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WEST CHINA RELIGIOUS TRACT
SOCIETY, CHUNGKING

The Twenty-Fifth Annual Report

The Record Year.

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Twenty Five Years! Twenty Five Years! Why, it is Half a lifetime. Twenty five years ago, some of us were not even born; others of us were not

“Born Again”, being still “dead in trespasses and sins”; others again were fighting the Lord’s Battles in this great land, whilst yet more were preparing to come out to join the Ranks in the forefront of the battle. What changes have been seen during the past Twenty-Five Years! Not only China opened to the Gospel as never before, but also in other parts of the world, doors long closed now opened and the Lord’s Servants entering in to “preach the Gospel to every creature.”

Whoever thought Twenty-Five Years ago, that we should live to see the air conquered, and great airships and aeroplanes travelling safely in the high heavens for thousands of miles? And the seas also, it had hardly entered into the mind of man Twenty-Five Years ago, that today submarines would be traversing the depths of the oceans. Time fails us to recall all the other Wonderful things, such as Radio, Wireless, etc, which have been produced during the past Twenty-Five Years.

But we recall, with deep gratitude to Almighty God, the fact that the West China Religious Tract Society has been working for Twenty-Five Years, and that now in the Twenty-Fifth Year of its age it is more healthy and vigorous than even in those far distant days when it was born with so much enthusiasm.
The past year has been the Best one in its long life, and yet we dare to look forward to even "Greater things" for the years that, please God, lie before.

Appended are a few remarks from some of those who have stood by the Society and know something more intimately of its working, having themselves served on the Executive Committee.

Rev. Dr. Spencer Lewis, D. D. Methodist Episcopal College of the West China Union University, Chengtu, writes

"One can hardly realize that a Quarter of a Century has passed since the organization of the West China Religious Tract Society. The West China Advisory Board and the West China Missionary News are of the same age. That was when West China began to be self conscious, vocal. Common aims, common perils, and our isolation from the rest of China drew us together in a happy Brotherhood.

Those were the days of small things but large plans. The small things had in them the germs of the great. Till that time our tract literature had mostly come from the Central China Tract Society, but the time had now come for us to fend for ourselves. This, indeed, we were not loth to do. We lacked experience, but were young and venturesome. We had no competitors among one Hundred Millions of People.

May God's Blessing be on the Tract Society. His Blessing has been on it in the past, and we pray that God will raise up many friends for it in the future. I do not believe that the old tracts should be superseded, but supplemented by new ones, to meet the needs of a changing constituency. There should be an increasing number of Tracts for different classes, for Women, for Children and for the Student Class."

Mr. Leonard Wigham, Friends' Mission, Tungchwan, Sze says.

"The first Secretary and a former President of the Society Congratulates the Society on the splendid work it has done in the Quarter of a Century of its existence. The Friends' Mission has put in a good deal of work for the Society, and has been greatly benefitted by its assistance. E. B. Vardon, who formerly lived at this place, (Tungchwan) used to be noted as the man who circulated more of the Society's Literature than any one else in West China.

As the Society has in the past met the needs of the young West China Church, I trust it will in the coming years equally well meet the wider needs of the Church of the present day, which, like the Society, has grown to adult years."
Dr. H. Parry, C.I.M. Chungking, writes.

"As I realize the fact that the West China Religious Tract Society is completing a QUARTER of a CENTURY of its history, I feel sure that I am voicing the thought of a large body of fellow-workers in the West, in giving expression to our feeling of THANKSGIVING for all that the TWENTY-FIVE YEARS Service has meant to the whole work in these Provinces. And our PRAYER with our Thanksgiving, will be, that whatever changes the coming years may bring, there may be nothing that shall weaken or diminish its clear and far-reaching heralding of the Glad Tidings, and its Witness to the Unchanging Christ, in the ministry of the printed page, to the upbuilding of the Christians of West China in FAITH and LOVE and KNOWLEDGE of HIM."

Rev. R. J. Openshaw, Secretary of Evangelism for Szechwan Christian Council, Chengtu says.

"I have continued to use the Tracts published by the West China Religious Tract Society to good advantage during the year.

In my several Evangelistic Campaigns throughout the Western Section of the Province I have distributed your Tracts by the thousands, and they have been my good aids, going into thousands of hamlets and homes where the foot of the Evangelist may never tread.

While we have used a large number of the cheaper tracts in house to house visitation work, I think there is an increasing demand for a picture-tract on better paper. These are prized and, I think, more carefully guarded."

Rev. W. A. McCurdy, M.E.M. Chungking writes.

A YET DISTANT GOAL.

"Those interested in the work of the West China Religious Tract Society as a means of helping to build Christ's Kingdom in West China, feel mightily encouraged by the Report of the Hon Secretary for the past year. A distribution total of more than TWO MILLION Copies of Tracts and Christian Literature, the RECORD YEAR of the Society is cause for great THANKSGIVING. It is significant evidence of two things in particular. Firstly, that there is NEED for such work as the Tract Society has been doing. You cannot reconcile an increasing output with a decreasing demand. And Secondly, that persistent and efficient work has been done by Mr. Hayman and his co-workers. This he has done freely and faithfully in addition to his appointed work as Agent for the National Bible Society of Scotland. In-
asmuch as the work of Bible Distribution for this Society did not suffer because of his having given time to the work of the Tract Society, a third conclusion might be added to the first two; namely, the desirability of combination in the work of some of the different agencies for distribution of Christian Literature.

But while we rejoice at this splendid record in distribution, we yet face a disturbing thought. How much sale of Christian Literature is there among the Church Members? I do not know the figures, and probably no one has investigated thoroughly to find out, but it would, I feel sure, be enlightening to know what proportion of the Tracts and Literature distributed by the W.C.R.T.S. and other agencies, other than Bibles and Hymnbooks, is really paid for by those who read them, or for whom they are intended. From a very superficial look around, along with some attempt to sell at cost, or even less than cost, Christian books and Magazines, my own conclusion is, that our most pressing problem is the creation of a "Reading Constituency." There is not a desire for Christian Literature strong enough to cause our Church Members, except in the rarest instances, to pay the cost of Books and good Literature. It is a comparatively easy matter to distribute several thousands of Tracts. Free Grants are available, and even where tracts must be paid for, the cost is comparatively slight. The easiest way is to hand them out to our workers, or perhaps, give them out personally. How much more difficult it is to get our Chinese Christians interested enough in a certain book or pamphlet to pay its cost. We were told at Chengtu, that some splendid Books had been translated into Chinese, but not one copy of the Edition sold.

One of the points brought out in the discussion of "The Ideal Christian Home" at the West China Conference at Chengtu was, that this "Ideal Home" should contain a Home Library. It has been suggested that a persistent attempt be made to get the idea of the accumulation of a Library, or at least, a Shelf of Books in the home, into the minds of the Chinese Christians. This means continual propaganda on the part of all of us interested workers, and a Goal towards which we should drive. There is now a wealth of Christian Literature available, and more is constantly streaming forth. How much of this is being read by Christians in your Section of the Work? What will you do to help create the reading constituency we so apparently lack?"
Mr. McCurdy asks a very vital question when he says “How much sale of Christian Literature is there among the Church Members? If only the Chinese Christians could be persuaded to take their part in this matter, all the difficult problems of Distribution of Christian Literature would be solved once for all, but, alas, one’s experience is that the purchasers of Christian Tracts etc. (with very rare exception) are the Missionaries. We are of course, glad enough for them to buy Tracts, but we should all like to see the Chinese Christians shouldering their Responsibilities in this matter. One feels that it is largely a matter of their not being educated about it by their Leaders, and we remember one Station where the Receipts from the Chinese Church Members for their Church work were increased severalfold per Annum, when the Missionary put their Responsibility plainly before them each Sunday. The Tract Society is most generously supported from the Field, but it is practically all from the Missionaries, although certain Chinese Churches send in Annual Donations. For these, we are very grateful, but would like to see the number of such Donation-giving Churches largely increased. We should then be able to help the Christians with Grants of Tracts in even greater numbers than now. Will you please bring before your Church Members the importance of their taking up this matter of Tract Distribution themselves, and not simply leaving it to the paid Pastor or Evangelist, School teacher or other Helper. We should like to see more of such Churches as the one in Kanchow, Kansu whose attack on the City of Suchow 6 days journey away, was participated in by some thirty Men and Women who travelled by cart at the expense of the Kanchow Chinese Church. Miss Cable, C.I.M. writing from Suchow says.

How we attacked Suchow. “5000 packets of Tracts neatly done up, were given away, one to every shop owner and owner of a courtyard. You may know that thirty of the Kanchow Christians have come with us (at the Church's expense) to study for half their time, and preach for the other half. It was the Birthday of the Minister of Defences, so visitors from all the country side came here to see him, and they also received packets of Tracts. These were followed by Posters appearing all over the city, and this by men selling Gospels at every street corner. Dr. Kao told me that as he came home the other evening he saw men in all sorts of places reading, and overheard one say ‘thirtyfold, sixtyfold and an hundredfold.’ Every Monday and Saturday our men go out distances and sell Literature. The Annotated Gospels are Greatly valued.”
Such news makes one simply long for similar Bands of Chinese to go out all over West China on such work, and not leave it to the Foreign Missionary and the Paid Colporteur etc. Shall we make this our aim during 1925?

During the year the West of China generally has “enjoyed” a certain measure of, if not peace, yet comparative peace and quiet from Military operations; but the Province of Kweichow has not been so fortunate, and the Post Office has long refused to take Parcels into it, as Brigands so infest it. We have heard of several Mission Stations having been looted by these Bands.

CIRCULATION.

This has reached the High Water Mark, so far; totalling the splendid Number of 2,028,293 Copies. We DO water all these Tracts etc. with our Prayers, and rest in the assurance that they have not gone forth “in vain,” but will in some way, perhaps unknown to us, “accomplish that which God pleases, and prosper in the thing whereto He sent it.” Will you work together with us during 1925, not only to try to reach the 3,000,000 mark, but also that all these Tracts may be distributed by an increased number of Chinese Christians, and not only by the comparatively small Band of Workers engaged in this Evangelistic work. Try to have the seed sown over the largest area possible and not just sown over and over again in the same little patch of land.

“There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth some Thirtyfold, some Sixty, and some an Hundred.”

NEW TRACTS.

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FOLDER TRACTS.

思歸大衆共六種

Set of 60 .20 cents

1002 to 1007 GRACE FOR ALL. J. Vale and Chai Lien-fu.
1002 Sin and its remedy.
1003 Look and live.
1004 The Blood of the Atonement.
1005 Victory over death.
1006 The place for burdens.
1007 Christ's rejecters judged.

救世寶筏

set of 60 .40 cents

1011 to 1016 WAY OF SALVATION.
1011 Origin of all things.
1012 Rejecting the False.
1013 On Repentance.
1014 On the Atonement.
1015 True Saviour of the World
1016 Precious Doctrines of the Bible.

Do You Know? J. Vale and Chai Lien-fu.

60 cents per 100
IN PREPARATION.

Catechism and Hymnal for the Miao of South Szechwan.

FINANCE.

Once again we have to thank most heartily the various Mission Boards in West China, and all the individual Missionaries who have so generously supported the work. We are also greatly indebted to the Religious Tract Society, London, who have contributed the handsome sum of £100 to our Funds.

During the past year, the Gen Secy, Rev. W. L. L. Knipe, C.M.S., went on Furlough, and the Agent of the National Bible Society of Scotland at Chungking, very kindly promised to help as Hon Gen Secy. There now being no paid Secretary the Secretary Fund has been closed, but we are glad to say that the West China Missions are continuing to support the General Fund, this year. We hope that they will do so in future years, and also that more Subscriptions will be received from those friends, both Foreign and Chinese, who may not have subscribed in the past. We have, all of us, received Many “Tokens for Good” from the Lord during the past year, so let us show our Gratitude and Thanks to Him, by giving to this work of Spreading His Word through these Tracts; work which must be acceptable to the Heart of Our Precious Lord who said, “I have given them Thy Word Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature.”
We shall be very grateful to those friends who will fill in the enclosed Thankoffering Form, and send with Donation to the Hon Gen Sec. or Hon Treasurer, at Chungking.

Before Mr. Knipe left for Furlough the Executive Committee gave a Farewell Meeting for him which was held by kind favour of Mr. and Mrs. Hick, C.I.M. at their house, and was well attended. The Executive expressed their warm Thanks to him for all his work during his Term of Office and wished him a very Restful and Fruitful Holiday in the Home Lands.
WEST CHINA RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY.

REPORT OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

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A Record Year.

The Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting of the West China Religious Tract Society was held on December 2nd at the home of Rev. G. W. Sparling at 7:30 p.m. and proved a great success.

Dr. Hartwell, C.M.M. was in the Chair, and after the singing of the Hymn,

"O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is Light; that He who made all nations is not willing one soul should perish: lost in shades of night. Publish glad tidings; Tidings of Peace; Tidings of Jesus, Redemption and Release."

Mr. B. Wigham, Friends' Mission, led in Prayer.

The Chairman said that the Meeting carried his mind back over some 30 years, and brought back to memory many of the experiences he and his had endured in those early days in West China. He recalled the momentous Conference which gave birth to the West China Religious Tract Society, and the enthusiasm with which it has since been supported, and carried on its great and far reaching work. He told how even during the past few weeks on his recent tour in the Province he had gone up to the Village Streets each day when his boat was anchored for the night, and found the people most politely willing to receive the Tracts which he gave them. He was as full of Enthusiasm Now for the Society and its work as he was in days of long ago, and he hoped that all those present would contribute Liberally to its work.

The Hon. Gen. Secy. also recalled the days that have gone, when he reminded his hearers that several Agents of the National Bible Society of Scotland, in West China, had come to
the help of the W.C.R.T.S. by acting as Hon. Secy, one of them even giving largely of his time and strength by building the Society's Depot and Foreign House. That being the case, when, on Mr. Knipe's leaving for Furlough last year, the R.T.S. was once again in need of such help he was glad of the privilege, and pleasure with the consent of his Home Board, of acting as Hon. Gen. Secy, and thus continuing the "Historic Succession."

This co-operation of the National Bible Society of Scotland and the West China Religious Tract Society, had proved a great success, each having been a true helpmate for the other. The work had largely extended its borders in the four provinces of Kansu, Szechwan, Kweichow and Yunnan, which are all included in "West China." At the commencement of the Year he had asked the LORD to enable him to circulate 1,000,000 Copies of the Scriptures and 2,000,000 Tracts etc during the Year. The circulation for the N.B.S.S. had, indeed, reached the Record figure of 1,039,705 copies, and he was glad to report an Increase of over 300,000 copies for the Tract Society, the year's figures attaining a Total of 1,800,000 copies, but this figure is not the full total as final returns have not yet been received from the Branch Depot.

(Since the Annual Meeting, these returns have been received, and the Full Total for the Year is 2,028,293 Copies, an Increase of over 540,000, so that his prayers have been answered "exceeding abundantly.")

This great total constitutes the "Record Year" for the Society.

There were large supplies of Literature on the shelves of the Depot, but the difficulty was to get the Christian workers, Missionary and Chinese, to take advantage of the daily opportunities of Tract distribution. Rev. Ding Li Mei said "that one of the difficulties of Evangelism was within and not without the church. According to my (Mr. Ding's) personal observation in many places, the majority of church members are fast asleep." He might say that some Missionaries also appeared to be in this state judging from a story told him by a fellow-missionary, who said that when he was once travelling with several other men of his own Mission, they "sat in their chairs all day, but I who walked, and generally arrived at the Inn almost as soon as they, was able to distribute some 600-700 Scripture Portions and Tracts to passers by each day." It is quite possible that the others slept in their chairs, but think of all the golden opportunities that they had of Tract Distribution.
at each stop along the way. He contrasted this with an old gentleman he had known, who came out to China as a Missionary when he was over 70 year of age, and although he only knew a few sentences of Chinese, yet filled his pockets each day with Gospels and Tracks, and even in the bitterest winter weather went out on the streets of a great inland Chinese city, and sold the books from shop to shop, until the Lord one day called him to his great Reward. In conclusion, he appealed to those present, not only to do all they could to further this great Ministry of Tract Distribution themselves, but also to try to reach the wider circle of their friends in the more distant parts and urge them also to do their utmost whilst the Door of Opportunity is still open in West China.

The Hon. Treasurer then read his Financial Statement for the year, when it appeared that Sales had reached the good sum of nearly $6400.00. There was still a Balance in hand of some $1200.00 to carry on this year's work, but he pleaded with those at the Meeting for further support.

Rev. W McCurdy, M.E.M., moved the adoption of the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports, and said that after being away from China for some year and a half he was, indeed, glad to find himself on his return at once in a Meeting of the Tract Society. As he looked around at the Posters displayed there, he saw none of the old ones, but all were new. It was good to see such progress being made, and he could not over-emphasize the IMPORTANCE of our doing our utmost to distribute these Tracts everywhere, these “Silent Preachers” which continued the ministry when the distributor had passed on his way.

Mr. Blanchard, M.E.M., seconded the motion, which was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Mr. Shedd, Y.M.C.A., proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Religious Tract Society, London; Canadian Methodist Mission, C.M.M. Woman's Missionary Society, M.E.M. Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and all other donors, both Foreign and Chinese, who by their gifts have enabled such progress to be made during the Year. He told how he had been impressed whilst working in North China, by what he had heard from the late Rev. Murray Frame of the power of the printed page in the founding of Christian communities in Districts where there had been no Missionary preaching, and urged us all to do our utmost to further this great “WORTH-WHILE WORK” of distributing the Tracts.
The Chairman warmly seconded this motion which was carried wholeheartedly. During Refreshments, Thankoffering Slips were distributed to those present, which when collected later on showed a Thankoffering of $200.

Mr. Bernard Wigham, F.F.M.A. proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Host and Hostess, to Mrs. Blanchard for the music with which she had delighted the gathering, and to the Chairman, Hon. Gen. Secy, Treasurer and Auditor for their Services, which was carried. After the singing of the Doxology the Meeting was closed with the Benediction.

Some of the Posters and publications of the Society were exhibited on a Stall in the room, and a brisk trade was done before the guests returned to their homes, after having spent a very happy evening.

The Result of the Ballot for the Executive Committee for the Year 1924-1925 has resulted in the election of the following:

Dr. H. L. Parry, C.I.M., Rev. G. W. Sparling, C.M.M., Rev. J. F. Peat, M.E.M., Mr. B. Wigham, F.F.M.A., Miss E. P. Sparling, W.M.S., Miss D. Jones, W.F.M.S.

We ask for your Prayers for them, the Hon. Gen. Secy. and Office Staff for their work during the coming Year.
ANALYSIS OF CIRCULATION.

Grouping the Sales according to the Sections of the Catalogue shows at a glance the kind of books most in demand.

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Bailey, Miss E. - 5.00
Battorf, C. W. and Mrs. 5.00
Batstone, Miss M. E. (2 years) 10.00
Bell, Gerald and Mrs. 5.00
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Caldwell, T. and Mrs. 10.00
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WEST CHINA RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY ACCOUNTS

1923-24.

GENERAL STATEMENT ACCOUNT.

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Total: $2990.39

Nov 27th 1924.
Examined and found correct.

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