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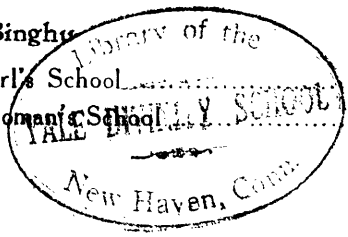
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Minutes of the 1928 Session of the Foochow Woman's Conference

Monday Morning, October 29.

The Foochow Woman's Conference of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in annual session in the chapel of the Uk Ing Girls' School on October 29th, at eight forty-five, Miss Ruby Sia, the president of the Conference, presiding.

The devotional service was led by Miss Florence Plumb. After the hymn, "Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts" Miss Plumb Discussed Christ's training of His first missionary band: after a night of prayer, "that they might be with Him", and that they should receive the Holy Spirit. All united in a season of prayer and in the prayer hymn, "Lord, speak to me that I may speak"

Mrs. Clement Sites gave an inspiring description of the systematic individual method which she and her fellow-workers are following in their evangelistic campaigns in the Kutien field.

Miss Ding Hie Cio of Uk Ing Girls' School sang "The Garden of Prayer"

The reports from the day-schools in the several districts emphasized the importance of strong Christian character and evangelistic zeal in the teachers of the day schools, for many little lives are touched and often the life of the church really centers in its day school. The "life touches life" method is effective if the teacher is consecrated. In closing the discussion, Miss Tiang Soi Nguok said that unless our teachers have a vital faith and a living expression of that faith, their pupils may say to them, "You cannot learn Jesus, how can you expect me to learn Him?" but if we learn the spirit in which Christ said, "He that hath seen the Father" we can say with Paul, "Be ye imitators of me, as I also am of Christ"

Monday Afternoon, October 29.

The Conference met in business session in the Tai Maiu parlor, opening with the hymn, "Work for the night is coming" and prayer. Miss Iek Hua Giong was elected Chinese secretary in the absence of Miss Lucy Wang.

It was voted, that the appointments by made be the Reference Committee.

It was voted, that the chair appoint a nominating committee. Those appointed were: Miss Jennie Jones, chairman, Miss Ruth Ciu, Miss Mary Carleton, Miss Dorothy Tiang, and Miss Bonafield.

The Auditing Committee reported all the Kutien accounts audited, all Futsing except the hospital, all Haitang except the day schools, and all Tai Maiu. Other Foochow accounts are ready when Miss Wilcox can audit them.

The Credentials Committee proposed the following names for election to membership in the Conference and they were unanimously elected:

Foochow: Miss Hu Ing-Ming, Dr. Anna Ciu
Miss Lau Mi-Ding

Futsing: Dr. Ung Soi-Ging, Miss Ling Cie Lang

Haitang: Miss Li Seuk-Ing, Miss Uong Seuk Ing

Mintsing: Miss Su Seuk-Ngi

It was voted, that the chair appoint a committee to correct the roll of Conference members and that the corrected roll be printed in the Conference minutes. Those appointed were: Miss Dang Hie Pek, chairman, Miss Carol Chen, Miss Hu Ing Huong, and Mrs. Mary Lau.

Miss Harriet Halverstadt reported for the Evangelistic Committee, saying that there is a new emphasis and a new spirit in the evangelistic work.

For the Language Committee Miss Wallace reported that Dr. Ruth Wolcott had passed a series of language examinations very creditably, and Miss Plumb reported that Miss Emma Wilson had completed the second year course.

Following Miss Lois Huang reported for the Committee on the Advancement of Christian Life in the Home, general discussion brought forth some startling facts. Miss Sprunger said that in the Kutien districts more girls are having their feet bound than in previous years, and more people are taking daughters-in-law because of the high cost of brides, (where formerly an \$80 bride was considered very expensive, now \$300 to \$600 is the price demanded), while many, many girl babies are being destroyed to give place to daughters-in-law who will continue with the family. Miss Lois Huang expressed very strongly the share of the responsibility which mission schools must bear for these higher prices of brides, because of the high demands made by parents, even by pastors, of their daughters who have been educated in our Christian schools.

Miss Abel's report for the Editing and Publishing Committee was read.

It was voted, that the Publicity Committee be discontinued.

The Conference adjourned to attend the reception in honor of Mrs. Birney and Miss Gless.

Tuesday Morning, October 30.

The Conference met in the Hwa Nan chapel, Miss Plumb again leading the devotions. After the hymn, "I love to tell the story", Mrs. Mae Hu Nga led in prayer. Miss Plumb said that as true witnesses we must bear testimony to our personal experience of Christ and if our souls are daily filled with the Holy Spirit we need not be anxious about the fruitage of our work for the harvest is our Father's.

The new missionaries and the newly elected members of the Conference present at this session were introduced. They were: Miss Juliette Johnson, Miss Karis Brewster, Dr. Ruth Wolcott, Miss Hu Ing Ming, Miss Ling Cie Lang, and Miss Uong Seuk Ing.

The Conference had as guests, Mrs. Birney, Miss Pauline Wescott, Miss Ellen Suffern, Miss Linam, and Dr. Lydia Chen, and also greeted Miss Bonafield, Miss Mace, and Miss Lefforge, who have been absent from the Conference for a few years.

Mrs. Birney graciously gave a brief message to the Conference, saying that in China "the harvest truly is great," but the laborers all too few, and she urged that we unitedly pray for more laborers and for strength for our heavily burdened laborers.

The Hwa Nan mandolin club rendered two beautiful selections.

Miss Wallace of Hwa Nan gave an address on "Colleges and Middle Schools as Forces in Evangelism", saying that in the task of making the world Christian, schools of higher education have a very real function, i. e. the developing of the highest type of character through group education rather than individual, and allowing such freedom as makes for real character.

The Hwa Nan choir sang, "I waited for the Lord"

In discussing "The Hospital as an Evangelistic Agency", Dr. Lydia Chen told how in her own experience she had found that there was a wide opportunity for a Christian doctor to witness for Christ, not only among her patients, but also among her nurses and fellow doctors, for many who study nursing and medicine are not free from the ambition for money and name. She said that a Christian doctor or nurse must have the spirit of Christ "to minister and not to be ministered unto", if she is to fulfil her duty to the sick bodies and sin-sick souls that are entrusted to her.

Miss Lois Huang reported the plan for preparing a sixtieth anniversary gift to our mother society in 1929, the proposed gift being small Chinese cups for a communion-service, each Christian woman and girl in China giving her name and one dime toward this presentation. Miss Lydia Trimble is the chairman of the committee for carrying out the plans. 11X

In leading the discussion on the influence of a Christian teacher, Miss Roxy Lefforge said that if a teacher has Christ as a reality in her heart she will make Christ so real that her students cannot help but seek Him; she will make everything she teaches bring glory to Jesus Christ and her students will go out to bring glory to Him.

Tuesday Afternoon, October 30.

The second business session opened at Hwa Nan with the singing of "The Church's One Foundation", and prayer by Dr. Li Bi Cu.

It was voted, that Miss Ruby Sia and Dr. Ida Belle Lewis be renominated to the Provincial Board of Education and that Miss Dang Hie Pek be nominated to succeed Miss Carol Chen.

It was voted, that Miss Wilcox, Dr. Witham, and Mrs. Wilkinson continue to serve on the Kuliang Sanitarium Board.

It was voted, that the Conference reports be handed to the Committee on Publication for Editing and publishing, that 750 English copies of the reports be printed, and that the minutes, appointments, and roll of members be printed in Chinese but not the reports.

It was voted, that Miss Ruby Sia be continued on the North Fukien Christian Council and that Miss Tiang Soi Nguok be elected to the Council.

It was voted, that Miss Carleton and Miss Rose Mace be elected to the Board of the Woman's School of Industrial Arts,

Dr. Ida Belle Lewis (one year) and Miss Myrtle Sia (two years) continuing.

It was voted, that Miss Emma Wilson fill out the term of Miss Grace Shawhan on the Board of Managers of the Union Kindergarten Training School (two years), that Miss Iek Hua Giong be elected to succeed Miss Wilson (three years) and that Miss Mary Carleton fill out the term of Miss Hu Soi Gie.

It was voted, that Miss Bartlett be re-elected to the Board of Directors of Hwa Nan College

It was voted, that Miss Carol Chen be re-elected to the Board of Directors of Uk Ing Girls' School.

The nominating committee brought in their nominations and the following officers were elected by ballot:

President: Miss Janet Ho

Vice-president: Miss Roxy Lefforge

Chinese Secretary: Miss Irene Ngoi

English Secretary: Miss Martha McCutchen

Statistical Secretary: Miss Eva Sprunger

Assistant Statistical Secretary: Miss Myrtle Smith

Treasurer of Conference Funds: Miss Marion Cole

Official Correspondent: Miss Carrie Bartlett

The standing committees were elected by acclamation, (See list after appointments at the end of the book.)

Bishop Birney visited the Conference at this point bringing greetings and an appeal for renewed emphasis on evangelism "in the whole Conference throughout the whole year" Bishop Birney requested that representatives of the Woman's Conference be chosen to meet with the Evangelistic Committee of the Annual Conference to plan intensive evangelistic work for the year.

It was voted, that our Evangelistic Committee meet in cooperation with the Annual Conference Committee and that in Miss Trimble's absence, Miss Plumb act as chairman of our committee and report actions and recommendations to Miss Trimble.

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The following representatives were elected to the Conference Board of Education :

Foochow : Miss Mary Carleton

Futsing : Miss Lois Huang

Haitang : Miss Ruth Ciu

Kutien : Miss Li Soi Gieu

Mintsing : Miss Su Seuk Ng

It was voted, that the Field Reference Committee retire to nominate the new Field Reference Committee, and when the nominations were presented it was voted that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the names as nominated :

Futsing : Dr. Li Bi Cu

Haitang : Miss Halverstadt

Mintsing : Miss Trimble

Kutien : Miss Jayne

Foochow :

Miss Carol Chen

Miss Wilcox

Miss Ruby Sia

Miss Mace

Official Correspondent : Miss Bartlett

The in-coming Reference Committee retired to nominate the Field Property Committee. Those elected were : Miss Wallace, Miss Wilcox, Mrs. Mary Lau, Miss Bartlett, and a representative of the Fukien Construction Bureau.

The Credentials Committee presented five names for election to membership in the Conference. They were elected as follows : Mrs. Emily Ding, Mrs. Henry Li, Mrs. Sites, Mrs. Worley, and Mrs. Gowdy.

Following the report of the Field Property Committee by Miss Wilcox, the 1928 Conference adjourned, the members planning to attend the annual meeting of the Chinese Missionary Society all day Wednesday in the Uk Ing chapel.

Signed : Iek Hua Giong

EMMA W. WILSON

Secretaries,

Field Property Committee

A Property Committee in China these days must be a functioning body.

Dr. Hu's hospital in the City has not re-opened as a hospital, but for a year has been rented to the Education Department of the Government. The rent is low as the Government feels it cannot pay more, but as this branch of Government has had in it good men whom we like to encourage and help, and also it is much better for the buildings to be used than closed, we have deemed best to rent it.

The property known as Miss Adams' Place has also been rented throughout the year. Much of the rental has to go into repairing damage done by white ants as these pests have always seemed to consider these buildings a special delicacy and favorite haunt. This year the Union Industrial School of Arts will probably open work in the industrial building.

Tai Maiu School is having its trials by infringement on the edges of the property on various sides. Neighbors deem it quite proper to build balconies over the wall, while on one side they insist the school owes them a roadway. The Consul has taken the matter up with the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and we hope soon to have intruders and troublemakers keep their places.

Needless to say no new property has been purchased or buildings erected.

Alice A. Wilcox, Secy.

Editors and Publishing Committee

Eight hundred copies of the minutes for 1927 were ordered printed, but again there are some fifty left. It seems to the committee that since the number of our missionaries on the field is fewer than formerly, the number of copies printed should be reduced.

It was voted last year to have the Constitution of our Foochow Woman's Conference printed in Chinese, and the Editing and Publishing Committee was requested to be responsible for having this done. The Committee did so, and one hundred copies are ready for distribution to the Chinese conference members.

It has been suggested that it would be helpful if our conference statistics could be printed this year as this has not been done for some time.

The financial statement for 1927 is as follows:

To printing Conference programs	\$ 4.50
„ „ 800 copies of Conf. minutes...	180.00
„ 4 cuts for pictures	24.36
„ envelopes for mailing.....	3.75
„ Postage	7.28
„ printing 100 copies of Cons. in Chinese	1.50
„ loss on Shanghai exchange35
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	\$221.74
By appropriation.....	\$200.00
„ 1927 balance	26.56
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	\$226.56
By 1928 balance	4.82
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	\$226.56

EDITH F. ABEL,

Chairman of Editing and Publishing Com.

Mailing list for Foreign Conference Reports

Footnote Conference

One Report sent to each of the following

- General Officers.
- Home Base Secretaries.
- Special Secretaries.
- General Office.

Three Reports sent to each of the following

- Corresponding Secretaries.
- Assistant Corresponding Secretaries.

The number to be sent to each Branch Secretary of Field Support to be reported by the Branch Corresponding Secretary.

No report as to this number came to me so I sent them as follows:

To Secretaries of Field Support:

New England Branch.....	Mrs. A. P. Sharp	5
New York Branch.....	Mrs. Robert M. Moore.	6
Philadelphia Branch	Mrs. Ira Atkinson	12
Baltimore Branch	Mrs. S. Dewhirst	5
Cincinnati Branch	Mrs. L. B. Gatten	15
Northwestern Branch.....	Mrs. Albert H. Andrews	40
DesMoines Branch	Mrs. M. M. Cable	12
Minneapolis Branch	Mrs. L. L. Fish	5
Topeka Branch	Mrs. Lydia K. Andrews	12
Pacific Branch.....	Mrs. Frederick Hamilton	6
Columbia River Branch.	Mrs. George G. Israelson	5

Address of all officers will be found in the Year Book,

W. F. M. S. Minutes

To be distributed as follows:

To each W F M. S. missionary in the Conference	5 copies.
„ „ W F. M. S. „ on furlough	1 copy.

To each Mission Board family 1 copy.
 „ „ Chinese woman or girl in charge of work 5 copies.
 „ „ Chinese Conference member not in charge of work 1 copy.

To each division of work

<i>Foochow</i>	<i>Futsing</i>	<i>Mintsing</i>
Hwa Nan College...10 copies	Girls' Sch.....10.....10	
Hwa Nan H. S. ...10 „	Hosp.....10.....10	
Tai Maiu20 „	Evang.10.....10	
Bible School10 „	Day Sch. ...10.....10	
Magaw10 „		
U. K. T. S.10 „		
Day School10 „		
<i>Haitang</i>	<i>Kutien</i>	
Girls' School.....10	Girls' School.....10	
Evang.10	Normal, etc.10	
Day Sch.10	Evang.10	
	Day Sch.10	

Union Kindergarten Training School

Another year gone! What have we to show for it? Not a great deal to look at, and not as much as we would like. But with Miss Allen on furlough and no Anglican representative back to help, Miss Wong, Miss Ling (Hwa Nan graduate) and I had about all we could manage just to keep the machinery working smoothly:

We could not ask for a more peaceful year altho politically China is not what you would call settled, with soldiers continually changing and fires and rumors of fires. But the spirit of the girls has been beautiful under the leadership of Miss Wong, especially the two seniors who really have the spirit of service. They are so looked up to by the other girls that they voted to use their left over board money (for the term) to send these two girls to

Y. M. C. A. Conference in Shanghai, their first time out of port. There are two Anglicans, eight from the Church of Christ in China, and twelve Methodist girls. Ten are in the Préparatory Class and ten of the twelve regular girls are senior high School graduates.

I have especially enjoyed the kindergarten this year as I have taken more time to play with the children and feel I really know some of them. Here is where the language is the worst barrier. It is the one thing that keeps you from being one with them. Anyway we had a good time hunting butterfly worms together, watching them spin and then come out into beautiful butterflies that were real and could fly. This year their Christmas was different. Their gifts had not come from America but from the street. Isn't it a tribute to our America friends that these tiny tots want their gifts to come straight from America and not South Street. This is truly a great opportunity to spread the brotherhood of man and prepare for world peace.

The mothers of these Children have been a special burden on my heart this last year. They especially enjoyed a sewing club we had one term where they made baby quilts out of the scraps that came in the boxes. I might say almost one-third of these mothers are Christians or have been in Christian schools. The other two-thirds come out of interest in their children or plain curiosity. These we hope to reach. One of these mothers, who sits in the kindergarten everyday, for her child is very timid, has told one of the senior girls how much happier she is since she has been coming to kindergarten. Before her home was very sad for her husband died leaving three children. The folks from her house say she is foolish to send the oldest girl to school (Institutional Church) but this mother has gotten a vision here that this little girl must go to school, even to college and make some thing out of herself. Another mother told us how her little

boy helped while she was in the hospital sick. This little fellow insisted he had helped while she was away. "But how could you help while I was away?" asked the mother much puzzled. "I prayed everyday to Jesus and he has made you well" replied the child in simple faith.

After interesting Mothers Meetings, we always have a larger womens class at Sunday School. We only have four Sunday Schools this year, but all kept up their attendance last term thru the rainy season, and that is saying a lot. One Sunday School that was held in a private house outside Water Gate has just moved to an old temple where some nuns listen every Sunday and declare this doctrine sounds good.

We are ashamed to say we have neglected our graduates. There is really enough work along this line to keep one person occupied. I have only managed to get new material, songs, stories, and hand work, to them twice during each term. I would like to do this regularly once a month besides visiting their kindergartens and their own homes, it means so much to the girls. They are in great demand for the government schools, but so far only three or four have consented. They are doing very good work which makes me wish we could over supply the government schools with Christian teachers, then we need have no fear for the future of China. Of course there are some disappointments, but that is bound to come when a whole country is being stirred to the bottom. But we must be patient and always willing to give a second chance and in the meantime work the harder and more thoroughly with what we have on hand. Then there are the glowing reports of the faithful which cheer you on and far over shadow the few disappointments. There are also some real Christian homes where our grand children are brought up in a beautiful Christian atmosphere.

We have just received the happy news of a generous gift to be called the Alice Mae Lacy Scholarship. We consider this a high privilege to help 'carry on' Mother and Father Lacy's work here in China.

GRACE SHAWHAN

Hwa Nan College

In spite of the changed conditions, many hardships and disturbances, the school year of 1927-1928 has been a victorious one; the spirit of Hwa Nan College is as beautiful and fine as ever; and the voluntary basis of religious education and worship has not made the slightest difference in the student's choice of religious courses and daily chapel attendance.

It was considered best to limit the number of the student body for the fall term of 1927. But in the spring general conditions had greatly improved and the enrollment for the spring term was surprisingly increased. The total was 104. This the first time in the history of the College the enrollment has exceeded one hundred.

The first ray of light that came to the horizon last fall was the return of Miss Katharine Willis from America, followed four weeks later by the return of Miss Roxy Lefforge from her long furlough. It seemed like the old Hwa Nan again to have the absent members return. The Faculty was further increased by the addition of Mr. Ding Ik Huong, a fine Classical scholar, who was a former teacher of Chinese in a Government University in Peking, and Mr. Ling Sing Hwa, a returned student from Syracuse University, who helped for a semester in teaching science and mathematics. In Miss Keeney's absence from the Botany Department, we are greatly indebted to the Anglo-Chinese College for the splendid service of Mr. Overholt in that department.

Early in the fall of 1927 Dr. Lewis was taken ill with a serious case of typhoid fever, After eleven weeks in the hospital she went to Shanghai to convalesce, and then later went home to America. Even during the period of her convalescence she has represented Hwa Nan at important meetings and has worked untiringly for the College. We are indeed grateful for what she has been able to accomplish. We regret to report that her return has been temporarily postponed because of failure to receive a health certificate. We pray that she may soon recover her strength.

At the close of the fall term Miss Reik left to go home on furlough by way of Europe. Miss Lucy Wang was awarded a fellowship by Michigan University and she left for America soon after she was elected President by the Board of Directors of Hwa Nan College in August. She is now devoting her time to preparation for her future work. Because of her splendid preparation, her beautiful spirit and her strong personality the College will undoubtedly have a bright and glorious future under her leadership, and we are looking forward to her return.

One of the most delightful events of the year was the Campus Sing. The rear quadrangle of the campus, bordered by the loveliest palms, was the site, and although it was a bright moonlight night, the campus was gay with lanterns of all sorts—large and small. The whole group of both schools participated and the setting seemed to add much to the beauty of the songs. The Mandolin Club of the College and the College Choir and Faculty had special numbers.

The Christmas Pageant was a vivid and appealing presentation of the Scriptural story—showing the manger scene, an angel choir, shepherds and the wise men. With this magic picture before us we sang "Silent Night, Holy Night"

Close on the heels of Christmas came Commencement. Junior-Senior Night was a Grecian evening and people thought

it was the most beautiful and artistic presentation ever made at Hwa Nan. The girls wore soft Grecian gowns and those who took the part of men wore short tunics. All wore sandals and bands about the forehead. The stage setting was softened by special colored lights and the effect was dreamy and lovely as they portrayed the old Greek stories so familiar to us all.

Commencement gave us the same ever-recurring thrill! The Preparatory school graduated a large class of over fifty and the College twelve. They sang two lovely choruses and Miss Trimble was the speaker. The morning was clear and lovely and we had a fine audience. Many of this large High School class went out all over the Province to teach and the College girls to hold administrative positions or to teach. Quite a number stayed to College.

During the second term, the Concert and the Spring Festival were outstanding events. The Concert was a joint affair of the Hwa Nan Choir of twenty three voices and the Fukien Christian University Glee Club of twenty one voices. The joint numbers were superb—thrilling! The Spring Festival was one ascending scale of joy from the first number given by the children of our Hwa Nan Model Primary School to the final number given by the College Seniors.

YN One of the Outstanding activities of Hwa Nan students is the Sunday School work. In the middle of May a general Sunday School Rally was held in Tieng Ang Church. The majority of the children came from Sunday Schools conducted by Hwa Nan girls. It was reported that over a thousand children were present at this meeting. Sometime later, Mrs. Lacy, who had attended the Tieng Ang Church Rally, spoke to our students at our chapel service. She had been deeply impressed by the Rally and referring to it she made the following remarks!

"A few week ago I was very greatly thrilled when I witnessed the Sunday School Rally of about 1000 children at Tieng Ang Dong. A lady who sat by me said, 'How do all these children get here?' Just then we saw two Hwa Nan girls leading a Sunday School in and she said, 'Oh, I see, It is the Hwa Nan girls' It was a great inspiration just to see such a group of children together, singing and learning about the Heavenly Father, but behind that was something greater—the lives that you girls put into these Sunday Schools. One day I was in a Chinese home. We saw one of the Hwa Nan girls passing. The gentleman in the home said, 'Miss.....has a wonderful way with children. She loves and understands the children and they love her. Her work is wonderful!' He said, 'All the Hwa Nan girls are very fine with children'

"A men in Ado asked me if I had visited a Hwa Nan Village Sunday School. I was sorry to say I had not. He said, 'You must do so. The children look forward to these Sunday Schools all week!'

"The real thrill of your Sunday School Rally was not in what one's eyes could see, but in the fact that you had lost your jives in these children, and I had found them."

Our Alumnae are scattered throughout Foochow, Yenping, and Hinghwa Conferences and farther south in Amoy, Canton and Manila. Everywhere they are filling acceptably important positions. Eleven are Principals of schools, four are Supervisors of District Primary School, and two are Deans. It is with real joy and gratitude we report the fact that seventeen of our Alumnae are holding positions formerly held by missionaries.

During the past year Mrs. C. M. Lacy Sites has been doing district evangelistic work in Kutien. After College closed Dorothy Tiang of our High School staff joined Mrs. Sites in some of these country trips. Mrs. Sites seems to be unable to find words

that she feels would adequately describe the rare gift which Miss Tiang has shown in leading women to a knowledge of Jesus Christ, and a willingness to accept Him as their Savior. She spoke in the most glowing terms of the work of all the Hwa Nan girls who are out in this great field of Kutien. When asked if she would like to write to Dr. Lewis telling her about it, she said, "Oh, if I should write down what I know about the work of the Hwa Nan girls, the words would burn the paper." Our hearts burned within us as she talked with us, and we thanked God once more that we had been given the privilege of having a share in Hwa Nan. We wish to express our heart-felt gratitude to you in the homeland who are giving such loyal support to Hwa Nan.

GRACE D. WONG

Hwa Nan Middle School

The school year of 1927-28 passed, full of happy and strenuous work, quite normal after the preceding year of unrest and upheaval. The destruction by fire at F.C.U. and other schools brought the greatest alarm of the year to Hwa Nan and special precautionary measures had to be taken to obviate similar danger to our school. Such plans were carried out with the sincere cooperation of students and faculty.

Student activities of both a social and religious nature have been sponsored and stimulated by the Y. W. C. A. which has realized an almost 100% student membership. This is merely one instance of the sincere Christian fellowship which is so much in evidence among the students. Voluntary chapel attendance averages 90% of the student body and is supplemented by morning watch, prayer meeting and programs conducted by many small student groups. A keen interest is shown in the Sunday morning Bible classes and some of the girls participate in the

Sunday evening service for the servants. The voluntary Bible courses are elected by all. Such facts speak strongly of the influence which the ideals of Christianity have, of themselves, upon the lives of these young girls. 11 x

The girls prove themselves to be great patriots. The patriotic association in the school sends out representatives to various patriotic meetings and they participate in the parades, keeping closely in touch with the outside organizations that are interested in the schools.

There have been several changes and additions in the Middle School staff this year.

Miss Grace Wong has been changed from the position of Dean of the Middle School to that of Dean of the College. Miss Tiang Suoi Nguok has been borrowed from Kutien for the year to teach religious education. Miss Bo Seng Yui who has just received her M. A. from Columbia University is carrying the chemistry department. We are happy to welcome the return of one of our own girls, Miss Irene Wei, who has been studying Chinese in Yenping University and who is the first woman to receive her M. A. in China. Miss Hu Ing Ming, a graduate of the College, class of 1928, is teaching Biology and mathematics. 111 x

We deeply regret the loss of Miss Edith McBee in the English Department. Health conditions made it necessary for her to return to America last April. We are glad to welcome the two new teachers in the English department—Miss Juliet Johnson from Morningside College and Miss Muriel Caldwell from Oberlin.

We are looking forward to the return of Miss Mary Mann, our former principal, and we know that with her love and devotion to Hwa Nan, she will bring new inspiration.

This new year has had another peaceful dawning with omens even more auspicious than those of the past year. We

hope and believe that the noon and the sunset of this year may continue and close as serenely as its dawning.

MI DAIK LI

Uk Ing Primary and Junior Middle School

“What is home without a mother?” are the words often quoted when a loved mother is taken from a home of dependent children. What a vacancy and loss the words imply! With such a sense of vacancy and loss we at Uk Ing were thinking, “What will Uk Ing be without Miss Plumb?” when it was made known a year ago that Miss Plumb would not be at Uk Ing but would be sent to help in the work at Mintsing. The tasks which she was laying down had been put upon the shoulders of a commission of three, Miss Ding Buoi Daik, Miss Dang Hie Pek, and Miss Ngu Cie Lang, and they, as true “big sisters” were ready to do their best, but we had hoped to have Miss Plumb at our side to help in the ways that only a “mother” can help. However, we had to submit to senior judgment and reluctantly saw Miss Plumb go to her new work at Mintsing.

Then, as older sisters turn back to their motherless home, and for the sake of the little sisters, try to fill the place of the mother in the tasks and experiences of the home-life, so our “big sisters” returned to their great responsibility and for the sake of the school and our girls have done what they never would have thought they could do. After one trying experience in which the “little sisters” learned that they owed the same obedience and respect to their “big sisters” which they had given to the “mother”, all have lived and worked happily together, and through the year have grown “in wisdom and stature” and, we trust, “in favor with God and man”.

Two hundred and seventy little girls have met daily for lessons and seventy have lived in the school. Practically all have

come as faithfully and as happily to the "family-altar" as to the dining-table and the class-room. During the year seven have been baptized and forty-six have been received into the church on probation.

Among the festivals of the year, the "family day", November 29th, was especially joyous because of the home-coming of Miss Plumb and many alumnae. Christmas time brought remembrances from friends in America and opportunity for making gifts to our Chinese missionary school in Ing Ang. Then in January twenty girls were graduated to go on to Hwa Nan High School, the Union Kindergarten Training School, and the Florence Nightingale Nurses' Training School. 'Twas in June that we bade Godspeed to Miss Ngu C.e Lang, who goes to Michigan University for graduate study, and to Miss Abel who is now on furlough.

Expressing their appreciation of the faithful work of Miss Dang during the year and their trust in her as she faced another year without Miss Ngu's assistance, the Board of Directors in June elected Miss Dang principal. Miss Dang sought a co-worker and finally Miss Ho of Futsing, recognizing our great need, released Miss Iek Hua Giong, one of our alumnae, and she has accepted the responsibility of dean. The Futsing station also proved friends in need by loaning Miss McCutchen to us to help us tide over until someone can be permanently appointed to take Miss Abel's work.

It is with deep gratitude that we welcome Miss Bonafield back to Uk Ing on the fortieth anniversary of her first arrival in Foochow as a missionary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary, and it is our earnest prayer that very soon the way may be opened for her to continue here, that she may share with us who are new in the work the rich store of wisdom, love, and life-experience which have made her years of devoted service so fruitful for the Kingdom.

In deep humility we pray that love divine may direct all our ways during the coming year, that the Father's will may be done in Uk Ing even "as it is in heaven."

EMMA W. WILSON

Mary E. Crook Kindergarten

If any one of you comes to see our kindergarten you will feel very happy to watch the children at their work. The children are so sweet, oh! how they like to come to kindergarten. If sometime their parents are busy they will cry till the parents bring them here. One day I heard a child say "Oh, I can stay in the Kindergarten all day, I do not want to go home." The children do enjoy it immensely. It really is just like a heavenly home, they are free to express any thing they want and are willing to do anything that the teachers ask them to do.

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Last term we did not have enough kindergarteners, so in the morning they had the regular kindergarteners take charge, in the afternoon they let the helpers take charge. The children enjoyed them just the same, Also last term we raised the tuition to two dollars, The parents are very glad to do this because of their interest. There were more children to come, but we could not receive them as we know we had not enough teachers.

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This term we are still lacking teachers so we only have the kindergarten in the morning but we are so glad there are more than fifty children even now.

We need a kindergarten teacher bodily so we hope we can find one then we can have kindergarten both in the morning and in the afternoon.

Our aim is to educate our dear little ones to know Christ and also try to help in the homes that they may know Christ is their Savior, so we hope that any one who is interested in our work here will always remember us in daily prayers.

Mary E. Crook Children's Home

1927—1928

The past year has been a remarkably happy one for all of our family. At the beginning of the year, twenty-three girls still counted this as their home. Eight were living here all through the year, while the other fifteen have only been at home for the summer and winter vacations.

The general health of the girls has improved, and the two who were so very weak last year, have been able to keep up their teaching in the kindergarten with few interruptions on account of sickness.

There are nine who are now teaching in Foochow or in other places in this Conference and two are in Yenping Conference. One of these two is at Yung-an, supported in that faraway place by our Chinese Woman's Missionary Society.

Our three girls in Hwa Nan College, two of whom had taught two years after graduation from High School, are now Juniors, so it will not be very long before they will be going out to render better service because of the advanced Christian training they have been receiving.

Last January, Wong Seuk U completed her studies in the Union Kindergarten Training School and went to Mintsing where she has been rendering good service in the Model Kindergarten and Day School at Lek-du. As Ciong Seuk Siong was also going to teach in the Junior High School at Lek-du, it was easier for her to go away from for the first time than it would otherwise have been. They have enjoyed being together and have found real joy in their work there.

In a family of girls just blossoming into womanhood, one must expect to see changes from time to time, and the mother must be prepared to give up her daughters when the time comes,

to go out from the "home-nest" to homes of their own. During the year, two of our girls have left us to set up Christian homes. In January, Wong Hie Daik was married to a fine young man who was employed in the Postal Service. As her husband's parents are not living, she and he enjoy the privilege (a rare one in China) of having a little home for just their two selves, and they seem to be wonderfully happy together.

In June, Wong Hie Ding left to become the helpmeet of a young pastor up in the Yuki Country, in the Yenping Conference. She has recently written of her happiness in her new home and work, and of the great and needy field about them. Though it is hard for her to be so far from us, we are glad that she can be of service for the Master where workers are so sorely needed.

The year has brought problems,—difficult, perplexing ones, but the shadow cast by these has been eclipsed by the deep joy that has come from seeing a deepening of spiritual life of the girls, and the manifestation of it in loving words and gentle deeds. It has been the helpful words, example, and influence of our Lau Mi-Ding, and her earnest prayers for her sisters that has been the large factor in effecting this forward step in spiritual life.

Although so frail in body that it seemed almost unwise for her to remain in Foochow during the severest heat of the summer, she persistently declined any invitations to go to a cooler place, declaring that she felt God wanted her to remain at home, that she might "try to help her younger sisters to be more warm-hearted Christians"

And He answered her prayers and used her to bring these girls to a more vital Christian experience.

May our Father draw them ever closer to Himself, teaching them to give themselves in loving, unselfish service, thus fulfilling His plan for each one of them, and making real in their lives that which is His desire, "Saved for Service."

FLORENCE J. PLUMB

Womens Bible Seminary

At the close of the year 1927, Miss Wells closed the Woman's Bible School to which she had given so many years of faithful service, and devoted the first half of the year 1928 to evangelistic work on the district for which there is a great need, and to making preparations for the New Bible Training School of higher grade for which she has been praying these many years. The first week in September, Miss Wells having turned over to us the new building for which she had prayed and worked so earnestly, left Foochow for her well earned furlough.

Miss Mary Carleton, a fine Chinese young woman, equipped with a good English education, an earnest desire for service, and a thorough appreciation of the needs in her own country, is my co-worker, and a very efficient one.

As most of our schools still graduate their students at the end of the year, the spring semester is a better time to open new work. However, this autumn, we took in a preparatory class of 12 women and girls, only four or five of whom will be able to complete the two years' course. The other seven are Bible women who desire to prepare for more efficient service but whose foundation in Chinese character is not adequate to do the required work. However, we hope and believe that these women during this semester are receiving a spiritual uplift that will enable them to do better work for the Master when they return to their respective fields of labor. One of them has been praying definitely for nine years for the opportunity. She has had much sorrow but has borne it in such a way that her life has been enriched and she seems to have learned the real meaning of communion with Christ.

Although the number of students is small, we do not feel discouraged for do not many great movements and accomplish-

ments have small beginnings? Even Christ used 12 very humble men to initiate the great work of bringing the world into the light of his love and the joy of salvation. We feel assured that if He has need of this school students will come, and we want to work only according to his will and as He guides each day

Mrs. Coole, Mrs. May Hu Nga, Mrs. Mary Lau, Mr. Co dean of the Alglo-Chinese College, Rev. Ding Sieng Sieng of the Sunday School Board—all outstanding Christian workers—and giving voluntary service to the new Bible school and their influence will mean much to both the students individually and the school as a whole. We are also fortunate in securing Miss Lau formerly a teacher in the Nanking Bible School to take one Bible class, and Mr. Ding formerly a teacher in the Anglo-Chinese college for the Chinese composition and character work.

There seems to be a spirit of perfect harmony among our little group, each one not only working and praying in order to prepare for a higher sphere of usefulness individually, but also with the good of the work as a whole at heart, they are trying to contribute each her little share toward building up the Kingdom of Christ in this great land—a land of eminent possibilities.

ROSE A. MACE

Evangelistic Work

All the Bible-women are steadily at work. Opportunities for preaching the gospel have not lessened.

The Station Classes have the usual number of women and girls.

Since the war began very few men and boys are found in the church services, but the women and girls fill their side of the church as usual. This is largely due the dauntless spirit and (//) trieless efforts of the Bible-women.

Not a few of the preachers have been tempted by government positions, or completely discouraged and left the work.

Their example has influenced many of the church members.

The church is having a cleansing time. It had allowed too many, who were not converted, to become members and even preachers. The church was used as an easy means of support, or as a covering,—“wolves in sheeps clothing.”

As soon as it became unpopular and unprofitable to remain in the church they got out, or blame “church reds,” in the hope of being able to get control of mission property. These “red Christians have been the loudest in claiming rights. Their power is decreasing.

Do not imagine the Church of Christ will not survive. After it has gone through the refiner’s fire it will “offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.”

It needs our smiling-faith, steady co-operation and strong support during this crisis.

Our Bible-women have not lost hope or heart. They are going steadily forward with “Confidence—Persistence.”

In Gang-cia, where there are “four local bands of bandits,” and at times thousands of “bandit soldiers” passing through the town, Mrs. Ciu Suoi-Ing goes quietly about her work, during the absence of a pastor she has kept the flock together,

At I,u-Loi Mrs. Ling Sen-Sai and her daughter-in-law have taken charge of all the church services, as they have no pastor.

One day a woman possessed of a “fox devil” suddenly appeared in the church.

Her hair and clothing were covered with wet mud. She was half starved for she had been wandering about for days, not remembering her own home. Mrs. Ling took her in hand. After she had been bathed and fed and dressed in Mrs. Ling’s clothing she was persuaded to kneel while Mrs. Ling prayed for her.

"In the name of Jesus" the devil was commanded to leave her. The devil replied, "I am going now." The woman's mind became clear, and she was able to tell her name and home village. She stayed a week or two to learn about the Jesus who had healed her.

This "miracle" brought another woman who had a "fox devil." In a week's time her mind was also restored. This is the third woman healed in our Lu Loi church.

Yesterday we attended a Dorcas funeral. Mrs. Lau one of our oldest Bible-women was laid to rest. Many of the village women were there. Their presence and tears showed the place she had in their hearts. "She was a good woman" was their oft repeated testimony.

Mrs. Ding Seik-Chai and Mrs. Uong Seuk-Ing have taken charge of our East Street Station Class. We plan to make that a center for our city women.

needs The church buildings are badly in need of repair. We very much want to secure funds enough to enable us to put them in shape for our work.

From now on all the station classes must meet the need of the uneducated women and large girls in our churches. At present it is not advisable to have such a class in the Bible Training School.

Lady Diong and I are giving our full time to direct evangelistic work this term. Week-ends are spent in the different churches. They appreciate help and encouragement more than ever.

In evangelistic work the spirit-filled men and women are bound to take the lead whether Chinese or foreign.

Pray for us that we may all be one in Christ and that we may have power in winning souls.

PHEBE C. WELLS
Foochow, China

Magaw Memorial Hospital

Foochow, China.

Another year woven into the history of Magaw. Our last report said Dr. Henry Li was carrying the work, with Dr. Ruth Wolcott expected from U.S. and Dr. Clara Nutting from Tientsin. They arrived October 15" and began work at once. Dr. Wolcott's task was study of the language. She has made splendid progress in it and still devotes most of her time to it although she assists in operations and consultations and wherever she can without getting too loaded with responsibility. Dr. Nutting immediately assumed the physicians work and responsibility. Dr. Li as loyal friend and helper did not desert us but staid by and assisted and advised for some months. In fact we still look to him for advice many times and greatly appreciate his helpful interest in the work.

Dr. Nutting's use of Mandarin language is most useful while her lack of Foochow is many times most discouraging. It was good for the nurses to have to use Mandarin which they have studied as a language but never put to practical use, and soon they were able to converse. But it is very hard for a doctor not to be able to talk directly with her patient. But soon she got so she could understand what was being said and so knew whether she got her idea across or not. In spite of this great handicap she has carried the work splendidly and we surely hope will continue with us.

From our re-opening on Sept. 12" last year to Oct. 1st this year we cared for 845 patients in the hospital, and average of 34 per day. 100 babies first saw the light of day within our walls. 11553 clinic treatments were given, or 35 patients per day in addition to the hospital work. Quite task enough for one doctor even in her own language, but greatly increased by havin^{nee}

to be done through an interpreter.—But to Dr Nutting it has not been task, but opportunity.

In the spring Dr. Gossard of our General Board took over the surgery and thus helped greatly. In May Dr. Wolcott gave up language study for two weeks and did the medical work while Dr. Nutting took vacation, and in July Dr. Gossard took over the entire work while she had another three weeks vacation.

Florence Nightingale School of Nursing

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The doctor's work was much harder than it should have been because of lack of nursing supervision. To make competent nurses of Junior High School graduates, too young to assume the responsibility of such vital work or to comprehend its significance is too much to expect even with the best of training and closest supervision. In March we secured Miss Alice Ho a graduate from Shanghai with good supervising experience and she has been invaluable but had to carry a load far too heavy. In April Miss Wong, our Supt. of Nurses left us. In May we got Miss Dorothy Ding as a ward supervisor She is one of our own graduates who has had experience in our W.F.M.S. hospital at Sienyu and in a Presbyterian hospital in Linchow. She has thrown herself into her work and is always smiling and happy no matter how hard the day or how far into the night it extends. Her work includes obstetrical service and that always means night work as well as day. (Her trip to Linchow required 3 days steamship travel to Hongkong then a night by river steamer to Canton, then 7 days by little boats to Linchow. Quite a trip for a Chinese girl.)

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Sept. 1st Mrs. Gladys Li joined our staff as ward supervisor after six months post graduate work in Shanghai. She had been a school nurse since graduation. Then the last of Sept. we added Miss Sylvia Diong as supervisor of Men's Department. She simply continued with us after finishing training.

She had taught school before entering training so was more mature than most of the nurses and is doing splendid work.

I have been the only foreign nurse and my time and energy have had to go in so many other lines as to have scarcely touched the nursing work.

May 12th Florence Nightingale's birthday we graduated a class of ten who had completed the training and passed the National examinations. Three of the class are now married and we are sure will make far better wives and mothers because of their training.

As a continuation of the graduation exercises after the diplomas were given we "capped" a new class of eight who had completed their probation period and enrolled as student nurses. We hope this year, with our stronger staff to give better training.

October 1st we became a Union General Hospital. Union of American Board and General M.E. Board with our W.F.M.S. At present the Union work is carried on in the Magaw buildings. Miss Jennie Jacobs, American Board nurse has already accomplished much in the nursing work and we are only sorry she must leave us in the summer for furlough we are happy she is to have the needed rest. We hope Miss Frieda Staubly is now on the Pacific returning to the nursing work. We surely will welcome her whole heartedly and assure her of plenty of work.

Dr. Horace Campbell of American Board Mission and Dr. Earl Gossard of M.E. General Board are the medical additions to our staff while Dr. Thos. Coole is Supt. of the hospital in the new Union work. Dr. Gossard goes on furlough next summer.

Lepers Work

The work of the Leper Colony has been carried by Mr. Lau the Pastor-teacher and Mrs. Ding Bible Woman. Eighteen children of lepers but not themselves lepers, are enrolled in the

school. At Easter time a small class who had accepted Christ and received instruction were baptized and taken into the church. Mrs. Diong, nurse, has once a month dispensed the ordinary medicines for their help and comfort.

Next year the report will be from Foochow Union Hospital instead of just Magaw. In the larger scheme we hope to serve the people better both in care of the sick and training of nurses. We also hope it may be possible to do something for the cure of the lepers as well as just for the slight comfort we have given.

ALICE A. WILCOX

Nurses' Association of China

Our last report was made last year, soon after we had returned from a wonderful furlough, spent in work and study and recreation in Europe and U.S.A. Since then the National Government has become firmly established, the capitol has been moved from Peking to Nanking and the "Sun Rise" Banner now floats over "the Land of Sinim"

What of the N.A.C.? We are happy to report that the Nurses Association of China has safely come through the storms of the past two years and is stronger than ever before. By the work of her nurses she has made for herself a place in the hearts and lives of the people of this Nation that can never be taken away. Nursing is popular. Public health, social service, health evangelism and reforms of all kinds are in the air everywhere, and only eternity can tell the part our nurses will have in the reconstruction of the new China.

Our National Conference, held in Shanghai in January, was by all, voted the best one in the history of the N. A. C. Of interest to our M. E. people is the fact, that the three Chinese nurses elected to positions on the National Executive Committee,

all are Methodist girls. Miss Lillian Wu-President, Miss Victoria Pon, Editor of our Nurses Journal and Miss Mary Shih Hsi En as the first Chinese General Secretary. All are strong Christian women too. It was thrilling to hear the reports from the different Committees and to know how our nurses had carried on during the war time days. Five of the new National Committee Chairmen are men nurses. lll

Our Examinations last year were held under the most difficult circumstances but in spite of the wars and unrest two hundred and forty five diplomas were issued to nurses and thirteen Midwifery diplomas to nurse Midwives. The registrations of the number of candidates for the December examinations this year beats all former records. Our Schools of Nursing are carrying on in almost every province in China. The foreign nurses and doctors are rapidly returning to assist with the work—in a comradeship of service together for Him.

Our Nurses Journal—which has been self-supporting from the first issue—is still self-supporting and is gaining ground under the leadership of the new Editor. Our textbooks—which are also self-supporting (no mission money has ever been used for any of our publications) are in greater demand than ever before. At the moment we have eleven books in the press and it is almost impossible to keep enough printed to supply the demand. We received an order for \$300.00 worth from a government hospital recently. Our work reaches and keeps us in touch with nurses of other lands through our active membership in the International Council of Nurses. As an active member of the Council on Health Education we are contributing our share to the health building of this great people. lll
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Right after our Conference (in February), we returned to our official home in Han-kow. We have spent all our spare time since getting records and papers in shape. They had been cared

for by our Chinese friends but moved several times so the Confusion of papers can best be imagined. We have installed in the office the latest card system of records for graduates, members, Journal subscribers and schools. This has also taken much time and continuous patient toil, in order that they may be complete and correct for our present and future N.A.C. records.

Miss Bell, the nurse who took the work while we were on furlough, has returned to her own Mission work. The land for our Building is all paid for and our members and friends are working on the funds for our desperately needed Headquarters Building. Our work has grown so big that we are in desperate need of our Building right now and money being paid for rent could then be used for general expenses and for travel for the Secretary and for much needed stenographic help in the office.

Miss Mary Shih Hsi En, our Chinese General Secretary, has come to our N.A.C. for full time work. We are living together in part of a Chinese home and for once I am having all the lovely Chinese food I want. Miss Shih is surely Gods gift to our N.A.C. at this time of our need. We keep in touch with our President-Miss Lillian Wu, R. N. Supt. of Nurses of the Government Red Cross Hospital in Shanghai—(Miss Wu is also a Foochow girl) with the daily mail service, and so together we are carrying on the work for our beloved nurses of China.

I am well, and happy, with my hands, mind and heart full to overflowing, and what more could mortal wish? Since God has so wonderfully supplied our needs in the past, the future is roseate with promise and He will give us our Headquarters Building too, for "with God nothing shall be impossible".

Respectfully submitted.

CORA. E. SIMPSON, R.N.

General Secretary

N. A. V. E.

Foochow Day Schools

It was Phillips Brooks who said "He who helps a little child helps humanity with an immediateness which cannot be matched in any other manner," And so, we have long felt, that if to spread the Good News, we were limited to just one line of work, then we should vote for the day-schools. Work with children gives the quickest, surest, and most permanent results. The work is so many sided. Prejudice is broken down, entrance to homes made easy, the whole community becomes interested. We believe the day-schools are one of the finest evangelistic agencies used, and that the reason we have more Christians in the Foochow area, than in any other in China, is in great measure due to the fact that always we have had a large number of day-schools for both girls and boys.

We have nearly 400 children in 14 schools, under 23 teachers, eight of these being graduates of Hwa Nan High School. The Bo Ding Haeng School has an adequate Building and so is able to finish the 6th grade. But there are at least three other places, that if we had suitable buildings, could easily finish, not only the 6th grade, but also Junior High, and could be self-supporting save for the salaries of teachers. We have not during the years, put too much stress on the top of the structure, but we have and are putting too little emphasis on the foundation. Given good buildings, and a fair amount of equipment, wonders could be done, and thousands instead of hundreds of children could be influenced. These "little ones" ought to be given a chance.

Each year from twenty to thirty girls from the schools, a pitifully small number, enter the Boarding Schools and of these a very few go on through high school and college. But be it remembered, there would be no high school or college without the day school.

Aside from the regular teaching, let us give you an illustration or two of work done in connection with the day-schools. Sunday Schools of course are always held for the children. But at Ngie Seu a class meets regularly for the mothers, on Wednesday afternoon, and on Sunday morning. Fifteen promised to attend, ten are reading the Gospel of John. In July eight of these women joined the church on probation. At Lu Loi the same thing is being done, with similar results. It is interesting to note that in meetings held during the year the women who made decisions to become Christians, were in many cases, one-time day-school girls. The "seed" does bear fruit.

Instead of an Institute, this year, in June, one-half of the teachers attended the Conference on Religious Education, composed of delegates from every District, in the Foochow area. It was a rare privilege, as we had noted leaders from Shanghai, and the subjects discussed covered a wide range. Evangelistic work in country and city for adults and children. Public and private worship, etc. It so enthused the teachers that a number of them are asking for the privilege of further study, so they may serve more efficiently.

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We are already wondering what this year will bring forth in the way of Christmas packages, eight schools had nothing last year, and that seemed a bit hard at the time when the whole world is so happy because of the Great Gift. Miss Heacock always sees to it, that Bo Ding Haeng school is provided for.

If it be true, and it is, "that in no sphere will our efforts to advance the kingdom be more effective and more fruitful than when we labor among children," then you are helping in a worthwhile task.

RUBY SIA

HAI TANG ISLAND**King's Heralds' Girls' Boarding School** 

Soon after the opening of school for the fall term a year ago, Miss McCutchen had to go to Peking for medical treatment. After several months in Peking she was able to come back only temporarily to help with the opening of school for the spring term. As there was no missionary available to take her place, an additional College graduate was added to the faculty and Miss Louise M. Huang was made principal of the King's Heralds' Girls' Boarding School. Miss Huang had been teaching in the school for a year so was able to take up the heavier burden much more easily than if she had just come to us. Miss Huang, though very quiet and retiring, is exceedingly capable and has taken hold of the administrative and other phases of the school work as naturally as if she had been used to doing such things all her life. She is a prodigious worker and gives of her time and energy unstintedly to make the work of the school a success. She has such a deep personal interest in each individual girl that the students cannot help feeling the impact of her strong personality. Aably assisting Miss Huang in the work of the school is Miss Anna Li, (the College graduate who has just come to us this year) who has also acted as treasurer for the school. Because of the union of our girls' and boys' schools for study purposes, we can have a better trained faculty than most other schools can afford. Of our staff of nine for the Higher Primary and Junior Middle Schools four are College or University graduates and one of the four has had a year of post graduate study at Yenching University, Peking. The four are all very fine Christian leaders and we have not had the slightest hesitancy in turning this work over entirely to their administration. Nor have they failed to measure up to our highest expectations of their ability to carry on the work.

The girls are greatly interested in their studies and consequently there have been very few problems in discipline during the past year. Miss Huang has been especially pleased with the interest the girls have shown in Bible Study during the Morning Watch period. Neither Bible as a subject in the course of study nor attendance at Chapel can be required now, but no girl would think of not taking Bible or of absenting herself from the Chapel service.

At the beginning of the spring term the largest class we have ever received,—fifteen in number—entered the first year of Higher Primary (Fifth Grade). The credit of this larger enrollment belongs to Miss Ruth Ciu who has worked so faithfully as supervisor of the day schools. In accordance with new regulations our school also received an entering class this fall term. This means that in about four more years we will be holding our Commencement exercises in June instead of in January as we do now. Of necessity the enrollment in this new class is small for most of those who were ready to do so came into school in the previous term.

We were fortunate in having Miss Janet Ho of Futsing with us as leader of the services during Passion Week. Her messages were very practical and inspiring as well. Then at the beginning of the fall term Mrs. Evelyn Sites, now of Kutien lead some very helpful meetings for the girls of the Junior Middle School.

Medical Work

During the past year there has been quite a bit of sickness among the students of the Boarding School, the cause of which we have not been able to discover, but it makes us feel more keenly than ever our very great need for more adequate medical facilities on our little Island. We do hope and pray that it will not be long until the money will be available for and the work

begun on the long-talked-of and much-desired hospital building. Dr. Hung has given most remarkable service for the training and slight equipment at her disposal but she herself is nearing the retirement age. Unless reinforcement in the way of building, equipment, and staff is soon given she will, because of lack of strength to carry on, be forced to retreat in the matter of providing for those who need medical care. The old Chinese building in which Dr. Hung has done her work so faithfully all these years is about ready to fall down, but we are most unwilling to put money into the repairing of this building. Extensive repairs and painting of the King's Heralds' Girls' School and Model Day School buildings during the past summer add much to the attractiveness of these buildings, but the cost of this has been so great as to make us realize that it would take a thousand dollars or more to make Dr. Hung's place usable for even a few years more. Naturally we want any money we might be able to get for repairs to go instead into the new building.

Kindergarten

We were very happy to have Miss Siek Sioh Ching to come back to us for the Kindergarten work after two years of training at the Union Kindergarten Training School in Foochow. She will have another year of work to do before she can get her diploma but when we can get another Kindergarten we hope Sioh Ching can go back and finish her course. In our emergency this year we were pleased that she was willing to come to our aid. The average enrollment has been more than twenty each term. In the spring the Kiddies joined with the children of the first and second grades Lower Primary in giving a little program to which the mothers were invited. You can imagine how delighted the fond mothers were at seeing their tiny tots perform so beautifully. The Kindergarten has always been popular with the parents and we hope that as they see more clearly its benefits

they will be willing to sacrifice, if need be,—to send their boys and girls on through the primary and higher schools as well.

Day Schools

The work of the day schools has been moving along very successfully under the able supervision and direction of Miss Ruth Ciu. In the spring Miss Ciu spent some time in each school helping the teachers with methods, and showing them how to make their work more effective. In connection with these visits to the day schools we also held meetings with the children in which an opportunity was given to the older ones whom we felt were ready to do so to accept Christ as their Friend and Saviour. It was beautiful to see how naturally, how simply they responded to the appeal. This work though it calls for all the energy, wisdom, and ability one possesses is certainly the most refreshing and inspiring one can possibly do. It is so wholly worth-while and brings forth the richest harvest. When our day schools are real centers of evangelism then will they have fulfilled their highest purpose for existing.

Four of our Haitang girls who graduated from the Senior High School in Foochow last January came back to teach in our Lower Primary schools as the day schools are called. Three of the four went out into the country day schools. The fourth one, because she is not strong physically was kept at Tang Tau for the Model Day School. All of these girls had the Normal training during their High School course. Just as fast as we can get the teachers and can finance it we want to put Senior High School graduates into all the day schools. It is only to be expected, of course, that because of their further education and special training they can do much more effective work than those who have only finished the Junior Middle School where no normal training is given at all. By next year we hope to have at least half of our day schools at Haitang taught by Senior High School

graduates. Wherever we have been able to do this the day schools have made marked progress.

In September of this year the teachers of our District came over to Futsing and joined with the teachers there in a ten-days' Institute. A number of classes in methods of teaching various subject were given by Misses Ruth Ciu, Lois M. Hwang, and Jennie D. Jones. Besides these there was one period devoted to learning games to teach the children as well as training in paper—cutting or seat work given by the Kindergarten teachers. Mrs. Evelin Worthley Sites had a class in Methods of Evangelism in the day schools which we feel sure was especially helpful to the teachers. Miss Lydia A. Trimble had the daily devotional hour and one period of Bible Study. Her earnest and exceedingly helpful messages were a real inspiration to the teachers. Altogether we felt that the Institute was an exceptionally profitable one.

Bible Women and Evangelistic Work

During the fall term a year ago I was unable to get out on to the District for much evangelistic work owing to Miss Mc Cutchens' absence from the Boarding School. However the evangelistic work went forward under the efficient leadership of Lau Ceng Ngo. During the spring term Miss Ciu, Lau Ceng Ngo, I, and part of the time Miss Bartlett from Futsing, worked in the same villages, holding meetings for women and children. Everywhere there was a willingness on the part of the women to listen to the old, old story, and in most places a desire to accept the Christ as their Saviour. Had there been time enough we could have visited many more villages where the women are eager to hear the gospel story.

During the past year the Bible Women have been especially fortunate in the number of Conferences they have had. In February Miss Carrie M. Bartlett of Futsing was over to hold a week's Institute for them. The women were deeply in earnest in

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their desire "to know Him better" and we felt that they really did draw nearer to Him who is the source of all their strength and joy. Then in May those who were able to come met with the preachers in their Retreat. They seemed to find it helpful to come together to talk over their common problems and to seek the solution for the same,—to search the Scriptures to find Christ's way of life and His will for their lives. Again in September they met at Tang Tau. Miss Trimble who had not been back to Haitang for nearly twenty years was with us for the devotional meetings and for one period of Bible Study. Words cannot express the joy and inspiration her presence and her messages gave to those who had been her pupils in the Bible Women's Training School in years gone by. It was beautiful to see their devotion to her and their eagerness to drink in every word of her messages to them. Much time was given also to instruction in methods of evangelism under the leadership of Mrs. Sites. During the latter part of the Conference we all spent the afternoons out in a nearby village in practical evangelistic work. The women who would come were gathered into a meeting where Lau Ceng Ngo or Mrs. Sites presided; but those who would not come to the regular meeting were dealt with individually by the Bible Women. We feel that this bit of practical work is going to help make the work of the Bible Women much more effective during the coming year.

The Homegoing of Ding Huoi Mu, mother of Dr. Hung,—and our first Bible Women at Haitang has saddened our hearts, but we cannot but rejoice with her that her faithfulness and loyalty and devotion to her Master has found its just reward in the presence of Him who has called her unto Himself. That we who are left behind may serve and love Jesus as devotedly as did she is our prayer.

FUTSING

The Marguerite Stewart Girls' School

I am sure that during these two years you have often been very anxious about us and now I want to tell you that everything is going along so nicely and we are much encouraged. We have not only held our own but have made real progress. Our numbers are larger than ever before, and at the beginning of this school year we received the largest entering class in the history of the school. Another encouraging factor is that although during these two years of war in China prices have continued to rise so we realized we must do more toward self support. We now have a rule that every girl must pay tuition and wherever possible each girl pays half of her board and those who can, pay full board. Even with this added expense the attendance has not fallen off but has increased and we shall continue to try to get more and more from local receipts.

Last term I took a vacation and two of our Hwa Nan College girls. Florence Iek and Charlotte Ling, were in charge of the school. They did so well and the school work went on as usual. Miss McCutchen was here recuperating from an illness and she took the accounts and one class in English and Miss Jones and Miss Bartlett helped as they could.

This term we are short one teacher as Miss Iek has gone to the Foochow Girls' Boarding school because they were so short there and needed her greatly. Charlotte Ling is such a help here and is our strong right hand. She is one of our own Futsing girls and after graduating from Hwa Nan high school gave four very successful years as a teacher here, then went back to Hwa Nan for her college work and graduated last January—one of the very best in her class, so her teachers say, and she is

✓ certainly proving a great help here, and is our first college girl to come back to her Alma Mater. We are so grateful for her.

You know that with our discussion of registration with the government there came the question of the Memorial service to Dr. Sun Yat Sen. Some feared that it would be considered worship and interfere in the religious life of the school. We do not conduct this service in the school chapel but have a room set aside especially for it, and although we have conducted this memorial service for more than a year now we do not feel that it detracts the least bit from the religious life of the school. To our girls it is just a service of respect to a great national hero. We have never had better chapel and church attendance, more interest in keeping the Morning Watch, and greater interest in class prayer circles than now. All but three of the girls are members of the church and these three came into school this term from government schools where they have had no religious training. They are in my Bible class and their interest in their Bible study is good to see and I am sure they will be ready to enter the church soon.

During the spring term Misses Steele-Brook and Daing, Y.W.C.A. secretaries, visited our school and they were so pleased with our school and its work and we quote from their report, "The Marguerite Stewart School of Futsing is located in a country town in southern Fukien Province. This school has for many years been entirely under Chinese administration. All kinds of work and activities are well planned and organized. The faculty and student body are bound together by bonds of love and sympathy. There is a strong spirit of cooperation among the girls, so they are like a big family of sisters living together. The Y. W. C. A. is most active. All the girls are members and the different committees are organized and at work, and the girls take turns in planning the Morning Watch. Besides they have

formed a good habit of reading and the school library is supplied with many kinds of magazines and books so that the girls are learning about many things outside their own school and are broadening their minds. They would like to know about the Y. W. C. A. in other places and if any one will write and send them anything for their Y. W. C. A. room they will greatly appreciate it.

Last term we graduated eleven girls from our Junior High course. Three of them went on to Hwa Nan to finish their high school course, two went to the Nurses Training school, one to the Union Kindergarten Training School, and one is assistant in our own kindergarten while the other four are teaching very successfully in day schools.

In the changing China of today there is especially a new attitude toward the education of women and girls—It is truly a new day for them! The government is looking toward great changes and reforms, and the church must be a sympathetic leader and helper in these things and do her best in helping to make a new China. We must make our Christian schools the very best and also raise the grade of them. Here we have only taken girls through junior high and then they have gone to Hwa Nan for senior high work, but expenses have become so high that only about three tenths of them can go on and we feel that we must begin to give senior high school work here in order that all the girls may have an opportunity for this much education. Next term we are taking in a class of girls for senior high school work, and we feel that to meet the present need all of our country Boarding schools should have this standard.

I want to tell you about one of our girls, this year a senior. Last June her mother died. Her father was down in Straits' Settlements and she the eldest of three children her two brothers being younger. The family was non-Christian and according to

custom she as eldest in the family must perform the rites before the idols after her mother's death to secure her salvation. She as a Christian refused to do this and though her uncle tried to force her to do so she remained firm and finally a cousin did it for her. Then according to another non-Christian custom she should have stayed home a full month while these idol rites and offerings were being made, but she only stayed home three days and then came back to school. Of course, she was severely criticized by the non-Christian family and neighbors and called unfilial—a very great sin in China—but she stood firm and said she was not sad for she knew in her own heart she had done the right thing. God does help our girls when the testing times come and they are true to Him.

JANET L. HO.

The Lucie F. Harrison Hospital

Since Dr. Li Bi Cu has only just returned from her furlough and Dr. Sarah Fong-Sung has gone to Hwa Nan College they have asked me to write this year's conference report.

Dr. Li left for furlough just after conference last year. We were sorry to have her go, yet knew how very much she needed a rest and change, and we were so glad that Dr. Sarah Fong-Sung could come to take her place—for Dr. Sarah is one of our own Futsing girls, a graduate of our Marguerite Stewart School, then of Hwa Nan high school, and had her college and medical training in America. The fact that her father, Rev. Huong Pau Seng, was one of our much loved early pastors and educators gave his daughter an entrance to the hearts of the people at once, and during the months here she won a place for herself by her untiring devotion and the splendid skill she brought to her task. We had hoped that she would stay on after Dr. Li's return but Hwa Nan needed her so much that Dr. Li

came back a little earlier than she had planned in order that Dr. Fong-Sung might help out in the emergency there.

As usual the maternity hospital has been a popular place. For the first half of the year there was an average of twenty five babies a month and for the last half thirty five—this large number despite the fact that fees had been doubled during the year. I wish you could take a peep into the baby ward and see all these future citizens of China, each in his own little bed, so clean comfortable, and happy, and so well cared for by competent nurses. If you only knew the difference in care both mother and babe receive here as compared to that in their own homes, you would not wonder that this is a popular department of the hospital.

When Dr. Li left Dr. Wong went with her as she was in poor health—She later had an appendicitus operation at P.U.M.C.—Mrs. Li, one of the senior graduate nurses left to go to her husband in Straits' Settlements, and Mrs. Siek, the other senior graduate nurse had plans to take a vacation, but she was urged to stay on and another graduate nurse came back. These with the nurses in training and the new class received have carried on very well. There has been a fine spirit of cooperation and harmony throughout the year and that has made the work easier and added to the happiness of the year's tasks.

The early summer brought us the sad news of the Home-going of Mrs. Lucie F. Harrision for whom our hospital is named. We cannot think of any more fitting memorial to her than this beautiful hospital, especially as it ministers to the children whom she loved so much. Although she has gone from us yet through this hospital she will be working on and on in loving ministry until we all join her in the Land Beyond.

We have two special causes for gratitude as we close this conference year. The first is for the return of doctors Li and Wong, both rested and refreshed after their year away and both

in better health. Dr. Li also had some work in P.U.M C. which helps her to come back with even greater skill than before and she is putting her whole self into the work as she has always done and her head and heart are so full of plans for this hospital she loves so much. It is a joy to her to have this beautiful hospital in which to work out her plans.

The second cause for gratitude is for the coming of Dr. Ung Soi King, also one of our own Futsing girls. I have known, "Little Sister" as we used to call her, from her kindergarten days, and to have seen her go through our schools, grow up and develop, and now after her graduation from the Canton Medical College, and a year's internship at the Margaret Williamson hospital in Shanghai—now to have her come to us here certainly fills us with joy and gratitude to our Heavenly Father for giving us these splendid young women for a time like this.

We are eagerly waiting for news from General Executive hoping and praying that money was granted for the reopening of the Lungtien hospital. There is such a need there—the country for miles and miles around without any medical work. Every time I go to that part of the district people ask me—"When will the Lungtien hospital open again—Why doesn't it open"? We have a staff now sufficient to carry on the work of this hospital too, but with prices soaring as they are we dare not open on our present appropriation, even though the people themselves are willing to help to their limit. Pray that some way the necessary funds may be obtained so that the women and children of that region may have the loving ministrations of a Christian physician. Just now one of our day school teachers is dying, and she could have been saved had there been a hospital near—She was within easy reach of the Lungtien hospital, but it was so far to come here.

Our hope is bright for the future. The storm of the past two years seems to have subsided and we feel that we have the

greatest opportunity of our history to serve in this, China's new day.

CARRIE M. BARTLETT

Futsing Day Schools and Womans School

As we have this fall attended various Conventions and Conferences where reports were given it seemed that those who had most to report were able to condense it into the least time. So we hope the briefness of this story of the work of the year will be an indication of real growth and progress.

The number of day schools on our three districts remains the same as last year but the enrollment of each school is larger and attendance better and this in spite of the fact that tuition is being increased. In Futsing City the opening of a government school for girls where no tuition is charged took only a few of our pupils and better quarters for the Kindergarten has almost doubled the enrollment though at the same time we doubled the tuition.

At the beginning of the fall term all of our teachers as well as those from the Hai Tang Schools met in Futsing for a ten days Institute. We were most fortunate in having to help us Miss Lydia Trimble and Mrs. C. M. Lacey Sites in addition to our local workers. It was a most helpful and inspiring gathering and the teachers went back to their school with new inspiration and courage for the work of the year.

The May Fete given by the Futsing Day School was attended by many hundreds of people. Chinese children do love to be dressed up, so sixty of the one hundred and thirty two taking part were in fancy costumes. Chinese mothers also love to see their children show off and tho the program did not begin until three in the afternoon some arrived at ten in the morning. These programs bring our schools to the notice of many people

who would be reached in no other way so we feel they are well worth the time and effort.

Miss Ding who taught in the Woman's School for three years left us at the beginning of the year to enter college. But we were most fortunate to be able to get in her place Mrs. Siek who is a graduate of the Nanking Bible Training School and who is proving to be a great help to all. The work of this school goes on as usual and at the end of this term three women will be graduated and join the ranks of the Bible Women. The class of two sent out last year were both Hai Tang women and we get good reports of the work they are doing on their island home.

These women as well as the children in many of our day schools have taken an active part in the work of our missionary society and we are all happy that again Futsing stands first with four hundred and twenty six dollars receipts for the year. This one thing alone is cause for great rejoicing for the money is given so willingly and with such a beautiful spirit.

As we look back over the work of the year we have cause for great rejoicing and we face the future with greater hope and faith than ever before.

LOIS. M HUANG, JENNIE D. JONES

Evangelistic Work

One of the outstanding events of the year was our Bible Woman's Institute held at Lungtien, June 9-19 of this year. We shall long remember the hard time we had getting there. Weeks of rain had made the roads almost unpassable, but the morning of the opening day dawned comparatively clear and gave promise of a good day. However, we were only nicely started when the rain again came in torrents! Bible women and missionary literally waded in mud and water nearly all the way—thirteen miles for the missionary and the Futsing group, and

farther for those from the lower Lungtien district. It was more difficult for the Bible women than for the missionary for she had two good feet but they had their poor little feet so crippled by early binding.

Warm food and dry clothing made us soon forget the discomforts of the way, and as the days of the institute went on we felt that it would have been worth many times as hard a trip.

Our inspirational speaker was Miss Ciu Mi Cing, formerly a teacher in the Nanking Bible Training School. God certainly sent her to us, and she had such a message for us all! One day after an especially good talk one of the Bible women said to me, "Miss Bartlett, did you ever hear anything as good as this before?" This same Bible woman has a tendency to sleep in church, but she said she prayed hard that she might stay awake so as not to miss anything. Sunday was a blessed day with Miss Ciu preaching to a crowded house in the morning. The old "church uncles" who usually go to sleep stayed wide awake and how they did hang on her words! Then in the afternoon after her talk to the Women's Missionary Society, some twenty women arose thus saying they wanted to dedicate their lives to the Master.

Monday morning's closing hour will never be forgotten. Miss Ciu used for her text, "Looking unto Jesus"—"In everything giving thanks!" She told a little of her experience in the dreadful days of the Nanking disaster, when she with all the teachers and pupils of the Bible Training school had to flee for their lives, losing everything—grateful though that their lives were spared. A pupil saved Miss Ciu's Bible for her and that is all she had left except the clothes on her back. She said that out of this experience she could rejoice and give God thanks for it had opened a door for evangelistic work all over China which had given her the most joyful service of her life. Her courage,

faith, and devotion was an inspiration and blessing to us all. After this meeting one of the Bible women came and told me that she had come to institute expecting to ask me to change her appointment for her place was so hard that she felt she could not carry on even to the end of the year, but she said, "Now I am glad to go back and I know God will help me over the hard place."

I wrote you in my annual letter of the blind Bible woman who was giving such efficient service and how she was memorizing all the hymns of the hymn book in order that she might have them for meditation as she sat in the darkness. She was very ill when the other women came to institute and much prayer was offered for her. A few days after the meeting closed, she peacefully and victoriously passed to her reward. We miss her, but rejoice in the years of splendid service she gave, and we know that although her work here is done her influence still goes on. At her Memorial Service at our recent district conference her pastor paid such a high tribute to her character and work. We rejoice with her that she has gone to the Land where there is no darkness and where all is light and life.

During the past year Mrs. Sie or I—in most cases both of us—have visited and held meetings on thirty two of the thirty nine circuits where we have appointed pastors. On many of these circuits we have held meetings at several points. The work of teaching has been emphasized, and wherever possible, the women have been organized into study classes. A number have finished the course required and have received their gift Bibles. The women here in Futsing are very conservative and it has been difficult to get them to read, but in the early summer we examined a class of nine, and this fall had them in for a week-end conference which was such a blessing. In this meeting all accepted Christ as a personal Savior and their beaming faces told of the new joy in their lives. Mrs. Sie held a similar conference at

Lungtien in January for the women in that vicinity and she reports a fine spirit and such a worth while meeting.

We cannot close without sharing with you the splendid report of our missionary work at Lungtien and on the district. We have only the one organized society, and the Bible women and women on the circuits bring their gifts through the organization. Through the four years since the beginning of this society we have had an increase in membership and money—the first year having eleven members and eleven dollars and this fourth year we close our books with thirty eight members and one hundred and fifty eight dollars and thirty cents (\$158.30) increase of about seventy dollars this last year. I have already told you in the other report of the Bible woman who is giving all of her salary this year to the work of the church. She gave twenty dollars to the Chinese Home Missionary Society with its work in Yunnan Province and this quarter she has given ten of her eighteen dollars to our conference missionary society's work at Yungan. I just wish you could see how the money comes in from the district through the mite boxes and wish you could know the story of these boxes and thank offerings. It would fill your hearts with joy and praise as it does ours.

As we think over the past months we rejoice in the high privilege of another year of service and for the little we may contribute to China at this history making time—a time when the church has such an opportunity as she has never had before in all her years in this great land. Pray for her that she may measure up!

CARRIE M. BARTLETT

Sincerely,

KUTIEN AND BINGHU

Kutien Girl's School

I am very thankful as I look at the year's work and realize that God has worked through our teachers and girls.

The enrollment last term was seven in the normal class, nine in the first year of senior high school, and forty one in junior high school. This past January a class of thirteen was graduated from junior high school. Nine of them are in the first year of senior high school, three of them are in our normal department and the other one stays home because of poor health.

The religious life of the students finds expression in the Young Womans' Christian Association and the Sunday School. It is very interesting to watch the girls and teachers who go out to work together each Sunday afternoon. This year we are having Sunday Schools in seven different places. Seven or eight girls go out together and a teacher always goes with each group. The older girls teach the children and the younger ones assist with the singing and games. They love the children as their brothers and sisters.

Another way, in which the high school girls serve, is by conducting a Daily Vacation Bible School during the summer in their own villages. The girls gather the children together every day during the summer, teaching them to read, telling them Bible stories, giving them lessons on sanitation, teaching them little songs and prayers etc.

Our girls take a great deal of interest in the work of our local missionary society, which helps in the support of the school in Ing Ang. We have our gardens for the students this year. It is lots of fun to watch them dig, spade and plant the seeds and vegetables. After the vegetables grow up they sell them to the school and put the money in their mite boxes. They cannot earn

much money that way for the soil is not very good, yet they show their true desire to help their Ing Ang sister,

At present the girls seem to be growing spiritually. Recently all of them signed the following pledge; "I will follow Christ all my life and lead others to Him that they may also follow Him." I hope that they will keep this promise. I pray earnestly that all those who come to us will learn to know and follow our Heavenly Father more and more as the days pass.

RUTH LING

Principal of the Girls' School.

Kutien Woman's School

A happy group of older girls and women are enrolled in our Woman's School this year. Some of them find joy in studying here in a Christian environment for at home there is nothing to give happiness or peace. Others are happy because they are given the privilege of getting a Christian education. Still others are glad that they have the opportunity to prepare to serve others and incidentally, to earn a living.

Last semester several women came into our station class. Two of them had studied before, but the others had not. Most of them proved to be diligent students so at the end of the term they had learned to read a part of Mark and they had memorized Bible verses and hymns, which will help them to find Christ. Over half of them could not return this term, but I am glad that they had at least one semester's training. Our Station Class is the recruiting department of our school. From it come prospective Bible Women and students for our primary department.

Two of our women, who are studying to be Bible Women, will be graduated at the end of this term. This semester they are spending part of their time visiting in the homes of some of the city women. A graduate Bible Woman is supervising this

work. They are also planning to go out on a ten days evangelistic trip with Mrs. Sites, who is doing much in bringing the women of this district to Christ. I am hoping that they will be able to learn some of her methods and that they will also catch a vision of service that will never fade.

Our largest class is the sixth year primary. Of these only four are married but the other three are mature young women. One of them, whose name is Flower, was married two years ago. Her home conditions are very undesirable, so when her husband insisted on her staying at home she ran away and started to come to school. But her husband discovered it and persued her. When he found her he beat her, and took her home. She stayed home one semester but this year her relatives were able to persuade her husband to allow her to come back to finish her education, May she learn to know God in such a real way that when she goes back to her home she will be able to live a Christ-like life even amid unpleasant surroundings..

Another one of these sixth year girls, Virtuous Lotus, was betrothed as a child and lived with her fiance's people, who are Christians. She was married a year ago, but her husband is working with the government in Canton so she has remained here to finish her education. She has developed into a beautiful young women, whose character is such that she shows the value of her home and school training.

Will you join me in praying that all of our women and girls may develop into women whose lives will point others to the Light?

RUTH JAYNE

Kutien and Binghu Districts
Day School and Bible Women

It hardly seems fitting that I should report for Kutien and Binghu districts because Miss Frazey carried on the work until

March with the assistance of Miss Helen Li. Since then Miss Li has done all the actual itinerary work alone, due to my work here in the city, but at her request shall try and report for the past year.

An Institute at Chinese New Year for the teachers proved very profitable indeed. The evenings were given over to special meetings conducted by Mrs. Sites, and Miss Li says that she noticed a deeper spiritual interest among the workers since then as she has traveled about the country.

Teaching in the country schools is most difficult. The teachers have difficulty in planning a daily program. Not a few want to study half the books or even less, because they are too small to do full work, or because the parents feel they can't spare the girls for full time study. And they think the teachers should be accomodating and arrange the program to suit them.

In one village several mothers were rather indifferent in their attitude toward education for girls. The teacher decided to have a program of games, drills, songs etc, and invite the mothers. When one of them saw what other girls could do she decided she wanted her daughter to be able to do as much, so sent her to school the very next day.

Fall time is harvest time when the children are needed to help, so the schools have their vacation time in the fall instead of in the summer. However, out in Big Bridge Head, the girls begged the teacher not to dismiss for vacation. There, the girls mostly help with the peanut harvest only, and they decided by working hard in between times, they could get their work done and study too.

In Lung Daik Iong, the girls have shown a very keen interest in the church work. The teacher has conducted the services for the children, and early on Sunday mornings, the children go out to invite all the children of the village, even though they do

not attend the school. Last Christmas, these same girls gave a special program for the *outside children*, as they call them. There were no gifts for them, so the children gave of their prettiest cards which they had received as part of their gifts.

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I have often wondered lately if the country people still bind the little girls' feet as much as in former years. I have inquired time and again and each time have been told that in many, many villages, yes, in most villages, very few of the little girls have bound feet, that either they have never been bound or else they have been unbound. The grown ups are still a bit loathe to part with their lily feet, but more and more of them are unbinding them. Kutien city is by far the worst place around here. The people here are very conservative. Last year, the womans department of the Kuomintang worked hard to eradicate this evil, and even threatened to fine the people if they did not unbind their feet by a given date. But as far as I have learned no one was fined and the unbinding on a large scale has not taken place either.

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What I learned about daughters-in-law is reversed. There was considerable improvement along this line a number of years ago, but now there are more and more girl babies purchased as daughters-in-law. In former years, \$80 was a big price to pay for a wife, and most of them cost between \$40-\$60. Since conditions have changed and prices have gone up for everything, an \$80 wife costs anywhere from \$600-\$1000, and a wife can hardly be purchased for less than \$300-\$400. The people cannot afford to pay such a price, so are reverting more and more back to the old custom. Consequently, when a baby girl is born she is sold or thrown away, and a daughter-in-law taken in her place. "Why feed a daughter? She will leave us later on, so we had better feed one who will stay with us." This is the answer given to inquiries why they do it.

In a big village that I visited recently, I learned that about three fifths of the girl babies born last year were sold as daughters-in-law, and that about one fifth were thrown away. In another village I learned that fully one third of the girl babies born last year were thrown away. Need
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A survey in 18th township last summer revealed six boys to every girl, and there are many bachelors because the parents have been unable to buy wives for their sons. |||

Much needs to be done, but the teachers and Bible women are rather discouraged about what they can do to help change this condition. Perhaps more can be accomplished after the government is stable.

Evangelistic rallies have been held through out the past year by Dr. and Mrs. Sites. The teachers and Bible women did their part in helping, and in some of the places, Bible women from nearby villages were called in to help. It is impossible to tell you how much has been accomplished by these rallies. We mean to continue them next year, and we expect a great and blessed year.

A certain Bible woman who was asked to go to Foochow to study for a term or more refused to go when she learned there was no one to take her place. There are some ex-Methodists in her village who have joined the "True Jesus Sect." All they do is proselyte, and she was not willing to "leave the sheep without a shepherd, with the wolves so near!" She is a most earnest worker who takes individual interest in the people. There is no pastor in that village-so she feels the burden very keenly. |||

EVA F. SPRUNGER

Kutien Kindergarten and Primary

Dear Friends in America ;,

It sometimes seems to us that our school years are rather

uneventful, yet, as we think of the past year, there are a few events that we believe might be of interest to you.

The first thing of importance is that our school is growing. The past year we have had the largest enrollment ever. There are always some that drop out the second term, for reasons good and indifferent, and we are always sorry to lose them.

It may interest you to know that the Principle and one of the teachers of the government school for girls send their sisters to our school. The daughter of the family in whose home the Government school is held, also comes to us. She left us when the school first opened in her home, but after a term, came back to our school.

Early in the year, one of our girls became very sick with a strange illness. The Doctor and nurses gave her up to die, and it seemed that die she must, but her friends prayed for her incessantly and the Lord answered our prayers. She was out of school for some time, regaining her health, but is well again and back with us, for which we are very grateful. She is a very fine little girl and we believe will become a very fine worker sometime.

You hear much about bandits over here, don't you? The mother of one of our girls was going home after having sold some rice. As she was riding in her sedan chair, some bandits ran out from behind a small hill and robbed her. She recognized one of the men and he realized that she did so. He was afraid that she would report the matter, so killed her on the spot. We felt very sorry for Siok Gieu, her daughter, but she was very brave and bore her sorrow very quietly.

We are sure you have all heard of Admiral Sah, who is one of China's great men. He is of our province and we are very proud of him. He came to Kucheng last spring, to help some bandit-stricken villages near here. His nephew was our Mandarin teacher and one day brought us thirty large packages

of cakes from the Admiral. Wasn't that good of him? We asked him to come and speak to us, but he refused. Why do you think he did so? He said so many people follow him when he goes out, begging for money, that it was a great trial to go out on the streets, so asked us to please excuse him.

One day one of the servants saw an egret outside our back gate. She called to "Everlasting Gold" to catch it and he did. The egret had been hurt and could not fly. So our teachers clipped its wings, fed it and fixed a bed for it. It got well fast. The first two weeks we weighed it to find out if it gained or not. One week it gained one and a half ounces and the next, two ounces. The bird is white and has beautiful thin yellow plumes on the neck and back. It has been with us more than six months now, and seems quite happy. We often find worms for it, but it does not depend solely upon what we feed it. It is a good fly-catcher, for which we are grateful. We don't have nearly so many flies since the egret has been with us. We really enjoy our most unusual pet.

We have a dog too. His name is Ak Cai. Miss Sprunger says he doesn't earn his rice and has wanted to get rid of him. He sleeps so soundly some nights that thieves break thru and steal, and he doesn't hear them. But we coaxed that we might keep him for if we didn't have Ak Cai we'd have many more thieves than we do!

Among our playground equipment are two swings. How we enjoy them! But it taxes Miss Sprunger's brain to find out what to use next. We have worn out all kinds of ropes and so she had hooks made and tied the ropes to them. But there are so many of us and we swing so hard that soon the hooks were broken thru! Then she got some chains, but they too wear out. As the links break, we join them higher and now there is not much left to swing on. We hope she can find some foreign chains and hooks, for we know they will stand the wear and tear

We are especially thankful this year for our new individual desks. We had such big, long, clumsy ones that we had to crawl all over one another to get in and out. They were cut down into small ones and the new ones are such a joy to us. So what could be more fitting to show our appreciation than a Thank Offering?

Each class got its own mite box and we put in our pennies, but we knew we wouldn't get a great deal that way, so decided to give a spring program of drills, games, etc., and take up an offering.

We had a letter from Miss Li up in Ing Ang saying that many of the girls who wanted to go to school couldn't do so, because there were not enough desks. So we decided we'd like to send them some money to buy some.

We had a lively time getting ready for our program. Some of us wound the May pole, some drilled with our new Indian clubs. They did very well indeed, for it was the first term they had drilled with them. Some sang songs, and others played games or took part in the play. We really gave quite a nice program, and were happy when we could send \$14.50 to Ing Ang. True it was not very much, but even that will help to put a few new seats in the Ing Ang school.

Then too, we are grateful to you for your interest in us, for the opportunity you are giving us, and for the gifts which you send at Christmas time. We pray that the Lord will help us to be good boys and girls, that we may learn to love Him more and more, and that we may some day serve Him in a way pleasing to Him.

From the primary children of Uk Ching

MINTSING

Evangelistic Work

Woman's School—Bible Women

It has been a privilege during the past year to have a part in the work with these two groups—Bible women in training, and Bible women in the field.

In the woman's school we note a deeper earnestness in the spiritual lives of the students and a new eagerness and joy in service wherever opportunity offers. We thank the Father for this, for the chief aim of the school is to lead these women to become Christians in the true sense of the word—those ready for service and self-sacrifice for the Master. Our program is planned with this in view.

There has been a special prayer meeting for women held at the school on Wednesday afternoons, and through it has come a more vital understanding of the meaning of prayer. Some of the Christian women of the neighborhood also attend this meeting. The morning chapel services, led by teachers or missionaries, the weekly class-meetings, and the S. S. classes are all means of spiritual help to the students, as are also the regular daily Bible studies of the curriculum. Christmas week and Easter week were times when heart-stirring messages were brought and were applied to their lives, and during the ten days of the Bible Woman's Institute this fall the six women of the highest class attended the devotional services each day, which were most helpful.

On Saturday and Sunday afternoons the students go out to the homes of the neighborhood for personal evangelistic work, teaching the women and girls to read the Bible or tracts on Christian truth, and explaining to them the way of life as they have found it in their own experience. When Miss Plumb accompanied one of these groups in their visiting recently she remarked on

the impression made by the simple testimony of one of the women as to how she had been led out of darkness into light.

Sunday evening sees the students gathered together for a prayer meeting which is led by one of their number. At this time reports are given of the work in the homes and definite prayers offered for those whom they are teaching.

Now we turn our attention to the Bible women on the district. During the year we have held revival meetings at seven places, and the fruitage that has come in the decisions of the numbers of the women to be Christians (from twenty to thirty at each place) is the result of the all-the-year-round work of these "ambassadors for Christ" Nearly all of those giving their names in the meetings had previously been in the Bible women's classes for instruction. And through the months since it is this group of faithful workers who have led these women on, preparing them for church membership and showing the meaning of Christian living.

The Institute held recently with the Bible women was a time of uplifting. The central thought was "The Kingdom", and hearts were inspired with new enthusiasm as there came a clearer vision of "God's plan for the world and our part in it" Their reports for the past year were encouraging, showing gains in church membership and an increasing number of interested learners. Now they are starting out into a new year with deeper faith and a truer conception of their work and of themselves as those chosen by Christ to work with Him in bringing His Kingdom to earth. As they go from house to house in the far-away villages "teaching and preaching the gospel of the kingdom" we believe there will be a greater joy in it all and an increased effectiveness because of the vision which they got here.

The prayer hours at the Institute revealed the Bible women's interest in those committed to their charge, as they prayed

with such earnestness for them. One woman so often made the request, "Pray for the more than thirty enquirers whom I am teaching", and others brought similar requests.

Besides the Bible women there are several unpaid Christian women who are doing much in teaching and helping others, and these are a joy and encouragement to us. At one place is an old lady of nearly seventy who herself learned to read at the age of fifty-four. Now she is a class-leader in the church, and though very poor, she voluntarily gives some of her time every day to definite Christian work. Her face is beautifully happy as she leads us to the homes of those whom she is teaching—nearly twenty in number.

At another place a dear Christian has a class of twelve fine women who have nearly completed the third learners' tracts and will soon be ready to be given New Testaments (provided by the N.T. League) and begin regular study of the gospels. There is no Bible woman at this place and the nearest church is three miles away, but this woman's influence is counting for Christ throughout the village.

We are glad to report some advance in our missionary giving. As one of our Mintsing women has gone to Yung An (our Fukien missionary field) to serve as a Bible woman, our Chinese Missionary Society decided to try to raise her salary. It seemed to them quite an undertaking. But when the money was counted at the close of the year they found they had raised the required amount and five dollars extra. So now they are encouraged to undertake more next year.

We cannot close without giving a word of praise to our constant helper in evangelistic work, Miss Helen Cieng. She is a true co-laborer with the Master, ready for any service or sacrifice for Him always an inspiration with her courage and good cheer.

Our blessings have been many, and with Wesley we can say, "Best of all is, God is with us". We know that He will be with us through the new year upon which we are now entering, and we go into it gladly and expectantly.

LYDIA A. TRIMBLE,
EDNA JONES.

Nathan Sites Memorial Hospital

Another year has passed and during it two nurses were graduated. The boy is now practicing what he learned with us in the army; the girl wanted to serve a few more years in the Hospital but was called home by her mother-in-law who needs her help. She gave birth to a little son this September and I am sure that she will bring up a better family than an untrained girl. We have also received three new students,—two girls and a boy to take our nurses course. The boy has been a local preacher for a year or two. He seems very promising and is so willing to serve. The two girls are also nice. We have now four graduate and four under-graduate nurses.

This year we have had about 400 in-patients including a good many surgical cases. The number of dispensary patients has been almost the same as last year except that we did some what less work for the students in the school this year. We have been able to attend to all the out calls but I am sorry to say we have been able to do very little itinerary work having gone only two or three times during this whole year. I remember one time when Miss Jones and Miss Plumb and other missionaries went to the 11th Township for evangelistic work we joined them one day to dispense medicine. We held our clinic from 10 A.M. till noon, from after dinner till two and then from four till dark after the evangelistic meeting was over. We saw about 90 cases in all, including vaccinations and some minor operations. Just

think of that! There are so many sick people about without any physician's help. It makes ones heart ache to see them suffer more than they need. I am so happy and so thankful to think about the return of Dr. Hemenway this winter. She is a good and kind doctor and can surely help to improve and enlarge the Hospital work in various ways. When there are two of us we can do much more itinerating and so relieve much pain and suffering.

It makes my heart full of joy to tell you about one of our old patients. She is a woman who was troubled with deformed knees and fingers. Her knees were so deformed that she was unable to stand or walk. They formed right angles with her legs. Her fingers were also very crooked because the tendons pulled in towards her palms so tightly. She was admitted into our Hospital three or four years ago, her husband having died one or two years before she came. She has one little boy more than 10 years of age and an old mother-in-law who treated her very badly after the death of her husband and after she got this disease. When she first came to us she was troubled with much arthritis pain besides the deformities. Dr. Carleton and Dr. Hemenway tried various methods to try to relieve the deformity and the pain. The latter was greatly improved after a short period but the deformity still remained. As she was so poor and neglected and half starved at home we kept her in our Hospital. She began to learn the doctrine and to read Chinese characters and to sew and she learned very easily. At first she read Chinese characters only but later she could read Romanized also. She was received into the Church last year. As she was a good hearted woman, kind to others and was able to learn we consulted with Miss Jones and sent her to the Women's School to study this year. Miss Jones and her teachers all say that she studied very well last term. In this way not only she herself can understand

more clearly the Life of Christ but she can also help our patients to understand. We all hope that she will become a successful Bible Woman in our Hospital. She is now well satisfied and happy, far different from when she first came to us.

This whole last term we have had the great pleasure of having Miss Lydia A. Trimble to help us in Bible study. We took the "History of the Bible" and the "Life of Christ" as subjects. Altogether we had 16 happy sessions together. This class of 12 includes our matron, Bible woman, watch-man, eight nurses and myself with Miss Trimble the leader. We met in our Hospital each Thursday from four to five o'clock. The class was very interesting, Oh! so interesting. Then there were the weekly Tuesday evening prayer meetings lead by our pastor especially for our patients and servants and Sunday School classes lead by our nurses. Every Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 all the Hospital women employees were sent to the Women's Prayer meeting led by Miss Trimble at the Women's School.

We are so grateful to all the American friends who have so kindly and generously sent us many packages of old linen, Christmas packages, special gifts and various other supplies which have helped our work so much. We have appreciated them all so much. We are also thankful to Miss Edna Jones and other members of the Hospital Committee who have so kindly helped and guided our work but most of all we thank our Heavenly Father.

One very exciting and trying thing happened to us on September 26th at 10:30 P.M. A group of bandits numbering 30 to 40 went to our neighbors, fired on the soldiers and siezed their guns. Three soldiers died and two were wounded. We closed our big gate then but never dreamed that they would come to our Hospital. Just after that they came in a group, pounded on our gate and fired their guns. Hearing this some of us ran

to hide in the Bible Woman's room, some lay on the floor of the class room as there was no time to do any better. Meantime the soldiers appeared in the Hospital firing and siezing things. They took our clinic money, typewriter, obstetric bag and forceps and quite a few personal belongings. They did not get the ponies that time as they were out eating grass so they came again to get the saddle and ponies and finally they got them. We are so thankful that they did not get any of us and we knew that He was with us.

How we wish that we might show forth His love, do His Will and finally surrender our lives to Him even in very hard situations.

DANG MI-GIEU

Mintsing Girls' School

We are very thankful to be able to report, that in spite of much outside trouble and many influences, we have been able to go through the year without disturbances, though the boys and girls of the government school always tried to trouble us. The girls have had to take part in parades, to attend meetings, and were more or less harrassed by outside forces. Yet we have been more fortunate than some schools and have much to be thankful for indeed. Through every thing the girls have manifested a beautiful spirit of loyalty and unity.

Not only are we thankful for the genuine loyalty of our students and of our constituency throughout the year, but we rejoice greatly over the splendid unselfishness and steadfast devotion of our own teachers who did much to guide the students in their thinking and to hold high the Christian aim and purpose of the School. Therefore we could have our own celebrations and the work went on finely.

Besides that we must be more thankful for we have Miss Trimble and Miss Plumb as our advisors. We know they have

had such rich experience together with splendid qualifications and advanced training. They not only can be our advisors, but also be the heads of training classes of the Sunday School both for the grown up people and the children. So the Sunday School in Mintsing has been strengthened by them a great deal.

On each Sunday morning the older classes have been going out to the nearer places to call on children and bring them into our school for the Sunday School in our Chapel. These same groups of girls go out in the afternoon too, to the farther places to have the Sunday School in different villages where they teach children and women. One time they were disturbed by the boys of the government school but they were brave enough to finish their Sunday School there and then came home. The younger girls who stay home on Sunday afternoon read stories from the Bible or some stories with good lessons in them.

On Christmas Miss Trimble gave us a story of "The Lost Star", which helped the teachers and girls a lot. They will always remember to do their best.

A class of five girls completed our Junior Middle School course in January. Two of them went to Hua Nan to have their higher education and three went out to teach in the Day Schools. One of these was married in June to a preacher's son yet she came back to continue her work at the same place.

In the spring term we got three splendid new teachers who are all Hua Nan girls with fine training. So the school began with promise of growth and increase in new spirit. The music department was strengthened by Miss Ciong, so the singing of the girls was quite different this year from what it was last year.

Besides the Sunday School, the girls also have their Y.W.C.A. on each Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock. They are now trying to lead their meetings finely each time themselves. Whenever they do they will show the spirit of Christ plainly.

Since the general trouble decrease, the government has been asking for registration. So we have sent in our first and second slips for registration.

Dear friends, we do thank you for all your Christmas gifts and for all your loving thought of us and hope you will remember us in prayer whenever you pray. Thus the school will go on as well as before.

MAY LAU

Mintsing Primary Day Schools

We should like to take you with us during these sunny, autumn days on a round of visits to our twenty day schools. But we can get to only a few in the time allotted us, and can merely call your attention to some points of interest in these few.

At the Gaing (County Seat) we are interested in the head teacher, Miss Bertha Lau. She is the daughter of one of our oldest pastors—a fine dependable girl trained in our girls' school, Hwa Nan High School, and Nanking Bible School. She has the spiritual welfare of the pupils on her heart, and this term the teachers and Bible woman are having class-meetings with them once a week, dividing them into three groups for personal instruction. This is proving a real help in their heart understanding.

Some miles down the river at Diang Tau is a new school. There are no Christians in this village, but they were eager for a school and offered double the regular amount of tuition if we would open one. A Bible woman is now located there with the new teacher and they are finding encouraging response to the teachers of the Word, both out in the homes and also in the school. Here they have special Bible classes among the students as many of them are older than those usually found in primary school.

At A Du we find the wide-awake daughter of the pastor in charge. This is a small village, and at the close of school last winter we feared there would not be enough pupils to keep up the school this year. But the older girls were so eager to have it continued that they went around to the homes, themselves, and enrolled the required number. The attendance has been good all year and the work done of high grade. When we had a series of meetings at this place last spring quite a group of the young Christian women attending were former pupils of the school and they were so helpful. Quite a large percentage of those now in the school have joined the church. We can see that this school is having a distinct part in Christianizing the community.

Now we come to White Cloud Ferry and notice that the school is located in a large house with signs of wealth quite evident. The house belongs to a non-Christian family into which one of our girls was married last year. Before her marriage she was much troubled lest she be opposed in her Christian life, in this home, but instead they are very proud of her and say they plan to send the girls of their family on to our boarding school when they have finished at the day school. They are glad to have the school in their home, and have themselves bought a large clock, bell, and other furnishings for the room. Many of the women of the home are now studying the Bible, and the young teacher said to us, while her face shone, "I have work to do both night and day".

We must take a peep at the Third Township school to see the new building, a gift to Miss Mace from friends in Florida. We have two teachers here this year and they are doing good work. One of the teachers is Sunday School Superintendent, and six of her students joined the church this spring.

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Now you have had glimpses of only one-fourth of our schools on this trip, but we hope that these have helped you to see that this work is abundantly worth while and have made you glad that you are helping to carry it on.

VIOLET SHU,
EDNA JONES.

1928 to **Chinese Woman's Missionary Society**

Money received for 1928 from the various auxiliaries of the Chinese Woman's Missionary Society of Foochow Conference.

Futsing	Total receipts	\$416.42	Mex.
Haitang	" "	219.10	"
Lungtien	" "	153.67	"
Kutien	" "	128.50	"
Mintsing	" "	125.54	"
Yenping	" "	33.00	"
Tieng Ang Church, Foochow	" "	101 53	"
Magaw Hospital, Foochow	" "	50.97	"
Foochow Girls' School	" "	78.87	"
Foochow, Thank Offering	" "	250.81	"
Special gifts from individuals	" "	392.55	"
Grand Total		<u>\$1950.96</u>	

KATIE LAU UONG

Treasurer.

This Treasurer's report tells only a part of the story for the year because our fiscal year does not end at Conference but at the end of the Calendar year so not all the funds have been received—then dollars and cents never tell the whole story. If these dollars and cents could but speak they would tell you of work and faith sacrifice and love that made possible these gifts for the Master's work in which He lets us have a share. Perhaps to many who read this report the funds may seem very small; to us they seem very wonderful and we thank God that our Christians are learning to give. We are praying that we may all learn to give more willingly and cheerfully and we thank Him that it is not so much the greatness of the gift as it is the spirit in which the gift is made.

All the auxiliaries but one reported more money received than had been pledged by the delegates who came to Conference last year. Some one said that they would not have believed that in their district it would be possible for them to come anywhere near raising the amount pledged and that at the time they had felt that they had gone even beyond what their faith would allow but they were rewarded for their work and faith.

In one of the reports we heard of a poor woman who wanted so much that those in far away Ing-Ang should know and love Jesus that she ate only two meals a day saving the money for one meal to send to the work. One of the Bible women in one of the lower districts has a small income of her own so she gave all of her Bible Woman's salary for benevolences and the larger part has gone to our Missionary in Ing-Ang. 11x

All the reports gave some story of love and sacrifice and thanks-giving for the auxiliaries have had their Thank Offering Services. We feel so happy that we are growing a little but still we feel that we need the prayers and love of our mother society in America.

One of the interesting things of our all day Missionary meeting is the report from Miss Li who has been in Ing-Ang this last time for six years and who is very much in need of a furlough but for the good of the work it seems very necessary that she remain. These past years have been hard ones on account of the condition of the country and other problems. We would like so much to have her take the needed rest but it does not seem wise so we have done the next best thing. Can you imagine the joy and pride in our hearts when we were able to greet our new missionary to Ing-Ang. She is graduating from Hua-Nan College this year and will go immediately to help relieve Miss Li of some of her heavy work. I wish you might know her. Her name is "Love" and indeed His love shines through her face. It is a beautiful face. I am sure that she will be a great comfort and help to the work there in Ing-Ang and she will learn about the work so that in a year or two she will be able to take the responsibility while Miss Li has her furlough.

There is much that could be told of the girls in school and the children in Kindergarten and of the work among the women but there is not space. As we think of the work there the harvest is indeed white. Let us pray for more laborers that more of God's children may find rest and joy in the Father of Love.

MARY SING-SIEU CARLETON

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Miss Lydia Trimble, Miss Harriet Halverstadt, Miss Grace Ding, Mrs. Sie Ceng King, Mrs. Clement Sites.

Language Committee

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Committee on Publication and Editing

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Retirement Fund Committee

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To Missionaries on Furlough: Miss Wilkinson

To Conferences in China: Miss Bonafield

To the Junior Missionary Friend: Miss Rotha Landis

To the Woman's Missionary Friend: Miss Ruth Jayne

To the Chinese Christian Advocate: Miss Ling Cie Lang

To the China Christian Advocate: Dr. Lois Witham

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Miss Wallace, Miss Wilcox, Mrs. Mary Lau, Miss Bartlett, a representative of the Fukien Construction Bureau.

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APPOINTMENTS

Foochow

Union Kindergarten Training School

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Hwa Nan College

Carol Chen

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L. Ethel Wallace

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Marion Ruth Cole

Rotha Landis

Lois Witham

Roxy Lefforge

Grace Davis

Karis Brewster

Sarah Fong-Sung, M. D.

Jessie Wolcott

Hwa Nan High School

Mi Daik Li

Elizabeth Richey

Mrs. Lydia A. Wilkinson

Mary Mann

U Bo Seng

Muriel Caldwell

Irene Wei

Hu Ing Huong

Hu Ing Ming

Dorothy Tiang

Juliet Johnson (Student of the language.)

Girls' Junior High School, Intermediate & Primary School

Dang Hie Pek, Iek Hwa Giong, Evelyn Ding, Myrtle Sia, Emma W. Wilson, Martha L. McCutchen.

Kindergarten—Mary Sing-Gieu Carleton, Iong Bing King,
Pauline Leng

Foochow Bible Training School

Rose A. Mace, Mary Sing-Gieu Carleton

Evangelistic Work

Rose A. Mace

Mary E. Crook Childrens' Home

Administrative Committee: Rose A. Mace, Ruby Sia,
Mrs. Mary Lau, Mrs. May
Hu Nga

Institutional Church

Lau Choi Geung

Lower Primary Schools

Ruby Sia

Foochow Union Hospital (Magaw Memorial)

Clara Nutting, M. D., Ruth Wolcott, M. D. (Half time
language student)

Alice A. Wilcox, R. N.—Acting Supt. of Florence
Nightingale School of Nursing

Frieda Staubli, R. N.

Anna Ciu (Interne)

Leper Work—Foochow Union Hospital

Woolsten Memorial Hospital—(Temporarily Closed)

Hu King Eng, M. D., Hu Seuk Eng

Evangelistic Work—Mrs. Lydia A. Wilkinson

Foochow City Evangelistic Work—Mary Sing-Gieu Carleton

Futsing

Marguerite Stewart Junior High and Intermediate School

Janet Ho, Charlotte Ling

Evangelistic work and Station Classes

Mrs. Sie Ceng King, Carrie M. Bartlett

Woman's Training School and Lower Primary Schools

Lois Hwang, Jennie D. Jones

Lucie F. Harrison Hospital

Li Bi Cu, M. D., Dr. J. C. Wong, Dr. Ung Soi King

Lungtien Hospital

Li Bi Cu, M. D.

Haitang

Kings Heralds Girls' Junior High and Intermediate School

Loise Hwang, Anna Li

Primary Day Schools

Ruth Ciu, Harriet J. Halverstadt

Evangelistic Work

Harriet Halverstadt

Medical Work

Hung Ciong Saeng

Kutien

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Ruth Ding, Lila Ding, Aileen Ding, Ruth Jayne

Intermediate School, Lower Primary School and Kindergarten

Myrtle Smith

Evangelistic Work, Lower Primary Schools

Helen Li, Eva F. Sprunger

Woman's Training School and Station Classes

Ruth Jayne

Mintsing

Girl's Junior High and Intermediate School

May Lau, Lydia A. Trimble

Woman's Training School and Evangelistic Work

Edna Jones, Lydia A. Trimble

Primary Day Schools

Violet Su, Florence Plumb

Nathan Sites Memorial Hospital

Dang Mi Gieu, M.D., Ruth V. Hemenway, M.D.

Hostess in Shanghai

Julia A. Bonafield

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Cora E. Simpson

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Jean Adams, Elizabeth M. Strow, Mabel Allen, Mary Peters

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1888	1915
Julia Bonafield	Edith F. Abel
1889	Ursula Tyler
Lydia A. Trimble	1916
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1895	Roxy Lefforge
Hu King Eng, M.D.	Harriet J. Halverstadt
Phebe C. Wells	1919
1900	Eva F. Sprunger
Florence J. Plumb	Martha L. McCutchen
1904	Alice A. Wilcox
Carrie M. Bartlett	1920
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May Hu (Mrs. Nga)	Hu Seuk Eng
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Li Bi Cu (M.D.)	Hung Ciong Saeng
1906	Lois Witham, Sc.D.
L. Ethel Wallace	1921
1907	Mabel Hammons, M.D.
Edna Jones	Myrtle A. Smith
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Laura Frazey	Grace Ding (Hie Ong)
1911	Ding Ce Go, Mrs.
Rose A. Mace	Lila Ding (Soi Nguk)
Mary Mann	Dorothy Li (Do Sie)
1912	Iong Bing King
Jennie D. Jones	Li Chung Nguk
Jane E. Nevitt	1922
Mary Carleton (Sing Gieu)	Elsie Reik
1913	Frieda Staubli
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	Peral Ho (Hok Ing)
	Wong Kie Chung, M.D.



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Ruth V. Hemenway
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Carol Chen (Seuk Gie)
Isabel Wong (Ai Ngi)
Ding Chiok Sieng

Ding Ai Ling
Violet Ngu (Cie Lang)
Dang Hie Pck
Mary S. Lau, Mrs.
Lau Nga Hung
Dong Eng Lang
Lau Choi Geung
Sia Mi Ting
Ling Pek Chai

1924

Ruth E. Jayne
Alice L. Smith
Emma W. Wilson
Myrtle Sia (U Sung)
Daisy Ling (Chui Nguk)
Irene Ngoi (Seu Ing)
Mabel Wong (Hang Pi)
Margaret Wong (Seuk Chai)
Evelyn Ding (Buoi Caik)
Lucy Wang (Sie Ceng)
Grace Wong (Hie Ding)
Pauline Leng (Ging Hiong)
Lydia Hu (Siong Gie)

1927
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Eunice Ling (So Ding)
Gong Seuk Ching
Hu Ing Huong
Ding Ai Muoi, Mrs.
Sarah Fang Song, M.D.
Iek Hua Giong
U Mi Ging
Li Suoi Gieu

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Annie Vanderberg
Ung Sung Ung
Ruth Ciu (Ding Ing)
Hu Soi Gie
Dorothy Tiang (Suoi Nguok)
Julia Ding (Ngi Chiu)
Sie Ceng King, Mrs.
Ho Lang Ing
Hu Hie Ding
Mildred Li (Mi Daik)
Emily Hu (Duang Gie)

Karis Brewster
Juliet Johnson
Muriel Caldwell
Hu Ing Ming
Anna Ciu, M. D.
Lau Mi Ding
Ung Soi Ging, M.D.
Ling Cie Lang
Li Seuk Ing
Wong Seuk Ing
Su Seuk Ngi
Emily Ding, Mrs.
Mrs. Henry Li
Mrs. Gowdy
Mrs. Worley
Mrs. Sites

1926

Rotha Landis
Grace Davis
Edith McBee