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ROLLCALL OF MEMBERS
of
KIANGSI WOMAN'S CONFERENCE

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*Brown, Zula Frances
Chang Feng Cheng
Chang Mei Yin
Chen Chin Ren
Chen Yu Cheng
Chen Yeo Lan
Cheng, Julia
Chi Cheng Ku
Chi Yung Cheng
Chiao Lan Sen
Chou Lan Chin
Chou, Lucina
Chu Hwei Cheng
Chu Shou Cheng
Daniels, Ruth
Ferris, Helen
Fredericks, Edith
*Gooding, Laura
Hai Yu Chin
Howe, Gertrude
Hsia Chin Hsien
Hsia Lan Hsiang
Hsie, Phoebe
Hu Wen Lien
*Hu, Margaret
Hung Chung Yin
*Hunt, Faith
Hwang Sin Ming
Kahn, Ida
Kellogg, Nora

*Lee, Beatrice
Li Chen Fu
Li, Florence
*Lind, Jenny
Ling Siu Mei
*Luce, Isabel
Mao Ren Ngan
Meeker, Bessie
Merrill, Clara
*Myers, Ruth
Nieh, Miriam
Pittman, Annie
*Raab, Theodora
Seeck, Margaret
*Search, Blanche
*Smith, Ellen
*Spathelf, Rena
*Stone, Myrtle
Sung Tiao Yin
Sung Yu Teh
*Tang Viola
Thomasson, Leona
*Thompson, Ethel
*Thompson, May Bel
*Tsai I Ling
Waldron, Rose
Wang Ngan Fu
Woodruff, Frances
Woodruff, Mabel
Wu, Grace
Wu Li Hsin
Yu-Chin Shui Lan

*Absent from China.
OFFICERS OF KIANGSI WOMAN'S CONFERENCE
FOR 1928-29

President .......................... Chou Yu Yin
Vice President ....................... Helen Ferris
Chinese Secretary .................. Chou Lan Chin
English Secretary .................... Nora Kellogg
Statistical Secretary ................ Bessie Meeker
Assistant Statistical Secretary .... Rose Waldron
Official Correspondent .............. Annie Pittman
Assistant Official Correspondent ... Clara Merrill
STANDING COMMITTEES

Reference Committee.
  Clara Merrill
  Dr. Ida Kahn
  Margaret Seeck
  Dr. Chen Yu Chen
  Bessie Meeker
  Annie Pittman
  Sung Tiao Yin
  Mabel Woodruff
  Chou Yu Yin

Field Property Committee.
  Nora Kellogg
  Clara Merrill
  Sung Tiao Yin
  Annie Pittman
  Miriam Nieh
  Ruth Daniels
  Dr. Kahn

Auditing Committee.
  Ruth Daniels
  Chou Lan Chin
  Leona Thomasson
  Sung Yu Teh

Representative on Board of Directors, Gining College.
  Clara Merrill

Representative on Board of Control, Nanking Bible Teachers Training School.
  Myrtle Stone
  Mabel Woodruff, alternate.

Hoag Home Committee.
  Rose Waldron
  Myra McDade

Publications Committee.
  Chu Shou Chen
  Nora Kellogg

Program Committee.
  Bessie Meeker
  Cheo Lan Chin
  Dr. Ida Kahn
  Chi Yung Cheng
  Ruth Daniels

Language Study Committee.
  Wang Shan Chih
  Miriam Nieh
  F. R. Brown
  Grace Wu
  Clara Merrill
  Frank Argelander
REPORT OF FIELD REFERENCE COMMITTEE

ACTIONS—1927-1928

November 18, 1927.

Voted that Evangelistic work be opened at Bah San, Su-sung provided funds can be provided from the budget without increase of appropriation.

Miss Sung Tiao-yin was authorized to make investigation as to the need and possibilities of school work with authority to act provided there is no call for increase of appropriations.

December 27, 1927.

Voted that it is the judgment of the Reference Committee that the former action of this Committee regarding the furlough of Miss May Bel Thompson should stand as it is and that all things considered, Miss Thompson should be released for furlough at the regular time.

Later the matter was reconsidered and date of furlough postponed.

March 10, 1928.

Voted that we recommend that Miss Gooding begin her furlough in June 1928 instead of January 1929 in order that she may return to Baldwin in the Fall of 1929 when she will be so greatly needed.

Voted that Miss Seeck be granted furlough in June 1929 instead of January 1930.

Voted that the Misses Mabel and Frances Woodruff be granted regular furlough in June 1929.

Voted that we approve of Miss Margaret Hu accepting a scholarship in De Pauw University for further study.

Voted that the Kiukiang members of the Reference Committee be given power to act for the Committee as a whole regarding the purchase of land next to the Model School across the street from Rulison for playground purposes, with the understanding that funds shall be provided locally.

Voted that the following be sent to the May Meeting and to Bishop Birney with our hearty appreciation of the addition to salary already granted; "In view of the high cost of living, which in the case of such necessities as coal, wood, food, servants, etc. is one-third to one-half more than in 1926, we respectfully beg to state that a comfortable living in Kiangsi Conference for missionaries is not less than $1,000 gold, which is a third more than in 1926."
Voted that in view of the increase in cost of living for the Chinese, we ask that all $80 appropriations for Evangelistic teachers, and schools be raised to $100. Living expenses for the Chinese have just about doubled within the past ten years.

At the request of Miss Rena Spathelf it was voted that she be granted an immediate emergency furlough.

The matter of salaries of teachers was discussed but no action taken.

March 14, 1928.

In response to request from Consul Lockhart in Hankow a complete list of property in the entire Conference with evaluation and location was made out and sent to the Consulate.

April 2, 1928.

The following communication was received from the Nan-chang Section of the Kiangsi Board of Directors for Schools: "Resolved that we recommend to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society that they take over the boys' school at Changshu as a permanent program."

It was the opinion of the majority of the Reference Committee that they would like to see the project carried out as an experiment for a year or two before expressing their opinion on the matter as a permanent program.

August 9, 1928.

Since Miss Margaret Hu left for U.S.A. there has been no one in the principalship of Rulison. The faculty of Rulison wrote Bishop Birney some months ago and expressed themselves in other ways as wanting Miss Grace Wu as Principal. It was voted that Miss Wu be asked to take the position as Acting Principal of Rulison.

The matter of change of constitution, Art. V, Sec. I of the Board of Managers of the Bible Teachers Training School in Nan-king was brought up and carefully considered. It was recommended and voted that a committee of three consisting of Miss Mabel Woodruff, Miss Margaret Seck and Miss Sung Tiao-yin formulate our protest to the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers of the Bible Teachers Training School against the proposed change in this Art. V, Sec. I, since we believe it to be the function of the Mission to choose its own representatives.

The matter of change in organization of the Board of Control of Ginling College was also considered, the name of the organization to be "Board of Directors" rather than "Board of Control." The following suggestions were made and accepted by vote:
1. That the members of the Board of Directors be limited to twenty.

2. That the Alumnae and fully co-operating Missions shall have two members each, one of whom at least, shall be Chinese.

3. That other partially co-operating groups and the faculty shall have one member each, so far as is possible within the limits of the Board.

4. Members at large may be co-opted by the Board to complete the number twenty.

5. A term of four years in suggested to help maintain the continuity of the Board.

The matter of urgent need for extensive repairs on the Hoag Home was very carefully considered. Members of the Committee and others have made thorough investigation and find it very imperative that something be done immediately.

Voted that we proceed to repair the Hoag Home, roof and walls especially, within the limits of funds at hand, the secretary to submit this action to Central China Reference Committee for their approval.

Voted that we approve of the Hoag Home Committee reducing the rates by half for the present Summer in view of the fact that rents are all low in Kuling this season, making season rates $20 and $25 for double and single rooms, and transient rates fifty cents a day.

August 10, 1928.

With heavy hearts facing the possibility of having to close some work because of the extra heavy financial burdens which will be incurred, the following actions were taken concerning increase of salaries:

Voted that High School graduates begin with the salary of $16 a month, those who have taught one year be paid $17, 2 years $18, 3 years $19, the limit to be $22.

Voted that undergraduates be increased to a limit of $15, the amount of increase this year to be determined by a committee composed of those in charge of Evangelistic work.

Voted that those who have had 2 years beyond High School begin with $25 and such as have taught 2 years be given $27, 3 years $29, four years $31, the limit to be $35; and that those beginning this year be given $23.
Voted that those who have completed a one year course beyond High School be given an increase of $2, the limit to be fixed at $26.

Voted that college graduates receive not less than $50, the increase to be $5, to a limit of $70.

Voted that as a first step toward the equalizing of expense of teachers inside and outside of Boarding Schools, all extras in diet and fuel in Boarding School be provided by the teachers themselves for the present semester while the problem is being studied.

Voted that the following committee be asked to make all necessary plans for the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the W.F.M.S., including plans for our part in the gift to the Mother organization with power to act;

(The committee) Dr. Ida Kahn, Chairman,
Miss Miriam Nieh       Miss Tiao Sung-yin
Miss Bessie Meeker     Miss Annie Pittman.

Voted that we recommend Miss Hsia Lan-hsiang for McDowell Fellowship for use in Yenching University if possible; if not, in U.S.A.

Voted that the secretary procure information from Yenching University concerning Kindergarten course for Teachers, beyond the course offered at Soochow; what degree, if any, is conferred; and what amount is needed to cover school expenses, including board.

New regulations regarding the McDowell Fellowship were received from Mrs. Avann, copies made and sent to each department of work in the Conference.

October 11, 1928.

Voted that the following names be presented to the Woman’s Conference for membership:

Miss Yu-chih Shui-lan       Nanchang Women & Children’s Hospital
Miss Wu Li-hsin            Knowles Bible Training School
Miss Hwang Sin-ming        Rulison High School
Miss Mao Ren-ngan          City Day Schools, Kiukiang
Miss Chen Yu-lan

Voted that Miss Seeck be appointed to act in place of Miss Meeker on Committee regarding change of constitution Union Bible Training School.
Voted that we suggest to the Woman’s Conference that the question of salaries be referred to the following committee for readjustment:

Miss Sung Tiao-yin        Miss Miriam Nieh
Miss Bessie Meeker        Miss Clara E. Merrill

Also that we urgently request the members of the Woman’s Conference to give suggestions to this Committee for consideration.

October 13, 1928.

Report of the Committee for consideration of change of constitution of Bible Training School of Nanking was read and accepted by common consent.

Voted that Miss Mabel Woodruff take the place of Miss Fredericks on the appointment committee.

Voted that we suggest the following as a committee on reorganization of the Woman’s Conference, with formation of constitution:

Miss Merrill        Miss Fredericks        Miss Cheo Yu Yin
Miss Chi Yung Cheng       Miss Seeck

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE M. PITTMAN,

Secretary.
MINUTES OF THE KIANGSI WOMAN'S CONFERENCE, 1928.

The Kiangsi Woman's Conference met at the W.F.M.S. Missionary Home at Mao Chia Han, Kiukiang, Thursday afternoon, Oct. 11, at 3:00 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the President, Miss Chou Yu Yin. After the opening hymn, number 249, and prayer by Mrs. Kiang Ming Chi, the devotional address was given by Mrs. Birney. From the scripture lessons, John 15. 1-8, and I John 2:6, she brought us the message of God's right to expect from us fruitful lives, even a Christlike walk. Miss Merrill, Miss Mabel Woodruff, and Miss Grace Wu led in prayer. Hymn 256 was sung and again Miss Chou led in prayer.

The business of Conference was then taken up.
Roll call of members was read by Miss Chu Shou Cheng.

Five new members for the Woman's Conference, presented by the Reference Committee, were welcomed as follows:
Miss Yu Chih Shui Lan, superintendent of nurses Nanchang Womans and Childrens Hospital.
Miss Wu Li Hsin, Knowles Bible School.
Miss Hwang Sin Ming, Rulison High School.
Miss Chen Yeo Lan, Rulison High School.
Miss Mao Ren Ngan, Kiukiang day schools supervisor.

The following new committees were chosen:

**Nominating Committees**
Dr. Kahn, Miss Meeker, Miss Grace Wu, Miss Pittman.

**Resolutions Committee:**
Miss Hu Wen Lien, Miss Seeck, Miss Chi Cheng Ku.

**Fraternal Letters Committee:**
Miss Frances Woodruff, Miss Mao Ren Ngan.

Miss Merrill presented a request from Bishop Birney that we choose a committee of three Chinese and two foreigners to act with a committee from the Mens Conference to present plans to the Conference for evangelistic campaigns for the coming year. Miss Chang Mei Yin, Miss Sung Tiao Yin, Miss Meeker, and Miss Pittman were chosen.

Miss Mabel Woodruff announced that Miss Merrill, Miss Seeck, Miss Sung Tiao Yin and Miss Miriam Nieh had been chosen by the Reference Committee to investigate the matter of salaries.
Miss Merrill presented the difficulties of raising salaries in
the districts and dayschools, and asked the whole Conference to
consider the subject and try to inaugurate some method of re­
lieving the situation.

Misses Ferris and Waldron sang for us, "I will sing of my
Redeemer."

The report of the Auditing Committee was called for. Miss
Thomasson reported for 1926-27 that all books received had been
audited. Miss Frances Woodruff reported for 1927-28, that all
books received had been audited. Three sets of books had not
yet been received.

The remaining time was spent in prayer.

After singing hymn No. 393, the Conference adjourned to
meet next Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 2:00 P.M. at Rulison Home.

Second Session, Kiangsi Woman's Conference

Rulison Home, 2:00 P. M., Oct. 16, 1928.

The devotions were led by Miss Ella Shaw. She set forth
four means by which the Christian must be purified and cleans­
ed;—By Jesus' blood, I John 1:8,9. By Jesus, word, John 15:2,3.;
By the Holy Spirit, Matt. 3:11,12.; By hope, I John 3:1-3, A
season of prayer followed her message.

It was moved and carried to adjourn at 4:00 o'clock on ac­
count of Bishop Birney's meeting with the Board of Education
at that hour.

The Chinese minutes of the Oct. 11th meeting were read,
corrected, and approved.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by Miss
Grace Wu.

Miss Merrill moved that the report be considered and vot­
ed on item by item. Carried.

All those nominated for officers, committees, and representa­
tives, were elected by the Conference.

It was then moved and carried to drop out the Appointment
Committee and choose it at the first session of the Woman's Con­
ference next year from attending members.

The report of the Salaries Committee was given by Miss
Nieh, after Miss Merrill had presented the great difficulties of
the Committee and the need of a sacrificial spirit in all the

The Conference was adjourned to meet at Knowles' Bible
School at 2:00 P.M., Oct. 17.
Third Session, Kiangsi Woman's Conference,
Knowles' Bible School, 2:00 P.M., Oct. 17, 1928

After singing hymn 200, the devotional address was again given by Miss Ella Shaw. From Gen. 5: 22-24, she brought a message of the glory and blessing of walking with God. A season of prayer followed and a solo by Miss Miriam Nieh.

The Chinese minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected, and approved.

The report of representative on the Board of Directors of Nanking Bible Teachers Training School was given for Miss Mabel Woodruff by Miss Ella Shaw.

Miss Woodruff presented the proposal of changing the constitution of the Nanking B.T.T.S., Article V, Section I.

Miss Merrill moved that we do not approve of this proposed change in the constitution. Carried.

Miss Merrill gave her report as representative on the Board of Control of Ginling College. Report was accepted.

Miss Merrill moved that the report of the Salaries Committee be accepted and the Committee continued. Carried.

The ad interim report of the Reference Committee was called for, read by Miss Sung Tiao Yin, and adopted.

Miss Nieh moved that a committee of Chinese be appointed to write letters to all foreign missionaries of this Conference in the U.S.A., asking them to return at once, and another letter to Bishop Birney asking for Miss Frederick's return to Kiangsi. Carried. Miss Sung Tiao Yin, Miss Miriam Nieh, and Miss Grace Wu were appointed.

After much discussion of pensions for the aged workers and of the local auxiliaries in our Conference of the W.F.M.S., Miss Merrill moved that Misses Chou Yu Yin, Miriam Nieh, and Chang Mei Yin be appointed as a committee to prepare a constitution for our W.F.M.S. auxiliaries. Carried. Moved that the Pension Committee be continued for this year. Carried.

Miss Nieh reported for the Sixtieth Anniversary Committee. The report was accepted.

A letter of greeting from Miss Edith Fredericks was read.

In response to request, Misses Seeck, Chi Yung Chen, and Chang Mei Yin were chosen to represent the Woman's Conference in a joint committee with the Men's Conference on Religious Education.

Special music was rendered by three Knowles' teachers.
The report of the Resolutions Committee was presented by Miss Hu Wen Lien and accepted.

Miss Merrill moved that the president and secretaries go carefully over the minutes of this meeting and correct them. Carried.

The secretaries were instructed to send an English copy of the Conference Report to each Conference member.

Moved that the material in the English and Chinese Conference Report be identical. Carried.

Moved that each person reporting Conference work give three duplicate copies of the report to both English and Chinese secretaries. Carried.

After prayer by Miss Merrill, the meeting was adjourned.

NORA E. KELLOGG,
Secretary.
NANCHANG CITY AND DISTRICT
EVANGELISTIC WORK

The past year has been a busy one in the City, we have had 7 Bible Women at work and at the present time we have 6 at work in the churches, hospitals, and at the Woman's Institutional Center at Kao Chiao.

Every two weeks a prayer meeting with the Bible Women has been held with the chief thought in all the meetings that of asking for strength and wisdom for the work, for the workers, for church members and strength and healing for the sick.

At Christmas time a Christmas meeting was arranged at which time each Bible Woman invited the church members from the which she served. All of the children present were given little gifts and all joined together in thanking God for the blessings of the year.

This year at Kao Chiao Institution a bath for women was re-opened and proved to be very popular, many Government School students and teachers and upper class women have availed themselves of it and it has proved to be a valuable source of contact with other upper class women.

Mrs. Yang, the wife of the civil governor, who is much interested in social uplift, suggested a number of needy fields in Nanchang City, so they evolved the plan of each Bible Woman going every Sunday afternoon to these institutions—the Model Prison, Door of Hope, Old Peoples' Home, the Home for Crippled and Blind, the Orphanage and the Widow's Home.

During the weeks when I have been in Nanchang I have visited the classes conducted by the Bible Women, written many letters, worked with the Bible Women and called in the homes of the church members and the sick.

CHEN CHIN RAN.

In November, in company with Mrs. Chen, the Day School Supervisor, I went to MeiChuan and GinHsien. While in GinHsien we held evangelistic meetings with the women. These were largely attended by earnest, interested women. At MeiChuan it was not possible to hold such meetings but Mrs. Chen, Mrs. Tang and I called in the homes of both church members and outsiders.
During March and April I visited all of the stations on the Fu River, holding evangelistic meetings with the women and children. Much interest and a good attendance was shown in all these meetings, especially was this true in Sung Sz, it is far away in the mountains and difficult to reach, formerly there were no women church members and no Bible Woman but in August the Bible Woman at Fuchow was transferred to Sung Sz and she has found the women very much interested in the Gospel and has already gathered 3 members for the church.

At Shantento 50 families are church members, half of that number live in the country but every Sunday morning, the whole family, children and all, come in to church. Many of the church members are shopkeepers and every Sunday their shops are closed, no business is carried on. The church members feel so deeply their need to spread the Gospel that they go out through the country to preach. . . . Where the church members have daughters they are not allowed to marry into non-Christian families but are married only into the homes of Christians.

Wei Po Po, the outstanding person of the Christian community, is 80 years old and all listen to her counsel with great respect. During the period when they were without a pastor at Shantento, they met regularly at her home for services. Her entire family and all her friends are believers.

Chen Chin Ran.
NANCHANG DISTRICT DAY SCHOOLS

Last year in September Mrs. Chen began the supervision of District Day Schools, schools were opened wherever possible and with what teachers we had, a number of Baldwin students, who could not return to Baldwin because of the closing of the Senior High School Department, helped us greatly by teaching in the schools.

During the year on the Fu River we had 4 schools open with 134 children, two schools at Fuchow—the boys' school and the girls' school working co-operatively in the exchange of teachers.

On the Kan River 2 schools have been open with 108 children enrolled. On the Nanchang District we have had 2 schools with 49 children in attendance.

Of the total number of children enrolled—291, 58 were from the homes of churchmembers.

In December Miss Chen, supervisor of Evangelistic Work, and Mrs. Chen visited Gin Hsien and Mei Chuan. Not only were the teachers helped and advised but the children's homes were visited and evangelistic meetings were held during their stay.

In the Spring they visited the Fu River District, covering the whole District even as far South as Nanfeng and were gone two months. Mrs. Chen helped with the evangelistic meetings that were opened in each station. While in Kienchang she held a parents' meeting.

She was particularly impressed by the earnestness and the zeal of the people at Sung Sz, it is difficult to reach away up in the mountains, the trip can only be made by chair. The pastor has opened a very good school and in which the people are very much interested.

This term Miss Chi Gen Ku began the supervision of the District Schools.

We have re-opened the same number of schools as were opened last year-8 but with great difficulty because of the scarcity of teachers, we have scoured the country for teachers but still do not have enough. The only thing that has prevented the closing of the Feng Chen School was the finding of Miss Deng, a Hupeh girl; Mrs. Li, the Bible Woman, helped greatly by opening the school and teaching for a month until the arrival of Miss Deng, and Mrs. Li is continuing to help us by teaching the Bible and conducting the little worship service every morning. There are more than 30 children attending this school.
A new project was opened in Chang Shu, a co-educational school with upper primary. There are 70 children attending with only 1 child as boarder, by next term we expect to have more boarding pupils but due to very difficult conditions we do not have a normal enrollment.

There have been handicaps in the form of occupation of buildings by soldiers and the process of extensive repairs to both boys' and girls' school buildings. The boys' school building was turned over to us by the General Board for our use with the understanding that it would first be put into good condition. We hope soon to have a school of both day and boarding pupils drawing from many sections of the Kan River.

We are very fortunate in having Miss Mary Tang as principal of the Chang Shu School she has had 2 years work in America and much experience both before and after her return to China and is peculiarly well-fitted for this work.

CHI GEN KU.
"In the day when I cried Thou answerest me, and strengthened me with strength in my soul." How true are the words of the Psalmist, for all through the troubles of last year the Lord heard our prayers and renewed our strength for fresh conflicts with the powers of darkness. The annals of our work would show a truly great variety of experiences but through them all the triumph of faith gleams forth victoriously, and we praise and glorify our Father for His manifold blessings throughout the year.

At the Annual Conference under the leadership of our Bishop Birney the Spirit of the Lord came upon us and we were filled with zeal to preach the Word and to show forth His Spirit among the people. So we went to the Conference of the National Christian Council in Shanghai and later to the Special Conference there, and again to the East Asia Conference, and in all of these we were able to show that what our Christians wanted was a deeply spiritual Church permeated by the Spirit of our Master. So we voted against the formation of a National Church, or an Independent Church, but we voted to remain an integral part of the World Methodist Church, and much to our joy we carried the day. So though the Presbyterians, the Congregationalists, and many other denominations have separated from their Mother Churches and have formed themselves into an Independent Chinese Church, we remain a part of the International Methodist Church, and we choose to remain so because we feel that the heritage of the Mother Church is deeply spiritual and we can ill afford to lose the help of our spiritual leaders, In all humility we believe in the policy of our Church and desire to be led by it in the coming years of service to our country.

Again we were quickened by the Spirit so we came home determined to stress the work of evangelism above everything else and at all costs. Christmas time gave me a great opportunity. Our big ward was decorated in a beautiful manner, and here were gathered a crowd of over three hundred people. Poor patients, rich patients, high officials wives, and even army officers were all gathered here ready to listen to what I might say to them. So with a silent prayer for help, I poured out my heart to them and I appealed to them to accept Christ as their Savior. I said, "Does this look as if we had gathered to do honor to the illegitimate son of Mary, whom you say that Jesus is? And remember that not only here but all over the world
this day the Christians have met to honor Jesus, whom we say is the Son of God and he came to earth as the Son of Man to save us from our sins. Since time immemorial has the birth of any king, or great man so shaken the earth as this Jesus whom you despise? Yet almost two thousand years after His birth, this Christ has power to thrill the world anew at the mere memory of His birth.”

Then I informed them how few good hospitals there were in all China and I told them that this hospital was built by the women of America who loved Jesus and who wanted to manifest the Spirit of Christ to the women of China. So they have not only built this hospital but scores of hospitals all over China, and not only hospitals but schools, colleges, and orphanages everywhere. Moreover, not only in our country have they carried on this work, but all over the world even to the uttermost parts of Africa. The finest college in Italy I told them was the Woman’s College built in Rome by the Methodist women of America, and the girls from the finest homes in Italy, as well as the poorest attended it. Did the other religions of the world move people to make these sacrifices for others? If they did not, then it showed that Christ was of divine origin, else He could not have moved the hearts of His believers in so mighty a fashion.

The Nationalists say that The Three Peoples Principles of Sen Wen are sufficient to save the country but already their ranks are torn by dissensions and the people are suffering because they cannot live up to what they preach. What China needs is the Spirit of Christ which alone has power to save all people. The strongest nations on earth are those in which the people carry out most fully the teachings of Christ. I said that if I had a wonderful Elixir of Life I would give it to them to save them; so because I knew that Jesus could save them and give them life eternal, I was eager to have them accept Him. I said that we were all anxious to serve our country. Then let us believe in Christ and manifest His Spirit of love towards all our people. In that way we can truly serve our country because we can really love those all around us and serve them in the right way. The Nationalists can never regenerate the country until they can accept Christ, and when they have His help then they will be able to accomplish their purpose. We Christians however, should imitate the Nationalists in their propaganda work and try to preach Christ until everyone has heard the Gospel and has been given a chance to believe in Him as their Savior.

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My talk made a great impression on them and many of them came up and told me that what I said was true and they believed what I said. One high official’s wife told me afterwards that she remembered everything that I had said and she repeated it all to her husband and he said that was a good talk and what I said was true. I was surprised that the officers did not take offence at what I had said. One teacher came and said to me, “That is the best preaching I have ever heard you give and you talk much better than you use to do.” I thanked the Lord because He had enabled me to give the message in an effective way, for these people ordinarily would never go near a place where they would have any preaching.

Then New Years time came and the preachers planned for a week of evangelistic work. They asked me to preach one day at the Central Church. I declined at first, for I said that I was only used to talking to the women and might fail where there were many men. However, they urged me to do so, and finally I consented, for I did not want to be a coward. It was very discouraging, for at New Years time the people could not be induced to enter the church even though personal efforts were made to get them there. The first three days only one or two got up after each service to say that they wished to accept Christ, so when my turn came I was determined to do my best and then to leave the rest with our Father. Some of the speakers had chosen popular topics but I chose as my subject, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” I not only preached to those who did not know Him but I talked also to the Christians, urging them to preach Christ and His power to save and to try to live a Christ-like life so that, “In all things He might have the preeminence.” After my talk eight persons got up and signified that they wished to accept Christ as their Savior. Oh, I was so happy and one of the men was a colonel in the army. He has joined our church as a probationer and will soon be baptized.

Then in May, Mary Stone and Jennie Hughes came and led us in some meetings for the Christians, and there was an outpouring of the Holy Spirit so that many of us were blessed and we felt that the indwelling of the Holy Spirit was truly ours.

We have had preaching services everyday in our church and our nurses have helped in the singing and the playing of the organ. Then our pastor has helped in the preaching at the Central Church where evangelistic services have also been held almost daily so that throughout the year the Gospel has been preached in these two chapels.
Thus the blessed preaching goes on and all our medical work has felt the impetus. A case was brought to us from Fungchen about one hundred and twenty li away from here. The woman suffered terribly from the bad treatment of a Chinese doctor. She had an abscess on her abdomen and a doctor cut a deep gash into it, then he cupped it with the result that a large loop of the intestines was drawn into the wound. Then they carried her on a bamboo stretcher to us, and she was in a fearful condition when she came. The intestines had become gangrenous and the odor was something terrible so that the patients objected to her being in the same ward with them. We prayed for her and we did the best that we could for her. We removed all the gangrenous tissue and we kept the wound soaked in antiseptic solutions. Then we thought that we would do an operation when the woman had regained a bit of her strength, for when she came she had not been able to take anything; but we fed her with egg albumen as soon as she came. One thing which made the case more distressing was the way in which the worms seemed to have filled the woman. They kept rolling out of the wound in bunches till we were all made sick by the sight. To our great surprise not only did the wound heal beautifully, but one day the stump of the wound fell into the abdomen and the ends of the intestines must have joined together again, for the woman regained perfectly the functions of her bowels and her abdominal wound healed up altogether. We have never heard of such a recovery before but all things are possible with God and we praise Him and magnify his name.

We had a case last year which was just as wonderful but it is not so easy to report. Suffice it to say that the woman lost a large internal organ and yet she managed to live. So the women of China respond to treatment in a remarkable manner.

One of my nurses recovered in answer to prayer also in a very wonderful way. She had had three attacks of malaria simply because she would not keep up her quinine, then the malaria took a pernicious turn and her heart failed. She also had pleurisy as a complication, besides which she had persistent insomnia and vomiting, and her case could not have been any worse. Finally, she insisted that she was dying and we thought that she was near the end also, for nothing seemed able to check the fever. She insisted upon saying goodbye to all of her schoolmates so they were all called in. Then she sent for me and when I arrived on the scene I found them all weeping around her. She was almost speechless so I assured her that I would look after her mother for I knew that was what she wanted to ask me. She immediately nodded her head in great satisfaction.
Then I asked her whether she was afraid to die or not and she shook her head. So I said, "Then you are trusting fully in Jesus are you not?" and she nodded her head again. Still I asked her, "Would you like to have me pray for you?" And she nodded vigorously to show that she wanted me to pray for her. Oh, how I did pray for that girl! It was so hard to pray, for I was weeping myself and I wanted to pray clearly so that the patient could take in what I said. Also I realized that much depended upon my praying, for many of the nurses were there to hear me bear witness for Christ. The girl's mother had such a sad life. She was a poor widow who had given birth to sixteen children all of whom had died except this one girl, and now here she was apparently dying too. She was also half blind and had a hard time to earn a living for herself. However, she was a good Christian and she did not murmur but submitted patiently to the will of the Lord. So I prayed on her behalf that the Lord might have mercy upon her and might save this one last child for her, and permit her to grow up to serve the Lord for many years to come. I also besought Our Father to show us what we must do for her. I said that I was sure if we had faith enough the Lord would save her. My prayer seemed to quiet her very much so that she fell into a sleep immediately. Mean while, it was prayer-meeting day so the nurses went over to the meeting and there several of them prayed most earnestly for her recovery. When she woke up she said that she had had a vision in which she had seen some angels and they assured her that she was going to get well so she knew that she was not going to die. As the girl was an unusually quiet person and never spoke much, her open demonstration appeared quite strange. After this her temperature began to go down very slowly, though it was very high and we had stopped giving her any quinine, and she made a slow but steady recovery.

This case made a very deep impression upon the nurses, for everyone felt that her cure was due to the prayers made on her behalf, so several girls have had their faith deepen and others have expressed belief in Christ and have asked to be taken on probation.

The nurses have given us very faithful service throughout the year. Three of them have graduated under the rules of the Nurses Association of China this year and seven more are ready to graduate this winter. In all we have thirty five students, the largest number that we have ever had. So many of the Mission Schools have closed that many high school girls could not go on with their studies so they appealed to us to take them in and we could not turn them away, for we knew that nurses were
needed desperately in our country... In all we have taken in girls from the China Inland Mission, the Swedish Mission, and the London Mission. As we have only scholarships for twenty one girls we hope that our appeal for ten more scholarships which we have asked for several years will be granted. Kiu-kiang has had thirty scholarships for many years. Since we have five of our graduates working for us, as well as the students, our expenses are pretty heavy so we beseech you to grant these scholarships to us. Some of the primary schools have been closed in the country districts so there ought to be means to carry on the work which can be kept open. Our nurses have done quite a bit of home nursing this year and it is a line of work which needs to be developed in China. On one case alone, two nurses served day and night for almost four months and managed to pull their patient through. She was the wife of the principal of our Nanchang Academy. Two of them also nursed the family of the Episcopalian preacher when he was ill with malaria and his wife had a hemmorhage from her lungs and her boy had malaria too so that the entire family depended upon the nurses for their help. Thus they have helped to save the lives of many of the Christian workers. They have also served in the homes of some of the Nationalist offices. We have always wanted to develope home nursing and now it seems that we are able to do quite a bit in this line. Malaria has been very bad this year and in nursing these cases our nurses were exposed a great deal so that most of our staff have been ill.

Owing to the large number of Communists in this province and the frequent attacks upon the large towns, the well-to-do people have still not returned in large numbers so that our work has been mostly with the poor people whom we always have with us. Then business has been depressed because the main streets have been torn up and all the houses along these roads have been pulled down to make new modern streets. As yet few roads have been built so the city looks utterly desolated. For these reasons we need scholarships to help us keep with our work, for our receipts have not yet been increased.

We also hope that our estimates for repairs will be grant-ed, for only half was given to us last year and it was not nearly enough for our needs. The Hospital and Home have been entirely revarnished and the roof repaired after a fashion, as well as a sun parlor and a verandah rebuilt. There still remain two verandahs to be put into cement and all our back walls to be rebuilt. In tearing down the old city walls our walls were buried in the ruins, and while we have put up some temporary walls they will have to be rebuilt when the permanent boundaries of
the new city highway are to be settled. Our new walls will have to be extra high because the new boulevard is to be built on the remains of the old city walls so it will be very high.

I have tried to give a glimpse of our work but words cannot reveal the steady labor which has been going on for the whole year. During last year we lost a number of our church members through fear of the persecutions, but this year we have an increased membership. In all we have about forty new members. Some have joined us on probation, while others have joined us by baptism. Quite a few have joined us by letter also. Then most of our old members those who had backslidden have repented, and come back to us and so we are very happy. For the blessings of the year we praise and thank our Father, and we also thank you, dear Friends for making all our work possible. China is indeed, passing through the greatest crisis in her history of four thousand years, and to all of you who are giving her a real chance for the salvation of her people we give you our heartfelt thanks.

Ida Kahn, M.D.
This is a shortest chapter ever written in the History of Baldwin School. Thought it is short, the work nevertheless was done with the same amount of effort and energy. It has made us realize that God is willing to help us in any circumstances if we only let Him.

The reason for the reduced attendance in the school last year was chiefly due to the turmoil and the chaotic conditions in this province, such as the Revolutionary Movement, the Communistic disturbance, the Anti-Christian agitation, the Students' Union, the Labor Strikes, and the Business Depression. The Mission Schools have always been the target for attack whenever there is any political change, or whenever a new faction overthrows the old.

At the opening of the school when the foreign friends could not return we had to obtain a full corps of Chinese workers for the teaching staff. We had only the Junior Second as the highest class in the school. We were fortunate in having three college graduates to help us, one from Ginling and two from Yen Ching. Most of the teachers in the primary department were new. All of them tried to make this little home of ours as happy and pleasant as possible.

One thing which we determined to do was to help the girls in their spiritual living as much as we knew how. Though the girls were too young to have a Y.M.C.A. yet they had organizations such as, the Young Girls' Club and, the Rainbow Club, Bible Studies, Morning Watch. Evening Prayer Groups and Discussion classes were formed with teachers as advisors. The girls were given as much freedom in these religious activities as possible. However, after the experience which they had had during the Anti-Christian Movement these were well and thoughtfully attended. The same thing was true in the attendance of the morning chapel, the Sunday Schools and the Sunday Services.

Socially it was not an easy task to guide the girls just after communism was suppressed in the section of the country. There were so many demands, asking the girls to go out and take part in the public entertainments given by some organizations. Specially during these occasions we often felt that God has helped us to know how to guide the girls in choosing the right way to go. Having only the younger girls in school we were spared the embarrassment of refusing to take part in programs and demonstrations in which we really felt that we could not take part.
We were happy and thankful for after Christmas Miss Seeck and Miss Raab returned to us and helped to carry the work throughout the year. Credits should be given to them and to the Chinese staff that made it possible for me to go to America for the General Conference. They have certainly done the work most nobly and faithfully.

Last spring we were successful in getting $200.00 from the Provincial Government for opening two Ping Ming Hsioh Hsiao or Common Peoples Schools. They were for the people living in the neighborhood of Baldwin. One after-noon was for women and one evening for men. They were so eager to learn and were very faithful in attendance specially the men who were more so.

The workers from both the Nanchang Hospital and Baldwin School gave voluntary service to the work, only two or three received a very small remuneration.

The school continued during the summer vacation. There would have been a commencement exercise for them if it had not been for the fact that most of the workers were gone during the summer. However the work was not done in vain; because it gave them knowledge in reading easy writing.

It was the custom of the school that the girls get up before dawn of the Christmas morn and sing the Christmas Carols. We were told that it would be better to keep a quiet Christmas on account of the Anti-Christian movement still going on. We didn't want to make our girls fell disappointed so they were allowed to get up and sing the carols just in our own compound.

This year instead of inviting the poor people in and entertaining them with a program we raised some money from the White Christmas program given by the Sunday Schol children, Students, servants and teachers all showed a good spirit of giving. Then we used the money to buy rice. Before Christmas a group of girls went out and made a survey in our neighborhood and found out which families needed the little gift the most.

On Christmas day they distributed the gifts quietly which certainly brought the Christmas spirit to the poor.

During this reconstructive period the only hope for the future lies in the development of thinking minds and Christ like hearts in our girls. We are grateful to have a share in the making of the personalities and characters of the youth in China. We hope and pray that God who has led the School from the beginning will give us His special guidance now.

The Faculty
of
Baldwin School for Girls.
Jesus loves his children and he loves every one of them. He said, "When I was hungry you gave me food, when I was thirsty you gave me drink, when I was homeless you gave me a welcome and when I was ill-clad you clothed me." This is the golden text which has guided us through this past year's work.

Right here, in our Kiangsi Methodist Mission, we have more than ten hundred children in our thirty six day schools, which are scattered through three provinces—Kiangsi, Hupeh, and Anhwei. As the primary education of the whole mission is in our hands, it is our task to see that those Jesus-beloved children are given food when they are hungry, given drink when they are thirsty, given welcome when they are homeless and given clothes when they are ill-clad. With this noble purpose in mind, we to whom Jesus has given this great work, have to take the work whole-heartedly, no matter under what circumstances.

Time flies amazingly, it has been just one year since October 1927 when I took up this primary educational work. As I have had so many happy days with my work, I can hardly realize it is so long. In the beginning of my work, I took quite a little while to study just what is the real nature of this work and what it should be, as it was entirely new to me. How to feed and what to feed our hungry and thirsty children spiritually, mentally and physically are the most important problems that we who do educational work have to face every day. Before we are able to give them the right kind of food, we have to study them and to know all about them. Usually every year, we have the Central China Christian Educational Association to send us final examination questions for all of our primary school. But last year, from our general office here we worked out the mid-year examination questions and sent them to all our schools. By this uniform test we attempted to learn what is the standard of the work they are doing.

In the early Spring this year-1928 we spent weeks and months itinerating, visiting our school. I feel sorry that because of the short time and other limitation we have not been able to visit all our schools set. We have only been to sixteen different places. Every where we go we are naturally first met with our smiling school angels—I call them angels because they look so innocent and natural. When we are ready to visit their classes, they show us their utmost spirit. They sing us songs and hymns, tell stories or recite lessons. Instantly it makes me
ask myself these questions—Are the little country fellows gifted with wisdom and talent as well as the city ones? Oh, why should we neglect them, why should we look down on them? I then feel that what Paul said to the Romans is ever true, "I am already under obligations alike to Greek speaking races and to others, to cultured and to uncultured.

We are certainly debtors to those children. Their smiling faces speak for them they are longing for better treatment. They are thirsty for more teachers to help them to enjoy more fully their childhood. Their physical weakness shows suffering and their crowded conditions here and there ask for more space. And then we have teachers appear to us too heavily loaded with their work and hoping for more help. There are only fifty-four teachers for all our thirty-six schools, and most schools have the first four grades. The teachers then are extremely busy where there is only one teacher in the school—we have many such schools.

For the administration of all of our primary school work, we have four supervisors and one general secretary—Miss Francis Woodruff and Miss R. L. Mao who are in charge of Kiukiang city schools; Miss T. Y. Sung who is in charge of Kiukiang District schools; Miss T. K. Chi who is in charge of Nanchang District schools, and Miss Lucina Y. Chow who is doing the secretarial work besides being in charge of Nanchang city schools. Misses Annie Pittman and Bessie Meeker are as our associated workers.

As we have a general Secretary so we have a general office through which the secretary is trying to keep in touch with all our workers and Schools. During the past year, we have received and sent out over four hundred letters. We are trying to help them in the very best ways that we can think of.

In the latter part of the Spring Miss T. Y. Sung and I spent days and weeks in attending educational Conferences and visiting both government schools and private schools. Both the Conferences and visitings have meant so much to us. They broaden our thoughts, open our minds, arouse our deeper interest in primary education and waken our spirit of service. For Jesus said that if "you render such services to one of the humblest of these my brethren, you render them to me."

Lucina Y. Chow.
The year that is just closing has passed surprisingly quickly as the waters of a swift river. It hardly seems possible that there have been any more than ten months since the last report was given, a year ago. It has been a year full of splendid experiences which have given us new strength, power and increased ability. The burdens have been heavy, the responsibilities great but He has proved to us the certain truth of His promise “My Grace is sufficient for thee, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” We have experienced this, and know not how to express our thanksgiving to Him for His manifold goodness to us.

The situation generally is somewhat improved but is still not normal. It is as a large boat on a rough sea passing through a storm; the wind and the storm rage and pass but the waves continue and the boat rolls and tosses and the effect of the storm is felt for some time. So it is, we are still feeling somewhat the effects of the storm. Some places are still having grave difficulties with soldiers, and other places with bandits spending night after night with no sleep. Added to these difficulties is the grave situation caused by the extreme dryness everywhere. The people have little water to drink to say nothing of having anything for the fields. Consequently the crops have failed and the people are scourged with sickness and disease. Malaria has swept one place after another like wild-fire. Deaths have been all too numerous. However, none of our fellow-workers have fallen from any of these causes and our membership have been wonderfully preserved. God truly has most graciously cared for us and we praise Him for his love and care.

It has been our joy to spend most of the time out on the Districts, and we realize with increasing emphasis that the time is ripe for intensive evangelism. For instance, just half an hour after our arrival in Pentsed the news spread over the town that bandits were looting and burning in a town not far distant. The people were terrified and many prepared to flee. We gathered our people together and went into some of the homes holding special prayer meetings and spending time together on our knees before Him whose we are. He gave to our hearts and theirs a sweet peace and confidence and protected us from the enemy. We were making our way toward Kunlung and even as we approached the city it was being looted and terrified by these unlawful hordes. When we arrived the danger
was passed and we were able to minister much to the hearts of the people. As we pressed on to Hwangmei we heard that the city was being besieged and knew not what lay ahead of us. Just as we arrived one of the four gates to the city was opened for the short period of half an hour. When we reached the church our friends were nearly overcome with surprise for the city had been closed tight for so long. It was a very definite answer to their prayers and ours that that one gate was opened just at that time. Similar troubles and annoyances are occurring in the other places. But in all this we find that instead of doors being closed against us and efforts being made to suppress us we are welcomed and the message gladly received. At Susung there were formerly many of those who were working against Christianity, but now they are gradually coming to realize the truth and many are repenting of their former deeds. This is also true of several other places. At Hushihpeh one woman came to our meetings weeping sorely and repenting most heartily for her anti-Christian efforts of former days.

Special meetings were held in Taihu, Suesung, Hwangmei, Tahopu, Kunglung, Hushihpeh, Siaochihkeo, Saho, Shuichang, Hukeo, Pentshe, Jaochow and Chintehchen. The program included special inspirational and devotional hour spent with the fellow-workers each day and in the afternoon special meetings for the outsiders and church members as well as calling in the homes. People have attended these meetings in very goodly numbers. Tracts, pictures, portions, hymns have been very successfully used. We find folks paying special attention to the Word. Mrs. Mei Bow-yin has been a great help and blessing in these efforts because of her own beautiful devotion to Christ, and her presence has been a benediction to us all. It is not so long ago that in such work, if we were at all able to hold such meetings, we were in constant fear as to who and how many on our audience were there to dispute the message and break up the meeting. Now we find it not so. We are hardly conscious of there having been such difficulty. We can say with Paul that the things that have happened "have fallen out rather for the furtherance of the Gospel. Therefore, we rejoice and will rejoice. Over forty members and over seventy probationers and many enquirers have been added to our numbers during the year. In nearly every place we have a Woman's Missionary Society and in many instances the officers are women who are not in the employ of the church. The members are zealous in attendance and efforts along missionary lines. The advance in the work at Jaochow is a splendid evidence of this. Jaochow is the Home Missionary project of the Conference. Our Evangelists are leading chapel in the schools, holding meetings with the
women, visiting in the homes, helping with the church work generally, and reaching out to the smaller country places in their respective vicinities. In Hwangmei Susung, Kunglung, Saho, Shuichang, Chintehcheng there have been regular classes for women. All of the women in these classes have been led to Christ. They are studying Bible, hymns, prayers, ten Commandments etc. This indeed is a very important part of the work. It is our great hope and aim that it will not be long till we shall have such classes in each place. One difficulty is the shortage of laborers for the harvest. We do hope and pray that many of our young people graduating from our schools may feel the Call of God to this most gratifying and important work. We have been short of workers for some time. Chintehcheng and Meitotze are a real burden on our hearts. We have no evangelist now in Meitotze simply because there is none to send.

The reports from the Daily Vacation Bible Schools opened in nearly all of the various places on the two Districts have been most gratifying. Because of their love for Christ and for Country many of the young women and girls in Knowles and Rulison Schools, as well as Evangelists and Teachers on the District gave of their time and effort in this work. It was a splendid effort to reach and help many who had never had any opportunity to study and know of Jesus. Our Danforth Hospital friends have also been very kind in their efforts to help. A very special call came from Saho where sickness and disease were raging, only two of our pupils were attending school for all the rest were ill. In many homes every member of the family was ill with noone to help in any way. Miss Kellogg and one of the student nurses spent two days ministering to these people and were able to help scores of folks. We very much appreciated this kindness for we realize that it is really impossible for the hospital people to minister to the Districts as they wish and as is so tremendously needed because their staff at the hospital is so inadequate. How we do long for the time for which we pray so earnestly, when there will be a doctor who will be available for this service! We call upon all our friends to join us in earnest petition for this matter. Our hospital friends are not satisfied with ministering to the physical needs of the people they are constantly giving the Word of Life to those to whom they minister. Our hearts do indeed sing forth our gratitude to God for this emphasis and we see increasingly the great force they would be in our evangelistic work could they go with us, not once or twice a year but continually.

We are thankful to God for sending us Miss Wu Chien-sen who is to do itinerating evangelistic work on the two Districts. This adds much and makes some special efforts possible which otherwise could not be.
We appeal to all for special prayer for this work and for each one of us, that we may each one be filled with the Holy Spirit, that God may be able to use us in this tremendous opportunity, with power for the upbuilding of the Kingdom and the ingathering of souls.

Chang Mei-yin, Supervisor.
Annie M. Pittman, Assistant.
In spite of our short coming and imperfect services another year has rolled by full of His wonderful and richest blessings, His loving and never ceasing care.

During the entire year we had an enrollment of 415 of whom 107 have registered their resolve manfully to fight under Christ's banner. The teachers in the different schools are such earnest workers who are always ready to learn from their past experiences as well as from their achievements. They believe that the Lord will lead them on no matter how difficult the task may be.

The school spirit seen in the different schools is very impressive and interesting. One day I noticed a beautiful clock in a room of one of our schools. To my enquiry the teacher smiling said that the pupils who graduated from the Higher Primary last June presented it to the school together.

Really, it is a joy to go to the Children's services, to listen to their choir take part in their service of worship and listen to the brief story told by one of the girls in charge.

Christmas is always one of the happiest occasions for our Day School Children. The teacher who plans and works for it is responsible for their happiness. In each Day School a Christmas program was given to which the mothers were invited. The school rooms were gayly and beautifully decorated with colored paper flags, lanterns, bells, stars etc. made by the children during the Christmas vacation. The generous, kindly thought of friends in U.S.A. in sending gifts for these His "Little Ones" is very truly most gratefully appreciated.

The Day Schools are all following the regular course of study and each year we find ourselves with better trained teachers for the task. For the benefit of the teachers as well as the students we have the Educational Quarterly, the Chinese Christian Advocate, Happy Childhood, Little Friend and Kindergarten Magazines. The attendance at the magazine table during spare time we find is growing.

Last June twenty-two of the Fourth Grade students took the examinations of the Central China Christian Educational Association of which our Kiangsi Schools are a part, and twenty-one passed successfully. We had public graduation exercise for these girls to which the parents of all Day School pupils were invited. The girls who had made the best records in school were
given free tuition both in Rulison School in Kiukiang and Baldwin School in Nanchang, our two W.F.M.S. boarding schools of High Schools grade. We hope that in this way the parents may be encouraged to allow their daughters to secure a little higher education than we can give them in our Primary Schools.

At the conclusion of this report we wish to express our hearty thanks to our friends for financial assistance, for counsel in time of need, for interest and for prayers. Our purpose is to have such an atmosphere in each school as to make it possible for our teachers and pupils to grow into useful instruments for the promotion of His Kingdom, loving truth and righteousness. And we are praying for a deepening of the spiritual life of our teachers and students in this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

SUNG TIAO-YIN, Supervisor.
DANFORTH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

As we begin to make our yearly report of the hospital work, the words of the Lord's servant come to mind, and seem to express our testimony too, "Having obtained help of God, we continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying that Christ should suffer and should rise from the dead, and should show light unto the people."

The past year has been one of order and progress. Our small staff has remained the same except that we welcomed one of our own graduates, Miss Wu Ren Ching, as matron, this fall. Miss Rena Spathelf was with us three months in the winter and is gratefully remembered for her help at that time, and for many generous gifts that have given comfort and aid to patients. A class of five nurses finished training. Two of these are at work in the tuberculosis hospitals of the Kuling Medical Mission. One is school nurse for the Girl's Higher Primary Boarding School at Tai Hu. Another is staying with us as ward supervisor. The fifth has accepted an appointment to a mission hospital in Yunnan. Ten new nurses have begun training this fall. The spirit of loyalty and earnestness in the Training School is cause for constant gratitude.

This fall Miss Mary Chen, a graduate of Rulison High School, was sent by the hospital to Ginling College for her pre-medical course. It is our expectation and hope to send her to Shantung University Medical College, and eventually have her to share in our work here. We are specially thankful for the provision of such an earnest Christian and fine student for the future's need.

In spite of the fact that there are now three physicians with recognized western training in the city, all of them with hospitals of their own and treating women and children, it is interesting to notice that the statistics for our hospital this year in several important items are going beyond those of past years. Besides the regular hospital work for the city and surrounding country, trips have been made to Sao Ho, Teh Ngan, Tou Chia Pu, and Wang Chia Pu. The need for extensive medical-evangelistic trips to all the outstations of the Districts is often presented to us. We earnestly hope that some enlargement of our staff may make this important work possible.

A large number of patients have come in to us from distant places. These have included many women and children severely injured in fights. One woman had over thirty stab wounds.

We have tried to be more faithful in carrying on the evangelistic side of our work, and to encourage the nurses to
take an active part in teaching the patients of the Saviour, as well as witnessing for Him by faithful and kind care. In great kindness our need for an earnest, loving, evangelistic worker was provided for in the coming of Miss Chen Tren Yin. We do not remember a year when so many patients have turned definitely to the Lord Jesus in trust for salvation, and in praise for healing mercies. Thousands of tracts and scripture portions have been prayerfully distributed. Two young officials in the Kuo Ming Tan have written back to say how much they appreciated their Testaments. One said, "I am reading it every day, and accepting it with all my heart."

One happy feature of the message-giving has begun lately with the coming over Sunday afternoons of a group of the children from Gracey Home to sing and pray in the wards. One hymn they love to sing is entitled, "Jesus only, is our message." And from the children's hymn we take our motto for the coming year, "Jesus ever, Jesus only."

CHEN YU CHEN, M.D.
Another year has passed and all of the children who were with us last year are still spared to us. We have also added one very dear little girl to our number. She has been partially paralized for a long time and was very pitiful being motherless in a desperately poor home. She was introduced by one of the day school teachers and after a little time in the hospital came into the home. It is a delight to see her happily playing about with the children and studying. She did so long for that privilege before.

The children in attendance at day schools are gaining much from the contact with other children. One little one with no feet and one hand enjoys the swing and slide as well as anyone and keeps up with her turn too.

This year too they could not go to Sze Tze Ngan because of bandits. There was danger for them and for the men who would have to take supplies to them.

Some of the family are not as well as they were. Rachel was taken to Kuling for the summer and we hope that has been the means of keeping her with us a little longer. Another who has been going to school is not able to, but plays around the home and reads and does other little things to help as well as she can.

Pray for these little ones of His and for these who care for them that they may be helped to grow daily in the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ and that though their bodies may be crippled yet their lives may be beautiful and as they grow up they may serve the Master wherever He would use them.

MABEL A. WOODRUFF.
We thank God that from last year’s conference time the condition of the country has been such that the work of the school has gone on in comparative peace. The interruptions from outside causes were indeed fewer than the year before and the spirit in the school was very fine. Although the outside work of the pupils had to stop because of the conditions, yet within the school the spiritual work continued as usual.

At China New Year time according to custom, we were to have about three weeks vacation but because of the state of affairs all the Christian schools in the city decided to close for three days and the rest of the time the pupils attended classes though the periods were shortened.

In the spring term Miss Mih was asked to take the responsibility of music teacher.

Before summer vacation the schools decided on a union commencement. There were four graduates from the Bible School proper and two of these are serving in Anderson, one is itinerating on the districts in evangelistic work and one is teaching in Susung. There were six graduates from the preparatory department and all of these have returned to the school continuing with their studies.

At the close of school in June Miss Thompson was to go home on furlough and Miss Beatrice Li decided to continue her studies in America so both went together. This left the responsibility of the school on me. Their education and experience were very great and I felt mine very shallow yet the mother school was needing someone. In the school were Miss Woodruff and the other co-workers. They had the power of Christ and were of one mind. There was also the church of the community at my side to teach. Because of these I fearfully and humbly accepted the work. The Word says, “Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts.” So I, this useless person, depending on the victorious Lord will do all in my power to press forward. I plead with you Christians to constantly remember us in your prayers, and to instruct and correct that in a watchful manner we may serve this work.

During the summer vacation two teachers and one pupil attended the Leaders conference in Bethel. Beside this, two pupils attended the National Y.W.C.A. conference in Shanghai. In July four teachers beside myself attended the Retreat in Kuling. When all these representatives returned, though they
had met with inconveniences on the way, much strength and joy had been added to their spiritual lives and my own soul received great spiritual help.

After closing school for the summer of their own accord, the women teachers took turns in caring for the school. This was very necessary because at that time the northern advance had been victorious and the army was returning to Kiukiang. Several times each day officials came wanting to use the school. We used polite words to excuse ourselves and treated them with great courtesy so they had no way but to retire. Yet when we saw these people perspiring, weary, searching east and looking west with no place for them to live they were pitiful. If we allowed them to live in the buildings they would destroy them so although we saw their pitiful condition we had to refuse them.

During the summer more than twenty pupils were scattered north and south of the river and in the city teaching in Daily Vacation Bible Schools. When they came back at the opening of school to tell of their work the reports were much the same from all places with the exception of some where there had been bandit trouble. The sound of guns and the sounds of the weeping of the people were frightening. These folks going out for the first time in such work when they met this dangerous situation, not only did not retreat but pressed forward. Not one gave up but each stayed to finish the summers work. When they came back to the school each one had a face filled with smiles. We can see that this is not man's strength but it is the true God with them.

In the beginning of August we made repairs on the outside of the building and fixed the yard, also adding some necessary equipment there. The very necessary repairs on the inside we had to leave till next year.

We have added two new teachers since some have left. Mr. Hung is for Chinese and Miss Tzeng is our new nurse and matron.

For English we had no special teacher but Mrs. Argelander because of real Christian love is willing to give her time and has come to help us. We do not often find such a person. We see that in all places and at all times God gives of His full and rich grace.

A few days ago we received Bishop Birney's letter saying that Miss Rahe is coming from America to help us in the school. We are indeed most happy and thank God very much.

About twenty-five new pupils have been added to our number this fall.
We are happy that again the students may continue their work in the city. On Sundays they are now going out to lead in Childrens Church and to hold Sunday Schools with the children who are from the streets and not in the day schools. We are also able to open the Woman's Meeting in Knowles on Sunday afternoons. In this way a large number of them are at some work outside their regular studies and in places where they can give out to others what they themselves have received.

Anderson Day School for which we are responsible, has more than sixty pupils in the Kindergarten and Lower Primary. There are three Christian teachers there.

These are the experiences through which we have passed in the past year. We would plead with the Wonderful God that he may give us advancement in the coming year that we may have a truly good report to give the next time.

Chi Young Cheng.
RULISON SCHOOL REPORT
1927—1928.

The summer of 1927 found all the Rulison buildings except the dormitory occupied by the sixth army. General Tang Shan-chih and staff together with his Russian adviser and Borodin occupied the foreign residence, while soldiers and junior officers occupied the high school and the model school. The dormitory was held by a few teachers and a handful of students. When strain and stress was most severe Mr. Cheo who has taught Chinese language and literature at Rulison for about twenty years moved with his family into some basement rooms of the high school and Miss Chu, the dean, who was resting at Danforth Hospital moved into the dormitory to help care for the place. That the buildings were not seriously damaged is largely due to their sacrificial service. Many difficult situations arose calling for tact and patience. Sometimes the students could pacify the unwelcome guests when the teachers were unable to do so.

All during the vacation there seemed to be little hope that the school could be opened on schedule time if at all; but on the seventh of September, less than a week before the appointed day, General Tang and the army people all left. Immediately a meeting of the board of directors and those faculty members then in Kiukiang was called and it was decided to announce the opening of school on the regular date. It was also decided that owing to the absence of all the foreign faculty and the other limitations it would be impossible to provide for all the high school classes. Accordingly, it was announced that senior III and senior II classes and new students would not be enrolled. Pastor T. K. Tsai, a member of the board of directors, assisted Miss Chu with the enrollment which in the absence of the two senior high school classes reached a gratifying total of one hundred fifty. On the third day of the term Miss Hu, chairman of the faculty, arrived from her home in Anking. Later Misses Sung and Sie and other members of the faculty arrived and reinforced the staff and earnestly helped to carry forward the school program.

In Hunan and Hupeh all mission schools had been forced to close. In Anhwei many had also closed and only this fall have the mission schools of these our neighboring provinces found it possible to reopen. These facts should help us to realize the courageous faith and daring patience that enabled the Rulison folks to carry on in the midst of dangers and alarms and an-
noyances almost past endurance. During the autumn, groups of soldiers attempted again and again to occupy the school. When there was an attempt to occupy the primary school, fifth and sixth year classes moved across to the Model School to fill it to capacity. When soldiers tried to occupy the high school, primary pupils came across to the main building to fill that and so by patience and strategy the soldiers were kept out. Only those who have worked under similar conditions can imagine the difficulties surmounted. We all gladly acknowledge that the success of the year is due to our Father's unfailing guidance and care, with that the loyal and faithful co-operation of faculty and students won the victory.

Happily, seven members of the senior III class continued their studies in the practice class at Ginling College. Last June Ginling gave them a certificate of the year's work and sent a transcript of their scholastic record to Rulison. Whereupon, they, having completed the other five years of high school work at Rulison, were given Rulison diplomas. Three of these June graduates are now teaching in our primary department, one is teaching in Ping Hsin Cheo Primary School, one is freshman at Ginling College, one has entered the nurses' training department of Peking Union Medical School and is having her first year of preparatory study at Yenching College for Women, and the other is at her home in Wuchang.

Two others who were formerly members of this class are teaching in primary schools and are hoping to return to Rulison next September to complete their work and two are at Hweiwen in Nanking hoping to graduate this year. When the possibility of continuing in school seemed to have vanished a number of upper class girls married and settled in homes of their own and death has claimed some of our most promising students. Four years ago twenty four fine girls entered junior middle school. When we left in March of 1927 this class still numbered eighteen and sixteen of these graduated from junior high school that June. Two of them had left school in May to enter the new nationalist school which had just started. During the past school year two have died; three have married; four have taken up the study of nursing in Shanghai, and of this very promising class seven are now in our senior II class. One of the two who left to enter the nationalist school after a year's absence is now in senior high first year.

For the year 1926-27 we had sent two Rulison alumnae to Yenching University for a one year course in primary education expecting them to return to the Rulison staff. Miss Sie did return and took charge of the Model School at a salary of $22.00 per month while Miss Yao during the days when the prospect
of carrying on at Rulison was uncertain accepted the principalship of one of the provincial primary schools in Nanchang at a salary of $70.00 per month. We have been told that "Miss Yao is the best primary school principal in Nanchang." Miss Sie is doing fine work here at one third the salary.

We are especially happy at the return of Miss Chen Yeolan, another Rulison alumna. Miss Chen is a graduate, registered nurse from the Red Cross Hospital School in Shanghai. She passed the national examinations "Cum laude" and is now in charge of Rulison commissariat and sanitation. She also teaches hygiene. We are indeed fortunate to have her faithful and sacrificial service.

Miss Chu, the dean, has found a fruitful opportunity of service in a weekly meeting with all the work people of our compound. The servants attend voluntarily and regularly and the results are seen in the fine spirit of helpfulness and co-operation among these important members of our school staff.

As to voluntary Bible study and all this principle entails we are glad we began this plan when we could do it voluntarily. Last year only three high school pupils failed to elect a course in religion. This fall the same three have enrolled for Bible study and all our new pupils have also enrolled in this department so that a hundred per cent of our pupils are in Bible classes under the voluntary system.

Miss Hu, who was appointed acting principal at conference last November, proved an able administrator. Her poise and self-control smoothed out many difficulties. Her Christlike manner and firm stand for Christian principles has left a fine impression. She now has an opportunity to study music and education at De Pauw University.

In December Miss Merrill returned to the school; in January Miss Thomasson arrived and in March Miss Ferris returned from furlough so that for the spring semester some of the heaviest burdens were eased a bit. Miss Merrill and Miss Chu set aside Monday afternoons for calling upon the old students and alumnae who live in Kiukiang. This proved a very enjoyable task and it is planned to consummate the task with the homecoming of all these former pupils in the early autumn.

In spite of the anti-Christian movement a goodly number of Rulison girls have been baptized and have united with the church and we rejoice that they are more thoughtful and intelligent in making their decisions.

Because of the smaller enrollment a considerable portion of the 1927 appropriation was not used during that year. This has enabled us to remove the scars of the military occupation in all
our buildings and to put them all in good condition. One of the main beams in the roof of the high school had to be replaced with a stronger one because it was sagging dangerously. Besides this, because the mission architects failed to see that first class material was used in covering the Mary Dolliver Graham dormitory, that roof had to be resurfaced at a cost of more than two thousand dollars Mexican.

And now we come to the new year with Miss Grace Woo at the helm with a nearly normal enrollment of over two hundred pupils, somewhat short staffed as to Chinese faculty. Nevertheless, if faculty and students co-operate loyally as they have done in the past and if we keep in view the goal of all round Christian womanhood, depending upon the God of all grace to guide, we should have the best year Rulison has ever seen.

The Committee.
KIUKIANG DAY SCHOOLS

With grateful hearts we come to the end of another year, realizing some of the rich gifts bestowed upon us. We are especially happy for the Sunday morning when one teacher and a number of the girls made public confession of His love. We have felt our need for closer touch with God, and have met weekly for prayer and discussion of our problems.

During my year of absence in Tokyo, Pastor Tsai, Miss Sung, and later my sister added the day schools to their heavy tasks. During the spring term attendance increased greatly and we added both teachers and furniture to meet the need. Tuition increased in several schools. At this time Miss Lucina Cheo spent two weeks with us and helped us in many ways. This fall the government has opened about twenty primary schools which greatly affect our attendance in the downtown schools. The main street of the city is being widened so many families have temporarily moved away. We expect this will be adjusted in a few months. Pin Sin Cheo and Yeo Shih Men continue good attendance for their location. In Pin Sin Cheo three were crowded into one seat for a time, until we placed extra seats in the one guest room.

Before the hottest summer weather Mothers' Meetings were held in all schools, with doctors and nurses for health talks. We are thankful that no serious epidemic has swept the city this year. We are working for closer touch with the mothers in calling in the homes. Better health, improved attendance, and above all the opportunity for spiritual help may develop when we have His abiding presence. Will you not join us in this special prayer?

Last month a little "daughter-in-law" from one of our second grades died with malaria. She was a very winsome, lovable little girl who had learned about the Saviour in school. The father in the home called in the idol just before the end but it could not save her.... The same week a bright little boy seven years old came to register. He carried incense, paper money and a candle to worship according to the customs of his fathers when entering the private school of a Confucian scholar. He had forty coppers for fees and was locked in a silver "dog collar" to deceive the evil spirits.... In another school an attractive girl in the fourth grade asked to be excused from school for a few days. Her father was starting on a pilgrimage to a famous idol and shrine across the river, and she was needed to attend the shop. It is such superstition and lack of knowledge in the homes which
call us to our knees for His guiding wisdom and love to win them.

We are especially happy since Miss Mao Yun-nan has come to help the day schools. She has already added much to the interest and efficiency of our work by her constant attending of classes and helpful suggestions. She has many ideals and knows how to help accomplish them. We feel God has been good to send her to us.

One of the brightest and yet saddest places in Kiukiang is in a room over in Danforth where Miss Yeo Bao Chu, one of our teachers, lies awaiting release from cancer. Just a few minutes with her helps me. She joins our weekly prayers from her room and is always speaking of how good everyone is to her, and of God's love and care for her. Her face is alight with His glory, and we hope she may soon see the King in His Beauty. Her father has been most unkind to her and tried to arrange unhappy marriage for her, but we hope as he sees her now he may come to learn God.

The greatest need in the day schools in the city is an infilling of His Spirit that we may be worthy to lead His little ones. We "count not ourselves to have apprehended: but this one thing we do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, we press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

FRANCES E. WOODRUFF.
KIUKIANG CITY EVANGELISTIC WORK

Kiukiang city being on the Yangtse River the port of the province, is a place of materialistic progress. Folks are busy hither and thither and a bit callous so that there is not the same response here we have found in District places. Realizing the subtle difficulty, the evangelists of the city are meeting together each week for special service in prayer.

The evangelistic work in the city of course is linked up with all of our work so that much help and blessing has resulted from unity of spirit among the friends of Knowles, Danforth, Rulison, and throughout the city. Our outside Sunday Schools in various sections of the city are all a part of the help of Knowles in evangelistic effort.

During the summer several places held successful Daily Vacation Bible Schools and in these both Rulison and Knowles friends gave their services. The hospital friends also have been very kind in their co-operative efforts. We know that when they are able to go out to minister to the sick they are ministering to the souls of folks as well as to their bodies. We are very thankful for their evangelistic emphasis.

Several of our evangelists are new, a number of changes being made during the year.

We are hoping and praying for a real revival in our midst and are making special efforts to that end. In January Mrs. Mei Bao Yin gave us her valuable services in a retreat for the evangelists of the city. At district conference we were greatly blessed by the presence of Dr. Stone and Miss Hughes together with several of their group from Bethel. Some of our co-laborers also attended a special evangelistic conference in Shanghai at Bethel in July and in Kuling at the Stewart Evangelistic conference.

In all this work Miss Mabel Woodruff has been a constant help and companion. There have been a goodly number added to the membership of the church including probationers and enquirers. Especially has this been true of the Student church.

In each place we have a good Missionary society which is helping with work in our own city, in distant places in China, and in Africa. This work has been greatly helped by the efforts of Mrs. Tsai Teh Kao and Mrs. Perkins.

It has been very difficult to give this work any kind of adequate supervision. The district work is too heavy for one person to handle and takes so much of one's time that there has been little for the city. We therefore thank God for the coming of
Miss Chang Fung Cheng for the work. She will take over the supervision of the City Evangelistic work. (It will be remembered that Miss Chang is a graduate of the Union Bible Teachers Training School of Nanking and spent some time in Tai Hu Higher Primary). We pray for God's richest blessings on her in this work.

CHANG MEI YIN.

THE BIBLE TEACHERS TRAINING SCHOOL FOR WOMEN

In March the work of the Bible Teachers Training School was broken up and students and teachers scattered far and wide. The buildings were looted and left in partial ruins and all equipment gone. They were used by the army as a hospital and so though several times various bureaus in the Nationalist Government desired to rent them they failed to do so, since they would not ask wounded soldiers to move.

The foreign faculty and staff with the exception of Misses Shaw and Smawley left for America. These two with Miss Liu Mei Cheng stayed in Shanghai keeping in touch with the students by correspondence. Miss Smawley went to America in January, 1928, Misses Tsiao and Chen did much work in evangelistic bands and Bible classes. Their labor was richly blessed of God throughout the year. The students who were scattered, witnessed in many ways, and took responsibilities in work. In our own conference three of the seniors have been teaching or supervising evangelistic work. Thus though it might seem that the work has been broken up it has given special opportunity for witnessing.

At the Board of Managers Meeting in April, it was decided to re-open school for the Seniors in January and for the Juniors after the China New Year vacation. New students were to be registered for the fall of 1929. Miss Brittain and Miss Parmen-ter were asked to return as early as possible. Mr. Chia is the President of the school. His service has been most invaluable. As Mr. Chia quoted in his report so would we, "Surely the wrath of man shall praise Thee; and the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain."

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL A. WOODRUFF.
GINLING COLLEGE REPORT 1927-1928

Ginling College has come through the critical days of 1927 strengthened and purified for service. The self-sacrifice of her students, alumnae, faculty and friends will, we are sure, bear fruit in a more efficient Ginling. That the Ginling buildings, equipment and campus has been so remarkably preserved is cause for true humility and deepest gratitude which we trust may be manifest in a fuller life of service.

On November third Dr. Yi-fang Wu, who won her doctor's degree at the University of Michigan is to be formally inaugurated as president. She is, we trust, chosen of God as well as by the powers that be for this arduous task. A fellow alumna of Ginling said, "If not all, more than ninety per cent of the students and alumnae are in favor of Dr. Wu." Thus we feel confident of their loyal support and co-operation, without which the truest success will be impossible.

During the past year several called meetings of the board have been possible. I attended one during the first week of December in Shanghai. Miss Ferris substituted for me at one during the first week of July in Shanghai. The prime purpose of the latter meeting was to meet and welcome Dr. Wu, and with her make plans for the early fall.

The board has also undertaken its own re-organization in keeping with the new constitution. Originally, five missions co-operated in the establishment of Ginling College. They were Presbyterian, Christian, Baptist, M.E. South and M.E. North. Each mission fulfilling certain conditions was represented by three members on the board. From time to time other groups who support the college have been added such as the Episcopal Mission, the United Evangelical Mission, the Young Women's Christian Association, Ginling alumnae and Smith College; and in giving these representation on the board, it has more than doubled in size and expense but not in efficiency. In reorganization it is planned to provide that a majority of members be Chinese and that the number should not exceed twenty. The committee to work out a fair and practical plan will present their report to the board at the regular meeting on November first.

More than sixty applicants took the Ginling entrance tests last May and from among them a class of about fifty freshmen have entered.

We hope and pray that some of the weak places in the faculty may be strengthened. It has been a great grief to the
board and to the faculty that for a whole year no classes in religious education could be taught. There are other serious gaps in the staff; but this has seemed most serious. Nevertheless we believe there is a growing spirit of humility and self-sacrifice and a new understanding of the purpose of the Master in whose name the college is being built up. We pray that this may flower in the highest possible type of Christian womanhood.

Sixtieth Anniversary Program Committee Report

The committee met at Rulison Home on Oct. 17, at 2 P.M. Dr. Kahn and Misses Meeker, Sung, Pittman, and Nieh were present.

Plans were made as follows;—

I. Gifts. 1. Furnish 250 communion cups.
   2. Handwork. 6 pieces from each student with the student's name written on it. The handwork from Kiukiang and its districts to be sent to Miss Sung, that from Nanchang and its districts to Miss Nieh.

II. Send out a letter to all members asking for funds and prayer.

III. Send another letter at Christmas time.

IV. Invite each Christian woman to contribute at least 10 cents.

V. Ask for the consecration of Christian lives.

Report of Salary Committee

For the coming Conference year, 1928-9, salaries will be paid according to the following scale:

Undergraduates,—$12.00 to $15.00.

High School Graduates,—$16.00 to $22.00.

1 year special normal work,—Add $2.00 to amount paid before the year's training was taken. Limit $26.00.

2 years normal or college work,—$28.00 to $36.00.

College graduates,—$50.00 to 70.00.
RESOLUTIONS

We thank God for the return of our beloved Bishop and Mrs. Birney and for the spiritual blessings that have come to us from his addresses.

We thank God for His care throughout the past year, for health in time of sickness, preservation through the dangers of fighting and protection from bandits and soldiers.

We are thankful that we have had the privilege of Miss Ella Shaw’s presence throughout part of the Conference and have found great help and inspiration in her messages.

We extend a hearty welcome to our new members—Wu Li Sin, Chen Yeo Lan, Yu-Chih Shiu Lan, Hwang Sin Ming, Mao Ren Ngan, and rejoice in the return of Miss Merrill, Miss Ferris, Miss Waldron, and her mother, Mrs. Chaffee.

For the kindness and hospitality of our Kiukiang friends we are most appreciative and thank them heartily.

Hu Wen Lien
Chih Cheng Ku
Bessie L. Meeker.
MEMBERSHIP OF THE WOMAN’S CONFERENCE

From the By-Laws of the W.F.M.S., found in yearbook of 1926.

Working in co-operation with each Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church on the foreign field there shall be, wherever practicable, a Woman’s Conference. This Woman’s Conference shall be made up of the missionaries (including contract teachers) of the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society, such wives of missionaries of the Board of Foreign Missions as are in charge of work for the Society, workers provided for by By-Law XIII, and such other women workers as each Women’s Conference and the Central Conference of the field concerned, shall from time to time determine.

This Conference shall meet annually and elect a President, a Vice-President, Secretary, Official Correspondent and such other officers as shall be needed, hear reports, appoint committees, and consult concerning the work in charge of the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society within the bounds of the Conference.

All important recommendations to the General Executive Committee through the Foreign Department shall first be acted upon by the Woman’s Conference.

This Conference may delegate any of its functions to the Field Reference Committee or other committees.
BY-LAWS XIII.

National women workers shall be eligible to full membership in the Woman's Conference and to appointment by the Bishop on the following conditions:

1. They shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or, in Japan, of the Japan Methodist Church, graduates of a recognized high school, and shall have had two years additional educational training in college, normal, medical, kindergarten, nurse, or Bible training school.

2. They shall be recommended for such Conference membership by the Woman's Conference, within whose bounds they are working or residing and by the Bishop of the Area or the Superintendent of the Mission.

3. They shall be eligible to membership in any of the committees of the Woman's Conference except that eligibility to membership in the Field Reference Committee shall be determined by vote of the Woman's Conference; they shall be entitled to regular annual vacations, but more extended leave of absence shall be without salary and, in view of their domicile, they shall not be entitled to furlough in America, nor to a retirement allowance until retirement funds are provided on the field. They shall qualify in the language according to a course of study prescribed by the Central Conference of their respective fields, where such exist, otherwise by the Woman's Conference.
FIELD REFERENCE COMMITTEE

Each Woman's Conference shall have a Field Reference Committee to be elected annually by ballot. Those eligible to membership in the Field Reference Committee shall be (a) missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; (b) such wives of missionaries of the Board of Foreign Missions as are in charge of work for the Society, and (c) national women workers if declared eligible by the Woman's Conference. This committee shall consist of not less than six or more than nine representative members, two-thirds of whom shall be missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. The Treasurer of the Woman's Annual Conference, Mission Conference, or group of Conferences shall be, ex-officio, an additional member of this Committee without vote except in the Conference of which she is a member.

It shall be the duty of the Field Reference Committee to (a) prepare estimates which require the action of the General Executive Committee; (b) consider the furlough of missionaries and forward recommendations concerning the individual cases to the Foreign Department; (c) consider all matters of general interest arising during the interim of their annual meetings.
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