HUNAN MISSION, CHINA

(Protestant Church, U.S.A.)

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

1937.
OFFICERS.

Chairman: Miss C. T. Woods.
Vice-chairman: Mrs. G. T. Tootell.

STATION OFFICERS.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Chairman and Secretary. ... ... ... Rev. Paul Abbott D.D.
Alternate ... ... ... ... Miss M. M. Boone.
Member

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Changteh. Dr. G. T. Tootell. ... ... Miss M. M. Boone
Chenhsien Rev. W. T. Blackstone .. .. Mrs. G. L. Gelwicks.
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The Hunan mission would record its deep sorrow
and sense of keen loss in the Home-going of our friend
and co-worker, Rev. Charles Haskell Perry, who passed
away on Nov. 15th, 1936. But his going is but a promo-
tion to higher service where his radiant spirit will suffer
from no physical limitations. His kindly Christian
character, abounding charity, and unfailing optimism
endured him to us all. We will cherish his memory
with deep gratitude for his thirty-two years of service in
the Hunan mission. At this time we desire to express
our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Perry and to Ruth in
this sorrow and bereavement. May our Heavenly
Father speak comfort to your saddened hearts.
MINUTES OF THE
THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF
THE HUNAN MISSION.

Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Hunan Mission of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. met in Changteh, Hunan April 24-28:1937. Miss C. T. Woods was elected chairman and Mrs. G. T. Tootell Vice-chairman. Miss Boone and Dr. Frank Newman and Rev. E. J. Bannan were elected clerks. Saturday and Sunday were Retreat Days. The program is printed No. 3783.

The Retreat’s Theme was “Rejoice in the Lord,” and these were two days of Rejoicing. The scripture study was based on Paul’s letter to the Philippians, the devotions at the three days of the Mission Meetings continued this theme.

A hearty welcome was extended to Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Newman, who were present, having just completed their year of study in the Peiping School of Chinese Studies.

Mrs. J. A. Stringham was heartily welcomed as a voting member of the Mission.

Joanna Alice Stringham born September 30-1936 was added to the list of the children of the Mission.
Hunan Mission

(Voting V. Present P. Furlough F. Language L. Affiliated A)

The Roll Call of the Mission was as follows:

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<th>Name of Missionary</th>
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<td>Mrs. W. H. Lingle, Hon. R.</td>
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<td>Miss Ethel Davis, V. P. F.</td>
<td>Sept. 19, 1916</td>
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<td>Miss Helen Whitaker V. P.</td>
<td>Sept. 23, 1926</td>
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| Changdeh. |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Mrs. O. T. Logan A. | Sept. 1898 |                             |
| Rev. G. F. Jenkins Hon R. | Nov. 1, 1903 |                             |
| Mrs. G. F. Jenkins Hon R. | Nov. 1, 1903 |                             |
| Rev. E. J. Bannan V. P. F. | Nov. 1, 1908 | Aug. 26, 1930 |
| Mrs. E. J. Bannan V. P. F. | March 1917 | Aug. 26, 1930 |
| Dr. G. T. Tootel V. P. | Oct. 8, 1913 | March 22, 1934 |
| Mrs. G. T. Tootel V. P. | Oct. 8, 1913 | March 22, 1934 |
| Miss Nettie Dejong V. P. | Sept. 23, 1914 | Sept. 13, 1934 |
| Miss M. M. Boone V. P. | Sept. 17, 1917 | Sept. 1936 |
| Mrs. A. H. Birkel V. P. F. | Sept. 13, 1913 | Sept. 30, 1930 |

| Chensien. |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Mrs. G. L. Gelwicks, V. F. | Sept. 30, 1900 |                             |
| Mrs. C. H. Derr V. | Sept. 13, 1904 | Sept. 30, 1934 |
| Rev. W. T. Blackstone V. F. | Sept. 30, 1931 |                             |
| Mrs. W. T. Blackstone V. F. | Sept. 30, 1931 |                             |
| Dr. J. A. Stringham, V. P. F. L. | Sept. 30, 1933 |                             |
| Mrs. J. A. Stringham, V. P. L. | Sept. 30, 1933 |                             |

| Hengchow. |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Rev. D. E. Crabb Hon R. | Sept. 30, 1905 |                             |
| Mrs. D. E. Crabb. | Sept. 22, 1911 |                             |
| Miss L. Gernhardt V. P. | Sept. 30, 1913 | Sept. 1936 |
| Dr. R. A. Broady, V. F. | Sept. 30, 1932 |                             |
| Mrs. R. A. Broady, V. F. | Sept. 30, 1932 |                             |
| Rev. R. F. Kepler, V. F. | Sept. 15, 1930 |                             |
| Mrs. R. F. Kepler V. F. | Sept. 15, 1930 |                             |
| Miss B. J. Schopmeier, V. P. L. | Sept. 30, 1933 |                             |
| Dr. F. W. Newman P. L. | Feb. 28, 1936 |                             |
| Mrs. F. W. Newman P. L. | Feb. 28, 1936 |                             |

| Siangian. |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Dr. E. D. Vanderburgh Hon. R. | Oct. 1104 |                             |
| Mrs. E. D. Vanderburgh Hon. R. | Oct. 1894 |                             |
| Rev. T. W. Mitchell V. P. F. | Nov. 2, 1902 | Sept. 30. 1930 |
| Mrs. T. W. Mitchell V. F. | Sept. 3, 1903 | Sept. 30. 1930 |
| Miss C. T. Woods, V. P. | Mar. 12, 1910 | May. 8, 1932 |

Excuses for absence from attending Mission Meeting were received from Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Derr, and Dr. and Mrs. Broady.
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AD INTERIM ACTIONS OF HUNAN MISSION.

1936-1937

3701. Miss Bayless Health Leave.—Voted: That Miss Gertrude Bayless be permitted to antedate her departure for furlough, by six weeks, in order to permit a period of convalescence and Medical check up in Shanghai.

3702. Furlough, Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady.—Voted: that Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady be granted a twelve months furlough beginning July 1, 1937.

3703. Murray Memorial, Changsha — In view of the need of moving the Chen Chih and I Siang Primary School's assembly hall in Changsha, because of projected street widening, and in view of the splendid program of religious education in these schools, for which a more permanent building is needed:—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to permit the Changsha Station to move the Chen Chih and I Siang Primary schools assembly hall to a more permanent site, using the old materials in the new building.

2. Further to request the China Council and the Board to grant the capital funds from the Effie M. Murray annuity agreement U. S. $1000 to rebuild the Chen Chih and I Siang assembly hall. The new building to be called the Effie M. Murray Memorial Hall.

3704. Salary, Miss B. Schopmeier.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to pay the salary of Miss B. Schopmeier on the basis of the former manual provision, owing to the fact that she maintains a house-hold at her own personal expense.

3705. Chapel Repairs, Lin Wu Manse.—Voted: to pay ten dollars from the General Mission Expense fund Class V. to the Chenchow station for repairs on the Linwu manse.

3706. Substitute's Workers Request, Fusiang.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to grant one hundred twenty dollars per month from the Substitute Worker's Fund for one year beginning Sept. 1, 1936 toward the salary of Miss Marie Moore as a teacher of music in the Fusiang Girl's School, to fill the vacancy caused by the furlough of Miss Gertrude Bayless.

3707. Fusiang, English Teacher, S. W. F.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board, to grant from the
Substitute Worker’s Fund, C. $ 60 per month for the year beginning Sept. 1-1936 for the salary of a Chinese English teacher in the Fusiang Girl’s School.


3709. Chinese Pastor's Conference, Request.—Voted: to grant one hundred dollars from the General Mission Expense Account Class VII. for the travel expenses, for five Chinese Pastors to attend the Kuling Conference for Chinese Pastors from July 1-12-1936.

3710. Rent, Siangtan Residence # 1.—Voted; to permit the Siangtan Station to rent residence #1 51 All to the railroad engineers for fifty dollars per month. The proceeds of rent to revert to the General Mission Expense account Class V. for general repairs and property needs in the Mission.

3711. Changsha Station, Officers, Revised.—Since Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Clark are going on health leave of absence, Voted: to concur in the election of Changsha Station Officers as follows: Chairman Miss Ethel Davis; Secretary and Treasurer Miss Helen Whitaker, Property Committee Member Miss Ethel Davis.

3712. Architect, Mr. Creighton, Visit Hunan.—Since there is a C$ 24,000 building program proposed for South Hunan this year, Voted: to request Mr. Creighton of the Architect's Bureau, to prepare for the building of the Hengchow Hospital rebuilding, and Chenchow house building.

3713. Miss B. Schopmeier, Summer Language Study.—Voted: to permit Miss B. Schopmeier to attend the Peiping School of Chinese Studies, Summer School for five weeks, in order to get off some of her language credits and return to Hengchow Sept. 1-1936.

3714. Chenchow Request Help, Rockefeller Foundation,—Voted: to permit the Chenchow Hospital through Dr. J. A. Stringham, to request the Rockefeller Foundation, New York City for C$2400 to make a study of the malaria situation in and around Chenchow, to supply needed help and equipment and supplies to carry on for eighteen months or more.
3715. *Printing, Mission History.*—Voted: that three hundred copies of the Mission History be printed, and the expense charged to General Mission Expense Class VI.

3716. *Mission Survey Substitute for Rev. W. H. Clark.*—Since it is improbable that Dr. W. H. Clark will be able to serve on the Mission Survey Committee Voted: that Miss Whitaker act for Dr. Clark on the Mission Survey in Chenchow, Hengchow and Siangtan, and that Miss Woods take Dr. Clark's place in Changsha and Changteh Stations.

3717. *Cooperation, Siangtan Hospital, Hunan Kweichow R. R.*—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to permit the Siangtan Station to enter into an agreement with the Hunan-Kweichow R. R. authorities to use two wards of the Siangtan Presbyterian Men's Hospital, two rooms on the second floor of the administration building, the outside laundry, and the gate house of the men's Hospital. The annual rental to be C$500, to be paid monthly, and for one year only.

3718. *Rent Receipts, Siangtan Hospital*—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to permit the Siangtan Station to use the rent receipts from the Hunan-Kweichow R. R. of C$500 for the year, for necessary repairs on the Hospital plant.

3719. *Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting.*—Voted; To accept the invitation of the Siangtan Station to hold the Mid-year executive Meeting at the close of the Survey Committee's work, about Dec. 20-1936, and to request Dr. E. E. Walline the China Council Vice-chairman to remain in Hunan for the Meeting.

3720. *Salary Miss Lucinda Gernhardt.*—Voted; To request the China Council and the Board to pay the salary of Miss Lucinda Gernhardt on the basis of the former manual provision, owing to the fact that she maintains a household at her own personal expense.

3721. *M. M. Boone, Six Weeks, Tao Yuan.*—Voted: That Miss M. M. Boone be permitted to spend six weeks of November and December in Tao-yuan and the North Tao-yuan field.

3723. Mission Survey Time Changed.—In order to permit Dr. E. E. Walline to arrive home for Christmas, Voted: to begin the Hunan Mission Survey a week earlier than proposed. To go to Changteh November 24th and end at Siangtan on or about Dec. 12-1936, and the mid-year Executive Committee following the completion of the Survey.
MID-YEAR MEETING OF THE HUNAN MISSION EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE Dec. 16 1936. At Siangtan Hunan.

Members present; T. W. Mitchell chairman, Dr. G. T. Tootell, Changteh; Mrs. C. H. Derr, Chenhsien; Miss Ethel Davis, Changsha; Miss Lucinda Gernhardt, Hengchow; Miss C. T. Woods, Siangtan; Dr. E. E. Walline, Vice-chairman of the China Council. The opening devotional service was conducted by Dr. E. E. Walline. Miss C. T. Woods was elected minute clerk. The Ad Interim actions 3701-3723 were read and approved.

3724. Substitute Worker’s Fund, Peng Chi Min, Changsha.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant C$25 per month from the Substitute workers Fund, for the salary of Peng Chi Min, to do some of the student work that Dr. W. H. Clark had been doing. This grant to begin Feb. 1-1937.

3725. Changsha, Rebuilding Walls.—Voted: to request the Mission to grant C$141.70 from the General Mission Expense Class V. for building walls back of Chen Chih and I Siang schools Changsha.

3726. Changteh, street Widening.—Voted: To ask the Mission to grant C$250. from the General Mission Expense account Class V. to the Changteh Station for street widening back of Erbugai property.

3727. Changteh, Substitute Workers Fund.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant C$80 per month from the Substitute Worker’s Fund toward the salary of Dr. S. J. Chang, in the Changteh Hospital, salary to begin Jan. 1-1937.

3728. Chenhsien Substitute Worker’s Fund.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant C$100 per month, for the salary of Miss Ruth Derr for one year beginning Sept. 1-1937 for work in the Chenhsien Hospital.

3729. Mrs. C. H. Derr, Salary Adjustment.—Voted: to invite Mrs. C. H. Derr to remain in the Chenhsien Station, salary adjustment to be made by the China Council on the basis of a single woman’s salary living alone.

3730. Siangtan, Ichi Property, Rental.—Voted to permit the Station to rent the Ichi Property to the Hunan-Kweichow R. R. administration for two years as from March 15-1937 for fifteen hundred dollars per year. The use of the proceeds of rental to be subject to recommendation by the Mission at its annual Meeting.
ANNUAL MEETING

3731. Siangtan, Rent of Residence 35.—Voted to request the China Council to permit the Siangtan Station to rent house #5 (51C12) to the Hunan-Kweichow R. R. administration for one year as from March 15-1937 for C$540 and request the Council and the Board to apply the proceeds of rental to the General Mission Expense account in classes V. and VI.

3732. Chenhsien, New China School Reopening.—Voted, that the Mission will gladly consider any plans which the New-China School alumni and friends may present for the reopening of the Jr. Middle department of the New China School in Chenhsien.

3733. Centennial, Celebration, Shantung.—Voted: to give permission to any member of the Mission, who is able to go to the Board's Centennial and Shantung Mission's 75th anniversary celebration to represent the Hunan Mission on that occasion in Shantung.

3734. Mission. Board Centennial Celebration.—Voted; to request the Retreat Committee to make plans for the proper celebration of the Boards Centennial at the coming Mission Meeting.

3735.

3736. Hengchow, Transfer Evangelistic Missionary.—Voted; to request the China Council to transfer from another Mission an ordained missionary to supply the acute need in Hengchow for the year 1937-1938.

3737. Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Clark Return from Furlough.—Voted; on the basis of pre-furlough voting blanks that Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Clark return to the Mission after furlough.

3738. Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bannan, return from Furlough.—Voted: On the basis of Pre-furlough voting blanks that Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bannan return to the field after furlough.

3739. Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel, Return from Furlough.—On the basis of pre-furlough voting blanks Voted: that Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel return to the field after furlough.

3740. Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady, Return from Furlough.—On the basis of Pre-furlough voting blanks, Voted that Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady return to the field after furlough.

3741. Miss E. L. Davis Return from Furlough.—On the basis of Pre-furlough voting blanks Voted that Miss E. L. Davis return to the field after furlough.
3742. **Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Mitchell Return from Furlough.**—On the basis of Pre-furlough Voting Blanks Voted that Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Mitchell return to the field after furlough.

3743. **Dr. and Mrs. Frank Newman Assignment.**—Voted: that Dr. and Mrs. Frank Newman be assigned permanently to Hengchow.

3744. **Dr. and Mrs. Frank Newman Invitation Siangtan.**—Since Dr. and Mrs. Frank Newman will arrive in Hunan only a short time before Mission Meeting, and since the question of their going to Hengchow for the coming year must be settled at Mission Meeting. Voted; that Dr. and Mrs. Newman be invited to live in Siangtan until Mission Meeting.

3745. **Hengchow, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Ulmer Invitation**—Voted to request the Mission Secretary to communicate with the Evangelical Mission to request the loan of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Ulmer for one year, to supply the acute need in the Hengchow Hospital beginning if possible Jan. 1-1937 or if not Sept. 1-1937.

2. Voted further to request the China Council to make a grant from the Substitute Worker's Fund for the salary of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Ulmer.

3746. **Miss. M. M. Boone, Return Changteh.**—Voted: that Miss M. M. Boone return to Changteh in September 1937.

3747. **Miss M. M. Boone, Loan, Changsha.**—Voted: that the Mission request the Changteh Station to release Miss M. M. Boone for women's short term classes in Changsha, while Miss Ethel Davis is on furlough.

3748. **New Force Requests.**—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to send at once. (a) Three ordained men to fill the vacancies in the sadly depleted clerical force of the Mission. See Force List C. C. 1936. (b) One Doctor to fill the vacancy made by the non-return of Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Johnstone.

3749. **Retreat Committee.**—Voted: to appoint Rev. E. J. Bannan, Miss Nettie DeJong and Mrs. G. T. Tootell a committee to prepare the Pre-Mission Meeting Retreat program.

3750. **Survey Committee Report.**—The report of the survey committee was read and approved and the recommendations taken up seriatum and adopted. The Mission voted to print the survey in full.
In response to the request of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Hunan Mission, at its annual meeting in April, 1936, appointed a committee to survey all the existing work of the Mission, and make its report to the executive committee at its mid-year meeting. This committee consisted of members of each department of work with the Mission Secretary and the Vice-chairman of the China Council. A questionnaire covering every phase of our Mission activities was sent to each member of the Mission as a preliminary step towards securing material with which the committee could begin its work. The Committee visited each Station and the Tao Yuan Sub-Station, and interviewed (1) the members of the station, both individually and as a group, (2) all Chinese leaders in each department of work, (3) and others, who because of their relation in union institutions, or position on Boards of Directors, had something to contribute to the discussion of the questions under consideration.

The committee presents the following report, and makes the following recommendations, with the conviction that the adoption and carrying out of these recommendations will more definitely further the aim of building up a church which will be more conscious of its responsibility for aggressive evangelism, to care for the spiritual nourishment of its members, and to financial independence.

The Aim.

The Mission feels that all the varied forms of work contribute toward our aim of making Christ known in such a way that others will be led to him as their personal Saviour and Lord, and organize these believers into worship groups and organized churches, which shall be self sustaining from the beginning. Some of the work contributes directly to this, some of it indirectly, but whichever way it may be, men and women, boys and girls, are being brought into contact with Christ, with the hope and prayer that they may learn to know and accept Him. In the organized church the Mission is doing all it can to further arouse and help the members to a fuller realization of the meaning and purpose of the church. The con-
census of opinion in each center is that in the last eight years there has been a deeper sense of reality and earnestness on the part of the Christians, a growing sense that the church is "theirs"; and a slow but sure increase in self-support in the city churches, and the propagation of the Gospel.

**Administration.**

The general consensus of opinion in the Mission is that with our depleted force, there should be no change of administration, or further centralization of authority.

**Our Greatest Needs.**

Everywhere the answer has been the same—the need of a deeper spiritual life, of a fuller understanding of the meaning of Christianity and the Church. This need underlies all others, and if realized would go far toward the solution of the following:—(1) Personnel. In the missionary force we need three men at once to even begin to man the large country fields. We need at least one woman who can be preparing to take over work as all the single women in evangelistic work have had at least two furloughs, and younger women are needed to take over and carry on. Because Dr. R. H. Johnston is unable to return after furlough, a doctor is needed at once to take his place. In the Chinese force, better educated men are needed (a) to reach the youth of the cities through personal contact and student classes, and (b) for efficient oversight of country groups and churches, especially in the large districts of Hengyang and Chenhsien. (2) Funds. There are still large unoccupied areas of our field. We need to increase the efficiency of preaching bands both in personnel and the type of work called for.

**The Relation of Church and Mission.**

The church should increasingly assume responsibility for aggressive evangelism. In the struggle for self-support, this phase of the work is neglected, and it is here more than in any other place that the Mission can co-operate, both in personnel and funds, in giving opportunity through lay leaders' and Bible classes, to train and encourage all Christians in personal evangelism. The Project Board is the medium through which such co-operation may be carried out.
Project Plan.

The Project plan, as a joint administration of funds, by churches and Mission, used in evangelistic work, has been in operation for over two years. The survey committee suggests that each missionary give loyal support to the plan, and study it in order to better understand it, and to be of greater service to our Chinese co-workers, and help them to see that this is not merely another method of subsidy, but one of actual joint control.

The survey reveals that the plan has worked out in the cities in an advance in self-support, more independence in administration, a deeper realization that the Church is their own, and in a truer stewardship of prayer and evangelism. In general, the plan has worked for more and better evangelism in Preaching bands, lay leaders' and Bible classes, retreats, and inspirational conferences, a deeper sense of spiritual values, and on the material side, a sense of greater responsibility toward the rent and care of their chapels. Criticisms of the plan seem, upon examination, to come from a too strict application of it, rather than from the plan itself. There has been a lack of pastoral care in already existing groups, non-support, and a needless use of time in too detailed clerical work.

3751.

In view of the results of the survey, the committee would recommend,—

1. A more careful study of our present projects, and the manner in which each station is using the plan, with a view to simplification.
2. A more careful appraisal of the results of the projects.
3. Practical methods of improvement.
4. More pastoral care of weak country groups through pastoral projects.
5. Better trained leaders in the preaching bands.
6. Addition of rural social service projects.
7. A youth and student program.
8. Better training for lay leaders.
11. More personal work.
12. Uniform blanks for both plans and reports.
There are advantages which have accrued because of the cuts made in our appropriations. City churches have been driven to self-support and responsibility. Missionaries and Chinese alike have been lifted out of unconscious ruts, and have come to themselves, realizing as never before that the work does not depend, in the last analysis, on the gifts from the home church, but upon the power of God working in the hearts and wills of men. On the other hand, the cuts have made it almost impossible to advance into untouched areas, or to secure better trained men and women for aggressive evangelism. We have been unable to adequately man the staffs of Middle schools and hospitals, or properly equip our institutions.

The finance committee carefully surveyed our holdings in 1933 in a way which has been satisfactory, but the time has come when we need an increase in funds. To this end, we recommend that the Mission ask the Board to use part of its Centennial funds in the following way:

1. A continuation of the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for a period of from 5-10 years, this to take precedence over property requests.

2. To more adequately reach untouched areas-
   - Chenhsien Class VII, Col C $1500.00 for 5 years.
   - Hengyang " " " " " " 500.00 " " " " " "
   - Siangtan " " " " " " 600.00 " " " " " "
   - Changteh " " " " " " 600.00 " " " " " "

3. To secure better trained men and women-
   - Class VII, Col C $1500.00

4. To adequately man and equip our one Jr. Middle School. Class VIII, Col C $2000.00 for 5 years.

5. To secure trained doctors for our hospitals-
   - Class IX, Col C $3600.00 for 5 years.

The survey committee recommends that the Board use "The Historical Sketch of the Hunan Mission", for a better understanding of the conditions in our area.

The survey committee recommends that opportunity should be made to promote co-operatives and rural social
service in our rural preaching bands, and to cooperate with any government or private organization working to this end.

3755. **Property.**

The property of the Mission is in fairly good repair, and, for ordinary purposes the funds are sufficient. It is when a larger outlay for extensive repairs is needed that the funds fall short.

The survey committee recommends.

1. **Equities-**
   a. When the amount of Chinese equities in the Hengyang church is known that a complete record be made, including the liquidation of Chinese equities in the hospital, and be reported to the Mission.
   b. That the Chinese equities in Chen-chih, Isiang, and Fuhsiang schools, Changsha, be clearly defined and put on record, and be reported to our next Mission meeting.

3756. 2. Contracts for renting property shall be written, and should carry a time limit.

3757. 3. **Sale of properties.**

Hengyang, Siangtan, Chenhsien, and Changteh have property which should be sold, as follows:

1. The house at Tao-yuen--Hu. 3687.
2. Two small pieces at Taoyuen (bath house and hospital shop)
3. Rice fields at Changteh--Hu3431-3432.
5. House #6, and the land on which the old church stood, Siangtan-Hu.3440.
7. House #1, Siangtan.
8. The policy of selling Selü school property is sound, (Hu.3691) but until opportunity presents itself for such sale, to rent one year at a time.
9. Yao-wan chapel, Siangtan, (Hu.3693.)
11. Hengyang country chapels—Hu.3897.

12. Chenhsien unused property—but wait until the government's program for road-widening is carried out.

13. That, in view of the growth westward in Chenhsien city, the West Gate property be retained for an evangelistic center.

14. That, in view of the fact that there has been no sale of the property at I Gia-wan, Siangtan (Hu—2948), we approve the present action of the station, of a 5 year lease to the Christian group for worship services, with the understanding that they keep up the repairs on the building.

15. That, in case the Normal School in Chenhsien wishes to buy house #5 plot of land, the station enter into negotiations with the authorities of the school, with a view to selling,


Education.

There is general feeling in all of our stations, that the Mission schools still have a very definite contribution to make in the new set-up of China's educational system. Parents are eager that their children be educated in schools where Christian influences are predominant in the management and control, and where there is a high moral standard.

The purpose of all our Mission schools is to carry out the aims of the national government, and develop the highest type of Christian manhood and womanhood for the future homes of China.

In the light of its findings, the survey committee makes the following recommendations:

3758. General.

1. That all schools should be more definitely Christian and evangelistic in tone and purpose, and become greater feeders to our churches.

2. That since our schools are able to continue religious education, practically unhampered in any way, the Mission ought to make its relation to them as close as possible, and give them hearty support.
3. That we re-emphasize what the China Council and the Board have said, that unless our schools can secure a Christian faculty, and carry out the Christian aim, they have little reason for existence, and should be closed.

4. That the schools and the churches should realize their mutual responsibility in Christian service.

5. That the Mission provide for regular inspection of all our schools to see to what extent they are carrying out the aims.

6. That the Tao-yuen hospital property be used as a religious center, primarily for work among students.

7. That, since most of the dormitory space in Hengyang Hweiwen, Girls' Primary school is not now in use, the station consider plans whereby these rooms may be used as a hostel for girls in Middle schools.

8. That it is not feasible at the present time to change the policy in our middle schools to limit the number of outside students to 25% of the total enrollment, because of the lack of necessary funds.

9. That the enrollments in Fuh-siang and Chen-chih, and Isiang should be smaller and more selective.

10. That the Tao-yuen orphanage be continued under the care of the station, which shall appoint a Board of Directors of seven members.

3759. Kindergartens.

1. That kindergartens under the control of local church sessions be continued and improved.

2. There is reason to believe that an application to the government for permission to re-open the Kindergarten Teacher Training Department at Fuh-siang would be given favorable consideration. However, because of lack of funds, teacher, and building, the survey committee is not ready to make any definite recommendations to the Mission regarding it, but would leave the question open for the future consideration of the Board of Directors.

3760. Primary Schools.

1. That all full-time teachers in our primary schools should be Christian.

2. That all Primary schools should have Boards of Directors, under the sessions of the local church, or Pres-
byteries, that all members of the Boards should be Christian, and that each Board should have and follow a properly drafted constitution.

3. The survey committee recognizes that several primary schools need a larger budget, but with the present financial stringency, does not feel that it should make any recommendations to the Mission for a larger grant. (The finance committee, in 1933, reduced the grant of C$900.00 to $720.)

4. That Chen-chih Boys’ Primary School and I-siang Girls’ Primary School, in Changsha be united, and that investigation be made of the possibilities of co-education, with one faculty and one management.

3761. Middle Schools.

1. That all teachers in residence, and in administrative positions in our Middle schools, should be Christian, and that every effort be made to secure Christian full-time teachers.

2. That the Mission continue its co-operation in Yali Middle School for another period of three years, with a grant of C$1500.00 annually.

3. That the Mission needs a Christian Middle School for boys, and that Kwangteh School in Hengyang, be continued, Since there is a lack of funds for running expenses, the Mission should look very carefully into the possibilities of finding such funds, and bring the question to the attention of the Board of Directors. (This recommendation is made on the basis of the Mission policy of 1929. All Junior Middle Schools were closed during the political disturbances of 1926-7, and the Mission decided that if and when the need arose, we would reopen one school for girls and one for boys.)

4. That boys who have special scholastic ability, and who show promise of being college material, be sent to Yali Junior Middle School.

5. The survey committee recognizes the need back of the request of the Changteh station that the Junior Middle School for girls be reopened, but with present lack of funds in the Mission, it makes no recommendation concerning it.

3763. Medical.

The aim of our medical work is to make Christ known to others by our attitude toward the sick, and the methods used to combat suffering, and relieve disease. The present unusual opportunities for the initiation of baby clinic centers, for rural
and travelling dispensaries, as well as follow-up work in our hospitals by Christians, will greatly help strengthen our evangelistic program. Medical Missions is still a field for Christian endeavor, not only in its primary phases, but also in the prevention of disease, and in the training of those who will carry on this service in the spirit of Christ.

The survey committee was impressed with the amount of activity going on under unusual handicaps,—shortage of force and funds, and hopes these conditions are of a temporary nature. In all the stations, cordial relations exist between the hospitals and the official and gentry classes. A changing or unstable staff will not help forward such relationships.

Hospital Registration.

The question of registering our hospitals with the government was taken up with the provincial authorities last year. No rules or regulations have as yet been promulgated but the provincial director of public health informed the committee that application blanks will be sent to each hospital as soon as they are prepared. CC36402.

Nurses' Training Schools.

The survey committee recommends that the present policy of one training school for nurses in the Mission be maintained. This school should eventually be conducted at Hengyang, as this city is likely to become the second largest in the province, and a strategic center. However, because of building operations and insufficient staff, the committee recommends that the training school remain in Changteh, and continue its work there. If, when the time comes to change the school, it is felt to be wise to continue the Changteh class, the question be taken up on its own merits.

3764. Registration of Nurses' Training Schools.

The survey committee recommends that wherever possible, nurses' training schools should register with the government. See CC36399.

3765. Hospital Boards of Directors.

The survey committee recommends that each of our hospitals organize advisory boards of directors, taking care to invite only those who are in sympathy with Christian principles, and to have the majority of the members Christian. A strong Board will bring together all the influential groups of the city,
to co-operate on questions relating to the public health problems of the community.

Public Health.

The survey committee was interested in the answers given in regard to public health instruction, and its place in our medical program. It recommends that wherever possible in 1937, pre-natal and baby clinics, social service programs, and travelling or rural clinics, be started. A graduate nurse with a mid-wife certificate, and a Bible woman are necessary parts of such a program.

Co-operation Between Church and Hospital.

The survey reveals the fact that there is not much real co-operation between the church and the hospital in any of our stations, and urges that steps be taken to create such co-operation. The committee makes the following recommendations.

1. That the hospital group should help the church in Sunday School work, in the choir, and in the usual church services.
2. That the church members should more actively engage in hospital visitation, and follow-up work, and assist those, who, on leaving the hospital, may be in need of material aid.
3. That a Bible-woman, suitable as matron, should be secured for oversight of nurses’ dormitories.

Follow-Up Work.

The follow-up work in our hospitals has been more of a theory than a fact, and the committee urges that it receive more emphasis in our future program. A committee, made up of members of the hospital evangelistic staff, and active church members, should be appointed for this work, and arrange to care for the ex-patients.

Re-Duplication of Work.

Drug shops, using modern medicine, have come into existence in the past few years, but outside of undermining our potential income from registration and medical fees to some extent, they cannot be considered to be competitors as they are unable to enter the field of diagnosis and treatment on any scientific scale. The committee, however, would urge
our hospital staffs to explain to patients the reasons for modern laboratories, X-ray, and other special diagnostic measures. Only in this way can we hope to successfully combat the hypo menace, and educate people to realize that each disease needs its own diagnosis.

Co-operation with the Government.

The survey reveals the fact that there is a certain amount of co-operation between our hospitals, and government agencies. Shortage of staff has hindered any larger co-operation in some of the places, but our hospitals have been used as treatment centers for infectious diseases, receiving wards for opium addicts, vaccination clinics, and physical examinations for recruits for the army reserve corps, and for school children. In Changteh the local officials aided the hospital Board of Directors in collecting subscriptions to make up the deficit in the hospital budget.

Hospital Evangelistic Work.

The survey committee recommends that hospitals retain evangelists both men and women, for work in the hospitals, and urge that the Christian staff supplement these workers, thus co-operating in the healing of souls as well as bodies.

3767. S.W.F. Doctors.

The survey reveals that three of our hospitals are receiving help from the S.W.F. for the salaries of Chinese doctors. The committee believes these subsidies should be permanent, and recommends that they be added to Class Col. C of the estimates. The total amount needed is C$3,600.00.

Needs as Revealed by the Survey.

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3768. **Dr. R. H. Johnston, Successor.**

Word has just come from the United States that there is little hope of Dr. R. H. Johnston's return to China as anticipated. The survey committee therefore recommends that a foreign physician be placed high on the CC Force list.

3769. **Mission Study Survey.**

The adoption of the above recommendations of the Survey Committee was made in order to cover actions that need the immediate attention of the China Council and the Board. Each member of the Mission is urged to study the survey report carefully before the annual Mission Meeting.

3770. **Time and Place of Mission Meeting.**

Voted: That the Executive Committee meet in Changteh April 22-23. The Retreat. April 24-25, and that the business sessions of the Mission meeting begin April 26th.

3771. **Dr. E. E. Walline, Vote of Thanks.**

Voted: To thank Dr. E. E. Walline, Vice-chairman of the China Council for his visit to Hunan in connection with the work of the Mission Survey Committee, for his wise counsel, during all the deliberations of the Survey and Executive Committee of the Mission.

3772. **Siangtan, Vote of Thanks.**

Voted: To thank the Siangtan Station for its kind hospitality during the meetings of the Survey and Executive Committees.

3773. **Survey Committee, Vote of Thanks.**

Voted: To thank the Survey Committee for its careful study of the present conditions of the Mission and its careful report and recommendations on the situation as they found it.

3774. **Furlough Study Allowance, Dr. & Mrs. R. A. Broady.**

Voted: That furlough study allowances be requested from the Board for Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady during their furlough.

3775. **Street Widening, Request, Chenhsien Station.**

Since the government is widening the street between the two compounds in the Chenhsien Station, requiring the tearing down of nine hundred feet of walls, and rebuilding walls,
and gate houses of the Boys school and the hospital, as well as the tower of the church:

Voted: To request the China Council to grant one thousand dollars from the Council’s Street Widening Fund to cover the expenses of rebuilding walls and gate houses and Church tower caused by street widening in the Chenhsien Station.

3776. Hengchow House #5 Sale of.

Voted: To grant permission to sell house #5 in the Hengchow Station 52A13 for a price agreeable to both parties, the proceeds to revert to the Board.

3777. Chenhsien House Plot #5 Sale of.

Voted: To request the Council and the Board to grant permission to the Chenhsien Station to sell house plot #5 for a reasonable price, the proceeds to revert to the Board.

3778. Siangtan, Garden Plot sale of.

Voted: To request the China Council and the Board to permit the Siangtan Station to sell the Garden Plot behind the Chinese pastors and doctors residences in the Siangtan Station for C$230, after fees are deducted the balance to revert to the Board.

3779. Siangtan, Road Widening Request.

A new road is being built behind the Siangtan Boys School, and a request for help has come from the City.

Voted: To grant permission to the Siangtan Station to draw Thirty dollars from the General Mission Expense Class V. account for road building behind the Boys School compound in the Siangtan Station.

3780. Changteh, House #5 Rent of.

Voted: To request the China Council and the Board to permit the Changteh Station to rent House #5 to two Christian Chinese families connected with the Butterfield Swire S.S. Co. for thirty dollars per month.

3781. Changteh House #5 Rental Proceeds.

Since the following repairs are needed on House #5 in the Changteh station before it can be occupied:

(a) Repair of private road between compound and the dyke.
(b) The Gate between the House and Ideh Girls school must be closed.
(c) Special interior repairs and painting.
Voted: To request the Council and the Board to permit the Changteh Station to make necessary repairs from the proceeds of rental of House #5, and the remainder of the rental to revert to the General Mission Expense Class V. for general repairs and property needs in the Mission.

3782. **Changteh Street Widening Request.**

On account of the prevalence of floods in the Changteh Station, there is need of reinforced walls in the rebuilding caused by street widening on the Erbugai compound. C$200 has already been granted from the General Mission Class V. Funds but C$250 more is needed.

Voted: To request the China Council and the Board to permit the Changteh Station to draw C$250 making a total of C$450 from the General Mission Expense Funds Class V. for street widening on the Erbugai compound.

3783. **Mission Retreat Program.**

Voted: To accept the report of the Retreat Committee and the pre-Mission meeting Retreat program be as follows:

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**HUNAN MISSION**

**Annual Mission Meeting Retreat at Changteh 1937.**

**Theme**

"REJOICE IN THE LORD."

**Saturday, April 24th.**

9:00 to 9:45 A.M. Bible Study. "Rejoicing in Prayer. Phil. 1:3-11.

Leader, Miss H. E. Whitaker.

9:45 to 10:30 A.M. Discussion of Problems in Evangelistic Work.

Leader, Rev. T. W. Mitchell, D.D.

10:30 to 11:00 A.M. Recess.

11:00 to 12:00 Noon. Intercession for the needs of Home Church, the Board, and the Mission. "My God shall supply every need of yours. "Phil. 4:19. (Moffatt's translation.)
Leader, Mrs. C. H. Derr.
3:00 to 4:00 P.M. Bible Study. "Rejoicing in a Personal Experience" "the supreme value of knowing Christ." Phil. 3:1-16. (Moffatt's Translation.)
Leader, Mrs. J. A. Stringham.

4:00 to 5:00 P.M. Recess.
5:00 to 5:45 P.M. Discussion of Educational Problems.
   Leader, Mrs. T. W. Mitchell.
5:45 to 6:30 P.M. Discussion of Medical Problems.
   Leader, Dr. G. T. Tootell,
7:45 to 8:30 P.M. Song Service in charge of Dr. R. A. Broady and Miss B. J. Schopmeier.

Sunday, April 25th.
8:45 to 9:15 A.M. Praise Service. "That your rejoicing may be more abundant in Christ Jesus." Phil. 1:26.
   Leader, Miss C. T. Woods.
10:30 to 11:30 A.M. Church Service. Preacher, Rev. T. W. Mitchell, D.D.
4:30 to 5:00 P.M. Memorial Service for Rev. C. H. Derr. "With Christ—far better." Phil. 1:23.
   Leader, Miss M. M. Boone.
7:30 to 8:10 P.M. Consecration Service. "To me to live is Christ." Phil. 1:21.
   Leader, Dr. J. A. Stringham.
8:15 to 8:45 P.M. Communion Service. "Obedient unto Death." Phil. 2:8.
   Leader, Rev. E. J. Bannan.

Monday, April 26th.
8:30 to 8:55 A.M. Prayer for Evangelistic Workers,—"my brother, my fellow worker, and fellow soldier." Phil. 2:25. (A. R. Version.)
   Leader, Miss L. Gernhardt.
9:00 to 10:15 A.M. Business Session.
   Leader, Mrs. F. W. Newman.
Tuesday, April 27th.

8:30 to 8:55 A.M. Prayer for Educational Workers and Students. "That I may know Him." Phil. 3:10.
   Leader, Miss E. L. Davis.

9:00 to 10:15. Business Session.

   Leader, Miss N. R. De Jong.

Wednesday, April 28th.

8:30 to 8:55 A.M. Prayer for all in Medical Work. "Make your requests known" Phil 4:6 and 13. (Moffatts’ Translation.)
   Leader, Dr. E. W. Newman.

9:00 to 10:15 Business Session.

   Leader, Mrs. G. T. Tootell.

Force and Furloughs.

3784. Assignment Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Newman,—Voted that Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Newman be assigned to Hengchow, Hu. 3744

3785. Mission Executive Secretary, Invitation to Dr. and Mrs Paul Abbott.—Voted: to extend a hearty invitation to Dr. and Mrs. Paul Abbott to come to the Hunan Mission to fill the position of Executive Secretary for the year beginning June 1937. The Hunan Mission urgently requests the Shantung Mission to release Dr. and Mrs. Abbott, in face of the great need of the Hunan Mission.

3786. Assignment, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Abbott.—Voted: that, in case Dr. and Mrs. Paul Abbott are released by the Shantung Mission, they be assigned to the Siangtan Station.

3787. Assignment, Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Kepler.—Voted: that Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Kepler be assigned to Hengchow after their return from furlough owing to the urgent need in that Station for evangelistic workers.

3788. Re-appointment, Rev. S. C. McKee.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to reappoint Rev. S. C. McKee to the Hunan Mission for evangelistic work.
3789 Assignment, Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel, After Furlough.—Voted: that Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Birkel be assigned to Changteh station for Evangelistic work after their return from furlough.

3790. Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady, Furlough Antedated.—Voted: that Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady be permitted to antedate their furlough sailing time, for health reasons and that Mrs. Broady and Bobby be permitted to proceed to Hongkong at once for medical attention in the Matilda Hospital.

3791. Siangtan, Request Foreign Nurse.—Voted: to request the China Council to find an experienced nurse to act as Superintendent of the Siangtan Hospital for one year beginning Sept. 1-1937.

3792. Shantung Celebration, C. T. Woods, Delegate.—Voted: That Miss C. T. Woods be appointed a delegate from the Hunan Mission to attend the Shantung Mission's celebration of the Board's Centennial and of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Shantung Mission, and that Miss Woods be instructed to present the Hunan Mission's urgent need for an executive Secretary.

3793. Hengchow Medical Work, Dr. G. T. Tootell Advisory Superintendent.—Voted: To request Dr. G. T. Tootell to act as advisory Superintendent of the Hengyang Medical work during the year 1937-1938. This will necessitate Dr. Tootell being absent from Changteh during part of May and in the Autumn of 1937, and the Spring of 1938. Dr. Tootell's expenses to be paid out of General Mission Class VI.

3794. Furlough, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Stringham.—Voted: That a regular furlough be requested for Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Stringham beginning July 1-1938.

3795. Furlough, Miss B. E. Schopmeier.—Voted: That a regular furlough be requested for Miss B. F. Schopmeier beginning July 1-1938.

3796. Furlough, Miss C. T. Woods.—Voted: That a regular furlough be requested for Miss C. T. Woods beginning July 1, 1938.

3797. Furlough, Miss Helen Whitaker.—Voted: That a regular furlough be requested for Miss Helen Whitaker beginning July 1, 1938.

3798. Furlough Study, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Stringham.—Voted: That Furlough study Allowance be requested for Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Stringham.
3799. **Furlough Study, Miss B. F. Schopmeier.**—Voted: That furlough study allowance be requested for Miss B. F. Schopmeier.

37100. **Furlough Study, Miss C. T. Woods.**—Voted: That furlough study allowance be requested for Miss C. T. Woods.

37101. **Furlough Study Allowance Miss Helen Whitaker.**—Voted: That furlough study allowance be requested for Miss Helen Whitaker.

**Finance and Property.**

37102. **Unused Balance, Changteh Street Widening.**—Voted: That the unused balance of $156.06 granted from the General Mission Expense Fund for Street widening in Changteh be retained for its original use, when the City plans for street widening have been completed.

37103. **Unused Balance, Changteh, Evangelistic Expansion Fund.**—Voted: That the Changteh Station be permitted to retain the unused balance of $82 from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund for use in the Tao Yuan country field for lay workers classes.

37104. **Mission Travel Agent Changsha.**—Voted: To grant $100 from the Mission General Expense account Class VI. toward the wages of travel agent Liu for services rendered to the whole Mission.

37105. **Hengyang Hospital Request.**—Voted: To pay from General Mission Expense Fund class V. the sum of $270 toward the cost of heavy beams to support a second story if and when a second story is added to the Hospital Building Hengchow.

37106. **Siangtan Repairs Request.**—Voted: to accede to the request of the Siangtan Station for a grant of $300 from Mission General Class V. for repairs on buildings rented to the railroad (Note, the source of this money is from rent of Siangtan buildings.)

37107. **Siangtan Repairs, Yaowan Chapel Request.**—Voted: to grant $100 from the Mission General Class V for necessary repairs on the Yaowan chapel Siangtan Station, in case the property cannot be immediately sold.

37108. **Chenhsien, Country Work Gift Mr. Li Jui.**—The Mission records with pleasure the gift of $800 from Mr. Li
Jui annually for five years, the money to be used in neglected areas in the Chenhsien country field under the direction of the Chenhsien Project Board.

Voted: That a letter of thanks be written to Mr. Li Jui and sent through Mr. Gwoh Chung I, it is the hope of the Mission that Mr. Li's gift will stimulate the making of other gifts for similar purposes.

37109. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Hengchow & Changteh.—Voted: To request the China Council to grant the following amounts from the Evangelistic Expansion Funds in the Hengyang and Changteh stations.

1. Hengyang Lay Classes and Conferences. C$200.00
2. Changteh, Religious Education women. 240.00
3. Siangtan Lay Classes and Conferences. 160.00

Total $600.00

37111. Chenhsien, Rental Ichang property.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to permit the Chenhsien Station to rent a part of the Ichang chapel building to the Hunan Health Administration for $60 per year, the rent to be applied on much needed repairs.

37112. Evangelism Magazine, Literature Fund Request.—Voted: To request the China Council to grant $600 from the Literature Fund to aid the Monthly Magazine Evangelism for the year 1937-1938.

37113. South Hunan, purchase Automobile, Request.—Voted: To request the China Council for permission to sell the Mission Motorcycle now in the Chenhsien Station, and to release the amount held by the Council for the purchase of a car to be used especially for country clinics and evangelistic itineration in South Hunan.

37114. Siangtan Transfer of Funds.—Voted: to request the Council to permit the Siangtan Station to transfer $150 from Class VIII kindergarten to class VII for Woman's classes and evangelistic work in lieu of requesting the same amount from the Evangelistic Expansion Fund. Hu. 3671 C.C. 34155.

37115. General Mission Expense Class VII Funds.—Voted: To request the Council to permit the Mission to use balances from Mission General Class VII for the following purposes:
1. Changteh for Evangelistic work in the North Taoyuan field. $300

2. Siangtan, Religious education Director Miss Li. 240

This leaves a balance sufficient to cover emergency expenditures.

Hu. 3670 C. C. 35146.

37116. Thanks, China Council and Nanking.—Voted: to thank the China Council and the Nanking Theological Seminary for the generous grant of $150 this year and the promise of a permanent grant of $300 to Class VII Mission General for Evangelistic work in the Hunan Mission.

C. C. 37151.

37117. Chenhsien House Request Tear Down.—Voted: to permit the Chenhsien station to tear down the residence now occupied by Mrs. C. H. Derr, since it has been declared unsafe because of its proximity to the railroad tracks. If the Architects Bureau considers the first story safe for occupancy, that it be roofed and used for the housing of the industrial school, the cost of tearing down and reroofing to be taken from the balance on hand in the fund for rebuilding of walls made necessary by railroad construction.

37118. Substitute Workers Fund, Chenhsien Doctor.—Voted: To request the China Council to renew the grant of $1000 with an addition of $200 making a total of $1200 from the Substitute Worker's Fund for the salary of Dr. Fu Hsiao Kung of Chenhsien, for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1937.

Hu. 3675 C. C. 36249.

37119. Substitute Worker's Fund, Hengyang Pastor.—Voted: To request the China Council to make a grant of $660 from the Substitute Worker's Fund toward the salary of Rev. Wang Tai Yang of Hengyang for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1937. It is understood that the extra $180 needed for his time shall be given to extension work under the direction of the Project Board.

Hu. C. C. 36247 & 36292.

37120. Substitute Worker's Fund Hengyang Doctor.—Voted: To request the China Council to grant the sum of $1200 from the Substitute Worker's Fund for the salary of Dr. C. H. Chu of Hengyang for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1937.

Hu. 3673 C. C. 35377.

37121. Substitute Worker's Fund Changteh Hospital.—Voted: To request the China Council to renew the grant of $80
per month toward the salary of Dr. S. J. Chang from the Substitute Worker's Fund for the year beginning Jan, 1, 1938.
Hu. 3635. C. C. 3649.

37122. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Hengyang.—Voted to request the China Council to grant from Evangelistic Expansion Fund the sum of $300 toward the salary of Mr. Chen Heng for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1937. Mr. Chen is Secty. of the Band work in the Hengyang country field. Hu. 3668. C. C.

37123. Literature Fund, Requests.—Voted: to request the China Council to grant from the Literature Fund the following items:

1. Changteh .. .. .. 50.00
2. Chenhsien .. .. 75.00
3. Hengyang .. .. 75.00
4. Siangtan .. .. 75.00

Total C$275.00
Hu. 3681,2.3.

37124. Evangelistic Center, Chenhsien.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to grant from the Centennial Fund the sum of C$ 4500 for the building and equipment of an evangelistic center and Conference hall in Chenhsien.

37125. Chenhsien Station Electric Wiring.—Voted: to request the China Council and the Board to grant from the Centennial Fund $1200 for the electric wiring of the Chenhsien buildings.

37126. Servants Quarters, Chenchow Duplex.—Voted: to grant from the general Mission account Class V. (Siangtan rent) $600 for the erection of servants quarters on Chenhsien Duplex residence. These are urgently needed.

37127. Evangelism, Special Hunan.—Voted to grant from General Mission Expense Class VII an amount not exceeding $500.00 toward the expenses of inviting special evangelists in the Mission during the Spring of 1938.

37128. Tao Yuan Hospital Building.—The Mission received representatives of the Tao Yuan Session who requested in the name of the session that the Mission turn over the Hospital building to the session and that the session take responsibility for running the hospital.
Voted: That the Mission cannot turn over the building to the Tao Yuan Session, but is willing to rent to Dr. K. H. Kung, one year at a time, the rental to be used in the repairs and upkeep of the property under the supervision of the Changteh Station property committee.

37129. *Fuh Siang New Building Needed.*—Voted: To permit the Fuh Siang Board of Directors to draw up plans and solicit funds to build a dining hall, Auditorium and chapel, and that the $5000 asked for by the Mission from the Board be included in this $30,000 program.


37132. *Nominations, China Council, Officer.*—Voted: That the nominations for the China Council officer be as follows.

Miss Margaret Frame.
Miss M. M. Moninger.
Miss Anne Moffet.


*Estimates 1937-1938.*

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Audited and found correct.

B. M. MITCHELL.
C. T. Woods.

37134. Mission Audits.
The stations report all books audited and found correct.

37135. Evangelistic Committee’s Report.

*Then and Now. (1927-1937)*

“When our faith in God ebbs, our faith in man ebbs too, and nothing is more needed for the restoration of the world’s health and strength than the flowing tide of a returning faith that the Lord Omnipotent reigneth.”

These words are quoted from the report of the British and Foreign Bible Society for the year 1936. They were recalled in glancing over the report of this committee as presented at the Annual Mission Meeting which was held in Shanghai from April 18 to 21, just ten years ago. At that time Hunan was “engulfed by the crudest and most destructive form of atheistic communism.” The missionaries had
all been evacuated. Anti-Christian agitation was vehement. Most of the Mission buildings were occupied by soldiers, labor unions, or other radical organizations, and Christians everywhere throughout the Province were enduring suffering and loss at the hands of violent and ungodly men. Yet the note of faith may be discerned in that report indicating "the flowing tide of a returning faith" on the part of both the missionary and Chinese Christian. It is significant that the last word of that report consists of a text on the cover page, "For we walk by faith not by sight."

Ten years have passed since the report was presented. Of the 33 members present at that meeting only eight maintain their connection with the Hunan Mission. During those years the Church in Hunan has passed through many vicissitudes. Missionary personnel has decreased by 55% and national workers by approximately 50%. The tribulations endured have led to the sifting out of many undesirables from the ranks of Church membership,—the number dropping from 3380 to roughly 2800. Distressing figures those for the men and women who "walk by sight" or whose ideas of progress within the Church depend upon mathematical tables. May it not be true that the Church in its concern with the number rather than with the quality of her saints has missed the way? Perhaps she would have been more effective had she thought less of the multitudes and more of the deeper life of those who are within. For, after all, the main function of the Church is not to gather a crowd or to produce large flourishing financial statements as proof of progress, but to bring the lost and the straying to Christ and to build up the believers in their most holy Faith. Progress has only come and victories won through those on whom Christ has written His message deeply. It was so in the days of the early Church. "The new Faith spread like wild fire because the fire of love was at the heart of it. Great as was the genius of St. Paul and wonderful as was the work of other first century missionaries the explanation of the advancement of Christianity does not lie solely with them. Everyone who received Christ as Lord and Savior became a missionary of the Faith. The Good News spread from lip to lip. One loving heart set another on fire and so Christianity swept across the civilized world of that day as a tide that could not be resisted."

It is a recognition of these facts that has led us as a Mission within recent years to devote ourselves to the intensive culture of those within the Church. We believe that
before progress can come there must be a real understanding on the part of the members of the implications of the Christian life and message—that the Master has called us not only to eternal salvation but to holiness of life and service for Him here and now. To this end we humbly labor and strive.

The record of the past year's work indicates the methods used to attain this end. Through the medium of Short Term Classes for men and women, classes in hospitals, city and country churches; Sunday Schools, summer and winter schools, daily vacation Bible Schools, the Bible has been taught, and never before have the truths of the Book of Books been so deeply appreciated. In this connection Dr. Karl Barth's words have had abundant confirmation. This great theologian has said, "We live in a sick old world which cries from its very soul out of deepest need; Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed. In all men, whoever and however they may be, there is a longing for exactly this which is here within the Bible."

And this method of intensive culture is producing excellent results. Many of these simple believers have learned "to walk humbly with their God," and in the midst of a vicious environment are living lives which put to shame many more highly favored Christians in Western lands. There is also evident an increasing sense of responsibility with regard to those that are without the Church. In each of our stations may be found Christians who are glad to give of their time to the work of the Church. Some according to their ability are seeking to keep together small groups of Christians in country districts who but for them might, in the absence of the trained preacher, be lost to the Church. One young woman in the Chenchow district has opened a Kindergarten in her village and in the evening holds reading and singing classes for boys and girls. Her brother also feels some responsibility for the work of the Church in his village and has given $100 towards the erection of a chapel gate-house. He also plans to pay the expenses of a young man graduate of one of our Mission Junior Middle Schools while attending Bible School so that he may return to his native village to preach. These are but isolated instances gathered from station reports. Another Christian gentleman, residing in Hankow, and who is not a member of our Church, has generously offered to subscribe the sum of $800 yearly for a period of five years in order to make it possible to evangelize
a long-neglected country field which suffered from Communist occupation and influence.

With an increasing sense of the responsibility for the spiritual welfare of others has come a desire to provide better places of worship. At least two small groups of country Christians volunteered to subscribe sufficient during the year to erect their own places of worship and other groups are planning to do likewise. Self-support (by which we mean support of pastor, gate-keeper, and general running expenses) has been attained in three of our Churches. A few others are in a measure self-supporting or moving in that direction. The attainment of self-support however will not be easily accomplished in country districts. Experience has shown that a too rigid adherence to the terms of the Project Plan tends to non-support and the consequences are disheartening. The China Council Evangelistic Committee's report of 1936 suggests a way by which the service of the worker may continue to be retained in his particular field when the local group finds it impossible to provide his full salary. This method might well be adopted in Churches where the same conditions apply.

It must not be understood from what has been written above that this Committee advocates the abandonment of the old method of extensive evangelism. The Gospel must continue to be carried to unreached peoples and places and this is being done through the medium of mobile bands of preachers who travel to and fro unceasingly carrying the message. Many have heard and believed. The follow-up work, however, creates a problem. In the absence of resident evangelists these men and women can only receive a limited amount of attention from the evangelists engaged in this work and the period of probation before baptism is naturally considerably lengthened. Baptisms must necessarily be fewer for some years to come. There have been some amongst the new inquirers whose progress has been rapid. Chenchow station, for example, records that a railroad worker, who accepted Christ as Savior while in the hospital went back and gathered in a group of thirteen in a daily prayer-meeting. 

No matter where one goes throughout the province there are multitudes of eager listeners and never has the opportunity for the proclamation of the Evangel been greater. The words spoken by Dr. John R. Mott concerning world conditions not long ago are as true of China as elsewhere. "Everywhere I have gone" he said, "I have been impressed with this fact which
has been demonstrated in all sorts of ways. In the first place, people everywhere are asking questions—there is a great eagerness to learn more about religion. In the second place, never were there more groups,—Bible study circles, discussion groups, and the like, which show how much keenness there is for information in Christian fellowship. There has also been an enormous increase in the demand for books dealing with religious subjects, which indicates a great thirst for knowledge on spiritual matters.

This report should not close without a word of tribute to the memory of one who proved himself to be a wise and self-sacrificing counsellor and friend to Mission members and Chinese Christians. Charles Haskell Derr will long be remembered by his friends and fellow workers in the Hunan Mission.

Recommendations.

37136. That the suggestion contained in the 1936 report of the C.C. Evangelistic Committee with regard to the employment of pastors and evangelists only partly supported by their local group be carried out.

37137. That in addition to the work now being carried on for children special efforts should be made to win the children from Christian homes for Jesus Christ, through the holding of special classes or by the use of other means as may appear desirable.

37138. That there is urgent need of effort in connection with the holding of boys and girls of the teen age within the Church and this particular branch of work might well occupy the attention of the Mission and an attempt be made to obtain the services of properly qualified workers.

37139. Educational Committee Report.

We all need to be very grateful that the Hunan Provincial Educational Bureau is progressive and desirous of doing anything it can toward the good of the students of Hunan. We need to appreciate the fact that well-trained men of vision are being placed in official educational positions. These men are tolerant toward Christian schools and also eager that our schools be kept up to a high standard.

The new Canton-Hankow Railroad has given students and teachers of Hunan and Kwangtung opportunities for exchange visits. Three Mission schools of Canton, namely,
the Baptist Girls’ School, our Presbyterian True Light School, and Hackett Medical School, sent a group each of about twenty-five students to Changsha to visit schools for three or four days. These students were all surprised to see such a progressive province and such beautiful scenery.

In February two members of the Fuh Siang faculty visited Canton and a few schools there. All of these exchange visits make for better fellowship, exchange of ideas, a sharing of problems and for unity and progress.

In March a group of ten principals of Canton Christian schools came to Changsha on a tour of schools. They were entertained by Yali and Fuh Siang faculties. These Canton friends were pleasingly surprised at the good feeling and co-operation which was manifested between the principals of government schools and Christian schools in Changsha. They said that an unsurpassable gulf existed between government school teachers and Christian school teachers in Canton.

All our stations in the Hunan Mission report that all the kindergartens and primary schools are progressing nicely with enlarged enrolments over last year and the best faculties that could be secured. The religious education work in each school is reported as being very encouraging.

The government is steadily trying to raise all its educational standards and if we wish to continue our high grade schools we must give them our serious attention and make a real effort to raise their standards.

The Yali and Fuh Siang faculties both report that they would like to see our Mission raise its standards for the selection of scholarship students.

Kwangteh Boys’ Primary and Junior Middle School in Hengchow reports progress in enrolment and in the general spirit of the student body.

There have been eight scholarship students in Yali this year, twelve in Fuh Siang, 15 in Kwangteh, and one in Huping. One student each from Yali and Fuh Siang was dropped at mid-year—one for poor scholarship and one for misconduct. With the exception of two or three these students have good scholarship records and are taking an active part in the religious education work of their respective schools.
Recommendations:

37140. That we examine our Mission schools with care to see that in every way they keep up to high standard.

37141. That all scholarship students be selected with care, particular attention being paid to scholarship and character.

37142. That the Mission Scholarship Regulations be printed in the Mission minutes.


These rules apply to Yali, Fuh Siang, and Kwang Deh.

1. All applicants for scholarship aid in any station of the Hunan Mission must be recommended by the local church session and station.

2. The conduct of the applicant must be acceptable, his health satisfactory and he should possess excellent scholarship (at the very least he must maintain an average standard scholarship); it is understood that the applicant's family is really incapable of helping him financially.

3. The scholarship is granted for one year's tuition and board only; in case the student during the term disobeys school regulations or fails to maintain the required standard of scholarship, the committee reserves the right to discontinue the scholarship at the end of the term.

4. The student may request a renewal of the scholarship. The application must be presented to the committee before the annual Mission meeting. The committee reserves the right to refuse, at its discretion, any applicant.

5. The committee may refuse to renew such aid to one who has failed to maintain a Christian attitude.

6. Scholarship students are expected as an obligation of honor to make a fitting return for such assistance either in service for a specified time within the bounds of the Mission, or by repaying fifty percent of the aid received, within ten years after leaving the school.
Medical Committee Report.

As one looks over the reports of the medical work from the various Stations he is conscious of a feeling of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his goodness to us during the past year. In spite of handicaps due to lack of Chinese and foreign personnel the work accomplished by the four hospitals is very encouraging, and shows a very definite improvement over last year. We regretted to hear that Dr. and Mrs. Johnston were unable to return to the field but hope that the way may be opened for them to do so later. We welcome to our midst Dr. and Mrs. Newman who have recently completed their year of language study in Peiping.

Miss Schopmeier has been of great help to the Hengchow hospital this year especially in the standardization of supplies and economies. There were several changes in the national personnel, Chenhsien being without the services of a doctor for months. Hengchow too was in a similar position when they were forced to dispense with the services of Dr. Tu, and had difficulty in engaging the services of another physician. Siangtan also had a change of doctors during the spring. Changteh lost the services of Dr. Kung as a member of the Tao Yuan dispensary staff when that institution was closed in April '36.

Physical examinations of most of the missionary personnel have been completed.

The registration of our hospitals with the government has not been completed owing to the provincial authorities thus far not having promulgated the rules and regulations necessary for such registration. All of our hospitals however have signified their intention to register.

The Nurses, Training School in Changteh has applied for registration with the government and has a separate Board of Directors from that of the hospital. They are working on their own budget. In this connection Changteh Hospital has promised $5000. as the annual allowance for nursing care, and of this amount the Training School will receive approximately one half.

We would call the attention of the hospitals to the need of insisting upon National doctors being registered with the government before joining our staffs; or doing so before a definite contract is made with them.
Cooperation with the civil authorities has been accomplished in many ways. Chenchow and Siangtan hospitals report the results from such work the same as last year while Hengchow states that the hospital has done more than formerly. Changteh considers that the $2680, contributed by the business community of the city, was due in no small degree to the active cooperation of the local Board of Directors.

Problems have been encountered in all the hospitals. Chenchow has had difficulties with the staff members and helpers; Hengchow suffered through being shorthanded as to staff; Siangtan found that the railroad contacts did not succeed as well as expected, and Changteh discovered that the enforcement of military training became a real handicap to the smooth running of hospital routine—eight of their staff were required to be away three hours a day during the past two months necessitating a postponment of the rural clinic program.

Property, building and equipment. Chenhsien has arranged to bring into the hospital compound several of the staff families thereby making them more of a unit. They have also bought some new operating room equipment, an autoclave and twenty new beds for hospital, and have received an initial gift of U.S. currency $500, towards an X-ray machine. They are also constructing a new dressing room. In Hengyang the sale of the river street property permitted the erection of a new hospital building—the first unit in the contemplated medical plant. An X-ray machine was added to the equipment during the year, local Chinese contributions netting $250. for this purpose. Changteh has divided its dispensary space so that the N.T.S. could have four extra rooms. Their X-ray is in general use and the technique in using same is improving.

Encouraging features of the work are noted from all the hospitals. In Chenhsien the staff have taught classes in reading and writing during their time off duty. Nurses staff meetings have been held twice a week with interesting results. The contract with the railroad is expected to be completed shortly. They have advanced professionally and consider that several steps have been taken towards making the hospital more of a community institution. Hengyang report shows an increase in OPD treatments given and a 10% increase in free vaccinations. Field receipts are much larger than 1935.
Siangtan hospital in addition to its usual institutional work has had a "wonderful increase in obstetrical cases" and expects to have a member of its staff away for obstetrical training in order to meet future demands. Changteh had its first Baby Week last fall. Over 140 little tots were given a physical check-up, and prizes were awarded to the winners—"the most perfect babies." A pre-natal clinic has been started in the city dispensary with a graduate midwife in charge. A new class of seven students was taken on by the N.T.S. this spring making a total of 16 in training. The financial drive balanced Changteh's budget, and field receipts are the best ever recorded from that hospital.

Physical examinations of students both in the government and Mission schools have been carried out by our medical force during the year. The students from Fuh Siang Girls Middle School in Changsha have enjoyed good health throughout the year, only about 10% requiring medical attention. One student had typhoid fever and another required treatment for a mental condition. A number of the students had tonsillectomies during the year. All new students at Fuh Siang received a complete physical examination and a doctor had hours at the school twice a week. The resident nurse took sick students to the clinic every morning.

Religious work. Chenhsien hospital has prepared topics at chapel service in addition to the usual reading, and staff, patients and workers all attend. Hospital workers have visited and had talks with patients in addition to the preaching by the hospital evangelist. A Bible class for workers has been formed. Patients preaching has been a new feature of the work, and individual talks to patients by staff members has smoothed out many problems. No follow-up work has been attempted except that several visits have been made to the home of an ex-inpatient where a group of inquirers had been formed. Hengyang reports that through the efforts of their faithful hospital evangelist numbers of believers have been added, and frequently there were in the hospital four or five inpatients who were learning to pray and read the Scriptures. Siangtan hospital reports evangelistic work in the wards and chapel services. Changteh feels that there has been a deepening of the spiritual life of the staff and an improvement in contacts with patients due to the untiring efforts of the hospital evangelists. They have found time for Bible classes for the workers, and the men's evangelist has organized and trained a choir made up of the hospital group
for the church. One doctor and three nurses have joined the
care of the church on confession of faith through his endeavors. Unfortunately his physical condition has not permitted him to do as
much ward work or follow-up visits as he would desire.

Future objectives. Chenhsien hopes to improve the
medical and nursing care given patients; stimulate rural
clinics; and undertake research work in the malarial districts
adjacent to the Chenhsien field. It is also desired to improve
the hospital organization. Siangtan plans to develop the
pre-natal and obstetrical work by consultation and educational
methods. Changteh plans to open rural clinics next month,
and continue the new features of work already started during
the past year. Hengyang looks forward to the opening of the
new hospital. With it they hope for improved medical and
nursing work because of improved facilities. They feel that a
program of religious education for the staff and a fostering of
their spiritual development is one of their greatest needs.

37145. Medical Recommendation.

We urge our mission hospitals to consider the plan of
engaging public health nurses who can work with the evange­
listic bands part of the year.

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Unless reinforcements are shortly forthcoming for the Hunan Mission—or "refresher" courses are insisted upon for
"oldtimers" who have "forgotten more than the young ones ever knew"—there is every likelihood that the Committee will soon cease to exist. The years report is as follows:

Miss B. J. Schopmeier has completed the work of the third year Hunan Mission course. She has also obtained four credits on fourth year work.

Dr. J. A. Stringham has sixteen credits on third year work in addition to six work credits on fourth year.

Mrs. J. A. Stringham has completed second years work and has four credits on third year, and has obtained two work credits on third year.

Dr. R. A. Broady has not taken any examinations during the year being fully occupied with the Hospital building program and other duties.

Mrs. R. A. Broady has been prevented by ill health from continuing her studies during the year.

Mrs. W. H. Clark has completed fourth years work.

Recommendations.

37147. 1. That when examinations are given away from the Station the examiner be requested to notify the language committee member in students station at once as to number of credits obtained and generally as to results.

37148. 2. That attention be again called to C. C. requirements (see Hunan 35127) calling for examinations on not less than 12 credits of work at one time.

37149. 3. That the attention of student and examiner be called to C. C. actions 35513, 35514, 35515.

37150. Property Committee Report.

The property Committee passed on the following actions during the year:

1. That the Siangtan station be given permission to rent house 1 51 All to the chief engineer of the Hunan-Kweichow railroad for fifty dollars per month, and to repair the building together with the roads leading to it.

2. That the altered plans passed by the Architects Bureau for the Hengchow Hospital rebuilding and rehabilitation be approved. The building is about completed. On account of lack of funds, the south side of the old Hospital site is one story and a two story building on the North side. The whole plan is to include a water system and plumbing.
The old women's hospital building is to be altered in order to provide accommodation for the Hospital staff.

3. The Hengchow church plans have been passed by the Architects Bureau and the money required for building has been raised by the Chinese church. The plans have not yet been passed by the property committee but will be passed on as soon as received.

4. That the Hengchow station be permitted to sell house 5 (52A13) the receipts to revert to the Board.

5. That the Chenhsien station be permitted to sell the house and plot 53B13 for a reasonable price, the proceeds to revert to the Board.

6. That the Siangtan station be permitted to sell the garden plot behind the Chinese pastor and Doctors residences for two hundred and thirty dollars, after fees are deducted the balance to revert to the Board.

7. That the plans and specifications for the building of the Murray memorial hall in the Changsha Station be approved. These plans to be passed on by Architects Bureau.

8. The plans for the building of the Chenchow house have not been passed by either the Architects Bureau or the Property Committee, but plans have been drawn up and Mr. Creighton visited Chenchow to take up with the station the question of the site and also the general plan to be followed when the time comes to build.

9. The Committee passed on the plans for the Primary school principal's house at Changsha.

Sale of Property.

Record is made of the sale of the Garden plot in the Siangtan station. The proceeds amounting to $220 have been sent to the Associated Mission Treasurers to revert to the Board.


Changsha. The Changsha station property is in good condition, some painting and screen repairs are badly needed, and will be done as soon as the station property committee can get time to oversee it.

The new plot of land bought last year has been included in the Primary Schools compounds and a fire wall built on one side. This property was purchased in the nick of time for prices have gone up for all property in Changsha.
The Murray Memorial Hall is being built, and will be a useful addition to the equipment of the Primary Schools. It is being built so that students from both schools can enter without going out of their own compounds.

The Fuhsiang property needs some outside painting, otherwise is in good condition.

**Changteh.** The Changteh Station property committee has endeavoured to keep a careful check up on repairs of the Board's property during the year. The property is in good repair.

The Station has been granted $450 from the Mission General Class V. for the rebuilding of walls and Kitchen on the Erbugai property caused by street widening.

The property committee of the station also passed on the repairs for the Taoyuan dispensary amounting to $56.

The Station rented the dispensary to Dr. C. T. Kung (the Taoyuan doctor) for $20 per month. The dispensary repairs were charged against this rental.

**Chenhshien.** The Chenhsien station property is in good repair. The Station was granted permission to sell the Dowling house site to the Normal School but the Normal school has made other arrangements and therefore the house was not sold to them. The street widening between the compounds of the Boys School and Hospital and the church and residence compounds has been delayed. The China Council granted $990 for this purpose which will be used as soon as the City begins the street widening program.

The small plot of land reserved for Evangelistic work at West Gate promises to be a worthwhile project, for the City is building in that direction.

**Hengchow.** The Hengchow property is in fair condition, some painting and roof repairs needed. The rebuilding of the Hospital has been going on for some months and when completed will be a very great improvement over the old plant. The New Church building plans and contracts have been made, and construction work begun. The Station has been given permission to sell House No. 5 and negotiations are still going on. Kwangteh needs more dormitory space for the growing number of students.

**Siangtan.** Siangtan Property is in good condition. Three houses are now rented, and the two wards of the Men's
Hospital and the Boys School property are all rented to the Railroad. The repairs needed to put these buildings in good condition for the railroad have been completed. There are some country chapel problems, for local Christian groups are often too poor to keep the property in good repair. Yaowan has not been sold for lack of a buyer. Ichiawan is in good repair but the session is in debt to the Evangelist to the amount of $28.00. and the Isuho chapel is in constant need of repairs beyond the ability of the session to meet them. Yaowan needs repairs or the building will fall.

37151. **Chinese Board Equities, Hengchow Church.**

The following record is made of the Chinese and Board equities in the Hengyang Church. The Chinese Equity of C$2150 in the Hengchow Hospital is hereby transferred to the Hengyang Church as a Chinese equity in that building—It being understood that there is no further equity (Chinese) in the Hospital.

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**Land value unknown.**

37152. **Chinese, Board Equities, Changsha Land, &c.**

The following records are made of the Chinese and Boards equities in Changsha Land, Primary Schools Principals house, and the Murray Memorial Chapel in the Changsha Station.

**Changsha Land.**

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37153. **Sale of Properties Bd. L. 60.**

The Mission has made a survey of the properties which should be sold as soon as possible and wishes to add to this list Hengchow House No. 5. See Survey Hu. 3757.

37154. **Report of the Literature Committee.**

All of our city churches and many of the out-station chapels have introduced the Hymns of Universal Praise and are now enjoying the many new selections, especially those with Chinese tunes. The larger print edition is now available for those who found the characters in the ordinary hymnal too small to be readily recognized. In the C. C. Bulletin of March 4 there is a list of the hymn records sung by Dr. McCandliss for the Columbia Recording Company, -these may be purchased from the C. L. S. at $1.50 each.

The Neighborhood Sunday School lessons prepared by the Religious Education Department of Nanking Theological Seminary are on sale at the C. L. S. for $3.75 to cover the cost of the visual material of pictures, songs, and Golden Texts. In addition there is the Teachers’ Manual. This gives directions for the use of the pictures, and also has songs, supplementary stories, games, and a chapter on the organization of Neighborhood Sunday Schools together with methods of teaching.

The material issued by the China Sunday School Union is familiar to most of us. Now the North Fukien Religious Tract Society has published some group-graded lessons which are suited to the needs of rural districts and adapted to the capabilities of inexperienced teachers in the Church.

New interest is being shown in the pushing of the use of the National Phonetic in hopes of making possible a Bible reading Church and giving some education to the illiterate masses of China. The Parallel-Column Character-Phonetic material includes many portions from the Old and New Testaments which may be ordered from the various Bible Societies. There are hymn books, catechism, and a number of helpful

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### Effie Murray Memorial.

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devotional books which may be secured from the Phonetic Promotion Committee at 5 Quinsan Gardens, Shanghai, as well as from the R. T. S. and C. L. S.

We would recommend to those working in Woman's Classes the fine set of books and tracts prepared by Miss Payne of Paotingfu. These may be ordered from the Christian Union Bookstore at Paoting, Hopei, and cost thirty cents a set. Those who have used them say they are the best thing yet issued for our women.

Have you seen the little book which is an abbreviated edition of Short Steps to Great Truths, Book One? This is called "Fewer Short Steps" and is the work of Catherine Woods of our Mission who has abbreviated the former book so that it now has just twenty pages and costs only four cents.

You may know that Happy Childhood, the children's magazine, has not been abbreviated but has expanded this year and now comes twice a month. It is brighter and happier than ever but the subscription price is now eighty cents. Order it from the C. L. S.

Both the C. L. S. and the R. T. S. have something to keep the children happily busy on Sunday. At the C. L. S. there are Bible Searching Cards with animals, or birds, or flowers of the Bible. They cost ten cents a set. The R. T. S. features Puzzles in Matthew and Paper Folding of Bible Story Objects, also Bible Arithmetic.

Preachers in Hengchow and Changteh report that they have purchased books for their libraries at the special rates available for Chinese pastors in the Presbyterian Mission.

Twice during the past year questionnaires have been sent out to our stations asking what literature was being found helpful and could be recommended as distinctly worth-while. Besides the books and supplies mentioned above, the following have been suggested:

Set of tracts prepared by Mr. Derr to meet the dissension caused by the True Jesus Church.

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We would extend our congratulations to the R. T. S. on the occasion of its Diamond Jubilee and to the C. L. S. in this its Golden Jubilee Year.

We would thank the Bible Societies for the colporteurs allowed to work in our midst; also the Literature Societies and the Religious Tract Society for gifts of literature made from time to time.

Recommendations:

37155. (1) That we endorse the suggestion of the Christian Literature Conference in regard to the Promotion of a National Christian Book Week similar to the Home Week with which we are familiar.

37156. (2) That the secretary of each station send to the China Bookman the names of the leading Chinese Workers in the local Church so that they may be kept in touch with the publications available in the various literature societies.

37157. (3) That we would express our appreciation to the China Council for samples of literature that come to us from time to time, and would recommend the subsidizing each year of a small number of copies of one or two worthwhile devotional books such as "How to become a Christian" by Marcus Cheng (R. T. S. 15 cents) and "Marks of the Master" by Florence Gooch (R. T. S. 15 cents.)

37159. **Report of the Candidates for the Ministry Committee.**

The Candidates for the Ministry Committee makes the following report and suggests the following recommendations with the consciousness that our students are fewer than ever before. Some very interesting things, however, have happened this year.
One of the former students has paid back $40 to the fund and promises to pay that much each year until the debt is repaid.

Mr. Peng Chi Min, who has graduated from the Nanking University and has three semesters to finish his Theological Seminary work, consented to work in Changsha for one year chiefly among students in order to meet the need caused by Dr. W. H. Clark’s return to America on sick leave.

Mr. Peter Li is hoping to take his Seminary course along with his University work beginning with the next term. Two students have been reported for the Hunan Bible Institute.

37160. Treasurers Report:

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37161. Budget for Year 1937-1938.

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Recommendations:

37162. That Peter Li be permitted to reside in the Nanking Seminary next term and that Sixty dollars per term be allowed for help if he takes as many as six hours in the Seminary.

37163. That Misses Hsu Yin and Chu Shuen Ho be sent to the Nanking Bible Training School for women in autumn of 1937.

37164. That Su Dzong Dzang be again requested to pay back One hundred dollars to the fund on account of help received.

37165. That One hundred dollars be paid from balance on hand to Hsin Hwa Boys school to meet deficit on school account. This does not create a precedent.
The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of Fuh-Siang Middle School was held in June, 1936. There were no actions affecting change of policy, property, or increased budget, although there was a strong plea made for a new dormitory to relieve the congestion due to the increase of students. The principal says, "All our classes are larger than they used to be, the Freshman class of over seventy being the largest we have ever had in the school. More students and larger classes are undoubtedly more economical, but at the same time give us more problems. The most evident and urgent problem is the crowded situation in the dining room and wash rooms. The present dining room has accommodation for about 220. When we put 300 in there, it is no wonder that both students and servants complain about the lack of space for passage! Behind the large dormitory the students wash in three shifts. You can imagine the hurry in the morning."

The crowding is not the only vexing problem. There are, besides this, the questions of discipline and of the health of the students. The principal says, "To maintain a smaller school with efficiency and economy, the Faculty have on several occasions taken up the subject of dropping the spring classes. Beginning with the spring of 1931, we have had, altogether, five spring classes. These classes are on the whole, not so well prepared as the fall classes. The school has had more difficulty with them in every way. The main purpose was because of students who had to be dropped back. These classes have served their purpose to some extent, but we find that most of the students who have to drop back, need to drop back a whole year. This last year we have had no spring classes.

"The discipline of 300 girls is far more difficult than any we have ever had before, and gives us grave concern. Part of this is due to the falling off of the number of Christian students. Eight years ago, the percentage was 72; today it is about 27. While the situation is inevitable, it will undoubtedly change the character of the school."

"The public health work in the school continues, but we feel that as maintained at present, it is spread pretty thin. Students have formerly been given one physical examination in the course of the twelve years through primary and middle
schools. Even for the mere sake of keeping complete records, there should be an examination each term."

"There are 28 teachers on the faculty, about half of whom are women in residence. About half of the entire number are Christian. Every effort is being made to find the right type of men and women to take the place of those who are leaving this spring. The school has missed Miss Bayless and Miss McKee, who have been on furlough. We very much appreciate the presence of Miss Moore, who has been with us this past year, and given such fine service."

The heavy curriculum has always been a problem, so that its revision, over a year ago, was received with eagerness. The number of subjects taught remain the same, but the total number of hours has been reduced. "In the Junior department, the total number of hours per week is 32, as against 35 formerly. In the Senior department, the total number of hours per week is 30 as against 34. This revision has lightened the burden to some degree, but the other difficulty of the number of subjects, remains. These need to be simplified through the process of experimentation. What the school wants is to have two divisions in the Senior department, one for those interested in the arts, and one for those desiring the sciences. Small schools like ours will certainly have difficulty maintaining a variety of courses to meet the needs of all students. The two divisions of mathematics already prove to be a great burden on our budget."

"Financial problems stand out, and hold our attention. During the past four years, with much reduced appropriations from the Missions, the school has been carried on with the strictest economy. If we do not increase our income in some way next year, the deficit will probably be too large to be within our control. This past year we have raised our lodging fees by from $4.00 to $6.00 a term, which has given us the extra sum of $540.00. With this small increase there was still a deficit of over a thousand dollars to be taken care of.

"Recently, the ministry of education has issued an order to all schools to establish free scholarships for poor students, up to 15% of the number of its students. This means we should have about 40 free scholarships, or about $4,000.00 to be added to the budget. It must be remembered that these scholarships offered by the Mission do not apply to the student body in general."

"We have applied to the bureau of Education for provincial subsidy, but it was too late to receive any help this
year. Commissioner Chu has promised subsidy for two classes for the year 1937-1938.

"The student self-government and Y.W.C.A. carry on their usual activities. The student patriotic demonstrations of over a year ago excited students all over the country. The movement itself was quite legitimate, but its leadership often fell into wrong hands. In order to prevent this, our teachers and students quite early organized ourselves into small groups, so that when the movement reached Changsha, we already had many activities going on."

"This year our dean, Miss Fan Gwan, is taking charge of the religious work in the school, assisted by a few of the other teachers. Chapel has been exceptionally well attended this year. The Christian girls have been quite steady and regular in attendance. Over 200 girls are enrolled in Bible classes meeting twice a week. Our new religious education bulletin board has carried a message every week which could not but speak to each girl's heart."

"The present is the most favorable time to do religious work among students. There is no opposition. We hope the Presbyterian Mission will see the importance of this, and utilize this opportunity to provide a teacher who can give full time to this work."

Kwangteh Boy's School Board Report.

The Church Missionary Society is very anxious that the school should continue and expects to continue term by term the grant of Three hundred dollars yearly made to the school. They also expect to continue to send students to the school. At present there are twelve C.M.S. students in the school.

Recommendations:
37168. That the Kwangteh school be continued in its present quarters for a further two year period.
37169. That for the next two years a sum of $1,000 per year be granted to the school to be paid from the rental of the Ichi Boys schools plant at Siangtan, and that the Council and the Board be requested to permit the use of this rental for the purpose.
37170. That $500 per year for a period of two years be granted to the school for scholarships, these scholarships to be under the Mission scholarship committee and disbursed under the same regulations governing scholarships in Yali and Fuhsiang.
37171. That the China Council be requested to renew the grant of $900 from the substitute workers fund towards
the salary of the principal Chu Chia Shen for the year beginning September 1, 1937.

37172. That the primary department of the school be dis­continued as soon as possible and the $720 grant be continued for the Middle School.

37173. That the school be permitted to use $100 from gifts and fees for the enlargement of wash and bathrooms—the repairs to be under the supervision of the Station property committee. No question of Chinese equity shall be involved.

37174. Report of the Yali Union Middle School.

(General report written by Mr. F. S. Hutchins)

General Environment: It appears to me that generally the attitude toward Yali, on the part of the community as well as the educational officials, is very favorable. This may lead us to self-satisfaction which I believe is a danger. However it is pleasant to find that we do have the co-operation of the educational officials.

Student Body: On the whole I believe that the quality of the student body is improving though it has not reached the point I hope it may reach in near future.

Faculty: On the whole our present faculty is fair, and if we are alert to our job we must secure the very best men. This I consider to be a major problem and one to which we are giving a great deal of thought.

Enrolment: The total of students this year is 395. We have reached no conclusion as to whether we should have a really separate junior middle school, or whether it is better to carry it on with the senior middle as we do at present.

Finances: The fact that our income from the various Missions has been decreasing I believe is one which the various Missions which expect of us the best work, must be cognizant. At the present we are faced with the necessity of getting more and better teachers. This cannot be done without additional income. I would urge very strongly the necessity of the Missions again contributing the original amount of $2,500 per year.

I think that this year there is definite progress along the lines of making the school more Christian. It might be truly said I believe that Yali is devoted to certain lines of development. I believe it is true to say that we are working toward a more Christian school.
We are committed to the finest type of college preparatory work.

We are committed to the building of a faculty who will not only teach subjects but be leaders of young men.

We are seriously attempting to improve the quality of the work and the life of Yali.

And we are seriously attempting to make a real contribution to the Christian life of China through education.

**Religious Education Report:** (Mr. Rugh)

During this school year eight boys have joined the Presbyterian Church (Church of Christ in China).

During Christmas and Easter time special series of chapel talks were held, leading up the two special Christian observances. During Easter week a special communion service was held attended by more than sixty students.

During the spring and fall terms 165 students were enrolled in Bible classes.

Yali students clubs have been organized during this year in several Churches in the city. These clubs meet regularly each month, for fellowship.

Besides the regular chapel services three times a week, the Bible classes, and the Sunday services, there have been several Christian activities planned in which the boys could take part, such as, deputation teams to chapels in nearby places for special services, junior church, choir, ushering, and others.

**Kuling School Board Report.**

The Kuling School enrollment has been about the same as last year. Fewer students from outside the Missionary children has made a decrease in the amount of fees received. The Methodist Mission has been asked to make a grant to the School, since their students outnumber those of Missions which make an annual grant to the school.

Staff. There has been some difficulty in filling vacancies on the staff because it is not easy to get teachers with suitable religious beliefs and cultural background in China. The principal is trying to keep the standards high, and also those who are sympathetic to Missionary ideals. He has come to the conclusion that it is necessary to turn more and more to the U.S.A. for a suitable staff. Eight in all is the number needed. It is the hope of the management that more and more people will be found who desire to make this work a permanent job.
Bible Instruction. Mr. Allgood writes "that the management is anxious to improve the course of Bible study in the School. We desire real Bible study rather than an elementary and frothy sociological course which many teachers prefer to teach."

New Dormitory. The new dormitory has been completed at a cost of CS$52,000 and was ready for occupancy when the Spring term commenced. A number of the High school boys will be housed in this building, it fills a long felt need.

Financial Support. The financial support of the school is a burning question, and many ways are being suggested to add to the yearly income, as yet none have been found to be satisfactory.

Chinese students. Several requests have been made this year from Chinese parents for the admission of their children into the school.

The Board discussed the question and passed a resolution that the children of other nationals only shall be admitted to the school who are able to take the full course of study with American students of their own age and at no time is this class of students to exceed ten per cent of the total enrollment.

Parent Teacher Association.

The association has been a great help in getting new and old books for the library and in collecting funds for the purchase of musical instruments for the orchestra. They are to be commended for their zeal.

Summer School and Hotel.

It is the hope of the management that a summer school can be carried on this summer, and the summer hotel which has been such a substantial financial aid to the school will be open for the 1937 season under the efficient management of Mrs. Algood.

CHURCH, MISSION RELATIONSHIPS AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE.

37176. The Mission Survey committee reported on the project plan and made a number of recommendations to the Mission concerning same. These recommendations should be given careful consideration at present meetings of Project Boards and Presbyteries and also at this Mission meeting.

That many good results have followed the application of the plan throughout the Mission will be readily admitted. In the matter of self support satisfactory progress has been made in all the City churches. Many worth while projects such as
revival services, spiritual retreats, religious education for the youth of the Church, efforts looking towards the Christianizing of the Home, Bible classes for lay leaders, short term Bible classes for women, Conferences etc have been successfully engaged in. Bible classes lasting over a period of two weeks have been conducted in three or four places with profit to those attending, and the extension of such classes to other groups would appear desirable. In Central Hunan "Pastoral Projects" combining the work of forward evangelism, lay training, inquirers classes, with Bible study have been carried through with gratifying results.

The difficulties that have arisen in connection with the carrying out of the plan would appear to be due to a too strict application of its principles rather than to the plan itself. The lack of pastoral care in already existing groups has been a source of anxious concern to all our evangelistic workers. In the effort to eliminate the "sitdown" type of evangelist it is possible that the Mission has gone too far. The China Council Mission and Church Relationship Committee report 1936 deals with this problem and suggests a way by which it may be solved. The attention of the Mission is directed to this report. Dissatisfaction has also been expressed because the carrying out of the plan necessitates a long absence from home and family responsibilities on the part of country evangelists and is not in the interests of either the men or their families. Serious consideration needs to be given to this question and some answer found.

There is a lack of Church mindedness on the part of many Christians. Amongst many country groups the church is still regarded as a Mission organization for the development of which the Mission is responsible. Every possible attempt should be made to correct this point of view by the instruction of churchmembers in the matter of their individual responsibility, and by the formation of already existing groups of believers into properly organized churches with their own sessions or church committees. "Church" projects looking forward to such training and instruction might profitably be undertaken and care taken to see that each session is linked up with nearest Presbytery.

Recommendations.

37177. That intensive cultural projects be emphasized.

37178. That Pastoral projects be a feature of the evangelistic work in all fields during the coming year.
37179. That since the Project plan is a co-operative plan between Church and Mission, that Church projects be emphasized which shall have for their goal the founding of organized churches in groups where there is now a sufficient membership but lack of leadership. These projects shall have as their aim the instruction of the group in the meaning and importance of the Church and the training of leaders. There are many groups which should as soon as possible be organized into sessions under their local presbyteries.

37180. That the project boards shall continue to emphasize training for lay leadership, Christianizing the home, children and youth programs.

37181. That the General Mission Expense Class VII fund appropriations be used in the following way during the coming year: For special revival services to be held in each station of the Mission employing some outside Christian leaders for this purpose; that the Christians (country and city) shall be invited to attend these meetings for spiritual uplift; and that an attempt be made at the same time to reach non-Christians. A sum not to exceed C$500 shall be used for this purpose.

37182. The remaining General Mission Class VII funds shall be used for special needs in each Project Board area.

37183. That the Project Boards use the new Project blanks.

Miscellaneous.

37184. Evangelistic Expansion Fund, Continued.—Voted: To reiterate the request of the Mission that the Board use part of its Centennial Fund to continue the Evangelistic Expansion Fund. Hu. 3752.

37185. Thanks, for Greetings.—Voted: To record the thanks of the Mission to the seven members of the Mission now on furlough, who sent a telegram of greeting to the Hunan Mission Meeting.

37186. Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Crabb's Retirement.—Word has just come to the Mission that the Rev. E. D. Crabb and Mrs. Crabb are unable to return to the field and are retired from the service of the Board. The Mission sincerely regrets that this is necessary, and takes this opportunity of expressing the appreciation of the contribution they have made in the fields of evangelism and Education. The Mission extends to Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Crabb best wishes for renewed
physical vigor with the hope that they may enjoy many years of service together in the homeland.

37187. *Appreciation, Visit Drs. Leber, and Dodds, Mrs. Duguid.*—The Mission desires to express appreciation for the visit of Drs. Leber and Dodds to four stations of the Mission last winter, and for Mrs. James Duguid's visit during the autumn. The Mission is indebted to them for their encouragement, and keen insight into our local problems. Our heartiest best wishes go to Dr. Charles Leber and Dr. Joseph Dodds as they take up their duties on the Board of Foreign Missions. We assure them of the sympathetic interest of the Mission in the new problems which will confront them, and of our continued prayers on their behalf.

37188. *Board’s Centennial, Congratulations.* The thirty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Hunan Mission expresses its warm appreciation of the outstanding work of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. during the past century. The Mission wishes to voice its continued faith in the Board and desires them to know of the confidence of our mission members in them, in the midst of many difficulties and triumphs. It is a cause of rejoicing to the Mission that we have the privilege to serve under leaders of such splendid character and spiritual devotion.

37189. *Mrs. C. D. Derr, Illness Telegram of Sympathy.*—Voted: To send a telegram of sympathy to Mrs. C. H. Derr, who was prevented from attending the Mission Meeting through illness.

37190. *Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Broady Letter of Sympathy.*—Voted: To send a letter of sympathy to Dr. and Mrs. Broady in the illness of Mrs. Broady and Bobby, and to wish them Bon Voyage on their return to America.

37191. *Miss Marie Moore Vote of thanks.*—Voted: To record the appreciation of the Mission for the services of Miss Marie Moore during the last year as a teacher of music in the Fuhsiang Girl's School. The Mission would welcome her continued services but since 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 for her work in the homeland.

37192. *Changteh Station Vote of thanks.*—The Mission wishes to express hearty appreciation and thanks for the generous hospitality of the Changteh Station during the Mission Meeting.
ANNUAL MEETING

37193. Reports Temporary Committees.—The reports of the following temporary committees were received.

Personal Reports. ... Mrs. J. A. Stringham, Ethel Davis.
Station Reports. ... Mrs. A. H. Birkel and Mrs Frank Newman.
Estimates. ... Station Treasurers.
Statistics ... Station Secretaries.
Mission Meeting Minutes ... Mission Secretary and Clerks.

37194. Standing Committee Reports.—The reports of the standing committees of the Mission were read, received, corrected and the recommendations adopted.

37195. Station Reports.—The station reports were read and accepted with thanks.

37196. Kuling Church Council.—Voted: That Mrs. G. T. Tootell be the Mission representative on the Kuling Church Council for the year 1937.

37197. Time and Place of Next Mission Meeting.—Voted: To accept the invitation of the Chenhsien Station to hold the next annual Mission Meeting in Chenhsien. The Executive Committee to meet May 5-6, 1938, the Retreat May 7-8 the Mission meeting to begin May 9th.

37198. Executive Committee.—Rev. Paul R. Abbott
Executive Secty. Alt. Miss M. M. Boone.
Changteh ... Dr. G. T. Tootell ... Alt. M. M. Boone
Changsha ... Helen Whitaker ... " E. McKee
Chenhsien ... W. T. Blackstone ... " L. Gelwicks
Hengyang ... R. F. Kepler ... " L. Gernhardt
Siangtan ... C. T. Woods ... "

37199. New Force List.
1. Hunan Evangelistic Man (McKee Preferred).
3. Hunan Medical Man.
4. Hunan Nurse, for Hospital administration.
5. Hunan Evangelistic Man.

37200. New Property List.
1. Fuhsiang Chapel ... C$5000.00
2. Chenhsien House ... 7000.00
3. Changteh Tuberculosis Ward ... 4000.00
4. Evangelistic Center Chenhsien ... 4500.00
5. Electric Wiring Chenhsien ... 1200.00
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MISSIONARY FORCE:

| Ordained Men               | 1        |
| Unordained Men             | 1        |
| Wives                      | 1        |
| Single Women               | 4        |
| Total                      | 6        |
| Affiliated Missionaries    | 1        |

NATIONAL FORCE:

| Ordained                   | 1        |
| Unordained Workers Men     | 10       |
| Other workers Women        | 12       |
| Total                      | 25       |

CHURCH STATISTICS:

| Organised Churches         | 2        |
| Other Groups Believers     | 4        |
| Churches Entirely Self-Supporting | 1  |
| Whole Number Communicants  | 555      |
| Added On Confession        | 45       |
| Other Additions             | 3        |
| Number Catechumens         | 40       |
| Children Baptized          | 4        |
| Average Attendance at Principal Service | 500 |
| Number Sunday Schools      | 1        |
| Average Attendance Sunday Schools | 400 |

CONTRIBUTIONS:

| Current Expenses            | $1840.98  |
| Property and Repairs        | 160.92    |
| Other Purposes              | 84.00     |
| Total Contributions         | $2085.90  |

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS:

| Lower Schools—Boys         | 208       |
| Lower Schools—Girls        | 270       |
| Total Students Station Schools | 478 |
| Field Income               | $3015.50  |

MEDICAL STATISTICS:

| Hospitals                  | 1        |
| Inpatients                 | 14     |
| Dispensaries               | 1412     |
| Individual Patients O.P.D. | 12993    |
| Number of Treatments       | 15988    |
| Expenses                   | 12544.45 |
| Field Income               | $21869   |

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Property: Mission Secretary, Miss C. T. Woods, Dr. G. T. Tootell, Miss G. Bayless, Miss L. Gernhardt, Rev. W. T. Blackstone.

Literature: Miss Nettie De Jong, Mrs. R. F. Kepler, Miss G. Bayless.


Furlough Study: Mission Secretary.

Kwangdeh Boys School: Mission Secretary, Rev. R. F. Kepler Alt.


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