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(Alternate for Miss Taylor)
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AD-INTERIM ACTIONS

Executive Committee

3601 April 13th, 1935.

The Executive Committee of the Hainan Mission approves the inclusion in the Hainan Property items for this year of the special request of Nodoa station for a grant of $700M for alterations of the 3 kitchens of the 3 residences in use in Nodoa, as outlined in the Property Committee resolution, and covering letter.

3602 April 24th, 1935.

The Executive Committee approves of the following transfers in Kachek Station appropriations for the fiscal year 1934-1935:

From Class VI to Class IX ................. $82.02
From Class VII to Class IX ............... 47.32

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The Executive Committee approves the request of Kachek station that they be allowed to hold over the balance in the special Miao and Loi Fund for use during the next fiscal year. This balance remains undrawn as yet because so far definite arrangements for only one school have been made and because the Spring visit to the Miao field was an itinerating and communion trip rather than a training class. The amount of this balance is $150.75

3604 July 5th, 1935.

The Mission's nominations for vice-chairman of the China Council in order of preference, are

1. Rev. W. R. Wheeler
2. Rev. R. A. Torrey
3. Dr. C. G. Fuson
It was voted to approve the bill for moving expenses of Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Burkwall from Hoihow to Nodoa, amounting to $166.62 and to ask the China Council to reimburse Dr. Burkwall for same.

Resolved that Mr. Li Za-kok's resignation from the Pitkin Junior Middle School Board be not accepted and that he be urged to remain until the expiration of the Mission's agreement with the present Board in August, 1936.

Whereas, the office of the General Assembly of the Church of Christ in China annually collects data for detailed statistics which are available to all and in order to avoid unnecessary duplication.

Resolved that we request the China Council and the Board to dispense with the Statistical Blank in respect to the Stations of our China Missions that are organically related to the Church of Christ in China.

In order to facilitate the work of the Treasurers of the Administrative and School Boards:

Resolved that the 1935-1936 appropriations from the Board for Class VII Church General, Class VIII Church General and Class VIII Mission General be deposited by the Mission Treasurer in the Bank of China, Hoihow.

Resolves that when all the available dormitory space in the Pitkin Middle School Buildings has been used, the six west upstairs rooms in the Hainan Bible Institute Building be rented to the school for use as a dormitory for the present school year at a rental of $10.00 a month, so as to apply on the salary of the attendant in charge of the building.
Resolved that the Mission Estimates for 1936-1937 as prepared by the Stations, be approved for presentation to the China Council and the Board.

Whereas the Primary School Appropriations for 1935-1936 have for some unexplainable reason been cut from $2,960.80 to $1,300. in Column "C" Church General, and

Whereas the school budgets had already been approved and teachers employed on the former basis, and

Whereas such a drastic cut makes it virtually impossible to carry on:

Resolved that we request the China Council to make an additional grant of $1,500 for the three Station Schools of the Mission.

Resolved that Miss Margaret Burkwall be transferred to Kachek Station as soon as convenient after the return of Miss McCreery.

Resolved that we re-iterate our request for a Chinese Physician for Christ Hospital, Kachek.

In accordance with the request of Kiumghow Station, as per resolution passed by the station, and herewith enclosed, the Executive Committee of the Hainan Mission requests the China Council and the Board to send a man physician for work in the Hoihow Hospital as soon as possible, under the provisions of the China Council Medical Committee resolution, No. 12, (C. C. 35527), by which a single doctor can be appointed for a term of 3 to 5 years, the field salary to be paid by the Hoihow Hospital.
Note: In view of the approaching furlough of Dr. Bercovitz it is particularly desirable that such a man be appointed and sent out as soon as possible. It is also hoped that this appointment will look forward to full appointment later on.

December 9th, 1935.

Whereas the Primary School Appropriations for 1935-1936 were cut from $2,960.80 to $1,300. in Column ‘C’ of the Church General Estimates, and the school budgets had been approved by the School Boards on the former basis:

Resolved that we request the China Council to approve the following transfers in Mission funds in order to bring the total amount for the Primary School budgets up to approximately that allotted to them last fiscal year:

- Kiungchow Station Class IX to Church General Class V III $565.00
- Mission General Class V II to Church General Class V III $384.00
- Nodoa Station Class V II to Church General $94.00

$1,043.00

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It was voted to ask the China Council to grant from the Substitute Worker’s Fund the sum of $80.00 per month for the period of one year towards the salary of Miss Liang, a teacher in the Pitkin Junior Middle School at Kiungchow, since it was necessary to secure a substitute teacher to carry on the work which Miss Chapin and later Miss Moninger had been doing. Mr. Tappan was asked to write a covering letter further explaining the present situation in the school.

Resolved that the Treasurer of Kiungchow Station be instructed not to advance any funds to Administrative Board
AD-INTERIM ACTIONS

projects beyond those already appropriated to the Administrative Board and included in their budget.

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Voted that the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Pitkin Junior Middle School and Rev. D. S. Tappan be authorized to take steps looking forward to renewing the agreement between the School Board and the Mission.

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Resolved that we, the Executive Committee of the Hainan Mission thank Dr. Maxwell for his recent visit to the three stations of the Mission. We deeply appreciate his kindly interest in the Leper work at Hoihow, which is under the direction of a Board of Directors to which some of our members have been elected.

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Resolved that the Executive Committee of the Hainan Mission thank Dr. Hume for his recent visit to us. On his visits to the interior hospitals and at the informal conference in Hoihow he made some interesting and valuable suggestions relating to the Mission’s Medical policy. We would appreciate a copy of his notes which he made during his visit together with any further suggestions which he might wish to make.

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It was voted that due to extenuating circumstances the Mission Fellowship Conference be omitted this coming January.

3622 January 22nd, 1936.

Resolved that the Executive Committee guarantee an additional grant of $1,100 to Class VIII Church General for the use of the three Station Primary Schools for the fiscal year 1936-1937, so as to allow a minimum of $800 for each school.
January 27th, 1936.

Whereas Mrs. M. R. Melrose has expressed her willingness to return to Nodoa Station for a brief interval, and

Whereas the members of Nodoa Station have unanimously voted to invite her to so return:

Resolved that we ask the China Council and the Board to appoint Mrs. Melrose to Nodoa Station for regular missionary work during the absence of Miss Mary Taylor on furlough during 1936-1937, with the understanding that this will involve no additional expense to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. Thomas.
J. F Steiner.
Paul C. Melrose.
N. Bercovitz.
David S. Tappan.
Mary H. Taylor.
The annual meeting of the Hainan Mission was held in Kiungchow, April 4-7, 1936. Sixteen voting members and two non-voting members were present. Dr. Morse was excused for her absence. The sessions were held in the Pitkin House from 9.15 till 12 noon, and from 2.00 to 4.00 P.M. In view of the fact that no Devotional Conference was held this year, it was thought best to emphasize the devotional services, which were led by Rev. D. S. Tappan, Rev. H. H. Bucher and Rev. J. F. Steiner. One evening was given to the discussion of the Weigle Report.

The Station and personal reports were read and referred to the Committee on Communications for review before transmission to the China Council and the Board. Dr. Bercovitz, delegate to the China Council, made an oral report and was given a vote of thanks for his services. The report of the Editor of the Newsletter was accepted and the editor given a vote of thanks for efficient services.
REPORT TO MISSION MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Hoihow Church—April 3rd, 1936

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held in the Hoihow Church on April 3rd, 1936 at 4.00 P.M. Members present Messrs. Tappan, Thomas, Melrose, Bercovitz, Steiner and Miss Taylor. The meeting opened with prayer by Mr. Tappan.

The following recommendations were passed:

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1. That the Committee recommends the return to the field after furlough of the following:
   Miss Alice H. Skinner
   Dr. and Mrs. N. Bercovitz
   Miss Mary Taylor
   Rev. and Mrs. David H. Thomas
   Dr. E. Morse

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2. That the following transfers be made in Station Appropriations.

Kiungchow—102.06 Class VII to Mission General Class VI.
Kachek—58.18 Class VI to Compound Fence Account.
   ,, 53.40 Class VI to McCormick School.
   ,, 13.54 Class VII to Class IX.
Nodoa— 90.88 Class VI to Class V.
3. That the members of the stations be allocated as follows:—

**Kiungchow**—Miss Alice H. Skinner (on furlough)
Rev. and Mrs. D. S. Tappan
Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Steiner
Dr. and Mrs. N. Bercovitz (until furlough)
Miss M. M. Moninger
Miss Grace Macdonald
Miss Caroline McCreery
Dr. and Mrs. S. P. Seaton
Rev and Mrs. H. H. Bucher

**Kachek**—Rev. and Mrs. D. S. Tappan (after July 1st.)
Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Thomas (until furlough)
Rev. and Mrs. A. E. French (after furlough)
Dr. Esther Morse (until furlough)
Miss Margaret Burkwall

**Nodoa**—Mrs. M. R. Melrose, H. R. (to reside in Nodoa)
Rev. and Mrs. P. C. Melrose
Miss Mary H. Taylor (until furlough)
Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Burkwall

The following recommendations were made:—

1. That the Executive Committee recommend the approval of the transfer of $400 from Class IX Kiungchow Station to Class IX Nodoa Station for the special purpose of purchasing an X-ray, and that this sum as well as all other sums contributed for this purpose be held by the Station until at least
$2,400 are actually in hand for the purchase of the X-ray.

2. That we recommend the location and work of the following after furlough:

Miss Skinner—Evangelistic, Kiungchow
Dr. N. Bercovitz—Superintendent,
    Hoihow Hospital
Mrs. N. Bercovitz—Teacher of Music, Hoihow
Rev. D. H. Thomas—Evangelistic Work,
    Kachek
Mrs. D. H. Thomas—Evangelistic Work,
Miss Mary H. Taylor—Evangelistic Work, Nodoa

3. In view of the digest of pre-furlough votes as to the nature of Dr. Morse’s work after furlough the Committee is of the unanimous opinion that Dr. Morse be asked to consider taking charge of the department of Women and Children in the Hoihow Hospital, and assist in public health work after her return from furlough.

II. Medical Committee Report.

The medical committee met on Monday. All physical examinations were reported as done or in progress.

We wish to express our sincerest appreciation to Drs. J. L. Maxwell and E. H. Hume for their visit with us during the latter part of November, 1935. Their sympathetic hearing of the problems connected with medical missionary work in Hainan and the many helpful suggestions they have given are of invaluable aid to us in our work.

During the past year great advances have been made in the medical work. New opportunities are constantly opening
for pushing the rural extension work, both in cooperation with gospel teams on extended tours and in the opening of branch dispensaries in the sub-stations. There have also opened opportunities for co-operation with the government's public health program. In view of these facts we wish to emphasize the urgent necessity for at least one new physician for Hainan.

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In view of the increasingly urgent need for an X-ray plant in Mary Henry Hospital, and in view of the fact that a semi-transportable apparatus can now be purchased for approximately $680.00 U.S. currency, we recommend that the Mission request the Board of Foreign Missions to appropriate at the earliest opportunity the sum of $500.00 U.S. Currency to apply on the immediate purchase of such. We wish to emphasize that this request reduces the original request for $1,500.00 U.S. Currency by $1,000.00 U.S. Currency. The balance is being raised from receipts on the field and from a subscription now in progress in the Nodoa area.

Respectfully submitted,
HERMAN F. BURKWALL.
N. BERCOVITZ.

III. Co-operation With The Chinese Church.

Co-operative work in evangelism and education has been carried along several lines. The joint Board representing both the Mission and the Chinese Church, and now known as the Executive Committee of Synod, has continued to function successfully throughout the year.

Education. During the past year the Pitkin Junior Middle School completed governmental registration. The six graduates of last year's class were all successful in passing the examinations held by the government for graduates of registered schools. The school had an entering class of fifty
last fall and twenty of these were girls. It is gratifying to see that co-education has not hindered the attendance of girls but on the other hand has increased it.

The final papers of registration of the Pitkin Primary School as a part of the Pitkin Junior Middle School have been presented to the government and it is expected that the primary school will have completed its registration before the end of April. When this is accomplished the Pitkin Junior Middle and Primary Schools will have equal opportunity with the other schools.

The grant from the Substitute Workers Fund of the China Council of the salary of Miss Nancy Liang, a graduate of Ginling College, and the payment of all salaries in government currency rather than in silver dollars enabled the school to close the fiscal year without a deficit. The school has however suffered from the absence of Miss Chapin, who was transferred to Manila, and of Miss Moninger, who is on furlough. The school looks forward to the return of Miss Moninger this Fall.

Last December the Executive Committee of Synod went to Nodoa in order to help the Leng-Koang School in its financial difficulties. It was recommended that there be a smaller number of classes and fewer teachers and that the deficit be made up. The re-organization was carried out as suggested and during the present term there are three hundred students and the expenditures are not exceeding the budget.

The McCormick School, in Kachek, has carried on under the usual financial difficulties. There have been no changes in the teaching force which is entirely Christian. A kindergarten was started under the auspices of the school, though it is financially a separate enterprise. As in all other mission schools Bible Classes are held and attendance is voluntary and here it is practically one hundred percent attendance.
Evangelistic Work. Our first Biennial Youth Conference was held in Kiungchow last July. Over one hundred young people from the three mission stations attended. It was felt that much good had resulted from the conference and that it was well worth the effort and expense. The evening sessions were usually held on the lawn. On one day a sunrise service was held at the pagoda a mile east of Kiungchow.

In addition to the French Catholics and Seventh Day Adventists there is now another form of propaganda similar to the Syncretistic Religious Associations that have appeared in North China. Its objectives are to emphasize the points in the three religions of China upon which they can agree. In one area quite a number have aligned themselves with the movement although it is not widespread.

During the past year there has been a large ingathering among the Loi tribes. A year ago they were much discouraged due to persecution but with the cessation of this they have come to the church in large numbers. They have built four thatch chapels. Five villages are entirely Christian and the whole number of believers in that one region is eight hundred. Over one hundred Loi believers from many groups attended the Nodoa Christmas exercises and fifty were at the spring communion.

On the Gospel Team and Loi visitation trips a physician accompanied the party. The doctor brought relief to many sufferers. The pastor at Nodoa is planning to keep in touch with patients after they are discharged from the hospital. Three schools have been opened among the Miao tribes and one school for the Lois of the western part of Hainan. Half of the teacher's salary is paid by the Miao.

The organized churches are showing considerable growth in numbers as also in self government and support. Most of the church groups have completed their quota of funds to provide for the partial support of the evangelists as planned by Synod.
The agreements with the Pitkin School and with Hainan Synod have been very satisfactory and it is recommended that they be renewed for a further period of three years.

Respectfully submitted,

David S. Tappan.
J. F. Steiner.
D. H. Thomas.
Paul C. Melrose.

IV. Property Committee Report.

During the year the following ad interim actions were passed:

April 10, 1935. Resolved that the Property Committee approve the enclosed plans for alterations to the three residences in Nodoa, in order to provide kitchen space on a level with the dining room; the estimated cost of alterations being $700.00 Mex.

Therefore, it is Resolved that the Executive Committee be requested to add this item: Alterations on three residences, Nodoa Station, to provide kitchen space on a level with the dining rooms, estimated cost $700.00 Mex., to the approved Property List of the Mission.

April 25, 1935. Resolved that the Property Committee of Hainan Mission approve the plans for the erection of a recreation and study room for the Nurses Home to cost approximately $1,500.00 Mex., and for the erection of a room for night nurses, Nurses Home, Hoichow Hospital, to cost approximately $500.00 Mex., it being understood that this money is to be raised locally, and that no equities will be involved.

The following actions were taken during Mission Meeting April 7, 1936:

The Property Committee requests the China Council to make a grant of $1,000.00 Mex. from the Emergency Fund for urgent repairs on the roof of Grey Gables, Kiungchow.
Inasmuch as there is urgent need of securing a plot of property in Si-Vun City on the Lui-Chow Peninsula for a Church, and evangelistic center, and inasmuch as a suitable plot for the purpose has been found, the Property Committee requests the China Council and the Board to authorize the sale of the Lo Dau Chapel property (L70 K11) for $80.00 Mex., and this sum be applied toward the purchase of the new plot.

A plan for modernizing the Nodoa Hospital has been presented by which the old building can be made serviceable for the rapidly growing work of the hospital. The Property Committee requests the Board to appropriate $6,000.00 Mex. towards the modernizing of the Nodoa Hospital.

During the year water was piped to the Manse and to the two bungalows in Hoihow. The private rooms of the Nodoa Hospital were completed during the year. Some more work was done on the water front Hoihow. During the year necessary repairs were made on the property of the three stations.

Respectfully Submitted,

N. Bercovitz,
Paul C. Melrose.
D. H. Thomas.

V. Report Of The Language Committee.

The Committee reports that Mr. Bucher has successfully completed the language study requirements for the Second Year.

That Mrs. Burkwall and Mrs. Bucher have passed the examination on the First Year’s work.

That Dr. and Miss Margaret Burkwall will soon be ready for examination on the Third Year’s work.
That Mrs. Melrose has completed the Translation into Chinese of Amos B. Wells' book "Know your Bible", and other selected materials and is also studying the Hakka dialect.

Signed,

J. F. STEINER.
MARY H. TAYLOR.
D. H. THOMAS.

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In order to bring the language study course into conformity with China Council requirements, the following was approved by the Mission as the course for the five years:

First Year—48 credits.

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<td>Reading-Gospels of John and Mark, the Catechism</td>
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<td>Memory work—The Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, the Creed; 5 hymns, 20 proverbs</td>
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<td>English reading—3 books; lectures on correlated subjects whenever possible</td>
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Second Year—48 credits.

Phrase book, conversation ........................................ 12

Character writing and analysis—recognize second
1,000 of the Peiping set and write 400 ............ 4

Composition—prepare addresses for Bible class
sermons, lessons for class work, etc., and
submit outlines, at least, to the language
committee once a month .................................. 4

Character reading—selected, to total ............ 24

Matthew ......................................... 2 credits
Genesis ........................................ 3 ,
Luke ............................................. 3 ,
Acts .............................................. 6 ,
1 Samuel 8-20 .................. 3 ,
Psalms, selected ............ 1 ,
Isaiah selections .............. 2 ,
Romans ................................. 3 ,
Ta Min Tu Ngi .............. 8 ,

(Three Principles)

National Readers per set
of six ...................... 9 ,

English reading—4 books .................. 4

Third Year—30 credits.

English reading—3 books .................... 4
Character writing ................................. 4
Written work, character or Romanization ...... 4
Character reading—Brandt’s “Introduction to
Literary Chinese” .................................. 12
Work Credits ..................................... 6

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**Fourth Year—20 credits**

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**Total** 20 credits

**Fifth Year—16 credits.**

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**Total** 16 credits

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**VI. Report of the Committee on Agent’s Business.**

No formal meetings of the committee were held during the year, but much business was attended to by correspondence.

During the first three months of the Fiscal Year Mr. Mirtz continued as Mission Agent until his return to America. Mr. Bucher and Miss Burkwall acted until Miss Macdonald returned from furlough and took over the work in October. During the year over two hundred and fifty packages of freight were received and passed through the Customs, the duty amounting to over $2,000.00 Mexican.
The Committee recommends that from funds on hand all the windows of the North Bungalow (the Mission Rest House) be furnished with shutters, a good kitchen sink be purchased and installed, and the balance, if any, be used for purchasing other necessary furnishings.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Macdonald
Meta M. Thomas.
H. F. Burkwall.

I. Report of the Temporary Committee on Nodoa Station Affairs.

The committee on Nodoa Station affairs read and approved the minutes of the past year. The station and personal reports were read and approved for review by the committee on communications.

The following officers were approved:—
Chairman—Rev. P. C. Melrose
Treasurer—Mrs. P. C. Melrose
Secretary—Mrs. H. F. Burkwall
Agent—Dr. H. F. Burkwall

The assignment of work was approved as follows:—
Rev. P. C. Melrose—Evangelistic and educational work. Industrial work in the Leng Koang Boys' School.
Mrs. P. C. Melrose—Evangelistic and educational work.
Miss Mary H. Taylor—Evangelistic work till furlough.
Dr. H. F. Burkwall—Superintendent of Mary Henry Hospital. Language study, one hour a day.
Mrs. H. F. Burkwall—Language study. Nursing work in Mary Henry Hospital.

The assignment of houses was approved as per station minutes.

The committee adjourned with prayer by the Rev. H. H. Bucher.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID S. TAPPAN.
M. H. STEINER.
H. F. BURKWALL.

II. Report of the Temporary Committee on the Affairs of Kachek Station.

A meeting of the committee was held in the Pitkin Residence on Saturday, April 4th and the following actions taken.

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The Committee has examined the station minutes and found them in order.

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The Committee approved the election of officers as per station minutes.

Chairman—Mrs. Thomas  Agent—Mrs. Thomas
Treasurer—Mr. Thomas  Secy.—Dr. Morse

The following recommendations are submitted.

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1. That the assignment of work be as follows.

Rev. and Mrs. Tappan—Evangelistic work (after July 1st)
Rev. and Mrs. Thomas—Evangelistic work (until furlough)
Rev. and Mrs. French—Evangelistic work (after furlough)
Dr. Morse—Supt. Christ Hospital (until furlough)
Miss Burkwall—Supt. Christ Hospital (after June)

2. Housing assignments as per Station minutes.

3. That the station and Personal Reports be approved as reviewed and edited by the Committee on Communications.

Signed,

J. F. Steiner.
E. A. Melrose.
Meta M. Thomas.
Caroline McCreeby.

III. Report of the Temporary Committee on the Affairs of the Kiungchow Station.

The minutes of the station have been examined and found in order, and the personal and station reports have been read and referred to the Committee on Communications for review, and for transmission to China Council and Board.

We recommend the assignment of work as follows:—
Mr. Tappan—Evangelistic and Religious work among students, until July 1st.
Mrs. Tappan—Student work, until July.
Mr. Steiner—Evangelistic and Leper work.
Mrs. Steiner—Evangelistic and Educational work and Hospital visitation.

Dr. Bercovitz—Superintendent of Hoihow Hospital, until furlough.

Mrs. Bercovitz—Teaching of music.

Miss Moninger—Educational and Evangelistic work.

Miss Macdonald—Treasurer and Evangelistic work.

Miss McCreery—Superintendent of Nurses in Hoihow Hospital.

Dr. Seaton—Superintendent of the Hoihow Hospital after return from furlough.

Mrs. Seaton—Evangelistic work and teaching of music.

Mr. Bucher—Evangelistic work, language study, religious work, among students.

Mrs. Bucher—Language study.

We recommend the following station officers:

Chairman—J. F. Steiner.

Secretary—Caroline McCreery.

Treasurer—Grace Macdonald.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. Thomas.

Mary H. Taylor.

Grace Macdonald.

Genevieve D. Burkwall.
It was voted that a Nôdoa Hospital Advisory Board be formed to consist of:

The Superintendent of the Hospital—ex officio.
Two members—elected by the Mission.
Six members, who shall be Christians, elected by Presbytery.
Three honorary members, Christians or not, co-opted by the Board. Mr. Melrose and Mrs. Burkwall were elected as members by the Mission.

Miss McCready's name was added to the roster of the Advisory Board of Hoihow Hospital.

It was voted that the agreement with the Hainan Synod be renewed for a further period of three years from July 1, 1935.

It was voted that the agreement with Board of Directors of the Pitkin Junior Middle School be renewed for a further period of three years from September 1, 1936.

The present Executive Committee was re-elected to serve until July 1, 1936, and a new committee was elected to serve after July 1st.

Nôdoa's request to ask the China Council for $400 for Loi work was approved, and Kachek's request for $350 for Loi and Miao work was approved.
The question of transferring Loi and Miao funds to the Hainan Synod was referred to the Executive Committee.

It was voted that the Executive Committee make a survey of the Hainan Mission work, as requested by the China Council.

The Mission voted to request China Council to make provision for Margaret Jean and Marie Melrose attending the Shanghai American School 1936-37.

Kiungchow Station was given a rising vote of thanks for preparation of an excellent program and for entertainment.

**FORCE LIST.**

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3. Alterations 3 residences of Nodoa Station to provide kitchen space on level with dining rooms .......... 700.00

Hospitals

1. Modernizing Mary Henry Hosp., Nodoa 6,000.00
2. Christ Hospital, Kachek
   To roof with concrete the present walls and make the entire first story available for use ............ 4,000.00

Equipment

1. Nodoa Hospital
   X-ray ........................................... Gold $500.00

Miscellaneous

Rehabilitation Kiungchow Country Chapels
$500.00 less $275.00 already granted Mex. $225.00
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TEMPORARY COMMITTEES.

Committees appointed by the chair for expediting business and holding office only for the duration of the annual meeting.

AFFAIRS OF KIUNGCHOW STATION
Mr. Thomas
Miss Macdonald
Mrs. Burkwall
Miss Taylor

AFFAIRS OF KACHEK STATION
Mr. Steiner
Mrs. Thomas
Mrs. Melrose
Miss McCreery

AFFAIRS OF NODOA STATION
Mr. Tappan
Dr. Burkwall
Mrs. Steiner
Mr. Bucher

PREPARATION OF ITEMS FOR YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER
Miss Burkwall
Mrs. Steiner
Mrs. Bucher

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS
Mrs. Tappan
Dr. Bercovitz
Miss Taylor