Hunan Mission, China

(Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.)

Minutes of the Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting

1936
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Vice-chairman: Miss Nettie DeJong.

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Mrs. C. F. Brown, Memorial

With Warm Personal Feeling
We Express Sorrow For Our Loss
In The Death Of Mrs. Chauncey
F. Brown. We Rejoice In The In-
spiration Which We Have All
Received From her Life And Faith.

She had Radiant abiding victory
throughout her long months of suffer-
ing.

Our prayer and love go out for
her two sons.
MINUTES OF THE
THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF
THE HUNAN MISSION
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Hunan Mission of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. was held in Siangtan, April 26-30, 1936. Rev. W. T. Blackstone was elected chairman and Miss Nettie DeJong vice-chairman. Rev. E. J. Bannan and Rev. R. F. Kepler were elected clerks. Sunday and Monday, April 26-27 were Retreat days. For program see Hunan Minutes 3665.

The Retreat marked a new departure in the Premission Meeting program, making two days instead of one the order of the day.

With one accord, all voted this Mission Meeting the best ever. One who had opposed the spending of an extra day for Retreat when it was proposed reported "it was certainly worth it."

Ambassadors for Christ was the theme of the Retreat and the little song printed on the back cover of the minutes was sung again and again as a reminder of our message as Ambassadors.

The Siangtan Session of the Church of Christ in China invited the whole Mission to a reception at the Church and a very happy meeting was reported.

A hearty welcome was accorded Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Stringham, who came from Shunteh last Autumn in exchange for Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Lewis.

To Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Newman who arrived from home in Feb. and are now in Peiping School of Chinese Studies.

To the new voting members of the mission, Dr. J. A. Stringham. Dr. R. A. Broady and Miss B. J. Schopmeier.

(Voting V. Present P. Furlough F. Language L. Affiliated A. Miss G. Bayless and Mrs. R. A. Broady.

The Roll Call of the Mission was as follows:

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ANNUAL MEETING

Siangtan.

Dr. E. D. Vanderburgh, Hon. R. Oct. 1894
Mrs. E. D. Vanderburgh, Hon. R. Oct. 1894
Mrs. T. W. Mitchell, V. P. Sept. 3, 1903 Sept. 30, 1930
Miss C. T. Woods, V. P. Mar. 12, 1910 May 8, 1932
Rev. R. F. Kepler, V. P. F. Sept. 15, 1930
Mrs. R. F. Kepler, V. P. F. Sept. 15, 1930
Dr. F. J. Tooker, A. F. Sept. 1, 1901
Mrs. F. J. Tooker, A. F. Sept. 1, 1901

Excuses for absence from Mission Meeting were received from Miss G. Bayless and Mrs. R. A. Broady.

ROSTER OF CHILDREN.

Bannan, Agnes Irene, Nov. 7, 1915
Bannan, Phyllis Mary, Mar. 22, 1921
Birkel, Evelyn Adeline, July, 5, 1921
Blackstone, Robert Harry, April 10, 1933
Blackstone, Margaret Elizabeth, Feb. 24, 1936
Broady, Robert Alexander, June 7, 1931
Broady, William Hawley, Jan. 25, 1934
Broady, John Cox, Dec. 26, 1935
Brown, Kenneth Hawley, Nov. 12, 1922
Brown, Harry Esmond, July 19, 1924
Clark, Mary Thayer, April 21, 1933
Clark, Antoinette Gale, Sept. 4, 1934
Jenkins, Brown Freeman, Feb. 16, 1916
Kepler, Mercer Raymond, Nov. 13, 1931
Kepler, Thomas Fitch, Nov. 16, 1933
Mitchell, William Frederick, July 4, 1919
Newman, Mary Anderson, Mar. 2, 1936
Stringham, James Alfreid, Oct. 27, 1934
Tootell, John Edward, Oct. 25, 1915
Tootell, Jennivieve Grace, May 12, 1918
Tooker, Fredrick Fitch, May 6, 1915
Tooker, Mary Dehmar, Oct. 29, 1916
AD INTERIM ACTIONS OF THE HUNAN MISSION,
1935-1936.

3601. Mid-year Executive Committee Meeting.—
Voted: to hold the Mid-year Executive Committee meeting at Changsha; the time to be decided later.

3602. Request sale Hengchow South Gate Church Property.—In view of the urgent need for rebuilding the Tao Che Gai Church building, Hengchow, and since funds are inadequate: Voted to request the Hengchow Church session to sell its South Gate Church property and use the proceeds for rebuilding Tao Che Gai Church. It is understood and agreed that whatever sum is realized from the sale of the South Gate property shall become a Chinese equity in the Tao Che Gai Church building.

3603. Street Widening Fund Request, Hengchow.—Since two streets are to be widened along the Tao Che Gai property, Hengchow, instead of one: Voted: to request the China Council to grant an additional $500 from the Street Widening Fund, to be used in rebuilding property and walls on two sides of the Tao Che Gai Church property, Hengchow. It being understood that this amount and any other Mission or Board funds contributed toward the Hengchow City Church building program shall be used to transfer the Chinese equity in the Hengchow hospital to the City Church property.

3604. Literature Fund Request, Hengchow.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant $50 additional to that already requested from the Literature Fund, for use in the Hengchow Station’s Evangelistic work.

3605. Tao Yuan Church Project.—The situation in the Tao Yuan Church appears to demand that some temporary financial assistance be granted towards the Pastor's salary.
Voted: To make a grant from the General Mission Class VII appropriations of $120 towards the salary of a pastor or an evangelist for the year 1935-1936.

3606. Sub. Worker's Fund Request, Chenchow.—Since Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Johnston leave so soon for furlough and also that Dr. Tong has too little experience to become superintendent of the Chenchow Hospital, it is hoped that Dr. Chiang Yo Ling can be secured to become Superintendent of the Hospital, Voted: to request the China Council to grant an additional fifty dollars per month, a total of $110 for the employment of Dr. Chiang Yo Ling, and that Dr. Tong's salary be paid from the running expenses of the Hospital, from July first, 1935.

3607. Transfer Money for Land, Fuh Siang, Changsha.—In view of the inability of Fuh Siang to purchase the plot of land connecting the property with the new road Voted: to request the donors Dr. and Mrs. Tooker, China Council and the Board for permission to apply this $1,600 toward the purchase of an equally useful plot to the West of the present Fuh Siang faculty Tennis court.

C. C. 3454.

3608. Request Permit Fuh Siang raise Funds.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to approve of the expenditure of an additional $400 to be raised by the Fuh Siang Middle School for the purchase of the New plot.

3609. I-Siang, Chen-Chi to raise $1,000.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to approve the proposal of the I-Siang and Chen-Chi Changsha Primary Schools Boards of Directors to raise a minimum of $1,000 toward the purchase of the plot of land.

3610. Request Release H.U.T.S. $2,500 Land Purchase, Changsha.—In order to protect foreign residences Nos. 1 and 2 in the Changsha Station, Voted: to request the China
Council and the Board for a grant of $2,500 Mex. from the balance on hand of the $26,300 realized from the sale of the Hunan Union Theological School property, Changsha, toward the purchase of the plot of land, total area being approx. 150 Fang, probable cost $6,000, any small balance to be raised locally. Because of local Yamen regulations it will be necessary to purchase the plot in the name of the Fuh Siang Board of Directors, a private deed of trust being executed by them in favor of the Board of Foreign Missions, all equities to be determined in accordance with Board rules.

3611. Changteh Hospital Tubercular Ward.—The Changteh Hospital is obliged to take their tubercular patients in their regular wards, there is necessity for rooms for tubercular patients. Voted: to request the China Council to add to their Property List $4,000 Changteh Hospital for a ward for tubercular patients and its equipment, and this item be added to the Hunan Mission Property List.

3612. Street Widening, Hengchow River Street.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant $600 from the Street Widening Fund for street widening along the river street, Hengchow, $200 on the Whei Wen school, and $400 on the Hospital front.

3613. H. B. I. Cooperation Hengchow Evangelistic Bands.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant $200 from the Evangelistic Expansion Funds to be used in securing an Evangelistic Band from the Hunan Bible Institute to work on a cooperative basis in the Hengchow and Chenchow fields. The location of their work to be decided by the stations.

3614. Sub. Workers Fund Request, Hengchow.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant $840 from the Substitute Worker's Fund to engage Dr. S. C. Li, a
graduate of the Mukden Medical College, for one year as from July 1, 1935. Dr. S. C. Li is to receive $60 per month and $100 travel to Hunan.

3615. Time, Mid-Year Executive Committee.—Voted that the Mid-Year meeting of the Executive Committee be held in Changsha, at nine a.m. on Dec. 3, 1935.

3616. China Council Vice-chairman Nominations.—The following persons are nominated for Vice-chairman of the China Council in order of preference.

Rev. A. K. Whallon, D.D.
Rev. J. F. Steiner.

3617. Changsha Primary Schools Principal’s Residence.—Record is made of the receipt by Changsha Station of $600 gold=Mexican $1,453.11, a personal gift of friends of Mrs. W. H. Lingle toward the erection of a residence for the principal of the Chen Chi I Siang Primary Schools, Changsha.

Voted: To request the China Council and the Board for permission to use the gift of $600 Gold=$1,453.11 Mex. from Mrs. W. H. Lingle toward the rebuilding of the Principal’s residence, of the Chen-Chih I-Siang Primary Schools, Changsha, on the present site which is this amount to be considered Board Equity. It is understood that the Board of Directors of these schools will also put a few hundred dollars into the building. The total cost not to exceed $2,000 Mex. Equities to be determined in accordance with Board’s rules.

3618. Kwangteh Scholarships.—In view of the closing of the American-Oriental Bank, in which the Hengchow Educational Funds are deposited, the $600 voted for Kwangteh Scholarships is not now available.
Voted: to transfer $240 of the Yali Scholarships reserve to the Kwanteh Middle School to provide four scholarships at $60 each for the year 1935-1936.

3619. Substitute for Miss Bayless and Miss Tooher.—Since Miss Lilian Oliver is available for the teaching of music in Fuh Siang during the two years 1935 and 1936-37
Voted: to request the China Council to grant $40 per month from the Substitute Worker's Fund for the salary of Miss Lilian Oliver for the year beginning September 1935, it being understood that the Fuh Siang Girls’ School will provide $60 per month from the musical department. It being understood also that Miss Oliver will be available for the year 1936-37.

3620. Hengchow Residence, Rent.—Voted to ask the China Council to permit the Hengchow Station to rent one of their residences to Mr. Tseng of the Salt Gabelle. The amount to be decided by the station in consultation with Mr. Tseng and the receipts to revert to the General Mission Expense Class V. for general repairs in the Missions.

3621. Changteh Flood Repairs Request.—Voted to request the China Council, Board and Mission to grant $1,000 to the Changteh Station for repairs on property caused by the recent floods. $800 requested from the China Council Repair Fund and $200 from the Mission General Repair Fund.

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Total. $1,000.00
3622. *Request Grant Evangelism.*—Voted to request the China Council to grant from the Literature Fund $770.00 to the Christian Magazine Evangelism, for the year 1936.

3623. *Furlough Miss M. M. Boone.*—The Board has given Miss M. M. Boone permission, subject to Mission and Council approval, to spend one half time of furlough in the U.S.A. and the remainder in China.

Voted: to approve the request of Miss M. M. Boone to spend about one half of her furlough time in the U.S.A. and the remainder in China, with no furlough study allowance, but on furlough salary throughout the period.

3624. *Building Bureau Plans, Hengchow Church.*—Since the Presbyterian Building Bureau has made plans which will provide for the building of the Student Center, tearing down and rebuilding the church and manse and providing room for play ground for the student center and kindergarten on the compound of the Dao Tseh Gai Church

Voted: to permit the Hengchow Station to proceed with the building program in accordance with the plans of the building bureau, it being understood that the church building must be torn down and rebuilt.

3625. *Funds Rebuilding Hengchow Church.*—Since the new plans call for the tearing down and rebuilding of the Dao Tseh Gai Church, Hengchow

Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to transfer $2,150 from the sale of the Wuchang House. This amount shall be considered the Chinese equity in the building which is to be transferred from the Chinese equity of his amount in the Hengchow Hospital. And a further amount of $1,000 to be transferred from the Wuchang House sale to be considered a Board equity in the building. The Chinese church to be responsible for the remaining amount needed.
3626. Changteh Refugee Expenses.—Voted to request the China Council to grant from the Emergency Fund $41.96 for refugee expenses in the Changteh Station.

3627. Delegate to the Medical Conference, Canton.—Voted to appoint Dr. G. T. Tootell the Hunan Mission's delegate to the Centenary Medical Conference at Canton, and that his travelling expenses shall be provided from Mission General Expense Class VI.

3628. Leave of Absence Dr. R. A. Broady.—Voted that Dr. R. A. Broady be granted a leave of absence to enable him to attend the Centenary Medical Conference in Canton in November.
MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Changsha, Dec. 4 and 5, 1935.

Members present: T. W. Mitchell, Chairman, E. J. Bannan, Vice-chairman. Dr. G. T. Tootell, Changteh, Mrs. G. L. Gelwicks, Chenchow, W. H. Clark, Changsha, A. H. Birkel, Hengchow, Miss C. T. Woods, Siangtan. The opening devotional Service was conducted by Dr. G. T. Tootell. W. H. Clark was elected Minute Secretary. The Ad-Interim actions 3601-3628 were read and approved.

3629. Kweiyangchow Residence Repairs.—Voted to grant $20 to the Chenchow Station from the General Mission Class V. Funds toward the repairs of the residence in Kweiyangchow.

Hu. 3428.

3630. Chenchow Station, Yuinksing Street Widening Request.—Voted: to grant $13 to the Chenchow Station from the Mission General Class V. Funds in connection with street widening in Yuinhsing.

3631. Sale Chenchow West-Gate Property.—Record was made of the sale of the West-Gate property, Chenchow for $1,600 net, the Mission retaining a small strip of land with a 41 meter frontage, with an average depth of 50 meters, for future use.

3632. Street Widening, Wall Repairs, Chenchow.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to grant permission to the Chenchow station, to use $200 of the funds realized from sale of the West Gate Property, Chenchow, for the following purposes: To rebuild ten chang of new wall, to move one hundred feet of old wall, and to alter the side of the small house on this site in connection with the building of the new motor road.
3633. *Chenchow Hospital Equipment.*—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to permit the Chenchow Station to use $1,400 of the amount realized from the sale of the West-Gate property, Chenchow, for the purchasing of much needed equipment for the Hospital. Estimated equipment needed.

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3634. *Substitute Worker’s Fund, Changsha, Miss Oliver.*—Voted: to request the China Council to make a grant of an additional sum of $20 per month, (total: $60) from the Substitute Worker’s Fund toward the salary of Miss Lilian Oliver beginning Jan. 1, 1936, to teach music in the Fuh Siang Girls’ School, Changsha.

C. C. 35370
Hu. 3619

3635. *Substitute Worker’s Fund, Changtah, Doctor.*—In view of the following considerations:

1. The China Medical Board grant to the Changtah Hospital has ceased.
2. Severe floods and two communist crises have already cut down field receipts.
3. Cooperation with the government on public health and the continuance of the Nurses Training School are dependent upon the maintenance of high standards.

Voted: to request the China Council to grant from the Substitute Worker’s Fund, $100 per month for a period of
the three years, beginning as soon as a suitable man can be found, toward the salary of a first class Chinese doctor, for the Kwangteh Hospital, Changteh.

3636. Substitute Worker's Fund, Chenchow, Doctor.—As a further necessary readjustment in connection with grants toward the services of a doctor in the Chenchow Hospital:

Voted: to request the China Council to make the grants on the following basis:

1. The grant toward the salary of Tung Chu Ping to be paid through August 1935 at the rate of $70 per month.
2. A grant of $100 per month for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1935 toward the salary of Dr. Fu.

3637. Central China College Hostel.—In view of the fact, that the funds from the sale of the Central China Teacher's College residence have all been apportioned by the China Council, no funds therefore are available for a grant toward the erection of Church of Christ in China hostel at Central China College, Wuchang.

3638. Renting, Residence, Changteh.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board for permission to rent a portion of Residence No. 5, 5D12, now empty for only a few months, to a foreigner in the Standard Oil Co. in the Changteh Station at a minimum figure of $30 per month, this sum to be used in making necessary repairs on the house.

3639. South Hunan' Presbytery, Special Evangelistic Grant.—Voted: to grant $100 from Mission General Class VII funds toward the expenses of Rev. and Mrs. Calvin Tsao in an evangelistic campaign for a period of six weeks in the early Spring. It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Tsao will hold meetings in Chenchow City and country
fields, and will be available for a two weeks' class for Lay leaders of the South Hunan Presbytery to be held in Heiyang.

3640. Evangelistic Band Work, Siangtan.—Voted: to grant $60 from the Mission General Class VII funds to be used in evangelistic band work opening two new fields in the Siangtan Station during the current fiscal year.

3641. Student Evangelistic Center, Grant Changsha.—Voted to grant from the Mission General Class VII funds $50 for the running expenses of the Changsha Evangelistic Student Center for the year 1936-37.

3642. Miss Oliver, Corresponding Member of the Mission.—Voted to make Miss Lilian Oliver, a corresponding member of the Mission, while she is teaching in Fuh Siang Girls' School, Changsha.

3643. Miss Schopmeier, Residence, Chenchow.—Voted: that Miss Schopmeier remain in Chenchow until Mission Meeting, with the understanding that the Chenchow and Hengchow hospitals shall endeavour to make satisfactory arrangements to provide a superintendent of nurses in the Hengchow Hospital for this temporary period.

3644. Mrs. G. L. Gelwicks, return from Furlough.—On the basis of Pre-furlough voting blanks, Voted: to request the return of Mrs. G. L. Gelwicks after furlough.

3645. Rev. and Mrs. D. E. Crabb, return from Furlough.—On the basis of Pre-furlough voting blanks, Voted: to request the return of Rev and Mrs. D. E. Crabb after furlough, with a probable change of assignment.

3646. Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Kepler, return after Furlough.—On the basis of Pre-furlough voting blanks, Voted: to request Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Kepler’s return after furlough.
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3647. Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Blackstone, return after Furlough.—Voted: on the basis of Pre-furlough voting blanks to request the return of Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Blackstone after furlough.

3648. Miss Elizabeth McKee, return after Furlough.—Voted: on the basis of Pre-furlough voting to request the return of Miss E. McKee after furlough.

3649. Miss Gertrude Bayless, return after Furlough.—Voted: To request the return of Miss Gertrude Bayless after furlough based on Pre-furlough voting blanks.

3650. Estimates Printed China Council Minutes.—The Mission expresses its conviction that the Mission estimates should continue to be printed in the China Council Minutes, for these estimates do not all appear in any other place.

3651. Board Membership Rotating, Yali.—Since the Yali Board of Directors wishes its members to serve on a rotating basis, Voted: that our present Mission representative on the Board and his alternate serve for a two year period, until Mission Meeting 1937, leaving the Liang-hu Synod free to confirm the Chinese representative for a period of three years terminating in 1939.

3652. Mission Survey.—Voted: That the Mission Survey be delayed until it can be made in conjunction with the visit of the new Vice-chairman of the China Council.

C. C. 35451.

3653. Hunan Mission Language Study Course.—Voted: to request the Language Study member in each station to call attention of his station to the rearrangement made by the Language Committee in the Hunan Mission Language Study Course as based on the College of Chinese Studies, Peiping. Action on the rearrangement of the Course to be taken at Mission Meeting.
3654. **Hengchow Church and Student Center Delayed.**—Voted: that the rebuilding of the Hengchow City Dao Tseh Gai Church and erection of the Student center be delayed for the present. C. C. 35422-425.

3655. **Hengchow Student Center Donor.**—Voted: to ask Rev. A. H. Birkel to write to the donor the reasons for the postponement in the erection of the Student Center, Hengchow.

3656. **Hengchow Hospital Building Delayed.**—Voted: to delay actual building operations on the Hengchow Hospital rebuilding program until the Spring. C. C. 35246.

3657. **Time and Place Mission Meeting 1936.**—Since the time and place of Mission Meeting was left out of the Hunan Mission's printed Minutes they are printed here for the Mission's guidance. The thirty-fifth Annual Mission Meeting shall be held in Siangtan with dates as follows:—

The Executive Committee meeting April 24 at 9 a.m., and lasting through the 25th.

Annual Retreat April 26 and 27.

Mission Meeting business sessions beginning at 8 a.m., April 28th.

3658. **Mission Meeting Retreat.**—Since the retreat before Mission Meeting has proven decidedly helpful the Mission feels that it would more largely meet our needs, if more time can be provided for consecutive Bible study together, mutual help on common problems of our work, united prayer for its spiritual fruitfulness, and Christian fellowship.

Voted: that the Mission Retreat be lengthened by one day as an experiment. A Committee of three composed of W. H. Clark, Miss C. T. Woods and Miss Helen Whitaker
be appointed to arrange the program and leaders for the retreat and the devotional periods of Mission Meeting.

3659. Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel, Substitute Myers' Furlough.—Since the China Council urgently requests that Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel substitute for Rev. C. M. Myers in the Associated Mission Treasurers during his furlough
Voted: to permit Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel to accept the invitation of the China Council to substitute for Rev. C. M. Myers during his furlough, leaving Hengchow about Feb. 1st, 1936, it being understood that at the conclusion of Mr. Myers' furlough Mr. and Mrs. Birkel return to the Hunan Mission.

3660. W. F. Mitchell Travel, Included 1935-37 Estimates.—Voted: to ask the China Council and the Board to include in the 1935-36 Estimates travel allowances for W. F. Mitchell. It has been decided that W. F. Mitchell is to return to the U.S.A. for future study.

3661. E. J. Bannan, and T. W. Mitchell, Hengchow.—Voted that Revs. E. J. Bannan and T. W. Mitchell be appointed a committee to visit Hengchow in the interests of Church and Mission.

3662. Hengchow Station, Work Appointments.—In view of the Appointment of Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel to the A. M. T. for one year to take the place of C. M. Myers while he is on furlough, and also the coming furlough of Rev. and Mrs. D. E. Crabb in the Summer, Voted: to make the following appointments for work in the Hengchow Station for the next fiscal year, and as otherwise stated:

Station Chairman, Dr. R. A. Broady.
Station Treasurer, T. W. Mitchell until Mission Meeting.
Station Secretary, Mrs. R. A. Broady.
Advisor, Wei Wen, Miss L. Gernhardt, Mrs. Broady until Miss Gernhardt returns.
Kwangteh School Board. Miss Schopmeier,
Property Committee, R. A. Broady and T. W. Mitchell.
Project Board, T. W. Mitchell to take Mr. Birkel's place.
Station Audits, Dr. R. A. Broady to audit Mr. Birkel's books before he leaves Hengchow, and other Auditors to be appointed later for the end of the fiscal year.

Executive Committee Member. D. M. Crabb.

3663. Mission Retreat Program.—Voted: that the following be the program for the Pre-Mission Meeting Retreat.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH.

8.30 to 9.15 a.m. Prayer for Ourselves:
Personal Commitment to Christ.
"being transformed into the same likeness as Himself." 2 Cor. 3:18.
Leader, Miss N. DeJong.
10.00 to 11.00 a.m. Chinese Sunday School.
11.00 to 12.00 Noon. Church Services in Si Yuin T'ang.
Preacher, Rev. E. J. Bannan.
3.30 to 4.30 p.m. Bible Hour.
Bible Passage 2 Cor. 2:14-3:18.
Leader, Rev. W. T. Blackstone.
4.30 to 5.00 p.m. Memorial Service for Mrs. C. F. Brown.
Leader, Rev. C. H. Derr.
7.45 p.m. Song Service in charge of Mrs. W. T. Blackstone and Mrs. J. A. Stringham.

MONDAY, APRIL 27TH.

9.00 to 9.25 a.m. Prayer for Pastors, Evangelists, Bible Women and Church Sessions.
. . "ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." 2 Cor. 4:5b.
Leader, Rev. T. W. Mitchell.
9.30 to 10.30 a.m. Bible Hour.
Bible Passage 2 Cor. 4:1-18.
Leader, Mrs. W. H. Clark.
10.30 a.m. Recess.
10.45 to 12.00 noon. Round Table Discussion:
Our Problems in connection with the Project Plan.
Leader, Miss C. T. Woods.
3.00 to 3.45 p.m. Round Table Discussion:
Problems of Christian Education.
Leader, Miss H. Whitaker.
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3.45 to 4.30 p.m. Round Table Discussion:
Medical Problems.
Leader, Dr. R. A. Broady.

7.45 p.m. Consecration Service,
Leader, Rev. W. H. Clark.

8.15 p.m. Communion Service.
Leader, Rev. D. E. Crabb.

TUESDAY, APRIL 28TH.

8.30 to 8.50 a.m. in the Prayer Room.
Prayer for Teachers and Pupils.
. . "constrained by the love of Christ."
2 Cor. 5:14a.
Leader, Mrs. T. W. Mitchell.

9.00 to 10.15 a.m. Business Session.
10.15 to 10.45 a.m. "Bible Hour."
Bible Passage 2 Cor. 5:1-19.
Leader, Rev. R. F. Kepler.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29TH.

8.30 to 8.50 a.m. in the Prayer Room.
Prayer for Doctors and Nurses.
. . "workers together with Him." 2 Cor. 6:1a.
Leader, Mrs. E. J. Bannan.

9.00 to 10.15 a.m. Business Session.
10.15 to 10.45 a.m. "Bible Hour."
Bible Passage 2 Cor. 5:20 to 6:10.
Leader, Dr. J. A. Stringham.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30TH.

8.30 to 8:50 a.m. in the Prayer Room.
Prayer for Unity in our Work Together
. . "and the greatest of these is love."
1 Cor. 13:13b.
Leader, Miss E. L. Davis.

9.00 to 10.15 a.m. Business Session.
10.15 to 10.45 a.m. "Bible Hour."
Bible Passage 1 Cor. 13:4-8a.
(Moffatt's Translation).
Leader, Mrs. G. T. Tootell.
3664. Changteh Miller School Property Sale.—Record is made of the sale of the John Miller Boys' School property, Changteh for $5,000 nett, to the Chinese military authorities.

3665. Changteh Hospital Tuberculosis Ward.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to permit the Changteh Station to use $4,000 of the amount received from the sale of the John Miller School plant, for the erection and equipment of a Tuberculosis Ward for the Changteh Hospital, to be called the John Miller Ward.

Finance and Property

3666. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Chenchow.—Voted to request the China Council to make a grant of $240.00 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for a Religious Education teacher and secretarial assistant in the Chenchow Station for the year 1936-1937.

C. C. 34455

3667. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council for a grant of $200 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for Lay Classes and Bible conferences in the Hengchow Station.

Hu. 3558.
C. C. 35240.

3668. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council to grant $300 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for one year to pay for a substitute for Mr. Cheng Heng, who is to take charge of the Project Board Bands in the Hengchow Station country field during the furlough of Rev. D. E. Crabb.

3669. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Siangtan.—Voted to request the China Council to grant the sum of
$240 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for the salary of a secretarial assistant in the Siangtan Station.

Hu. 3561.
C. C. 35239.

3670. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Siangtan.—Voted to request the China Council to grant $240 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for Religious Education in the Siangtan Station.

Hu. 3536.
C. C. 35146.

3671. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Siangtan.—Voted to request the China Council to grant $220 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for use in the Siangtan Station field, as follows:

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C. C. 34155

3672. Emergency Fund, Kwangteh Bequest, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council to grant $300 to the Kwangteh Boys' School, Hengchow, from the China Council Emergency Fund towards the salary of a teacher for the year 1936-1937 during the furlough of Rev. and Mrs. D. E. Crabb, the last year of the trial period of the school.

3673. Substitute Worker's Fund, Dr. Li, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council to grant $840 from the Substitute Worker's Fund for the salary of Dr. Li, of the Hengchow Hospital, for the year beginning July 1, 1936. (C. C. 35377)

3674. Substitute Worker's Fund, Ping Min Shu, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council for $720 from the Substitute Worker's Fund toward the salary of Mr.
Ping Min Shu, of Hengchow, for the year beginning Aug. 1, 1936, it being understood that the Hengchow Session is to pay $300 a year towards his salary. 

Hu. 3562
C. C. 35242.

3675. Substitute Worker's Fund, Chenchow Doctor.—Voted to request the China Council to grant $100 per month from the Substitute Worker's Fund for the salary of Dr. Fu of Chenchow for the year beginning September 1, 1936.

3676. Substitute Worker's Fund Renewal, Chu Chia Shen, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council to renew the grant of $900 from the Substitute Worker's Fund toward the salary of Mr. Chu Chia Chen, principal of Kwangtch School for Boys, Hengchow, for the year beginning September 1, 1936. 

Hu. 3533.
C. C. 35143.

3677. Women's Classes, Chenchow, General Mission Class VII Fund.—Voted to make a grant of $75 from General Mission Class VII Fund for women's short term classes in Chenchow station, with the hope that provision here after for this item will be made out of station class VII funds.

3678. Travel, Ping Min Shu, General Mission Class VII. —Voted to grant from the Hunan General Mission Class VII $100 for travel and moving expenses for Mr. Ping Min Shu from Nanking to Hengchow.

3679. Women's Center, Changsha, General Mission Class VII.—Voted to grant from the General Mission Class VII Funds the sum of $50 towards the running expenses of a women's center in the Apartment, Changsha, for one year, while it is necessary for station reasons for Miss Davis to live away from her work.

3680. Changsha Walls, General Mission Class V.—Voted to pay from the General Mission Class V Funds the sum
of $300 towards the building of walls around the property recently purchased in the Changsha Station. (C. C. 35328).

3681. Literature Fund, Chenchow.—Voted to request the China Council to grant the sum of $75 from the Literature Fund for literature for use in the Chenchow Station in connection with religious work activities.

Hu. 3553.
C. C. 35239.

3682. Literature Fund, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council to grant $75 from the Literature fund for evangelistic literature to be used in connection with evangelistic work in the Hengchow country field.

Hu. 3604.
C. C. 35239.

3683. Literature Fund, Siangtan.—Voted to request the China Council to grant the sum of $75 from the Literature Fund for the purchase of literature for evangelistic work in the Siangtan Station and country field.

Hu. 3557.
C. C. 35239.

3684. Property List, Changsha Fuhsiang Chapel.—Voted to request the China Council and the Board to place on the Mission and Council Property List a chapel for Fuhsiang School, Changsha Station, the cost about C$5,000.

3685. Taoyuan Hospital.—Voted because of the financial stringency and character of the work done in the Tao-Yuan Hospital to concur in the action of the Changteh Station discontinuing the Tao-Yuan Medical work, as from April 1, 1936.

3686. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, North Taoyuan Field.—Voted to request the China Council to permit the Changteh station to carry over a balance of $82 from the
Evangelistic Expansion Fund for use in 1936-37 in the North Taoyuan Field, which funds were not used because of continued disturbed conditions.

3687. Taoyuan Residence and Hospital Property Sale.—Voted to request the China Council and the Board to grant permission to the Changteh Station to sell either the Wen Ching Hospital or the foreign residence property in the Tao Yuan Substation. The first option on these buildings is to be given to the Reformed Church, U.S.A. Mission, and if they desire, both properties are to be sold to them. In the event that the R. C. U. S. Mission is unable or unwilling to purchase, the Changteh Station is permitted to dispose of the property as opportunity offers.

3688. Refund China Council Land Revolving Fund, Changteh.—Voted that the sum of $490 borrowed from the China Council Land Revolving Fund by the Changteh Station be refunded from the proceeds of the sale of the John Miller School Compound, Teh San, Changteh.

3689. Hengsan Chapel Sale.—Voted to request the China Council and the Board to grant permission to the Hengchow Station to sell the Hengsan Chapel property in the Hengchow country field, for not less than C$1,500, the Board equity to revert to the Board, and the Chinese equity to the South Hunan Presbyterial Board.

3690. Nien Pi Chiao Chapel Sale, Hengchow.—Voted to request the China Council and the Board to grant permission to the Hengchow Station to dispose of the Nien Pi Chiao Chapel by sale, or gift to the Liebenzeller Mission.

3691. I Chih Property Sale, Siangtan.—Voted to request the China Council and the Board to grant permission to the Siangtan Station to sell the I Chih Boys’ School compound and the old Church ground, price to be decided
after consultation with the Mission Property and the China Council, proceeds of the sale to revert to the Board.

3692. Committee to Investigate Removing Kwangteh to Siangtan.—Voted that Mr. T. W. Mitchell, Mr. W. H. Clark, and Mr. D. E. Crabb be a committee to investigate the feasibility of moving Kwangteh Boys' School to Siangtan and to report to the Executive Committee by July 1, 1936.

3693. Yaowan Chapel Property Sale, Siangtan.—Voted to request the China Council and the Board to grant permission to Siangtan Station to sell Yaowan Property for a minimum sum of C$1,200, the proceeds to revert to the Board.

3694. Audits, Station Treasurers.—The Stations report all books audited and found correct.

3695. Salary Questionnaire.—Voted that the questionnaire sent out by the China Council regarding missionary salaries be studied by the personnel of each station separately and reports to be made to the Executive Committee by July 1, 1936.

3696. Project Board Funds, Audits.—Audited accounts of the use of Class VII Funds by the Project Boards were presented by the Treasurers and accepted.

3697. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Balance, Hengchow.—Voted to ask the China Council to grant the request of the Hengchow Station to carry over a balance of $100 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund Grant to complete work already begun. The use of the grant did not begin at the commencement of the fiscal year.

3698. Evangelistic Expansion Fund Balance, Hengchow.—Voted to ask the China Council to permit Hengchow to carry over a balance of $106 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund grant for a secretary for
Rev. D. E. Crabb, as payment of this salary did not begin on April 1, 1935, as originally planned. It is understood that this balance is to be used for the secretary’s salary, as originally intended. C. C. 35138. Hh. 3543.


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Balance brought forward Class VII. $450.00
Received from the A.M.T. 7,674.00
Special, Expansion Fund. 200.00
Siangtan Rents. 320.00
Interest 12.01
Total $8,656.01

Disbursements.

Classes V-IX $7,391.93
Siangtan Rents, paid to Siangtan 320.00
Special Expansion Fund and Interest returned A.M.T. 212.01
Balance in the Bank Class V. 21.00
Balance in the Bank Class VII. 740.00
Balance in the Bank Class VIII. 162.30

8,847.24

Overdraft Class VI. 191.23

$8,656.01

Audited and approved,

R. F. KEPLER,

Mrs. R. F. KEPLER.

T. W. MITCHELL, Secretary
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36101. Force Request Substitute, Hengchow.—Voted: In view of the serious situation in the Hengchow Field, where there will be no evangelistic worker during the coming year 1936-1937, to request the China Council to secure an experienced man from some other Mission or otherwise for one year, to be located at Hengchow. The Mission suggests the names of Revs. J. E. Kidder and A. M. Romig.

Hunan Forward!

Hunan, "persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed."

Hunan, rich in God’s children, mostly unclaimed, untaught, unshepherded, and crying for a solution to their problems. And we have the answer.

Hunan, a mighty challenge! It is God’s vineyard, vast and fertile, and rich unto the harvest. Much seed has been sown here, but the laborers at the present time, what about them?

Shall we glance at the situation in regard to workers to till and reap this mighty field?

All branches of our work badly need re-enforcements, the Evangelistic is in dire distress. We Presbyterians are solely responsible for twelve counties, (a county covers about 1,000 sq. miles), and jointly responsible for seven other counties. And the ordained men to work this field, how many are they? FOUR for 1936-37. Four men to man 12,000 sq. miles, by themselves, and 7,000 sq. miles with help from other Missions working in the same area. An impossible task from the human standpoint. (A county averages about 400,000 people.)

A comparison of our Evangelistic forces in 1926 and 1936 might be enlightening. In 1926 and previously the Hunan Mission had 20 people in Evangelistic Work. In 1936 ten.

China missionary forces as a whole have been decreased 25%, Hunan has been decreased 50%.
The Challenge.

To us on the field.

"A Charge to Keep have I," "Go Ye into all the World and preach the gospel to every creature."

God has given us the Ministry, may we not fail Him.

To those at Home.

In answer to the Master's call, they begin with one accord to make excuses.

1. "China? They have bandits there, Am I called upon to risk my life?"
The answer, "Lo I am with you always."

2. "There is so much to be done at home, why should I go so far away?"
The answer comes "So, go work to-day in my vineyard." (No matter where it is.)

3. "My education—it has cost me so much in time and money, should I throw it away in China?" or "My profession—I no many opportunities for using it here that are not possible in China." or "My family—they are all I have."

"And they all with one consent began to make excuses." Jesus answers "That none of those which were bidden shall taste of my supper."

Since Hunan has suffered more deeply than any other of our China Missions we implore the China Council, The Board, and the Home Church to put our vital needs at the top of the Force List, and to use their utmost efforts to supply them.

Prayers.

"Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitary in the wood, in the midst of Carmel, let them feed in Basham and Gilead, as in days of old."

And with our Lord and Master we pray for them that have believed, those who have given themselves to God, for "they are Thine, and we are Thine and all are Thine."

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on us.

Make us, mold us, fill us, use us.

Force and Furloughs

36102. Miss Schopmeier, Returned to Hengchow.—Voted that Miss Schopmeier be returned to Hengchow, beginning September 1, 1936. Hu. 3643.
36103. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel, Changteh Invitation.—Voted that in view of the expressed desire of Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel to postpone furlough for one year and the invitation of the Changteh Station to them to substitute for Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bannan during the latters' furlough, that Changteh Station be permitted to take up the matter by correspondence with Mr. and Mrs. Birkel.

36104. Rev. T. W. Mitchell, Hengchow Evangelistic Work.—Voted that Rev. T. W. Mitchell give as much time to evangelistic work in the Hengchow field as possible with his other duties.

36105. Miss Boone, Transfer to Chenchow.—Voted to transfer Miss M. M. Boone to Chenchow for one year upon her return from furlough, this action being subject to her consent.

36106. Furlough, Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bannan.—Voted that a regular furlough be requested for Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bannan beginning August 1, 1937.

36107. Furlough, Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel.—Voted that a regular furlough be requested for Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel beginning July 1, 1937.

36108. Furlough, Miss Ethel Davis.—Voted that a regular 12 months furlough be requested for Miss Ethel Davis beginning July 1, 1937, in order that Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Clark and Miss Davis may not be away from Changsha at the same time.

36109. Furlough, Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Mitchell.—Voted that a regular furlough be requested for Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Mitchell beginning July 1, 1937.

36110. Furlough Study Allowance, Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bannan.—Voted that furlough study allowance be requested for Rev. and Mrs. Bannan.
36111. **Furlough Study Allowance, Rev. and Mrs. Birkel.**—Voted that furlough study allowance be requested for Rev. and Mrs. Birkel.

36112. **Furlough Study Allowance, Miss Davis.**—Voted that furlough study allowance be requested for Miss Davis.

36113. **Furlough Study Allowance, Mrs. L. G. Gelwicks.**—Voted that furlough study allowance be requested for Mrs. L. G. Gelwicks during her furlough, 1936-1937.

36114. **Furlough Study Allowance, Rev. and Mrs. Mitchell.**—Voted that furlough study allowance be requested for Rev. and Mrs. Mitchell.

36115. **Evangelistic Committee Report. 1935-1936.**

**THE THINGS BEHIND.**

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord" so wrote the Psalmist long ago as he considered the work and the purpose of God in the world. The Old Testament also records that another sweet singer made it his "chief work to give thanks unto Jehovah." (I Chron. 16: 7 margin). Our hearts re-echo the sentiments of the former while we endeavor to emulate the spirit of the latter in connection with the presentation of this report. For in reviewing the work of the year we find abundant cause for thanksgiving and praise.

Firstly, we render thanks for the comparative quiet enjoyed during the year and for our Father's protecting care throughout. While there have been occasions when hearts were disquieted because of threats of invasion of Mission occupied territory by Communist forces, yet in the goodness of God these threats did not eventuate and evacuation (dreaded word in missionary circles) proved unnecessary. Floods have once again taken toll in life and property in the Changteh area, causing hardships to the farming
community amongst whom were many Church members, but the damage has been less severe than in other sections of the province.

Secondly, we give thanks because of the growing sense of responsibility on the part of many Church members in the matter of building up of a self-supporting, self-propagating Church. Considerable advance has been made along the road towards self-support, although in this respect the stations vary as to the extent of their achievements. Some of the churches may be compared to automobiles provided with self-starters and an abundance of fuel, needing only a driver with a sense of direction; others have fuel but no self-starters, needing to be urged along by manual labor until "the fire begins to burn"; and some there are, though few, (be it thankfully recorded) having the text, "None of these things move me" affixed to their doors. Perhaps some of the already moving vehicles may provide the necessary stimulus or power required to move the last mentioned ones. It is a source of gratification to note that groups of men, women, and younger folk are found in almost every Church who are willing to give of their time and talents in an effort to win others for Christ. This form of service varies according to the ability of the individual and includes the conduct of the usual Church services in the preacher's absence, group meetings for Bible study, evangelistic services in Church and homes; Sunday Schools, Church Schools, and D. V. B. S. work. The value of personal testimony to the saving power of Jesus Christ is exemplified in connection with the opening of Kwei Hwa Shu centre (Siangtan Station) where a sister, her husband, and brother-in-law were led to Christ through the testimony of a relative who had received physical and spiritual healing. These three were greatly respected in the village and their conversion led to an awakening of interest on the part of the villagers. A visit of the preaching band followed with the result that twenty men and women expressed a
desire to be regular students of the Gospel with a view to baptism in the near future.

Thirdly, it is with a deep sense of thankfulness that we record a deepening of interest in Bible study as manifested by increased attendance at short term Bible Schools, Spiritual Retreats, and Bible Classes for lay leaders and others. This leads to the belief that a period of rapid advancement for the Christian Church in Hunan has begun. A Bible-loving, Bible-reading Church cannot remain static.

**The Task Before Us.**

But if there is cause for praise, there is cause also for humiliation in that there are still large numbers of Christians who have little sense of responsibility where the Church is concerned, whose conception of the Church indeed is that of an organization designed to supply their material needs; that jealousies and personal feuds keep the Church divided in a few places; and that the number of converts are lost track of, or relapse, or become cold still form too high a percentage of the whole group.

The cure for this lies largely in post-baptismal care. Hitherto there appears to have been too much of a tendency to leave the convert to attend to his or his own spiritual growth. This must be rectified. Shepherds must be urged “to feed the flock of God.” Care should be taken, too, to see that every presentation of the Gospel is “shot through with the missionary message.” It has been rightly said that “evangelism, apart from the call to witness, loses itself in introspection and sentimentality; the call to missionary service, apart from evangelism loses itself in mere instruction.” Young Christians must be urged to give themselves to the task of witness bearing and be made to realize that “God calls men to Himself that He may make them witnesses; that not until they realize that call to witness are they converted.” The young convert’s mind must be fired
with the splendor of the task of evangelisation. Every one must be taught to carry the Good News out into the Highways and Byways. Too often such efforts have been confined to the precincts of Church and Chapel. Here is where the Church may learn something (a secret possessed by the early Church) from the Communists. These men do not regard buildings as prime necessities for the spread of their propaganda, "In shops and factories, by personal contact and by the circulation of literature, they seek to win fresh adherents to the movement. The measure of their skill is in their ability to persuade people to accept a principle, a policy, and a program. The Christian purpose is not to fill buildings but to win men to a new way of life with Christ as Savior and Lord. The witness to the new way of Life must be borne primarily and supremely in the ordinary paths of intercourse."

THE NEED.

In addition to the care of the convert there is the call to the wider field of evangelism. "The field is white to the harvest, but the laborers are few." This is just as true of Chinese workers, paid and voluntary, as it is of missionary personnel. There is a dearth too of "student volunteers" among our Chinese. Within the last few years as a Mission we have not given sufficient attention to this problem. Perhaps, disappointment with former candidates for the ministry has dampened our ardor somewhat, nevertheless the needs of the work compel the facing of the problem again. As we do so, we might well bear in mind some words spoken by a beloved leader, Dr. Robert E. Speer, more than twenty years ago. Dr Speer said, "It is the good plain men who do the real work in every field—the downright, homespun, unexploited work, which the good plain men alone are willing and able to do. I do not believe that the great need of the Christian enterprise at home and abroad is for high finance, or masterful
manipulation, or lofty exploits with capable press agents, but for more solid work between individual and individual, more foundation laying in the dark, more building of strong Christian congregations, and solid Christian character in persons, and more quiet occupation of small areas with such true work done as will abide the test of time and spread by the contagion of life.”

Recommendations.

36116. 1,—That the Mission call the attention of the C. C. and the Board to the urgent need for reinforcements for the greatly depleted evangelistic staff.

36117. 2,—That frequent and earnest appeals be made to the youth of the Church to dedicate their lives to Christian service.

36118. 3,—That every effort be made to induce the men of our Churches to enroll in Bible Study Classes.


We were loathe to see Dr. and Mrs. Lewis leave Hunan because of Harry's physical condition, and our prayers go with them as they continue their work in North China. The willingness and unselfish spirit shown by Dr. and Mrs. Stringham in coming to the aid of Hunan and taking over the work left by the Lewises has gladdened all of our hearts, and has helped the Mission keep open the Chenhsien Medical work. During the past two months we have learned of the safe arrival in China of Dr. and Mrs. Newman, and of their assignment by the China Council to our Mission. At present they are in Language School in Peiping and we are anticipating their arrival in Hunan with much pleasure, and can assure them of a hearty welcome into our midst. Letters from the Johnstons in the U.S.A. tell of their medical work in Washington, D. C. this year, and give us reason to expect them to return to Hunan later.

The medical work of the Hunan Mission has continued throughout the year without serious interruption, although
in Changteh Station there was an evacuation of the women nurses to Changsha during August because of a threatened attack from the Reds; the hospital did not close however.

Physical examinations of all the missionary personnel will be completed before the end of Mission meeting.

In order to prepare this report a brief questionnaire was sent to each member of the medical committee, and it was most encouraging to note under "outstanding features" the work accomplished in our hospitals. One must remember that these are in addition to the usual routine of work done in the hospitals and clinics.

Chenchow: Public Health: vaccinations and preparation for anti-opium treatments. Increasing amount of laboratory work. Renovation of certain hospital departments, and instituting an adequate system of bookkeeping.

Hengchow: Public Health project, a model village plan started 30 li in the country with visiting nurse attending. Increased number of vaccinations and eye diseases seen. Increased confidence of local people in the hospital. Increased share of responsibility borne by Chinese doctors. Increased field receipts. Sale of two pieces of hospital property, proceeds of same to be applied to new building. Government school lectures.

Siangtan: Public Health: increased number of vaccinations for smallpox and anti-cholera inoculations, these including the schools of the station, out-stations and other students. Anti-opium treatments and health talks to the public.

Changteh: Public Health: government school lectures, physical examinations and daily clinic with nurse in attendance. Vaccinations in several schools. Anti-opium treatments. Use of student doctors during vacation periods. Trial year for Tao Yuan Hospital (dispensary) with resultant ending of Mission responsibility for that medical work. Successful termination of legal case. Increased field receipts. Engaging of Mr. Hwang as hospital evangelist.

Not all those answering the questionnaire were familiar with the public health project as launched by Dr. Y. Y.
Lung last year, and as there has been no further developments in the plan during the year, we have no report to make.

The question of medical cooperation with Hsiang-Ya was answered as follows: (a) none were in favor of cooperating by appointing a doctor to live in Changsha. (b) only two were in favor of cooperation by appointing a foreign doctor to Siangtan, he or she, being responsible for that hospital and at liberty to commute to Changsha for teaching, (c) two did not express an opinion, and one was definitely opposed to such a plan.

The question of the registration of nurses training schools with the government has thus far not been decided by our China Council's special committee. In the meantime the suggestion as noted in Hunan Min. 35107 is being carried out.

The registration of hospitals with the government can be taken up through Changsha and we as a committee urge that each hospital endeavor to comply with the government request, in this way obviating future difficulties.

Regarding the registration of Chinese doctors with the government we urge that all doctors employed in our hospitals, who have not already registered do so at once.

In answering the question of medical personnel allocation, most answers favored the Newmans being assigned to Hengchow, with Changteh as second choice; Johnstons to Hengchow with Siangtan as second choice; and Miss Schopmeier to Hengchow; the other to stay put.

As to future aims of the various hospitals. Siangtan desired the services of a Chinese surgeon. Hengchow desires to modernize the OPD and IPD and install an Xray. Changteh seeks advice on how to make the general public more hospital minded; plans to improve the staff pro-
fessionally, and increase field receipts by the addition of an X-ray, also start a maternity center project. Chenchow plans to study several areas of malaria in that district; increase its public health scheme for prevention of smallpox, cholera and typhoid. All the hospitals realize the need of better diagnostic work and are attempting to meet that lack.

We are happy to report progress in each of our hospitals though it may not be as well marked as one could desire, yet as we go forward trusting in the Lord may we look upward and realize that it is His service and He will provide abundantly more than we can ask or think.

**Recommendation.**

36120. That: the personnel on Board of Directors of the Changteh Hospital be changed from eleven to fifteen, a majority of whom shall be Christian.

**Medical Statistics.**

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A report on one year's work should begin, so it seems to the writer, at the recommendations of last year's report. What have we done about allocation of funds to be used as scholarships at Kwang Teh? What more can we do?

The second recommendation suggested an Institute for the teachers of our Mission primary schools. The dates were set, and programs were outlined and sent to the school principals. The responses showed a need for such a conference, but a satisfactory date could not be found. Neither Chinese New Year nor the summer would allow for the observations and demonstrations that were felt to be a necessary part of the program. The principals of the Hunan-Hupeh-Kiangsi Christian Middle Schools at their conference held in Changsha last November, went on record as feeling the need for such a conference as we had planned, and expect to have such in the future; consequently we may leave the initiation of such a scheme to them.

What of our schools? From kindergarten through Senior Middle with the exception of one place where local conditions interfered temporarily, enrollments have been larger; however it is not the figures in which we are interested. What has been accomplished, and what is still to be done? What are the needs and how are they to be met?

The Kindergartens are the seedling beds in which the tiny plants are nurtured and made strong for transplanting into other gardens. The Primary Schools are the next garden. Their need is for more consecrated Christian teachers, and this cry for help comes from every station.

A delegation of government school teachers and students who recently visited one of our Primary schools had the aims of a Christian school explained to them for the first time. They marvelled that such a school could be run on so small an income. They learned what humble sacrificial service on the part of the teachers could do.
The industrial schools are not only teaching their students to be useful citizens, but are also giving them many valuable lessons on their responsibility for each other. One station reports of the girls undertaking to raise among themselves the tuition of two fellow-students who were unable to pay the necessary amount.

Our Junior Middle School at Hengchow continues to offer opportunity for High School work to some of the fine Christian boys from the southern part of the province who could not otherwise go on to school.

Our work in the union middle schools of Yali and Fuh Siang continues to challenge the very best we can give. An overcrowded curriculum is the outstanding obstacle to Christian work among these students. A consciousness of their responsibility for winning others to Christ, and a desire to be used by God to win their fellow students, has been noticeable among more of the Christian students than before. Here too is the need felt for more consecrated Christian workers.

Recommendations

36122. 1. That the question of rules regarding the obtaining and granting of scholarship aid be gone over by the Sub-scholarship committee.

36123. 2. That the sum of $314.88 balance in Yali fund be used for Kwang Teh scholarships for this year.


Progress of Students.

Changsha.

Mrs. W. H. Clark has completed third year work and all of fourth year, besides some work credits.

Chenchow.

Mrs. W. T. Blackstone has completed third year and fourth year, besides some work credits and expects to finish fifth year before furlough.
Rev. W. T. Blackstone has finished the five year course of study.

Miss Beatrice Schopmeier has completed second year work and has fourteen credits on third year, besides some work credits.

Dr. J. A. Stringham has completed second year work and has twelve credits on third year, besides some work credits.

Mrs. J. A. Stringham has completed twenty-eight credits of second year work.

Hengchow.

Dr. R. A. Broady has completed second year work.

Mrs. R. A. Broady is doing second year work.

Siangtan.

Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Kepler have completed the whole five year course, including work credits.

Recommendations

36125. 1. A new language course has been arranged, based on the North China Language School requirements.

A set of examination questions has been prepared on the required work of the second and third years of the language course. These questions are to be used generally throughout the mission. Examination questions on the electives can also be prepared, but in all cases the local examiner should be notified by the student before hand, as to the work he or she plans to do and the consent of the examiner should be obtained.

We urge all language students to keep to the course of study as far as possible.

36126. 2. Correspondence has been taken up with Cheeloo University and the Keene Memorial Library of the University of Nanking regarding the possibility of language students borrowing the more expensive reference books and books of required reading.

Cheeloo University loans books under the following conditions:

1. Books are loaned for a period of three weeks, after which they can be renewed to extend the period.
2. The borrower pays registered post postage both ways.

3. The library reserves the right to recall any book at any time, in case it is needed in the university. Although they rarely recall a book, they reserve the right to do so.

Inquiries regarding books should be addressed to the Rev. J. J. Heeren, the university librarian.

36127, 3. The librarian of the Keene Memorial Library of the University of Nanking reports that they have found it impossible to continue the loaning of books to out of town students.

36128, 4. The following language students have completed the second year of language study and are entitled to a mission vote:

Dr. R. A. Broady
Miss Beatrice Shopmeier
Dr. J. A. Stringham.

36129. Course of Study for Hunan Mission Language Students (based upon N. C. Language School requirements.)

First Year

1. Loose leaf lessons . . . 28 credits
2. Technical material . . . 4 credits
3. Character writing, analysis and recognition . . . 4 credits
4. Composition . . . 2 credits
5. Memory Work . . . 2 credits
6. Geography . . . 2 credits
7. Lectures . . . 3 credits
8. Lectures (special) . . . 3 credits. 48 credits

Second Year

1. Loose leaf lessons . . . 12 credits
2. Character writing (2nd 400)
   Composition of about 500 characters (20% Romanized allowed).
   Give sound, tone, meaning—second
   1,000 characters Fenn . . . 4 credits
3. Address of at least 15 minutes
   before Chinese audience (Bible class or classroom recitation allowed) . . . 4 credits
5. Genesis (Chs. 1, 2, 3, 6, 7-9, 12-15, 37, 39-50) ... ... 3 credits
6. Romans (Chs. 1-16) ... ... 3 credits
7. San Min Chu Yi (sections I and II) ... ... 4 credits
8. Pilgrim's Progress (Zia's translation) ... ... ... 3 credits
9. Kueh Yu Wen Lei Shuen Vols. I and II ... ... ... 8 credits
10. Read Latourette's "The Development of China" and Wilhelm's "Short History of Chinese Civilization" ... ... 4 credits. 48 credits

Third Year.

1. Recognize 888 Phonetics Soothill's Dictionary and characters in third thousand Fenn's characters ... ... 4 credits
2. Sacred Edict—pages 1-28; 29-31; 42-44; 51-54; 62-66; 72-84; 99-109; 113-116; 121-139; 149-155; 162-166; 169-172 ... ... 3 credits
3. San Min Chu Yi Section 3 ... 2 credits
4. Martin's Christian evidences ... 2 credits
5. Acts. (Chs. I-XXVIII) ... ... 4 credits
6. Kueh Yu Wen Lei Shuen Vol. III ... ... ... 3 credits
7. Brandt's Introduction to Literary Chinese—Lessons I to XX ... 6 credits. 24 credits

Fourth Year.

1. Kueh Yu Wen Lei Shuen Vol. IV 3 credits
2. Psalms I, 2, 8, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 23-25, 27, 32-34, 37, 40, 42, 45-46, 48, 51, 65, 67, 72, 80, 84, 90, 91, 93, 98, 100, 103, 105, 107, 121-123, 130, 146. ... ... ... 3 credits
3. Hebrews and Phillipians ... 2 credits
4. Brandt's Introduction to Literary Chinese ... ... 6 credits. 14 credits
Fifth year.

1. Ephesians ........................................ 1 credit
2. National Readers (Wen Li) Vols. III-VIII. 7 credits
3. The Great Learning 2 credits. 10 credits

Total credits. 144 credits

Notes:

The N.C.L.S. requires a total of 30 Wen Li credits for a completed course. The above course only allows for 21 Wen Li credits. Students desirous of completing the former course will be permitted to substitute for the Mandarin courses above listed to the extent of the 9 additional Wen Li credits required. The choice of text books to be decided upon in consultation with local examiner.

Work credits (in addition to those above listed) are required for the third, fourth and fifth years. These credits are granted for work done with a teacher in preparation for teaching, preaching, etc. Eighteen hours with teacher in such study is suggested for one credit. Total number of credits required for the three years is 18 (six yearly). (See C. C. Minutes 1933—actions 33494 and 33497 also C. C. Minutes 1935, 33511).

In Wen Li courses the student will be required to read, translate at sight into English and Mandarin and to give full explanation of the idiom and grammar (N.C.U.L.S., course page 8 Section C.

Examinations on fourth and fifth years work are optional except for those desiring to complete the full N.C.U.L.S. course in preparation for M.A. degree. Students however are strongly advised to take such examinations where possible.


The Property Committee passed on the following actions during the year.

1. In view of the inability of Fuh Siang to purchase the plot of land connecting their property with the new road, it was voted to request the donors, Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Tooker for permission to apply this $1,600 toward the purchase of an equally useful plot to the West of the present Fuh Siang Faculty Tennis Court. This plot will protect the foreign residences, Nos. 1 and 2 from having anything built close up to them, of a nature that will make them unpleasant or unsanitary. The purchase price approximately will be $6,000.
2. Since the Changsha Station received $600 gold, C. $1,453,11 a personal gift from friends of Mrs. W. H. Lingle toward the erection of a residence for the principal of Chen-chih I-Siang Primary Schools, Changsha, it was voted to ask permission to apply the above gift toward the rebuilding of the Principal's residence, on the present site, which is Board property, the above sum to be considered Board Equity. It is understood also that the Board of Directors will also raise a few hundred dollars to help build the building, total cost not to exceed $2,000, equities to be determined in accordance with Board rules. Plans have also been passed by the committee.

3. The Committee voted to ask for permission for the Chenchow Station to sell the West Gate property for $1,600 net, reserving a strip, where the garage is now located, and which will be large enough to use for evangelistic work, should the City move West as it seems to be doing now.

4. Since the Architect's Bureau decided that it would be unsafe and unwise to try to bolster up the Church building on the Dao Tseh Gai, Hengchow, because of street widening and having to tear down one side of the building, but that it should be torn down and rebuilt. The Property Committee voted to tear down the Church Building Dao Tseh Gai, Hengchow and pile the bricks and other materials and make preparations for rebuilding the building in accordance with plans of the Architect's Bureau.

5. Record was made of the sale of the Hengchow Hospital River Street Property L 52B54 and L52B55 for the sum of $4,800, and it was voted to request permission for the Hengchow Station to use receipts of the sale for the Hengchow Hospital Rehabilitation Scheme as revised and improved by the Presbyterian Building Bureau, with the understanding that the work may begin at an early date.

Sale of Property.

Record is made of the sale of four pieces of unused property in the Mission during the last year.

1. The West Gate Property, Chenchow, $1,600.
2. The Wuchang House belonging to the Mission in the Central China Teacher's College, $6,000.
3. The Hengchow River Street Property belonging to the Hospital, $4,800.
4. The John Miller School property at Deh San, Changteh, $5,000.

There are some pieces of property, which ought to be sold but which seems to lack buyers. It is hoped as soon as possible that all property not in use and not likely to be needed for a long time to come shall be sold.
ANNUAL MEETING

REPORT OF CONDITION OF MISSION PROPERTY.

CHENCHOW. The property in the Chenchow Station is in good condition. The Station hopes to begin work on the new house soon. The plans are being considered, and the plot and location of the building already decided. The New Religious Education building is completed and is serving a very good purpose in the work of the Station. The West Gate Garage and servants building had to have about one third of the side facing the street torn off for the order had gone forth that the street must be widened several feet more than the first recommendation made. The small house occupied by Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Derr and which was almost torn down because of the building of the new railroad, will have to be reinforced in some way, it is feared when heavy trains run through.

CHANGTEH. With the exception of Deh San the station property has been kept in good repair. The second ward compound wall, on the river street, which will have to be rebuilt has been delayed because of the uncertainty, of when and how much it will have to be widened. The bricks have been stacked so that entrance from the street is blocked.

The Deh San property, with the exception of the fields outside the compound walls has been sold for C. $5,000 net.

The Wen Gin Hospital buildings (Tao Yuan) and furnishings have been rented to Dr. Kung for a dispensary for six months. The station also requested Dr. Kung to assist in collecting the rent of $8 per quarter for the Hospital shop in Tao Yuan. It seems wise to the Station that the foreign residence 50F11 at Tao Yuan be sold for eight or ten thousand dollars.

CHANGSHA. The property of the Changsha Station is in measurably good repair. The residences and the I Siang school have recently all had outside painting done. Fuh Siang has done some but more needs to be done. The Church building has had the outside windows, water troughs, caves painted and paid for out of the Church budget. There is great need for a chapel for Fuh Siang and it is hoped that since two of the foreign staff are going home this year permission might be obtained to solicit funds for this building.

The Changsha Station is in the process of purchasing a block of land something over 130 fang. The deal will be finally completed about May 15th, when the occupants vacate the property. Since permission to purchase the land was granted, it has greatly appreciated in value, due to the nationalization of silver, and the financial uneasiness for fear of war. It was found necessary at the last moment to pay appreciably more for the land. Some 20 fang less was purchased, even
so several dollars over the $6,000 was necessary. This additional sum has been raised by Fuh Siang Cheng Chi and private gifts. The final statement of the amount paid will be made when the deal is closed. The station is much relieved to get this land, the rest of the plot is to be built up with tenements very soon. The purchase was made just in time.

The Cheng Chi, and I Siang Principal's residence has not yet been erected, final Board approval has just come and it will be built during the summer.

HENGCHOW. The Hengchow Station property is in good repair, though some buildings need outside painting. House No. 1 has been put in good repair and the Principal of Kwangteh Boys' school is living in it. Some needed repairs on the hospital are being held up pending the new rehabilitation scheme. In view of the additional funds needed to carry out the new rehabilitation scheme two pieces of property belonging to the Hospital have been sold L52B54 and L52B55 for $4,800. These properties were purchased, when it was planned to build a new Woman's Hospital, but will not be needed under the new scheme. The Building Bureau has made plans and specifications are being prepared, so that work can begin at an early date. It is a wise plan to sell and to be able to carry out the later plans of the Bureau. The Dao Tseh Gai Church building was torn down due to street widening and the necessity therefor of tearing down one whole side wall of the building. The material has been stored waiting rebuilding. The Architects' Bureau have made extensive plans for the new student center and the new church and pastor's house on the old site. This building also ought to be rebuilt soon. The session is trying to raise $1,000 C. for this purpose to supplement the amount the Mission and the Council and Board is ready to grant. The Hospital has a Chinese Church equity of $2,100, it is expected to use this amount from the sale of the Wuchang House in lieu of this equity, and an additional C$1,000 from the same source to be a Board equity and with these amounts it is expected the building can be rebuilt. The Hospital, the Church at Hengchow and the new House at Chenchow and the Hospital at Hengchow if built at the same time will have the service of the Bureau's expert builder, which will greatly expedite this building program.

SIANGTAN. More than $1,000 was used in repairs on the Siangtan property of the Board last year. Most of the property is in good condition. Roofs and walls and outside painting has called for the major portion of the money. Two houses are rented and one is empty. The Siangtan Middle school have vacated the Boys' school compound after using it for more than six years. They have occupied their
now buildings. It was thought best by the Siangtan Station to lose no time in getting people to occupy this property, for fear of it being occupied by soldiers again. The whole property was rented to Chinese for living purposes for one year. Since renting there has been many inquiries from schools to either rent or purchase the property. Offers have been made also for two of the houses, though nothing has yet been done, it seems wise to sell unless we can use the property soon ourselves. The Station is not asking for the House rents this coming year. These rents are to go as before to the General Mission Expense account Class V for general repairs in the Mission.

Recommendations.

36131. That the building program in the Hengchow and Chenchow Stations be begun as soon as arrangements can be made with the Architect's Bureau, to send an expert builder to look after the work. The Tao Tseh Kai Church, the Hengchow Hospital Rehabilitation scheme and the Chenchow House, shall be started as soon as the builder arrives, providing the Hengchow session has raised their share of the amount needed for rebuilding the Church, at least one thousand dollars.

36132. Literature Committee Report. 1936.

Instead of the usual detailed account of new literature available to meet the various needs of our Mission, the Literature Committee this year presents only a brief report, but has prepared for the perusal of each member of our Mission a list of some of the most worthwhile books, posters, leaflets, and music publications that challenge our attention.

For a more comprehensive list and for much valuable information, we take pleasure in referring you to the China Bookman of the Christian Publishers Association of China. This has become a monthly and is sent free to anyone requesting a copy. We recognize the worth of the Conference on Christian Literature held in Shanghai on Nov. 12-13, 1935, and await with interest the outcome of the next meeting scheduled for May 11-15, 1936.

We are looking forward with eagerness to the appearance of the Hymns of Universal Praise, the new hymn
book for use in the Church of Christ in China. The Neighborhood Sunday School Lessons prepared by the Religious Education Department of the Theological Seminary in Nanking promise to be a help to our Sunday School work.

Included in the publications of the Religious Tract Society this past year are two books of special interest to us in Hunan, because the authors belong to the workers in this province. These are the “Guide to Hunan Need” prepared by Miss Muriel Boone; and “Essays in Christian Doctrine” prepared by Pastor Meng Chao-Han.

The circulating library project in Siangtan Station deserves special mention. Two hundred books for use in the Country field have all been listed carefully in a neat little catalogue.

We would present the following recommendations in the interests of Christian Literature:

36133, 1. That the members of the Mission carefully read the reports found in the monthly issues of the China Bookman.

36134, 2. That by keeping up our membership in the Religious Tract Society, the Christian Literature Society, and the Lutheran Board of Publication Reading Club, we endeavor to foster the distribution and reading of positive Christian Literature.

36135, 3. That we inform the Associated Christian Publishers, through Mr. Terry, of the needs not provided for in present day Literature, such as suggestive material for use in Children’s Church services, sermonettes, stories of Old Testament heroes, etc.

36136, 4. That we seek to give publicity to the renewal of the offer of literature prizes provided by the China Council. C. C. 35586. C. C. 34227.

36137, 5. That we remind our Chinese preachers of the Pastor’s Library Offer under which an ordained pastor may order a Library up to $20 provided he pays 20% himself, the balance being paid out of the C. C. Literature Fund.

36138, 6. That during the coming year we investigate the possibilities of newspaper evangelism in the province of Hunan.
36139, 7. That we correspond with the National Bible Society of Scotland requesting them to issue an edition of St. Luke's Gospel, bilingual, using their Kuoh-yu version and the Weymouth Modern English version. This is particularly for use in Bible Classes in the English Language for students who have a limited knowledge of English.

Respectfully submitted,

Nettie R. De Jong,
Chairman


The Mission has now only one student under its care in preparation for the Ministry. One more from the Hengchow field is to enter the Seminary at Wuchang next Fall, and there are several candidates for the Bible Institute.

Letters have been written to several of the candidates who have not fulfilled their contracts to the Fund. It is hoped that Pin Min Sho will return to active work in the Mission again.

RECOMMENDATIONS

36141, 1. Recommended that Hsü Tsong Ching be permitted to attend the Central China Union Theological School at Wuchang.

36142, 2. Recommended that the balance from the last fiscal year amounting to $162.30 with $137.70 from the present fiscal year, a total of $300.00, be transferred to the Kwangteh Middle School for the year 1937-1938.

36143, 3. Recommended that the Mission request that Sie Ping Deh pay back to the Fund $300 as a minimum for amounts owed over and above the time given to work within the bounds of the Hunan Mission.

36144, 4. Recommended that Mr. Sou Djong Djung be requested to pay back to the Fund $100, since he has not given any service within the bounds of the Mission, since his graduation.

36145, 5. Recommended that the following budget be adopted for the following year.

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36147. Church, Mission Relationships, Project Committee.

The Hunan Mission has three Project Boards under the three Presbyteries of the Church of Christ in China, West, Central and South Hunan. The carrying out of the Project Plan principles have affected the three areas in three quite different ways. In the West being under two Missions the Project Board has been limited somewhat by the desires of the second Mission, though the work at Changteh and Tao-yuan comes distinctly on the Project Plan from April 1st.

In the Central Hunan Presbytery with the two stations at Changsha and Siangtan the Projects come more directly under the sessions of the Chinese Church. In the South Hunan fields of Hengchow and Chenchow, the paid workers, men and women, are organized into bands of two or three each and all their time is given to work in the old as well as in new areas. It becomes a combination of work of training lay leaders, deepening the spiritual life of believers, preaching to the unevangelized. No time is given by any of the men or women to the regular worship services or to shepherding individual flocks.

The results of the application of the Project Plan can now pretty well be tabulated, though of course the working of the plan has been only for a short time.
1. **Self Support.**

There is little evidence that increased self support has followed the first year or two of the application of the Project Plan. It is true that in the larger city churches that new methods have been used and there has been some increase in giving. The country churches have been obliged to increase their budgets in some cases, but have found it very difficult to meet them in some cases. There is a feeling that if subsidies are withdrawn that non-support will follow. There has been some suggestion that the method would work better, if the Synod or General Assembly would sponsor the plan. The Mechanics of the plan makes it important to do a great deal of work in reports, budgets surveys etc. The Lianghu synod could not carry out the scheme throughout the whole area. If the Synod were divided with a secretary giving his whole time to the work, it might be more efficient than at present. Self support is being urged through every means possible, such as Stewardship classes, session budgets, and development of Church mindedness through emphasis on the Church in conferences, retreats, Lay classes, etc.

2. **Spiritual Results.**

The China Council recommended the emphasis on the spiritual results of the plan. This has been done and there are signs of rich fruit in the churches and groups, in greater effort to reach the unevangelized in Bible study and Lay classes, Retreats. There is no doubt that the emphasis is bringing the majority of the Christians into a deepening sense of their responsibility in the Church. The lay leaders are developing into strong voluntary workers, and are the hope of the future for the country church. The Central Hunan Presbytery is also providing if possible that one of the best pastors give two or three months to the work of shepherding and teaching in the Central and South Hunan areas. One man gives his whole time to general oversight in the Heng-chow field, and his salary comes from the Project Board.

3. **Surveys.**

The Council suggests a more careful survey of needs be made at the end of each project to see whether the goals have been made and provide project objectives which will meet these specific needs. A self survey of a local church or group is recommended as aids in such studies.

4. **Reports and Check-ups.**

It is necessary that reports and check-ups be made to show where the projects have failed or wherein they have succeeded.
One Project Board has outlined by weeks the work of each paid worker under its care. With proper oversight this work will take the men into band work for about one third of their time. Approximately one third in their own local churches where as much as fifty dollars is raised for the support of the Evangelist or preacher. One spends about half his time in two places where there are organized churches and the remainder in projects outside.

One other of the Project boards have organized the men and women paid workers into bands of two each with a complete itinerary for the whole year, and combines work in Christian groups for one month a year together with band preaching to reach the non-Christians. Lay classes will be a feature of the coming year’s work.

5. Project Boards.

There is still difficulty in finding Christians of experience and time outside the paid workers to serve on project boards. It is being found helpful to have conferences of paid workers to suggest to Project Boards needs and Projects in the different churches and groups concerned. The personnel on Project Boards has improved. So far as is known not a single member of these Boards are recipients of the funds dispersed.

The Mission has not generally found it necessary or expedient to deduct the 5% of class VII funds for Station projects, in fact the tendency seems to be to place everything from all sources under the Project Boards. As these Boards get the confidence of the Church and Mission, Station projects would seem to be quite unnecessary. Stations can still be sponsors under the Project Boards.


It was found inconvenient to cooperate with the Hunan Bible Institute in forming a Preaching band in Hunan, and the $200 appropriated for this work was not used. It is still hoped that this cooperating band work can be tried and the request for a small grant be asked for again this year.

7. The Project Plan and Woman’s Work.

One of the good results of the Project Plan is the increased emphasis on woman’s work and the fact that through it the women are coming in many places to religious self consciousness. Women evangelists and Bible women are welcomed in many places as leaders of Christian services. It was not so long ago in Hunan that the Church was criticized as being too much a Man’s Church. That cannot any longer be said in most cases for women are taking their full share in the Church, and in many places it is much easier to get Woman’s
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Bible classes started than men's. Men do not have time, they say for special Bible classes. It is often difficult to decided the best time for Lay Leader's classes so that those who are really able shall take on the responsibility of leadership.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

36148, 1. Station Projects 5% Class VII Discontinued. That: the 5% for Station Projects deducted from Class VII of the Several Stations Estimates be discontinued.

36149, 2. That: $350 from General Mission Expense Class VII be used for the salary and travel expenses of Rev. Cheng Meng San for three months work in the Central and South Hunan Presbyteries. That during this time Pastor Cheng's work be under the Project Boards of the two Presbyteries.

36150, 3. That: all sessions and other sponsors of Projects make a careful survey of needs and that the self study plans arranged in English and Chinese by the Chinese Council be used for this purpose.

36151, 4. That: the Mission Literature Committee investigate available literature in Chinese on Korean Church, and that we make that literature known to the Presbyteries of Hunan. If any good book or tract be found that the C.L.S. be requested to print it.

36152, 5. That: conferences for Christian workers be arranged for in each Presbytery (already suggested in West and Central Hunan Presbyteries) and that some one from outside be invited to aid in carrying out the Retreat Programs in all three Presbyteries, and that funds in a limited amount be made available from the General Mission Expense Fund.

36153, 6. That $128 be granted to the Hengchow and Siangtan Project Boards from General Mission Expense Class VII for the evangelistic campaigns held by Mr. Chao Chun Yun in these fields.


The Kwangteh School for boys at Hengchow has had a good year, though with not the increase in the number of students, that was hoped for. Many reasons can be given for this, the financial depression, the famine of year before last and the increased hardship of many country people
because the last year's crop was attacked by bugs and was not as good as hoped for.

The failure of the Raven Trust Co. took with it the whole educational fund of $2,400, which was to have been used for the running expenses of the school. It was fortunate that Mr. Emery's gift was available and was made use of for running expenses. Unfortunately this fund has all been used up or will be at the end of this semester, and funds must be found for next year, and if the school is to continue beyond the three year period for the years beyond.

The Board of Directors have had two meetings this Spring and at the last meeting the new members of the Board were received.

The members of the Board are now:


, The South Hunan Presbytery, C. H. Derr,

, Wang Chin Tso, Chen Hong Tsai.

, Hengchow Station, Miss B. Schopmeier.


, The Hengchow Session, Dr. Peng.

, The Alumni Wu Tsuen, Wi Tsuen.

The registration for this Spring is seventy-seven students, fifty-five in the Middle School department. More than half of the students are Christians or from Christian homes. The attendance at all religious services, which must be voluntary is good. Besides the three chapel services each week and the Sunday services, all of which are held in the school chapel a good attendance is reported and more than half the students are signed up for voluntary Bible studies through the C. E.

The Church Missionary Society still cooperates with the school and are sending a good many students each year. On account of the financial depression, word comes from the Bishop that the financial cooperation hereafter is uncertain.
The Board strongly recommended to urge the C. M. S. to continue their support as far as possible to the school.

The greatest need is to have enough money to invite a few good teachers, to insure that the standards of the school shall not fall below the normal, and that students shall be attracted to the school, because of the good instruction, as well as the good conduct of the School. There are some repairs, which are needed in the kitchen and bathing quarters. The science equipment is being added to gradually and the library has had some good books added during the last year. On the whole there is every hope that more students will be attracted to the school in the year to come.

The old dormitory has been put in to good shape and most of the Middle School pupils are occupying that building.

The year 1936-1937 is the last year of the three period of trial and it is hoped that it may be given a fair trial, so that the future may be assured.

Recommendaions,

36155, 1. That: the mission and the Board of directors request the Church Missionary Society to appoint a man to teach English and take charge of Kwangteh during the year 1936-1937.

36156, 2. That: the Mission, China Council and the Board permit the use of $506 the remainder of the proceeds of the sale of the John Miller School, Changteh, to apply toward the running expenses of the school for the year 1936-1937.


The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of Fuh-siang Middle School was held in Changsha, on July 10, 1935.

The treasurer’s report showed a balance of $132.61, for the year ending June 30, 1935; and in the budget for
1935-1936, a possible deficit of $474.90 was announced, reckoning on an attendance of 270 girls. For the two terms of this school year there has been an actual attendance of 290, so that the budgeted deficit need cause no alarm.

The financial and property committee recommended buying an adjacent piece of property on the west side of the present property, in cooperation with the Mission, using the $1,600.00 given by Dr. Tooker, and making an extra grant of $400.00.

An endowment committee was appointed, consisting of one alumna, one teacher, one student, and one member of the Board, to consider plans, and the Principal was asked to report on the government regulations.

The question of government subsidy for the school was discussed, and a committee was appointed to take up the question with the government, and to ask the contributing Missions to permit application for such a subsidy. The Principal met with the Executive committee in December, in Changsha and he reported on government regulations, which are as follows—

1. All schools seeking subsidy shall follow the educational principles of the San Min Chu I.
2. Such schools must present a record of work well done.
3. Such schools must have a permanent school site.
4. Senior Middle schools must have property valued at $50,000, with running expenses of $30,000, but if there is a Junior school in connection with such, the budget does not have to be as large.
5. A school, before applying, must have been in existence at least ten years.
6. Such schools must also be registered with the government.
7. Such schools must be willing to take students from any province.
8. Such schools must have at least 30 students in each class, and there may be two sections.

The government inspects the schools each year, and after three years an increase may be made in the grant. Grants are made for classes, beginning with one or two.
With increased costs of living, and cuts in Mission grants, it has been necessary to increase the number of students to be received, and the Principal reports "The policy of maintaining larger classes will be continued hereafter, as the present state of school finances does not permit us to carry on small classes any longer". Three classes were graduated last year, two in the Junior division, and one in the Senior. 270 were expected in the autumn term, and 285 in the spring term as there is to be an additional class added at that time. The number of Christian students is not large,—about 33%, a good deal smaller than in other Christian schools in Wuhan and Kiangsi, but those are older schools, and have a larger constituency from which to draw.

The health of the students has been exceptionally good, and the percentage of physical defects smaller than those reported for 1933-34.

The Principal again notes the percentage of failures in class work, and by far the largest number is in mathematics, with chemistry a close second. This is due, in part, to previous preparation, and teaching methods, but the heavy schedule also has something to do with it. In speaking of extra-curricular activities, the Principal refers to certain weaknesses, which must be remedied. He says, "We have found that one of the outstanding weaknesses with the girls is the lack of a spirit in which questions may be discussed openly and frankly, and a decision reached, which shall be effectively carried out. They usually keep their opinions to themselves, and then insist on having their own way, regardless of the already accepted decision. No modern government can function on this basis, as we all know". Another weakness is the forming of cliques, which lessens the sense of loyalty to the whole body. "It is this same perverted spirit", says the Principal, "which has kept the country from being unified all these years". He adds, "The lack of interest in public affairs is another unhealthy
sign shown by our girls. It is customary for them to send in their resignations as soon as they are elected to offices. The practice is less than it was, but the spirit of free service is still rare. In going over a few qualities of character that can be fostered in the pursuance of the extra-curricular activities, we can readily see what opportunities and problems we have in the training for good citizenship. The pity is that there is so little time for it, with the crowded curriculum, and the numerous examinations. At present the attention of the whole country is centered on the getting of knowledge, and not in the training of students. Even in the study of physics, the students are told what to know, and not how to act."

"There are no changes in the curriculum. It is as crowded and inflexible as ever. The government authorities know this, but aside from calling for more discussion, it is not likely that they will do anything toward change in the immediate future.

"In the spring we were required to give nursing training in the Senior section. The course was conducted in Siang-ya and by the Siang-ya staff. It was a three-hour course, taking one whole afternoon a week. It was useful, and we are indebted to Siang-ya for granting the privilege to the girls."

In regard to the equipment and property needs,—there is a good library, with over 10,000 volumes, and about 75% of the girls are making use of it. A trained librarian is needed to handle this number of books and make them more easily available to the girls. The reading room accommodates only 50 girls, and there should be place for 150. With the large number of books, a stack room is needed. The science laboratories are up to the government's minimum requirements, and more equipment is being added slowly. The present acute need is space to put the equipment, and space in which to work. The Principal says, "We are in urgent need of two more
buildings, one for a dining hall, with assembly room, and piano studios; and for a dormitory which will accommodate 180 students." Another vital need is a chapel. With the lack of space everywhere, the religious and worship needs grow more acute; and the enlarged student body brings the danger of losing a real Christian atmosphere. A special building is needed where the work can be carried on without interruption, and where girls are free to come and find the meaning of worship in quiet meditation, and through Bible classes, as well as inspiration for service. The year 1934-5 has been called a year of sowing in the religious work. Three Bible classes in the Senior, and five in the Junior, departments, have been conducted; and there are chapel services three times a week, though the attendance is not large. The pastors of the city churches have met with the girls, hoping to deepen the relation between them and the various churches. The Senior department had practical work in a S. S. with 70 street children, and helped in a D. V. B. S. during the summer. A Christian fellowship was held for returned alumnae, which was very helpful.

Recommendations.

36158, 1. We recommend that permission be given to Miss McKee and Miss Bayless, while they are on furlough, to solicit C$5,000 for a chapel for Fuh-siang Middle School, it being understood that such funds shall not detract from regular gifts to the Board.

36159, 2. We recommend that permission be given to the Fuh-siang Middle School to make application for a government subsidy, for the running expenses of the school.


At Yali the most drastic change of the year is in regard to the new policy of the Yale-in-China Association Board of Trustees. At a meeting in New Haven last September they decided in future to concentrate their major funds and interest in higher education through the Yale School of Science at Central China College, Wuchang. This has its serious aspects as far as Yali Union Middle
School in Changsha is concerned. The Yale Board will in future make its chief contribution to Yali in personnel rather than in funds. It is now their fixed policy to furnish a foreign English teaching staff of five men, one of them, Mr. Rogers, as head of the department and a permanent appointee, the other four, bachelors for short terms of two years each. In addition Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Rugh will be permanently on the staff, he as Director of Religious Education, she to assist in the Music Department.

It is apparent, that with the generous contribution of seven foreigners to the staff, not to speak of the loan of the excellent property and equipment, and certain reserve funds for building purposes)—Yale-in-China is by no means deserting Yali Union Middle School. But it is a fact that while increasing the staff they will discontinue their annual grant of Ch. $3,260 per year as of July 1, 1936. Thus the school and the other cooperating Missions are faced with a serious situation. There will undoubtedly be a serious deficit this year. Other Missions have previously reduced grants by a total of over a third, and are making no compensatory grant of personnel. It would not seem very probable that any of the four cooperating Church Missions would be in any position to materially increase their grants to Yali during the year. The Board of Directors is asking the Yale-in-China Board of Trustees to cut only half of its grant on July 1st, thus giving time to make the necessary adjustments here. It is doubtful, however, if the Trustees will be able to change their policy in the matter.

It was with the above situation in mind that the Yali Board of Directors on January 11, 1936 passed a resolution empowering the Principal, Mr. C. C. Lao, to make formal application to the Hunan Provincial Government for a subsidy. Practical assurance had previously reached the Board from Dr. King Chu, Commissioner of Education (and a Christian) that a subsidy would be granted. It is probable that the amount during the first year will not be over $2,000 at
a maximum, if that, but there is assurance that within a five or ten year period the annual subsidy may be increased to a figure three or four times this amount. It was only with the greatest reluctance that the Board of Directors took this step. With the present provincial authorities in control there seems no possibility of interference, or at least no more interference than any school gets whether it obtains a subsidy or not. There seemed to be no other possible alternative to this action. We shall watch with the greatest interest the outcome of this new policy.

During the year a new bathroom-toilet unit was erected at a cost of $1,750, and is now in use. About $5,000 has been collected locally toward the erection of a new administration-recitation-library building. When this sum has reached $20,000, there is assurance of the gift of the Seabury Memorial Fund of $20,000 to match same.

Yali was one of six schools which remained quiet during the recent student disturbances. Acting on the express orders of the government against parades and strikes the students of Yali were loyal and obedient, expressing their patriotism in more sensible fashion.

The enrolment at Yali during the Autumn term was 360, an increase of about 30 over the same period a year ago. Of this number 84 are Christians. Nine more Yali students were baptized at the Presbyterian Church during the past year. About two thirds of the student body are in the school Y. M. C. A. Bible classes, and about 70% of the Senior Middle School students elect Mr. Ying's voluntary curricular classes in Religion. The great majority of the students attend one or another of the city's churches. A dozen or fifteen of the Chinese Christian faculty meet weekly for Bible study. The most outstanding event of the past year along religious lines was the week's intensive work done by Mr. Tewksbury on the campus last May. Some twenty of the Christian students were profoundly and permanently influenced. Several teachers were also reached.
It is a new day at Yali when a number of the students, and three or four of the Chinese teachers are aggressively engaged in personal work. This one factor alone will always mark the past year as an outstanding one in Yali history. When conventional Christianity is released and empowered things begin to happen.

At present there are twelve Presbyterian scholarship boys at Yali, eight in the Senior and four in the Junior Middle School. It is an interesting fact that of the 20 students most vitally interested in the Christian work at Yali, at least two thirds are members of our Church. Our spiritual responsibility at Yali is a very considerable one. We feel that the events of this year, while some of them are disquieting, leave us cause to be grateful and to take courage.

36161. Central China Teacher's College.

It is with a good deal of satisfaction that the Committee on the Central China Teacher's College has been able during the last year to sell the house owned by the Presbyterian Mission to the Reformed Mission. The price obtained was $6,000 net. The Reformed Mission was very glad to get the property for the residence of their representative in the Central China Theological School. The house was built on land in which our Board had no share, but this complication was taken over by the Reformed Mission without question. The house originally cost over $8,000 but owing to the fact that it has been unoccupied, and repairs not made each year, and the further fact that the Reformed Mission had spent over $700 in repairs, it was thought that $6,000 was a reasonable sum for the building. This amount is in the hands of the A. M. T. The committee on the C. C. T. C. will no longer appear in the Minutes of the Hunan Mission, and requests to be discontinued.
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The school opened with more than seventy pupils last autumn, and the spring term enrolled almost the same number. Four new teachers were welcomed to the staff, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Furst, Mr. Jean Keller, and Miss Margaret Shelley. Mr. Allgood writes: "I would like to dilate upon the excellencies of our staff as a whole. Our teachers are seldom excelled in any similar school at home in America. They are giving pupils an education of excellent quality and developing unusual attitudes of scholarship and traits of sterling character."

School Orchestra.

A school orchestra has been undertaken and the Parents-teachers Association sponsored the obtaining of equipment and were able to obtain several new instruments. Under the leadership of Miss Margaret Shelley much progress has been made, and several creditable public performances and concerts have been given.

School Dairy.

Mr. Allgood was able to purchase four good foreign cows in Shanghai and good results have been obtained. Almost one hundred pounds of milk have been provided per day for the school, and several students have had training in taking care and milking the cows, which is another good result of the new dairy.

Domestic Science.

Quite a lot of new equipment has been purchased for the domestic science department of the school, and under the management of Mrs. Allgood and Miss Tapley many of the students are being trained in this department. A new departure was the dismissing of some of the servants of the school and having certain kinds of work done by the students as a means of training.

New Dormitory.

The final contract for the erection of a new dormitory has been let and the work already progressing. It is hoped to have the dormitory completed in the fall of 1936. The new building will accommodate forty-four boys and four members of the staff.
Finances.

Mr. Allgood writes that: "it looks as if we will have no difficulty in keeping within our financial budget for the year. Present indication point to a successful Summer Hotel as a large part of our available space has already been reserved."

Health.

On the whole the health of the school has been fine, until the early spring, when an epidemic of influenza struck the school. Richard Strobe was the only serious case, he developed double pneumonia and after three days illness passed away. The entire school has been shocked and saddened and all sympathize deeply with Colonel and Mrs. Strobe.

The Board of Directors will have their annual Meeting soon. The prospects of the Kuling-American school were never brighter.

Miscellaneous

36163. Mission Secretary and Alternate.—Rev. T. W. Mitchell was unanimously reelected Mission Secretary and China Council Representative and Rev. W. H. Clark was unanimously elected to be alternate.

36164. Executive Committee Members.—The following were elected Executive Committee Members for the ensuing year:

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36165. Hunan Mission Delegate to General Assembly.—Voted that the Hunan Mission Delegate to the 1937 General Assembly be as follows:

Principal, Rev. D. E. Crabb; Alternate, Rev. R. F. Kepler.

36166. Mission Survey.—Since the China Council has requested that a survey of the work of our Mission, Voted: that Rev. T. W. Mitchell, Dr. G. T. Tootell and Rev. W. H. Clark be a committee to carry out this survey; and that Dr.
Walline be invited to come to Hunan at that time, that he may visit all the stations with the Survey Committee. The suggested dates for making this survey are Dec. 1-20, 1936.

36167. History of the Hunan Mission.—Voted to appoint Miss C. T. Woods to write a brief History of the Hunan Mission for the Board’s Centenary Celebration.

36168. Romanization of Names.—Voted to appoint Rev. C. H. Derr to prepare a list for uniform romanization of places and workers in the Hunan Mission the suggested basis being the Wade system and the Post Office list.

36169. Pastors’ Conference, Kuling.—Voted to ask those concerned to bring to the attention of the ordained men of the Church the Pastors’ Conference in Kuling, July 1-14, 1936.

36170. Kuling Church Council.—Voted to appoint Rev. C. H. Derr be the Mission representative on the Kuling Church Council for the summer of 1936.

36171. Station Reports.—The station reports were read and accepted with thanks.

36172. Standing Committee Reports.—The reports of the Standing Committees of the Mission were read, received, amended, and the recommendations adopted.

36173. Temporary Committee Reports.

Personal Reports . . . . Mrs. Blackstone and Miss DeJong
Station Reports . . . . Miss Davis and Mrs. Stringham.
Estimates . . . . Station Treasurers
Statistics . . . . Station Secretaries
Mission Meeting Minutes . . Mission Secretary and Clerks.

The reports of these committees were received.

36174. Greetings to Rev. and Mrs. Birkel.—Voted that the Mission Secretary write a letter to Rev. and Mrs. Birkel in Shanghai conveying our heartiest good wishes and greetings.
36175. **Vote of Thanks, Siangtan Station.**—The Mission wishes to express its deep appreciation and thanks for the generous hospitality and painstaking care of the Siangtan Station in entertaining the Mission during Mission Meeting.

36176. **Vote of Thanks, Officers.**—Voted to thank the Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary, and Clerks for the efficient way in which they discharged their official duties.

36177. **Vote of Thanks, Miss Frances Graham and Mrs. Kepler.**—Voted to thank Miss Frances Graham of the China Office, New York, and Mrs. Kepler of Siangtan Station for their helpful assistance in preparing for binding into the first volume all the unprinted minutes of the Hunan Mission.

36178. **Vote of Thanks, Retreat Committee.**—Voted to express our thanks to the Retreat Committee, whose prayerful care and preparation for the pre-mission meeting retreat and the devotions during Mission Meeting largely made possible the unusually high spiritual tone of this Mission Meeting.

36179. **Vote of Thanks, Miss Lilian Oliver.**—Voted to record our appreciation of the services Miss Lilian Oliver has rendered as teacher in Fuhsiang this past year. We would indeed welcome her continued services; but as other duties have called her back to the United States, we wish to assure her of our thanks for the splendid work she has done this year and heartiest good wishes in her new duties in the home-land.

36180. **Time and Place of Next Meeting.**—Voted to accept the invitation of the Changteh Station to hold our next meeting in Changteh, the Executive Committee to begin on April 23, 1937, the retreat and date of Mission Meeting to be settled at the Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting.
36181. **New Force List.—**

1. Hunan Evangelistic Man
2. Hunan Evangelistic Man
3. Hunan Evangelistic Man
5. Hunan Evangelistic Woman

36182. **New Property List.**

1. Fuhsiang Changsha Chapel . . . . $5,000
2. Chenchow House . . . . $7,000
3. Changteh Tuberculosis Ward . . . . $4,000

36183. **Statistics.**

**WHAT PROGRESS DURING THE LAST TEN YEARS?**

From 1926 to 1936 our missionary staff has been reduced 50% and Chinese staff 58%. The total number of communicant members has dropped 21%. But the number of ordained Chinese ministers has increased from three to six, organized churches from 10 to 18.

In 1926 we had no self-supporting churches; now we have five such churches. The number received on confession of faith increased from 236 in 1926 to 252 in 1936 and the number of infant baptisms from 38 to 51.

Evangelistic contributions per member increased from $2.10 to $2.50, and this increase during a time of economic depression. Christianity is better understood and heartily welcomed, and the Christian Church is better organized than ten years ago.

There is better understanding and cooperation between the Chinese Church and the Mission. In the face of Communist persecution and Nationalistic self sufficiency the Gospel Message is preached and lived and many are finding victory in Christ.
### HUNAN MISSION STATISTICS

#### Year Ending March 31st, 1936

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#### MISSIONARY FORCE:

- **Ordained Men** | 1 |
- **Unordained Men** | 0 |
- **Wives** | 1 |
- **Single Women** | 4 |
- **Affiliated Missionaries** | 0 |

#### NATIONAL FORCE:

- **Ordained** | 1 |
- **Unordained Workers Men** | 9 |
- **Other Workers** | 12 |
- **Total** | 22 |

#### CHURCH STATISTICS:

- **Organized Churches** | 2 |
- **Other Groups Believers** | 4 |
- **Churches Entirely Self Supporting** | 1 |
- **Added on Confession** | 515 |
- **Other Additions** | 1 |
- **Number of Catechumens** | 56 |
- **Children Baptised** | 5 |
- **Average Attendance at Principal Service** | 500 |
- **Average Attendance Sunday Schools** | 371 |

#### CONTRIBUTIONS:

- **Current Expenses** | $1,570 |
- **Property and Repairs** | $1,224 |
- **Other Purposes** | $373 |
- **Total Contributions** | $2,116 |

#### EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS:

- **Lower Schools** | 4 |
- **Lower Schools Boys** | 236 |
- **Lower Schools Girls** | 212 |
- **Total Students Station Schools** | 455 |
- **Field Income** | $10,791 |

#### MEDICAL STATISTICS:

- **Hospitals** | 1 |
- **In-patients** | 1,259 |
- **Dispensaries** | 15,854 |
- **Individual Patients, O. P. D.** | 32,770 |
- **Number of Treatments** | 23,010 |
- **Expenses** | $24,849 |
- **Field Income** | $17,283 |

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Transformed to the Likeness of Him
His Saving Grace? His Saving Power?
The Message of Life We Bring."

2 Cor. 5:20. "Now then we are Ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: We pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."