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**Missionaries Retired**

Miss Fannie Bennett, Janesville, Wis.
Miss Katherine A. Blair, 1064, Oakwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.
Mrs. W. P. Byers, Stratford, Ontario, Canada.
Mrs. J. P. Meik, 32 Gale Ave., River Forest, III.
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Mount Hermon Boys’ School ... ... Miss Helen Draper
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GOMOH DISTRICT

Orphanage and District Work ... ... ... Mrs. James Lyon
Girls’ Schools ... ... ... Mrs. B. A. Mott
Kodarma ... ... ... Mrs. P. Nathaniel

PAKAUR DISTRICT

District Work ... ... ... Mrs. G. Schanzlin
District Evangelist ... ... ... Miss P. Grandstrand
Gondai Circuit ... ... ... Mrs. Baijnath Marandi
Bolpur Santali Circuit ... ... ... Mrs. Jibon Saren
Chillimara Circuit ... ... ... Mrs. R. L. Saren
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Village School Supervisor ... ... ... Miss P. Grandstrand

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FIRST SESSION

Opening.—The forty-second session of the Bengal Woman's Conference met in the Conference Hall at Ushagram, Asansol on Wednesday, January 9th, 1929, at 12:30 o'clock. The hymn, "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me" was sung, after which Mrs. Fisher brought a message from the 12th chapter of Matthew and spoke of the way in which even the non-Christian leaders of India today are exalting Christ. The devotional service was closed with prayer by Mrs. Frances Smith.

Roll Call.—The following members responded to Roll Call: Mrs. Archibald, Miss Barber, Mrs. Beeken, Miss Boles, Miss Collins, Mrs. Dewey, Miss Draper, Miss Eddy, Mrs. Engberg, Mrs. Foley, Mrs. Gibbons, Miss Grandstrand, Mrs. Griffiths, Miss Hughes, Miss Hunt, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Kinzly, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Lyon, Miss Madden, Mrs. Manley, Miss Norberg, Miss Pierce, Mrs. Frances Smith, Miss Stahl, Miss Swan, Mrs. Williams, Miss Wood.

Elections.—The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Fisher; Vice-Presidents, Miss Stahl, Mrs. Smith; Secretary, Miss Boles; Assistant Secretary, Miss Pierce; Conference Historian, Miss Norberg; Statistical Secretary, Miss Pierce.

Field Correspondent.—Due to the absence of the Field Correspondent from Conference, it was moved that we proceed with the election of the Field Correspondent at this session. Ballots were cast and Miss Eddy was elected.

Conference Librarian.—It was reported that the Conference Library had been located at Collins Institute in charge of the Conference Board of Education, and it was therefore voted to discontinue the office of Conference Librarian.

Miss Stahl moved that a letter of thanks be sent to Miss Alice Hazeltine expressing our appreciation of the favors received through the Library Service. Many valuable and interesting books have been received by the different stations through the past year.

A discussion of Bengali literature followed and Mrs. Beeken read a portion of a report from the Literature Committee of the Bengal and Assam Christian Council in which they told of plans for the
production of 'the Treasure Chest' in Bengali. Miss Madden gave a report from the All-India Literature Committee in which it was reported that no Bengali literature had been produced through that Committee during the year. Miss Eddy reported that the 4th book of the Clayton course is now being prepared and is in the hands of the Christian Literature and Tract Society for publication. It was moved by Miss Swan that we continue a literature committee in accordance with the rules of the All-India Literature Committee, and that the nomination of this Committee be referred to the Nominating Committee. The motion carried.

Field Reference Committee.—Moved by Miss Madden and carried that the election of the Field Reference Committee be the order of the day for the Thursday session.

Introductions.—The following were introduced: Mrs. Mawson, Miss Gertrude Kinzly, Mrs. Engberg, Miss Norris, Miss Wood, Miss H. Biswas; and the following were welcomed back from furlough: Mrs. Manley, Miss Madden, Miss Eddy, Mrs. Williams and Miss Pierce.

Absent Members.—The roll of absent members was called and various members of the Conference promised to write to those who are unable to be present in the Conference session.

Greetings to the Conference were brought from Miss Fitzgerald, Mrs. Meik, Miss Hilda Swan, Miss Blair, Mrs. H. J. Smith, Miss Bennett, Miss Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Plank, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Peterson, Miss Snyder, Mrs. Koch, the Swan and Byork families, and Miss Moyer.

Temporary Committees.—The following temporary committees were appointed by the chair:

Nominating Committee.—Miss Eddy, Mrs. Manley, Miss Swan.

Resolutions Committee.—Miss Stahl, Miss Madden, Mrs. Griffiths.

60th Anniversary.—Miss Boles reported that although preparations were started late, material was ready to send for the exhibit to be held at the time of the 60th Anniversary. Miss Madden reported some of the general plans for the celebration to be held at Columbus. It was moved and carried that the cable to be sent from India be signed by Miss Harriet Singh who was the first pupil of Miss Isabella Thoburn.

It was moved and carried that the Rs. 20 from Bengal Conference toward the expense of the candelabra which will be the gift of India, be divided among the seven districts of the Conference and one from each district pledged herself to be responsible for the raising of that portion.

The session closed with the Lord's prayer.
SECOND SESSION

Opening.—The session on Thursday, January 10th, was opened with devotions led by Mrs. Frances Smith. After the hymn, “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”, Mrs. Smith brought a message from Ezek. 11:16, “And will I yet be to them a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come”. She spoke of the love of the people for the sanctuary and of our own high privilege of having a secret sanctuary where we can meet our Father alone and find communion and fellowship with Him. Miss Wood sang a solo and the devotions were closed with prayer by Mrs. Smith.

Minutes.—The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Moved and carried that Mrs. Mawson be made a full member of our Woman’s Conference.

Field Reference Committee.—The Conference then proceeded to the order of the day and the following were elected to serve on the Field Reference Committee: Miss Pierce, Miss Stahl, Miss Collins, Miss Field, Mrs. Beeken. Ex-officio, Miss Eddy, Miss Madden. Alternates: Miss Grandstrand, Miss Boles.

Conference Representatives.—Miss Eddy read a report from the Blackstone Missionary Institute. It was moved and carried that this report be printed in a concise form in our Minutes.

Miss Hunt gave a short verbal report of the work done in the Isabella Thoburn College. Two of our Bengal girls are now in attendance at the College, one from Darjeeling and a Christian Chinese girl from the Calcutta Girls’ High School. Two daughters of Mr. Soule are also in the college, one of them in the science department in preparation for a medical course.

Nominating Committee.—The Nominating Committee brought in its report which was accepted as a whole. (See list of committees)

After prayer by Mrs. Griffiths, the session was adjourned.

THIRD SESSION

Opening.—The session on Friday, January 11th was opened with the hymn “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”. After prayer by Miss Stahl and Miss Hunt, Mrs. Archibald brought a message from Isa. 54 emphasizing God’s promise that His word shall not return unto Him void. Mrs. Fisher sang a beautiful negro spiritual, “Were you there”, and Mrs. Archibald closed the devotionals with prayer.
Minutes.—The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Reports of Committees.—The Auditing Committee reported that all books had either been audited or arranged for.

Medical Committee.—Mrs. Lee, Miss Collins, Mrs. Dewey, and Mrs. Beeken reported that medical examinations were being made in their schools. A discussion of the health crusade being carried on by Miss Fernstrom of Tilaunia followed and it was urged that all schools get in touch with her for any help she might be able to give. It was moved and carried that the Medical Committee be instructed to invite Miss Fernstrom to our Conference for a tour of the schools of the Conference. The necessity of missionaries having an annual medical examination was emphasized and Mrs. Beeken was asked to confer with Miss Fernstrom regarding this matter and also about a simpler form to be filled in by the examining doctor.

All-India Literature Committee.—Mrs. Williams announced that many helpful pictures are available and she was requested to have a list of these pictures sent out to the various stations.

Mrs. Beeken read a letter from Mr. French saying that the National Christian Council Literature Committee had sanctioned funds to provide for an Indian helper to work with Miss Rowlands on the production of Bengali literature.

Bengali Woman's Friend.—Mrs. Dewey read her report and expressed the hope that a historical record of the Bengali Woman's Friend might be prepared and kept on file. She also asked for suggestions as to the future policy of the paper. After some discussions Mrs. Williams moved that the subscription price of the paper be reduced to As. 3 per year and sold at one pice per copy in order that the paper may be sent into more homes. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report.—Miss Madden gave the financial report for Bengal Conference and it was accepted.

Miss Swan gave a report of the summer school which was held for Santali village women when between sixty and seventy women were in attendance for a week; and Miss Kinzly gave a report of the summer school held for Bengali district workers.

Indian Women attending Conference.—A discussion arose as to ways and means of securing the attendance of Indian women at Conference but no action was taken at this time.

On motion the Conference session was adjourned.
FOURTH SESSION

Opening.—The fourth session of the Conference on Saturday the 12th of January, was opened with the singing of hymn No. 407, "Be Strong". Miss Kinzly led in prayer and brought a message from Gal. 6th chapter, speaking particularly of bearing one another's burdens. Miss Kinzly, Miss Eddy and Mrs. Fisher led in prayer especially for the work of the Bible Training School. Mrs. Foley sang a beautiful solo, "Because He loved me so."

Minutes.—The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Introductions.—Mrs. Soule and Mrs. N. C. Biswas were introduced to the Conference.

Statistical Report.—It was moved and carried that the Statistical report be posted on the veranda where it may be inspected as members may desire.

Field Reference Committee.—The Field Correspondent brought forward some actions of the Field Reference Committee for consideration: 1. In regard to Miss Hoskings who worked for about twenty-five years in connection with our work in Asansol, and who is now unable to work and badly in need of a pension. It was moved and carried that the Branch which supported her when she was in the work be asked to appropriate money to cover a pension to Miss Hoskings; and that in the meantime we pay to her from funds now in hand the sum of Rs. 30 per month.

2. A letter from Mrs. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary for Bengal Conference, outlines the proposal of the Swedish ladies of the middlewest to centralize on the Pakaur work and the Field Reference Committee voted to recommend the acceptance of that proposal. In order to get the work of the Pakaur station before the ladies, the Field Reference Committee recommends that Rs. 100 each to the Santali and Bengali work at Pakaur be granted, this to be paid from the Conference Promotional Fund. It was moved and carried that this recommendation be approved.

Field Property Committee.—The Field Reference Committee nominated the following as members of the Field Property Committee and the report was accepted by the Conference: Miss Pierce, Miss Boles, Miss Eddy, Miss Stahl, Miss Collins; Miss Madden, Ex-Officio.

Official Letter.—Miss Eddy presented the Official Letter from Mrs. Johnson giving actions taken at the last General Executive meeting. Growing out of this letter was the question of our co-operation with the Union Hostel for Christian women in Calcutta. Due to a misunderstanding of the facts of the case, the asking for $300 for this Hostel was dropped from the estimates at the mid-year meeting of
the Field Reference Committee. Mrs. Fisher presented the matter of the Hostel and the need of co-operation with other missions in Calcutta and, on motion, it was ordered that a special request be sent through the Field Correspondent to the ladies at the May meeting asking that this grant to the Hostel be sanctioned.

Miss Madden reported the receipt of a letter saying that a gift of between $375,000 and $400,000 had been given to the Society by Miss Dickensen, formerly a missionary in Japan, this being the largest gift ever received by the Society.

Attendance of Indian Women at Conference.—It was moved and carried that a committee be appointed to make a survey of the Conference to see what women would be interested in attending; what plans can be made for their accommodation; and what can be done to assist them financially to attend. Mrs. Williams, Miss Eddy, Mrs. Dewey, Mrs. Soule and Miss Norberg were appointed to serve on this committee.

Central Conference Report.—Miss Swan brought in her report from the Central Conference giving some of the actions taken by the Woman's Work Committee. The report was accepted.

Moved and carried that a Working Committee to take care of any matters which may need to come up at the next Central Conference be appointed and that the Field Reference Committee be asked to serve as this Committee, and also as the Credential Committee.

Mrs. Fisher was requested to extend to Bishop Fisher an invitation from the Conference to attend the next session.

After prayer by Mr. Johnson, the session was adjourned.

FIFTH SESSION

Mrs. Griffiths led the devotions at the session on Monday, January 14th, after which the Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The time of this session, at the request of Bishop Fisher, was given to the consideration of appointments for women's work.
In Memoriam

MRS. S. K. MONDOL

On April nineteenth, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight our Bengal Conference and our Calcutta Christian community suffered a great loss in the death of Mrs. Mary Simons Mondol, beloved wife of the Rev. S. K. Mondol, the District Superintendent of the Calcutta Bengali District. It is with great sorrow and yet with great joy that we offer this appreciation for it is of one whose memory is a blessing to all who knew her.

Mrs. Mondol was a thoroughly Christian woman. Being by nature very religious, and having decided early in life while yet a school girl in the Calcutta Girls' School that she would enter definite Christian work, she accepted every opportunity for development and service. In preparation for her life work she chose to study in the English Department of the Blackstone Missionary Institute at Muttra. The first opportunity for service that presented itself after her graduation from the Training Institute was that of the supervision of the Hindu Day Schools at Raipur. After serving there for some time she came to Asansol, her birthplace, where she became an instructor in the newly opened Bible Training School for women. She had received the best training that schools could give, but she also possessed the more important qualification for Christian service of sincere love towards God and deep faith in Him and the desire to follow Christ fully and to the end. She had unfeigned sympathy for those who were striving to learn more of her God whom she so faithfully served and of His way in which she so gladly walked.

She could speak fluently in English, and in four Indian languages, Bengali, Ooriya, Hindi and Urdu. Although a true Bengali woman with all the graces characteristic of women of her race, she was a Christian friend to people of all races and classes, ever ready with her spirit of sympathetic understanding and eager zeal to give and to receive the best life offered to all.

Mrs. Mondol was a woman of remarkable faith. She believed God cared for His children under all circumstances and that His will would be done in all things. Having passed through times of great suffering and having endured the affliction of lameness in her latter years, she had come to find in Him, the Great Physician, her greatest source of strength and comfort. In facing the trials of sickness and death she continually said, “I am in God's hands”. Of a quiet and retiring disposition, loving simplicity and peace, Mrs. Mondol lived in the shelter of her home, serving there with that grace and devotion characteristic of a gentle-spirited Christian wife and mother. She created in her home an atmosphere where any and all who entered it were made to feel the spirit of genuine hospitality and helpfulness. A loving and devoted mother, she attracted all little children to her and with patience and sympathy entertained or comforted them. From her earliest childhood she had shown a sympathetic and forgiving spirit, and while she spoke frankly and
with feeling, she could rebuke and encourage with gentleness and praise. Her self-control and poise under trying circumstances often brought calm and quietness where there would otherwise be excitement and anger.

There were times in Mrs. Mondol's life when the physical disabilities under which she was labouring became very burdensome, and required great patience to endure. She was unable to take a very active part in the church and community as she was so well prepared to do. But she rose above her discouraging moments with an overcoming spirit and showed remarkable courage and optimism. This victory was born out of her utterly unselfish devotion to her friends, her family, and her God. Her loyalty to her husband and her church enabled her to give her husband to the church when his services were required in America as a delegate to the General Conference. She offered no word of complaint but with courageous cheerfulness bade him farewell as he started on his long journey and she faced months of separation and loneliness. This spirit of sacrificial devotion to others was the most characteristic expression of her lovely character.

Mrs. Mondol left us almost without warning, and all were stunned and broken-hearted at her home going. But she is with us still! The radiance of her smile and the fellowship with her spirit are ours. We have seen what God has wrought in the life of this beautiful Bengali woman and we rejoice. We have seen how a Christian wife, mother and friend can establish Him in her home and community and we gladly rise up to call her blessed.

ONE OF INDIA'S DAUGHTERS

On the 31st of October, 1928, Miss Lily N. Daniel was called into the Master's presence. For more than twenty years she served in the Bengal Conference, under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, first in the girls' boarding school at Pakaur, then in the day schools of the Calcutta Bengali District. Her going is an irreparable loss to the Bengali work, for Miss Daniel was an outstanding worker.

She was brought up in a Christian home by parents who were ardent followers of Christ; and trained in Isabella Thoburn College. Her ability and talents were yielded to God; her character and service were of a high type. Any work entrusted to her hands was executed with zeal and thoroughness. Even in the last weeks of discomfort and pain she continued to take a keen interest in her schools. Hundreds of Bengali girls have felt the influence of her beautiful life, and many teachers have been inspired by her example.

As one thinks of this dear friend who has gone from us, bright memories come crowding to mind. Her thought always seemed to be of others. Unselfishness and loyalty were dominant in her life. She was quick to seize opportunities for service. To seek her help was not to seek in vain. About twelve years ago Miss Daniel returned from Pakaur to Calcutta because her mother needed her. From that time on, though busily engaged in school work, she ministered to her mother with a tenderness and affection which one cannot forget. Her mother is a woman of capability and devotion, and has rendered a notable service to the cause of temperance in India. It was she who translated the Bengali temperance story "Horidasi" into English, and from this English translation the book has been translated into numerous Indian languages. Like her mother, Miss
Daniel was continually working for the cause of temperance. For many years she and her mother conducted a Band of Hope for boys. While the major portion of her time was given to work among girls, the boys who lived in her neighborhood were free to come to her home, and in her both Christian and Hindu boys found a friend.

To her large circle of friends Miss Daniel was devoted, and by them she was greatly beloved. In her friendships she was generous and trustful. She was a friend indeed. With a smile and words of hope she gave zest to those with whom she worked. With step triumphant and a heart of cheer she fought life's battles without fear. With a heart filled with love for her Master she lived for Him; and to the end of her life, though the last weeks were spent in great discomfort, she kept her sweetness of spirit, her courage and her loyalty.

"Rouse to some work of high and holy love,
And thou an angel's happiness shalt know,
Shalt bless the earth; while in the world above,
The good begun by thee shall onward flow
In many a branching stream, and wider grow.
The seed that in these few and fleeting hours
Thy hands unsparing and unwearied sow,
Shall deck thy grave with amaranthine flowers,
And yield the fruits divine in heaven's imperial bowers."
Reports of Work

ASANSOL DISTRICT
Girls' Middle English School

Missionary ... ... ... ... Miss Irma D. Collins.

The year has been full in carrying on old work and getting acquainted with the new. The workers and staff of both schools have been faithful and have done their best. I am thankful for their spirit of co-operation and for our Heavenly Father's guidance and answers to prayer.

A great deal of time has been spent in building and repair. I now understand the intenseness of the sun's rays at a temperature of 140°. Of course, we always expect to repair roofs several times during the long Bengal monsoons.

We were sorry for the water famine in Pakaur District but glad that we could be hostess to the girls of the Industrial School during the summer vacation. It was a home coming for some of the girls.

As the year draws to a close it is realized that some progress has been made toward an enriched curriculum. With the coming of the longed-for trained nurse, classes were conducted in first aid and child nursing. Other classes will be added. The girls enjoyed their bird hikes, bird charts, gardening, and were interested in picking flowers for their hostel and class rooms. Hobbies of various kinds continued to attract the older girls.

By the kindness of Dr. Tagore we were permitted to have Bauman Babu, a musician of Shantiniketan, with us for one week each month. This is the first time an instructor from Shantiniketan has taught in another school and the courtesy is much appreciated. The entire conference is pleased with the progress the school has made in learning real Bengali music and in the improvement of the quality of voice.

During vacation Miss Adams attended a Girl Guide camp and returned with much new material which contributed to the efficiency and interest of the rallies. The Junior and Senior leagues have done consistent work. Their socials were held regularly. Miss Biswas and the Pastor conducted the class in preparatory membership for sixteen girls. Mr. Sen was very faithful in helping with
chapel. We are looking forward with interest toward an Epworth League for teachers.

In December, Rachel returned from her teachers' training and will begin teaching in Pakaur. Agnes and Ranjoni will soon become staff nurses in the Mission Hospital at Jhansi. Our present graduating class of six girls have chosen High School, Teacher Training, Bible Training, Nurse Training and Sewing School respectively for further study. Slowly but surely we are attempting to build Christian character that can contribute to the uplift of India.

Girls' Hindu Day School

It has been a great privilege to share part of my time with the Hindu Day school. It is such a challenge to watch these children at work, so alert and so responsive to all the help we can give them. It is a joy to realize that the education of girls is a part of India's national awakening. Hindu parents generally prefer day schools and home life for their children rather than boarding schools. So in Asansol they send their sons to the Government schools and their daughters to our Mission school. During the past year the enrollment has increased over forty per cent and would probably make a greater gain next year if a bus could be provided. Some of the children are too far away to walk and strict purdah girls are not allowed on the streets. Then, too, a bus would make it possible to take these girls to our Middle English School for further study.

This year, the first girl was sent up for Upper Primary Examination. We are glad that she and one girl in the lower classes won scholarships.

Both teachers and children are thankful for the Junior Thank Offering for equipment. They love to use their scissors to cut palm trees, elephants, etc. and are sending a demonstration for the Jubilee celebration. The new moveable blackboards not only help indoor class work but make the outdoor classes a real joy. During the cool season the classes sit in the sun to keep warm. A library has been started and it is hoped that Christian literature may be propagated in its use.

The Pastor has given valuable help in the Sunday School held in connection with the school and has been interested in the growth and development of the school. The school is re-opening with a splendid staff of seven teachers, two of whom are senior trained. One of the senior trained teachers has specialized in sewing and the other in teaching English. The girls' homes are open to our teachers and Bible-women. This school is our greatest contact with the Hindu community.
Evangelistic Work

Early in November, when Miss Lois Adams who had been in charge of the Evangelistic work during the year was married, I was appointed to take over the supervision of the work until Conference time. I, of course, have not been able to give much time to the work so I give below a copy of the patron letter which Miss Adams sent home just before leaving us. This letter gives a report of the work that was done during the year.

My appointment to the evangelistic work of the Asansol District last January came as a distinct surprise, for my training had been along other lines, and my work hitherto had been in connection with the school. In consequence I have had to feel my way, but the Bible-women have been a splendid help and I have learned many things in our work together.

In company with our District Superintendent and his wife, two of the Bible-women and I went into Camp three different places before the heat overtook us last Spring. We went out especially to get in touch with our small Christian communities, but visited many Hindu homes, too. There was a continual circle of children and men about our camp—so close to us and so interested in our actions as to be embarrassing at times! Besides visiting the homes in the day time, Mr. Dewey gave several stereopticon lectures at night on the Life of Christ. He also gave out simple remedies for itch, sore eyes, etc.!

As a result of the first camp, a small sewing circle was formed among the women of one Church, with the hope of selling the garments made, and giving the money for Church repairs. Few of the women have proven very good seamstresses, however, so the work has not progressed very rapidly.

Owing to a new division of our work this year I have had only one small Village School under my supervision. It is in a village which is difficult to reach, so that it has not been possible to keep in as close contact as I should like, especially since the teacher is untrained. Part of the kiddies have learned the complicated Bengali alphabet and advanced into the spelling of simple words, but I doubt whether they have ability to go much further. However, they have learned several Bible stories, and their homes are open to our Bible-women, so that is something gained.

On the whole, the people have been very friendly to us. During the big Railway Strike this summer the women had to stay away from the Railway Quarters, but I don’t think they have met with any serious opposition anywhere. Some of the ignorant villagers welcome
us out of curiosity the first time we go, but are not interested the next time. But some of the homes of the better educated group in Asansol itself are always open to us, and the women buy our little woman's paper each month.

It is difficult to measure results in our work among the women. We cannot count up any definite number of conversions and say—"This is our work." But we do feel that the making of friendships is bound to bear fruit later on, both in their willingness to place their children in our big Hindu Day School,—and in that broad sympathy, understanding and love which are necessary to any Christian brotherhood or sisterhood.

Hindustani Girls’ Boarding and Day School

Missionary ... ... ... ... MRS. H. E. DEWEY.

The Hindustani Girls' Boarding and Day School has finished another year of serving the Hindi girls of our Bengal Conference. Girls attend the school from Calcutta and Gomoh districts, as well as from this district.

As has been said many times, the buildings are unsuitable and accommodations limited for this school. It is not satisfactory to have Bengali and Hindi classes meeting in the same veranda or under equal surroundings. However, with the use of the school and parsonage yards, the classes are able to escape each other during some months of the year.

During the year the Assistant resigned from the school and thus many duties were assigned to the three teachers. The responsibilities were exceptionally well borne and greatly appreciated by the persons in charge. Thirty-five Hindu girls, one Mohammedan and fourteen Christian girls have attended the school as day students. We are firm about the fees from these children being paid regularly. The children live in the bazaar mainly and are often sick so the attendance is not regular. There have been from thirty to forty children in the boarding department during the year. One girl passed from Class V and is now beginning her studies in Jubbulpore. She joins five other Asansol girls in that school.

The Epworth League has held interesting and helpful meetings during the year. The older girls do well when asked to take part in the service. Socials have added life to their League Spirit.

The Girl Guide work has not been very satisfactory as the Company has had only a Lieutenant. We were unable to find a Captain to direct their efforts.

May God lead these children into the service of His Kingdom.
BIRBHUM DISTRICT

Missionary ... ... ... Miss Katharine M. Kinzly.

The year has closed and we have not done all we wished to do, but the heavy responsibilities of the district work, added to the work in the Training School, were lifted when a full time missionary was appointed to the evangelistic work of the District.

The Hindu Day School has shown much improvement and the Inspectress is pleased with the new school building. We were fortunate in securing a renewal of the Government grant of Rs. 20 per month for a period of three years. Two Junior trained teachers are in charge of the school and one student appeared for the scholarship examination in November.

The Sunday School for the Christian children has been conducted regularly, and much interest shown. Offerings have been good and we have been able to help with the benevolences, beside a monthly contribution to the pastor's salary.

The Bible-women have visited in the homes in Bolpur and surrounding villages and have found a cordial welcome. The students of the Bible Training School have gone out for practical work on Fridays with the two Bible-women. One of our older women is being married in January to one of our Annual Conference men and will go to found a new home in the Asansol District. One of the Bible Training students will take her place.

The Training School has had a splendid year with twelve students enrolled, six of whom finished the course in December. We were fortunate in having Bishop Fisher present at the closing exercises on the 21st of December and his earnest words were much appreciated. Of the six students, two are our own Methodist girls and four are from other missions. Several "old" girls came back for the last day, which was also a farewell day for me.

In the five years since the Training School has been held in Bolpur, 33 students have passed through the Training School. Not all have completed the course, some for various reasons dropping out, but 19 have completed the course of study. The teaching in the classes has all been in Bengali but the students have represented four languages: Bengali, Ooriya, Santali and Hindustani. In his address, Bishop Fisher spoke of the work of the Training School as a small garden in which seed had been planted which would eventually spread throughout Bengal. The students of the Training School are scattered not only throughout Bengal, as far north as Nadia and Mymensingh Districts, but we find them also in Assam and also south in Orissa. May God water the tender seed and cause it to bring forth an abundant harvest.
The health of the students has been good and it is a cause for deep thanksgiving that no epidemic has prevailed in our midst during the five years. We need much in the way of buildings and equipment and we have labored under many inconveniences and difficulties, but the staff and students have worked together well, and the spirit of helpfulness has been splendid.

The new school building is well adapted to the Training School classes, and also for the Hindu Day School. We are hoping soon to have well equipped buildings erected on the site at the northern end of the compound.

As the time of my furlough draws near it is with a sense of regret that I have not been able to accomplish more. I wish to give thanks to God for the good health He has given to me and for His presence and guidance in the many difficult situations during the five years.

In March of this year a training school for workers was held in Bolpur for five days when Methods, Story-Telling, etc. were discussed, and much helpful teaching given. Miss E. C. Ferguson, who conducted that training School, is very efficient and she has been secured to carry on the work of the Bible Training School during the time of my furlough. We wish for her a very fruitful service in our midst.

Bengal Girls' Upper Primary School

Missionary ... ... ... ... MRS. ELsie BeeKen.

There have been 52 boarders and 19 day scholars in the school during the year. Of the day scholars 10 are non-Christians.

Miss Carr left us in May and we felt her absence very much but with our capable headmistress and our fine staff of teachers the work has gone on as usual.

On account of grave water shortage we were compelled to close earlier than usual in April and take all who were homeless down to Calcutta. Mrs. Lee of Lee Memorial very kindly gave us shelter. I know the girls benefited much and enjoyed the change. Many had never been in a large city before.

We have sent a girl for the Government upper primary scholarship examination and one for the district board scholarship examination. The results are not out yet.

Epworth League meetings and the Sunday School services have been regularly held. A temperance medal recitation contest was held during the year. A few non-Christians from other schools competed. Two of the judges were Hindu gentlemen. One of our girls won the medal. We are planning to have these contests every year.
One of our girls has finished the junior teacher's training at the training school at Krishnagar and has obtained work. Seventeen girls from our two boarding establishments were united to the church in full membership at Good Friday morning service. It was a very beautiful sight.

The teachers and girls staged "Haridashi", a temperance play which was much appreciated. The proceeds were given to the Ladies' Aid Society.

...We are very happy to have Miss Norberg with us again. May this new term of service be a very happy and blessed one.

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District Evangelistic Work

Missionary ... ... ... ... MRS. ELSIE BEEKEN.

We are told that "Change is often beneficial. It is by a judicious system of transplanting that certain shrubs are brought to the highest state of foliage." It was with mingled feelings that I left dear old Calcutta to make my home in the mofussil amidst surroundings very new to me. I must confess I was fearful of what lay before me. I was warned of malaria, snakes and the loneliness of mofussil life.

I never have had a healthier year and I believe this is the happiest in the Lord's work. The home life with my sister missionaries has been ideal. There has been perfect co-operation and sympathy. I am indeed grateful to them for their loving thoughtfulness and help. Yes, change is beneficial.

City life tends to make one self-centred and narrow. We need to get out, or at least I did, to the open plains and view things from a different angle—the vast territory, the great need for workers.

It seems to me that the call has come for greater sacrifice and labour among the hundreds, nay thousands of villages scattered all over this large district which has been practically neglected for years. The vastness of the area overwhims me. There is enough work for at least two W.F.M.S.'ers with Indian assistants. I am asking myself the question "Why should the fortunate people who live in big cities have the gospel brought to their door by Christian workers of all denominations till they turn on you and say 'Oh! yes, we know all about it. We have heard all that you are telling us many times before' while hundreds of poor unfortunates in the villages have not heard the glad tidings once." Oh! there is need for a change here.

Let me tell you of a day in my work. My Bible-woman, our Bengali pastor and I left Pakaur by the midnight train for a village
33 miles distant. We had two uncomfortable hours in the train as it was crowded and then got off at a junction and were told that we should have to wait till 5:30 A.M. for the train to take us to the village. There was a ladies' waiting-room which the station-master had opened up for us. Two nice large benches invited a nice rest. We made ourselves comfortable. I hoped to be able to sleep. Something running across my face! Was it possible—Yes, my Bible woman stirs. "Mama," she says. "The bed bugs are biting." So it was as I feared. No sleep for me. We lay on the hard cement floor but rest was impossible.

We took the 5:30 train and arrived at our destination at 8:30. A Christian family, the only one in the village, took us in and gave us a meal. Then the reception at the village. Fatigue was forgotten as we talked with the people. "We need a school for our children. We want you to come and teach us." I could make no promises and the need is great. We arrived home at 6:30 P.M. Only 33 miles from Pakaur, but it took 9 hours to reach. The thought came to me if only I had a car. How quickly places could be reached and how much more accomplished.

I have four day schools in this large district. Think of it, only four. I have not money enough to open up more though there is so great a need. Surely a change is necessary here.

I have been able to place a trained teacher in our Sangrampur village school and am hoping for better results. This girl belongs to the village and sees the great need there. She is a fine Christian and a leader. I thank God for her.

We have organized a Ladies' Aid Society in this village with our teacher as president. The women will meet every Saturday in the school-room. Many are expert crochet lace makers. They plan to sew and use the proceeds for the betterment of their church and community at Sangrampur.

The Pakaur Ladies' Aid Society met regularly during the year. They worked on the Talent Club Scheme. Out of funds Rs. 5 was voted to the Mission Claimants' Fund and Rs. 6 donated to the repairs of the church, the balance to form a nucleus for an organ fund.

The summer school for workers was a great success. Twenty-five were enrolled. All expressed their gratitude and testified to the help they had received. We plan to have such a school yearly.

Realizing the need of trained men workers in the district I plan to send the son of our colporteur at Pakaur to the training school at Chapra for village workers. He will receive a Government stipend of Rs. 10 per month. Daniel Biswas is a fine lad and has read in the
matriculation class at Collins Institute. Pray for him that he may develop into a real leader and be a blessing in the work to which he feels called.

I have four Bible-women. They have been visiting in the homes of the people and helping in the school. There is much to be done. The field is great and needy. I am looking forward to a year of great things. Pray for us.

Woman's Industrial School

Missionary ... ... ... MRS. ELsie BEEKEN.

There are 35 girls in the Industrial School. Two were sent away during the year. Of the number 5 are Santals and the remainder Bengalis.

The girls have a trained class teacher, who is also the matron, to help them in their studies. Class is held from 6:45 A.M.—9 A.M. From 10:50—4 P.M. They are busy with their lace making etc. under the charge of the lace teacher.

Two of our girls who have been in training in Berhampor have returned, having finished the course in needlework. They will be a great help in the school. Both return with excellent credentials.

I am glad to report that our Government aid has been increased to Rs. 70 per month.

It seems to have been the opinion of some that the Industrial School is the dumping ground of the Conference for all undesirables. Call it what you will, there is a great need for such an institution in our midst. Every girl cannot take a teacher's training. We are compelled to provide for and develop the best in all of these the least of His children. It is a hard and difficult work and requires the sympathy and support of all. How to make the school self-supporting and more efficient is engaging the minds of all concerned. Pray for us and help us with your suggestions.

One of our best girls was married during the year. We consider the man most fortunate in having won her consent. We may lose one or two more during the new year but we are glad when they are able to have homes of their own with the right kind of man.

The girls staged a very enjoyable little drama “The Rich Man and Lazarus” and are giving the proceeds to helping others.

The Missionary Society has held meetings regularly. Each girl continues to support the church funds from her earnings. We are greatly encouraged in having Miss Norberg with us again and are hoping for greater success and improvement in the future.
Edith Jackson Fisher Memorial Hospital

Missionary ... ... ... ... MRS. ELsie Beken.

Owing to grave water shortage and the urgent need to repair existing bungalows, the plans for the new nurses' quarters have been set aside for the present at least.

Two trained nurses, one of them one of our girls, are now helping Dr. Alley in the work. Dr. Alley's report for the year is as follows:

First calls ... ... ... ... 1,587
Return calls ... ... ... ... 7,768
In-patients ... ... ... ... 144
Minor operations ... ... ... ... 54
Maternity cases ... ... ... ... 10
Visits ... ... ... ... 27
Preventive inoculation for smallpox and cholera ... ... ... ... 537

Two of our girls are in training under Dr. Hawkes of the Jragenj Medical Mission. One of the girls took first place in the recent examinations. Three girls are in training in the Dufferin Hospital in Calcutta.

Many of the patients who come to us for treatment have many miles to traverse by bullock-cart or any way they can come. One poor young woman was brought in a dying condition. I shudder to think of the agony she endured on the way. She died the following day in our hospital. Although a Mohammedan, there was no one of her faith who would undertake to bury her. Our Christian men dug the grave and we put her poor body to rest in our little cemetery.

If we could only go to these poor folk! It would take days to go to some of these villages in our bullock-tonga. Oh! for a car! But regrets are useless and we shall go ahead and do the best we can with the means at our disposal.

CALCUTTA-BENGALI DISTRICT

Missionary ... ... ... ... Miss Lulu A. Boles.

Conference of 1928 brought about a change for me—a transfer back into this great city of Calcutta. The year has been full of varied opportunities and responsibilities and many new things to learn, but my heart is full of praise to my Heavenly Father for His love and care through the year. There is so much for which to be thankful!
The year has brought its sorrows. Early in the year the wife of our District Superintendent, Mrs. S. K. Mondol, was suddenly taken from us and in her going we have lost a valuable helper and friend. Late in June, Miss Daniel was again stricken with that dread disease cancer, after some months of suffering and intense discomfort, she quietly slipped away Home. We could not but rejoice that release had come to her for she was ready to go and only awaited the call to Higher Service. Until the very last she carried on as much of her work as she could from her bedside. We scarcely know what to do without her! For years she has given such devoted service and her life was a constant blessing. She has gone from us but the influence of her beautiful life remains and we pray that God will send us another such as she to take up the work which she loved so much.

The work in the day schools has gone on as usual. We have an enrollment of 361 in our seven schools, 52 of whom are Christian children,—a wonderful opportunity. Our sewing mistress returned to us from the Tuberculosis sanitorium in July but she came back too soon. After only about three months of service she again became ill and the Doctor advises that she be sent back to the sanitorium for further treatment.

We have had two women in the Bible Training School this year. One of them finishes her course in December and will take up work in Champahati from the first of the year. One of our Bible-women at Champahati, Mrs. Bidhumuki Roy, who has worked for many years, has had a stroke of paralysis and we fear will not be able to return to work again. The Bible-women have been doing faithful work through the year and we find a warm welcome in the homes. The seed is being sown and God has promised that His word shall not return unto Him void. In many homes the Hindu women confess their faith in Christ as their Saviour, and we feel that a new day is dawning in India.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Central Church, under the splendid leadership of its President, Mrs. Banerji, has done good work. The "Talent Club" brought in most interesting results and a large increase in funds. During Christmas week oranges and sweets were again distributed to patients in Campbell Hospital. In November, a Ladies' Aid Society was organized in our Hatibagan Church. These organizations have a wonderful opportunity and we are glad to see our women taking such an active part in our Church life.

Late in October Miss Eddy returned from furlough in America and we are glad to have her back with us again. She has taken over the city evangelistic work and is now helping to share the heavy responsibilities. There is no end of work to be done in the homes of the city and in the hundreds of villages around Calcutta.
are so many villages close up to us where the gospel has never been preached and we long to spend more time in the villages and in the homes.

God has been good to us and we enter the new year trusting Him who faileth not.

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**Lee Memorial Mission**

*Missionary* 

... ... ... ... MRS. ADA LEE.

The writing of a report is like giving statistics—very unsatisfactory, but our hearts are full of praise for what the Lord has done for us during the past year, 1928. Our girls' school has been full of boarders during the year—over two hundred students with twenty teachers and others finding a home with us.

One thing stands out in the year's events—that was the appointment of Mrs. Guinn as Principal and her husband as Office Secretary. We are grateful to have such efficient workers. Another event was the revival the Lord sent to us in March last. We had a very blessed day of prayer which brought a number of our girls to decision for Christ. Forty-six of our girls joined the Church in the preparatory class for membership and twenty-eight were received in full connection, and we see a great change in the lives of many of them.

We have seen another very interesting movement which has grown during the year. Hindu men are bringing their child wives to us for education, also three very interesting young widows are now numbered among our number. Still others of both classes are seeking for admission. These dear girls form a most interesting group in our home.

Eighteen young women have graduated from our Teacher's Training class and have gone out to work in different mission schools. Three have passed our High School. The middle standards have done well. All nine of Standard VI have passed, four of whom received 100 per cent in arithmetic. We have an interesting kindergarten of a hundred happy children, forty of whom are little Hindu day scholars.

We have had some very interesting marriages during the year, one a Hindu young man marrying a Hindu widow and placing her in our school for a primary education. Five of our teachers have been married, all of them over twenty years of age. It is encouraging to know that our Christian young men are now choosing educated young women for wives instead of ignorant children.

Our six day schools continue under the supervision of our faithful senior teacher, Charushela Biswas.
The Beliaghata Boys' school has done good work, notwithstanding sickness and disappointment among the teachers. Here the Lord has given us a neat little chapel costing about Rs. 4,500. It was dedicated free of debt on December 5th in a beautiful service which we will never forget. Our Local Preachers, of whom we have six, have done splendid work during the year. They have sold 80,000 gospels. Surely God's word will not return unto Him void. Our praise is to Him—God who performeth all things for us.

CALCUTTA-HINDUSTANI DISTRICT

Missionaries

Miss Doris J. Welles
Mrs. D. H. Manley

The Hindustani Woman's Work in Calcutta experienced a loss when Miss Welles left in October on furlough.

The work was divided. To Miss Graham, the Assistant in Kidderpore, was given the Dock School with Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Dutt as teachers. There are 45 boys and girls in attendance.

Parboti and Miss Graham do the Evangelistic work in Kidderpore.

The Calcutta work is carried on by two Bible-women, Laduri Lee and Jumni Lee. We have four girls in the Boarding School at Asansol and one in Arrah.

At Conference time we proposed a new plan for the Bible-women. The Hindustani Church membership is very much scattered and the work of visiting and keeping in touch with the members is very heavy. Our proposal was to put the Bible-women under the direction of the Pastor, so that they might work together in the homes of the Christian people, the sick, and those who need shepherding. It is our purpose to take care of our Christians first, then seek out the Hindus and Mohammedans as occasion arises.

We have a real live Ladies' Aid Society also, consisting of members and friends of the Church.

For thirty-five years prayers have been going up for a Hindustani Girls' Boarding School. A beginning has been made. Mrs. Lee has a small hostel in her compound, and we are praying for more room. We could find thirty or forty girls, children of our Christian families, who are ready to join a Boarding School immediately.

A Day School has been started in the Central Church Hall with Kripa as teacher.

Our hope is to have a Co-educational School, somewhere near Calcutta, for our Hindustani Christian children.
ENGLISH DISTRICT
Calcutta Girls' High School

Missionaries ... ... ... 

Miss RUTH FIELD. 
" PEARL HUGHES. 
" HELEN DRAPER.

It is with hearts full of gratitude to God for His continued presence with us, that we come to the end of another school year.

As we write the report for the year 1928 just ending, we are impressed anew with the tremendous importance to each child here today of acquiring an education. As we think of different groups of workers, in the homes, in the shops, in the hospitals as nurses, or in any other occupation, we find that those who have the most education are the ones who are making a success of their work and those who try to take up special work with little or no education, are being pushed out and making failures. God has a life work for each child and He needs His work well done. He has given each one here the opportunity of becoming better workers by becoming educated in heart and mind and we cannot urge you too strongly to make the most of your chance and we do urge the parents to co-operate and arrange to send your children to school till they finish the course.

" One small life in God's great plan, 
How futile it seems as the ages roll, 
Do what it may or strive how it can 
To alter the sweep of the infinite whole! 
A single stitch in an endless web, 
A drop in the ocean's flow and ebb! 
But the pattern is rent where the stitch is lost, 
Or marred where the tangled threads have crossed; 
And each life that fails of its true intent 
Mars the perfect plan the Master meant."—SUSAN COOLIDGE.

We want our girls and boys not to mar but to fulfil the perfect plan of our Master for their lives.

The class work has gone on much as usual and each month as we make out the reports and each year as we give the promotions, we all wish the children would try harder. Our staff is among the best and they are earnestly trying to train the children, but after all, each child has in his own hands the power to succeed or fail. The Senior Cambridge results were very good as all three girls who went up passed and we are very glad that two of them are continuing their education in college leading to degrees and the other one expects to enter Dow Hill for teacher training. We are so happy to have our girls consider the education received at C.G.H.S. simply a stepping-stone to higher education rather than an end in itself. The Junior Cambridge results were not so satisfactory as only three out of eight passed, but we are glad that most of them are continuing in school.
and we wish for them better success next time. The music results were again satisfactory. We sent up pupils for both the Trinity College and the Royal Academy. Nine went up for practical examinations and seven passed, two with Honours. Nine went up for theory and all passed, two with Honours. We feel much credit is due our two music teachers.

We received word from the School Inspector the first week of November that there would be no singing contest this year but perhaps it would be held the first of next year. The girls had worked faithfully all year and we were expecting to send up a Junior and a Senior Chorus as well as entering for the Junior, Middle and Senior Elcbition Contests. We felt it was truly Providential that we were not to have a contest this year as sickness from the middle of October prohibited me from working with the girls just at the most critical time.

I feel I must sincerely thank our staff for their earnest work throughout the year and for their kind help in carrying extra burdens during my absence. There was never a worry in my mind about any of their work for I knew it would be carried on just the same as if I had been present. Each year, I think with gratitude of our splendid and efficient group of teachers. A teacher cannot compel a pupil to receive an education, but the O.G.H.S. teachers do their best even to inspire those who have no desire for a better life. I want also to thank Miss Hughes for the very efficient way and willing spirit with which she undertook and carried my duties as well as her own, and also Miss Phyllis Adams for helping her. Miss Hughes will leave for furlough at the end of January and we wish her God-speed and hope she will speedily return to us after a very well-earned rest in America.

We have decided that we cannot continue to give the Higher Grade Domestic Science Course as it is very expensive and very few girls have applied for the Course. Two girls have gone up for the examination this year and next year we will give only the second year of the course to enable the girls now taking the course to finish. We do however still hold to the importance of the Domestic Science subjects for all of our girls and so we will continue to give short courses to all girls in the sixth and seventh standards rather than seventh and eighth as planned at first. We hope the girls will take a real interest in these subjects which affect so vitally the home life of all of them. Miss Draper has done very fine work with the girls and we are certainly glad to have her in the school.

The Physical Education of the girls this year from fourth standard upwards has taken the form of outside organized games instead of simply class drill. For this purpose a games club has been formed and the children divided into four houses, named after women formerly connected with our school: the Layton House, named after Miss Layton, the first Principal of our school; the Knowles House, after
Miss Emma Knowles, for many years Principal of this school, and founder of Queen's Hill school; the Paul House, named for our own Mrs. Ada M. Paul for so many years on our staff; and the Maxey House, named for Miss Elizabeth Maxey, a very close friend of our school all through her life as Deaconess of Thoburn Church. The Games Club Championship Cup will go each year to the house which wins the greatest number of points throughout the year. In addition to this, Mrs. Symonds has given a Trophy Cup which will go to the team winning the Patron's Day Games, this year to Paul House. The Captain of the Winning House and the Captain of the Winning Team are also receiving recognition medals this year—Dorothy Jones and Elfa Grueber. Many thanks are due to Mrs. Symonds for her untiring work in organizing and carrying on the Games Club. The girls have enjoyed it which is enough to prove that it has been a success.

We were very glad indeed at the beginning of the year to be able to join the Government Provident Fund for teachers. This gives the teachers a greater benefit than we were able to give them before.

The health of the children has been good throughout the year for which we are very thankful. We have had no contagious diseases except for a few cases of measles just before and during the May vacation. We have had some sickness among the staff during the year. Mrs. Hecquet, who has worked with us for so long was taken sick at the beginning of the year and had to take a short leave of absence; Mrs. Jacobs became ill and had to take six months' leave. Mrs. Demetrius was compelled to give up work in the middle of the year because of health reasons and several of the rest of us have had to count ourselves among the sick but we are all very happy to be well and about again.

The Girl Guides have had a very good year with Miss Hughes as Captain and Miss Phyllis Adams as Lieutenant. So many girls wished to join that it was finally decided to organize a Cadet Company of the older girls and so divide the company. This was done and on July 23rd a Cadet Company of ten girls was organized with Miss Worster of the Y.W.C.A. as Captain. Many of the girls have been working for badges, second class and some for first class and I am sure they wish me to thank Miss Hughes for her untiring efforts to help them. The Bluebirds, too, have had many new applicants this year. We are glad to have these organizations in school and hope the girls will remember to live up to their guide ideals.

The Home Missionary Society has continued its good work under Miss Limond's faithful direction and at the recent sale of work brought in rupees 260 which will go toward the work of the Children's Home at Coonoor. From the sale of articles during the year an additional rupees 60 was raised with which a gramophone has been purchased for the same home.
We have tried to help the girls in their religious life during the year by the Epworth Leagues, Thursday night prayer meetings and by chapel and church services. We do not try to make Methodists of our children unless they wish it, but we do pray and hope that all of our children will learn to know Christ as their personal Saviour and friend and to love Him so much that they will willingly enter into His plan for their lives and the lives of all around them. His way is best. We find this is true as we grow older. Happy are those who gladly believe this and act on it from youth all through a life given over to His service.

We hope and pray that for the new year we shall all more earnestly seek to make the C.G.H.S. a real blessing to this community.

Queen's Hill School

Missionaries ... ... ... [MISS C. J. STAHL, Principal. MRS. FRANCES SMITH. MISS EMMA BARBER. MRS. LILA ENGBERG.]

"Wilt shape a nobler life? Then cast
No backward glances to the past.
And what if something still be lost?
Act as newborn in all thou dost."

In the spirit of these lines we began the year 1928, not daring to cast many backward glances at the immediate past. The previous year had been a hard one because of a succession of infectious diseases which kept us in quarantine for months.

This year the health of the school has been perfect. We have gone through the year without any quarantine and "What a happy year" we frequently hear from pupils and teachers.

Managing a boarding school is exacting work, and the Principal never really has a holiday. We have three months when school is closed but a "vacation" may not be a "holiday." Plans and improvements for the new year must be set in motion, the building must be renovated, and there is a steady stream of correspondence with parents. At first, information and explanations must be given concerning children who have just arrived home after nine months away in school. Some have not done well in their lessons and have taken home a poor report; some have articles of clothing missing; others are not looking as well as parents think they should, etc., etc. Later, there are letters concerning the enrollment of new pupils: Missionaries on furlough having to decide whether to leave children at home: Missionaries in India who cannot keep their children on the
plains: Europeans resident in India, utter strangers to us, write enrolling little children of five and six years. Just now a lady on a tea garden is very insistent we shall take her little boy of three years, although our rule is, not under five. We may take him. (People who can pay good fees help our finances, and Queen's Hill is a self-supporting school.) Do American mothers realize how many letters it would take for them to arrange to send a child to a boarding school far away for nine months? Truly the Principal of a boarding school has an exacting job. But there are compensations, especially when one stays in one school long enough to see results.

Our graduates are giving a good account of themselves, and write such appreciative letters: From a missionary daughter in college in America: "I am thankful for every day I spent in Queen's Hill. There is something in Queen's Hill pupils I do not find in any other girls." The school leaves its mark upon them. We have had the same thought from other girls now in college in America. The explanation is easy. It is the difference between having had their education in a religious atmosphere, and a non-religious atmosphere, in the American public schools. Another letter from a college girl in Scotland: (Her sister is still in Queen's Hill.) "No girl can go far from the right in Queen's Hill. I always felt it was a sweet protection from all evil. It's funny but I cannot explain to you what a lot I think of the dear old school." As one approaches the dreaded retiring age, such expressions are heartening. "To live in lives we leave behind is not to die." Many of our graduates are teachers in India and other countries; one has just completed her medical course and is returning to India as a medical missionary.

Some have homes of their own. Wherever they are, they are a part of the investment the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has made in the Kingdom of God. Is it not a paying investment?

The school is keeping up its reputation for scholarship. In the last Government examination, all the Juniors passed, and two Seniors, one winning Honors in the First Division. For several years our girls have been winning "Honors" and scholarships. As a result we are having girls from other schools coming to Queen's Hill for the High School course. Last year five former students were on our staff of teachers. Five others were from the Calcutta Girls' High School, two of them High School teachers. Mrs. Lila Engberg is one of the staff of High School teachers and in addition to teaching full hours takes the sewing classes outside of school. She is a practical house-keeper as well as a versatile teacher, most useful accomplishments in a girls' boarding school.

Miss Barber, because of serious eye trouble, spent the latter part of the year in Calcutta under treatment by a specialist. The Kindergarten Department under her supervision is so well organized that the assistant teachers were able to carry on and close the year successfully.
Many were the prayers from children and from parents for Miss Barber's restoration; a testimony to the universally high appreciation of her work in the Kindergarten.

It is a matter of universal regret that Mrs. Frances Smith ends her work in Queen's Hill and in India with the close of 1928. Her home will be in Southern California where her brother and sisters are living. She carries with her the highest appreciation and gratitude of a host of friends. Mrs. Smith has been in Queen's Hill since 1916, except one year, she spent in Calcutta and one year on furlough in America. The value of her work through the years, as organizer and general superintendent of the Boarding Department is inestimable. Her sympathetic interest and calm judgment drew many to her who were in difficulty and needed advice and encouragement. She will be greatly missed, and carries with her the affection and well wishes of children and teachers.

No history of Queen's Hill these days can be complete without an account of Mount Hermon Estate. There are now twenty-four summer cottages in the Mount Hermon Estate, of which the school grounds are a part. The missionary residents, nearly all of whom have little children in school as day pupils, form an important factor in the general life of the school. As our location is two miles out of the town, a most helpful community spirit is being developed. We have a community prayer meeting, a musical club, and the latest is a Parent-Teachers' Association, a new thing in India. Also during the year, a Community Methodist Episcopal Church has been organized, with about fifty members. As it is a Community Church, residents of all denominations have joined and there are associate members as well as full members.

However, the most important addition, the one that affects Queen's Hill more nearly, is the opening of a hostel for older boys, who attend classes in Queen's Hill. We have always had little boys, up to the age of ten. But at that age they have gone to other schools. There were fifteen boys this year, mostly sons of missionaries, and the experiment has proven a success.

As a result of four days' special services held in October by Rev. (Miss) Willia Caffray, we had a revival in which a number of older girls who have come to us from other schools were converted. We have the joy of seeing the changed lives of girls, many of them from irreligious families.

This backward glance inevitably brings the consciousness of God's innumerable blessings. Truly, they cannot be reckoned up in order unto Thee; if I would declare and speak of them they are more than can be numbered.
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GOMOH DISTRICT
Girls’ Hindi Day School

Missionary ... ... ... ... MRS. JAMES LYON.

Our girls’ school is open to all. Hindus and Mohammedans gladly send their children. The Inspector of Schools pays periodical visits and gives a good report. The Government grant-in-aid has been raised from Rs. 18 to Rs. 25 per month. As we have no building for this school we have to rent a house. The number in attendance is 32.

Medical Work

Our small dispensary is under the careful management of the wife of our Assistant Pastor, M. D. Kessop, Maggi Bai Kessop for a long time has had this department under her charge. Poor people from the villages all around come to her and she is ever ready to help them with unfailing sympathy and kindness. A small charge of one anna each patient makes this work self-supporting. Whilst attending to their bodily woes, she watches the opportunity of telling them of the Great Physician. They listen attentively and repeat their visits.

District Work

The work in the District is progressing under the Bible Readers. Owing to pressure of work at home in the orphanage and financial difficulties, I have not been able to get out very much. We look up in faith and love, asking God’s blessing on our work, knowing that all is well in our corner of Christ’s work.

PAKAUR DISTRICT
Santali Girls’ School

Missionary ... ... ... ... MISS BEULAH M. SWAN.

Our Santali School has now been in existence four full years and what was at first a very doubtful experiment in the thoughts of some is proving to be a very great success in the minds of most of us. Our Santali people are especially happy in having a school that is so like their own village homes. In the four years the number of girls has doubled and the number of boys trebled. The boys of course live in a separate hostel and only attend classes with the girls.
Our district was visited with famine this year and the suffering was intense among the poorer people. Thousands of people were handed a dole of uncooked rice daily in the bazaar and it was indeed pitiful to see them. Cholera broke out during the hot weather and about sixty people died in the village just outside our compound. We were fortunate in that we only had two cases of cholera in the school in spite of an insufficient water supply. One of our little girls died of cholera in her home during the vacation and four others died of various diseases in their homes.

We have five splendid wells on the compound but during April they were all very low and we were afraid that we should have to do what all the schools in the surrounding country had to do, close up. But we dug emergency wells in the dry bottoms of our two tanks and reached water so we continued school until we had planned to close. It was a very anxious time and we were glad when the rains broke in earnest and wells, tanks and fields were filled once more.

Because of the growth of our school we have had to take possession of the class rooms over in the boys' school building, as the class rooms in the bungalow could only care for four classes. The class rooms are light and airy and the teachers and children have taken a good deal of pride in hanging up drawings and handwork and in keeping them attractive.

We have had to add another cottage to our eight in order to take care of the many new girls. This house is one that is quite near the hostel and which has been repaired and is now being occupied by the little girls. Our matron has proven to be a rare find and takes an unusual interest in the children. She has taken charge of the weekly giving out of stores and many other things which we ourselves found it necessary to do before. The village council is a very real part of the village and is interested in every phase of the village life. We have new playground swings which are the favorite play place of not only the little girls, but the teachers and big girls as well.

The guides have had a most successful year. Miss Hughes of Calcutta Girls' High School came up for a week-end and passed the girls in some of their proficiency tests. Among the badges won were Swimming, Child Nurse, Cooking, Sewing, and the Second Class Badge. We also had a fine camp at Gondai, where we all lived together as last year. We also walked out together the ten miles to the camp.

In our Epworth League meetings we have been using the Project Life of Christ as put out by the Central Office and the children have had some very interesting meetings. We have felt that they have been very worth while, especially the map study and the Palestinian village work, not to mention the daily readings which the children have used regularly in their morning watch.
The Junior League has grown so that the children have had to meet in two divisions. They have helpful times together under two of our most efficient teachers. They had a picnic this spring and had a very good time out in a large mango grove. Their idea of a picnic is quite foreign to our American one. They gave a little play and then they had a singsong but they did not think it proper to run about or play games. They had sweets and so thought they had had a wonderful time.

This year has been one in which I have felt that I have gotten closer to the girls than ever before and we have had a good many heart to heart talks both in groups and by individuals and I hope that I have been able to help them in some of their many perplexities. My prayer has been as I have worked with them and for them that by some means I might draw them closer to the Master who has meant so much to me.

And now as I am ready to leave India, I feel very grateful for the opportunity which has been mine, of working with and for this most interesting people. The benefits I have derived and the lessons of patience and love I have learned have been well worth any trials I have had.

Santali Evangelistic Work

Missionary ... ... ... Miss Pauline Grandstrand.

The year of 1928 is a year long to be remembered because of famine conditions. It is hard to work in the villages and see scores of people hungry when we can give them nothing to satisfy their hunger. Even during famine the people have been interested in the gospel. We have witnessed many baptisms throughout our District even more so than last year. The workers have been very sympathetic toward the famine-stricken and have often from their small income shared with the hungry ones. During the hot season we had a terrible water famine in all the villages and the result was cholera which carried off some of our people.

I have toured around in the various circuits and I have found the workers at their work. Our work is progressing and we are gaining in numbers. This year we have had our first Summer School for village women. It was held in Pakaur from October 23 to October 30. There were 63 women attending the classes. We had five study periods daily and different teachers taught various subjects. The last day of the Summer School the women gave a pageant on Mary and Martha. The pageant represented Mary and Martha very well. Martha was very busy with all her household duties while Mary grew in spiritual knowledge. Even the simple village woman can be modern and know how to demonstrate facts and stories. Next year we shall meet again.
The Day Schools are doing well. There are sixteen Day Schools in the Santali District. Our need for trained teachers is greater than ever. This year it has been possible for us to provide our schools with new black-boards. From the villages I have requests for drawing books, sewing material, copy books, clay for clay modelling, maps and water-color paints. The village children are making great discoveries. One little fellow said to me as I was on my way home "Next time when you come bring us a football and a globe." I answered, "what will you do with the globe?" The reply was "We will find the country you have come from." This is a new day in Santal Parganas.

Our Sunday services have been well attended all year although so many of our people have gone to Assam to work, and some of them are not back yet.

The Sewing circles have met irregularly because of famine conditions. We have not been able to get the women. At the close of the year we found that we were able to pay into every circuit Rs. 10 towards Mission Claimants Fund in Bengal Conference.

Our twenty-nine Sunday Schools are meeting every week. One of the village Sunday schools gave a very excellent pageant on the "Brass serpent." The children did bring out the facts so clearly and proved there is life for a look on the crucified One.

Our Christmas day was a day of great joy and blessing. About four hundred Santals gathered in the sal grove to rejoice because Christ our Saviour has been born. On New Year's day many of the churches had their harvest festivals with program and tea to all those who attended.

We close the year with grateful hearts because God has been with us and we are looking to Him for further help and guidance.

The Bengali Woman's Friend

Editor ... ... ... ... MRS. H. E. DEWEY.

A larger Mohila Bandhub has gone into the homes of Bengal this year, for we have found sixteen pages insufficient to carry all that we wished to send. The twenty pages with two pictures have been published and distributed at the average rate of eight hundred and seventy-five a month. We cannot state just where these papers go, but we know that besides going into the centers of much of the missionary work, from which centers they are widely distributed, they find their way through individual subscription, or through colporteurs into hundreds of homes,—Christian, Moslem, and Hindu, where they prove themselves welcome visitors. It perhaps would be interesting to you to know that approximately one-half of the papers go into Methodist homes, the remainder finding their places in other mission centers, and homes, or in non-Christian homes.
The registration of the paper early in the year has materially decreased the postal expense of despatch, and will mean more and more with the growth of the subscription lists. We close the year with six hundred and six rupees on hand, and report the receipt of Rs. 900 from the Central Treasurer, W.F.M.S., and Rs. 218 from subscription proceeds.

Rev. G. C. Dutt has reported several times the great good being done by the seventy-five copies a month being sent free into the Brothels of Calcutta, and hopes that we may continue to help in the evangelization of these special outcasts in the great city.

In order that we may have in our records something regarding the history of the 'Mohila Bandhab,' I am quoting from Miss Blair's letter to me, and I trust some one will get from Mrs. Meik further word regarding the early progress and growth of the paper which we believe is coming more and more to be appreciated in the homes of Bengal.

Miss Blair writes: "The 'Mohila Bandhab' was a growing concern when, January 1899, I arrived in Calcutta. I think that from the beginning (and I am unable to say how long the period was) Mrs. Meik had been in charge. Perfectly at home in the language and acquainted from years of service among the Bengalis with their needs and tastes, she made an excellent editor. However, the August following my arrival in India I, a very ignorant person in all things Indian, was made Editor of the 'Mohila Bandhab.' From that time, except when on furlough and for a term or two when Mrs. Meik served, I had it as one of my jobs. During my last furlough, since there was no one else to do it, I supplied from America the matter for these vernacular papers as Editor-in-Chief. Originally the paper was issued twice a month, but after some years it was put into a new and much more attractive dress, and with about double the number of pages, was published only once a month.

Up to the time the Methodist Publishing House was discontinued in Calcutta, the little paper was published there and at a more moderate rate than it could be done later. We also had the use of any blocks for pictures belonging to the Press. On the demise of the Methodist Publishing House, the work was placed with a Bengali firm and later on with the Baptist Mission Press.

When it was decided to try the plan of placing all the vernacular papers—that is the five "Woman's Friends"—under one Editor-in-Chief, with local editors to attend to the details necessary to getting them out and supplying anything she found needed by her particular edition, I was given that job, at the same time continuing to carry on the Bengali edition. Although never able to reach my ideal of excellence, I trust that Bengali women and others were benefited, and certainly it was an opportunity which I prized."
Blackstone Missionary Institute, Muttra

Some one has said that "a Christian training school should be in the heart of a great city for the same reason that a medical school needs to be near a hospital. The city is a social laboratory." This is certainly true for Muttra, for it is a city ruled by Hinduism. Here the reformed Hindus, the Arya Samaj, flourish. Here the orthodox Hindus flock on pilgrimage, for is not this the land of Braj—Krishna's land? One does not have to go out of the city to meet the people from all over India. It reminds one of the passover crowds in Jerusalem. In our English department we have young women from different language areas. In the Zenanas, in the melas, and in the Brindaban hospital they find their countrymen.

Mohammedans to the number of about 10,000 are also found in Muttra. Zenana and Mohulla work are easily carried on. In a few minutes eleven bands of workers can soon find themselves in as many mohullas on Sunday morning. In half an hour, or less, by means of a Ford car, a band may be in the very center of village conditions. The local schools offer opportunity for work as teachers, and also in Sunday Schools and Young People's work.

Most of the teaching in the English Department has been carried on by the three missionaries, Miss Clancy, Miss Everly and Miss Helen Wells. Miss Everly is also Manager of the A.-V. Girls' Middle School. The teaching in the Vernacular Department is done by a staff composed of our own graduates. Special courses during the year have been arranged, under the leadership of missionaries and others who have been specially trained.

The enrollment during the year in the English Department has been seven. They come from Bombay Presidency, Madras, Rajputana, Punjab, Assam, Bihar and Orissa, representing the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist churches. The Vernacular Department enrollment has been thirty-nine, coming from the United Provinces, Rajputana, Bihar, and Central Provinces. They represent the Methodists, Assemblies of God, London Mission, C.M.S., S.P.G., Union Mission and the Presbyterians.

The demand for graduates is much greater than the supply. Since July we have had, on the average, about two letters a week asking for trained helpers. Many of these requests are from other missions.

In the spiritual life of the school, special emphasis is placed upon the "Morning Watch," and chapel exercises. Every member of the staff and every student is required to be a leader at Chapel. The course is carefully planned out for weeks ahead.

If ever courses in Religious Education were necessary, they are necessary today. In many of the other religious communities in
India, as the Arya Samaj, special stress is being put upon the Religious Education of their young people. They are also becoming conversant with our Bible. Are we placing the same emphasis on Religious Training? The Sword of the Spirit in untrained hands is a menace.

Board of Religious Education

January 8-15, 1929.

The following form of organization for Epworth League Institutes was adopted.

1. All Institutes in the Conference shall be governed by an Institute Commission.

2. The Institute Commission shall be composed of six members, five to be elected annually at the meeting of the Board of Religious Education. Each Institute shall nominate two of its members. The Board of Religious Education shall elect one member from each of the two names submitted.

3. Dean of Institute.—The Dean of the Vernacular Epworth League Institute shall be chairman of the Institute Commission. The Dean, in consultation with the Institute Commission, shall work out a program, select the faculty, business manager, registrar, text-books, and all other business pertaining to the Institute.

4. The Business Manager of the Institute shall have charge of the establishment of the camp, boarding arrangements for members of the Institute, and the finances.

5. The Registrar of the Institute shall have charge of the registration of delegates, arranging for text-books and stationery, act as Secretary, and keep a permanent record of the Institute activities.

6. The Institute Commission for 1929 composes the following members: Miss Pierce, Miss Eddy, S. K. Mondol, B. A. Mott, Miss Field, Dean of the Institute and Chairman of Commission, F. G. Williams.

Recommendations:

1. It was decided that the money from the Christian Banner fund now in the Treasury be given to the Dean of the Vernacular Institute for the purchase of classroom equipment.

2. We recommend that a Conference Sunday School Training School be held at some time during the year for the purpose of giving our teachers a training in new Sunday School methods for inspiration and refreshing. We further recommend that it be held in Asansol and that the Chairman of the Board of Religious Education appoint a Director.
3. We recommend a supervisor of Sunday Schools for our Conference who shall organize the Sunday Schools in our Conference and give encouragement and help.

4. We recommend that a Pastor-Teacher Institute be held as a refresher course for our pastors.

5. We wish to express our approval of the work Mr. E. L. King is doing in reference to religious education and we strongly urge that the Conference make use of all the helps he sends out.

6. We recommend that in each District there be a vernacular library for our District workers.

7. We strongly urge and recommend summer schools in connection with our District Conferences.

Board of Education

Proposals from Board of Education.—The following proposals were brought forward by the Board of Education and adopted by the Bengal Annual Conference and the Woman’s Conference in joint session:

1. The need of a thorough survey of the educational situation of the Conference with a view to formulating a comprehensive educational program for all phases of the subject from village schools to University education,—F. G. Williams to be the Director of the Survey.

2. The future development of the Ushagram School to include high school and teacher training departments,—the teacher training departments to provide teachers for our village schools which would be closely linked up with the extension department of Ushagram.

3. Plan for centralizing the Santali educational work through the Santali Girls’ Middle School,—also the transfer of the present middle school to a new site.

On motion of C. H. Archibald, the Conference pledged itself to carry out no plans for girls which could not also be carried out for boys.

4. Proposal to open a boys’ upper primary boarding school for Bengali boys in the plant to be vacated when the Santali Girls’ School is transferred to the new site.

On motion of Miss Madden it was decided to recommend to the Field Reference Committee that the ladies support this school.

5. Discussion as to whether the Ushagram idea is suitable for the girls’ schools of the Conference. On motion of H. E. Dewey, it was decided that the Ushagram idea was entirely suitable.
6. Plan for a Hindustani day school in Calcutta. On motion of W. H. Soule it was adopted with the provision that the survey referred to in No. 1 locate this school.

7. A Board of Trustees for Collins Institute with a Memorandum of Association. On motion of D. H. Manley, this was referred to the Collins Institute Committee.

8. That the scale of salaries for teachers in girls' schools be studied and revised if necessary by the Principals of the Conference girls' schools, and put into effect.

9. A special survey of conditions pertaining to the educational and financial problems relating to the future plans of Collins Institute. On motion of C. H. Archibald it was referred to the Collins Institute Committee.

10. Plans for care of our young men who are to go on for University training. On motion of S. K. Mondol, the principle of providing for them through a Methodist hostel in Calcutta was adopted.

11. That all the educational work of the Conference, excluding those institutions which are under special board of management, be included in an educational budget to be prepared by a Budget Committee of the Board of Education, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee and Field Reference Committee.

12. That in the election of the Finance Committee the Conference give due consideration to the adequate representation of the educational interests.

Bengal and Assam Christian Council

Representative ... ... ... Mrs. Elsie Beeken.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the Christian Council of Bengal and Assam was held at the Y.W.C.A., 134, Corporation Street, Calcutta, on Wednesday and Thursday, 14th and 15th of March, 1928. Mr. P. A. Sen, President of the Council, presided. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rt. Rev. Bishop Pakenham Walsh.

With regard to the Literature Committee report, one of the resolutions was to the effect that in view of the urgent need for the production of Bengali Christian literature and of the special qualifications for this work possessed by Miss Rowlands, the Council make to the Welsh Presbyterian Mission the request that, in the event of Miss Rowlands being willing to undertake the work, they should give her half time service as a literature missionary.

Mr. James, in his report upon work among Moslems, laid stress on the appalling need for missionaries to Moslems. In the Province
of Bengal which contains the largest solid block of Moslems to be found in any part of the world, there are so very few workers engaged in their evangelisation.

The report on Rural Education brought the good news that the way was at last clear for Mr. Ryrie to be set free for two years to help Mr. Cranswick and the C.M.S. to establish the needed training school at Chapra.

The report of the Committee on Zenana work was presented by Miss C. Reid. Among other things it had been decided

1. To hold a vacation school for Educated Bengali women (teachers and others) during the Easter holidays in the U.F.C. Zenana Mission House.

2. To arrange for a Refresher course for Bible-women some time during the year. It was resolved that the Committee be continued for another year to carry out arrangements for the vacation schools and to serve as a committee for the training school should it be established.

Mary Wilson Sanatorium

Mary Wilson Sanatorium, during the Conference year, admitted 68 patients and dismissed 58: five left of their own accord and five were transferred to other medical institutions. There were seventeen deaths during the year. Five died within four months after admission. Records show 158 in-patients for the year with a total number of patient days of 29,875. The average length of stay for each patient was 189 days. The total number of dispensary treatments was 2,902.

Late this summer quite a number of villages were visited. The Ford carrying our Pastor and part of our Sanatorium staff took healing for body and soul to quite a good many.

The past five months we know of at least seven patients who did not come to us because the relatives were unwilling to send them. Also eight others were refused admission because they were in too advanced a stage of the disease for Sanatorium treatment.

Our staff continues to change. Three of our Indian staff, having been treated, are now serving in other places, after having been with us for several years. The reading of appointments last November raised our hopes for a good year, with a fair amount of help. But Dr. Gourley's illness and return to America changed quite a number of plans very seriously. This fall Miss Murray was unable to continue longer, and is now on indefinite health leave. Her ill-health dates back to the long years of service in Aligarh. Vacations had to be taken and now at the end of the year, we find that for six months of the year three missionaries were at work in Tilaunia and for the
rest of the year only two. Because of these things Miss Fernstrom
had only two and one-half months in the year when she could be out
carrying on our health program. All year we have not had a
Superintending Nurse, so there has been a lack in the nursing and in
the training of those who were here to be trained. This is the
seventh year of my nine, in the Sanatorium, without a missionary
nurse. Let us hope that such may never be the case again. That
is not the way to conduct a Sanatorium nor to treat a doctor. Miss
Agnes Dunn, R.N. has returned from Language School and has
assumed the burden of Nursing Superintendent.

While we have not been able to develop our Laboratory and
Vocational Therapy as we would like, we are thankful that Dr. Taylor
has made it possible for us to give quite a number of our patients the
benefit of the X-ray machine at Madar Sanatorium.

Miss Matthew has checked up diets and made recommendations
for the same for forty schools. Thirty-five of these schools are under
Mr. Hill's supervision.

Last spring we changed our tactics and dismissed a large number
of patients instead of carrying them thru the malaria season in the
fall. The hot months are usually healthful for them and the
vacation time gives the school-going patients a chance to readjust to
home and school conditions. As a result we have not had so many in
our Sanatorium school; and this has proved a financial saving, we
hope not only to the Sanatorium but to the schools as well.

Miss Ivy Maston has made several visits and has been a great
help to our people spiritually. In August, following a Sunday
evening sermon, an appeal was made to act definitely on the message
the pastor had brought. As a result there was a straightening out of
crooked ways, and a renewing of consecration to God's service.
Christian living has come to have more meaning to some because
of this.

This year some of our patients have been writing Hindi and Urdu
Bible verses on the backs of picture post-cards. These will be given
to members of Annual Conference for distribution and in this way we
hope the spiritual messages will sink into the hearts of writers and
receivers and that the Word thus sown in Indus River Conference
may yield much fruit.

Health Department.—The Health Department of the Sanatorium
prepared an outline for a full year of health teaching for the Third
Standard, (U.P. Curriculum) last year. This year Miss Fernstrom
has prepared the outline for the Fourth Standard. Miss Carolyn
Schaeffer of Meerut and Miss Kathryn Keyhoe of Baihar have
assisted in getting these translated into Urdu and Hindi.

Seven schools have had health examinations and four District
Conferences have had health lectures and three of them health
examination. A very successful Health Institute was held, when
Hygiene teachers, school nurses, school matrons, and one missionary came together in Bareilly during October for five days’ intensive work. There was a regular enrollment of 21, but many others came for part of the lectures. The Government Normal School for Women in Bareilly was very interested in the program and were very cordial regarding our work. The missionary and three others of those regularly enrolled were from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel Mission School and the rest were from Methodist Schools. Inquiries regarding the work are coming from other missions, and some Government schools. Gujerat Woman’s Conference has asked Miss Fernstrom to address them regarding the Health Program. The Modern Health Crusade is in operation in twelve schools in five provinces.

Total number of examinations in schools and the institute...581

.. District Conference........105

We are grateful for the hearty response and the helpful messages that come from officers, patrons, and friends of missionary work in the homeland and we pray that as we work together His Kingdom may come into the hearts of many.

Isabella Thoburn College

In these days of the radio, there must be many a thrill at broadcasting stations, in the sense of producing that which will reach many. We often have that sense when we stop to realize from how many origins our students and teachers come, and to how many corners of the earth and varieties of experience and service they go. And as I have the privilege of sending to each conference a message of good cheer and greetings from our staff and students, it is also with a sense of broadcasting the good news of the evergrowing inspiration and encouragement as well as problems and challenges, of the College which is really yours and ours in trust. We are happy to make an account from year to year.

The program of teaching the ten chosen College ideals has continued this year with some modifications, but with as great effectiveness as last year, and an increasing sense of their being a very vital part of College life and spirit. Expectancy on the part of both old and new students was helped by a very lovely portal ceremony, prepared by Miss Hunt, and given soon after the University students arrived, the way having been prepared by an introductory presentation of the ideals to the Intermediate classes. The portal ceremony takes advantage of the happy coincidence of there being ten lofty pillars in our lovely College portico; each now stands for a College ideal. Old students and teachers sat within the ‘portal’,
new students without until the ideals were briefly explained, each from a pillar, the pledge given to each, and the new students were then admitted to the golden circle of College traditions and ideals.

Other College activities have progressed happily. The Government Association has worked well, with conscientious, efficient officers, and continues to foster a spirit of community life and cooperation between teachers and students. The Y.W.C.A. has had an especially happy and prosperous year. Amongst the events was a very successful sale, which netted over Rs. 300, towards sending 7 delegates to the All-India Y.W.C.A. Conference held in Madras at Christmas time. Miss Khan, our Y.W.C.A. President was also a guest at the World Student Christian Federation in Mysore, on the generous invitation of Miss Schaeffer, National Y.W.C.A. Secretary. From two Inter-Collegiate Debates our students again brought back honours. We have participated in the Lucknow Conferences on Educational Reform for women, Miss Shannon and a senior student also being delegates to the All-India Conference in Delhi. Our teachers and students also helped in the recent All-Oudh Educational Exhibit. Our 40 odd Girl Guides have organized the first Cadet Corps in Lucknow and sent two delegates to the Training Camp in Naini Tal. We had one student delegate at the All-India W.C.T.U. Convention in Delhi.

Mohulla Sunday Schools continue, some now equipped with bathing and medical accessories and flit. Annual traditions, such as Arbor Day, Community Christmas, and Sports Day accumulate interest. At last year's College Day, changed to November, was given an effective little Greek play, "The Lost Pleiad"; for this year's program was presented Maeterlinck's, "The Blue Bird", for which after a long interim without a lady at Government House, we had the gracious consent of Lady Halley to preside.

Academic interests seem to have kept good pace. One of the academic achievements of the year, in which the College takes pride, was the publication (at College expense) by Miss E. M. Thillayampalam, M.Sc., Head of our Biology Department, of a most scholarly and technical book on the "Scoliodon" (for the use of B.Sc. students). It is the second of the series in the "Indian Zoological Memoirs", inaugurated by the All-India Science Congress, and edited by Dr. K. N. Bahl, of Lucknow University.

The total enrolment for this year is 125, a few less than last year, which however included one High School class. The distribution of religions is interesting: 92 Christians, 23 Hindus, 9 Muslims and 1 Sikh. The cosmopolitan variety is also striking. Besides various types of Indians and Anglo-Indians we have one girl of Scotch-Nepalese ancestry, one of Irish descent, one Santali, one of Negro family and one Chinese girl.

Most welcome is the return of Miss Manchester after an absence of more than three years, during which she has passed her Ph.D. examinations in Political Science at Columbia University and will now
complete her thesis here. Equally welcome is the return of Miss Wallace after furlough. Miss L. Ghosh has accepted the strong plea to continue her efficient work in Bengal rather than return to her Philosophy post with us, which is still filled by Miss Venkataratnam. Mr. S. C. Roy, m.sc., continues as a much needed second in the Chemistry department. We are happy to have Miss I. Bux as Office Secretary and teacher. On the whole the staff seems more complete and stabilized than it has been for years.

To most of you are known the reasons for, and significance of, Miss Shannon's early furlough and big errand. So critical and promising a time has come in the development of the College that correspondence could no longer suffice to inform and guide groups in America now responsible for most momentous decisions in the growth, policies, needs and great possibilities of the College. We are faced with imminent need of more building and equipment, especially for Science laboratories (which now limit the number of students who can take Biology), Library, a large Assembly Hall, and a Hostel. Building plans were precipitated by a generous ten thousand dollar gift by Mr. and Mrs. Boyd for the next hostel, the consequent permission of the W.F.M.S. to accept large gifts for this object and the more recent choice by the Presbyterian women of the I.T.C. Presbyterian hostel as their special object for this year. But if building was to be begun and more money raised, there was needed the most careful guidance and consideration of the urgency and order of buildings and future plans. For this Miss Shannon has found the most helpful sympathy and co-operation of the various bodies in America; their sanctioning of a hundred thousand dollar goal, to make partial provision for the above needs, has made possible the appeal for large special gifts without detriment, we trust, to the more popular and regular giving and objects of the W.F.M.S. work. And so, good friends, we build together; if ever there comes an interim when we need not more buildings made by hands, of brick and iron and hard-earned money, yet always we shall go on most happily in the building of creative minds, consecrated character, and the very city of our Christ.

Enola Eno.

Temperance Report

Temperance work has progressed this year; 14,500 tracts have been distributed, 218 pledges have been signed, temperance instruction is given in all schools and regular temperance sermons are reported by the Indian preachers.

Silver medal contests have been held at the Bengali Girls’ School at Pakaur, the Calcutta Girls’ High School, and the Calcutta
Boys' School. A Gold medal contest was held at Queen's Hill School Miss Helen Manley being the winner.

The Temperance play, "Horidasi," has been given by the Bengali Girls' School at Pakaur and also by the Epworth League of Hatibagan Church in Calcutta.

Mrs. Manley has recently been elected National Treasurer of the W.C.T.U. She continues to have charge of temperance literature. During the National Congress Exhibit in Calcutta, Mrs. Manley furnished charts for the Temperance booth.

We hope that the Scientific Temperance Manual in Bengali, compiled by Miss Carpenter, may be introduced into the Bengal school curriculum. "The Wonderful House in which I Live," translated by Miss Eddy into Bengali, is now on sale for As. 2. "Horidasi" is being printed in Hindi and Urdu. It is now in the Press but will sell for six pies per copy. A serial story by Mr. Mity has been published in the 'Mohila Bandhub' which we would like to publish in book form.

We recommend that each school secure from temperance headquarters a set of temperance books for reference. These are available in Bengali, Urdu and Hindi for about Re. 1-6-0.
Resolutions

That we express our thankfulness that the Committee on Episcopacy of the General Conference heeded the prayer and resolutions of this Conference last year and returned Bishop Fisher to us for another quadrennium. Thus to us is granted the leadership of one of the greatest and most dynamic personalities in the church. His visits throughout the Conference have strengthened us in our work and have made us more than ever thankful that we have the privilege of working with one so filled with zeal for the Kingdom of Christ. We appreciate to the greatest degree his insight into the problems peculiar to India, his spirit-filled life, which overflows into ours, his challenging us to greater efforts, disturbing our complacency, his criticism of our mediocre results, his prodding us out of old ruts, his leadership through the tremendous difficulties which face us. We look forward to the four years that lie ahead with high hopes and faith that under his leadership, we shall exceed his and our own highest ambitions and hopes for the church of God in India.

That we express our sincere pleasure at the return of Mrs. Fisher to our Conference and to the Area. She, like her husband, is a constant challenge to us. Her strength of personality, her charm and dignity of manner are a pleasure to all who know her. We appreciate her interest in and passionate devotion to Indian womanhood and in her they have a real friend and champion.

That we heartily welcome back to our midst the following: Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Manley and Miss Pearl Madden to steer our finances in safe channels; Rev. and Mrs. F. G. Williams, having added degrees from Columbia University, to add their new ideas and enthusiasm to our Conference educational work; Miss E. Norberg with thankfulness for her restored health after her illness; Miss M. L. Eddy, who with her quiet calm, makes us feel that she has just come home; Miss Mildred Pierce with new ideas and added pep and our new Missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. William H. Mawson. We feel that our Conference has been and will be greatly enriched by the presence of these devoted people.

That we extend to Rev. and Mrs. Archibald and son Herbert Lee our very best wishes for a happy voyage to America, a restful and profitable furlough and a speedy return to their chosen field of service. They will be missed in many, many ways.

That we express to Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Griffiths our appreciation of their extra long term of service and their valuable work in the
India Methodist Theological College, and we extend to them our good wishes for a happy, restful furlough, a successful period of study and in due course return to service for Christ in India.

That we extend to Misses K. M. Kinzly, Pearl Hughes and Beulah Swan our best wishes for a pleasant journey, a happy home reunion and a profitable furlough. May they all return to us enriched for even greater service for their Master.

That we express to Mrs. Frances Smith our deep appreciation of her faithful service and devotion to her task and her beautiful life through these many years, and that we deeply regret that she feels it necessary to return to America to retire. Also we extend to her our heartiest good wishes for many happy years of fruitful service in the homeland and assure her of our prayers.

That we are happy to have Mrs. Ada Lee in our midst. We rejoice that she still brings forth fruit in old age, and for her spiritual insight and forward look. We rejoice in the well-earned recognition by Government of her love for India by the awarding of the Kaiser-i-Hind Gold medal. A medal does not measure her devotion to the girls and women of this land,—a devotion covering over fifty years of service. We pray that she may have many more beautiful years to serve Christ.

That we have all been spiritually inspired by the fresh and challenging devotional messages brought to us every morning by Mr. A. C. Chakrabati of Jubbulpore. We have been driven to a deeper consecration of our lives in order that we may regain the urgency and sense of reality of the deepest Christian experience.

That we express our hearty appreciation of and sincere thanks to the Entertainment Committee and especially to Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dewey for the splendid arrangement for our comfort. We have enjoyed the Democratic spirit and Christian fellowship fostered by the one table for all alike.

That there are many indications that India is facing a new day of hopefulness and progress; and that Christian missions face a new day of challenge and opportunity. We, as a Conference, are resolved by the grace of God to face this new day with an open mind and an earnest purpose to seek and try any plans or experiments that may promise better adoption and use of our resources both of personal and money.
General Statistics for Bengal Conference, for the last Complete Conference year preceding July 1st, 1928

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#### NAME AND LOCATION OF SCHOOL

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## Statistics of the Educational Work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of March 31st.

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### Expenditures (Use local Currency)

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Statistics for Medical Work in Schools and Districts, Bengal Conference

For the Conference year ending December, 1928.

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Medical Statistics for the year ending June 30, 1928

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1. Official Name.—Edith Jackson Fisher Memorial Hospital.

2. Other Names by which known.—Mission Hospital and Dispensary.

3. Location.—
   (1) In the city: One-quarter mile east of E.I.Ry. Station.
   (2) In relation to other buildings of the Mission and other hospitals in the city: Two miles east of Government Hospital and dispensary: Within a mile radius of a score of villages: On the mission compound.
   (3) Date founded: 1906.

II. HOSPITAL BOARD (GIVE NAMES).

   (a) Foreign—Mrs. Elsie Beeken, Miss Beulah Swan.
   (b) Native—Miss S. J. Alley.

III. STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928.

1. Staff.—
   (4) Native doctors ... ... ... ... 1
   (5) Native nurses—(a) Graduates ... ... 2
   (b) Students ... ... 3
   Total (4) and (5) ... 6
   (6) Other workers—(b) Native ... ... 2
   Total Staff ... 8

2. Hospital.—
   (1) No. of beds ... ... ... ... 12
   (2) in-patients ... ... ... ... 144
   (3) patient days ... ... ... ... 1,152
   (4) Average days per patient ... ... 8
   (5) No. of major operations ... ... ... ... ...
   (6) minor operations ... ... ... ... 4
   (7) Obstetrical cases in hospital ... ... 8

3. Out-Patients.—
   (1) Obstetrical cases ... ... ... ... 2
   (2) First visits (include obstetrical visits) ... ... 20
   (3) Return visits ... ... ... ... 7
   (4) No. of itinerary treatments given ... ... ...
   (5) Total out-patient treatments (sum of 2, 3 and 4). 27

4. Dispensary.—
   (1) First calls ... ... ... ... 1,587
   (2) Return calls ... ... ... ... 7,768
   (3) Total dispensary treatments (sum of 1 and 2) ... 9,355
   (4) No. of minor operations (included in 3) ... 50
   (5) preventive inoculations (included in 3) ... 537
5. Property.—

(1) Land—extent (acres) ... ... ... ... 
(2) No. of buildings ... ... ... 2 
(3) Describe buildings as to purpose for which used, size, and material out of which constructed—Dispensary—Kachi—puccha house of three rooms—thatch roof; veranda where patients wait for treatment and Bible-woman gives instruction. Hospital—brick with tile roof—two wards, office and operating room: Long veranda.

6. Income.—

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<td>(1) From hospital patients</td>
<td>8 0 0</td>
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<td>(2) From Dispensary patients</td>
<td>76 0 0</td>
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<td>(3) From outside patients</td>
<td>158 12 3</td>
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<td>(4) Appropriations—(a) Society</td>
<td>3,150 0 0</td>
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<td><strong>Total Income</strong></td>
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7. Expenses.—

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<td>(2) Drugs and supplies</td>
<td>385 3 6</td>
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<td>(3) General upkeep</td>
<td>340 5 0</td>
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<td>(4) Repairs</td>
<td>193 13 6</td>
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<td>(5) Extensions—land and buildings</td>
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<td>(6) Other expenses</td>
<td>351 10 6</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses</strong></td>
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8. Debt.—

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<td>(2) On Current Expenses</td>
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