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In Memoriam

This little book we dedicate in loving remembrance to Miss Gertrude Howe, our mother missionary. A mother in hand and mind and heart to Chinese girls, she is truly the mother of our mission. Our educational, our medical our evangelistic work, all look to her as author. Throughout the years she has been the inspiration for numbers of Christian workers of her own and other groups.

We know her as one whose abiding trust in our Divine Father gave her power to accomplish those things which were seemingly impossible. In the light of this memory we are given strength to press forward toward those seeming impossibilities of the future.

Truly we are as children remembering our beloved mother; as children we "rise up, and call her blessed."
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ROLLCALL OF MEMBERS
of
KIANGSI WOMAN'S CONFERENCE

*Brown, Zula Frances
Chang Feng Cheng
Chang Mei Yin
Chao Lan Sen
Chen Chin Ren
Chen Yu Cheng
Cheng, Julia
Chi Djen Ku
Chi Yung Cheng
Chou Lan Chin
Chu Chin-fang
Chu Sheo Cheng
Cone, Mildred G.
Daniels, Ruth
Ferris, Helen
Fredericks, Edith
Gooding, Laura
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Hu Wen-lien
*Hu, Margaret
Hung Chung Yin
*Hunt, Faith
Hwang Hsin Ming
Kahn, Ida
Kellogg, Nora
*Lee, Beatrice
Lind, Jenny
Ling Cheng Ming
*Luce, Isabel
Mao Yun Nan

McDade, Myra
Meeker, Bessie
Mei Bao Yin
Merrill, Clara
Pittman, Annie
*Raab, Theodora
Schleman, Laura
Search, Blanche
*Seeck, Margaret
Smith, Ellen
*Stone, Myrtle
Sung Tiao Yin
Tang Hwei Chin
Tang Ming Hsin
Tang Mo Chiao
Tang, Yu Fang
Thomasson, Leona
*Thompson, Ethel
*Thompson, May Bel
Waldron, Rose
Wang Ngan Fu
*Woodruff, Frances
*Woodruff, Mable
Wu, Grace
Wu Li Hsing
Wu Sheo Yon
Yao Ying Hsiu
Yu-Chih Shui Lan
Yu Shren Hwa

*Absent from China.
OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN’S CONFERENCE
1929—1930

President ........................................ Sung Tiao-ying
Vice President ................................. Blanche T. Search
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English Secretary .............................. Laura Gooding
Statistical Secretary ................. Bessie L. Meeker
Assistant Statistical Secretary ...... Rose E. Wakrion
Field Correspondent ................... Annie Pittman
Assistant Field Correspondent ...... Clara E. Merrill

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Clara E. Merrill ................................. Annie Pittman
Dr. Ida Kahn ................................. Sung Tiao-ying
Ruth Daniels .............................. Edith Frederick
Dr. Chen Yu-chen ............................ Blanche T. Search
Bessie Meeker

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Nora E. Kellogg ................................. Chou Lan-chin
Clara E. Merrill ................................. Ruth Daniels
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Annie Pittman

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Helen Ferris ................................. Ruth Daniels, Alternate

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   Blanche T. Search
   Rose E. Waldron

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   Chou Lan-ching
   Rose E. Waldron

Program Committee.
   Edith Fredericks
   Mao Yun-nan
   Grace Wu
   Helen Ferris
   Hai Yu-chin

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   Kiang Ming-chih
   Grace Wu
   Yao Yin-siu
   Clara E. Merrill
   W. R. Schubert
   Frank A. Argelander

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   Mao Yun-nan
   Tang Hwei-chin
   Yu Hsren-hwa
   Ruth Daniels
   Chi Djen-ku

Committee for Bible Woman's Retirement Fund.
   Clara E. Merrill—Treasurer & Chairman
   Hsia Chin-hsien
   Yu-Chih Shui-lan
   Blanche T. Search
   Nora E. Kellogg
   Ling Cheng-ming
   Sung Tiao-ying
RETIREMENT FUND.
HONORING GERTRUDE HOWE.

The Chinese church has made plans to care for sick and worn out pastors. Women workers have labored long and faithfully on small salaries that have provided a bare living; but so far in old age have been unprovided for. Realizing this need which had long been a cause of much concern to Miss Howe it was proposed to start a retirement fund in her name. Hearty thanks are due to many friends of Miss Howe who have interested themselves and their friends in the project so that we have succeeded beyond our highest hopes.

Having had the honor to be the temporary treasurer of this fund I beg leave to submit the following report.

As Miss Howe was the founder of Rulison School it seems fitting that $325.00, the largest sum from any group, should have been contributed by Rulison alumnae and students, past and present. It is also fitting that $300.00, the next largest sum, should have been contributed by Miss Howe's missionary sisters. Following in their train is another group of missionaries who gave $215.00, Kiangsi Conference pastors who have given $70.00. Knowles Bible Training School Chinese faculty who gave $22.50. To these are added many others who delight to honor Gertrude Howe,—doctors, nurses, Bible women, primary school teachers, students of William Nast Middle School and business people who have given liberally, to the amount of $112.00, until at the present moment the total has reached $1022.00.

Of this grand total $400.00 is on deposit in the Chekiang Industrial Bank in Shanghai. Early next month $12.00 is due to be added to the principal. $300.00 is on deposit in the Chekiang Industrial Bank, Hankow, and $9.00 interest will be due early in December.

We confidently believe that this is only the beginning of a good work.

We ask for a suitable audit of this account and that a treasurer and trustees be chosen to care for this retirement fund.

Respectfully submitted,
CLARA E. MERRILL.
Account.

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REPORT OF THE SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE.

It has been a happy task for us to celebrate the Sixtieth Anniversary of our beloved Woman's Foreign Missionary Society during this year of 1929.

We began the work by celebrating the glorious event at the last Annual Conference. We had a large evening meeting and the addresses were given which gave us the History of our Society and showed us what its present condition is. Our hearts were filled with happiness and gratitude as we realized the marvelous way in which our Father has blessed the work of our Society. Then a torchlight procession formed and rendered in a realistic manner the thought that we were all light bearers for our Master. I think that most of us went home resolved to carry on our share of this wonderful work.

During the year three letters were sent out to all members and women all over the Conference, telling them about our plans for the observance of the Anniversary, and urging on all a renewed consecration of our time, talents, money and life for the Master, as that alone would be a true observance of this happy occasion.

One hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighty-eight cents were received as gifts for the Anniversary. A little over thirty dollars was spent for the 260 communion cups which were to be our share of the 4000 communion cups which were sent from China, plus postage and cartage of these cups and the individual gifts sent. The remainder of the money, about sixty-five dollars gold, we hope to apply to the Retirement Fund for missionaries.

The individual gifts were made by the students. Each girl was supposed to make six so that all the members of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society in U.S.A. might get a small remembrance from the foreign field. We fell short a bit for some of the schools did not make their full quota of the presents; the report follows;

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Total No. of Gifts 6630
A special Sunrise Service was held all over the Conference on the actual birthday of the Society, March 23rd, so that we met to pray for the blessing of our Father on our Society and to pray for its advancement along every line.

To close the year of special celebration we had at Conference this year another Sunrise Prayer Meeting as appointed by the Society for the world over and there were more than a hundred people present, mostly women. One evening of the Annual Conference program was given over to the Woman's Conference and at this time the Sixtieth Anniversary was again presented and followed by a beautiful rendering of the pageant "The Golden Bowl" which had been re-arranged and adapted by Miss Miriam Nieh and given by our Nanchang members and friends. After the giving of the pageant each member felt we ought to be givers of the Living Water so that others might have their thirst satisfied by this ever-flowing Living Water.

Surely the work of this year had deepened our consecration, for we realize a bit more clearly what a mighty task our Lord has entrusted to us to evangelize, educate, and heal our less fortunate sisters throughout the wide world.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA KAHN, Chairman,
Sixtieth Anniversary Committee.
REPORT FIELD REFERENCE COMMITTEE
KUANGSI CONFERENCE 1928—1929.

The Field Reference Committee of the Kiangsi Woman's Conference has had two meetings during the year 1928—1929; the first was held in Kiukiang, March 21—22, 1929 in three sessions and the second one in Kuling August 22 in two sessions. The following actions have been taken in these two meetings;

March 21st. & 22nd. At these sessions the major business was the making of the Estimates for the entire Conference for the year 1930, which were completed and sent to the Foreign Department of the W.F.M.S. in U.S.A.

Voted that we request that Miss Myra McDade be permitted to remain at Baldwin School for the coming year, since Miss Seeck will be leaving for furlough and she will be much needed.

The resignation of Miss Lucina Chow as Conference Secretary of Primary Education was presented. After carefully considering the whole matter it was;

Voted unanimously, that the secretary be instructed to write Miss Chow saying that the Committee much prefers not to consider the resignation but rather to consider re-appointment to one of the several other very important positions in the Conference.

The resignation of Miss Miriam Nieh was presented together with appreciative letters from the students at Baldwin School regarding Miss Nieh and her work. The Committee spent much time considering the matter, carefully and prayerfully. The following action was finally taken;

Voted that with heartfelt appreciation of her years of service, we reluctantly accept the resignation of Miss Miriam Nieh assuring her of our best wishes for success in whatever line of service she may take up in the future.

Voted that Miss Sung express in a letter to the Baldwin students our appreciation of their letters and of their loyalty to the school, assuring them that the Reference Committee has known for some time of this whole matter and has it very much on their hearts, also telling them that the appointment of a Principal for Baldwin School will be made by Bishop Birney later.
The application of Miss Hsia Lan-hsiang for McDowell Fellowship was carefully considered and the following action taken;

Voted that the application of Miss Hsia Lan-hsiang be signed and accompanied by a letter fully explaining to the Committee in U.S.A. the position of the Reference Committee; also that a letter be sent Miss Hsia stating frankly the uncertainty of the possibility of securing a Fellowship for some time and recommending to her that she take college work here in China.

Voted that the appointment of Principal of Baldwin School be left for Bishop Birney upon his arrival in Nanchang in May and that the Dean of the School together with Miss Daniels be asked to organize the Faculty for the Fall of 1929.

Voted that in view of the number of years of service rendered, we request that Miss Miriam Nieh be given salary for the Summer Quarter, 1929.

Voted that the proposition of re-building the parsonage etc. at Hukeo submitted to us by the General Board be referred to the Kiukiang members of the Field Property Committee with power to act.

Voted that we recommend that two-thirds of the Board of the Nanking Union Bible Teachers Training School be officially elected by the co-operating missions; that the names of the co-operating Missions be stated in the Constitution, and that the amount needed for the Methodist share of the re-equipping of the Bible Teachers Training School buildings be released from the $5000 which has already been raised from the Thank-Offerings for the School.

The report concerning the re-organization of the Gingling College Board of Control (Directed) was presented.

Copies of Contracts for teachers in Boarding Schools were submitted and discussed at length and the following action taken;

Voted that we express our approval of using contracts and that these be effective with teachers employed this Fall.

The urgent need for adequate staff for Danforth Hospital was brought up and the following action taken;
Voted that we request the Foreign Department to extend a cordial invitation to Dr. Esther Peh to work in the W.F.M.S. and tell her of the urgent need in Danforth Hospital. (Word was later received that Dr. Peh had been appointed to work in Tsingan and was not available).

Miss Fredericks presented a partial report from the Religious Education Committee of the Executive Committee of the East Asia Conference. A minimum amount used by the W.F.M.S. in Kiangsi for Religious Education was considered to be about $1500 gold per annum. This was based upon a consideration of those engaged in direct religious teaching in schools, hospitals and women’s classes.

Voted that in view of the regulations governing the Clotilda Lyon McDowell Fellowship grants, it be required that the matter of application for such shall be presented to the Reference Committee FIRST and approved by them before the individual wishing to apply for such shall make application to the Reference Committee direct through any individual member of said Committee.

Voted that the granting of scholarships for study in institutions of higher learning in China shall be passed upon by the members of the Reference Committee at Nanchang or at Kiukiang as the case may be, before the individual is approached.

August 2nd. At this meeting there were several important matters from the Official Letter from the Foreign Department of the W.F.M.S. in U.S.A: which had to be considered:

I. The first matter presented was a request from the Foreign Department asking the Missionaries to vote on a proposed petition to the U.S.A. Government regarding Consular jurisdiction and a policy of not providing military protection nor asking for reparations in case of injury to property or individuals.

Voted that the secretary be instructed to write Mrs. Wilson of our approval of the proposed petition.

II. The increase in the cost of maintaining the work of the W.F.M.S. in all the different countries is very much greater than the increase of contributions in U.S.A. It is therefore impossible for the W.F.M.S. in U.S.A. to give any increase in funds for the regular work now being carried on out here. They therefore send this message;
"We request immediate study of every station and institution now in your Conference, with a view to closing the less necessary in the interest of more adequate support of those which remain."

This means that some of our work must be closed unless more funds can be raised on the field out here. This is a very difficult thing to do. It was therefore.

Voted that a committee be appointed to study the problem of co-ordinating our work as requested in this official letter.

That the following compose this committee,

Miss Helen Ferris
Miss Nora Kellogg
Miss Sung Tiao-yin
Miss Bessie Meeker
Miss Ruth Daniels
Miss Edith Fredericks
Miss Cheo Lan-chin

Miss Kellogg again presented for Dr. Chen in her absence the urgent need for larger staff at Danforth Hospital and asked that the Reference Committee put in an urgent request for Dr. Grace Chen now studying in U.S.A. to come to Danforth Hospital.

Voted that we urgently request the Foreign Department to secure the services of Dr. Grace Chen for Danforth Hospital immediately upon her return to China next summer (1930).

Voted unanimously that Miss Cheo Lan-chin be appointed Acting Principal of Baldwin School.

The question of salaries was again mentioned; there seems to be some dissatisfaction with the scale for High School graduates especially. It was found that another increase in the salary scale just now would involve serious problems which we were not then in a position to solve. No motion was made and no action taken, but the matter was left with the salary committee for further consideration. It was suggested that Miss Cheo Lan-chin be asked to take the place of Miss Miriam Nieh on the salary committee and the suggestion was unanimously confirmed.

Miss Merrill drew our attention to the fact that the Woman's Conference of 1928 appointed a committee on "re-organization of the Woman's Conference, with formation of constitution," and that committee should have a report to offer the Conference at the session this fall, 1929. There being two vacancies on this committee, it was suggested and the suggestion unanimously confirmed, that Dr. Ida Kahn and Miss Ruth Daniels by appointed on the committee in the place of Miss Chow and Miss Seeck.
It was reported that the Chinese minutes and report of the 1928 Conference were now ready for printing having been greatly delayed because reports had not been sent in to the secretary. The Reference Committee suggests that since it is so late not more than one hundred copies be printed this year, and that it would be well for the Woman's Conference to rule that after a certain date if reports were not in the Conference report and minutes be printed with the omission of such reports as have not been received at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie M. Pittman,

Sec'y. Reference Committee.
MINUTES OF THE KIANGSI WOMAN'S CONFERENCE, 1929

The Kiangsi Woman's Conference met at Harrington Home, the W.F.M.S. Missionary Home in Nanchang, Friday afternoon, October 25, at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, Miss Helen Ferris. After the opening hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story," Miss Chang Mei-yin led us in a short but inspiring devotional period. Several of the Kiu-kiang members sang "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life." The devotional period closed with a series of prayers for guidance during the meeting.

The business session opened with a unanimous vote to ask Miss Ferris to preside over all three sessions of our Woman's Conference because of the regretted absence of our President.

The roll call of the members was read by Miss Chou Lan-chin.

Several new members were voted into the Conference and those in attendance were introduced to the group. The new members voted upon and received at this time were:

Miss Yu Shren-hwa, Principal of Taïhu Higher Primary School.
Miss Chu Chin-fang, Kiu-kiang Day Schools.
Miss Yao Ying-hsiu, Baldwin High School.
Miss Tang Ming-hsin, Rulison High School.
Miss Woo Sheo-yon, Rulison High School.
Miss Tang Mo Chiao, Baldwin Kindergartner.
Miss Keeney, Miss Wang, Miss Swen, Mrs. Ch'en, Miss Liu Yu-chen were welcomed as visiting members.

Miss Kellogg, the English Secretary, because of rush of work was unable to attend the Conference and Miss Waldron was voted in to take her place.

The Chairman of the Conference appointed the members of the new Nominating Committee:

Dr. Kahn, Miss Grace Woo, Miss Chou Lan-chin, Miss Edith Fredericks, Miss Bessie Meeker, Miss Helen Ferris.

The following new committees were nominated from the floor: Resolutions Committee:

Miss Ellen Smith, Miss Mien Yun-nan, Miss Yu Shren-hwa.
Fraternal Letters Committee:

Miss Chou Lan-chin and Miss Rose Waldron.

It was decided to combine the Appointment Committee with the Nominating Committee.

The Committee appointed to prepare a constitution for our W.F.M.S. auxiliaries in the Conference reported that, since most of the old committee members were gone, the constitution had not yet been written. A new committee was chosen—Dr. Kahn, Miss Chen Chin-ren, Miss Sung Tiao-yin and Miss Edith Fredericks.

The Reference Committee report was read by Miss Sung Tiao-yin and adopted.

After a closing prayer led by Dr. Kahn, the Conference adjourned to meet again at Harrington Home on Oct. 28.

Second Session, Kiangsi Woman's Conference

Harrington Home, Oct. 28, 1929.

Our devotional period was led by Miss Wang. She used as her text—Colossians III. Her subject was "Revealing Jesus." Our meeting was inspired by a song beautifully rendered by a group of girls from Baldwin School accompanied by their teacher, Miss Swen.

The devotional period closed with a hymn and a prayer led by Miss Chu Sheo-chen.

The Chinese minutes of the Oct. 25th. meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Mei Bao-yin and Miss Mary Tang were proposed for membership and accepted after which they were introduced as the new Evangelist on the Hwangmei and N. Kiangsi District and the Principal of Chang-Hsu Higher Primary School.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and accepted. It was strongly recommended by the committee that in order to facilitate the work of the Auditing Committee in the future, all receipts, etc. be carefully kept and turned over to the auditors with the books.

Miss Merrill moved we have a committee to work out a uniform kind of receipt for all institutions to use. This motion was passed.

Miss Meeker moved the Nominating Committee appoint this committee. Carried.

The report for the Bible Training School at Nanking was read by Miss Sung. The report was accepted.
Miss Merrill gave a report on Ginling College. Her report was accepted.

Miss Merrill reported for the committee collecting money for the Retirement Fund for our aged workers. This fund was started during the spring as a memorial for our dear Miss Howe. Miss Merrill's report was accepted and everyone rejoiced that the sum was so great. It was asked by the one reporting that these accounts be audited with the other books. This suggestion was accepted as a matter of business. A committee for taking charge of this fund was discussed. Miss Daniels moved the Nominating Committee choose one from each institution to act as this committee. This motion was passed.

The report of the Religious Education Committee was read by Miss Chi Yung-cheng. The report was accepted.

The Salary Committee report was given by Miss Chou Lan-chin. Miss Daniels moved that we consider and vote on the report section by section. Carried.

After much thought and discussion the following salary scale was adopted:

High School Graduates ....................... $18.00—$25.00
1 year special normal work ................ $24.00—$32.00
2 years normal or college work ............ $30.00—$40.00
College graduates ............................. $50.00—$70.00

Miss Chi Yung-chen led in a closing prayer.

The Conference was adjourned to meet again on October 31 at 2 o'clock.

Third Session. Kiangsi Woman's Conference

Harrington Home, 2:00 P.M., Oct. 31, 1929.

After singing "Draw Me Nearer," the devotional talk was given by Miss Edith Fredericks. She gave us a helpful message using as her text, Ephesians 4:16-21. Miss Sung Tiao-yin and Miss Chang Feng-cheng led in prayer.

The Chinese minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Field Property Committee was read by Miss Pittman reporting for Miss Kellogg. The report was accepted.

Miss Chang Mei-yin reported for the Evangelistic Committee. Her report was accepted.
It was voted that the chairman appoint a committee to revise the list of members.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was presented by Miss Yu Shren-hwa and accepted.

It was moved and passed that our Kiangsi Woman's Conference Reports for this year be published as a memorial of Miss Howe.

It was moved and passed that all reports should be in by Nov. 15. Any not in by that time should not be included.

It was moved that Miss Mao Yun-nan write up the Sunrise Prayer meeting and the 60th. Anniversary celebration for the Chinese Christian Advocate. Passed.

Dr. Kahn's resignation from the Constitution Committee was accepted and it was voted that Miss Search take her place.

A letter of greeting from Mrs. Miriam Nieh Yang was read and it was voted that the Fraternal Letters Committee send her a message in reply.

The names of those chosen for the new Board of Trustees for Baldwin School were read by Miss Chou Lanchin and were accepted by the group.

The personnel of the Religious Education Committee as read by Miss Chi was accepted by the Conference group. The members are Miss Chang Mei-yin 1929, Miss Chi Yung-cheng 1930, Miss Ruth Daniels 1931. Miss Chang was re-elected. The committee members were given authority to choose others to take the places of any members leaving during the year. Miss Merrill moved that Miss Daniel's appointment to take the place on the committee left vacant by Miss Seeck be approved by the group as a whole. Passed. Miss Pittman moved that the secretaries be instructed to write to the General Board members on the committee as to our decisions concerning this committee. Passed.

The report of the Nominating and Appointment Committee was read. Miss Merrill moved we take it section by section for a vote. Passed. The entire report was accepted as read save for one exception. Miss Chou Lanchin moved that the name of Miss Blanche Search be put in place of her name on the Field Property Committee. Accepted.

The group resumed discussion of the report of the Salary Committee read the previous meeting. Some change was made in the method of giving raises in salary. Concerning the raise in salary for high school graduates it was decided they must
teach two years without having any raise. At that time they
should have a raise of two dollars. After the fourth year an­
other two dollars is to be added. Those with one year of normal
training after two years of teaching are to have a raise of three
dollars. Those with two years advanced training are to wait
three years for a four dollars raise in salary. For those
with four years training the raise is to be five dollars a year.

Miss Chang Mei-yin moved we keep our same salaries com­
mittee for further thought and investigation with the addition
of some new members. Passed. The new members were Miss
Chang Mei-yin, Miss Annie Pittman, and Miss Chen Chin-ren.

Miss Sung moved we wait until next fall to make our changes
in salary. Passed.

It was voted that the board paid by teachers should be
$6.00 with no extras of fuel or food.

The meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer.
NANCHANG CITY AND COUNTRY EVANGELISTIC WORK

Jesus said "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." Jesus has given us this great work to do. I am one of the workers and I take this opportunity to tell a little of my work.

In the city we have six Bible Women at work. Mrs. Chen is are 40 women church-members there and each week she has a at Si Ma Chi Church and is the oldest of our workers. There prayer meeting with them and teaches a class of them on Sunday morning. Mrs. Chi is at Kwan Ren Men Church which has been re-opened in the past two rears. It was closed for a number of years. There are ten churchmembers, women, and she calls in the homes through the week and teaches a Bible Class on Sunday morning. Mrs. Wang is in charge of Kao Chiao Social Work and helps Mrs. Chen at Si Ma Chi. Mrs. Hsia has a membership of more than twenty women to guide and help at Ban Bu Kai Church.—Twice during the week she has prayer meetings with them and she also has a Mothers' Meeting once a month. Mrs. Liu at Dr. Kahn's Hospital spends her time comforting the sick and teaching the women in the hospital who do not read to read. Mrs. Wu at Chang Ren Chiao Church is looking after a membership of over 30 women and once a week she conducts a prayer meeting with them.

This year the Bible Women have continued their work on the Home Study Course. Mrs. Hsia has completed the course and will be awarded her certificate. Twice a month we have had a Workers' Prayer Meeting. I have written more than 300 letters and have sent out much material such as books and tracts to the workers, church members and pastors. I have taken a good deal of time to read some books, feeling that by so doing I was gaining something I could pass on to the workers and thus helping them.

On the Nanchang District we have two stations. Mrs. Tang is the Bible Woman at Mei Chuan, one station. She is teaching 2 Bible Classes every morning. We spent a week with them there holding Womens' Meetings. The women were especially interested in the singing and the stories. We spent another week at Gin Hsien, the other station on the Nanchang District. Miss Deng, the Bible Woman, has a class in reading every evening and more than ten attend. While we were there we had a prayer meeting every evening and in the daytime we made a
trip to a small village out from Gin Hsien and held services there for the Non-Christian women. We found them much interested.

We also spent a week at Feng Chen and one at Chang Shu on the Kan River District. Only two stations are open at the present time. Mrs. Li is the Bible Woman at Feng Chen where there are more than 10 women church members. She too has a Bible Class twice a week. We called in the homes of the church people and they made us very welcome. Mr. Tu, one of the Feng Chen members is very devout and his whole family are Christians. He lives in a small village 5 li from Feng Chen. He asked us to hold meetings in his home and he helped us greatly with them and later after we were gone he taught them to read. We had some very good meetings there and 3 women decided to follow Jesus.

From Feng Chen we went on to Chang Shu. Mrs. Wu is the Bible Woman there. We held a Childrens’ Meeting every day during the entire week and when we were through most of the children could sing some of the hymns.

This Spring I spent over two months on the Fu River District. There are 6 stations on that District and the first week we spent at Li Chia Tu. We had Womens’ and Childrens’ Meetings and in spite of there being no Bible Woman there the meetings were well attended especially by the children. Mrs. Tzeo, the Bible Woman at Fuchow, has had a Bible Class every Wednesday afternoon and a Prayer Meeting with the women once a week. At Shantento, old Mrs. Hsia is the Bible Woman. There are more than 30 women church members and 10 families are Christian, that is, every member of the family is Christian. We had a Prayer Meeting every morning followed by a class in the Home Study Course. 5 women have completed the Preparatory Class. In the afternoon we held a Womans’ Meeting at a small village some 10 li outside of Shantento.

We spent a week at Gin Chang but it rained the entire week so we were only able to hold prayer meetings at night and childrens’ meetings with the school children in the afternoon.

Our last visit was at Sung Shih. It is a wonderful place in the very heart of the mountains. We held two meetings a day, one for the women and one for the men.

We thank God and praise Him for His loving care and goodness. May He bless us during the coming year so that working with Him and abiding in Him we may bring forth more fruit worthy of His name.

Miss Chen Chin-ren.
REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DAY SCHOOLS

The time has been short and the year has passed quickly. I thank God with a full heart for His guidance and protecting care.

When I saw the schools on the Nanchang, Kan River and Fu River Districts truly I thought of them as the work of His loving daughters.

It is not easy to travel on the Nanchang District because of the many hills and rivers. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has 2 schools on that District—one at Mei Chuan and one at Gin Hsien—the two schools have 70 children with two teachers. During the Spring Term we sent a second teacher to Gin Hsien. Both Mrs. Tang and Miss Deng the Bible Women at the stations, have helped very much with the Bible teaching and handwork.

It is much easier to travel on the Kan River District because of the launch service on the river and the new automobiles that have begun bus service. Our plans of last year to open a Co-Educational school at Chang Shu were realized this year, arrangements for Primary boys and girls to live and board in the school were made and both buildings have been used (the boys' school building and the girls' school building). Miss Mary Tang was secured as the principal. With one other woman teacher and two men teachers she has carried on the work of the school. They have had 70 students in all and 4 students have availed themselves of the boarding privileges. They have a library for the boys and girls and gardens have been planted in the two schoolyards. In spite of soldier occupation and the resulting interruption of schoolwork they have had a successful year.

Feng Chen students numbered 43. The first term Miss Deng was alone and Mrs. Li—the Bible Woman—helped greatly. During the second term Mrs. Chi came to help. Pastor Tzen is very helpful too.

The Fu River District has 4 schools, 6 teachers and 160 students. At Li Chia To during the Fall term there were 17 children but during the Spring term the school increased to 44 children. Pastor Liu has helped greatly by teaching a class in Chinese writing. The school in Li Chia To is the only Girls' Primary School in the town. There is not even a Government School for girls there. Mrs. Hung has carried on the school very successfully.
At Fuchow we have had one teacher and 30 children. School work was seriously interrupted by soldier occupation and for a time the school had to be carried on in the Church. Shantento has had 45 children this year with only one teacher. In December Wei Po Po's granddaughter came to help with the school. The building is a rented one and very poor and the school has been carried on under great difficulty, however the church members are very much interested in the school and are planning and hoping to build a new school on the land they purchased many years ago.

Kienchang during the past year has had only one teacher but Mrs. Hsiung has given her time as a teacher in the school. 51 children have attended and 8 children have been boarders. With the help of an amah they have done their own cooking and cleaning. They have been very earnest students and have loved their work.

At Sung Shih we have one fourth share in helping with the Primary School. Pastor Chen has urged us repeatedly to open a girls’ school there but as we have had great difficulty in finding teachers for the schools already opened it has been impossible to do so.

When the Hankow Examinations were given in June, 16 Lower Primary children took them and only 2 failed. 6 Upper Primary children took them with only 1 child failing.

3 girls entered Baldwin this Fall from the District Schools and 1 boy from Chang Shu School entered Nanchang Academy. The students have studied well in all the schools.

Miss Mei and Miss Deng attended the Institute at Hankow during the summer and received much help and in turn will help the schools.

On the Districts there are 8 schools and 15 teachers, 350 boys and girls in those schools. They receive not only education but religious training as well.

Miss Chi DJen-ku.
This being the Sixtieth Anniversary of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, it might not come amiss for me to give a brief resume of our Medical Work in Nanchang. This will be especially fitting as it coincides with the departure of my mother, Miss Gertrude Howe, for her heavenly home, since it will enable me to record briefly her tremendous influence in our work here.

About thirty years ago Mary Stone and I were laboring steadily in Kiukiang, and although we had just opened the field, the undertaking was very successful and we were filled with hope and zeal. One day an urgent telegram came asking one of us to go and see a very sick woman in Nanchang, the capital of our province. It was decided that I should be the one to go so I went with Miss Stanton as my chaperone.

Mobbed in Nanchang

We found the Tai Tai a nervous wreck because she was a young woman thirty three years old and she had had twelve chil-
dren within twelve years. Added to this was the fact that for three years she had not stepped out of her room, while at the same time she was living on a very rich diet. In addition to what was served to her with the rest of the family, she had some food especially cooked for her every day. It consisted of a big fat duck, one pound of pork, and a lot of gelatinous sea slugs. No wonder she grew as plump as a duck herself. Then because she objected to having so many children, her liege lord and master was offended and brought home a concubine whom he favored and then he did not deign to notice his wife. So she went into a temporary fit of insanity and what I had to do was to control her, as well as to console her. Her recovery was very rapid so we decided to call on the Plymouth Brethren ladies who were the only missionaries in this large city. Unfortunately, Miss Stanton had an open chair and she attracted a great deal of attention, for the missionaries wore the native costume. When we started to return I changed chairs with my colleague, hoping thus to remedy matters but all to no avail. The riff raff mobbed my chair and first one stone was thrown into one of the windows, smashing the glass and then another one was thrown at the other window. Not wishing to have my head broken also, I climbed hastily out of the chair and made a dash for the nearest house, only to have its doors closed in my face. I did this half a dozen times but one woman finally let me in. Her cook being one of the bystanders had taken compassion on me and so had prevailed upon her to shelter me. There I remained until our church members at the Pan Pu Kia Chapel came and rescued me. They had gathered for prayer-meeting and my chair coolies had gone to them for succor.

This was my dramatic introduction to Nanchang, and it made me realize more than anything else could have done that the people here needed Christ even more than the inhabitants of Kiukiang, for they were ready to mob the stranger within their gates just because she was garbed a bit differently from the rest of them. From then on I prayed that the Lord might send me to that city to labor for Him. In 1902 my prayers were answered and I was regularly appointed to Nanchang by the Bishop. However, not a cent had been given to me for the work and all I had was the $450.00 given to me by some of my friends in Nanchang, the friends of my first patient there having contributed to that sum also. However, I never wavered in my faith, for I felt definitely called to labor in this sphere. Two years later my dear Mother joined me and her inspiration and help can never be recounted, for no mortal tongue could do the subject justice.
Can you imagine your sensations if patient after patient to whom you were called were clothed in their best official garments and were then laid on their doors (spread on chairs) and were ready to breathe their last? That was the situation which I faced in his huge old town of Nanchang simply because it had no people who believed in Western Medicine. No wonder my servant said that I had no talent and I was ready to admit it, too, for how could I revive these dying women. But God was merciful, for here and there would come a patient sent by a former sick person who had been healed by me in Kiukiang, and when I had cured these cases, then a few more would come so I gradually made slow progress. I am reading the "Splendor of God" by Honore Willise Morrow and in that story she depicts the life and work of Adoniram Judson and his wife in Burma. How my heart thrills when I read his adventures, for were not my experiences identical in many ways. Mother gave me all the money that she had and her sister sent a little money too but in spite of that we were always short of funds, and all my little stock of jewelry was sold to enable us to carry on. I hated to part with the gifts which our friends in Kiukiang had given to us but necessity compelled us to strain our utmost resources in order to minister to those around us.

What bothered me the most however, was not our poverty but the fact that the people often would not give us the opportunity of helping them. Time and again we would be called to a very bad maternity case, only to be told on our arrival that the woman was quite all right because a certain idol had guaranteed that she would be delivered all right. Then we would look with despair at the huge old monster sitting in the guest hall and dominating it with a sinister and evil influence, and we would come home praying for grace and patience to bear it all. Words were simply of no avail. The next day we would hear of the death of that poor woman whose deluded relatives had sacrificed her life in vain. Yet here and there we were allowed to help a woman, so gradually our work grew in this line. Yet things are still dark enough here.

What if they threatened to beat us and to wreck our chairs if we did not succeed in delivering the women! We remembered that our Master suffered like treatment in His day. I recollect now that I did get a beating once. The woman whom I was treating was a Catholic and she was very poor. It was an obstetrical case. She lived in a huge tenement house and...
when we went there she was reclining on a bamboo couch placed in the middle of the main guest hall. The French priest had just administered extreme unction, for he thought that she would die. The room was filled with men and women and the men would not leave the room so my amah called out, “We are now going to remove the clothes of the patient and if the gentlemen will not get out of this place, then they will be polluted.” Thereupon, the men made a wild dash out of the hall. The woman was in a very bad condition and as I was afraid that an anaesthetic would increase her danger by causing hemorrhage, I endeavored to work without giving it to her. It had been raining so I knelt on a pile of straw laid on the wet dirt floor. As I hurt the woman somewhat she got furious and sprang up suddenly and gave me a terrible smack on my face. I was quite stunned for a minute, for the boxing on my jaws almost knocked me down. The women present were frightened and set up an awful howling. That made me nervous beyond measure so I yelled to them to keep quiet and said that if they did not stop their noise, then I would leave the woman and she would surely die. You know it is a fearful sensation to have all those dozens of women yelling at the top of their voices. They crammed the room and were in the yard and all the doorways, and there was a host of them. After that there was quiet and some of the women held the hands of the patient so that she could not do any more mischief. Here, I must say that I do not think that I hurt the woman very much, for I was not using any instruments but was only using my hands. I also told the women that the woman was not conscious of what she was doing so they must help her by remaining very still. After that there was no more trouble. Well, that woman recovered. Sometime after that she came to visit me and brought me some pork and eggs. She was as meek as possible and she apologized most humbly for having struck me. I told her that was quite all right and I bore her no grudge. The Catholics have never forgotten how I used to help their poor women when they had no hospital of their own, so now at Christmas time and at Easter the Sister Superior would send me a box of candy, or a piece of exquisite embroidery. In return I would send them a few flowers, for they were my only stock of riches.

**Gentry Aid Us.**

For six years I worked without any financial aid. Then the gentry in Nanchang gave me four thousand piculs of grain from the Public Granary and one of them who was friendly to us sold the grain for us and purchased a fine site for the hospital. We also had a small dispensary built from the rest of the proceeds.
Heretofore we had paid an enormous rent bill so now our burdens were lightened in no small measure. We lived upstairs in the small dispensary and our nurses and Biblewomen lived there with us. We were surely crowded and yet we were so happy in our work.

By this time Bishop Bashford visited us and he thought that we ought to have better quarters so he passed on to us a special gift from a Miss Kate Reade who had some money which she wished to invest in memory of her sister, Miss Mary Reade. So a home was built and in 1908 we moved into our beautiful new home. If the Reade Sisters could have lived how glad they would have been to learn of all the uses to which this house has been put. Conferences and prayermeetings are held here all the time because it is so central and so well built. The living room and the dining room both being large are of convenient size when the two rooms are opened together for these large gatherings. How often I have heard people say, "Oh, I hope that the meeting will be held at Dr. Kahn's house because it will be so convenient for us to go there." Then the Chinese borrow our place too when they need a place to organize a public health meeting, or a meeting to promote any public welfare. Again when distinguished guests come they are brought here to be entertained.

Hospital Building Materializes.

In 1910 Mrs. Idonea Jones from California gave us money to start towards a hospital building, and this gift was found for us by Rev. R. E. McClean of our General Board Mission. The Hospital was finished in 1912 and the Society came definitely to our support after that so that our work became much easier. The Northwestern Branch has helped us the most, though we have always had generous assistance from the New York Branch and the Pacific Branch. Recently the DesMoines Branch has supported us also. One thing I know that has handicapped me not a little in the work has been my bad habit of not writing enough. More than any other member of the Mission in Nanchang I have borne the brunt of the social work and I have carried a great deal of our church work too. At our Annual Conferences I not only have to speak and pray but I have to help in the reception of the members and if there is a feast, then I have to prepare it. So I have more contacts with the non-Christian Community, as well as with our own Christian Community. Even the monthly prayer meetings for our workers are held here more often than anywhere else, simply because we welcome such opportunities of doing service. I cannot do all
this, as well as my own work, and yet be able to do a lot of writing to America. So I hope that the friends in America will pardon my shortcomings and will forgive me.

Through all these varying vicissitudes my Mother clung to me through thick and thin, and every cent of her spare money was spent in helping me. First, we assisted the church at Pan Pu Kia which was the first chapel opened in Nanchang. Then we were asked to help open a church in Kwan Ren Men which was nearer the river and was still farther away. When that church grew stronger we were asked to help start the church at Si Ma Chih which has since become the Central Church. Finally, we thought that we would like to have a church home nearer to our hospital so that our patients could go there more readily, since it is not easy to ask Chinese women to go long distances to church. So the Chuan Yuen Chiao property was purchased by the General Board and a wooden tabernacle was built and we have worshipped there ever since.

Fruits of Mother's Labor.

In every one of these churches my dear Mother labored faithfully, and she was ably supported by my sister Julia, or Mrs. Cheng, as she is called. Week in and week out they visited the women in their homes and held classmeetings for them, as well as meetings here in the hospital and in the Jennie Hughes day school, where the women were taught to read the Bible and to pray, for most of them could not read at all when they were converted. Then they also went out to the districts, up the Fu River and the Kan River, looking after the Biblewomen there and the dayschool teachers. They were never weary in well doing and what was more to the point, they never published abroad what they were doing, for they were simply carrying out the commandments of their Master.

When my dear Mother lay in her coffin here in the hospital, waiting for her burial, the women came from all these churches in large numbers. There were so many of them that I was quite bewildered. How they wept as they told me the same old story over and over again “Howe Kia Po (Grandmother Howe) had led them to Christ. Howe Kia Po had loved them so much. And Howe Kia Po had taught them to read the Bible. Oh, never, never, will they be able to forget what she had done for them.” Oh, how I was touched by their testimonies! The years had been so many and she had been so frail at the last that I had almost forgotten that she had labored so hard all these long and weary years to bring these lost ones to Christ. Even the non-Christian women came and knocked their heads by the side of the coffin, while I tried to pull them up, and the burden of their
tale was almost the same. "Howe Kia Po had loved them so much and had been so kind to them. They could never forget her kindness." And later some of these women from the most sheltered homes walked five li to the cemetery on the hill and back again because they wanted to show their respect for one whom they loved. They who have never tried to walk in their lives. Dear, dear Mother, how she loved the women, and she loved them because she loved Christ so much. Because the love of Christ filled her heart she was able to love all these women. For her there was no barrier of race and color. All were her sisters, so all deserved to be loved by her.

**Mother’s Funeral**

At the funeral which was held on May 8th there were many speeches given by the leaders of our church and of the other denominations, as well as some of the noted men in town. All bore testimony to her love for our people and her wonderful service for them, and they emphasized the fact that the dynamic force of all her work was the great love for Christ which she had in her heart. I can truly say that part of this love for Christ she must have learned from her father, Isaac Howe, for he was a strong abolitionist and risked his life many times to save the slaves from the South.

They held a large memorial service for her in Fuchu-fu, one of the large interior cities in this province. Four large banners were given there for her and a wonderful tribute was paid to her memory. Miss Bessie Meeker who is our evangelist said that what struck her was the fact that the younger Christians there spoke so highly of Mother. She said that of course she expected the older workers to remember Mother, but that these young men who were prominent in their spheres of labor should remember her and should speak so well of her, impressed her very much. I think that they must have been boys who were trained in our Mission Schools and hence they had known her.

One of the Christians wrote to me. "She was a great prophetess and her glorious works do follow her." She surely was a great prophetess, for she had a vision of the needs of us Chinese women so she labored without ceasing to train up men and women for the work. At the time of her death four large schools and four hospitals had girls whom she had helped to train as their heads, while many others were Biblewomen, teachers, doctors, and nurses, and still others were the wives of teachers, preachers, and district superintendents. Her spirit will never be forgotten, while there are her girls to carry on the Master’s work.
After Thirty Years.

And now what great changes have taken place! We have fifteen maternity cases in our hospital this very minute. Some of them are difficult cases which have undergone tortures in the hands of the midwives but most of them are normal cases. They know enough to come to us if they expect any trouble. Sometimes we have five obstetrical cases in one day. The concubine of the civil governor has just been confined here and we have another high officials wife here who has just had her first baby. Instead of going into the country to attend to these difficult labor cases and paying our own way both going and coming as we were formerly compelled to do, we have the women brought to us, some of them being brought on bamboo stretchers from over one hundred and twenty li away. Moreover, our graduate nurses carry on the same kind of work in many of the interior cities. They would not think of doing a Caesarean Section but still they handle many difficult cases with great success. In Kancheo which is the second largest city in this province, I have a very bright nurse. They say that the work which she does is very wonderful. The wife of a very prominent doctor (Japanese trained) in that place told me that her husband turned over all his obstetrical cases to this nurse and she spoke in very high terms of what she was doing there. I am training some girls now from that very town, and so the work goes on. This girl and her husband are very earnest Christians and they help the China Inland Mission there a great deal. It certainly pays to train these girls for service and I am so grateful to the patrons who have helped us in the work.

Some Aspects of Tropical Diseases.

Malaria and dysentery always cause havoc in the summer in our community and now our wards and rooms are filled with these patients. And surely they require skilful and loving treatment from the hands of our nurses. And our nurses are so patient, for no sooner is one dreadful! case out of danger when another one is brought in. So the vigil goes on night and day. We are often called up at night, for no one knows when a case of malaria will take a fancy to run up a temperature of one hundred and eight degrees and then we have to give cold irrigations and cold sponges until the patient can rally her strength and keep it until the temperature climbs down again. We had a preacher's boy this year whose temperature went up to over one hundred and eight degrees and we all said that he would die, for he had a malignant type of malaria. But he did not die and recovered in good shape after we had tried almost everything under the
sun for him. Or a dysentry case would have a collapse and her temperature would suddenly become subnormal, and we would have to fight like everything to bring her strength back and her temperature too. In both types of patients the treatment is costly, for to one we have to give quinophosphate in ampoules and to the other we have to give stovarsol and albargain which is a proteid preparation of silver. However, we do not stint money, time, strength, or skill to save our women and children, and the poor patients get the same treatment as the rich.

**Spiritual Progress.**

Spiritually, we have made progress also. From the mere handful of women who came to the Chuan Yuen Chiao Church, we have now a membership of one hundred and forty. We are the only self-supporting church in the Nanchang District. We have stressed evangelism above everything else this year and not only have we had special evangelistic meetings to bring the people in but we have tried to do individual work as well. When Dr. and Mrs. Ridout were here for our evangelistic meetings many of our girls received an outpouring of the Holy Spirit which caused me to be very grateful to the Lord. Our whole Christian life has been deepened and there is manifest a real desire to preach Christ more than ever before. I am able now to pray with my patients in their homes even when their people are non-Christian. In former years they would not have given me that opportunity. This year over thirty people have become Christians and quite a few more have been converted and will be taken on as probationers. Quite a few of these are men so we are very glad, for our church membership is largely composed of women. This is natural, of course, since our work is mainly carried on among the women.

Our Woman’s Missionary Society has given thirty dollars for our Anniversary gift and my nurses have made two hundred and forty Anniversary presents. They are very beautiful. There are eighty pairs of red embroidered satin baby shoes and one hundred and sixty tea napkins. The nurses had such happy times in making these gifts and their thoughts have been turned gratitude to their friends in America who have helped them so much during all these years. These are certainly friendship gifts and will bind us all more closely together.

Thus while my Mother has gone on, her spirit remains, the Spirit of Christ, and we will endeavor to carry on the labor of love even better than we have done during these last decades.

Yours in His Service,

Ida Kahn.
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REPORT OF BALDWIN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS
1928-1929

Another chapter of the history of Baldwin School is finished and another story in school life-building completed. Yet when one looks back through the year one cannot help but give thanks and hearty gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His abundant blessings and wise guidance in the work. Then, one is constantly reminded of that great promise: “Fear ye not, O Israel, neither be Thou dismayed. For I, the Lord, am with Thee.” It is because we know that the work belongs to God and He is forever with us, that we work on with child-like trust in Him.

The general condition in the province was seemingly settled. After two years of struggle in adjusting to new situations the school was opened last fall with full force except the Senior II. It was like getting long expected rain after the drought to many younger girls who were so anxious to enter a school with high standards. We would be able to take one hundred more if we wanted to. Only we felt it was much wiser to keep the number of new ones always about one third of the total enrollment.

At the opening of the school in the English department the only teacher we had was Miss Seeck who had sundry other important duties to do. Then Miss Leona Thomasson from Rulison High School was kind enough to offer her help for several weeks until Miss McDade came to take her share of the work.

The music department, almost gone out of existence after Miss Baker left, was very fortunate to secure a competent teacher, Miss Ruby Swen, a graduate from Ginling College. The love for singing was rekindled by her cheerful presence. There were about thirty pupils taking both piano and organ lessons.

With only three pianos, two of which the tuner would not bother to repair, it was impossible for the teacher to assign twenty some girls to practise outside their regular school schedule. Both Miss Swen and her pupils realized the need of buying a new piano; so they started to raise money by giving a concert. They have received one hundred forty dollars and hope to raise some more during this school year.

We were certainly very glad to welcome Miss Ruth Daniels back to her old beloved work. The need of primary school teachers has been appalling because during the last three years there were but four graduated from High School Normal. Besides the work in the Normal Department she has English classes to teach and also treasury work to do.
We felt very fortunate to have Miss McDade back with us. She was needed not only in teaching the Science and English, but we all need her motherly care in this big school of ours.

During this year the girls certainly learned that it is more blessed to give than to receive. There were more calls for some extra help than ever before. The work they did in this line is enumerated as follows:—

1. One the Chinese Thanksgiving Day, the fifteenth of the eighth month, the Baldwin Sunday School gave clothes, eatables and dollars for poor people who are afflicted with leprosy.

2. Every year at Christmas time the girls are accustomed to remember the poor people living around Baldwin. This year the girls quietly raised money among themselves and bought several loads of rice to be distributed among those whose needs were greatest. Even the Kindergarten children learned the joy of giving to poor little friends at Christmas time.

3. In the Spring when the heart-breaking news of famine in the north west provinces came the girls divided themselves into fifteen groups and for three days went out to raise money among different institions, organizations, and individuals. They also collected some old Chinese paintings and writings for an Art Exhibition. People were very kind and responsive, so the amount the girls got was one thousand ninety dollars.

4. Besides this philanthropic work and their regular church subscriptions the girls also gave some thirty dollars for celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of the W.F.M.S. and some handwork for souvenirs.

During these years of experience we realize that personal contact with the girls is more effective in helping the girls to find the Great Truth than any other method. In the middle school each class has an advisor who often meets the girls and checks up on their scholastic grades and also on their school conduct.

This year we tried to have as much personal work done among the girls as possible. In the fall we had Miss Ella Shaw come and hold many helpful meetings with both teachers and students. Then later Miss Joy Smith came to have meetings with groups and individuals for two days. All felt the fruitage of their work when many girls took a definite stand as followers of Christ in the spring.

Then at District Conference our girls were greatly helped by the talks from both Dr. Ridout and Mr. Chi of Bethel Place in Shanghai. Class by class asked to have personal interviews with the Evangelists. They were very sincere and in earnest
in trying to face the problems that disturbed their inner lives. As the result of this and previous work there were fifty some girls who gave their names as Enquirers of Christ, twenty some girls were baptized and more than ten taken in as church members.

During Passion Week there were a good many helpful and inspirational meetings planned for the school. Every day after school a Vesper Service was led by different teachers. On Thursday morning at seven O'clock a Home Dedication Program was given. First the whole school gathered in the chapel to have worship. After the ceremony of lighting the candles was done everybody, even the servants, joined the grandmarch to the Dining Hall. There the lighted candles were put on each table and we all had the breakfast blessing together. On Sunday morning there was another Sunrise Service which made the meetings during this whole week quite impressive and helpful.

This year Church people in the city and the girls' parents were given opportunity to hear two sacred concerts and to see two religious pageants. One was "The Christmas Flower" and the other at Easter was "From Darkness into Light." Both have helped to enrich the spiritual life of the school and at the same time the girls learned that plays can be given in a helpful, constructive and dignified way.

As usual this year we had the two graduation exercises, one for the higher and lower primary, and one for the Junior and Senior High School. The primary commencement was a combination of all our primary schools in the city. The Boys High School joined with ours in the High School commencement in our chapel. It was a happy day for many.

The advantages of registration make it seem best for us to register while conditions are favorable. Committees were appointed in the spring to accomplish what they could before school opened in filling out the many blanks. The faculty hopes to complete this as soon as possible.

We realize that this year one factor which has more influence and more latent power than any human effort in accomplishing the work was the retreat of teachers every morning for fifteen minutes before breakfast. Indeed we want to give thanks and praise to Him who said "It is not by power nor by might but by Thy Holy Spirit." It is the heartfelt prayer of every lover of Baldwin School. We earnestly ask you to remember us in your prayers, that the Spirit of Christ may prevail in every heart in this big home of girls.

M. L. Nieh

and Faculty.
GENERAL REPORT OF PRIMARY EDUCATION 1928-1929.

It has been our aim and hope that the primary education of our Methodist Area become a real fundamental help to the children of the masses.

Jesus loves his children so he is willing to give every one of them all the things that are necessary and profitable to both their souls and minds. For this simple and worthy purpose, the workers of Christ are trying to do their utmost to attend to these children and give them the best things that they can think of.

As they are so tenderly taken care of by their friends, especially their American friends, they are enjoying their childhood immensely. You can well tell it by looking at their happy, beaming faces every time you enter their classrooms. So happy they are that their little hearts overflow with hope, faith and love and all these come from their Heavenly Father, God the Almighty. Thank God for his great care and love toward us.

The report of this year could not be very much different from that of the last year: So far as the course of studies and school procedures are concerned very few changes have been made within our schools. From our student records we can tell that the enrollments of many of our schools are growing higher this year. This proves that progress has been made steadily though it comes slowly.

By encouraging our students, we have continued to give them the mid-year examination which meant a test to students and teachers as well. It took quite a little time and work to get the questions into shape before sending them to each of our individual schools. By the test we can tell the work of both our teachers and students. We had told our teachers the most common errors that they had made or the things that they had been careless about either by personal talks or written letters. This is one of the means of helping our teachers. For the final year examination we have again given them the questions that have been sent to us by the Central China Christian Educational Association of Hankow. The reports of both those two examinations showed that many of our school children did better work this year.

Only God is everlasting. He is the only one who never forsakes His children. It is only in Him that we get hope, faith and love which is the heart of all our work in Kiangsi Methodist Mission.

Lucina Chou.
REPORT OF EVANGELISTIC WORK, NORTH KIANGSI AND HWANGMEI DISTRICTS

Another year has passed and as we look back we are impressed with the constantly changing aspect of all about us but in beautiful contrast to that never changing Grace of God. The weather is constantly varying and the seasons all speak of change in so many ways but His loving kindness endures. This has never altered.

The responsibility of the evangelistic work for these two large districts has been mine now for three years and by far the larger part of the time has been spent out on the districts proclaiming this blessed Gospel. The places being so far distant, much time is necessarily taken for travel, sometimes by day, sometimes by night; in beautiful sunny weather and in rainy tempestuous weather; with traveling companions or without; in times of peace or in times of uncertainty and grave dangers. But God has been with us continually and has kept us from danger seen and unseen. Truly “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.” This is a day of scientific advancement and emphasis upon materialistic values with the consequent spiritual dangers. None of us have of ourselves strength or boldness to face these issues but for the help of God Himself.

He has set apart several faithful folk to be his servants in this great task on these two Districts, two of them graduates of the Union Bible Teachers Training School in Nanking with experience and deep love for Christ. The offered good positions in Shanghai and Nanking they put these aside when they heard of the dire need of workers in the interior places here. One is now in Taihu, having helped on her way out with a short term woman’s school in Kungling and special evangelistic effort in Hwangmei. The other went immediately to Pentsah and Hukeo for similar work but this fall because of the need in Chintehchen she has gone on to Hwangmei to release help for Chintehchen.

This great city of Chintehchen and the mountain town of Meitotze are the two most distant places on our Districts, both at opposite ends. Meitotze has been without help for some time because of political troubles and the women have grown very hungry and long for the Word. After long waiting and much prayer, through God’s help, one of our number has been found who will go to this very distant and difficult place. It was my privilege to accompany her at the beginning of the fall term and
spend a week in Meitotze in special evangelistic effort. In spite of the rain, the results were gratifying because of God's help and guidance.

Chintehchen, that great center of the porcelain industry with its teeming population, offers at once a great responsibility and a great opportunity for evangelistic work. This, together with the growing city of Jaochow, forms a unit of work needing several evangelists with a good supervisor for the work there. Miss Hu Wenlien was willing to step into the gap there—leaving her good work in Hwangmei this fall.

Our growing civilization with its increasing dangers because of sin has but one remedy and that is the Word of God. Paul says, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." This great fact fills us with enthusiasm. Miss Chu Sheo Chen, a graduate of the Union Bible Training School and for several years a Bible teacher at Rulison High School, went to Saho this fall for the express purpose of proclaiming the Gospel. Her ability and spiritual zeal are well known to all and her presence will be a great blessing to all in Saho. How fine it would be for China to have many young people with that true patriotism which puts God first and is fired with holy enthusiasm for saving their fellow countrymen through God's plan! Then would come peace and our nation would indeed be strong. We who are Christians ought to give more earnest heed to this fact.

Every evangelist needs specially to be constantly close to God to be able to conquer in this day. We read 1 Peter IV:7 "for the end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore of sound mind and be sober unto prayer." When Jesus ascended into heaven, He said unto his disciples "Abide in me and I in you. As the branch cannot bring forth of itself except as it abide in the vine." To help toward this end, the deepening of our lives spiritually, we have had the privilege of Annual and District Conferences, Bible Conference at Bethel, Shanghai, the Leaders' Conference in Kuling as well as the Religious Education Institute in Kiukiang in August. However, let us not depend upon these means of grace alone but realize that we must meet God personally every day.

The Daily Vacation Bible School efforts this year were very gratifying, there being such opened in each place except in Hukeo where the reconstruction of the building prevented. This was made possible by the splendid co-operation of the students from Rulison and Knowles Schools. They were willing and zealous and their efforts deserve commendation.
The classes for women are on the increase and to this special effort is the growth of our church closely related. We have an increase in the number of probationers, full members and those baptized during the year in Tai Hu, Susung, Hwangmei, Kung-lung, Siaochikeo and Pentsah. According to my observation, the women are in the majority in our churches but advance is retarded because so few can read. To help to overcome this, many tracts, leaflets, pictures and calendars with simple direct message have been used with Christians and non-Christians. Our effort to meet this difficulty in short term schools for the women last spring was not as gratifying in results as we had hoped but we expect greater things this year with more such schools in many places.

We most heartily welcome Mrs. Mei Bow Yin who comes to us at this time to help on our two Districts. We all know her as one well versed in the Scriptures and zealous in her love for Christ. Her coming will mean a great blessing to our work.

Before this report closes I must speak of the great inspiration received from some of our number whose bodies are very weak and who have often been confined to their beds with sickness. It has been a great trial to them but they have overcome and in spite of illness and weakness have accomplished great things for God and have put before us constantly a very fine example. May we all especially remember them in our prayers.

For all the blessings of the year our hearts turn to God in deep gratitude. We wish to express our appreciation of the help received from our friends, foreign and Chinese, especially through prayer and for the splendid assistance of Miss Pittman throughout the year.

We expect greater advance and progress in the coming year that God may be truly glorified.

CHANG MEIYIN.
Supervisor.
Another year slips away full of God’s richest blessings, His Loving Care and our imperfect service. For the year 1928—1929, the enrollment in the Day Schools on the Hwangmei and North Kiangsi Districts averaged 550 with a teaching staff of twenty-nine. The students brought tuition to the amount of $1146.83.

The two Districts spread over such a long distance that it is rather difficult to reach all the schools as often as we intend to. The question of travel is a hard one because many of the places are untouched by railroads, in fact only one of the sixteen schools is thus reached. In many ways the trips are usually rough, the wheel-barrow has no springs, or the boat is too small. The time of reaching our destination is uncertain. But the joy and happiness in working together with God is so great that they offset all our difficulties. Again it is always a great joy to be greeted by the smiling faces of the children.

This year we had the highest enrollment we have had for many years in our schools, and because of the loyal co-operation and faithful work of teachers and students were able to do a full year’s work, uninterrupted. All was not smooth sailing of course. There were times when we were discouraged. But in spite of these times our experiences were the richer and our faith the stronger.

We have continued the use of the curriculum of the Central China Christian Educational Association of which we are a part. New textbooks, magazines, school supplies, and furnishings of various sorts are being sent out to the schools as often as we can afford to do so with our limited funds, to make these Primary Schools a real help to the community. In order to check up the children’s work, questions on the various textbooks were mimeographed and sent out last Spring to the schools on both Districts. Really it is a great joy to find improvement in their writing and studies. In June all the schools took the C.C.C.E.A. examinations. Eighteen pupils were graduated from the Lower Primaries and nine from the Higher. Some of the Higher Primary graduates are furthering their studies at Rulison and Baldwin Schools in our Conference this year. Right here let me say that it is a blessing that Miss Yu Shwen-hwa has come to take the principalship of one of these Higher Primary Boarding Schools, the one at Taihu. And we can prophesy that the work there will be greatly re-enforced under her administration.
School work cannot be all work and no play, hence basketball and table tennis are being introduced in the Higher Primaries. In the Lower Primaries we have see-saws, swings, and slides. The give and take in games and the being able to take victory and defeat in the right way is valuable in character building and something which we all need.

Last Spring an epidemic of malaria in Saho threatened the public health. One of our nice pupils fell sick and gradually faded away and on the ninth of December entered that richer and fuller life where sickness and sorrow never annoy. But the fragrance of her life still lives to bless us.

We are extremely glad to welcome our long expected Miss Fredericks back to us. It is our earnest hope that she may be released soon for the Districts.

My report would be incomplete without mentioning the valuable services rendered by Miss Pittman who is such a spiritual and indefatigable worker. She has helped me in many ways that are essential to the success of any institution. She is an inspiration to the work and Workers here.

For a year so fraught with blessings and so full of opportunities for service we wish to express our appreciation and extend our warm thanks for gifts, interest and prayers of our friends near and far. God has blessed us and we hope He will reward you a million fold for all you have done for His Name.

(signed) Sung Tiao-Yin,
Supervisor.
It is with an ever deepening gratitude to God, and an ever increasing assurance that He works in our midst, saving and healing and sanctifying, that we approach the Conference season again.

The number of dispensary and inpatients has increased. The local income has increased. The emphasis on evangelistic work has been intensified and the results from it more stimulating to faith and to faithfulness than ever.

Last fall when Dr. Libby of Nanchang was detained in Kiu-kiang for several weeks, he gave freely of his time and skill to helping the work here. This summer Dr. Chien Hsiu Mei of Shanghai, most unselfishly and lovingly gave us a month of her time. While she was here we renewed our request made to her months previously, to come permanently to Danforth. However she was not free, having already accepted a position at Bethel, Shanghai.

The coming of Miss Louise May to join our nursing staff was an occasion of great joy and the answer to earnest prayer. The nurses' training will now be more complete and thorough in every way.

Only one nurse is finishing training this year. Of the other members of her class, two died of tuberculosis, and the other left training at the time of war. Twelve nurses are taking part in the Nurses’ Association of China examinations this coming December. Testimonies to the pleasantness and care of the nurses are often heard, and to their equal faithfulness with poor and rich.

Preventive treatments have increased by hundreds, and include those against diptheria, typhoid, paratyphoid, cholera, small pox, meningitis, and tetanus. All but one of the cases treated here during the cholera epidemic this summer recovered.

Of the many cases healed during the year, one only of especial interest will be mentioned. We were called by telegram to attend the station master's wife at Tou Chia Pu. We went down on a freight train at night, reaching there at about ten o'clock. We found our patient surrounded by every imaginable device to keep away evil spirits, a hideous idol outside her door, a huge fish net hung from the ceiling over her bed, mirrors opposite her bed, an umbrella and boughs of the willow tree at its foot, and four guns stacked in one corner. Saying that the
true God Whose servants we were would protect against evil spirits, we asked for the removal of all these things. Our patient was completely exhausted, both from the pain of three days of labor and from the efforts already made to deliver her. God used us, and answered prayer for her life. This spring she came to the hospital and had the large tumor removed that had occasioned the death of her baby and very nearly her own. This fall she came in again and became the mother of a beautiful boy.

A special effort is being made to reach the unsaved neighbors about us by tract distribution and inviting them to our Sunday morning gospel services. Every Sunday now some are present. Constant emphasis is being placed on the need for Bible reading and private prayer. We are trying to help our servants who have confessed Christ, and patients who accept Him here to form these life sustaining habits. Among several patients who have recently confessed faith in Jesus was a vegetarian, who while here gave up this habit of her life time. Little children are learning to sing and repeat Bible verses, living seeds whose harvest we believe will be abundant.

Among improvements made possible by increased income may be mentioned the new tile roof on the hospital building, the repairing of damages by white ants, the procuring of a new chapel organ, a blood pressure apparatus of the latest type, a Reichert microscope and a centrifuge for the laboratory.

We thank all our friends whose gifts of money and supplies have made the work possible, and whose counsel and prayer have given us strength. Realizing that without Him we can do nothing, but remembering that He has said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee," we go on trying by our service to carrying out the prayer of our heart, "Not I, but Christ, be honored, loved, exalted."
The Gracey folks had a very happy summer and a very profitable one at Sze Tze Ngan; for two years local conditions have been such that it was deemed unwise for them to leave Kiukiang, but this year it was peaceful enough for them to venture forth to their home among the hills.

Four new cripples have been admitted to the Home during the past year, one of whom was a slave girl who is completely paralyzed in her lower limbs.

Joseph Ding has been placed by the committee in Bethel School, Shanghai, but is financed by the Home. Four girls attend Anderson Day School and one, Lung San Day School. The contact with other normal young folks is good for them all. Two of the girls study at Gracey under the direction of Moan Eng, one of the cripples; Moan Eng teaches Miss Kellogg Chinese Bible an hour a day, and helps with some clerical work at Danforth Hospital, as well as doing this teaching. She is very happy to have definite work to do.

Miss Sai, the devoted Christian nurse and house mother, takes great interest in the children and they are fond of her; it was a great relief to the committee when she took hold of the work after China New Year this year.

Extensive repairs and improvements have been made at Gracey Home and at the bungalow at Sze Tze Ngan during the year.

As the years go on, and the cripples grow up, they have vital problems to face and are constantly in need of your prayers that they may be given wisdom and grace from the One who can satisfy their every need, and make the crooked straight and the rough places plain.

THE COMMITTEE.
KNOWLES BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOLS

Time passes quickly. One year has gone and another is here. The all Loving God has helped us and given us strength and wisdom so that together we have gone forward.

Knowles School was in great need last fall because there was no one to teach English, but Mrs. Argelander came to the rescue and to her we extend our thanks and appreciation. She was most enthusiastic and always ready and eager to help. After Conference Miss Nina Gemmell of the China Inland Mission came to help with the English classes. She was a great help because of her beautiful spirit and her ability in teaching and the whole school welcomed and respected her. We were all sorry when she had to leave to return to her own work in Southern Kiangsi.

During the year Dr. Perkins gave of his valuable time real help and inspiration in teaching a course in Church History every Wednesday at Knowles School. Pastor Wu Hsin Mei out of his busy day has also given time to teach one course. We gratefully send our thanks and appreciation for all this.

Last year thirty pupils took part in an Athletic Meet in Nanchang, several of the teachers going with them. They did good work under the direction of Miss Hai and received a banner of honorable mention.

In the spring Misses Hai and Hsia and Mr. Wang took the Seniors to Nanking to see the Capitol and to learn something of life and social conditions in other places before going out from school to their own new work and experiences. During the year we had hoped that many of the pupils might get out for evangelistic work on the districts but because of the unsettled conditions this had to be given up which was a great disappointment to all.

Last year the school had a meeting with a program for the parents and relatives of the students. Through this they learned more of the school and its work and also heard more of the Gospel Message. The Seniors were given examinations early this year and the Commencement held earlier than usual because Miss Woodruff was leaving for furlough the end of June and we wanted her here for Commencement. Those finishing their work in the Preparatory Department were given their certificates at the same time. There were nine graduate of the Bible Training School. Eight of them are now at work in the stations of our own Conference. One is studying in Shanghai,
The pupils willingly went out this summer for the work of the Daily Vacation Bible Schools on the districts, giving their services gladly. These pupils learned of the Master and went out in His strength for the work. The students have also entered heartily into the Sunday work some going in the mornings to Hwa Shan Tang and Bin Sin Cheo and others in the afternoons to work at Lung San, Moa Chia Han and Heo Kai or out to the homes helping with the work for women and children.

After Miss Woodruff left for furlough Miss Fredericks came to take that work this fall. Miss Ellen Smith arrived from furlough for the work in Bible and Religious Education and Miss Jenny Lind for the English classes. Miss Fu has also come from Hupeh in this time of need and has taken some of the work given up by two of the teachers who have gone on for further study Miss Hsia and Miss Hu after graduation from Knowles School have taught for some years and have done splendid work. Miss Hsia Teh Chen is now in the Shantung Christian University taking the Bible Course and Miss Hu Mei Teh at Ginling College taking the special one year course in Physical Education.

Last term we had seventy-five pupils and this term we have ninety and the outlook is good. Because of the unsettled conditions and the Communist influences in some sections we have had to be very careful in the selection of students from the many applicants and some had to be tactfully turned away.

Preceding the opening of school in September, a retreat was held for the teachers led by Dr. David Chang. This was a real help and inspiration to all. We hope later to have special meetings for the pupils and to co-operate with Rulison High School in this.

Last year there were general repairs on the exterior of the building and this year quite extensive repairs on the interior so that at the present the building is in good condition, the work being about finished.

The Principal attended the meetings of the Conference Committee on Religious Education in Kuling the early part of the summer and later in the summer the special Conference for Leaders. At the end of the summer because of the movement of troops and the numbers of soldiers in Kiukiang who wanted to live in the schools I had to return to Kiukiang. The teachers who were in the school or living in the city had done all they could to keep the soldiers out of the school. With the co-operation of all the soldiers finally moved on peacefully.
The Anderson Primary School and Kindergarten have far over eighty pupils this year with three teachers, two of whom are new. One graduated from Knowles School in June and the second comes from another section. We still have to enlist a little extra help.

I have been unable to do the many things I have wanted to do or that should have been done but with the co-operation of the faculty we have had an encouraging and peaceful year and the work has gone steadily on. Later I hope some one with more ability and training can take over this work.

We close this report with the special request that you will pray much for Knowles School throughout the year.

CHI YUNG CHENG.
REPORT OF RULISON SCHOOL OF 1928 TO 1929
KIUKIANG

This being my first year as the head of Rulison and having been away from China during the most changable three years, I naturally felt unfitted for the task I was called to and hesitated to take up the work. But as these words from a familiar hymn often came into my mind

"Shun not the struggle, face it, 'tis God's gift.

Be strong. Be strong!"

new strength and encouragement came with them and I tried cheerfully to give myself to the trial. With the help of friends in China and America and with the loyal co-operation of the faculty and the fine spirit of the student body Rulison has had a very pleasant and successful year.

The enrollment of the year shows two hundred and three girls and thirteen boys, the boys of course being in the primary and kindergarden since this is primarily a girls' school. This was not our normal enrollment because, due to the unsettled conditions in the country, many students were deprived of the opportunity to study. For this reason we had no graduating class from Senior High School in June, Eleven girls received certificates from Junior High School and twenty-one from Higher Primary, and all of them plan to continue their studies in Rulison next year.

Our health records show very little illness of any kind among the students, nothing of a serious nature, but a steady gain in weight and development, due to Miss Chen's careful supervision of the food and health of the girls and Miss Ferris's and Miss Tza's supervision of regular exercise and outdoor games. Perhaps some will recall that Miss Chen is an alumna of Rulison and a graduate from Red Cross Hospital, Shanghai.

We are glad to report a thriving student Y. W. C. A. with officers chosen from girls of the upper classes. Among the activities in which the members engaged were evening classes for the school servants, both men and women, Sunday School for the neighborhood children and special Bible Vacation Schools of six weeks in the summer for the children of the vicinity who are unable to afford regular schooling.

Several of our teachers left at the end June, most of them to take advance studies in their special lines. We expect that some of them will return to us after they have finish-
ed their courses of study. Miss Chu Shu-chen who has given six years of good service to Rulison, left us also to take a position as an evangelistic worker in Saho. Her influence will long be felt in the school. Our loss will be the gain of the Christian work in the district, for we are sure she will be a blessing to the work there as she has been here.

The annual expenditure of the school was about twenty thousand dollars; this did not include the salaries of our four foreign teachers. The students' tuition, board, music fees, and incidentals brought in half of this amount, the other half being the appropriation from the Women's Foreign Missionary Society. The importance of women's education in China is recognised by most people now and many parents are willing to give their daughters an opportunity to study, so more than two-thirds of our students paid either full or half tuition and all except a very few paid their board.

In April the father of one of our Senior High School girls, Mr. Yu, gave the school four hundred dollars Chinese currency in honor of his mother who was then seventy years of age. The money is put aside to help build our auditorium in the future. This is still a dream but we hope it will soon become a reality, for an auditorium is a great need in our school.

We look back with gratitude for our Heavenly Father's constant presence and blessing. We realize that we have not accomplished all that we had hoped to do, but we feel that the experience of the past year will enable us to do better work in the future.

GRACE M. WU.
REPORT OF KIUKIANG CITY DAY SCHOOL
FOR THE YEAR 1928-29

There is an English Proverb which says "Attempt not the Impossible." I, a beginner with no experience in this important task, cannot help being deeply anxious. But through God's care and help and the direction of Miss Fredericks and Miss Woodruff, I safely attempted the impossible this year.

We have five schools altogether. One of them higher and lower primary and kindergarten. Another had only the first and second year but the third year has been recently added. The other three are lower primary (4 years) with some kindergarten work.

Last fall we had eighteen teachers but because of the financial difficulty we have reduced the number to fifteen. We had a total number of 266 pupils last fall and 273 this fall. In the spring term there were about three hundred but it is customary to have more in the spring. I think every place has this experience.

We use the regular textbooks of the Central China Christian Educational Association curriculum. This year is a period of testing as we are co-operating with the Association in trying out two kinds of textbooks in our city schools.

In Bin Sin Cheo we could have far more pupils than the sixty we have at present but our rented building is too small to hold them. It is hoped that we can build the much needed school on the land we now own not far from the present rented building. The need is great in this section and we long to take many more children that they may learn of Jesus Christ.

In the spring we had our Parent-teachers Meetings in the five schools in succession. All the parents were invited and the pupils gave good programs. By their smiling faces the parents showed their appreciation of the work of the school.

Every Monday afternoon we have a teachers meeting, gathering all the teachers at one place. We spend some time in prayer after which we discuss our school problems, such as methods in teaching, daily attendance of pupils, our relationship with the families of pupils, etc. We all discuss them whole heartedly and there is much interest. Though we cannot put all that we discuss into action, our interest is aroused and we do the best we can.
We have supplementary materials for instruction beside the General Methods of Teaching and the various Educational Reviews. Two of our teachers attended the Summer Institute of the Central China Christian Education Association this year. They are giving interesting reports of it from time to time in the teachers meetings. My daily task is to visit the different schools, either talk with the teachers or play or work or write with the pupils. I enjoy it all very much.

The pupils' interest in Jesus Christ can be proved by their frequent attendance at the Sunday services and other religious meetings. They worship quietly and reverently. Even in the hot weather most of the pupils came to the churches because they wanted to. This shows that Christ's name has been rooted in their small hearts.

During the examinations we felt that the greatest difficulty for the children was to write the characters so we are putting special emphasis on this. We are finding a great improvement in them. The absence from attendance is also being greatly reduced.

This fall we had four graduates from the higher primary school who are now studying in the Third Government Middle School. Four from the lower primary are now in Rulison School and two in Wm. Nast and one in Knowles School. Some could not go on because of physical conditions and some have moved away.

We have gymnastic classes for the children in all our schools. Drills and games relax their bodies and refresh their minds. Besides medical care is given them. The teachers take very good care of the pupils who are taken to the hospital in case of illness. You will notice that most of the children are clean and neatly dressed.

There are many important activities outside of the regular school work. This year we are giving attention to character building. We try our best to help the children to be good citizens. Junior Leagues as well as Student Government Associations have been organized. They are conducted by the children with the teachers as helpers. They elect officers, they write out regulations and they carry out the regulations themselves. It is very interesting to hear now and then their reports of what has happened in their midst. We hope these small organizations will be a foundation for greater work in the future.

Unfortunately our teacher Mr. Yang, who has been with us over twenty years died this summer. He was very faithful and it was a great loss to the pupils in that school.
Kiukiang though not the largest of cities has about twenty primary schools beside the private ones taught by Confucian scholars. Most of them ask very little tuition and some of them none at all yet we have an ever increasing number of pupils who pay six dollars a year for tuition. In spite of hindrances such as the rebuilding of streets and the movement of troops we have not been hindered at all.

I thank God and all those who have helped us directly or indirectly either in our nation or beyond the seas, through whose care and aid I have dared to attempt the impossible. It has been a good year and we press on hoping for even a better one.

Mao Yunnan

Supervisor of Primary Dayschools,

Kiukiang.
REPORT OF THE KIUKIANG EVANGELISTIC WORK
1928-29

Time has passed quickly since I took up the evangelistic work and another year is here. I thank God for His help and guidance throughout this year. God is our Protector and our Shelter and whenever there is difficulty He is always with us helping us to overcome our difficulties.

The evangelistic work in Kiukiang is concentrated in the sections where we have our chapels and schools. This fall we have just one evangelist in each place but good work is being done. The work of God depends not on one's talents nor on the number of workers. If God is with us we can accomplish much greater things than with any amount of human effort. Paul was a great scholar while Peter was only a fisherman but both are great in the history of our Church.

I began this work with Miss Woodruff and then went out with her younger sister. Both of them are now home on furlough and I am working in cooperation with Miss Fredericks. From all of them I have received help and advice, which has greatly helped in the work.

The evangelistic work in this city is not much different from that in other places. Some of the day schools are situated in the thickly populated sections of the city while others are on the outskirts of the city. Some of the women who want to study Bible can't come to the schools or churches but others come for half day classes. Those who are too busy with their daily tasks to get to us we try to reach in their homes by teaching them there. We have meetings for women on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons at two places every week. These are attended by the members and the mothers of the primary pupils and the attendance varies. I try to visit each place at least once a week.

Every Monday afternoon all the evangelistic workers gather together for a time of prayer for the work and strength and wisdom for the task as well as to talk over the work of the week. Some of the evangelistic workers hold meetings also at the Lien Hsi dayschool supported by Gen. Woo who is a member of our church. The pupils and teachers there look forward to this help. At Christmas and Easter a number of members were added to our church so we know God is answering our prayers and blessing our efforts.
There are three churches in the city, two situated in the business sections of the city, Heo Kai and Wha Shan Tang. The third is the Student Church which serves the students and workers of five institutions as well as the community there. Each of these churches has a Woman's Missionary Society which meets monthly and is doing good work.

Last summer we had three Daily Vacation Bible Schools for the children who do not have an opportunity to study during the year and many children attended. Bible work was given daily. If we could have had more teachers we would have had many more children. The teachers give their services for this work and we hope next year we will have many more of these schools for the children.

We have Children's Church in the three places each Sunday and the children attend well and love it. Even in the hottest weather they come and the very poor ones have been given their paper and crayons for the handwork lesson. Two of our evangelists attended the Conference for leaders in Kuling this summer and have brought interesting reports back.

While there has been much to rejoice over this year our hearts were made sad by the death of Mrs. Cheng, a Bible woman for so many years. She worked faithfully and even preached the few days in the hospital when she was ill. Some of the Christians are very faithful and whether early or late are always at the meetings. We want during the coming year to cultivate the present membership as well as to add to the numbers.

"Now the God of peace who brought again from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep with the blood of an eternal covenant, even our Lord Jesus, make you perfect in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight."

CHANG Fung Cheng

Supervisor of City Evangelistic Work.
REPORT OF UNION BIBLE TEACHERS TRAINING SCHOOL, NANKING

You have seen the printed reports and know what took place at the meeting of the Union Bible School in Nanking, when the Board of Directors met. Many of us felt badly because the majority seemed to feel it necessary for the Board to divide into two parts. The Members at Large felt they must separate to insure a school standing for the principles on which it was started though many of us did not feel there was the trouble they feared ahead. That group also asked that something be done about the property. That of course belongs to the Board of Trustees of the school which represent the Missions, or the Church Boards. Whatever is done will have to be decided by more than the Board of Managers.

Miss Shaw who has been our representative on the faculty for many years handed in her resignation at this session of the Board. She was about to leave for furlough and was not sure whether she could return to China or not. The resignation was accepted with the following resolution.

"Resolved that we record our gratitude to God for the great gifts He has bestowed upon us in the leadership and devotion of Miss Shaw, for seventeen years on the faculty of the school and for fifteen years the President of the school. While enlisting every possible interest in building up the school, Miss Shaw has unswervingly maintained the standards of the school. The greatest memorial to her work is in the lives of the girls on whom she has left her indelible impression and who gratefully honor her as mother."

MABEL A. WOODRUFF.
GINLING COLLEGE

It is especially gratifying to one who has been connected with the Ginling College board from its first formal organization to note the outstanding Christian character of the school, as evidenced by the Chinese members of the board; by the character of the faculty both Chinese and foreign and by the fact that the department of Religious Education comes second in number of students majoring in it.

There are twenty-nine Chinese members of the faculty and twelve foreign members. The students number 166 and are classified as follows:

- Seniors . . . . . 19
- Juniors . . . . . 15
- Sophomores . . . . 32
- Freshmen . . . . . 55
- Pre-medical . . . . 2
- Unclassified . . . . 13
- Short Course . . . . 30

The alumnae are occupied as follows:

- Middle School principals and deans . . . . . 20
- Middle School teachers . . . . . . . . . . . . 73
- Doctors (3), Internes (2), Medical students (3) . . 8
- Doing graduate study . . . . . . . . . . . . 17
- Y.W.C.A. and other social service . . . . . . 14
- Wives and mothers . . . . . . . . . . . . 20
- Deceased (Laura Chen) . . . . . . . . . . . . 1

Total . . . . . . 153

Among the Ginling alumnae so well prepared for serving China in her hour of need are six Baldwin alumnae and fourteen Rulison alumnae. Seven other Baldwin graduates and eleven Rulison graduates have profited by one, two or three years of study at Ginling, while four Rulison girls are at present studying there, one junior, one sophomore, one premedical and one in the short course.

The Ginling alumnae are contributing annually five hundred dollars to the current budget and also offer a scholarship of one hundred dollars to help a worthy student.
A new committee has been organized to promote the finances and other interests of the college in China. Mrs. W. S. New is chairman of this committee. Mrs. Beebe, Miss Lily Yen and Dr. Ren Cho are the members. These were empowered to increase their number to seven.

Some building will be necessary to accommodate the growing student body. Whether to build a faculty house and so release the dormitory now occupied by the faculty for student use or to build another dormitory is the problem committed to the building committee.

Plans for the registration of the college are practically completed and Ginling looks hopefully toward a future of increasing usefulness.

CLARA E. MERRILL
RESOLUTIONS

We express our appreciation and gratitude to Bishop Keeney for his splendid advice and helpful messages during the Conference session; and to Miss Dorothy Keeney for her inspirational messages to our Woman’s Conference. We extend to them our deep sympathy in their sorrow.

We are grateful again for the opportunity of meeting at Conference even in the midst of war and rumors of war.

We are grateful that Bishop Birney’s health is better and our prayers go with him as he goes to West China.

We wish to express our thanks to the Baldwin girls, to Doctor Kahn and her nurses and to other friends for their beautiful, inspiring music on our programs. Especially do we thank the Nanchang missionaries and the Baldwin girls for their splendid presentation of “The Golden Bowl” which reminds us again of the spirit of the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society whose Sixtieth Anniversary we are now celebrating and sends us forth with greater enthusiasm to give the Living Water to all and to “Make Christ Known” around the world.

We are indeed grateful for the generous response which has been given to the Retirement Fund of our Conference in memory of our beloved Gertrude Howe whose life lives on in the hearts of those whom she loved and to whom she ministered.

We welcome into our group as members Yu Shwen Hwa, Yao Yin Siu, Mei Ba Yin, Tang Ming Sin, Tang Hwei Tsing, Wu Sheo Yon, Tan Mo Chiao, Chu Chin-song. As visiting members, we are glad to have Miss Dorothy Keeney, Swen En Lien, Mrs. Chen Chih Bao, Liu Yu Chen and Yu Mong Ling present. We are grateful for the return of Edith Fredericks, Blanche Search, Jennie Lind, Laura Gooding and Ellen Smith. May our work together bring many to know the joy and satisfaction of following the Christ.

We express to Baldwin and our other Nanchang friends our deep gratitude and appreciation for their kind hospitality in making our stay with them comfortable and happy and our prayer as we leave is that we may all be faithful this and all years to our call to “Make Christ Known.”
WOMAN'S CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS
KIANGSI CONFERENCE

EVANGELISTIC WORK

_Hwangmei and North Kiangsi District._
Supervisor
Assoc. Supervisor and Treas.
Evangelist
Supervisor Chin Teh
chen & Jaochow

_Hwangmei_ and _Kiukiang City._
Supervisor
Assoc. Supervisor and Treas.
Evangelist

_Sa Ho._
Evangelist

_Fu River District, Kun River District and Nanchang District._
Supervisor
Assoc. Supervisor and Treas.

_High Bridge Social Service._
Committee Chairman

MEDICAL WORK

_Danforth Memorial Hospital, Kiukiang._
Superintendent
Supt. Nurses' Training School
Nurse

_Nanchang Women and Children's Hospital._
Superintendent
Resident Physician
Supt. Nurses' Training School
EDUCATIONAL WORK

Baldwin School for Girls, Nanchang.

Principal
School Dean, Treas. & Director of Teacher Training
Student Counselor Chairman and teacher of Chinese
Director of Science Dept. and teacher of English
Director of Home Economics and teacher of English
Dean of Girls and Director of Physical Education
Director of Music
Supervisor of Higher Primary and School Accountant
Supervisor of Lower Primary
Business Chairman
Kindergartner

Knowles Bible Training School, Kiukiang.

Acting Principal
Dean
Student Counselor and Teacher of Physical Training
Treas. & Adviser
Teacher of Bible
Teacher of Bible
Teacher of Science
Teacher of English
Supervisor of Anderson and Teacher of Geography

Chou Lan chin
Ruth N. Daniels
Wang Mei-sheng*
Myra L. McDade
Laura Gooding
Yao Ying-hsiu
Swen En-lien*
Chen Chih-pao*
Liu Yu-cheng*
Hsia Gin-hsien*
Tang Mo-chiao
Chi Yung-cheng
Mr. Wang Tien-kan*
Hai Yu-chin
Edith Fredericks
Ellen Smith
Ling Cheng-ming
Wu Li-hsing
Laura Schleman
Hung Chung-yin

Teh Shen Men
**Rulison High School, Kiukiang.**

Principal  
Grace Wu

Kiukiang Student Church

Action Dean, Treas., and Teacher of English and History  
Helen Ferris

Chairman of Religious Education  
Clara E. Merrill

Teacher of History, Geography and Librarian  
Tang Ming-hsin

Teacher of Mathematics and Science  
David Chang*

Teacher of English  
Leona Thomasson

Teacher of Music  
Rose Waldron

Teacher of Chinese  
Mrs. Tseng-Seo*

Supervisor of Higher Primary  
Hwang Hsin-ming

Teacher in Higher Primary  
Woo Sheo-yan

Supervisor of Lower Primary & Kindergartner  
Tang Yu-fang

**DAY SCHOOLS**

**Huang Mei and North Kiangsi Districts.**

Supervisor  
Sung Tiao-ying

Seo Sung

Assoc. Supervisor  
Annie M. Pittman

Chin Teh Chen

Principal of Taihu Higher Primary  
Yu Shren-hwa

Tai Hu

Kiukiang.

Supervisor  
Mao Yun-nan

Hwa Shan Tang

Assoc. Supervisor and Treas.  
Edith Fredericks

Sa Ho

**Nanchang District, Kan River District and Fu River District.**

Supervisor  
Chi Djen-ku

Pon Pu Kai

Assoc. Supervisor and Treas.  
Blanche T. Search

Chang Hsu

Principal of Chang-Hsu Co-educational Higher Primary Boarding School  
Tang Hwei-chin

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Nanchang City
Supervisor
Chi Djen-ku

Nanchang City Assoc.
Supervisor & Treas.
Blanche T. Search

Pon Pu Kai
Chang Hsu

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Students in America.
Beatrice Lee
Margaret Hu

On Furlough.
Zula Frances Brown
Faith Hunt
Isabel Luce
Ruth L. Myers
Theodora Raab
Margaret Seeck
Myrtle M. Stone
Ethel T. Thompson
May Bel Thompson
Frances Woodruff
Mabel Woodruff

In Language School.
Mildred G. Cone
Jenny Lind

Gracey Home for Cripples.
Nora E. Kellogg
Chen Yu-chen M. D.
Mrs. E. C. Perkins
Louise C. May

*Not members of the conference.