MRS. LING SHUK ING WITH HER LITTLE ADOPTED DAUGHTER, "PEACEFUL JOY."
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A CALL TO THE VINEYARD

"I heard Him call, "Come follow."
That was all.
My goal grew dim
My heart went after Him.
I ran and followed,
That was all.
Who would not follow
If he heard Him call?"
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DAY SCHOOL REPORT

During the siege of Peking over twenty years ago we happened to be crossing the Pacific with a large band of missionaries, many of them refugees from the Boxers. Of course the one subject of conversation was the terrible condition of the whole country, and it was noticeable that the oldest China hands were by far most pessimistic. "I don't see a single ray of light!" one of our most experienced workers exclaimed tearfully, and yet in how short a time did we really begin to see China taking some forward and upward steps!

Every report of any department of the work these days must be written under the dark shadows of militarism, civil war and banditry. Probably never have our day schools been more harassed or less supervised, and while it is true that a few have found it impossible to keep open at all, the majority have carried bravely on, while most of the Government schools all over our part of the country have closed their doors entirely.

The increasing number of co-educational Primary Schools is both interesting and encouraging. On the Yunagan district practically every one of our schools is of this nature, while three of the four little Christian schools controlled and supported entirely by the local people also admit girls, and attempt to follow our course of study. To the fourth, just opened this year, in a very isolated village, a letter has been written commending them for what they have done, but urging them not to limit their work to boys.

There has been a remarkable interest in the Christian message for several years, especially among women and girls, in one of our remotest preaching places, a town noted for its moral standards, and this term we were delighted to find that two of their young girls had been sent down river to the nearest school.

It has been noted that a new era seems to open to a place as soon as it either starts a school that girls can attend or, until that can be done, is enterprising enough to send some of them away for an education elsewhere.
The San-Keo School to which these young women went has an enrollment of twelve girls, and as many boys. At least four times in these last few weeks this town or its immediate vicinity has been a battleground, with a change of rulers each time. We were there on one of the days of panic when nearly every one in the place had fled to the hills, fearing another battle was imminent.

Many of our schools are at important places, and as these are on the main lines of travel the coming and going of soldiers of different factions, with their grievous demands on the people, has been a terrible burden, and has made life almost intolerable.

At Talien our teacher—preacher and his wife, with those who fled to take refuge under their wings, were the only people left in the whole place during the fighting that was going on not far away. In his report of this experience the teacher said he knew that night what it was to trust in God alone. In this otherwise untouched village we have about a dozen girls, and an equal number of boys.

Another dozen girl pupils are in our Sing-Chiao school, holding their own easily with twenty boys, and while the place has been open only three years they have already sent two girls in to the Boarding School, to the fourth year class. One of these is self-supporting, the other is the daughter of a poor widow who must be helped.

One young woman who had been teaching in the Goi-Hua school was captured this Summer with all her family and held for many days by bandits. As a result of her terrible experience she died soon after the family was ransomed and they were able to return home.

In spite of all the troubles in the vicinity the Goi-Hua School is carrying on nicely with about twenty girls, half of them in the third and fourth year classes, so we may soon expect farther additions to the boarding school from that country. Fortunately the girls who were in last term did not go home for the Summer, or we might never have seen them again. Even the boy students from all that region have not dared to come in this term over the bandit-infested roads.
We made a pleasant visit at one place, San-yuan, where a set of fine new desks filled the little school-room, and where eight girls were still at work though it was nearly dark when we arrived.

The teacher’s preacher-husband had been very ill for over a month in the Summer, with not a soul near able to give the slightest medical help, and these new desks were a thank-offering for the recovery God had granted in answer to their prayer. They said, they used the money they were expecting to have to spend on buying a coffin!

At Shahsien, after we had been shown the bullet-scarrred hospital next door, and the broken glass in the beautiful, new brick church just across the street, we were delighted to find that the new girls’ school building was really started. To be sure, it was only a hole in the ground, and a pile of brick and ruins, but the latter came from the rickety, old barn-like structure that had formerly stood on the site, and the other things were a promise of the better day coming.

During the recent fighting in this neighborhood the City Commander was taken very ill. The women of his tribe went to the temples to burn incense and pray for his recovery, as his death meant their danger, while the native women went to the same temples and prayed that the evil spirits would take away the hated alien, and take him quick! When the man who had so mercilessly oppressed their people died a very few days later the native women were jubilant and declared that, of course, the Sa-Shien gods naturally listened to them rather then to those strange outside women!

It is certainly high time this important city had at least one good, Christian girls’ school, isn’t it? While the new building is going up, the girls are working in the basement of the church.

There probably is not a more flourishing school in all our area than the one in Yungan City under the energetic and efficient care of Miss Ethel Lee, the first Missionary of the Chinese Women’s Missionary Society of Fukien. Dur-
ing the fighting the school assembled regularly. and "Business as Usual" seemed to be their motto." I wasn't afraid of the bullets," Miss Lee said, "but I was afraid of the soldiers coming into school, especially when they began looting the house next door."

One of the privileges of recent days has been the preparation of Christmas packages for nearly forty towns and villages. In most of these we have schools, but isolated workers were not forgotten, and the odds and ends of toys, new and old, helped to add a little fragrance to the otherwise rather commonplace articles such as soap, pins, wash-cloths, etc.

Little dolls dressed in bright colors and in Chinese style were sent to a number of distant schools to especially honor their girl-pupils. When we opened up the package from America of black and brown dolls made from stocking-legs, cute as they were, we had some misgiving. However to make sure, one of the head teachers was consulted and she at once advised against sending them to the country schools anywhere. She said that such dark skins were only associated with certain ugly idols and that if anything should ever happen to a child who had been given one of these dolls it would probably be said the hobgoblins had got 'im sure! The black cats she thought we might use, so we sent them to a school where most of the pupils belong to Christian families. The dolls were given to the Yungan City kindergarten, as those children belong to the happy few who know something about playthings.

How can people in our happy Christian homeland understand this bondage of constant fear, this terror of evil spirits? It is against this bondage of ignorance and superstition that our schools are waging war, and amidst all the gloom and seeming hopelessness of the political situation in China the future is bright and sure.

Susie L. Skinner.
Yuki District Woman's Work

New Buildings

For twenty years we have tried, in various Chinese buildings, to train women to work in Yuki. For nine years we have had a Children's School in small dark rooms.

Great was our joy, when in December 1923, a contract was let for a school house and a dormitory for Yuki. After trying for years, finally people had been found who were willing to sell land in a fine location, and men from another county had been induced to come to Yuki and put up our buildings.

Christmas 1923

Last Christmas was a happy time. Our good friends in the U.S.A. had sent many beautiful gifts. We had a Christmas tree, which was the most beautiful one we have ever had, as we received many fine decorations for our tree in the packages which came to us. The walls of our Chinese guest room were transformed by the crepe paper and evergreens, so that the room was a bower of beauty. The work was all done by the teachers of the school, so I was as much surprised and delighted as were the women and children.

I sent to Shanghai for a little pageant, "The Beautiful City," and my Chinese assistant drilled the children. As the boys of the Boys' School had no entertainment for Christmas, we invited them to come to our school Christmas eve and hear our children. I had not heard them before that evening and I became so interested I forgot to watch our mantle lamp; when one of the little boys saw it, the room was filled with smoke and the mantle spoiled. One little girl, ten years old, who was seeking the heavenly city, was so in earnest that we all looked in the direction she was pointing, expecting we could see the city.

Change of Teachers

At the end of the year our Woman's School teacher said she and her daughter-in-law could not return to Yuki after the vacation. The younger woman was my Chinese assistant
and head teacher in the Children's School, so I was obliged to find two new teachers.

JOY AND SORROW

Our workmen were very satisfactory and the building went on apace. I am sure no one ever felt happier over a million dollar plant than we Yuki people did over our two small $4,000 (Gold) buildings. We made many plans about what we would do when we moved into the buildings in the Fall of 1924; how we would plant trees, and move our rose bushes and do many other things to make the grounds beautiful. But, alas! I was not there when the Chinese people moved. In April I was obliged to leave Yuki and have not been able to return. The Chinese teachers kept on in the school, and had the examination in June. We were fortunate in having a Bible-woman living at the school who could receive the money I sent for the work, and keep the accounts accurately. She has written me many times and asked me for much advice about the district work.

GIFTS FOR FURNITURE

In the spring I asked the friends who each year send us Christmas presents to send us money this year, as we needed furniture for our new buildings. In the summer I received nearly $250 (Gold) and was able to buy twenty rattan beds, some desks and seats, new table and have the old furniture painted. I also had money enough to make the front gate and front steps to the yard. Our friends were most generous, and we are all very grateful to them.

FLOOD

In June came the worst flood which Yuki has ever known. In Yuki City the stores are all on the main street, which is beside the river, and all have mud walls. The water came up so high and stood so long that the mud was soaked and the walls fell down. The families of the store keepers lived back of the stores, in the same buildings, so were homeless.
Many of them had to flee for their lives, and lost every thing they had in the world. All the towns on the river suffered in the same way.

Three of our country chapels and parsonages were washed away. Our new brick church at 9th Township all went but the tower. The houses above it came down with such force the walls could not withstand the pressure; probably the water alone would not have been too much for the brick walls.

Following the flood, rice, wood, vegetables and every- thing else was so expensive poor people suffered.

Our schools this fall were much smaller than in the spring as every child who could work must help earn some- thing to eat; the boys could go out on the hills and gather wood, and the girls could weave tape, of which the Chinese use a great deal, to tie on their clothes.

**Day Schools**

In Yuki City we had more day pupils during the spring term than we ever had; there were more than twenty new girls. It looked as if Yuki parents had at last decided to educate their girls. Then came the flood.

In our fifth year class we had seven fine girls; our District Superintendent moved away and took his daughter; after the flood, a Kiang Si druggist moved home with his daughter and another girl in the same family did not attend school, so this fall we have only four in our sixth year class. It is truly difficult to get results in Yuki; we had so hoped for seven girls to enter Junior High in Yenping in September 1925.

The teacher at 28th Township was the preacher’s wife. In the flood, when the parsonage was washed away, the family lost all they had, and moved to Yenping City. After Conference, I hope to find another teacher.

The 9th Township school met with the same fate; the teacher here was also the preacher’s wife, and they moved home to Mintsing. When the District Superintendent comes to Conference, I shall try to plan some place for the school.
There are some very bright girls at 9th Township, and it is a shame that the school has had so many interruptions.

The school at 25th Township has gone on as usual. This fall I am teaching English in the High School at Yenping, and in the 2nd year class one of the brightest girls is from 25th Township. She started out in the day school there, and then the teacher induced her father to send her to far-away Yenping. Now he is very proud of his daughter who is already better educated than any man in the Township. Her little brother is in the sixth year at our Yuki Boys’ School, and will next year come to Yenping and enter Junior High. He also first studied in our day school.

The school at 1st Township is keeping up its good record. Last Christmas several of the girls wrote me Chinese letters to thank me for their Christmas presents; this is only the third year there has been a school at 1st Township, so the girls have done very well to be able to write a Chinese letter.

**Bible-women**

Mrs. Ling has not only been the Bible-woman, but also the preacher at 25th Township. Last fall I planned to move her away, as I did not want her to live alone, as the chapel is large, and not very near any other house. The people all begged me to leave her and the District Superintendent promised that the 24th Township preacher should move to 25th Township. He has not moved; I suppose his people were unwilling. Mrs. Ling has done wonderfully in holding the Christians together. Remember her when you pray.

Mrs. Uong and Mrs. Iong lost all they had in the flood. The District Conference voted to help Mrs. Iong out of the fund for flood sufferers, and the W.F.M.S. must surely help Mrs. Uong as she is a widow and her house and all that was in it was washed away by the flood.

In October the Bible-women were invited to come to Yuki City and study up for District Conference examinations. All came except Mrs. Chai, who could not because her son
was sick, and Mrs. Iong, who had no clothes suitable. Twelve women took the Exhorter's examination. Three passed the third year, so are now ready for the fourth and last year's studies. The Bible-women have all done faithful work; they are all poor, some of them very poor. They all need your prayers.

MABEL C. HARTFORD.

Report Lower Primary Schools, Suen Chang and Yenping Districts

The Nellie Stoebel Clair Memorial School at Wan Tai is struggling to re-establish itself. For some time this School looked very promising so that during the past year we employed two of our Emma Fuller girls as teachers. It was such a joy when the girls came in increased numbers to our Christian school. To-day to our great distress, we find ourselves again in great trouble about the situation. Many of the girls dare not walk the streets and many are afraid to leave their homes, for fear of the soldiers. Only the nearby children can attend the school. Consequently a second teacher is no longer necessary. One of them will come to Yenping to our Middle School to add to her training. Even though the work there seems to be at a standstill, we are not dismayed, for we know that the dark veil will be lifted again.

In Suen Chang thirty happy little children have enjoyed the privilege of the Kindergarten training. Besides these over twenty girls attend the lower Primary School. The teacher last year has decided to take up nurse training, but another competent girl is taking her place and is faithfully working among the children. Glad tidings have just come from the General Executive, that a gift of $700. Gold has been granted for the erection of a Day-school Building. This comes in answer to prayer and will fill one of our out-standing needs. This $700, gift comes from a lady of the German Methodist Church in Milwaukee, who last year past away, and in whose memorial a Day School is to be erected. No longer will the girls have to be pushed from place to place. When this New
Day School building is ready for use, one of our Emma Fuller Girls, a native from Suen Chang will be ready to take charge of the school.

The Jan Keo School seems to have suffered least from the distressing outside influences. Although banditry is rampant in that region, and soldiers are menacing the people, the girls have faithfully attended the school and it is holding its own. We are so grateful for this encouraging fact.

There is little more to report about the Day Schools on the District. We are certainly laboring under great difficulties. The foreigners scarcely dare travel at all or if so, are obliged to have a military escort. Distressing news from preachers and Day School-teachers reach us daily, but with Paul we may say.

"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed, we are perplexed, but not in despair, persecuted but not forsaken, cast down but not destroyed."

For we have the same faith and we know, that the afflictions will but be for a little while and in the end there will be a blessed reward for all those who have labored and suffered in His name.

Frida Reiman.

Changhupan District

The outstanding event on the Changhupan District this year is undoubtedly the erection of a girls' school at Changhupan, a considerable part of the money for which was raised locally. This school is very important as there is now no other school for girls on the whole district. There was a school at 17th Township but that has had to be closed this winter because we have no teacher for it.

There have been from twelve to fourteen Bible-women working on the district this year. This district is fortunate in having three Bible-women whose training is better than that of most of the Bible-women of the conference. One of these, Mrs. Lau, has given part of her time this year to travelling on the district, helping and encouraging the other women.
In February, Miss Glassburner took a class of High School girls to Changhupan for an evangelistic campaign. The weather was so unfavorable that attendance at the meetings was not large, but Miss Glassburner and the girls felt that the campaign was very much worth while.

Last spring, Mrs. Bankhardt and Mrs. Lee held an Institute especially for the preachers’ wives and the Bible-women of the district, an account of which is given in the report of the women of the General Board.

MARY EIDE.

Francesca Nast Gamble Memorial Model School

We have great reason to be thankful at this time. Our Francesca Nast Gamble Girls have had to live huddled up in an old rickety building. The lovely gift from Cincinnati Branch made our new home possible and since Chinese New Year the dormitory has been greatly enjoyed by both teachers and students.

Located as we are down in the heart of the city, where the majority of the pupils are day pupils coming from heathen homes, daily I marvelled that so few students were sick. During the entire year only one girl was sick enough to need hospital care and she was there less than a week. We thank our heavenly Father for his loving care.

Due to political conditions and petty warfare, our number of boarders was greatly decreased. Then two classes were transferred to Emma Fuller Memorial School. Although the school was smaller, the teachers were as zealous as ever. I certainly appreciate the consecrated effort showed in their work. In June the fourteen who completed the fourth year work received certificates which would permit them to enter Emma Fuller.

Our girls were always glad to enter all activities connected with the church. The service they rendered at the leper village was greatly appreciated. The girls were very happy to help to tell the Glad Tidings. They appreciated your gifts and they felt their service was very small indeed in comparison with what you do for them.
One of the greatest pleasures our girls and teachers enjoyed during the year was our new Prayer room. The lovely gift from Mrs. Hetherington last year made it possible to buy some furniture and frame some pictures. The expense was not very great but daily I was gladdened as I saw the prayer room was being used for prayer and meditation.

Each day as I visited the school, I had a growing conviction that Francesca Nast Gamble School should be a center from which that community should be served. I was glad for the privilege of having a Mothers' Meeting in connection with our Kindergarten Commencement. Now we have a pleasant place for meetings and I trust we may radiate much light to our community.

Our special occasion for thankfulness is the safe return of Miss Reiman to this work which she enjoys so much.

I thank you for your prayers and interest.

Yours in happy service,

FERN M. SINKEY.

Since our Annual Conference happens to be late, it is my privilege to tell my friends at home, that it has pleased God to bring me back to my station safely. When this Conference year closes, I shall have been at work at the Francesca Nast Gamble Memorial School for ten weeks. Even though it be a mud building, it seems like heaven compared with the dwellings we had before.

Miss Sinkey has worked hard and faithfully and also with great success during my absence and her good work is being rewarded with good results. I was amazed to find what she had done under adverse circumstances.

Due to militarism and the steady in and outflow of soldiers it is more then ever necessary that we keep in close touch with the mothers of our girls. We make it a purpose to visit every girl in her home and if one is absent one day, we at once go to inquire. We find even the heathen mothers very appreciative that we take so much pains about the welfare and whereabouts of their girls. Four afternoons of each week have been
spent in this kind of work. Many mothers have promised to send their girls after Chinese New Year.

We are so happy to have our dear Mrs. Ling back again in Yenping. She is the travelling Bible-woman with the missionary, but since travel is impossible for some time to come, due to intense dangers from all sides, she has put her soul into the work in our city. Until the school term closes she is substituting for a teacher and day by day, by her inspiring chapel talks, tries to lead the little children into a saving experience of our Jesus Christ. Besides she helps in keeping in touch with the Bible-women and Day School teachers through monthly letters and by providing materials for work. In this way we hope to keep our outside workers encouraged and strengthened for their work.

Tuesday before Christmas we had a lovely Christmas Program combined with a Mothers’ meeting in our Church. I was happily surprised to find at least 60 mothers with many outside children listening to the songs and recitations, and the lovely talk given by Mrs. Lee, one of our Bible-women. The kindergarten children, as usual, won the hearts of the audience.

The fourth year girls rendered a Christmas Program on Wednesday morning in the Leper Village. They seem to have no fear any more, since the missionary goes with them. The lepers were radiant with joy when we marched into their chapel. It takes so little to make their hearts glad.

It has been good to be home and to meet all the lovely friends who are interested and concerned about our work here. But it is a joy again to be here in active service. The inspiration and uplift I got from my furlough is still with me.

"He is with thee!—In thy service,
He is with thee certainly,
Filling with the Spirit's power,
Giving in the needy hour,
His own message by thee."

This has been the ever surprising experience during my past year and leaning on these past experiences I have come back, more then ever convinced, that God is the same yesterday, to-day and forever.
All the Girls, Bible-women and Teachers want to express their gratitude for the Christmas gifts you sent them. It was a ray of joy and a light in these dark hours of distress and need. This personal touch from your hands means more to them then you ever can imagine. Personally my gratitude is beyond expression for this uplift and joy you have given us.

My prayer for the coming year is, that God may “use me, even me, just as He will, and when and where, until His blessed face I see, His rest, His joy, His glory share.”

Yours in His name,

FRIDA REIMAN.

Yenping Bible Training School and Yenping District Bible-women

During the busy year just past, we have been conscious of the presence of the ever faithful Guide in our every undertaking, and what we have accomplished has only been done because of His help and His leading.

Forty six women have been studying in the Bible Training School this year. They have done very good work.

The fifth year women go to the street and visit in the homes regularly twice a week. Many whom they see are anxious to learn to read and to learn how to become Christians.

The teachers and helpers in the beginners and primary department of our Sunday School at First Church, Yenping City are teachers or pupils in the Woman’s School. We also have a Sunday School teacher training class. This is a great help in training Sunday School teachers for the districts in Yenping Conference.

We held a six days’ evangelistic meeting at Ado, a village about ten miles down the Min River from Yenping City, last February. I took four women from the Woman’s School with me, two from the fifth year and two from the fourth year. They were a great help in the meeting. They also went out with the Bible-woman doing personal work in the homes.
THREE LITTLE YUKI STUDENTS.

The centre one is now one of our best Emma Fuller High School girls.

The "Bower of Beauty" referred to in Miss Hartford's report.
We had a Bible class each morning; then special evangelistic meetings at the church for women each afternoon, and general evangelistic meetings for men and women at the church each evening. The meetings were well attended and we felt that a great deal of good was done. The women came home happy and more determined than ever to prepare themselves to work for their Saviour.

The week before Easter we had evangelistic meetings for the women in Yenping City. The meetings were well attended and we felt that a great deal of good was done. Our students from the Bible Training School were a great help in these meetings.

Our Christian Woman's Institute for Yenping District was a great success notwithstanding the difficulty in travel because of bandits and robbers. The women were eager to learn so it was easy to teach them. I am sure that the eleven women who attended went home more determined to live for Christ than ever before.

We had a great sorrow during the summer. One of our fifth year women was taken to her Heavenly Home. She had been sick for some time. While she was still in the Hospital, word came that her husband had died. She was heart broken and as soon as she was able to be moved went to her home, but she only lived about a week. We miss her, but our loss is her reward.

We want to say "Thank You" to those who helped toward our Christmas. Because of your thoughtfulness and generosity we had one of the happiest Christmas seasons we ever have known, and we trust there was an added note of joy to your own Christmas, because you shared some of your blessings with us. Of their own accord the women gave the money that would have provided a special Christmas dinner at the School to the Christmas collection for the poor taken at First Church.

Our Bible-women on the Yenping District have done very good work. Many have been led to Christ through their efforts. They also have been able to comfort many sorrowing hearts. On account of bandits, robbers and war the suffering on the
district has been terrible throughout the year. Many times the husband or father in the home has been taken to carry loads for the soldiers and have never returned, so the families are left without support. We cannot begin to tell the awful suffering.

The husband of one of my Bible-women, Ding Peh Giau, came to Yenping to bring his daughter to school. While returning to his home he was taken by the soldiers and has never returned, and they have never heard anything from him. The Bible-woman is heart broken, but she is an earnest Christian and has been brave.

Our Bible-woman at Bo-cio-sang (Precious Jewel Mountain) has done especially good work.

Many people realize that the only true comfort comes from living a true Christian life, so notwithstanding all these troubles the opportunity for personal work is wonderful.

Again we want to thank you for the help you have given us in our work and for your prayers which are so essential to the success of the work we are trying to do together.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Linam.

Report of Emma Fuller Girls' Memorial School

Mary L. Eide

Mabel C. Hartford Bertha A. Li Fern M. Sinkey

Despite the political and military disturbances, the past year has been a very successful one. Due to the unrest several girls were unable to return but we are indeed grateful that no harm befell our girls. The opening of school was delayed until the first week of October because of the petty warfare and the scarcity of food.

As we look back over the work of the year, the success is quite manifest. Both faculty and students were interested in their work. We have been especially happy that some of our girls could do some of the teaching. Miss Eide has visited and supervised these classes, besides giving an hour a week teaching a Normal Training Class. Until this fall we have
not had a Normal Course, so this work has been in addition to the General Course. As our girls go out to teach we trust that because of this extra work, they may be more capable and realize more fully the importance of being teachers. We are happy to hear our girls planning to go to College and it encourages us greatly. We feel that having Miss Ho, a college graduate, on our faculty has been an inspiration to our girls to also want to go to college.

The year 1924 will remain an outstanding date with us, for in January of this year our first High School Commencement was held. How proud we were of these four graduates! The need for workers is great and it seemed difficult to know to what places these girls should be appointed. Our need was great, so two of them were retained here. One was sent to Yungan. The service of this girl is greatly appreciated by everyone since she had formerly lived in Yungan. The fourth girl is having charge of the Yuki Girls’ School. These girls were real lights here and we know that wherever they go they will carry the gleam.

Emma Fuller Girls have been greatly interested in the Home Mission School at Yungan. Their interest was greatly stimulated because Jean Chen, one of our first graduates, was appointed there. The women of the Yenping Conference had undertaken the support of the Kindergarten at Yungan. The women gave an evening’s entertainment and the girls volunteered to dramatize Robert Hardy’s Seven Days. The receipts were so encouraging that the girls decided to give another pageant. They startled us by announcing their plan, to give Pilgrim’s Progress. They far surpassed their wildest expectations in the amount of the receipts, but better far was the message that was carried to the hearts of the audience.

We are always glad to have the girls do evangelistic work. The girls have appreciated these opportunities and have been very earnest in all the campaigns. This year our first year Senior High School girls went with Miss Glassburner to Changhubang to aid in the evangelistic meetings. Miss Glassburner found the girls especially helpful in calling, and in the meetings for children.
If our girls are to become teachers and Christian workers, it is very important, that they be able to sing and have some knowledge of music. We are greatly indebted to Mrs. Bankhardt, Mrs. Trimble and Mrs. Oleen who have so generously given of their time to aid the girls in chorus work and music lessons. The girls always seem very willing to aid with the music at the church and other places. They have made marked improvement. One of our 1924 graduates, Virginia Lee is teaching organ and one of the students Helen Chen is teaching the chorus work to the younger girls.

Miss Glassburner was such a great inspiration and she has so carried the burden of our work, that her going on furlough has left us perplexed and anxious many times. We trust that Miss Glassburner’s furlough will give her renewed health and vigor. We are very glad to have such an efficient Principal as Miss Eide during Miss Glassburner’s absence. Miss Li, our Vice Principal, has given very efficient service.

We are very happy to have Miss Hartford return to us and to the work which she founded. In addition to carrying on her work for Yuki District she teaches three English classes in High School. She is so interested in all phases of the Mission work, that her very presence gives us new inspiration and enthusiasm.

Although we have had very little serious illness during the past year, nevertheless looking after the health of so many girls is no small problem. We are delighted to have Miss Julia Li, a graduate of the Magaw Hospital, to nurse and care for our girls. She has proved her capability already. We were saddened once during the year by the death of one of our youngest girls.

It is with keen interest that we watch the scholastic development of our girls, but with equal zeal we watch their spiritual growth. The older girls have Sunday School classes and Class Meetings each week and do much to help the younger girls. One of their favorite pastimes is telling the little girls stories. During vacation all signed up for some form of definite evangelistic service in their native villages and cities. This helps the girls to give definite expression to their religious life and it
greatly aids the pastors and Bible-women in their work. I kept the slips the girls signed and I found it very gratifying to know how much good they were able to do through God’s strength.

The crowning service of the year was the pageant, “Bethlehem,” given Christmas eve. We had talked and prayed with the girls about this service, for we desired that each one might feel that as she rendered her part, she was giving herself in loving service that the Christmas story might live again. The girls tried to do every thing in a worshipful attitude trusting that they might honor and glorify God thereby. Judging from the words of appreciation, many hearts were moved and warmed as the girls sang

O hasten! O hasten! to worship the Lord!
O hasten! O hasten! to worship the Lord!

We have received our commission to teach. We are happy to do our utmost in carrying out our mission, but we feel that we could do better work, if we had a better place in which to teach. Store rooms have had to be remodelled for Class rooms, a closet converted into a music room and our school dining room is even used as a class room. There is very little time in the day when it is quiet in our home, for girls are practicing from half past seven a.m., until four p.m. The roof of our school building has been lifted and later dormer windows were put in, in order that we might have more bed-room space. We have now reached the limit for we do not know how we can accommodate our incoming classes. We hope our anxiety may be relieved by the appropriation for a new High School building.

We wish to thank you all for your kind letters, friendly interest, beautiful gifts and prayers. They have all been a help to us and have lightened our burdens and strengthened us. We trust we may more worthily serve and glorify our Master in our work here.

They say that once a piece of common clay
Such fragrance breathed as from a garden blows:
“My secret is but this,” they heard it say,
“I have been near the rose.”
And those there are who bear about with them
The power with thoughts of Christ men's hearts to stir;
For having knelt to kiss His garment's hem,
Their garments smell of myrrh.

So grant, I pray Thee Lord, that by Thy grace
The fragrance of Thy life may dwell in me:
That, as I move about from place to place,
Men's thoughts may turn to Thee.

Yours for the Master.

FERN M. SINKEY.

Married Women's Report

As wives and mothers, the married women cannot give full time to work outside the home. But each one is working to the limit of her time and strength. It taxes the mother's ingenuity to the utmost, besides being a great strain on the heart and health, to care for a little baby in an inland station in China where it is impossible to get just the right food that will suit the needs of the particular case.

After the problems of childhood are over the mother must become teacher, whether she is a Normal School Graduate or not. The very best home teaching in a small station cannot give the child the competition and school spirit which develop efficiency and character. So we are forced to send our children away to school long before we feel they ought to be cut off from home influences. It is not easy for a child to adjust himself to school life and it is very difficult to advise and direct a child by the long distant method. However we are grateful that there are a few schools in China so we do not have to send them to America until they are ready for College. We are also grateful for the way strangers open their homes to our children, providing not only good board and lodging but taking a personal interest in their welfare, and in addition to that, inviting them to spend the holidays, doing
all they can to make them happy, when they cannot have the privilege of going home.

Because we are not free to do much Evangelistic work, we employ a Bible-woman, Mrs. Li Huo Bing, whom we sent to the Nanking Woman's Bible-Training School for an advanced study. Last April she went with me to Chiong Hu Buang, where the District Superintendent had invited us to conduct an Institute for preacher's wives. Miss Glassburner called the Bible-women to meet with us, so as to make it a sort of training class for them. Part of each day was set apart to teach those wives who could not, how to read. Some of the Bible-women helped in caring for the babies while the mothers studied. Several young wives were led to see their need of an education. And the Institute also brought a spirit of co-operation between Bible-women and Preachers' wives. We hope such Institutes will be held on every District. Mrs. Lee also conducted three Institutes on the Chiong Hu Buang District, for any woman who would attend. Because of heavy rains and Chinese holidays the attendance was not large. But this gave opportunities for more personal work. All who completed the course of study were given certificates. During the Summer Mrs. Lee conducted a vacation Bible school in Yenping city.

We try to co-operate with the Women's Foreign Missionary Society in all work for women and girls, helping in the Women's Annual Conference and doing secretarial work for them. And we try to further the work of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society through the China Women's Missionary Society. Our Yenping Auxiliary thrived during the past year. The women and standard bearers raised over 400 dollars by giving pageants. This money will be used for a Kindergarten at Yung An, which is their Mission Station.

Mrs. J. E. Skinner, living at Yung An, a hundred miles from Yenping is the only married woman who gives the full time to missionary work. After spending her early years teaching her children, now, when nearly fifty years of age, she endures hardship and braves dangers of which no one
knows. She and her husband are the only missionaries, foreigners, in the station. The city is a constant political turmoil. There have been several sieges and battles there. Not a room in their home is without bullet holes. She holds us spellbound when she tells us of journeys over brigand infested mountains, and of faithful devoted Chinese workers and wonderful opportunities and openings for the Gospel. Mrs. Skinner is a travelling Evangelist, educational and medical missionary combined. She has done all the work of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society on that District because there is no one else to do it.

At Christmas time we married women have to improvise all sorts of gifts to send to preachers' and teachers' wives and children, for very few Christmas Parcels come to us, most gifts being sent out through the Women's Foreign Missionary Society. While we are under different boards we all work together for the same end, and we wonder why the Societies do not send packages to us.

These are dark days in China. Our hearts ache because of the suffering we see around us. We are praying and working for a better day when all shall know our Lord.

One of the "Wives,"

Laura Walter Bankhardt.
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DAILY JOURNAL

Saturday, December Twenty-seventh

The eighth annual session of the Yenping Woman’s Conference opened on Saturday morning, December twenty-seventh, in the chapel of Emma Fuller Memorial School. After singing the hymn, “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say,” Mrs. Li Huo Bing, who had charge of the devotional hour each morning, led us in prayer. The next hymn, “Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove,” and the prayer voiced by our President, Mrs. Ling Seuk Ing, brought us at once into the spirit of the morning devotional talk.

Mrs. Li read several verses from the first chapter of Acts, and the verse, “These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication,” was the basis for her talk. At the time of Pentecost, the hundred and twenty were united and the world will never forget what came of it. Prayer is the center of all our work, it may be compared to the dynamo of our electric light plant. Unless the dynamo is working, there is no light. Right now fear is dominating the hearts of the Chinese of our part of China, fear of bandits, of soldiers, of raids, fear of everything. People are giving increased attention to idol worship, in order to get rid of the present conditions. Prayer is first, the source of happiness. If the people knew its power, they would no longer fear. Second, it is the source of power. The effect of the prayer of those who prayed on the day of pentecost is still felt. It was prayer that opened the doors of the jail and enabled Peter to escape. Third, prayer is the source of the ability to accomplish what we start out to do. Moses prayed and the waters were parted, again he prayed and drink was given to the thirsty travelers. We must be united in prayer, and now, especially, there seems nothing left for us to do but to pray. As we knelt, four lifted up petitions that God’s Spirit might be made manifest in us this coming year, that all through the Conference there might be one voice of prayer welling up to the throne. After this, we sang the hymn, “Simply Trusting Every Day.”
The Credentials Committee reported for Yenping and Shuen Chang districts. Because of the unsafe travelling conditions, only three from outside of Yenping City were able to be present. The delegates who were here were seated. Miss Linam suggested and the conference voted that the new missionaries and teachers who were not yet eligible for membership be allowed the privileges of the floor in any discussions that might come up.

After a few words of greeting, Mrs. Ling called on Mrs. Giong Bao Ing, the matron of the Woman's School, to give her report. She told of the forty-six students, who are in school. These all put into practice the training they receive by doing personal work in the homes of the people of the city or teach in the Sunday School or in other practical work.

Miss Bertha Lee, the vice principal of Emma Fuller Memorial School then gave her report. She referred especially to the good work done by Miss Eide, as acting Principal during Miss Glassburner's absence. Even though she has been here but a few months, they also see the effect of the work of the graduate nurse from Magaw Hospital who was employed as nurse and teacher of physiology and hygiene. Special mention was also made of the pageants given by the girls.

Mrs. Ling Seuk Ing gave the report for Francesca Nast Gamble School. The splendid supervision of the school given by Miss Sinkey during Miss Reiman's absence is evidenced by the regular work done, in spite of political conditions. The new building was finished under Miss Sinkey's care, and the building and grounds testify to her interest and thought. Such unsettled conditions make it very hard to secure regular attendance, but the absent pupils are visited, and careful follow-up work done.

The Chinese secretary read the report from the Yuki school. The awful flood interfered with the schedule, but though many of the families lost heavily, no lives were lost. There are six classes in the school, with four teachers and a total of thirty six pupils. Ten of these are boarding pupils. Each Sunday afternoon the children are given
Junior League work. Every one appreciates the new buildings.

Yungan and Shahsien schools were reported by Mrs. J. E. Skinner. This report is given in full elsewhere.

No reports were sent from Changhupan and Shuenchang, but Miss Eide reported the new building at Changhupan which is almost completed. Mrs. Li, Miss Dylia Ho and Mrs. Ling offered prayer for the schools of our Conference.

This was followed by a discussion of the Retirement Fund, in which several took part. Several questions that had been puzzling some of the workers were answered.

The President then announced that because of the small attendance from outside, there would be no Conference dinner served, as had been served the past three years.

The last two verses of "Simply Trusting Every Day" was sung and the morning session was closed with prayer by Miss Bertha Li.

AFTER SESSION, DECEMBER TWENTY-SEVEN.

The quiet hour this afternoon was conducted by Miss Mary Eide. The hymn "Lord Jesus I Long to be Perfectly Whole" was sung, after which Mrs. Giong led us in prayer. After again singing "Guide me, oh Thou Great Jehovah," and prayer. Miss Eide told the story of a doctor, who in the effort to respond to the call of a sick man, started to cross a swamp, over a very narrow path. When he was part way over, he turned around and to his horror saw that his little four year old son was following him. When he had retraced his steps and had rescued the lad, he asked, "Why did you try to come over this dangerous path? You might have fallen in the swamp and been killed." The lad replied, "I didn't go in any dangerous place, Father. Every step I took I put my feet right in the place where your feet had been." Often we are followed. Will they be safe? We ought not simply unknowingly to lead people, but knowing that some one is sure to follow us, we should be very careful to lead them only where they will be in no
OUR NEW CHURCH AT YUKI CITY

The new school buildings are on the top of the hill just back of this building.

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Yeu ping Women's Bible Training School
danger. As a guide through a forest leaves landmarks to point out the good road, so should we, through our deeds of love, sympathy, kindness, show the best road to take. If we are not sure of the way, we cannot successfully lead any one. And if we are careful to put each of our steps in the place where Christ has first trod, we will not be wrong, we can safely follow in His steps. We can rely on the verse in Isaiah 48:17 "I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadest thee by the way that thou shouldest go."

Margaret Lu and Mrs. Li closed the hour with prayer, after which the congregation sang "He Leadeth Me."

At this time the High School chorus sang in English "Brightly Beams our Father's Mercy."

The Secretary brought up a question for discussion, "In case a worker is dismissed because of sickness and has not fulfilled the twenty year requirement, is she to be deprived of any benefits of the Retirement Fund, when she will really be in greater need than those who automatically retire?" Several members of the Conference discussed the question, after which the chair appointed a committee consisting of Miss Linam, Mrs. Bankhardt, Miss Eide, Miss Hartford and Mrs. Li, to prepare a clause to be added to the Constitution of the Retirement Fund; later this clause was adopted: "If a woman who has been a member of the Society for ten years, and has done good work, is retired because of illness, she may have the privilege of the benefits of this fund, in proportion to her years of service."

We all joined in singing "Oh Zion Haste," after which Miss Dylia Ho gave a splendid talk, using as the foundation of what she said, John 4:28, "The woman then left her water pot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men." She first told of the meeting during the summer, at Kuliang, held at Mrs. Trimble's cottage, where representatives from each mission station in Foochow met to discuss ways and means of promoting the Fukochien Woman's Missionary Society. The Chinese officers of the Society were there and all discussed methods of earning money,
getting members, planning programs, and the like. The question was brought to the Conference, "How can we increase our money, attendance and interest?" The Samaritan woman forgot that she had gone to get water to cook the rice for the family, she was so intent on telling the wonderful news. Are we as intent as she? Our attention was then brought first to the fact that in the Bible women were used by the devil to promote his interests. Women are supposed to be wiser, more tactful, more sly, more cunning than men, and the devil has always made use of those talents. Second, Jesus depended upon women to serve him. There were several women who followed after Him to help minister to His daily needs. A woman "appointed Him for His burial," women served Him, and so must we. Third, the family depends upon the women of the household for most of the details of the every day life. Fourth, most of the Church customs that need changing can best be changed by the efforts of the women of the land. If she is to accomplish anything, she must have Faith. To believe is easy for the Chinese. There are so many temples and idols that they have implicit faith in, it is not hard for them to believe in something new. It is not hard to plant Christianity in their hearts. She must have Education. Such a few of those who are given an education are allowed more than the very rudiments and the percentage of those who have any education at all is much smaller still. She must be allowed to enter different occupations. There are many things women can do as well or better than men can. She is a better nurse, a better teacher, a better handworker than man is. Men will not look down on a talented woman. She must be given a better livelihood. So far her wage is not equal to that of a man, and she must be put on an equal with man in this respect also. If these things are brought to pass women will have done a great deal for China.

After singing the last verse of "Oh Zion Haste," Mrs. Grace Go Dang led in prayer for our native Missionary Society, and after the announcements were made, the afternoon session was dismissed.
SECOND DAY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER TWENTY-EIGHT

The Sunday morning service conducted by the women has become a fixed thing now. On Christmas morning when the pastor was announcing the meeting for the following Sunday he said, "Next Sunday's meeting will be of far more interest and far more entertaining than this service has been." A number of the conference preachers had already come to the city, so they were among the large number of attentive listeners. The pastor made the announcements, and when he took his seat one of the earnest brethren in the seat behind him poked him in the back and said, "You forgot to take up the collection." You should have seen the reuke in the pastor's face when he turned to him with, "They will take up their own collection. Keep still."

Miss Alice Linam presided, Miss Pearl Wong read the scripture lesson, Mrs. Ging Bao Ing led in prayer. Special music was furnished by Miss Helen Ding, the Woman's School and the Emma Fuller girls. The address of the morning was given by Mrs. Ling Seuk Ing. She is a frail little woman, but her voice carried to the farthest seat, and the closest attention was given to her.

Her talk was based on the scripture found in I Cor. 9:16-19 and gave us three duties of Christians. In China, as in other lands, there are many who call themselves Christians, who perhaps do understand the message as a whole, but who do not think of passing it on to others. It is the duty of a Christian, first, to exercise daily what Christianity teaches us, if we are to become successful soul winners. A business man must tend to his business daily if it is to prosper. The soldiers live in harmony and practice daily so that they may be victorious in case of trouble. Secondly, we must hunt out ways by which we may best help people to become true worshipers of God. Thirdly, we must not neglect the daily Bible reading and family worship, if we are to be strong, powerful workers for Christ. During the talk, Mrs. Ling, in a quiet, tactful way, pointed out how so many men in China treat their wives like slaves, how they think ever to-day that a woman
has no more brain power than an animal, how the wife may even be beaten whenever it seems convenient. Even Christian leaders are guilty of this thing, and no manner how eloquent the man, how good a teacher, the influence of the man will be measured by his home life. Until the men are ready to put women on an equal with themselves, there can be no real advance of His kingdom in China.

THIRD DAY, MONDAY, DECEMBER TWENTY-NINE

The Monday morning session began at nine thirty o'clock, with Mrs. Li in charge of the quiet hour. The hour began with silent prayer, followed by audible prayer by Mrs. Li, after which the song, "Dare to Do Right, Dare to be True" was sung. Miss Katheryn Nga then led in prayer. The scripture lesson was read from Romans 1:14-17, with special emphasis on the verse. "I am debtor." We often think we are not indebted to any one, but we are, to the school we are attending, to our friends, to many others. A debtor must always think of paying the debt, not a meal is eaten but the thought of the debt comes to her mind. If the debt is not paid, you must suffer. The story of the woman debtor, as found in 2 Kings 4:1-7 was read. We think, "I've studied only a year, I worked only a month, I have not yet received an appointment, how can I yet repay?" God says, "Go get vessels and pour out what oil you have." We must first empty out the vessels and make them ready to hold the oil. It is impossible to shut the door and think we are safe now. We cannot leave our debts behind, we must face them. The foreign missionaries have come to China because they are debtors, they cannot happily stay in America and not make an attempt to face their obligation. The women of China must wake up. The day is coming when God will call us into account for our debt. We must not think that Christianity is a free gift, a panacea, with no obligation on whatever, we are the greater debtors because of Christianity. If we prepare the vessels, God will provide the oil. After singing the hymn, "Oh Zion Haste," we were led in a closing prayer by Mrs. Ling.
The president then called for the reading of the minutes of the two previous days’ meetings, and after a few corrections they were appointed.

At this time the congregation was divided into groups for the discussion of problems and plans. Mrs. Li directed the group of Bible-women, Miss Harford met with the teachers, Misses Sinkey and Eide had the group of High School girls, and the preachers’ wives were in charge of Mrs. Bankhardt.

The Conference was again called together by the singing of the hymn, “Oh Christ in Thee my Soul Hath Found.”

The English secretary read letters of greeting from the Central China and Foochow conferences. Miss Sinkey was asked to write a special letter of greeting to Mrs. Skinner and Miss Bertha Li to the Chinese teachers at Yungan, telling them of our love and interest and prayer for the work.

Miss Mary Eide gave the report of the money on hand for the Retirement Fund. (See report.)

Miss Mabel Hartford was asked to prepare a brief report of the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society work to present to the Annual Conference. Miss Margeret Lu was to prepare the Chinese copy.

Miss Mary Eide and Mrs. Li Huo Bing were elected official delegates to the Annual Conference.

At this time the committee reports were called for, but they were not ready.

Mrs. Dang Luk Ing, the Bible-woman at Hia Dao, reported the Evangelistic work on the Yenping District.

Mrs. Ling Siong Daik, the faithful Bible-woman preacher at Twenty-fifth Township, Yuki, reported for Yuki District. She spoke of the great difficulty of making an impression on the whole district. There is not a great deal of confidence in Christianity there and not many fervent members. The people of the Yuki region have very little respect for women, you have to be very gentle and loving with them. You can’t take a gun and go after them as though you were trying to drive out a wild cat! The officials are so opposed to the church, especially since Miss Hartford was forced to leave. Only God can soften their hearts. God has pity for them. So many places
where there used to be server now are almost dead. The leaves and fruit are all gone from the tree. Only the bare branches are left. All this has come about because of political conditions. When will God's mercy prevail? When will He revive the tree?

At this time two led in prayer for the evangelistic work on Yenping, Yungan and Yuki districts.

Mrs. Li Huo Bing reported the Institute held on the Shuen Cha district. It could hardly be called successful because of the difficulty of house to house visitation. Only a few attended. The Bible-woman there was ready to come to Conference this week when the soldiers commandeered her boat and she barely saved her things.

There was no report from Shahsien district.

Anna Ling, one of the High School girls, reported the meeting held at Changhupan last winter. Miss Glassburner, with several of the girls, and Mrs. Bankhardt with some helpers, including Dr. Chai from the hospital at Yenping City, held a week’s meeting there. The girls were a great help with the house to house visiting and made the singing a vital part of the meeting. Mrs. Li reported the meeting conducted by Mrs. Bankhardt and herself for the preachers' wives at Changhupan. In spite of the work of the District Superintendent, there was not a very united attendance. Mrs. Bankhardt had tried to find out what they needed most before the meeting was planned, so there could be more constructive work done. "You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink" holds true in China as well as in America. The women were not much interested at first. It was hard to make them see why the preacher's wife should be educated, should be an example. So many preachers' wives make no effort to study, to improve themselves. Great emphasis was made of the fact that the preacher's wife, the Bible-woman and the preacher must be united in their efforts.

It is hoped that conditions will soon improve so that such meetings may be held in all of the districts. Mrs. Li is employed by the women of the General Board, and it is hoped
that she can help to connect the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society with that of the General Board in this way.

Mrs. Gion Bao Ing voiced our prayer for the evangelistic work on the Shuen chang, Changhupan and Shahsien districts.

After the hymn, "Love Divine, all Loves excelling," the morning session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Li.

**Monday Afternoon**

The afternoon meeting was opened with the song, "Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult," after which Mrs. Ling offered prayer. Mrs. Ruth P. Steininger took charge of the afternoon devotional hour. After singing "Jesus Bids us Shine," she announced her talk centering on the verse, "Ye are the light of the world." There are two sorts of Christians in the world. One says "I," and the other says, "You." Christ thought only of YOU. We need only to read of any of the ministries of Jesus to see that He took little thought of Himself. Often He did His greatest ministry when He was most weary. She used the illustration of the lighted candle and the sponge. As she put the sponge into the water, it took up all of the water for itself, it thought of no one but itself. It grew larger as it became filled. The candle grew smaller and smaller, as it shed its light for us. If you were lonely or sad, and a friend were to make you a gift, would you rather have a sponge or a candle? Through the objects, we saw that each candle that was touched by the lighted candle was lighted, while each one that was touched by the sponge was made to lose its light. She gave nothing, and brought nothing but darkness. Do we give or take light?

After a brief prayer by Mrs. Steininger and the hymn, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone," the Woman's School sang for us.

At this time we were greatly favored to have Mr. L. C. Lin, one of the Boys' Middle School faculty talk to us from the subject, "The Place of women in Christian Service." Mr. Lin is in charge of the Agricultural work of the Middle School.
He has been raising chickens, and he has found that no one wants the cocks, he has only been able to dispose of the hens. Most of what he said came from his experience in America as a student there. If the women of a church are strong, the church membership is strong. If only the men are active in church work, the church will soon die, for the children will not be trained to Christian standards. In the U.S.A. it is easy to see that it is the women who keep the church together. Many more women than men attend church, there are more women in schools of higher learning than men, according to Mr. Lin’s observation, there are more opportunities for women than for men. In China the women are still looked down on. When a church is built, no thought is given to the convenience of the women. So many think that the work of the church belongs to the preacher and the Bible-woman. The most of the work may best be done by the members of the church, who receive no pay for what they do. Many examples were given of work that can be done by the average woman member. Think of the church as your family. If only the women of China would get under the load here, how much might be done!

The hymn, “Oh Jesus I Have Promised” was sung at this time, after which a short memorial service was held for two of our workers who died during the year. Mrs. Lau Er Muoi was one of the most faithful of the Bible-women, but God called her after only a short time of active service. Her last three months were spent in our General Board hospital in Yenping City, where every care was given to her. Mrs. Giong Bao Ing spoke briefly of her as a student of the Woman’s Bible Training School. The other was a former Emma Fuller graduate, who had been doing good work in one of the most distant schools. She and her family were captured by bandits, and she later died as a result of the treatment given her. Miss Dorothy Ging spoke of her as a student.

After singing the hymn, “Servant of God Well Done,” Mrs. Bankhardt offered the closing prayer.
Tuesday Morning, December Thirtieth

The morning session began at nine thirty with a few moments of silent prayer, after which we sang the hymn, "I Belong to Jesus." Mrs. Uong then voiced our prayer.

Mrs. Li's talk this morning was centered around several verses of scripture,—I Cor. 6:20, "Ye are bought with a price;" John 7:38, "He that believeth on me. out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water;" Mark 11:17 "Ye have made it a den of thieves," we put so many things in place of Christ, the rivers dry up, weeds grow in the bed of the stream where the flowing water was. 2 Pet. 2:17." There are wells without water, clouds that are carried without a tempest." folks come to us for water and there is none to give them. She had prepared several pictures to illustrate the thought that was brought out. The theme of the conference was again emphasized, every Christian is in duty bound to work, not just those who eat the church's rice. Don't wait till some one "invites" you to do this or that, the lost sheep are waiting for you. We are bidden to wash feet, but we can't wash them if we stand up in front of the person, we must kneel down to where the feet are. If we are doing God's will, our way will be made plain.

After singing, "Alas, my Heart is Dark with Sin," the members again separated into groups for discussion. The conference was called to order by a song, after which a group of Miss Linam's women sang for us.

The Nominating Committee reported and the following officers were elected by ballot for the work of the next year:

President ... ... ... ... Mrs. Li Huo Bing
English Vice President ... ... Mary Eide
Chinese Vice President ... ... Dr. Harriet U
English Secretary ... ... Frida Reimau
Chinese Secretary ... ... Margaret Lu
English Statistical Secretary ... ... Mrs. Karl Scheufler
Chinese Statistical Secretary ... ... Mrs. Grace Go Dang

The committees as outlined were read and approved.

Because of forced conditions, there were not enough delegates present to make a quorum, so it was voted to suspend the rules and make the number present a quorum.
Representatives from the group meetings reported the main point discussed during their meetings, and after the song, "In the Rifted Rock I'm Resting," we were dismissed with the Lord's Prayer.

**Tuesday Afternoon**

We came to the last afternoon of the Conference with the largest attendance of any session. Mrs. Roland Schaefer had the Quiet Hour. It was opened with the song, "More Love to Thee," followed by prayer by Mrs. Giong. Miss Bertha Li, who interpreted for both Mrs. Steininger and Mrs. Schaefer, read 2 Cor. 4:6-11, to direct our thoughts to the subject "Living the Christian Life." Mrs. Schaefer said in part, "Few people are led to Christ through the intellect. It is through the heart, the emotion that we come to Christ. People are beautiful because there is a beauty of soul. Hawthorne brings this out in the story of the Great Stone Face. We cannot change the shape of our faces, the color of our eyes, but we can alter the expression. To be like Christ is the important study of our lives. In the final reckoning, it is our daily living that will weigh, more than our public doings. The story is told of the natives of Arabia who said they had seen Christ. They had seen him in the missionary who had lived with them for several years. How can we give this impression." She then gave several practical ways by which we could be able to give the impression, to those about us, that we had been with Him and learned of Him. Miss Li closed the hour with prayer.

After we had listened to "Rescue the Perishing," sung by a group of High School girls, Miss Hartford and Miss Eide were elected as representatives from the conference on the Hwa Nan College Board of Managers.

At this time we were glad to welcome our new Bishop, Wallace E. Brown. His message to us was what we most needed. First, he showed us how great was our need of Hope. Just now China seems so hopeless. At a time like this it is good to think that God does not fail. Jesus is big enough. The discouraged person is already defeated. God does reign. Next,
we need a demonstration of personal goodness. We have enough theory about religion, we need to have it lived in the hearts of the Christians, in their every day life. Then, what a helpless thing is man apart from God! "Not by might, nor by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." It is our daily privilege to seek the anointing of the Holy Spirit, that we may not work alone.

Mrs. Bankhardt then brought us a brief closing message. We know the doctrine already. The weakness of the Church of Christ every where to-day is the belief without the heart in it. We sit here and our hearts are warmed, but if we only listen, only believe, without a real change of heart we shouldn’t be called Christians. Our works after the Conference will show what we really are. As we knelt in prayer, each telling God what was the desire of her own heart, God did speak to us, and we were still in the spirit of prayer as we sang, "Pitying Saviour Hear my Cry."

The minutes of the past two days were read and corrected. Miss Hartford’s name was put on the Board of Managers of the Middle Schools in place of Miss Eide, who is ex-officio a member.

The congregation stood to sing the Doxology, after which the Lord’s Prayer was repeated and the Eighth session of the Yenping Woman’s Conference was closed. Now for the doing of it!

The Report of the Evangelistic Committee

1. Whereas missionaries are unable to travel in the country, the committee urge that the preachers’ wives and Bible-women in each circuit gather the Christian Women together for prayer and Bible study and endeavor to teach them to be soul winners.

2. That concerted efforts be made to win the women of Yenping city.

The groups of women and girls go to the homes where there are large houses with many people in each home and if possible that some of the visitors are able to sing.
3. That whenever possible the preacher take his wife and children with him when making evangelistic visits, if the children are big enough to help with the singing. This can often be done during vacation when the children are at home from school.

Foochow City, Fukien,
Nov. 4, 1924.

My Dear Friends:

At our last Women’s Conference I was asked to write to you and send to you our greetings. This I am gladly doing because as we each one look back of this past year of work it is an inspiration to know and feel that we are not working alone but that there are our Sisters everywhere in the different Conferences who are working with us in trying to bring the Good Tidings to those who do not know.

We hope that this has been a good year for you and that God has blessed your work in every way so that it has grown. We hope too that He will guide you in all your plans for the coming year. We pray that we may all have a faith big enough to do big things for the Master this coming year; faith in God, the source of our wisdom and power, faith in ourselves, the means through which God can work, and faith in the importance of our work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Sing Gieu Carleton.
Constitution of the Yenping Woman’s Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church

ARTICLE I

Name

This organization shall be called the Yenping Woman’s Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

The object of this organization is to unite the effort of Christian leaders for the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ among women and children in China, by the presentation of reports, the discussion of methods of work, the consideration of customs not in accord with Christian principles, and the making of recommendations with regard to the same.

ARTICLE III

Members

1. Charter Members:—Any woman who is a member of any evangelical church engaged in active Christian work of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the Yenping Conference as Bible-woman, Teacher, Pastor’s Wife, or Missionary, is considered a charter member of the Conference, if she has given two years of acceptable service, and is a graduate of an accredited Higher Primary School, or Woman's Bible Training School, or any higher institution of learning. In the case of a missionary, one year of language study shall count as one year of work. Any woman who has given ten years of faithful service, and has passed the Preparatory and the First year’s Exhorter’s examination shall be considered a charter member.

2. New Members:—Until 1925 new members shall be eligible for membership if they have fulfilled the requirements given for Charter members, but after 1925 new Chinese members shall be graduates of the Higher Primary Department of the Woman's Bible Training School, or of the Junior High School, or any Higher Institution of learning, and shall be admitted after two years of acceptable service; new Missionaries after two years of work, including one year of language study, on recommendation of the Conference Relations Committee, by a majority vote of all the members present at the annual session.

3. Associate Members:—Chinese women who have given five years of acceptable active service in the Conference, and who have
passed the Preparatory and the First year's Exhorter's examinations may, on recommendation of the Conference Relation Committee be elected to associate membership in the Conference with privileges of discussion, but not with privilege to vote.

ARTICLE IV
Officers

The Officers of this organization shall be a President, who must be Chinese; two Vice-Presidents, one of whom must be Chinese; two Recording Secretaries, one English, and one Chinese who need not necessarily be a member of the Conference: a Statistical Secretary, who shall be English, and a Chinese Assistant Statistical Secretary. The duties of each of these officers shall be those ordinarily connected with that office.

ARTICLE V
Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting shall be held at approximately the same time and at the same place as the Yenping Annual Conference.

ARTICLE VI
Standing Committees

1. Names of Committees:—The Standing Committees of this organization shall be as follows:—Evangelistic, Social Service, Program, Publication, Entertainment, Conference Relations, Nominations.

2. Organization of Committees:—The organization of the above committees shall be as follows:

(a) The Evangelistic Committee shall be composed of those in charge of District Evangelistic work and five others, appointed by the Nominating Committee. Of the five, three shall be elected to represent the Conference on the Joint Mission Evangelistic Committee.

(b) The Social Service Committee shall consist of five members.

(c) The Program Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Conference and three other members chosen by the Nominating Committee.

(d) The Committee on Publication shall consist of the Recording and Statistical Secretaries.

(e) The Entertainment Committee shall consist of three members.

(f) The Committee on Conference Relations shall consist of the persons in charge of District Evangelistic and Educational work, the Principals of the Woman's Bible Training School and Middle School, and six other members chosen one from each district by the Nominating Committee. The first two of these six members shall be elected
for a term of six years, two for two years, and two for one year. Thereafter, the vacancies left by the retiring members shall be filled by members appointed for three years.

(g) The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members.

3. Duties of Committees.

(a) The duties of the Evangelistic Committee shall be as follows:
   (1) To assist in the planning of special Evangelistic campaigns.
   (2) To correspond with Pastors, Bible-women, and other workers for the purpose of stirring up interest in the Evangelistic work.
   (3) To prepare material for Evangelistic workers.
   (4) To make reports through the Conference paper of Evangelistic work among the women.
   (5) To organize local Gospel teams.

(b) The duty of the Program Committee shall be to plan the program for the Annual meeting.

(c) The duties of the Social Service Committee shall be:
   (1) To organize Health and Sanitation Campaigns.
   (2) To promote reform of evil customs.
   (3) To distribute health and reform literature.
   (4) To plan social meetings and entertainments that may afford a point of contact with non-Christian people.

(d) The duties of the Conference Relations Committee shall be:
   (1) To investigate applications and recommendations for membership.
   (2) To investigate difference between and complaint regarding members, and to provide if possible a way of settlement.

(e) All of these Committees shall be appointed at the Annual Meeting to supervise the work of their respective departments for the following year and to report at the next Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VII

Quorum

Not less than thirty members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendment

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of all the members present at the Annual meeting, provided that all the membership have been notified in writing of the proposed change at least a month before the Annual Meeting.
Constitution of Co-operative Retirement Fund Society

The Committee on drafting a Constitution for the Yenping Woman's Conference Retirement Fund met at the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society home Friday morning, June 16, at nine o'clock. Miss Glassburner, the chairman, Miss Linam and Mrs. Trimble, members of the committee, were present. After prayer by Mrs. Trimble the task for the day was taken up. After discussion the following tentative Constitution was drawn up, which your committee desires to present for your consideration:—

Constitution

Article 1—Name and Meeting

The name of this Society shall be The Co-operative Retirement Fund Society of the Yenping Woman's Conference. There shall be one annual meeting held at the same time and place as the Woman's Conference.

Article 2—Purpose

The purpose of this Society shall be to provide and administer a retirement fund for our faithful Chinese Bible-women, teachers and other workers, that they being free from anxious care about their future may be able to give themselves unreservedly to the work of the church.

Article 3—Membership

1. Any Chinese woman now actively engaged in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society or any woman worker employed by the General Society in work specially for women may become a charter member by declaring her willingness to pay 2% of her salary into this fund beginning with the year 1922. This shall not be construed to include pastors' wives not regularly employed by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

2. New workers shall be eligible to membership after one year of effective service, upon recommendation of the person the charge of their particular work and of the District Secretary of the fund, and elected by a two-third vote of the members present at the annual meeting.

3. Any woman missionary on the field may become an honorary member by the annual payment of $10, renewable each year. Honorary members may have the privilege of voting on all subjects and may hold any office to which the Society may elect them.
ARTICLE 4—Officers

The officers shall consist of a President, a Vice President, one foreign and one Chinese Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Secretary for each district.

The duties of the President and Vice President shall be those usually encumbent upon such officers.

The Secretaries shall not only keep the minutes of the Society, but shall keep an accurate list of all members, their years of service, salary, etc., and attend to necessary correspondence.

The District Secretaries shall promote the interests of the Society in their respective fields and shall keep the Society informed as to the character of the work done by members of the Society in the fields.

The Treasurer shall be responsible for the funds and shall disburse them according to the instructions of the annual meeting of the Society, and shall make an annual report to the Society of all funds received and disbursed by her during the year.

The officers, except the District Secretaries, shall constitute the Executive Committee, with power to act in emergencies, reporting such action to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE 5—Funds

The funds of the Society shall be raised as follows:—

1. 2% assessment on the salary of each active member. This shall be taken out of the salary by the worker in charge at the end of the second quarter each year and be turned over to the Treasurer who shall issue a receipt to each member for the same.

2. Fees of Honorary members,—$10 per annum.

3. 2% assessment on Woman's Foreign Missionary Society current appropriations for Educational and Evangelistic work in the Conference.

4. By one-quarter of the Conference collections for Superannuated Workers. (This must be sanctioned by the Annual Conference.)

5. Other voluntary contributions.

This fund shall be put on fixed deposit until 1932, after which time the interest shall be available for distribution among retired workers. This shall be divided in ratio of terms of service and average salary received during such terms.

ARTICLE 6—Rules for Retirement

No one is eligible to partake of the funds until after 20 years of active service and membership in the Society, except charter members who have already served more than 10 years. These shall be
eligible after 10 years of membership. This shall not be interpreted to mean that effective workers shall be automatically retired at the end of the 20 years. Any person desiring to retire shall present her application, through the worker in charge, to be acted upon at the annual meeting.

Any member may withdraw her membership at any time, but no refund of money shall be made.

If for any reason any member is retired from service before she is eligible for benefits from the fund, or moves out of the Conference, she automatically loses her membership in the organization. In case service is resumed the time lost shall not be counted in the 20 years' membership required for participation in the funds.

In case such societies are formed in other conferences, membership in this Society shall be transferrable at the option of the annual meeting, provided that there is reciprocal action on the part of the sister conference.

If a woman who has been a member of the Society for ten years, and has done good work, is retired because of illness, she may have the privilege of the benefits of this fund, in proportion to her years of service.

ARTICLE 7—QUORUM

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members present at the annual meeting.

Delegates Present at the Session of the Yenping Women's Conference, 1924

Yenping District

Miss Hartford
Miss Eide
Miss Linam
Miss Sinkey
Miss Reiman
Miss Huffaker
Mrs. Bankhardt
Mrs. Trimble
Mrs. Scheufler
Miss Bertha Lee
Mrs. Li Huo Bing
Mrs. Ling Seuk Ing
Miss Lydia Hung
Mrs. Grace Dang

Mrs. Hung Ging Sing
Mrs. Giong Bau Ing
Mrs. Dai Ue Ci
Mrs. Su U Ciong
Mrs. Hung Ngueeng Seng
Mrs. Hui Daik Ching
Mrs. Uong Ing Hua
Mrs. Ling Li Ju
Mrs. Daih Liong Huoi So
Mrs. Ding Luh Ing

Yuki District

Mrs. Ling Siong Daik
W. F. M. S. Appointments, Yenping Woman's Conference

EVANGELISTIC WORK

Yuki District .. . . Mabel C. Hartford
Yenping District .. Alice Linam
Changhupan District .. Mary Eide
Shahsien District .. Frida Reiman
Shuenschang District .. Frida Reiman
Yungan District .. Mrs. J. E. Skinner, Fern Sinkey

EDUCATIONAL WORK, YENPING

Emma Fuller Memorial Girls' School
(Intermediate and High School Departments)
Acting Principal, Mary Eide
Assistant Principal, Bertha Li
Instructors, Fern Sinkey, Minnie Huser (half time). Mrs. F. Bankhardt*, Mrs. C. F. Peterson*, Mrs. C. G. Trimble*.

Woman's Bible Training School, Alice Linam
Francesca Nast Gamble Boarding and Day School and Kindergarten, Frida Reiman

EDUCATIONAL WORK, YUKI

Woman's Bible School, Esther Ling.
Children’s School, Esther Ling

EDUCATIONAL WORK, YUNGAN

Girls' Boarding School, Ethel Lee.
(Missionary from Fukien Woman's Missionary Society)

Conference Primary Day Schools

Changhupan District .. Mr. C. N. Oleen and Miss Eide
Shahsien District .. Mr. C. N. Oleen and Miss Reiman
Shuenschang District .. Mr. C. N. Oleen and Miss Reiman
Yenping District .. Mr. C. N. Oleen and Miss Reiman
Yuki District .. Mr. C. N. Oleen and Miss Hartford
Yungan District .. Mr. C. N. Oleen and Mrs. Skinner

On Furlough, Mamie Glassburner

Students of Language, at Yenping, Minnie Huser (half time)
Students of Language, at Nanking, Helen Galleher

REFERENCE COMMITTEE

Misses Hartford, Linam, Reiman, Eide, Sinkey and Huser, Mrs. F. Bankhardt and Mrs. C. G. Trimble.

Official Correspondent, Mrs. C. G. Trimble.

*These three help with Music, and Mrs. Bankhardt has some Bible work during Miss Glassburner's absence.
### Missionaries of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Yenping Mission

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Received from Miss Glassburner .. .. .. .. $294.02
Deposited, May 29th .. .. .. .. .. 59.40
Fixed Deposit and interest transferred to savings acct. 148.71
Int. on savings account .. .. .. .. .. 2.38
Offering on Sunday, Dec. 28 .. .. .. .. .. 49.28

$ 553.70

MARY EIDE, Treasurer.