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God's Plan for Financing His Work

H. W. MILLER

THE silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, saith the Lord of hosts." Haggai 2:8. God claims ownership of all the wealth this world possesses. All through the history of His church the Lord has made it clear that He is able to provide for all that which He proposes to have accomplished. All the while, the church is dependent on God for the needed facilities for carrying forward His work. First of all, we know that God's work will always be adequately supported if only every Seventh-day Adventist is faithful in the payment of his tithe. In addition to this, He expects us to contribute to His work in proportion to the way He has prospered us, and in proportion to the opportunities we have for using of our substance for the advancement of His cause.

In cases of special need arising, Jesus was always resourceful. On one occasion He was able to provide food for 5,000. There was practically nothing visibly available that would be sufficient to meet such a requirement. At another time He gave His disciples specific directions as to where they might go to find an animal hitched. They were to speak to the owner and tell him that the Master had need of this colt. The result was that the owner immediately made a special contribution to the need of the Master's work. Again, in waters where the experienced fishermen contended that there were no fish,—that it was off season,—Jesus commanded them to let down their nets where they were; and they did, with the result that the nets were filled almost to the breaking point. Even in the building of the temple, much more was actually provided than was required. All such lessons strengthen our faith and confidence in God's ability to do in these last days a large work that will require finances perhaps far beyond our present comprehension.

As the church see and realize opportunities to enter in with the gospel of salvation, to push the proclamation of the message to a *finished work*, it is their great privilege to call on men and women for resources with which to meet the requirements of God's work. As a result of prayer and consecration on the part of the workers, we may know for a certainty that God will impress hearts to respond. Often from least expected sources we get surprisingly large amounts. Thus the Harvest Ingathering is in full harmony with the Master's own methods, and will be greatly blessed of God to the gathering of much means.

Where can a better cause be found than that which calls for the expenditure of money to bring to men the knowledge of eternal salvation,—that gives them the promise of an eternal existence in a peaceful heaven? With such blessings as we have received in the past when we have entered into these Ingathering campaigns, and facing as we do to-day the greatest needs in the history of our cause, let us enter into this work of soliciting funds by searching for men who will respond with their substance, which will bring to them individually peace, satisfaction, and a great blessing, and to our work resources to enable us to send many more laborers into the vineyards to reap while the harvest is ripe.

The Mid-summer Offering for Missions: A Statement

The Mid-summer Offering, July 21, 1934

C. C. MORRIS

The time of another Mid-summer Offering is near at hand. While, no doubt, most of our readers are familiar with the date, through promotion material sent out by others, we take this opportunity to call attention again to the time of this important offering, and to urge, in view of the many needs of the work, that our brethren and sisters throughout the China Division bring a liberal Mid-summer Offering, Sabbath, July 21.

As An Aid in the Attainment of Our Division Goal of Twenty-five Cents a Week for Missions

C. C. CRISLER

IN the promotion of the Mid-summer Offering for the year 1934, scheduled to be taken up in all our churches throughout the China field on Sabbath, July 21, it is well to remember that the funds thus raised will be included in our regular "Missions Offerings" reports as applicable on the Division Goal of *Twenty-five Cents a Week for Missions*.

It may prove helpful, in promoting this Offering, to make sure of calling attention to it on the Sabbath prior to the date fixed for taking it up. This will give opportunity to all to prepare.

The Home Board, on its part, because of faithfulness of our church members in many lands, find it possible to continue their remittances to the Missions regularly month by month all through the year 1934, without further reductions. We do thank the Lord for this special providence attending the onward prosecution of our work in the China field; for were our appropriations to be lessened during the last half of the present year, we might be unable to enter as many new districts as we shall endeavor to enter on the basis of uninterrupted continuance of the amounts formerly coming to us to supplement the amounts being raised locally in every provincial mission.

It is indeed a privilege to be connected with a Movement that constantly gathers momentum through the liberalities of our dear brethren and sisters who are entering our ranks and uniting with others of our older church members in giving liberally of their means for the support of the Gospel everywhere! May the spirit of beneficence possess every heart on Mid-summer Offering Day, Sabbath, July 21, 1934!

From Field Workers

The "Big Week" Campaign

P. L. WILLIAMS

(Note.—In the South China Union Advance for May we find an excellent article from Brother P. L. Williams, director of the Cantonese Mission, from which we quote.—)

THE goal for the Cantonese Mission during "Big Week" was set at \$ 500. This was divided among the churches and chapels according to the location and prospects of each. Full reports are not in yet, but some that have come to us are very encouraging. The Hongkong English and Chinese church at Arbutnot Road received \$73.50; and at the time several were absent, and some books remained unsold. The children of the Hongkong church school sold 29 of this year's books, and 21 of those left over from last year. I believe we adults will have to take off our hats to them.

Good word has come from the Tungshan effort during "Big Week", they having sold over \$200 the first day. Miss Loo, the Bible worker, sold \$45 worth of books her first day. We are thankful for these and other good records being made, and believe the year's "Big Week" sales will bring us our goal in full.

The Canton Sanitarium and Hospital enterprise is under way, land having been leveled and foundations laid. We are thankful for the labors of Brethren Milne and Longway in solicitation work in behalf of our Canton Sanitarium project, and also for what has been done in our behalf by Dr. Miller and many other friends in Shanghai, who have contributed very liberally indeed.

From Pastor Geo. J. Appel

MANY communications have come into the division office from Pastor Geo. J. Appel since he reached Lanchow, Kansu, on his special mission of assisting in that center and throughout the Northwest Mission for a few months, while building work is in process in connection with the founding of a Sanitarium-Hospital and the providing of living quarters. In addition to the main building for the sanitarium, the foundations for which have already been placed, there are to be some small buildings; also two cottages for the use of foreign families stationed there. Through several

special providences, deeds have been stamped for the land purchased last autumn on the occasion of the visit of Dr. Miller and Brother C. C. Morris to that center; and now all is cleared for the rapid prosecution of the building work. Dr. M. H. Vinkel, formerly in charge of the Mukden Clinic, has been transferred with his family to Lanchow, and has already safely reached that city. Brother and Sister P. H. Shigley also are in Lanchow. Pastor J. H. Effenberg, the union superintendent, is on furlough with his family in Germany. Because of the urgent need of pressing forward with the establishment of needed facilities in the Northwest, the North China Union graciously assented to the request of the China Division Executive Committee to release Pastor Geo. J. Appel for a few months at Lanchow and vicinity. This gift from the North is made at much sacrifice in the Peiping center; for a large work is in progress in the North. Brother H. W. Christian, secretary-treasurer of the North China Union, is serving temporarily as chairman of the union at times when the executive committee must meet. Prior to Brother Appel's departure, the committee carefully arranged the spring and summer campaigns, anticipating as they did that Brother Appel himself might not be able to return from the Northwest until late in the summer. Since his departure, he has been able to keep in touch with the North by means of the air-mail service—a great blessing to our mission work throughout the China Division. Until recently, the distances between stations and unions made correspondence a slow and tedious method of arriving at understandings. Not so to-day, with the rapid air-mail service linking many centers, including Peiping and Lanchow, with the general headquarters.

In his correspondence with the division office, Brother Appel has told us of his sorrow over the death of Dr. Coulston. Under date of May 30, he writes:

"Another air-mail has come in, and your letter has been received. We feel very keenly the terrible loss that has come to us in the sudden illness and death of Dr. Coulston. Brother Christian has written me the details; and his letter brings the comforting word that the doctor was ready to go, and was reconciled to his situation. Of course we wish we could be in North China to-day, in attendance at the doctor's funeral. We are praying that the Lord will comfort Sister Coulston in her bereavement.

"It is very kind of the Division Committee to arrange for Dr. Herbert K. Liu to help out at Kalgan during this crisis. We hope that Sister Coulston will be willing to stay for at least a time, and that Miss Johnson may soon connect with the work in Kalgan. I trust that if a call be placed for another foreign doctor, this will be done early."

Much more might be quoted. Suffice it to say that the contribution Brother Appel and the North China Union are making at this time to the Northwest China Union, is much appreciated by the China Division Executive Committee and by Brother Effenberg and those stationed in that great area.

Swatow Workers Institute

O. A. HALL

ON April 6 to 14 all the workers of the Swatow Provincial Mission were gathered at the Swatow chapel for a workers institute. Teachers, colporteurs, and evangelists united in the meeting, to the profit of all. The reports of the director, Pastor K. T. Khng, and of the treasurer and the departmental secretaries, indicated that good work is being done. For the year 1934, high goals were set; the evangelists taking part by fixing upon personal goals in soul winning and in baptisms.

Pastor John Oss was present from the division, and gave many studies on the distribution of evangelistic literature, and on the conduct of our missionary campaigns. April 15 was spent as "Big Week" field day, twenty bands with goals taking part, with good results. The prospects are excellent for a good year in the Swatow Mission.

Public Meetings in Pak Tong

WONG YAP CHIU

THE work was opened in Pak Tong (Hakka Mission) about twenty years ago. Recently we rented a larger chapel for special evangelistic services, led by Pastors P. V. Thomas and T. P. Tshi and Brother Chong. The meetings, held from seven to eight o'clock every evening, are supplemented by house-to-house visitations, distribution of literature, calling on friends in surrounding villages, etc. We find welcome everywhere we go. In our public meetings we find that the special music and the stereopticon add to the interest. The people come, notwithstanding wind and rain; some nights many stand outside. A baptismal class of five men and nine women has been formed, and we now request the prayers of all in their behalf.

REPORT OF THE WEST SZECHWAN MISSION FOR 1933

A. B. BUZZELL, *Director*

THE West Szechwan Mission, the second mission to be established by the West China Union, is situated in the richest part of the Szechwan Province, and, I dare say, is the richest section of all the West China Union. This mission had its beginning in 1918, under the labors of Pastor and Mrs. C. L. Blandford; but although it is one of the oldest missions in West China, it is still next to the smallest.

Last year, on August 26, Mrs. Buzzell and I arrived here to take over the work laid down by Brother C. A. Woolsey. As I traveled through the territory comprising the West Szechwan field and saw how thickly the country is dotted with cities and how dense are the masses of people, I was impressed with the great responsibility that has been laid upon us who lead out in the giving of the message to this great field.

It is a field of multiplied opportunities, and my prayer is that God may give each one of us a comprehension of the work that must be done if we are counted as faithful stewards when he comes.

The original seven hsien that were open here were: Chengtu Hsinchin, Pensan, Chienchow, Chungkingchow, Kwanshien Weichow. Of those Pensan, Chienchow, and Hsinchin had been closed. Two of these, Pensan and Hsinchin have been reopened.

When we came to West Szechwan the membership of the whole mission was just one hundred and twenty-four; it now stands at one hundred and forty-nine. We are glad for this increase. At Hsienchin we have a well-equipped chapel. Dzen Ih Yen, the worker at that place, also has charge of the work at Kunglistang, and the work is going on well in both places. Mrs. Liao is doing faithful work there also among the women. The Lord has blessed us in reopening this city.

At Kwanshien we have our own chapel, with Chen Hwa Hsuen in charge of this place and also, Hochinpo. In Hochinpo, one of the first outstations opened in West Szechwan, there are many faithful members, and God is leading out there as in other places.

For over two years the work at Chungkingchow has been opened anew. Pastor Yu Tse Min has worked here under very discouraging circumstances. He has lived in a small shack outside the north gate,

the only entrance to which is at the back through rice fields. He has had no chapel equipment, no seats; so the neighbors loaned him theirs when he held meetings. His meetings are all held in the yard of this shack. When it rains it is impossible to hold a meeting. I was with him recently and saw the learners come to Sabbath school bringing their own benches to sit on. While one is made happy to witness such earnestness, I hope that we shall not have to continue to do this way long. We spent a few days at Chungkingchow looking for a suitable place for a chapel. In spite of all the handicaps under which Pastor Yu has labored, there are some now ready for baptism at this place.

For many years we have wanted to start mission work up in the mountains of Weichow. Pastor Blandford was the first to make a trip into that section, but mission activities were not begun there until the time of our last annual meeting, when, at the request of the committee, Lin Han Chin and his wife began work there. Brother and Sister Lin have met with many hardships and have had to endure many sacrifices. Last year they passed through a severe earthquake and flood. Their house was washed away and they lost everything they had. But their lives were spared, for which we praise God. God has blessed the work of Lin Han Chin, and today we have representatives of the Ch'iang Min tribe here at this meeting.

The history of the Ch'iang Min tribe dates back to the days of Christ. Long before the Chinese settled in this part, they were here. Not long ago I was reading of a trip that a missionary made up in that section. He said in part, "There has never been any work done among these people. They have never heard the gospel. Who will be the first to start work for that people?" I am glad that we have answered that question. We have work there with one baptized member and others attending this meeting who are planning to be baptized before they return home. May God continue to bless our efforts for these tribes people.

We have no paid worker in Pensan, but one of our former colporteurs, who is now staying at home to help in his father's business has opened a Sabbath school. This school has a membership of over twenty persons. In this way Li Wei Hsin is awakening new interests there. Pensan, you will remember as one of the places closed, but Li

Wei Hsin is doing what he can to keep a light burning there.

A few months ago I received from the city of Kiating a letter from a man named Ku Wen Men. He asked us to come to that city and start work there. He had heard something of this truth years before, but had not had opportunity to learn it all. We made a trip to Kiating and spent several days, giving Bible readings to him and others who were interested. We have called for Lo Yin Chang from the West Kweichow Mission to locate in Kiating, and we hope that he will be able to do a faithful work there. In the meantime we have sent Dzen Ih Yen to Kiating to be with these inquirers until Lo Yin Chang can arrive from Pichieh. So another hsien is open, for which we are very happy.

There has been a gain in the number of Sabbath schools in this field, but it was until the first quarter of this year that the Sabbath school membership has been more than the church membership. The gain has been small but it shows advancement.

A report would not be complete if we failed to mention the work of our faithful colporteurs. West Szechwan has the distinction of having sold more Signs subscriptions than the rest of the union put together. We now have six colporteurs and are proud of what they are doing. At Weichow another interest is reported as a result of this faithful work.

We have much to thank God for in regard to the Ingathering work last year. Surely the Lord was with us and gave us courage to press on in spite of many handicaps. During our campaign other campaigns were being carried on by the government for means with which to fight the Communists. Charitable organizations were gathering funds for the relief of the refugees. Moreover the flood and earthquake in the Weichow section called for relief. These were all worthy causes, but we felt that our cause must not fail because of these other demands. The committee set a goal of fifteen hundred dollars. We passed that goal by eleven hundred dollars.

Truly, God blesses those who put their trust in Him. We take up our work anew with courage and with faith in the promises of God. "Behold I am the Lord" he says, "the God of all flesh; is there anything too hard for Me?" Jer. 32:27. "Lo, I am with you always even to the end of the world." May the Lord keep us all close to Him.

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The Spirit of Advance and Victory

E. L. LONGWAY

It is a wonderful thing to realize that 13,000 people in China are all working towards the goal of the "Gospel of the Kingdom" being preached to every person in this broad land. The finishing of this great work calls for three essentials: First, the attainment by the people who are to accomplish this work, of a comprehensive view of the work already done, and the work still remaining to be done. Secondly, the raising of the needed funds, either by personal sacrifice or from sources outside our ranks, to provide the machinery to carry out the work. And thirdly, the training of a group of young people and sending them out with proper facilities ready at hand to make their work, under God, an assured success.

For some years those in responsibility have been faithfully setting before us the work already done, and reminding us of the task still to be compassed. Every statistical number of the REPORTER and the *Shepherd* tells us just where we are in this task of planting the banner of truth in every hsien in China. As we see the goal being reached in certain sections, and progress in other places, our hearts give thanks. It would be well for all of us to carry this vision in our minds, and this burden on our hearts.

The second essential calls for raising the needed funds to finance these advance moves. And the Harvest Ingathering this year opens a wide avenue of service to every member of the Adventist Church in China. Our Ingathering funds are

earmarked for many purposes, such as school and hospital budget supplements, regular budget supplements and other items for school or hospital building funds. These are all worthy objects on which every one is glad to help. But this year, by division action, 10% of all Harvest Ingathering funds will be set aside to finance the accomplishment of the second and third essentials of our task.

Those who had part in the 1933 campaign will be glad to know that 5% of all the funds raised are being used to establish a ministerial interne scholarship fund for the Chiaotoutseng Institute. Young men of promise and consecration are being selected from all parts of China; and by taking advantage of the help provided through the Ministerial Scholarship plan, these will be given a quick fitting up for the opening of new work on the frontiers, or elsewhere, as may be most needed from time to time. It is the plan that up to 5% of the 1934 Ingathering returns, also, be assigned to this use.

The remainder of the 10% of the Ingathering funds reverting to the division will be available to finance the opening of new work in various parts of China. Our provincial mission committees are pressed to the limit to finance the present work, and it is a real problem to know where to turn for the funds to branch out and meet the calls that are continually coming. This fund, while

small to begin with, will at least provide for the opening of new work in several centers each year. Our greatest work is to preach the Word to those who have never heard. Let us gladly provide for the release of the 10% of the Ingathering funds reverting to the division. Let us pray for the young men selected to enter the ministerial training course at Chiao-toutseng. And let us make the Ingathering campaign for the year 1934 the greatest in our history. Thus we shall each have a direct part in reaching that goal of making sure that this "Gospel of the Kingdom" is being preached in every hsien in China.

A Testimony for Harvest Ingathering Work

LO YIN-CHIAO

ONE time when I was working at Changteh, the Lord blessed me wonderfully. One day Pastor Longway, with one of the brethren, came to our bank for solicitation. I gave a few dollars willingly in behalf of our bank. After I read over the Harvest Ingathering paper, I realized that the work which was



Mr. Lo Yin-chiao, of Hankow

reported as being done in the China field, was a good work; but I still felt that it was only one of the many common charitable institutions. When I was transferred to Hankow, the Lord led me to our church (at that time I was not a church member of this denomination), and I had opportunity to hear the truth. After a few months of Bible study, I was baptized. It is indeed a privilege to be a member of this remnant church!

Last year, when the Harvest Ingathering work started, I participated in this campaign, because I felt that the Lord had given me a good opportunity to do this kind of work in the business circle where I work. At first I made a list of the names and addresses, studied the best time to approach them, their financial conditions, their personalities, etc. I had more than thirty names in my list. I estimated that I could raise about one hundred and thirty dollars from those friends. I started with those whom I thought would be most likely to respond favorably, but the first three whom I visited all rejected my call. I was disappointed in this, and thought perhaps it might be impossible for me to do this work. I thought to stop, but I continued to pray earnestly to my heavenly Father, and also recalled the instruction of Paul,—“forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before.” Phil. 3:13. Then I resolved to visit the fourth and the fifth of my friends. I was astonished at the results. The ones whom I thought might give four or five dollars, gave ten and twenty dollars and gave willingly; the ones whom I thought might give only two or three, gave me four or five; and the one whom I thought might give twenty, gave me fifty. All surpassed my expectations. These good results were not the result of human wisdom, but because of the blessings of the Lord. The total amount passed the one-hundred-and-thirty-dollar mark. Afterward Pastors Warren and Longway advised me

to change my goal to one hundred and fifty, and this amount has also been passed. Then I changed to two hundred, and in the end raised more than two hundred and thirty dollars in all. Though I recognize this as the blessing of our heavenly Father, I know that the counsels of Pastors Warren and Longway also helped me a great deal. If the Lord will bless me again this year, I shall prosecute this work with all my strength.

If we will go out full of enthusiasm and courage, we shall succeed. I hope that our brethren and sisters will unite in this work and labor to the extent of their powers, that the granary of God may be filled, and that the gospel may be preached in all corners of this vast China field; and further, that the China church may enter into the privileges of self-support. I have written this story of my experience in the hope that we all may have confidence in this work; and I pray God that He will bless His work this year in richer measure than ever before.

A Testimony from Mrs. Poon

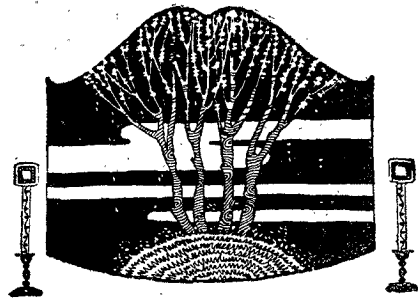
AS I THINK of the serious depression that has come upon this world, I am more and more impressed that the second coming of Christ is "even at the door." I hope that this message for the last days will soon be preached in all the world, and our Saviour soon come. The financial conditions of the world are really desperate, but we can trust the Lord to guide His church. All things belong to the Mighty One; therefore we need not fear.

When the Nankwan church of Canton city started their Harvest Ingathering campaign, I resolved to have a part in this work. Before starting my work, I set a goal for myself of two hundred



Mrs. Poon, of Canton

dollars small money. I prayed earnestly for the Lord's blessing, in order to reach my goal, and I reached it the first time I went out. Besides thanking the Lord, I took another step by changing the goal from two hundred to five hundred dollars small money. I still prayed for His help. After seeing all my friends and relatives for contributions, I more than reached my goal, having eight dollars over. Surely the Lord should be thanked! I was deeply impressed by this experience, and felt that the Lord would never disappoint us if we would trust Him with all our hearts. If we do, we shall not only have success in this life, but shall also have the precious reward awaiting us in heaven. Therefore I love to do His work until He comes!



Harvest Ingathering in the U. S. A

Our readers will rejoice with our former associate in labor, Pastor Milton G. Conger, President, West Pennsylvania Conference, over a successful Harvest Ingathering Campaign conducted during the Autumn of 1933. Brother Conger's article appeared in his mimeographed copy of the West Pennsylvania Conference Ingathering Bulletin, under the title, "In Appreciation."

To quote in part: "Weeks have passed since we closed our latest Ingathering Campaign. Other very important matters are now engaging our attention, but once more at this time of issuing the final 1933 Bulletin I am privileged to express to our conference-wide workers, church officers, and laity, who helped make the accomplishments possible, my deep and abiding appreciation of the 1933 Ingathering work so well begun and so nobly done.

In a trying year, in a field deep in the valley of financial depression, our united efforts, blest of heaven, have been marvelously fruitful. With enthusiasm and good cheer, leaders and people vigorously advanced the work, ever hastened and pressed on by the highest Christian missionary motives—doing all for the love of Christ and for the souls for whom He died.

Throughout the whole Campaign West Pennsylvania led the whole Columbia Union field, relinquishing it only after we passed over the goal and when our attention was necessarily turned to pressing local needs. Your conference was first in the Union and one of the first in North America to go over the General Conference Goal. Passing by the Seven Dollar mark, our white membership has traveled onward to the Nine Dollar height; and then continuing upward, have scaled the Ten Dollar peak. The Lord has wrought out His Divine will in this work; and praise be to His name!

Self-sacrificing labors manifestly blessed will not soon be forgotten; for in the Lord's heavenly "Book of Remembrance" faithful record is long kept.

With conference-wide confidence and courage in the Lord, we shall earnestly pray, plan, and work for continued signal victories in every good work as we press forward with increasing success!

Facsimile of a Closing Page of the Last Number of the Ingathering Bulletin for the West Pennsylvania Conference Autumn of 1933

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Since issuing our last Ingathering Bulletin on November 22, very commendable work has been carried on by those churches which were then still under the \$9 goal. Sharon's response was all that could be asked, and in company with the writer the members went forth and gathered not only the needed \$83.88, but \$14.87 additional. A similar response was given by the Pittsburgh #2 Church, whose goal was finally reached during a heavy snowfall when their talented singers went forth and with the help of six white solicitors gathered the sum of \$20.57 in one evening in territory which had already been twice sung over by other bands during the '33 Campaign.

One of the most important parts of our Ingathering work lies just ahead of us and that is in following up the interested persons in some way appropriate to the individual's personal need. To those interested persons whose names and addresses our members have secured, we would suggest that you send a year's subscription to the PRESENT TRUTH, or SIGNS OF THE TIMES, WATCHMAN or one of our twenty-five cent Crisis Series booklets. No doubt it will be appropriate for some of these interested persons to have Bible studies in their homes. Others can be invited to evangelistic meetings and Sabbath services.

If our people feel financially unable to pay for these subscriptions, then we would suggest that you call on the interested persons endeavoring to secure their subscription for one of the above-mentioned periodicals, or to sell them one of our books or booklets. Let us ever remember: "He that winneth souls is wise," Prov. 11:30

We regret that the financial sheet does not reveal the unusually high attainments of The Oil City and the Mt. Jewett and possibly other churches in the conference. After reaching their own goals, these churches continued to labor on and apply the funds on Ingathering goals of other churches in their districts.

Space in this Bulletin forbids words of appreciation by your conference home missionary secretary. However, in a forthcoming issue of the VISITOR the writer will express his heartfelt appreciation to all who in any way had a part in the campaign.

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R. H. Fickling,
Conf. Home Miss'y. Secretary.

Laying the Corner-stone of the Canton Sanitarium-Hospital

E. L. LONGWAY

(Note.—In the Canton "Gazette" of May 23, 1934, appeared an article prepared by Pastor E. L. Longway, giving a general account of the laying of the corner-stone of the Canton Sanitarium-Hospital at Tungshan, Canton, on Monday, May 21. Through the blessing of the Lord, the brethren of the South China Union are now no longer under the necessity of referring to their long-planned for enterprise as "the projected" or "the proposed" Canton Sanitarium-Hospital; for the corner-stone is actually laid, and Brother E. C. Wood, division architect, is himself at our Tungshan compound, superintending the construction of the building; while Brother Longway and others are still actively engaged in closing up the campaign for funds. We give this article just as it appeared in the "Gazette." —c.)

LAYING OF CANTON SANATORIUM-HOSPITAL CORNER-STONE BY MAYOR

*Up-to-date Institution Seen As
Needed by City for Fighting
Disease Effectively*

ON Monday afternoon a little after four the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of the Canton Sanatorium-Hospital of the Seventh-day Adventist Mission took place on the site of the new building, off Sam Yuk Road, Tungshan. The matshed, decorated with American and Chinese flags and bunting, was filled with guests and well-wishers. Among those present were Mayor Liu Chi-wen, who officiated at the ceremony; Mr. J. W. Ballantine, the American Consul-General, Mr. Hsiao Fu-chen of the Southwest Political Council, Mr. Wu Kok-cheong, Mr. J. M. Norrie-Owen of Dodwell & Co., Mr. Lok Hung-man, Mr. J. M. X. Chollot of the International Savings Society, Mr. Decker of the Texas Oil Co., and Mr. Chan Mak-heung, Chief of the Fire Brigade. The Municipal Band was in attendance to enliven the occasion with appropriate selections.

Dr. Bates, superintendent of the hospital, delivered the opening address, in the course of which he said:

"For a long time we have looked forward to this meeting. So to-day it is with a great deal of pleasure that we have arrived at this long looked for event.

"We are very happy indeed to have so many people help us to properly lay this corner-stone.

From the beginning there has been one great comfort in our struggles. This is the old saying we have in English: 'All great things begin small.' Our work here began very small. As we think to-day of those small beginnings, it makes us smile.

"Step by step, the work has been growing until now we find it necessary to build a sanatorium where preventive work is done. In a city the size of Canton more hospitals are needed where work for the large population is carried out. It is a matter of great pleasure to us to learn that there are being established in Canton several new institutions like ours. We hope to be able to cooperate with them in combating disease and sufferings.

"Our institution will not be a great one from the standpoint of size. We plan not to have it larger than we can take care of. We plan to have the very best and the very newest medical discoveries in the treatment of persons who need our help. We will not merely use medicine in preventing and curing disease. Much emphasis will be laid on bringing the natural forces of the body into action to combat a disease. It is wonderful how a body which has been loaded with great amounts of drugs reacts when relieved of them. It is not a matter of using one thief to check another thief. It is a matter of using the bodily forces to drive out the disease germs.

"We believe that that great physician, Christ, when He was on earth, used largely natural forces in making mankind better physically and spiritually. And so in our work we plan to utilize natural body forces and natural methods in making people well both physically and spiritually."

Mr. J. W. Ballantine, the American Consul-General, followed Dr. Bates in addressing the gathering. He dwelt on the close Sino-American co-operation which began in the latter part of the 19th century when Chinese laborers helped build the American trans-continental railroads. Then followed the introduction of modern medicine in China by Americans. "To a larger and larger extent," Mr. Ballantine said, "Chinese are taking the major part in Chinese and American joint enterprises. But although the American share is growing less, nevertheless the American spirit of cooperation and mutual aid do not diminish."

The next speaker was Mayor Liu Chi-wen. He dwelt at some length on disease and the relation it bears to society. He said: "There are three modes of combating disease,—

preventing the disease; curing it when it has taken root; and then the invalid stage, recuperating the body." The modern hospital-sanatorium Mayor Liu characterized as an institution specially adapted for the three modes of combating disease. He concluded by expressing the hope that the Canton-Sanatorium-Hospital management would exert its utmost in developing health work in this city.

The corner-stone was then laid by the City Mayor, after which prayer was offered. Mr. Longway then thanked the guests for their interest, the local authorities for their ready help, and the public for their generosity in contributing to the funds for building and equipping the Sanatorium-Hospital.

In Anhwei

FROM time to time we have been receiving most encouraging reports through various ones laboring in the province of Anhwei. An effort is being successfully carried forward of founding new churches in hsiens hitherto occupied, including a few in the broad districts south of the Yangtze River.

In one letter Pastor B. Petersen, director, mentions the plan of his committee to undertake an evangelistic effort in Ningkwohfu, from which city we have had repeated urgent invitations to conduct public evangelistic meetings. In some other centers, where laborers have been during last year and this, baptismal services have been held, and several tens have united with us in church fellowship. May the Lord continue to bless Pastor Petersen and his associates of the Anhwei Mission.

Pressing In!

IN THE May issue of the South China Union Mission *Advance*, there appears a leading article by Pastor O. A. Hall, from which we take the liberty of reproducing the following stirring paragraph:

"At this writing South China is again blessed with a period of peace and quiet. The Lord is holding the winds of strife in the world until His people are gathered and sealed; till His closing message can be hurried on to the unentered places, and the people led to the light of truth. Now is the opportune time for our evangelists and colporteurs to press into those villages, cities, and hsiens where the seed has not been sown, and scatter the truth in every section of our Union. We do not know what a day may bring forth and when these favorable opportunities may be past.

Report of the China Division Sabbath School Dept.

For Quarter Ending March 31, 1934

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

Union Mission	Number of Schools	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Birthday Offering	Investment Fund Offering	12 Sabbaths Offerings	13th Sabbath Offering	Total Offerings to Missions
Central China	91	3,324	3,255	\$ 23.70	\$ 24.52	\$ 316.04	\$ 76.72	\$ 440.98
East China	217	6,648	6,081	87.81	207.21	1,094.23	127.48	1,516.73
Manchuria	42	1,912	1,435	16.98	11.69	301.79	64.35	394.81
North China	60	1,465	1,500	5.30	12.62	219.10	21.10	258.12
Northwest Mission	34	702	826	1.23	4.90	86.75	6.82	99.70
South China	106	3,827	3,204	42.84	38.81	536.86	117.34	735.85
West China	86	1,398	1,609	8.41	25.83	271.63	51.40	357.27
Totals, 1st Qr., '34 :	636	19,276	17,910	\$ 186.27	\$ 325.58	\$ 2,826.40	\$ 465.21	\$ 3,803.46
Totals, 1st Qr, '33 :	564	18,055	15,802	\$ 178.71	\$ 299.93	\$ 3,437.39	\$ 514.81	\$ 4,430.84
Gains,	72	1,221	2,108	\$ 7.56	\$ 25.65			
Losses,						\$ 610.99	\$ 49.60	\$ 627.38

OUR Sabbath school report for the first quarter of the year reveals many interesting facts in addition to those shown above. More than one-third of our members—6,827—have maintained a perfect record in attendance at Sabbath school, in daily study of the lesson, or in both of these items, for the quarter. Of this number, 246 have been present every Sabbath for a whole year, 147 for two years, and 20 for three years; 114 have studied the Sabbath school lesson daily for a year, 68 for two years, and eight for a three-year period; 153 have a year's perfect record in both attendance and daily lesson study, 42 have completed a two-years' record, 10 have been present every Sabbath and studied the lesson every day for eight years, and one for eleven years! We cannot compute in figures the influence which daily Bible study and regular attendance at Sabbath school is exerting in the lives of these members, but it is all faithfully recorded in the books of heaven.

A total of 410 new enrolments for the Training Course are reported for the first quarter, Central China leading with 85. Herein lies hope for better Sabbath schools in days to come, as our members become fitted for more efficient service as officers and teachers.

No features of our Sabbath school report are more encouraging than the growth in the number of schools and in membership. Just 578 more members were needed to reach our goal of 150 per cent of the church membership. Did you do your part to swell the Sabbath school membership by bringing some one with you during the first quarter? For some, accepting an invitation to Sabbath school may be the first step toward the kingdom of heaven. How sad if, through your neglect or mine, they are never led to take that first step!

—Bessie Mount, Secretary.

New Sabbath School Supplies

Simple Sabbath School Lessons.—Some of our workers have long felt the need of Sabbath school lessons in very simple Chinese, for use by those whose knowledge of the character is extremely limited and for those who are only learning to read. Such lessons are now available. They are based on the same theme as our regular lessons, and consist of a brief paragraph giving the chief facts of the lesson in story form, followed by a few simple questions. The language is that of everyday use, and the lessons are printed in large, clear type.

These lessons are receiving a hearty welcome from those working among the uneducated classes, as well as by these unfortunate people themselves, many of whom long to read God's Word, but have not had educational advantages. If you know of such groups in our Sabbath schools, why not give these lessons a trial? They are published quarterly, and can be ordered in the regular way. Price, five cents per copy.

Memory Verse Cards.—Those who are working for the children will rejoice to know that Memory Verse cards are soon to be available at a price which we hope will be within the reach of every Sabbath school in China,—only four cents a set, per quarter, or sixteen cents for a whole year. These cards will delight the little ones, and will do their part in planting sacred truths in childish hearts. They will be ready for use beginning with the second quarter of 1935. Orders to take effect at that time should be placed at once, through your Book and Bible House.

STATISTICAL REPORT of the CHINA DIVISION MISSION, Quarter Ending March 31, 1934

中華總會一九三四年第一季統計表

ALL VALUES IN U.S. GOLD DOLLARS---ON THE BASIS OF 2/25 for 1. 以美洋為本位

Table with 15 columns for mission statistics including names, membership, baptisms, and financial data. Includes sub-sections for TITHE RECEIPTS and other financial contributions.

THE CHINA DIVISION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS
 STATISTICAL SUMMARY—INCLUDING PROVINCIAL MISSIONS
 QUARTER ENDING MAR. 31, 1934

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

基督復臨安息日會中華總會一九三四年第一季統計報告

(包括各省(區)會統計表中一切款項皆以美金計算每圓作銀幣二元五角)

Name of Union Missions, Provincial Missions, and Division Institutions	會務推行分處 No. of Mission Stations	會務推行分處 No. of Mission Outstations	已組織成立之教會數目 No. of Organized Churches	一九三四年三月底之受洗人數 Baptized Membership Mar. 31, 1934	一九三四年一月至三月間受洗人數 Baptisms Jan. to Mar., 1934	三月間受洗之淨增數(有受洗者減去) NET GAINS during three months Minus sign—Loss	牧師人數 No. Ordained Ministers	教士人數 No. Licensed Ministers	傳道士人數 No. Licensed Missionaries	書報負責人數 No. Colporteurs	西國職員人數 Total No. Foreign Laborers	中國職員人數 Total No. Native Laborers	中西職員總數 Total No. Laborers Both Foreign and Native	什一捐捐款總數 Total Tithes Receipts (Gold) Jan. to Mar., 1934	安息日學數目 No. Sabbath Schools	安息日學學員數目 Sabbath School Membership	學校數目 No. of Schools	學生人數 Total Enrollment of Schools	每一省(區)會所屬縣治總數 Total No. of "Hsiens" (Counties) in every provincial Mission	已經本會正式開工之縣治數目 No. of "Hsiens" already opened by S. D. A. Missions		
																					聯區關 合會名 會或稱 會省機	
DIVISION OFFICE	總會辦事處						8	1	13	2	20	9	29									
SIGNS PUB. HOUSE	時報館						1	2	6		4	80	84									
SHANGHAI SANITARIUM & CLINIC	上海療養院						1	1	25		16	101	117					1	69			
CHINA TRAINING INSTITUTE	中華三育研究社						5		14		15	30	45					3	349			
FAR EASTERN ACADEMY	遠東中學						1		6		7	4	11					2	47			
HOME STUDY INSTITUTE	東方函授學校						2		3		3	18	21					3	524			
TOTALS, DIVISION OFFICE & DIVISION INSTITUTIONS	總會辦事處及機關						18	4	67	2	65	242	307	1,380.50				9	989			
CENTRAL CHINA UNION	華中聯合會	1					4	4	7	2	12	26	38	594.68				1	6			
Honan Mission	河南	1	33	6	900		8	4	10	8	7	47	54	279.68	33	1,560	168.51	13	413	114	17	
Hunan Mission	湖南	1	15	6	460	11	5	4	12	7	4	43	47	177.32	25	673	104.91	5	122	77	18	
Hupoh Mission	湖北	1	15	9	459	--45	2	4	16	11	5	35	40	176.94	17	631	135.50	5	162	68	13	
Kiangsi Mission	江西	1	12	5	291		1	3	11	9		37	37	129.23	16	460	32.06	4	179	78	13	
Total for Central China	華中總數	5	75	26	2,110	11	--45	20	19	56	37	28	188	1,357.85	91	3,324	440.98	28	842	337	61	
EAST CHINA UNION	華東聯合會	1					5	1	7	1	9	7	16	494.69								
Anhui Mission	安徽	1	20	11	520		3	6	22	5	2	43	45	136.31	26	951	95.92	5	265	65	14	
Kiangsu Mission	江蘇	3	13	11	750		3	4	12	7	3	32	35	1,407.01	26	1,301	968.32	3	165	38	13	
North Kiangsu Mission	蘇北	1	16	11	401	--10	1	1	19	3		40	40	397.76	26	1,106	215.06	7	219	28	9	
North Chekiang Mission	浙北	1	26	15	624	--29	3	1	10	9	2	38	40	102.48	35	651	89.69		40	17		
South Chekiang Mission	浙南	1	90	35	1,150	8	--6	6	7	36	3	4	81	194.90	104	2,639	147.74	20	729	24	24	
Total for East China	華東總數	8	165	83	3,445	8	--45	21	20	106	28	241	261	2,733.15	217	6,648	1,516.73	35	1,378	195	77	
MANCHURIAN UNION	滿洲聯合會						2	2	7		11		11	472.53					1	69		
Heilungkiang Mission	黑龍江	1	5	3	104	1	1	3	2	5		12	12	63.09	5	149	27.59	1	25	*46	8	
Kando Mission	開闢區	1	10	2	172		1	2	1	3		15	15	61.72	10	609	42.71	2	320	4	3	
Kirin Mission	吉林	1	3	3	186		1	1	4	2		9	9	38.60	4	253	30.34	3	75	*38	7	
Liaoning Mission	遼寧	1	14	9	337			4	8	10	1	28	29	216.61	15	563	175.78	8	175	56	14	
Sungari Mission	松花江	1	4	4	395	2	--25	2	1	4		2	13	471.35	8	338	118.39	1	67	**		
Total for Manchuria	滿洲總數	5	36	21	1,194	3	--24	6	13	26	20	14	77	1,323.90	42	1,912	394.81	16	731	144	32	
NORTH CHINA UNION	華北聯合會						4	2	5	1	10	2	12	410.88								
Chahar-Suiyuan Mission	察綏	1	3	1	43	2	--4	1	4	6		31	31	55.84	4	52	2.98	1	8	*50	4	
Hopei Mission	河北	1	9	4	477	8	15	2	4	10	13	3	30	221.76	14	603	130.06	4	190	127	15	
Shansi Mission	山西	1	2	1	70		2	1	2	2		5	5	17.20	2	34	5.51			*20	1	

Total for North China		6	32	12	1,342	64	5	18	10	40	44	49	117	130	912.10	3	1,348	1	40	
NORTHWEST CHINA UNION	西北區	1					2	1	5	1	6	7	13	237.48			1	40		
Chinghai Mission	青海	1	3	1	24		1		2	3	9	9	1.51	3	45		14.75	3	30	
Kansu Mission	甘肅	1	10	3	90	10	2	1	1	4	2	12	14	2.00	9	204	42.82	3	77	
Ninghsia Mission	寧夏	1	2	2	21		4		4	2		6	6	.98	3	35	10.11			
Shensi Mission	陝西	1	8	9	435		53	1	8	6	2	27	29	5.64	19	418	32.02	12	243	
Sinchiang Mission	新疆	1					3	1	2		2	1	3							
Total for Northwest China	西北總數	6	23	15	573	10	14	6	1	22	16	12	62	247.61	34	702	99.70	19	390	
SOUTH CHINA UNION	華南聯合會						3	9	2	10	2	12	723.06							
Cantonese Mission	廣東	2	19	12	710		5	8	11	9	8	44	52	742.53	19	804	336.64	8	219	
Hakka Mission	客家	1	20	8	750		25	4	5	14	6	4	54	151.19	21	577	102.72	7	252	
Kwangsi Mission	廣西	1	13	5	303	8	8	2	6	9	2	6	53	129.00	14	268	91.54	2	46	
North Fukien Mission	閩北	1	21	9	499	5	2	2	18	3	2	42	44	199.36	21	879	53.32	8	316	
South Fukien Mission	閩南	1	15	8	400		4	5	9	7	4	29	33	536.28	14	750	89.05	5	272	
Swatow Mission	汕頭	1	14	5	380		4	8	10	2		24	24	143.16	17	549	62.58	8	207	
Total for South China	華南總數	7	102	47	3,042	13	33	24	34	80	31	34	248	2,624.58	106	3,827	735.85	38	1,312	
WEST CHINA UNION	華西聯合會						3	4	3	1	6	5	11	360.32						
East Szechwan Mission	川東	2	17	13	434	1	--97	3	4	6	1	2	20	22	90.67	23	423	78.96	3	140
East Kweichow Mission	貴東	1	5	3	150		1	3	6	2	2	13	15	47.11	8	112	49.56	1	11	
Sikang Mission	西康	1	1	1	10		2	3	2	3	4	3	7	13.08	2	20	81.26			
West Szechwan Mission	川西	1	4	3	149		2	2	6	5	2	10	12	62.09	14	197	36.15	1	40	
West Kweichow Mission	貴西	1	15	5	513	4	4	1	3	11		20	20	44.69	28	345	21.05	1	20	
Yunnan Mission	雲南	1	9	2	268	10	10	2	3	9	1	4	14	18	47.19	11	301	90.29	3	101
Total for West China	華西總數	7	51	27	1,524	15	--83	12	21	44	10	20	85	105	665.15	86	1,398	357.27	10	355
DIVISION TOTALS 1st Qr. 1934		44	484	231	13,236	124	--145	120	122	441	188	212	1,260	1,472	11,305.20	636	19,276	3,803.46	172	6,421
本總會一九三四年第一季統計																				
"	"	1933	454	212	11,919	88	--13	111	129	424	157	218	1,152	1,370	12,498.70	564	18,055	4,430.84	148	6,172
"	"	1932	405	193	10,842	66	--75	106	140	415	144	217	962	1,179	12,053.77	552	16,491	4,872.17	123	4,948
"	"	1931	362	163	9,586	163	110	89	118	424	133	212	970	1,182	10,725.48	443	14,617	2,141.29	123	5,108
"	"	1930	340	144	8,352	42	1	94	136	381	177	211	1,021	1,232	13,120.51	408	13,487	3,924.33	117	4,748
"	"	1929	297	139	7,400	80	78	82	119	386	145	199	944	1,143	10,264.94	372	11,399	3,102.22	114	4,005
"	"	1928	272	140	6,907	60	38	74	113	364	105	211	735	946	10,087.89	314	9,323	2,723.81	87	3,260
"	"	1927	273	134	7,177	47	21	72	141	352	86	181	750	931	9,327.99	294	10,059	2,586.70	73	2,795
"	"	1926	248	115	6,574	38	--18	75	141	315	101	196	817	1,013	9,791.36	286	11,467	2,524.19	126	4,883
"	"	1925	237	96	5,666	99	--476	55	126	255	88	162	697	859	7,851.37	258	10,534	2,205.59	121	4,520
"	"	1924	216	90	4,753	78	--46	55	99	233	78	159	634	793	7,239.92	228	9,014	1,500.85	103	3,730
"	"	1923	224	105	4,491	38	--7	47	115	239	90	170	651	821	5,314.56	230	8,323	1,409.32	108	3,678

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

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

Inasmuch as some of the territory of the Ninghsia Mission was to the Shensi Mission, it is thought that Ninghsia's loss in membership is Shensi's gain.

米 有單粒星之區省會，除通常之“縣”外，尚有“旗”及區之劃分。但上列之表，並未將各該省會之“旗”與“區”之數目，計算在內，即總數之中，有未含有蒙藏之“部”區，或“旗”

米米 松花江區會內之俄人工作，在東北各省均有辦理，惟縣數則未列出，蓋已分列於遼寧，吉林，及黑龍江各區省會之下矣。

Report of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department

of the China Division of S. D. A. — For the Qr. Ending Mar. 31, 1934

ALL MONETARY VALUES IN U. S. GOLD, ON THE BASIS OF 24 FOR 1

中華總會一九三四年第一季青年義勇佈道部報告

Name of Town, City, or Local Conference, or Mission, or Society	Report of Society Organization										Report of Missionary Work									
	A Number Societies	B Number Societies Reporting	C Total Members	1-a No. Associates under Society Structure	2 Total Average Attendance	3 Number Members Reporting	4 No. Society Members Cym. Neatly	5 Total Soc. and S. Y. P. Societies	6-a No. Baptized When Y. P. Worked	6-b No. of Societies	7-a Bible Readings of Gospel Message Held	7-b Missionary Tracts	7-c No. Persons Taken to S. A.	7-d No. Persons Served Needed Help	7-e Number Tractures Given	7-f No. of Articles of Confession Given	7-g No. Books Missionary Periodicals or Tracts Distributed	7-h No. Y. P. Lectures Given		
CENTRAL CHINA	Sr.	9	4	341	269	124				243	739	16	63	251	2	2426	51			
	Jr.	24	21	557	229	281				137	770	154	122	72		1641	20			
	Total	33	25	898	498	405				380	1509	170	185	323	2	4067	71			
EAST CHINA	Sr.	19	19	961	741	398				6954	6743	3430	4349	3458	347	14644	746			
	Jr.	18	18	701	606	356				3580	2602	2142	1530	684	59	6999	82			
	Total	37	37	1662	1347	754				10534	9345	5572	5879	4142	406	21643	828			
MANCHURIA	Sr.	19	4	1077	845	674				291	593	7		41	97	750	75			
	Jr.	6	3	79	195	88					12			35	12	356				
	Total	25	7	1156	1040	762				291	605	7		76	109	1106	75			
NORTH CHINA	Sr.	12	11	233	225	179		16		408	2210	193	380	37	34	756	166			
	Jr.	13	12	274	253	169				127	446	30	502	1	4	76	2			
	Total	25	23	507	478	348		16		535	2656	223	882	38	38	832	168			
NORTHWEST CHINA	Sr.	5	5	89	109	80				430	506	267	398	121	17	925	108			
	Jr.	6	4	89	94	73				80	96	165	58	29		266				
	Total	11	9	178	203	153				510	602	432	456	150	17	1191	108			
SOUTH CHINA	Sr.	6	5	364	205	149		2		220	303	123	839	374	87	6452	84			
	Jr.	16	12	668	458	258				35	155	53	42	102	10	3791	5			
	Total	22	17	1032	663	407		2		255	458	176	881	476	97	10243	89			
WEST CHINA	Sr.	2		41																
	Jr.	8		129																
	Total	10		170																
Senior Total		72	48	3106	2394	1604		18		8546	11,094	4056	6029	4282	584	25,953	1230			
Junior Total		91	70	2497	1835	1225				3959	4,081	2504	2254	923	85	12,729	109			
GRAND TOTAL		163	118	5603	4229	2829		18		12,505	15,175	6580	8283	5205	669	38,682	1339			

Name of Town, City, or Local Conference, or Mission, or Society	Financial			Devotional and Educational					Progressive Class Work					Temperance Pledge	Hrs. of Christian Help
	1-a No. Society Officers for Local Society Work	1-b Society Officers for Foreign Missions	1-c Harvest Supper Reported by Young People	2-a No. Observance Home Service	2-b No. Bible Class Certificate Issued	2-c No. Reading Circle Certificate Issued	2-d No. Standard of Altar Certificate Issued	3-a No. "Bible" Class Certificate Issued	3-b No. "Prayer" Class Certificate Issued	3-c No. "Discipline" Class Certificate Issued	3-d No. "Command" Class Certificate Issued	4 No. Who Took National Hours			
CENTRAL CHINA	Sr.	5.20	5.60		329	53	32	5							
	Jr.	1.46			302	23									
	Total	6.66	5.60		631	76	32	5							
EAST CHINA	Sr.	79.79			518	62	8	1	23	7	2				
	Jr.	5.12	.16		324		31								
	Total	84.91	.16		842	62	39	1	23	7	2				
MANCHURIA	Sr.		4.40	7.20										36	184
	Jr.			2.00										19	38
	Total		4.40	9.20										55	222
NORTH CHINA	Sr.	3.50	.38	33.92	258	12									179
	Jr.	.27		7.32	321										
	Total	3.77	.38	41.24	579	12									
NORTHWEST CHINA	Sr.	6.00			75										30
	Jr.				90										10
	Total	6.00			165										40
SOUTH CHINA	Sr.	23.03		88.00	152	48	54	2							
	Jr.	2.33			332	4	3	1							
	Total	25.36		88.00	484	52	57	3							
WEST CHINA	Sr.														
	Jr.														
	Total														
Senior Total		117.52	5.98	4.40	129.12	2372	175	94	8	23	7	2		65	363
Junior Total		9.18	.16		9.32	1369	27	34	1					29	38
Grand Total		126.70	6.14	4.40	138.44	3741	202	128	9	23	7	2		95	401

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The North China Sanitarium and Hospital

DR. ELMER F. COULSTON

(Note to the reader.—This report by Dr. Coulston, read during the annual meeting of the Cha-Sui Mission, Kalgan last February, was to have appeared in the April issue of the "Reporter;" but the typesetters had many pages to prepare, and did not find it possible to include this article in that which was published in that issue. As we go over this report once more, remembering the while that its writer now rests from his labors, we know that its issuance as a posthumous word from our revered fellow worker will help us one and all to give ourselves with renewed consecration and diligence to the respective lines of service assigned us.—c.)

ARRIVING in Kalgan two years ago, we found that we were supplied already with a home and a large compound, and that within the compound construction work on the hospital building was just beginning. During our first few months in Kalgan we had the usual problems connected with obtaining a well constructed building.

Before the time of opening, we were wondering where we would get patients for the hospital; but it was not long before many were coming to us:—beggars from the street, lamas from the plains of Mongolia, village people from the surrounding country, and others who heard of the new hospital.

Soon after the dedication and opening exercises, Nov. 1, 1931, we were enjoying a steady increase in patronage and were gradually gaining the confidence of the people. In connection with the hospital, we started a small clinic located in the city which also proved an opportunity for the evangelist to have many contacts in carrying on his work. We had 12,015 patients during the year.

In the fall of 1932 we opened a training school for nurses with a class of ten students; among whom there was a Mongolian boy previously a lama, who was one of the first converts from that great field. In spite of the many burdens in teaching and instructing we greatly enjoyed working with the young students and watching them gaining a valuable experience.

During the first year we could report more than 5,000 patients treated in the clinic, 500 office-patients at the sanitarium, 385 in-patients, 220 surgical operations, and a very successful financial income. Surely the Lord was blessing our work in a most remarkable way. We gained openings for the advancement of the work. We had the support of many influential people.

Before completion of the hospital buildings, many injured and

sick came to us for help; and, these we tried to help with our meager equipment and supplies. One Sabbath I was called from meeting to see a beggar boy who had been thrown from a cart, with serious resultant injury to his arm. Sterilizing a few things on the kitchen stove, we fixed up the wound, using sewing-needles and tailors' waxed thread. Before the boy awakened from the anesthetic we took the opportunity to clean him up thoroughly, much to the amusement of the curious Chinese who watched. Dressing him in a flannel nightgown, we placed him on a couch in our dining room. The next day his mother came in her rags, and he would not let her go. He said, "Why can't she sleep on top of your dining-room table?" Finally we sent her home; but we, returning a few minutes later, found that the beggar boy had gone too, running several miles to their cave-home in the river bank. We persuaded him to come back provided his mother could stay with him; and we placed them in a back room until the wound had healed. This little beggar boy advertised our hospital far and wide; for all had said he would die from loss of blood.

A woman was brought to us with cancer of the breast. She had been to many hospitals in North China and Manchuria, but they did not dare to operate on her. Somehow the atmosphere of our institution inspired confidence in her to come and have the operation. The Lord blessed in the difficult operation and she recovered rapidly. Her father being an influential official, we gained introduction to many homes.

One day I carried a lady from the ricksha to the examining room. She had wasted away because of the ravages of a deadly tumor, until she had become only a shadow of her former self. I told her relatives that it was too late for man to help her, but that God could spare her life if we operated immediately. On the operating table it was questionable whether or not she could survive the serious operation. The first day following, she could not move, nor would she speak, she was so weak that I was sure she would die. We had special prayer for her, but she rapidly failed on the second day. Toward night I saw that there was only a flicker of life remaining, so we called the relatives. Gathered around the bed we had special prayer for her; and I went to bed certain that she would die before morning unless God intervened. The following morning I went to her room, and I shall never forget the picture. With her face wreathed in smiles,

she stretched out her hands to me and asked me what she could have to eat for breakfast. She had no pain, and had slept during the night. She has made a complete recovery and is the picture of health.

The second year has been full of evidences of divine blessing. We changed the chapel to a more suitable location where the clinic could reach more people, building up the attendance from 15 a day to 35 or 40 patients every day. Our patronage in the hospital has also increased from 18 to 20, to 30 or 35; while at one time the first part of August, 1933, we had 52 in-patients in the hospital.* The surgical operations have increased proportionately, and the Lord has blessed in saving many lives at a time when there was no help in medical science. Recently we have opened another clinic and small chapel for the Mongolians, which had 12 to 15 patients daily during the first few weeks. We have been impressed with the number of sick who come to us from a distance.

I was called to the home of the leading Buddhist of Kalgan to see his young daughter. I found her lying on the k'ang, dressed in her burial clothes, apparently dying. They begged me to do something for her, so we took her to the hospital immediately. She had not eaten for twenty days, so we gave her simple treatments and tried to give her nourishment. Daily we had earnest prayer for her, and she gradually improved. She was glad to hear about Jesus, and went home several weeks later, almost completely cured, this experience opened a large community to us and the gospel.

Last spring, on a Friday afternoon after our clinic hours, I was called a considerable distance away to see a very sick woman. Before I reached the compound I heard the drums before the gate, and on entering the court I found the coffin standing in front of the door. Evidently preparations for a funeral were well started, and I asked why they called me. They replied that our hospital had more power than any place else, so they had come to us as their last hope. Several old women were holding the patient propped up in a corner, dressed in her burial clothes. She had a serious disease of the heart, which had resulted in gangrene of one leg below the hip, having first appeared three weeks before. They took her to the hospital, where we removed the leg. This lady had a

* Note.—At the time of Dr. Coulston's fatal illness in May, 1934, there were 71 patients in the Sanitarium-Hospital.—c

critical time because of the bad heart disease and the shock of the operation, but we prayed continually for her, and the Lord spared her life.

A short time ago our part of the country was involved in a military upset, the central government troops closing the railroad on both sides of Kalgan. Mr. O. G. Erich and family were called back to Manchuria, so it was decided that I should make a trip to Peiping to buy medicines in spite of the fact that trains were not running. We obtained a pass from the headquarters of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang, and boarded the train at 5 p. m. which carried us to the front lines. We passed the night at the station, and in the morning we walked 30 li, carrying our luggage, accompanied half way by a military escort. We boarded a military train that connected with a train which took us to Peiping arriving at 9 p. m. The next morning I boarded the train which took me again to the front lines. Here I was unable to use the military train because of threatened war operations, so I had to walk 50 li to the next station, where I slept under a tree; then 30 li to the other side in the morning. I found that there were no trains running, and they did

not know when a train would run. The station-master had no way to help; for the military had control of the situation. But I appealed to military headquarters, and after repeated telephoning they promised to send a hand-car. Not being able to find one, they promised to send a train. Within an hour the gong sounded, and a train came, consisting of an engine and one coach, and I was the only passenger, with a military escort. At the next station an officer from headquarters met me with iced water-melon, and sent me on to Kalgan with no charge. The officer told me that they were lacking coal, so the regular trains could not run; and it seemed strange that I should be provided with a special train in time of military stress.

I have been approached by Mongolian officials from Nanking about a mobile hospital unit for Mongolia, using our hospital as a base of operations. We can see the Lord working in many ways for the completion of His work. We also know that the enemy is making every attempt to hinder the progress of our work. We are of good courage to carry on with the help of the Lord.

The Kwangai Mission

V. M. HANSEN

NIGHT before last we opened the Nanning effort with about five hundred present. Last night also we had the place packed. Both of the opening nights were rainy.

(From a more recent letter from Brother Hansen, we learn that they were then in the third week of their meetings, and the attendance and interest continued unabated. Fifty had handed in their names in request for further Bible studies.)

Evangelism in Kweichow

HO AI DENG

WE have had tent-meetings in Kiensi, Kweichow, for three weeks and thank the Lord that there are some people who are beginning to study their Bibles. We hope to see a few baptised here, and a church organized later on, when they all become fully instructed.

I plan on holding two more special evangelistic efforts prior to our annual meeting—one in Yuning and one in Chensiang. Kiensi and Chensiang are new work.

Kiensi, April 5, 1924,

China Division Young People's Missionary Volunteer Goal Comparisons for First Quarter 1934

一九三四年第一季中華總會青年義勇傳道團之目的及其實際比較表

ITEMS	North China Union 華北聯合會		South China Union 華南聯合會		East China Union 華東聯合會		West China Union 華西聯合會		Central China Union 華中聯合會		Manchurian Union 滿洲聯合會		North-West China Union 西北聯合會		Totals for China Division 中華總會共計	
	Goal 目的	Actual 實際	Goal 目的	Actual 實際	Goal 目的	Actual 實際	Goal 目的	Actual 實際	Goal 目的	Actual 實際	Goal 目的	Actual 實際	Goal 目的	Actual 實際	Goal 目的	Actual 實際
1. Young People Converted and Added to the Church - 傳道加入教會之青年人數	50	16	75	2	150	1	50	-	127	-	50	-	30	-	532	19
2. Number Observing the Morning Watch - 早晨守夜之人數	100%	58% 116%	100%	48% 4%	100%	84% 51%	100%	-	100%	65% 70%	100%	100% 89%	100%	165% 93%	100%	374% 68%
3. Number Reading Bible Through Certificates Issued - 發出憑單讀經之書數	25	12	60	52	150	62	20	-	127	76	20	-	10	-	312	200
4. No. Receiving Standard of Attainment Certificates - 發出合格證書數目	25	-	25	3	60	1	20	-	79	5	20	-	10	-	239	9
5. Number Receiving Reading Course Certificates - 發出自修證書數目	50	-	70	57	150	39	20	-	201	32	20	-	10	-	601	128
6. Money Received for Missionary Work 為傳道所得款項	\$250. Mex.	\$113.47 Mex.	\$1250. Mex.	\$281.40 Mex.	\$3000 Mex.	\$212.70 Mex.	\$300. Mex.	-	\$1128. Mex.	\$30.65 Mex.	\$500. Mex.	\$34.00 Mex.	\$250. Mex.	\$15.00 Mex.	\$6678.00 Mex.	\$693.22 Mex.
7. Number of Societies - 青年及康樂會數	20	25	75	22	75	37	30	10	75	33	20	25	14	11	309	153
8. N. Y. Society Membership 青年及康樂團員人數	650	507	1200	1032	1800	1662	300	170	1000	898	1200	1156	250	178	6400	5603

Harvest Ingathering Experience in Shansi Mission

PASTOR GIAO WEN-LI

"THE abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee." Isaiah 60:5. This is the Lord's encouraging promise to us in the Ingathering work.

Our Taiyuanfu church has been very active in the Ingathering work. On the forenoon of September 16 last year, we held a Harvest Ingathering meeting. After the meeting almost every member was eager to take part in the campaign. We settled on the next day as the one on which to start our field-day work. We divided the church members into several groups, and every group went enthusiastically to work. For the next few days we had very good success. The one who raised the most was an old man named Li Bing-ling. Within two weeks he raised \$40.40. The rest gained some twenty odd dollars, some ten odd, and

some less. Altogether the Taiyuanfu church raised a little over \$250. The members of all the other churches and companies took part in the campaign. Luanfu raised \$25.50; Yutzu, \$34.80; Yuncheng, \$23; and Hwochow almost \$50. Altogether the Black-eyes—Chinese—of the Shansi Mission raised more than \$400.

The colporteurs also had a very active part in soliciting means. Some lady colporteurs walked twenty odd miles to a hsien and there raised some thirty dollars. My heart rejoiced as I saw our brethren and sisters thus coöperating for the advancement of this precious work; and I am sure that our heavenly Father and the angels rejoiced also. And should not every reader of this report join in praising our God for the earnest spirit revealed and for the success that has attended the efforts put forth. We solicit your prayers in behalf of the Shansi Mission, that this year we may have better success in the Harvest Ingathering campaign than we had last year.



Pastor Giau Wen-li and members of the Taiyuanfu, Shansi, Church, who each raised \$5 or more in Harvest Ingathering last year.

Harvest Ingathering of Universal Appeal

E. L. LONGWAY

THE *North-China Daily News* of December 30, 1933, carried a write-up of the first Harvest Ingathering campaign to be conducted in the city of Tatsienlu. This write-up was not prepared by one of our people, and was written perhaps with the idea of disparaging the work of raising funds from those not of the Christian faith. But unwittingly this friend in his article made it evident that the work being done by the Seventh-day Adventists in China is one of universal appeal. I will quote a sentence from the write-up: "The headquarters of the military, civil, religious, and commercial groups were all visited and donations solicited for the work of the Sabbath-day Adventists Mission in China. Sinners and saints, opium smokers and gamblers, idolaters and Mohammedans, were all roped in and made to realize that the work done by the S. D. A. in China was worth a contribution."

If one will but glance through the Ingathering papers for the past few years, and refresh his mind on the many and varied lines of work that we are conducting in China, on the progress that this work is making under the blessing of God, and on the good that is being done both for the spiritual and temporal welfare of those who come within the radius of these activities, it will be more than evident that the work of the S. D. A. in China is well worth a contribution. As we enter this annual campaign, let us each get this vision of the service being rendered, and the great need for maintaining and extending every line of our work in China.

It is true that saints and sinners, opium smokers and gamblers, idolaters and Mohammedans, all contribute to this good work. The writer could have added several more classifications to his list and still not have exhausted the field of our

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Harvest Ingathering Signatures in Five Tongues

Harvest Ingathering activities. The accompanying cut tells a graphic story of the appeal God's work makes to the hearts of all classes of men, and also tells something of the faithful activities of our brethren.

The quotation given above, well marks out the available territory for Harvest Ingathering work. As we start out in faith this fall, let us make sure that we visit every "saint and sinner, opium smoker and gambler, idolater and Mohammedan"; and, in addition to these categories, let us include Tibetan and Mongolian, Chinese and Westerner, rich and poor, in the sphere of our Ingathering campaign.

The write-up quoted from, closed with this sentence: "In Re-Thinking Missions and the New Attitude, the home boards will no doubt send out men with a keen business instinct and trained in the art of salesmanship and solicitation. But they had better keep away from Tibet, as the nomad deals almost entirely in hard, rancid, strong-smelling yak butter." We can agree with the first section of this sentence; for whether Chinese or foreign, we need to have just the training and instinct mentioned, to carry God's work in a fitting manner. But when we remember that the little campaign in Tatsienlu produced some \$500 (Mex.) Ingathering funds, we realize that even the Tibetans deal in something besides yak butter, and that absolutely there is no place or people where the Harvest Ingathering will not succeed if undertaken in faith and love.

Our 1933 Ingathering campaign was greatly blessed of God. From this source the unions and division realized some \$56,309.41 to carry forward the old established work and to push out into new territory. Let us take courage, set our aims higher and ever higher, make the circle of our friends and contributors wider and ever wider, and thus hasten the glad day of the coming of the Master.

Everybody Works

F. W. JOHNSON

IT WAS a rather casual answer that the carpenter made when he was asked when he was going out Harvest Ingathering. In fact, the missionary leader did not know if he was in earnest and really wanted to go out, or if he would just a little rather not go. But he was given the proper credentials, signature blanks, and Ingathering papers, and told to go out, with the Lord's richest blessing, and bring in a good harvest.

During the hustle of the ensuing week he was forgotten. There were many church members who wanted to work for the Lord, and of course there was the church school and the teacher who wanted to go out and make a good showing. Much attention was given these good workers. The students with their teacher went out the first day and collected over \$12 in just a few hours. By the end of that first week the sum had rolled up to a considerable amount. There was not a lazy one among them. They all worked.

When the missionary leader called for reports at the end of the campaign, imagine every one's surprise when the carpenter, who had been forgotten because (as they said) he could not gather in much, reported more than any single person. His signature blank showed a total of \$89.70, and he had enough promises so that by the end of the year the sum amounted to over \$100. When asked how he managed to do it, he replied, "*The Lord worked, and I worked.*"

The total gathered in by lay members and the school students here in East Kweichow this year (1933) amounted to over \$225. There are some pledges that have not yet come in. The Lord surely blessed the efforts of the laity in East Kweichow during the 1933 campaign.

Harvest Ingathering Goal and Projects

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

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

Whereas, The extension of the Harvest Ingathering work is a step looking toward a greater degree of self-support in the China Division; therefore,

We recommend, (a) That a special effort be put forth during 1934 to enlist every member of our church to take an active part in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

(b) That the dates for the 1934 Ingathering Campaign be from September 8 to October 27, and that earnest effort be made to confine the campaign to the date specified.

(c) That the Harvest Ingathering Rally be held September 8 in all our churches.

(d) That so far as possible, Harvest Ingathering Conventions be held in connection with Union and local meetings.

(e) That the individual goal for church members be set at an average of \$ 5 Mex. per member.

(f) That Harvest Ingathering goals be set and from one to three field days be held by our China Training Institute, and by each of our provincial and union training institutes.

(g) That the goals and projects for the various unions be approved as follows:

	H. I. 1934	Used in
Central China:	Goals	Class I Budget
Honan	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,670.25
Hunan	2,500.00	1,200.00
Hupeh	3,500.00	1,000.00
Kiangsi	1,500.00	480.00
Total	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 4,350.25

East China.

Class I A Budget — \$ 18,000

Manchuria:

Shenyang San. Helpers' Bldg. \$ 1,600.00
Shenyang San. Class I 2,200.00

Local Missions Class I	2,200.00
Total	\$ 6,000.00

North China:

\$ 5,000 for Class I — A

5,000 (incl. Division percentage) to be distributed by action of the committee.

Northwest China:

Projects for 1934 \$ 4,000

Of this goal of \$ 4,000 for the Northwest,

\$ 2,000 is for Class I A, the remaining \$ 2,000 to be for such objects as may be named later by the Northwest China Union Committee.

South China:

Canton:

Evangelistic	
Educational	\$ 5,000
Medical (Regular)	

Hakka:

Hospital	
Educational	3,000
Churches and Evangelistic	

Kwangsi:

Regular	1,500
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North Fukien:

Church Extension	
Evangelistic (Regular)	1,500
Educational	

South Fukien:

Evangelistic (Regular)	
Church Extension	2,000
Educational	

Swatow:

Evangelistic and	
Educational (Regular)	1,500
Total	\$ 14,500

West China:

Da-bao Budget for 1935	\$ 2,500
Regular Work 1935	2,500
To be Named	2,200
To Division	800
Total	\$ 8,000

SUMMARY OF HARVEST INGATHERING GOALS

Central China	\$ 10,000.00
East China	18,000.00
Manchuria	6,000.00
North China	10,000.00
Northwest China	4,000.00
South China	14,500.00
West China	8,000.00

Grand total \$ 70,500.00

Obituary

DR. ELMER FLOYD COULSTON, eldest son of L. C. and Mable Coulston, was born in Los Angeles, California, October 24, 1905, and died at Peiping, China, May 26, 1934, at the age of twenty-eight years, seven months, and two days. His early life was spent in Battle Creek, Michigan, where he attended our denominational church school and academy. Later he attended Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Michigan, where he finished his pre-medical course.

Having been born of Adventist parentage, there arose early in his life the desire to be a worker in God's cause. With the appeal of the mission field in his mind, and in order that his training might be completed, he enrolled as a student of medicine in the College of Medical Evangelists, class of 1924. Shortly before completing his year of intership work with the St. Mary's Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, there came the call for him to join the force of workers in the Far East. On August 17, 1930, he was united in marriage to Miss Leatha Wenke, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and on August 30, the same year, they sailed through the Golden Gate bound for service in needy China.

It is interesting to note the early connections of Dr. Coulston's family with the cause of missions. His grandfather, Elder C. H. Gage, former mayor of Battle Creek, was one of the first pastors of the Battle Creek Tabernacle. His uncle and aunt, Dr. Paul Roth and his wife, who was also a doctor, were our first medical missionaries to France. His great-uncle, C. H. Jones, operated the first power printing press in our denomination, and later was elected president and general-manager of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, which position he had held for over fifty years.

In the minds of those who have been in touch with the work of Dr. Coulston, there is no doubt regarding his call to this field of labor. The first year of his term was spent in language study. From the very beginning it was seen that the doctor revealed special talent in the study of this difficult Oriental tongue. He early began the study of the Bible in Chinese and found in it his

daily comfort and inspiration until the very last. After the year of study he and his wife responded to the call of the North China Union Mission to connect with the new hospital then being opened at Kalgan, the gateway into Mongolia. Here together they served the people they learned to love and for whom he so gladly gave his life.

Our brother will be laid to rest, to await the call of the great Life Giver in the mission cemetery at Kalgan, beside the grave of his only child. We sorrow, but not without hope; "for so he giveth his beloved sleep." Mrs. Leatha Coulston, his beloved wife, has beautifully expressed the sentiments of all the relatives and many friends, "He has left us a life of happy memories to cherish and to bless us."



Dr. E. F. Coulston
**Memoirs to the Late Doctor
 Coulston**

*Address at Funeral in Peiping and Kalgan,
 May, 29, 1934, by Dr. Harry W. Miller*

MRS. MILLER and I have come to bring you, our dear bereaved Sister Coulston and sorrow-stricken fellow co-workers of the North China Union, the heartfelt sympathy of the China Division Committee, as set forth in the following resolution:

"VOTED, That we hereby forward to Sister Coulston and the bereaved father and other relatives, as also to the North China Union, our profound sympathy. We deeply sense that in the death of our beloved doctor, whose courageous spirit, versatile capabilities, steadfast purpose, untiring labors, you and the entire China field experience a loss unmeasured by words. We believe that the medical missions of China will ever be enriched by the memory of a life attended by such devotion to its cause. We commend you to Him who is not only able to comfort

and bless in this life, but who will also most certainly richly reward, by an eternity of happiness, not only our departed brother, but also those called to part with the blessedness of his comforting ministry." We also bring to you the heartfelt sympathy of the doctors, nurses, and workers of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Clinic, and from many other friends in Shanghai, who join in mourning the great loss that has come to you and to us.

Dr. Coulston's colleagues at his alma mater, as well as those who are scattered over all the lands of the earth, will learn of his departure with deepest sorrow, because of the high respect and esteem in which he was held during his student days. They will long remember his kindness, and his high-spirited, energetic, optimistic nature. His goodness was contagious, and all who came within its radius felt its power upon them.

Though Dr. Coulston's ministry in China has been short,—only a little over three and one-half years,—a great heritage has been left the China missionary movement through his contribution of service. He gave always out of the fullness of his strength, and lastly he gave his life. It will be recalled that our Master's personal ministry on earth was triumphantly ended three and one-half years from the time of its beginning. Think what that ministry has meant to the entire human race of all generations! We believe that so much has also been done by the doctor in his short ministry in China that the Kalgan Sanitarium will ever stand as a memorial of his work, and that he will continue to live in the memory of hundreds to whom he has brought a ministry of comfort and health.

My acquaintance with Dr. Coulston began in Detroit in May, 1930. At that time he was a volunteer for the mission field, having been placed under appointment by our Mission Board. He was then interning in the St. Mary's Hospital, where he was so highly thought of that much of the work of the residency staff was turned over to him because of his unusual cleverness and ability, and faithfulness. Many tempting offers were made to him at that time, but none held any appeal because of his determination to be a medical missionary on the borderland of Mongolia.

At that time the doctor was eager to know how he could best equip himself for his work during the remaining few weeks before sailing. A little later I met him in Battle Creek, his old home. He was then leader of the young people's meeting at the tabernacle and had arranged for me to speak. I observed that he displayed real leadership; he knew how to rally the young people to activity. He also led the singing, being very accomplished in both vocal and instrumental music.

Shortly afterward, Dr. Coulston was married to Miss Leatha Wenke, whereupon they sailed for China, arriving in Shanghai on September 25, 1930. From here, they went direct to Peiping, where they entered the language school to learn

Chinese while the hospital was under construction. I well remember the interest that the doctor took in planning the Kalgan Hospital, where he and his wife were later to be stationed. As we went over the arrangement of rooms and departments, the doctor expressed great concern that all the essentials of a sanitarium should be included so that the institution could be a true memorial of the great health principles given this people of the Lord.

The doctor always exemplified his faith and belief in his life. He was a strict health reformer and most anxious that this institution should stand forth as a pattern of true health reform. He knew all about sanitarium life, as from a child he had grown up in the Battle Creek Sanitarium. Being familiar with all that should constitute a good sanitarium, he saw to it that the Kalgan Hospital was provided with departments of hydrotherapy, massage, and light treatments, all of which he enthusiastically used in the care of the sick. By the time the doctor had completed his first year of language study, the Kalgan Sanitarium, so well built under the supervision of Pastor Geo. J. Appel, superintendent of the North China Mission, was ready for service.

The doctor was a natural teacher, all the while imparting instruction to nurses, cooks, helpers, and patients; and he had unusual ability in giving a wide and varied service to the sick. He excelled in his studies in language school and bade fair to be one of the greatest students of the Chinese language of modern times. Dr. Pettus, the president of the Peiping College of Chinese Studies, who is with us today, told me some time ago with great satisfaction that since the existence of the college there have been but three outstanding students, one of whom was Dr. Coulston. He marveled at his accomplishments along language study. Some of us who have been long at the language, listening to him explain the cause and nature of disease to his patients and their friends, were captivated with the cleverness of his speech in the Chinese language. The doctor used language that made even the most uncouth and unlearned understand their condition and what their part should be in cooperating to the end that they might get well. At the same time, he was able to turn to his Chinese nurses and assistants, and in more technical terms explain the processes of disease better and more clearly than I have heard Chinese-educated physicians able to do.

As a physician observing his work from time to time, I was much impressed with the doctor's interest and ability in diagnoses. He seemed to have intuition in this field, yet was methodical and thorough in his investigation: I think that I have never seen the diagnostic end or interest in it better carried on in a frontier mission hospital. He was known to have carried out an intensive program of treatment for his patients. His surgical ability was attended with such success that he quickly won the confidence of the people, and it is lament-

able to think that one so gifted along this line, could not have had longer time in which to serve the sufferers of this great heretofore neglected area, where for hundreds of miles no such skilled aid is available. He had a vision of a well-balanced medical work and was equally interested in the proficient training of the nurses. He developed his own working force, training laboratory technicians, anesthetist, supervisors of departments, and his surgical assistants. Above all, he determined to make the work count for that which is the essential objective of mission work,—the salvation of all coming under his professional ministry. The doctor was not only a faithful Sabbath observer and devoted Christian, depending on prayer for his patients, but he was also an active church worker, participating in and carrying church responsibility, as well as showing at all times a real interest in the mission work in its several phases of operations. His letters and personal appeals were always along the line of making the hospital work a more telling missionary enterprise.

Dr. Coulston did not get discouraged at difficulties, though he and his wife had many of them. In fact, I do not know where else we have ever started work in a place where so many things happened to discourage and dishearten. First, the doctor had the handicap of his own health limitations. He was compelled to battle with pleurisy and oftentimes with fever; yet he always gave of his strength to the full. He experienced personal, as well as institutional, losses through robberies, and several times there were threats upon his life. The doctor and his wife passed through the sorrow of the loss of their only child at a baby's most interesting age, when such comfort meant much to them in their isolation. Some time later, an explosion occurred in the hospital, resulting in the death of one and seriously injuring the other of two of his most dependable assistants. These, with the constant problem of ever-changing help that comes to a new work, brought to the doctor, in a few short years, more than the aggregate of a lifetime's troubles and perplexities; yet never did we hear a note of discouragement nor the desire expressed to change to a better location. Lastly, the burdens of the work and the exposures attendant on it, resulted in his death.

I seem to hear him say again the words that made a deep impression on all when he last visited the Shanghai Sanitarium a year ago. Addressing the young people, he urged that they prepare themselves for places of usefulness in the needy and distant places of China. He said that he had no burden whatever to settle in our well-established centers, with their many facilities and comforts; but that he wanted to be where there was great need and to work where he saw great lack of help and much distress. His appeal was stirring and expressed

the sentiments that have characterized his life during his brief but fruitful years of service in the China mission.

The doctor's career has distinguished him as a true builder in the medical missionary program in China. Since Dr. Andrews's leave to the homeland, we have depended chiefly on Dr. Coulston as our writer and linguist in Chinese medical terminology. As the doctor was leaving Shanghai, my last words to him were, "Keep up your interest in the study of the language; for we need your help in preparing medical literature in the Chinese language." Yes, we needed him—as a doctor, as a missionary, as a teacher, and as a preacher. He had gifts, which eminently qualified him for our work. The loss to the China Mission in his death is appalling. This most beloved man's memory will long linger in the hearts of his associates in labor, both Chinese and foreigners, and we shall pray God to give us men to fill the great gap made by his departure.

His one fault was working beyond his strength. He was a fearless worker, yet he was cautious when the health of others was involved. I recall having performed an operation on him somewhat over a year ago, which, of necessity, required that he remain in bed for many days. Within a few days after his operation, an acute case, whose life depended on surgery, came to the hospital. He gave orders for the surgical preparation and had the sick man prepared and placed on a cot by his bed; then he, while lying down, reached over and successfully operated on this patient, thus saving his life. The same kind of ministry characterized him to the end.

He became ill on Friday, the eighteenth of May, one week before his death, but insisted on making his usual rounds that day. On Sabbath, though not well, he was at Sabbath school and church, taking an active part in the service. On Sunday he responded to an emergency call, laboring over a dying person, giving artificial respiration, for three hours, until, exhausted, he took to his bed, from which he could not later arise. He was fully resigned, though gladly would he have lived on to do his part in the finishing of the work. To the very end he put forth coöperative effort to get well, and bore his distressing illness with a smile of confidence and trust. Truly his life was an inspiration to all who knew him, and is a call to every young man and woman to dedicate his life without reserve to the Master's cause.

Until the Life Giver shall come to call him forth to his glorious reward, our brother will rest here among the people for whom he gave his life. Of him it can be truly said, "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus. . . . Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

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In the Shensi Mission

Pastor Z. H. Coberly, director of the Shensi Mission, has written several letters of deep interest regarding the opening providences of the Lord in Shensi. It will not be many more months before the Lunghai Railway will have extended its lines right through to Sianfu, the capital. This is a marvelous development, and will bring many opportunities to our brethren of the Northwest.

Dr. Vinkel and family were in Sianfu in mid-May, en route to Lanchow, where Dr. Vinkel will serve as medical superintendent of the Lanchow Sanitarium-Hospital now in process of construction. His visit to Sianfu is referred to by Brother Coberly in appreciative terms. The nurses at Sianfu, led by Sister Coberly, are still carrying on in the little "Gate Dispensary" at our compound outside the West Gate of the city. Miss Barnett, formerly of the Manila Sanitarium, has been visiting her sister for some months in Sianfu, and has given much assistance in the dispensary work. Miss Barnett is en route to the States; her willingness to go into the interior, as a break in her journey, has already brought its own reward in returning health and strength; for the climate in Sianfu is more bracing and ideal than that prevailing in Manila. In fact, there are few places in China where the air is more salubrious than at Sianfu; and this is also true of Lanchow, perhaps even more markedly because of the higher elevation, Lanchow being about a mile above sea-level.

The Shensi Mission plan on holding an institute and a Sabbath-school convention at Balidwen, north of the Wei River, in August. Balidwen is not far from "Gospel Village." The Division Committee have authorized Miss Mount, division secretary, to be in attendance if her other duties will permit of this.

Where before a "seven-year drought" had brought a great famine, there is once more plenty of food. Brother Coberly writes: "I have just returned from a trip to Pucheng. The crops in that whole section are excellent this year! They say that they will harvest enough to last them for two or three years. We are encouraging the people to express their gratitude by returning to the Lord His own in a faithful tithe from this year's bountiful harvest. If they do this, there will be sufficient extra tithe to permit of our opening up a new hsién this coming year. We are indeed thankful to the Lord for this breaking of the long, bitter famine."

In a later letter, dated May 29, he writes: "I have just returned from a trip to Lantien. Mrs. Coberly, Lois Faye (the daughter), and Miss Barnett all went with me on this trip, and we had a very interesting time. After several days of meetings, we examined and baptized twenty-four candidates. This doubles the membership of that church. There are at least as many more in the baptismal classes, preparing for baptism this fall. I am leaving soon for a trip to the North, and am expecting that the baptisms this spring will be nearly one hundred."

Arrivals

Pastor Nils Dahlsten and family, under appointment for Tihwa, Sinkiang Province (Chinese Turkestan), finding himself wholly unable to secure passport visas for entering Sinkiang from the Soviet Republic border on the North, has already reached Sianfu, Shensi, where he will reside until such time as more favorable conditions allow of his going on into Sinkiang. This brings added strength into Shensi.

On June 8, per S. S. "President Wilson", from a year of special service in the Manila Sanitarium, Philippine Islands, Dr. H. A. Erickson and family, for service in China; his first assignment being to the staff of the Shanghai Sanitarium. Dr. Erickson was at one time medical superintendent of the Walla Walla Sanitarium; and he and his family also spent some years in mission service in Africa. All unite in extending welcome.

Departures

Per S. S. "Taiyo Maru," from Shanghai May 26, for her second furlough in the States, Miss Lucy Andrus, of the North China Union (Peiping); and Miss Josephine Holmes, of the Central China Union (Yencheng, Honan,) for her first furlough. Upon arrival in San Francisco, these Bible workers will proceed immediately to Pacific Union College, Angwin P. O. Napa Co., California, to be in attendance at the Summer Institute for Bible and History teachers. When this special Institute closes, they will proceed to their homes.

Per S. S. "President Wilson," June 9, from Shanghai, Professor and Mrs. Chas. Larsen of Far Eastern Academy, for their first furlough in the States, after having served in the Academy for eight years. Professor Larsen will be in attendance at the Institute at Pacific Union College for a time; later he will proceed to Nebraska.

The "President Wilson" also carried as passengers, Pastor A. Mountain and family of the Central China Union, on their third furlough. This time, instead of returning to their ancestral homes in the Australasian Union, they choose to proceed to the United States of America, where their son, Brother Vernon Mountain, will take a professional course in dentistry.

Per. S. S. "President Jefferson" from Shanghai, on her second furlough, Miss Tillie E. Barr, cashier of the China Division Treasury. Miss Barr will spend much of her time in Michigan. During Miss Barr's absence, Miss Lehman, formerly of the Pacific Union, will serve as cashier of the Division Treasury. Mail for Sister Barr should be addressed to her at 268 S. Wing St., Northville, Mich., U. S. A.; although in this instance, as in the case of all others on furlough, any letters addressed in care of the General Conf. of S. D. A., Takoma Park Sta., Washington, D. C., U. S. A., will be promptly forwarded to the proper addresses, which often are changed during the course of the furlough, but always are known by those at the denominational headquarters in Washington.

Memorial Service

A memorial Service for the late Dr. Coulston was held on Sabbath afternoon, June 16, in the Central Shanghai church, where the mission workers and church members of the Shanghai area gathered to pay their respects to this fallen worker.

Busy Times in the South

Through correspondence from Pastor O. A. Hall and others in the South China Union, we learn that the great demands upon the men in responsibility, have brought to them very busy times since the Winter Council held in Shanghai. A very special program was followed for three months, March, April, May, in the holding of institutes and district meetings, in several of the provincial missions. The Hakka Mission will have its turn this coming autumn.

Many students are entering the field for colportage during the summer months. The evangelistic work is being continued, some teachers uniting with others in this. A few readjustments in faculties, because of releases for service in other fields, are being made; and this always adds to the work of committees; but we feel confident that South China's spirit of liberality in releasing for service in the Institute of Chiaotoutseng, and at the Shanghai Sanitarium, and in the Northwest and the West China Union Missions, will bring its own reward in increased devotion, and in continued interest in the cause of missions. The Hainan Mission, also, brings much of encouragement. These are indeed busy times in the South China Union; and added to their other activities there is now the completion of the campaign for funds with which to complete the Canton Sanitarium and Hospital, and give added facilities to the Canton Middle School in Tungshan, a suburb of Canton.

May Heaven's blessings continue with Pastor O. A. Hall and his associates in labor in the South.

Resolution of Sympathy

THE following resolution was passed by the committee at the yearly meeting:

Whereas, during the year 1933 some of our associates have suffered death while in the midst of their labors, thus sealing their testimony through making the supreme sacrifice in behalf of their Lord and their fellow-men, we, the South China Union Committee assembled, do hereby record our appreciation of their service, and extend to their families our sincere sympathy and love. We pray that the God of all comfort may in mercy sustain and bless those who have been passing through these great sorrows.

O. A. HALL, in "South China Union Mission Advance," for April, 1934.

Pastor C. C. Crisler left the Shanghai office on June 5 on an extended visit through portions of the West China Union.

Word has come to us that prospects are bright for a good summer school at Chiaotoutseng.