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"In returning and rest ye shall be saved; in quietness and confidence shall be your strength." Isaiah 30; 15.

At a time when uncertainty, unrest, fear, and seeking after peace is so much in evidence, it is especially precious to be reminded that the Almighty and Gracious God invites all to return to Him, where rest and salvation and peace are to be found. He not only promises rest and peace, but bounteous blessings for life and service.

The annual missionary conference, usually held in the beginning of the year, took place from the 8th to the 13th December 1951. The need of gathering together in full representation had been felt, to review jointly the events of the past year and thank God for His many blessings; and as a group look to the future and make plans for the work of the coming year.

Several of those who were with us at the conference a year ago were missing at this conference. The Rosenlunds have returned to Denmark where they have now moved into their new home. We remember with thankfulness the many and faithful years of service they spent out here. As long as any of us can remember they have been part of the work, and we shall miss them. As we think of their more than forty years of consecrated and cheerful service in the Santal Mission, these words of Edwid Markham come to mind:

"Great it is to believe the dream, when we stand in youth by the starry stream, But a greater thing is to fight life though and say at the end, the dream was true!"
The Hellands left for home in February and have located in their own new home in Minneapolis. We are glad that Helland's health has permitted him to take up part time work as instructor in Missions at the Lutheran Bible Institute in Minneapolis. Their eventual return to the work on the field would be welcomed. At Saldoha, the Baggers left a big and difficult task to the Haugstads, who had to leave off language study for the time being, and shoulder the responsibility for the work at the Leprosy Colony. We hope that Mrs. Bagger's health will improve so that they can come out again after furlough. Others who have left us because of ill health are the Kvams and Stures. We pray that God will heal them and bring them back to us. Apart from those already mentioned, the following have gone home on regular furlough: Dr. Miss Else Hoilund, Miss Inger Krogh Nielsen, Miss Kari Ringheim, the Landes and the Thoft Kroghs. Miss Milde, who spent a few months in Norway on special leave, has returned.

The missionary group was shocked by the sad news of the sudden death of Arild Pedersen, son of the Rev. Mrs. P. R. Pedersen, who passed away on Pentecost Eve, May 12th. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the bereaved parents and sister. We know that the God of all comfort has brought solace to their hearts, and will continue to give grace for each day.

We are happy that those of our group who were ill during the early part of the year have recovered. Miss Muriel Nielsen and the Rev. Ole Dordal had especially long and trying periods of illness.

It is very much regretted that towards the end of the year, Miss Andrea Halten, Dr. Bogh, and the Rev. Kippenes became ill. All these missionaries were due to go on furlough in 1952, and arrangements are being made for early departure. We hope and pray that they all may rapidly recover.

We have had the pleasure of welcoming the following workers who had been at home on furlough:
The Rev. & Mrs. Kampp, the Misses Sofie Nessen, Magnhild Buttedahl, Ella Malterud, Karen Sindal, Borgny Austad, Dr. & Mrs. Forman and daughter Anne Lise.

We also had the privilege of welcoming the following new missionaries to the field: Miss Elly Jensen Binderup and the Rev. & Mrs. Borge Riisgaard and little son from Denmark; Miss Gerd Ognedal from Norway; and the Rev. & Mrs. Ralph W. Hofrenning from America. The Rev. & Mrs. Obert J. Landsverk and little son, who were expected to arrive in December will arrive about the middle of January 1952. May all these young friends find joy in the work.

It should also be mentioned that from the new year we shall have the Rev. & Mrs. Hodne, who have been working in the Norwegian school at Shillong, as regular missionaries.

Friends from the homelands who have brought encouragement by their visits are the Rev. & Mrs. Winding and Dr. J. Gronli, who were with us at the conference in January; Miss Rosenlund from Denmark, and Pastor Fredrik Wisloff and Police Officer Ivar Skaugen from Norway. We are grateful to all of them for coming and for all that their visits have meant to us and our work.

From Denmark and America we have received news that three faithful friends and workers for the mission have passed to their eternal rewards, namely the Rev. F. W. Steinthal, a former missionary from Denmark who laboured for many years training workers as evangelists and pastors; the Rev. Prof. Andreas Helland, who served for a number of years as pastor and later as professor of theology at Augsburg Seminary in Minneapolis. He was American Trustee and Board member for the Santal Mission for many years; and Bishop Paul Oldenburg, a good friend and for many years President of the Danish Board of the Santal Mission. All were interested and faithful in the work for foreign missions. Blessed be their memory.
Turning to the work on the field, it appears that there has been some progress along various lines. The implementation of the Church Constitution has brought about the nomination, election, and installation of the Rev. Johannes Gausdal as General Superintendent of the Church, for the first regular term. We wish him God's blessing and much joy in the work he has entered upon as leader in the Ebeneser Evangelical Lutheran Church.

In the Circle Conferences, District Church Councils, and the Synod the work appears to have been carried on with varying degrees of progress. Budgets have been prepared by the Circle Conferences and Church Councils to cover salaries for pastors, elders, and Bible women, as well as some school teachers' salaries. These budgets have been examined by the Synod, where some alterations took place, and are incorporated in the total mission budget.

One of the outstanding events of the past year, was that of sending Mr. Munshi Mathuselak Tudu to Europe and America. The experiment seems to have worked out well. Munshi has been well received by Mission friend in all the home countries, and he seems to have fared well, and enjoyed the experiences that have been his. He is now studying at Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota. May God keep him and prepare him for useful and blessed service among his own people.

In the Evangelistic work there have been encouragements in several places, although it is felt that more could be expected. Many of us, perhaps too half-heartedly, pray that God will send us an awakening and stir us all up to a deeper realization and acknowledgement of our sins, and the need of His grace; that He would call out many from our congregations to bear witness with an inner urge to spread the good tidings of salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus. We must continue, more faithfully, in this ministry of prayer.
During this year also, conventions have been held. Special meetings for women were again conducted in various places throughout the field, and reports from these meetings have been encouraging. Special Youth and Sunday School Days were observed, and Bible Courses have been conducted in various places. It is felt that these efforts have been blest and this work should be continued.

During this year the Divinity School was moved to Benagaria, and Stronstad has enrolled a new group of students for the three years course in theology. It is hoped that a few new students may be enrolled each year, and thus help fill the need of more trained workers in our congregations.

In the Bengal area Kampp has also conducted a school for the training of preachers, with fewer students than were expected, but the work is progressing.

Apart from the Bible and theological training, our other educational institutions have been conducted much on the same lines as previously.

We acknowledge with gratitude the receipt of generous grants from the Governments of Bihar, West Bengal and Assam for our educational institutions as well as for our hospitals and leprosy colonies.

New equipment in the Benagaria Press, including a new Press, driven by a small diesel motor, and some new type will facilitate the work at the Press and be a great help in the lite the work of the mission and church.

The moving of the hospital from Benagaria to Mohulpahari was accomplished without undo curtailment of the regular work of caring for the sick. This involved almost double duty for doctors, nurses and their helpers at that time. During the time of moving, building operations were still going on at Mohulpahari. The completion of the building work was marked by the dedication service at the hospital on November 18th. May God continue to
bless this work, the ministry of healing, at all our hospitals and dispensaries. Also this year a large number of sick folk have been helped, both physically and spiritually. At Sevapur also some building work has been carried on in addition to the regular hospital work. The work at both our leprosy colonies has been faithfully done. At Santipara, farming has been taken up on a rather large scale. Like the farming and dairying at Saldoha, this has helped a great deal in providing food for the patients.

At Parkijuli, the new station near the border of Bhutan in Kamrup District, Assam, the Westborgs have occupied the newly completed bungalow. Due to difficulties in obtaining vehicles for hauling, transportation of timber, stone and other materials was practically all done by Westborg's Land Rover and trailer. The car was also used to provide power for sawing the timber.

On December 14th a document was registered appointing the Rev. Odd Gornitzka as American Trustee in place of the late Prof. Helland. We welcome Pastor Gornitzka as a member of the Trust Body.

Again this year we wish to express our thanks, on behalf of the Mission, to the faithful friends in the homelands, who have worked faithfully and given liberally in support of the work. We thank you all for your prayers and labour in love for the cause of Christ in India. May God continue to bless you richly.

O. S. Bjerkestrand.
WORK IN SANTAL PARGANAS.

BASETKUNDI.

"Take us the foxes, that spoil the vines: For our vines have tender grapes." Song of Solomon, 2: 15.

This expresses just how we feel in our corner of the Lord’s vineyard. As we are trying to get used to the new order of things emerging, church autonomy and self-support, we see also the little foxes that try to spoil everything because they seem to know so well just when to strike.

While we were on hill leave this past year a trouble-maker from the outside came in agitating to get our congregation to stop giving to the church. I think he was really trying to get whatever he could into his own pocket, but he met with little or no success.

One of his helpers, a man who has also been influenced by the persistent propaganda of the Adventists via correspondence courses, was so thoroughly and effectively taken to task by the workers here that he quit both his Adventist and anti-Mission leanings and now comes to church faithfully and contributes his share in the regular offering. This experience has taught us that if we catch the foxes in time it is possible to save the vineyard.

The political elections this year have pushed matters pertaining to the Kingdom of God into the background for some, but now the elections are over for this time and we are hoping that we can more consistently concentrate on furthering God’s Kingdom and congregational growth.

Emanuel Pastor’s death last year has made it difficult for Simoldohi congregation. The man who was placed there by the church council did not appear and
the Bible woman there has been ill a great deal so she has been unable to work full time. We have, however, had fine help from the deceased pastor's widow and her son, Elia Tudu, who has worked without pay. But if there is any place that needs a full-time resident worker, it is that place, because there are several who are talking about becoming Christians and there are possibilities for a rich harvest if we do not let the opportunity pass by. The pastoral duties of that place, we in Basetkundi have had to assume, and those congregations we formerly cared for, i.e. Rajpakur, Patpahari, and Kormo, now have their own pastor, Munshi Hembrom.

Chita, the faithful Bible woman, has this past year been very sick and is not expected to live very long. Conditions at Rajpakur congregation have not been very encouraging. There are some there who seem to think that they can do as they please and they act as a brake on all spiritual progress, but it begins to appear that their influence is waning.

In Hatimara congregation the spirit has been disturbed on account of a couple who wanted to get married. Strife developed over the question as to whether old Santal custom would permit them to marry despite their being distantly related to each other. It did not help matters any that both of them were also related to the evangelist at the place. By now, however, that whole episode seems to have calmed down. Hikkim Murmu, the former evangelist there, has gone to Divinity School and Kanso Marndi, who has just graduated from Divinity School, has taken his place.

In the neighbouring Kankjol congregation, Mondol elder continues to work faithfully. It was encouraging to hear that he and some members of the church agreed to raise Rs. 100/- each to buy tiles for a new roof on their church and to arrange for free delivery. However, now that they have ordered a good many tiles, some of those who promised to help have withdrawn because
they had heard that now the mission was going to sell all its properties, because that was what some pastors had said, and so what was the use of giving away so much money? This is the work of a little fox. But the others are not going to give up. Those who have not permitted them-selves to be misled have decided to continue assembling materials and thus hope to complete the project at least within two years. "We are not going to give up," said the elder.

This year we had a two-weeks' Bible course. Interest was great. We feel the need of such courses because without constant renewal the work easily stagnates.

The Confirmation class for young men was an encouragement. It was too bad that we had to break off that work when we were suddenly called to the hills on account of our beloved son Arild's death. He also had tried during his Christmas vacation here on the plains to talk with the heathen as well as with the Christians about the one thing needful.

In October we had the Sultanabad Women's Conference here in Basetkundi. It was an inspiration to see over 100 present at every meeting.

In the district we have six small schools each with a teacher. They help offset in part the lack of Sunday Schools in the area. We should like to see more cooperation from the Christians in the district in the development of laymen's work.

P. R. Pedersen.
1. THE DISTRICT WORK:

The work in our large district, comprising Nankar, Mursidabad and Burdwan, has been carried on by the usual staff of workers, and it is a real joy to be able to report that a number of new Christians have been added to the Church of Christ. The light of salvation is shining in many new places and new people are being instructed for baptism.

Mrs. Glad has been in charge of our women's work in the district and as usual has been assisted in this work by a band of voluntary workers. The impact of these meetings and the faithful work done among the women and children is strongly felt, and has been a real inspiration in our congregational work.

In the autumn we had our annual Women's Convention in Benagaria which was attended by hundreds of Santal women.

In the spring we had a two months' preliminary theological course. Six of the young men attending this course were admitted to the Divinity School.

DISTRICT STAFF:

- Pastors 6
- Elders 8
- Bible Women 4
- Village Teachers 8
- U. P. School Benagaria Comp. 8

2. BENAGARIA MISSION INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

It is with great joy that we can report that this school is now completely self-supporting. In the past this school was aided by a grant from the Indian Government of Rs. 2,800/- yearly and from our Mission of Rs. 2,800/-yearly. In the year under review we were able to pay back to the Mission the grant budgeted for this work.
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL STAFF:

Staff 3
Students 25

3. BENAGARIA MISSION ZEMINDARY.

The work in this department is always felt to be more of a burden and irksome than anything else, and especially this year it has been hard to get the land rent in from all the Villages. The Mission stands responsible to the Indian Government in regard to paying in to both the Bengal Government and Bihar Government educational fees and road taxes.

Staff 5

4. "PERA HOR"

It has been a pleasure to work with our Santali church paper. It has been printed monthly in 2000 copies, every number 4 pages and the Christmas number 12 pages. Many letters of appreciation have been received during the year for which we are very thankful indeed.

5. BENAGARIA MISSION PRESS.

During the year the following books have been printed at our Press and distributed for sale:

1. The Gospel of St. Mark 500
2. William Glad: 2nd rev. Ed. of a Bible
   Com. on the Minor Prophets and the 3 first
   chapters of the Revelation of St. John 300
3. William Glad: Practical Theology 300
4. Panji 2200
5. Calenders for 1952 150
6. Mission annual report 300
7. Church annual report 500
8. Synod report 900
9. For Santal Christian Council 520
10. For The National Christian Council 260
12. Lesson Sheets 1000
13. Nu Bulok' reak'          3000
14. Pahil Puthi            2000
15. Mare Hapramko reak' Katha  700
17. Sera Hor lagit' Pahil Puthi  2000
18. Marriage Register books  40
19. A Boroni Primer        1000
20. A Boroni Phoraigra Bijap'  1000
21. Goho Phorni Logo      1000
22. Boroni Ketekism       1500
23. Boroni Church Paper   400
24. Johar Gate            3000
25. Pera Hor, Satal Church Paper, pr. month copies 2000

Besides the printing of the above mentioned books we have had a tremendous load of work of all sorts of printing jobs for our own hospitals and leper colonies and also for other mission hospitals and institutions.

It should also be mentioned that this year we have started a rather big and important work in the reprinting of Campbell's DICTIONARY. This is an enlarged and revised edition, prepared by the able linguist, Dr. R. M. Macphail. We hope to have this new edition ready by the end of 1952.

This year we had the great pleasure and joy of installing a Lister diesel oil engine (6 H. P.) and countershafting in our Press and also a new Double Crown Flat Bed Printing Machine. By removing a partition wall in our Press building we have made a fine and roomy machine hall where we now have two big printing machines, one small machine, one proof-taking machine and the large imposing table of steel.

We are going forward in our printing press work and more and more needful literature is finding its way out to the many hundreds of villages. The doors of opportunity through Christian literature are wide open and it is our blessed and God-given privilege to go through
the doors and give the people real thoughtprovoking literature to those looking for that kind and at the same time produce easily understandable small story-books and Christians tracts and schoolbooks in order that all may work together in leading people to the fountain of salvation through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Problems of training suitable men to be placed on our staff have for many years been great obstacles and hindrances in the progress of our printing press, and in order to tackle these difficulties we started a regular training course for apprentices three years ago. The course is for two years. In this way we have ourselves trained 6 new boys who are capable of managing different works in the press, from composing to handling of the Press machinery, both hand power and motor-driven machinery.

This year we have for the first time in the history of our Printing Press managed to put aside from the earnings of the Press a sum as a fund for replacement and further necessary expansion in our Press work. Few may realize, perhaps, that a plant replacement fund is essential, and a sum should be put aside every year for the replacement of worn-out plant, types, etc, and as above stated for expansion.

This has been our aim in pursuing the program of improvement and expansion of our Mission Press and the selling and distributing of different kinds of literature. As this work is growing more and more it is essential that for the future one missionary be assigned solely to this work alone.

It is obvious that this work is one of the most important instruments in the hands of the Christian community for the development of its own life and furthermore for the benefit, uplift and blessing of the people in general, and we must confess that we feel our selves most affectionately attached to this work.
Staff: 17

Gross income on different printing jobs in the Press, during the last six years:

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6. THE BOOK DEPARTMENT.

The Book Department has been busy in distributing and selling all the Books from our Printing Press. Since the hospital moved from Benagaria it has been possible to move this department into three adjoining rooms in the old hospital buildings where we now have an attractive book-display room one book binding room and a big stock room.

In our publishing department we have this year ordered the printing of a new series of books which is called the Cheap Book Series. Of this series, two small books are already printed and hundreds of them sold and distributed. The buyer is paying only half of the price while the other half is met through the help of a grant of Rs. 1000/- from our Mission. The two books already published are: "The Life of Joseph" and "The Harmful Effect of Alcoholic Drinks."

It is a well-known and sad fact that the people around us are addicted in a most pitiful manner to strong intoxicating liquor, and it is therefore our duty to enlighten the people as to its deteriorating and destructive effects on the human body.

Each of these books has been printed in 3000 copies. Several other small books are being written, as, for example, the Health Book, which we hope will be ready for printing in the near future. This book will be written by our able and experienced nurse, Missionary Miss G. Holten.

Even our retired missionaries are engaged as co-workers. Mrs. Dina Nielsen has been given the task of translating into Santali Rev. Hagner's book, "The Revival in Galla."
We are also contemplating the writing and translating of small story-books and hope to have some of them ready in the near future.

Sale of books from the Book Department during the last six years:

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In closing this report we send our greetings to all our friends, and most of all we express our deepfelt and humble thanks to God who gave us grace and strength for each day to carry out His work. To Him be the glory and honour for ever and ever.

Yours in the Master's service,

RAGNA and WILLIAM GLAD.
CHONDORPURA.

As I have been in Chondorpura only since December I cannot give a first-hand report of the year's work in the congregation and district here. I can only give a short outline of such aspects of the work as can be put down on paper in the form of statistics etc. It is my impression that church attendance here in Chondorpura is good. At the two out-stations I managed to visit before the end of the year the attendance at services was also good. One immediately gets the impression that there is real life in the Chondorpura congregation, as well as in some of the out-stations. One of the great joys I have had since coming here is to meet so many former pupils from Maharo, now married and settled down in the district. It has been especially pleasing to note that they are the ones who take the lead in attendance at church services and at women's meetings. It is a mutual joy to meet them in this way.

For Christmas Day services here in the church it was beautiful to see the church filled with people dressed in their Sunday best and in a festive mood, men and women, young and old, numbering up towards 400. The last Sunday of the year I went to Amgachi church, an out-station up among the hills about four miles from the main station here. A large crowd was gathered there in the church which had been all decorated for Christmas.

From the reports of pastors, elders and teachers one gleans the following statistics:

There are 258 Christian homes in the district with 1284 baptized members. During 1951 there were 35 children of Christian parents baptized. Fifteen were baptized from among the heathen.

There are 5 schools conducted by teachers supported by the mission. As the year closed there were 189 pupils enrolled in these schools, somewhat more than last year. Two of these schools are U. P. grade, con-
ducting classes through the examination for fifth class; the other three are L. P. schools, going only up to third class. There is a good, little Sunday School here at the main station and a few others at some of the out-stations.

There have been a few changes in the working staff. After Galu pastor here in Chondorpura retired on pension in January of this year, Kalu Kisku, teacher in the Divinity School, fulfilled the pastoral duties until June, when he moved to Benagaria with the Divinity School. Rev. Karan Soren was then moved here from Saldoha. The elder in Gadiapani was relieved at the end of January by Amdi Murmu, who was graduated from the Divinity School in February. Chaku pastor in Ranga has also reached retiring age. Philip Hembrom, another graduate from the Divinity School in February, was assigned by the Church Council to Ranga, but he will not actually start work there until January, 1952. The teaching staff is the same as last year.

It may be of interest to note that the church bell, which had been in use for about a year, was mounted in the church tower in the spring so it pealed forth from that position for the first time on the 24th of April.

At the Missionary Conference in December it was decided that Bible Courses for women should be conducted at Chondorpura.

There seems to be plenty to do at the station and in the congregations and in this large district. My prayer is that God will bless us with His powerful, quickening Holy Spirit. Then the work done from this place will bear fruit unto eternity.

With thanks to all of you in our homelands for your faithfulness and for the assurance that you will be steadfast in praying and working for the coming of God's Kingdom in our field out here.

MGGNHILD BUTTEDAHL.
THE SANTAL MISSION OF THE NORTHERN CHURCHES.

DHOROMPUR MISSION.

When the time for writing the annual report arrives, and one's thoughts go back over the year that has passed, our feeling is that we have accomplished too little and have missed many opportunities in our work.

During the year we experienced a number of disappointments in our evangelistic work. In February we got word from Bhitra that two families wanted to be baptised, and they requested us to come and instruct them for baptism. Later another family joined the group; there were at that time 14 persons who desired to become Christians. We visited them once a week from Dhorompur, and the elders in Kolha and Hunja-Rampur did likewise. After some time two of the families gave up and withdrew, but the remaining family continued receiving instruction until a date for the baptism had been fixed. When we again visited them the husband told us that they would be willing to be baptized if the whole family could be given new clothes. Naturally, we told them that we could not give them clothing in order to persuade them to become baptized. The result was that this family also withdrew. We have had a number of similar experiences, where heathen Santals have been under instruction for baptism, and later withdrawing because we could not agree to certain conditions. But we do not lose courage. When the good seed is sown, there is hope that some day it will bear fruit.

In the congregations there have been no great events during the year. The work has continued normally. The monthly womens' meetings have been well attended. These have been held in Dhorompur, Kolha, Balabohul and Jithi, and from January, 1952, meetings will be started in Hunja-Rampur.

Church services have been conducted in four places: Dhorompur, Kolha, Hunja-Rampur and Jithi. A long felt need fulfilled by the placing of Nitanando Marndi, a
candidate from the Divinity School, at Hunja-Rampur. The congregation is working on a plan to build a house for him, and later to build a new church on a piece of land that they obtained last year. A center is needed over on that side of the hills where the congregation can gather. At the moment the situation appears to be hopeful for the evangelistic work, if they get the right man and a suitable place to work out from.

On the whole, in spite of difficulties and disappointments, the work has gone forward. An encouragement is that church collections have increased by more than one third.

The school work has proceeded steadily. In our L. P. School in Dhorompur we have two teachers, with 43 children enrolled. The majority of the children are heathen. During the last examination, I had an opportunity of listening to the examination in religion, and I was happy to hear that the children have a good knowledge of the Bible. By systematic teaching through five years we get an opportunity to instruct the children in Christianity. Truly an important link in our missionary work.

The new L. P. school in Jithi is attended by 25 children. Also there is progress, as from time to time we can feel how the children are grasping the various subjects.

Our Sunday school is not very well attended, partly due to the fact that there are fewer small children, and then a number of the bigger children have gone to attended U. P. and higher schools. Furthermore it is difficult to persuade the children from the villages to come regularly. The average attendance has been 20 children.

Many people came to our dispensary during 1951. We have treated and dispensed medicines to 6019 patients. It has been an important link in our work, as by that special work we come in contact with many people.
May God in the new year give us strength and fill us with His Holy Spirit, that we may go forward in His service, seeking to help the people suffering in soul and body.

HANNE and AAGE JENSEN.

DUMKA.

In the report from Dumka District for the year 1949, it was stated that Simon pastor and his wife Aeno were then entering upon their last year of work before going on pension. Circumstances, however, have been and are such that we have not pensioned Simon pastor. Although he and his wife are old and not able to do as much as in earlier years, their work is still highly valued. Thus the workers in the district have been the same as those listed in the above mentioned report, with the exception of an additional teacher in the school at Dum, and an additional Bible woman at Dumka. At the Synod meeting of the Ebeneser Evangelical Lutheran Church, held at Benagaria Oct. 31 Nov. 1, 1951 it was decided that Jujhar J. Soren, pastor at Dumka, should move to Narayanpur, West Dinajpur District, and take up the work that has been led by Pastor Jalpa Soren for so many years. Consequently, during Christmas and at the close of the year we had no pastor at Dumka. The retired pastor, Andreas Murmu, will now shoulder the responsibility until other arrangements can be made.

Some of the events during the year are:

On January 4th the Santal Parganas Church Council met at Dumka, mainly for the purpose of taking the nomination vote for the first General Superintendent of the Ebeneser Evangelical Lutheran Church. The Rev. Johannes Gausdal received the majority of votes from this Church Council.
Early in February a mela was held at Dum, followed by a three day Bible Course for village women, conducted by Miss Milde. On the last day of the course the congregation arranged for a farewell meeting for the Hellands. They are missed here.

In March the annual congregational convention for Dumka Circle was held here. These conventions are devoted solely to Bible Study, studies and discussions of topics helpful in the work of the congregations, and to prayer sessions.

A Youth Sunday was observed on June 24th, and a Sunday School Day on October 4th. Both meetings were very well attended, and the children especially enjoyed the observation of the World Sunday School Day.

From the 11th to 14th October a Women's meeting for Dumka Circle was held at Koroya, with very good attendance. All these meetings were inspirational and, we believe, of spiritual help to those who attended. The great need of conventions of this kind is being realized more and more.

The attendance at Sunday services, Sunday schools and weekly meetings has been good. The women's meetings again show a very encouraging result in the form or rice offerings, and a fine spirit has been evident in the devotional meetings.

From the non-Christian community there were seven baptisms. Thirteen children of Christian parents were baptized.

Enrollment in the schools at Dumka and Dum has increased, and as mentioned earlier an additional teacher was employed at Dum. Another teacher is also required at Dumka.

The church-school building at Chukapani was remodeled by lowering the height of the walls and putting a new roof on, during the early months of the year.
The village people did most of the work under the able direction of Raska Manjhi. The school house at Dum also requires extensive repairs and enlargement, but that has had to be postponed until 1952 due to lack of funds.

We have experienced many encouragements in the work here during the past year. Many of the workers have been faithful in going out and sharing the Word of God with needy souls. We pray for a spirit of fervent witness among our village Christians, that the lives of the multitudes still untouched, might be brought under the influence of the Word, the only source of life Eternal.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he will drive out labourers in His harvest,"

With grateful thanks to all friends out here and in the homelands, who have supported the work in prayer and with gifts.

Hazel & Ole Bjerkstrand.

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Haripur.

Another year has passed and we look back with praise and thanks to God who day by day gave new strength and all we needed in every way.

In July we completed the building of the well and we felt greatly relieved when the job was done. Although there is not sufficient water it is better than nothing and the water we do get is beautifully clean.

The pastor is very interested in his work and we enjoy working with him. His wife had a hemorrhage and is getting constantly weaker from her tuberculosis, but their eldest daughter, a schoolgirl, is helping all she can with household work so that he can carry on his work.
Jujhar Soren is still elder in Chunpoda and this year we have asked his wife to be Bible woman, as we felt that some help was needed in the work among women.

In Sirampur Hopna worked only four months of the year. In April he left his work as elder and went home to his farm. For months the congregation was again without a leader, but after the rains the teacher from a nearby village, Som Hembrom, agreed to go to Sirampur as elder while his brother, who passed matric this year, took over the school work. Both the children and the parents like him very much.

We have again this year been camping some days in Sirampur and this time I had two Bible women with me, thanks to the Danish Nurses’ Mission League. They sent me a very welcome gift so I have been able to pay two Bible women this year and it has been a great help in the work. In Sirampur one family was baptized and another family is still under instruction. They were delayed because they went away to work for other people and when they returned they were ill for some time, but now we are hoping to have them baptized soon.

In the Haripur congregation we have had the great joy of seeing two backsliders come back. They asked to be received back into the congregation again. One man’s wife and two children are under instruction, hoping to be baptized soon. They are coming to church regularly.

The women’s meetings have been held as usual in three different villages every month. The attendance has been better and with the exception of one month the women have paid the first Bible woman’s salary this year.

The children gather every Sunday for Sunday School and one Sunday we took part in the World Sunday School Day. On that same day we dedicated our new school house.
The three Bible women gather here every Monday for Bible study. These quiet hours with the Word of God have been a great help to us and have given us more fellowship.

In November we had a ten days' Bible Course for Bible women from the entire Sultanabad district. The pastor and Miss Kleven from Saldoha helped with the teaching and we were all thankful for the wonderful time we had together.

A mela in February netted proceeds of Rs. 150/- for which we bought doors, tables and an almirah for the school.

This year the church was again packed on Christmas and New Years Day. On ordinary Sundays the congregation turns out quite faithfully.

The rain was very scarce during the rainy season and we waited for the results of the harvest with a great deal of anxiety. Although the harvest was not the best, a good deal was brought home from the fields and some of the Christians remembered to bring the first fruits as a thank-offering to the house of God.

So again we close the year in faith that the One who has always helped us will also help us in days to come, as He has promised.

We wish to send many thanks to the friends in the homelands, especially to the Danish nurses who have encouraged and helped us by sending letters and gift.

GUDRUN HOITEN.
KAERABANI.

In his later years Rev. Rosenlund's main emphasis in district work was directed towards the strengthening of the Christian congregation by helping pastors and laymen to understand and accept their congregational responsibilities. Much effort, in co-ordination with this emphasis, has been given to the construction of small church buildings and the establishing of lower primary schools, so that all might have fairly easy access to dedicated houses of worship and Christian schools for their children. Two such buildings were completed before the Rosenlunds left for Denmark in early June, one at Dhobona and one at Manpur.

Dhobona had had a church building, but in this growing and much alive congregation, under the leadership of Munshi Marndi who was ordained to the ministry in April, the old church was found to be too small for even the regular Sunday service. Rev. Gausdal dedicated the new building in the month of October.

Pitho Soren has been placed in Manpur to look after the congregational and school work. We hope to have this building dedicated early in the new year.

Rev. Rosenlund's emphasis is now paying dividends, for with the implementation of the new Church Constitution, Kaerabani District is making steady progress. Much is yet to be done, especially along the lines of teaching Christian stewardship, but there are many signs of a general awakening in the congregations here. For instance, all the congregations but one have had general meetings to elect their respective Church Boards. These consist of a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and in some places an additional two members have been added. Each congregational Board is to be responsible for the collection of funds, for the payment of salaries, and the upkeep of property.
It is encouraging to note that church attendance is increasingly better. A wide-spread demand from laymen for more thorough baptismal and confirmational instruction is also an encouraging sign of an awakening. A committee of pastors and laymen is to be set up to work with this problem. 38 young people were confirmed during this year and a total of 9 from among the non-Christian Santals were baptized into the Church.

Two new village schools were started, the one being at Manpur and the other at Pahrudih. Including the lower primary school in Kaerabani, this brings the total of schools in this district to seven. The work in all of these was quite satisfactory throughout the year. We are still very weak in Sunday School work, especially in the village churches. A staff of 6 teachers is busy every Sunday with the 101 children in the Kaerabani Sunday School—a happy sight to see! The annual Women's Meeting was held in Kaerabani this year and attendance was good. An additional 75 to 80 heathen women came to the evening meetings from nearby villages.

Before closing we must not forget to mention the two beautiful and impressive dramas put on by the little children in Kaerabani, one on World Sunday School Day, the other on Christmas Eve. All who witnessed these two events were, we are sure, drawn closer to Him, the One who always had time to draw the little ones close to Himself. Little ones reveal His love so clearly, but still they are an almost forgotten entity in our village church and mission work, it seems.

With the exception of one "dishonourable discharge" from service, pastoral work in the congregations went on as usual. The exception, Budhrai Kisku, a laypreacher with many years of service, was discharged for mis-appropriating church funds and selling mission property.

It has been encouraging to note the increased activity of village laymen in church activities. Given more and
more actual responsibility to manage their own affairs, many happy surprises are in store, for this congregation is built on Rock, and its individual members working together, with the help of God, are finding solutions to the many problems they face.

MARY and HAROLD N. RIBER.

KOROYA MISSION & CHILDREN'S HOME.

By the infinite grace of God we have been permitted to work another year at this place and it is our hope that the work done has been to the glory of God and the good of our fellow-men.

In the middle of the year a small Santal family was baptized. They had received instruction preparatory for baptism the previous year, but when they fell ill at that time, their heathen friends raised doubts in their minds about becoming Christian, so they stayed away from church and the Christian fellowship for several months. They finally came back, anyway, and after receiving baptism, felt quite at home in the congregation. At the same time we accepted into the congregation an old village headman and his wife together with their only child, a 13-year-old girl. They had been baptized some time previously by the Catholics. With these two families there are now ten Christian homes in Dhodi village.

In January Miss Ringheim and our Bible woman, Manjhan, went on a camping trip in Rajband area. Together with the evangelist, Bisnath, and his wife, they contacted many people who were eager to hear the Gospel. In February we had another camping trip out around Majdiha, partly to visit the Christians, who live quite scattered and far apart there, and partly to preach among the heathen.
Until Miss Ringheim went on furlough near the end of April, most of the village work was done by her and Manjhan. They went out together on many trips to help the sick, to have devotions with Christian families, and to preach to the heathen. Since then Manjhan has visited the nearby villages faithfully alone, and I have helped her on the longer trips. Miss Romer, who came here for language study after the rains, has helped many very sick Christians.

We were very happy to have Miss Holten conduct our 2-weeks Bible Course for young women during the hot season. The attendance from outside was not very great, but as it was during school vacation, the young women of the compound were very eager participants in the course.

The monthly women's meetings have been well attended and even though several of the women usually have their youngest children with them, the meetings have been quiet and undisturbed. Their offerings have increased somewhat over last year's. At the end of the rainy season the interest centered on preparations for the annual three-day Conference for women of the circle. This Conference was held here in October. All the preparations, and they were many and varied, were carried out in a happy spirit by the women themselves. Many came to the meetings and heard a number of fine messages on the theme, "The Lord is My Shepherd."

The Sunday School was conducted by Miss Ringheim during the first four months of the year. During the summer vacation one of the older girls, home from Maharo School, voluntarily undertook this work. On World Sunday School Day in November the children decorated the church very beautifully with rows of pink flowers and gave songs and recitations illustrated with lighted candles.

From our Children's Home we may report that one of the older girls has been married. Benjamin finished
the two-year course in weaving at Benagaria Industrial School. One girl came back from boarding school with an infectious case of tuberculosis. One Christian young woman from the northernmost part of our district stayed with us a few months until her unfortunate and involved union with a heathen man could be dissolved and she could be married to a newly baptized Christian. She had grown up in a place where the nearest church was ten miles away so she was glad to realize her long-standing desire to live near a church. At the beginning of the year one of our own girls, Punta Baske, got a position as teacher in the school. Later our servant's daughter, Solma Murmu, also became a teacher in the local school and at the same time Bhonde Hembrom was moved to Majdiha School.

112 children have been enrolled in the school, under the steady and capable leadership of Emanuel Tudu. After the rainy season the pupils, working co-operatively in relay teams according to a well-laid plan, succeeded in digging a well for their school garden. It was a great day for them on the 12th of November when, after having dug 12 "mokas" (about 5.5 meters), they found water enough to supply their individual little garden plots. During morning devotions we thanked God that day for success of the project. Six students passed the final examination in the highest class.

RAJBAND: The situation is the same as it was last year. The major repairs to the church stand only half-finished and testify to a congregation that cannot seem to unite, especially when it comes to carrying a common burden. One young woman has been baptized.

MAJDIHA: There has been an increase in numbers this year in that a widow and her two children have been baptized, as well as one young woman. One hesitates to say any more about the situation there since it appears
that they were inadequately prepared for baptism. The women have met every month for their regular meetings, led either by one of their own number or by one of us.

In the school there 95 pupils have been enrolled. The pupils in the upper-most class have been very faithful in their studies. Nine boys passed the final examinations. One teacher had to leave in the middle of the year because of complaints from the congregation. In his place a student was employed temporarily. The teachers and boys have on their own initiative, without asking for any help, in the course of a few months built a school building with three classrooms. They had grown tired of trying to carry on with two classes meeting in the church. There is now a unified school compound consisting of 3 houses in which there are 6 classrooms.

"By God's grace, to God's glory!" As we thus sing, we have been praying that aside from the visible progress such as the digging of wells and the building of schoolhouses, there might also have been done some of God's invisible work in human hearts, that in the course of the year some may have found and tasted the living water and that some may have been privileged to build up God's inner temple.

Together with our Indian co-workers we want to thank God for all the help we have received in the course of the year from God through the many friends of the Mission in the homelands.

HELENE ROMER and ERIKA LOWE.

MAHARO.

The Maharo congregation, including the out-stations Jalwae, Dumbria, Asanthar and Nayadi, now has nearly 700 members recorded on the books. These people are spread out in about 40 villages. Thinking of this, certain
questions arise in my mind: What about the many, many villages within our district where there are no Christians? Do our Christians really get the help they need? And why does the Kingdom of God not grow faster in our midst?

Naturally there may be many causes. I think one of the causes is the difficulties of the transition period we are going through. The Indians are taking over more and more of the responsibilities for the work which formerly fell on the missionaries. Thereby new problems arise and the leaders are inclined to spend too much time in solving these problems, so other aspects of the work suffer. May God help us through these difficulties and make the Indian Church a glory to His name.

In January we took a camping trip around Asanthal. The pastor was ill at the time, but all the elders and a Bible woman came. Miss Signe Sigurdsen also joined us, so we were a goodly number. Day after day we went from village to village preaching the Gospel to the heathen, hoping and praying that some of the seed might fall into good soil and bear fruit. In many places we felt that the people were really listening to the Word.

In February we went on another camping trip around Nayadi. There the people did not seem so eager to hear.

In March and April 16 girls came here for confirmation class instruction. They were confirmed on the 8th of April, after one month’s preparation. In that class there was also a young girl being instructed in preparation for baptism. Up until now, however, she has not been baptized, because her family is objecting. In Jalwae two boys were also confirmed in April, after being instructed by the elder there.

During the year 16 children of Christian parents have been baptized; from among the heathen only one has been baptized, a man in Jalwae whose family had been
baptized some years ago. Another family is being prepared for baptism.

The women's monthly meeting has been carried on as usual. The attendance has not been too good, though it has shown a little increase this year.

The proceeds from the Mela in November also showed a substantial increase over previous years.

In April a new elder, Lukhiram Murmu, was called to Dumbria to work there along with Batol Tudu. This was done with the idea of getting eventually two pastors in the Maharo district, as Lukhiram has passed the Divinity School examination some years ago and there is some hope that he might be ordained. The District Church Council will have to decide about that matter.

The village schools have carried on as before with the same teachers. We have also continued to apply for Government recognition, but as yet have no reply. Two of the schools have been inspected during the year, however, and that makes us hopeful that we may be given recognition soon.

After having gone back over the year in my thoughts I feel really thankful to God for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us. From day to day we have been kept by His strength. Aside from that, I feel a cry in my heart for awakening and revival among us, for more experience of Christ and His power. We have a wonderful promise in our Bible in Luke 11: 13: "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?"

In closing this report I wish to thank you friends in the home countries for keeping the work going with your prayers and gifts.

RAGNHILD REIN.
MOHULPAHARI.

Our venerable old Khudia pastor here is now past retiring age, but he is so well and active that he manages the congregational work nicely. The people like him and his witness is faithful and Scriptural so we are glad that he remains active in the service. It is not easy to find younger men to take over the responsibilities of the work. The young man Johan who came here directly from the Chondorpura Divinity School with the hope that he would one day become pastor of this congregation was suddenly diagnosed one day in March as a case of leprosy. Indeed, both he and his wife were found to have leprosy, so they had to go to Saldoha. We hear that they are progressing well under treatment and meantime are doing a fine spiritual work among the lepers in the colony, so his Divinity School training is not wasted. Nevertheless, it means that our local Mohulpahari congregation we have no younger pastor to look forward to. Since the hospital has moved here the congregation is quite large and we are a bit concerned about the future. We are glad as long as old Khudia can continue.

Joseph, Ramdas, and this year also Bisu Soren give valuable help as elders in the church, so the villages around here are visited quite often by evangelists. In the village of Torko about 4 miles northwest of here we rejoiced last November in the baptism of 14 new Christians. This increased the Christians in that village enough so that they are planning now to erect a small village church there and hold regular services, such as are held in the schoolhouse at Ambajora, 2 miles east of here. Lukhi Marndi and Balke Tudu continue to serve as Bible women in the district.

Church reports and statistics now go through the church office channels, so little more need be said here.
The local Upper Primary School carries on as before, this year with 173 pupils in Mohulpahari and 68 in Ambajora, 241 in all, with 9 teachers. We need women teachers, as the number of girls attending school is pitifully small. Our School Committee has applied for Governmental grant to cover half the cost of running the schools, so if the grant is given the burden on the Mission should be lighter.

With thanks to God for answered prayer and greetings to all friends in the homelands for their loyal support.

KrisTofer Hagen.

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TILABANI,

In taking a retrospect of last year it occurs to me that it is not "the big events" which is the outstanding characteristic of the work here.

The church file for Tilabani shows that there are about 190 Christian families, of which some belong to the three small outstation parishes, but quite a number come to the church here. It has been a hard year for many of these families because of the harvest-failure, so they have had to struggle along somehow in order to keep alive.

During the year so often a word has come back to me, the only sentence that Columbus for weeks and months entered in his log book: "TODAY WE SAILED ON." He counted that as his main experience on that adventurous voyage when day after day they did not see anything but sky and water, and apparently making no progress. However, by sailing on they did make progress, and by doing so each day brought them nearer the goal.
I feel that these words: TODAY WE SAILED ON, can be used as the headline of this report. Today (last year) we sailed on! It has not always been so easy for this little church ship called Tilabani, to sail on. Especially in the beginning of the year she had to face problems and difficulties, circumstances varied, but the issue of it all can be summed up in this one word: ONWARD.

The church attendance has increased considerably, and there is a growing interest in Sunday School work. The young people are eagerly looking forward to the next Youth for Christ Day. A few extra festivals with the program carried out by the people themselves resulted in clarifying some problems and misunderstandings. To help each other and to pull together in the work became greater to them than quarreling and unfriendliness. But just a thing like this has opened our eyes to see how necessary it is to have the lay people along in the church activities.

I know that Tilabani has been a subject for much prayer for which I do render my heartiest thanks to you dear prayer friends. May be that it is this costly service of intercession that more than anything else made it possible for the Tilabani "ship" to sail on.—

But we need more trained leaders and voluntary lay workers. Will you also in the coming year please pray that the Lord of the harvest will send forth labourers into His Harvest. Thank you!

Today we sailed on! That was all Columbus entered. But what is not covered by these words, the toil and drudgery, and the struggle in order to keep the courage and faith. There was a goal to reach,—and they were determined to reach that goal at any cost.

Advance so often means sacrifice. It cost our Lord Calvary to reach the goal of Salvation.—But each forward step gives renewed courage, increased faith, happiness and gratitude.
The Santal Mission of the Northern Churches.

A few heathen were baptized, and word has reached us that more people wish to become Christians.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

And so it is our prayer that it may be in His power we continue to go forward in order to reach the goal: Thy Kingdom Come.

A hearty thank you to all you dear mission friends from Tilabani congregation. Yours sincerely. Hildur Mjide.

Work Among Non-Santals in Santal Parganas.

"The branch of my planting, the work of my hands." Is. 60: 21.

Our congregations among the other races in Santal Parganas are still small and insignificant in the eyes of man, but we know that they are "branches", planted by Him, who is the Lord of the vineyard. He has watched and kept them also this year. He has given life and growth. To Him be praise and glory.

We have felt quite a bit of uneasiness this year because we know that we have not been able to give to the congregations the care they needed. In the month of April the Lande family left on furlough and we had to move to Suri and try also to look after the Birbhum district. We still have only one pastor in Santal Parganas district, and even if he tries his best his strength is limited. Old Dhononjoy Jha has also this year helped in Dangalpara congregation, but at the end of the year he suffered a light stroke from which he has not fully
recovered. This has put an end to his pastoral service. We want to thank him for good work through many years. We are glad to know that his son, David Jha, now has finished his theological course so that he can soon be ordained. Among the preachers there has been quite a lot of sickness. That means less work. The annual reports from the congregations also show a slight decrease in church offerings and pastoral service.

The first months of last year we stayed at Benagaria and then also looked after the congregation there. When we moved to Suri, Mr. S. K. Dutta was appointed preacher in Benagaria and worked there the rest of the year. The congregation is much smaller now after the hospital moved to Mohulpahari.

In Mohulpahari Rev. Daniel Jha has helped with the preaching in the hospital and has had to be ready for pastoral service around in the various congregations. He is also treasurer for our Santal Parganas Circle and deserves a word of praise for his capable and dependable work.

The Bengali congregation in Saldoha is well cared for. Dinesh Lal tends the flock carefully. In addition to his many other activities in the Colony. Nowhere else is such good preparation for baptism given as in Saldoha. It is also a joy to see how Hindus and Muslims among the lepers come to church regularly.

A Bible woman was assigned to Dangalpara congregation in Dumka last year when Mrs. Dutta moved over there from Narainpur. She has been visiting the Christian homes and also taking trips to visit the new congregation at Maharo. This has been a great help to David Jha and his wife.

In Maharo poverty and ignorance still are the chief difficulties which keep the congregation down. A lot of endurance and love are needed to be able to work
there. David Jha has put a lot of work into that place also this year. Teachers from Maharo School have been running the Sunday School very well and a Santal teacher has been teaching in the evening school.

The work among the Mahlis has been taken up again for consideration several times during the year. The new Constitution of the Church has made it necessary to re-think the matter, i.e. into which branch of the Church do the Mahlis best fit? In April a meeting of Mahlis and Santals and some missionaries was called at Chondorpura. In October the matter was discussed at our Bengali Church Council meeting and in November at the Synod meeting. The result of all this discussion was that the Mahlis are to get an opportunity to form their own Circle if they wish. During 1952 our Bengali workers will help them and temporarily they are to remain in our District Church Council. Then in due time they will be asked to decide for themselves where they wish to remain for the future.

This decision has helped to restore peace in the Mahli congregations. All the uncertainty about this matter has done quite a bit of harm to the work among them. In some place the discussions have been misunderstood by them. We now hope that they will find the way which is best for themselves to go so that they can settle down in their minds and grow in the faith. They have made a start in translating some hymns and part of the ritual into their own dialect and many of the young Mahlis are keen to help their own people.

We have tried to make better arrangements in our schools for the Mahlis. David Jha has been travelling around as an inspector of schools to help the teachers. The results this year have consequently been better than before,
We were happy this year to dedicate a church and school at Minjra, where we have our most out-of-the-way congregation. A very promising work has been started up there, but unfortunately the Catholics have tried to come in. They have so far managed to snatch away two families prepared for baptism.

Our total staff of workers this year has been:

1 Pastor    5 Teachers
2 Evangelists 1 Bible woman

At the end of the year we see so many, many things undone which ought to have been done. Our prayer is that the Lord of the vineyard Himself will provide workers also for this part of his vineyard. We are glad to know that the old question about a permanent station for this work in Santal Parganas is now solved. Our last Conference decided to give Tilabani station to this work. We hope that there will soon be a missionary there who can take up the many tasks awaiting.

SOLVEIG and PER KJOLBORG.
EDUCATIONAL WORK IN SANTAL PARGANAS.

SANTAL DIVINITY SCHOOL.

During this year notable changes have taken place. It is 35 years since the school was started here in Benagaria by Rev. F. W. Steinthal, and now in the same year as he died, the school has been moved back to its original location. During the year one group of trained workers has left the school and another group of young men has been admitted.

The greater part of January was devoted to review and preparation for the final examination which was held in February. Rev. W. Glad was appointed examiner and marked the papers, together with Kalu pastor and myself. None of the 11 students obtained high enough marks for first division, 4 placed in second and 7 in third division, but we were glad that all passed.

On the 28th of February we had the closing gathering for the students and their families, the staff and a few guests. Our Secretary, Rev. Bjerkestrand, gave the main address. Rev. Glad and the president of the Santal Parganas Church Council, pastor Naran Soren, and others also talked to the students. It had already been decided by the District Church Councils where the candidates were to be placed, so they went right from the school to their appointed places. One candidate however, had some difficulty in persuading his wife to go with him, as he said, to the "lonely and desolate" place to which they were assigned, but finally they were both willing to go, and have surely already felt the joy and reward of obedience. Another couple was soon discovered to have leprosy and
had to be sent to Saldoha, where they now are well on their way to recovery, besides doing a work for the Lord among the other patients.

It has been encouraging to hear from the former students that they are thankful for the time spent at the school, and are doing well in their work. May God bless each one of them and their wives, and make them all a blessing among their people.

The list of the names of these new workers has not been reported earlier, so here it is:

Abraham Soren, Khoribari, Malda
John Marndi, Duba-Narayanpur vill. Dinajpur
Tarsiuss Murmu, Dhanjuri village, East Pakistan
C. Keshob Christian, Pokhuria Church of Scotland Mission

J. Mongol Murmu, Pachamba
Amdí Murmu, Ghagri village, near Maharo
Jonathan Hasdak' Pahrudi vill. Karikador
Nekodim Martin, Kendua vill. Maharo
Nitanondo Marndi, Monhorchak vill. Kaerabani
Philip Hembrom, Haripur vill. Chondorpura
Kanso Marndi, Mayerband vill. Basetkundi

During March and April, while the furniture and the books were being moved from Chondorpura to Benagaria, Rev. Glad conducted a Bible course for young men.

Five of these men were selected to the new three years' course. Later some more applications were received, so that, when the school was reopened in the former hospital wards on the 2nd of July, we had a new group of 11 students. The one who had stood first in the exam. of the Bible course could not be admitted in July because of illness, but by the end of the year he got his medical certificate in order and has now joined the class. Thus the number is 12, of whom 9 are married.
In the last course there were no students from Assam, but we are glad that this time students have come from all three of our fields. Their names are:

Hejon Bosumetary, & family, Gaorang, Boro C. C. Assam
P. Kisun Marndi & family, Joema, Santal, C. C.
A. Mongol Besra, Joleswari, Joema
Lall Murmu & wife, Badhair, East Pakistan
Samsom Tudu & family, Nobogram
Dukhu Marndi, Beldanga, Murshidabad, Bengal
Joseph Soren & wife, Narainpur, Bengal C. C. Bengal
Jonathan Soren, Pachamba, Church of Scotland Mission
Hikim Murmu & family, Hatimara, Sultanabad
Santal Parganas C. C.
Jacob Hembrom & family, Amgachi, Jubdi circle S. P.
Motilal Hasdak’ & wife, Tilabani
Siblal Hasdak’ & wife, Chondorpura, Jubdi

On November 3rd a dedication service was held in the school chapel, at which we were happy to have the Synod members present.

We have not as yet been able to fill all the rooms with school activities, but we are indeed glad to put on record that the school now has a rainproof and white ant-proof permanent accommodation, with separate class rooms for men and women, as well as library, reading room and study rooms for the staff, a fine chapel in the midst and two big verandahs. More furniture is needed, however, and some changes will still have to be made in order to convert the big, long line of rooms into a suitable school building. At present we have sufficient living quarters for the students and with some rearrangement and minor changes accommodation can be provided for several more, as the need may arise.

There has been quite a lot of illness among the students and their families, so it is very much appreciated that we still have the dispensary here. The nurse in charge and her helpers have had more than enough
to do. In November Kalu pastor suffered a light stroke and had to rest until the end of the year, but he is fortunately now getting over the effects of it and will again be teaching in January.

Valuable help has been given by Rev. Gausdal and Rev. Glad in teaching the men's class and Mrs. Gausdal has been helping Kalu pastor's wife and Mrs. Stronstad in teaching the wives of the students.

During the half year instruction has been given in the usual subjects: Bible Introduction, Church History, The History of Religion, The History of the Santal Church (Gausdal), The Minor Prophets (Glad) Exegetical studies of St. Matthew's Gospel, Christian Doctrine, Music Theory, Santali, English and Singing.

The morning devotions have been led in turn by the students, their wives and the staff. A few social gatherings have been held, and prayer meetings are held every Sunday afternoon.

Now that the housing problem has been solved, our constant aim must be to develop our school into an adequate institution to meet the growing need for more and better-trained pastors and local leaders.

ALVHILD & A. E. STRONSTAD.

KAERABANI SANTAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The total number of students at the opening of the school year was 584, with 400 in the High School and 184 in the Lower Primary School. This is a considerable increase over 1950, but unfortunately the number of Santals remained about the same as in 1950. The number of Christian students is the same as in the previous year. Situated far out in the south-west corner
of the "old land" Mission Field here in Santal Parganas, many of our own people are finding it more convenient to send their boys to schools closer to home. Many of these schools are new however, and are not well equipped. We hope that we may be able to create more distinctive Santal attractive to make up for our geographical disadvantage. More agricultural classes, typing, shorthand, and other such practical courses would be in high demand.

Extra-curricular activities are an important part of all schools, and band, choir, sports and Boy Scouting constitute our major ones. Invited to play for the Educational Minister of Bihar at Dumka in January, the band also took trips at that time to entertain the people in Maharo, Koroya, and Dumka congregations. Our Boy Scouts and the band took part in Hijla Mela activities at Dumka in February also. The football season was also active, with a total of seven competition matches.

This year there were only 120 boys in the Hostel, the same as in 1950. There is room for more, but a group of this size we found very nice to work with. Dr. Hagen examined the students at the beginning of the year, we again bow our heads in thanks to God for blessing us with a year of little sickness; we certainly have been exceptionally fortunate. 25 of our Hostel boys were confirmed on the second Sunday in December. This is always a memorable day of the year, with many friends and relatives coming to celebrate this important event—a day of decision.

With the exclusion of religious instruction from the curriculum in Bihar schools, we have had to arrange our Bible instruction periods outside of the regular school hours. This has meant working extra hours, but the warm response and co-operation shown by the staff to make this a profitable undertaking has indeed been heart-warming. We now have a more thorough and also more interesting Bible course as a result.
Results of the Matriculation Examination were satisfactory, better than usual. 16 out of the 21 candidates passed, 11 in 3rd Division, 4 in 2nd Division, and one in the 1st Division. This was the first time that a student from Kaerabani has been placed in the 1st Division, since the high school stage was reached in 1941. We had a total of 16 teachers on the staff, 11 of whom are Christian, 4 Hindu, and one a Non-Christian Santal who has, just recently, made it known that he wants to be baptized. Mr. Sanatan Jha, a matriculate of this school, joined the staff after completing his B. A. studies in April. Mr. Shrikant Jha, Sanskrit Pandit, was hired in June to replace the former Sanskrit Pandit who was dismissed in month of April. Inspection visits were made by the Inspector of Schools, Bhagalpur, in May, and by the District Inspector of Santal Parganas, in November. Grant-in-aid from Government for the year has not as yet been received.

The Teachers Training School, as reported more fully last year, was closed during 1951. Results of 1950 were received,—all nine candidates passed the Government examination. We are planning to re-open the Training School again in 1952.

Kaerabani, its rooms buzzing with the voices of 600 young voices during the day and its playing fields busy with activity before the evening bell, is alive with the fervor—that makes up the New India. May God bless its staff and students, and direct them along the path of truth, light, and that which is eternal. Thanks to all who have remembered these precious lives before the Throne of Glory.

MARY and HAROLD N. RIBER.
MAHARO GIRLS' MIDDLE SCHOOL AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

The school work at Maharo was carried on during 1951 in spite of certain difficulties. In these times of permits and high prices a big family like our school hostel causes anxiety. At the last school committee meeting in 1950 it was decided that the girls should each bring 10 Seers of rice per month from their homes. When this new arrangement went into effect at the beginning of this year the number of girls in the hostel was reduced to some extent. We had 166 girls in our hostel at the beginning of the year.

During the whole year we have had very little illness amongst the girls, for which we are thankful to our heavenly Father. We also do appreciate the efficient medical help and advice received during the year from Dr. K. Hagen at Mohulpahari Hospital.

This year we had no Infant classes, but instead we started with class VII admitting 8 Santal girls and 1 Munda, all Christian girls, to this new class. It is our prayer that this step forward in making preparations for the beginning of High School work may be under God's guidance, and to His honour and glory. The young Santali Church in Santal Parganas has encouraged us to take this step and is very interested in the education of the young people.

In the Training Class there were 16 students. They have one more year to finish their course. These students helped in the Sunday School for the children of the compound and of the nearby villages. On the last Sunday of November 13 girls were confirmed in our church. Rev. O. S. Bjerkestrand and our Santali pastor conducted the confirmation service. And many of the girls' relatives visited us that Sunday. May the girls be true to Him whom they promised to follow!
The result of the annual examination was good. Out of 158 only 4 girls failed. During the year we received the good news that 2 girls of class V had been granted the U. P. Scholarship. That means Rs. 4 per month for 2 yrs for each girl. It is no big amount, but even so, it is a help towards their food expenses, and most of all an encouragement for good girls and for the teachers.

During the year we had some changes in our staff. Misses L. Hans (Senior trained) and Mariam Hembrom were appointed in beginning of the year. In the middle of the year Miss Rahel Soren left us in order to get married. We are very thankful for the good service of this lady teacher for some years. In her place Miss Baha Murmu was appointed temporarily. Another change in our staff came about in October when our Training Class teacher Mrs. Marynila Soren asked to be relieved in order to work in a Government Girls’ School. It is always very difficult when teachers want to leave in the middle of the year, because new teachers are not to be found at any and all times. However, this time one of our old girls, Miss Rahel Soren, came to our assistance. The work of Mrs. Marynila Soren, during the 7 years she was connected with this school, was marked by faithfulness and efficiency, so her resignation has meant a big loss to us. Miss L. Hans was put in charge of the training class from November.

We are thankful that we have been able to carry on the work. We know that our friends at home have stood by and helped us. In spite of all that was left undone or might have been done better, we believe that the labour of this year also will bring forth abiding fruit.

To all friends and intercessors we extend our sincere thanks.

EDLE SIGURDSEN.
BASETKUNDI M. E. SCHOOL.

This year we have had a good, quiet atmosphere for work and have the feeling that progress is being made. We have acquired a C. T. teacher. There has been a good spirit in the school; very little friction or dissatisfaction has been felt. It is uplifting to see the fine group of young people in church every Sunday. They also come willingly to the weekly Bible class.

We have had a total of 138 students, of which 65 are in boarding. Most of them passed the final examination. Interest in gardening has run high, perhaps because they get regular grades in it and also are awarded prizes. The garden is at least twice as fruitful as last year. May God grant that we may see similar results for His Kingdom.

P. R. PEDERSEN.
MEDICAL WORK
IN
SANTAL PARGANAS.

MOHULPAHARI CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL.

"This is the day which the Lord hath made: We will rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118: 24.

When these words were read at the Dedication Services for our new Hospital on November 18, 1951, they seemed to be particularly appropriate. After two years of concentrated effort, fraught with many difficulties which only God really foresaw but every one of which God miraculously overcame, our hospital building program stood complete before our wondering eyes. Six or seven hundred Christian friends, including the missionaries from Santal Parganas and Birbhum, joined us in rejoicing and being glad in that God made day. As the financial part of our report below shows, the cost of the project was double our estimates, but God provided the means in His wonderful way and so the job was finished, even to the "Anderson Memorial," a maternity ward and classroom wing on the east end of the main building. This wing was named in memory of Peter Anderson of Parker, So. Dak. U. S. A. old friends of the Santal Mission, who personally gave about Rs. 70,000/- toward the new hospital.

MOVING THE HOSPITAL FROM BENAGARIA.

We started admitting patients in Mohulpahari already on Feb. 18, 1951, before the buildings were entirely finished. By mid-March the new Hospital was full and the Bena-
garia Hospital was closed and became a Dispensary, in charge of Miss Lilly Petersen and her assistants. The move disrupted our medical service somewhat, naturally, and some patients suffered some neglect for a few days but we were able to keep our surgical service intact during the move so that only for a few hours while the equipment was on the road were we unprepared to handle any emergencies. Because of the move some of our statistics cited below are only approximate, as certain records were misplaced in the move and have not reappeared.

VISIT OF THE C. M. A. I. SECRETARY.

The main speaker at the Dedication was Dr. E. W. Wilder, Secretary of the Christian Medical Association of India. He also inspected the new hospital plant and stated that while it was never perfectly ideal to adapt an old bungalow to hospital use he thought the plan was working out very well and that the hospital was arranged and equipped to give a high standard of modern medical care to the area. He gave valuable suggestions about the hospital's work, the chief one being that it was understaffed for the amount of work it was doing.

PERSONNEL:

Miss Clausen and Miss Gjerde have worked unusually hard this year and we owe them special thanks. It is good that Miss Gjerde can go on a well-earned furlough early in 1952. We are sorry to lose Miss Clausen, by Conference decision, to a new position in Malda, where she will work with Dr. Hoilund, starting in the fall of 1952. Alice Axelsson, returning from study furlough, and Miss Helene Romer of Denmark will replace the two who leave. Dr. Otto Forman in expected to take over as superintendent of the hospital in March, 1952. We welcome him with his great energy and outstanding ability to this post, and we look forward to the valuable assistance Mrs. Forman will render in the nursing department.
The nurses and compounders have worked faithfully and hard all year. We have lost two staff nurses to more lucrative and desirable locations and have gained one, so we are more than usually understaffed as the year closes. A good deal of groundwork in this regard remains to be done before a recognized Nurses' Training School can be started.

**Evangelistic Work:**

Mrs. Das has continued to proclaim the Gospel in her winning way to patients, both in the hospital and in the out-door clinic. Bisu Soren and Joseph, elders of the Mohulpahari congregation, have given sincere witnesses in Santali. Thousands of tracts and scripture portions in Santali, Bengali and Hindi have been sold and distributed.

**Statistics:**

There has been a disappointing drop in the percentage of Santal patients. We had expected otherwise in our new location. Perhaps it is due to the natural backwardness of the Santals. The low percentage of female patients and maternity cases also calls for renewed efforts in those lines.

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Santals 30% Hindu 54% Mohammedans 16% Male 57.3%
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SALDOHA LEPER COLONY AND DISTRICT.

It is not an easy job to step into the running of such a big institution as Saldoha. As we pay sincere tribute to the Baggers for their great work in the Colony and among the congregations, we are also a bit envious of their great advantages in starting the work themselves and watching it develop under their leadership, knowing personally even the smallest details. They have done a marvellous job and the fruits of their efforts are evident in thousands of thankful hearts for whose benefit they strove day and night.

In spite of the increased cost of living and of drugs we have been able to carry on the work with the Colony filled to capacity, a daily average of about 350 leper patients being recorded, of whom the greater part are young people. During the year 470 have been under treatment in the Colony and hospital. It is most encouraging to be able to report that 28 patients were discharged under observation as symptom-free and thus enabled to go home and join their families. Another group of 27 were much improved and 304 were slightly improved. 135 patients have been under regular treatment with the Sulphone drugs, which are proving encouraging. The bulk of the patients are getting injections of Hydnocarpus oil. Besides these, an increasing number of patients have been getting treatment throughout the year at our Baromasia and Saldoha Out-Patient Leprosy Clinics. Some new hope has been kindled for lepers due to the newer drugs now available and they are coming to us in greater numbers than we are able to handle.

Along with the medical side of the work we have also tried to stimulate the spiritual life by regular evening devotions in every part of the Colony, weekly gatherings Tuesday afternoons and, of course, by Sunday services in the church. All are well attended. The Gospel is preached in both Bengali and Santali. Three
patients were baptized during the year and six young men have been under instruction for baptism since August. Our faithful elder, a young, fully trained pastor who is a patient himself, is rendering good service and his wife is helping with the women patients.

The three Colony L. P. Schools have been running quite satisfactorily and illiteracy has been fought by the means of adult evening schools.

The patients have been working faithfully, feeling a definite, personal responsibility for the various tasks in the Colony, cultivating rice, vegetables, cotton, sugar-cane, jute, and grass for the cows. New areas of land have been brought under cultivation. The patients have also been busy with the building of new houses, repair of roads and houses, cotton carding and spinning, weaving and carpentry. It is an industrious community throughout the year.

DISTRICT WORK.

The Saldoha U. P. School has had an attendance of about 100 pupils, with some 20 boys in boarding. Faithful teachers are doing a good work and exerting a strong Christian influence on the young people. In the two L. P. Schools in Musnia and Kanhaidi the work is promising; the workers are spiritually minded. Still more promising is the new school started this year in Bansungia. The congregation there, consisting of 24 families, is the brightest spot in our district work. They themselves have built a schoolhouse and secured the services of a Christian teacher and now the enrollment has reached 28. Our elder there is doing a fine job. In Tarni congregation the work is more stagnant; it is the driest corner of our district. But the tide may change. The weak congregations need our special prayer.

In June Karan Pastor had to move from Saldoha to Chondorpura, as a vacancy developed there. Salhae Pastor
took his place among us here and has been supervising the work in Musnia, assisted by a temporary elder. The greatest event in the Saldoha congregation this year took place in October when three families totalling 15 members were baptized. They are regular church-goers now and even bring along other heathen friends from their village to church. May they prove to be a real blessing to their neighbours by bringing them to Christ.

In December we had a visit from our General Superintendent, Rev. Gausdal, and Pastor Fr. Wisloff from Norway. They visited all our congregations and spread the good tidings of the Gospel. We are all very thankful for this visit.

The women's work is encouraging. Miss Ingeborg Kleven is the mainspring of this work, assisted by two Bible women. Being in charge of the nursing service in our two leper hospitals, she still finds time for women's meetings and for adult literacy work in the villages. From time to time she is assisted by Miss Margit Hannevik, who works untiringly for the benefit of our Children's Home and the daily crowd of non-leper patients. Her dispensary for non-lepers is well attended and in addition a rather spacious empty staff house has been turned into a new hospital giving place for some 6 to 8 patients at a time. The dispensary records show that 5500 patients came for help during the year.

We want to express our hearty thanks to all co-workers, both in the Colony and in the district. We also extend our thanks to the Bihar Local Self-Government, the Mission to Lepers, the District Board, and the Santal Mission of the Northern Churches for generous grants received during the year. Most of all we want to thank our faithful friends in the homelands for their prayers and support. Without this stream of blessings it would have been impossible to carry out missionary work here
or elsewhere. In closing, let us share with you one of our strongholds from the Bible: "Faithful is he that calleth you, who will also do it." I Thess. 5: 24.

EDEL and MAGNUS HAUGSTAD.

BENAGARIA DISPENSARY.

The year 1951 saw great changes in our Benagaria Hospital. The Hospital premises, which had been the scene of multitudes seeking relief from their physical troubles, assumed quite another aspect when the Hospital was removed to Mohulpahari and the Divinity School took its place, leaving only the old Dispensary Building for our out-patients. The picture has changed much.

With two compounders and one nurse we have had to carry on the work and care for the patients who came to the dispensary. The move was begun in February and completed by March 16. For the first two months thereafter we were helped by Dr. Hagen on his occasional visits. Later on the patients having serious and complicated illnesses were sent to Mohulpahari by bus. Patients from around Benagaria who went to Mohulpahari were directed to have their prescriptions filled at Benagaria. From 17th March 1951 to the end of the year there were 4381 patients.

The work of the Leper Clinic has continued and during the year 1682 injections were given.

The Gospel has been proclaimed regularly to the patients by our Bengali preacher, Mr. S. K. Dutta, in three languages, Bengali, Hindi and Santali.

We thank all our friends who remember us in their prayers.

S. LILLY PETERSEN
WORK IN BENGAL.

BIRBHUM BENGALI WORK.

The new Constitution of our Church has brought about changes in our work also here in Birbhum. Formerly the district used to be divided into Birbhum North and Birbhum South with the missionary in charge of the former and Rev. K. R. Ghose in charge of the later. These two districts together with Murshidabad have now become one Circle, namely "The Birbhum and Murshidabad Circle of the Bengali District Church Council." Quite naturally, Rev. Ghose and I have co-operated all along in dealing with many problems concerning the work. Our task was somewhat complicated last year by the fact that the Bengali work in Santal Parganas also had to be supervised from Suri, so Suri became the headquarters for two Circles. The care for the various congregations has suffered because of this shortage of missionaries, but perhaps in other ways the work has benefitted from being centralized.

We are thankful to Rev. Ghose for the work he has done this year. Besides his many duties as pastor for the congregation here in Suri he has had a lot of work to do as secretary for the whole Bengali branch of our Church. Our monthly magazine, "Bongo Bondu," has also this year been edited and published by him. The work with the new Bengali hymnbook has also been done mostly by him. We are glad to have again a good hymnbook to offer to our congregations.

In Suri the congregational work has been carried on as usual. The attendance at the services has been unusually good. Four children of Christian parents and four non-Christians have been baptized. Five young people were confirmed. The church offerings have increased
slightly, bringing the total to Rs. 434/14/9. Attempts have been made to carry on regular pastoral work at the two out-stations, Imadpur and Monpur.

In Narainpur a young preacher from Cooch Behar, Kamal Roy, has worked most of the year. He has also taken the services at Joypur. Three Hindus and one child of Christian parents were baptized. Five young people were confirmed. For the congregation at Dumurgram it has been a difficult year. It came to our knowledge that the leader of the congregation had fallen into sin and it took us several months to get a clear understanding of the real situation. The leader had to resign as a preacher. Fortunately most of the other members of the congregation have been able to stand firm and the difficulties seem to have brought them closer together. One Hindu was baptized during the year.

In Rampur Haut there have also been internal difficulties in the congregation. Here, more than anywhere else we need a revival in the congregation. Statistically the situation is about the same as last year.

This year also Rev. J. J. Das has served Dumurgram and Itor congregations from Nalhati. He has been doing a faithful work. He continues to talk about a movement towards Christianity developing among the lower castes in Nalhati neighbourhood. Until now no visible fruit has been seen. In Bhabki in Murshidabad, where a new congregation sprang up last year, we have, however, seen fruit. Seven members of a Hindu family were baptized and more Hindus are getting ready for baptism. Regular church services have been conducted throughout the year. This is the most promising thing we have seen throughout the year.

Itor has been without a missionary most of the year. It was difficult to keep in close touch with the congregation. The worker there, Gajlu Mondol, is, however, a trustworthy man who with firm hand has led the work
there and in the new place, Bhabki. Unfortunately the party-dispute in Itor has still not been brought completely to an end, but we have been informed that there is a growing understanding and a desire for unity. Both Itor and Bhabki have been visited also by two Bible women from Moraroi. They have been used to great blessing in this work.

During the past year we have noted an openness and willingness to hear our Gospel preaching in many places. Nalhati has already been metioned. In addition to that we have had contact with several young Muslims. One of them has been baptized this year. Among the Dangals and the Dhobi caste we have noticed a great willingness to hear the Word. May we use this oppor-
tunity as long as we have it.

Our total staff of workers from Birbhum, Murshidabad and Santal Parganas were gathered during the year for a 10-days' Bible course here at Suri. They appreciated it very much and we hope that it really meant something to them. Our workers' meetings we have had to make quarterly rather than monthly because of the expense.

Our Staff of workers has consisted of: 2 pastors, 7 evangelists and 2 Bible women,

We want to express our thanks to all who have remembered our work before the throne of grace.

SOLVEIG and PER KJOLBERG.

Cooch Behar

“Lord, send forth labourers into Thy harvest!” This prayer has often been prayed for Cooch Behar and during the past year we have received the answer in a won-
derful way. At the end of January we had the joy of
welcoming Mr. and Mrs. R. Pederson from Norway to work in this Mission. We pray that God may bless them and given them all the strength and courage they need for their great new task.

We have also received new workers among the Garos. This was most necessary, as the work has grown a great deal in recent years. God sent us an evangelist by the name of Narendra Hadima. He is a gifted man and burning with zeal to bring people to Christ. Being himself a hard-working man he knows how to organize the work and get others to work also. He arranged the first big gathering of Garos in September. It lasted for two days and it was a joy to see how happy they all were. One day there was an exhibition of handwork and afterwards a sale of the same. Many efforts are made by them to become a self-supporting Church and they understand the joy of giving to the Lord's work.

In January we had the great joy of dedicating two Garo churches. We missionaries did not even know about their being built. When they were ready the people just called us and gave us a great surprise. In a place where two years ago there was not a single Christian families. Instead of the many places for idol-worship, there is now a church. Indeed we have reason to praise God.

During 1951 120 baptisms took place amongst the Garos and at the end of the year about 100 persons were under instruction. A whole village of about 20 homes wants to become Christian. We must pray much for the new Christians, that they may be rooted and grounded in Christ.

The work among the Bengalis has, as usual, been hard. The Hindus having been very active in their propaganda, they succeeded in getting one family to backslide. But we shall continue to pray for them, knowing that God is still able to save.
Three young men were sent to the Divinity School in Malda and returned much enriched and encouraged to carry on the work.

In October we two lady missionaries moved out to the new mission station at Dinhata. Here we are surrounded by Muslims and we understand it will be a hard place in which to work. But He who has sent us here will certainly also give us the strength and courage we need for service.

Looking back over the year we realize how wonderful and faithful God has been, in spite of all our failures and shortcomings. We can only thank Him and pray that we may be more worthy of the high calling He has given us. Our thanks go also to all our friends who support the work by their prayers and their means. Let us go forward, remembering that our labour in the Lord will never be in vain.

"Coming, coming, yes, they are,
Coming, coming from afar,
All to meet in plains of glory,
All to sing His praises sweet,
What a chorus, what a meeting,
With the family complete!"

Elsa Pihlquist
Ada Wittander.

NIMASARAI BENGALI WORK.

It has so happened every time I have been on furlough in Denmark that I have had no successor in my work during my absence. This is always unfortunate for the work and especially so when the work is still in the pioneering stage, as has always been the case with our Bengali work. It almost means making a new
beginning every time one returns to the mission field. This time, however, my strength seems to fail for the long tours out in the district in addition to all the other work, so it looks as if there may be no new beginning until younger people take over.

By the time we returned from Denmark Dr. Else Hoiund was preparing to go on furlough. Her medical work was completely suspended during her absence; not even a nurse or compounder was left to keep most urgent dispensing going. The Executive Committee made an arrangement so that we could take the houses and hospital compound she had over for other uses. The Missionary Conference towards the end of 1951 decided that the Santal mission station at Rajadighi in the future is to be used for hospital and medical work. That again means that the Santali work in the "middle field" is faced with the problem of getting another station for its work. New roads and altered conditions in district make it desirable that this station should be placed close to the new main road running through the whole of West Bengal.

The transition to self-government for the Church on the mission field involves problems which we have tried to tackle during the year and a little progress has been made. Our Circle Conference has held its regular meetings and so has the District Church Council, which consists of the four Circles within our Bengali work. The Assam missionaries propose to establish a fifth Circle under their Santal Council. The four Circle budgets have been so prepared that from the beginning of the new year Mission and Church accounts are to be kept separate. This has been sanctioned by the Synod, but considerable difficulty is involved in the separation. Pastor Maharaj Bhandary is the new treasurer of the Circle Conference, which thus takes charge of all evangelizing work here. This time they have, however, elected me as chairman of the Circle as well as president of the District Church Council—thus retaining close co-operation between Church
and Mission, an arrangement that has every prospect of continuing in the future. Both parties feel strongly the need for mutual help and co-operation.

A transition period inevitably must have its special problems. These are felt very strongly here where all congregations are still too small to shoulder their economic responsibilities in full. Least of all are they able to bear the cost of evangelizing activities for the extension of the Kingdom. But it has been accepted in principle that the Mission shall retain only activities, such as social work done through institutions plus training schools for preachers and pastors. Probably this will have to be altered so the Mission retains a responsibility for bringing the Gospel to the 99% or more of the population who have not yet come within the Church.

Food scarcity and hard times continue in this District and have become worse than ever before. The harvest at the end of the year was a great failure as hardly any rain came at all during the year. Even during the harvest time prices did not come down appreciably. How the poor of the land are to get through the coming year we cannot imagine. Thus our Mission and Church workers can have no hope of making ends meet by means of their salaries. Furthermore, the last Missionary Conference had to cut the budget considerably, so we shall have to retrench extensively. We have consequently resolved to let 3 houses go without repairs. The Circle Conference before the end of the year had to reclassify three preachers as simply local congregational leaders and thus find means of giving the pastor at English Bazar an increase to enable him to continue in his work. Otherwise he would have resigned. We had a desire to have Lokhon C. Konai at Bhamua ordained as a pastor, but as that would preclude him from extra income besides his salary he did not see his way clear to accept.
Under the circumstances our mission work has moved very slowly. In some congregations the loss of members has exceeded the increase. New baptisms have been few. Most of them came from the Hindu community. Only one came from Islam. Her fate reminds us somewhat of that of Ruth in the Old Testament. When she was baptized her relatives tried to institute a lawsuit against her and us. Strangely enough, this ended in a most favourable way both for her and us.

Mongol Kaithwar of Khokson and Simon Tudor of Heyatpur changed places at the end of the year. Otherwise the staff remains about the same as before. In the first week of December there was a joint Week of Witness for the whole of Bengal, in which a number of lay Christians in our congregation took part by preaching and witnessing in surrounding villages.

Now at last we again have not only the NEW TESTAMENT, but the whole BIBLE available in Bengali. The printing had to be done in London by means of the new photographic method. It is a great joy and a real help that the new joint COMMON HYMN BOOK in Bengali has now been published and made available, although being "joint" for so many denominations it does not fully satisfy any one very well. To make it more satisfactory to ourselves we have had a Lutheran Supplement printed and bound together with the rest of the book, thus making 600 numbers in all, our additions numbering 65. Our Sunday Church Rituals are also bound in the same book. My SERMON HELPS IN BENGALI FOR THE THIRD YEAR were published during the year, so now we have a volume for each of our three series of texts. We hope they may give some help, particularly for those of our preachers who are not well trained in making sermons themselves.

Our Primary School at Nimarsarai has worked as usual, the enrolment being nearly 100 and daily attendance most unsatisfactory. The three teachers continued.
Six students were entered for final examination and four passed. The Mission contribution to our hostel at Nimarsarai for boys studying in High School at Old Malda or in our school here was cut by one half. Still the number remained the same, most of the boys paying for themselves. In the coming year probably very few will be able to do so.

Towards the end of the year we had the pleasure of welcoming new missionaries here from Denmark, namely Rev. and Mrs. B. Riisgaard with their baby, Jens Ole. They have moved into the house where Dr. E. Hoilund used to live and are busy learning Bengali.

H. P. H. Kampp.

SANTAL WORK IN NORTH BENGAL.

It has to be admitted that the work in this part of our field has been attended by a considerable amount of difficulty during 1951. In the first place Rev. Kippenes had to leave his work in India. He made an effort to settle down in East Pakistan, but has later, due to illness, had to return to Norway.

These conditions have of necessity effected the work adversely. By the end of the year it has not been possible to collect all records and accounts. But the Superintendent of the Church and the Secretary of the Mission have planned a joint trip soon, to centers of our work in East Pakistan, in order to clear up outstanding matters and make necessary arrangements for the continuation of our work there.

Such difficulties, however, inevitably brings up once more the question as to whether it will be possible for our mission, in the long run, to continue working that part of our field which is now within East Pakistan. Our Lutheran Christians within Pakistan nevertheless
object very strongly to any suggestion of having them transferred to any other mission or church denomination. They point out that it has become much easier now for nationals of the two dominions to come and go across the border, and that there is no longer any serious difficulty in transferring small sums of money privately from one country to the other. Officially the Pakistan rupee has not as yet, like the Indian rupee, been devalued. But in practice the exchange rate at the border is now equal for both currencies, or rather the Indian currency has now slightly higher value. Still the official transfer of Mission money to Pakistan is so difficult that our paid workers over there have had to wait for many months before getting their salaries. In several cases they have had to suffer real hardship, and they still do so. They have taken this quite bravely. I do not remember any one leaving the work for this reason alone.

I had already more work then I could manage. So it is no great advantage for the Santali work that I am now again nominally in charge, although it does mean a considerable tax on my time. Being in a hurry is not generally a characteristic of the Santals—or shall I say, they do not estimate the value of time very highly. That is one point where I am not always able to agree with them.

In the main, a detailed report of the work, I think, had better wait for at least another year, hoping that everything may be in more proper order by next year. In general I can say, we are in need of more pastors. But the few pastors we have are still the main pillars in the work. It is some help that the Synod has resolved that pastor J. Jujhar Soren from the new year shall move from Dumka to Narayanpur to become the successor of old pastor Jalpa Soren, who again had to act or assist as pastor for awhile, but now could go on no longer. In fact his life here below has ended before the writing of this report, and he has been laid to rest near the
place where he had his home for so many years. It was a great life work he had to look back on. It is sad to think that there should be so much trouble in the congregations he had established, during his last years, but there are thousands who to a great extent owe their thanks to him for being led into the fold of the Lord.

There are now four Circles under the Santal District Church Council here, although to some extent working in two sections on each side of the border. The pastors have sent annual reports from all Circles. All report great opportunities for work—on both sides of the border, possibly mostly so in Pakistan, just now. It is true that at the present moment it looks as if conditions may adjust themselves so as to make it possible for our mission to continue its work inside Pakistan, even if it should take a long time before we can build a missionary station there.

Meanwhile it has now been decided that Rajadighi Mission shall be utilized for medical mission work. Consequently we have now no mission station in the whole Middle Field for a male missionary to the Santals. It is necessary very shortly to establish one. This ought to be located close to the new National Highway now being built through the district and through the whole state of West Bengal and on through Assam. We have found a place well suited and conveniently located for this purpose and hope very soon to be able to purchase this site, before prices rise to impossible heights.

Pastor Jonas Hasdak', who is at present acting President of the Santal District Church Council here, remarks in his annual report, that it is not very easy to get accounts and numbers to-tally with previous statistics. He thinks one reason may be the serious disturbances in Pakistan year before last, which also caused a considerable number of Christians to become refugees. Probably there are also other causes. Before
Rev. Kippenes took over we used to count a total of 60 working centers among the Santals. Some have now been combined, and others have ceased to exist, so this time a total of 46 have been counted; in addition Pastor Budhraî Hasdak of the Southern area in Pakistan has orally mentioned that four refugee congregations have returned to his area, but have not this time been included in the statistics. This may also to some extent explain why this time the total number of Christians is given as 1926, while previously, even in the last printed annual report more than 2200 Santal Lutheran Christians are listed, within our area in the Middle Field. In all four Circles they report a number of baptisms during the year. A total of 88 children of Christians and 76 coming from outside. Of these last, 38 belong to Pakistan and 38 to India. The number of congregations is said to be 24 in India and 22 in Pakistan, besides the four refugee congregations mentioned. The total number of Christians in the India-congregations is said to be 1288, but only 784 in Pakistan, again excluding the four refugee congregations.

It must not be forgotten that this district is by far the largest of all Santal districts in our whole mission and comprises in numbers nearly one third of all Santal congregations within our mission, scattered throughout several districts of the two dominions concerned. No wonder that difficulties and a number of problems attend the work.

But certainly there are also opportunities and a great scope for new forces to enter the work.

H. P. H. KAMPP.

EAST PAKISTAN.

The situation in our East Pakistan work is not essentially any different than it was in 1948—namely, that we need a station with a missionary on this side
to take over the administration and leadership of the field here. Border regulations between India and Pakistan, which became steadily stricter in 1949 and 1950, are now compelling us to find some solution for the situation.

In February, 1951, the authorities in West Dinajpur refused me permission to continue any longer to supervise our East Pakistan work from India. Circumstances had been leading in this direction for a long time, so I felt that there was nothing for me to do but to move over to East Pakistan and I accordingly did that in June, 1951. Since then our East Pakistan work has gone through a very critical time, chiefly due to difficulties of getting financial support into Pakistan.

From January, 1951, the original 7 pastorates were organized under the Church Constitution into 4 Circles, of which 2 Circles comprising 24 congregations fell inside Pakistan. This great change has created difficulties in that none of our Indian workers in Pakistan fully understand the new arrangement and, so far as I can see, none among them is qualified to assume responsibility for the accounts, especially as regards the keeping of a bank account. This is one reason why I believe we should have a missionary in Pakistan. To ask any other mission or missionary than our own to undertake this extra work for us seems unreasonable.

Our out-station at Badhair is a natural center and would seem to me to be a good place for a full mission station. The question of a station in East Pakistan has now been under consideration for 3 years.

Following the great refugee migrations in 1950, something which affected the Santal population in East Pakistan very much, missions here have begun to discover and utilize the evangelistic opportunities among the Santals, especially in Bogra District (Churches of God Mission) and Rajshahi (Presbyterian Mission). Our mission has
heretofore been unable to develop any effective answer to the demands of the new situation. Such an answer can hardly be realized without a headquarters station for our mission on this side. As things appear now our Santal work in Rajshahi and East Dinajpur districts may have to become a separate Church District with its own Church Council.

The problem resolves itself into a question of finances and a question of conscience. Are we no longer able as a Mission to take care of the East Pakistan portion of our Santal work in the "middle country"? Are we unable as a Church to provide the staff and the strength to build up a Church District for our Lutheran Christians in the congregations we have in East Dinajpur and Rajshahi Circles? It seems to me that our Mission has a responsibility to provide adequate leadership for the two Circles we have in Pakistan so that they may be built up and become self-sustaining and self-propagating. These unfortunate refugee congregations deserve our special attention and help.

May God give us wisdom to do what is right.

HALFDAN KIPPENESS.
EDUCATIONAL WORK IN BENGAL.

THE BENGALI DIVINITY SCHOOL.

The School has been working according to plan for two terms during the year. To begin with we had 11 students, in a way. Two of them, however, were un-baptized, young, well-educated Muslims and a third one was a recently baptized elderly Muslim “mulvi” from Assam. But the three of them were unable to continue throughout the whole period of the course, so in the end we had only 8 students. Since we have again had the use of those houses which were in previous years used for Dr. Else Holund’s temporary hospital, the accommodations for the students have been more satisfactory than before. Otherwise we are still not too well situated as to facilities and materials for teaching.

We have no classrooms, so we have to sit on verandahs, generally the one in front of my office. Sometimes it is quite hot there, and there is no way of avoiding disturbance from outsiders who turn up in connection with the many other concerns of the mission and the various kinds of work going on here. On the open verandah next to us my wife has her classes with the wives of the students and other women who come to learn reading, sewing, etc. There she also does her dispensing of medicines and conducts other activities such as the distributions from a milk canteen, when we have such, or other things for the help of children and mothers in need. Here also her singing lessons for the students and others in the mission compound are held—and many other things. Below the verandahs the children enjoy their “kindergarten games” and so on, while their mothers are busy with lessons. In short, the atmosphere for study is not exactly ideal.
I have, for the most part, been alone at all the lectures and teaching, except that Rev. K. R. Ghose and Rev. P. Kjolberg each have been here one week to assist me. Rev Ghose gave lectures on Homiletics, while Rev. Kjolberg went through the account of the Passion of our Lord according to all four gospels. In addition, Pastor Moharaj Bhandary has given extra tutoring to some of the students who were somewhat behind in general education.

One of our difficulties is that so many Bengali books now are out of print and the high price of paper and labour prevent new editions. Personally I have now a manuscript on Dogmatics and Ethics in Bengali about ready for the press, but it is still uncertain as to when it can be printed. A good deal of the subject matter has to be given orally and by dictation, which is the prevalent method of teaching in this country. The habit, still mainly in force out here, of writing books in a highflown language that most people cannot understand makes it impossible for most ordinary people to use books intelligently or to digest their contents without help from others.

The subject matter covered during the year and for which the students took examinations included:

Exegesis of the Gospel of Matthew, with comparative study of the other synoptic gospels and some synoptic problems.

Ancient Church History.

The History and Present Status of our Mission, based on a small Bengali book on the life of Skreifsrud.

A booklet discussing seven main points of Christian doctrine.

Another booklet on the Principles of Homiletics, with hints on preaching both to Christians and non-Christians.

Old Testament Bible History.

The Principles of Christian Stewardship, according to the book by bishop Azariah.
Hints on Practical Theology for pastors and preachers, based on two booklets on the subject.

Saturdays were generally used for writing exercises. At other times various forms of practical applications of what had been learned in theory were carried out; for instance, preaching in the market place and in villages, magic lantern pictures, Sunday Schools, or preaching at Sunday services. One night a week was used more or less regularly for a debating club. Evenings were generally devoted to some form of athletics or other recreational activity.

H. P. H. Kampp.

EKLAKHI GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Again a year has passed, a year with many days, days we looked forward to with joy, days we faced also with worry and fear. We have experienced a God who stood by us with His grace and His promise: "I am with thee." God has kept His promises and has given help for every day.

This year we have had 74 Santals and 21 Bengalis in the school, a total of 95 children. Twelve took the U. P. examinations and all passed. One of them earned a scholarship. Both the Santals and the Bengalis repeatedly ask that this school might be raised to an M. E. School. As we have one of our former students now studying for Senior teacher training we hope that we shall be able to do so in 1953.

The teachers have been working faithfully all through the year. Komola Soren left the school to go and stay with her parents-in-law in Pakistan after the summer vacation.
Also this year we have received a Government grant of Rs. 100/- per month as well as dearness allowances of Rs. 5/8/- per month for each teacher. Our thanks are due to Government for this help.

Except for some malaria and one case of typhoid fever the children's health has been good this year.

The church building was completed this year. The people of the congregation decided that they should do all the work they could themselves and they worked very faithfully until it was all finished. One day I saw some heathens from the village engaged in the work too. When I asked them why they did so they answered: "One day we also will become Christians and as members of the congregation we will sit in the church. Then it will be good for us to remember that we too helped to do the work here." On the 11th of November the new church was dedicated. The General Superintendent, Rev. Joh. Gausdal, and the missionaries who have been working here through the years came to join us on that day. It was a day of joy and thanksgiving for all of us.

In December Rev. Kampp came to confirm some of the girls. Nine Santal girls and four Bengali girls were gathered together before the altar. They were confirmed, each in her own mother-tongue, yet they were united in one spirit. It was a great joy to prepare these girls for confirmation.

We close the year with thanks to God who gave strength and joy in His work through all the days.

Betzy Nordby.

NARAINPUR GIRLS SCHOOL.

The year 1951 has been an unusual one for the work at Narainpur. Due to the lack of missionary to replace Miss Inger Krogh Nielsen when she went on regular
furlough in March, all the work has been in the hands of the school missionary with the result that there has not been sufficient time to devote to all the different branches of the work. In the dispensary only the most ordinary cases, such as could be dealt with by a non-medical person, were seen. Also the women’s work and the district work have been suffering. Time has permitted only a few visits to villages far away and one day a week has been devoted to the nearby villages. The older school girls have helped Friday afternoons, and we are happy to say that many Hindu homes in Narainpur village are open to the Word of God.

Our attention has been given chiefly to the school and boarding hostel. Eighty-eight girls have been enrolled in 1951, out of which 70 have been in boarding. Sixteen Hindu girls, all children of leading people in Narainpur village, have attended school. They have all, with parental permission, taken part in the Bible classes and have shown great interest. A few of them have joined Sunday School. The headmistress and the older girls in Class VI have been responsible for the Sunday School. Part of the time each girl has had her own class. Saturday afternoons have been set aside for preparation, at which time the Bible text was discussed and expression work prepared. We hope that after leaving school the girls will be able to start and lead Sunday Schools in their own villages.

Seven girls joined the Confirmation Class, of which five were confirmed here in November; the other two, being Santals, will be confirmed in their own Santal Church. Six girls were sent to Rampur Haut for the Upper Primary examination and nine for the M. E. Scholarship examination, while two remained for the Vernacular examination here. The results have not yet come out.

The teachers have worked well during the year, and we are thankful to God for His blessing and care. We have had less illness in the boarding students this year than in any previous year and we feel that again we have had proof that God goes before us and is able to give the strength needed.

ELLEN LAURSEN.
WORK IN ASSAM.

BONGAIGAON.

"I sent you to reap that whereon ye ye have not labored: Others have labored, and ye are entered into their labor." John 4: 38.

These words come strongly to mind when I am to relate my experiences during these months in Bongaigaon. When I arrived on Sunday, the 20th of May, smiling Boros met me at the station with their greetings of peace. The pastor came from Samthaibari, where the newest congregation, consisting of eight families baptized in December, had recently dedicated their new church. I understood thus that the work was going on and that it was only for me to enter into it.

The Railway has a workshop and a big colony of workers at Bongaigaon. On May 27th a Munda from the Railway colony was baptized. He had been lodging with some Christian Boro boys and asked to join the Christian community. Through him we have, little by little, come in contact with many Christians in the colony. They come from various parts of the country and speak many different languages, but they come regularly to our Sunday services and take part in them with singing and short addresses in Bengali, Hindi, or Assamese. Some Hindus seeking for the truth have also regularly attended the Sunday services.

The Primary School was moved from Ladanguri back to Bongaigaon in 1950. After summer vacation some of the boarders did not return, owing to the difficult food situation, and when one of the families with school children moved to Kamrup the number of children dwindled rather markedly. For next year several new boys have asked for admission to the school, so we hope it will build up again in 1952.
A hostel for high school boys has also been established. Thirteen boys stay here and attend the Birjhora High School. They are a happy group and we enjoy their singing at the Sunday services.

Our two pastors, Olichoron Bosumtary and Malsing Mosahary, have regularly visited the 20 congregations in the Circle, administering the Word and Sacraments. Throughout the year 84 children of Christian parents and 82 from among the heathen have been baptized. The preachers and non-salaried elders have carried the daily burden in the congregations. When we met for Circle Conference in October it was good to note their interest in and responsibility for the work.

Church collections have increased considerably over last year, but actual figures cannot be given as the final reports and December accounts have not yet been received from a number of the congregations.

In the months of October, November and December the food situation in the district was very difficult. Hungry people looked for food everywhere and many thefts were reported. We also lost about a month’s supply of rice and some other articles, but God kept His hand over us so nothing very serious happened.

At the Missionary Conference it was decided to recommend that an out-station be built at Ladanguri. The Christians on the other side of Ai river are eagerly awaiting the approval of the home countries as they keenly feel the need for more help in the work.

In December we had the joy of welcoming Rev. and Mrs. Hofrenning to Bongaigaon and the Boro work. They immediately started language study. May God keep them well and day by day give them strength and courage as they enter the work amongst the Boros.

Finally I wish to thank all my fellow-workers in the Circle for help and encouragement. Special thanks
are due to Pastor Malsing Mosahary. His burden has been heavy, but he has carried it cheerfully and is always ready with help and advice. Above all our thanks go to God who has carried us through. To Him be the glory.

SOFIE NESSET.

GAURANG.

The past year was generally a peaceful one in the area and though there have been difficulties in the work there is much to be thankful for.

The Convention in Mothambil in February warmed our hearts and gave hope for the future. It was held in Mothambil where the boarding school for boys started by Christian Boros is situated. This turned out to be a very suitable place for such a meeting. The attendance was good; on the second day it reached its peak with probably 1000 people present. At this Convention women speakers had been given a substantial share of the program and they gave a valuable contribution. Especially one talk made a deep impression; it was on the subject: "How can the Kingdom of God progress by the work of women?"

For the first time a special Convention for Women was held in Gaurang at Easter time. The attendance was not so good, but there was general satisfaction among those present and the Gothaibari people invited the women for a similar meeting at their place next time.

This year a joint Bible Course was planned for the two Circles; it was held in Bongaigaon in April. This was found to be a good arrangement as there were more teachers available and the teaching thereby became more varied and interesting.
A new church building was dedicated at Patgaon and a small one at Ranipur for the new congregation there. Conditions in the Patgaon area have not been very happy. The congregation at Jharbari and certain other church members have refused to accept the pastor stationed there and are at present outside the authority of the Circle. (This is the area where the one-time pastor Surendro is living.) In spite of this the total number of Christians has increased, 21 having been baptized from among the heathen during the year.

The Circle Conference called for formulating the 1952 Budget according to the new rules had to be restricted to a smaller committee because of the difficult food situation in the villages. It was encouraging to see the great interest with which the members approached their task. The Budget was made up with estimated local income of Rs. 6700/-, including paddy given to village school teachers as part of their salaries.

The accounts for 1951 have not yet been completed, but it appears that the total amount of contributions may be only a little below the estimated income for next year. Jambuguri congregation, comprising 21 families, is the foremost, with a contribution of nearly Rs. 600/- plus school collections.

The village school at Bhurphar was taken over by the local Board in September, but provision will be made for Bible instruction.

The village Girls' School at Gothaiibari has had a difficult time and has not yielded benefits commensurate with the great eagerness shown and sacrifices made by the local leaders. In hopes of getting more help from missionaries in the supervision of the school they have built a visitor's house with three rooms and a cook house! One feels deeply moved on seeing the work done by a few enthusiastic leaders at this place. They have
had their great trials, including a visit during the rainy season by a person falsely pretending to be a Christian sadhu. He caused great trouble and sorrow.

BORO CHURCH COUNCIL.

Perhaps something should be said in this report about the work of this Council. It met twice during the year, once in January and again in October. The Executive Committee met four times, one of the meetings being held in Kamrup in order to give an opportunity to come into closer contact with the work there. The Council decided to ask Maguram pastor to take over the pastoral supervision of the Darrang Circle, relieving Alichoron pastor from that part of his responsibility. Thaneswar Bosumaty was appointed Inspector of Village Schools under the Council.

At the meeting in October the budget for next year was worked out. It shows that about 50% self-support is anticipated for the Council area.

BORO LITERATURE BOARD.

One tract in Assamese characters was re-printed during the year. Because the non-Christians generally do not know the Roman characters our books in that script are unfortunately restricted to the use of a small group. The Boros of the Baptist group use Assamese in their worship. The Boros of the Bengal side are more interested in the Roman script although the Bengali character are much more widely know among them. This poses a great problem for us in the effort to spread Christian literature among the Boros.

The Literature Committee met for a short session at the end of the year. It was decided to prepare a new edition of the hymn book. A translation of the booklet, "The Mirror of the Heart," will be sent to the press.
The Boro paper "Phunni Hathorkhi" appeared bi-monthly this year in a new format with eight fairly big pages. It is encouraging to see that interest in the paper is growing; quite a few Boros send in their articles and other contributions.

Anna and Hakon Halvorsrud.

JOEMA.

In the last two annual reports from Joema and Kamrup-Darrang there have been references to the open doors for the Gospel. Several of these doors are still open this year, although we cannot tell of any great public or popular movements toward Christianity. The baptismal statistics also reflect this, as in both Circles the total number of baptisms from among the heathen was only 49. Seventy children of Christian parents were baptized. At the same time it must be added that there are smaller or larger groups of catechumens still under instruction.

The pastor in Joema, Chotto Murmu, tells enthusiastically about an awakening among the Christians in Sundarijhora and that the heathen there are getting more interested.

Pastor Chatur Soren from Dobragaon reports open doors in five villages of his district. The villagers themselves have built a school and are now asking for a Christian teacher. They are willing to pay the teacher themselves.

Otherwise we understand that it has been a year of fairly routine, regular work. There have been a few changes and transfers.

After four years of devoted service here in Joema, the Stures had to leave for Norway in November, a half year earlier than originally planned, due to illness. We moved here in October to take over the work and are at the same time completing our language study.
Ruben pastor has moved to Ransupur in the Santal Colony, and Chatur pastor came to Dobragaon to take over his work. On the 30th of December Arjun Murmu, the preacher in Joema, was ordained to do pastoral work among the Santals in Kamrup. He will be moving there after New Year's. The two new congregations of Matiapara and Aron have in the course of the year built and started two new village schools. The Christians in Mokrambil, Matiapara and Aron are working intensively to get churches built.

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. H. Winding visited their old station, Joema at New Year's time in 1951. Their visit brought encouragement and inspiration. In Mandaria their visit led to a revival so that the Christian there afterwards went ahead and built their own church.

Joema and Kamrup–Darrang Circles had their first official church visitation by the General Superintendent, Rev. and Mrs. J. Gausdal, this spring. The visitation brought spiritual blessings as well as an increased understanding of the responsibilities of the congregations.

Bible Weeks have been held in Joema and Darrang; both were well attended and much appreciated.

Here in Joema Mission compound the Boarding School for boys has had a regular year of work with 110 boys enrolled. The Dispensary here has been kept busy.

Church collections have increased in all the places where the women gather for their Friday meetings. The total for Joema Circle has been raised from Rs. 2312-12-9 to Rs. 2925-13-0.

We wish to extend our hearty thanks to all who give and pray for the work among the Santals in Assam.

ELISABETH and OLE DORDAL.
MORNAI.

As one is to give a report regarding the work here at Mormai for the past year one may feel tempted to write at length about all the practical difficulties that had to be encountered and overcome. It has for instance not always been easy to procure all the things that are necessary to keep the wheels of the institution moving. Numerous formalities and delays have been experienced. This has certainly been the case with regard to the difficulties in obtaining the required foodstuffs and to make our workers and others understand the necessity of managing to get through with the cut rations of rice etc. We have in the tea-garden the responsibility of feeding about 1600 souls living inside the Garden. Therefore, when the year has now passed and we after all got through somehow, one is certainly grateful that everything went as well as it did.

Our Government have many suggestions and plans for labour welfare in India. In this respect our wishes here at Mormai fall absolutely in line with the ideas of Government. Since the inception of the Garden many years ago it has all along been the greatest concern of the Mission to create healthy conditions for the labourers, both materially and spiritually. Still there is however plenty of room for improvements, especially so now after people are beginning to be educated to appreciate such improvements and reforms as are carried out. The general health of the population has been considerably improved. Our school, which has been here for so many years, has contributed much to break down ignorance and superstition. It has now become fairly general that labourers are willing to take medicine and observe certain precautions, for example, not to drink unboiled water, which here in Assam is the cause of many diseases.

The spirit of secularization now so common all over the world is also felt way out here in the middle of
the jungle. It carries its problems and in the Christian community it sometimes results in neglecting the spiritual life and at times even in leaving the church. However, in many cases the new circumstances also cause many to ponder in a more serious way about spiritual values and in some cases it no doubt tends to develop minds where the Gospel can be received and its power realized. Therefore, even under these frequently adverse and altered conditions we can remain confident that the word of God is doing its work also here in the Mornai congregations and in the hearts of men round about us.

In the Santal congregation 14 non-Christians have been baptized and the congregational work has been carried out very much as before. Church attendance has on the whole been fair. We are fortunate in having a number of children and young people who through the school and the Sunday Schools have acquired quite a good deal of knowledge about Christianity and who are also capable of independent thinking. But our great problem is still how to keep their minds engaged so that they may further develop in the Christian life.

In the Munda congregation a fair number of people have been baptized and on the whole the work has been encouraging. Our new Munda Preacher, Nehimias Topno, is an interesting man and he speaks well. He has quite a good deal to give the congregation and it seems he has every chance of doing a good work here.

In Dhorompur in the forests towards the South the congregation gathers regularly for Sunday services. Unfortunately this is not the case in Uksiguri, but we hope for improvements there again.

Looking at the situation as a whole it may be said that there are many possibilities though there are also numerous difficulties. But such are conditions under which the work has to be done.
With regard to the practical side of the tea-garden it was again a successful year with a good harvest of tea. For this there is every reason to be grateful.

In conclusion we tender our heartfelt thanks to all friends for their help and intercessions during the past year.

INGEBORG and OLUF EIE.

SANTAL COLONY.

A year has passed and we are privileged, through this annual report, to share with all of you who take part in and appreciate the work of the Santal Mission, some of the experiences and impressions we have had during the year that now is past.

In a year there are many working days, and for the missionary every day is actually a working day. It is not a working day or working period in the usual sense of the word, but our time is to be given entirely to the service entrusted to us, so one can say that the year that has passed was one long working day, in which God granted us grace upon grace. A word from the Book of Psalms has so often resounded in my heart and seems to express exactly our experience:

"Yet the Lord will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me."

When we look back upon the work of the past year, we feel that we have so much for which to be thankful. In spite of our shortcomings, and not being able to accomplish what we would have desired to do, God has been faithful towards us, and from day to day granted us grace for grace.

We feel that the year just past is the best we have had out here on the mission field, and for several reasons which all add up to the one thing: GOD'S GRACE.
For this reason we would like to put it this way: By God's grace unto His glory. That is also our prayer and our desire with reference to this report.

In our five congregations the work has continued as usual with Sunday services and meetings, and people have faithfully come out to hear the Word of God so that the churches and courtyards where we have assembled have been filled. It has been felt that hearts were open to the preaching and there has been a desire to listen to the Gospel message. Outer circumstances have not always been easy during the past year. There was little rice and prices were very high. Many of our Christians had too little to eat and in several homes there was real need. Bands of thieves have also been stealing and plundering where they found that people had some rice left over, and this also contributed to making the situation disquieted. Many transient strangers who also claimed to be Christians tried to ingratiate themselves among our Christians, and make propaganda in connection with the general elections. Poisonous perversion was in the air, and it was also infused into some of our Christians, who in turn would try to win people over in the name of freedom. But in the midst of all this changeability, unrest, and disquiet, we were privileged to see God's Word, the good seed take root in hearts ground that had been plowed, cultivated and sown for a long time, and souls filled with fear and anxiety were permitted to lay hold of the Gospel of Peace.

Our salaried workers, four pastors and three elders have faithfully done the work that was entrusted to them, visited the sick, conducted and led meetings in the villages, conducted confirmation classes, and in some villages classes preparatory for baptism, and other duties that pertain to their work. This year has seen some shifting of the workers: The pastor at Grahampur was moved to the Joema District, and the pastor from Rantzapur came here in his stead. From the Joema district
another pastor was transferred to Rantzapur congregation. It is sometimes difficult to make such changes, both for the pastor and the congregation, but we feel that it is to the advantage of the work.

In Haraputa congregation, the largest of the congregations in the Colony, pastor K. Tudu and the elder S. Marndi are serving, as paid workers.

In Rantsapur congregation it is pastor R. Murmu and elder J. Murmu.
In Grahampur we have pastor J. Soren.
In Bilanpur it is pastor L. Hembrom, and
In Sevapur congregation the elder B. Hembrom serves.

Once each month we met for Pastors' and Elders' meeting, and these have often been enjoyable gatherings. Special topics from Bible readings have been chosen and discussed, which have brought in practical problems and questions regarding the mutual work. At these workers meetings we have also tried to evaluate the actual situation in each congregation, as to the spiritual life and growth. Sometimes the discussion has brought the pastors to ask questions like: "What can I do to help my congregation?"

May God be permitted to open their eyes to see the great responsibility and the tremendous privilege they have been given as shepherds and overseers of the congregations. A very large task rests on these four pastors and three elders. But it must also be mentioned that we have a group of men and women, elders and Biblewomen who serve voluntarily, without pay, in the congregational work. These are looked upon as leaders in the villages, and they are chosen for the work by the Christians in each village. Many of them take a very active part in the work of the congregation in their own village. The men lead the evening devotions, and other meetings, at weddings and funerals, reading the Word praying and speaking at the fellowship meetings. Together
with the village Headman and the pastor they make the rounds collecting the annual contributions to the congregation. The Bible woman, who in many cases is the wife of the elder, looks after the women and children in the village and cares for the sick. The women have their own special meetings once a week, and these have been called the Friday meetings, since they usually are held on Fridays. These meetings have come to mean a great deal in the work of the congregation, since at these meetings the handful of rice offerings are brought to the congregation, instead of cash contributions. The rice is sold, and it is encouraging to see how much is collected in the course of a year in this manner. In one village, which is not one of the largest villages the collected amount from the Friday meetings was more than Rs. 100/-.

But unfortunately not all villages have regular meetings, and in many instances it is the leaders that become slack, and tire in the work. For this reason more help has to be given to them, and Miss Krohn, who has the big dispensary to take care of at Haraputa, has contributed much in helping the women's work. She has found time to take part quite frequently in the Friday meetings, encouraging and inspiring them, and we are grateful for all that she has done to help them in a spiritual as well as temporal way.

With joy we have observed that in several villages they have commenced to build small churches or meeting houses. In this way it becomes easier for the village people to come together for evening devotions, meetings, Bible study, and for Sunday school. We feel that even more than heretofore the work in the village must be stressed, with reference to preaching, teaching of Christian doctrine etc. The doors are open, and people want to hear. The possibilities are many and abundant, perhaps there are few places on our field where there are greater opportunities. May God drive out laborers into His harvest, and grant us the blessing of finding leaders among our Christians.
Three Bible courses have been conducted. One for young people during Easter, was well attended and we experienced some blessed days.

In the beginning of July we had a course for pastors, elders and teachers, with 24 in attendance. Even if the rainy season had set in, and roads were bad so some of the speakers could not come, we had a very good fellowship.

A course for the volunteer workers in the congregations, was held in November–December. This course was divided so that one week was spent in each of the four congregations. It was a joy to observe how interested the people became and we had very good attendance of elders, Bible women, village headmen and members of the congregational board. On the last day they requested that the course might continue another week.

Our Circle Conference has also had regular meetings, during the year, under the leadership of one of our lay members. It has always been enjoyable to be at these meetings, and we feel that our Christians are beginning to take their share in the responsibility and the opportunities for furthering the work in the congregation.

Seven village schools have been conducted, with nine teachers, who have been paid from the Church funds, by the Treasurer of the Circle Conference. There is a need of these schools, which would perhaps be better if they could be amalgamated so that several villages cooperated in consolidated schools. We also feel the great need of trained teachers.

We have had six Sunday schools, and it has been quite easy to gather the children. The difficulty has been felt in finding teachers who are willing to carry on this work.

December 23rd was a happy day at Rantzapur when a new church bell was dedicated, a gift from mission friends in Norway.
When we look back on all the experiences we have had during the past year, encouragement and disappointments, sorrows and joys, and the Spiritual life and work in the congregations in the Colony, we find much that brings gladness, and for which God must have the praise and the Glory. He has by His strong and mighty hand safely led us through and gave us abundant opportunities to proclaim the Word of Life to the people in the area entrusted to our care. They need to hear it unto salvation, as much as anyone.

We have a deep desire to send our thanks to all mission friends in the homelands, and to our co-workers out here. We thank you for faithful intercession, and ask that you continue to pray for the work here. God has given His promise to prayer in Jesus Name, and He has taught us to pray: "Thy kingdom come."

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end."

Yours in His service,
RAKEL & INGOLF HOYLAND.

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PARKIJULI.

We sit down with grateful hearts to write this report about the past year's joys and sorrows, accomplishments and failures.

As we entered the past year things looked none too bright. At the bungalow site only a few posts stood pointing toward heaven drying too fast in the sun waiting for the carpenters to return from home leave. Six weeks later, when we had given up hope, they came
back. It might then have been expected that the building work should have proceeded at a great pace to make up for lost time. But, no! Although the necessary materials were on hand in good time the bungalow was not actually ready till the end of November.

We lived in the garage and cook house until the end of May. From then on we occupied the bedroom in the bungalow. At the end of October the sitting room and the dining room were also ready for use, and at the end of November the unbelievable happened: The bungalow was ready!

Thus it may be said that the Parkijuli Mission has been established although many things still have been left undone. A fence, a dispensary and proper houses for our workers have still to be built. In addition we plan on helping our Boro brethren to build a new and better church. As it is, the old "living" church at Parkijuli, with branches and green foliage projecting from the roof, is still being used.

The Parkijuli Mission is situated three and half miles to the west of the Darranga Hat Mela where hundreds and thousands of Bhutanese and Tibetans meet during the cold season every year. The Bhutan Road passes close by our Mission and leads toward the east into Bhutan by way of Dewangiri and toward the west into Bhutan by way of Subankata. The Bhutan border is two miles away to the north.

We live six miles from the nearest main road at Kumrikata and have two rivers to cross to get there, and during the rains we may be entirely cut off and even unable to get the mail. In June we were rainbound for ten days, in July one week and in August one week.

The nearest railway station Rangiya is thirty miles to the south.
When we first started work up here some years ago very few houses were in sight, but lately new settlers have moved in by the scores. Soon the mission station will be surrounded on all sides by houses and fields.

The well we had made at the only place we had hope of finding water was far from the bungalow and the water turned out to be bed. We did not expect to find any other spring of water as water always has been a great problem in this locality. Therefore we finally decided to make a cistern between the bungalow and our water canal. Imagine our surprise and joy when digging to make a cistern we struck a vein a water 16 feet down which has given sufficient and most excellent water ever since. What did the prophet of old say? “And they thirsted not when he led them through the deserts: He caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them.” (Is. 48: 21.)

Most of our time during the past year was taken up with building work as I had to bring sand, stone, cement, planks, boards and other building materials with the help of our jeep and trailer. In this way we did not get as much time as we would have liked for our school work and congregational work. Still the school has prospered. Up to 106 boys and girls have been attending school. The village people have again this year given much time and hard work to the school compound where they built another school building of the same size as the one they built last year, that is 60 X 20 feet. In addition they have repaired the other buildings in that compound. According to current wages they have rendered work for more than Rs. 1000/-. (If I should have built a similar house on contract it would have cost me between two and three thousand rupees). Now and then we may be apt to feel discouraged because our church members are torn between different views and lacking in spiritual maturity. On the other hand
it is encouraging to realize what this congregation has rendered in money and kind during the past year. An account would look something like this:

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The full amount does not appear in our statistics as only cash has been entered there. It would be a different picture if we were to record all the workdays rendered by our Christians in building village school and churches.

The congregation at Parkijuli wants to build a new and better church, but they would like to get some help from the Synod or Mission in order to make it bigger and more lasting than the one we are using now.

**KAMRUP CIRCLE:**

Apart from Parkijuli we have only one congregation and one school at Sesapani. There were encouraging signs of spiritual awakening when two non-Christian men were baptised but it soon receded when Christians and Hindus joined in a quarrel about the property of a deceased Christian. The congregation has not yet recovered from the effects of the shock.

**DARRANG CIRCLE:**

Last Spring Darrang Circle was turned over to our care and Maguran Pastor was put in charge of those congregations in addition to his own here in Kamrup. He has been visiting the congregations there several times since, and I have been there once attending a Circle Conference.

The Boros are always on the move. That is why Pasiagoan and Merbangsuba congregations have been dis-
continued. On the other hand we have two big new congregations, Goraimari and Simolguri in Darrang Circle and still another one up at Lakhimpur which is far away and hard to care for. The congregations in Darrang seem to work well and the number of schools has increased. The latest addition is Goraimari school with 15 boys and 12 twelve girls attending classes.

DEWANGIRI:

Mr. Dann is still in charge of the school. The number of pupils is the same: 9. Although the school may be weak it is there, and we have often found that it is better to have a poor servant than none at all. One of the boys at school is now big enough to be of direct service in our work. He knows Bhutanese and is willing to work with us as far as time and circumstances permit in preparing a grammar, word book and other books and also in translation work. In fact a humble attempt has already been made. But it is slow work, and I am afraid it will take time if a learned Bhutanese does not come to our assistance.

There has been one set-back after another. Those who have wanted to become Christian have died, and our Bhutanese chowkidar, the first of our Bhutanese to receive baptism, passed away last Spring. But we keep plodding along sure of final victory for Christ also among those people.

From Kalimpong comes encouraging news. Rev. Miller is well under way with a grammar and vocabulary in the western dialect. For the time being it will appear in Roman script although ultimately it will most likely have to be written in Tibetan characters.

During the past year we even had some distinguished visitors from Denmark and Norway. First of all Dr. and Mrs. Winding. Then Deacon Rekkebo, Secretary
of the Norwegian Deacons' Brotherhood on his way home from the war in Korea and lastly Rev Fredri. Wieloff and Mr. Skauen. We want to thank every one of them. Their visits were appreciated. We appeal to other friends in our homelands to 'go and do likewise!'

In closing we want to thank all our mission friends who made this new mission station a reality by their gifts and prayers. Thanks also to the Norwegian Tibetan Mission for their support.

Yours in His service.

Anne Helene & David Westborg.
EDUCATIONAL WORK IN ASSAM.

GRAHAMPUl HIGH SCHOOL.

The name of this school has just been changed from The Santal Colony High School to The Grahampur High School for the name of the place where the institution is situated. We feel that this name is more in accordance with the aspirations of the New India, and also more acceptable to all Branches of the Ebeneser Evangelical Lutheran Church in Assam.

The Santal boys are still in great majority, but the Boros' interest in the school seems to be increasing also. The Garos, the Mundas and the Bengalis consider sending more boys to the school. We do hope that this institution will soon become the joint enterprise of all our Christians in Assam.

It has been a great encouragement that Gauhati University this year has granted the High School provisional recognition with permission to present candidates in the Matriculation Examination. The Santal boys have been permitted to offer Santali as an alternative language in-stead of Sanskrit. The Elementary Scientific Section of the school has also been recognized.

Further affiliation will depend on all round improvement of the school, increase in the enrollment, efficient class teaching and achievement of satisfactory Matriculation Examination results.

Two of the Santal boys have passed the test Examination and are eagerly preparing for the coming Matriculation Examination. The boys are proud of these two first candidates, and we are all very anxiously awaiting the result on which so much of the future of the school depends.
In December 1951 seventeen boys appeared in the Middle School Examination. Seven passed, one in first division. In addition to this one of the boys who appeared privately, also passed.

We found this result encouraging even if the percentage of those who pass is very small in comparison with usual results in the West. To this is to be said that the average percentage of candidates who pass is very low in the higher schools all over India, probably about 30%.

What is the reason? Some say that the minds of the youth are so engaged by the national and political movements that examination results are worse than they used to be some years ago.

Others say that freedom has been misunderstood by many young men who do not work hard enough. Others say that the curriculum is overcrowded and the details too many for the students to manage. The ability of the students, the climate and the health are also mentioned as factors which have to considered in this connection. All these difficulties seem to be concentrated in a school specially meant for aborigines in a province like Assam. In addition to this the Santals and Boros have to learn everything through the Medium of Assamese a foreign language to them.

In Grahampur the School-language used to be Bengali; but Assamese has been introduced according to the wish of the Government. This transition will be completed within this year. (Only in the Lower Primary classes Santali will be allowed as Medium of Instruction up to class II.)

As only one or two of the teachers have Assamese as their mother tongue, the other teachers have had to learn Assamese themselves first and then start to teach the boys. They are all learning it more or less theoretically as it is not commonly spoken in the neighbourhood. It will take years before this area by the influence of the schools will become more of an Assamese-speaking area.
In spite of many difficulties it has been possible to improve the staff this year, and arrangements have been made for further improvements. Within a year or two the school will have a sufficient number of graduates, mostly Christians.

The number of boys is about the same as for the previous year, 232 for the whole school (the Primary Section included). The number of Santals being 172 and the number of Boros 24. The great majority are Christians.

About 130 of the boys are staying in the Hostel attached to the school. The boarders bring their own rice and pay fees for other expenses. The Hostel is already almost self-supporting. Self-government is also to a great extent practised in the Hostel. Daily prayers are regularly held by the boarders themselves. The boarding-houses are overcrowded so it is a great asset to get more accommodation when some of the classes shift to the New High School Building.

The erection of the first 5 classrooms has almost been completed. We look forward to the day when all the classes of the High School can be held in one building. Now there is a temporary arrangement with classes in four buildings. This makes the supervision of the school—work very difficult.

The realization of school fees has been satisfactory, and grants have been received from the Santal and Boro Church Councils and from the Provincial Government. We extend a word of thanks to the authorities concerned.

But still the main support is received from the Mission. We are very thankful to our friends at home for their liberal contributions and constant prayers.

Religious instruction is given in all the classes to both Christian and interested non-Christian boys. The
Bible-studies in the higher classes seem to have opened the eyes of some of the boys for the eternal values. We hope and pray for a real awakening.

It may be said about Assam in the words of our Lord: "The harvest truly is plentious, but the labourers are few.

Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."

With hearty greetings to both old and new friends.

Yours in His Service,

SOLVEIG & SIGFRED JOHANSEN.

GAORANG GIRLS' SCHOOL.

By the end of January we had the joy of welcoming our first Boro missionary from America, Miss Muriel Nielsen, to Gaorang. She was asked by the Conference to study Assamese, which is the medium of instruction here in Assam, in order to take charge of the school work as soon as she obtains a working knowledge of the language. Unfortunately she contracted Typhoid soon after she arrived here and had to spend the greater part of the spring term in the hospital in Shillong.

In March Dr. Dagmar Pedersen came here from Sevapur Hospital and we were very happy to have her with us the last of her 20 years of work in India. She took charge of the dispensary aided by compounder Chandrae Kisku. We had a good deal of dysentery among the hostel girls, due partly to the abundant harvest of fruit in the "Mango Grove", but the epidemic was kept under control by the energetic work of Dr. Pedersen, until finally the ripening season of the fruit brought an end to our troubles. Otherwise the health of the children
was very good despite three months of famine in Assam. On account of the rice shortage we had to substitute corn, milo and whole wheat flour for a part of their diet. This met with a great deal of disapproval among the Boro workers, teacher, children and parents, whose usual diet consists almost exclusively of rice. However, on account of the change of diet we found by the end of the famine that the children's health was better than ever before.

In March we were also privileged to welcome back to the school the lady who during her previous decade of work as teacher and headmistress had won much love and respect from teachers and pupils alike, Miss Violet Boruah. Her sister, Mrs. Florida Das, also returned to the school, and we were happy to welcome her husband, Mr. N. C. Das as our new headmaster. These additions to the staff enabled us to go on with classes VII & VIII of High School.

Unfortunately the results of the M. E. Examinations are still not good. Only one girl, a Santal, passed. Nine children passed the Primary Scholarship Examination. One girl was awarded a scholarship.

It was encouraging to receive a visit by our new Deputy Inspector of Schools. He was very pleased with the buildings, arrangement, discipline and staff, and he was unable to find any reason for such poor examination results.

The number of children on the roll has been about 160, of which 105-110 have been boarders.

In closing I wish to thank the Government of Assam for grants which we have receive during the year.

And to all the friends in our three homelands I want to extend our most heartfelt thanks for their support of the work. The school is comparatively new and has not yet the rich traditions which the other secondary
schools in our mission have. On account of the instability of the Boro temperament and the lack of continuity of leadership the school has had its ups and downs. Kindly remember it very specifically in our prayers, that from now on it may show a healthy growth under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

SOLVEIG SOMMING.

HARAPUTA GIRLS' SCHOOL.

When I am trying to think of what happened in the year 1951 here at Haraputa, I am not able to recall any very big events. Except for the many changes in the staff and that the food situation at one time was rather critical, the year was one of the more quiet ones. This year also we learned that the Lord is able to provide our needs, both as to food and teachers. Once more we learned that the word of the Master "Fear not!" still has its power.

The School: We had an average of 145 children in the school this year; the day scholars numbered a little less than they used to. In the M. E. section, Classes 4-6, we had only 21 girls; the rest were in the Primary section. In December 5 girls took the M. E. examination and 8 took the Primary. The results are not yet known.

The Staff: This year the teachers have changed a great deal. The headmaster M. Murmu left in the beginning of the year. Kusum Murmu in April, Manjhan Murmu had sick-leave from May to the end of the year. We are glad to have her back in the work. Mrs. D Singha came and went, and so did Rahel Kisku. Nevertheless we managed to keep the school going. We still had some good and faithful teachers who have been in the work for many years. I want to thank these especially:
Sorola Murmu, Thakran Marndi, Rajen Dass and Chita Kisku. Mariam Hembro and Elisabeth Murmu have also been of great help, as has also Rupasri Borgwary, who came in a time when we were in great need of an Assamese teacher, and we are thankful for her willingness to help us. In spite of all the changes in staff the work has been carried on steadily.

We have received Grant-in-aid from Government of Rs. 80/- per month for which we are thankful.

Boarding: During the year we had about one hundred boarders. Many of the children are bringing their own food from home, but for the remainder, about 50 persons, we had to arrange food. It was not an easy task, but by the grace of God we got what was needed. When it was really difficult, I was strongly reminded of the widow of Zarephath, I Kings 17: 16, “the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail.” That was what we learned. We had most carefully estimated the food to last up to the middle of November, and we hoped by then to be able to buy some more. Our supply lasted not only throughout the year, but 2-3 weeks in the new year. Both Children and adults were thankful for having their good rice twice daily in a time when so many people had very little to eat.

One of the boarding houses was getting beyond repair, therefore it was torn down and rebuilt. In the end of May it was ready and on that occasion we had a dedication service. It is wonderful to have one more roof which does not leak when it is raining.

Twice during the year we went for picnics. Once we went to Gothaibari to visit the Boro Girls’ School there; the other time we went to visit Ranzaupur.

Spiritual work; The Word of God has been sown in the classes at school; the morning and evening devotions, as well as in the Sunday School and at Bible
classes. We pray that in time it will take root and bring forth fruit to the glory of God and His Kingdom.

One girl was baptised and 11 were confirmed this year.

In closing I. wish to give thanks to friends who with their prayers and gifts have helped carry on the work in that part of the vineyard called Haraputa.

“Therefore be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.” I Cor. 15: 58.

ELDBJORG GULBRANDSEN.
MEDICAL WORK IN ASSAM.

SANTIPARA LEPROSY COLONY.

Economic aid in the form of grants has been gratefully received, as was the case in 1950, from The Government of Assam, The Mission to Lepers, and from our Santal Mission. The Government of Assam has appointed a committee that makes investigations from time to time as to whether the Government grant is expended in the right way or not. Every year during the rainy season a report is sent to The Mission to Lepers, and this gives us an opportunity to express our appreciation to them for the help they give towards this work. We are also required to submit to them a statistical report each year as of 31st December.

Our annual word of thanks is here with sent in writing to the friends of the Santal mission in America, Denmark and Norway, for their help.

We were obliged to dismiss the Doctor we had last year. Through the help of friends in the Assam Christian Council we contacted a young Christian doctor from Jorhat, Dr. Edwin Goldsmith. He has served here since the 15th of August 1951.

At the missionary conference early in 1951 it was decided to transfer Sister Solveig Johansen to Santipara, and she has worked here since February. We have had the same compounders this year as last. Moseram Borgawary is registered "under section 31 (d) of The Pharmacy Act, 1948", for which we are very grateful. Choron Murmu is still a patient at the R. P. Chest Hospital, Shillong and there is perhaps little hope that he will be able to return and resume his work as compounder.

In addition to our Leprosy patients at Gaorang, Gurubhasa and Santipara, we have also this year had
quite a number of other patients for treatment. One "ward" has been prepared for such non-leprosy patients, and that will soon make the work easier for the doctor, as well as for Sister Solveig and the other helpers.

A shed has been built so that our Highland rice can be threshed even while it rains. Here we also have the rice huller, which is a very useful machine. A threshing machine is needed very much, and even if such machinery is not available in India, we hope one can be had from Denmark or Norway. Our Ferguson tractor is quite indispensable, and we are very happy that it could be purchased.

The school for the leper children has continued. The word of God is regularly preached in Boroni, Bengali and Santali.

The Chairman for Santipara Circle has sent his report to the church Office. It is, perhaps, unnecessary to repeat any of that here. But we are especially happy for the privilege of sharing in the congregational work of the eleven small congregations here in this Circle.

GUNNAR FOSSLAND.

SEVAPUR HOSPITAL.

Yet another year has passed and eternity is so much nearer. This makes us realize, that we must use all the opportunities that God gives us to reach out with the Good tidings and with the help and healing we can give.

Several different missionaries have worked here at Sevapur during the past year. Miss Solveig Johansen was moved to Santipara in January, Dr. Dagmar Pedersen moved to Gaurang in March and Miss Helene Romer
continued her language-study in Koroya after her vacation. Dr. & Mrs. B. B. Bogh and Miss Asbjorg Fiske have been continuing the work.

We have a good staff. The 6 Santal girls who started their training two years ago have shown much interest in their work and it is good to see the spirit they put into their work in helping the sick and suffering. Besides these our two old compounders have helped us faithfully and two new ones have started their training.

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175 operations were performed, 25 confinements and 3124 Lab. examinations.

And now we are facing a new year. Nobody knows what the year will bring, but we know that at the entrance into the year Jesus himself is standing, and saying "Unto me is given all power in heaven and on earth."

A. FISKE, H. & B. B. BOGH.

HARAPUTA DISPENSARY.

The work both in the dispensary and in the congregation has gone quietly and steadily during the year 1951; it is good to know that our God works in the everyday-life as well as through the big events.

In the dispensary we have had the same two faithful workers as before, Jotin Ch. Das and Sitol Soren. We are glad to report that both of them during the year became registered compounders. It means something for the work here to have them recognized by Government.
During the year we treated 11,534 patients of whom 4112 had malaria. During the hot season we have quite a number of people mauled by wild animals come for treatment, but besides these there have been no unusual or epidemic cases.

Among the children in boarding there has been very little sickness and no epidemics; the doctor doing the annual physical examinations reported them to be in good health.

In the congregation the work has also gone its normal and steady course. The weekly Friday-meetings in the villages have been conducted as usual, even though it has been a bit difficult in some places to get the women to come for these gatherings. The Bible women conducting these meetings have gathered here for a monthly Bible class. The collections from the meetings amounted to Rs. 544-14-6, most of it given in rice, which was then sold. In March we had a 3 days Convention for women. Every Christian woman in Goalpara was welcome and many came. Some were accommodated here, some stayed with relatives near by and many came for the day, but lived at home. Especially the afternoon-meetings were very well attended. One day we were more than 1000 women gathered in our church.

Confirmation classes have been conducted as before, in May. 68 were confirmed and 34 baptised.

It has been a joy to see how the congregation here is realizing more and more that the Church as such one day must become self-supporting. Their collections during the past year have in creased considerably.

We thank our friends who remember us and the work here in their prayers and we thank our Heavenly Father without whose help the work here would be in vain.

ELISABETH KROHN.
EBENESER
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CHURCH, 1951.

The year 1951 was for the newly organized church a good year. We may not be able to draw attention to great events, but life requires the even days of drizzling rain and small spells of sunshine to grow. And God in His great mercy granted us such days during the year under review.

The organization is new, and in the church there may be confusing ideas about what shall properly belong to the right and duty of the local congregations and what shall fall under the District Church council and so forth. Such is only natural. Our church membership is drawn from village people whose age-old training in public life is limited to matters pertaining to the village.

The church work opens up for them thinking on a far wider basis, and this will be a blessing for them.

The church organization is so framed that while the central body, the Synod, is normally only expected to meet once a year, the five church Councils have several meetings according to local requirements. All Church Council have had meetings and tried to carry the burden of the day, and it may as yet be too early to comment upon their work. Only one of them has had to face unexpected difficulties. This is the North Bengal Santal Church Council with members both in India and in East Pakistan. Traffic across the boundary has been somewhat restricted, and contact with the congregations on the East Pakistan side has been less than what is normally needed in church life. It has been hoped that this is only a passing strain, and that soon better days will come. Otherwise it is difficult to see how church bodies can ignore state boundaries.
In the report for 1950 the church constitution is given, and it is recorded that the different church councils were re-organized so as to become constitutional. And so the first constitutional Synod met at the end of October, 1950, and this authorized the interim General Superintendent "to issue notice of election of General Superintendent, and the 4th of January, 1951, is suggested for nomination in the church councils."

The results from these nomination meetings were tabulated at the Church Office on the 15th of January and referred to the Missionary Conference and the Home Boards of the Santal Mission of the Northern Churches "for their opinion". When the Synod met again at the end of October, 1951, all these matters were placed before it, and the final election carried out according to the constitution. The installation service was on Sunday the 4th of November, and as decided by the Maha Sabha in March, 1950, the Secretary of the Santal Mission officiated as Installing Officer.

SANTAL PARGANAS CHURCH COUNCIL.

At the end of 1951 there were under the care and jurisdiction of the S. P. Church Council a Christian community of 10388 souls, organized in 70 congregations and living in 560 villages. Their church collections and other contributions amounted to Rs. 8.552-7-5. During the year 243 children of Christian parents and 163 persons from outside were baptized.

The President of the church Council was Rev. Naran Soren of Sapadoha, and the Indian pastors of this Church Council area were:

Tika Murmu, 1924, Chirapathor P. O. Katikund.
Khudia Marndi, 1931, Mission, „ Mohulpahari.
Kalu Kisku, 1931, Santal Divinity School, Benagaria.
Johon Hansdak', 1933, Koroya Mission, „ Dumka.
Mongol Hembrom, 1933, Tatbandha, „ Benagaria.
Naran Soren, 1934, Sapadoha, „ Benagaras.
Mansing Tudu, 1937, Tarni
Simon Baske, 1938, Dum,
Bhogon Murmu, 1938, Haripur Mission
Johon Murmu, 1939, Babhondia,
Bajun Murmu, 1939, Dhorompur Mission
Sibram Marndi, 1939, Basetkundi Mission
Joseph Hansdak', 1940, Domkata,
Suphol Hembrom, 1941, Kaerabani Mission
Munshi Hembrom, 1941, Lukhipokhur,
Cunu Murmu, 1943, Majdiha,
Peter Murmu, 1943, Itor Mission
Mongol Besra, 1946, Jambua,
Chaitan Soren, 1947, Maharo Mission
Bhiku Tudu, 1948, Chandpur
Abraham Murmu, 1948, Mission,
Salhae Marndi, 1948, Saldotha Leper Colony, Mohulpahari.
Munsi Marndi, 1951 Dhobona village

NORTH BENGAL SANTAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The North Bengal Church Council area is as already mentioned partly inside India in the districts of West Dinajpur, Malda and a few congregations in Purnea, and partly in East Pakistan in the districts of Rajshahi, Dinajpur, and one small congregation in each of the districts of Bogra and Rangpur. There were at the end of the year 44 congregations with about 2000 Christians. The Christians were living in 116 villages and consisted of 426 families. The last figure indicates that the community if properly counted should be about 2350. During the year 86 children of Christian parents and 53 persons from outside were baptized. Church collections amounted to Rs. 1.455-15-0.

Rev. H. Kippenes was President for the Church Council, but moved during the year into Pakistan and was later sent home due to illness. Acting Church Council President was Rev. Jonas Hansdak' of Rajadighi Mission in Malda, and Indian pastors serving in this area were:
(Mongol Kisku, 1930, Rautnagar Mission, P. O. Ranisankhail, Dinajpur, E. P.)
Budhrai Hansdak', 1937, Badhair Mission, " Talanda, Rajshahi, E. P.
Munshi Murmu, 1947, Phoridpur Mission, " Habra, Dinajpur, E. P

ASSAM SANTAL CHURCH COUNCIL.

This Church Council listed at the end of 1951. 46 congregations with 9547 souls. About two-thirds of this number are living in the Santal Colony and Mornai area where consequently the Christian community is a compact settlement. The rest is found in scattered village congregations below the Himalayas as far eastward as the Udalguri area of Darrang. During the year 317 children of Christian parents and 265 persons from outside were baptized. It is also to be noted that the Dingdinga Circle under this Church Council consists of non-Santals, many of whom however know the Santali language and work and live among the Santals and they have therefore desired to remain under the same Church Council. Church collections amounted to Rs. 15.774-3-9.

Church Council President was Rev. G. Fossland of Santipara Leper Colony, and the Indian pastors of this area were:

Lokhon Hember, 1930, Bilanpur village, P. O. Dingdinga.
Kanhu Tudu, Haraputa Mission, " Haraputa
Nimbai Murmu, 1941, Santipara, " Bongaegaon.
Ruben Murmu, 1942, Ransupur village, " Dingdinga.
Jatu Murmu, 1942, Mornai Tea Estate, " Dingdinga.
Ratu Marndi, 1944, Kolabari village, " Sirphanguri.
P. O.
Sirmath Marndi, 1944, Hingaon village, Udalguri, Darrang.
Chatur Soren, 1948, Dobragaon village, " Haltugaon.
Choto Suna Soren, 1948, Joema Mission " Gossaingaon.
Arjun Murmu, 1951, Paharpur village, Kumbirkata, Kamrup.

BORO CHURCH COUNCIL.

The Boro Church Council area is geographically speaking just about the same as the Assam Santal Council area, but it has its own distinct function in the Boro language, the mother tongue of the old resident population of this part of India. There were at the close of the year 46 congregations with 5037 souls, and during the year 227 children of Christians and 109 persons from outside were baptized. Church collections amounted to Rs. 13.425-0-6. This is just a little more than Rs. 2-8-0 per baptized, member or generally speaking Rs. 15/- per family of 6 persons.

President of the Boro Church Council was Rev. H. Halvorsrud of the Gaurang Mission, and the Indian pastors of the area were:

Alichoron Bosumatary, 1932, P. O. Bongaegaon.
Tharini Iswary, 1942, Patgaon village, " Haltugaon.
Maguram Mohary, 1945, Parkijuli vill. Menoka, Kamrup.
Upendro Mashary, 1945, Goladangi vill. " Gossaingaon.

BENGAL CHURCH COUNCIL.

The Bengal Church Council area is geographically the least cohesive one, and therefore the functions of the Council are mostly carried out through its branches in the different Circles. It has, however, one very great asset, the Bengali language, which is one of the most developed Indian languages and is spoken by about 60 millions.

At the end of the year there were 45 congregations with 2138 souls. Apart from this number, there was in the report for Malda Circle written: "Scattered 137
(doubtful figure)" This has therefore not been included in the total as mentioned above.

A remarkable progress has been made during the year in Cooch Behar Circle, not among the ordinary population of the area, but among immigrant Garos. 121 from these were baptized during the year. For the whole Church Council area 71 children of Christians and 147 from outside were baptized. Church collections amounted to Rs. 2,844-7-6.

President of the Church Council was Rev. H. P. H. Kampp of Nimasarai Mission, and the Indian pastors serving under this Council were:

Daniel Jha, 1944, Mohulpahari Mission " Mohulpahari.
Haraknath Pramanik, 1944, Lutheran Church, " English Bazar.

The interested reader is invited to study the statistics for the whole church on the special sheet. As will be seen, the established Ebenezer Evangelical Lutheran Church has a very broad basis, being rooted in 1062 villages. If the living fire of faith were burning brightly in every one of the 5795 homes of the church, what great things would not come to pass! As it is, we find worldliness, and lack of faith, within the fold. But we have also seen signs of that living faith which is ready to suffer even unto death. And when the year under review also shows marked advance in the Assam area, it is in a great measure the result of that joint testimony which the Christians gave during the time of disturbance in 1950. The Christians gave shelter to the refugees
and did not side with any of the parties, but showed mercy. During 1951 944 children of Christian parents and 737 persons from outside were baptized.

Visitations took me to places within all Church Council areas, and I am indebted to both missionaries, pastors and church members for all kindness and help received, and without which it would not be possible to carry out this service.

But apart from linking the church together in the Synod body, and in the person of the General Superintendent and his visits, we tried during 1951 to effectuate the Synod resolution about Ministerial Quarterly Reports, and based on these the Church Office prepared and sent out Quarterly Letters. I think it has been found of value in trying to forge us together.

Comparison with last year's statistics will show that contributions have gone up by about Rs. 12,000/-, representing an increase of 38% on the previous year. Unfortunately at least one misguided person has been about and in places worked against the welfare of the church and collected money for himself.

The new church can not expect to escape temptations of this nature, sad as they are. In another place an old pensioned pastor is keeping a village congregation as a kind of private property, and in a third place a deposed pastor is having a small group of equals keeping him company. This is mentioned in order that the reader may realize how real the spiritual fight is even for the church as a body. Evil forces are near at hand fully prepared to exploit.

May the Lord of the harvest so lead us that His name may be glorified!

JOHANNES GAUSDAL.
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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

Auditors' Certificate.

Dear Sirs,

We report that we have checked the books of the Mission for the year ended 31st December, 1951, as follows:

The entries appearing in the General Cash Book have been examined with the subsidiary Books and vouchers with the exception of the transactions relative the Tea Garden Accounts which will be separately audited.

We report that we have verified the receipts from the American, Danish and Norwegian Mission Boards during the year under audit and have found the entries appearing in the General Cash Book to be in order. The Bank Pass Books have been checked by us and agree with the Cash Book and we have had produced to us the respective certificates from the Calcutta, Bombay and Chittagong branches of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China in verification of the respective balances with the Bank's branches at the 31st December, 1951.

We have examined Zemindary Account and have ascertained that all remittances have been accounted for in the General Cash Book.

COLONY CASH BOOKS:

The books were checked as follows:

The remittances from the Mission during the year have been checked into these books and were found to be in order after necessary rectifications had been made by the Treasurer. Only a very few vouchers could be checked by us as, in the majority of cases, they were either not available or were written in languages which we were unable to translate, but those which we were able to check were in order.
LOAN BOOKS:

All postings of the Loan Books have been checked and total balances of the loans and deposits outstanding have been agreed therewith.

INVESTMENTS:

The Investments of the Indian Workers Pension Fund, as detailed in the Fund Book, and of the various other Funds as described in the separate Fund Books were verified by reference to certificates from Bankers and by examination of the Scrip for Government Securities, Fixed Deposit Receipts etc., and found to agree therewith.

GENERAL:

During the year, the Norwegian Board remitted £1,000-0-0 for the credit of the Mission's Account with the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China Chittagong and the proceeds of this remittance amounting to Rs. 9,253/- (Pakistan) were duly credited by the Bank. This remittance has been incorporated in the Mission Cash Book at exchange rate 144: 100 i.e. Rs. 13,287-3-0 (Indian) is shown as having been received during the year. No payments have as yet been made out of this remittance.

Yours faithfully,
LOVELOCK LEWES.
## Statement of Account for year 1951.

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Rs. 172,600-06-3  Rs. 86,439
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Mohulpahari Christian Hosp. Rs. 15.000 Rs. 5.895-10
Saldoha Leper Colony Rs. 39.390 Rs. 3.062-08
Basetkundi Dispensary Rs. 500
Kaerabani Rs. 1,000 Rs. 297
Dhorompur Rs. 200
Maharo Rs. 500
Narainpur Rs. 530
Benagaria Rs. 1,000 Rs. 865
Eklakhi Rs. 650 Rs. 159
Malda Medical Work Rs. 864 Rs. 45
Sevapur Hospital Rs. 10,000 Rs. 2.713-12
Santipara Leprosy Colony Rs. 17.143 Rs. 1,613-12
Gaorang Dispensary Rs. 500 Rs. 330
Joema Rs. 400
Haraputa Rs. 242 Rs. 360

**Total** Rs. 87.919 Rs. 15,341-10

District Work, Ordinary pay, total Rs. 172,600-06-3
District Work, Dearness all. total Rs. 86,439
School Work, Ordinary pay, total Rs. 103,703
School Work, Dearness all. total Rs. 27,894-14
Medical Work, Ordinary pay, total Rs. 87,919
Medical Work, Dearness all. total Rs. 15,341-10

Total carried over Rs. 493,897-14-3
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EXPENDITURE:

Brought forward  Rs. 968.233-11-4

Balances:

The Chartered Bank of India
   A. & C. Bombay Rs. 930
do do Chittagong " 13.287-3
Netherlands Trading Society,
   Calcutta " 5.551-3-6

Less:  Rs. 19.768-6-6

Overdraft The Chartered
   Bank, Calcutta " 1.922-8-10

Total Bank Balance    Rs. 17.845-13-8
Cash in hand        " 19.571-13-4    " 37.417-11-0

Rs. 1005.651-06-4

INCOME:

Balances per 1/1 1951:
Main Account S. M. N. C.
 Rs. 51.371-10-6

Mornai Tea Estate
 Charitable Fund " 12.683-02-1

Received from America
 (as per separate account) " 108.052-06-2
Received from Denmark
 (as per separate account) " 131.612-06-2
Received from Norway
 (as per separate account) 327.704-1-6
Received from Norway for
 Pakistan work, Chittagong 13.287-3
Received from Norway
 for deposit Bombay bank 930

" 341.921-04-6

Received from Mornai Tea Estate " 205.000
Received from Benagaria Zemindary " 3.000
Lent from deposit " 150.000
Bank interests on deposits etc. Rs. 2.116-07-5
Debit Interests and bank charges 105-14-6 " 2.010-08-11

Rs. 1005.651-06-4
INDIAN WORKERS PENSION FUND'S ACCOUNT ON 31ST. DECEMBER 1951.

DEBIT
Balance per 1. Jan. 1951 Rs. 215-06-9
Transferred from Fund investments " 132-02-0
Received grant from The Santal Mission of The Northern Churches " 5,302-10-0
Whole year's interest on Government loan CA 87, 423-15-0
Contribution from members " 1,985-14-0

Rs. 8,059-15-9

CREDIT.
Pension paid to members Rs. 7,657-11-6
Pension contribution refunded to previous members " 402-04-3
Balance per 31. Dec. 1951 nil. 0

Rs. 8,059-15-9

CAPITAL INVESTED
Capital per 1. Jan. 1951 Rs. 42,846-12-5
Capital increase during year 1951 " 173-08-5

Capital per 31. December 1951 Rs. 43,020-04-10.

This amount is invested this way:
On fixed deposit with The Chartered Bank of India Australia & China, Calcutta Rs. 19,285-00-0
On fixed deposit with Mahadeolal Prabhudyal, Dumka 6,921-02-0
On fixed deposit with R. J. Himatsinka, Dumka 1,185-13-6
Government of India 3% loan 1896/97, Ca 87, Nom 19,000 " 15,628-05-4

Rs. 43,020-04-10.
BENAGARIA MISSION

Zemindari account for the last six years.

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William Glad.