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**THE WEST CHINA BAPTIST MISSION
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

Moderator - - - - - Mr. C.G. Vichert
Vice-Moderator - - Mrs. Jane B. Dye
Clerk - - - - - Dr. Robert B. Ainslie
Mission Secretary - Mr. J. E. Moncrieff
Mission Treasurer - Dr. E. S. Burket
Statistician - - Mrs. Carol Schaefer
Health Supervisor Dr. J.E. Lenox

Reference Committee - Mission Secretary, *ex officio*, Miss Sara B. Downer, Dr. D.S. Dye, Dr. J.E. Lenox, Mr. B.A. Slocum

Auditing Committee - Miss Brodbeck, Mrs. Dye, Dr. Graham, Mrs. Vichert

Language Study Committee - Mr. J.E. Moncrieff

Nominating Committee - Miss Downer, Dr. Graham, Mr Schaefer, Mr. Vichert

Policy Committee - nine members to be elected by local station councils as follows: Chengtu, 3; Suifu, 8; Yaan, 2; Kiating, 1

Property Committee Dr. Dye, Dr. Graham, Mr. Moncrieff

Resolutions Committee - Dr. Gates, Miss Gray, Miss McConnell, Miss Ada Nelson

Representatives to Other Bodies and Committees:

China Baptist Council - Mr. J.E. Moncrieff

Council on Health Education - Dr. J.E. Lenox

Joint Personnel Committee - Miss Archer, Dr. Dye, Dr. Graham, Mr. Vichert

Union Middle School Board of Directors - Mr. J.E. Moncrieff

Union Theological College Board of Management - Dr. Graham, Mr. Moncrieff

United Hospital Board - Dr. J.E. Lenox

West China Union University Board of Directors - Mrs. Anna M. Salquist

West China Missionary News Board of Publication - Miss Argetsinger

Woman's College Board - Miss Argetsinger, Mrs. Salquist

MEMBERS OF THE WEST CHINA BAPTIST
MISSION, JANUARY, 1944

Chengtú:

- Ainslie, R.B., M.D., Language Student, 1942 (wife in U.S.A.)
Argetsinger, Miss Minnie A., Woman's and Educational Work, 1919
Burket, E.S., Mission Treasurer, 1916 (wife in U.S.A.)
Downer, Miss Sara B., Woman's College, Union University, 1920
Dye, D.S., and wife, College of Science, Union University, 1908
Gates, Dorothy, M.D., Language Student, 1943
Graham, D.C., Ph.D., and wife, Union University and Union Theological College, 1911
Kennard, J.S., Ph.D., and wife, Union University, 1936
Lenox, J.E., M.D., and wife, M.D., College of medicine, Union University, 1930
Moucrieff, J.E., Mission Secretary, and Missionary Training School, 1915 (wife in U.S.A.)
Salquist, Mrs. Anna M., Treasurer of the Convention Executive Committee, 1897
Slocum, B.A., and wife, University of Nanking, 1932.
Whittington, H.B., Ph.D., and wife, Gtning College for Women, 1943

Kiating:

- Graham, D.C. Ph.D., part time Pastoral work 1911 (wife in Chengtu)

Suifu (Ipin):

- Archer, Miss L. G., Educational Work, 1920
Brodbeck, Miss L.E., Woman's and Girls' Work, 1918
Crawford, Miss L.J., R.N., Medical Work, 1909
Oriswell, Miss M.L., M.D., Medical Work, 1931
Denison, Miss M.C., R.N., Medical Work, 1920
Jensen, J.C. and wife, Pastoral Work, 1911
McConnell, Miss A.R., R.N., Medical Work, 1942
Peterson, Miss A.M., Educational Work, 1930
Schaefer, R.W. and wife, Pastoral Work, 1940
Tompkins, C.E., M.D., and wife, Medical Work, 1902
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Yaan:

- Nelson, Miss Ada, Woman's and Girls' Work, 1931

Nelson, Miss Esther, R.N., Medical Work, 1924
Viebert, C.G. and wife, Pastoral Work, 1930

Chungking:

Cressy, E.H. and wife, National Christian Council, 1910

On Furlough:

Brininstool, M.O. and wife, Pastoral Work, 1929
Crook, R.L., M.D., and wife, Medical Work, 1920
Phelps, D.L., Ph.D., and wife, Union University, 1921
Smith, F.N., and wife, Pastoral and Educational Work, 1911
Therolf, Miss F., R.N., Medical Work, 1918

MEMBERS OF THE WEST CHINA BAPTIST MISSION
PRESENT AT CONFERENCE, 1944

Chengtzu:

Dr. Ainslie, Miss Argetsinger, Dr. Burket, Miss Downer, Dr. and Mrs. Dye, Dr. Gates, Dr. and Mrs. Graham, Dr. and Mrs. Kennard, Dr. and Mrs. Lenox, Mr. Moncrieff, Mrs. Salquist, Mr. and Mrs. Sloom, Dr. and Mrs. Whittington

Kiating:

Dr. Graham (listed also as present from Chengtu)

Suifu (Ipin):

Miss MoConnell, Mr. Schaefer

Chungking:

Dr. Cressy

MEMBERS OF THE DISCIPLES' MISSION
PRESENT AT CONFERENCE, 1944

Chengtzu:

Mrs. Edna Gish, Miss Cammie Gray, Miss Margaret Lawrence, Dr. and Mrs. L.C. Smythe

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL
CONFERENCE OF THE WEST CHINA
BAPTIST MISSION, 1944

The thirty-second annual Conference began with a Fellowship Service conducted Tuesday evening, February 1. by Dr. Robert B. Ainslie. Each meeting was opened with a brief devotional service, and the morning meetings closed

with a thirty-minute devotional period conducted by Mrs Raymond Schaefer, who used successive stanzas of the Conference Hymn, "Lord of All Being, Throned Afar" as his theme. The Conference closed Sunday night, February 6, with a mission supper followed by a Consecration Service led by Dr. D.C. Graham.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1944,

The first business session of the Conference was opened at 9.00 a.m., by the Moderator, Mr. Monerieff. The Moderator, the Clerk' and the Nominating Committee for the present annual Conference were then elected.

1944-1 VOTED. That members of the Disciples Mission be invited to participate in this Conference on the same basis as members of the Baptist Mission.

Reports were given of the work in the several stations, of the Disciples Mission, and of the annual meeting, just closed, of the West China Baptist Convention.

Upon report by the Nominating Committee, other officers and committees were elected. The complete list appears on a previous page.

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1944-2 VOTED, That we express our appreciation of the many years of devoted service of Dr. and Mrs. J.C. Jensen, but that we deem it wise to concur with the recommendation of the Joint Personnel Committee.)

1944-3 VOTED, That we request the return to West China of Dr. and Mrs. J.S. Kennard for work in the West China Union University, as requested by the University and recommended by the Chengtu Station Council.

Reports were made by the Mission Secretary, the Language Study Committee, the Property Committee, and by our representative on the West China Missionary News Board of Publication.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1944.

The meeting was opened at 9.00 a.m. Consideration was given to suggestions on Church Unity made by a Chengtu retreat sponsored by the N.C.C., and a committee consisting

of Dr. Graham, Miss Gray and Mr. Slocum was appointed to bring in a report and recommendations at a later meeting.

Reports were received from the Union University, the University of Nanking, Ginling College for Women, the West China Union Theological College, the National Christian Council, the Szechwan Christian Council, the Woman's College, the Missionary Training School.

The question of policy in the administration of Emergency Relief Funds was raised, and it was

1944-4 VOTED, That the Reference Committee be instructed to determine a policy for the use of relief funds after correspondence with the Boards.

On the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and of the West China Baptist Convention, it was

1944-5 VOTED, That we ask the General Board for one pastoral and one medical worker, and the Woman's Board for two church workers.

In response to a request from the Union University, it was

1944-6 VOTED, That we ask the General Board for a doctor in addition to the one requested by the Convention, in view of the need at the Union University for two doctors from the Baptist Mission.

1944-7 VOTED, That we endorse the request of the Convention for Miss Teagarden to be sent out to West China as soon as possible by the United Christian Missionary Society.

1944-8 VOTED, That we recommend to the Convention Executive Committee that a study be made of a possible redistribution of workers so that some missionary may be appointed to the work now being done by Miss Ada Nelson in Yaan to ensure continuity of operation.

1944-9 VOTED, That Dr. Robert Ainslie be asked to go to Yaan not later than early autumn, to continue language study there for at least six months.

1944-10 VOTED, That Dr. Dorothy Gates be sent to Sulfu some time after the summer for her second year of language study.

1944-11 VOTED, That the question of renting the second missionary residence in Kiating be referred to the Property Committee with power.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1944.

The consideration of our educational programme was made a special order, when the meeting opened at 9.00 a.m. After some discussion it was

1944-12 VOTED, That the question of the educational work of the West China Baptist Mission be referred to the Policy Committee for study in cooperation with the Convention Educational Committee.

1944-13 VOTED, That we go on record as approving the plan of designating as guest students former students of the University of Shanghai now present in the various Universities in Chengtu, thus preserving the identity of the Colleges of Arts and Science in the University of Shanghai; and that we also recommend to the University authorities that, if practicable, these guest students shall be brought together into their own dormitories.

1944-14 VOTED, That we ask the physicians and nurses of the Mission (the Health Supervisor acting as Convenor) to make appropriate recommendations as to Hospital Standards to the Medical Committee of the Convention.

1944-15 VOTED, That we report to the Convention Executive Committee that we favor increasing cooperation between the two hospitals at Suifu with a view to eventual unification, and are prepared to cooperate in any programme the Convention may adopt to that end.

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1944-16 VOTED, That the Property Committee be instructed to study the ownership and the use being made of Baptist Mission properties, and in cooperation with the Convention Pastoral Committee make recommendations as to their retention or disposal.

1944-17 VOTED, That the question of the use to be made of the Baptist Middle School Dormitory at Chengtu upon the termination of the present agreement with the University of Nanking College of Agricul-

ture and Forestry be referred to the Property Committee for study and report to the Reference Committee.

1944-18 VOTED, That we recommend the continuance of the West China Missionary News Board of Publication to serve as collector and repository of news of important missionary activities, even though it finds it impossible at present to continue the publication of the West China Missionary News, and that it arrange to resume publication as soon as possible.

At the evening meeting on Friday reports of outstation work in the several districts were made by Messrs. Schaefer, Viebert, and Graham, illustrated with maps of the districts showing locations of outstations.

Mr. Harry E. Stevens, Second Secretary of the American Embassy, on detail at Ohengt'u, was invited to be present during part of the evening session, and gave some interesting information on the subject of property rights of missionary organizations under the new treaties.

1944-19 VOTED, That we do not consider it practicable to add the B.D. course to those offered by the West China Union Theological College on the departure of the Nanking Theological Seminary.

1944-20 VOTED, That if there is a demand for Junior Grade classes in the West China Union Theological College, we recommend that they be continued for the present.

1944-21 VOTED, That the Mission Secretary, in consultation with the Reference Committee, take up with the authorities of the West China Union University the question of strengthening mission and church representation upon its Board of Directors.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1944.

The meeting was opened at 9.00 a.m.

1944-22 VOTED, That we urge the West China Union University to increase its efforts to reduce the size of its staff and student body with a view to improving quality of work and reducing the cost of operation.

1944-23 VOTED, That we favor the establishment of an Inter-mission Committee to serve for the duration, and that we elect our Mission Secretary as our representative and suggest that Dr. E.S. Burket serve as representative of the South China Mission and Mr. B. A. Slocum as representative of the East China Mission until their successors can be appointed, with Messrs. K.G. Hobart, J.P. Davies and E.H. Cressy as corresponding members.

1944-25 VOTED, That we appoint a committee consisting of Messrs. Moncrieff, Graham and Lenox, to study the question of the replacement of our Mission Secretary. to report to the Reference Committee on or before November 1, 1944.

The Committee on Church Unity brought in its report, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH UNITY

We stand for a united church on the basis of spiritual unity combined with a high degree of diversity of form of church service and government of distinguished from church union, which means uniformity of government and practice. We as missionaries favor entering such a united church if and when our Chinese churches approve.

We approve:

1. Intercommunion in the churches.
2. Interchange of church members,
3. Equal recognition of the present ministry
4. Ordination in future of ministers to be by ordained ministers of any and all denominations on a basis of equality
5. The separation of church and state.
6. The form of church government within both the local church and the united church to be democratic; each local church having full freedom in determining its own government and practice.
7. Each church having its own creed or none, as in the case of those churches which follow only the New Testament as their guide and faith.

8. That in the case of the combination of local churches to form a union church, where the immersionist form of baptism is practiced, candidates be given an option as to the form of baptism they desire, after the belief and practice of all bodies have been presented.
9. That baptism should be administered only to those who are believers and have reached the age of understanding.

We propose regular meetings of mission and convention secretaries to consider means of greater cooperation. We recommend that each of our secretaries issue invitations for such meetings.

We favor having the united church in China become a member of the world council of churches.

We recommend:

1. A post-war council to which Board Secretaries be invited.
2. That a committee of three be appointed to act with the existing committee on church unity.

1944-25 VOTED, That we adopt the report of the Committee on Church Unity.

The findings of a Chengtu Retreat held under the auspices of the N. C. C. on Mission and Church Relationships, which had been presented at an earlier meeting, were given farther consideration, and are shown hereunder as finally adopted.

FINDINGS ON MISSION AND CHURCH RELATIONSHIPS

I. Missionaries after the War.

1. **The Principles:** The missionaries should be the kind that the Chinese church asks for and wants.
2. **Qualifications:** (a) No racial prejudice, (b) Understanding Chinese culture and history, (c) With a spirit of life dedication, (d) With enthusiasm for pioneering and able to cooperate with Chinese colleagues.

3. Kinds of training.

- (a) Missionaries may be trained in theological schools at home and Chinese may be asked to teach there.
- (b) As soon as the missionaries arrive in China, they should be asked to study in the language school, when they will learn not only the language but the customs of the country, its culture and past history, the present condition and future plans of the church.

4. Procedure upon arrival in China and responsibility for the direction of their work:

- (a) (referred to the Reference Committee for clarification and action; see below.)
- (b) The Foreign Mission Board should study carefully the qualifications of the candidate, and this information should be sent to the committee in China. Afterwards, during the first term of service, and at the end of each term, the China committee should study the strength and weakness of the missionary, and this should be used by the Chinese church and the Mission Board in determining whether the Missionary should continue to serve in China.
- (c) The kind and place of work of the missionary shall be decided on the basis of needs. Appointment and allocation shall be made by the Chinese church.
- (d) In making reports to the Foreign Mission Board, the missionary should report not only his own work, but the progress of the Chinese church as a whole.
- (e) (deleted; see below.)
- (f) After the war the Chinese churches and the older churches should have an interchange of pastors. This will be of mutual benefit and will develop the consciousness of the Church Universal.

II. Finance. There will be an increased need for the development of the work after the war.

- 1. Foreign Boards should continue, and if possible increase, grants to the Chinese church.

2. Local expenses should be borne by the Chinese churches. If any additional grants are made, these should be used for the training of Chinese leaders and for new types of work.

III. Property. (sub-head No. 1 is here quoted as it was presented at the Conference; see below.)

1. Church property is of two kinds:

(a) That for medical, educational and evangelistic work.

(b) Missionary residences,

2. (laid on the table; see below)

3. The Chinese church should be registered under the Ministry of Social Affairs of the Chinese Government, and thus become a legal body. The property question will be easily solved in this way.

1944-26 VOTED, That these findings be adopted except for those sections for which other provision is indicated.

1944-27 VOTED, That Section 1-4(a) of the above findings, reading: "The new missionaries should be under the guidance and direction of the responsible Chinese church committee" be referred to the Reference Committee for clarification and action.

NOTE BY MISSION SECRETARY. Section 1-4(e), which was deleted before adoption of the findings, reads: "The missionary who retires on the field should serve in different stations in order to share experiences with the church." After Conference had adjourned, it was discovered that Section III-1 had been amended to read: "No distinctions between kinds of church property" before adoption at the N.C.C. Retreat. It is quite doubtful that the Mission would consider it wise to abolish all distinctions between missionary residences and other property at the present time. Section III-2, laid on the table before adoption of the findings by the Conference, reads as follows in the first draft of the findings: "Church property should be transferred to the the Chinese church and cannot be sold at will." As finally adopted by the N.C.C. Retreat it was amended to read: "Church property should be transferred to the Chinese church to own and administer." The amendment of Section III-1 was by a vote of 14 to 18, many present not voting. The Chinese Convention did not adopt Section

III-3, but referred it to their Executive Committee; see their action 1944-13.

Reports were heard from Miss Gray and Dr. Luther Shao on the recent student conference held at the Theological College for life dedication to Christian service.

1944-28 VOTED, That we ask the several station councils to elect their representatives on the new policy committee at their earliest opportunity (Chengtu, 8; Suifu, 3; Yaan, 2; Kiating, 1) and report promptly to the Mission Secretary.

The Resolutions Committee brought in its report, which was adopted as follows:

1944-29 RESOLVED, That we express our most heart appreciation of the cordial hospitality extended to the Conference by the members of the Chengtu Station, especially recognizing the generous courtesy afforded some of the members by the programme of entertainment for meals during the sessions.

1944-30 RESOLVED, That we express to Dr. and Mrs. Dye our appreciation for the use of their home for the Conference meetings.

1944-31 RESOLVED, That we express our thanks to Mr. Schaefer for the splendid devotional periods conducted by him each morning.

1944-32 RESOLVED. That we express our cordial welcome to the new missionaries who have joined our West China family.

1944-33 RESOLVED, That we likewise express our cordial welcome to the members of the Disciples Mission who are now associated with us.

1944-34 RESOLVED, That we record our appreciation to Dr. Cressy for the special contribution he has made to this Conference because of his wider affiliations.

1944-35 RESOLVED, That we express to Mrs. Salquist our deepest appreciation for her forty-seven years of faithful service and whole-hearted devotion to the China Missions, the last nine years of which she has so splendidly carried on the duties of Mission Secretary. We want her to know that she will always be held in deepest esteem by her co-workers.

- 1944-36 RESOLVED, That we express our heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Moncrieff for his willingness to serve as Mission Secretary at this time; and we wish to pledge him our cooperation and support.
- 1944-37 RESOLVED. That we express our happiness that Dr. Burket has been able to join us and to assume the responsibilities of Mission Treasurer for all our work in Free China.
- 1944-38 RESOLVED, That we express our great appreciation to Mr. Fu Gin-beh for his years of service as Convention Secretary, and his willingness to carry on during these critical times. We also thank Mr. and Mrs. Fu for their cordial hospitality in entertaining the Conference at dinner.
- 1944-39 RESOLVED, That we express our regret that a number of our members were not able to attend the Conference; we ask the members present from Yaan and Suifu to take greetings to them, especially expressing to Miss Crawford how pleased we are to hear of her improvement.
- 1944-40 RESOLVED, That we ask to Clerk to send a congratulatory telegram to Dr. Tompkins on the occasion of his sixty-ninth birthday, February 8.
- 1944-41 RESOLVED, That we ask the Home Boards to convey our greetings to the West China missionaries now on furlough.
- 1944-42 RESOLVED, That we go on record as expressing our appreciation of the valuable service the American Embassy has rendered missionaries.
- 1944-43 RESOLVED, That we record our sorrow at the death of our friend, P.C. Hsu, and that a letter be written to Mrs. Hsu to convey to her our sense of loss and heartfelt sympathy.
- 1944-44 RESOLVED, That we extend our cordial welcome to Dr. E.A. Fridell as Foreign Secretary for China, hoping that he can soon visit the field. We assure him of our hearty cooperation and support. The minutes were read and approved as corrected. The Conference adjourned at 12.00 noon, Saturday, February 5, 1944.

R.B. Ainslie, Clerk of Conference.

MINUTES OF THE WEST CHINA BAPTIST
CONVENTION HELD IN CHENGTU
JAN. 29 TO FEB. 1, 1944

- 1944-1 VOTED, that the Convention shall set apart a portion of its annual appropriation as a fund for conducting training courses for believers in each of the central stations, the Pastoral Committee being asked to work out the pattern for such courses and report it to the Executive Committee for adoption and operation.
- 1944-2 VOTED, That hereafter candidates for admission to church membership be given a very strict and thorough training, the pattern for which shall be worked out concretely by the Pastoral Committee and recommended to the several stations for use.
- 1944-3 VOTED, That in the year 1944 the Pastoral Committee shall be responsible for designating, in each district at least one or two preaching places or outstations for careful study, upon the completion of which they shall report the results of their study to the Executive Sub-Committee.
- 1944-4 VOTED, That the English Clerk of the Convention prepare a letter to be signed by the Secretaries of the Convention and of the Mission, requesting the National Christian Council to make a grant from relief funds at their disposal for the relief of pastoral workers in the Convention.
- 1944-5 VOTED, That from the autumn of 1944 the price of rice be taken as the standard in fixing salaries and allowances of pastoral workers.
- 1944-6 VOTED, That we ask the small committee on subsistence subsidy for pastoral workers to make a distribution of available funds to the several districts in order that the pastoral workers therein may be able to purchase rice as a safeguard against further increases in commodity costs.
- 1944-7 VOTED, That when funds and personnel make it possible, we engage a full-time Executive Secretary.
- 1944-8 VOTED, That the promotion of the Home Missionary Society be entrusted to the Yaan Church which will draw up careful plans, and report to the Executive Sub-Committee for action.

- 1944-9 VOTED, That the Pastoral Committee be asked to draw up a policy for outstations suited to the workers and funds available, limiting the extent with a view to greater effectiveness, and making concrete recommendations to the Executive Committee.
- 1944-10 VOTED, That we favor the National Christian Council's calling a Council of the Churches after the war, to which the Mission Boards shall be asked to send delegates.
- 1944-11 VOTED, That we refer to the Mission Conference for discussion the recommendation of the N. C. C. Chengtu Retreat on Church and Mission Relations, and ask them to report the results of their discussion to the Executive Sub-Committee or the Convention.
- 1944-12 VOTED, That all the other recommendations of the N.C.C. Chengtu Retreat be referred to the appropriate Committees of the Convention for discussion, the results of the discussion to be reported to the executive Committee.
- 1944-13 VOTED, That question of the registration of church bodies with the Government be referred to the Executive Committee with power.
- 1944-14 VOTED, That the support of primary education shall be the responsibility of local church, the Convention assuming no financial responsibility.
- 1944-15 VOTED, That the two hospitals in Suifu should seek ways of unification, and should at least engage a technician in common as soon as possible.
- 1944-16 VOTED, That we approve of engaging a full-time Chinese woman church worker for Kiating.
- 1944-17 VOTED, That we approve of the establishment of a committee on planning rural church work, and refer the matter to the Pastoral Committee for careful consideration.
- 1944-18 VOTED, That we approve of the West China Union Theological College offering the first two years of a B. D. course after the departure of the Nanking Theological Seminary.
- 1944-19 VOTED, That we recommend that the West China Union Theological College do not discontinue its Junior grade classes at the present time.
- 1944-20 VOTED, That we approve of a "Theological

College Day" and ask the Theological College to designate the day, and draw up a suitable programme for its observance, notifying us of the same.

- 1944-21 VOTED, That we send a letter to the West China Union University urging them to give special, attention to the training of Middle School teachers, imbuing them with a Christian purpose and spirit, especially teachers of science, so that they may love and serve the church and provide enthusiastic and progressive leadership for young people.
- 1944-22 VOTED, That we ask Mr. G. B. Fu to continue as Executive Secretary of the Convention until the end of the war, at which time the question may be re-opened.
- 1944-23 VOTED, That the educational questions raised by Suifu be referred to the Educational committee for discussion and recommendation to the Executive Sub-Committee.
- 1944-24 VOTED, That the questions pertaining to Woman's Work raised by Suifu be turned over to the Woman's Committee for discussion and recommendation to the Executive Sub-Committee.

MINUTES OF THE JOINT PERSONNEL COMMITTEE HELD IN CHENGTU, FEBRUARY 1, 1944

These resolutions were later adopted *in toto* by the Convention, the Conference and the Reference Committee.

- 44-1 VOTED, That the Woman's Board be asked to return Miss Argetsinger, Miss Peterson, and Miss Ada Nelson to West China at the conclusion of their furlough.
- 44-2 VOTED, That the General Board be asked to return Mr. and Mrs. Brininstool and Mr. Smith to West China after furlough, when their health has been thoroughly re-established.
- 44-3 VOTED, That the General Board be asked not to return Dr. and Mrs. Jensen to West China at the conclusion of their furlough period.
- 44-4 VOTED, That the United Christian Missionary Society be asked to send Miss Teagarden to West China to work in the West China Baptist Convention.

- 44-5 VOTED, That the General Board be asked to send out a new pastoral worker and a new doctor.
- 44-6 VOTED, That the Woman's Board be asked to send out two new missionaries for church work.
- 44-7 VOTED, That Miss Ann McConnell be designated to work in the Women's Hospital at Suifu on the conclusion of her second year of language study.

NOTE. Items 3,4,5, and 6, of these minutes were adopted by the Conference; items 1,2, and 7 were adopted by the Reference Committee by action taken Feb. 18, 1944, as the failure to adopt them by Conference was overlooked until after adjournment.

J E. M.

GENERAL BOARD FIELD FORCE AND FURLOUGH SCHEDULE

NAME	Date of Last Arrival	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Ainslie	July 1943	1	2	3	4	5 (F)	(R)	
Brininstool	Jan 1937	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Burket	1942	2	3	(F)	(R)	1	2	3
Cressy	1940	4	5	6	(F)	(R)	1	2
Crook	Sept 1936	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Dye	Dec 1941	3	4	5	6	(F)	(R)	1
Graham	Sept 1940	4	5	6	(F)	(R)	1	2
Jensen	Sept 1937	Retire						
Kennard	Oct 1936	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Lenox	1938	6	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4
Monorieff	Sept 1941	3	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4
Phelps	Oct 1937	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Schaefer	Oct 1940	4	5	(F)	(R)	1	2	3
Slocum	Jan 1939	6	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4
Smith	1935	(R)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Tompkins	Jan 1938	Retire						
Vichert	Sept 1939	5	6	(F)	(R)	1	2	3

WOMAN'S BOARD FORCE AND
FURLOUGH SCHEDULE

NAME	Date of Last Arrival	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Archer	Oct 1943	1	2	3	4	5	(F)	(R)
Argeteinger	1937	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Brodbeck	Dec 1940	4	5	(F)	(R)	1	2	3
Crawford	Nov 1939	5	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4
Criswell	Sept 1938	6	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4
Denison	Sept 1943	1	2	3	4	5	(F)	(R)
Downer	Oct 1935	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Gates	Sept 1943	1	2	3	4	5	(F)	(R)
McConnell	Jan 1942	3	4	5	(F)	(R)	1	2
Nelson, Ada	Sept 1938	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Nelson, Esther	Nov 1939	5	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4
Peterson	Aug 1937	(F)	(R)	1	2	3	4	5
Salquist	Jan 1939	Retire						
Therolf	July 1935	(R)	1	2	3	4	5	(F)

In view of the prospect of some of these workers transferring to some other part of China within a year or two, such as Dr. Burket, Dr. Cressy and Mr. Slocum, and the uncertainty of the return to the field of other after furlough, such as Mr. Smith, Miss Therolf, and Miss Crawford, it does not seem worth while to attempt to determine the totals for the field force from year to year; therefore no totals are given in this table.

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