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Perseverance!
And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Consecration!
No one of them said that aught of the things he possessed was his own.

Boldness!
Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus.

Joy!
And they rejoiced that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the Name.

Advance!
They went everywhere preaching the Word.

Transmission!
And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and to preach Jesus as the Christ.

And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

And the words, which I command thee this day, thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children.
OUR ALTAR OF SERVICE

1. Workers Prayer Group.
2. Sunday School.
3. Wednesday Afternoon Prayer Meeting for Women.
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6. Young People's Training Class.
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MABEL C. HARTFORD 1887-1927.

YENPING CONFERENCE'S "WITNESSES" WHO RETIRED IN 1927.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation." Isaiah 52:7.

ALICE LINAM 1895-1927.
EVANGELISTIC WORK

MAMIE F. GLASSBURNER.

FERN M. SINKEY.

Bible-woman's Training Conference.

Jesus, Himself, established the precedent of training witnesses to make them effective. His disciples, before they left all to follow Him, had been grounded from childhood in the faith of the one true God; and were at home in the Old Testament Scriptures and standards of conduct. In addition to this He gave them the three years of practical Kingdom work, in fellowship with Himself, culminating in the poignant experience of Gethsemane and Calvary. After His resurrection there was a post graduate course the content of which may be partially reconstructed from the mountain peaks of truth in the Epistles. Again, at His command, they gathered in the upper room for another season of intensive spiritual culture, praying, planning, and waiting, until He sent them forth clothed with power from above.

Since He trained so carefully and so thoroughly those to whom He was passing the torch of His truth, surely we can do no other than to utilize every resource at our command to prepare those who are to be light bearers in China to intelligently and acceptably fulfill their calling.

We look forward to the time when we shall have enough high school and college trained women to carry on the work of evangelism, but that day is still many years distant. In the meantime, while constantly pushing up the educational requirements for new recruits, we must go forward with the workers we have, doing our best to raise their standard of efficiency while they work. For this further training of women already in the service, there was inaugurated three years ago in our field the Annual Bible-woman's Training Conference, which is really a month's school of Bible Study and Evangelistic Methods.

This year, with Fukien at war, and Yenping itself the objective of advancing armies, there was a decided question as
to whether the Conference could be held at all; but as long as our territory was not actually invaded the only course that seemed justifiable was to go on with the preparation of the program and the sending out of announcements. As the date of opening drew near only one thing in our entire field of vision stood unshaken—the promise of God, "Lo, I am with you!" and that did not fail. The blockade of the river made the coming of the Bethel Band, who had last year brought so much inspiration to us, impracticable, but local workers gladly filled the gap. Bandits were active on every road. There was constant talk of Yenping being either looted, besieged, or raided by aeroplanes if not all three: but in spite of every thing thirty of our workers ran the risk and came!

One Bible-woman had been ill for several days when it came time to start. She said, "If I am able to take a cup of rice broth in the morning, I will go." She succeeded in swallowing the tasteless portion and heedless of the dissuasions of family and friends, set out. At Chanhufan she met one of the men teachers of Emma Fuller Memorial School, who had been delayed on the way for ten days on account of bandits. She thought she would now have company but after a day's fruitless search for a boat the teacher bade her give up her undertaking and return home. It was not a fit time for women to travel anyway. He could not delay longer and would walk on alone. She waited until he was well out of sight and then started on to Yukikeo, five miles distant, where she hoped she might get passage on a launch, and where to her great joy she found a sister worker from Twenty Second Township, seventy miles away. As they greeted each other a launch appeared and they succeeded in boarding it. It was crowded with wounded and dying soldiers. There was no place to sit. From mid-forenoon the sick woman clung to a loop of rope and prayed for power to endure the nauseating weakness that threatened to overcome her. Nightfall brought them to Yenping and to a welcome that made the "toils of the road seem nothing" to them. There were plenty of cheerful volunteers to help with notes on the work they had missed. Each day brought to Aj Ing not only its gift of new
inspiration, new methods, and new insight into the Word; but also new physical strength, so that she went home happy over the surprise she would give to her husband and to the community as they should see her coming back stronger than she had been for months. The joy of ministering to workers who are capable of such high heroism is not to be put into words.

The work of each year’s Institute has converged into a central theme which was, in 1928, “The Kingdom of God”; and in 1929, “Pentecost.” The sequence of thought drew us irresistibly, this year, to the great title of Versteeg’s book, “Perpetuating Pentecost,” which dominated our thoughts all through the days of the Conference, and which has become our watchword for the new year. The program which guided our daily activities was as follows:—

Conference Hymn—“On We’ll March to Victory.”

Conference Prayer—May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory, give unto us the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him: the eyes of our heart being enlightened; that we may know what is the hope of His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what the exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe.

Daily Schedule—

6.30—7.00—Into the secret of His presence—Personal morning watch. “He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.”

8.00—8.50—Fulness of life—Devotional hour. “I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly.”

8.50—9.30—Opening the channels of power. Group prayer and Bible study “And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles’ teaching and fellowship, and in the breaking of bread, and in prayer.”

9.30—10.20—The Witnesses of Tomorrow—Methods of evangelism with children and young people. “And these words
which I command thee this day, thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children.”

10.20—11.10—Sword drill—Studies in the Epistle to the Hebrews. “And take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.”

11.10—12.00—The care of the flock—Pastoral methods. “Take heed therefore to all the flock, over which the Holy Spirit hath made you overseers.”

2.00—2.50—(Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays) Heart to heart talks—Personal interviews. “Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.

3.00—3.50—Holiness in the training camp—Personal, family, and village hygiene. “For the Lord thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp to deliver thee; therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see no unclean thing in thee and turn away from thee.”

4.00—4.30—Melody to the Lord—Song hour. “Sing unto the Lord a new song, and His praise from the end of the earth.”

2.00—4.00—(Tuesdays and Fridays) Advance—Practical evangelistic work in Yenping City—“They went every where preaching the Word.”

7.00—7.45—The evening sacrifice—Vespers. “Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.”

Each day in the morning devotional hour, our District Superintendent, Pastor Hu Chen Yu, opened our eyes to new wonders in the book of Acts. The fact that his messages came straight out of his own sacrificial service and the depths of his own Christian experience invested them with unusual power and value for us.

The hour of group prayer and Bible study was in charge of four of our most earnest young Bible-women, each of whom brought daily to her group a short study in Philippians, Paul’s “Epistle of Joy,” and then directed the group in their inter-
cession for special objects. Each of these leaders also assumed responsibility for looking after both the spiritual and physical needs of the members of her division, all of which contributed much to the smooth running of the Institute as well as to its spiritual power.

The period given to the topic, "Witnesses of Tomorrow," turned the thought of our workers to an entirely new field of endeavor, the responsibility of the church for baptized children of the early adolescent age. Questions and discussion brought out the alarming fact that even in the families of many Bible-women and Pastors, no attention has been paid to bringing these boys and girls into full and active church membership. A thorough study was made of a carefully outlined course of lessons designed to lead members of this hitherto neglected class to a definite personal decision to accept Christ as Savior and to follow Him as leader; and to an intelligent appreciation of the privileges and responsibilities of membership in the Church whose object is the bringing in of His Kingdom on earth. Each Bible-woman in attendance pledged herself to agitate until Christmas for the organization of a "Confirmation Class" to meet weekly from January first until Easter, when a special service should make their reception into the Church an unforgettable event to them.

The visitation campaign put on by these workers, in connection with their study of evangelistic methods, met with a most cordial welcome. In no case was any rebuff or unpleasantness encountered. The very tenseness and uncertainty of the situation seemed to make people eager to hear a Gospel of hope. The consensus of opinion was that the opening this year was better than last.

Miss Bertha Lee, Miss Helen Ho, Miss Lydia Hung, Miss Julia Lee, and Mrs. Lee Hue Bing took turns in leading vespers. Each evening, in addition to the inspirational song service, the life of some outstanding spiritual leader was reviewed. Francis of Assisi, John Wesley, George Muller, Raymond Lull, John Williams, Robert Morrison, Mary Slessor, David Livingston, Pandita Ramabai, and others, became very real and near to us. The series also included an occasional story,
and the "Bishop's Candlesticks" and "Quo Vadis" each brought their message of devotion and love unfailing.

Another long-to-be-remembered variation of the vesper hour was the opening of Miss Lee's Night Blooming Series, which brought an unexpected offering of blossoms for the occasion. The pots were placed on the chapel table that all might enjoy the miracle of beauty, which not one of the visiting workers had ever witnessed before, and as they watched with almost breathless interest, one of them remarked, "It must be a good omen that so many have opened just for us. In any case the snowy white blossoms spoke to our hearts not only of the Father's purity, but also of His love and care; and the tension that had at times seemed almost unendurable left us that night not to return.

Mrs. Skinner gave freely of her time for interviews, and the women gladly brought for her sympathetic counsel not only problems of the work but also those of a more personal nature. Rev. Chen Yan Cheo gave a series of inimitable health talks, which were greatly appreciated by the workers, many of whom are his former students. Dr. Skinner gave clinical advice and did refractory work for all who desired it, so that the group had a splendid opportunity for toning up physically as well as spiritually and mentally.

We were impressed with the fact that these workers did not require an emotional "warming over." From the first service prayer and testimony came without urging, and the spiritual responsiveness and earnestness manifested all the way through were most gratifying. Word has come that all are again safe at their appointments, and we thank God that whatever the immediate future may hold of warfare, or of opposition to the Church, these unassuming soldiers of the Cross are back at their posts refreshed and re-equipped for a new drive against the spiritual powers of darkness.

Yours in His service,

MAMIE F. GLASSBURNER.
DISTRICT TRAINING CONFERENCES

Pentecostal Power in Yungan

The advanced standard of the Christian women who attended the Yungan District Training Conference of 1930, was a wonder and joy to us. Of the eleven women from country circuits, and the local group who swelled the average daily attendance to twenty-five, all were able, with a little help, to read the hymns and texts which formed the basis of each session's work. This made it possible for them to accomplish much more in ten days than any other group of unschooled women with whom we have worked, and gives us courage to work and pray in faith for a literate and Bible reading church membership.

Since the entrance of the Word giveth light, evidences of spiritual growth were not lacking. Two women, whose indifference, ignorance, and superstition, at their first conference, a year and a half before, had been all but the despair of the staff, were with us again: but so unbelievably changed, with their bright faces, simple and neat attire, and their ability to participate intelligently in all parts of the services, as to constitute a real miracle of grace. Miss Ethel Lee, in charge of the Morning Watch in the Institute of 1928 and again this year, spoke of the remarkable progress the entire group had made in intercession. The leader of the afternoon meeting, who had come prepared to speak to non-Christians and nominal Christians, faced the joyful necessity of changing her entire series of talks to meet the needs of life on a higher plane.

Owing to the lack of men workers on the Institute staff, it was necessary for the women and the laymen to unite in the morning devotions, the song hour, and the entire afternoon session, but the spiritual responsiveness of all was so fine that neither group proved a hindrance to the other.

The turning point of the Conference came one morning when the pastors' group altered the regular schedule to give their usual hour of Bible study to prayer. It was pointed out that we had talked much about the Holy Spirit, and about waiting for His coming; but that we had not yet sidetracked
a single item of our crowded program for that supreme concern.

That hour’s fellowship with Him and each other, as we definitely asked and believed and received, cannot soon be forgotten. Its fruits appeared in the spontaneity of the personal work at the rest of the evening services, and in the relations of an unscheduled testimony hour, a day or two later. A teacher confessed how, through failure in prayer and Bible study, he had lost the joy gained at a previous conference. A young woman asked for prayer that she might no longer lead an up-and-down life. A young man told with deep emotion how, as a student he had opposed the church, and asked us to pray that he might become a real Christian. A pastor declared that he was living in a new heaven and a new earth.

Mrs. Chen’s hymn, “Congloh for Christ,” changed to “Yungan for Christ,” was sung daily in both afternoon and evening services. The farewelling crowd on the beach and the homegoers in the boats sang it together once more as the latter shoved off for Yenping, with an assurance in all hearts that the members of the Conference were going back to their homes and appointments to labor in new power and joy to make the prayer-song come true.

The after effects of this Conference have justified our first impression of it. The teacher, mentioned above, organized a group of fellow teachers, who covenanted to meet an hour daily for intercession and study of the Work. The pastor writes of the young woman of the “up-and-down” experience, that ever since the Conference, she has been faithful and earnest, and that she is now very anxious to go into the Christian work for which she is so well fitted, but which she has for years been unwilling to do. The young man who wanted to be a real Christian has felt the call to preparation for the ministry, and within a few weeks will be entering a Bible Training School. If some one should object that some of this report is about work with men, we can only answer that one can not always tell just where work for women ends and work for men begins, and though our first object in these Training Conferences is
to help women and children, yet we are always thankful when, as not infrequently happens, He gives us, as a by-product, results among men and boys.

Yours in joyful service,

Mamie F. Glassburner.

That He Be Lifted Up In Suenchang.

As the stories of Communists drawing near, increased, the difficulty and risks of itinerating became more evident. The climax came the day before departure, when our American Consul sent a letter warning us, that upon second notification we should be ready to evacuate. Realizing what had happened in places not distant, we knew it was possible that such activities might be duplicated in this region. Assuming the responsibility for the Bible women and Gospel Team who would assist was not easy or light. Even though the meetings had been announced for a month, there came the subtle temptation, to follow the safer and easier path and stay in Yenping? After real heart searching and prayer, the venture of faith was made that He might be lifted up in Suenchang District.

On the third day of the journey up river, Yankow was reached. The District Superintendent informed us that it would be impossible to continue our journey to Ta Kan and hold meetings there, for banditry had closed that branch of the river. The group was asked to remain in Yankow for meetings. Four days were spent in house to house visitation and street preaching. Each day some were hearing the Good News for the first time. Heavy rain lessened the size of the audience the night of the pageant, but probably increased the interest and the number of those who enrolled as believers.

Upon arrival in Suenchang, District Superintendent Wang said that the two hundred bandits who swept down on Ta Kan, proved that it was the providence of God that we were not permitted to continue our journey to that place;
for once having entered Ta Kan, departure for further itinerating would have been impossible.

The anniversary of Pentecost was approaching and our attention was especially focussed upon the memorable events of nineteen hundred years ago, as in a retreat for two days we prayed for a similar outpouring of the Holy Spirit, upon the Chinese Church.

The Suenchang Training Conference which followed was not unlike the early church where prayer formed an important part of the program. Early morn found the preachers and Bible-women praying that they might be filled with the Holy Spirit so that they might personally lead many of their people to the Savior. After breakfast the workers assembled for a devotional hour. Those present often remarked that the messages were especially fitted to our needs. Although calls on the sick kept Dr. Skinner very busy, he reserved time for two Bible study classes; one in the morning, Acts and the Holy Spirit; and in the afternoon the study of the book of Amos. The discussion hours and evening sermons had an added interest and value, because of the assistance of Rev. Chen, the Conference Secretary of Religious Education and Rev. Chang the Yenping pastor.

A carefully prepared evangelistic program was presented to non-Christian women and children and one which emphasized the gift of the Holy Spirit and a constant growth in Christian experience was given to the Christian women and children. In order to do this, one group of Bible-women went throughout the city preaching in the homes, while the remaining Bible-women assisted in the work at the church. The work was more efficiently done this year, because of the added supervision which Mrs. Skinner gave. Last year a goodly number of non-Christian women asked to be enrolled as believers, before the close of the conference. This year it was encouraging to see many of this group interested in learning more. One of these women is now one of outstanding students in our Bible Training School. Although not able to make rapid strides to approach a literate church, it was gratifying to see the foundations of the church being
strengthened in this way. Folks usually are not anxious for examinations, but those who had been studying the Probationer’s Lessons were and passed very creditably. We came closest together during the heart to heart talks, in the hour set apart for testimony and prayer. The divine presence was manifest as these women who seemed to possess a new spiritual apprehension, told of their attempts to attain a higher plane in their Christian living: Recalling that at Pentecost, “The Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved,” many pledged to lead as many as possible into the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

Cengfan, a large village more than fifteen miles distant, was the next objective. Weary? Yes, but less so, because whenever meeting a group who seemed curious about our appearance and intentions, a little time for rest provided an opportunity to preach the Gospel. How joyfully the Gospel Team and Bible-women carried a few Bible scrolls and health posters lest any God-given privilege be lost because the materials were buried too deeply in the baskets. Sympathy for the suffering demanded more strength than the energy for walking. “Legion,” would scarcely seem to cover all the kinds of diseases or the needs of the people. “Did the foreigner carry some medicine?” No matter how long tuberculosis or some dreaded disease had been sapping the vitality of the afflicted, by some benign providence, it was expected and hoped that the foreigner could give the patient sufferer a little “medicine to eat” that would restore health at once. To stand dumb and helpless before those who were asking that blind eyes be opened, seemed even more tragic and a greater irony of fate. Seeing the beautiful, terraced fields on the mountain sides, uncultivated because of the frequent bandit raids, could but call forth great sympathy for these suffering people. It also went far in explaining the difficulty of self support, for many of the people in this region have but two scant meals a day and many but one.

The District Superintendent and pastor had been insisting on a visit to Cengfan. “It is so dark.” They referred, of
course to the customs and superstitions. An old "church uncle" vacated his room that had a soft, sticky, clay floor, which looked like a dungeon and lacked ventilation except for a few cracks in the walls. After having to use a candle or flash light, when in this room, it took less than four busy days preaching there, to reach the decision that it was dark, in deed and in truth, as well as spiritually. But that they were longing for the light, was evidenced each evening when more than half the audience had to stand throughout the service and that they did not wait until the last evening to enroll as believers. The attempts to learn to sing, "Jesus the Light of the World" gave one an idea of what Babel might have been like. Whether in street preaching, evangelistic work in the homes, meetings for women and children or in evening services, the response had been so fine that before starting out on the next tramp, prayers of thanksgiving were offered because of the splendid opportunity. Not many miles were traversed, when one church member came asking that all come and burn his family idols. For a number of years, he had been feebly trying to serve two masters. Pastor Liao and the old "church uncle" burned the idols gladly and after putting up the Ten Commandments and a few Bible pictures, rededicated the home with prayer.

In Yuenkan, the fight against ignorance, superstition and idolatry was more difficult. The airing and leading out of idols was in full blast. As the fantastic racks, to which were fastened tiny babies, (in order that longevity and a peaceful life be insured), swayed high in the air and often because of the great weight struck against the tile roofs; one could but cry, "Oh! Lord, how long will thy Christian people neglect helping to carry the light to those in darkness?" Despite all the artifices and attractions, designed by the evil one, a goodly crowd greeted us daily and six new believers were added to the church, while not a few backsliders were reclaimed. Yuenkan is a busy trade center. On Market Day the opportunity for preaching the Gospel and distributing tracts was quite unusual and worth while, for many promised to study the tracts and the plan of Salvation. It was a joy to see the new school here and have the assistance of the teacher and pupils in the song services in
the afternoons and evenings.

Even though rain does have a softening effect upon the earth, it failed to make the next long walk pleasant. District Superintendent Wang tried to add levity to the occasion and often while passing under or along the long sword grass which overhung the road, he would cheer (?) us up by saying, "Bandits seem to grow on the bushes here and one can never be sure but what they are laying for you." Nevertheless, Meo Bu was reached in safety. Such itinerating in places of danger helps one to exercise faith. The stay here was shortened, in order to take the next Market boat and thus reach the next Bible Training Conference at a far distant place on time. Here, as in the four other places we had been, the pageant "All in Christ for Me" was given. Against the beautiful background of rhododendron, azaleas and bamboo, stood the large white cross. After a challenge and appeal from Evangelist, in turn pilgrims seeking Salvation, Rest, Joy, Freedom, Light, Power for Service, Leadership and Eternal Life knelt before the cross, where in Christ they found all their desires satisfied. The diversity of dialects multiplies the difficulties of those who do evangelistic and educational work here. Lest any be denied the message of this pageant and the value of the evangelistic work on the Suenchang District, such a group of Bible-women had been chosen that listeners could say, "And how hear we every man in his own tongue." For this reason audiences were especially responsive to the messages.

It is impossible to give an appraisal to such a month's itinerary. We believe that you who support this work will pray with us that Pentecost may remain a ceaseless activity, and that the Spirit's anointing, imprint and power may abide in and motivate the Chinese workers and Chinese Church, "That He may be lifted up and glorified."

Yours happy in service,
Fern M. Sinkey.

N.B. Since this itinerary covered the time and work of the Suenchang Training Conference and the work of Gospel Team on Suenchang District, but one report is given.
Chanhufan For Christ

The difficulty of travel makes it impossible to touch the large number that we would like to reach, so the District Training Conference has become a potent agency in our evangelistic work, because those in attendance radiate the influence of the Gospel, even to the more remote parts of the Conference. The Bao Fu Bible woman was unable to come because of the bandit attacks on and around her village but she sent a "Church Uncle" who was to bring back inspiration and any precious materials that the missionary might have for her. It was a real surprise to see a Bible woman who is nearly seventy-five years of age at the meeting, for realizing the danger and fatigue necessitated in such a trip, she had not been urged to be present; yet she was there and contributed in every way she could.

We asked largely as we prayed. God had blessed the evangelistic work wonderfully in other parts of the Conference. Why not claim the same blessing for Chanhufan? The young Bible woman there is always busy doing the Master's work. She and the elderly Bible woman had thoroughly canvassed the city and announced the meetings. It was not surprising, that daily we were rewarded by a large group of listeners. Those who could not go home for dinner brought a small lunch with them, for they were eager for the Bread of Life.

Last year the younger Bible woman brought seven woman up to Hsia Tao for the Training Conference. These women were very faithful and enjoyed the study of God's Word. The following month, when our Probationer's Lessons were sent out, these women with a few others they enlisted began a systematic course of study. Last fall when in Chanhufan for a few days' evangelistic work, twelve women presented themselves for examination. No other women that I have been privileged to examine, have been able to excel those who faithfully made the nucleus for this campaign for Christ. Rain or shine, they came bringing their neighbors and relatives. All the powers
of evil seemed to be let loose and running riot, battling against evangelism and Christianity. Daily there were free theater performances and idol processions in abundance, which always have great fascination for the Chinese. The zeal of these women was not lessened, for judging by the new faces each day, they must have redoubled their efforts and gone out into the highways and byways and compelled the people to come in.

Oh! how quickly the ten days passed. Early in the morning, the workers gathered “in one accord” for prayer. Our number was often increased by a few of the city people and others who came from near-by villages. After breakfast the devotional hour was led by District Superintendent Hu who has a great gift for spiritual leadership. Then followed Bible study, by Rev. Bankhardt, who lives close to the Master. His talks on Romans and the Gospel of John were very practical and helpful. During the day and every evening, Rev. Bankhardt and two of his Chinese co-workers, held classes and preached sermons which were inspirational and should bring the church into a more abundant life. Personal conferences with the pastors and Bible women tended to a better understanding and a closer walk with the Master.

In order to economize energy and increase interest, the Christian and non-Christian women were divided into groups for study. Some of the workers called in the city homes and neighboring villages, carrying on the same kind of program as was being given at the church. In the afternoon the workers again divided, some teaching the women in the church, while the rest had a similar meeting for children. Much work for Kingdom building was done each day and we have faith that the seed thus sown will bring forth a real harvest. More than a dozen women promised to have family worship, which was a beginning in that church, at attaining one of the goals of the five year program of our church in China. “A Christian picture in every Christian home,” is another goal in the same program which was stressed during these meetings, and fourteen pictures were recently ordered by these women for their homes.
It would be difficult to say which one in the different groups was most interested and received the greatest benefit. Perhaps you would enjoy hearing about a round-faced woman whose countenance was ever radiant. You who live in the Occident cannot realize the honor it is to give birth to a son. One's happiness, honor and prestige in the Orient increases with the number of sons. Imagine then, how very precious an only son is. Wretched indeed were the lives of these parents, when their only child, a son, became an opium fiend and a transgressor of many of the Commandments. The young Bible woman believed in prayer so an only son was redeemed by the One who can save to the uttermost all who come and call upon Him. The mother had learned the saving and keeping power and now she was unspeakably happy, for her son that was lost, had been found. I wish she might beam on you and tell you her story of Jesus who saves.

Were you ever afraid? Really afraid? Sometimes, you may have thought you were, but I do not believe you were ever compassed about and bound by the fear of evil spirits like some we see. If you could have seen the calm young woman who stood with more than a dozen women and children, awaiting baptism and admission into the church; you would have seen that a new pair of shoes replaced the tiny ones, which had formerly cramped her crumpled, bound-feet. As she gave me a device which she had used to keep evil spirits away and her pair of tiny, bound-footed shoes; it was easy to see that her soul was no longer pinched and cramped by the fear of evil spirits, which was far more severe than the physical torture of the tiny shoes. She now possessed the freedom which is found in Christ alone and all former fear had departed.

Confession is out of vogue in the homeland, but in all our meetings this year, it had a dominant place. Even though it is not easy to confess one's inmost desires and secret sins, the Holy Spirit convicted in such a way that the women were as bold as the early Apostles in not condoning sin. Greed, slander, envy, dishonesty, theft and many other sins were confessed and repented of during the hours for testimony and consecration.
The evening meetings had their climax in the pageant, "All in Christ for Me." The daily studies, heart searching of prayer and consecration hours, were stepping stones to this important time of decision. Rev. Hu's appeal made the lukewarm, the cold of heart, backsliders, believers and non-believers, want to believe, obey and follow Christ the Savior.

Your generosity which provides for this work, is a good investment. Often we hear of the good work that is continuing in Chanhufan. A Daily Vacation Bible School and a Night School are furnishing avenues of service for those who wish to pass on what they have lately received. Praise God for the new souls that have been born into His Kingdom!

Happy in His service,

FERN M. SINKEY.

Upward, Forward, Onward in Yuki

Since August 1927, we have held, in our Yenping field, a series of sixteen ten day or two week Bible study Institutes or Conferences for Christian women. This number does not include three special Workers' Conferences, a month in length that have been held during the same period.

This series has been a constantly ascending one. The first two Conferences were for women only. The staff consisted of but two special workers with whatever local help they could co-opt. The next three featured a general evening service with as many men present as women, and frequently more. Some provision was also made for the entertainment of the children who would come. In 1929 the Evangelistic Committee of the Annual Conference decided to hold similar meetings for men; and all of the following Conferences have been jointly planned by workers of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and those of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The program evolved provided special schedules of training for four different groups—workers, laymen, lay-women, and children, as well as for aggressive evangelistic campaign for the general public. This plan, with variations in subject
matter, materials, and method of presentation, has been followed through our last ten Conferences, which reached a culmination of interest, attendance, and results, in the Yuki District Training Conference, held in Yuki City in April.

The attendance of twenty-five lay-women from outside circuits evidenced the growing popularity of the Institute work. Seven women walked three miles one morning and three miles back in the evening for the sake of having one day in the meeting, while three others, from the same place, spent the whole ten days with us. Last year only one woman came from this place. This year she stayed at home to send her daughter-in-law, but the fact that she had succeeded in interesting so many others shows what her first Conference had meant to her.

To live for ten days in close fellowship with Christians from so many other places pushes back, a long way, the narrow horizon that has circumscribed the lives of these women. We had a happy praise meeting one day when, including the members of the staff, representatives of seventeen widely separated localities were introduced and welcomed with hearty applause, and it was pointed out that only the love and power of Christ could have brought us together.

On a number of days this praise hour was spent in listening to the life stories of others. A woman, graduated fourteen years ago from Emma Fuller, and deprived, through most of those years, of fellowship with any other educated Christian women, told of God's remarkable leading and conscious presence in a trying and difficult experience in the house of death, and also of her joy over the fact that her husband's family, formerly entirely indifferent, are responding more and more to Christ's claims upon them. Lila Ding, the new principal of the Girls' School, gave us glimpses of the beautiful Christian background in her own home and of the inspiration that came to her for Christian service from the earnestness and remarkable prayer life of her grandmother. Mrs. Ciong, wife and accompanist of our efficient and enthusiastic young song leader, told of how she was cast off by her own mother when a new born babe and how she was found and rescued by a missionary, and educated.
by a foster "mother" in far away America to her present high plane of cultured and consecrated Christian Womanhood. A young girl, blind from early childhood, but educated in a Mission school for blind girls gave demonstrations of her ability to read the Braille, and told what richness the Gospel of Christ had brought into her life. Then there were other days, when everybody gave brief joyous testimonies, for "Chinese women can "testify"; and they love to, too, when their hearts are full of the gladness of His presence.

The program was greatly strengthened by the presence of Mrs. Bankhardt and Mrs. Skinner, each of whom carried regular teaching periods with the women and helped to supervise the work of home visitation.

One very special feature of this Institute was the emphasis given to intercession. For this purpose we were divided into three groups, one of school students, one of Bible-women, and one of lay-women, and at the hour given each day to Morning Watch, great care was taken to see that every one took part. The men had a separate meeting for morning prayer, and each evening before the public service began there was a workers' prayer hour. This earnestness in prayer combined with the well organized plan of personal work doubtless goes far to account for the fact that before the close of the meeting nearly ninety people had decided to become Christians.

So at this point in our upward climb, we pause to breathe, "Hitherto" and "Henceforth," for in the service of our King, there are no standstills, no anti-climaxes, and no dead levels, but a blessed ever onward, forward, and upward, in His Name.

Yours in happy service,

MAMIE F. GLASSBURNER.
Gospel Teams

SAHSIEN AND YUKI DISTRICTS.

At our 1929 session of the Woman's Conference, the president, Miss Esther Ling, made an earnest and unexpected plea that one of our two district evangelistic missionaries should give most of her time to teaching Bible and methods of evangelism in the Bible Training School. The motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried, leaving the evangelistic missionaries somewhat dazed at the suddenness with which their tentative program for the new year had been demolished. That program had contemplated a six weeks' spring itinerary by a mission on each of our four big districts; but since such a definite and logical request from our Chinese leaders could not be ignored or denied, and since it was clearly impossible for anyone to be in two places at once, it was evident that we must readjust our plans to meet the situation.

It was finally decided that a Gospel Team composed entirely of students and Bible Women should take care of the itineraries on Yuki and Sahsien districts. Mrs. Lee, a graduate of the Union Bible Training School of Nanking, and with two years of experience in district work, was the leader. With her were two women newly graduated from our own Training School, one member of the senior class, and the Yenping City Bible Woman.

The weeks between the close of Conference and the first of February were largely given to planning the training and equipment of this group and another similar group which was to tour the Yenping and Suanchan district under the leadership of Miss Sinkey, and culminated in a ten days' Training Class which gave careful attention to every feature of the six-fold program which the team was to carry out:— 1. Forenoon visitation in homes. 2. Forenoon training class at church for Christian women. 3. Afternoon evangelistic service for women. 4. Afternoon training class for children. 5. City wide tract distribution and invitation. 6. General evangelistic service in evening. Miss Sinkey,
Our of our Gospel Teams.

A Group of Emma Fuller Girls.
Mrs. Bankhardt, Miss Baucher, Pastor Hu, and Miss Bertha Lee, each gave valuable assistance in this preparatory work.

In addition to the schedule outlined above, the members of the team were trained in the presentation of a Gospel pageant, "All in Christ for me," which they gave for the first time, at the end of the ten days, before the Christian workers and students of Yenping City. Not one of the number had ever before taken part in such an exercise, and we shared their anxiety over the outcome; but when a few minutes before the service was to begin, we found them all in the prayer room on their knees, in earnest united prayer, we knew that they could not fail. The pageant featured an Evangelist and seven Pilgrims, each of whom was seeking for one of the great spiritual boons of mankind: Peace, Joy, Freedom, Light, Eternal Life, Power for Service, and Leadership. Each one finally ended her quest at the foot of the Cross, where she found her heart's desire; and the closing chorus, as all joined in the refrain "I will praise Him," was truly inspiring. This pageant was repeated at each place visited by the team, and the fact that each time there were those who at its close accepted Christ, is doubtless the best commentary on the spirit in which it was given.

After this time of intensive training, and after all the boxes and baskets had been packed with tracts, posters, and Scripture portions, with what burdened hearts we saw them set off! Banditry was rife everywhere, and it was infinitely harder to see them go into such conditions without us than it had been to face similar conditions with them in previous years.

At Sahsien the group was joined by the Pastor and the District Superintendent. The home of one of the new graduates was here and her grown up son begged her not to venture into such imminent peril. She assured him that the Lord would take care of the Band, and urging him to pray for them went on. They had gone barely two miles when their boat was stopped by brigands, who demanded three dollars from each of them. The Pastor explained their mission and they were allowed to pass with a tax of three dollars on the boat. A receipt for this payment served as a passport until the next
day when they were compelled to repeat the transaction. They met several troupes of bandits and passed the charred remains of boats which had refused to pay the tribute, but they themselves were not further molested.

One day, to gain relief from the nauseating motion of the boat, they set out to walk ahead. They found every village along the way deserted, and they could not even get a cup of tea. By noon it was raining but on they trudged. When they reached the village where the boatman had expected to stop for the night, they found the people in fear of a bandit raid, hurrying away to sleep in the mountains. One man paused long enough to warn them not to spend the night there. Foot-sore, hungry and thirsty, weary and anxious, they sat by the river side and waited for the boat to come along. The tired crew managed to make another mile in the dark and then had to tie up. They did not dare to light a candle or start a fire or even to talk. For an hour they sat silent in the darkness, when a heavy thunder-storm broke. Then they said to one another, "This is God's voice: He is protecting us. No bandit will be out in such a storm." A refreshing hot supper was fearlessly prepared and eaten with happy thankful hearts. When the Band left the boat the boatmen said, "We have truly seen the power of God in the way you have been able to travel in this most dangerous region."

On this itinerary seven circuits were visited, and from each one came reports of victory. At one place they found the church building entirely without furniture or even windows and doors. Most of the villagers had only recently returned from a forced sojourn as bandit refugees in other places. During their absence the church property had been used alternately by bandits and soldiers as barracks and stable, and had been left in an indescribable condition. Evidently the first step in this campaign must be the cleansing of the temple. The Band borrowed hoes and brooms, a kettle, and a little table. The newly arrived and much disheartened pastor took courage and brought wood and water. Mrs. Lee provided scrub cloths by tearing up her bedding bag and by night the place was fairly clean. Three doors were found and set up as beds, and paper
curtains gave a little privacy. People came from all over the neighborhood for the evening service. One tiny lamp on the little table was the only material equipment the church had, but that did not prevent the Light of Jesus being shed abroad in the hearts of the eager listeners as they stood, patiently and attentively through the services of the next two days.

Mrs. Chen, whose watchword is "Congloah for Christ," was overjoyed when the Band reached that place: so were her people. No bell needed to be rung, for when the hour arrived the church members and other villagers were always there waiting for the service to begin. It was the policy of these workers not to accept invitations to meals lest the preparations should detract from the interest of the hostess in the meetings but here the church members simply demanded that they be allowed to take turns in entertaining the Band for every meal of their stay.

"You need not worry," they said. "Our preparations are already made. We will attend all of the meetings, and we will not be late to any of them." This promise they kept to the last letter.

Mrs Lee was not able to accompany the Band on their Yuki itinerary. Her place was taken by one of the Yuki Bible women, who has recently had a year of intensive Bible study in the Bible Training school, so the group became for that six weeks period an all-Yenping-trained Band.

On this District some of the most inaccessible and neglected circuits were visited. The church members and pastors of these cut of the way places could not do enough to show their joy at the coming of the Team. One pastor met them with a list of names of the women members of his church. After each name was noted the special need of that particular woman: "Widow: greatly discouraged;" "Does not get along well with her daughter-in-law;" "Comes to church irregularly;" "Very superstitious;" etc., etc. Armed with this list, they were able to do some most telling personal work, and the list was carried back to Yenping that personal letters might help to deepen and fix the impressions that had been made in the face to face contact.
From pastors of the circuits visited, from the District Superintendent, and from the members of the Team themselves, came news of such cheering results as it has seldom been our privilege to see: testimonies, confessions of sin and unfaithfulness, and pledges to erect the family altar and to bring the whole family to Christ.

When our Band came home, bringing their sheaves with them, weary and happy after their long weeks of work, we could only thank God for them and pray that He may use them more and more; and we thanked Him, too, for the privilege of helping to train such women for such a work.

Yours in His service.

**Mamie F. Glassburner.**

**Yenping District.**

Lest it appears that we travel the more distant circuits and districts and neglect Yenping District, this explanation seems necessary. The same Gospel Team which itinerated after the Sunchang Training Conference, expected to itinerate in Yenping District after the Training Conference which is reported in "Chanhuфан For Christ." Last year both itineraries were made in places of extreme danger and those who remained in Yenping and agonized in prayer, felt a great burden lest something terrible happen to the young women on the team. Bandits are rampant in so many places in Yenping District, that Rev. Hu, the District Superintendent advised against the proposed itinerary for the team. The special training received for this work was not lost, since they were appointed to do Bible Woman’s work on long neglected circuits; and also to assist in the pre-Pentecostal Training Conference in Yenping City.

Yours in His service.

**Fern M. Sinkey.**
Bible Woman's Work.

In the "Cloud of Witnesses" from Yenping Conference, you will find no group more earnest, more untiring, and more effective than the Bible-woman. We feel that you would like to hear them speak for themselves, so instead of summarizing their work as we have done other years, we are giving you extracts from some of their letters, beginning with Mrs. Chen from Congloh farthest up in the interior. This is Mrs. Chen's second year here. She says:—

"The coming of the Gospel team was a great help to the work here. They were with us for three days. Each day they held three services with an average attendance of sixty. Their earnest Gospel messages, illustrated by the wealth of pictures which they brought, and the beautiful sacred pageant which they gave, touched all hearts very deeply, and led many of our Christians to consecrate themselves more fully to Christ's service. We thank God for the coming of this group of workers.

"We have an average of forty-two at our Sunday morning service. All of these pay careful attention to Sabbath keeping and other rules of Christian living, and give earnest heed to the Word as it is preached. The Wednesday afternoon prayer meeting for women has twenty regular attendants. The time is spent in prayer and Bible study and in practise in retelling Bible stories. There is also a Sunday afternoon prayer meeting. As I visit in the homes I teach them to sing, to read the Bible, to know the rules of the church, and to put away superstition so that they be called Christians without shame to the Name.

"Wanglih, five miles from here, was formerly a circuit with a resident pastor, but has been closed because of lack of workers. The Christians there are as sheep without a shepherd, so my husband and I take turns in going there to seek the lost and to encourage those who have kept the faith. The progress made has more than repaid us for the effort. We also visit three other large villages, taking with us Bible charts and health pictures to make the message plain.
Everywhere we find a cordial hearing. The greatest trouble is, there are many villages and only the two of us to reach them."

Chang U Ing at Hsiameo is working in an extremely backward and difficult community; but she adheres faithfully to her schedule of visitation, except when hindered by sickness or rain, preaching the Gospel and teaching hygiene as she goes. She helps the sick, and has on her list eight learners who read the Lord’s prayer and sing.

Kaochiao was recently the scene of a bad bandit raid, in which a leading woman of the church was accidentally shot and killed. Ling La Ing, the Bible-woman here, thanks God that in the midst of this danger and sorrow, the church members have held steadfast and have not grown discouraged. Seven women have been baptized during the year and twenty-four have unbound their feet!

Mrs. Wang Seu Ing has been at Sahsien for four years. She writes: "This is a large city, and its cup of iniquity is surely nearly full. Social conditions are so bad that a life of shame for a woman is often counted a matter of pride rather than a disgrace. The people are in deep bondage to superstition, and it is so hard to make any impression on them that I have often been discouraged: but last year at the Training Conference I received so much personal benefit that I resolved to give myself more earnestly to the work and leave the matter of results with God. I believe that a third of the women who gave their names as learners in the evangelistic campaign last year are truly converted. They are very earnest and eager to learn. I visit them twice a week to teach them the Probationer’s Lesson. Twelve have completed the course. Twelve others are in the midst of it. Six are studying John."

Far up another branch of the river, at Ninth Township, Yuki, we find Ho King Nguk. She has had a very meager preparation, but her work has greatly impressed the District Superintendent. There was no pastor at Ninth Township this year, so the flock has had only what shepherding she could give it. She says:—
“At the close of the pre-Pentecostal campaign in Yuki City, I went back to my appointment determined to share with the women on my circuit the help I myself had received. In my village visitation there is always a group of twenty or thirty who are eager to hear the message. On Sundays we have an audience of twenty women and ten children. Three women have completed the Probationer’s Lessons. Ten others are still reading. The women of this circuit have given two dollars and forty cents, Mex, for the work of the Fukien Missionary Society.”

The work of Iong Sieu Leng at Fourteenth Township has been outstanding. In February she went to a neglected, discouraged, and apparently moribund charge. She now has a regular attendance of eighteen women at the Sunday morning service, and is finding an eager hearing in the outlying villages. She inspired three of her women to attend the District Training Conference in Yuki City nearly forty miles away. It was an entirely new experience to them and to the entire church of Fourteenth Township.

Mrs. Ling, Esther Ling’s mother is the first to get her Young People’s Training Class organized, and reports an enrollment of twenty. Although she is advanced in years, she goes regularly to a point three miles from Yuki City, where she has a class of ten women following the Probationers’ course.

Miss Lu, from Suenchang writes, “The women have advanced spiritually. In spite of plague and many other kinds of sickness, over twenty attend church regularly. Constantly inviting people to church has resulted in the reclaiming of several backsliders. Four have completed the Probationer’s Lessons and twelve others are now studying them. I superintend the Sunday School. Four of the seven classes are for women. There are thirty children who are enthusiastic about the Children’s Meetings. Over eighty children attended our Daily Vacation Bible School, which was a real success. Great suffering exists everywhere, so I am always glad to help by visiting the sick and sorrowing. To keep spiritually fit, .. I have my morning watch from five to six o’clock in the morning and evening devotions at nine o’clock.” It has been
a genuine joy to the missionary to visit with Miss Lu in many, many homes and see what a welcome evangel she is.

Ding Soi Ing has been very busy in Wantai. It was necessary for her to leave her work for a little while to help in the Suenchang District itinerary and the Yenping Training Conference. The work was not neglected for in her absence her co-worker Kion Ai Lien cared for the church women and children. Your joy in providing for this work would be increased if you could only glimpse Soi Ing as she witnesses. "In the summer time there was much sickness, so in addition to my regular schedule of work, I went often to pray with and comfort the sick. In the Sunday School I teach a class of twelve women. Six families belong to my "class" of which I am responsible and the "class leader." Calls on them are made every two weeks. Seven women have finished the Probationer's Lessons. One woman has been baptized and now I have a new probationer. My teaching in the first and second grades in the Girls' School and the Story Hour in The Daily Vacation Bible School were interesting and profitable. One of my greatest joys this year was the privilege of being a member of the Suenchang and Yenping Gospel Teams."

For quite a while Meo Bu had been asking for a Bible woman. Because it is a very conservative place, the women were not in the habit of going out in public. At first only six women came to church, but now there are usually twenty in attendance. Of this number six have been baptized this year. Five women have broken away from superstition and customs and unbound their feet. The six women who completed the Probationer's Lessons found them very helpful in becoming intelligent Christians. Much interest has been manifested in the Wednesday afternoon Prayer Meeting. Twenty women attend regularly.

After many years of service in the service of the King, our Kiping Bible woman has been retired. Banditry has been very bad so that it was difficult for the people to come to church. Despite this four women, six girls and eleven boys have become "learners."
One of our most experienced Bible women, Yek Ciao-En, has been located in Yankow for a number of years. She sends this testimony. “Formerly the attendance at the Wednesday afternoon Prayer Meeting was small, but it has now increased to thirty. It is a joy to take my turn in leading the Thursday night Prayer Meeting, which is attended by both men and women. On Saturday calls are made in the homes of the members, praying with them and inviting them to church. This has resulted in thirty women being present in our church services. Fourteen have finished the Probationer’s Lessons and are beginning the study of John. The women have greatly appreciated the lovely pictures which were given them as rewards. The presence of several groups of bandits around Takan upset the plans for meetings there, but fortunately for us, brought Miss Sinkey and the Gospel Team to Yankow, early in February. The change was so sudden, that it was necessary for the Gospel Team to assist with the cooking. Much time and good was done by the street preaching. I was grateful for the opportunity of helping Miss Sinkey in the Suanchang Training Conference and the itinerary which followed. Pray for me.”

Mrs. Tang, who is located at Kaotan has had a most difficult year. The bandits have made life miserable for all the inhabitants and the Christians have suffered their share. Fifteen women are reading and learning the Probationer’s Lessons. Many women make excuses to keep from unbinding their feet, but this little woman who understands them, carries not only patterns for these tiny shoes, but helps make the new shoes. Her own feet never grew much after they were unbound, yet she walked many miles with the Gospel Team, and preached as she went.

Ai Lien, of Wantai writes of the great unrest which affects the women and makes work with and for them very difficult. She has a Sunday School class of eighteen and thirty women and large girls attend church. The Epworth and Junior Leagues, each have twenty members. As large a group comes to the Saturday afternoon Prayer Meeting. With Soi Ing, her co-worker, she goes out visiting the people and doing
evangelistic work, comforting the sick and those who have suffered from banditry and plague.

Yenping is our largest center. Here, Mrs. Cieng and Yeh Kuei Ing work together. They have increased the church attendance quite a little by their faithful calling in the homes and inviting people to church. The pastor has been most appreciative of their splendid work. About twenty are studying the Probationer's Lessons. The ten who have completed the work are now members of the church and much more intelligent Christians than they would have been, had these women not spent much time teaching them. On Fridays, they accompanied the Bible Training School students for special evangelism in the homes. Special help and much time was given during campaigns in Yenping City. Pentecost was one of the most important and it is hoped that it will be one of the farthest reaching and longest remembered. In the summer special help was given us by Liang Fen O and Ling Seu Chai. It was found that there was greater interest and better results, when instead of having one Prayer Meeting Wednesday afternoon, the women gathered in three groups. This made it easier for the women who have small feet, for they find it difficult to climb our many hills. Then too, it aided in the subjects used and programs, for in this way the literate and illiterate could be better separated. Yenping has been the center around which there was much unrest and disturbance. The people were constantly filled with fear because of the terrible happenings and injustice which prevailed everywhere. The workers of Yenping ask for your prayers.

Among those who have suffered hardship for His sake and stayed by her post is our faithful Bible-woman at Baofu. Her time is divided between two villages, where the attendance of women averages fifteen to twenty. These people are surrounded by bandits. Because of various raids they have lost nearly all their earthly possessions. Many of the people moved to other places, after they escaped from the bandits. During one of the most severe raids, the pastor's wife died in childbirth from nervous shock. The Bible-women stayed bravely on. She was unable to come to Chanhufan for the Yenping District
Training Conference, for it was not safe to travel; but she sent word that she would faithfully use any materials which were sent her. Pray for this "witness," please.

At Ching Ciu, Wu Ching Lien is fearlessly testifying and preaching. She is following the regular schedule as given in the Bible-woman's Hand Book. As she goes into the homes, she tries after preaching to break down age-old superstitions and harmful customs. Having had bound feet, she is trying to create sentiment against it, by telling and showing how much better she can do things since her feet are unbound. Twenty attend the Woman's Prayer Meeting. Eight are studying the Probationer's Lessons. Twenty come to Junior League and thirty to Epworth League. This vicinity is a stronghold of bandits. During the Training Conference for Bible-women, which was held in Yenping this fall, word came that many of the homes had been burned down by the bandits, but that the church was spared.

Some of the most effective work done in the Conference, has been carried on at Chanhufan. Lu U Lan, who is young and full of the Spirit is busy from morning till night telling the Good News. She is also happy to go to Chikow and Lingdao, near-by villages. U Lan had written that it would add great interest, if the missionary could come down and visit in the homes and invite the people to church. After two such visits to Chanhufan, when intensive calling was done, by walking miles and miles; calling on members and backsliders was found to be most worth while but very fatiguing. This young woman has contributed much to the increase in church attendance and the general interest. The remarkable way she has been able to teach so many the Probationer's Lessons has been a marvel to all. Those who have finished this work are now reading the Gospel of John, and other portions of the Bible. At the last Training Conference as in others U Lan was splendid help. More than a dozen of her women have established family altars and purchased Christian pictures to put up in their homes. The fact that she gets from fifty to ninety out to church, shows that she is on her job all the time. She was instrumental in bringing fifteen into the church during the year.
Wish you might see the joy in the faces of these Bible-women as they witness for Jesus.

There are still others among the "cloud of witnesses," who would be glad to bear their testimony if space permitted. Two of these who deserve special mention are Mrs. Lee Huo Ping and Liang Fen O, who have given quite a little of their time to work in Yenping City and to Gospel Team work which is reported elsewhere.

The evangelistic work would be impossible if it were not for our faithful and brave Bible-women. The last few years have witnessed severe hardships and trials for our believers, who have been persecuted and tried, not unlike believers in the second and third centuries of the Christian era. With danger on every hand, Communism being taught by every agency that men can devise, and with banditry and internal warfare, accompanied by looting, and the burning of many, many homes and the carrying away for ransom of the people; it is impossible to imagine what the Chinese believers have suffered for the Gospel's sake. Well might we say, "Wherefore seeing we are also compassed about with so great cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us; looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

In order to encourage and help our Bible-women five general letters were sent to each one during the year. To bring in a new way the beauty of the Easter message and to carry our "Post Pentecostal" hopes, special greetings were sent. In answer to requests for cards, Probationer's lessons and other materials, many personal letters were written. Posters, pamphlets, tracts and cards have been supplied in order to increase the efficiency of these Bible-women whose training is limited and whose equipment is meager. The investment has been worth while, for our Chinese District Superintendents and District missionaries of the Board of Foreign Missions, agree that the Bible-women do better work than the preachers. We
Our Teachers in the Yenching Schools.
are glad for this appreciation of their work. "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!" You will not forget to remember them at the Throne of Grace.

Yours in glad service,

MAMIE F. GLASSBURNER.
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BERTHA LEE, Principal.
FERN M. SINKEY, Advisor.

It was difficult enough to be compelled to leave our work, Chinese co-workers and the Chinese Christians, at the time of evacuation this summer when our U.S. Consul came to rescue us; but the enforced absence this fall due to unsettled conditions was worse. The worst came though when it was necessary to spend three months of this time in a distant hospital in Shanghai. This meant that others must carry my share of the work. A greater burden was placed on Miss Lee, the Principal. Even though she had many years of experience to her credit and a reputation for handling situations which are difficult, these did not lighten her load. Miss Lydia Hung, one of our best instructors, was especially helpful in many ways. Two of our Emma Fuller High School graduates were added to the staff of teachers this fall. Miss Lee has greatly appreciated their fine spirit in the school and their willingness to cooperate in all phases of the work. Because Miss Glassburner remained in Yenping, she was not only able to comply with the request that she give part of her time to teaching in the Bible Training School; but she was enabled to give of her time and energy most generously, to the administration of our W.F.M.S. work. Many prayers were offered by anxious hearts, lest danger befall Miss Glassburner. Her gift of loving service is appreciated and will not be underestimated.
Neither cold nor poor lights has lessened the ardor of the women for they continue to rise at five for their Morning Watch and the day is not over until the close of the evening nine o’clock prayer meeting. With students and teachers coming together in this intimate way for intercession, their communion and fellowship has brought spiritual warmth and zeal into the school in a greater measure than in former years. Bible-women, preachers, teachers, schools, Gospel Teams, Training Conferences, hospitals, doctors, nurses, the Chinese Church, the missionaries and many others who had special needs were remembered especially in prayer.

Had you been privileged to visit chapel services, you would have soon discovered that they did not conform to any stereotyped form, for the truths of God’s word were presented in as many ways as possible. Had you happened in sometimes and seen the bright faces of the women as they witnessed, you might have easily concluded that a “testimony meeting” was in session. What I heard and saw convinced me that Pentecost would be carried by them throughout Yenping Conference.

We have been embarrassed often at Conference and at the time of special meetings, because our chapel or assembly room was too small to accommodate the audiences. This summer this room was enlarged quite a little, by enclosing part of the porch. This convenience and comfort added to the joy of those attending Training Conference this fall.

The more we are able to draw students from the more remote and needy places in Yenping Conference and train them as Bible-women, the more completely will we fulfill the purpose of the school. There are several women who come from distant places and because of the splendid quality of their work should have special mention. One of these comes from Kweiwha, the most remote place in Yenping Conference. It is hoped that nothing will interfere to prevent this young woman going back to her people as their Bible-woman.

This year four women graduated. They all are busy doing Bible-woman’s work. They did work of such a quality that it was a joy to take them away from their work for a while, for in the Training Conferences and Gospel Teams which itinerated,
they were able to multiply themselves and their spheres of activity. Because of the need for workers and also for the sake of the practical training to be gained, some undergraduates were taken on itineraries, and proved to be good helpers. Several Bible-women who wished to supplement their meager training, came in for special study. We are glad to report that the preachers in these different villages, have been pleased with the new zeal that the women have gained. As rewards for progress and understanding, the first and second year classes received Bibles at commencement time.

Knowing the lack of trained workers and the desire of the Chinese leaders, Miss Glassburner was willing to be an instructor. In her inimitable way, she gave much time and effort to the various courses she taught. Day by day she laid careful foundations upon which the women could build. The response was so remarkable that Miss Glassburner felt that the work brought its own reward. The class in Methods in Evangelism, had its theory in school and practice work in the various parts of the city on Friday. Here, as in their home villages the Gospel was presented in a natural setting and in a conclusive manner. It made it easier for the women during vacations to do evangelistic work among their own people. Even though the Yenping people could not help being anxious and worried over conditions in this war zone, yet they were glad to hear the Story of peace, love and salvation. The spirit of friendliness was encouraged and the listeners were always invited to church. When they came, the students were on the lookout for them, assisted them in finding seats, and tried to make them feel at home. The church attendance increased and the city pastors were grateful to the members of this class. They also taught regular classes and the Probationer's Lessons in Sunday School. Intensive calling was a part of their class work during evangelistic campaigns. So fine was the training given in evangelism that Miss Glassburner's "Outline on Methods in Evangelism" was printed and used as a part of the curriculum in the District Training Conferences.

It is difficult to evaluate the work of any institution for any period of time, but the splendid work of the instructors,
the practical work, and the spirit of the students have been vital contributions to the growth and spread of the Kingdom in Yenping Conference. The interest taken and the work accomplished prove the power and efficiency of our Chinese leaders. Much praise and thanks is due Miss Lee for her keen insight, interest, influence and work. Miss Lee and I thank you for your continued interest and generosity and trust that you will often pray that our school may have a still greater part in bringing in the Kingdom.

Happy in His service,

Fern M. Sinkey.
EDUCATIONAL WORK

MARY L. EIDE,
MAMIE F. GLASSBURNER.
FERN M. SINKEY.

Francesca Nast Gamble Memorial School

In spite of difficulties Francesca Nast Gamble Memorial School has had a good year. With Miss Reiman away it has been impossible to give the school the amount of supervision and help it formerly had, but Mrs. Ling has managed very well.

During the spring term enrollment in the kindergarten was thirty, and in the grades one hundred ten which was a substantial increase over the preceding term’s enrollment. Forty of these children lived in the school.

Last spring there was a serious epidemic of measles in the city. Measles are more dreaded by the Chinese than smallpox. A number of children died; but while many of the schoolgirls had the disease, they all recovered. Mrs. Ling said that she often thought of Ps. 91:7 in connection with those days.

In June seven children were graduated from the kindergarten, seven from the fourth grade, and eleven from the sixth grade. Ten of the latter entered high school in the fall.

During vacation the school building was occupied by the families of some of the military officers. When they asked to move in, Mrs. Ling told them that our summer vacation was not very long and we should have to have the building for the opening of school. They insisted on moving in, but promised to leave when the building was needed and they kept their word.

This term there are twenty-five in the kindergarten and a hundred in the grades.

The spiritual life of the school has continued to be strong. The girls have a daily prayer meeting and asked
for extra Bible classes which have been given them. During the summer some of the boarders helped in the Sunday Schools in their own villages. They also helped teach church members to read so that they could read their own Bibles. Two of the girls from the Shahsien District made such a good impression through their vacation work that many of the villagers changed their attitude toward Christianity. Even some of them who had been hostile to it became friendly. The children’s church services have been held in the kindergarten room. This has necessitated preparing the room for each service and clearing it up again afterwards, and Miss Sinkey has been much pleased with the spirit in which the girls have done this week after week.

During the spring semester Miss Linam led chapel one morning a week and the students enjoyed her talks very much. This fall Mr. Chen has given them one talk a week.

Mrs. Ling joins in asking you to pray that both teachers and students may be true Christians and lead others to Jesus.

Mary Eide.

Emma Fuller Memorial School

At the time of our last report we asked for your prayers for the difficult time that seemed to be just ahead. The local Party Bureau was most insistent that we register, and our Chinese women leaders and your missionaries all felt that it would be impossible to have a Christian institution under their direction. Just as we had decided that if we did not register the only alternative was to change our name and our organization somewhat, trouble broke out between the military officials of Yenping and Foochow, and the local Party Bureau took a hasty departure leaving us in peace as far as party regulations were concerned. At the close of the first semester, our new plans had been announced to the girls so that they could make their decision as to whether or not they would enter for the second semester. During vacation a petition signed by the leading men of the conference was sent us asking us not to make-
A Group of Emma Fuller Girls.
the changes we had announced, and as conditions had changed, the Board of Managers consented to let things go on as they had.

Before the close of the first semester Miss Ho resigned the principalship of the school. She was willing to remain as a teacher, but no amount of persuasion could make her consent to continue as principal, so the school has been managed by a committee composed of the women teachers.

Our enrollment for the spring term was only thirty-four—ten less than the previous semester.

The spring term was not very eventful. Both teachers and students were able to get in a good term’s work. Perhaps the morning prayer meeting should be mentioned. The conference evangelistic committee planned a series of meetings to be held in the church to culminate on Pentecost. The various class leaders were asked to form prayer groups to meet from six to half past in the morning before and during these meetings to pray for an outpouring of the Spirit in our lives as individuals and on the church as a whole. For a few mornings attendance was very poor, but little by little it increased to about a dozen. Feeling that it had not wholly succeeded while there were girls in school who had not been touched, the group continued meeting until the close of school. A group of the girls were invited by the evangelistic committee to give the pageant with which the meetings in the church were closed, and they did it in a way that was quite pleasing to the committee.

Five girls were graduated from the Junior High and five from the Senior High in June. The former are all in Senior High this fall and the latter are teaching; two in the Bible School, one in Francesca Nast Gamble Memorial School, one in Chanshufan, and one in Yangkow.

We missed Miss Reiman greatly during the term, but Mrs. Bankhardt took part of her work for which we are very grateful.

The enrollment for the fall semester is better than that for the spring. There are now forty-six girls in the high school.
Mrs. Lee Hio Bing who has been a Bible-woman for a number of years has been secured as matron of the school and we feel that she is being of real spiritual help to the girls. Church attendance has increased since she has been with us and the girls are having both morning and evening prayer meetings this term. We also have another new teacher this fall, Mr. Ding Pao Wen, who is a graduate of Fukien Christian University.

There has been no serious illness during the year for which we are thankful. Miss Baucher has been very generous with her time and skill in caring for those who needed her help. For weeks last winter she dressed ulcerated chilblains daily for a number of the girls.

She has another talent which she also generously used for the girls. We have had no teacher of instrumental music for some time and so Miss Baucher volunteered to help those who had some music and were trying to keep it up the best they could by themselves. After some weeks of lessons, each one began working on something for a recital which was given in May. The teachers of the High Schools, our Board of Managers, the parents of the girls who were in the recital, and a few other guests were invited to hear the program which was a credit to both students and teacher.

One thing which has made us very happy during the year is that Miss Lois Huang who is studying in the United States has promised to come to Yenping for work on her return to China, so we are looking forward to her being with us as principal in the fall of 1931. Another thing over which we are rejoicing is that our first Emma Fuller High School graduates will be graduated from Hwa Nan this semester and one of them, Miss Virginia Lee, will come back to this school.

The year has brought us not a few disappointments as far as the work of the school is concerned, but still we have come through it better than we dared hope a year ago. We believe this is because of your prayers and ours. Will you continue to pray for the school?

Mary Eide.
Yuki Girls’ School

I came to Yuki the last of March. Miss Esther Ling, who has had charge of the Yuki work for the last five years, had left for her furlough in January, so the teachers had opened the school for me. Of course the schedule had to be readjusted when I came, which made it rather hard for the students.

The school house is very crowded. There are not enough beds, dining tables, chairs, or desks. There are not even enough classrooms, so it has been very difficult to have an orderly appearing school. It was necessary to borrow things from every available quarter, and to make a long curtain to divide the hallway into two class rooms.

The enrollment of students is much larger than in any previous year. All of the students and teachers worked together nicely, so that no one minded any of the inconveniences; and as I went about my teaching and general supervision, I found work running smoothly and pleasantly. There was a joyousness about everybody to which my heart responded. I could understand the joy in my heart for it came of sheer delight and thankfulness to the Father for bringing me to Yuki to work among these people.

The local dialect has been a good deal of a handicap to me, as whenever I wished to speak to any one I had to ask some one to interpret for me. It seems very strange for a Chinese, working among Chinese to have to depend upon an interpreter. After all, this did not matter much. Children are lovely everywhere no matter what kind of a language they may be speaking, and I love to teach them even though I have to have help. The older girls can understand Fukienese.

Every morning the little children have their Morning Watch with one of the teachers, but the older girls have theirs alone. Then on Saturday morning I call them together in the chapel and help them to review the Bible verses for the whole week. You ought to hear them ask questions. They just ask and ask with all their heart. Sometimes I
could hardly answer them, but I prayed and with the great Teacher's help I tried to do my best to satisfy their hunger. It is a great joy and privilege to meet with them.

Each Sunday afternoon we have a children's meeting for the students and the outside children. The students take turns in leading. It is very interesting to watch them. They always have such nice programs. Many adults come in from the street to attend the meeting.

We are so thankful that at last Yuki has a real kindergarten. Our head teacher is Ruth Kiu, a lovely girl just graduated from the Foochow Union Kindergarten Training School. The children love her very much.

How I wish you all could have attended our Mothers' Meeting. It was held in the church, for there was no room large enough in the school building. Over five hundred people came. The program was planned to demonstrate the work of the school. It was so interesting to watch the little kindergarteners on the platform. They could read characters in various combinations, and were able to add and subtract simple numbers in units and tens. You could see the pleasure of the parents shining out through their eyes and faces.

The Bible-women out on the District have been doing very satisfactory work, though in some places there has been annoyance from bandits, and people have moved away, which hinders the work. Their reports show that they are very earnest in their desire to advance Christ's Kingdom. I am very sorry that I have had no time during my first half year to get well acquainted with them. I hope hereafter to be able to go around to see them and their work.

We thank the Heavenly Father for His care and guidance in every respect: mentally, physically, and spiritually. No matter how hard the task or how heavy the responsibility may be, we believe that if we only depend upon His power we shall at last win the victory. We are also grateful to our American friends, whose gifts are maintaining the Yuki School and District work.

Yours in His service,

Lila Ding.
"Witnesses" in Training in Hwa Nan College and Foochow Union Christian Hospital.
Yungan School

Our school has class room accommodations for only seventy students, and dormitory space for only twenty. Those who have seen our quarters can never forget how narrow and cramped they are. We are thankful that while, under the circumstances, it has been impossible for us to grow in numbers, yet God has kept our enrollment from falling off. The church of Yungan City has shown its whole-hearted interest and belief in the school and has come to our relief by placing the Mission hospital plant, which is at present unoccupied for lack of a physician, at our disposal. This will make it possible for us to plan for a more extensive work.

In reviewing the work of the past year, two outstanding reasons for gratitude present themselves.

1. The spiritual responsiveness of our student body: This is characteristic of the entire school, but especially so of the boarding pupils. This term, of their own initiative, they asked for an early Bible class, so at six o'clock each morning they meet and are divided into two groups for study.

2. The splendid spirit of cooperation in the members of the faculty. The fact that we are so desperately understaffed necessitates a much too heavy schedule for all of our teachers, but they have carried this work uncomplainingly.

One of our men teachers, on his way home for summer vacation, was taken by bandits and held until his family paid a five hundred dollar ransom for him. In spite of this, his loyalty to the school has moved him to brave the dangers of the long trip back to continue his work here. The school suffered a great loss during the year in the marriage of Miss Lois Huang, who has given so many years of earnest and efficient service to the school; and it was a great disappointment when Miss Karis Cheng, who carried on the work so faithfully in my absence last year, was obliged to leave us to accompany her sick father on a health trip to the Straits Settlements; but Miss Esther Cheng, a sophomore of Hua Nan College, came to us in the spring, and we are glad to have with us this fall
one of our own girls, Fidelia Lee, who has finished Junior High School in Yenping, and who is proving most helpful.

This autumn six new boarders have come to us from the country. One of these is seventeen years of age. She not only did not know a single character when she came, but she also did not have the slightest interest in study. She would not even take hold of the book that the teacher offered her. She constantly complained and scolded and said many bitter things against her husband and father-in-law, whom she accused of having deceived her into coming. Fortunately her husband and father-in-law were very patient and kind. They visited her and comforted her and encouraged her. Now, after only three weeks we see a great change in her.

Such ignorance and darkness is found only six miles from Yungan City; and how many others there are in the same condition! Christ commanded us to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature; but how slowly we are going. We ask that all who are of one heart with us in desiring to carry out the great Commission will constantly bear the work of the Fukien Woman's Missionary Society upon your hearts to the Throne of Grace.

Yours in Christ,

Ethel Lee.

Conference Primary Schools

During the last few weeks it has been our privilege to see much of Hua Nan, the Woman's College of South China. It is difficult to express the feelings that flood one's heart as one sees the rows upon rows of earnest young faces in the great chapel; as one listens to one of their rare sacred concerts; as one participates in the beautiful ritual devotional service; or as one attends one of their exquisitely given pageants. Two of our own Yenping girls are graduating from Hua Nan this year, and as we see them happy and eager over the work they are so soon to take up, our hearts are filled with wonder and gratitude over the marvel of cultured and consecrated Christian womanhood.
It is a far cry from beautiful Hua Nan to the struggling, neglected, poorly equipped Day Schools of this report. Nevertheless it is the fruit of which they are the roots—hidden—unattractive—but roots for all of that. We have in Yenping Conference five hundred and forty-one women and girls in Primary training. Two hundred and ninety-five of these are accounted for in the reports of the Francesca Nast Gamble School, the Yuki Girls' School, the Yungan Girls' School, and the Bible Training School. The other two hundred and forty-six are found in what we call our "country" Day Schools.

The Sahsien school has had a very small enrollment since the troubled days of 1926—1927. This spring teachers and Bible-women went out together to enroll students and succeeded in gathering in twenty kindergarteners and thirty for the primary grades. While a severe epidemic of small-pox interfered greatly with the attendance, yet the interest and grade of work done marked a decided advance over that of the previous year. The course of study in the grades follows closely that of the government, with the addition of religious education. Most of the students are from non-Christian homes, yet all take great interest in Bible study and the singing of Christian hymns of praise.

The Kindergarten schedule follows the desires and needs of child nature, with devotions, singing, stories, games, and handwork, in the forenoon, while in the afternoon the older children come back to read the "Thousand Character Primary." One of the things that gives the kindergarten teacher most joy is the fact that the little tots go home and teach their non-Christian parents to sing of the heavenly Father and His love.

Several years ago Baltimore Branch gave us the money to erect a good school building in Sahsien in memory of Mrs. Sophia Grape. It has been a great grief to us that in the face of one of the greatest opportunities in our Conference, and with such a good plant, that lack of a suitable leader to head up the work has made it impossible for us to have a model school at Sahsien. Now, however, our hearts are rejoicing that Miss Pearl Wang, who is just finishing her course at Hua Nan, is appointed to the principalship of this school. Miss
Wang is enthusiastically planning for the school, and has already persuaded two High School graduates to accompany her. This should insure a strong educational program in Sahsien, and we trust that next year we shall have greater things to report from this center.

Yangki, early in the year, had an enrollment of fifteen. All of these were regular attendants at Sunday School, which is enlivened each Sunday by an interesting story told by the teacher and also by health songs and the use of Bible picture cards. The teacher was most happy over the way in which the spiritual life of her pupils was keeping pace with their mental and physical development, when one night in the third month the town was raided by bandits. They kidnapped several girls, among them two of our students. Although they were finally rescued it cost their parents several hundreds of dollars. These parents, who are not Christians, are very superstitious. They felt that the day of opening school must have been unpropitious or they would not have met with this misfortune: so they would not allow their daughters to read any more even though pastor and teacher both did their best to comfort them and to allay their fears. Ever since that time the whole populace has been very anxious and apprehensive. Some families have moved away taking other students with them. This fall although there have been no bandits, soldiers have been quartered in the church. This has made it very embarrassing for the larger girls to come, so the school has had a very difficult year.

The Hsiameo teacher, Mrs. Yeh, writes of the deep superstition and the constant fear of bandits which she has to combat. In the midst of this environment she has built her school work on a foundation of gentleness and love. There are nineteen students. They are diligent and come to church regularly, Former students of the school, now married in homes of their own, are also among the most faithful church attendants. In her spare time Mrs. Yeh visits in the homes of the students. Since she is a mother and a pastor's wife, we wonder how she ever has any spare time! She feels that if some one who could give undivided attention to the school could be appointed
to take charge of it that the results would be better. Now, the wheel of Methodism, in its annual conference revolution has appointed pastor Yeh to another circuit, and we see no prospect of any one to take Mrs. Yeh's place; so it looks as though this school in one of our most strategic centers will have to be closed. In the midst of such heart-breaking need, the words of the Master, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into the field," takes on more poignant meaning. Dare we accept His challenge?

Mrs. Katheryn Hsia has been the Principal of the Suenchang school for the past five years. The W.F.M.S. and the B.F.M.S. unite in the support of this school. She sends the following report:

School has been greatly helped by the appointment of Mr. Chang, who has taken great interest in enrolling a number of new students. The school rooms are clean, neat and attractive.

2. The first and second grades greatly enjoy paper cutting. The third and fourth grades spend four hours a week in weaving. In the Mothers' Meeting last spring, when there was a large exhibition of various kinds of work done in the school, great interest, pleasure and appreciation was shown by the two-hundred guests.

3. Bible is taught in each grade. The students are happy to receive religious instruction. They all attend Sunday School and church Sunday mornings and return in the afternoon for the Children's Meetings. Not only did the children show great appreciation by faithful attendance and interest manifested in the Children's Meetings, but they filled the front rows at the evening services and sang lustily during the Training Conference. The Suenchang people were made cognizant of the meetings in progress, for the children advertised widely as they sang the Gospel songs on their way to and from school. Will you not pray that this school may continue to be a power for good in this county-seat.

The Chanhuфан school has been especially fortunate in having as its Principal, Miss Barbara Lee. During the past three years she has done much to raise the standard of the school. Each visit made to this school during the past
year brought its own reward, in the fine quality of work found here. One of the students who graduated is now in our Yenping Higher Primary. The fall term has been a time of intense fear and much trouble, both from bandits and from civil war. Chanhufan is not a walled city, so being in direct line of advance of the invading army it suffered terribly. For a time it was impossible to buy rice, salt and other things which are most necessary. In this time of stress, fires, lamps, candles and tapers were lighted from others in the neighborhood because there were no matches for sale in the little shops. It was interesting to see the great number who were benefited by a precious match, when anyone was fortunate enough to have one. In spite of all the difficulties and hardships, the students have been very earnest, have attended church regularly and because of their faithfulness and singing have contributed considerable to the life of the church. They greatly appreciated the Children’s Meetings which were held during the Training Conference and expressed their thanks for the good received, by being on time and by helping in the song service. Although the enrollment is not as large as formerly, yet the quality of the student body and the work done is fine. Your prayers are coveted for this school.

Yankow has one of our newest buildings. The school cooperates with our B.F.M.S. Our three teachers are doing fine work. One of their outstanding contributions to their town this year was the Daily Vacation Bible School. Illiterate children and grown ups were enrolled so that the attendance was over fifty, with eight volunteer members on the staff. The fall enrollment increased to seventy. This school is registered, and has the Committee form of administration. All are working in harmony and enthusiastically. Chapel is at nine o’clock. The students also attend church and Sunday School Sunday morning and Children’s Meeting in the afternoon. They are always glad to “testify” and to tell the Bible stories they have learned. During the spring meetings when as a beautiful climax, the pageant. “All in Christ for Me” was given, the students were most helpful in the chorus work. The visit to this school was worth while. They ask you to remember them often in prayer.
The teacher at Yuenkan writes, "Thanks to Missionary Society for starting this new school, so that my Chinese sisters may have the privilege of studying. There are thirty-five students. At first they were very timid and afraid but as they studied they gradually gained courage and lost their self consciousness. A few of these students are women, who must help some with home duties so can not fully follow the course of study. Most of the students are from non-Christian homes, so that neither they nor their parents were in church attendance, Bible study or prayer. The power of God has caused them to know the Heavenly Father's grace and love, so they are now glad to learn the Lord's Prayer and simple Bible verses and are very enthusiastic over their Children's Meeting Sunday afternoons.

"The people around Yuenkan are farmers, so it is necessary to adjust the school term to the harvest and planting seasons. When the children are not needed in the fields, no vacations are wanted; so during the summer I taught Chinese classics in which conservative people are always especially interested and in the autumn took up the regular curriculum. The girls still have bound feet and darkness and superstition prevail. Pray that God may send more Light and Love." The missionary was gratified by several women studying in this school, so that at the earliest possible date they could enter the Bible Training School at Yenping. During the meetings here in the spring, the children enjoyed the special meetings for them. They contributed quite a little to the singing in all the services in the church as well as in street preaching. This school is a good investment.

Again this year while itinerating, it was easy to visit the Wantai school. The teacher showed real interest in her pupils. This year they did quite a little hand work. The pupils have enjoyed their Bible study and church attendance. Pray for this school, for the teacher is ill.

While on evangelistic itineraries, practically all of our Day Schools have been visited by your missionaries. It is impossible to give them the close supervision, which we would enjoy. Their meager equipment has been supplemented
by posters, magazines, pamphlets, books and health materials and songs. Monthly reports have been sent to us by the teachers. In return five general letters have been sent, besides many which answered their queries or requests for materials. A Teacher's Institute was planned for the teachers in July. This was made impossible by travelling conditions, as at the date set the river was closed to traffic, and our special helpers were shut out. Although it is impossible to report all our schools here, we recognize their contributions to the various communities. Much praise and gratitude is due to Miss Iola Wu, for her untiring efforts and her cheerful spirit which she has shown in writing hundreds of letters. She was in answer to our prayers and is a good secretary.

Yours happy in service,

MAMIE F GLASSBURNER.

FERN M. SINKEY.

Report of the Alden Speare Memorial Hospital Training School for Nurses

It is with much pleasure that I look back over the past year. Both the Hospital and the Training School show real progress. After association with the military for a couple of years the school was indeed in a weak and sickly condition, and had to be nursed slowly back to health. The students now have a fine, loyal spirit, and seem to greatly enjoy doing lots of hard work, both theoretical and practical.

As we were unable to give a good course in obstetrical nursing we made arrangements with the Foochow Union Hospital for our women nurses to take half a year for this important part of their training.

When one of the mission hospitals in the Foochow Conference was compelled to close for the lack of a doctor two of their senior nurses came to us. They are fine Christian boys and would be a splendid addition to any school. The probationers who entered at China New Year time have begun their work with much enthusiasm and are a promising.
class indeed. Five seniors passed the examinations given by the Nurses' Association of China in December.

Commencement exercises were held in May. The two lower classes with their usual enthusiasm decorated the church most attractively. The exercises were simple but full of meaning, beginning with the processional, the seating of the graduates, and the inevitable fusillade of firecrackers.

The Boys' School Band, led by their blind teacher gave a rousing selection. A hymn was sung, and Rev. Bankhardt led in prayer. Then the chairman announced the purpose of the meeting. You may say that that was well understood already. Yes, it was. And too, if you could read them, there were the large, beautifully decorated characters adorning the front of the church, to tell you; and yet the announcement in none too brief a speech is as much a part of the program as the firecrackers.

The student nurses sang the Nurses' Association Hymn, "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me," and after Rev. Su, a returned student from America, had given a splendid address on the subject, "Respect your profession," Mrs. Bankhardt sang, and was welcomed as usual by the audience. The Chinese always love to hear her. A short talk to the graduates was then given by the principal of the School of Nursing and the diplomas presented by Dr. Skinner. It is customary on all such occasions to invite the guests to say a few words, and to this invitation several responded with short inspiring talks. At the close, photographs of course were taken. This also is an essential part of any special gathering in China.

As these five young people finish their course, positions are waiting for them on every hand. They have already declined what are considered large salaries; they have learned that there is more joy in Christian service. One has accepted a position in the Foochow Union Hospital, and three are taking responsible positions with us here. We are looking forward to the time when we shall not only fill the needs of our own institution, but can send nurses to many of the more inland places which are ever calling for such help.
In the training of the students, morning Chapel has been a vital thing in the daily program. The most prominent church leaders of the city have been asked to take different mornings of the week. There is time for only a song, prayer, and a ten minute talk, but those who lead are vitally interested and they make the most of the opportunity.

Both students and ambulatory patients enjoy the chapel service. One little girl with a T.B. hip often cried because she could not go down to chapel with the others. One morning I passed a child running down the hall just as the bell rang. I was sure she wanted to go to chapel so was going to call to her, but in a moment she was gone. She soon came hurrying back, however, bringing a group of other girls and women. Many patients who attend these services hear the gospel either for the first time in years, or for the first time in their lives.

The last few months of the conference year tested the hospital staff as it has not been tested for some time past. For months the hospital was filled to overflowing with citizens and sick and wounded soldiers. Everyone worked with all the strength he had. We were very glad indeed when in October the military took the responsibility for their soldiers and moved most of them to their own hospital.

Even though the foreign doctor and nurse were not there to begin the fall term, classes were started just the same. Three students will take the annual examinations of the Nurses' Association of China which will be given in December. That is not many, it is true, but we are glad for every nurse added to the profession in China.

Respectfully submitted,

Mae Baucher, R.N.,

Board of Foreign Missions.
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SUNDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER FIFTH.

The fourteenth annual session of the Yenping Woman's Conference met under conditions of unusual physical and emotional strain. Threatening war clouds had hung heavy over our territory all summer and fall. From outside our borders had come constant reports of Communist plots and anti-Christian activities in other parts of the country. News had just been received that Miss Eleanor Harrison and Miss Edith Nettleton, two missionaries of our sister Anglican church, who had undergone untold suffering for three months in the hands of Communist captors less than one hundred miles away from us, had finally sealed their long years of testimony, for Christ in China, with martyr blood.

However, God's word to the Christian womanhood of Yenping Conference had been, "Have not I commanded thee? Go forward!" Trusting Him we had obeyed. He had kept us safe through the three weeks of our Bible-woman's Training Institute, and as we assembled in Emma Fuller Memorial chapel for our first meeting, facing our beautiful W.F.M.S. seal and our "Covenant of Obedience," hearts were not only flooded with gratitude that according to the good hand of our God upon us, we had been brought to this consummation of the year's work: we were also touched with reverential awe that under such conditions we were again to plan to go "Forward Together" to the "Next Step" in the great adventure of Christ's Kingdom.

The introductory devotional hour was in charge of the president, Miss Helen Ho, who sounded the note of victory in her choice of the opening hymn, "Hallelujah, 'tis done!" Mrs. Yeh Ciao En then led us in prayer. The Scripture lesson was the conversation of Christ with Mary before the raising of Lazarus as recorded in John 11:30-44, with Hebrews 11:1, Now faith is the substance of things hoped for: the evidence of things not seen. Miss Ho took as her text the words, "Said I not unto thee, that if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest
see the glory of God **and pointed out the following requisites of true faith.**

I. **We must trust in God's Word.** Through faith in this Word, Noah and his family were saved from the flood; Abraham received the Promised Land for his inheritance; Sarah brought forth a son in her old age; and the Centurion's servant was healed.

II. **We must rely on prayer.** In answer to prayer, God showed Moses how to bring forth water for the people in the wilderness; Christ raised Lazarus from the dead, and Peter was delivered from prison.

III. **We must have patience to wait.** The Disciples of Jesus were baptized with the Holy Spirit because they had faith to wait for the promise of the Father.

IV. **We must hold fast even in circumstances that tempt us to doubt God's leading.** Abraham could not understand why God asked him for his only child, but he believed in the wisdom and love of God's will, and the glory of God was revealed unto him. Joseph could not understand why his brothers were allowed to sell him into Egypt, but he kept his faith in God, and to him also was revealed the wonder of the Divine purposes. Jacob could not understand why he should be bereaved of his beloved Joseph, but he, too, believed and finally saw the reward of God.

In closing Miss Ho gave us for our comfort and strength the words of Romans 8: 28—"And we know that all things work together for good to those that love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." Miss Glassburner was asked to voice in prayer our united desire for an invincible conquering faith.

The devotional hour was followed by the introduction of the District delegations. Something of the character of our Chinese women workers is revealed in the fact that twenty-eight Bible Women and two Pastors' wives had dared to travel in such a perilous time to be present at the Conference session. In addition to these there was the usual large group of local Yenping workers. Each delegation, in answer
to the roll call, responded with an appropriate text of Scripture, and all were greeted with whole hearted applause.

The Love Feast was in charge of Mrs. Hu Ngok King, our Home Missionary Bible-woman from Yungan. After the singing of the hymn, "My Jesus, I Love Thee," Mrs. Woo Luang Shih led in prayer. Mrs. Hu spoke briefly, centering our thoughts about the injunction of I. Peter 4:7—8. "But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and be watchful unto prayer. And above all things have fervent love among yourselves; for love covereth a multitude of sins." God is love. We are all the children of God: therefore we must love one another.

The freedom of our workers in testimony this year has been marked, and again a number gladly availed themselves of this opportunity to give expression to the gratitude and love of their hearts. The hour of witnessing closed with a few stanzas of, "O, how He Loves," and the repetition of the Lord's Prayer.

A chorus, composed of the teachers of Emma Fuller Memorial and the Bible Training School, prepared our hearts for the Communion Service by singing, "Take my life and let it be Consecrated Lord to Thee," with the refrain, "Wash me in the Savior's Precious Blood: Cleanse me in its Purifying Flood."

Mr. Hu Chen Yu, our District Superintendent, who during the Bible Institute had inspired us all by his deeply spiritual studies in Acts, opened the Communion Service with the hymn, "There is a green hill far away," after which Mrs. Lee Huo Bing led in prayer. Mr. Hu read the tender account of the first Sacramental Service as recorded in Luke 22:14-23, and spoke briefly and earnestly on the words, "This do in remembrance of me." Mr. Hu cited three ways in which we should remember our Lord. First: By following in His footsteps so that we can say with Paul, "Follow me as I follow Christ." I. Cor. 11:1. Second: By letting this mind be in us which was also in Christ Jesus. Phil. 2:5. Third: By being workers that need not to be ashamed. II. Tim. 2:15. After prayer and the singing
of "There is a fountain filled with blood," all present surrounded the table, and we felt our spirits refreshed and revived as we fed by faith on Him, and plunged afresh into the fountain opened in the house of David for sin and for uncleanness. The service closed with the Doxology and the Benediction.

**Monday Forenoon, October Sixth.**

The forenoon sessions of the Conference met in the newly enlarged chapel of the Bible Training School. The devotional hour opened with singing, "Hallelujah, I have found Him, Whom my soul so long hath craved." Miss Julia Lee led in prayer, after which, in keeping with the central theme of the Bible Training Institute, "Perpetuating Pentecost" Miss Glassburner spoke on the Joy of the Apostolic Church, taking for her foundation text the words, "They rejoiced that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His Name." Acts 5:41.

No one can study the history of the Apostolic Church without being impressed by the unquenchable joy which manifested itself in their fellowship, Acts 2:46-47; in their work, Acts 8:39; and in their power to bring gladness to others, Acts 3:8; 8:8; 15:3. They rejoiced under suffering and persecution. The members of the Council saw Stephen's face aglow like that of an angel's as he faced accusation and death, and the Apostles, after they had been beaten, departed from the Council rejoicing. What was the source of this upwelling overflowing joy?

I. The promise of Jesus, John 15:11, These things have I spoken unto you that my joy might remain in you and that your joy might be full.

II. The Pentecostal baptism, which had cleansed their hearts of the pride and selfishness that mar and destroy joy.

III. The consciousness of Christ's presence. They believed Him so near that he could shake the place where they were assembled in time of danger, even as a mother stills her frightened child by a touch on the cradle, Acts.
4:31. He was so consciously with them that Peter and John could offer him to the lame man. “Such as I have give I unto thee: in the name of Jesus, rise and walk.” He was with them to personally supervise all of their activities. An angel of the Lord told Philip to leave Samaria and go toward the south, 8:26. The Spirit of the Lord said unto Philip, “Go and join thyself to this chariot,” 8:29. When they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, 8:39. Of what practical value was this joy to them?

I. It gave them strength to do and to endure. Neh. 8:10, For: the joy of the Lord is you: strength.

II. It made others hungry for the Source of their joy

III. It drew men to them and through them to Christ.

Shall we not search our hearts to see if we have this unfailing joy, and pray to be cleansed from all that makes it impossible, that Christ’s promise may be fulfilled to us?

Following the devotional hour, the students of Emma Fuller Memorial School sang “Heaven is my home,” after which reports of Bible Women’s work were given as follows:

Shayung District, by Mrs. Wang Seu Ing.
Yuki District, by Mrs. Ling Siong Daik.
Suenchan District, by Mrs. Yeh Ciao En.
Yenping District, by Mrs. Liong Hong Ngo.

After these reports were given, Mrs. Ding Daik Seng of Congloh beyond Yungan, led in an earnest prayer for the Father’s blessing and protection on all of the work reported.

Reports were then read from the following primary schools: Yungan, Sahsien, Yuki, Suenchang, and Chanhufan. The Conference joined in singing, “His grace aboundeth more,” and repeated together our post-Pentecostal program: Perservance, Acts 2:42; Consecration, Acts 4:32; Joy, Acts 5:41; Transmission, II. Tim. 2:2; Deut. 6:6-7; Advance. Acts 8:4; and our post-Pentecostal prayer, Eph. 1:17-31,
after which Mrs. Ruth Ling asked God's special help and blessing upon us as we should go out to carry out this program.

**Monday Afternoon, October Sixth.**

The session began with silent intercession and the singing of the hymn, "If on a quiet sea Toward Heaven we calmly sail." Mrs. Lee Huo Bing led in prayer. Mr. Hu used the twenty-seventh chapter of Acts as the basis for his discourse and made to live before us Paul's danger, his divine vision, his good cheer, his authority, and his ability to save his fellow voyagers from physical peril and to lead them to realize the presence and power of Christ.

Today China is like a ship driven and tossed with the tempest. No one knows at what hour disaster may come. Like Paul, we should believe in the God whose we are and whom we serve and radiate good cheer to our comrades in distress. As he took bread and ate and urged those who sailed with him to partake of food for the strengthening of their bodies, so we ourselves must first partake of the living Word and then give it to others. Whether our ship of state weathers the storm or not depends upon the faithfulness of the ministers of God's Word to their spiritual task. Upon us rests the responsibility of bringing cheer, order, and salvation in this hour of peril.

After prayer by Mr. Hu, we listened to the encouraging reports of those in charge of our Yenping City Institutions. Mrs. Ling reported for the Francesca Nast Gamble Primary School, Miss Helen Ho for the Emma Fuller Memorial School, and Miss Bertha Lee for the Bible Training School. In spite of the uncertainty and forboding with which the atmosphere has been charged the last few months, each of these schools reported an increased enrollment as well as heartening evidence of vital spiritual life in the student body.

The students of the Bible Training School favored us with the song, "Where Jesus is 'tis Heaven to me," after which the leaders of our three Gospel teams told of the triumphs of their spring itineraries. Mrs. Die Song Nguk spoke for the Yuki
team, Mrs. Lee Huo Bing for the Shayung group, and Mrs. Iek Goi Ing for the Suanchan band.

Following these reports, the Rev. Chen 'Pi Meo, Conference Secretary of Religious Education, spoke to us on the Five Year Program of Religious Education. The sphere of Religious Education is threefold: the home, the school, and the Sunday school. The strategic citadel in each of these departments is the personality of leadership. Efficient and dynamic leadership can only be produced through constant and intensive training. Next in importance to leadership comes the material of instruction, which should be chosen with greatest care and with reference to the age and educational standards of those to be taught. Mr. Chen gave a beautiful picture of the possibilities of religious education in the home as he told how his own little son, six years of age, can hardly wait for the hour of family worship, rings the bell himself, and then runs to call in any tardy member of the circle. Mr. Chen paid high tribute to our Woman’s Conference for its constructive work in this field and urged us to still more intensive effort.

The Covenant was thoughtfully repeated and the afternoon session closed with prayer by Miss Bertha Lee.

WEDNESDAY FORENOON, OCTOBER SEVENTH.

The meeting opened with the singing of “Rejoice, rejoice, our King is coming!” Mrs. Ruth Ling led in prayer. Miss Glassburner then led us in the study of three additional phases of the life of the post-Pentecostal church as revealed in the Book of Acts.

1. The Apostolic love. Jesus had said to his followers, “By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples; if ye have love one to another,” and history records that even the enemies of the Church bore witness to the abounding love of its members by saying, “See how these Christians love each other.”

They not only loved one another. They loved their enemies and brought them into the Kingdom through the compelling power of sacrificial love. The prickling goad,
which would not let Paul rest until he surrendered to Jesus Christ on the Damascus road, was doubtless the memory of Stephen's angel like face as he prayed, "Lay not this sin to their charge." and many similar scenes in the Christian homes from which he dragged men, women, and children, haling them to death. The words of Annanias, "Brother Saul," breathe the same spirit of forgiving love.

They loved their fellow workers. It is often easier to love actual enemies than to be heartily generous with the failures and peculiarities of those with whom God has appointed us to work; but the Apostles could disagree and still love. Paul rebuked Peter sharply, but Peter writes of him, "Our beloved brother Paul." Mark once proved unfaithful and had to be disciplined, but afterward Paul sends the message, "Bring Mark with thee, for he is profitable to me for service." The greatest weakness of our church today is failure in dynamic love.

II. The Apostolic hope. The early church moved toward a definite goal—the return of Christ to fully establish His Kingdom on earth. He had promised to come again, but He had also said that He could not come until the Gospel was first preached to all nations: so their hope and desire for His return nerved them to greater effort and endurance for His Name's sake. Because some have treated this truth unwisely and unscripturally, the church has become afraid of it, and having lost sight of its goal is, for the most part, working aimlessly and half heartedly; while our church members fall an easy prey to fanatical sects who claim a monopoly of this doctrine.

Heart attitude toward the coming of Christ is a touchstone by which to measure one's own spiritual life. Do we, in reply to His "Behold I come quickly," breathe with John the prayer, "Even so, come Lord Jesus." or would we rather not hear or think of His coming? Why? We may not know when or how He is coming, but we may believe in and hope for His return and do our utmost to prepare the way of our King.
III. The Apostolic warning: Take heed. (Acts 20:28) First: Take heed to yourselves—to your own spiritual life, to your example, to your task. Second: Take heed to the flock. The Good Shepherd knows His sheep by name. Do we? The Good Shepherd gives His life for the sheep. Do we? The Good Shepherd goes after the lost and seeks until He find it. Do we? The work of the true shepherd is not easy, but when the chief Shepherd shall appear, what joy shall be ours as we meet Him with His sheep that we have cared for. (I. Peter 5:2-4).

IV. In Conclusion: Have we the joy and the love of the early church? Are we looking unto and hastening the day of the Lord? Where are the members of our flock?

After singing, “When Jesus comes to reward His servants,” the hour closed with the prayer that each one might realize these outstanding characteristics of the Pentecostal Church in her own life and work.

The students of Francesca Nast Gamble School now delighted us with a beautiful Gospel hymn, sung as only clear child voices can sing. This was followed by the report of the Evangelistic Committee. The Conference members listened with the greatest interest to the unfolding of the plan for “Our Altar of Service,” and enthusiastically voted its adoption.

Mrs. Grace Go Dang announced that owing to the absence and illness of several members of the Social Service Committee, their report was not ready. It was voted that the newly elected committee should outline the Social Service program for the coming year.

Mrs. Ruth Ling reported for the nominating Committee, and the following officers were elected for the new year:—President, Miss Helen Ho. Chinese Vice President, Grace Go Dang. Foreign Vice President, Mrs. Overholt. English Secretary, Miss Mary Eide. Assistant English Secretary, Miss Virginia Lee. Chinese Secretary, Miss Amber Ceng. Assistant Chinese Secretary, Miss Delphia Chang. English Statistical Secretary, Miss Fern Sinkey. Chinese Statistical Secretary, Mrs. Su Ru Chen.
After the election of officers the members of the Conference repeated together our post-Pentecostal program, and the morning session closed in silent prayer.

**Tuesday Afternoon, October Seventh.**

The closing session of our 1930 Conference opened with a few minutes of silent communion, after which all joined in singing, "Must Jesus bear the cross alone." The Rev. Ceng Chuen Ling led us in prayer and Pastor Hu conducted our study of Paul's teaching regarding the ministry, reading as his Scripture lesson I. Tim. 4:1-6 and Col. 1:23-29. Pastor Hu's exposition developed the following points:

I. The minister's consciousness of vocation.
   1. The call of God. Acts 26:16; Isa. 49:5 (a)
   2. An inner compulsion. Cor. 9:16.

II. The glory of the ministry.
   2. The glory of God's approval. Isa. 49:5 (b)

III. How shall the minister discharge his trust?
   1. Be urgent in season and out of season.
   2. Be single in purpose.
   3. Be patient. II. Tim. 4:2.

IV. How shall we give our message?
   1. In all wisdom. 2. Teaching. 3. Reproving. 4. Warning.

V. The minister's own spiritual culture.
   1. Watchfulness in all things.
   2. Patience in affliction. II. Tim. 4:5.

Pastor Hu's address ended with a word of earnest prayer that we all might be enabled to prove worthy of our high calling.

A new feature of this year's Conference was the appointment service for the Bible-women. After the singing of "I love to tell the story," the appointments were read, each Bible-
woman coming forward to the altar as her name was called. It was pointed out that these Bible-women are our special representatives as they go out to carry the message which many of the lay members of the Conference do not have the privilege of carrying directly; and that so, a definite responsibility to uphold them in intercessory prayer rests upon each of us. Then all reverently knelt together while Pastor Hu prayed that the "mighty ordination of the nail pierced hands" might rest upon each messenger anointing and empowering her for her great task.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society anniversary was in charge of Mrs. Lois Wang Chang, who taught in the Home Missionary School in Yungan for several years before her marriage. The exercises opened with a kindergarten song by four children who had been trained in the Yungan school, but whose parents are at present residing in Yenping City. Rev. Ceng Chuen Ling, who did pioneer pastoral work in Yungan for many years, spoke on the history of the work there. This year marks the sixtieth anniversary of the beginning of our Methodist work in Yungan. Pastor Ceng presented an interesting chart showing the growth of the church from that first preaching of the Word until now, and also gave many stirring reminiscences of those early days.

Wong Daik Gieu, now a student in Emma Fuller Memorial, who received her Primary and first year of Junior High training in the Yungan School, spoke of the conditions of womanhood in Yungan, and in Kuei Hua, her native home, and of the work done in the Yungan School. She herself is the finest kind of demonstration of the fine training given by Miss Lee and her co-workers in the Home Missionary School. As she spoke with winsome earnestness and perfect composure, the Conference was deeply stirred by her plea and gave her a most spontaneous and hearty burst of applause.

Mr. Liao Kuo Yin, Dean of the Men's Bible School brought to us the fraternal greetings of the Men's Annual Conference.
The closing service of consecration was in charge of our Conference President, Miss Helen Ho, who opened it with the song, "O, for a heart to praise my God," after which Mrs. Hu Ngok King led us in prayer. In her talk Miss Ho coupled Acts 4:32, "And not one of them said that anything he had was his own;" with Romans 12:1, "I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." It would have profited nothing for the early Christians to have given their possessions to Christ had they not first given themselves. When we have already given ourselves and then give our possessions, God can use them mightily for the advancement of His Kingdom.

Moses had only a rod that was good for but the one purpose of tending his sheep, but when he yielded it to God what wonders were wrought with it! He stretched it forth and the waters of the Red Sea were divided for the children of Israel to pass through. He smote the rock with it and brought forth water for the suffering people. He held it aloft and victory was given over Israel's foes.

The little lad of the Gospel story had only five small loaves and two fishes, barely enough for his own dinner, but he gave them to Christ and lo! the hungry multitude was fed. If we only give ourselves fully to Him God will use us and our meager resources to accomplish wonders for His cause.

Miss Ho announced the hymn, "Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord to Thee," and invited all who had not yet fully yielded themselves to Christ, with all who desired to renew their covenant of consecration, to gather round the altar during the singing. Before the first line was finished the Conference had begun to move forward as one individual, and we realized anew, and with grateful hearts, the oneness of purpose that could make such unhesitating unanimity of action possible. As we stood together we once more repeated together our Covenant of Obedience; our slogan, "Forward Together;" and the "Next Step: Upward, Onward, Forward."

Miss Glassburner was then asked to lead us in a prayer of
consecration and to commit us to God and the Word of His Grace, which is able to build us up and give us an inheritance among all them that are sanctified. And so the Yenping Woman's Conference of 1930 passed into history leaving us to work out, in daily sacrificial living, its messages, its visions, and its programs.

JULIA LEE,
Assistant English Secretary.

Report of the Committee on Evangelism and Religious Education.

Accounts of the activities carried on under the direction of this Committee may be found in the reports of the work done by Bible-women and Gospel Teams, on the circuits, on the District itineraries, and in the training conferences that have been held.

An earnest endeavor has been made to carry out the recommendations made last year. While decided progress has been registered along the lines then indicated, yet all of these are of such vital importance to the life of the church, that they cannot be abandoned but must receive increasing emphasis with each new conference year; so to add new interest to old phases of endeavor and to create enthusiasm for new Kingdom projects, your Committee has adapted one of the devices prepared by the Home Department of the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society to stimulate the Missionary hosts at home to their best effort—“Our Altar of Service.”

The stones in the altar, which we hope every circuit in our Yenping Conference will this year build to Christ, are as follows:—

1. Workers’ Prayer Group. In addition to the regular mid week prayer meeting, the Bible Woman, the Pastor and his wife, the Day School teachers, and any others who may wish to join, should meet at least once a week to discuss special problems that have arisen in the work through the
week, and to pray through to victory. Special intercession should also be made in these groups for an outpouring of the Spirit upon the charge and upon the entire Conference.

2. *Wednesday Afternoon Prayer Meeting for Women.* For the purpose of focusing attention upon the House of God, and of forming the habit of church attendance, it is desirable that this meeting should be as frequently as possible at the church; though in case this is impracticable, cottage prayer meetings may be held. It is suggested that the first half hour be used in the study of "Probationer's Lessons," or the Gospel of John. After this the leader may give a short talk on "Prayer" or some related topic. The last fifteen or twenty minutes of the hour should be given to intercession, in which all should be encouraged to participate. We also suggest that the Bible Woman or Pastor's wife, responsible for this meeting, should occasionally invite other earnest Christian women to bring the message.

3. *Sunday School.* The men, women, and children of the church, should meet each Sunday morning for an hour of instruction before the preaching service. These should be divided into classes according to their age and attainments. In places where there are Day School teachers and advanced Christians, they should be enlisted to assist in teaching. On charges where such help is unavailable, the Bible Woman should teach the women and girls, and the Pastor, the men and boys.

4. *Class completing "Probationer's Lessons."* It is with greatest gratitude that we note that over one hundred and fifty women have already completed the course of "Probationer's Lessons," while a hundred and fifty others are in the midst of this study. One of the big tasks of the new year is to stir up this latter one hundred and fifty to finish their course and to enroll at least twice as many more to take up the study.

5. *Class Completing John's Gospel.* As soon as a woman has finished her "Probationer's Lessons," she should be immediately enrolled in a class for the study of the Gospel of
John. An attractive but inexpensive copy of the Bible, old and new Testaments, will be presented to each woman, who finishes the book of John during the year.

6. Young People's Training Class. We find upon careful inquiry that the baptized children of our Christian workers and church members are receiving little or no intensive spiritual culture in preparation for the privileges and responsibilities of membership in the church of Christ. Because of this the children of some of our most earnest church leaders have reached adulthood outside of the church fold, and have drifted into complete indifference to the claims of Christ. We therefore urge that upon every circuit the baptized children between the ages of twelve and sixteen shall be gathered into a training class, which shall meet every week between January first and Easter. The work presented from week to week should lead them step by step to acceptance of Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and to the consecration of their lives to His service; and at Easter time they should be received into Church membership with a very special and impressive service.

7 Epworth League, Junior and Senior Departments. That our young people and children may have practical training in Christian service, every circuit should maintain both a Junior and a Senior Epworth League. The Senior Epworth League should meet on Sunday evening. After a half hour's study of the "lesson," the young people might make a great contribution to the life of the church by assisting the Pastor to "put on" a stirring Gospel service. The Junior League, which is often called "the Children's Meeting," may meet on Sunday afternoon. Its activities and materials of instruction should be carefully differentiated from, and correlated with, those of the Sunday School and Young People's Training Class.

8. Volunteer Teaching. We can only reach the goal of a literate church membership as every one who is able to read undertakes to teach some one else. To this end we recommend that every woman, as soon as she, herself, com-
pletes the "Probationer's Lessons," shall at once be urged to undertake to teach at least one other—either a member of her own family or a near neighbor, either Christian or non-Christian. The Bible Woman should carefully supervise and supplement this volunteer teaching, inspiring both teacher and pupil to their best efforts. Whenever a pupil has finished the course and successfully passed the examination, her name with that of her volunteer teacher should both be publicly announced, to encourage them and others to further effort in this direction.

9. Local Gospel Team. On every circuit there are many villages where the Gospel has not been effectively preached. The presentation of the message in such places would be greatly strengthened if made by a group including two or three Christian "lay-women." In addition to the more wide spread and effective preaching of the Word thus made possible, the "lay-women" themselves would receive valuable training in Christian service. We, therefore urge the organization upon each charge of such a team, to be led by the Bible Woman or Pastor's wife, to go out at least once a week for definite evangelistic work in non-Christian homes and villages.

10. Family Worship. The family altar, with its united prayer and Bible study, is the prerequisite for training in vital piety and in sound moral character. Christian workers should not only set the example in their own families; they should give careful thought and assistance in helping other homes to get their family altar erected. This work may well start with the official members and should continue until it spreads throughout the church membership.

11. Class for Baptism.

12. Class for Full Membership.

13. Class of New Learners.

If these last three goals are to be reached, it is imperative that no time be lost after Conference. Each Bible Woman should at once make out three lists of names: (1) Of baptized women, who have not yet been admitted to full
membership. These should be encouraged to finish their "Probationer's Lessons," and should be taught to understand the ritual of the church and the meaning of church membership. They should also be led to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, that they may be worthy members of His Body, which is the Church. (2) Of learners, who have not yet been baptized. These should finish the first twenty lessons of the "Probationer's course and should be led to understand the spiritual meaning of baptism. (3) Of those who have heard and are friendly to the message, but who have not yet decided to become Christians. To these, we must constantly hold up the love of God and the hurt of sin, patiently teaching and leading them until they are safe within the fold of the Good Shepherd. Needless to say that these three lists should all be prayer lists, for only the power of God, released by prayer, can work the miracle necessary to bring these three groups to the desired spiritual standard.

14. Free Will Offering for the Woman's Missionary Society of Fukien. The School in Yungan, supported by this Society is one of the finest pieces of indigenous work on the Mission Field. But the work of the Society should not stop with this school. The neighboring county of Kueihua is still untouched. A fine young woman, a graduate of Hua Nan College, and this year taking her Master's degree in Religious Education in Boston School of Theology, has volunteered for this new field. To make it possible to send her, every charge in every conference of our area should give a generous free will offering. But we do not seek such offerings from charges that are not putting across a vital and aggressive spiritual program. We paraphrase from the report of the Home Department. "We erect an 'altar of service' to the Lord as we carry out the program outlined above. If any item in the program is forgotten or neglected, the altar is not firm and is not ready to receive the gift of love."

"To each charge will be sent this year the adapted "Altar of Service," a large outline picture. As each definite part of our spiritual obligation as a church is met, the stone
may be placed upon the altar in the picture. When every
stone has been placed—*that form of service completed or actively
functioning*—then, and only then—because the altar will be
firm and cannot fall—then and only then can we place upon
the altar the gift of love described above."

Yours for a Conference Wide Revival,

Mrs. Ruth Ling.
Mrs. Su Ru Chen.
Mrs. Hu Chen Yu.
Fern M. Sinkey.
Mamie F Glassburner.

Report of Committee on Social Service.

The Health and Happiness Club has continued to be
popular during the past year. The mothers of the Conference
have learned to use it more and more. New names have
been added and the old members have often written for help
in their problems of health.

An article on health has been written monthly by some
member of the hospital staff and published in the conference
paper. Drawings illustrating the story of the Health Fairies
were made on large posters for the use of the Gospel Teams
as they toured the Conference. Health work has had a prom-
inent place in the programs of all Institutes and evangelistic
meetings. Monthly letters have been written to the Day
School Teachers and to the Bible Women.

The Committee recommends that the work of the past
year be continued, and suggests the following new lines of
endeavor.

That special effort be made to get in contact with the
non-Christian women of Yenping City and other large cen-
ters, a monthly meeting, held in different parts of the city
with an interesting program touching on various practical
forms of social service, might be very helpful in this respect.

That a floral committee be appointed to visit the sick.

Respectfully submitted,

Mae Baucher, R.N.,
*For the Committee.*
Woman's Foreign Missionary Appointments for the Year
1930—1931

Yenping City:

*Emma Fuller Memorial Girls' School*, Junior and Senior High School.
   Principal: Under appointment, Lois M. Huang
   Advisor and Instructor: Mary L. Eide.
   Instructors: Helen Ho
               Virginia Lee.

*Woman's Bible Training School*.
   Principal: Bertha A. Lee
   Advisor and Instructor: Fern M. Sinkey.

*Francesca Nast Gamble Primary School*, Boarding, Day School,
   and Kindergarten.
   Principal: Ruth Ling.
   Advisor: Mary L. Eide.

Yuki City:

*Girls’ Boarding and Day School, and Kindergarten*.
   Principal: Lila Ding.
   Advisor: Fern M. Sinkey.

Yungan City:

*Girls’ Boarding and Day School*, supported by Fukien Woman's
   Missionary Society.
   Principal: Ethel Lee.

Sahsien City:

*Girls' Primary School*.
   Principal: Pearl Wang.
   Advisor: Mary L. Eide.

Conference Evangelistic Work:

*Suenchang and Sahsien Districts*: Fern M. Sinkey.
*Yenping and Yuki Districts*: Esther Ling.

Conference Educational Work:

*Suenchang and Sahsien Districts*: Fern M. Sinkey.
*Yenping and Yuki Districts*: Esther Ling.

Reference Committee:

Helen Ho, Bertha Lee, Mary Eide, Mamie F. Glassburner
(on furlough after February, 1930), Fern M. Sinkey,
Trudy Schlaefli, Gusta Robinett.

Official Correspondent: Mrs. J. E. Skinner.
On Furlough: Frida Reiman.
Students of Language: Trudy Schlaefli, Gusta Robinett.
Appointments of Bible Women.

**Suanchan District:**
- Suanchan City: Lian Fen O (Liong Hong Ngo)
- Kaotan: Tan Fu Yon (Tong Hu Ung)
- Mu'pu: Lu Bao Ing (Lu Bo Ing)
- Yangkao: Lu U Lan (Lu Nguk Lang)
- Wan'tai: Kiom Ai Lien (Gung Ai Leng) Yan Suh Chen (Iong Seuk Ding)
- Baochusan: Chen Sai Ing (Ding Soui I)

**Yenping District:**
- Yenping City: Yao Sai U (Ieu Soui Nguk)
- Hsia Suen: Yeh Kuei Ing (Iek Goi Ing)
- Chingcheo: Lu Su Hsian (Lu So Hiong)
- Hsia Tiao: Wu Ching Lien (Ngo Ching Lieng)
- Chanhufan: Dai U Cie (Dai Nguk Cie)
- Hsiasuenkeng: Yen Ciao En (Iek Cieu Ong)
- Baofu: Wang Ai Ing (Wong Ai Ing)
- Nangki: Chen Teh En (Ding Daik Ong)
- Retired: Chen Shueh Eng (Ding Sieh Eng)
- Shih Chuh Ing (Su Geuk Ing)
- Chen Keng Cie (Ding Keng Cie)

**Yuki District:**
- Yuki City: Mrs. Ling Sian Teh (Ling Siong Daik)
- Twenty Seventh Township: Yan Suen Ing (Iong Chung Ing)
- Twenty Eighth Township: Wang Siong Ing (Wong Sung Ing)
- Twenty Second Township: Wu Lang Yu (Ng Lang U)
- Twentieth Township: Tsou Ching Ing (Doh Ging Ing)
- Fiftieth Township: Li Chuen U (Li Chung Nguk)
- Siao Ning: Tsi Suen U (Die Song Nguk)
- Seventeenth Township: Mrs. Tsai Chih Yan (Chai Dik Iong)
- Ninth Township: Fu Ching U (Ho King Nguk)
- Fourteenth Townships: Yan Siao Leng (Iong Sieu Leng)
- Left without appointment for study: Siao Chua Di (Sieu Chua Da)
- Retired: Ling Tum Si (Ling Deng Sai)

**Shayung District:**
- Shayung City: Wan Sheo Ing (Nguang Seu Ing)
- Yungan City: Chen Luan Chiao (Ding Luang Gieu)
- Cong Lok: Hsi Ioh Ching (Hu Ngok King)
- Kao Chiao: Wang Suh Ching (Wong Seuk Cing)
- Retired: Chang U Ing (Diong Nguk Ing)
- Withdrawn: Wang Ai O (Wong Ai Ngo)
- Ling Li Ing (Ling La Ing)

**Notes:** The names in parenthesis are the Fukienese spelling. The other, the Mandarin.
OFFICERS FOR 1930-1931

President .... Miss Helen Ho
Chinese Vice President .... Mrs. Grace Go Dang
English Vice President .... Mrs. J. E. Skinner
Chinese Secretary .... Miss Amber Dang
Assistant Chinese Secretary .... Miss Delphia Cieng
English Secretary .... Miss Mary Eide
Assistant English Secretary .... Miss Virginia Lee
English Statistical Secretary .... Miss Fern M. Sinkey
Chinese Statistical Secretary .... Mrs. R. C. Su

Special Assignments

To write to Missionaries at Home .... Miss Fern M. Sinkey
To write to the General Executive Meeting .... Mrs. J. E. Skinner
To write to other Woman's Conferences .... Mrs. Hu Chen Yu
Correspondent to Woman's Missionary Friend .... Mrs. William Overholt
Correspondent to Children's Missionary Friend .... Miss Fern M. Sinkey
Correspondent to German Missionary Friend .... Mrs. Frederick Bankhardt
Correspondent Epworth Herald .... Mary L. Eide
Correspondent China Christian Advocate .... Mrs. J. E. Skinner
Correspondent Chinese Advocate .... Helen Ho

Representatives on District Board of Education

Yuki .... Miss Lila Ding
Shayung .... Miss Pearl Wang
Yenping ....
Suenchuan .... Mrs. Katheryn H. sia
Representative on Conference Board of Education .... Mary L. Eide

Representatives on Hua Nan College Board of Managers

Fern M. Sinkey .... Elected 1929
Mary L. Eide .... Elected 1930
STANDING COMMITTEES

Evangelistic
Fern M. Sinkey
Mrs. J. E. Skinner
Mrs. Lee Hue Bing
Mrs. R. C. Su
Mrs. Ruth Ling
Lu Nguk Lang

Conference Relations
Mrs. Cieng Deng Liong
Mrs. Ling Siong Daik
Mrs. Gung Be Ing
Mrs. Nguang Seu Ing
Miss Fern M. Sinkey

Nominating
Virginia Lee
Flora Lee
Pearl Wang
Edith Ding
Mary L. Eide

Program
Mrs. Frederick Bankhardt
Bertha Lee
Mrs. Hu Chen Yu
Helen Ling
Fern M. Sinkey

Social Service
Mary Eide
Mary Chen
Dr. Harriet U
Wong Mi Ong

Entertainment
Helen Ho
Bertha Lee

Publication
Miss Mary Eide
Miss Virginia Lee

Officers of Co-operative Retirement Fund

President .................. .................. .................. .................. .................. Fern M. Sinkey  
Vice President .................. .................. .................. .................. .................. Mrs. Cieng Deng Liong  
Foreign Secretary .................. .................. .................. .................. .................. Mary L. Eide.  
Chinese Secretary .................. .................. .................. .................. .................. Dorothy Ging Chen  
Treasurer .................. .................. .................. .................. .................. Mary L. Eide
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|           |         | All Spiritual Members | Born Again Members | Volunteers 
|           |         | Men | Women | Total Paid-in Members | Born Again Members | Volunteers |
|           |         | Missionaries | Missionaries | Missionaries | Missionaries | Missionaries | Missionaries |
|           |         | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Yuenning  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Shanyang   | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Yuki      | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| Szechuan  | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 |
| Total     | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 |

For the last complete conference year preceding October 1, 1930.
### Statistics for Educational Institutions

For the year ending October 1, 1930

The report should cover the last complete school year ending within this period.

Unit of Local Currency Used: Mexican Dollars

#### Name and Location of School

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#### Total

| Total                          | 9              | 39           |

*Includes twenty-six class students*

**Note:** Census and school years are March 31, 1930, as modified by the United States Census Bureau.

†If M. S. Residence used by workers of all institutions, students, and teachers, the following data are included:
## Statistics for Educational Institutions

**For the year ending October 1, 1930**

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<td>120</td>
<td>12</td>
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*Figures rounded by Wasser's Missionary Society of Pakistan.*
Report of Retirement Fund

Deposited in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (Shanghai)

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<td>January 22, 1930</td>
<td>$2,792.42</td>
<td>($@ 4% int.)</td>
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<td>July 1930</td>
<td>250.94</td>
<td>(2% of salaries and appropriations)</td>
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Total . . $3,043.36

Interest will not be reported on these until January, 1931, when they will have to be invested or again put in a fixed deposit.
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.

(c) 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 of 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 in charge
of their particular work and of the District Secretary of the fund, and elected by a two-thirds 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 incumbent 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 benefit 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 transferable 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.
## Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Yenping Conference

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<td>Gusta A. Bobinett</td>
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## Sessions of the Yenping Woman's Conference

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<td>Mabel C. Hartford</td>
<td>Marianne Tschudy</td>
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