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Women's Conference

Methodist Episcopal Church

Twelfth Annual Session

Hyderabad-Don.

1937.
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of the

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Held in Vikarabad, Deccan.

Dec. 9 to 13, 1937.

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RETIRED MEMBERS.

Mrs. M. Tindale.        Mrs. K. E. Anderson.
Miss G. Patterson.
WOMEN'S APPOINTMENTS.

BIDAR DISTRICT.
Bidar Girl's Boarding School, Principal................Mrs. M. C. Ernsberger.
Bidar Hospital and District Medical Work....................Dr. E. Shanthappa.
District Evangelistic Work and Village Schools...........Miss A. Harrod.

EKELE DISTRICT.
District Work.........................................................Mrs. Jotappa Jacob.
District Medical Work............................................Mrs. E. Shantappa.
District Evangelistic and Village Schools...............Miss Ruth Partridge.

ENGLISH DISTRICT.
District Work................................................................Mrs. G. B. Garden.
Hyderabad English Church.........................................Mrs. James McEldowney.
Secunderabad English Church.....................................To be Supplied.

HINDUSTANI DISTRICT.
District Work............................................................Mrs. Samuel Datt.
Hyderabad Zenana Work and Schools.............................Miss Gladys Webb.
Sultan Shahi Circuit..................................................To be Supplied.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT.
District Evangelistic Work and Village Schools.............Miss N. M. Low.
Hyderabad Boys' High School Warden........................Mrs. G. B. Garden.
Stanley Girls' High School, Principal.........................Miss Edith DeLima.
" " " " Vice-Principal..........Miss Margaret Morgan.
" " " " Teachers.........................Miss Ada Luke and
Miss C. Christdas.
Kukatpally Girls' Vocational School, Principal...........To be Supplied.

NARAYANPET DISTRICT.
District Work............................................................Mrs. O. David.
District Evangelistic and Village Schools...................Miss M. Simonds.

TANDUR DISTRICT.
District Work...........................................................Mrs. N. E. Samson.
District Evangelistic Work and Village Schools...........Miss M. Simonds.

VIKARABAD DISTRICT.
District Work...........................................................Mrs. John Patterson.
District Evangelistic and Village Schools...................Miss Lillian Woodbridge.
Vikarabad Boys' School Warden.................................Mrs. J. Patterson.
Co-educational and Training Schools, Principal...........Miss Mabel Morgan.
" " Vice-Principal...............To be Supplied.
Crawford Memorial Hospital.................................Mrs. B. V. Canaran, and
Mrs. John Patterson.

GENERAL APPOINTMENTS.
On Furlough in America:— Miss M. K. Metsker, Miss Minnie Huibregtse.
Miss E. J. Wells, Mrs. M. D. Ross.
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES FOR 1938.

Hyderabad Women's Conference.

OFFICERS.

President ... ... Mrs. G. B. Garden, Hyderabad.
Vice-Presidents ... ... Mrs. J. Patterson, Vikarabad.
Secretary ... ... Mrs. J. E. McEldowney, Hyderabad.
Assistant Secretary ... Miss L. Woodbridge, Vikarabad.
Statistical Secretary. ... Miss DeLima, Hyderabad.
Registrar ... ... Miss M. Simonds, Tandur.
Historian ... ... Miss Harrod, Bidar.

COMMITTEES.

Field Reference Committee.
Miss E. L. Whiting, Central Treasurer: Miss Margaret Morgan,
Field Correspondent: Mrs. Ernsberger, Miss DeLima, Miss Mabel
Morgan, Miss Harrod, Miss Simonds, Miss Webb. Alternates: Miss
Partridge, Miss Woodbridge.

Field Property Committee.
Miss Simonds, Miss Partridge, Miss Harrod, Miss Mabel Morgan,
Miss Margaret Morgan.

* Editing and Publishing Committee.
Miss DeLima, Miss Woodbridge, Miss Mabel Morgan.

* Statistical Committee.
Miss Simonds, with power to co-opt one from each station.

* Eckford Rest Home Committee.
Mrs. Ernsberger, Miss Margaret Morgan.

Credentials Committee.
The Field Reference Committee.

* House Furnishing Committee.
Miss Partridge, Miss Webb, Miss Luke.

* Audit Committee.
Mrs. Ernsberger, with power to co-opt one from each station.

* Program Committee.
Mrs. Garden, Miss Margaret Morgan, Miss DeLima, Mrs.
McEldowney.

Conference Literature Committee.
Miss Mabel Morgan, Miss Harrod, Mrs. Garden, Miss Christdas.
Women’s Missionary Conference

* Evangelistic Committee.
Miss Simonds and all evangelistic missionaries.

* Nominating Committee.
Miss Harrod, Miss Christdas and Miss Low.

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SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES.

* All-India Literature Committee............Miss Mabel Morgan.
* Woman’s Christian College, Madras.........Miss C. Christdas.
* St. Christopher’s Teachers College........Miss C. Christdas.
* Union Medical College, Vellore............Dr. E. Shanthappa.

Note:—Only Committees and Special Representatives marked * are nominated by the Nominating Committee of the Women’s Conference.

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HYDERABAD CONFERENCE BOARDS.

Board of Christian Education:—
John Patterson, Chairman: Mrs. Ernsberger, Miss DeLima, Miss Mabel Morgan, Miss Margaret Morgan, Miss A. Luke, Miss Simonds, Mrs. Garden, Miss Partridge, O. David, G. B. Garden, M. David, J. E. McEldowney, G. Sundaram.

India Methodist Episcopal Missionary Society:—

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JOINT COMMITTEES.

State of the Church:—

(2) Social Service: Miss DeLima, Mrs. J. McEldowney, B. S. Moses, D. Gabriel.

Memoirs:—
O. David, K. Jacob, B. J. Lyman, Miss N. Low, Mrs. D. Lyman.
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RESOLUTIONS:—

Mrs. J. Patterson, Miss A. Luke, J. Jacob, A. S. Abraham, T. A. Peter
V. Jeremiah, Mrs. S. Jacob.

BUILDINGS:—

John Patterson, G. B. Garden, N. E. Samson, Miss R. Partridge
Miss Margaret Morgan, Miss Simonds.

MEDICAL WORK:—

Drs. B. V. Canaran, O. Shantappa, Elizabeth Shanthappa.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE:—

Miss Mabel Morgan, Miss A. Harrod, Mrs. G. B. Garden, Miss C. Christdas, O. David, G. Joseph, B. S. Moses, G. Sundaram, M. Henry,
J. John, M. C. Solomon.

MOSLEM WORK:—

Samuel Datt, M. David, Miss G. Webb, Mrs. J. McEldowney, N. E.
Samson.

NOMINATIONS:—

Mrs. J. Patterson, Miss M. Simonds.
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Hyderabad Women's Conference
12th Annual Session
Vikarabad, Deccan.
December 9—13, 1937.

Opening:—In the drawing room of W. F. M. S. bungalow, the 12th Session of the Hyderabad Women's Conference held its opening meeting at 4:30 p. m. Mrs. Margaret Ernsberger led the devotions.

Roll Call:—The following members were present for the Roll Call:—Miss Christdas, Miss DeLima, Mrs. Ernsberger, Mrs. Garden, Miss Mabel Morgan, Miss Margaret Morgan, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Simonds, Miss C. Smith, Miss M. Smith, Miss Woodbridge, Miss A. Luke, Dr. Mrs. Shanthappa.

Organization:—The following were elected officers for 1937–1938:

President .... Mrs. Garden, Hyderabad.
Vice-Presidents .... Mrs. Patterson, Vikarabad.
Secretary .... Mrs. McEldowney, Hyderabad.
Assistant Secretary .... Miss Woodbridge, Vikarabad.
Statistical Secretary .... Miss DeLima, Hyderabad.
Registrar .... Miss Simonds, Tandur.
Historian .... Miss Partridge, Ekele.

Greetings:—Mrs. Ernsberger brought greetings to the Conference from Miss Huibregtse. A letter from Miss Webb was read by Miss Mabel Morgan. Miss Fisher's letter was also read to the Conference by Miss Mabel Morgan. Letters of greeting were arranged to be sent to Mrs. Picket, Mrs. Chitambar, Miss Wells, and our furloughed Missionaries.

Correspondence:—Letters from Mrs. Van Meter and Miss Whiting were read.

Membership:—Dr. Elizabeth Shanthappa and Miss Ada Luke were transferred from the Associate list to full membership.

Order of the Day:—The election of Standing Committee and Special Representatives was made the order of the day for the next session, after devotions and the reading of the minutes.
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Reports:—The following reports were read and accepted:—
Union Medical College ... ... Dr. E. Shanthappa.
Eckford Rest Home (See Report I) Miss Margaret Morgan.
All-India Literature Committee (See Report II) Miss Mabel Morgan.

Elections:—Miss DeLima was nominated as our Representative on the Hyderabad Local Committee of the All-India Woman’s Association for Educational and Social Advancement, Hyderabad.

Adjournment:—After prayer by Miss Luke the session adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

The second session of the Women’s Conference opened with a song and prayer was offered by Miss Christdas.

Elections:—After the reading of the minutes the order of the day which was the election of members to the standing committees and the Special Representatives was taken up. Ballots were cast for Field Correspondent and Miss Margaret Morgan, having received a majority vote was declared elected. The first ballots cast for members of the Field Reference Committee resulted in majority votes for the following persons and they were declared elected: Mrs. Ernsberger, Miss Harrod, Miss Mabel Morgan, Miss Simonds, Miss DeLima, Miss Webb. Alternates: Miss Partridge and Miss Woodbridge.

Reports:—The following reports were read and accepted.
Statistical Reports (See Statistics) Miss Simonds.
Field Property Report (See Report III) Miss Margaret Morgan.
Field Reference Committee (See Report IV) Miss Margaret Morgan.
St. Christopher’s Training College, Madras Miss Luke.

Mrs. Ernsberger reported that all W. F. M. S. accounts had been audited to October 31st, 1937. Report of Nominating Committee was read by Miss DeLima.

Andhra Christian Council:—Miss Simonds and Miss Harrod were elected delegates to the Andhra Christian Council, Miss Margaret Morgan was elected alternate.

Minutes:—It was moved that the minutes be printed by Moses & Co., Printers, Secunderabad.
Miss Simonds moved and it was carried that Miss Mabel Morgan read the Joint Minutes of the Bombay Conference and bring recommendations to our next Conference as to the advisability of our Conference printing similar joint minutes.

Adjournment:—The meeting adjourned after prayer by Mrs. McEldowney.

THIRD SESSION.

The third session of the Woman's Conference opened with a prayer by Miss Margaret Morgan.

Report:—The report of the Evangelistic Committee was read by Miss Simonds and adopted. (See Report V).

Resolution:—Mrs. Ernsberger read the following Resolution Resolved:—That the members of the Hyderabad Women's Conference extend to Miss Wells our loving greetings and our regret that she could not be present at our sessions this year, and to assure her that, as she proceeds on furlough, she carries with her our deep appreciation of her services to this Conference in all departments of work; and our prayers for a speedy and complete recovery of health.

Minutes:—It was voted to allow the Secretary to edit the minutes of the last session.

Adjournment:—The meeting adjourned with a prayer by Miss Mabel Morgan.

Corresponding Secretaries.

Mrs. Wm. S. Mitchell, 138 Lincoln Street, Melrose, Mass.
Mrs. P. C. Greenly, 93 Linden Avenue, Jersey City, N. J.
Miss Elizabeth M. Lee, 400 Shady Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Charles H. Hardie, 883 East Nineteenth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Miss Juliet H. Knox, Associate, 7320 Brighton Road, Ben Avon, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. J. M. M. Gray; American University, Washington, D. C.
Mrs. Harvey Harmer, 531 Hornor Avenue, Clarksburgh, W. Va.
Mrs. Frank E. Baker, 719 Emerson Street, Evanston, Ill.
Mrs. Otis Moore, Tipton, Iowa R.F.D. No. 1.
Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, Acting, Mt. Vernon, Iowa.
Mrs. Leon Roy Peel, 607 Wesley Temple Building, Minneapolis, Minn.
Miss Ella M. Watson, 1701 South Seventeenth Street, Lincoln, Neb.
Mrs. J. K. Cecil, 440 Melville Avenue, Palo Alto, Calif.
Mrs. C. H. Van Meter, 4857 N.E. Eighth Avenue, Portland, Ore.
Constitution of the Woman’s Conference.

Art. I. NAME.—This Conference shall be called the Woman’s Conference of the .................. Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Southern Asia.

Art. II. PURPOSE.—This Conference shall be associated with the Women’s Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in aiding the Church in the evangelization and education of the people of Southern Asia.

Art. III. MEETINGS.—The Annual Meetings of the conference shall be held at the same time and place as the ................. Annual Conference, at which time, officers for the ensuing year shall be elected, reports heard and counsel taken with reference to the work of the church within the boundaries of the conference.

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

3. This Conference may delegate any of its functions to the Field Reference Committee, or other committees.

Art. IV. MEMBERSHIP.—The Conference shall be composed of full members and associate members who are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

A.—Full Members shall be:—

1. The wife of the Resident Bishop.

2. All women after completing two years of Associate Membership who meet the following requirements:—

   (a) Have completed a high school course or its equivalent and who have had two years further educational training.
   
   (b) Have been recommended by the Woman’s Relations Committee and elected by a majority vote of the members of the Woman’s Conference present and voting.
   
   (c) Women who have not met the educational requirements but who have passed a two-year course of study as prescribed by the Central Conference Commission on Courses of Study.
B.— Associate Members shall be:—

1. All women who have completed a high school course or its equivalent and wish to consecrate their lives to the maintenance and development of the work of the Church of Jesus Christ, and who have been recommended by their Quarterly and District Conferences and the Woman's Relations Committees, and elected by a majority vote of the Woman's Conference present and voting.

2. Women included under (A. 2.) who are accepted by the Woman's Conference but are not subject to appointment by the Bishop.

C.— APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.— Candidates shall present a written application for membership, on the prescribed form, to the Credentials Committee of the Woman's Conference.

D.— Duration of Membership:—

1. Members in the Woman's Conference shall continue as long as a member continues in the active work of our church. Whenever such relations are discontinued, membership in the Woman's Conference shall automatically cease. However, in case a member wishes to take leave for a year or more for the purpose of further study for health reasons, her name may remain on the roll for the time, but she may be excused from attendance at Conference, or work on committees.

2. If any member absents herself from Conference for three consecutive years without being officially excused, her name shall be dropped from the Conference roll of membership.

Art. V. PRIVILEGES OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.— Associate Members of the Woman's Conference shall have all the privileges of full members except voting for, or being members of, the Field Reference Committee.

Art. VI. CONSECRATION SERVICE.— Full and Associate Members shall be taken into the Woman's Conference in a special Consecration Service which has been arranged and accepted by the Central Conference.

Art. VII. APPOINTMENT.—

A.— Full Members:—

1. Missionaries receive their appointment from the Bishop not as members of the Conferences, but in accordance with the rules of the Missionary Society under which they work.
2. Other full members are subject to appointment by the Bishop.

B.— Associate Members:—

Associate Members are not subject to appointment by the Bishop, but are employed by the Manager or Managing Committee of the work in which they are engaged.

Art. VIII. Officers.— The Officers of the Conference shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and an Assistant Secretary, a Statistical Secretary, and a Field Correspondent to be elected annually and such other officers as seem necessary.

Art. IX. Committees.— The Conference shall elect a Conference Relations Committee, such committees as the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society may require, and any other committees deemed necessary.

Art. X. Relationship to the Annual Conference.— The Woman's Conferences shall work in cooperation with the Annual Conference.

Art. XI. Method of Amendment.— On recommendation of two-thirds of all the full members of the several Woman's Conferences present and voting, shall suffice to authorize the next ensuing Central Conference by a two-thirds vote to alter or amend any of the provisions of this Constitution; and also, whenever such alteration or amendment shall have been first recommended by a Central Conference by a two-thirds vote, then as soon as two thirds of all full members of the several Woman's Conferences present and voting shall have concurred therein, such alteration or amendment shall take effect; and the result of the vote shall be announced by the General Superintendents.
COURSE OF STUDY

For those seeking full membership in the Woman's Conference (Note Art. IV. A. 2 (c) of the Constitution, page 107 of the Minutes of Central Conference, 1935—36).

FIRST YEAR.

2. Discipline: Paras 1—75 in the 1932 Discipline. (After the publication of the new Discipline for India the subject matter pertaining to the above will be the basis for study.)
6. “The ABCDairy of the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society”.
7. Reading:—
   “The Child in the Midst”—Dr. Bryce.
   “A Covenant Keeping God”—Warne.

SECOND YEAR.

1. Bible: Epistles.
2. Discipline: The remaining portion not covered in the first year.
6. The LMNtary and XYZdary of the W. F. M. S.
7. Reading:
   “How to Teach Ideals” (Indian Edition)—Dr. Charter.
   “Ideals That Have Helped Me”—Warne.
Reports of Committees.

I.

REPORT OF ECKFORD REST HOME COMMITTEE.

Since the correspondent for Eckford Rest Home had to be changed on account of Miss Beale's leaving for furlough, South India Conference felt that Hyderabad Conference should take the responsibility for that work. Accordingly Mrs. Ernsberger and Margaret Morgan were appointed to the Eckford Committee, the latter to act as Secretary-Treasurer.

A sale advertisement was put in the Madras Mail but only one inquiry came as a result of it and that was for leasing the property. Other ads. will be placed in The Hindu and in the Hyderabad Bulletin.

The financial statement is as follows:

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- to be credited as follows:
  - One lot of Acacia wood Rs. 8 0 0
  - Bal. of rent advanced for April 7 0 0
  - Advance rent for May 1938 15 0 0
  - " " on June 1938 5 0 0

Total Rs. 35 0 0

Expended By sale advertisement in Madras Mail Rs. 15 4 0
- " " tax on Patta No. 713 & Com. on P. O. 8 1 2

Total Rs. 23 0 0

Balance to date with Executive Board
- Rs. 6,415 0 0
- 672 13 0

Rs. 7,087 13 0

MARGARET MORGAN,
Secretary-Treasurer.
II.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE AND ALL-INDIA LITERATURE COMMITTEE

TO

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE, VIKARABAD,

December 10—14, 1937.

The All-India Literature Committee has had no meeting this year owing to the fact that no request had come in for a meeting and also the funds of the Committee are low. In April Miss Whiting reported that there was a credit balance of Rs. 2,523-15-9, and that there was no appropriation for our funds for 1936 and she had not heard whether there would be for 1937, due to shortage of funds, however she felt that if refunds came in as they should we should have money to grant in addition to this balance. No word has come as to how these refunds have been coming in since then, but requests for loans have come in for over Rs. 1,692/-.

We still owe to the All-India Literature Committee from our Conference Rs. 143-4-0.

We had in our All-India Literature Committee fund a cash balance of B. G. Rs. 30-15-6 and in our Conference Literature fund O. S. Rs. 35-14-6 at the close of last year. This year we sold 200 copies of the Mckee Stories and received for the same O. S. Rs. 24-12-0, thus making a total of O. S. Rs. 60-10-6 in our Conference fund. The All-India Literature Committee balance to date is B. G. Rs. 30-15-6.

MABEL MORGAN.

III.

FIELD PROPERTY REPORT.

The repairs on the roof of the Zenana Home were completed at a cost of B. G. Rs. 1,411-0-3.

The out building of the Zenana Home which joined Mrs. Welinkars property was sold to her for O. S. Rs. 200.

MARGARET MORGAN, Secretary.

IV.

REPORT OF FIELD REFERENCE COMMITTEE.

The Field Reference Committee held two regular meetings during the year, one in January and one in August. At the January meeting we sanctioned the connecting of the Zenana Compound with the sewer system if funds were sufficient.
In connection with funds for the Vocational School, Miss Wells was authorized to trace the Jenkins legacy of $500 (left by Mr. Jenkins for Miss Wells' work) which was received by Miss Hooper and turned over to the Des Moines Branch and also the sum of $500 from the Cincinnati Branch now in the General Fund, with the view to securing it for the use of the Vocational School.

In considering furloughs Miss DeLima was granted six months leave from May 1938 and Miss Well's furlough was referred to Mrs. Moore for decision.

At the August meeting a Medical scholarship was granted from the Medical funds for Susanna Rajappa to supplement a scholarship at Ludhiana. Rs. 15 per month was granted.

The estimates for 1938 were made.

Mrs. McEldoweny, Miss DeLima and Miss C. Smith were appointed to adjust the Hindustani funds so as to strengthen the work at Sultan Shahi among the Christian sweepers.

A request was made that the Board of Governors of the Vocational School with some co-opted members consider the matter of a policy and a curriculum for the Vocational School and report at Conference.

At a called meeting on Oct. 23rd we considered the matter of Miss Wells' serious breakdown and it was voted to request her appointment on furlough to sail as soon as she was able to travel.

By circulation of the committee Mrs. Ernsberger was given permission to take an advance of Rs. 500 from the Central Treasurer of the W. F. M. S. to purchase a second hand car to replace the old school car. This amount is to be deducted monthly at Rs. 50 per month from the regular remittance.

MARGARET MORGAN, Secretary,
Field Reference Committee.

V.
EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE REPORT.
The Evangelistic Committee makes the following recommendations.
1st. That the scale of salaries for village teachers be as follows:

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Increase of Re. 1 every year if work is satisfactory until maximum is reached.

2nd. That we use the All-India Educational grant of Rs. 300 already allowed for a literacy campaign program as follows:

- To establish library sets in each district of our conference. These to be used as Circulating Libraries for our workers and literate people of our villages both Christian and non-Christian.
- In addition to this we also wish to use some of the money for magazine subscriptions for the use of village workers.

3rd. Since we are in such need of trained teachers for our village schools and are not able to secure them as fast as we need them we recommend that we train those that we have, in the following way: That the teachers as far as possible be required to attend the monthly meeting. That a program be prepared something like the following:

- **a.** One period for Bible Study.
- **b.** One period on teaching methods.
- **c.** One period for current events.
- **d.** One period for discussion of problem which have arisen and suggested solutions for the same.

4th. We place on record the following quotation from our official letter from home.

"Looking to the improvement of our village schools we approve the separation of primary educational and evangelistic work in the Hyderabad Conference; this to include the employment and payment of the national teachers by the missionaries. (Funds for the support of the pastor are provided by the Board)."

MILDRED SIMONDS,
Chairman.
District Reports.

BIDAR DISTRICT.

Girls' Boarding School.

Missionary ... ... ... ... ... MARGARET ERNSBERGER.

In June of 1927 I began my work in Bidar, and have served here ever since, except for one year on furlough. When I began, there were 35 girls in the school; there were two classes in the Middle School; the school was not recognized by Government and it received no grant. Now we have 191 on the roll, including 50 boys in the Primary Department; the Middle School has three classes and the school has received a grant of Rs. 30 per month since July 1932. This year we have been recommended for Rs. 95 per month.

The staff consists of nine trained teachers, besides Miss Kamla-Cornelius who passed her Intermediate in Science in Lucknow this year and returned to us in June. We are very proud of her as she is our first Bidar College girl.

This year we have had more marriages than usual, the number rising to ten. This is good for the Christian community but it is hard on the school, as the examination time and marriage season coincide. However, we were able to pass 50% of the candidates for the Middle School Examination, (Selection Examination not being allowed).

One of the outstanding events of the year was the zenana party given during His Highness The Nizam's Silver Jubilee. We were sponsors for the Government which paid all expenses. Our girls furnished the program and received Jubilee sweets and prizes. All the leading ladies of the station were present, including the Prime Minister's daughter. The chief official's wife presided. Refreshments were served in the Mahommedan style. The evening closed with an illumination, the bungalow roof and compound walls being outlined with small Indian lamps.

Girl Guiding is a prominent feature of our work. We now have two companies of Guides and one flock of Blue Birds. The Blue Birds are helping to train a flock of Hindu girls in a Government school. The Guides are carrying on Social Service work in a near-by village.
The school naturally takes a part in all the activities of the church. During Passion week and Summer School the pupils and staff attended all the religious meetings conducted by the Rev. M. D. Ross, and the staff assisted in the Summer School Program held for the benefit of village workers. For Childern’s Day the school presented a pageant called “More Light”, and worked hard to gather Rs. 40 for the collection. For Thanksgiving Day they made and sold cakes and sweets, more than doubling the money invested. Ten girls were received into full membership in the church. They attend all church services regularly and lead the music. Their conduct is exemplary and their attitude towards all good things is most hopeful.

One of the most delightful features of the work is the Junior League, of which I have been in charge for ten years. We have over a hundred boys and girls as members and we meet every Sunday. In March they presented Miss Carpenter’s pageant, “Lamps of Remembrance”, as a fitting close to the year’s study of Church Heroes. The Juniors sent a Christmas box to the children of the Bhabua Mission, and are paying the District apportionment of Rs. 20 for missions. Now they are absorbed in Africa, taught through the medium of maps, pictures, hand-work, stories, songs and the lives of such missionaries as David Livingstone and Mary Slessor. Our next offering will go to Bishop and Mrs. Springer for work in Africa. The children are learning that colour is only skin-deep, that all men are brothers, and that there are other sheep which are not of this fold.

We are grateful to our kind doctors who have done so much for us in the way of treatments, inoculations, and the care of the eyes and teeth. Without their constant help we could not carry on. Besides, doctor Elizabeth delivered two Health Lectures to the girls which were much appreciated. Rev. M. David, headmaster of the Boys’ School also gave us four excellent lectures on Rural Knowledge and Village and Municipal Management.

We are most grateful to our patrons in America, to the Educational Department of the State, and to all kind friends who have shown a sympathetic and constructive interest in the school.

**Bidar Evangelistic Work.**

*Missionary..........................MARGARET ERNSBERGER.*

At the conference time last year our enthusiastic and efficient evangelistic missionary, Miss Huibregtse, was appointed on furlough to America. She was succeeded by our District Superintendent’s wife, Mrs. Ross, formerly Miss Hoffman, of Kolar.
Mrs. Ross made a fine successor to Miss Huibregtse. She very happily combined the qualities and training of an educationist, an evangelist and a nurse, being thus splendidly equipped for the work. Besides she had a very free use of pure Mysore Kanarese.

Rev. and Mrs. Ross spent most of their time for six months touring in the District. They visited every circuit and all the chief centres of work, preaching, teaching and evangelizing, and doing medical work. They repaired houses, examined schools, and settled social and financial difficulties. They worked hard during the whole of the hot season. When it became apparent that they would have to take their furlough from the middle of the June, they arranged for a summer school and held the District Conference. These meetings were all efficiently cared for before they left Bidar. They prepared and printed the S. S. course and hymns to be taught and arranged the school curriculum.

Rev. G. Sundaram, as our new District Superintendent, in addition to his heavy duties in Hyderabad, has given to Bidar District splendid help and inspiration in his monthly visits. He has already visited most of our centres of work and is enjoying the novelties and adventures of a jungle life. His keen intellect, splendid training, and wide experience make a definite contribution to every phase of the work.

The financial supervision of the W. F. M. S. evangelistic work was given to me. As it was impossible for me, in addition to my other work, to do the touring that should be done, the heads of circuits very kindly consented to supervise the schools and women's work, in their own circuits. This has been done by the following members of conference: Rev. S. Andriah, who is also Assistant District Superintendent, Rev. B. Moses, Rev. G. M. Yesudas, Rev. B. N. Rajappa and Rev. G. P. Siromani. Rev. M. David has also given much help in the central station.

There are 24 schools in the District with 414 children in attendance. Four schools have shown marked improvement in numbers and work done during the year. Kamton takes the lead and Janwada is second, in attendance and the number passing the examinations. There are children reading in the fourth standard in every circuit. The school children are keen on games, Social Service and Village Uplift Work. All the schools need trained teachers and better equipment. One teacher has gone to Vikarabad for training.

The closing event of the year was a three days' Jathra at Kudambal near Chidagoopa, attended by nearly 500 people. Helpers from several districts attended and a splendid program was prepared, including sports, singing, lectures on Health, Temperance and Village Uplift. The Jathra closed with a sermon on the "Meaning of the Cross", followed by the communion service, and 32 baptisms.
Although the evangelistic work has been orphaned and had only a step-mother's care, nevertheless it is showing every sign of growing vitality and vigour.

We thank our Indian brethren who have worked so faithfully and willingly in supervising this work.

Bidar Mission Hospital.

Physician-in-charge ... ... ELIZABETH SHANTHAPPA.

It is a little over ten years since we were called to take up the work in Bidar Mission Hospital. When we turn back and see the gradual growth and progress our hearts are lifted up in praise and thankfulness to our Lord who has been with us during these past years and blessed us and our work so abundantly.

When we took over the hospital, there was only one village man to help on the men's side and we took on one old village woman to help in the women's work.

Fortunately we both (my husband and I) underwent training in compounding and dispensing before we studied medicine and during these early days of our work here, we took turns in being each other's nurse, dispenser, and physician. Today we have several trained helpers and quite a number of young men and women in training who share the work with us.

When we took up the work, it was called a 12 bed hospital and today we can call it a 45 bed hospital. With the increasing need more rooms have been added. The majority of the rooms were made possible by grateful patients.

The out-patients that come daily for treatment have increased ten times. The maternity work which was the most needy thing in these parts has helped to save the lives of hundreds of mothers and babies and also taught the mothers the proper care of infants and helped them to free themselves from the old custom of long confinement in dark rooms where coal was kept burning all day long and also taught them not to fear the free use of fresh air, milk, clean drinking water and nourishing food (the free use of these things was blamed for any sickness that followed childbirth).

During the first few years we received most of our financial help from the Board of Foreign Missions but gradually the money from the Board and gifts from U. S. A. began to be less and this year they covered only one-tenth of our expenses and nine-tenths
of our income has been raised locally from fees and the free-will offerings of patients. This year we raised Rs. 11,214 (O. S.) and this is really more than any other year but due to the increase of beds, staff and their quarters, linen, upkeep of buildings, medicines, etc. We have found it very difficult to manage the work and at times we were very much discouraged especially when I sat down to do the accounts, but every time I lifted my head, my eyes caught sight of the text, 'The Lord will provide' on the wall of my office and these words comforted me. Really He provided when the time of need came. We hope and pray that He will continue to help us as He has in the past.

We are happy to see the work grow but it will be very sad if any part of the work has to be dropped for lack of funds.

This year we had Typhoid cases throughout the year and as usual many Pneumonia and Broncho-Pneumonia cases but am glad to report that we had very few cases of Malaria Fever. Cholera started in the beginning of the monsoons but we gave preventive inoculations and people took advantage of this and came willingly and we were able to stop the spread of the disease.

We did some Typhoid preventive inoculations also but the people do not understand the value of this yet and do not come willingly for these injections.

Plague broke out in most of the villages around us but this was soon checked and there was not a single attack of this disease in our place. The Government Hospital and we inoculated thousands of people and health talks were given and lantern lecturers shown, and we are glad to report that when one single rat dies, the people do not wait for the health department to do everything for them as they did in the past but take all the necessary precautions by cleaning up and taking inoculations at once.

We had more Tetanus cases this year than any other year and we are glad to report that nearly all recovered. Only the babies who developed tetanus soon after their birth caused by dirty handling of cord by untrained midwives at home and brought to us afterwards did not recover.

In the maternity section we were able to save many premature babies which would have died if they had not received proper attention and care. How I wish we had an incubator! But our simple treatment of oil massage and hot water bags saved little live bundles of even 2½ pounds.

This year a leprosy clinic has been added to our hospital work. Dr. Christian who is specially trained in this line of work comes faithfully every Friday from Hyderabad and treats a number of cases.
There have been changes in our staff again this year. One trained nurse left us to take up the Pastor's wife's duties and the other trained-one left to do work in another needy district and is self-supporting.

We had to find two other trained ones. We have two intelligent young trained women now and they are a great help to us. Part of the support was made possible for this year by our District Superintendent's wife (Mrs. Ross). We added another male compounder and a lady compounder for dispensary as the outpatient work is heavy and really three compounders are needed to do all the dispensing. Some new pupils from Vikarabad and Hyderabad Mission Schools were sent for training and we are holding regular theoretical and practical classes in nursing, compounding and midwifery and we are proud of them.

We have ward boys who are all village folks with no background of school work. These men are really helpers to male nurses. They attend bandaging class and have special night study when male nurses take turns to conduct these classes. They learn to read and write and also sing common lyrics. They can write their names now and read small stories and are very proud of themselves. During my world tour I saw that people in nearly all other lands can read and write and I was determined that when I returned, I would help all the people in our Hospital (those in my charge) to learn to read and write.

There is no study on Saturday evenings. We have socials and news of the world is read and some Bible study and prayer is conducted at the close. This is done twice in a month in our home for all the workers. On other evenings, cottage prayer meeting is held in one of the worker's homes. On the whole we are a happy group and try to live as one family and their help and unity makes our work light and easy to carry on.

Our Bible woman faithfully carries on her work in the wards and clinics and is missed by every one if she is absent for a day. We have the Victrola for the patients on Sunday afternoons after the ward service and everyone enjoys it.

Our Child Welfare work is slowly but surely helping to make healthier and happier children and we hope some day they will be good citizens of our country. This year we extended our work and we now visit a near-by village once a week. Two junior nurses are in charge of this work. You will always find some children swinging, sliding and playing in the playground. This is a pleasing sight for us.
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Hospital Sunday was observed as usual in our Hospital compound and this occasion has become an important one. Our Hospital staff dressed in their uniforms took chief part in the programme and the School children (girls and boys) also gave items. Many outsiders (Christians and non-Christians) attended and the physician-in-charge took the chair and was assisted by the head master of the boys school and the Pastor of the local church. It was a very happy occasion. Collections were brought in kind such as towels, basins, soap, lanterns, pins, etc., and cash Rs. 163. I was asked by the last Annual Conference to write letters (one month before the Hospital Sunday) to all the Pastors in the Conference to remind them about observing Hospital Sunday in all their villages. The Telugu Church in Hyderabad sent Rs. 29-8-0 for our Hospital and we used this sum to buy a cot for one of our private wards.

We miss our District Superintendent and his wife (Rev. & Mrs. Ross) this year and hope and pray that they may soon return to us safely.

We are very grateful to all friends especially to kind folks in First Church Los Angeles, California, U.S.A., who sent us a large quantity of Hospital supplies this year.

We thank all other friends and patrons in U. S. A. and in India for their prayers and gifts. We praise God for all His goodness and thank Him for the privilege of being used for His Service.

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EKELE DISTRICT

Evangelistic Work.

Missionary ... ... ... RUTH A. PARTRIDGE.

On my return from furlough early in the year, the problems I had left and additional ones confronted me, and after some adjustments I was able to tour over the district. I found some of the teachers doing good work, while others required some inspirational help.

With the introduction of kindergartens and new teaching methods the teachers were soon getting ready for examinations. These were held the beginning of October; the success of these efforts surpassed all expectations. For the first time students took examinations in all subjects according to the Conference curriculum for village schools. It was necessary to hold the examinations at night because of the young people having to work all day; although the task was difficult yet they worked steadily at their papers until they finished, sometimes even after midnight. Out of the 54 who took examinations 28 were successful. The star pupil is a girl eleven years old who passed from the third standard into the fourth. She carried off the prize, which was a large framed Bible picture. The three schools that did best received petromax lanterns, donated by friends in America.

Last June eight children were sent to the Vikarabad boarding schools, having passed through the first and second standards in the village schools.

The village people as never before are desirous of having their children educated. Instead of taking them to work as has been the habit, some of them leave the children with the teacher for the day, which makes it possible to hold the day school.

A woman said to her daughter when she came for vacation from boarding school, "Do not aim to be a teacher or a nurse but aim to be a doctor." Another woman said concerning her eleven year old girl who is attending the day school, "The question of my daughter's marriage is entirely for her to decide, as to when and whom she will marry."

It is noteworthy that there is an increase in attendance of girls in the village schools.

The young people who attend the schools have taken a firm stand against drinking intoxicating liquor and against all heathen practices. This attitude is noticed by the high caste non-Christians.
A Government official who is a college graduate visited one of the schools, being impressed by the cleanliness and courtesy of the young men and children from the so called "untouchables", he took them to the court house located in the centre of the village, when a crowd gathered, he had the children sing and recite then urged the people to have their children educated and to keep them clean and to teach them to be courteous.

The district teaching staff has been strengthened by two trained teachers both the girls are recent brides. With new plans and renewed inspiration the teachers are prepared to make greater advance this coming year. The first wedding held in the W. F. M. S. bungalow took place in July. A young evangelist realizing "it is not good for a man to live alone" went to Vikarabad to try his luck. After an interview of ten minutes with the girl selected for him, he proposed and was accepted. Ten days later, contrary to custom, the young lady came to meet the bridegroom. A very pretty wedding took place on the verandah of the bungalow. The District Superintendent performed the ceremony. The village Christians provided the music and decorated the place. About one hundred guests sat down to a curry and rice dinner.

Belated monsoons gave us more time for work in the villages. With the monsoons came the bubonic plague, bringing the usual panic. People left the villages and went into camp scattering far and wide.

Time and attention had to be given to getting people inoculated and treating the stricken ones. Dr Linn's tablets and black ointment proved beneficial.

On application, H. E. H. The Nizam's Government kindly granted Rs. 500 from the Jubilee fund for the erection of a maternity ward, which is now under construction.

Another tour was made after the Refresher course which was hold in August. Worship Services were organized in some villages. The laymen take great interest in the services.

In one village the school children prepare a drama which they present at the beginning of the service. Especially the parents of the children come early in order to get front places. The good attendance at the Sunday evening service is due to the part the children take in it.

In closing I thank all the teaching staff and all workers for their co-operation. I thank all the patrons in America for making this work possible. I thank all who are interested and are praying for this work. I render praise and thanks to God for all His mercies. We look forward with His blessing for greater advance in the work this coming year.
Women's Missionary Conference

HINDUSTANI DISTRICT.

Evangelistic and City Day Schools.

Missionary ................................................... RUTH McELDOWNEY.

During the year our funds from America have been cut in half. Last year we had four city day schools for Mohammedan girls and one for caste Hindu children. We had to withdraw funds from two of these schools. After doing this we still did not have enough money. We found it necessary to cut all of the workers salaries some and two of the workers who have been with us for many years had their salaries cut in half. All of these people took their reductions with the finest Christian spirit and all have remained with the mission. We still find it very difficult to carry on the work with so little money and are very grateful for the gifts which have come to us.

Later in the year it was decided to change the type of Hindustani Evangelistic work. Instead of spending our time and money with the non-Christian children, we felt that our first responsibility should be for our own Christian people. At Sultan Shahi, there is a group of Urdu speaking sweepers who are Christian in name but really know very little about Christianity. It was decided to strengthen the work there.

We have rented a house which has a compound large enough for games. Here a school has been opened for the many children who were receiving no education. There are three classes at present being taught by Miss C. Smith, Mrs. D. Datt and a young man. At the same time the women are being visited in their homes. The work has just begun so it is too early to say what the result will be. The people seem to be very interested but of course it will take time to build up the school and the women’s work.

I am glad to report that so far the teachers of the schools from which we withdrew our support have kept on teaching taking for their salary the little tuition that the children have been able to bring. They have all applied for government aid. They have asked Miss C. Smith, our school supervisor, to still come and visit the schools when she can. We are glad that without our financial support these schools are still able to continue the education of these girls which our mission has done for so many years.

Some of the Zenana visiting has continued and one hundred and twenty houses have been visited and taught in regularly during the year by Miss M. Smith. She has been invited in to many more but has been unable to go. As she said in here report
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"the Christian teaching and principles work unperceptibly like leaven in the Moslem mind and no power can stand against the love of Christ".

The work at Sultan Shahi presents many challenges and we ask for your prayers as we begin this work. There is an opportunity for greater change in these people than in almost any other group. If we can make full use of our opportunity and bring about this change it will possibly be the greatest witness for Christ that we can present to the entire Urdu speaking population of Hyderabad of all castes.

We are glad that Miss Webb is returning to India and will continue with the Hindustani work.

HYDERABAD TELUGU DISTRICT.


Principal ..................................................... MISS EDITH DELIMA.
Vice-Principal ..................................................... MISS MARGARET MORGAN.

As we take a backward glance at the year just closing and review the work that has been entrusted to us, we do so with a deep sense of gratitude.

Early in the year our Ruler, His Exalted Highness the Nizam, celebrated the 25th anniversary of his reign. The event was characterized by great rejoicing all over the State. The city was beautifully illuminated and there were all kinds of displays and entertainments. Amidst scenes of colorful splendour, the extreme simplicity of the Ruler stood out in sharp contrast throughout the entire period of the celebrations. On every occasion the keynote of his speeches was his desire to serve the people of the State and his interest in their welfare. The Silver Jubilee Fund which was raised by donations and subscriptions in honour of H. E. H. the Nizam was distributed in various charities and at least five institutions of this Conference received grants from the Fund. Our Stanley School received Rs. 1,000/- which we utilized in purchasing the long needed Science and Games equipment. There is much still to be desired in these two departments but we are very grateful for what the Jubilee grant enabled us to purchase. On one occasion during the Jubilee celebrations our Guides stood Guard-of-Honour for His Exalted Highness and that will always be remembered with pleasure by our girls.
We are also grateful to Her Highness the Princess of Berar who very graciously sent us Rs. 45/- on the birthday of her son, Prince Mukkaram Jah.

The school year began with a serious case of Typhoid fever. After summer vacation Phoebe Barton returned to school with fever which would not abate. She was admitted to the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Secunderabad. The fever took a very serious turn and continued for over two months. Col. McGregor, Dr. Raju and the Hospital Staff deserve our very grateful thanks as they spared no pains in their care and attention. We cannot imagine what we would have done without our faithful school nurse during that critical period. She attended on Phoebe night and day with remarkable cheerfulness. Phoebe recovered after a long period of illness and convalescence and we render our thanks to our God.

We come to the close of this term with 564 on our rolls. The Guide Companies and the Cadet Ranger Company have worked with their usual enthusiasm. Quite recently two Blue Bird Flocks were enrolled by Miss Urwick, the State Commissioner. She could not say enough in praise of the Wise Birds who trained them. Some of our teachers attended the Training Camp for Guides and Wise Birds and felt greatly benefited.

The Literary and Debating Society reports a year of activity.

Small beginnings have been made in opening classes for Sloyd work and for Indian Instrumental Music. It is our desire that the practical side of education may grow more and more in our school.

There has been a closer co-operation with the Methodist Boys' High School this year. Joint Staff meetings have been held and recently we had a whole day's Retreat of our teachers at Umda Sagar, a beautiful spot where we had reviews and discussions of the Teachers' Reading Course Book prescribed by the Board of Education of our Conference.

At the close of the meeting some of the teachers remarked that it would have been fine if the time had been extended. Besides the joint meetings of Staff members, the older boys and girls have had several contacts of fellowship and the new comradeship was expressed in invitations for inter-class dinners. This has created a better understanding between Staff and Students of both schools and has enabled us to carry out a more unified program. The Epworth League Camp at Chilkur provided yet another opportunity for them to meet in prayer and play.

On Easter Sunday, after a beautiful service, fourteen of our girls were received into the church.
The Social Service League has organised itself into three groups and is working in three busthes. Although the work they are doing is still in its infant stage, yet it is our hope that the experience they gain will help a few of them at least to tackle India's problems in a larger and better way when they take their places as leaders.

Our High School results were again very good this year. We sent up 16 girls for the examination and all of them were successful, one passing in First Class and 15 in Second Class. Of these, 7 girls were Hindus, one a Parsee and eight Christians. Five of them are studying in the Colleges in Hyderabad, one in Fergusson College, Poona, and two in the Training College at Guntur.

We are grateful to H. E. H. The Nizam's Educational Department for Rs. 600/- as a special building grant for which we applied and Rs. 375/- towards furniture.

The women of Hyderabad of all communities are awakening to a new sense of their responsibility for their rights. At the 11th Session of the Hyderabad State Women's Conference held recently, Her Highness the Princess of Berar and Princess Niloufer said that they considered it a privilege for them to join with the women of Hyderabad in passing Educational and Social Resolutions, some of which were the adoption of the Laubach system of instruction for mass literacy, special instruction in Mother-craft, increase of nursing schools in the Districts, effective legislation regarding child marriage, revision of the Hindu Law of Inheritance, the encouragement of Temperance, the development of Cottage Industries and extensive use of local products, claims for full recognition of Civil Rights and demands for representation on Legislative, Municipal and other Councils. This is the way Hyderabad is thinking to-day. These may seem visionary at present but we know they are not impossible of achievement, though it may take decades for the vision to materialise. India's Womanhood is thinking — The Constitutional Reforms Committee of the people's Convention have asked the Women's Conference to send its representatives to voice their opinions and views. Things are changing rapidly and it is good to be alive.

Hyderabad's Educational System is in the melting pot. The Department is overhauling and re-organising its scheme of education whereby the Vernacular of the pupil will be the medium of instruction in the Primary Stage and Urdu in the Secondary. Instead of the too literary and academic curriculum as we hitherto have had, one of the aims of this scheme is to prepare for an effective and useful citizenship. We cannot tell yet with any precision what our place will be in the new scheme, but of this we are sure that unless we are prepared to follow the Government
scheme, we cannot hope for grants or recognition. Urdu will, in an increasing measure, become very essential and it will be a step in the right direction for our schools to fall in line with Government curriculum. We are living in stirring times—challenging times and greater opportunities await us for a larger and fuller service in the New India that is here.

I thank Miss Morgan and my colleagues for the work that has been made possible. We thank our friends in America for continued support of the school and pray that God may bless them and us as we look forward to another year of service.

Miss Morgan reports as follows:

The year has been filled with such a variety of work that it leaves one with the feeling that the real work has not had the emphasis it should have had. My work is teaching Religious Education classes in Forms III, IV, V, and VI and the management of the hostel. It is a good combination of work and gives a chance to find out whether any of our teaching in Religious Education carries over into the actual work of every day living.

In our Religious Education classes we are using the Charterhouse Course of Study. Form III is using the text "The Worldchanger" which is a study in the life of Christ beginning with his boyhood and showing how the training he received there prepared him to be one who could change the lives of others. Oxenham's "Hidden Years" was used in the study of the boyhood of Jesus. After studying the things that needed changing in ourselves and the home and school, we took the classes to a village and asked them to report on what they saw there that needed changing.

Form IV has been studying, "The Birth and Development of Religion" by W. B. Gordon and Form V has used the text on "Pioneers of Life", a study in Vocational Choice by E. L. King. We preceded this course with a study of The Sermon on the Mount looking for the marks of a perfect man. In the light of this study, we took up the lives of men like Luther Burbank, George Carver, Ranade, Booker T. Washington, and others. Form VI has used the "Yardstick of Life" by E. L. King. This study is based on the Gospel of Matthew and deals with personal religion. We saw Jesus setting up new standards and standing for them even when they clashed with the standards of his day. Many interesting discussions have come out of these studies and we feel that many new ideas of God and of religion have come to the students.
In the hostel we have started the system of self-government. This includes the election of a Maharani by the whole group of students. The Maharani is the president of the hostel affairs and presides at the Fairy Court. The girls are divided into groups or families of 25 to 30 girls of all ages. Each family elects a Queen who is the head of her family and a princess who is her helper. The family then choose a teacher for their family. Cases of discipline are brought before the Fairy Court for settlement. This Court consists of the Queens, Princesses, Aunts or advisors all the resident teachers and the school management. Cases are heard and punishments decided. The Maharani presides over this group. While there have been some difficulties in the working of the system, we feel that it is a help in discipline and will work better as the girls get more used to the plan.

The general health of the schools has been good with the exception of a few cases of serious illness. One of our High School girls who had spent her holidays in a village in Raichur entered hospital as soon as she returned to school and spent about two months in hospital with typhoid fever. Her life was spared and she is in school again.

We are grateful for all the blessings that have come to us in our work and for the fine spirit of fellowship we have had with our co-workers in Hyderabad and for the continued help from friends in America even under great financial difficulties.

HYDERABAD TELUGU DISTRICT.

Evangelistic Report.

Missionary ... ... ... ... ... ELSIE GARDEN.

"Keep on the sunny side,
Always on the sunny side,
Keep on the sunny side of life."

So sings a group of boys riding in an open trailer over bumpy, dusty roads, on their way to a village to put on a temperance drama for the village folk. We have gone to a dozen villages with this drama and I do not know who enjoys it more, the boys who do the acting or the villagers who do the looking.

In Budhole where we went one Sunday, we first attended the beautiful worship service conducted by the preacher in a spotlessly clean church, the walls of which were white-washed mud and the roof corrugated tin. About 30 people were present at the service.
and all took part in the singing and responses so beautifully that the school boys who were there said in wonder, "We felt God here more than we usually feel Him in the city church."

A year ago we began the stress on worship in the villages. It has been remarkably worthwhile. In this same Budhole, there is a fine group of men but they were very irregular in church attendance. Since the beautiful responsive ritual was introduced they have come very regularly and take full part in the service. They have formed themselves into an orchestra. Recently they begged for a harmonium. Knowing that one could cost Rs. 40/- I said, "When you bring me half the cost of one in cash, I will pay the other half and you can buy one." I felt that this would put them off indefinitely. Imagine my surprise when they returned in less than a week with the Rs. 20/- in cash.

Our village schools educational exhibit this year was another time when the village folk gave us city folk a surprise. Such a splendid exhibit of clay modelling, paper folding, drawing, basket work and general handwork. Some of the teachers, who have been trained in the Vikarabad Training School brought in splendid teaching aids in Hygiene, Nature Study and Geography. We have never had such a splendid village exhibits before. Miss DeLima, Miss A. Luke and Miss M. Chinniah of Stanley School judged the exhibits.

During the summer school the women were given talks and demonstrations on first aid and the care of children. Each woman was given a first aid kit, consisting of eye lotion, itch medicines, epsom salts, bandages, a comb, a piece of soap, and a mirror.

Later I visited a school where the children were remarkably clean and when told them how nice it was, they laughed and said, "Everyday the panthulama (teacher) makes us wash our faces, even behind our ears, comb our hair and clean our nails."

Come with me to a village home. My, how dark the one roomed house is! No windows and only a low door to let in light, air, dogs, cats, rats, and people. There is a strong smell of cow dung in the air for the floor has been freshly plastered with it to-day. This is usually done once a week by an Indian village housewife instead of the American woman’s weekly scrubbing of floors.

What is that in the box in the corner? Old rags? No a baby: A baby girl dressed in nothing except a few bangles on each wrist, for girl babies must have bangles no matter how poor the family is, but clothes are absolutely unessential.
The baby is crying. It is so hot and stuffy in the dark corner, "She must be thirsty," I say, "Why don't you give her a drink?"

"Oh no! she is not yet a year old. If we give her water to drink she will have fits."

"Did you make any clothes for her before she was born?"

"I am too poor, she has no clothes. But in any case I would not have made clothes before the baby's birth, for then the baby would surely have died!"

What a contrast between this home and the home of one of our young preachers who also has a baby in the home. This house too is made of mud but it has several small rooms, and the preacher has put a window in each room, a smokeless stove in the kitchen and a bore hole latrine in the yard. As we enter we see a basket hanging from a rafter in the roof. And in the basket in a bundle of clean rags lies the sweetest little 6 months old baby you'd wish to see.

Proudly the young mother says, "See I have made napkins for him. I have six of them. I am trying to teach the caste woman to put napkins on their babies, too. The other women are too poor. But I am teaching them how to keep their babies clean and free from itch and sore eyes."

Then she showed me hanging on the wall a copy of a baby's feeding time table which had been given her at Summer School, "I follow that time table too," she said, "and never pick her up when she cries unless she is in pain. She doesn't cry very much. How glad I am for what I learned in Summer School."

I was in a village not long ago and some of the mothers came up to us beating their stomachs and crying because the crops had failed due to drought and there was no food, "We can stand it, but oh madam, our babies are hungry," they cried.

Hungry people: Hungry for food, hungry for knowledge, which you and I know as a matter of course; hungry for love, hungry for God.

That is why we believe in foreign missions and we know you do too.
When the appointments of the Annual Conference of November of 1936 were read, my name appeared in charge of the two districts of Tandur and Narayanpet instead of the one, Narayanpet. The territory is the same that I have travelled over in other years but now since it is divided into two districts, it is quite another matter. There are two monthly meetings to attend, two Summer Schools or Teachers' Institutes, two Christian Jathras, two District Conferences and innumerable Quarterly Conferences. Because of these extra meetings, I have not been able to do the intensive work in the villages that I would like to have done. However the year has been a very happy one for me.

It began with a run of Christmas dinners, the first on Dec. 20th and the last on Jan. 25th. In one village the dinner was given by a well-to-do Christian. He furnished the food for all of the Christians in his village and some from away who were invited in. The cooking was done in his house and the serving out in front. The dinner was followed by the singing of Christmas songs and magic lantern pictures on the life of Christ. In another place the Christian homes were all well decorated and they took me from house to house to show where they had placed the pictures which I had sent for them. The people here all cooked and ate in their own houses coming together afterward for the program. In another village they all joined together to furnish the dinner. It was cooked in one of the homes and served in their front yard. This was followed by the singing of bajana or Telugu songs by the school children and after that a talk by the Dist. Sup. I attended seven of these dinners but there were thirty-two villages which celebrated Christmas.

Our schools are improving very much in every way. Just now, besides the workers we have had here-to-fore, are seven young men, pastor-teachers we call them, who are helping us to supply the increasing demand for teachers. Three of them are high school boys and the other middle school with training. Four of these are living in grass huts which the Christians have built for their shelter. Their schools are held out under some friendly tree nearby or out in the open. In one of the villages a Christian gave one of his two rooms to the teacher and he and his son are living in the other.

In September of this year we secured the services of K. J. G. Sundaram for our Teachers' Institute. Mr. Sundaram has acquainted himself well with the Laubach method of teaching adults and has adapted it to the Telugu language. Our workers
took hold of this part of the program with enthusiasm. We have said in the past "The hope of India is in her children" and have frequently quoted what the village fathers have said, "I am too old to learn to read but teach my son" and we have gone ahead with that idea in mind. We are now beginning to understand what a mistake we have made. The grown up people can learn to read. Not in the same manner as a little child, but by this new method it is estimated that he can learn five times faster than the child. Last month on our two districts there were recorded 145 adult learners. This is just a beginning and we are aware that by even now the number must be much larger. I have heard Mr. Charles E. Parker in the past say frequently, "If we could only get our Christian people to believe in themselves, feel that they are somebody that they can do something; if we could get them away from this terrible inferiority complex and to realize that they are the children of a King we shall have done a great work." If you could see as I have within the past few weeks a village man who had always thought that he was a "mota manashi" (stupid fellow), teaching another to read, if you could see him with his head up, the note of authority in his voice and yet the patience with which he helped his brother along, you would rejoice as I do, and believe as I do that a new day has come for the father of the villages as well as the children and expect that the education for the children as well as the adults will be greatly speeded up.

The Circulating Library which was started a year ago continues to be popular. Counting workers as well as Christians and non-Christians who are reading our books in the villages, we find that this last year 606 books were read. Of the number 145 were read by women. In each of our summer schools, three women gave book reviews and did beautifully in this. It was the first time that our women had done anything of the kind in a mixed audience. I was proud of them and they were very happy as they received many compliments not only from other women but from the men as well.

It has been our privilege as Christian workers, since God called us to this land to help the down trodden, encourage the backward and awaken those whose eyes were closed to their own possibilities. God has always been the leader and more and more we praise Him for the paths He has directed us into. Even now we see the women of India coming forward and taking their places in the program of the land and the depressed classes rising up and in the near future standing shoulder to shoulder with those who have been their masters. Yes, we know that where God leads there is ultimate victory.
We have had a very happy year working together, boys and girls and teachers. It has been a great pleasure to be back in the school where I have spent so many years.

Many changes have taken place during the last six years. In 1932 we started co-educational work in the kindergarten, first and second grades. Co-education has continued until now we have the boys and girls together in all classes throughout the school and it is working well as you would realize if you could look into our class rooms and see how happy they are together.

The Kindergarten, first and second and third grades occupy one of the buildings belonging to the General Board, while the fourth grade and Middle school classes meet in our main building. Then we have the Teacher Training Classes in a small building formerly used as the home of one of our missionaries.

We have 102 boys and girls in the Primary building and 83 in the Middle School and fourth grades. In the Teacher Training classes there are 17 students.

This last year 7 boys and girls appeared for the Middle School examination and all passed. Four of the boys are in High School. We have two debating classes one for Telugu and one English. 'Is it better to have India independent from England or as it is' was one of the subjects discussed.

Some of our Guides with two teachers are doing social service work in a nearby village. They take with them a small case containing soap, bandages and simple medicines for treatment of sore eyes, wounds etc. After cleaning up the children and combing their hair they play games with them, and also visit the homes of the parents and try to teach them to keep their homes clean, the necessity of plenty of fresh air and light in their houses.

A very interesting program was given by the boys and girls on Children's Day and a collection was taken, the money to be used for the education of poor boys and girls.

On Easter Sunday 18 girls were taken into full membership with the Church. The pastor of the Church was at one time a student in the boys' school and his wife is one of the former students of this school.

We have a choir composed of boys and girls from the school and each Sunday morning they enter the church singing a processional hymn. All are dressed in white and are followed by the
pastor also wearing a white robe. A beautiful worship program with a ritual in the Telugu language adds very much to the Sunday morning service.

We have a very good Epworth League of 87 members where boys and girls are learning to lead meetings and take their part in the devotional program. Very often the time is too short to allow those who wish to take part. They have fine times together in the monthly socials.

There is also a Junior Epworth League of 97 members in charge of two of the teachers. Here the little children are learning to pray and take other parts in the program. They meet every Sunday afternoon. Recently they gave a very interesting program one Sunday evening.

Our boarding department is organized on the plan of the cottage system. The girls are divided into families, each family living in a room. Two of the older girls act as mother to other children.

Each family does its own cooking and serving of the food and they also keep their rooms and compound clean. Over the boarding department is our faithful matron who has been with us for many years. She is not only like a mother to the girls but also has done very faithful work in looking after the health of the children. She has often cared for them in sickness as we have no school nurse.

We are very much interested in the work of our Teaching Training department as the need for teachers for our village schools continues to be a great problem. More and more of our village people are asking for trained teachers and it has been impossible to meet this demand. The boys are receiving practical training as they go out to the nearby village with the pastor of our church and hold worship services. The pastor is also the teacher of the scripture classes in the school. This next year seven of the students will be ready to go out into the village work. We are very much encouraged as reports come in to us of the good work being done by those who have gone out from this school.

We have lately organized a tithing association consisting of the staff of the school. The money thus given goes towards the salary of the pastor. Great interest is shown in this organization and we hope it will be the beginning of many other such societies.

Monthly meetings of the staff are held when books are reviewed, different phases of the work are talked and a social time is enjoyed.
I wish to express my deep appreciation of the splendid co-operation on the part of the staff and all others in the station, who have made it possible for us to carry on the work.

We also deeply appreciate the continued support on the part of our patrons in America who have carried on in the face of many difficult financial conditions.

DISTRICT EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Missionary ........................................ LILLIAN WOODBRIDGE.

With profound gratitude we look back over the year that has just passed and thank God for His goodness in permitting us to do a little service in His name.

At the last Annual Conference I was appointed by the new Bishop, Bishop Pickett, to the District work in Vikarabad. As soon as I took over charge I began to visit the villages. Mr. Patterson, the District Superintendent and Mrs. Patterson went with me on my first tours. Mrs. Patterson and I examined the school children and gave helps to the teachers in methods of teaching. Our village schools are centres of Christian influence for in them the people are taught not only to read and write but also the principles of cleanliness and sanitation. Village crowds are influenced by the schools where passers-by stop and listen and learn.

Hitherto we have had the teacher-preacher system on our District, but since June a division has been made whereby the preacher will be solely responsible for the pastoral services and the teacher for the educational. However where there is no preacher, the teacher does additional work in conducting services.

We have 41 Day and Night Schools with an enrollment of 707 pupils. This number is slightly less than was reported last year as the successful pupils of the IV class have left the schools. The outbreak of plague in some villages and sickness in several homes have hindered regular attendance. However we are able to report considerable improvement which has been effected in the organization of schools. We have secured some better trained teachers and more improved equipment because it is our hope that our schools will grow more and more efficient year by year. We are looking forward to the Co-Educational Training school to supply us with Trained Teachers.

We are glad to report that 8 out of 9 schools had cent per cent passes in Class IV. This is a very encouraging factor in our work.
and we shall strive to keep up this record although it is with the greatest difficulty that we can induce the children to study up to this class.

The Committee on Village Schools have introduced a more improved curriculum which contains subjects more related to real life with a practical bias. Our village people have shown genuine interest in learning to read for we were able to sell to them Rs. 48 worth of books. The teachers too have borrowed books from time to time and this has greatly encouraged us. This year we opened up 3 schools in villages which had been neglected for some time.

The Sunday School has carried on active work. We feel that our secular work will grow in proportion to the emphasis we lay on the things of the Spirit.

We had our Summer School in July and had a varied program this year. We laid special emphasis on cleanliness, village sanitation and hygiene. Miss Linforth, a well known Social worker in Secunderabad, gave practical demonstrations in street cleaning and playing games with the children in the villages nearby Vikarabad. Other features of the Summer School were Book Reviews, classes in sewing, knitting and soap-making, and model lessons in the teaching of Geography and Nature Study.

Bishop Pickett's presence and talks during Refresher Course were very stimulating and inspiring.

I visited Madireddipali village recently and the enthusiastic welcome I received was a very delightful surprise. The children showed a great eagerness to learn and the prospects there are very encouraging. I find that the administration of medicine is a valuable help to me in my work as it brings me into contacts with people and affords me real opportunities which I might not have otherwise gained.

Several Thank-offering Services were held in different villages and the service in Kohir needs special mention. There was a very large attendance, the program was well planned and the offerings were liberal. The ordained men now wear the surplice for Sunday Services and we find that it is a great aid to dignity in worship. Dr. Donohugh was present at one of the services and he was quite impressed as he noted reverence and solemnity. The order of service in the form of a ritual is being used with great success in the villages. Dr. Macgavran from Central India paid a surprise visit when they were having the worship service in Kotapally. At the close, he said that he was quite pleased to see order, silence and reverence right through the service.
I am deeply grateful to Miss Mabel Morgan for all the help that she has rendered to me especially financially and to my District Superintendent for his valuable advice. To the dear friends who are labouring in America for our people we send our grateful thanks and our sincere prayer is that our villages may rapidly become centres of thorough reconstruction so that they will lead India in pointing the way to God.
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General Statistics for Hyderabad, Deccan Conference

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