MINUTES OF THE BURMA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

June 5, 1926.

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Burma Christian Council was held at 8 o'clock on June 5, 1926, at the British and Foreign Bible Society rooms.

The following members of the Executive Committee were present:—Dr. J. E. Cummings (in the Chair), Rev. W. C. B. Purser, Dr. C. H. Riggs, Rev. B. M. Jones, T. J. Cornelius, Esq., Miss May Mack and Rev. C. E. Chaney, Secretary. Other members of the Council present were Rev. J. T. Latta, Miss Cecelia L. Johnson, Miss M. B. Ferguson, Mrs. B. M. Jones, Saya U Ba and Dr. D C. Gilmore.

Dr. Cummings read the 121st Psalm and brought us a helpful message on “The upward look.” Dr. Gilmore led in prayer.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters of regret for absence were received from the Rt. Revd. the Bishop of Rangoon and from W B. Hilton, Esq.

A letter from Miss Gordon, Hon’y Officer of the N. C. C., was read relative to her visit in July and it was,

RESOLVED: That the Annual Meeting be held on the 30th and 31st July next at the Y. M. C. A., Rangoon.

RESOLVED: That the Committee on Rural Education co-opt the Secretary and arrange a program and itinerary for Miss Gordon for the month of July.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

I. *The Education Committee.* See Page 5
   The report was approved and accepted.

II. *Committee on Training of Missionaries.*
   Mr. Purser made a verbal report which was accepted.
   
   RESOLVED: That the Committee be authorized to reprint the syllabus for Burmese language examinations after revision of the same. The representative bodies of the various missions concerned shall be given opportunity to make suggestions for the revision. The revised form should be presented in the report to the Annual Meeting to be printed in the Minutes.

III. *Committee on Literature.*
   Mr. Jones made a verbal report, which was accepted.
   
   RESOLVED: That we approve of the proposal of the Committee to prepare a list of books for translation on the Contract Plan, and that the Committee take the matter up with the Indian Literature Committee.

IV. *Finance Committee.* See Page 7
   The report was read and accepted.

REPORTS OF AD HOC COMMITTEES.

1. *Committee on Survey.* No report.

2. *Committee on Gambling.* Mr. Cornelius stated that it was not possible to have the report ready for this meeting, but he hopes to have a report prepared for the Annual Meeting.
3. Committee on Social Questions.
   a. The report on Housing Conditions in Rangoon is about ready for the press.

   b. The Committee did not feel they had data sufficient to justify them in approaching the editors of the Rangoon papers on the resolution referred to them. No further action was taken.

   c. Attention was called to the fact that four Provincial Governments of India have requested Experts on Social Hygiene and Venereal Disease to be sent out to India to confer with local authorities. The delegation from the British Social Hygiene Council will probably arrive in 1927.

4. Committee on Booklet for Distribution to Tourists, etc.
   a. Report of progress was given with an outline of proposed contents.

   b. The Secretary was instructed to correspond with Tourist Agents relative to providing Tourist Ships enroute to Burma with a lecturer on Burma, such lecturer to join these ships at Calcutta or Penang enroute to Burma.

5. Committee on Rural Education. No report.

Miss Gordon is coming to Burma and will visit some of the rural schools.

NEW BUSINESS.

Dr. Murray writes he is unable to serve as a member of the B. C. C. It was thought unnecessary to appoint anyone in his place on the eve of the Annual Meeting.
RESOLVED: That Mr. Chaney, Mr. Jones and Mr. Purser be a Committee of three to arrange for the Annual Meeting.

RESOLVED: That the Secretary write a letter of invitation to Dr. Stanley Jones to come to Burma for a period of special services.

RESOLVED: That the Secretary invite Dr. Kanomori, the Japanese Evangelist, to visit Burma during his time in India.

RESOLVED: That the Secretary send an invitation to Dr. Zwemer to visit Burma during his visit to India in 1927.

The Secretary was instructed to ask the Secretary of the N. C. C. to send us 150 copies of the “Call to Prayer” in English, to be sent out with the Minutes, and to request each Communion to have it put into the vernaculars and printed in the vernacular papers.

It was moved to adjourn after prayer.

Miss Johnson led in the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. CHANEY,

Hon’y Secretary.
REPORT OF THE EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE
OF THE
BURMA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL
TO THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On the 5th of June, 1926.

This sub-committee held a meeting at the committee room of the Mission Press and considered several matters that had been referred to it.

The letter of the Director in which he said that it was proposed to charge full rental value of land used for educational purposes was considered. It was decided to address the Director saying that this committee did not consider the proposal either workable or feasible as it would raise many difficult questions. The letter of the Rev. Mr. Chaney was referred to in this connection.

The reply of the Director said that the matter is still before government and that our committee's views would have full hearing.

The letter of the Director asking advice as to how government could make itself secure in regard to buildings for which a building grant had been made, to see that the buildings continued to be used for educational purposes was also considered. It was decided to write to the Director saying that in the opinion of the committee an undertaking by the head of the mission concerned that the building concerned would be so used would be sufficient for the missions represented by this committee.
The reply of the Director also stated that this matter was still before government and the views of the committee would be considered.

The committee also decided to ask for fuller information as to how the amount of the maintenance grants is arrived at and some form showing approved income and expenditure which might be used when the amount is announced was suggested.

The Director in his reply said that heads of schools had been supplied with full information whenever they asked for it and had had the matter explained to them whenever they called in person or wrote about the matter. He also sent a form which he had decided to use when any item of the financial statement was not approved. He sent us copies of recent orders on the subject.

A few other matters have arisen that may call for the consideration of the committee.

C. H. Riggs,

Chairman,

Education Sub-Committee.
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

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\text{Rs.} & \text{A. P.} & \text{Rs.} & \text{A. P.} \\
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\text{Balance in Bank on 11-2-1926} & 1,220 & 1 & 1 \\
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Payments.

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\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Rs.} & \text{A. P.} & \text{Rs.} & \text{A. P.} \\
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\text{A. B. M. Press for printing} & 35 & 8 & 0 \\
\text{minutes} & \text{Cost of 25 stamped checks,} & 1 & 9 & 0 \\
\text{May '26} & \text{3rd June, Rev. B. M. Jones for} & 19 & 15 & 0 \\
\text{stationery expenses} & \text{Bank Balance on 5th June, 1926} & 1,163 & 1 & 1 \\
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T. J. Cornelius,

Treasurer,

Burma Christian Council.