulfilled in South Chekiang.

It is inspiring to be in a meeting where there is definite planning, and where there is a faith to launch out into new centers in the face of a shrinking budget. We found the workers of this mission ready to sacrifice that the work might be extended. On the only Sabbath during the meeting a large Sabbath-school offering of nearly \$100 was received, going well over the goal of \$80 which had been set. At one time when the brethren were urging further giving, in order to reach the goal, one man who has but little in resources arose and pledged \$10. This caused the giving to break out with renewed zeal, until the goal had been much more than reached.

The workers of this mission are putting forth every effort to improve themselves, so that they may be workmen who need not be ashamed. Every worker has enrolled in the Five Year Course for

Evangelists, and already 1966 credits have been received by the workers in this Course. More than one in six of the credits issued in China are held by the workers of this mission. During the meeting a large number of new credit cards were handed out, besides certificates for the completion of the 1933 Reading Course, and the Standard of Attainment. One elderly man who is a lay worker said that it was his ambition to secure a Standard of Attainment certificate so people could see that he was preaching with authority. It was encouraging to note this spirit of study on the part of both workers and laymen.

An hour during the meeting was spent in discussion of the tithing question. A number expressed appreciation of the new understanding they had received on this important duty, and stated they are going home with a new purpose to be faithful in tithe-paying. It was suggested that where money is not available, the tithe be paid in kind, whether of a large or small amount. One brother arose and testified to the blessing in tithe-paying. He said that at first his faith was weak and he was not faithful in this matter. But later he had been convicted on this point, and determined to pay a faithful tithe. He at once paid over to the treasurer the amount of tithe he was owing at the time. On his way home he felt the blessing of the Lord was with him. As he worked his little plot of ground he constantly felt that God was blessing his labors. When the harvest came, he saw the reward of his faith in a crop twice as large as any that had ever been reaped from fields in that section of the country. Much of the grain had two heads upon one stock. The farmers around there were greatly astonished when they saw it. Our brother's experience was a wonderful testimony to the blessing of the Lord upon those who obey Him.

The general meeting closed with a praise service and renewed consecration on the part of all in attendance. Many said that it was the best meeting they have attended in this field. Professor D. E. Rebok gave some excellent lessons on the meaning of life. He, with Miss Mount and the writer, were those in attendance from the Division. Pastor K. H. Wood, Bro. C. S. Sissons, Bro. Li of the Home Missionary Dept. and Bro. Wang of the S. S. Dept., were the representatives from the East China Union. We believe that the inspiration of this meeting will be

felt during the coming year, and that we shall see its results in renewed soul-winning endeavour in this part of the China field.

## The School at Fengtai

G. J. A.

WE are especially grateful to God for His blessing on our educational work. It would not have been possible to man strongly the rapidly expanding work in North China, if early plans had not been made for the training of our young people. We have about the same foreign force in the Union now where there are six fully organized missions and two union institutions, as there were when there were only two missions and no union institutions. Three of the local missions have Chinese directors, and all the missions have Chinese treasurers. When the buildings for the union training institute were built in Tsinan, Shantung, the union constituency was less than two hundred. Soon it became necessary year by year to turn away worthy young people because of lack of accommodations. The eventual decision was to move to a more rural as well as central location. Last year land was purchased at Fengtai, a railroad junction a few miles from Peiping and of easy access from all portions of North China. Building operations were started in July, and at the present time the boys' dormitory, girls' dormitory, main factory building, dining-hall, and four teachers' cottages have been completed.

Seventy-eight are enrolled in grades 7 to 9. In spite of the depression, there is still a ready sale for our "Quality" towels (formerly "Triangle" towels). Orders are now in hand for all the students can weave for the next two months. Inasmuch as Fengtai is in the center of the fruit district, it is planned to put in a small cannery as soon as funds are in hand. All the funds used so far in the purchase of land and the erection of buildings have been raised in North China. Counting the higher grades only in our North China schools and those in the China Training Institute, there are at present one hundred and nineteen young people in training. We praise the Lord for these young people. They are our heritage and will become a mighty factor in the finishing of the work.

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Note--- This statistical table is for the Fourth Quarter only, and should not be confused with the complete annual statistical tables covering the entire year 1933 appearing in the May issue.---c.

STATISTICAL REPORT of the China Division MISSION, Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1933

中華總會一九三三年第四季統計表

All values in U.S. Gold on the basis of 2 1/2 for 1.

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Main statistical table with columns for Mission Name, Laborers, Tithe Receipts, and various financial and personnel metrics. Includes sub-sections for Tithe Receipts, Personnel, and Financials.

# Signs of the Times Publishing House (Shanghai) Constituency Proceedings: Synopsis of Meetings held during the Winter Council, and an Outline of Plans for the Future

## Minutes—Signs of the Times Publishing House Constituency Meeting, January 23, 1934

*(Editorial Note.—The Minutes of the annual constituency meeting of the Chinese Signs of the Times Publishing House, Shanghai, have been prepared by Pastor E. R. Thiele, secretary of the Board of Managers of the House. It would be a pleasure to publish in full these carefully drafted Minutes, but there is space for only a limited amount of the material submitted, and much abbreviating has been attempted, particularly of the annual reports rendered by the manager and the editors. For this abbreviation the editor of the REPORTER is solely responsible.—c.)*

THE annual constituency meetings for the Signs of the Times Publishing House, were held in the Division Committee Room, 526 Ningkuo Rd., Shanghai, on January 23, 1934, with Pastor C. C. Morris in the Chair, Dr. H. W. Miller having been called away unexpectedly to Nanking. At the call of the roll there were present the following: C. C. Morris (in the Chair); Frederick Lee, W. A. Scott, C. C. Crisler, John Oss, Miss Bessie Mount, E. L. Longway, N. F. Brewer, D. E. Rebok, O. A. Hall, Geo. L. Wilkinson, S. J. Li, John Shull, M. C. Warren, Y. H. Chu, P. H. Dzo, T. K. Swen, C. C. Ko, Joseph May, C. Y. Lin, T. C. Chin, P. C. Shan, F. E. Stafford, W. T. Wang, K. H. Wood, J. Effenberg, Geo. J. Appel, W. A. Scharffenberg, C. Y. Chang, K. L. Wang, Mrs. Frederick Lee, Mrs. E. R. Thiele, Mrs. W. A. Scott, E. R. Thiele.

Prayer: By Brethren P. H. Dzo and John Oss.

The manager's report was given by Brother F. E. Stafford, who had been serving the past year temporarily while Brother W. A. Scott was in the Language School at Peiping. It is possible to give only a brief synopsis of Brother Stafford's thorough-going review of the work of the Press during the year 1933. To quote, in part:

### REPORT OF MANAGER—Yr. 1933

In reviewing the work of the past year, we thank God for His special blessing and providential care, which have made it possible for the Publishing House to handle a larger volume of business than in any previous year in its history, notwithstanding reductions in wages, and in the number of workmen employed.

We desire to pay a tribute to the loyalty and devotion of our Publishing House employees in the preparation and pro-

duction of literature; and to the earnestness and perseverance of our faithful colporteurs in extending the sale of our books and periodicals into new hsien in every province of this great land.

It is this spirit of consecrated devotion and willingness to endure hardships, which has, under the blessing of God, made it possible for us to record a year of marked progress in the promulgation of this message to China's millions.

Efforts which have been continued during the year to help our employees to realize the sacredness of the work in which they are engaged, have resulted in the deepening of their Christian experience. This is manifested in an increased diligence in the performance of their daily work, and a desire to strive toward perfection, not only in the quality of their work, but in a greatly increased output as well.

We believe that this attitude of mind has been one of the prime factors which has made it possible to produce a larger volume of work at less cost to the House. Among other contributing factors may be mentioned the introduction of standards of production, the promoting of closer cooperation between departments, the elimination of waste of time and materials, and the judicious use of piece-work wherever it could be used to advantage.

Employees who were not in harmony with the ideals of the institution have been dropped, after efforts were first put forth to assist them.

The tent efforts sponsored by the workers of the Ningkuo Road compound, gave our Press employees a good opportunity to engage in evangelistic and home missionary work in a very definite way, and were productive of much good. At the close of the follow-up meetings held in the church, seventeen were baptized. Four of these were persons outside of our own compound. A number of neighborhood interests were created, which are being followed up. More work of this nature should be planned, because we believe it can be demonstrated that there is a very definite correlation between activity in Christian service and efficiency in the daily institutional work.

In volume seven of the "Testimonies" we are told that "All the workers (in our publishing houses) should be impressed with the fact that they are not only to be educated in business lines, but to become qualified to bear spiritual responsibilities. Let every worker be impressed with the importance of a personal connection with Christ, a personal experience of His power to save."

"God designs that our publishing homes shall be successful educating schools, both in business and in spiritual lines. Man-

agers and workers are ever to keep in mind that God requires perfection in all things connected with His service. Let all who enter our institutions to receive instruction understand this.

"Let opportunity be given for all to acquire the greatest possible efficiency. Let them become acquainted with the different lines of work, so that if called to other fields, they will have an all-round training, and thus be qualified to bear varied responsibilities."

When the foregoing instructions have been carried out, we are told that "the love of God, the sense of His goodness. His holiness, will circulate through the institution. An atmosphere of love and peace will pervade every department. Every word spoken, every work performed, will have an influence that corresponds to the influence of heaven. In all the work will appear, not the character of finite man, but the character of the infinite God."

With these words ever in mind, constant efforts have been put forth to make the Signs of the Times Publishing House a real spiritual institution, and whatever progress has been recorded during the past year has been the result of the attempt to faithfully carry out the instructions of the Spirit of Prophecy relating to the conduct of publishing houses. We are convinced that in direct proportion to the degree in which we carry out God's instructions through the Spirit of Prophecy, in the same degree will be recorded our advancement toward the fulfillment of the prophecy that "Our publishing houses are God's appointed centers, and through them is to be accomplished a work, the magnitude of which is not yet realized."

**Total Sales.**—Our total sales for the year, at retail billing prices, amounted to Mex. \$242,535.50. While we did not reach our goal of a quarter of a million, yet the total was \$592.08 more than for the year 1932, and represents the largest volume of business of any year since the House was established.

**The Factory.**—During 1933 we employed an average of 94 persons, this being 9 less than in 1932. The reduction was in the factory, as the office and editorial rooms employed a total of 10 workers for both years. Total wages for 1933 amounted to \$26,651.01 which is \$820.80 less than we paid in 1932. Of this amount \$209.94 was saved on the salaries of editorial and office workers, and \$510.86 on the wages of the factory workers.

This saving was realized from three sources,—the reduction of factory workers, the installation of piece work, and a uniform wage cut of five per cent affecting all the workers, which went into effect on June 1, in conformity to

a similar cut in native salaries throughout the China Division. Although most of our workers were already receiving a low wage, they cheerfully accepted the cut when the situation was explained to them.

*The Mailing Room.*—An innovation that promises to bring good results, is the installation in our mailing room of the envelope system of wrapping and sending

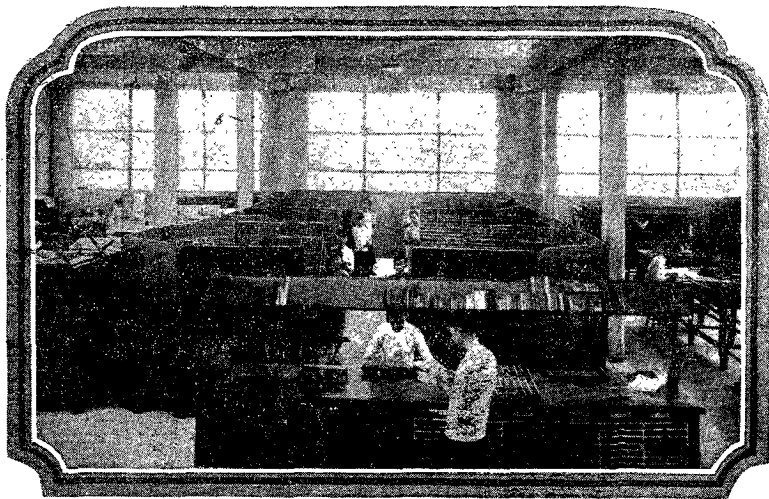
The decline in the "Signs" subscription list has reached such serious proportions that it deserves the most careful consideration at this time. A careful analysis of the causes of this drop should be made from such date as is available. Of particular interest will be reports from various field leaders as to the relation between the raise in price and the decline in the number of subscriptions. Our

We suggest that at all of our annual meetings, institutes, and other occasions when our workers are together, some one be delegated to secure subscriptions for our Club of four Church papers at the Club rate of \$1.50, from all of the workers present, and that the workers be urged to carry on the same work among the church members in their respective districts when they return home.

*Visit of Brother H. H. Hall.*—The report of the year's work would not be complete without an expression of appreciation of the work of Brother H. H. Hall, who spent five months in China and the Far East. His advice and counsel were of exceptional value to the publishing work here in China; and the reorganization of the system of accounting of our Book and Periodical Houses, effected under his supervision, has resulted in greatly strengthening these important units of our sales organization.

We face the future with courage, believing that the publishing work in China is destined under God's direction to accomplish even greater results in soul-saving in the future than it has accomplished in the past.

F. E. STAFFORD.



One of the Composing Rooms—Signs Press, Shanghai

out the periodicals to subscribers. The lessening number of complaints coming in from dissatisfied subscribers who have not received their papers regularly, bears witness to the success of the plan. We have, of course, to deal always with undeliverable papers, which are usually returned to us. Our mailing room has listed, as the six main reasons for papers having to be returned, (in the order of their frequency), (1) shop closed; (2) residence changed; (3) subscriber doesn't want the paper; (4) postoffice carrier not able to deliver the paper, due to war, banditry, etc.; (5) cannot find the address; (6) address not clear.

The name and address on every paper returned is carefully checked with the original order; another paper is mailed and the Book and Periodical House is notified. After three such attempts, if the paper is still returned, the subscription is cancelled, and a record kept of the unexpired number of months, so in case the situation is cleared up later, the subscriber can be refunded the papers which he missed.

*The Circulation Department.*—The monthly sales bulletin has been enlarged into a regular monthly bi-lingual publication called the "Sales Promoter." This little monthly messenger is proving to be a valuable House Organ. Through it we talk to our Book and Periodical House secretaries and other workers, and keep them informed regarding our policies, our publications, and our sales.

graph shows that the rate of decline follows the same curve as that of two years ago when the price was raised from \$1.00 to \$1.20, except in the present instance it has dropped lower than before. How much of this is due to raise in price, and how much to depression, or how much of it is due to the attitude of the colporteur toward these two factors, are related causes which should receive careful study. As a basis for this study we give below the monthly circulation for the last three years.

CIRCULATION OF CHINESE "SIGNS"

	Yr. 1931	Yr. 1932	Yr. 1933
January	82,495	75,854	78,539
February	81,837	74,187	77,223
March	78,736	75,079	79,248
April	78,296	74,939	79,446
May	77,089	73,026	80,608
June	76,209	75,699	79,122
July	72,085	76,989	77,548
August	74,803	76,688	75,882
September	72,377	79,964	75,155
October	74,412	77,876	72,007
November	74,683	78,429	69,885
December	76,471	77,904	68,550
Average	76,708	76,219	76,101

The "Shepherd" recorded a slight gain in subscriptions over last year, but the 1933 average of 1,484 is only a little more than half of the goal set, which is 2,800 for the Division.

*Remarks.*—After the report of the manager had been given, Brother C. C. Morris expressed his great satisfaction that the Publishing House was able to present a report so favorable as this, and that earnest efforts were under way toward the effecting of economies in the House which would cut down the operating expenses, and make it possible to produce our literature at lower costs than heretofore.

Brother Frederick Lee gave expression to his appreciation of this good report, and stated it as his hope that the work already begun in the effecting of economies might continue, and result in the bringing down of the charges on our literature. Especially did he appreciate the spirit of cooperation brought in between the field and the House, and the present spirit of goodwill existing among the workers due to the efforts of our manager. It was pointed out that one of the items henceforth to be more fully stressed is the sale of our religious literature, in order that our distinctive message for the world may be the more widely proclaimed than hitherto.

Brother John Oss expressed his pleasure at the privilege of being connected with the literature work, and pointed out that the recent Layman's Commission of Inquiry had in its report called special attention to the work that we are doing along literature lines in China.

Brother W. A. Scott stated he was happy to hear this encouraging report, and called attention to the fact that although a loss in the subscription list in the Signs had to be reported, there was, however, a much better showing in the financial returns of this periodical to the House,

the *Signs* department being able to report a gain this year, whereas in the past it has been the usual thing to report losses in this department.

*Analysis of 1933 Costs.*—Brother Scott presented an analytic report of the costs of various items of manufacture during the past year, which was much appreciated by the Constituency.

*Treasurer's Report.*—The treasurer's report was given by Brother T. C. Chin. In this report Brother Chin called attention to the work of our faithful colporteurs in the field, whose untiring efforts in the sale of our literature made possible such a good report as this. He also expressed his satisfaction over the fact that the item of "loss" in our report this year could be expressed in the singular number, the church literature department being the only department to show a loss; while the item of "gains" could be expressed in the plural, the book, *Signs*, and job departments all showing an operating gain for the year....

VOTED, To accept the report of the treasurer, subject to audit.

*"Signs" and Book Depts.*—The report for the *Signs* and Book departments of the editorial rooms was presented by Brother Frederick Lee, as follows:

#### "SIGNS" AND BOOK DEPARTMENTS—1933

Work in the editorial department was somewhat broken during the past year. I did not return from furlough to take up my work until the middle of March. Later I was called to assist in the summer school at Chungking and to conduct an evangelistic effort at that place. This took me away from the office for 9 weeks' itinerating among the missions in west China. Brother Hsü Hwa found it necessary to reduce his time spent at the Press, and since then has been able to put in about half time on his editorial responsibilities. Our editorial department many times during the year looked quite depleted, but with co-operation and earnest effort on the part of all we have been able to encompass the work in hand.

We have greatly appreciated the work of our associate and assistant editors, Mr. Hsü Hwa, Mr. C. O. Goh, and C. Y. Lin. They have often had to do double duty in order to get out the work, but they have always been willing to respond to any call made upon them. We are glad that we have a group of men who have this work upon their hearts, and are anxious for the rapid development of the literature work in China.

The office assistants in our departments, Mr. Hsia Yung Hwa and Mr. Han Wu Hsuen, are having increasing responsibilities put upon them and are giving invaluable help. The work done by our chief artist, Mr. Hwang Yao Tso, is adding much to the attractiveness of our literature. During the year Mr. Chen Gwo Chang has come to assist in this

department, which is under the supervision of Brother Thiele.

We have been greatly cheered by the return of Mr. Joseph May, who has been studying for the past two years at Pacific Union College, in California, in preparation for work in our editorial department. He will be a great strength to our literature ministry in China. Mr. Benjamin Tseng, who is still at P.U.C., is looking forward to returning to us sometime during the year. With the growth that we are seeing in this department, we look forward to doing better service for the church in China.

The editors of the *Signs of the Times* have been greatly encouraged as they have continued to hear of people accepting the truth through the reading of this evangelistic magazine. It is having a real part in the building up of the church in China. We are ever striving to make the magazine strictly evangelistic in tone, while at the same time endeavouring to make it interesting enough to attract the reading public. We plan to emphasize the second coming of Christ, and as we see the signs multiply in this ancient land, we find much to point the people to that great event. We also plan to emphasize the life and work of Christ, along with the Sabbath and other doctrinal features. During the year we completed a series of articles on the Sabbath by C. B. Haynes which we hope will take the form of a booklet on the Sabbath at some early date. At present we are running a most interesting series from the book, "David Dare."

We have added two departments to the *Signs*, one on the Home and one for Questions and Answers on Health and Hygiene. We have been swamped with questions from every part of the field. But we have been unable to secure a physician who will devote regular time to this work each month. One of the questions that ought to be decided at this meeting is to find someone who will take the responsibility of this department. About 150 letters have been received since this department was announced in the June number of the *Signs*. We were able to add these departments without taking away from our doctrinal features, by a saving in page makeup which gave us space for about five additional pages of material. While this has been an added burden to the editorial department, we have been glad to be able to give our subscribers more material for their perusal. We plan to continue to study how we may make this magazine more and more efficient and interesting.

*The Book Department.*—The following books have passed through the editorial department and were published during the year. "Shall We Save the Home?" by E. R. Thiele; "Outlines of Bible Doctrines," by S. H. Lindt and T. G. Giang, "The Marked Bible," translated and adapted by Joseph May; and "The Meaning of Our Times," by Frederick Lee. A tract on "Where Are the Dead?" by W. A. Spicer, was also published.

A new subscription book on "A New China and Its Meaning" is now in preparation by Frederick Lee and Y. H.

Chü. Consideration should be given to publication during 1934 of material now in hand, such as "Ministry of Healing," which has been translated and run through the *Shepherd*; "The Christian Sabbath," by C. B. Haynes, which has been translated and run through the *Signs*; "The Church Manual," which has been partly translated and run in the *Shepherd*. We should also give consideration to the completion of the set of Bible Reading Leaflets which now number only 17 topics.

The editors are anxious to produce a class of literature that will be effective in reaching all classes of people, and be a real soul-saving agency in our work in China, as well as a means to the establishment of the church on a sound foundation. We seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit as translations are being made, and articles are written. Only thus can our literature be filled with that essence which will turn the hearts of men and women to the Saviour of the world.

FREDERICK LEE.

*"The Shepherd's Call" and the Harvest Ingathering papers.*—Brother E. R. Thiele gave a report of the work done in the Editorial department on the *Last Day Shepherd's Call*, and on the Harvest Ingathering papers for China. His report was as follows:

We are thankful to our kind Father in heaven for the opportunity that has been given to us of another year of service for Him in the publishing work, and for the many tokens of His guidance and blessing that have been extended to us.

Not only has the task been given to us to bring men to the gospel, but also to build them up in the gospel. The church that will be existing on the earth when Jesus returns will be a "glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." Of the people who will be found ready to meet Jesus when He returns it is written that "in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God." It is the purpose of *The Shepherd's Call* to have a part in this work of building up a company of people here in China of whom it may be said that they are without fault when Jesus returns.

During the past year *The Shepherd* has continued the publication of translations from "The Ministry of Healing," the last chapter of which will appear in the issue of April 15. Thus this valuable instruction from the pen of Sister White has been made available in its entirety to our Chinese church. During the early part of the year *The Shepherd* published a large section of the "Church Manual" by Elder J. L. McElhany. Special numbers of *The Shepherd* issued during the year were the Frontier Number, the Special Signs Campaign number, the Home number, and the Week of Prayer issue.

*The Shepherd* has appreciated the material furnished to it by our various Division departments. Especially helpful



has been the material furnished by Prof. D. E. Rebok in behalf of the educational and young people's departments. The publishing department has contributed much useful material concerning our literature work. A special issue of *The Shepherd* devoted to the Sabbath school is in contemplation.

Especially encouraging is the increasing interest shown on the part of our Chinese correspondents in furnishing material for publication in *The Shepherd's Call*. Every year sees a larger number of articles received than the year before, from our Chinese contributors, and the past year has been by far the best we have ever had in this regard.

Perhaps our greatest problem concerning our church paper for China is how to bring up its circulation so that more of our people in the field will have the benefit of its visits. The circulation list of this periodical continues to remain practically stationary, standing at 1,545 upon the close of 1931, at 1,355 upon the close of 1932, and at 1,588 upon the close of 1933....

(Note.—Since this report was rendered, an encouraging increase has come to the *Shepherd* subscription list.—Ed.)

Another publication going through our House requiring considerable time on the part of our art department, is the Harvest Ingathering paper for China. During recent years this paper has appeared in English as well as Chinese,—the Chinese edition appearing in two forms, the regular sixteen-page number printed on a good quality of paper for use among those able to contribute larger amounts, and a four-page edition printed on a cheaper quality of paper, for use among those of more limited means.

We are happy at this time to welcome back to our midst Brother Joseph May, who for the past two years has been in attendance at Pacific Union College, and who a month ago returned to China to take up anew his responsibilities in the editorial rooms. Brother May's labors will be largely devoted to our Chinese church paper, and, we are sure, will be greatly appreciated by the Chinese church.

The efforts of Brethren Go Chiao Oh and Lin Chiao Yu, who during the past year have put forth faithful service in behalf of the church paper, are sincerely appreciated.

We are of good courage as we look forward to another year of service in behalf of our blessed Lord, and it is our sincere hope that the publications going forth from our presses may perform their part in the finishing of this great work, and in the winning to the Kingdom of God of many now in darkness. To the early culmination of this glorious task we once more dedicate ourselves.

EDWIN R. THIELE.

looking after her duties in the home, he pointed out, did not often bring into the house any great financial returns, yet her service to the home might be of priceless worth. Our church periodicals might likewise be one of the greatest assets to our work, though their production might show up on our books as a financial loss.

Brother John Oss stated his conviction that our Chinese church paper should be given a much larger circulation than it has at present; that it should be going to all our colporteurs; that it should be in all our sanitariums, hospitals and treatment rooms; available to all our workers and nurses; and that it should be in every library and in every dormitory room of every school, so that every student might have access to it.

Brother M. C. Warren expressed his conviction that simplicity should be kept in mind in the production of our publications, especially those for our church members, so that they may readily grasp the thought intended. The older and simpler marks of punctuation, it was felt, would be much clearer to our people, and the older forms of expression would frequently prove more intelligible than more modern forms.

*Appointment of Committees.*—By vote, the Chair appointed the usual committees—on Plans, Nominations, Finance, etc.; and a recess was taken until 4 p.m., at which hour the Constituency was reconvened, with Brother Morris in the Chair. Pastor E. L. Longway led in prayer. The committees brought in their reports; and among the resolutions, plans, etc., proposed and adopted, are the following:

#### *Resolution of Gratitude*

WHEREAS, God has during the past year extended to us His wonderful blessings in the production and circulation of our gospel-filled literature, guiding and protecting our workers in the field, keeping our staff in the House from dangers seen and unseen, preserving us in the love of and obedience to the truth, and leading many to a knowledge and understanding of this last message of mercy; therefore,—

RESOLVED, That we express to our Father in heaven our sincere gratitude for these new evidences of His love and that we reconsecrate ourselves to Him anew for more earnest and faithful service in the spreading abroad of the message of His love by means of the printed page.

#### *Resolution of Sympathy in behalf of Sinkiang Colporteurs*

Inasmuch as no word has been received for many months from our two faithful representatives in the Northwest, Brethren Tseng Hsiang-fu and Peh Chin-chien, and we fear that they may have been called upon to sacrifice their lives in the cause of our Lord,—

VOTED, That we express our grief over this great loss to our publishing work, and that we extend our deep sympathy to the relatives of our missing brethren.

#### *Resolution of Sympathy in behalf of Brother Kang Keh Hsiang*

VOTED, That we express our sympathy to the relatives of Brother Kang Keh Hsiang, one of our faithful workers in the Press, who passed away in March, 1933.

#### *Appreciation of Brother H. H. Hall's Services*

VOTED, That we express our sincere appreciation for the services of Brother H. H. Hall during the past year, his special work in connection with the accounting systems of the Book and Periodical Houses, the counsel he gave in behalf of a more efficient operation of the same, and the assistance he extended to the Publishing House, having accomplished much toward the strengthening of the literature work in this field.

#### *Appreciation for the Services of F. E. Stafford*

VOTED, That we extend to Brother F. E. Stafford our appreciation for the earnest and untiring services he has rendered to the Publishing House during the time he has been with us as acting Manager of the House; the spiritual influences he has brought to our institution; and the spirit of co-operation he has helped to foster between the field and the House, this being sure to be productive of lasting good.

#### *Church Manual*

VOTED, That we refer to the Division the matter of the completing of the Mandarin edition of the "Church Manual" in 1934.

#### *"Ministry of Healing"*

VOTED, That we defer the consideration of the form of publication of "Ministry of Healing," till 1935.

#### *New Subscription Book*

VOTED, That we request Brethren Frederick Lee and Y. H. Chü to prepare the manuscript for a new subscription book to be entitled, "A New China and Its Meaning;" this book to be ready by the end of 1934.

#### *Big Week Book for 1935*

VOTED, That we authorize the preparation of a Big Week booklet for 1935 on the subject of "How to Live;" this book to be published by January, 1935, and the details of its publication to be worked out by the Local Board.

#### *Combination Set of Booklets*

VOTED, That we issue in combination sets, to retail at one dollar per set, the following three booklets: "The Marked Bible," "The Meaning of our Times," and a new booklet on health to be worked up from the plates already on hand of the health section of "Knowledge and Progress;" any necessary readjustments of material to be worked out by the editorial department.

*Remarks on Editorial Reports.*—Elder C. C. Crisler called attention to the fact that some items which may be usually considered as losses may in actuality be among our greatest gains. A housewife



*English Edition of Way to Health*

VOTED, That we authorize the publication of an edition of 5,000 copies of the English, "Way to Health," these to appear in uniform binding; the price to be ten dollars per copy; the books to be off the press not later than June 1, 1934.

*Tracts for Women's Work*

VOTED, That we request the editorial department to undertake a review of such literature in the field as is now being used for women's work, referring to the Local Board any decisions to be made regarding the publication of this class of literature.

*"The Christian Sabbath"*

VOTED, That we authorize the publication of "The Christian Sabbath," this booklet to be sold at a retail price of not more than ten cents per copy, the Local Board to determine the number of copies to be printed.

*Tracts for Free Distribution*

Inasmuch as the China Division has made an appropriation of \$500 as a subsidy towards the providing of tracts for free distribution by our colporteurs, with the understanding that the Press provide a similar amount,—

VOTED, That we authorize the printing of an edition of unfolded, four-page tracts on the subject of, "What Do These Things Mean;" this tract to be furnished to our colporteurs without charge on a basis to be worked out between the Press management and the China Division Publishing Department; the sum of \$500 to be set up out of our operations for 1934 as a subsidy for this purpose; and that all our colporteurs be encouraged to purchase tracts covering the various subjects of our faith, for distribution in their activities.

*Special Numbers of the "Shepherd"*

VOTED, That in the issuing of special numbers of "The Shepherd's Call," we adhere to the same standards of size and cost observed in the issuance of the regular numbers.

*Independent Publication of Literature*

VOTED, That we request the Division to call the attention of the field to existing denominational policies regarding the independent publication of literature.

*Goal for "The Shepherd's Call"*

VOTED, That the goal for the circulation of "The Shepherd's Call," for 1934, be set at 2,800 subscriptions; and that the Union goals be as follows:

Central China .. ..	500
East China .. ..	900
Manchuria .. ..	150
North China .. ..	300
Northwest China .. ..	75
South China .. ..	700
West China .. ..	175

Total ... .. 2,800

*Series of Bible Readings*

VOTED, That the editorial department be requested to prepare a further number of Bible Readings, bringing the total of our present series up to 30 subjects.

*Club Rates for the "Signs of the Times" Magazine*

VOTED, That the matter of club rates for the "Signs of the Times" be referred to the Local Board.

*Report of Nominating Committee*

VOTED, That the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted, as follows:  
*Manager, and Circulation Manager:*  
W. A. Scott.

*Treasurer:* T. C. Chin.  
*Superintendent:* W. T. Wang.  
*Local Board:* Frederick Lee (chairman); W. A. Scott (vice-chairman); E. R. Thiele (secretary); H. W. Miller, C. C. Crisler, C. C. Morris, John Oss, E. L. Longway, F. E. Stafford, K. H. Wood, Chang Chin-Yuan, O. B. Kuhn, T. C. Chin, W. T. Wang, Joseph May, P. C. Shan, Y. H. Chu.

*House Committee:* W. A. Scott (chairman) · Frederick Lee, E. R. Thiele, T. C. Chin, W. T. Wang, P. C. Hsu, Y. H. Chu.

*Call of North China for Ko Chao O*

VOTED, That we respond to the call of the North China Union for the release of Brother Ko Chao O for work in their Union; and that we express our appreciation for the services of Brother Ko in behalf of the Editorial Department of the Press.

*Service of Dr. A. L. Tai in behalf of The Signs*

VOTED, That we request the Division to arrange for the services of Dr. A. L. Tai in connection with the Questions and Answers feature in the Health Section of the "Signs of the Times."

*Memory Verse Cards*

VOTED, That we authorize the writing off of a probable loss of \$400 in our 1934 business on the present stock of Sabbath school Memory Verse cards.

*Request for Subsidy on "Present Truth" Series of Tracts*

VOTED, That we request the China Division to provide a subsidy of \$1,175 toward the "Present Truth" series of tracts; this subsidy to enable the House to dispose of its existing stock of these tracts at \$3.00 per thousand; and that in the future production of these tracts we endeavor to bring about such economies as will allow them to be sold regularly at the rate of \$3.00 per thousand.

*Annual Distribution of Diaries*

VOTED, That we request the local Board to give further study to the question of

continuing the distribution of the annual diary, and to make necessary provision for the same in the regular budget, and also to give consideration to the feasibility of combining with this diary the feature of the "Morning Watch," and to the including therein of some advertising from the Shanghai Sanitarium and the China Training Institute.

*Billing to Publishing Houses and Tract Societies other than The Far Eastern Division*

VOTED, That we follow the plan of billing our publishing houses and tract societies outside of China, and other than those located in the Far Eastern Division, on the basis of our catalog prices at the rate of two for one; and that our invoices be sent to them in terms of United States currency.

*Request for Subsidy for Ministry of Healing*

VOTED, That we request the China Division to grant us a subsidy of \$185.50 to cover the balance of the cost sustained by the House in securing the translation of "Ministry of Healing."

*Factory Costs and Overhead*

VOTED, That in order to attain our two-fold objective of ultimate self-support and reduced prices on our literature, the Local Board give careful study to every item entering into our manufacturing and selling costs, and that an expense budget be adopted and followed for 1934 that will not exceed 120% of the direct factory labor; and that our goal be an ultimate relationship of 100%.

*Completion of Font of Number Five Matrices*

VOTED, That we authorize the completing during 1934 of our font of number five matrices.

*Payments by Distant Missions to the Publishing House*

VOTED, That on account of the long time needed for our literature to get into our distant missions in the West and North-west China unions, we allow to the East and West Kweichow missions, West Szechwan, and the missions of the North-west Union, six months for payment on all book shipments.

*Publication of a Ten-Cent Pamphlet*

VOTED, That we request the Local Board to give study to the early publication of a simple, 64-page pamphlet, to retail at ten cents per copy, for the use of lay members in missionary work.

VOTED, To adjourn.

C. C. MORRIS, *Chairman pro tem.*  
E. R. THIELE, *Secretary.*

# The China Training Institute—Reports from the Treasury and from the Bible Department—Yr. 1933

## China Training Institute—

### Treasurer's Report—

January 19, 1934

H. L. SHULL

To the Board of Directors:

THE financial report of the China Training Institute for the school year 1932-1933 is one of unusual progress and encouragement in every department and line of endeavor. The measure of success which has attended the operation of our industries once more demonstrates how the Lord is blessing and caring for His work here.

A few brief statistics regarding the factors entering into the financial operation of the Institute will be pointed out for your information and guidance. Attached to this report you will find a comparison of the incomes and expenditures of this Institute for the past five years, giving you a little idea of the trend in our finances.

Total instructional expense 1932-33, .. .. .	(Mex.) \$13,632.57
Income from tuitions and fees, .. .. .	7,213.93
Average cost of Instruction per enrollment, .. ..	67.06
Average income from tui- tion per enrollment, ..	29.08
Average subsidy to this department to cover in- struction per student ..	37.98

The Boys' and Girls' Dormitories show a total expenditure of \$5,345.77 and an income of \$4,629.66. This indicates that the two dormitories were 86½% self-supporting during the year. We expect that, with an overflowing attendance this year, the Homes account will show itself to be 100% self-supporting.

The factory department has again shown its ability to more than meet its own expenses of operation, by a gain of \$12,754.81 (exclusive of foreign salaries), which represents 15% on gross sales. We cannot always expect to do so well. Especially under present keen market competition, we find it extremely difficult to figure even on a 10% profit on business taken. In the future, it will only be by a larger volume of business that we can expect to maintain our former percentages of gain on factory business. Our factory has suffered yearly through a

fluctuation in the volume of orders received during or for the mid-year season, partly through our inability to give time to the selling work at this time of the year, and partly due to trade conditions. We have found it increasingly necessary to produce new lines of products to secure new business as well as keep ahead of our competitors who are continually copying our models and designs. The factory has been a busy place while large orders are being manufactured. Sometimes the materials in process are so large and numerous that the workmen have a difficult time finding a place where they can do their work. Brother Brett has been very patient under these trying circumstances, but we do hope that something may be done in the near future to relieve this congestion. The future for this department is very hopeful; yet effort should be put on the selling of the products made, for it is on this that our success depends.

Our greatest problem has been to find suitable and profitable employment for our girls. During the past year or two a number of the girls have been given work by the factory; but in view of decreasing orders for the articles which they can make, we are perplexed to find work for them to do. As a means of providing permanent work for a number of girls throughout the school year, we are now considering the establishment of a school laundry. If this plan succeeds, we hope to take care of the present number of girl workers now employed by the factory under many difficulties.

The printing department had its first year of operation last year with encouraging results. This kind of work is represented in all of our schools in the States, but it seems to have had a belated beginning here. We are glad to report that this new department is meeting with favor wherever we go, and if the remarks of its well-wishers mean anything, we should treble our business within a year or two. The department started out with only five students, but now has a total of ten employed. Up to the present we have had as much business as we can handle, and sometimes more. However, we are still soliciting more and more business from our Mission offices and elsewhere, wherever we can find it. We trust that you brethren will give us your support. In the near future, we hope it will be possible to add another press which will enable us to do more work and do it more quickly. Mr. Gia Shou Djih has been placed in charge of this department, which he has handled very efficiently to the credit of himself and the Institute.

The agricultural department, comprising the farm and cannery, shows a combined loss of \$2,005.94. This is about

10% of the total business done during the year. We have been hoping year after year that this department would at least break even, but it seems impossible for us to overcome the adverse elements entering into the farming and canning business. Farming depends, to a large extent, upon favorable weather as well as good soil conditions, but it seems that we are not blessed with either. Our location being so far away from the market, is another contributing factor to our inability to make ends meet. The canning business is confined principally to the canning of jams, the market for which seems to be "all jammed up" in China. We find foreign-made jams on the local market at a price so low that we cannot compete on a wholesale basis. Local-made jams are much inferior to our products, but retail merchants expect our prices to be the same. Under these circumstances we have a large stock of jams on hand which are moving slowly. We are doing our best to move the stock as rapidly as possible but believe that we shall still have quite a quantity on hand to carry over into next year. In view of these conditions, it is felt we should not increase our stock of jams this year, but should concentrate our efforts on the marketing of fresh fruit as well as the packing of frozen fruit in cups. This, together with the sale of fresh lettuce, cabbage, poultry products, and the canning of products other than strawberry jam should bring us nearer our goal of self-support in this department for the coming season.

We are already endeavoring to work in close cooperation with our schools and Mission offices in such centers as Canton, Hankow, and Peiping for the distribution of our products. We hope by this means to widen our market, and thus lay the foundation for a permanently increasing business in the future. We are having to do this at some present financial sacrifice on our part, but believe that it will eventually bring us much greater returns in continued business from sections of the country where we have not previously entered.

During the past summer we went ahead with the construction of a new cannery building to relieve the congestion in the girls' dormitory, the cost of which to date has been \$3,861, with some work still to be done. When completed, the building will cost more than \$4,000, for which we have received a special appropriation of only \$2,500.00. Many alterations and changes have been made in the girls' dormitory to meet their needs, such as the kitchen, dining-room, bathroom, etc. When this work is completed, it will give them adequate facilities for the number of girls which should be accommodated within the present building.

There is urgent need for better accommodations for the increased number of boys now in attendance at the Institute. If we hope for any increase in enrollment, it will be quite necessary that we have soon a new boys' dormitory building. In order to take care of this year's large number of boys, we have had to use the vacant foreign home, which is not exactly suitable for dormitory purposes. Our increased attendance this year has required us to provide much additional equipment as well as to expend considerable sums of money, making alterations here and there for temporary living quarters. These conditions are evidences of growth and enlargement and point to the early need of wise counsel and judicious planning for the future.

We look into the future with much courage and faith, expecting the Lord to continue to guide and bless us in all of our undertakings for Him, as He has seen fit to do in all our past experiences here.

H. L. SHULL,

*Manager and Treasurer.*

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### Report of the Bible Department of China Training Institute

*(Including Religious Activities)*

S. H. LINDT

EVERY Sabbath finds our school family gathered in the regular public services of the Sabbath school, the church, and the young people's society. Besides these general gatherings, there are many group meetings, such as Bible study bands, prayer-bands, missionary study bands, etc. The young people are conducting some cottage meetings in neighboring villages, and a village school has been begun under the direction of the Normal Department, financed by the young people's society and the local church. The usual night school for employees has been conducted as in the past by the young people.

Evening worship is conducted in the dormitories by those in charge, and morning worship is merged with the daily morning chapel exercise. In this service the factory workers have been in regular attendance thus far during the school year. The Tuesday chapel is largely given over to prayer-bands for all who wish to attend. The others remain in the auditorium for a Bible study. I believe a larger number of students are voluntarily developing regular times and place for prayer than in any past year. How the heart thrills to find here and there, as one goes about, individuals either singly or in groups engaged in seeking God. Such work is bearing beautiful fruit in the lives of those devoted to it.

Late in the spring of last year, through the help and leadership of the brethren from the Division, the annual

Big Week was held. Many groups were organized and sent out to distribute the booklet prepared for this occasion. A total in cash of \$310.63 was realized as a result of this effort.

Sabbath, May 6, 1933, was truly a blessed day with us. Our church service was held at the baptistry down near the lily pond. Thirty-two souls were baptized at that service, and later taken into church fellowship. In the same afternoon a communion service was held, and this new group joined with us in partaking of the sacred emblems of the Saviour's sacrifice. This marked the culmination of the winter's effort in behalf of those of our number outside the church.

During the summer, the work in Chinkiang was continued by a six-weeks' effort of two Bible classes a day for those who had previously become interested in the message, and others who could be persuaded to attend. This effort brought to fruition the work of the previous summer, and resulted on July 13 in ten souls being baptized in the yellow waters of the Yangtze River. Following this I went to Dairen to assist in another effort, lasting nearly six weeks, from which I returned to Chiao Tou at the opening of the school term.

The work in Chinkiang is now well organized and supported. The East China Union has provided a worker and his wife to assist us there, and is paying the rent on the chapel. Our present location has just recently been secured and put into shape for meetings. It is a nice location, central, roomy, and in a good district. Here regular meetings and Bible studies can be held and many gathered into the church. Each Sabbath some of the teachers or advanced students go down to help out in the services.

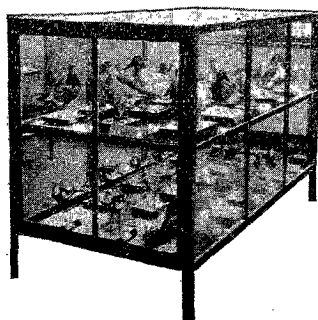
The new members there are also going out each Sabbath in missionary work, scattering literature. A number of learners are members of the Sabbath school, and we hope to see them continue to grow in the knowledge of the truth till they are ready for baptism.

The regular Week of Prayer was held at the appointed time in December; and together the teachers, students, and workers laid aside some of our other duties and made earnest work of putting away sin and seeking the Lord. The results of this work were very good indeed. Beside the help received by those already in the church, about sixty took their stand for the first time to serve the Lord. These have been organized into a large baptismal class and will meet twice a week from now till next May to study the tenets of our faith and the duties and privileges of the Christian. Those bearing the fruits of conversion will be baptized at the close of this series of studies.

Soon after the opening of school last September, Brethren Oss and K. H. Wood came up from Shanghai and helped us conduct the regular Harvest Ingathering day. Nearly three score of teachers and students joined in this campaign and went out loaded with our good papers, and as a result of the day's work a total of \$548.47 Mex. was realized from the near-by places. Later about \$220 was secured in Shanghai through contacts that the school has there.

Since Pastor Giang was called from this department to take up work in the Manchurian Union, our Bible classes have been distributed quite widely among the other members of the faculty. The following chart of classes, enrollment and teachers will reveal this at once:

Grade	Topic	Teacher	Enrollment
7th.	The Gospel to All the World	MRS. MI DEH FEN	54
8th.	The Plan of Salvation (A) (B)	DJANG PEH AN	25
		TSAI SHU SHEN	23
9th.	Life of Christ	C. L. BLANDFORD	32
10th.	Old Testament History (A) (B)	S. L. FROST	40
		S. H. LINDT	26
11th.	Denominational History	C. L. BLANDFORD	44
12th.	Bible Doctrines	S. H. LINDT	15
13th.	Daniel and Revelation Pastoral Training	S. H. LINDT	16
		S. H. LINDT	7
Total enrollment			262



*An Exhibit Cabinet—Made by China Training Institute Students*

Three of the above classes are using their new textbooks for the first time this year: grades 7, 9, 12. Only the 8th grade is still without a suitable text-book, and the Department of Education promises that it will be available for next year. The greatest need in this line at present is for our Pastoral Training class. To this need some one must apply himself before long. At present we are using the books of outside publishers supplemented with much of "Gospel Workers," but this method is far from satisfactory.

# The Educational and Y.P.M.V. Departments—China Division—1933; with a Brief Survey of Plans and Possibilities

## Report of the China Division Young People's and Educa- tional Departments—Win- ter Council 1934

D. E. REBOK

We are indeed thankful for another year of freedom which we have enjoyed in teaching our children in our own schools. Aside from a few church schools here and there, which have been the objects of purely local official criticism, our schools have enjoyed a year of good work. How long this privilege will be ours, in this and every other land, is very uncertain. Nationalism in education is a world-wide policy of governments, and therefore, we as parents, teachers, and leaders in our work should be most zealous in using this opportunity now afforded us for the Christian education of our children and youth.

It is evident that the longer we operate our schools on our own distinctive program and through it make a real contribution in practical education, our opportunity to enjoy freedom will be extended...

This report attempts to accomplish two things: first it sets forth the situation in our schools and young people's work during 1933; and secondly, it draws some conclusions from the situation and suggests policies or methods for developing and advancing our work in these lines during 1934.

To accomplish this, I shall use the method so successfully carried out by the popular and very effective colored preacher of the South. He said his secret of success in public work was, "First I tells dem what I'se gwine to tell em; then I tells em; and last I tells dem what I've told em." So my report is likewise divided into these three parts.

### I. WHAT I WANT TO TELL YOU

"To Find and Follow God's Way in Education" is the ideal which should occupy our minds and hearts as we go about the field from school to school. In fact, as "God's men doing God's work," it should be our ideal in everything to find God's way. It is almost an axiom that God will richly bless and prosper every part of His work which carries out that ideal, and may we add that His blessing comes in about the same proportion as we meet the details of His pattern. Therefore, it behooves every one of us as administrators of God's work to study the pattern and put forth every possible effort to reach the ideal.

In *Gospel Workers*, page 460, we read the statement that "Everything that bears any relation to the work of God should be as nearly perfect as human brains

and hands can make it." God is not pleased to see His work done in a way that would bring dishonor to His name and cause. We should endeavor to make our work truly represent and glorify God.

We hope to set forth in a series of charts and tables the present situation in our department work; first, from the standpoint of accomplishments; and secondly, from the angle of what there is yet to be done. This should give us as department secretaries and leaders a program of work for 1934.

With this as a background we shall then attempt to analyze our present situation, and through facts, opinions, and observations, endeavor to show our outstanding needs in the young people's and school work. We should then see where we ought to place our emphasis, and what general plans and policies should be followed to develop and perfect our work.

### II. TELLING YOU—FACTS AND OBSERVATIONS

In our attempt to reach the ideal and Pattern in our department work, the past year has brought several steps of real advancement. The long felt need for a Junior Training School in the West China Union has been met by the completion of our new plant at Da Bao about sixty li up the river from Chungking. School opened last September with about forty Seventh-day Adventist students in grades seven to nine. This is the fruition of a hope of many years, and we wish this new school the blessing of God in all of its work.

1933 saw the opening of another new Junior Training Institute in the North China Union. This school is very favorably located at Fengtai, about twenty minutes on the train from the railway station in Peiping. This is one of the first of our schools in China to be built entirely with funds raised by solicitation in the field. Seventy young men and women in grades seven to nine are going through the ordinary hardships of the first year in a new school plant which, as is commonly the case, lacks many of the essential facilities of an old established school. Again we join in extending this new institution our best wishes, and assurances of our prayers in its behalf.

Practically all of our schools are enjoying the largest enrollment this year of any in their history. Seventh-day Adventist parents are more and more giving evidence of their appreciation for our own schools by placing their children in them. May these schools prove to be the "cities of refuge" and the "training centers" which they are designed to be.

In every one of them the Young People's work is being fostered and carried forward in a very strong way. The school in Fopchow has set apart a

special room in the school building for the interests of the Young People's work. In that room is a small desk or table for each officer of the M. V. Society, and the charts, diagrams, banners, and so forth on the walls of that room give evidence of the Executive Committee Meetings held there. I have never seen more interesting devices than those used there to indicate the progress made in the Devotional, Educational, Social or Recreational, and Missionary Service features of our young people's work. I wish every school in our China Division could have such a room, and get the work as well organized and operated as in the school in Fopchow.

Need I mention the wide-awake M. V. society in the Canton school to show what a group of young people can accomplish when they set themselves as a group to pray and work for the extension of the gospel into such unentered areas as the island of Hainan? That island and its needy people were a constant challenge to our Tung Shan young people, and they opened the work in that island field. To-day natives of that island have been baptized, workers are located among them, and God has even touched the heart of a non-Adventist in the United States to send along a check for over \$200 U. S. currency to supplement the "mites," coppers, and twenty-cent pieces given in great sacrifice by the boys and girls at Tung Shan who are doing their best to live out the M. V. Pledge and Motto.

And may I add just one more instance concerning the young people's society at Chiaotoutseng. They are supporting two of their number, who are Normal Course students, in the conducting of a Free Village School nearby. One student-teacher does practical teaching work in the morning while his co-worker takes his own class work in the Institute. Then in the afternoon they change about. Here is the out-working of a most practical project of missionary work. Forty poor village children going to a good school, merely supply their own desks, stools, and books. The teacher-students are paid by the M. V. Society on the same hour basis as are our other students in the factory or on the farm. Should not teachers learn to teach by teaching? preachers learn to preach by preaching? farmers learn to farm by farming? and office workers learn to do office work by working in an office? This is a fine combination of the practical and theoretical sides of training for a vocation...

(EDITORIAL NOTE.—Professor Rebok's report was characterized by thorough-going analyses of the present status of our denominational educational and young people's work; but it is not possible to reproduce these at this time, for lack of space. The completeness of the report made clear to those in attendance the

general situation, and the special needs to be met and aims and ideals to be stressed in the immediate future, and later. Some of the figures, giving the number of the schools, their enrollment, etc., together with figures on the Y.P.M.V. Department, covering the entire year 1933, are to be published in the Statistical Number of the Reporter, bearing date of June but to be printed during the early days of May.—c.)

The church schools are the very foundation of our educational endeavor. Can we afford to place our children during the most plastic period of their lives in outside schools, and then hope for them to become thorough, staunch Seventh-day Adventist workers and leaders in our Movement? Really, we should be at least as wise as one other great religious organization in this matter. No budget cuts, no external restrictions, nor any other such thing should cause us to neglect or close up the work for our own children. Is it economy to spend much effort and money to go out to evangelize and bring in an average of 114 new members a day, and at the same time have 28 withdraw through the back door of the church? It has been stated that most of our losses in China are from among the young people. Surely this situation alone should cause us to provide the necessary training for our children. It has been found that very few of our children who are educated entirely in our own schools leave the church, but on the other hand, the majority of our regular workers as a denomination come from among those who have grown up in our schools.

To make the need for more specific work for our church schools and Junior work still more apparent, I wish to call your attention to one Local Mission station study. It is hoped that every mission will make a similar study and then set the Educational and Young People's Secretary to work on the task

of shepherding the youth and of fostering our church school work.

The chart below shows the need for church schools in 8 more chapels, and together with the seven already established give us a possible 15 Junior Missionary Volunteer Societies. At present there are seven J. M. V. and one S. M. V. Societies at work in the Cantonese Mission.

This shows very clearly the situation in each of the churches and the need of work in their behalf. It not only shows the needs, but points out the program of work which should be undertaken and accomplished during this year 1934. It shows where our church schools are, where church schools are needed, where Junior and Senior Missionary Volunteer Societies should be organized, where our school principals should look for new students, and a number of other interesting facts which every Director and Department Secretary will want to know.

There is still one other phase of our young people's work which I should mention and that is the number who are in our Nurses' Training Schools. This has become one of the principal lines of work for our young women especially. Personally I should like to see the entrance requirements held higher, and the instruction part strengthened in some of our smaller hospitals. Some of our best M. V. Societies are in the Nurses' Training Schools. Perhaps the day will

work with the regular work of evangelism in our larger church centers.

May we say just a word here in behalf of our young people who want a medical training in our own institutions? On recent trips in the North and South I have found a good many of our young people who desire a medical course in our own school at Chiao Tou Tseng. It is the sincere hope of the Educational Department that steps may be taken at this meeting to provide a simple, but good training at our China Training Institute. There is no doubt but that such a course will attract a goodly number of our young men and women who are now forced to go outside for their training as doctors.

An analysis of our present situation in China and in our work brings before us several facts. First of all, we have a large army of youth in China to be trained for service under the banner of Prince Emmanuel. Secondly, we need to carry on more and better church schools in every Union. Thirdly, our Junior Training Institutes are in great need of improvement as to facilities and faculties. Fourthly, work scholarships or privileges in Chiao Tou Tseng must first of all be made available for every graduate of the ninth grade in our provincial schools and for students above the ninth grade.

The following figures show the Ratio of School Attendance to Church Membership:—

RATIO OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

	Ratio for Grades 1-8	Ratio for Grades 9-12	Ratio for Grades 13-16
In North America .. .. .		1 in 24	1 in 43
Outside North America .. .. .		1 in 63	1 in 284
World .. .. .	1 to 6	1 in 43	1 in 92

come when our graduate nurses will be able to join our evangelists in a combined health education and community nurse's

Applying these proportions to our church membership in China, we are given a fairly accurate estimate for the possible attendance of Seventh-day Adventist youth in our schools in the various fields. On this basis I personally would recommend that our Provincial Mission Schools offer only up to the ninth grade for the present, and that our China Training Institute place greater emphasis upon the work in grades 10 to 12.

With our present church membership in China at about 12,549, it means we should have about 50 college grade students in Chiaotoutseng. As a matter of fact there are just 28 or a little more than half. The ratio would also indicate that we should have about 200 Senior Middle school students in Chiaotoutseng when our records show only 138 for this year.

For the present I would urge our local missions and Unions to build up stronger Junior Middle Schools and not attempt the grades above nine. But let us increase our constituencies, improve our facilities and faculties, grow in numerical and financial strength, before attempting to offer academic work in senior middle school grades where a richer and broader variety of courses should be given.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE CANTONESE MISSION AND OUR CHURCH SCHOOLS

Name of church or chapel	Church School	Children in each church and chapel—Ages			
		1-5 years	6-11 years	12-17 years	18-20 years
1. Yuen Tang	Needed	2	5	2	1
2. Chung Shan Hsien Shih Chi	Needed	3	3	4	6
3. Djao Ching	—	—	—	2	5
4. Sin Hwei Hsien	Needed	6	7	5	1
5. Duh Yuen	Established	—	11	11	4
6. Ching Yuen	Needed	10	13	10	8
7. Nam Kwan	Established	7	38	9	4
8. Nam Hai Yen Pu Wei	Needed	12	18	7	10
9. Fatshan	Established	8	20	25	14
10. Man Kok	Established	2	17	7	—
11. Hai Nan Hai Kou	Needed	1	6	3	1
12. Tai Shan	Needed	6	4	2	6
13. Hongkong Ta Pu	Established	6	9	3	21
14. Kong Mun	Needed	1	8	8	2
15. Macao	—	3	1	—	3
16. Tung Shan	Established	3	16	52	28
17. Hongkong-English	„	—	—	—	—
Totals		70	176	150	114

What will be the results of following God's Pattern in our schools in China?

1. God's blessing rests upon the work done according to His Will and in His Own Way.

2. Man's favor rests upon us, and everywhere in our Harvest Ingathering work last fall we heard the warmest words of appreciation for what the China Training Institute and other of our schools are doing in meeting China's practical needs in a practical way....

Need we add more evidence? Is it not enough that we simply take God's word to us through His servant and go forward to do a mighty work for the youth of this land and every other land? May we this year as never before put ourselves to the task of building each of our schools in China according to the Pattern.

"To Find and Follow God's Way In Education" should be our motto for 1934.

III. WHAT I'VE TOLD YOU—SOME SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

We shall bring together what I have had to say in the form of suggestions and recommendations so that it will be easy to remember.

1. In order to help our teachers in China to better understand our educational work and know the Pattern, it would be well for a copy of "Studies in Christian Education" (in Chinese) by Howell to be presented to each one.

2. Since there is great confusion as to the proper name for Junior Middle Schools throughout the missions, and for the sake of uniformity and convenience in use, it would be well for us to adopt the Training Institute name for all our schools and differentiate by adding the name of the area it serves—for example, "North China Training Institute," "Honan Training Institute."

3. For statistical convenience, and for uniformity of our school system, it would be better to count as a separate Church School every school giving grades 1-4 or 1-6, no matter if it is alone in a chapel or in connection with some higher grade school. Then list its number of students distinct from the number in the grades of the next higher gradation—for example, the China Training Institute would appear as having 3 schools—1 Church School—grades 1-6, 1 Middle School—grades 7-12, and 1 Junior College—grades 13-14.

4. Permanent records are very important in school work and frequently we are called upon to make reports concerning individual students and the school as a whole. To expedite these matters, each local mission should supply a copy of the printed School Register published by the Educational Department through the Signs Press, to each church school in the mission territory, and then expect the Local Educational Secretary to keep it up to date.

5. It is very apparent from our studies that our schools should be checked

up and rated on our standards. In order to do this, the Educational Department Committee should have a Council in the very near future so that our standards may be thoroughly understood.

7. Our teachers are in great need of help in Teaching Methods, and of an annual opportunity to come together in Institutes where our problems are studied and plans made for advancing and perfecting our work. In order to make it possible for every one of our workers in all of the local missions to have this help, it is suggested that we adopt the Regional Institute Plan and make it a regular annual affair.

8. In order to make the industrial and vocational features of the work in our Training Schools a success, and give the proper help to really carry it in a strong way, we must arrange for at least one technically trained specialist in the line carried by each institution to head up that work. This technically trained man could be the business manager of the school along with the industry and

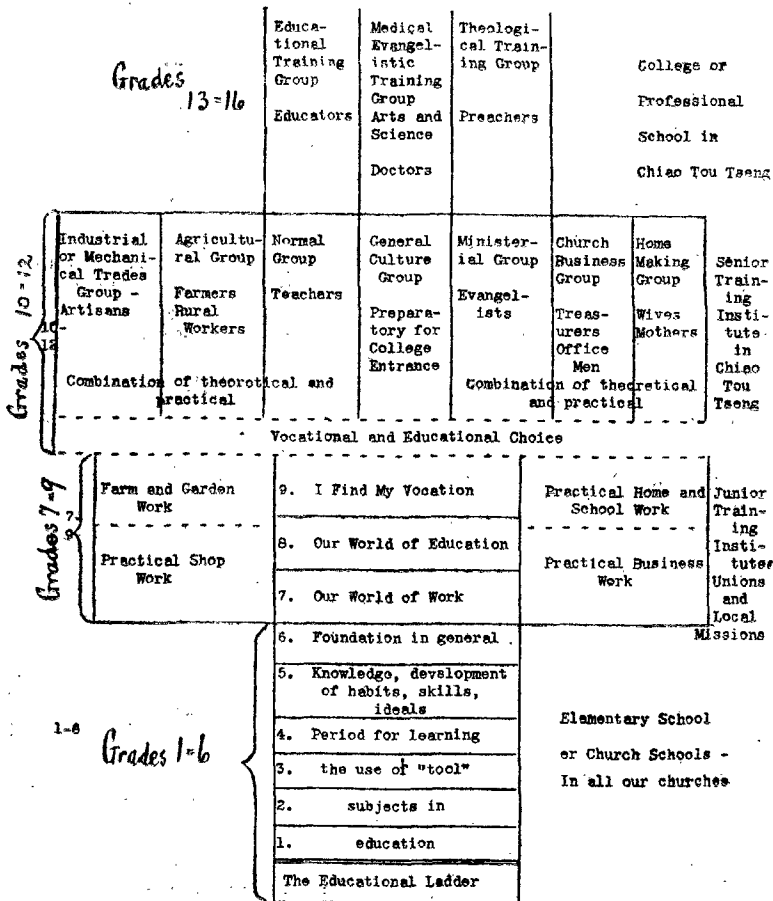
help to mold the spiritual life of the group.

9. Since it is now almost impossible to get special appropriations and our industries must be built up and properly equipped in order to become a real earning power for the school and give work to a growing number of students, it would be well for us to adopt the policy that the earnings of the school industries not become a part of surplus, nor turned into regular operating, until after the industry has been properly equipped for maximum efficiency and service. Then let us look to the industry to support the school and relieve the regular mission budget entirely. This cannot be done unless the industries are properly manned and equipped.

AN OUTLINE OF OUR EDUCATIONAL SCHEME

10. The following is an outline of our educational scheme as I should like to see it for our school work in China at present.

An Outline of Our Educational Scheme





11. It is hoped that some very definite steps will be taken to organize and get under way a simple but practical form of medical training at Chiaotoutseng for our young people in the China field. There is a need, and it is important that we fill it and save our youth who are now going outside to get the training they want or else not getting it at all.

12. May we quote what Dr. Wang, Minister of Education, says about scholarships and the need for opening up ways for poor but worthy boys to obtain specialized training.

"Modern education is an expensive thing, and in a country like China, the cost of giving the child secondary education is onerous enough for most parents, and university education is too expensive for the general run of people. But talent of the boys and girls cannot be graded according to the incomes of their parents. Under such circumstances what we can do is to provide means by which those poorer but worthier students may get a grade of education to which their talent entitles them. . . For this purpose it is my earnest wish that there should not only exist scholarships here and there, but the system of granting scholarships to poor but worthy students should be made more general and more organized, both for those who wish to obtain a sound secondary education but too poor to do so, and also for those who have the ambition and are worthy of entering a university.

"Genius has to be cultivated, and we cannot afford to allow a matter of pure accident, such as birth and occupation of parents, to interfere with its cultivation."

—*Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury*, Oct. 13, 1933.

May I appeal for a special committee to give study to some such a plan in order to meet our outstanding need for training ministers for our China work to-day.

13. Missionary parents are struggling alone in many places with the problem of teaching their own children. They have many questions as to textbooks, outlines, length of courses, requirements, and standards—all of which bring perplexity to the mother who is not a normal graduate. It would be a good plan to invite the Home Study Institute to join the Far Eastern Academy and Educational Department in working out a plan whereby Miss Ruth Atwell may become a sort of Supervisor for Home Schools. With this work heading up in such a way, good results would come, and much relief to burdened parents.

14. Finally may we close with that word from Sister White which opened this report:

"Everything that bears any relation to the work of God should be as nearly perfect as human brains and hands can make it."

The sincere wish of the Educational and Young People's Missionary Volunteer Departments for 1934 is that this ideal may be reached in our work. We thank God for past blessings and we trust Him for His care and leading in the days to come.

D. E. REBOK.

## Further Announcement Concerning the Summer School and Institute—Chiaotoutseng—June

### The Summer School

D. E. REBOK

JUNE 20 is not far distant. Soon the Summer School will open. Teachers and young people's workers will soon be assembling at Chiaotoutseng. Plans are being perfected; and we should have six weeks of real benefit in study, prayer, work, and professional improvement.

Much time will be spent in discussing and learning special teaching methods for the various subjects in the elementary and junior middle grades. The following is a part of the daily program of activities:—

7:30—8:15.	Chapel Hour—For spiritual and inspirational talks.
8:15—9:30.	First Major Class Period—To apply on Certificates.
9:30—10:30.	Minor Class Period.
10:30—11:30.	Group Study Hour—Divided up according to the work being carried by the teachers.
11:30—12:15.	Daily Departmental Council Hour. (Full session each Friday morning.)
3:00—4:00.	Special Classes in Teaching Methods.
4:00—5:00.	Second Major Class Period.
5:00—6:00.	Instruction and Practice in Supervised Play and Calisthenics.

The topics for the Group Study Hours and the Departmental Councils will be only the most practical, and have for their objective the improvement of our methods of labor, and make for greater efficiency in our department work. We want to solve the actual problems met

by the teachers and secretaries in their every-day work.

Thus far we have received the following reports of the number to be in attendance:—

South Chekiang Mission	-	7	Teachers
Fengtien Mission	- - -	5	"
Kirin Mission	- - -	2	"
Northeast Union School	-	5	"
Shantung Mission	- - -	4	"
Hunan Mission	- - -	8	"
Cantonese Mission	- - -	8	"
Hopei Mission	- - -	3	"
North China Union School	-	7	"
Honan Mission	- - -	16	"

Total thus far— - - 65

It is hoped that the reports from the other missions will be in very soon, so that our courses may be arranged, and all preparations be made for their arrival. We are looking forward to the *Best Summer School Yet*.

D. E. REBOK, Secretary.

### The Nanchang Institute

SEVERAL who have been in attendance at the Nanchang institute, including Professor W. A. Scharffenberg and Pastor E. L. Longway as representatives of the Division, have brought to us word concerning unique features characterizing a special effort to bring courage and help to all the workers of the Kiangsi Mission. The colporteurs, the teachers, the Bible women, as well as the evangelists and others,—all, in fact,—were gathered into the institute and kept together for approximately six weeks.

As is known, political conditions in Kiangsi have been exceedingly unsettled. Much suffering has come as a result. In many instances our workers have been unable to travel along roads hitherto open. In a time when special difficulties were besetting the workers in many places, Pastor Liu Djung Gwang took occasion to hold this institute, which has proven a success in many ways. He has recently submitted to us a map outlining places already entered, and also indicating the 'hsien' the brethren 'hope to' enter during the present year.

May the Lord's blessing continue with our brethren and sisters of the Kiangsi

Mission, as they go out into their field so beset with difficulties, and seek to extend their labors into parts of that province hitherto unentered.

### In Our Provincial Missions

FOLLOWING the close of the Winter Council, several provincial mission annual meetings have been held. Brief synopses of reports rendered by directors and treasurers during these gatherings, are given in the May issue. Some encouraging reports will need to be held over until they can be published in due course. Our field activities during the year 1934 will include several special evangelistic efforts in the larger centers, from which we hope later to have reports. We thank those who have so faithfully sent to us copies of their proceedings; and we shall be pleased to receive your further contributions through the months. It is the purpose of all, everywhere, we understand, to make the year 1934 an outstanding one in the annals of our China Mission.

# The Far Eastern Academy—Annual Constituency Meeting

## Report of Principal, and Synopsis of Proceedings

### The Far Eastern Academy— Annual Report to the Constituency

C. F. LARSEN

(Synopsis of the report on the work of Far Eastern Academy, submitted to the Constituency during its annual meeting held Jan. 18, 1934.)

"THE Lord is good to all; and His tender mercies are over all His works." Ps. 145:9. Truly the Lord has been good to the Academy family the past year. As teachers, parents, and students, we thank our Heavenly Father for His many blessings to us!

**Faculty.**—The teaching staff of the school has been as follows: H. H. Morse, Science, Mathematics, Typewriting, Printing; Mrs. Morse, French, Bible 7 and 8, Geography, Physiology, Reading 7 and 8; Mrs. Crisler, Library, English 7, 8, 9, 10, 11; Miss Beatrice Crisler, Piano, Sight-singing, Sewing; Miss Nell Ketterman, Grades 1-5, and also Drawing 7, 8; Mrs. Larsen, Bookkeeping, Home Nursing; C. F. Larsen, History, Bible, Gardening.

**Enrollment.**—For the year 1932-33 our total enrollment was forty-five. Thus far this year our enrollment is fifty. Several inquiries have been made by parents of other missions in China as to the possibility of their sending their children here as day students. This question should receive some attention from the Large Board so that we may know what to answer these friends should they approach us on the matter in the future.

Our present enrollment is made up as follows as to grades:

**Twelfth.**—Wm. Patterson, Eleanor Warren.

**Eleventh.**—Vernon Mountain, Lauretta Brines.

**Tenth.**—Alice Kuhn, Eunice Cossentine, Milton Lindt, Harold Dixon, Ramona Butka, Joyce James.

**Ninth.**—Marian Shaw, Donald Lee, Vance Maloney.

**Eighth.**—Irene James, Ruth Buzzell, Valorie Mountain, Ronald Grégory, Dorothy Warren, Wm. Scharffenberg, Donald Butka, Eva Longway, Boris Ponomarif.

**Seventh.**—Dorothy Anderson, Ailene Dixon, Dorothea Harris, Nathan Shaw, Gilbert Sissons, Edward Rebök, Myrtle Longway, Melvin Appel, Mary Lou Lee, Robert Morris.

**Fifth.**—Alva Appel, Jean Rebok, Ruth Morris, Betty Jean Maloney, Lorwin

Thiele, Richard Scharffenberg, Vivienne Mountain.

**Fourth.**—Delbert Longway, John Alfred Scharffenberg, Freddie Larson, Boris Kadosheff.

**Third.**—Nina Kodosheff, Doris Scott, Laurel Sissons, Alice Allinsback, Tina Pinoroff.

**First.**—Ralph Longway, Lucie Rendleback.

Total enrollment, 50.

**Religious Activities.**—The Academy Sabbath school has a membership of fifty-one, divided into eight classes. Our offerings for missions the last quarter was \$800. Mex., of which amount \$146. came through the Investment Fund; \$39.40 was from Birthday Offerings; the rest was made up of regular offerings. This is an average of \$15.84 per member. You may be interested to know about some of the plans of our investment work. Mrs. Butka's class of boys prepared a booth supper, thereby netting \$30. for the food sold. Many of the girls made coat-hangers for which they found a ready sale. Their proceeds amounted to nearly \$100. Our goal for the coming quarter is \$600. We wish to thank Mrs. Oss for her splendid leadership in this department.

Two days in September were devoted to the Harvest Ingathering work. Nearly every student went out and brought back funds for the extension of the work. The goal set for the school was \$2,000. We fell short of this amount, yet we are grateful for the amount of \$1,164.20 received.

The Missionary Volunteer Society is progressing under the enthusiastic leadership of Mrs. Morse. Five thousand and fourteen papers, tracts, and booklets have been distributed in the city and there are several interested readers as the result. Friday evening is set aside for our weekly meeting of this Society, and all have shown a good spirit in doing their part.

During the year 1932-33 twelve were baptized and became members of the household of God. Five have signified their desire to be baptized this year. This is one of the joys of school life. Let us pray for our youth, that they may develop into noble workers in God's cause.

**The Library.**—Approximately 350 volumes were added to the library during the past year. Part of these were donated by Dr. Andrews, Pastor Appel, and Professor Morse. Among the gifts were a set of Harvard Classics, a set on Natural History, and a new set of the National Encyclopedia. Two sets of standard reference works were purchased by Prof. Scharffenberg in the States. Books are still needed on such subjects as Music, English, History, Science, and Biography.

**Science department.**—Many new appliances have been added to the science department this year, thereby strengthening the laboratory work. Gas and running water are now supplied to each work-table. With our present equipment, six students can perform their experiments at the same time.

**Printing.**—The board voted to discontinue the printing as a separate department, and it is now handled under the instructional section. The eighth-grade and ninth-grade boys are taking printing as a vocational study. The basis of remuneration for work performed by the boys in the shop is determined by the quality of work,—good work, good pay; poor work, poor pay. This system of compensation is producing benefits in careful composition. The printing press has been moved from the first floor to the composing room, thus making a compact unit for the printing department and incidentally enlarging the church school room. A proof-press is needed for the printing department.

**Sewing.**—This school year a room has been equipped as a sewing-room with a new Singer sewing-machine and a work-table. The girls in the seventh and eighth grades are being instructed in this manual art. It is hoped that in another year the school will be able to give academic credit in this line of work.

**Music department.**—The old discarded piano for which we failed of finding a buyer, has been rebuilt for a fraction of what a new one would have cost, and is being used for practice purposes. The school at present owns three pianos. These are being used from 7.15 a.m. until 5.30 p.m. To promote and to cultivate a taste for the best in music, a club, consisting of all piano students and of vocal students in the singing class, has been organized. The club meets regularly once a month. At these meetings reports are given on various topics of a musical nature; and selections which have been memorized are rendered by the students. Those students who are faithful in their daily practice are making good progress.

**Typewriting.**—The typewriting room at present is being used for class-work, consequently the typewriting students (ten in number) have been compelled to use the library. At present three machines are in use. Two Underwoods No. 5 have been ordered from the States, involving an outlay of about \$100.00 Gold. With five machines, we shall be able to care for all our needs for the time being.

**Laundry.**—Two years ago the Board voted to purchase another washing machine. By a little repair we have managed thus far to get long with the old one. However, a new machine of the same type was ordered several weeks

ago for \$175.00 Gold, delivered. With this new machine, in addition to the old one now repaired, we hope to increase the efficiency of the laundry 50%.

*Dining room.*—Twenty-nine students and two faculty members are taking nourishment three times a day in this department. Since the first of July, 1933, 11 608 meals have been served. Of all our purchases for the dining hall, 75% are local products. Farther study is being given to know how to serve nourishing food at the lowest possible cost.

*Dormitory.*—This year 29 students are living in the school home,—16 girls and 13 boys. On the boys' side of the dormitory we can take care of twelve boys. This leaves one to camp in the hall, which is not satisfactory. Consideration should be given to this problem of the school home. One suggestion would be to erect a new administration building and convert the old class rooms into dormitory space. The dormitory income for the first six months was \$1,638.01 The expense was \$1,698.66. This shows a slight loss. The land tax has been doubled. Water and electricity rates are higher than formerly. Our coal bill this year is \$258.21 less than last year, and last year we succeeded in reducing this item \$365.56 over the former year, making a saving of \$613.77 in fuel in two years. The interior of the academy buildings will soon need a new coat of paint. All the exterior painting is just being completed at the cost of \$540.00. The total expenses for the first six months of this year amount to \$20,120.90. The income is \$18,794.68. The difference of \$1,326.28 between income and expense is covered by an inventory of supplies on hand.

After all is said and done, the most important factor in a school is the student-group. We might have the best facilities in every line; yet if the students be not taught to serve God; if their hearts be not turned to follow after Him and His righteousness, our equipment would be valueless, our work a failure. But God in mercy has visited us again and again through the agency

of the Holy Spirit, and precious experiences have come to us repeatedly during the school year under review. God can and, we believe, will give fruitage.

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### The Far Eastern Academy Constituency Meeting, Shanghai, January, 1934

THE opening meeting of Far Eastern Division Academy Constituency was held in the Chinese chapel, Ningkuo Road, Shanghai, with Dr. H. W. Miller in the Chair, on Thursday night, January 18, 1934. Reports were received from the Principal, Professor Chas. F. Larsen, and from the Treasurer and Auditor, and the usual Committees were appointed. Adjournment was taken till January 24, when the Constituency reassembled in the China Division Committee-room, 526 Ningkuo Road, and received the reports of the Committees. The actions passed include the following:

*Date of School Term.*—WE RECOMMEND, That the opening and closing dates for the school year 1934-35 be September 9, 1934 and June 1, 1935, respectively; and that two days vacation be allowed at the end of each six-week period, with an additional two days December 24 and 25.

*School Calendar.*—WE RECOMMEND, That the Administration be authorized to publish a school calendar.

*Accrediting of the Academy with the Board of Regents.*—WE RECOMMEND, That the following committee be authorized to inspect the school in regard to the matter of Accrediting; D. E. Rebok, C. C. Crisler, Miss Mount, C. C. Morris, and the Principal.

*Summer School Work for Students.*—WE RECOMMEND, (a) That summer school

work for children in grades one to eight be discouraged; but that where work along school lines is desired for the summer months for such children, it be supplied in the form of specially assigned review work, collateral reading, etc.

(b) That where academic students desire to take summer work, whether through the Academy or the Home Study Institute, such work, in order to receive recognition by the school, shall be arranged for in counsel with the faculty, and that credit accepted for such work not be in excess of the equivalent of one-half year's work in one subject.

(c) That application for summer school work be made in writing by the parents of children who desire such work.

*Summer Work for Teachers.*—WE RECOMMEND. That the summer work of the Far Eastern Academy Faculty be left to the local board to arrange.

*Personnel of Faculty for Coming School Year.*—PRINCIPAL AND BUSINESS MANAGER, H. H. Morse; TEACHERS, H. H. Morse, Prof. and Mrs. Larsen (on furlough), Mrs. C. C. Crisler. Miss Nell Ketterman, Mrs. H. H. Morse, Miss Beatrice Crisler.

WE RECOMMEND, That the work of the teaching staff and the classes of those to leave on furlough, be arranged for by the local board.

*Executive Board.*—H. W. Miller, *Chairman*; H. H. Morse, *Secretary*; C. C. Crisler, C. C. Morris, E. L. Longway, Bessie Mount, John Oss, N. F. Brewer, G. J. Appel, K. H. Wood, M. C. Warren, G. L. Wilkinson, J. Effenberg, O. A. Hall, W. A. Scharffenberg, B. A. Liu, W. A. Scott, F. Lee, D. E. Rebok, S. L. Frost, C. F. Larsen, E. R. Thiele, L. H. Butka.

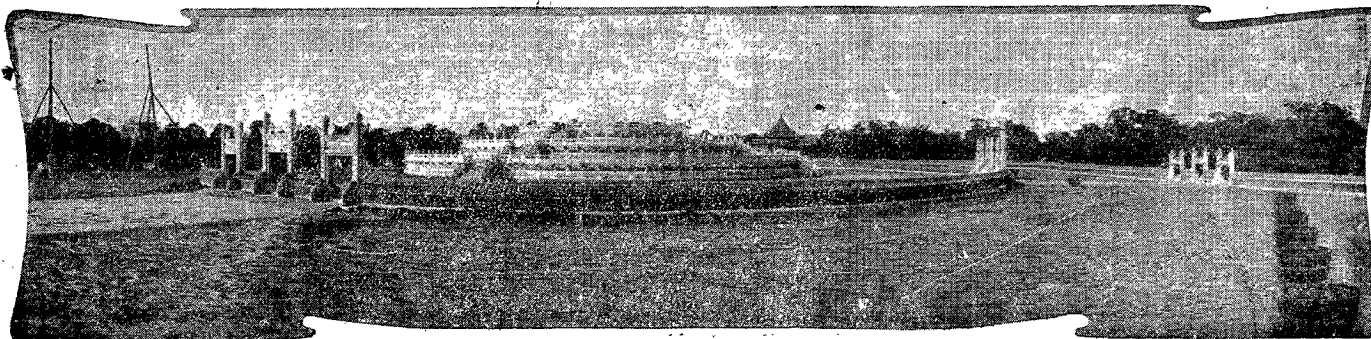
*Local Board.*—C. C. Morris, *Chairman*; H. H. Morse, *Vice-Chairman and Secretary*; H. W. Miller, C. C. Crisler, K. H. Wood, C. F. Larsen, Bessie Mount, D. E. Rebok, E. R. Thiele.

Voted, to adjourn.

H. W. MILLER, *Chairman*;  
C. F. LARSEN, *Secretary*.

### The Altar of Heaven, Peking, China

From time immemorial the Chinese emperor, as the high priest of the nation, at the time of the winter solstice made public acknowledgment by a sacrificial service, of a Power and Ruler, a spiritual Being, denominated Shang-ti—"the Supreme God." For several centuries until the passing of the monarchy a few years ago, this service was held annually in the beautiful grounds of the Temple of Heaven, just outside the walls of Peking.



The Altar of Heaven, Peking, China

## A Record of Medical Missionary Endeavor in the China Division of Seventh-day Adventists during the Year 1933

### China Division Medical Dept.

Dr. H. W. MILLER

*(Report rendered by Dr. H. W. Miller, secretary of the China Division Medical Department, during the Winter Council of the Division Committee. This report covers the year 1933.)*

OUR medical work was given us from Heaven chiefly to restore in man the divine image, and, through its combined physical and spiritual influence, to present him as a fit subject for the kingdom; to alleviate pain and suffering; to aid the workers and members of the church in the development of strong bodies, free from disease; and to promote lofty thought and spiritual life. It is especially helpful in reaching the higher classes and men of means; and in the Spirit of prophecy we read: "As a means of overcoming prejudice and gaining access to minds, medical missionary work must be done, not in one or two places only, but in many places where the truth has not yet been proclaimed."

"Again and again I have been instructed that the medical missionary work is to bear the same relation to the work of the third angel's message that the arm and hand bear to the body. Under the direction of the divine Head they are to work unitedly in preparing the way for the coming of Christ. The right arm of the body of truth is to be constantly active, constantly at work, and God will strengthen it...."

"Heavenly angels are waiting for human beings to cooperate with them in the practical carrying out of the principles of truth. It is through the agency of our sanitariums and kindred enterprises that much of this work is to be done. These institutions are to be God's memorials, where His healing power can reach all classes, high and low, rich and poor. Every dollar invested in them for Christ's sake will bring blessings both to the giver and to suffering humanity." *"Counsels on Health," pp. 513, 219.*

We are glad to be able to report a very substantial increase in our medical work throughout the Division during this past year. We now have a staff of twenty physicians, twelve of whom are foreign, and eight Chinese. The following figures are approximate: We have two hundred student nurses enrolled in our training schools. Including the above staff, there is a total of three hundred and fifty employees in our medical institutions, which are now supported out of the institutional earnings, with the exception of a few of the foreign doctors who are being paid by appropriations from the homeland, together with sundry

appropriations to promote and maintain mission dispensary work, charity medical work, etc. The appropriations from the General Conference during 1933 amounted to Mex. \$66,000; whereas, in 1930 the appropriations from the General Conference amounted to Mex. \$86,000. At that time we had two hundred and seventy-five employees in our medical institutions, which included a staff of fourteen physicians. It is being proposed that appropriations be still further reduced, with the hope that with future development our entire medical work throughout the Division can be self-supporting. If the amount of money that has been put into improvements out of the earnings of our medical institutions during 1933 had been paid toward the salaries of workers, our medical work could have been said to be self-supporting in the China Division, even including all the help that is employed. Truly, such a record bears out the position that the medical work has in relation to the message as a whole—the right arm; and we know that the body is supported very largely with the right arm.

Were we to consider still further the influence our medical work has in our Harvest Ingathering work and in gaining special contributions for institutional development, the resources that come to us through our medical work would be still further multiplied.

At the same time, these institutions and our medical missionaries located here and there do prove to be a great asset to our workers and church members in the care of their health and in times of illness. Years ago all such service had to be sought at great inconvenience as well as expense, but to-day medical help is near in almost every section of our field. Furthermore, a large group of our young people, many of whom come from poor homes, can now obtain a nurses' training in our institutions, which is a decided advantage from the standpoint of self-support.

We are glad to see a number of our nurses, as well as several of our doctors, developing self-supporting medical centers. Some of these centers are under union supervision and pay, but nevertheless support themselves and bring in an income. On my recent visit to Central China, I learned that one of our nurses, who is under the pay of the Honan Mission, operates a dispensary-clinic at Djou Kia Kou. He is paying his expenses and rental charges, as well as purchasing all supplies used, and in addition he is able to turn in to the mission a small sum of money every week, besides his tithes. In addition to his other responsibilities, he is acting elder of the local church. Now that we are beginning to train large groups of young

people; we ought to develop small dispensaries with a nurse in charge and have them affiliated with our central medical institutions, which can be visited frequently by the chief physician or other members of his staff. Such small centers will be a real support in referring to these institutions for their care the more difficult cases. As this connection develops and grows more and more, it will afford a very dependable line of patronage for our hospitals.

Our medical work is proving to be a splendid, direct evangelistic agency. From the sanitarium alone, a goodly number of staunch Seventh-day Adventist members come into our church, who formerly have been idol-worshippers. Just at the beginning of this meeting, I received a letter from one of our patients who is now a baptized member through contacts made at the sanitarium. She took as her goal in the Harvest Ingathering \$500 and has met it. She is now applying to come to take the nurses' training at the sanitarium. Another patient, who has contributed very liberally to our work in many ways, went out in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign this year and was instrumental in gathering \$1,000.

Thus we feel that the Lord's special blessing has been upon our medical work in a very marked manner this past year; and as we near the time of the end we shall look forward to its increasing importance as one of God's chosen means for bringing salvation to the lost in this old world.

The first special advance made this past year was the opening and dedication of the Mukden Sanitarium. This institution was dedicated on the 25th of May, and has had a fair degree of patronage during the past few months. We believe that this institution has already made a considerable impression on men of influence in that land, and we are thankful indeed that God has preserved us through the many crises that have faced our work during the recent few years.

In Sianfu, a nice, modest dispensary has been built; and if time permitted, a very interesting story could be related concerning the splendid work that Mrs. Coberly has carried forward in the dispensary there.

Beginnings at least have been made toward the development of another hospital unit in the Northwest of China. After much deliberation, Lanchow was settled on as the future location of our hospital, and a very good site has been secured in that large city for our work. It is hoped that before another annual meeting, we shall have this hospital in active operation, under the leadership of Dr. and Mrs. Vinkel, who have done such splendid and acceptable work in the clinic at Mukden.

A campaign has been launched for the development of a sanitarium in the great city of Canton. A very good and encouraging response was met with by those who solicited funds, and altogether approximately one-third\* of the required money is in hand and in sight for the building of this institution, which certainly is greatly needed, as is evident when you visit the work of Dr. Bates, which started with nothing and has as yet had no appropriation. At the present time, he has a tubercular village which he built out of the earnings of his own work in the care of tubercular patients.

A substantial addition has been made to our Nanning Hospital, which hospital is reported to be running to its full capacity all the while under the efficient management of Dr. Day D. Coffin and his staff. In a recent letter from Dr. Coffin, he says that in many of their departments they have practically doubled their work since 1931, and in some instances have more than doubled it.

Some improvements have been added to the Shanghai Sanitarium and Clinic

out of the earnings of the institution. This institution has enjoyed a prosperous year, with something near four thousand house patients being cared for during the year, which, of course, is tying a larger constituency each succeeding year to this now well-known medical institution in the Orient.

We have been able to place a doctor in Tatsienlu during this past year—Dr. Harold E. James and his wife having arrived early in the year and having first spent several months in language study in Chungking. They reached their final destination at Tatsienlu the latter part of the year, and have already reported some very encouraging prospects, not only in their medical work, but also in evangelistic efforts as well.

A boys' dormitory and a dispensary have been built and added to the Kalgan Sanitarium, of which institution Dr. Coulston has charge. This institution has had a very remarkable growth and is making its full way.

I cannot speak in too complimentary terms of my impressions of the work

being carried on at the Yencheng Hospital by Dr. Brines and his staff. Here we find a very efficient organization in both the medical and the business features of the work. Some three hundred and sixty operations were performed there in 1933, and this coming year they will be graduating a class of sixteen nurses. One very encouraging feature of the work is that the Doctor has trained largely the members of his staff who are now operating this institution.

The Doctors James have been away from Waichow, Kwangtung, during the major portion of the past year. During their absence Brother and Sister Schutt have carried on with the assistance of a Chinese doctor. We understand the institution has enjoyed a fair degree of patronage.

Several leading Chinese doctors have received our message this past year, and we may refer to their institutions as actually Seventh-day Adventist work. We call attention to Dr. Ho, who came into our message in Chengchow; Dr. Gao, in Lanchow; Dr. Mau, in Sining, and another young doctor from Ninghsia, who has now become a worker in our cause in the Northwest. Dr. Li, another of our doctors, who is now in Cheefoo, is doing a very commendable work.

We were glad to add to our medical staff in the China Division last year, Miss Lydia Siebold, head nurse at the Shanghai Sanitarium; and Dr. Herbert Liu, who is now connected with the China Training Institute as its physician. No doubt through Dr. Liu's work there will be developed a representative medical work in that institution.

Another far-reaching influence in our medical work is the employment of our Adventist nurses in the homes of leading officials in China...

We regret that we have not been able to do more along the line of getting out health literature, as health promotion through health lectures, institutes, and literature is one of the important features of our work. However, the medical book has had a very encouraging sale this past year. In the November issue of the *China Medical Journal* there appeared a long article on thyroid disease. The *Signs* magazine has presented quite a number of health articles during the past year.

Considerable interest and organization has been noted during the last year in the preparation of new foods and in the bettering of the dietary in hospitals and schools. Gradually, we are studying the products of this land, and are depending on them more largely than heretofore. Our schools as well as our health institutions are endeavoring to adopt a complete health program, even including a strict vegetarian diet. We hope to see each institution supporting and adhering to the health principles held by Seventh-day Adventists,—striving to be representative of the light that has come to this people on healthful living.

We hope soon to have a model health food factory, which we trust will not only prove to be of great value to the industrial department of our Canton



The Mukden (Manchuria) Sanitarium, in Peiling Park, near the City.  
(Photo taken in mid-winter.)



Middle School, but will produce better foods at cheaper prices than we have been able to secure in the past.

Great opportunities are before us just now for developing a vegetarian milk. The success attained through the short period of experimentation would indicate the great possibility of our providing an absolutely vegetarian dietary, even, to our being able to put out a well-balanced dietary without the use of any animal product, such as milk, butter, and eggs. We confidently believe that in the development of health foods in China lies one of the most useful and practical lines of school industries, and trust that this line, which we as a denomination have pioneered, may be given very definite and practical study; for we feel that the success attained at least in one or two instances in other countries shows us the possibilities here in China.

I shall not endeavor to name the large number of prominent people who have come to our several medical institutions this past year. Each year finds them more numerous, and many advantages have been extended our work through those who have become acquainted with it while in our sanitariums and hospitals. Even as far north as the capital of Manchuria, the \_\_\_\_\_ gave audience to our brethren through the fact that his secretary had had an operation in the Shanghai Sanitarium. Each year, of course, records a number of cures that have been effected by our medical workers through the blessing of God...

In one of our hospitals was a woman who had been suffering from a very serious affliction, the treatment of which resulted in bettering her general condition; but the loss of her voice ran on for some time. As a result of an earnest prayer-season, her voice was immediately restored to her.

Another very remarkable case was that of a German Captain who was wounded in the World War some sixteen or seventeen years ago. His bowel was discharging from a hole in the abdomen. Even though he had had eleven operations by the best German surgeons, his condition continued to remain as it was until he finally came to the Shanghai Sanitarium and underwent a heavy opera-

tion, which has now resulted in his cure. He credits the successful result to the fact that this time he was in a Christian institution, and he believes God blessed the methods used for his treatment.

Dr. Coulston has had some very interesting experiences in his work at Kalgan. He tells of one lady who had grown very seriously ill, until her friends all felt that death was rapidly gripping her; and, as is customary frequently, she was laid away in her coffin; but some friend prevailed on them to have the foreign doctor come. Dr. Coulston saw the woman was in a very critical condition, but persuaded them to lift her from the coffin. She was placed on the operating table, was successfully operated on, and to-day is living and is enjoying quite a good degree of health.

Recently a patient entered our institution with a very large cancer of the breast. This had necrosed until it was in a dreadful condition. We could promise her but little. However, she had great faith that we somehow could help her out. The operation was undertaken, and a wide area was removed. Skin was taken from other parts of her body to cover over this large raw place. She remained with us for several weeks, during which time she was given Bible readings, and is now rejoicing in the knowledge of the truth and is in regular attendance at our church service. Nothing short of the marvelous healing power of God accomplishes such results.

This last year an unusually large tumor was removed by Dr. Brines from a patient in the Yencheng Hospital. Such a case will doubtless prove of wide interest and is being reported by the doctor for the Medical Journal at home. It is doubtless one of the largest tumors of this kind, in which was found parts of the structure of an arm, hand, finger nails, teeth, etc. This man has made recovery and has been delivered from this tremendous, unsightly tumor which practically incapacitated him for any service.

We are thankful to God for His power. Throughout our medical work He is recognized as the One who heals disease. Through His blessing we hope to see this company of medical workers increased

from year to year to respond to the needs of the suffering found in untold numbers in this great land.

We hope and trust that God will multiply the blessings of our health work in behalf of this great, needy people, and that it may prove to be a means of helpfulness to lead thousands to seek salvation from moral imperfection as well as from their physical ailments. And this happy result we already see taking place in the lives of many who have in faith laid hold on the Heaven-sent principles that have characterized the conduct of our medical work from the beginning.

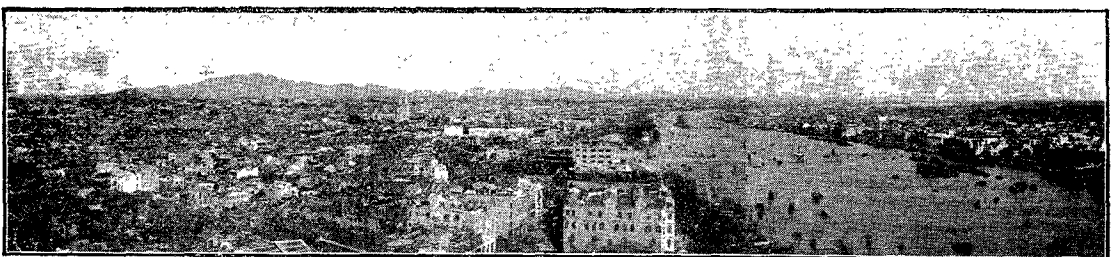
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## The Medical Work in Kwangsi

DR. DAY D. COFFIN

We have just passed a very peaceful and quiet year in Kwangsi—the only quiet year for many years. We are grateful to God for times of peace. We have treated most of the officials of Kwangsi Province. Besides receiving old friends, we have made new contacts during the year at our Nanning Sanitarium and Hospital. Two outstanding improvements mark the past year,—the addition of a new wing to provide more hospital space, and the installation of a fully equipped laboratory. In past years, with an illy-equipped laboratory, and no technician to assist us, we have been handicapped. These two improvements, costing ten thousand dollars local currency, were met from the earnings of the institution—not including any special receipts or H. I. funds. During 1933 we had 7,015 out-patients, with 3,185 return visits. Our in-patients register totaled 850—an increase of 180 over the year 1932. We had 7,211 in-patient days. During the year we took care of 128 O.B. patients.

We thank the Lord for His blessings during the past year; but we have not been satisfied with the spiritual progress made on our own part, and long for larger blessings spiritual, as well as temporal, in days to come.



Along the Pearl River, Canton. The Canton Sanitarium-Hospital is being established in the suburb known as "Tungshan," where for many years our Canton School has been conducted.



# Among Our Bookmen of the China Division

## The China Division Publishing Department

JOHN OSS

(A Synopsis of an annual report rendered by Pastor John Oss, division publishing department secretary, at the time of the Winter Council held in Shanghai in January, 1934. This report covers the year 1933. All figures are in Mexican.)

IN the Spirit of prophecy we have this significant statement: "Our publishing work was established by the direction of God and under His special supervision. It was designed to accomplish a specific purpose. Seventh-day Adventists have been chosen by God as a peculiar people, separate from the world. By the great cleaver of truth He has cut them out from the quarry of the world, and brought them into connection with Himself. He has made them His representatives, and has called them to be ambassadors for Him in the last work of salvation. The greatest wealth of truth ever entrusted to mortals, the most solemn and fearful warnings ever sent by God to man, have been committed to them to be given to the world; and in the accomplishment of this work our publishing houses are among the most effective agencies." —"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. 7, p. 138.

The publishing work during 1933 has passed through a troublous and trying year. From January 1, when Shanhaikwan, the gateway into North China, fell to the Japanese, to December 31, when war clouds were hovering over Foochow, our colporteurs had more than the usual amount of difficulties as they carried on their work. A civil war of large proportions in Szechwan and Kweichow during part of the year, and the fierce struggle in Central China between the independent and the Central forces, added to our perplexities; while the Yellow River flood and the tightening grip of the economic depression have further increased our difficulties.

I wish to express my appreciation for the loyal work done by our general men in responsibility; and for the advances made by our faithful book-leaders and colporteurs. We have appreciated the work done during the year by Pastor Stafford in

the publishing house while Brother Scott was in language study; and now that Brother Scott has taken up his work at the publishing house, we wish to extend to him a welcome.

I shall now give a brief review of the Unions, beginning with—

**West China.**—An average of 15 colporteurs worked 7,860 hours and sold \$16,384.86 worth of literature, or an average of \$1,092.32 per colporteur. Prospects look encouraging for 1934.

**South China.**—\$53,414.57 worth of literature was sold as compared with \$52,288.19 during 1932. The 23 colporteurs working throughout the year worked 11,039 hours and each sold an average of \$2,322.37 worth of literature.

During mid-summer, Brother R. M. Milne who has given us strong leadership in South China for many years, accepted a call to Malaya to head the publishing and home missionary work there. We wish to express appreciation for his faithful services in South China, and wish him and Sister Milne much success in their new field. The assistant secretary was asked to assume responsibility temporarily for the department following Brother Milne's departure. Brother Wu Jung Hwa has been doing faithful work since Brother Milne left.

Brother and Sister Wimer, of the Canadian Union, have arrived in Hongkong to take up the work laid down by Brother and Sister Milne. They are already located and are busy at the language.

**Central China.**—The distribution of religious literature in this field has suffered much from Communistic uprisings, and from the results of the Yangtze floods. In spite of difficulties our colporteurs have worked on, and under the leadership of Brother Dzou Pei Hsin and faithful local mission secretaries, they have sold \$28,010.65 worth of literature. There was an average of 34 colporteurs working. The prospects look encouraging for securing many *Signs* subscriptions in Central China this year. A plan is on foot to greatly increase the colporteur force. The book leaders are working hard to get the colporteurs into every hsien during 1934.

**East China.**—East China made a gain of \$9,228.54 as compared with 1932. The 20 colporteurs reported working 12,843 hours. They each sold an average of \$2,582.69 worth of literature. Pastor F. M. Larsen, who has served East China so faithfully as field missionary secretary, was called to Manchuria during October; and Brother Chang Ching Yuan, former assistant union field missionary secretary was asked to take the full departmental leadership for the East China Union. There are great possibilities before our publishing work in this rich field, with its many large cities.

**Northwest China.**—Eleven colporteurs sold \$9,926.80 worth of literature in this far-flung field. The Northwest China Union Mission presents many problems. Great distances make it difficult to get about. Field missionary secretaries have been selected for Shensi and Kansu; we are still lacking a union bookman.

Many inquiries have come to the department regarding the whereabouts of our two colporteurs, brethren Dzung Hsiang Pu and Beh Chin Chien, who pioneered our literature work in Northwest China. After finishing in Sinkiang, they left the capital, Tihwa, about a year ago. A letter written just before leaving mentioned the trouble in southeastern Sinkiang, and that they did not know if they would return by the great highway or by the Mongolian grasslands. Whether they lost their lives at Hami during the massacre there following the fall of that city, or whether possibly they met with brigands while enroute to that place; or whether perchance, they attempted to return via Mongolia and lost their lives somewhere on the Gobi desert, perhaps we shall never know.

At the recent meeting at Lanchow an action of appreciation was taken for the good work done, and an expression of condolence was drafted and sent on to the families. Three people that we know of are keeping the Sabbath as a result of the efforts of these pioneer bookmen. Though they without doubt rest from their labors, their works indeed do follow after them.

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## Among Our Bookmen of the China Division

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It gives us courage to know that two of our brethren have volunteered to go into Sinkiang to follow up the work laid down by these faithful men. As we see this spirit of sacrifice and courage, we have great hope for the future of our literature work.

*Manchuria.*—The 13 colporteurs in Manchuria sold \$20,005.24 worth of literature, making a gain of \$6,243.51 over the previous year.

Brother C. D. Smith, who had charge of our publishing work, was forced on account of failing health to return to the States permanently in the spring of the year; and the field was left without any permanent leadership until Pastor and Mrs. F. M. Larsen arrived there the latter part of the year.

Manchuria has a great future. Besides the Chinese literature sold, some literature is printed by Russian believers in Harbin, and work is being done among the many Koreans resident there. The fact that many Japanese are flocking into that country, enlarges our field for the sale of Japanese literature.

*North China.*—North China has had a most troublous year. They have been unable to work in parts of their territory during much of the year, owing to the war raging. In spite of all difficulties, the brethren have pushed forward. The 42 colporteurs there sold \$36,958.72 worth of literature. North China has made a good gain in sales for four consecutive years. Pastor Esteb and his associates are working hard with the Signs. They have given special attention to work among the many villages of North China.

*Our Mongolian printing plant,* located at Kalgan, brought into being by gifts from our workers gathered at the quadrennial council two years ago, is producing Mongolian literature. From a letter received from Brother Christensen the other day, I quote:

"This year we have printed 2,000 copies of the tract, 'The Beginning and End of All Things', 1,000 copies of the tract, 'When Will the End Be?', 200 copies of the 'Ten Commandments', 95 Sabbath School Quarterlies, including four quarters (these were mimeographed), besides five songs on single sheets, about 50 copies of each.

"At the present time we have all set up, and ready to print, the tracts, 'The Coming of a Great World Kingdom' and 'Christ Our Advocate.' We are also setting up the 'Story of Jesus.' Our translator is working on the book, 'The Way of Life,' translating from the Chinese. When he gets through we shall go over it together from both languages. I hope to put in an extra chapter on health, and to get it out in book form."

*Total Working Forces.*—From January 1 to December 31 there has been an average of 158 colporteurs in the Division. For the year, the Press sales show that the reportable China Division sales are \$235,332.95, or a gain of \$3,536.11 as compared with the year 1932.

*Appreciation.*—We wish to express our appreciation to the General Conference for the visit to us of Pastor H. H. Hall, head of the publishing department. His help at the conventions was greatly appreciated, and has strengthened much the work of our department in the China field.

One of the outstanding accomplishments of the year was the preparation of a "Book and Periodical House Manual" prepared after the convention, and into which was incorporated many things studied at the conventions. All blanks used by Book and Periodical Houses have been standardized, and are arranged in bi-lingual form.

*Plans for Working Our Large Cities.*—During the recent troublous years in China, many people of means and influence have flocked toward the larger cities, and are making these their permanent abode. Our large cities present a mighty challenge to our publishing department today, just as it likewise does to every other branch of our work. Think of the millions in these large centers. The city of Shanghai alone has a population equal to the combined population of the provinces of Sinkiang and Chinghai.

We are not doing a fraction of what should be done in these large centers. Steps should be taken at once to select and train more colporteurs for city work. There are wonderful possibilities in the wealthy centers greatly to increase our literature sales.

*Colporteurs Associating with Public Efforts.*—Another plan the department wishes to recommend is that of having our colporteurs associated with large efforts being held. If some of our best colporteurs could join these efforts, carrying on their work at the time the efforts were in progress, it would be an excellent plan.

*Village Work.*—The sort of work done among the villages of North China should be duplicated in all our fields. It is really remarkable what can be done with our literature in the country districts. Great possibilities lie before us in the development of our country work.

*Selling Our Smaller Literature.*—One feature of our literature work that needs special study is the development of a larger group of workers to sell our smaller literature. In many places we are not doing as much along this line as we were five or more years ago. There was a time in some fields when there were about as many selling smaller literature as our larger books and magazines. One reason why our colporteur force is not increasing more rapidly is that we do not have more selling smaller publications, thus preparing for the sale of the larger volumes.

*Fall Institutes.*—We should revive the plan of holding Fall Institutes. I remember when we used to consider it a definite part of our regular program to conduct short departmental institutes in the early autumn months.

After our regular colporteurs have gone through the hot summer months, the tendency is to relax their efforts. Then, too, there are sometimes students who for various reasons cannot return to school. If at the close of the hot season short institutes could be held, into which have been called regular workers and also as many new workers as possible, this would start the fall work off in a strong way. These institutes may be held in the field, the leaders going to the places where

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the colporteurs are working. Help should be given the colporteurs in actual selling. We believe these fall institutes, properly conducted, would not involve a great expense, and would help the colporteurs to carry on much stronger work during the autumn months when the weather is the most ideal of all the year. We trust that our field missionary secretaries can be free to help the colporteurs during these most productive months of the year.

*Student Colportage.*— This feature of our work needs more attention. During 1933 only 8 full scholarships and 33 half scholarships were earned. (There was no report from West China or Manchuria.) We must do all we can to reduce the number of failures among students entering the colportage work.

We do wish to voice our approval of the "Company Plan" advocated by the Educational Department. If the students could be grouped, and their work carefully supervised, much greater results would be seen.

It is our conviction that greater care should be taken in advising students as to the kind of books they should sell. Often inexperienced students endeavor to sell larger books than they are capable of handling successfully.

The department is preparing material for study for the colporteur bands in our schools. Strong band work should be carried on in all our schools, and institutes should be held before the close of the school year.

*"Signs of the Times" Magazine.*— Let us continue to strive toward our long-looked-for 100,000 goal. It is our conviction that with better conditions obtaining in Manchuria, greater possibilities in Malaya, and better conditions in Central China, we ought to show good gains this year. Our list should soon find its former level. The \$1.50 price is proving a help to the publishing house, and to our Book and Periodical houses as well. All these organizations are by the new prices placed on a firmer financial basis, and the colporteurs' income has been increased.

*The "Signs" Campaign.*— A new move in China. It is too early to report as to the results, but it appears much good will come. Should we not plan for another campaign next year and make it one of the regular campaigns of every year?

*Selling Literature among Foreigners.*— This feature of our work needs more attention. There are large numbers of foreign residents in our large cities that need our literature. This is a most fruitful field. The rapidly growing Japanese population need our literature. Large numbers of Chinese are studying English and other languages, and the returned-student class is becoming more numerous. Thousands of dollars worth of foreign literature can be sold annually among this class alone.

Our missionary children might well be encouraged to sell literature among such classes during vacations, thus earning their scholarships for the Far Eastern Academy and our schools at home.

*Tract Distribution by Our Colporteurs.*— We are instructed in the Spirit of prophecy that "The canvasser should carry with him tracts, pamphlets, and small books to give to those who cannot buy. In this way the truth can be introduced into many homes."—"Testimonies," Vol. 6, p. 338.

In harmony with this instruction the department is launching a tract distribution drive during 1934, and has asked for and is receiving \$500 Mex. to subsidize the undertaking. It is our plan to promote the tract distribution idea in a strong way at our coming institutes, and to get all our colporteurs at the work of distributing tracts regularly and systematically as they labor.

We must do more thorough work. Jesus is soon coming, and the warning message must be given to all. Giving special attention to tract distribution would give a strong spiritual mold to our work. It will be a help to our colporteurs, and will give many the message for today.

*In Conclusion.*— Another edition of Dr. Andrews' *Bible Readings* in Tibetan was printed at the Publishing House during mid-summer, and

part of the edition has gone to the field. While at Lanchow recently we met a representative of the Da Lai Lama, and one of the books was handed to him to take to Lhassa. When Mr. Loh San leaves for Lhassa in March, he takes this book with him to the capital of the closed land.

Every piece of literature sold or given away during 1933 has a history. This literature is like seed sown by the great Sower of truth. Some has already fallen into good ground, and has germinated, and will bear an abundant harvest. Some is striving with hearts where there is little soil, or is choked by worldly cares; some may have fallen by the wayside; but all will accomplish that whereunto it has been sent; and in the great day of reckoning the full fruitage will be brought to view.

*The Future.*— We face the future with courage. It is indeed a wonderful privilege to be connected with a work that is "established by the direction of God and under His special supervision." I thank God for our loyal book leaders and colporteurs who are willing to give even life itself for the proclamation of this message. Let us all pray that our workers shall be endued with Pentecostal power, and that greater soul-saving work may be done in 1934 than ever before.

### 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.

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### Our Next Number

Our next issue of the *Reporter*, bearing date of May, will be published very shortly, in order that our readers may be supplied without delay with the remaining reports held over from the Winter Council, together with reports from provincial directors. A careful study of the reports of those who have met with encouragements in the prosecution of their work, always brings courage to others; and oftentimes the plans followed successfully in one field, may well be followed at least in part in other fields.

In our next number will appear an article by Pastor C. C. Morris, China Division Treasurer, on "The Melting Pot for Missions" Offering for Sabbath, May 19. Let us plan to make this day a time of spiritual uplift, as well as an occasion for financial assistance in behalf of missions.

### The Statistics for the Year 1933

The annual statistical number, bearing records as for the entire year 1933, will be mailed out to our readers about a fortnight following the current issue, and will bear date of June. The figures are now nearly all in, and the year reported, has brought us many encouragements, as evidenced in part by the report for the *fourth quarter* (not the annual report, but only the quarterly) given on page four of this issue. The total membership of one of the Unions, the Northwest, for the year, is slightly in excess of that given in this quarterly report, as all the returns had not been gathered together at the time we had this zinc made. This affects favorably our standing at the close of the year as for the entire Division.

### Passing Through

Those living in the Ningkuo Road compound have been refreshed again and again through accounts of the progress of the cause in other lands, as given by passers-by while their ships are lying in our port.

Among our later most welcome visitors have been Professor and Mrs. Frederick Griggs, of the Far Eastern Division, enroute from Malaya to Japan. Their sojourn of two or three days with us gave opportunity for a renewal of old-time friendships and associations. Professor Griggs addressed us at the Ningkuo Road compound during the prayer meeting held the evening of April 11.

Another visitor passing through recently was J. H. McEachern, returning to the Far Eastern Division headquarters at Baguio from an extended trip in Chosen and Japan. He brought word of a very deep interest in the laymen's movement in the countries named, and also of book sales surpassing anything hitherto had in those lands.

### Spending Time in the Fields

In connection with annual meetings and other gatherings that have been held following the close of the Winter Council, several Division and other representatives have spent considerable time in field service.

One of the first meetings to be attended was that held in Wenchow; and the report of this meeting, as given by Pastor Frederick Lee in another issue for May, will be found most interesting. Others in attendance from the Division were Professor D. E. Rebok and Miss Mount, together with several from Shanghai representing the East China Union. The detailed report of the Wenchow meeting as given by South Chekiang officers in their annual summaries, will be found suggestive along lines of close economy combined with rapid occupancy of areas hitherto unserved. (See May No.)

The general meeting in Yunnanfu was attended by Dr. H. W. Miller and Pastor C. C. Morris, both of whom have given to us of the Shanghai compound verbal descriptions of their trip into Yunnan and out again by the devious yet rapid route leading by waterway as far as Wuchow, Kwangsi, and thence across the whole of the province of Kwangsi and on to the railroad in Annam by motor car, beyond which lies the three-day trip along the French railway into Yunnanfu. We are publishing, in our May number, reports from Brethren C. B. Miller and C. B. Guild, of Yunnan. On this trip the representatives from the Division spent considerable time in South China, attending the annual council of the Union executive committee, and also assisting in the Canton Hospital campaign. Dr. Miller, on his way back, touched at mission stations along the South China coast.

The annual meetings of the North China Union were attended by the Division secretary. Reports from some of the directors in the North, also, will appear in our next issue.

In March the Division treasurer was able to meet with the brethren of the North China Union of Peiping, where the annual audit of the books was completed; and from that point Brother Morris went on into Manchuria to spend some weeks in auditing and in attendance at general meetings with the Russians in Harbin and among the Koreans in the Kando Mission. Brother Morris has given us a report of his visit to the North, as published on another page of this number of our paper.

Pastor John Oss, in an article appearing in the May issue, tells of well-attended bookmen's institutes held in four Unions. Brother Oss will complete this series shortly at Canton, and will be returning to the Division headquarters the latter part of April. Pastor E. L. Longway also has been uniting with Union men in holding institutes, an important series having been conducted in the Central China Union. At present Brother Longway is in Canton and Hongkong, undertaking to see through to completion insofar as may be practicable the solicitation campaign in progress in behalf of the Canton Sanitarium and Hospital project. Pastor R. M. Milne, of the Malayan Union, has been released to the South China Union by the Far Eastern Division and Malaya for a month of intensive solicitation work in association with Brother Longway and others in South China.

Pastors E. R. Thiele and Liu Meng Ru and Miss Mount have been spending some weeks in the Central China Union in attendance at annual meetings in Hunan, Hupeh, and Honan.

### Visiting Stations in China

Pastor K. H. Wood, prior to proceeding on his furlough, now due, has taken occasion to visit some of our mission stations in the interior, enroute to Manchouli, where he boards the Siberian Express for the trip homeward. His first stop was at Sianfu, Shensi, following which he has been touching at Chengchow, Yencheng, Kaifengfu, Peiping, Mukden, Changchun, Harbin. By the time these lines are printed, he will have started on the ten-day run across Siberia and Russia by rail. He hopes to have time to visit a few of our denominational centers in Central Europe before taking ship from London or Liverpool for the States. He will be in attendance at the Bible and History Institute appointed for Pacific Union College, Angwin P. O., California, at which point he may be addressed throughout his furlough period.

Miss Josephine Holmes, of the Honan Mission, also plans on attending the summer school at Pacific Union College, as her furlough falls due in time to permit of this.

### At the Shanghai Sanitarium

Guests at the Shanghai Sanitarium have been reporting to us from time to time of special benefits that they are receiving while there as patients for general recuperation. More often than not, when we go to the Sanitarium, we find some representative of our mission from the interior, or from the general offices of our mission, receiving benefits through taking a course of treatment or otherwise seeking for restoration from ailments that now and again have come upon those in active service.

Several reports concerning the work of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Clinic during the past year, are given in this issue. These bring to our knowledge anew the developments taking place in our medical work in Shanghai and throughout the Division field. We bespeak for these reports a careful reading.

Those at the Sanitarium have been glad to welcome back Miss Elizabeth Redelstein, R. N., superintendent of the Nurses' Training School; and a little later they had the added pleasure of welcoming Pastor and Mrs. R. H. Hartwell.

The Home Board have informed us that Dr. R. N. Calvert and family, who had already secured booking for their return to the Shanghai Sanitarium, have been invited by the Home Board to serve in the Florida Sanitarium, and Dr. Calvert has accepted of this appointment to the medical superintendency. His address is: Florida Sanitarium, Orlando, Florida, U. S. A.

### Arrivals

On March 2, per s. s. "President Cleveland," Miss Ruth Lehman, for service in the Division offices.

On March 20, per s. s. "President Jackson," Pastor and Mrs. R. H. Hartwell, returning from furlough, for service in the Shanghai Sanitarium and Clinic, of which institution Pastor Hartwell is the chaplain.

Early in January, Miss Edith Johnson, R. N., of the Yencheng Sanitarium-Hospital, returning from furlough.

### Departures

On March 23, per s. s. "Taiyo-maru" for transfer in Japan to the s. s. "Hikawa-maru" for Seattle, Miss Matilda Follett, R. N., on furlough.