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OF THE

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Bareilly, January 15th to 21st, 1930
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Mrs. E. M. Moffatt ...   October, 1920
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Miss N. M. West ...   February, 1921
Mrs. D. M. Butler ...   January, 1922
Mrs. R. Cox ...   January, 1922
Miss O. Dunn ...   January, 1922
Miss G. Bates ...   December, 1922
Miss V. E. Parks ...   December, 1922
Mrs. C. D. Rockey ...   December, 1922
*Miss E. B. Stallard ...   December, 1924
*Miss M. Kennard ...   December, 1924
Miss Y. Peters ...   July, 1925
Miss J. Crawford ...   January, 1926
*Miss E. Newman ...   January, 1926
Miss G. Doyle ...   January, 1926
Miss C. H. Rost ...   December, 1926
Miss T. Lorenz ...   December, 1926
Miss M. O. Habermann ...   February, 1927
*Miss S. Chosen ...   April, 1927
Mrs. G. B. Thompson ...   November, 1927
Mrs. P. L. Lyall ...   November, 1927
Mrs. A. Gulab ...   November, 1927
Miss A. M. Bass ...   December, 1927
Miss C. V. Westrup ...   December, 1927
Miss H. R. Larsen ...   February, 1928
Mrs. S. Thoburn ...   February, 1928
Miss B. A. Chase, M.D. ...   September, 1928
Miss E. I. Bradley ...   February, 1929
Mrs. R. S. Wilkinson ...   February, 1929
Mrs. B. Shaw ...   February, 1929
Miss E. D. Blackstock ...   February, 1929
Miss P. Phillips ...   February, 1929
Miss R. D. Chester ...   January, 1930
Mrs. Dan Singh ...   January, 1930

Retired Members

§Mrs. F. L. Neeld ...   January, 1880
§Mrs. N. L. Rockey ...   December, 1884
§Miss L. W. Sullivan ...   December, 1888
Miss F. A. Scott ...   February, 1890
Mrs. C. W. Worthington ...   November, 1893
Miss C. Easton ...   December, 1894

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Officers and Committees.

President...Mrs. J. W. Robinson.
Vice-President...Mrs. R. H. C. Thoburn.
Secretary...Miss R. H. Oldroyd.
Assistant Secretary...Miss A. M. Bass.
Custodian of the Archives...Miss M. A. Dimmitt.
Statistical Secretary...Miss M. O. Habermann.

Field Reference Committee.—Miss R. Hoath, Official Correspondent Ex-officio: Miss Pearl Madden.
Treasurer, Ex-officio: Miss Hardie, Miss T. Lorenz, Miss A. Blackstock, Miss G. Honnell, Miss Y. Peters, Mrs. J. N. Hollister.
Alternates.—Miss E. Calkins, Miss J. I. Peters, Miss G. Bates, Miss V. E. Parks.

Property Committee.—Miss J. I. Peters, Miss G. Honnell, Mrs. E. S. Jones, Miss A. Blackstock, Miss R. Hoath, Miss P. Madden, Ex-officio.
Alternates.—Miss E. Calkins, Miss E. Hardie, Mrs. M. T. Titus.

In the following, the first named is the Convener of the Committee.

1. School Committee.—Miss E. Blackstock, Chairman.
   All ladies in School work.

2. Executive Committee of Schools Committee.—

3. Vocational School Committee.—Miss J. I. Peters, Mrs. B. Shaw, Miss G. I. Honnell.


6. Board of Governors Isabella Thoburn College.—
   Dr. E. S. Jones, 1930. Mrs. E. S. Jones, 1931.

   —Miss A. Blackstock.

8. Lal Bagh Girls' School Committee.—Misses G. E.
   Hadden, A. Blackstock, V. E. Parks. Alternate,
   Miss M. A. Dimmitt.

9. Board of Trustees Muttra Training School.—Mrs.
   E. S. Jones, 1931.

10. Board of Trustees Bareilly Theological Seminary.—
    Mrs. C. S. Thoburn, P. L. Lyall, J. W. Nave.

11. Board of Governors Warne Baby Fold.—Mr. D. H.
    Hakim, Mrs. E. S. Jones, Rev. G. B. Thompson.

12. Board of Governors Ghaziabad Institute.—Miss

13. Bareilly Women's School.—Mrs. J. W. Nave,
    Miss E. Hardie, Miss O. Kennard.

14. Language School Committee.—Miss G. Doyle,
    Mrs. C. S. Thoburn, Miss H. R. Larson.

15. Medical Work Committee.—Dr. B. A. Chase,
    Misses E. C. Hayes, T. Lorenz, C. V. Westrup,
    Mrs. B. C. Harrington.

16. Clara Swain Hospital.—Miss N. M. West, Mrs.
    E. S. Jones, Miss O. Kennard, Mrs. M. T. Titus.

17. Tilaunia Sanitarium.—Misses N. M. West, T.
    Lorenz.

18. Evangelistic Committee.—Mrs. M. T. Titus, Chair-
    man, Miss O. Dunn, Registrar. All ladies in
    evangelistic work.

19. Board of Evangelism.—All district evangelists.
    G. B. Thompson, E. S. Jones.

20. State of the Church.—Mrs. E. S. Jones, Misses
    A. M. Bass, O. Dunn, R. Chester, A. Gulab,
    Yunas Sinha, Dan Singh, Kirpal Singh, J. N.
    Hollister, Khumani Rudra, Jit Singh, Chandra
    Singh, Jhandu Singh.

21. Conference Finance Committee.—Mrs. M. T.
    Titus, Mrs. B. Shaw.
22. Temperance Committee.—Miss C. Oram, Mrs. M. T. Titus, Mrs. R. Wilkinson, Miss I. G. Loper, Mrs. P. L. Lyle.


25. All India Literature Committee.—Miss E. M. Calkins.

26 Editing Committee.—Miss M. A. Dimmitt, Mrs. H. A. Hanson, Misses R. Cox, G. E. Hadden.


28. Permanent Provident Fund Committee.—Central Treasurer, W. F. M. S.

29. Furniture Committee.—Misses R. Cox, C. Rost, C. V. Westrup, J. Crawford (Custodian of W. F. M. S. Store-room, Miss C. V. Westrup.)

30. Almora Rest Home.—Miss L. W. Sullivan.

31. Standing Committee on Woman's Work.—Mrs. E. S. Jones, Misses M. L. Perrill, G. I. Honnell.


33. Conference Music Committee.—Mrs. C. S. Thoburn, Mrs. C. D. Rockey, Mrs. J. N. Hollister, C. D. Rockey, B. C. Harrington, R. S. Wilkinson.


35. Auxiliaries Committee.—Mrs. H. H. Weak, Mrs. G. B. Thompson, Mrs. A. Gulab, Miss E. D. Blackstock.

36. U. P. Council Board of Election.—Miss G. Doyle.

37. Member of Executive Board.—Miss J. I. Peters.
Conference Appointments.

BAREILLY DISTRICT.

District Missionary, Mrs. J. W. Nave.
District Evangelist, Northern Section, Miss Olive E. Kennard, (P. O. Pilibhit.)
District Evangelist, Southern Section, Miss Ethel Calkins, (P. O. Bareilly.)

Bareilly, City and Zenana Work, Miss Olive E. Kennard.
Bareilly, Circuit Work, Mrs. Albert Gulab.
Bareilly, English Church, Mrs. C. Stanley Thoburn.
Bareilly, Girls' School, Miss Grace Honnell, Manager; Miss Ethel M. Calkins, Headmistress.
Bareilly, Warne Baby Fold, Miss Vera Parks.
Bareilly, Clara Swain Hospital, Miss Bertha Chase, M.D.; Miss Theresa Lorenz, R.N., Superintendent Training School for Nurses; Miss Charlotte Westrup, R.N., Maternity and Child Welfare Work; Miss Jeanette Crawford, General Assistant; Miss Argus, R.N., Language Study.

Pilibhit, City and Zenana Work, Olive E. Kennard.
Shahjahanpur, Bidwell Memorial Girls' School, Miss Yasmin Peters, Manager; Hostel Work, supplied by Miss Irene Bobb.
Shahjahanpur, City and Zenana Work, Mrs. Prem Singh.
Shahjahanpur, Lodhipur Community School, Mrs. H. A. Hanson.

BIJNOR DISTRICT.

District Missionary, Mrs. G. B. Thomson, (P. O. Bijnor.)
District Evangelist, Miss Olive Dunn, (P. O. Bijnor.)
Bijnor, City and Zenana Work, Miss Olive Dunn.
Bijnor, Lois Lee Parker Girls' School, Miss Gladys Doyle, Manager; Headmistress; to be supplied.
Bijnor, Vail Boys' Boarding School, Mrs. G. B. Thomson.

BUDAUN DISTRICT.

District Evangelist, to be supplied.
Budaun, Boys' Hostel, Mrs. M. T. Titus.
Budaun, City and Zenana Work, Miss Ruth Hoath.
Budaun, Sigler Girls' School, Miss Nellie M. West, Manager; Miss Piyari Phillips, Headmistress.
Budaun, Bible Training School, Miss Ruth Hoath.

CHANDAUSI DISTRICT.

District Missionary, Mrs. B. S. Roberts, (P. O. Chandausi.)
District Evangelist, Miss Eva Hardie, (P. O. Moradabad.)

EASTERN KUMAON DISTRICT.
District Missionary, Mrs. P. L. Lyall, (P. O. Pithoragarh.)
District Evangelist, Miss M. L. Perrill, (P. O. Pithoragarh.)
Chandag Heights Leper Asylum, Miss Mary Reed.
Kali Kumaon Evangelistic, Medical and School Work, Miss E. C. Hayes.
Pithoragarh, Hospital, Miss M. L. Perrill.
Pithoragarh, Widows’ Home, Miss I. G. Loper.
Pithoragarh, Girls’ School, Miss Ruth Cox, Manager; Headmistress; to be supplied.

GARHWAL DISTRICT.
District Missionary, Mrs. H. H. Weak, (P. O. Pauri, Garhwal.)
District Evangelist, Mrs. M. W. Gill, (P. O. Pauri, Garhwal.)
Pauri, Medical Work, to be supplied.
Pauri, Thoburn Hostel, to be supplied.
Pauri, Mary Ensign Gill Girls’ School, Miss L. W. Beach, Manager; Headmistress, supplied by Miss D. F. Walter.

HARDOI-SITAPUR DISTRICT.
District Missionary, Mrs. E. M. Moffatt, (P. O. Sitapur.)
District Evangelist, Miss G. E. Hadden, (P. O. Sitapur.)
Hardoi, Girls’ School, Mrs. S. B. Shaw, Manager; Headmistress, supplied by Miss Margaret Jeremy.
Hardoi, City and Zenana Work, Mrs. Grace M. Butler.
Sitapur, Girls’ School, Miss Margaret O. Habermann, Manager; Headmistress, supplied by Miss Ida White.
Sitapur, City and Zenana Work, Miss G. E. Hadden.
Sitapur, Boys’ School, Mrs. E. Stanley Jones.

KUMAUN DISTRICT.
District Missionary, Mrs. J. N. Hollister, (P. O. Almora.)
District Evangelist, to be supplied.
Almora, City and Zenana Work, and Leper Asylum, Miss Jessie I. Peters.
Almora, Adams Girls’ High and Normal School, Miss Ruth Larsen, Manager; Miss Jessie I. Peters, Headmistress, to be supplied; Hostel, Miss Jessie I. Peters.
Almora, Hospital, to be supplied.
Dwarahat, Girls’ School, Miss Charlotte Oram, Manager.
Naini Tal, English Church, to be supplied.
Naini Tal, Hindustani Church, Mrs. R. S. Wilkinson.
Naini Tal, School and Zenana Work, Miss Grace Bates.
Naini Tal, Philander Smith College, Mrs. R. C. Busher.

MORADABAD DISTRICT.
District Missionary, Mrs. C. D. Rockey, (P. O. Moradabad.)
District Evangelist, Miss Eva Hardie, (P. O. Moradabad.)
Moradabad, Girls’ Middle and Normal School, Miss Anna Blackstock, Manager; Headmistress; supplied by Miss Ethel Jacobs; Miss Esther Blackstock, Hostel.
Moradabad, City and Zenana Work, Miss Eva Hardie.
Moradabad, Parker Branch School, Miss Allie M. Bass, Manager; Miss Rhoda Chester, Headmistress.

RAMPUR DISTRICT.
District Missionary, Mrs. G. S. Patrick, (P. O. Bhitaura, District Bareilly.)
District Evangelist, Miss Ruth Hoath, (P. O. Budaun.)

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.
Miss Marjorie Dimmitt, Miss Roxanna H. Oldroyd. Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow.
Miss Kathleen Clancy, Lal Bagh Girls’ School, Lucknow.
Mrs. B. C. Harrington, Centennial Boys’ School, Lucknow.
Mrs. C. Stanley Thoburn, Bareilly Theological Seminary.
Miss Edna Bradley, Blackstone Training Institute, Muttra.
Miss Carrie Rost, Darjeeling Girls’ School.
Mrs. Dan Singh, Bareilly Theological Seminary.

ON LEAVE.
Miss Ruth Warrington, Miss Florence Salzer, Miss Anna Ashbrook.
Miss Edna Bacon, Miss Eleanor Stallard, Miss Phoebe Emery.
Miss Blanche McCarteney, Mrs. M. W. Branch, Miss Nora Waugh.
Miss Marie Kennard, Miss Margaret Landrum, Mrs. R. H. C. Thoburn.
Miss Grace Davis, Mrs. P. S. Hyde, Miss K. Ogilvie Mrs. L. A. Core. Mrs. J. N. West.
Retired, Mrs. F. P. Mansell, Miss A. McMullen.
Official Minutes.

FIRST DAY.

Wednesday, January 15, 1936.

At twelve o'clock the two Conferences met in Joint Session. The Rev. M. T. Titus gave a summary of the year's work, as culled from District Superintendent's reports.

The Rev. Mr. Wellons spoke on the Lucknow Christian College and the Rev. Mr. Sheets concerning the efforts and plans to raise the debt on the buildings of the Baby Fold.

The Women's Conference then met in the drawing room of the Butler house for its Sixtieth annual session. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. W. Robinson. Forty-one members responded to roll call.

Election of officers followed and the following were elected:

President, Mrs. J. W. Robinson
Vice-president, Mrs. R. H. C. Thoburn
Secretary, Miss R. H. Oldroyd
Ass't. Secretary, Miss A. Bass
Statistical Secretary, Miss M. Habermann

Introductions and Greetings:

Miss Y. Peters, Miss Bates, Mrs. Nave, Mrs. Hollister, Miss Calkins, and Miss Loper were introduced at the Joint Session and welcomed back from furlough. Mrs. Forsgren of the Northwest India Conference gave a few words of greeting to her former Conference.

A letter was read from Mrs. West and greetings were brought from Mrs. Hanson and Miss Dennis.

Misses Jethro and Sunday from Almora were introduced.

A letter was read from Mrs. Townley of the Foreign Department of the W. F. M. S. saying that although the department appreciated the invitation of the North India Woman's Conference to Miss Watson to come to India to study the problems concerning our changing policy in regard to Bible Readers and the support of Primary Boys' Boarding Schools, on account of lack of funds, they would not be able to send her.

It was moved and carried that the chair appoint the Nominating and Resolution Committees.

The following were appointed:
Nominating Committee
Mrs. R. H. C. Thoburn
Miss Hoath
Miss Bates
Resolution Committee
Miss Beach
Mrs. Jones
Miss Bradley

On the recommendation of the Field Reference Committee, Miss R. Chester was elected a member of the North India Woman's Conference. Miss Chester was introduced to the Conference and a hearty welcome was accorded her.

The Hyderabad Woman's Conference sent the following resolution for our consideration:—

"That we urgently request the Society to make plans for stressing the need for our Village Primary Schools. The matter requires haste. Missionaries feel that it is the pre-eminent need of the hour."

It was moved and carried that this Conference confer in this resolution. It was also voted that this be sent to the Board of Education for their sanction.

The President called on Miss Sullivan to close the meeting with prayer after which the meeting adjourned.

SECOND DAY

Thursday, January 16, 1930.

The second session of the Conference was called to order by the president at twelve o'clock, noon.

The devotions were led by Mrs. Thoburn on the general topic "What my Religion Means to me." Mrs. Thoburn's particular topic was "What my mother's religion means to me," and she made this hour a tender and helpful one for us all.

Miss Ramsbottom and Mrs. Hyde led in prayer, after which the business session was the order of the day.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Introductions and greetings:—

Mrs. Wilkinson of Naini Tal sent her greetings to the Conference.

Miss Tanner, an honorary missionary at the Baby Fold, was introduced and Miss Hoath was welcomed back from furlough.
Miss Peters read the report of the official Correspondent, which was accepted.

As business arising out of this report, it was moved and carried that the All India Literature Committee be the committee on the Woman's Friend.

The election of the Official Correspondent followed and on the third ballot, Miss Hoath was elected.

Regarding the eligibility of the National members of the conference to membership on the Field Reference Committee, it was voted that all National members of Conference, subject to appointment by the Bishop be declared eligible for membership on the Field Reference Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Nominating Committee bring in a suggested list of names for the Field Reference Committee. The motion was amended to read that the election of the Field Reference Committee be made the order of the day after the reading of the minutes at the next day's session. The amendment was carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Miss Madden.

It was moved and carried that Miss Blackstock collect for the Retired Assistant's Fund.

It was voted to extend the time for the Conference Session one half hour, after which the Evangelistic Work Programme was given as follows:

Changing Plans for Bible's Readers' Work
Mrs. M. T. Titus.
Solo
Miss Bates.
Educated Girls in Evangelistic Work
Miss Kennard.
District Problems
Miss Dunn.

It was voted that the Evangelistic Committee fill out the blanks regarding Bible Readers, which have been sent from the Society in America.

Mrs. Branch offered a short prayer, after which the meeting adjourned.

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THIRD DAY.

Friday, January 17, 1930.

Miss Dimmitt led the devotions. After singing "Bless Thou the Bread of Life to me," she gave a most sympathetic and helpful talk on "What the Bible Means to Me."
After the devotional period, the president called the business session to order. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

*Introductions and Greetings.*

Miss Bradley and Mrs. Gill who had not been present before were welcomed, Mrs. Roberts of Budaun, Mrs. Chopra of Shahjahanpur and Mrs. Patrick of Moradabad and the Misses Grundy were introduced to the Conference.

A communication was read from the Cabinet asking that a committee be appointed to confer with the Cabinet regarding the appointments of the members of the Woman's Conference.

It was moved and carried that the Field Reference Committee appoint this committee.

*Elections.*

The election of the Field Reference Committee resulted as follows:

Miss Hardie, Miss Lorenz, Miss Blackstock, Miss Honnell, Miss Y. Peters, Mrs. Hollister.

Alternates:—Miss Calkins, Miss J. I. Peters, Miss Bates, Miss Parks.

*Reports.*

The following reports were given and accepted:—

(See reports.)

Auxiliaries  ...  ...  ...  ...  Mrs. Titus.

"Woman's Friend"  ...  ...  ...  ...  Mrs. Branch.

The Religious Education Programme followed.

Miss Beach reported that little or no literature was available for the primary grades and Miss Cox promised to send a list of books for the fifth and sixth grades to the Conference members, when her list was completed.

Miss Hardie read a concretely informing paper on the literature available for evangelistic workers.

Miss Perrill's paper on "Linking Living with Learning" was thought provoking.

Miss Peters then gave the report of the Religious Education Committee.

Mrs. Thoburn presented the books for Zenana Visitors which are put out by the Woman's Work Committee of the U. P. Christian Council.

Mrs. Titus expressed our appreciation of Mrs. Thoburn's work in the Institute for Zenana visitors and Bible Readers of the past two years and spoke of the great value received by the Bible Readers who attended the Institutes.
The Resolutions Committee asked to present at this time a resolution concerning Mrs. Hyde, who would be leaving on furlough to-day. Mrs. Moffatt read a fitting and beautiful resolution to which Mrs. Hyde responded.

The president called on Mrs. Hyde to close the session with prayer after which adjournment took place.

FOURTH DAY.

Saturday, January 19, 1930.

The devotional period was opened with the singing of "I Love Thy Church, O God," after which Miss Bates gave a most appreciative and helpful talk on "What the Church Means to me." Miss Tanner closed the service with prayer.

The president called the business session to order and the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Introductions and Greetings.

Mrs. Dan Singh, Dr. C. I. Kipp of the Indus River Conference, Miss Bobb and Miss Victoria Singh were introduced.

Misses Sahae, Dhan Masih, Stella Singh of Budaun and Misses Solomon and Chattree of Bareilly were introduced.

On the recommendation of the Field Reference Committee, Mrs. Dan Singh was elected a member of the Conference.

Miss Hoath presented the following nominations from the Field Reference Committee for the Property Committee:- Misses J. I. Peters, Honnell, and Mrs. Jones, Miss Blackstock, Miss Madden, Miss Hoath.

Alternates, Misses Calkins, Hardie and Mrs. Titus.

These nominations were confirmed by the Conference.

Reports.

The following reports were given and accepted:—

(See reports.)

Standing Committee on Woman’s Work Miss Davis
Language School Miss Doyle
Literature Committee Miss Dimmit

In the report of the Language School Committee there was a suggestion that a bonus of Rs. 200 be given
to missionaries who passed the third year examinations. After some discussion it was moved and carried by a goodly majority that the bonus not be given.

Bishop Robinson visited the Conference and greeted and welcomed the new Indian members of Conference.

Upon the nomination of the Nominating Committee, Miss Calkins was elected our member of the All India Literature Committee.

It was voted to extend the time of the Conference session one half hour, after which the Medical Work Programme was presented.

"The Health Programme in our Schools, Dr. C. I. Kipp.


"Nursing Problems" Miss Lorenz.

"Importance of Unity and Co-operation between Medical, Educational and Evangelistic Missions" Dr. B.A. Chase.

On motion the meeting adjourned and Mrs. Prem Singh closed with prayer.

FIFTH DAY.

Monday, January 20, 1930.

The devotional period was led by Miss Calkins. After singing the hymn, "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee," Miss Calkins spoke thoughtfully and feelingly on "What Christ Means to Me." Miss Dunn then led in prayer.

The business session was called to order and the minutes of the previous session were read and with corrections approved, Introduction.

Dr. Small, Miss Pearl Lord, Miss James, Miss Adiah and Miss S. Lall all of the Clara Swain Hospital were introduced and Mrs. Shaw of Haroi, who had not been present before was welcomed.

On motion it was voted to hear the report of the Nominating Committee, which was given by Mrs. R.H.C. Thoburn. The report was accepted item by item as read, with a few exceptions and corrections and then the report was accepted as a whole.

A recommendation from the Woman's Conference of the Indus River Conference concerning the fund for medical education, was read as follows:
"We recommend that there be a committee of five medical women composed of the following: The medical missionaries in charge of each of the medical institutions at Bareilley, Brindaban and Tilaunia, and two others whom they shall choose."

It was moved and carried that we confer in this resolution.

**Reports.**

The following reports were given and accepted:—

(See reports.)

Property Committee .. .. Miss Honnell.
School Committee .. .. Miss Davis.

The Educational Work Programme then followed, after voting to extend the time of the Conference session one half hour.

"A Unified School Programme"  .. Miss Davis,
"Intelligence Tests—an Aid in Administration"  Miss West

"The Dress Problem in Middle Schools"  Miss Hoath.
"The Upper Middle School—its Plan and Aims"  Miss Y. Peters.

Miss Hoath's topic called forth some discussion and the problem put forth by Miss Peters was referred to the Schools Committee.

Miss J. I. Peters read a communication regarding Church Union, which would later come up for action in the Joint Conference Session.

Miss Grundy offered prayer after which the session adjourned.

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**SIXTH DAY.**

*Tuesday, January 21, 1930.*

After the Joint Conference Session, the Woman's Conference met for the closing session. After singing "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," Mrs. Thoburn led in prayer.

The president then called the business session to order and the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

**Greetings:**—

Mrs. Mansell, Miss Organ and Mrs. Butler sent greetings to the Conference.
It was requested that we appoint a member from the Field Reference Committee as a member of a special committee on problems connected with the Language School. On motion it was voted that Miss Hoath be this member.

On ballot the following delegates to Central Conference were elected:—

Miss Oldroyd and Miss Hoath.
Alternates:—Miss J. I. Peters, Miss Y. Peters.

A complete set of bound volumes of the North India Woman's Conference Reports was presented to the Conference by Mrs. Mansell.

On motion it was voted that we accept this gift with grateful thanks to Mrs. Mansell and that this set be kept in Bareilley at the Girls' School.

Mrs. Titus read a portion of a letter from Miss Watson in which she asked for a frank opinion from the members of North India Woman's Conference concerning the need for more missionaries.

It was voted that a small committee be appointed to prepare a resolution to send to Miss Watson concerning this matter. Miss Davis, Miss Perrill and Miss R. Chester were appointed.

The following resolution was presented and on motion was adopted:

"With reference to the statement in your recent letter, that letters had been received from India stating that there are more missionaries of the W.F.M.S. than are needed in the North India Conference, we of the Woman’s Conference of North India assembled in Bareilly desire to express our earnest conviction that more missionaries are most urgently needed at the present time. Educated Indian women have been given positions of responsibility in some of our Girls' Schools. We welcome them to our Conference and hope that this number will increase. Nevertheless a number of our schools are still understaffed, and we are quite unable to supply the need in the district and evangelistic work. Four large districts, Kumaun, Budaon, Chaundausi and Rampur are left this year with no evangelist, regions containing more than 60,000 Christians who need the teaching and training that only the women evangelist can give: and beyond these are thousands of villages where masses wait who have not yet even heard the message."

A recommendation from the Northwest India Conference was read asking that a grant of $200 for each school for a Director of Religious Education be given.
It was suggested that in some cases two small schools might unite in this project. It was moved and carried that this Conference concur in this recommendation.

Miss Sullivan gave a report of the Almora Rest Home. She asked for permission to use materials on the ground for some improvements; the permission was gladly granted.

Miss Honnell spoke of the effort being made to raise the debt on the Baby Fold, urging all to do all they could in the final raising of the debt—that every school present the pageant prepared by Miss Emery.

The Final Minutes of the Field Reference Committee were read and accepted. (See report.)

Miss Madden read her chapter "The Relation between the Woman's Conference and the Indian Church," which she has written for Bishop Badley's forthcoming book.

Miss Davis gave the report of the Auditing Committee, which was accepted. (See report.)

A request was presented from the Joint Finance Committee that we make the effort to get all our teachers and workers to tithe and to request every pastor to preach two sermons every year on tithing. This recommendation or request is to be presented to every District Conference.

Considerable discussion followed and it was voted to ask for a few facts from this committee.

Mrs. Titus completed the Auxiliaries Report and presented the following recommendation from the Committee, which was adopted:

"The Auxiliaries Committee recommends that in future all money from W.F.M.S. Auxiliaries, which has not been appropriated and disbursed by the Auxiliaries themselves, be sent to the chairman of the Auxiliaries Committee. Likewise that all gifts for the Mission Claimants Fund from the Auxiliaries be also sent to the Auxiliaries’ Committee’s chairman, so that it can then be given in a lump sum from the North India Woman’s Conference Auxiliaries, by her, to the Conference Treasurer."

The additional report of the Schools Committee was given by Miss Davis and accepted. (See report.)

The report of the Evangelistic Committee was given by Miss Dunn and accepted. (See report.)

It was moved and carried that we request the Committee on Woman’s Work to make out a form to be signed by those who apply for membership in the Woman’s Conference and a brief ceremony of admission be
used when indigeneous members of Conference first attend the Conference as members, and that Miss Dimmit be asked to act with this committee in this.

The report of the Resolution Committee was given and accepted.

The minutes were read and approved after which the session adjourned.
IN MEMORIAM.
Laura Shur.

The past year has been crowded full of unusually rich experiences and blessing for me and among those which I shall cherish longest is the deep joy and inspiration which came into my own heart at the triumphant and happy home going of my very dear friend, Laura Shur. I miss her presence at this conference and around the Girls' School bungalow but rejoice with her in the service which is hers today. I have never liked death or understood it. It has always had something of an unexplainable horror to me. I never felt sure of what was beyond, if anything. I have never lost a near relative or an intimate friend until Miss Shur went Home. Hers was not death it was going Home. Sometime I too shall go Home. Something of the triumph and glory of breaking through time into an assured eternity with Christ has entered into my own spirit. I am grateful for this her last gift to me.

Miss Shur was a very conscientious Christian—almost too much so if that could be. She set for herself a very high standard of Christian experience. Though in very poor health she was determined to attain it before returning to India, that she might serve her Master better; perhaps struggling where yielding and trusting would have brought quicker results and given her the ultimate victory at an earlier date.

After spending several weeks in the Wesley Hospital at Wichita, Kans., that summer it was decided that an operation was necessary to fit her for returning to India. This operation was performed on Tuesday, July 2nd. Until Saturday all seemed to be going well. I had planned to visit her while she was in the hospital but wished to wait until she was partly well from the effects of the operation. However, from news received on Saturday I wondered if perhaps I should not go earlier since she wanted me so much. Before starting on Saturday night I decided to call on the long distance telephone a friend who was looking after her. I was shocked to learn that her spirit had left its broken and bruised earthly temple on Saturday evening. As this friend said—"It was evening here but it was morning indeed for her." She told of that last wonderfully happy and victorious day of Miss Shur's earthly life, which was, as she herself expressed it, several times during the day, "The very happiest day of my life." She had awakened very early in the morning and called the nurse to her bed-side and told her that
everything was all right and that she was very happy. Christ had told her that her work here was finished, but that he had work for her on the other side and that before the day was over she would go to be with him. Perfect peace and victory were hers during that day of suffering. Her mind was clear to the end and her spirit exultantly happy.

For so many days and months had I prayed for this dear friend of mine that when I prayed that night I could not quite leave her out and I just asked God to let her know how happy I was for her in her new found joy. And why not?

Among other numerous things she did during her last days was to dictate a letter to her friends. Some of you may have seen that letter but for those who have not, I will read portions of it now.

"I am very happy today for I am going Home. For a few moments when the conviction came that I could not get well I was just a little confused for I really thought I was going to get well. When the conviction came this morning I became very happy. I have always wanted to see Christ and live his life more truly. There were times I tried very hard and even the many times I failed I prayed very hard. I struggled so hard and the more I struggled the less I lived it successfully. Gradually the conviction came that I was going to be victorious in living the Christian life. I didn't know that I was going to heaven to do it. Christ told me that this morning and I have had a very precious time with him ever since.

"I hoped to go back to India to do more. Will not you dear loved ones continue the work that I want so much to do and while I am in heaven I can help you, at least I hope so. And will you tell my dear India friends that I have grown to love them. I have wanted so much to go back. I may go—rather I shall go in spirit, but not in person as I had hoped for.

"I feel no doubt but that every thing is in his hands and knowing that I do not fear death. Christ is perfect love and perfect love casteth out fear. I am conscious that there is nothing between me and Christ, this morning. He has forgiven all.

"And now dear friends, goodbye, I will meet you all in heaven. If you do not know Christ, take him into your hearts. He will teach you to love him. As he has come into my life this morning, I trust him to carry me through the valley of the shadow of death."

ETHEL CALKINS.
Miss Helen Ingram.

Never has a more devoted and consecrated worker joined our ranks than Miss Helen Ingram, daughter of Barrister Lewis T. and Mrs. Ingram of the Punjab and England, In the year 1899 Helen came to us as an honorary missionary, spending her first year in Bareilly, and the following years until 1913 (when her health forbade further service) at Lucknow. Those were beautiful years in the old Deaconess Home tomb, where as Deaconess for the English Church, Miss Ingram won for herself a place in the hearts and memories of the Lucknow people which can never be effaced. Physically she was frail but a passion to serve her Heavenly Father, through serving others, gave her strength according to her day, and she radiated happiness everywhere, the busier the happier. She seemed to live only to serve others.

Coming as she did from a home where love had lavished on her all that wealth and culture could give, she seemed to count it a privilege to live the simple life, and her only complaint concerning her missionary life was that there were not more hard things to endure or more sacrifices to make. When feeble health made it necessary for her to leave the work and return to her people in England, she became an honorary worker in the Head Office of the Salvation Army in London, where the joy of serving was still hers as long as she had the strength.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones in writing of her said—"I think of her as living in a tomb and of turning that tomb into a place of holy joy." In her dying she has done the same thing. The tomb cannot hold such as Helen Ingram. If it did she would transform it. And just as her brother—George Ingram and his wife, went to the grave to lay away their little one, and went, not to weep, and mourn as those who have no hope, but to rejoice in that hour of usual sadness, so I can think of the whole Ingram family, and (what a wonderful family it is) going to lay away the frail form of Helen Ingram, and yet going through that hour with an undertone of radiant triumph, knowing that a life such as hers cannot be stopped by death and cannot be smothered by the tomb. In her life she said said to many—He is risen! In her death we say to all She is arisen.'
Mrs. Boggess.

Mrs. Ina Gould Boggess came to India with her husband Dr. Arthur C. Boggess, in September, 1910. They were appointed to the Lucknow Christian College where they gave generous and outstanding service for five years. Then because of ill-health they were compelled to return to America, where they remained. Since 1916 Dr. Boggess has been a professor in Baldwin, Ohio. In the capacity of a professor's wife there Mrs. Boggess had many outside contacts, with student groups, in Church and missionary work of many kinds. All through the years, however, she has had to suffer the handicaps of continual ill-health.

It was our privilege both in 1918 and in 1926, our furlough years, to have several visits in their home. The interest in India, in all phases of the work of this area, and in their Indian Missionary friends was deep and abiding.

A friend in the Church in Berea who knew Mrs. Boggess intimately, wrote the letter which brought the news of her translation on December 6th—and that letter reached us a week ago to-day. She wrote on December 8th—"As we sat in the Church this afternoon, a Church filled with sorrowing people to show our respect and affection for Mrs. Boggess, and our sympathy for Dr. Boggess, I felt impelled to write to you. All through the past summer she was very frail, and was bedfast for many weeks. More recently she had been able to be about more, but a few weeks ago a persistent low fever so baffled the Doctor that she was sent to hospital. It was anticipated that she would be out in a few days, but when the expected turn came it was for the worse, and on Tuesday, December 3rd, the hope for her life being spared was given up. Her mind remained perfectly clear until Friday, December 6th at 9 p. m. when she became unconscious and in that condition she slipped quietly away. Mrs. Boggess had been so ready to help in every good work to the full extent of her ability, and was so bright and cheery that she had made herself so loved that the concourse this afternoon was a gathering of those who felt it a personal loss. The service this afternoon was one of quiet reverence and of Christian faith. The friends who sang the beautiful solos as well as the organist and the pastor were all her friends. The message by the pastor was based on the text—"Where I go ye know, and the way ye know."
It had been Mrs. Boggess' expressed wish to be cremated so tomorrow morning the caslet will be taken to Cleveland to the crematory.

The memories of our first five years in India, when we were so intimately associated with the Boggesses, recall to us the sweetness and the patience of Mrs. Boggess' life. She was always cheery, always friendly and eager to help—always, I believe in close and vital touch with her master. Dr. Boggess will be very lonely and lost without her—and our hearts go out in sympathy for him to-day.

Miss Singh—A Tribute

By Mrs. Prem Nath Dass

In paying tribute to the memory of such a beautiful life as Miss Singh's, it is difficult to know what to say, or what quality to praise, for even the simplest tasks about her home where transformed to beauty because of her consciousness of the presence of God.

The first thing that strikes one in considering her life is the breadth of her sympathy. Rich and poor, sick and well, Christian, Hindu, Muslim, Anglo-Indian, European, American, were all her friends, and found the fount of her sympathy never dry. She lived that verse: "In Christ there is neither Jew nor Gentile, bond nor free." So often when one has gone to her this has been her greeting, 'I was just thinking of you,' and you know it was so. While her soft old hands worked incessantly for others, her thoughts were with those who might perhaps need her. She had something of the Divine Heart: an all embracing love and sympathy:

'A heart at leisure from itself,
To soothe and sympathise.'

How methodical she was in her ways. Perhaps that is how she was able to remember all the demands on her, for it was a constant marvel to me how she could remember the individual needs of so many persons, and the circumstances which made those needs peculiar to those persons. Her person, her little home, in fact every thing connected with her was the neatest and cleanest. Each book, each bundle of sewing, whatever it might be, she could lay hands on what she wanted in the dark. The last
time I went to say good-bye to her before she went to Bhim Tal, she was putting the finishing touches to her packing. Not only the trunks and packages that went with her, but every thing left behind was neatly sewn with 'tat' and made secure against moth and damp. At the time she was having a basket of green vegetables packed and I asked if she was taking them all for her use, for they would not remain fresh very long. Her reply was characteristic, "Vegetables in Bhim Tal are difficult to get. There are so many people there who will be glad of some." Always thinking of others!

This incident reminds me of another which touched me greatly. Last winter, just a few days before Christmas, I went to see her. I found four or five Christmas cakes on the table before her, which had just come from the baker. Among them was one little one about which I laughingly enquired if it were meant for her young nephew. She replied, "No, that is for a poor old widow who has no one to do things for her, and she does enjoy Christmas cake, so I make her one with mine every year." Even her joys and pleasures she had to share with others. We used laughingly to tease her about her 'feeding the five thousand.'

There were some beautiful tributes paid to Miss Singh at the Chand Bagh memorial service, each speaker giving some one phase of that beautiful character. One spoke of an incident in Miss Singh's girlhood; how her father, calling her to him one night, pointed to a bright star and said, "Daughter, I should like your life to shine as brightly as that star." Surely Miss Singh has fulfilled her father's wish. Her life indeed resembles a star in its purity, in the unselfish pouring of its light to guide others through the dark night of sorrow, suffering and sin. She has heard her Master's "In as much," but the memory of her life will remain with us, breathing peace and comfort, and an inspiration to all those who knew her.

Mrs. Robert M. Moore

We wish to express to Dr. Robert M. Moore of Brooklyn, N. Y. our sincere sympathy in the loss of Mrs. Moore.

In her capacity of Special Work Secretary of the New York Branch of the W. F. M. S. she had endeared
herself to many members of this conference. Many of our members have sent scholarship letters through her many years to the patrons of their school girls or Bible women. Always her letters to us were an inspiration. She had a genius for making friends, and the personal interest she took in her correspondents, as well as in their work made us feel that she was a real friend.

And so we wish to express to Dr. Moore, and to her fellow officers of the N. Y. Branch our own sense of loss with theirs in the Home-going of one whom having not seen we loved.

Olive Titus.
COMMITTEE REPORTS.
1. **February 22nd, Dwarahat Rent.**—It was voted that Rs. 20 per month be paid to the District Superintendent of Kumaon for house rent for Dr. Vrooman. This began April first.

2. **March 2nd, Hardoi Assistant.**—As Mrs. Shaw is to be alone again this year it was voted that she be granted the amount necessary to employ a third assistant.

3. **March 9th, Language School Special Committee.**—Miss Lawson asked for a Special Committee of two, one of whom should be on the Field Reference Committee to help her this summer with some problems connected with the Language School. There will also be two from the four other conferences concerned. Miss Means and Miss Larson were elected.

4. **April 26th, Hardoi Repair Money.**—A special grant for repairs for Hardoi had been asked for to replace the amount borrowed from Shahjahanpur. Rs. 1,000 has been sent out. As Shahjahanpur does not need the money the Committee voted that it be added to the amount previously given for the Almora High School building.

5. **May 12th, Anti-Tuberculosis Scholarships.**—As the demand for help at our T. B. Sanitariums was so great and the fund had been exhausted a special grant was made from balances for the time being.

6. **May 31st, Miss Hayes Request.**—Rs. 50 was voted to Miss Hayes from balances to help rebuild a servants house destroyed by fire.

7. **June 9th, Special Salary Grant.**—The following request was voted sent to the Foreign Department. Since there are times when a qualified young Indian woman might be available for a position of responsibility in a school or evangelistic work if it did not take so long to get arrangements made for her salary, etc., we would like to send a request to the Foreign Department asking for an appropriation for an extra worker of missionary grade, salary to be eight hundred dollars; this money not to be sent to the field until actually needed but to be available in response to a cable for the same.

8. **June 9th, Bareilly Hospital.**—Due to a lack of local income, which it is expected will be but a temporary condition, the Clara Swain Hospital has asked for a grant of Rs. 30 for one year from July.
first to help out on the salary of a qualified head nurse. The request we granted.

7. July 7th, Transfer Expenses.—Miss Hadden’s transfer expenses from Hardoi to Sitapur of Rs. 25 were approved and voted to be paid.

10. July 21st, Church Property in Almora.—In as much as the North India Conference Finance Committee had talked of disposing of a church building on the Mall in Almora to the Roman Catholics the committee wished to voice their protest as to the advisability of such a procedure. The protest was sent to the presiding Bishop.

Miss Waugh’s furlough. For health reasons furlough was granted to Miss Waugh a year before the regular furlough is due.

11. July 22nd, Dwarahat Land.—The following request was sanctioned: The Field Reference Committee of the North India Woman’s Conference on behalf of the Girls’ School at Dwarahat would like to ask the Finance Committee of the North India Conference for the use of a strip of land indicated in the accompanying map for the erection of teacher’s quarters for the girls’ school. We are not authorized to assume any financial obligations for this.

Questions Settled by Correspondence * 1929

1. July 19th—The International Department of the W. F. M. S. A letter was received from Mrs. Nicholson outlining the proposed new International Department of the W. F. M. S. This was sent to the committee for comment and information. Mrs. Nicholson asked for an expression of opinion from the field. The members were not enthusiastic about this new plan feeling that it was another organization superimposed from abroad and was not in response to any felt need here in India.

3. Sept. 1st.—The Provincial Council—The provincial Council of the U. P. is in debt and is asking each mission for an extra gift to pay off this debt. The committee voted to pay Rs. 66 or Rs. 1-8 per W. F. M. S. missionary on the field this year; the amount to be taken from the balance account.

5. Sept. 26th. Change in By-Law — XVII Zenana Paper. Year Book 236 Para 2. Be it resolved that the All India Literature committee be the committee in India on the Zenana paper, viz “Woman’s Friend.” The All India Literature Committee is composed of a rep-
resentative from every Woman's Conference and the following Honorary members.

Editor-in-Chief of the "Woman's Friend".

General Educational Secretaries

Others of special literary ability elected by the committee.

Ex officio—the Central Treasurer for India.

6. **Oct. 10th. Hillcrest Mission House**—The committee decided to accept for the rent for Hillcrest the amount that the General Society can get from the rental of the Hiradungri house. It was voted to buy Miss Waugh's furniture for Hillcrest and the amount of Rs. 381 was to be taken from balances.

7. **Nov. 1st. The Gadoli Buildings**—It was voted to give Mr. Weak Rs. 1000 from balances for the completion of the buildings at the girls' school, Pauri.

**Executive Board Meeting**—Miss Peters was elected in Miss Means place as a delegate to the Executive Board. Miss Means having been transferred to the Indus River Conference.

**District Work**—The committee decided to ask the D. Ses. and the Dist. Evangelists of every district to make out a tentative budget for 1930 on the basis of this year's income, making the same out according to the new principles laid out in the new scheme, and that the Dist. Evangelists should forward the same signed by herself and the D. S. to the Field Reference Committee for consideration at conference time. Also that we have a joint Finance Com. the day before conference.

8. **Nov. 30th. Sitapur City Work**—In response to an itemized bill presented by Miss Hadden pertaining to the Sitapur city work it was voted to give her a special grant of Rs. 125 from balances in aid of the work.

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**Minutes of the Field Reference Committee held in Moradabad, April 12th, 1929**

1. **Dr. Vrooman**—Dr. Vrooman wished to have her salary money called a grant-in-aid for medical work and to get her salary from the people. In view of this it was voted not to call for an audit of her accounts.

2. **Moradabad Matron**—At Miss Blackstock's request it was voted to allow the school matron a year's leave on one half-salary, as she has worked for over 20 years in our schools. This salary to be paid from the Moradabad school funds.
3. Miss Rost's transfer bill—It was voted to pay Miss Rost's transfer from Moradabad to Bijnor of Rs. 29-15. This to be referred to her Branch for payment.

4. Clementina—This child who has been in Tilaunia for years is mentally deficient and was sent to Nawabganj. Her support for Rs. 7 per month to be paid from the Homeless Women's Fund.

5. Pauri—Mr. Weak sent a letter with a financial statement as to the need for more money for the Pauri dormitory. Money had also been asked for godams. It was voted to postpone the building of the godams in the hopes that the Pauri building account would thus have on hand the necessary Rs. 1500 needed now for the dormitory. If there is not sufficient money on hand the necessary balance may be taken from the Hardoi repair fund if that is available.

6. Electricity—It was brought to the notice of the committee that electricity is available for the Bareilly Hospital and school; the Moradabad School and Evangelists Bungalow; and for the Shahjahanpur school plant. The wires have been laid near all of these premises. If the women at home would care to supply electricity to these institutions outside of the current work and building appropriations by special gifts or special appropriations the grants would be very thankfully received.

If and when any such work is undertaken before the wiring is done the Property Committee should be consulted as to the placing of both lights and fans.

7. Bareilly Dist. Bible Women—Six Bible women at $32.50 each from Mrs. West’s work are to be transferred to Miss Kennard's work. They come: from Cincinnati Branch, 2. New York Branch, 4

8. Bijnor Bible Readers Quarters—It was voted to ask that the Property Committee take up the matter of Bible Readers quarters at Bijnor and that we ask Mr. Weak to build them up to the amount in hand next cold season.

9. The committee voted to ask for scholarships at $25 each for five boys in the school at Bijnor.

10. Indigenous Workers Salaries—It was voted to ask the women at home to grant to indigenous workers who are members of the Woman's Conference and are in charge of work Rs. 200 per month salary.

11. Dwarahat Day School—Rs. 50 from the children's Thank Offering was granted to a day school at Dwarahat for equipment.
10. **Kumaon Dist. Day School**—Mr. Moffatt was granted Rs. 75 for equipment for Day schools on the district. The amount to be taken from the Children’s Thank Offering Fund. In addition to this he was asked to use Rs. 100 from his district balance for this purpose.

13. **Dwarahat Land**—Miss Oram would like a small strip of land next to her Boarding school belonging to the General Society. The Committee voted they would be glad to receive this small strip as a gift from the General Society.

14. The estimates were passed with but few changes.

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**Reference Committee Held in Bareilly, August 14th, 1929**

The entire committee was present with the exception of Miss Hardie, and Miss Emery was seated in her place. Miss Madden led the devotions.

The minutes were read of the matters settled by correspondence. The chief purpose of the meeting was to take up the special problems suggested by the Official Letter.

The following actions were taken—

1. It was moved to recommend to the Schools Committee the advisibility of refusing to admit to our schools girls from other conferences, fee paying or otherwise, with a view to a rearrangement of pupils so that we could open a Vocational School at Hardoi.

2. **Miss Bacon’s Car**—In reply to a request from Miss Bacon for action concerning her auto, it was voted to keep the upkeep during her furlough for a new car. If that plus the sale of the old car is not sufficient for a new car that any further money raised at home is not to prejudice the appropriations already asked for new cars for the conference.

3. **Lal Diggi School at Almora**—It was recommended that the Lal Diggi Day School be closed and that the property be sold for as good a price as possible and the amount received to be added to the building fund for the new high school building. In order to preserve the property the school is to be maintained until permission is obtained from home for the sale and the property is transferred to the new owner.
4. Bishop Robinson's letter—A letter to the committee was read from Bishop Robinson. It was approved and we were glad to say that we had already at our April meeting asked for increased salaries for indigenous workers.

5. Almora Finances—It was voted that Rs. 50 per month from balances be given to the Almora Hostel account from August to the end of December.

6. Miss Esther Blackstock—It was voted that Miss Esther Blackstock's salary be increased Rs. 50 a month beginning with January, 1929. This amount to be paid from the fund for indigenous workers.

7. Miss McMullen.—It was voted to grant Miss McMullen's request for retirement for health reasons. A request for a pension of $400 from January 1st, 1930 was sent to the Society in America.

8. Miss Vrooman's Salary—In view of the proposed change in Dr. Vrooman's salary as mentioned in the official Letter, it was voted to send a request to the Foreign Department that her salary be kept at $800 a year.

9. Miss Argus. - It was voted that a strong appeal be made to the Bishop for the appointment of Miss Argus to the Clara Swain Hospital and that a cable to that effect be sent to her in America.

10. Miss Emery's Car.—Permission was given to Miss Emery to sell her car and to bank the money towards a new one.

11. District Evangelistic Work Report.—The Committee appointed last conference time, Mrs. Titus and Miss Emery, brought in their report as to the rearrangement of district evangelistic work. It was heartily accepted and ordered sent to Miss Watson for further approval. An early reply was requested from the Society at home so that we might have it voted on at the conference in January.

13. Shahjahanpur City Work.—In compliance with Bishop Robinson's suggestion to employ Indian women whenever they are available to have charge of work, we recommend that Mrs. Prem Singh be appointed in charge of Shahjahanpur City Work and that the Treasurer send the fund, Rs. 147-8 per month direct to her. As the horse for the city work has died we ask permission to use the bullocks used for district work as long as they are not needed for the district work.

14. Champawat.—Because of the necessity of curtailing some of our work it was deemed wise to ask Miss Hayes from the beginning of the new year 1930
to give up the Training Class appropriation of $40 per year and also the assistant’s salary of $250. It was recommended that one of the Bible Women teach the Day school instead of the man now employed.

15. Mr. Moffatt’s request.—Mr. Moffatt asked for financial help for Miss Hadden in order that she could do District Work. It was decided that nothing could be done until Conference time, but that an auto and upkeep is assured for 1930.

16. Dwarahat Land.—Mr. Moffatt informed the committee that the North India Finance Committee had granted our request for some land adjoining the Girls’ Hostel at Dwarahat, and that they agreed to give the land on a long lease for a nominal rental. This can be done without reference to the Board of Foreign Missions. A lease is to be drawn up with a rental value of one rupee a year.

17. Naini Tal Day Schools.—Because of the request from home that our work be curtailed in the interests of efficiency it was voted to close our non-Christian Day Schools in the conference. This applies to those remaining in Naini Tal. It was voted that from January 1st, 1930 the two day schools in Naini Tal be closed.

18. Miss Yasmin Peters’ passage.—Because Miss Yasmin Peters had been asked to return as soon as her school course was finished and to be here early in July to take up work at Shahjahanpur, and so had no time to earn her return passage the committee voted to ask the W. F. M. S. to pay her passage of three hundred dollars.

Minutes of the Field Reference Committee held during the Conference Sessions at Bareilly, January 14-21st, 1930.

The Meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mrs. Titus.

The first day’s session was spent in the discussion of the Evangelistic work plans. The following propositions were to be presented to the joint Finance Committee by Mrs. Titus.

I. The Field Reference Committee in accordance with the action already taken or policy already followed in all other conferences of India transfers to the District Evangelist the responsibility for administering district funds and corresponding with patrons.
II. It is recommended that the District Evangelist be held responsible in co-operation with the District Superintendent for carrying out the recommendations passed a year ago that wherever possible the Bible Women in mass movement districts shall carry on village day schools as a major part of their work. And that when the Bible Women refuse to accept this appointment that their names be automatically dropped from the pay roll, with the exception of the four rupees help on family salary which shall continue as heretofore.

III. As in other conferences so in North India, whenever the District Superintendent's wife wishes and is able to undertake district itinerating that fifty dollars per year from the appropriations for that district shall be made the first charge against said district appropriations and be sent direct from the Central Treasurer (this being the custom in other conferences.)

January 15th. 1. Minutes of actions settled by correspondence since July, 1929 read and approved.
   2. Mrs. Titus and Miss Hardie were appointed a committee to work out a policy for overhead expenses in district work.
   3. Miss Chester's application for Conference membership was unanimously accepted.
   4. A communication was received from the new organization of the Almora T. B. Sanitarium asking for a member from the W. F. M. S. on the committee. The Field Reference Committee nominated Miss J. I. Peters but was to ask the Lucknow Conference for confirmation of the nomination.
   5. The salaries of the Indigenous Workers were considered. Of the Indigenous Workers fund Rs. 1,800 goes to Moradabad
      ,, 1,200 ,, Hardoi
      ,, 1,050 ,, Shahjahanpur
      ,, 450 ,, Parker Branch School
      ,, 180 ,, Budaun.

Total Rs. 4,680, leaving a balance of Rs. 420.
   6. It was voted that from this Field Reference Committee a recommendation be sent to the other India conferences asking that they join with us in asking that the salaries of all local missionaries be raised to eight hundred dollars a year.
   7. It was decided to ask a second time for the payment to Miss Yasmin Peters of her outcoming travel expense amounting to three hundred dollars.
8. The Bijnor district fund balance was requested for local needs but according to previous action it was voted to be applied to the building fund for the Bible Readers quarters at Bijnor.

9. It was recommended that Mrs. Dan Singh become a member of the Women's Conference.

10. It was voted that Miss Honnell and Dr. Chase take up with the Seminary authorities the question of renting or buying the Seminary house near the hospital and on hospital land.

11. January 18th. The newly elected Field Reference Committee consisting of Misses Hardie, Blackstock, Honnell, Lorenz, Mrs. Hollister, Miss Y. Peters and Official Correspondent, Miss Hoath met and elected Miss Blackstock, Chairman for the ensuing year.

12. The report of the sub-committee of the Field Reference Committee to bring in suggestions as to what items are legitimate overhead expenditure in District W. F. M. S. work was as follows:

In reply to the request from the District Superintendents for a definite rule or principle to apply, in the matter of overhead expenses of District W. F. M. S. work, the Field Reference Committee passed the following recommendation:

(i) That on presentation of itemized bills by the District Superintendent, the District Evangelist should as far as her funds permit, consider it legitimate expenditure to give; entire payment for rented houses where widow Bible-women, or W. F. M. S. men teachers live, and for 1/3 of the amount paid by the Parent Board for rented houses occupied by the preacher and his wife, where the wife is a Bible-woman.

(ii) That no grants can be made toward repairs.

(iii) That the Evangelist pay the travelling expenses of all Bible-women, and their small children, to District Conference, after itemized bills have been carefully checked.

(iv) That in cases of illness among Bible-women the Evangelist will pay medical bills, where the Bible-woman is sent to Hospital, or in other cases where she deems it necessary.

(v) That no grant can be made toward literature.

(vi) That no itinerating allowances be given beyond the $50, annual allowance which will be sent by the Central Treasurer in quarterly instalments to the wife of the District Superintendent in those cases where she is able to do itinerating and applies to the Field Reference Committee for the sanction for the allowances.
(7) That in the transfer of workers the same principle be followed as in No. 1. i.e. that the entire amount be paid for widow Bible-women or men paid by the W. F. M. S. and that $\frac{1}{4}$ of the cost be paid when a family is transferred.

13. Moved and carried that Dr. Vrooman’s salary from July, 1930 be sent to Almora for teachers and that the Official Correspondent write home to the Secretaries asking that the money be continued for the teachers.

14. Miss Hardie’s report of the Delhi Area Conference regarding Bible Readers was read and approved with one amendment. It was as follows:

(a) That the Bible Readers be paid according to the present scale where doing effective work according to work definitely assigned to her at the beginning of each year. Those not working to receive no pay (amended to read as follows). Those not working to receive Rs. 4 only, as a contribution from the W. F. M. S. toward the family salary.

(b) In looking forward to higher grade of workers, we recommend that after 1930 no woman be put on the Bible Reader’s pay roll unless she is Middle Pass or Muttra Pass, or Nurse or Normal Trained. This would mean a new salary scale, later on.

(c) We recommend that after January, 1930 that no woman be put on the Bible Reader’s pay roll without consultation with the District Evangelist.

(d) That all Bible Reader’s money be paid into the treasury of the District Evangelist, or to some one appointed by the Field Reference Committee.

(e) That we continue to co-operate with the General Board as to Primary Schools.

15. It was voted that the Budaun Motor upkeep and itinerating money be held with the Central Treasurer until Miss Emery return.

16. Because of the deficit in the Almora Hospital account and because of it being closed for lack of a doctor Miss Peters asked that the February appropriation be granted to clear off the deficit. The request was granted. It was also voted that the medicines and instruments, not needed in Almora, be sent to the Bareilly Hospital.
17. Moved and carried that Miss Irene Bobb who takes up work in Shahjahanpur to assist in Miss Means place receive Rs. 150-0-0 per month from the first of March and that a request be sent home for the salary. That an urgent request be sent home asking for the increase of salaries for Miss Piyari Phillips and Miss Rhoda Chester, up to Rs. 150 per month.

18. A Committee was appointed to draw up a policy regarding furloughs, etc. for local Missionaries.

19. A bill of Rs. 31-8-0 was allowed Miss J. I. Peters as Official Correspondence expenditure.

20. It was voted that the matter of the Pauri repair money be left till the February meeting. Also the Gadoli parsonage building grant asked for.

21. Moved and carried that the hostel account of the Christian Girls' School, Shahjahanpur be operated jointly by Miss Y. Peters and Miss Irene Bobb after March 1st.

22. Voted that the Rs. 381-0-0 paid for Miss Waugh's furniture be asked for from the furniture fund.

23. Miss Ogilvie was granted furlough.

24. It was voted that since the funds at Shahjahanpur will permit that Mrs. Prem Singh's salary should be increased to Rs. 40-0-0 per month.

25. Voted that the house rent for Miss Ogilvie at Naini Tal be kept with the Central Treasurer until called for.

26. Moved and carried that the district funds of Kumaon District be held by Miss J. I. Peters.

27. Voted that Rs. 1,000-0-0 be again granted from balance of free money to Lal Bagh for scholarships.

28. Voted that the grant of Rs. 3,600-0-0 be continued for Almora.

29. Rs. 100 was again allowed for the Almora Sanitarium.

30. Rs. 75 was allowed Mrs. Butler for her medical bill.

31. It was voted that Rs. 100 a month, of the amount asked for by Miss Hadden for motor upkeep and itinerating be granted.

32. The request by Miss Hayes regarding land in Champawat to be given to the Christians to live on was referred to the Property Committee.

It was voted that Miss Hayes be allowed Rs. 25-0-0 for her helper as requested and that the remainder of the appropriation be kept with the Central Treasurer.
It was decided for the sake of convenience in supervision to amalgamate the Malli Tal with Talli Tal school in Naini Tal.

Property Committee Report

On February 18th, 1929, the Property Committee met in Bareilly. Miss Means was chosen Chairman and Miss Honneil Secretary.

The action which had been formerly taken to hold back Rs. 3,000 from the Building fund balance in Shahjahanpur for installation of electric lights was rescinded.

Misses Means and Blackstock were appointed as a Committee to go to Pithoragarh to make investigations and give suggestions concerning the new school house and latrine to be built there.

The Manager of the Bareilly Girls' School was authorized to draw up the plans for the new school house as presented, and present them with the estimate to government.

The Manager of the Moradabad Girls' School was authorized to draw up sight plans for a new school, house and submit them to the Property Committee.

On September 5, 1929 a Meeting was held in Bareilly and plans made for the installation of electricity in the Bareilly Hospital. The Manager of the hospital was authorized to let the contract.

On October 4th, 1929, a meeting was held in Shahjahanpur to consider again the Pithoragarh plant. Plans had been made and were submitted. The committee which had previously been appointed to visit Pithoragarh had not been able to go. The plans were carefully considered, but as such a large outlay of money was needed, it was moved and carried that an entirely new plant should not be constructed, and Misses Means and Blackstock were again appointed to visit Pithoragarh.

On January 17th, 1929, a meeting was held in Bareilly. Estimates for repairs of a dormitory verandah of the Gadoli Girls' School, Pauri, were presented and a request for Rs. 400 was made. The request was granted, and referred to the Field Reference Committee for consideration.

Pithoragarh needs were again considered, but no motion was made.

Miss Orin was granted permission to build a wall around the small strip of land which had just been secured from the B. F. M.
Fifteen years ago a strip of land adjoining the Girls' School in Bijnor, was leased from the B. F. M. The lease expires in August. Miss Peters was appointed to confer with the District Superintendent of the Bijnor District concerning the purchase of this property.

Dr. Chase was given permission to cut down a decaying Sheesham tree.

Grace Honnell,
Secretary.

Report of Furniture Committee, 1929

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Respectfully Submitted,
R. M. Cox.
J. H. Crawford.

Report of Rest Home in Almora.

I wish to report that the roof of a small house beyond the servants houses seemed ready to fall in, so to save the roof slates I had them taken down carefully in November and I ask permission now, when I go up there in March, to use the building material and put up an addition on the north side of the kitchen of a small room to be used as needed as guest room or store room.

The addition of an iron cook stove adds to the Khansama's equipment.

The orchard is doing well.

Last year we enjoyed blackberries for the first time from our our new plants.

Lucy W. Sullivan,
"Deodars," Almora.
In the number of Auxiliaries of the W. F. M. S. North India Conference seems to have made progress during the past year. But in view of the fact that more pressure has been brought to bear upon us from the Home Base during recent months, in urging us to greater endeavour along this line the pity is that the progress we can note is so meagre in respect to numbers, and that in the amount of the collections there has been actual retrogression.

Last year the report was given that there was a regularly organized W. F. M. S. Auxiliary in only one school, but that in seven others missionary training was being given in some other way. This year three Schools, Dwarahat, Pithoragarh and Budaun have their own auxiliaries, while Sitapur has organized the girls of the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th classes into a Standard Bearer’s Auxiliary and the children of the Lower Primary Auxiliary into King’s Heralds. They report that a mission study book has been regularly used, and that the children have shown much interest. In Dwarahat there are 27 members and regular monthly meetings are held here, as in Pithoragarh and Budaun. In Bareilly and in Hardoi the older girls combine with the women of the Church in a united auxiliary. The outstanding Auxiliary in our entire Conference is this one in Bareilly, which has seventy members, and holds regular monthly meetings in the Church. In Budaun, Bijnor, Pauri, Sitapur and Moradabad there are Church auxiliaries, where only the women of the Church are members, while Almora has the distinction of having a missionary society with the men of the Church as well as the women composing its membership.

The Bible women of the Districts, like their husbands the preachers, give their tithe for the Benevolences of the Church. When this system of Collecting the tithes was started it was recognized that the Bible women should not be expected to give their W. F. M. S. dues apart from the tithe, but that it should be considered a part of the tithes paid in, and that it should again come into their hands, to be appropriated in any way they desired. This system of collecting 1 anna yearly for each rupee of monthly salary received by any Bible woman, and then of encouraging the women of the District Conference to appropriate the total amount as they wished, has constituted the rather hazy thing which we call the District Auxiliary. Some District Superintendents into whose hands the tithes are paid
for both men and women workers, have been unacquainted with this system of collecting W. F. M. S. dues and in two cases this year the women of their Districts have been deprived of the right of having an amount in their own names which they could appropriate. In these cases the money has of course gone to the other Benevolent Boards of the Church.

In order to make it easier for the District Superintendents to remember this system, the Evangelistic Committee printed in their report in the 1929 Annual Conference Report the explanation of this system of paying the Bible Women's W. F. M. S. dues, and the Auxiliaries Committee recommends to the Evangelistic Committee that the same rule be printed again in this year's Report. And perhaps next year there will be the longed-for co-operation in this matter which we need. Perhaps the "lapse" of these two Districts accounts for a large share of the Rs. 88 decrease in collections, in 1929, as compared with 1928.

If your Committee on Auxiliaries had two banners to present to-day, it would give one of them to the Bareilly Church Auxiliary, for its fine membership; and the other to the Pauri Church for having the largest per capita amount given, where the total collection was Rs. 31-8.

The list of Auxiliaries, with the amount of Collection given, and the list of the objects for which the money was appropriated are given below:

Signed—JANET CRAWFORD,
CLARA WEAK,
OLIVE TITUS,
Committee.

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From Hardoi-Sitapur District Auxiliary ..... 10 0 0
From Haroid Church-and-School Auxiliary ..... 9 15 0
From Sitapur Church Auxiliary ..... 11 0 0
Sitapur Girls’ School, Standard Bearer’s and King’s Herald’s ..... 6 1 0
From Moradabad District Auxiliary ..... 25 0 0
From Moradabad Church Auxiliary ..... 25 0 0

Total amount given ..... 406 13 0

From this total of Rs. 406-13 the following disbursements have been made:

To the Baby Fold ..... Rs. 170 11 0
“... Mission Claimants Fund ..... 154 7 0
“... Board of Home Missions (Bhabua) ..... 33 12 0
To Tilaunia ..... 5 0 0
To the W. C. T. U. ..... 12 2 0
Unappropriated, with Conference Treasurer ..... 30 13 0

Total ..... 406 13 0


We have asked Miss Robinson, our good Editor-in-Chief, for a general report for you and are fortunate in having it in hand. We feel that this will give us a new inspiration. We are ready now to do things on a larger scale.

“Win One” a month at least would mean great blessing to these poor shut-in sisters who are so behind their husbands and the “Friend” would be a real inspiration to each reader.”

Mr. Forsgren of the Press has agreed to arrange cards for distribution from Miss Robinson’s report to advertise the “Friend.” It is worthy of a large circulation. Let us get it into the hands of readers and God will bless it and us.

Clara Weak.
Jean Hanson.
S. B. Shaw.
Maiy W. Branch.

The number of vernaculars in which "The Woman's Friend" is published in India has now reached six. Those in Urdu, Hindi, Bengalee, Marathi and Tamil had been in existence for a number of years, and this year one in Kanarese was added. Its financing was made possible by the balance that for some years had been accumulating in the funds for the paper, and its success has been established within its first three months.

Each issue of the paper contains stories, biographies, articles on home nursing and the training of children, news of women's progress in India and other lands, and a religious department called "The Quiet Hour." A non-Christian woman, very active in social service, and all kinds of philanthropic work, said, 'I want that paper for our Ladies' Club. It is just the sort of reading our mothers need.' And she later reported that it was in constant demand among the Club members. An English woman doctor employed by the Maharani (Queen) of a Native State subscribes to it for her royal mistress, and says that it is read by all the women members of the palace. The magazine goes to schools, zenanas, libraries, homes of the rich and the poor all over the land, and every copy, we are assured, is read from cover to cover and passed from hand to hand. May the silent lessons taught in its pages sink deep into the women's hearts, and lead many a one to give herself to Him who above all others was the friend of women.

Christian workers in India are increasingly of the opinion that the conversion of the people is being held back by the women. For whereas the men have been reached by the tens of thousands in great public gatherings, the women have been practically untouched by this influence because of their shut-in lives. The Christian movement in India may be compared to a man starting to run a race with one leg tied to the starting-post, while he tries to reach the goal with the other. How shall India ever be won to Christ unless the women move side by side with the men? "The Woman's Friend" is one of the best attempts that is being made to solve this problem of inequality of opportunity.

RUTH E. ROBINSON,
Editor-in-Chief

The 1929 session of the Landour Language School has been a good one.

The enrolment for the first term was 116; 64 in the Hindi Department and 53 in the Urdu. Of this number 19 belong to the M. E. Mission, the largest number from any single Mission. Four of these were representatives of the General Board and fifteen of the W. F. M. S., but only six were in attendance the second term.

The Rev. R. D. Cornuelle was Principal during both terms and Miss Johnson was Supervisor of the Hindi Department during the same time. Mrs. Clemes again gave fine supervision for the first term in Urdu and Mrs. McArthur for the second. These were assisted by the able staff of nine Indian Instructors.

Monday lectures as usual were given on many vital subjects throughout the session.

Twenty students appeared for examination in the Urdu section at the close of the school the first week in September and eleven in Hindi.

In June representatives of the Women’s Conferences in this language area met at Dilaram, Mussoorie, to make plans for carrying on the work on a more permanent basis. The Conferences represented were North India, North-West India, Central Provinces, Indus River and Lucknow.

Miss M. A. Livermore was made Correspondent and a member of the Managing Committee of the Landaur Language School.

It was recommended to buy property instead of renting as we have been doing the past six years, and a plan was outlined showing how this might be done advantageously.

A small committee was appointed to negotiate and eventually a place called “Rokeby” was selected. This is a beautiful and most conveniently situated place and we hope to occupy it next year.

It was recommended that the Mission grant a certificate on completion of the second and third year courses of language to such students as are not eligible to a Joint Examining Board certificate and that this rule apply to students of recent years who did not receive the J E. B. certificate due to a new ruling.

A small committee was appointed to draw up a plan for offering a reward to those who complete the third year of language work. This committee recommends:
"That missionaries be urged to complete the third year of the Joint Examining Board course and that upon passing the examination they receive a bonus of Rs. 200."

It was suggested that the Field Reference Committee might meet the payment of this amount either from free money or by proving the various accounts.

It was also recommended that a book be chosen by Mrs. Clemes in consultation with the members of the Language School staff, in place of "Qasas-i-Hind" in the second year.

In this connection a strong request has been made on behalf of nurses that that a book called "Hidayat-i-Timardari" be allowed instead of "Qasas-i-Hind."

Some other book might be preferred by those in other kinds of work.

In the Landaur Language School examination which took place the first week of September the following from our Mission passed in Second division:

Miss Chase M.D.; Miss Barry R.N.; Miss Bell R.N.

A. E. Lawson.

Mrs. Thoburn passed I year Hindi and second year Urdu.

Mr. S. Thobum passed II year Urdu in Division I.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

All accounts of the Conference have been audited and we find the accounts in good condition. A few mistakes in accuracy of record have been found and corrected.

We would like at this time to make a few suggestions for the sake of the accuracy of the accounts and for the convenience of the auditors.

1. Both tuitional and hostel accounts should be audited if they are original accounts. The Government audit of tuitional accounts is often too late for our convenience.

2. No pencilled entries should be left on record.

3. Voucher numbers in the book should be in serial order and the vouchers should be filed in order.

4. Whatever system of filing vouchers you use, let it be one that is orderly, easily understood and easily checked.

5. If a receipt is for amounts partly personal and partly belonging to the account or partly hostel and
partly tuitional, be sure to make a note explaining the division.

6. If money order stubs are used as receipts be sure to date them when received as they have no dates and are valueless without.

7. The keeping of duplicate receipts for all money received would enable us to check receipts as well as expenditures.

8. A duplicate receipt for every amount received, however small, and a receipt for every amount paid out is a good rule. For stamps where receipts cannot be obtained, a certified statement is sufficient.

9. When the books are closed for audit a statement should be made of balance in hand, as Cash on hand, bank deposit, etc. If there is a deficit balance it should be stated how it is provided for.

G. C. Davis, Chairman

The Temperance Report.

In the absence of Mrs. Mansell, who has meant so much to the temperance work of India, we have been able to gather the following items: Pithoragarh reports regular temperance meetings and a successful public meeting with a programme in which Hindu sisters were present. They contributed four rupees for temperance work and are pressing on through their prayers to redeem India from the curse of intemperance.

Budaun has affiliated the W. F. M. S. and the Temperance Union and shares its meetings. Rs. 4 has been sent to the Divisional Treasury. They also had a programme at District Conference in which one speaker from each of the fourteen circuits gave a minute talk on "Why I believe in Temperance." The audience as well as the speakers were interested in the outcome of the contest. Cash prizes were awarded to the three best speakers.

In the Budaun Training School temperance instruction is regularly given. Several hundred leaflets have been given out during the year.

In Hardoi there is a thriving Temperance Society, in which there are twenty-five girls, five Bible women and with outsiders and teachers making fifty-five members; the girls are the office-bearers. Last year rupees five were sent to Mrs. Thoburn, and this year more is to be sent as the girls do needle work for Indian officials who enjoy Western things in their homes.
Mrs. Thompson of Fatehganj west reports four Temperance programmes during the year in four circuit centres, and 300 tracts distributed. Mrs. Chitambar's letter was read at District Conference. Also they had a very good Temperance Day in which several hundred Hindu and Mohammedan sisters were present and took part.

Bareilly reports regular meetings and Sitapur teaches Hygiene with Temperance.

Almora reports several Temperance societies of which the Band of Hope is one. Temperance Sunday was a great success. They plan for a public meeting.

Miss Hardie reports that there are only three members on the Excise Committee in all our area, Bareilly and Moradabad being two of these.

Your committee had planned for Temperance evening here at the Annual Conference at which Miss Mary Campbell was to speak, but we are sorry she is now unable to do so.

Naini Tal reports that besides the regular work of the W. C. T. U. and its Department of Child Welfare, the most encouraging thing is the keen interest shown by the Hindu Headmaster of the Government High School. He arranged a meeting of the boys at which the Deputy Collector, Mr. Charles and his wife and the Church of England pastor of St. Nicholas were present. Mr. Hyde gave an address on the evils of cigarette smoking and temperance, and the Headmaster is keen on a campaign against cigarettes.

Dwarahat has regular meetings and held a fine public meeting with 300 present and more than 50 Hindus signed the pledge, several men of the bazar, one of whom is very prominent, have given up smoking.

MISS HARDIE.

Committee: MISS ORAM.

MAY W. BRANCH.

Literature Committee Report.

North India Conference, 1930.

I come before you this second year as head of the Literature Committee with both satisfaction and dissatisfaction. The dis-satisfaction is because North India's literary output has made no advance under my leadership. The work is simply too foreign to my knowledge of needs and to my all-absorbing daily
routine of teaching only grown-ups in English to lie ever on my heart as a task of this kind must do if it is to be handled with imagination and enthusiasm. For this reason I have earnestly requested the Nomination Committee to appoint some one in middle-school work, who knows the children’s needs, and reduce me to a willing babu, who will gladly bring books to Conference to sell if you desire them, and push publications through the Press.

The one project which we have in hand is the rewriting of Mrs. Core’s *Three Little Baba Log*. It has been delayed by Miss Phillip’s illness, though she and Miss West both worked on it last summer. Miss Waugh was simply too tired out to do anything with the Hindi part of the work, Miss Bass was too new, and I too ignorant to make much contribution save keep up the correspondence.

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**Recommendations.**

The committee had several things in mind for the future. Miss Phillips is keen on adapting and translating a *Brownies’ Health Book*, which she has used with great success in her school.

We should also like to secure for printing the very fine stories for Class A children, which I am told Prem Masih, in the Moradabad school, concocts daily.

We wonder if there is not enough material available in this Conference for us to offer for printing a collection of dramas. *The Other Wise Man*, dramatized, by Yasmin Peters, was printed in “The Village Teachers’ Journal” some years ago, but has not appeared in any collection. Many of you, we know, have put on plays for various occasions that might be shared with us all. If you will only send in these Mss. to the new Committee chairman immediately on your return home something can be done.

Requests come in urgently for biographies, preferably of Indian people, for stories, stories, and more stories—with entirely Indian background, for a collection of health songs and health plays. An old, but very popular book, *Rakat-i-Dil*, is wanted in Persian Urdu and in Hindi. The Phul publications, the *Munni Kitab* series, are wanted in Hindi. You heard Miss Peters’ plea yesterday for children’s religious education books in the Vernacular, and we are going to press for sanction to have Miss Emery’s *Bible Workers’* talks, given in Cawnpore, printed.
Committee Reports

Accomplishments.

The satisfaction side of my story is more interesting than these dreams, for much has actually been printed this year by others than ourselves. And so much literature is in preparation now that we should have a large output next year. Our limitations are chiefly financial ones. The All-India Committee has at its disposal only $500 or less yearly. Of course refunds from the sale of books come in, but a definite financial problem has arisen from the many requests we have for grants for papers, such as the Tamil, Telegu, and Canarese "Children's Friend." These are worthy projects, but bring in no refunds. The requests from papers alone this year amounted to Rs. 1,800, and we had only Rs. 1,400 to spend on everything!

Just a word about the language areas which do not directly concern us: Miss Austen's appointment was so planned that she could give half her time to literature. She is the editor of the Gujerati "Treasure Chest," and is pushing other literature. Miss Newton is editing a magazine of village teachers. In the Marathi area besides things familiar to us, Dr. Linn's Diagnosis and Treatment of Common Diseases for Village Workers is under preparation. Miss Robinson, in Bangalore, is preparing a booklet in English containing plays that have appeared in the "Treasure Chest." It is such a book as is widely wanted, and translations can be made into the vernacular as is found necessary.

Coming to the Hindi areas: our chief difficulty is in getting out books which can be read both in North India and in Central Provinces. More than 300 copies of Little Fat Sambo are now in Jubbulpore unsold, because the Hindi is that of North India. Miss Becker will be glad to send you copies of this. C. P. has published 500 copies of Peter Rabbit this year, and 1,000 each off A Clean Heart (Lessons on Motherhood), and Bal Kusham Mala (a book of sermons) and Among Ourselves, all obtainable from the North India Tract Society Press. This Press has also published this year a book of Instructive Parables, The Brigand's Story and A Straight Way Towards Tomorrow, in Hindi. The last of these is an illustrated book of knowledge for children and looks very fine. Miss Warner's Rhyme Primer is available in Hindi.

In Urdu, you get from the Methodist Press in Lucknow Words for Workers, The Boy who will be King, The Awakening of Scrooge, The Pied Piper, the Monkey Books, and Little Fat Sambo. Miss Warner's primer is
out in Urdu. The printing of *Prayers for Little Children* has been sanctioned and is being prepared by Miss Balderson of Kangra Valley. Also the reprinting of *The Three Bears* and of *Peter Rabbit* in Urdu have been sanctioned.

Miss Christensen urges you to make use of the little books put out by the Phul press in Lahore, *Munni Kitab, Dulari Kitab, Nanhi Kitab, Piyari Kitab.* The books are ten annas each, but well worth it, and are especially interesting because they have been put out by an Indian publishing company all on their own. You can also get from the Punjab Religious Book Society, several other valuable 1930 publications samples of which you will find in our bookstall: *The Rights and Duties of Woman, The Prodigal Son and The Prodigal Daughter* (both dramatized), *Victory and Defeat, The Faithful Martyr,* and *Gaibi Dindud.*

Other new books, available in Urdu at the Lucknow Press are three little books. *The Story of the Samaritan Woman, The Fiery Furnace,* and *The Healing of the Man by the Pool of Bethaside, and A Straight Way towards Tomorrow,* *The Bible Teachers' Manual. A Course of Study for Chaudhries,* and the *Indian Sunday School Union Quarterly for Juniors and another for Seniors* are all to be had in Roman Urdu.

Miss Robinson has published a very attractive little booklet in English for publicity work among the Sunday School Children and Kings’ Heralds in America. It sells at 4 annas a copy, or Rs. 20 a hundred, including postage, at the Wesleyan Mission Press. She feels it will have a very wide circulation, for missionaries of every denomination will want it for supporters of their work.

May I remind you of one thing more: the suggestions and offers of help in getting translations made are desired from all of you. During the year that is past exactly one member of the Conference expressed any interest in the doings of the literature committee and she wrote in for information. If you have an idea that you would like worked out let the committee know about it and offer to put it through.

It is with a great sigh of relief that I turn over this work, which has been the only fly in my ointment this last year. But the trouble was with the ointment rather than with the very live and kicking fly.

MARJORIE DIMMITT.
Woman's Work Conference

During the year no question has been referred to this committee but since coming to Conference we received a verbal report of actions taken by the Central Provinces Conference and the Bengal Conference. These Conferences recommended two changes in the constitution of the Woman's Conference, which was approved at the last Central Conference. These two recommendations were:

1. That the Associate Members be not eligible to election on the Field Reference Committee.
2. That the qualifications required for Associate Members be lowered—perhaps to Middle passed with two years further training.

The committee discussed these recommendations but were not ready to recommend either the lowering of the entrance requirement or the limiting of the powers of the Associate Members of Conference.

Woman's Work

Constitution for the Woman's Conference.

ART. I. This conference shall be called the Woman's Conference of the North India Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Southern Asia.

ART. II.—This conference shall be associated with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in aiding the Church in the evangelization and education of the people of Southern Asia.

ART. III.—The annual meeting of the conference shall be held at the same time and place as the North India Annual Conference, at which time officers for the ensuing year shall be elected, reports heard and council taken with reference to the work of the Church within the boundaries of the Conference.

All important recommendations to the General Executive Committee through the Foreign Department shall first be acted upon by the Woman's Conference.

The Conference may delegate any of its functions to the Field Reference Committee, or other committees.

ART. IV.

1. The Conference shall be composed of full members and associate members.

A.—Full members shall be,—

(a) The wife of the Resident Bishop.
(b) Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, including Contract Teachers and Local Missionaries.

(c) All women missionaries of the Board of Foreign Missions.

(d) Women workers, educational, evangelistic, medical or in other lines, including wives of Indian members of Annual Conference, who meet the following requirements:

(i) Have completed a high school course or its equivalent in a recognised school and have had two years further education training

(ii) Have had two years consecutive experience of work in our Church.

(iii) Are full members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

(iv) Have been recommended by the Credentials Committee and elected by a majority vote of the members of the Woman's Conference present and voting.

(e) Those women who do not meet the requirements of (d) (i), but who are appointed by the Bishop and elected as in (d) (iv).

B.—Associate members shall be:

Women included under (d) who are accepted by the Woman's Conference but are not subject to appointment by the Bishop.

2. Application for membership.
Candidates shall present a written application for membership to the Credentials Committee of the Woman's Conference.

3. Duration of membership.

A.—Membership in the Woman's Conference shall continue as long as a member continues in the active work of our Church. Whenever such relations are discontinued, membership in the Woman's Conference shall automatically cease. However, in case a member wishes to take leave for a year or more for the purpose of further study or for health reasons, her name may remain on the roll for the time, but she
may be excused from attendance at Conference or work on committees.

B.—If any member absents herself from Conference for two consecutive years without being officially excused her name shall be dropped from the Conference roll of membership.

ART. V.—Membership in the Woman's Conference shall not be understood to include appointment by the Bishop, but members of the Woman's Conference shall be appointed as follows:

1. Missionaries receive their appointment from the Bishop, not as members of the Conference, but in accordance with the rules of the Missionary Society under which they work.

2. Other full members are subject to appointment by the Bishop.

3. Associate members are not subject to appointment by the Bishop, but are employed by the Manager of Managing Committee of the work in which they are engaged.

ART. VI. - The officers of the Conference shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, a Statistical Secretary and a Field Correspondent, to be elected annually.

ART. VII.—The Conference shall elect such Committees as the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society may require.

ART. VIII.—The Woman's Conference shall work in co-operation with the North India Annual Conference.

ART IX.—This constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Central Conference, in accordance with the rules of Central Conference.

Report of the Schools' Committee.

The Teachers Contract, recently prescribed by Government for all Aided schools, was discussed and certain changes, for the purpose of making the meaning clearer and of including the leave rules of this Conference, were recommended. Miss Davis was asked to correspond with representatives of the Lucknow and Northwest India School Committees concerning this and if possible to agree with them on a form to be used in all girls schools of these three conferences.
She was furthermore asked to send up the request to Miss Stuart, the Chief Inspectress of Girls' Schools.

The following were nominated as the Executive Committee of the Schools' Committee: Misses Blackstock, Beach, Dunn, Bass, Y. Peters, Oldroyd and Larsen.

The following committee was asked to collect information concerning pay in other schools and to bring in recommendations for needed changes in our salary scale: Misses West, Larsen, Landrum and Blackstock.

The question of opening a Vocational School in Hardoi was discussed briefly and a committee was asked to investigate the need for such a school, and possible arrangements to be made in Hardoi, also arrangements to be made for Hardoi girls who wish to study for the VI class examination: the committee to report with recommendations to the schools committee. The following were named on the committee: Miss J. I. Peters, Miss Honnell and Mrs. Shaw.

A committee composed of Miss Cox and Miss Doyle were asked to collect from previous Conference Minutes all rules relating to our Conference schools and to prepare this material for printing.

Miss Cox and Miss Larsen were appointed a committee to collect information from the schools of the conference concerning receipts and expenditures and to prepare a statement of total expenditures of the schools and hostels and of the average expense per student per month in the various schools, both in school and hostel; a statement to be presented to the schools committee and which may be sent to Miss Watson in reply to a question in her official letter, if desired by the Field Reference Committee.

The problem of the Shahjahanpur School was discussed and a resolution was passed that we consider the Shahjahanpur school an institution for preparing for Nursing and Normal Training courses, rather than for High School.

It was recommended that a VI class be opened in the Bijnor school in July, 1930.

Rules for leave of Teachers in Methodist Girls' Schools of North India

1—No more than fourteen days leave on pay may be taken in a year except on sick leave on a doctor's certificate.
2 — — — On a doctor's certificate sick leave may be taken, one month for each year of service up to three years. If longer leave is taken it must be without pay.

3 — — — Permission for leave, up to three days may be given by the Head Mistress. Requests for longer leave must be referred to the Manager or Principal of the school. Leave without permission shall always be considered leave without pay.

4 — — — Absence arranged for by the Head Mistress such as that caused by the attendance at Teachers Conference at Annual Conference in case of Conference members shall not be considered leave.

5 — — — Leave should never be taken just before or after a holiday.

6 — — — After ten years of continual service in the Methodist Schools of North India, one year of leave on half pay be given or six months on full pay, if no leave on pay has been taken in ten years. If a teacher has served part of her ten years in North India Conference and part of her ten years in other Conferences each conference should pay a proportional amount.

7 — — — All leave on pay taken in the ten years will be subtracted from the year of leave and all leave taken without pay will be subtracted from the time of service. Leave is always granted from the 1st of July.

8 — — — Long leave after ten years of service shall be granted by the Executive Committee and application for same must be presented in writing through the manager (Principal) by January 1st of the year in which leave is desired.

9 — — — Long leave after ten years of service shall be considered as earned by previous service and shall not bind the teacher to return to the school later; nor shall the school be expected to reserve a place for the teacher later.

10 — — — Leave cannot be claimed as a right. Leave will be granted with due regard to the needs of the school and the possibility of arranging for the work. Ordinarily not more than two teachers, exclusive of Lal Bagh School, can be given long leave in any given year.

Two motions were made concerning girls wishing to take training in our training schools. Both were carried and were as follows:

(1) That three places in the Budaon Training School be given to the A. P. Mission girls from Rakha Girls' School this year.
(2) That the girls be allowed to come from the N. W. Conference for training to our schools at full fees if there are places open after North India girls have been considered.

Scale of Salaries for Teachers

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For Vernacular Training the increase in initial salary shall be Rs. 6, if trained on passing the Middle Examination.

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(For example a girl who passed the Middle took training and later studied through the 8th would begin on Rs. 24, while a girl who studied through 8th and then took her training would begin on Rs. 28).

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Teachers receiving salaries according to the old scale shall continue accordingly but that the new scale take effect from July, 1926.

All untrained Teachers shall receive their first increment at the end of their second year of teaching and thereafter every alternate year.

All trained teachers shall be given increments at the end of the first year, third, fifth, etc., years.

All untrained teachers under S. L. C. failed after eight years of successful teaching experience shall be given an increment of Rs. 5 and thereafter the usual increment of Re. 1 each alternate year.
A teacher engaged in a Normal School shall receive Rs. 5 per mensem more than she would otherwise according to rules.

Qualified teachers of middle class Urdu or Hindi shall receive an advance of Rs. 5 above the usual salary.

Teachers above 10th failed, in the hills may be paid, Rs. 10 above the rule and Rs. 10 more may be paid for board. (Those below S. L. C. may receive two rupees above scale and if they board in the school they should pay Rs. 2 to the school)

Teachers attending Teachers' Conferences shall be given half of Third class fare when possible, otherwise half of Intermediate fare: half of the board shall be paid from the school account, and for those boarding in the Bunaglow Re. 1 from the house account and the remainder from the school.

Teachers shall receive two months of vacation salary if they have taught the full year otherwise they shall receive their vacation salary in proportion to the number of months they have taught in that school.

All teachers, S. L. C. and above, will receive their salary according to scale whether they board in the bungalow or make their own arrangements, but if living in the bungalow and making their own arrangements, shall be charged Rs. 5 per mensem for house expenses.

A teacher allowed to live in the bungalow whose salary is Rs. 80 or above shall pay Rs. 35 for board in the house. Any teacher whose salary is below Rs. 80 shall pay Rs. 30 per month.

Teachers who are receiving school food and no extras are to be charged Rs. 5 per month.

Evangelistic Committee.

The First Meeting of the Evangelistic Committee was an informal one in which plans for a new unified programme for our work was discussed. We took no action beyond that of requesting that the Board of Evangelism consider seriously having a unified programme for the conference, that might be enlarged upon from year to year.

When other committee meetings did not prevent, daily meetings of this committee were held during the conference. The following motions were made and carried after the election of officers.
Officers elected: Chairman, Mrs. Titus. Registrar, O. Dunn.

1. Passed that Miss O. Kennard and Miss Dunn select books to be used as a Reading Course for our city evangelistic workers. The idea is to map the work out by the month, and that the Evangelists in charge of the workers see that the women use the course as a means to growth in thought and spiritual outlook.

2. Moved that the Secretary be asked to make up a simple report blank in Roman Urdu for the Village Teachers. These report blanks to be used for monthly reports to the supervisor of their work. (It is suggested that these might be sent in with the Preacher's salary bill to the Superintendent, to save postage, where that plan is possible and convenient.) The expense of printing is to be shared by the districts according to the number used.

3. Recommended that the Evangelist of each district be held responsible for the gathering together of the information that the Field Reference Committee is asking for in regard to qualifications for Bible Readers. This information must be in hand to be sent home for action in the May meeting. The Secretary is to collect the same and send on to the Field Reference Committee.

4. It is asked that men teachers of village schools, when young and capable of teaching a real school be placed on the men's evangelistic salary scale.

5. Requested that an urgent request be sent to the Schools Committee that they give earnest consideration to the opening of a vocational school. Every District Superintendent's wife and Evangelist constantly meets the demand for some place to which girls turned out of Boarding Schools, for lack of ability to finish the course there, may be sent. When grown up girls stay in village surroundings they are morally unsafe, and if the mothers are Bible women their work is seriously hindered.

6. It is also asked that we notify workers that the uniform programme for the Conference is to be started the first of February of this year, and that they must expect to have their work checked by the last of February or as soon as possible after that. Any woman who does not measure up, is to be dealt with according to the following motion:

7. Passed that the Bible Readers be paid according to the present scale where doing effective work according to the task definitely assigned to them at
the beginning of the year. Those not working are to receive no pay beyond the rupees four help toward family salary.

8. It was asked that the Unified Programme leaflets be printed and put on sale as quickly as possible. Miss O. E. Kennared, Miss Hardie, and Miss Dunn were appointed to attend to the same.

Last year the Delhi Area elected a Committee to consider Area problems. The district superintendents and one evangelist from each conference were elected to this committee. Dr. Titus, Padri G. B Thomson and Miss Hardie represented North India. The following recommendations were made and are to be sent to home base to be passed upon. They are as follows:

That Bible Readers be paid according to the present scale where doing effective work according to work definitely assigned to them at the beginning of each year. Those not working to receive no pay. (Our Conference has amended the last to read. Those not working are to receive no pay beyond rupees four help on family salary.)

In looking forward to a higher grade of workers, we recommend that after 1931 no woman be put on the Bible Reader's pay roll unless she is Middle Pass or Muttra Pass, or Nurse or Normal Trained. (This would mean a new salary scale later.)

After January, 1930 no woman to be put on the Bible woman's pay roll without consultation with the District Evangelist.

That all Bible Woman's money be paid into the Treasury of the District Evangelist or to some one appointed by the Field Reference Committee.

That we continue to co-operate with the General Board as to Boys' Primary School Work.

MRS. TITUS, Chairman.

O. DUNN, Registrar.

General Rules of Evangelistic Work.

1. We urge that every missionary in charge of Evangelistic work feel the responsibility of more diligently presenting the needs of the home base in frequent letters on the subject.

2. We recommend that at least a total of one month be spent among the villages during every missionary's first three years in India.
3. Some system of teaching should be used by Bible-readers in their work, and the story-telling method more largely used. Mr. Annett's book, and Miss Gabrielson's Bible Stories are very profitable along with the "24 Bible Stories" by Mr. and Mrs. Ingram. The closest co-operation with the District Superintendents is urged in order that the teaching may be uniform throughout the District. The Zaruri Ta'lim should be taught everywhere.

4. No Christmas presents shall be given to the Bible Readers from the appropriations.

5. With the view of giving help and supervision to the women in their study work we emphasize the desirability of Bible women attending two quarterly conferences during the year as well as the District Conferences.

6. We recommend that at least one free copy of the Rafiq-i-Niswan be furnished to each circuit, and that the preachers and Bible Readers be urged to secure subscriptions to the same.

7. The work among Christians shall be constantly held up before the Bible Readers as of the first and greatest importance, and wherever it is possible Day Schools for Christians should be organized with the Bible Readers as teachers.

8. Any Bible Women able to read and write, living in a village where there are six Christian children must have a Day School if she is to be considered as doing full work.

9. Because of the urgency of the need that our Bible Women shall have some knowledge of Hindi, it is recommended that heads of schools shall be encouraged to have Hindi taught in the fourth standard three times weekly instead of drawing, which is an optional subject. In introducing Hindi we have been informally assured by the chief inspectress of schools of the sympathetic attitude that Government will take in the matter.

10. Realizing the need of observing a reverent attitude in prayer we urge that an effort be made to teach the habit of kneeling in prayer in all our public services.

11. In order that a record of all Bible Women's standing in examinations be kept, the person in each district in charge of examinations is asked to send to the Registrar the the names of all women completing the work of each year, also that the standing of all Bible women in the Conference, according to the examinations already passed, be recorded with the Registrar.
12. That Bible Women writing for the 1st year's Local Preacher's examinations, take it at the time set, and given by those appointed by the Men's Conference, and that only then they be entitled to the Rs. 10 salary.

13. It is recommended that all in charge of District Bible women observe following rule in the matter of District W. F. M. S. Auxiliaries, or in the giving of W. F. M. S. collections:—

That Bible Women, (each and everyone), give one anna yearly collection for each rupee of monthly salary (i.e. Bible Women receiving Rs. 8 monthly, will pay eight annas annual collection and so on according to salary.) The total amount of this collection will then be appropriated in whatever way desired by the women of the District Conference. In cases where the tithe is being given, this amount should be refunded by the District Superintendent from the annual Benevolences which he has collected from the tithe account, to the lady in charge of District Work. For those women not included in the list of tithers, the W. F. M. S. chanda should be otherwise collected.

14. Rupees 9 is the maximum salary for Bible Women who are the wives of workers. Muttra Training is considered the equivalent to the Four Year's Bible Readers Course. We also ask that those having completed this course be asked to take the Local Preachers Examination, which is given by the Annual Conference Examination Board.

Scale of Bible Reader's Salary.

1. Women who are not the wives of mission workers, who are giving full time and doing satisfactory work under direct missionary supervision —
   1. Those who could qualify as Junior Teachers in schools.
      a. Salary shall be Rs. 3 less than that given to Junior Teachers.
      b. Increase of Re. 1 shall be given after one year with passing Bible-readers examinations and satisfactory service.
      c. Those who have finished the Bible-readers course may, at the discretion of the Missionary-in-charge, be given a yearly increase of Re. 1 per mensem up to the maximum except the limit of increase shall always be Rs. 2 less than for the Junior teachers.
2. Those below the grade of Junior Teachers.

Salary Rs. 6 to Rs. 12 according to the qualifications and examinations.

II. Wives of Mission workers.

1. Women actively engaged in the work.

Rs. 5 if no examinations have been passed.
First Year Passed Rs. 6.
Second Year Passed Rs. 7.
Third Year Passed Rs. 8.
Fourth Year Passed Rs. 9.
First Year Local Preacher’s Passed Rs. 10.
Standing will be accepted only according to certificate shown.

2. Any woman not doing active work shall receive only Rs. 4 whatever her qualifications.

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Course of Study for Bible Readers.

(Conforming to that of the North-West India Conference)

1. Dharam Tula with Hindi dictation.
2. Muqaddas Kitab, Parts I and II.
4. Arithmetic, Addition. (Instead of Arithmetic for girls who have passed the third standard in school, four selected Bhajans and Zaruri Ta’lim are to be committed to memory).

SECOND YEAR.

1. General Epistles, with Notes, by Mrs. Wilson.
2. Ratan Mala—Hindi dictation.
3. Temperance Catechism.
5. Arithmetic, Subtraction.

THIRD YEAR.

1. Mamuksh Brittant, with Hindi dictation.
2. Seven Pauline Epistles, with Notes, by Mrs. Wilson.
3. Duncan’s Christian Stewardship.

FOURTH YEAR.

1. Sat Mat Nirupan, with Hindi dictation
2. Romans.
Elementary Course for Evangelistic Teachers.

FIRST YEAR.
First Book in Urdu, Hindi or Roman.
Copy Urdu or Hindi Alphabet.
Counting to one hundred.
Memory work: The Apostles’ Creed; Ten Commandments; Zaruri Ta’lim.
The Lord’s Prayer and two Bhajans: “Yisu Masih mera pran bachiya” and “Man bhajo Masih ko chit se.”

SECOND YEAR.
Second Book in Urdu, Hindi or Roman.
Addition of Numbers up to fifty.
Writing words of one syllable from dictation.
First five Chapters of Mark.
Mudge’s Catechism.
Memory work: Three Bhajans: “Kyun man bhula hai,” “Yisu’ paiyan lagun” and “Main to Yisu ko man men rakhiun.”

THIRD YEAR
Addition and subtraction of numbers up to fifty.
Repeating four Bhajans and Zaruri Ta’lim. The Bhajans selected are (1) “Chet karo sab papi logo,” (2) “Suraj nikla hua sawera.” (3) “Jai Prabhu Yisu’ Jai Adhiraja,” (4) “Masiha tu qudrat ab apni dekha de.”

FOURTH YEAR
Gospel of Matthew and John, with dictation.
Balakon ka Sudhrao.
Three Bhajans: “Yisu’ ki musibat jis dam tumhen sunaun.” “Raja Yisu’ aya.” “Karo meri sahai Masiha ji.”

Revised Course of Study for Village Schools.

1. What constitutes a school?
Five pupils, men, women, or children learning to read.
A regular place of meeting.
Regular examinations by the one in charge.
School shall meet at least three times a week, and preferably five.
A record of enrollment and examinations should be kept by the examiner.
II. Course of Study.

Class A.
1. Complete A book or its enequivalent.
2. Copying of words from book.
3. Counting and writing numbers to 50 (not in succession.)
4. Answer all questions in Zaruri Ta’lim.
5. Story of the birth of Christ.
6. Twelve verses Bachchon ke Liye.

Class B.
2. Dictation from book.
3. Counting and writing numbers up to 100. (Writing not to be in succession.)
5. Twelve verses for enquirers.

Class I.
2. Dictation from book.
3. Addition and subtraction to 100; multiplication tables to $5 \times 10$.
4. First Corinthians, 13 chapter.
5. Twelve verses for Christians.

Class II.
1. Complete book II.
2. Dictation from book.
3. Addition, subtraction, multiplication, division tables up to $1 \times 16$.
4. Temperance Catechism.
5. Three Bible stories.
   Prodigal Son.
   Good Samaritan.
   Raising of Lazarus.

A reward of two annas may be given to the child and four annas to the teacher for passing each class.

Rules Relating to Bible-Readers Examinations.

1. A committee on each District shall be appointed by the lady-in-charge of the work to examine Bible-readers at District Conference.
2. The first and second year's examinations may be oral or written as the examiner shall decide. The third and fourth year must be read in the character, but the Examination may be written in Roman if the candidate so desires. All third and fourth year examinations must be written.

3. The lady-in-charge may be allowed to substitute books in Urdu, in second, third and fourth years for women in the Bareilly Women's Training School who come from provinces where Hindi is not used.

4. For passing fifty per cent is required.

5. The lady-in-charge shall keep on hand a supply of books used in the examinations, those books to be paid for by the Bible-reader at the following rates; Books four annas or under, full price; all books over half price.

6. The lady-in-charge shall issue all certificates.

7. The lady-in-charge shall send to the registrar each year names of Bible-readers who have passed the four years' examinations stating her husband's name and her former name if she is married.

8. Those who have passed the four years' examinations are recommended to take the examinations for Local Preacher's license.


Considering the very great emphasis that is put upon Government examinations in all our schools it is the work of this committee to see that greater and greater emphasis is put upon the presence of trained religious teachers in all of our schools. The religious education classes should be the best taught and the most popular in the school, otherwise we are not, as we should be, giving the full rounded education based squarely on religion and leading to religiously motivated conduct. The religious life can be taught as well as caught. Out of our schools, if our educational work is to be justified, must come intelligent and devoted Christian personalities, who will have a well balanced idea of nationalism and who will be the leaders and the molders of the Christian church in this land.

Last year we were glad to note that, with one exception, all our girls' schools were using the Charterhouse course of study. Now we want to move on to another step and all get together on the Charterhouse programme for the entire community—that is the
Sunday School, the Epworth League, and in the villages. At present we are not unified in this more general work and the lack of distinct objectives and aims causes a great loss of time and energy that could be conserved if we would all push together and at the same time. With Mr. King’s numerous suggestions and many selected aids in the way of programmes, books, courses, etc., every one does not have to stop to work out his own individual plans but can select those already worked out by those giving their entire time to the work and according to the latest educational methods. Even if you have to translate a book as you go along in class day by day it is far easier if you have the right kind of a book to translate from. There has been a tremendous change in this respect during the last ten years.

I have asked the various stations to report on any religious educational projects that have been undertaken this year.

There seems to be a great interest in Junior Church work. Bijnor, Moradabad, and Almora report active work along this line. In some places the children are the officers and in Bijnor they are furnishing their own room themselves. Both Bijnor and Almora are using the new Junior Church programmes prepared by Misses Eveland and Schaefer and report on their success. In Bijnor two teachers conduct the services through the six weeks given to one topic and when the topic changes so also do the teachers. Almora children still give their collections to the Baby Fold.

A number of places report active Junior League work but mention the need for correlation between the Junior Church, the Junior League and the Junior Sunday School.

The Sitapur school has been having some new ideas for chapel. The head mistress takes the Monday chapel service and this year has used at that time “The Morning Watch” by Mr. King, “The Friendly Stars,” and “How to Pray.” On Tuesdays and Thursdays another teacher took the lessons from studies in Acts. Wednesday is given to Current Events and on Friday there is a religious drama prepared by the junior teachers.

The Central Mohulla Day school in Moradabad has used the Clayton books for daily study and has had one “Prayer Meeting” a week with the help of the older girls who have had papers on child life and children of other lands. The children are learning to use and enjoy good magazines and books.
The Epworth League in Bijnor is using some of the Charterhouse projects in the League with success and they have also taken up the study of honesty. Dramas are also given and the children are the officers.

The Junior Sunday School is a great success in Moradabad and in Pauri. In the latter place the girls have "Pleasant Sunday Evenings" in which they have their own leaders who preside and a varied programme is given.

The religious education programmes in the schools show a widening outlook. Lal Bagh has had some very interesting discussion groups and some course in "Ideals" of honesty, obedience, reverence, courtesy, and self-respect. Chand Bagh has also had some course in the study of ideals and some voluntary Bible study class groups. A most needed course in methods of Bible teaching with practise teaching has been given this year in the Teacher's Training course. We have felt the need of this very much and this last July the Almora Teacher's Training course also had its period each day on how to teach the Bible. Lucknow has been fortunate this year in having a four day conference or Institute on the Charterhouse programme. In Almora we also have had some course on Ideals. We took Miss Everley's book "On Building an Honest Student." We have used a number of scripture True and False tests which the children hugely enjoy and ask for more. Just now in the ninth and tenth classes we are using Mr. King's "Pioneers of Life."

Miss Bradley tells of Miss Everley's plan of having each class or room choose an ideal and then keep it a secret for a week or two while they work it out in daily conduct and illustrate it with charts and posters in a public meeting given for the whole school.

The Clara Swain Hospital has a splendid idea in having one of the Bible women work among the in-patients. She also conducts a kindergarten for the children of patients and here they learn songs, Bible stories and sewing. I am sure they will love their days in the hospital.

Both Almora and Moradabad are using the lessons prepared for Bible women by the U. P. Council Institute held for their special help. We hope that they are planning to print the lessons given this year. We are especially interested in those Miss Emery gave for they were so very practical and helpful.

Miss Hardie has collected the following information about books for village workers—
The Methodist Publishing House, Lucknow—
The First Year's Course for Village Chaudhris.
The Second "
The New Book of Bible Stories—Miss Livermore.
Book of Bible Stories in Urdu—C. D. Rockey.
Mr. Brayne’s three books on village uplift; The Remaking of India, Socrates in an Indian Village, etc.
Bishop Warne’s booklets for Mass Movement work.
Urdu Quidas for Zenana Teachers and Primary Schools.
The Bible Teacher's Handbook—Miss Woodhouse. This is for use in Hindu Zenanas.
The Bible Teacher’s Manual—Mrs. Tweedie. For use of workers among Mohammedans.
Dihati Isaion ke liye Ibtidai Sabak.
Oxworth Book Service, Rev. E. L. King, Darjeeling, about Bible Stories in song, for village work.
The Publishing House, Madras—
Forty Indian Plays.
The North India Christian Tract and Book Society—
The Life of Christ in Song in chaupais and dohas.
How to Teach Religion in Mission Schools—McGravan, 24 Bible Stories by Mr. and Mrs. Ingram.
The Oxford University Press, Nicol Rd., Bombay.
The Christian Literature Society, Allahabad.
The Clayton and Pelly graded courses.
The W. C. T. U. Headquarters, Delhi.
Miss Tingley's Temperance Tales.
The Power House of Pathankot in Hindi.
The Indian Red Cross Society for pamphlets on Health and Sanitation.
The Village Teacher's Journal for helpful books on dramas, sanitation leaflets, etc.
Mrs. Harper, Moga, Punjab—New Course in Religious Education.
Mrs. R. R. Stewart of Gordan College, Rawalpindi will give information about United Presbyterian Monthly Publications for Women and Children and the magazine for village Christians.
Miss Warner of Ghaziabad, U. P. for information about books for village schools and circulation libraries.

The Committee recommend:—

That wherever possible a Boarding School adopt a village or mohulla and from time to time visit it and teach the children games, Indian lyrics, stories, thrift, and dramas, etc.

We would like to agitate for a teacher in all our boarding schools who is trained to teach religious education classes. Send one of your trained teachers to Muttra for either the one or two year course of study. If necessary help to finance her. It will be worth it to the work of the school,

Use the True and False Scripture tests and find out what your pupils know of the facts of scripture. The children enjoy these tests immensely.

We wish to again request the Bareilly Seminary to give a course on talks to children and village people and to make it a requirement for all who take the Seminary course. This is a very real need in our work.

We recommend to the attention of all Mr. Heinrich's article in the "Indian Witness" of February 27, 1929 on "The Evangelistic Campaign as a Project in Religious Education." We could all do more than usual in selling literature during the evangelistic campaign week or month.

We should set apart one or two days each year for a conference on religious education in our area.

Owing to an almost complete absence of any religious literature for children of the primary grade, we would like to call the attention of the All India Literature Committee to this great need, and to ask them for their help in getting out something suitable for small children.

We are very anxious that Miss Emery's lessons given at the U. P. Woman's Institute in August, 1929 be printed for the use of Bible women.

In view of the new programme to be undertaken by the Joint Evangelistic Board we will be glad to use the objectives and programme for village work that they may adopt.

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Report of Medical Work

The report of Medical work for the North India Conference as I have been able to sum it up is as follows:
From Almora as reported by Miss Peters. Miss Millicans, our doctor, was ill part of this year and did not return until the last of March from her winter vacation. She left the work at the beginning of December. Our nurse who had gone to the plains for training returned with tuberculosis and died this year. As the district board grant has stopped and as fees were only Rs. 214 this year we were getting in debt and so there seemed nothing to do but close the Hospital. If there were a strong popular doctor here she could make enough in fees along with the Missionary appropriation to carry on the work but for the present the work is closed. The statistics for the year are as follows:

- No. of in-patients 91
- No. of Dispensary pts., new and old 4,967
- No. of visits to out-patients 98
- No. of minor operations 60

From Miss Hardie of Moradabad District comes the following report: Dispensary work is done in connection with our central Mohalla Day School in Moradabad and in special cases the children are sometimes cared for at the Salvation Army Hospital. We have a great deal of work in connection with our District Conference when the women and children are all with us. I would like to recommend the leather pocket Medicine case containing over 2000 compressed tablets in small labelled bottles. I keep it always near at hand and find it saves me many a step.

Miss Perrill reports that there is no doctor in Pithoragarh but that they need one very badly. The old compounder and nurse have done a good deal of work and surprisingly successfully too. There is a very great need that simply can't be touched for lack of medical help. Because so little could be done there is a large medical balance. If we are allowed to keep this we may be able to pay some qualified Indian doctor to come for at least a year.

Other teachers and evangelists from time to time find themselves called upon to administer quinine or some other drug and so the work continues to be widespread.

Clara Swain Hospital

The phase of the work of the Clara Swain Hospital started last year in the villages has been very encouraging, though at times interrupted by insistent and persistent calls for help from sick missionary folk.
This year through the generosity of friends in America we hope very much to have an ambulance which will travel in the capacity of "travelling dispensary." We feel that much good can come from this and we are eager to have the whole thing a reality. Miss Westrup will continue to carry on the work of this Department.

Doctor Sigler carried on the work of the Hospital during the months from April to September, while I was away for Language study. She left us September 15 and her vacancy was soon filled by Dr. Small who has been an efficient and helpful member of our staff.

Miss Stallard left us early in October and is now at home in Calif. Since September 7 the process of installation of electricity has gone on in the Hospital, Nurses hostel and Bungalow. Slow but eventually the current will be on. Besides wiring for lights and fans we have had a system of bells installed in the line for European patients. I think it is going to be a real asset and investment.

Much repair work has been necessary during the past year. About thirty feet of verandah roof had to be rebuilt on account of the fact that it was beginning to fall. This roof is a part of the newer portion of the hospital. A new roof has been necessary for the doctors office because the rafters had been practically consumed by the white ants. The floor of one of the nurses verandah had to be teeped also the wall of one line of buildings in the nurses hostel. Other repairs too numerous to be mentioned have been carried on.

In the work of healing we have been able to bring help and satisfaction to many a sick person. It has been a joy to do it and when we have at length if ever equipped ourselves to care for the sick as we were taught then it will be a day of rejoicing to say the least. We have cared for 302 patients in the hospital, 5446 in the out-patient dept. (first cases.) Have cared for thirty-three new born babies and the mothers, done eight major abdominal operations and many minor. We have a kindergarten for our children of patients which is most gratifying. They soon learn to be happy and helpful in their classes and hospital has no heartaches for them. We have done 175 vaccinations for smallpox, 65 inoculations for bubonic plague and 15 for cholera.

Bertha Chase, M. D.
Report of the Training School of Nurses, Clara Swain Hospital.

“We must have better trained nurses.”

It is very encouraging to know that each year brings us better material from our schools for our Training School Classes for nurses. We know that the right material is available. We want intelligent girls of Christian character and who are kind, trustworthy and reliable.

We can look forward with hope and joy for the results that are bound to be reaped from all the efforts that are being put forth in Religious Education and in the Health Programme of our schools. I believe that this will all be greatly welcomed by Miss Fernstrom who has been pushing the Health Programme with all her might.

One serious problem which we have been facing here at the hospital is the lack of adequate equipment which almost makes it impossible to keep to any standard of nursing procedure and practical instruction. In the last examination given by the North India Board of Examiners of Mission and other Hospitals, our nurses passed in first and second division in the written examinations while the results of the practical examinations were very discouraging. We need more English or American trained workers on our staff for the closer supervision of the actual nursing in the hospital. Such supervision should continue throughout every hour of the nursing service which is every hour out of the twenty four. We eagerly and prayerfully look forward to such reinforcements. Miss Argus is to join us soon and we will be most happy when she joins us in the task that is before us.

In the past year six nurses graduated who were appointed to the following posts: Girls' School, M. E. Mission of Gonda, Lahore, Arrah, Bijnor, Pauri and Budaun. The affiliation of our nurses with the Warne Baby Fold was closed last September by Miss Bacon. This has simplified our nursing problem very much as well as the problem of class work and lectures for which it is often difficult to find time in the hospital. We are happy to tell you that the Staff of the Mary Wilson Sanatorium, Tilaunia, are taking our nurses for a period of three months for training in the care of Sanatorium cases and lectures on Health and School Nursing. Our nurses are sharing the benefits of the extension of clinics to the villages. Each nurse eagerly awaits her turn to go with Miss Westrup in this work.
An attempt is being made to give a part of the Charter-house Course with the regular Curriculum. We feel that this will be very much worth while in the building of character and in the religious training of our girls.

We join our nurses in thanking you for the lovely dolls and many useful gifts as well as hospital supplies which have been sent to us.

_Theresa Lorenz_

Department of Child Welfare and Maternity in Mohalla and Villages, Clara Swain Hospital, Bareilly, India.

The year's work began with great hopes and expectations for the women and children of this part of India. The year is closing with many of these hopes realized but others are still to be realized. There have been many encouraging results, however I have wished many times that I might live in the villages long enough to give these people a real understanding in the care of themselves and children.

While the appointment read "Mohalla and Villages," we have concentrated largely on the villages. The clinics are held once a week in each place. We also hold one in the Hospital. A student nurse goes with me to help with the work. All the student nurses await eagerly their turn to help with this work. These trips are usually made in motor lorries or on the train. We take a medicine case and scales with us. The children are weighed as well as given medicine.

We have more children coming to the clinics than prenatal cases. In the villages the clinics have become general clinics. We take care of the needs of all as far as we are able. Sometimes it is necessary for me to wait to consult our doctors and then give the suggested treatment the following week. We are soon to have Dr. Maya Das to help us and as soon as necessary transportation can be had, our work will be greatly improved.

Many of the people who come to us in these clinics have little or no knowledge of sanitation or proper feeding of babies. It is very sad to see the condition of some of these children who have been given opium by their mothers. These mothers do not realize the ill effects on the children.

The people as a whole have shown a great interest in the clinics and in what we are trying to do for
them. We have received invitations into their homes and into near by villages. One invitation came, to give a lecture to a group of untrained dais or midwives. We went and there were seventeen mothers and a number of midwives present. They were so interested that they at once asked us to come again. We hope to do more of this work in the future. The work of the past year has given such encouragement that we are eager to push ahead.

To give you an idea of those we tried to help, although they are not all recorded, we will give you these few reports in figures.

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These may give you an idea what we are about but it does not convey the joy that went with them at all nor will it explain the ambition that is the result of these efforts.

Charlotte U. Westrup.

**Rules for Nursing Candidates.**

Nurse candidates must be at least 17 years old, and be at least 6th Pass from an Anglo-Vernacular School. Schools or parents must supply clothing and bedding.

Salary for nurses is Rs. 20 per month for the first year with an increase of Rs. 1 for each succeeding year.
Mary Wilson Sanatorium.

Mary Wilson Sanatorium has had another year filled with many blessings. We are grateful for the help given to us by friends in India and abroad. One great help we wish to especially mention. In August Bishop Badley very kindly, in recognition of our need, loaned us first Dr. Wood of Puntamba and later Dr. Dodd of Sironcha to the Sanatorium. This was a great help in arranging for a vacation for the doctor-in-charge. We are grateful, too, not only to the two doctors who so kindly left their own work to come to our assistance but to those who in turn carried extra burdens in their stations during their absence. We believe that such interest and co-operation is desirable in every phase of our mission work.

Staff.—Our trained Indian staff is still small in numbers. What we have is good, and are doing faithful work. We have so far been disappointed in securing an Indian doctor. Unfortunately our people yet fear to work among tuberculosis patients. Only devotion to one's own peoples, needs and education will change this.

Miss Laura E. Bell, R. N. arrived early this year. While most of her time has been in language school, she has already become somewhat familiar with conditions at the Sanatorium. She had much of her training at Beth El, our Methodist Sanatorium in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Miss Dunn has been with us as nursing superintendent, and has filled a big gap in our medical staff.

At the end of this year Miss Matthew goes on furlough. We are glad that Miss Jean Bothwell is here to take over the office work from her.

Nurses Training School.—We have three non-tuberculous first year pupil nurses, the first after a lapse of several years. They are allowed by the North India Board of Nurses Training to have half of their training at the Sanatorium.

Some stress is being laid upon the preparation of nurses for school nursing. As Miss Fernstrom has visited various schools, she has found much room for improving the conditions under which the school nurse works. The missionary and the nurse both need help in adjusting their relations to one another. And the nurse finds herself confronted with conditions she never met, naturally, in a hospital.

To give the nurse preparation for school nursing, this Fall, Clara Swain Hospital has begun sending
nurses by turn from their second and third year classes to Mary Wilson Sanatorium for a period of three months. In our non-infectious compound ordinary school hostel conditions prevail. Here these nurses will learn the duties of a school nurse. We hope to instil the “health” idea there. They also will have special training in nursing tuberculosis cases and will receive lectures on this disease from a health standpoint.

*Tuberculosis Clinic.*—Last January a tuberculosis clinic was opened in Ajmer. This clinic is open each Friday morning in the Civil Surgeon’s office of the old District Hospital. Dr. Taylor and his assistants have carried this work in the main, but the cases coming are largely women so we are very anxious to have a larger part in it.

*Sanatorium Board of Directors.*—Considering that the meeting of this board was held during Passion Week we had a good attendance. We find this bringing together of representatives from the various conferences pays well as a means of publicity, and also brings added support and co-operation.

*Sanatorium Work.*—We have had nothing new regarding our medical work. We had an unusual number of bone and gland cases to whom sunlight treatment was administered.

*Church Work.*—For the first time, I believe, in the history of our Tilaunia Church, all the officers of the various organizations are Indian people.

*Health Department.*—Here we had a handicap of ill health for part of the year, but even so we are able to report:

Schools visited in the interest of Modern Health Crusade .. 12
No. of schools in which physical examinations were made .. 6
Total examinations made in these schools .. 780

Dr. Kipp checked up on underweights and other questionable cases in four of these schools, besides checking up, by the request of Dr. Toussaint a number of cases at Muttra.

Lectures were given before one Senior Teachers’ Conference, two Annual Conferences, one Provincial Educational Conference, and also before the meeting of the All-India Christian Medical Association.

Lectures and demonstrations were given at one District Conference.

The translation of the fifth and sixth class outlines is now being executed.
The Mission Schools are showing great interest in the Modern Health Crusade. Many requests have come from other Missions, and from some inspectresses of schools, Government, both in regard to the Health examination and the Health course of study.

The biennial meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mary Wilson Sanatorium met at Tilaunia on March 29, 1929, with Bishop Robinson presiding.

The devotional service was led by Bishop Robinson, after which the meeting was called to order. The members of the Board present were: Bishop Robinson, Dr. Kipp, Miss Stallard, Miss Porter, Mr. Eldridge, Dr. Taylor, Miss West, Miss Bell, Miss Matthew, Miss Lawson, Miss Boles, Dr. Nilkant and Miss Dunn.

Election of Officers. The following were elected to serve as officers of the Board.

President—Bishop J. W. Robinson.
Vice-President—District Supdt. of District.
Secretary—Dr. C. I. Kipp.
Treasurer—Miss H. Matthew.
Minute Secretary—Miss L. Boles.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the meeting of two years ago were read and approved.

Time of Meeting.—A discussion as to the best time of holding the biennial meeting of the Board was discussed, but since no notice of a desired change had been given, no action was taken at this meeting to change the time.

Report of Business Manager.—Miss Matthew gave a financial report of the Institution for 1927 and 1928, also a statement showing distribution of the patients during the past two years. In 1927 there was a total of 158 patients treated in the Sanatorium which represented 21 Conferences and Missions. In 1928 there was a total of 134 patients representing 18 Conferences and Missions. The report was adopted.

Report of Physician-in-charge.—Dr. Kipp gave a detailed report of the work of the Institution during the past two years and outlined some of the needs of the Sanatorium. The report was adopted.

Estimates.—The estimates for appropriations from the W. F. M. S. for the next two years were read by Dr. Kipp and approved by the Board.

Missionary Staff.—The urgent need of additional help in the Sanatorium was presented by Dr. Kipp and it was voted that an urgent request be sent home for the following additional members to the Missionary Staff: 2 Doctors, 1 nurse for Sanatorium, 1 Health
Conference Membership of Missionary Staff.—The advisability of having the missionaries of the staff as members of different conferences in India was presented by Dr. Kipp. It was felt that Indus River might secure a better quota of new missionaries if the members of the staff were assigned to different conferences, and that there might be greater co-operation from other Conferences if they had representatives on the staff. After some discussion it was voted that such an arrangement be made, the Physician-in-charge to be a member of the Indus River Conference and the recommendations for membership of others to be left to the Sanatorium staff to be reported to Bishop Robinson.

Indian Staff.—The need of an Indian Assistant Doctor was presented and it was voted that all members of the Board should co-operate in helping to secure some one for this work. Several suggestions as to Indian nurses were made and Dr. Kipp was asked to get in touch with different ones.

Patients doing part time work.—Miss Matthew presented the matter of a scale of salaries for patients who are doing part time work, many of whom are doing work for which they should be paid. Requests had come from some missions that fees be refunded where patients were able to work part time. It was moved by Dr. Taylor and carried that owing to the fact that patients are received for considerably less than any payment made for them, the Tilaunia officials should not be expected to make any refunds to those who do part time nursing duty as part of their treatment.

Board of Junior and Senior Staff.—Moved by Miss Porter and carried that it is our recommendation that the members of these two staffs should be asked to pay the full expenses of the food and service provided for them.

Affiliation with other hospitals.—Dr. Kipp presented this matter expressing the thought that if this affiliation could be made and that nurses in training in other hospitals be asked to do three months duty at the sanatorium during their third year in training it might be very helpful to the nurses as well as to the Sanatorium. After some discussion it was resolved that, since all the schools need this health programme in anti-tuberculosis, we recommend this affiliation with other hospitals for nurses training.
Plans for co-operating in Health Programme and fees for same.—Plans for co-operating with doctors and nurses in other Conferences and areas were discussed and it was voted that the Health Nurse, in making the tour of the schools, be allowed to collect the fees from the children toward the expense of such work, without any thought of sharing with other Conference Doctors and Institutions.

Follow-up programme.—The question of the necessity of the follow-up work after the Health Nurse has made her visit to the school was thoroughly discussed and this need emphasized.

Form for examination.—A form for a report of the examination of the physical conditions of the school was discussed. It was moved and carried that the Health Nurse be asked to consult with the Educational Secretaries and that they draw up such a form for use in the schools. Bishop Robinson spoke of the good results he had noticed in the various schools of his area as a result of the visit of Miss Fernstrom.

Union with other Missions.—Dr. Kipp asked the opinion of the Board as to the advisability of making the Sanatorium an Inter-Mission Institution with the thought that other missions might provide members of the Sanatorium staff. The whole question of union with other missions was discussed but no action was taken. However, in view of the difficulty in securing doctors from the United States and the great need of such doctors, Bishop Robinson was requested to put the matter of securing doctors if possible from other countries (Scotland or England) before the Medical Committee of the General Executive of the W. F. M. S.

Executive Committee.—The following members were elected to serve as the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors: The Bishop of the Area, Chairman; Physician-in-charge, Vice-Chairman; Business Manager of Sanatorium, District Superintendent of the District, Miss Porter and Miss West.

The Secretary was instructed to send a message to Miss Fernstrom expressing our appreciation of the work she is doing in health lines and of deep regret that she is unable to be present at the meeting of the Board.

After prayer, the meeting of the Board was adjourned.

L. A. Boles,
Secretary.
Objective of the School.

"This Institution was established to stimulate and give facilities for the study of the Bible, to increase the number and efficiency of Christian workers and to utilize the undirected or misdirected energies of Christian women in active service."

The specific objects are:
1. To give the knowledge of the word of God.
2. To give practical training in Religious Education.
3. To give general information concerning the habits, customs, and religions of the people.
4. To test those offering themselves for Religious Education work, as to physical, mental and spiritual experience.

Our Training Camp.

Muttra offers wonderful opportunities for practical work. In a few minutes our bands can be sent out into ten muhallas. In March, during the revival month, these ten muhallas were visited for a week. The numbers who received the message were 1,883. Of this number 1,141 were boys and girls. Methods of work were given every day, as preparation. A senior remarked, "Miss Clancy, now I understand why you have put such stress on story-telling. Most of the people would not stay to listen to me to-day, but they will to-morrow for I shall prepare the story well."

Soon our practical work in villages will begin. We plan this year to select a certain village and visit that frequently. Before doing so, a course in Village Uplift will be given. The Vernacular Training School acts as a practice school for the English department while the other schools and Church offer opportunity for both departments for work in teaching Sunday Schools, and Young Peoples work.

It seems surprising to many that our students, on arrival, know so little of Hindu and Mohammedan conditions. But how much do the ordinary young Christian people of America know of the slum conditions and the need for Home Missionary Work. Here in Krishna's land the teaching of comparative religion is an easy task. See Muttra and Brindaban and you will know. In Muttra there are at least 10,000 Mohammedans.
Every student, before graduating, has an opportunity of doing weeks of Zanana work.

The Staff.

I. English department and Missionary staff.

We have been greatly encouraged by the coming of Miss Edith Randall from the Boston University School of Religious Education, and Miss Edna Bradley from the Hartford Seminary School of Religious Education. Miss Randall is associate Principal here. The work of these ladies lies principally in the English Department. This leaves me free to devote my time to the Vernacular Department. Miss Garnet Everley will be very much missed as she goes on furlough. She has given courses both in English and in the Vernacular, in spite of her heavy work as manager of the Boarding School.

Miss Helen Wells, a Local Missionary and a graduate of our English Department, left us last November for Kinnaird College, Lahore. She has been very much missed because of her splendid executive ability and her work of supervision.

II. Vernacular Training Staff.

1. Miss Shanti Chew, Miss Shanti Marm, graduates from the English Department.
2. Miss Anji Lall, Miss Catherine Singh, graduates of the Vernacular Department.
3. Matron, Mrs. G. White, a graduate of our Vernacular department, and former teacher in this department.

Miss Gladys Kirk, a graduate of our English department was married on October 16th to a fine Christian man. Both are much interested in Church activities. Mrs. E. Sheving is now taking a course in compounding in Ludhiana. She had given us five years of faithful teaching.

III. Health Department.

This is under the supervision of the Brindaban hospital Staff and our local nurse, Miss Mercy Matthews.

IV. Zanana Department.

Mrs. G. Mann, Deaconess. Mrs. Rasulan Scott, teacher, a graduate of the vernacular department.
Special Courses and Staff.

1. Zanana work—Mrs. E. G. Mann. Mrs. Mann attended the conference at Cawnpore.
2. Picture-Interpretation and Hand-work for Bible-teaching, Miss Edna Bradley.
3. District Summer School.
4. Epworth League Methods and Course in Ideals, Miss Garnet Everley.
5. Biblical Geography, Miss Edith Randall.
7. For other course, to be given, please see the Syllabus.

Students, Areas, and Missions.

The total enrollment for the year, in the English department has been 8, and in the Vernacular 45 students have come from six main areas, and from nine missions.

Graduates.

There were two graduates of the English department, both of whom are teaching in mission schools. From the vernacular department there were nine graduates.

Present Conditions of Attendance.

I. English Training Department.

We have six consecrated young women in this department. Some have come after years of planning.

II. Higher Vernacular Department.

This year we have seventh class pass girls, as well as A. V. Middle Pass.

III. Lower Vernacular.

As no one is allowed to take this course who cannot read or write well, the grade of work done is much better than before. New converts are not accepted. Two years ago I applied to the Executive Committee to be allowed to close this department, but they did not feel that this should be done.

Department for Graduates.

The demand is much greater than the supply. We are praying that the Master may bring to us more students.

Advertisement

Every mission girls' school of higher or lower grade received repeated information concerning the courses
here. If every missionary would act in her own station, as Field Worker for the school, the staff would be greatly helped. Shortness of Missionary staff, from last November to August of this year, prevented the principal from doing Field Work.

From a questionnaire sent out, it has been found that few mission schools of high or low grade have teachers trained in Religious Education. Should we not have our best trained for such work?

Inspectresses.

Miss M. D. Crouse inspected the school last October. Miss Muriel Bailey was to do so in the month of October, but, because of ill health, was not able to do so. We hope she may come later in the year. Some points, from Miss Crouse's report, are given below:

"While there are forty-six girls studying in the three departments, I noted, with interest, the few in each class thus making for more thorough work and more individual contacts.

The Staff of the school is well qualified, the curriculum is well balanced, and the young women who are being sent out are thoroughly equipped for the work so greatly in need of trained leadership."

Special Mention.

Rev. W. E. Blackstone rejoices in our success. Again this year he has sent a cheque, the proceeds to be used for the expenses of carrying on practical work in villages.

Mrs. Hallowes rejoices in the work of her Hallowes' Scholarship girls. Each December we hold a memorial service at Mr. Hallowes' grave. "He, being dead, yet speaketh."

Spiritual Life of the School.

1. Worship services are carefully planned.
2. "Quiet Hour." Nothing is allowed to usurp this time. Since July we have been praying for the conversion of Mohammedans, Jews and Hindus. We are going into all the world through our prayer life.
3. Rev. H. C. Scholberg, and our local Pastor, Rev. S. S. Budden, have given helpful messages.
4. Dr. E. S. Jones will be in Muttra in December.
Foreword.

Let us work together to persuade Christian young women to take such courses as we are offering. Indian Christian leadership demands, from its Christian young women, the best.


This year we are fortunate in having a fine group of women and a good teaching staff. The Principal of the school has been ill since the beginning of the new school year, and Mrs. C. S. Thoburn has been of great help in carrying on the work in spite of the fact that there has been illness also among the other members of the staff. While some of the special courses, such as music, have not been held this year, the regular work of the school has not suffered seriously.

Last year there were eighteen women in the school. In May six women left, and this fall five more came to take their places. Another is to come but has not yet arrived due to prolonged illness. So we have the same number this year as we had last. In the spring the women passed the following examinations:

- First year dihati: 2
- Fourth year: 1
- First year Bible Readers' Course: 3
- Second year: 1 and 2 passed parts
- Third year Bible Readers' Course: 2 and 1 passed parts
- Fourth year Bible Readers' Course: 1

The remainder of the women as well as some of those listed above took various Bible courses with the men. This fall about half the women are able to take their Bible courses with the men.

Besides their regular school work the women have a sewing class, take part in the Missionary and Temperance meetings and Sunday School, and go out in bands to help in mohalla Sunday Schools. The hospital is holding a special clinic for seminary women and children and is arranging a series of health lectures for them.

The Kindergarten this year has fifteen children. Because of crowded conditions in the Girls' School the six year old children were not able to enter this year, so we are having a special class for them to give them a start in reading and arithmetic in hopes that they may do better work when they do enter school next year.

The nursery has about twenty babies.
number is changing constantly as the babies enter at four months and leave at three years whether it is the beginning of a term or not.

(MRS.) Z. M. DEVADASAN,

The Budaun Training School.

A change in the curriculum of the School, introduced in July, provided for the students to complete a shortened course of study in one year. This change was made necessary because of the plan to amalgamate the Budaun Training School with the similar institution at Ghaziabad, in July, 1930, which gave only this current year for our students to complete the course at Budaun.

There are thirteen women students and fourteen men enrolled in the classes.

The Women's School felt very keenly the loss it sustained in Mrs. Core's leaving for America the first of March. From then until the arrival of Miss Ruth Hoath in October the whole burden of the School work was carried by Mrs. Roberts, the very efficient Head Mistress—for I was able to give only very casual oversight to the work, because of other duties.

Since October, when Miss Hoath took over charge, the school has taken on new life, and both men and women students are testifying to the great help she is giving them, both inside the class-room and outside it.

This "nursery" has been carried on as usual, for the little babies of the mothers, while they are in their classes. Nine of the 13 women are mothers—with an average of two babies each. So we feel they are brave indeed to have carried on their studies as well as they have done.

Our thanks are due the patrons who have made it possible for these "little sisters" of ours to have this opportunity for training to become Bible Women.

Ruth Hoath, missionary.

Report written by Olive Titus.

Lal Bagh Girls' School, Lucknow, India.

December, 1929.

A student body of 335, ranging in age from four years to twenty and a staff of twenty-two constitute the Lal Bagh Girls' School. Both are subject to
frequent changes in personnel but these changes are often the result of moving on to places of greater opportunity or wider service. A new Kindergarten class of 35 entered this year, a seventh class of 24 entered after having passed the Girls Middle Examination and five entered the VIII class from our girls school in Meerut. The largest numbers are admitted in those classes but a number come into other classes too.

Our immigration problem is a large one or rather the problem of adjustment that follows. I think sometimes how it would simplify matters if everyone came at the beginning and stayed to the end. We teach English, Urdu and Hindi and there are always a few among our numbers who must learn two new languages. One small Tamil boy entered our third class without any language usable here, except a sign language of his own, but in three years he acquired a knowledge of English and Hindi and passed the III and IV classes creditably.

A class of twelve was sent up for the High School Examination in April last. Ten passed, four in the second division and six in the third. The two who failed are preparing to appear again, and of the ten who passed, four are studying for the F.A. Examination, three are taking the Normal Training Course, two are teaching and one was married soon after taking her examination. A class of fourteen are preparing for the examination this year.

Large classes enter VII but the numbers are always considerably reduced by the time they reach X. Some who have not had the preparation necessary or who find the transfer to English unusually difficult, soon drop out, some stop at the end of VII or VIII to take Normal Training or Nurse Training and some fail and are withdrawn. The Educational Secretary, on a visit to the school in September, distributed the badges of the Anjuman-i-Kamyabi, which are given for successful work and out of the IX and X class group of 42 there were only 2 who did not receive a pin, for either the Primary or Middle section and quite a number had passed without failure from I-VIII. This revealed the fact that those who are continuing on through the High School are those who did good work in the lower classes, and it made me feel more than ever the importance of good teaching, which means good teachers, in the lower grades.

We should not, however, minimise the value of the three years of work in VII and VIII to those who are
with us for those years but are not able to go on through High School. We too often measure results by Government Examinations Passed, and we need in our planning and in our appraisal of results to consider such factors as moral and cultural influences, habits of study and the appreciation of truth and beauty, which are part of three years of life and work among a group of girls of High School age. How potent such influences will be it is for us to determine and the building of character is a large part and an important part of our work.

The last two years we have carried on discussion groups on ideals and standards with the High School Girls' and boarders of the lower classes. So far we have not gotten much beyond the fundamentals of honesty, truthfulness and obedience, but we do feel that it has been quite worth while and that the girls are thinking more clearly along these lines and beginning to set their own standards in some things instead of following the crowd.

Our total enrollment so far this year is 335; of these 39 are Hindus, 21 Mohammedans and 275 Christians. With reference to classes 142 are in the Kindergarten and Lower Primary, 63 in classes III-V and 139 in the High School group. Boarders number 164 and comprise the larger number of our High School group, for Primary folk are mostly day-scholars. As usual our High School students have come from a wide area and from a number of schools. Of the 130 on our rolls this year, 47 have come up from our own lower classes and 83 have come to us from from fifteen schools, after passing the girls Middle Examination. The largest number from anyone school is eleven.

Our health record this year has been good, and considering the unusual amount of fever in the city we have had very little. We were very glad to have Dr Mayadas with us a month, in which time she examined all the boarders. We found most of the girls in good condition, and were glad to be able to check up on minor troubles revealed in the examination.

Our most difficult problem has been the financial one. How to add the IX and X classes to a school already teaching through VIII, and to staff it adequately without any increase in appropriation is a problem to trouble a financier. The Government has given a generous increase in grant, there has been a small increase in fees and the Conferences have given money for fifteen scholarships but this increase is not sufficient
for our needs. We are at present keeping within our school budget but we are doing it by opening only one section in classes VIIB and IX where two were needed, by refusing a number of applicants for scholarships and by leaving much-needed repairs undone. But all of these are ways we choose because we must and not because we would.

Two of our former students have set a worthy example by giving scholarships so that others may have the opportunity that they have had. One is paying on an endowed scholarship and the other gives regular payment of Rs. 5 a month.

In a boarding school, out-of-school hours are often busier for those in charge and have more influence on the character of the students than school time. Among influences that might be mentioned in this connection are the morning prayers, discussion groups, the regular service of the church, the Guide Companies, Sports Day with its emphasis on fair play, proctor duties in school and hostel, the reading room, the current events club, and the city Sunday School. At the beginning of the year when the hostel Preceptress was away on account of illness the hostel girls were most helpful and carried out their hostel duties in a most satisfactory way. It pleased one to see how they could rise to responsibility when necessary.

The girls who teach in the city Sunday School have been doing a splendid piece of work. This is carried on by a group of VIII class girls under Miss Hutchen's supervision. Not only are they doing good work but they are learning the joy of service. The Sunday morning hour in an enjoyable time for them as well as for the more than a hundred children who listen so quietly and with such interest to the stories they tell.

The 18th of April, 1930 will be the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of this school. Since that day there has been growth in numbers, in classes, in buildings and equipment, but in ideals and character we can but hope and pray that our girls will live up to the high standard set by the founder, Isabella Thoburn.

G. C. Davis.

Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow.

Report to Women's Conferences, 1929.

Last years' report sent to you during my absence must have brought you all up to the middle of the year,
From Christmas until the end of April each year two great events stand out, the meeting of the Board of Governors and the annual examinations. There are also of course the regular College events, Sports Day, Founders’ Day, The Golden Circle, farewell parties, and many special occasions.

Because of my return from America the meeting of the Board of Governors was delayed until April so that it might be held after my arrival. The Board met on the 6th April and Dr. Eno, concluding her year as Officiating Principal, gave a splendid report. It seemed too bad that any one should return and make a break in an administration which had been so effective and satisfactory, but Dr. Eno had her mind definitely made up not to remain in the College any longer. In just one month after the meeting of the Board we realized that there was a reason—a reason which is of course known throughout India by this time. We rejoice to have her with us in the sense that she is still in Lucknow and we may call upon her for all those many services which she can render so beautifully and which she does render so willingly to the College.

The second great event, the examinations, proved as successful as usual. In the University examinations one girl failed in the B.Sc. and one was placed in the compartmental class in the B.A., but one girl was placed in first division, which is a distinction won by very few University candidates up to the present time. In the Intermediate thirty-four passed out of thirty-eight presented and two of these were in the first division, one in arts and one in science. Both training departments, the Diploma in Teaching for graduates and the English Teachers’ Certificate for undergraduates, passed entire.

The new year which opened in July brought us a very interesting group of students. There has been this year a noticeable return of old students, not quite literally old but students who have been out of College eight or ten years and are now back for further study. One of them has humorously dubbed the crowd ‘the gray sisters.’ The amazing thing is that out of the whole group of eight or ten such students there is not a single misfit. Some of them, having had their training and having taught for all of these years, have come back as freshmen to find themselves under the chaperonage of former pupils of theirs, but they have accepted matters of that kind as the good joke which they really are, and have fitted into the student body in a most
surprisingly satisfactory way. The enrollment at the beginning of the year was one hundred and forty, the largest we have ever had without the high school classes. There has been the usual falling off but the number has not seriously altered.

It is difficult to know what to report to the Conferences year after year giving the essential news about the College and yet avoiding repetition. Perhaps those who live at a distance and do not see the College frequently will be interested to know how certain moot questions of a few years ago are working out. There was, for instance, the question of the wall. We never hear it mentioned any more because with the hedges grown up about the place and the screen of vines on the covered ways completely secluding the inner quadrangle, we do not appear to be naked and exposed to the public view as we did in those days when the question was under discussion. The trees, too, are growing rapidly and in a few years more the place will lose its raw new look and we shall seem to belong here as much as we have ever belonged anywhere else.

Another question which has often been raised with reference to the College is how our Christian young men and young women can have opportunity of becoming acquainted in ways that are sufficiently safeguarded to give the advantages of such procedure without great attendant dangers. We feel that we are making at least a beginning toward the solution of that question with the University Christian Union. It was organized last year and while I was not here I am told that the first meeting was exceedingly painful. It includes students of the Junior and senior classes of this College and the young men of the same classes who are living in the University hostel of Lucknow Christian College. Meetings are held about once a month and they have been thus far purely social. It was very difficult in the first meeting or two for the young people to forget the newness of the situation, but the two meetings which I have attended since I came back have made me feel that it would be difficult to find a group of young people anywhere who can have a better social time together with greater ease and decorum than this group does. Some teachers are always present in the meetings and the opinion of the whole staff is that the venture has proved itself well worth while to continue. The urgent demand on the part of the young men for a similar organization of Intermediate students has not met with
our approval. A girl has a very wide gulf to bridge between high school and college without adding this complication to that stage of her life, and we feel that for the present at least what we have done is sufficient.

Two statements about marriage which are commonly made with reference to the College may interest you if the word comes directly from us. In the five years I have been in India I have not been in any large group where the education of women was discussed without hearing it said that the Christian girls of Isabella Thoburn College were marrying non-Christian men. The statement has been disproved time after time but there is something so fascinating about it that it will not down. It therefore seems a good idea to me just to say in this report to the Conferences that I believe in the whole history of the College there have been two such cases and both of these, if I am correctly informed, were sanctioned and planned by the parents of the girls concerned, although both are ancient history and I have no personal knowledge of the circumstances. The other statement about marriage is that the girls from here do not marry. There is more truth in that than I wish there were and yet it is not altogether true. Within the last month I have eaten the wedding cake of two students of this College and one teacher. I am looking forward to being invited to another wedding within the next month or so, while two other weddings have taken place where cake was not served. What I want you to see is that we are not quite hopeless in this regard.

These may seem strange things to you to put into a College report but I am quite aware that many of you are more interested in things of this kind than you are in mere statistical figures, which you would hear and forget before you left the room. We would appreciate it very greatly if some of you who are in the Conferences and have no touch with the College except through these reports or through a visit once in a few decades would write to us and let us know what kind of questions are in your minds about the College. I know there are some very curious ones because about two years ago I found a member of a woman's conference to which our annual reports go who was actually labouring under the impression that English dress was compulsory for all students in Isabella Thoburn College. When I recall a few things like that I feel almost helpless as I face the blank sheets on which a report is to be written, and I wish that we might have
more fellowship, we here and you at a distance, in this important and difficult bit of the work of the Kingdom. Our problems and yours differ at many points but unless we solve ours in the guidance of the Spirit yours will be more involved. We meet most often through those who go out from us to you. Many of them have the real desire to serve and we want to know how best to help them make their service count for most.

Isabella Thoburn College sends greetings. May the work of your hands prosper and the Kingdom grow under your care and ministry.

Resolutions

Again we take pleasure in expressing hearty gratitude to the hostesses whose warmth of hospitality has made up for the winter chill and whose bountiful tables have made us forget all our resolves to cut out the calories. We feel this way, but perhaps the hostesses feel, "Conferences come and conferences go but we go on forever."

The cheeriest voices in the conference have been those of the seventeen missionary children, whose smiles and enthusiasm have set high standards for our own dispositions for the year.

We extend to all those returned from furlough a loving reception, the promise of abundance of work and our wishes that they be granted health and happiness in its accomplishment. Miss Bates, Miss Calkins, Miss Hoath, Mrs. Hollister, Mrs. Nave, Miss Loper, Miss Parks, Mrs. Rockey, Miss Y. Peters, welcome home.

We look with dismay at the list of those on furlough and wonder how we shall be able to carry on without them. Miss Bacon, Miss Davis, Miss Emery, Mrs. Hyde, Miss Landrum, Miss McCartney, Miss Ogilvie, Miss Salzer, Miss Stallard, Mrs. Thoburn, and Miss Waugh. The happy part of it is that each of these means to return to us, so we can only wish them a joyous period of refreshment.

We congratulate Indus River Conference on its strong acquisition, Miss Alice Means. In her transfer we have lost a friend, a counsellor, and a pioneer, whose work in brick and mortar we can see and appreciate now, but the value of whose vision only the years will unfold.

To Miss Bothwell who has just returned from America and has been transferred to Indus River Conference, we wish her health and happiness in her work during the years to come.
Four beautiful friends have been called from their earthly labours during the year, and we share the sorrow of their family members. Belonging to three generations, these women—Miss Harriet Singh, Mrs. Boggess, Miss Helen Ingram and Miss Laura Shur—were one in purpose and in consecrations, each made in her individual way for the coming of the Kingdom of God in India.

We express our sympathy with Mrs. Devadasan in her illness. She was a welcome annual visitor with us.

We express our sympathy to Mrs. Butler, who though not present in our sessions, we know has been with us in spirit. It is the hope of the conference that she be speedily restored to health and able to return to her chosen work.

We extend a warm welcome to our new conference members, Miss Rhoda Chester, and Mrs. Dan Singh, and to Miss Tanner, as honorary worker in the Baby Fold. We trust that these friends will take their places as burden-bearers and inspiration-givers in our conference.

The large numbers of visitors this year has enhanced its interest. It has been especially fine to have so many Indian ladies present. We thank busy Dr. Kipp for coming and making so valuable a contribution.

Our conference would not be complete without the kindly face of Mrs. Robinson smiling at us from the chair. We shall look forward to seeing it again next year.

Signed:

The resolution committee with thanks to Miss Dimmitt.

To Mrs. Hyde.

We women of North India Conference wish to pause a few moments from consideration of business to give a message of love and appreciation to one who is leaving us today.

Mrs. Hyde it is difficult to catch again the numerous happy expressions which have come in response to the question, "What do you wish me to say about Mrs. Hyde?"

More than one said, "Well, say the very nicest things you can think of." Another, "She seems to me to embody unusual strength and sweetness." Another, "I always know how I'll find Mrs. Hyde—she's steady."
Another, "Oh! My! She's the sweetest woman on earth" And from one of the children "She's everything that's nice."

Each one remembers with happiness her individual contact with you. To some is given the power and gift to sway throngs we wonder if perhaps it is not a more precious gift to give strength and quiet joy to each life that comes in contact with her.

We are thankful for your life lived so consistently in the spirit of Christ. We love you, we pray for you, we wish you journeying mercies, and a blessed reunion with your lovely daughters.

To Mrs. Mansell.

We wish a word of loving appreciation to stand on record regarding one who came to us from America at the close of the year 1888. Some one described her as a sweet dainty young woman in a pretty white dress with little clinging curls at the back of her neck. She was highly cultured and refined. Her mother a college graduate of some distinction and her father a College Professor, so she came well fitted to fill the position for which Miss Isabella Thoburn had selected her. The first College Professor in the first Woman's College in Southern Asia.

Ever since this early date her name has been on our Conference list. First as Miss Florence Perine until early in 1900 when she married and became as actively engaged in the work of the Gen. Board as she had been in her College work. We were all sorry to learn during the year that Mrs. Mansell's health would not permit her remaining on to finish the Conference year with us and when she left on October 7th with Miss Stallard, some anxiety was felt as to how she would stand the journey, but recently the good news of her arrival in California, restored to almost normal conditions, has comforted her many friends in India. Although in recent years she has been unable to carry heavy burdens, her record is an enviable one regarding work accomplished. In addition to her duties as wife of a busy District Superintendent in which she shared very largely, she carried for several years the work of National President of the W. C. T. U. She was used of God after Dr. Mansell's death, in winning a large number of young men or smaller boys into a personal experience of the Christian life, and it was this work which she regretted leaving when having to go home. Let us assure her by
letters of greeting from this Conference—many of them,—that we love her and will not forget her labours of love for India. She was an outstanding character among us—deeply spiritual, and a real friend to a long list of both Indian and foreign workers of the North India Conference.

To Dr. and Mrs. J. N. West.

An appreciation.

It was in the Autumn of 1892 that a young missionary couple arrived in Madras full of faith and enthusiasm for the coming of Christ's Kingdom on earth. Their first appointment was to the English church in that city where for three years they served shoulder to shoulder in all the manifold duties that fall to the lot of a pastor and his wife.

Early in 1896 they were transferred to the North India Conference where they have served so valiantly ever since. For the next ten years their lot was cast in with the city of Lucknow where in labours abundant they strove to show themselves as approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Dr. West as head of the commercial department of Reid Christian College, and later as acting president of that institution, did much to form the character and ideals of the young men who came under his influence; while Mrs. West with a flaming evangelistic zeal that could not be smothered under the manifold duties of a busy wife and mother turned her attention to the soldiers of the city many of whom were leading Godless lives, and by her earnest exhortations brought many of them back as repentant prodigals to the bosom of the Father.

Ever a zealous mother in Israel, who looked well to the ways of her own household, her heart was touched by the ill kept homes of so many of the poorer Anglo-Indian residents of the city, so she opened up a class in Home Economics for the benefit of her less fortunate sisters where she taught them the beauty and dignity of homecraft. She even turned her housewifely skill to more practical ends, for when a new hearse was needed by the Indian Christian community she baked bread and cakes and sold them in order to secure the funds for building same.

In 1907 they began their career as District workers when he was appointed as District Superintendent of
Bareilly District. As District Superintendent's wife Mrs. West attended every Quarterly with her husband and imparted a new spirit of zeal and courage to the scattered Bible Readers in their far distant homes.

After furlough they were transferred to Budaun District where they did some of their most outstanding work for the cause of the Kingdom by the establishment of a Training School for village workers. In addition to supervising this school and a boys' boarding school, they itinerated extensively in the district, and never a river was too deep or a road too sandy to prevent their reaching their villages. When he was elected a delegate to General Conference she shouldered the whole burden of the work and carried on the Quarterly Conferences and other routine work of the District so effectively that none of the work of the District suffered by his absence.

Their re-appointment to the Bareilly District after furlough was a heavy burden to lay upon those no longer in their prime, but they loyally took up the task laid upon them by the church, and with their customary consecration laboured to perform it with their old zeal and enthusiasm. Both of them chose to ignore the fact that time was slowly adding its quota of years to the burden already on their shoulders. There was also the "Cut" in the missionary appropriations which called for faithful workers to be turned off, and weary nights to be spent pouring over accounts trying to make one rupee serve where two and even three were sorely needed.

If Mrs. West had been one to spare herself her iron constitution might have withstood the strain for a few years more, but with a grim determination she has pressed on in spite of the warning cries of the flesh, so it is no wonder that outraged nature has at last stepped in with her command of "Thus far and no farther."

Dr. and Mrs. West, we are sorry to lose you from the missionary circle, but we would rather have you alive in America than in your graves in India. We are glad you are going before it is too late. Your lives are too valuable to be trifled with. Your work for India is not over although your field of activity may be changed. We hope that you will give your tired bodies the long rest that they have so richly earned. We also feel that the church in India will be immeasurably blessed in the future through the enforced leisure that you will now have for prayer and intercession for
us. And now, we commend you to God who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we can ask or think.

PHOEBE EMERY,
Chairman of Resolution Committee,

*By order of the N. L. Woman's Conference.*
DISTRICT REPORTS
The year just closed has brought a big change to Bareilly District. For the first few months, Mrs. West was in charge and itinerated, as always, in the villages of the district, in spite of failing health. But in March, under the doctor’s orders and much against her wishes she had to give up the work to which she had given unstintingly of her strength for so long, and prepare to leave India. She has been greatly missed but the workers left behind are remembering her and trying to carry on the work to the best of their ability.

There has been sickness in the families of workers in some of the circuits but at District Conference time all but a very few of the women were able to be present. We are always glad when this is possible, for the fellowship together, the messages which leaders outside the district bring, the discussing of problems and the making of plans for the future, strengthen one anew for the tasks ahead.

The conference lasted only seven days this year but every bit of the crowded days was helpful to us all. The morning messages were of spiritual benefit; the period which followed, for discussing frankly church and district problems was of great interest and help, while the evening programmes were of interest to all in showing various phases of the work. We were glad indeed that the new district superintendent and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Nave, and family, had arrived just two days before in time to be present and get acquainted.

The emphasis being laid on religious teaching for the Christian throughout the district and on schools for the children will be stressed more than ever this next year. We hope to have a worker wherever there are enough Christian children to make school worth while.

We take this opportunity of thanking again the New York, Cincinnati, Northwestern and Pacific Branches for their support of this work and to ask for their prayers that His blessing may be on this work this coming year.

Miss Kennard, in the report that follows, will tell of the work she has been doing at the Bareilly-Pilibhit end of the district.
This report is being written in the district miles from a railway but in a centre where there are multitudes of people. Our district is so large—1,520 villages, in each of which there are a few Christians, that it is impossible for me to see the people more than once in two or three years. The village roads are rough and it is impossible for a motor to reach even half of the villages, so we have to travel by ox-cart, which takes a long time. We have Bible-woman, a nurse Bible-woman, and a graduate nurse with us this year for our district work. The nurse Bible-woman has grasped the meaning of service for our village people and I often marvel as she talks to them. She has learned so much in a year in the villages. The sick crowd around our cart and our camp doors and call us as we pass the villages. So we minister to the bodily ills as well as the spiritual. The dense ignorance is appalling.

We have just returned from a two-day trip—our bedding and food were taken with us. We visited all of the Christians in the villages as we went. The night was spent in a mud hut in a room which afforded just enough space for the four of us to lie down. The next morning we were informed that as a man and his wife had just been murdered in the next village, the headman of the place had sent a watchman to protect us. Early the next morning we started out on our visits and found a crowd of men seated on the ground. We were told that they would be kept there until they told who the murderer was.

For twenty miles, we visited each Christian family on the road and returned home late that night after taking turns carrying the lantern so that the oxen would not break their legs, or the cart, on the rough roads. We went through rivers after dark and we reached home safely; but we were each one of us glad that we had had the chance to tell the story of a Saviour who had come to bring salvation to the world. And we hope and pray for more light to come to those who sit in darkness. In village work, as in no other, I realize that the harvest is ripe and the labourers are many too few. "Pray ye therefore that the Lord of the harvest will send forth more labourers." We must have them if our people who have been baptized are to be taught.

Pilibhit City Evangelistic Work.

Miss O. B. Kennard, Missionary.

We feel that the year has not been spent in vain in our work in this city. We have put stress on the
educating of our Christians, especially the children. Several women also attend the schools and although they usually do not learn as fast as the children, yet the Bible study hour means much to them. The children are learning handwork too.

Two girls' schools have been combined and we now have room for them to meet in. Before, there was no place except a shady soot under a tree where they had to sit on the ground, and during the rains could not have school at all. We are hoping that by next year we will have one very strong girls' school. We have a good attendance now but expect more will come.

We have more requests for zenana teaching than we can fill, especially as we are short of workers, and feel we must first teach those who are already Christian.

Our boys and men also have a teacher who is working under the W. F. M. S. His wife is teaching women and girls. Part of our training is the Bible Hour and no one can pass into another class without passing the Bible examination also.

In Bareilly, our work has a stronger force, visiting the zenanas. We still have Monika Bua, who is doing splendid work and as we have heard her give the messages in the homes we have wondered how anyone can hear and not believe. In one zenana I found a Bible open and asked the woman if she read Urdu. She said, "No, but my husband reads it to me and I explain it to him." One of our Mohammedan women who was converted last year has been such a help and blessing to us. Two of her children are in school and she is earning her living by helping in the mission. She is also learning to read and write so she can do definite study for the Bible Readers' work.

Our schools are doing well. The children are learning rapidly although they can study only two hours a day. The night schools are also doing well, but how we need more helpers! With so few workers in such big cities we know it is impossible to reach many, yet with what we have we are doing all we can.

Bareilly Girls' Orphanage

Grace L. Honnell
Janette H. Crawford

Missionaries.

School is in session, and as I look from my office window, I can see six classes here and there under the
trees. The teachers and pupils have gone outside, taking their blackboards, books, and slates with them. It is cold, and it is much pleasanter out in the sun than in the cold class rooms. Our school does not begin until 9:45 but we have study for an hour and a half beginning at seven-thirty. School is out at 2:35, when the girls have lunch. After that, a group of eighteen of them prepare the evening meal for our family of 220 girls. They take turns and thus each one cooks only once in nine days. It is hard to get out of bed at four-thirty in the morning and begin preparation for breakfast, but if it is not begun early, they can not get to school on time.

There are twenty-four day pupils. Among them are not only Christians, but also Hindus and Mohammedans. More non-Christians are in school now than formerly, and we are hopeful that the seeds sown now may lead them to Christ. Some do take their turn in praying and all are in the Bible classes.

The girls who joined the Health Crusade last year have gone on with it this year, and another group of some thirty girls are ready to take the pledge. Health is improving, and our room used for sick girls has been empty for several weeks. We have a big garden, and the girls get plenty of fresh vegetables.

Our sixth class consists of 21 girls. They are not very brilliant this year, but all are trying, and we hope that most of them will pass the government examination. There are 20 girls who belong to us attending other schools. This year, three of our former girls returned to us as teachers. They are doing good work and we feel that their patrons in America would also be happy to know that they had made it possible for them to be a blessing to others.

We have just had a Sunday School Rally and festival. We had a splendid programme, and our entire Christian community seemed to be present. We had a busy time getting 710 sacks made and filled with sweets. There was an elephant, a merry-go-round, and a Ferris wheel, and we all had a joyful time.

Our new school house is still on paper, but the Chief Inspectress has been here to look over the old buildings and to talk about the new ones, so we are expecting the plans to be sanctioned soon.

We have had fewer parcels for Christmas this year, but have had more gifts of money. We would prefer money as we can get more of the things which the girls need.
Support for this school comes from all the Branches, and we heartily thank you for your gifts and prayers.

The Warne Baby Fold.

Miss Vera E. Parks, Missionary (Superintendent.)
Miss Tanner, Honorary Missionary.

For the annual Board Meeting, Miss Bacon, realizing that it was her last report for this term of service, has made a brief resume of her five years' work in the Warne Baby Fold.

She reports that the way has not all been easy. There have been many anxious hours, some of them because of finances and some of them as we have sat by the bedside of little lives hanging in the balance. Naturally as little lives have slipped out, we have wondered whether we had done our best for them. All we could do was to trust the work of our hands to the Lover of little children and trust Him to show us wherein we could do better.

There have been many joys along the way. We have had so many loving, sympathetic friends; we have had our new home, well equipped and installed with electricity; there has been an increasing interest shown by our non-Christian friends, and we feel that we are slowly winning their confidence; and there have been all the joys that come from contact with the children themselves, the joy of seeing them develop physically and mentally, the joy of hearing them begin to talk, of hearing baby voices say, 'Mamma, 'and night after night hearing one little voice after another say, 'Mamma, main ap ko piyar karta hun.' What greater joy, what greater reward could one want for one's work.

During the past five years there has been an enrollment of 145. Thirty-nine of these have gone directly from the Baby Fold into our various conference schools. Twenty-four not yet old enough for school have been returned to their parents, thirty-seven have died, thirty-seven are still with us, and eight have been given in adoption. We have had splendid reports this year regarding every one of the children given in adoption. With the exception of one, all have gone into homes where there were no other children. She went into a home where there was a child about the same age, and I have been told many times that the adopted child is cared for as tenderly as their own child.

We have had a tragic year as far as deaths are concerned. In April we had a siege of cholera with
seven seizures and two deaths. A tiny marasmic baby died about the same time and also a child with broncho pneumonia. During May and June the children kept well in spite of the intense heat. July and August took their toll. First one little girl died of heat, her temperature going to 109 before it started dropping. Later a child died of infantile diarrhoea, another from broncho pneumonia, one from pleurisy, and one, a tiny baby of a few weeks, from terrible sores.

During the year we have had a number of lovely gifts,—an electric washing machine from Rev. and Mrs. Moffatt, an electric hot plate for the Feeding Room from Dr. Goodrich of Albion College, Michigan, and our wonderful Frigidaire from Mr. and Mrs. Coates of Montevideo, S. A. For this gift we are greatly indebted to Dr. and Mrs. E. Stanley Jones. All these will help to lighten labour, and, we trust, to make our work more efficient.

There has been a growing conviction that the work of the institution is not simply to be caring for babies, but that there is a real field of service for us in helping to train some of our girls for their own homes. A year of practical work of this kind certainly ought to make them better wives and mothers. With two missionaries for the work it would be possible to have a small amount of class work in which the making of simple garments for the children would be taught, the cooking of proper food for the children, some hand work that could be used in their own homes, principles of sanitation, and some simple work in Child Psychology. But until we have more room for the housing of our girls it is not possible to carry out these plans. However, it is one of the aims we are keeping before us.

December 20, 1929.

October brought a change in the staff of the Warne Baby Fold. Miss Bacon left for furlough, and Miss Tanner, an honorary missionary, and I took over the work. With the two of us it has been possible to carry out some of the plans mentioned by Miss Bacon.

At the present time we have an enrolment of thirty-nine. The children are cared for by a corps of fifteen workers all of whom live in the institution. In addition to the two missionaries we have one kindergarten teacher, one graduate nurse, a matron, and ten girls who have come to us for training as well as for service. Two of this number under the supervision of
the matron, do all the cooking for the family. There is a splendid spirit of co-operation among all the helpers. If mistakes occur it is not through indifference or lack of interest in the children. The girls are deeply attached to the little ones in their charge, and at times have had to be reprimanded for coming on duty outside of regular hours. Evening classes are given instruction in English, Sewing, and in the Care and Feeding of Children, and it has been most gratifying to the teachers to see their instructions immediately put into practice by the girls during the regular routine of their duties in the wards. As far as the care of the children is concerned, the present arrangement is most satisfactory. But the housing problem is a serious one. It has been necessary to utilize the isolation ward and half of the kindergarten class room for dormitory space. It is to be hoped that the erection of proper living quarters for the girls will be possible in the near future.

Miss Tanner and I join with Miss Bacon in expressing our gratitude to our many patrons and friends both in India and America. May each year see added interest taken in the work. We look forward eagerly to the day when this work will be entirely supported on the field. And we feel that this time is not many years distant. Each year shows an increase in the giving of India. We covet not only your gifts, but more than that, your prayers. We believe that in answer to prayer the support will come.

Vera E. Parks.

Bareilly Women’s School, 1929.

Mrs. J. Devadasan, Principal

This year we are fortunate in having a fine group of women and a good teaching staff. The Principal of the school has been ill since the beginning of the new school year, and there has been illness also among the other members of the staff. But while some of the special courses, such as music, have not been held this year, the regular work of the school has not suffered seriously. Mrs. C. S. Thoburn has been of great help in carrying on the work in spite of it all.

Last year there were eighteen women in the school. In May six women left, and this fall five more came to take their places. Another is to come but has not yet arrived due to prolonged illness. So we have the same number this year as we had last. In the spring the women passed the following examinations:
First year dihati 2
Fourth year dihati 1
First year Bible Readers’ Course 3
Second year Bible Readers’ Course 1 & 2 passed parts
Third year Bible Readers’ Course 2 & 1 passed parts
Fourth year Bible readers’ Course 1.

The remainder of the women, as well as some of those listed above, took various Bible courses with the men. This fall about half the women are able to take their Bible courses with the men.

Besides their regular school work the women have a sewing class, take part in the Missionary and Temperance meetings and Sunday Schools, and go out in bands to help in mohalla Sunday Schools. The hospital is holding a special clinic for seminary women and children and is arranging a series of health lectures for them.

The Kindergarten this year has fifteen children. Because of crowded conditions in the Girls’ School the six-year-old children were not able to enter this year, so we are having a special class for them to give them a start in reading and arithmetic in hopes that they may do better work when they do enter school next year. The nursery has about twenty babies. The number is changing constantly as the babies enter at four months and leave at three years, whether it is the beginning of a term or not.

SHAHJAHANPUR CITY.

Circuit, Zenana and Mohalla Work.

Mrs. Helen Prem Singh.

We thank the Lord that he has given us life and health for another year in His service. There are six Bible-readers working in the city. Two of us work among the Christians and the other four among the non-Christians. Every one of us can freely go, and are welcomed in the homes, where we tell the women about the Word of God, and all it can mean to them. They hear it with great interest and there are many who act accordingly, that is, they have left the worship of idols and say idolatry is useless, that there is no one but God who can give us peace. Many of the women did not go to bathe in the Ganges this year.

A cultivator’s wife who had heard the Word and accepted it is ill and about to die at this time. She sent word asking us to come and see her for one time more. We went to her and when she saw us, she sat up and
began to weep, asking us to tell her something from
the Scriptures. We read to her, which comforted her
very much. After that we prayed with her and entrusted
her to God. Thanks to Him she wanted consolation
from the Scriptures.

There are also families who ask us to pray for their
sick ones, and when we pray and they get well, they give
thanks to God. May God give His power to His servants
that they may perform His work with truthfulness.

There are 438 houses visited and of these 181 are
Hindu homes, 137 Mohammedan, and 120 are Christian.
The total number of hearers in these homes is 1,108.

We wish to thank heartily those who give financial
as well as spiritual help to our work.

Christian Girls' School, Shahjahanpur.

Yasmin Peters
Alice Means

As we come up to the close of the year 1929 we
have much to be grateful for and to rejoice over.
First and foremost has been the coming of Miss Yasmin
Peters in July to take over the work of Manager of the
school, after having gained her Master's degree at
Columbia University. At this same time the VIII
Class of this school was opened, thus completing the
higher course as planned for when the school plant was
enlarged. This means an increase in the number of our
boarders and also of our teaching staff. There are now
four Senior teachers, six Junior teachers, a teacher of
Urdu, and one for Hindi, besides our spinning teacher.
All the girls can spin and this was the only reason that
we were fortunate in having a visit from Mahatma
Gandhi a few weeks ago. Although it was his Day of
Silence when he ordinarily does not go anywhere, yet
he came to us though he did not speak at all. The
girls presented him with a short address, and a handkerchief, which they had woven with thread which
they had spun. Mr. Gandhi was very pleased and wrote
his reply which was read by one of his party.

We have 160 girls in the hostel now and so are glad
that there is ample room for all to be comfortable. The
general health of the girls has been good throughout
the year.

In December the girls gave a drama of a story of
Indian History for which an admission fee was charged
and the proceeds, Rs. 80, were given to help the fund
for retired Mission workers. I do not know which
brought more pleasure, the preparation and giving of
the darma, or the seeing of it by the crowd that came!

A class of 21 girls united with the church in full
membership in May and all seemed in earnest about
what they were doing.

We thank all who have helped to give the girls a
happy Christmas either by parcels or by gifts of money
This work is supported by the New England, New
York, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Des Moines, Topeka,
Pacific, and Columbia River Branches.

BIJNOR DISTRICT.

Bijnor Evangelistic Work.

Miss Olive Dunn, Missionary.

Last year we determined to advance in all lines of
our work. How much we have accomplished of that
aim the future alone can tell, but we believe that we
have stepped forward.

We have not added to the number of our village
schools, but where we have had to drop a couple of
schools because of sickness or small babies in the fami­
lies of the teachers we have opened others in their places,
so we have the same number as before. We feel,
however, that we are working toward better
schools in the future, and the present shows a change.
We wish to dispense with what might rightly be termed
reading classes, and have real live schools of a set
standard, where the children learn and acquire ability
to carry them on to other schools later, if they find
the opportunity.

With this in mind we called all of our women that
are able to do active work, and for a month had a
Summer School where we gave A and B class teacher's
training. We laid emphasis on the teaching of read­
ing and arithmetic. Miss Doyle kindly arranged daily
observation classes in the Girls' School and also gave of
her time to teach the Arithmetic Methods. Mrs. Mann
of Muttra gave a course in "How to Approach Mohulla
Christians," based on the lectures that Miss Emery
gave at the Cawnpore Bible Reader's Convention this
year. Our school nurse gave a course in Simple Home
Nursing. Miss Westrup, of Bareilly, gave a series of
lessons on Ante-natal care, confinement, and Care of
Baby and Mother after birth of child. A course in
story-telling with time for practice was also given. In
all of these courses we gave examinations, and held
the work to a certain standard of excellence. To all
who passed in all subjects we gave statements, and have promised another when they have successfully passed a class of A class pupils in their own school.

In the evening we taught hand work. The teachers of the Girls' School gave most excellent and faithful aid in this. Some of the women made dresses and embroidered them in colours. Some made lace and drawnwork, but the most learned to knit. Some very nice things were made and some women have since been most enthusiastically using what they learned. The women are asking for another school next year and sincerely hope that it will be possible.

Throughout our district we are laying emphasis on the teaching of our Christians in the Mohullas. We have taught Bible stories and hope that the stories being taught will lay a foundation for Christian character, even among the lowest of our flock. Many now tell us that they are only sweepers, and therefore destined to be inferior Christians, but we hope to some time hear that these people are determined to press on to higher ground.

We are trying a new plan for our circuit schools. We have two school girls, just ready to leave and go home to uncertain futures. They cannot return to school because of age or crowded conditions, so they are teaching Christian children. The Bible women accompany them, and teach the women while the girls hold a regular school. They are succeeding in carrying on the work of the A class much as we do in our central Boarding School, and the work covered compares favourably also with that done in the Girls' School. Thus these girls are given a place, and are doing a real work, too.

I have visited every circuit during the year, and wish that I might have been out more than I have. Bijnor is in the jungle, and travel is difficult. The officials travel in ox-carts, on elephants, and have their baggage carried by camel trains. The roads are mostly a series of ruts that vary with the weather and daily travel. Many of the further places lie beyond river beds of thick sand. The rains in summer produce wide rivers almost impossible to cross, and during the winter months the sand is deep enough to stall even a Ford. But between our Ford and Ox-cart we manage to get most everywhere, and like it too.

The Arya Samaj, having set 1930 as the the time to take their next census, are working harder than ever, and the Christian Mohullas seem to be included in their
plans. They are working hard to enlist our people, and we wish that we might reach all of these people with teaching that might give them courage to help them stand true. With this pressure and the hard times brought by the drought of the past two years, our people are in hard places. It is difficult to reach all it—cannot be done—and we may reasonably expect some to turn back to the old paths unless they can be helped to a better knowledge of the new way they have chosen. We are desperately short of workers.

However, in spite of the shortage of workers, hard roads to travel, rivers that intervene, drought, and persecution, we feel that our work is going to count, and we are happy to do the best we can.

Lois Lee Parker Girls' School, Bijnor.

Gladys Doyle, Carrie Rost, Missionaries.

The past year has been a year of progress in many ways for our school. We now have a fifth class and are looking forward to a sixth for next year. Our enrolment has grown to ninety-eight, including seven non-Christian day scholars. All of the boys in Vail Hostel are now attending our school so we have co-education through the third class. Besides our ever-growing family in Bijnor, there are twenty Bijnories in other schools, five in sixth class in Bareilly, two in the Baby Fold, one in Aligarh, one taking teacher’s training in Moradabad, and of the eleven in High Schools, nine are in Lal Bagh, one in Shahjahanpur, and one in Meerut.

Miss Rost came to us after conference but had to leave in March for a serious operation. We are happy to say that she is back with us again and is fast regaining her strength. If you could drop into our school now and see our lovely Christians borders, Christians books, and posters, you would know that a kindergartner has been in our midst.

Our splendid health record of last year was marred by an invasion of influenza in March. Before we knew it, we had fifty children in bed. The school was closed and all the teachers went on duty: nursing or compounding medicines. Miss Dunn, our evangelist, gave us all of her time, taking temperatures and making charts. When nurse went to bed and one case developed into pneumonia and another into typhoid fever, we sent out an S. O. S. for help. The Bareilly school nurse and sister Pearl Lord, Miss Kennard’s Assistant, answered. We are thankful to say that all
of the sixty-three who had influenza and the two who had typhoid fever are as well and strong as ever, although it was a hard pull for two little ones. One of our choice girls, Monica Nihal Singh, who had spent the year in Bareilly, died in her home during the summer holidays.

We have started two new projects this year, a school bank and a shop. The fifth class runs the bank with three salaried bankers, and the fourth class runs the store with three clerks. Bank books, cheques, and shop accounts are not the easiest things in the world for inexperienced children but they are learning. The girls in third, fourth, and fifth classes must buy all their own clothes or bring them from home. Where the family is too poor to furnish even one outfit, it becomes a real problem, but we find that the girls take pride in saying, "I have no school clothes now. They are all mine." Much of the money is earned in the garden. A large cotton crop furnished work daily for two months. The children are now cleaning the cotton, spinning some into thread, and making cotton padded coats and comforts out of the rest.

Every class displayed some hand-work or sewing at the Bijnor exhibition last spring and several of the children received prizes.

Our Junior Church has become a real organization this year. We have been using the newer outlines of worship and story sermons put out by Miss Schaefer and Miss Eveland. The children are so much more reverent in service and take pride in having a real church of their own. The Christmas programme they gave for the adult church was worth attending, and they gave an offering of over three rupees for the Baby Fold. They have also bought a mat for their church.

I wish you all might have attended the Christmas play given by the school. It is a joy to see what little village children can do with a bit of training. We thank you all for your prayers and gifts which have made it possible for these little ones to have the more abundant life.

BUDAUN DISTRICT
Budaun District Work

Mrs. Olive G. Titus, Missionary.

A year ago Mrs. Core wrote the last of many annual reports she had written about the work in
Budaun District. This year it is my privilege to write my first report concerning our contacts with and impressions of that same work. As we have come to know the Christian people here, the leaders in the sadr station as well as the more remote village people, we have realized how fully the optimism which characterized the report written by Mrs. Core a year ago was justified. We are proud of Budaun District, of the enthusiasm and genuineness of the village Christians in spite of their tremendous handicaps, social, economic, and intellectual; proud also of the ability and loyalty of the leaders we have in the Sadr Church and in the district.

Miss Emery, Budaun’s much-loved district evangelist, escaped writing her report by leaving for America before reports were called for. So while I can tell very little about my own contacts with the district Bible women and their work, having found it impossible to do any itinerating with my husband, because of local and home duties, I can at least tell something of the excellent year’s work Miss Emery has had. The number of village schools has increased by ten. There are now 55 W. F. M. S. day-schools in the district, 44 of which are taught by Bible women, and the rest by men. Twice a year minutely careful examinations of every child in every school in every subject are held by Miss Emery herself. The phrase, “every subject” includes the Three R’s and the prescribed Bible course, which consists of Bible stories, and selected verses, and hymns committed to memory. The results of the examinations are carefully recorded. These half-yearly examinations require about six weeks of strenuous work in the Spring and again in the autumn. The rest of the year Miss Emery and her helpers are preaching the Good News of a saving Christ in as many of the 1,493 villages where our Christians live as they can reach.

All of the Bible women were present at the district conference in November, and there were evident signs that they enjoyed the meetings and went back to their villages with fresh spiritual up-lift. The annual W. F. M. S. rally, during the district conference, was held entirely by the district Bible women, and by members of the Budaun Auxiliary. A drama, “The Justice of Solomon,” was very effectively presented, and other items helped to make an interesting programme. The local auxiliary’s collection for the year amounted to Rs. 25 and the district women’s was Rs. 28. A church mela had been held in October with a drama given by
the Bible Training School, and with a bazar and "jumble
sale" managed by the women. The receipts from these
two affairs amounted to Rs. 130, which was given to the
Mission Claimant's Fund. At the district conference
another jumble sale was held, which resulted in Rs. 135
proceeds, also for the Mission Claimants' fund for 1930.

Mrs. Roberts with two other teachers has bravely
carried on the work of the Woman's Training School
with but little help from me throughout the year. Miss
Ruth Hoath, the new Principal, arrived in October.
Needless to say her coming has resulted in greater effi­
ciency in looking after the students and in helping the
staff in many ways. She also has the oversight of the
primary boys in the boarding school, and is also in charge
of Miss Emery's City Work and Mohulla Schools in her
absence on furlough.

My own work, aside from having a part in the boys'
boarding school, seems to be largely that of district
scribe, since it falls to me to be responsible for letters
to patrons. More than a thousand letters to America
in 1929, written by the aid of my pen and much mid­
night oil, have still been all too few, as is shown by the
fact that we have not yet enough special gifts to finance
our district work and boys' boarding school by nearly
Rs. 200 a month. It is heart-breaking to the district
superintendent, and to all of us, to continue to reduce
our meagre staff of district preachers when already
every man has an average of forty villages and five hun­
dred village Christians to shepherd. It is equally difficult
to say "No" to the bright village lads who are pleading
for a place in our boys' school. So my resolution is that
I must somehow write more letters in 1930, and try to
secure support for more school boys and preacher than
came to us in 1929.

Home duties and the care of a small daughter can
be more successfully combined with office work of this
sort than can other duties out in the district; and with
this responsibility off his shoulders, my husband has
more time for village work then would otherwise be
possible. The district Bible women are supported by the
New York and New England Branches, and we are
grateful to each of our patrons in these Branches for
their loyal help.

Budaun City and Circuit.
Ruth Hoath, Missionary.

Under the capable leadership of Mrs. Mansell the
Budaun Zenana City and Circuit work has made a steady
advance this year. New homes have been opened to the Bible Readers for visitation and Christian teaching.

In the seven Christian schools one hundred twenty-three children receive instruction in the Bible course used throughout the district. One teacher receives his salary from the District Board, but twice during the year Miss Emery has examined it, as she has all the others.

This year a night school has been organized for the men and boys who are not free for study during the day. There are seventeen enrolled and they have a definite course in Bible as well as their regular school work.

Two Bible Readers go each day into the villages of the circuit and report interesting meetings among the people there. Our aim this year is that those among whom we work may have a more definite knowledge of Christ and his saving power.

Florence Sigler Girls’ School, Budaun.
Nellie M. West, Piyari Phillips.

Just as I was reminded that this report was due, I was deep in one of the interesting chores of being a missionary. The public health nurse was here and examined each girl and teacher. She found nothing very serious but many things that can be remedied and corrected by the school nurse. The most serious was the number of girls who need glasses and those who have infected tonsils. We have stressed good health habits for a year and a half and the results are evident in the findings of the annual physical examination. For several months the school nurse has had very little to do, for there has not been a case of fever or illness of any kind for weeks. Since school began in July I have made some changes in the food to bring it up to most recent knowledge of food. I feel that that has helped a great deal to make our health record what it is.

The District Conference this year was a great help to the girls. The speakers were just what the girls needed and were wanting. Many of them found new life and all have spoken over and over of the helpful messages. There were definite decisions made and definite changes took place.

Tuitional—There have been many changes in the staff this year. I have been able to have two full-time teachers in the Training Department. There are also two part-time teachers. The full-time teachers are
truly the salt of the earth, and they are salting the lives of the sixteen girls in their care.

There are one hundred and forty-seven boys and girls in the middle school. These are boarders and day-scholars, Christian and non-Christian. Besides these there are seven girls in other schools whose education is planned here and who receive help to meet their expense from this school.

We have much to be thankful for, health record, definite spiritual advance, and good day by day educational progress.

HARDOI-SITAPUR DISTRICT.

District Work.

Mrs. E. M. Moffatt, Missionary.

This has been my first year in District Work in the plains. I have visited most of the centers of our work and have become acquainted with our women in their own homes. Except for two, all our District Bible Women have husbands living in the home, as well as children. The combined salary of husband and wife is insufficient to allow any help in the simple, though to us highly inconvenient, housekeeping which they must do. So these women must spend much of their time within their own homes.

However, some of them are doing visitation in the non-Christian homes, and a few have urged me to spend enough time in their villages to visit with them these homes which are open to Christian teaching. Several women have small day schools, and all of them teach groups of children on Sabbath.

I have found several women in need of medical attention, and have been grateful for the finances which have made it possible to have them treated by an efficient Doctor. During District Conference an American woman Doctor met with our Bible women and answered frankly and helpfully their questions about family problems, hygiene, care of babies, etc.

The tests during Conference showed the women to be as keenly interested in memorizing Bible verses as their husbands were. This, unfortunately, was not the case in the matter of taking further Bible examinations. My hope is to help our women in their physical difficulties, encourage them toward further Bible examinations, and pray for the deepening of their spiritual life, that they, and we also, may become more
useful in the service of Him whom we serve, and whose we are.

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Girls' School.

Mrs. S. B. Shaw.

The year has been a good one. The girls have been very well indeed and almost entirely free from all troubles.

This past year has been one of so many blessings for me personally, especially in the assurance that God guides us. I look forward to this year with great confidence that our work will advance.

Our health record has been good. We were longing for adequate provision for a decent sick room; last year we were able to have it.

Our results in the Government examination were very good last year. Six girls appeared this year and all have passed in 2nd division. I have sent all of them for further education to other schools, but the support is being carried on from this school.

In addition to our own girls there are twenty who have come from other stations. As our Christian community is very small our girls are few in number, so we are glad to have these others. Several new girls have entered school, small sisters coming for the first time. Several small tots have come alone, and find it difficult to leave home for the first time.

Many of our bigger girls tithed their time, and it was good to see them striving to fulfil their pledge by helping the little ones, mending their clothes on Saturdays, and in spending more time in their daily personal Bible Study. They more than tithed their pocket-money by giving very regularly at Sunday School and Church. The girl who came without her collection felt pretty much ashamed of herself, until now it is very rare for one to be without it. At noon every day we spend a few minutes in prayer for various objectives, circuits, and any other special object. At night the bigger girls gather together themselves in small groups and have their evening prayers.

They take interest in the church prayer-meetings and of course in their own little Missionary Society. So our life goes on from day to day, and we are glad that some dear friends are praying for us, because each year the value and power of prayer becomes stronger to us.
This school is supported chiefly by New York, New England, Minneapolis, Pacific, and Philadelphia Branches.

Pray for us and for our Christian people that they with us may be just what He wants them to be.

Hardoi City Work.

Mrs. Grace M. Butler.

In starting to write my report I want to express my thanks to God for His mercies and His help throughout the year. I have six Bible women as my co-workers in Hardoi City, who are helping to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Our work is in Hardoi City, and in the near-by villages. There are about 200 houses which we visit, teaching the women in the zenanas the Good News of Christ's Gospel. I feel that this year we have made more progress than before in getting our non-Christian sisters to learn about Him.

Two months ago I was ill with enteric fever, and because of the after-effects I was brought to Bareilly Hospital, where I am still a patient. Our Dr. Chase, in charge of the Hospital, and her helpers have all been so kind to me in every way. Dr. Chase looks like an angel, and she treats us sick people as if she really is one.

Sitapur Girls' School.

Miss M. O. Habermann, Missionary.

How much there is conveyed in the two short words "Day Students." There was a time when we had four, and now we have thirty-three. Whether I want this number to increase I am not quite prepared to say as yet.

One day the wife of one of the officials came and asked to go through the boarding. She said she wanted to see if it was a fit place for her child to go to school. She said she liked the place for its cleanliness and order. Seeing the children in the compound at play she said, "And these, are they poor orphans?"

Our answer was, "Few of them are orphans, but many are poor."

For a moment she remained quiet, showing that she hesitated having her child associate with poor children, but finally she said, "I shall send my child to school for a short time, but only to get her used to
school. Soon I shall send her to Naini Tal to school."
She sent the child. Two years have passed and she is
still in our school.

The Assistant Master of the Rajah High School
said to me the other day, "If you will furnish a convey­
ance for day students I will send crowds to you." I
told him that we did not care for crowds, and we had
more children now than we could conveniently take
care of.

The increase from four to thirty-three day stu­
dents has brought many questions to me. Their fees
brings in less than one-third of their cost. If we could
be assured that this official class was interested in
Christianity and was for that reason sending its chil­
dren to us, expense would never be an item to be con­
sidered. But if these children are being sent to us
because they can get education cheaply at our hands,
because we are the only Middle School for girls in the
city that offers English and we are the only Middle
School that has qualified teachers, then we must con­
sider the expense side of the column. We all know
at what a sacrifice money is being sent to us from
America.

The past year on the whole has been a good one.
We have 94 children in the boarding and 6 are away
at other schools. We have had very little sick­
ness. Our results in the Government examinations
were good.

We are not where we wish we were spiritually,
but we feel we are a little ahead of last year. One day
a cat in the boarding caught a little squirrel and
killed it. The children, the very little ones, asked for
the privilege of giving it a funeral and having a burial
service. The request was granted. They buried the
squirrel in the afternoon and that evening I went
into the boarding to find a white paper fluttering over a
little new grave. On the paper was written in Hin­
dustani, "I am not dead but sleeping." I do not think
our children are dead at all spiritually, but some of
them are still sleeping. May God help us to all be
awake in Him.

Sitapur City, Zenana, and Village Work.

G. Evelyn Hadden, Missionary.

The Sitapur City Work came into my hands in
July of this year and I have greatly enjoyed going with
the Bible Readers into the homes and villages since
that time. When I came I found the people looking for the visit of the Bible Readers, as it was just after the summer vacation and it had been some time since they had last visited the homes. I could easily see that the women had been carrying on their work faithfully even though no one had been free to go out with them.

Statistics of course tell much, but work is done by these women which cannot be told by statistics—a word with men travelling on the road, sympathy in the time of trouble, the teaching of an ignorant village woman, a two-sentence prayer that she herself may be able to pray to be delivered from the "persecution of evil spirits," the prayer in a non-Christian home by the beside of one who is ill. We know that some of these prayers have been answered, but God only knows the real results of such work.

We have been to a number of villages this year where the gospel if preached there before has been forgotten and people say no worker has ever been there. The Bible Readers are eager to carry the good news to those who have never had an opportunity of hearing, and are willing to walk great distances in order to do so even though not one of them is strong. The Victrola with Hindustani records has opened the way into the better quarters in the villages in several cases. It is not considered a tamasha, as I feared might be the case, but people listen seriously and try to understand the words.

Though I have been out with the women most of the time since coming to Sitapur I have not yet visited quite all the homes. They have 151 houses and 64 villages on their registers. We have been called to several new homes recently. We have also found a few Christian families in the villages. It is more than ten years since these people have been visited but the men have kept their baptism certificates carefully. We found that they did not even know the Lord's Prayer, but they said they tried to pray together in the evenings.

Since taking up this work I realize as I never did before how much we still have to do, and even though we may not see the fruit I feel that it is decidedly worth while and a great privilege to be allowed to scatter the seed.
As I look back to the time which has gone by I am vividly reminded of the wonderful promise of God to His servants, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever." (Ps. 23:6.)

Slowly but surely the time has come when we must order a brief halt and with joyful hearts count the blessings we have had in our different spheres of service during the year and heartily thank our Merciful Heavenly Father for the way in which He has guided us hitherto by His Holy Spirit and supported us in difficulties and above all for the assurance in His Word, "That all things work together for good to them that love God and to them who are called according to His purpose."

There have been many encouraging things in the work over which I rejoice. In this year I was able to make a tour in the district with my husband and get into a yet more personal touch with the work. I am glad I had this opportunity, for not only was I able to assist and encourage the Bible-readers in their work but get a good many useful hints from it. When we visited the homes of village women they received us warmly in their midst and gladly took part in the singing of Christian Pahari bhajans (religious songs) with us and also heard the Gospel messages we had for them with great earnestness. These bhajans are very sweet and delightful. Our village women like them very much and sing them in their homes. Often we heard the children singing these bhajans on the roads and in their farms. Our Bible-readers are really doing good work with great earnestness and faithfulness, although our Bible-readers have so many burdens to bear both indoors and out of doors.

In the month of Evangelistic Campaign our Missionary ladies, teachers, Bible-readers, and girls took an active part in sounding forth the glorious message to the village women. Meetings were held in various spots which were largely attended by village women. We had opportunities to work in the various religious fairs which are held in the district from time to time, in our numerous villages, generally the Gospel of Christ was preached. We have sold many Gospel-portions and distributed hand bills in large numbers.
I am indeed very glad to say that our faithful and earnest District Evangelist, Miss McCartney, who went on furlough in November last, has done a wonderfully fine work in the district. She held a Summer-school in the month of August, 1929 for all the workers of the Pithoragarh circuit. Her institute was very helpful and instructive. We regret to lose from Pithoragarh our so effective worker, Miss McCartney, who left her imprint upon the lives of Christian and non-Christians both among whom she laboured.

Miss Hayes is working as Kali-Kumaon Evangelist. Her work has been very successful in that section of the district. She spent almost a month in the winter in the Tharus, where she visited numbers of villages with her band of Bible-readers. I am sorry to say that because of ill health she has had to leave Champawat for medical treatment and rest. May God give her strength and life to continue her work again in the hills.

Miss Cox is the Principal of our Girls’ School, Pithoragarh and Miss Perrill is in charge of the Women’s Home; under them the work in both these institutions is carried on with great success.

The schools carried on by the W. F. M. S. in the district are doing good work as in Puneri, Pagaur, and Phulbari.

We have at Pithoragarh a branch of Zanana Missionary Society in which monthly meetings are held. Our society raised Rs. 29 this year, which was divided between the Bareilly Baby Fold, Bhabua mission, Tilau-nia Sanitarium and W. C. T. U. Its work has been very encouraging. We have also a Zanana Temperance Association at Pithoragarh.

In conclusion I wish to express my hearty thanks to our patrons in America, who are supporting this work by their gifts and prayers and beg of you all to remember this work in your daily prayers.

Hospital and Evangelistic Work.

Miss B. McCartney, Missionary

“My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God.” Psalms. 42: 2.

In looking back over this year I find its work encouraging in this special respect, the ‘hunger’ of people to know God. In 1,165 villages of this district I can think of only ten people who refused to listen or to read God’s word. From the college graduate to the simplest
village person, men—especially the young men—are searching for the truth. From this standpoint evangelism in Eastern Kumaon is very encouraging.

The number of girls' schools opened is encouraging, also the increased desire to learn more about agriculture; the eagerness of the people for a High School in Pithoragarh; the increased number who will bring their wives and children to the hospital for treatment; the attempts to make the villages more sanitary and beautiful. All these are ways which release men from the thraldom of ignorance and lead them nearer the 'truth' that makes us free.

The above statements I believe to be true among the Christian people also. Some of our pastors went for more training this summer, some of our women are reading more; this summer the District Superintendent held a school especially for the laymen, which was a great success. The District Board dispensary at Jhuli-ghat, which is conducted by one of our Christian men, ministers to hundreds of pilgrims. One of the most encouraging facts is that Christian men are entering different lines of work where their soul life is being tested by contact with non-Christians.

There are many things that discourage us, especially the lack of the 'new birth' in the hearts of many among our Christian people. But we must have faith to believe that the 'hunger' which God has put into the hearts of men will surely lead them to Him.

Thali Kumaon Evangelistic, Medical, and School Work.

Miss E. C. Hayes.

As I look back to the work done through this year, I realize it has been a year of disappointments, failures, suffering, physical and mental. I also realize with gratitude the vivid sense of the Master's presence and love, which have brought peace and hope to my soul.

We started out with great hopes the 2nd of January, 1929 itinerating amongst the Bhabar Tarai Villages. We visited many of our old Thoru frinds and were sorry to find many absent; some have died, some have gone across the Sarda river into Nepal territory. We had very interesting times. I felt drawn to visit a dense Junglee settlement where no one had been since 1905, when Miss Budden with a band of 12 Bible women, 2 Preachers, and 6 or 7 servants visited the settlers there. We found the people there hard-hearted, in-
different, careless, immoral, fearing neither man nor God. We did our best to rouse their sleeping souls; and left some gospels in the villages. Dogari is a place where people from 25 villages settle during the winter months because they can get plenty of wood and fodder for the buffaloes; but it is a jungle infested by wild elephants. We had a sleepless week there; every night the camp fire had to be kept up to keep the elephants away from our camp. The villagers keep whistling, blowing the conch, beating drums, tin cans. One night the elephants were just a few yards away from our camp when we had to fire the gun in the air, which made them change their route. His guiding sheltering hand brought us all back to Tanakpur in safety. We pray that the message of love delivered by us to rouse those sleeping souls may end in life to some one there.

We moved up to the hills the end of March and began work there. For four months all went well as far as the work was concerned but ups and downs, disappointments and failures, bodily suffering and sorrow helped to set me aside, and dear Mrs. Bose, sent by God to Phulbari, came forward with her large motherly heart full of sympathy and desire to help. In August I was ordered into bed and since then she has wisely and kindly carried on the work instead of me. The schools have gone on and the Hospital Dispensary work has been kept up. I am thankful to say all the workers have faithfully done their best and my being set aside has not harmed the work much. I am deeply thankful to say that I am now well and look forward to returning to work after conference, to once more do my little share in helping to bring His Kingdom in Thali Kumaon.

Pithoragarh Women's Homes
M. L. Perrill, Missionary.

If the task of providing an opportunity of escape from lives of degradation and hopelessness be legitimate missionary effort, then the Pithoragarh Women's Home is a legitimate missionary institution.

If the saving to happy, normal life of little children who would otherwise almost certainly die as babies is another part of the missionary task, then on one more count we in the Women's Home can claim the right to continue our work

If the providing of honest and honourable living for orphan girls, intellectually unable to cope with govern-
ment curricula beyond one of the lower standards, during life or until such time as they may marry and go to their own homes is a worthy task, then, too, we have a legitimate work to do.

Caring for the blind, the crippled, the aged poor, the mentally defective, all this may be added to the above and the sum total would seem to more than justify the maintenance of this institution. It is a field of great opportunity, with unnumbered contacts with the Hindu community in these hills. The missionary-in-charge needs great wisdom and tact, together with great faith and love and persistent endurance.

Here is an open door for anyone who will come—one chance for all. And many an unworthy one has come for temporary refuge, many a one too weak to continue in ways of industry and virtue. These have gone away, often into lives of immorality from which they came. Knowing and seeing this some have said, "What is the use of the Home?"

The Home never made these failures; it was only unsuccessful in saving them; the hundreds of women who through the years have remained staunch and true, the many children who have come up through our schools and had their Christian start in life in the Home, the helpless who have found succour, all these create no disturbance and attract no special attention from outsiders, but they are all here, or gone out to their own useful places in the Christian work of the church in India.

And so every one, whether in America or India, who is helping either little or much in this work should thank God for the opportunity and privilege.

Kumaon District
Almora City and Evangelistic Work.

J. L. Peters, Missionary.

Far be it from me to think I can write this report. I meet with the eight workers every morning and we have our Bible lessons together and they go off to the city and villages and I go to my classes in the school. The Bible women tell me that they think that there are many secret believers in Jesus and that they see from year to year a weakening of the forces of Hinduism both in the observance of the numerous festivals and in the treatment of the women and their message. They certainly sell books and gospel portions and do much teaching in the homes. One of the women is a high-caste
whose husband went to England some time ago and returned a baptised Christian; she says she wants to become a Christian and join him as he is now living and working in a mission in Calcutta. She, and he too, have been taught for many years in the Christian way of life. Miss Turner has been helping me by taking a month at a time the Saturday afternoon meetings for the women at the Leper Asylum. We have an enthusiastic young doctor there now who is just out of college and special training with Dr. Muir at Calcutta. He has wrought a great change in the conditions, both physical and mental, of the people living there and he has many plans for the future development of the work as soon as funds will permit of it.

It has been a great disappointment that because of lack of personnel and funds we have had to close our hospital this last month. This has done such a fine work for so many years that it is a deep loss to the entire community.

We were very happy to receive Mr. and Mrs. Hollister and their children into our circle on their return from furlough, and it is a great help to have them living so close at hand.

Adams Girls School, Almora.

H. Ruth Larson, Jessie I Peters, Missionaries.

In looking over the names of those on our registers in December, I find that we have an enrollment of 185 including our high school and training departments. Of these 85 are Hindu children, only about twenty of whom are from the depressed classes, which means that there are three times as many Brahmans and other high caste children as low caste children among our Hindu pupils. There is a total of 48 children in the kindergarten, 36 of whom are Hindu, 18 of them being boys. There are Hindus in each class through the middle school and three of our 8 girls in the Matric class are Hindus, as are three of the nine in the Training Class. We take boys through the second class and in special cases in the third, so the total number of boys in the school is 46 at present. All of the Hindus are day scholars, of course, as are the three Mohammedans. The number of Christian day scholars, both boys and girls is 33 making a total of 120 day scholars and 65 boarding children.

We are growing steadily and keenly feel the need of a school building. The plans have been sent up to
government for approval and just recently came a letter saying that if the estimates were reduced 12½% they would be considered. Since the estimates were made the P.W.D. rates have been reduced 10% and with a little effort I think we can economize and save 2½% so as to remove this objection and obtain the government grant and be enabled to begin building operations.

There have been a few changes in the personnel of the teaching staff this year. Miss Waugh is much missed in every department but especially among her high school English classes, which she has taught so successfully, as the examination results of the past few show. One of the former girls and teachers of the school who finished her English Training in Dehra Dun last spring was a welcome addition to the staff. Another of our new teachers is one of the girls who finished her training in our school last spring. This past year, too, we have had to depend upon three of the pandits from Ramsay High School to do half of the teaching in the high school classes. However, we expect to have two or three assistants with us for the next school year and then we shall not need to borrow these men, and our school can run on regular schedule rather than from 6:30 to 3:00 as it has this year.

The number in our hostel does not change much from year to year. Some go and others come to take their places. In thinking of those who should be remembered by me this Christmas it seems to me that we have 17 of our girls in various places. One is in Muttra taking the Bible training, one in Delhi learning compounding, two in the hospital at Bareilly learning nursing, two in Dehra Dun taking teachers’ training, one in Allahabad learning nursing, another studying compounding at Tilaunia, one has taken her first position as school nurse, four are at the Tuberculosis sanitarium (two resting up for further work, and two old cases), three are teaching, and one has recently been married and gone to live in the Punjab. How my heart goes with them, and how we wait for their letters, and how we rejoice over the good reports that come about them and their satisfactory work in their various lines! So it is that our influence is reaching out into new and far away fields. One of our little girls has returned home from the Baby Fold and is quite a pet, but just lately a younger boy has been received from the Leper Asylum, so Joseph is our youngest these days. Miss Bond is still our very
efficient matron and we are at a loss to know what to do when she takes her vacation, but the girls take on various responsibilities and help out until her return. Verily a good matron is a great joy and a rest to one's soul. Just now the girls are busy with the half yearly examinations and also getting ready for a Christmas program, and each night before dinner they have a practice, singing Christmas carols to sing Christmas eve. We are all missing Miss Waugh very much, as she left for furlough the last of November.

The usual extra-curricular activities of Epworth League, Junior and Senior, Girl Guides, special programs, visits to the homes of those in grief, especially to the homes of some of the day scholars, and visits to the Leper Asylum and the Sanitarium have taken in some of our time outside of school hours. The classes in religious education continue to be my paramount interest and I would like to give all my time and thought to them.

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Almora City Day School for Girls

H. Ruth Larson, Missionary

At the end of the long Almora bazaar there is a small three-room building known as the Lal Diggi school, which has been an important centre for mission work in days gone by. This year there has been an enrollment of about fifty girls with two teachers in charge of the kindergarten, first, and third classes. Many of the pupils are children of the Gurkha soldiers and the rest are low-caste children from that end of town. The parents do not seem to take much interest in the education of their girls, so the attendance is rather irregular, with the result that the scholastic results are not always of the best. The A class has by far the greater enrollment, there being more in this class than in all of the other classes together.

There has been talk of closing this school, for which several of the parents have expressed their disappointment. They were told that it was because of the lack of funds, and the children have since brought almost double the amount of their ordinary fees to see if that might not help to put off the evil day. After the Christmas vacation there is to be only one teacher, who will have school for the kindergarten classes. The children of the higher classes can go either to the mission or government school for girls.
In the beginning of the term the girls from the second year training class of the mission school had some of their practice work here. It was thought that this would benefit both the regular teachers and the student teachers. The idea is good, perhaps, but is difficult to carry out since the school is more than a mile away from the mission and so much time is lost in going back and forth that the disadvantages seem to outweigh the advantages.

Sunday School is carried on each Sunday afternoon by two teachers from the Adams Girls' School and most of the day scholars are regular attendants on Sunday. It is hard to tell just what the results are from this work as there are no baptisms nor accessions to the church to report, but we can go on sowing the seed, leaving results with Him who giveth the harvest.

Girls' Boarding School, Dwarahat.

Miss C. Oram, Local Missionary.

A greater number of pupils has been enrolled this year because there have been day-scholars.

The results of the A. V. Middle examinations last April were very gratifying, also of the annual examinations. There were only three failures in the whole school and two of these happened to be new girls. The Inspectress gave a very good and encouraging report of her inspection. This is the result of the work of our efficient and faithful teachers. I think I can say, we have a "real live school."

The Saturday afternoon meetings which have been held in Bands as last year have been very helpful and the joint meetings when all the Bands united have been specially interesting.

We have had no serious illness this year, but we had some German measles and a few cases of influenza.

We are grateful to our friends in America for their kind help.

Wellesley Girls' High School, Naini Tal.

A. M. Kennard, G. M. Bates Missionaries; E. Z. I. Moore, Head Mistress

Behind us are nine months of mingled work and play—a time of growth in ideals and social adaptability and a time of mental development. The year's work has been well done in most cases, and the happiness
which comes with the thought of home and a period of rest is well deserved.

Because of the plague scare last year we had anticipated a small enrolment, but when school reopened this year there were 102 boarders and day-scholars. During the year the total enrolment reached 155. A number of applicants had to be refused admission and some names were kept on file for 1930.

There has been no serious illness in our school this year, but both staff and students have had occasion to rejoice in the comfort made possible by our new infirmary.

Of the Seniors and Juniors who sat for the Cambridge examinations in December 1928, one failed in each class, while two of the Seniors gained honours and Rs. 300 scholarships.

On the 7th of July our Easton Chapel was dedicated by Bishop Robinson, assisted by Dr. Hyde and a number of visiting clergymen. The service was very impressive. Since that time we have met each morning to gain inspiration for the day in a building which speaks truly of the presence of God. We love our chapel, not only because of its beauty, but because it was Miss Sellers' dream for so many years, and because it was built in appreciation of Miss Easton and all that she did for Wellesley. The stained glass window fund is growing, and we hope that before many years we shall secure enough money to buy the lovely stained-glass windows for the chapel as a tribute of our love for Miss Sellers.

The usual religious meetings have been held this year. Mrs. Drake has been aided by the older girls in the work of the Senior Sunday School. Miss Hilton and Miss G. Newington have assisted in the Junior Sunday School. The Junior Y. W. C. A. has shown its usual enthusiasm in the weekly meetings conducted by Miss Plumley and Miss Plomer. The Senior branch has been less fortunate. Due to lack of leadership it was organized late in the year and very little has been accomplished. It is with regret that we look forward to a year without the advice and inspiration of our pastor and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. Hyde. Yet we realize that furloughs must needs come, and hope that after a period of rest in America they will return to Naini Tal to counsel and cheer, and share our joys and burdens as they have in the years just past.

Early in September Miss Bates came to Wellesley. On the first of November she officially took over the
work of principal, which work she had actually been doing for the previous month. Miss Kennard left Wellesley on November 12th, for a year's furlough in America.

A. M. KENNARD
G. M. BATES

MORADABAD DISTRICT

Moradabad District and Evangelistic Work.

Eva M. Hardie Missionary.

What of the work in the Zananas, the villages, and the City—Mohalla School for the year?

ZANANAS

Our Bible Women go in three groups of two each in 404 Zanana homes everywhere throughout this big Moradabad City. Friday of each week is reserved for the near by villages of the Circuit. The workers are taught story-telling, and have daily practice at morning prayers, on the lessons prepared by the United Provinces Christian Council Committee, under whose auspices the Bible Womans' Institute has now become established.

Some of the women in the Zanana homes became interested and made little silk bag-purses as gifts for the sixtieth Anniversary of our Society in America, saying how grateful they were to the ladies there for sending workers to visit and teach in their homes. One day when I accompanied the workers, we were seated in a Chamar mohalla talking to the women when the husband of one of them appeared and after bathing ceremonially at the well near us, for he was a fakir, he seated himself not far off, apparently quite oblivious of our presence. Thinking to draw him into the conversation, I addressed a question to him. He turned suddenly, seeming greatly surprised, and said, "O., I believe all you have been saying and I know all about Christ also; I have read the books," and stepping inside he brought out three or four Gospels, saying, "I have read all these and I believe all about Him. Do you think I would be willing to have you come and teach in my home if I did not believe in your religion?" But I said, "You travel about as a fakir accepting alms in the name of Ram." "Yes," he said. "But I agree with you that it is an unworthy way of earning a livelihood and I would be willing to give it up and tell the people about Jesus..."
Christ instead." I suggested his getting in touch with our Pastor, which he promised to do in spite of a remark from his wife, who said, "If you are thinking of becoming a Christian, who would cook your food? I would not do it."

The Villages,

There are only about 2000 of them and the camping season is so short that few of them can be reached during the year. As we try to get around, especially to the far-away places, we wonder how these isolated Christian families (often only one home in a village of several hundred non-Christians) retain their faith in spite of opposition, ridicule and very often persecution. The story of the cross has not lost its power, and its beauty is revealed to us anew at times by the remarks of those hearing it for the first time. One Hindu woman, a by-stander listening to the Christians being taught, said, "Why, I never knew there was a guru like that to worship, or I should have followed him long ago, so I have always felt there should be just that kind of a God. I will worship Him from now on."

A large share of the work in the villages has this year been devoted to work in connection with the village Primary Schools, taught mostly by our Bible Women. Considerable advance has been made in some of the schools. We are planning a surprise for the children this year, through the kindness of some of our friends in America, who have sent us money to give them soap or slates for Christmas. There are about 500 of them.

We have secured one Normal Trained boy teacher, who after starting a school in a village of newly baptized Christians, is to spend some time in visiting and remaining several days to help in the villages where our schools require strengthening. At present we are giving him a course in hand-work—making several useful and saleable articles with a small ingenious hand-weaving-machine. This work we hope to teach in connection with some of our village schools as well as in the City Mohalla School.

City Central Mohalla School.

Our numbers have this year reached to 152. We find it a great help being a recognized school of the Municipal Board. The children who are absent for over a certain number of days are reported, and soon
a policeman calls at the home to give warning that the compulsory attendance rules mean a fine, or failing this further punishment, and soon the child appears again in class.

Five of our children have entered higher schools, one girl going to our Girls’ Boarding School and two boys to the Boys’ Junior Boarding School, and two others as day students.

We are glad to note a sense of growing appreciation, both in the children and among their parents for the privilege of being in school. Frequently now Miss Raymond has visits or letters from the fathers explaining absences or for consultation regarding the children. One Mohamadan family, where the two boys were in school, moved away, and later the following letter was received from the older boy—It was written in English, probably by a professional bazaar letter-writer.

"DEAR MADAM MISTRESS –

Thanks for the learn you have given us both, but since we came up here my father and mother are both without jobs. Gulam Ahmid is very sorry for leaving his school, and we are ready to leave and must ask you favor if you can give us a quarter. Now all we are hope that you must help us.

We beg your honor best wishes and compliments of all we.

Your pupil
GULAM AHMID
GULAM MOHAMAD

P. S. Please let us hear by return post."

Since Dr. and Mrs. Rockey have only now returned from their furlough, the Bible Women of the District have been looked after again this year. This October they were practically all in for the District Conference and one hour’s programme was prepared for a separate woman’s session, after which they joined in with the general business meetings.

Preparations are now under way for the closing programme and Christmas treat for our school children, which will this year be an unusually happy one, because of some Christmas money sent by our friends, and the news of a Christmas box on its way to us. We thank all these kind friends in the name of the children.

EVA M. HARDIE
On my return from furlough I was once again sent to Moradabad after an absence from here of several years. It is interesting to note the many changes that have come in and at the same time to observe the continuance of many of the old customs. I am now associated with my sister, who has the supervision of the hostel. She has her hands full with the 155 girls, of whom 21 are in the training school. In July our matron was forced to take a year's leave because of poor health. We were fortunate in being able to secure Mrs. Budden, who has proved a real mother to the children. There have been no epidemics or serious cases of illness, and, indeed, the health of the girls has been very good, for which we are very thankful.

There are 172 enrolled in the school. Of these nine are being prepared for the Anglo-vernacular middle examination. Seven are in preparation for the examination that is held for those desiring the Vernacular Teacher's Certificate. We shall be glad to have as good success as came to the school last year. Despite the many obstacles, chiefly the ill health of members of the staff, Miss Warrington, who feared that the results would not be good, passed 11 out of 12 in the middle examination and 8 out of 9 in the examination for the Vernacular Teacher's Certificate. This is a direct result of her devoted and painstaking labour.

Of the old staff but one, Miss David, has returned. If qualifications and experience are any criteria the standard of the work should be very high. The Chief Inspectress in her report on the school notes that the qualifications of the staff are suitable and that they should be able to keep the work of the different classes at a very high standard.

The coming of Miss Jacob from Shahjahanpur to be our Headmistress and also to take over the work of the Training class has proved very helpful and augurs well. In her report the Chief Inspectress speaks very highly of the improvements that have been made in the Training department, both with regard to the organization and also with regard to new ideas and plans.

Bishop Robinson and the Educational Secretary, the Reverend T. C. Badley, suggested the opening of the Anjuman-i-Kamyabi. This has proved very helpful and has given the girls considerable impetus and ambi-
tion to work harder. The girls take part in the various church functions and are keenly interested in all of the activities of the church.

We wish to express our gratitude to the patrons in America who remembered us so generously at the Christmas season.

This school is supported by the following Branches—New England, Northwestern, Des Moines, New York, and Pacific.

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PAURI-GARHWAL DISTRICT

Garhwal District Work

Mrs. H. H. Weak, Missionary.

Women workers in this District number thirty seven. Twenty three are wives of workers, six are widows, ten are wives of laymen, and one is the wife of a pensioner. Three of this number are teaching the primary classes of the Messmore High School and this department is regularly inspected by government. One other woman has taught a village school for years and is so unmistakably a born teacher that her school is always large and flourishing, which shows that an enthusiastic teacher will find an eager response in the minds of children in an Indian village just as in other countries of the world.

Four out of this number of women have had special Bible training. One of our most promising young women is a Middle Pass girl, who this year fresh from her Muttra Training Course and with two years of practical experience in touring among the villages with a missionary evangelist in the plains, has come back to Garhwal as the wife of a young preacher.

We have been in Garhwal long enough to see the children that we knew in our earlier days in the district, now trained and returning to take their places in the church. To me this brings hope and encouragement for the future progress of Christianity in Garhwal. With a constantly large number of the younger generation completing their courses in our schools and taking special training courses a new and higher type of leadership will result. The Garhwalis are marvelously loyal to their native country and many of them after a few years spent in other parts of India return to their
own district, in spite of many privations which they would not have in less remote places.

After thirteen years of absence the workers at District Conference time welcomed back an old and dearly-loved District Superintendent of former days, Dr. Hyde. He and Dr. Titus gave unstintingly of their time and inspiration during the entire week of meetings. The classroom atmosphere of the Messmore High School building in which the conference was held helped to create a spirit of learning, and the Institute hour which has become a real "institution" among us, was a time of serious study. We feel that many were thinking through troublesome questions and problems of the work.

Encouraging reports are coming in of a movement among the depressed classes toward Christianity in several places in the district.

We wish to thank the many friends in America who are working and giving and praying that Christ may be known in this remote corner of the world.

Evangelistic Work.

Mrs. May Gill, Missionary.

God has been, as always, good to us; most of our Christians have kept well. As one sees a gradual growth in one's favorite trees and plants, we can see a gradual growth for the better among most of our Christians in their spiritual and social lives. And whenever something unseemly and against rules of Christian living does happen among our second or third generation Christians it is quite extraordinary, because so many of them are a fair grade of Christians compared to those who are new Christians.

Our Church in Garhwal is gradually growing. A great many are expressing Christ's ideas of what He wishes us to be at their meetings and in their treatment of others.

Today is dark and cold and dreary; it does not weary raining and preparing for a fall of snow; we wish this present uncomfortable moment were not! But ahead of us will be a paradise of blossoms and green things growing. So it is with our Church in Garhwal. Some of us may be a bit envious of our neighbors, or ready to backbite or be selfish towards those who are not relatives; but within our souls it is an unconscious love for Christ which often finds active sincere expression in sympathy and good works.
The Evangelist has had the privilege of visiting the Christian workers in their headquarters in the villages. Some roads are difficult to navigate; the paths are often crossed by streams full of boulders; some paths slope almost at 90 degrees leading up to or down to villages. Some of our workers live in cold regions, near the snows. With their cold breath blowing about their homes other workers live in bazaar towns with friendly Christian people often dropping in for meals, and for the night. They live in the Mission houses near or on the pilgrim routes. Pilgrims travel from April to October. Our people stand on the road side and distribute papers or sell individual Gospels, and talk to the men and women grouped near them. The people are from distant places from the plains. They seem glad to hear about the friend who never declines helping them. Our workers visit villages among farmers and their wives; sometimes we have very inspiring talks from the men or women workers. One can see how the people are touched and want to hear again. Music is an incentive to gather and listen. Also, the Missionary is so different that the curious come to see and thus there in a chance to hold the busy people for a short while longer. We also have pictures from the life of Christ which attract. The Evangelist spent a few weeks at Gadoli in the summer vacation, while Miss Beach and her teachers and most of the girls were away. It is very pleasant to be able to help a bit over there occasionally.

She also had the profitable opportunity of going to Almora and Naini Tai for a few days last summer, on a Committee meeting, and saw the beautiful and comfortable home of Miss Sullivan at the ladies' rest home and enjoyed her kind hospitality.

In July the evangelist spent a few days at Dogad-da. It was a really warm reception a few Indian friends gave her. The workers there had a dozen and a half people ready for baptism. Work was started among a few women, to have them taught the principles concerning Christianity in two tiny schools, hardly to be called schools. The women of Chopra have held temperance meetings, auxiliary meetings, and sewing circles occasionally and are surely growing. A few Christian girls are attending the Messmore Boys' High School as day pupils. We crave your prayers for this wonderful country and its people.
In thinking over the past year and its happenings we feel that God has been very good to us. Our blessings have far exceeded our trials and even to our eyes that might be near-sighted we can see some advance over other years.

The year started out in rather a discouraging way, for there was a shortage in staff, and some changes had to be made in the middle of the school year. But these worked out for the best eventually. From July we have had a matron, nurse, and full teaching staff, and a big burden has been lifted from the manager's shoulders. The girls have had proper supervision both in the hostel and school.

Miss Walter, who joined our staff in February, became Head mistress of the school in July. Under her supervision the educational part of the work has leaped ahead. She coached the 6th class girls during the winter vacation, with the result that all the girls passed, one in first division and the others in second division, the first time in years that such a thing has happened. The whole general tone of the school has been changed for the better even in these months, and we look to better things the coming year.

We have 91 boarders in the school and 22 other girls for whom we are partly or wholly responsible in other places. They all take a great deal of time and thought on the part of the manager and her co-workers.

Since the coming of our nurse the health of the girls has been much better. She has dispensary morning and evening and gives attention to girls at other times when needed. We have had very nearly perfect attendance in school since July, another thing new in my experience since coming here. We are doing our best to build up the health of the girls and all are cooperating in this effort. Sleeping with windows open, heads uncovered, deep breathing, and good health habits are being insisted on. Work, play, plenty of good nourishing food, good hours, and happiness combine to help build good characters—and for these we are working.

We are happy to have room now for our primary classes: The old kitchen which was remodelled for this purpose is now almost like new and the children are happy to have their own class rooms.
Our new godam is nearly finished, for which we are thankful. It is supposed to be rat-proof and we hope it really proves to be, as these pests have lived on the "fat of the land" here long enough. We hope it will be ready for use after conference this year.

Altho' there is always room for improvement we feel that the spiritual life of the girls is on the up-grade. Many of the older girls are faithful to the Morning watch and read their Bibles quietly in the early morning. At the daily chapel time each teacher takes her turn in bringing a message suitable for the time, and leading in prayer. "A," "B" and first classes have their morning circle together the first thing in the morning, in which they have their religious education. The other classes have a period set aside during the day for this special training and we hope that the ideals especially stressed at these periods may be carried over into all the other periods of the day. Evening prayers are usually conducted by the matron or under her supervision.

Since July we have had a Junior Sunday School under the supervision of its Head Mistress and two other teachers. The work is graded to suit the ages and minds of the children and they thoroughly enjoy their own Sunday School. This also makes it easier to have suitable worship programmes for the children in the older section.

"Pleasant Sunday Evening" has become a feature of our religious programme that has taken the imagination and hearts of all the children from 2nd class and up. Because the Epworth League did not seem to fill our need here and the Wednesday evening service was not a vital thing, the idea was evolved to have these Pleasant Sunday evenings, each in charge of a class or of the President. When a class makes a programme it is carried out by the class under more or less supervision and the girls have been delighted to do something themselves instead of being preached to all the time. The evenings have grown very popular and also worthwhile we believe.

In October during District Conference seventeen of our girls were received into the church. Many of these have shown a real earnestness in wanting to be real Christians.

It is our desire that our girls should enter richly into the four-fold life and be physically, morally, mentally, and spiritually daughters worthy of their King.
RAMPUR DISTRICT

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Rampur District Work.

Mrs. Harriett Thomson.

It makes me very happy to write that God has given me a chance to serve Him among the women of the district, and be a testimony unto God; also that I am helpful to my husband in bearing the great responsibility. I was able to make three complete tours with my husband. We visited 341 villages, and came in personal contact with 4,500 Christian men and women.

I take great delight in mentioning that with the help of my husband and Bible Workers, I have been able to open five Primary schools in the Rampur District. The school cares for the educational need of 66 Christian boys and 14 girls. I am looking forward with great expectation to opening more schools of this type in the coming year.

During the year Miss C. Westrup of our women's Hospital in Bareilly opened the dispensary work at Fatehganj West, and her weekly visits not only helped the sick but gave us a further opportunity of preaching the Gospel to the large numbers who gathered on these occasions. We are grateful to her, to whom the success of this work is due.

We had a fine District Conference. Every one received blessings, and new spiritual life. Besides our Bible women, 18 Chaudharayan (wives of village leaders) came to the Conference and took deep interest in its activities.

I clearly felt the presence and nearness of God our Heavenly Father in my work all through the year, for which I am heartily thankful, and I strongly hope that I shall be able to work even more faithfully for the Master is the coming year.
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### Statistics for Educational Institutions, North India

For the year ending March 31, 1929.

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#### Number of Staff

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#### Number of Christian Pupils

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**STAFF**

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*From March 15—May 6, 1929.*

**Village Work Carried on by Miss Westrup—621 Calls.*
### Statistics for Medical Work in Schools

For the Conference

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### EXPENDITURES

For the Conference

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GENERAL STATISTICS FOR NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE
For the last complete conference year preceding November 1, 1929.

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| Sitapur-Hardoli | 2 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
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