Reports and Minutes

of the

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

of the

North-West India Conference

Aligarh, January 8-14, 1930.

"Saved for Service."
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Officers and Committees, 1929-30.

North-west India Conference.

President .. Miss E. Porter.
Vice President .. Miss E. M. Forsyth.
Secretary .. Miss Grace Boddy.
Assistant Secretary .. Miss Laura V. Williams.
All India Treasurer .. Miss Pearl Madden.
Field Correspondent .. Miss Ida A. Farmer.
Statistical Secretary .. Mrs. H. C. Scholberg.
Assistant Statistical Secretary Miss S. Edith Randall.

Field Reference Committee.

Miss Clemes, Chairman; Miss Porter, Miss Clark, Miss Forsyth, Miss Bobenhouse, Miss Klingeberger, Field Correspondent and Treasurer, ex-officio, Alternates, Miss Richards, Mrs. Scholberg, Miss Doyle.

Field Property Committee.

Misses Bobenhouse, Clark, G. Richards, Porter and Field Correspondent and Central Treasurer, ex-officio.

Executive Board Member.

Miss E. Porter.

Promotional Fund Committee.

Miss G. Richards, Miss Schaefer, Miss Doyle.

Schools Committee.

Misses Clark, Bobb, Bobenhouse, Palmer, Justin, Buss, Warner, G. Richards, Schaefer, Doyle, Boddy, Clancy, Randall, Hoffman, Clancy, Mrs. Dye, Mrs. Pace, Mrs. Templin, Mrs Henninger, A. Richards.

Board of Education.


Joint Evangelistic Board.

Miss Klingeberger, Miss Farmer, Miss A. Lall, Miss Boddy, Miss Forsyth, Miss Livermore, Miss A. Richards, Mrs. Mann, H. C. Scholberg, S. W. Clemes, Robert John, C. C. Herrmann, Amar Dass, William Dye, Robert Gardener, G. Gordon, F. E. Henninger.
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES 1929-30

Board of Religious Education.
Rev. Amar Dass, Chairman; Miss Palmer, Secretary; J. C. Pace, H. S. Peters, R. T. Templin, William Dye, Misses Clancy, Warner, G. Richards, Sahae, Mrs. Pace.

U. P. Christian Council Board Member.
Mrs. R. T. Templin.

Joint Literature Committee.
Miss Justin, Chairman and Conference member of All India Literature, Misses Palmer, Warner, Schaefer, Patrick, A. Lall, Mrs. H. S. Peters, Amar Dass, J. W. Alexander, H. S. Peters.

Evangelistic Committee.
Mrs. Herrmann, Chairman; Misses Klingeberger, Secretary; Clark, Registrar: Porter, Livermore, Farmer, A. Lall, A. Richards, Boddy, Mrs. Dye, Mrs. G. Mann, Mrs. Scholberg, Mrs. Clemes, Mrs. Amar Das, Miss Forsyth, Chairman, Bible reader examinations.

Language School Committee.
Mrs. Livermore, Lawson, Mrs. Clemes, Miss Barry, H. C. Scholberg, William Dye.

Board of Temperance.
Mrs. Dye, Mrs. Devadasan, Mrs. Clemes, Miss Lawson, Miss Barry, Miss Schaefer, Mrs. Herrmann, Mrs. Amar Das, H. S. Peters, Ram Sahae, Isaac Mann.

Village Education Committee.
Mrs. Pace, Misses Farmer, Boddy, A. Richards, Warner, Klingeberger.

Evangelist Teachers and Summer Schools.
Mrs. Dye, Mrs. Emma Moore Scott.

Drama and Music Collection and Translation Committee.

Isabella Thoburn College Board of Governors.
Miss G. Richards.

Meerut Girls' School Committee.
Principal ex-officio, Misses Hoffman, Justin, Clancy, Bobenhouse, Schaefer, Doyle, G. C. Davis.
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES 1929-30

Aligarh Vocational School Committee.

Principal ex-officio, Mrs. Pace, Miss Schaefer, Miss Porter, Miss Justin, Miss Boddy, Miss Bobenhouse, Miss Hoffman, Miss Bobb.

Board of Trustees, Muttra Training School.

Bishop of Southern Asia, Superintendent of Muttra District, Principal ex-officio, Miss E. Porter.

Examiners, Woman's Schools, Bareilly.

Miss Klingeberger, Mrs. G. Mann.

Board of Governors, Bareilly Theological Seminary.

Miss Clancy.

Board of Governors, Wellesley Girls' School.

Miss Bobenhouse.

Warne Baby Fold.

Miss Farmer, Rev. Amar Das.

Mary Wilson Sanitorium Committee.

Miss Clark (Term expires 1931).

Miss Porter (Term expires 1930).

Northern India Medical Committee.

Dr. Tower, Miss Porter.

Indigenous Missionary Societies.

Miss Warner, Mrs. Herrmann, Mrs. Henninger, Mrs Dye, Mrs. Scholberg, Mrs. Amar Das.

Standing Committee on Central Conference Actions on Women's Work.

Member Executive Board, Chairman. Miss Farmer, Miss Livermore, Mrs. Clemes, Miss Clancy.

Provident Fund.

Misses Boddy, Porter, Clancy, A. Richards, A. Lall.

Auditing Committee.

Misses Clark, A. Lall, Schaefer, Buss, Barry, Doyle.

Annual, Conference Furniture.

Mrs. Henninger, Mrs. Dye, Miss Doyle.

W. F. M. S. Furniture.

Misses Randall, Doyle, Bobb.
Conference Programme.
Miss Boddy, Mrs. Henninger, Miss Farmer, Miss Porter
Miss G. Richards.

Memoirs.
Mrs. Scholberg, Miss Forsyth, Miss D. Matthews.
### Conference Roll.

**North West India.**

Organized 1893.

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Appointments.

North-west India Woman’s Conference 1929—1930.

ALIGARH DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. C. C. Herrmann.
Evangelistic Work, Miss I. A. Farmer, Miss A. Lall.
Louise Soule Girls’ School, Miss L. G. Bobenhouse, Miss Pearl Palmer.
Girls’ Vocational School, Miss Faith Clark, Miss Mildred Bobb.

ANUPSHAHR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs M. S. Budden.
District Evangelists, Miss M. A. Livermore, Mrs. Grace Mann.
District Village Schools, to be supplied.

BULANDSHAHR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. Robert Gardener.
District Evangelists, Miss M. A. Livermore, Mrs. Grace Mann.
District Village Schools, to be supplied.

DELHI DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs S. W. Clemses.
Delhi Girls’ School, Miss C. L. Justin.
District Evangelist, Miss Ida Klingeberger, P. O. Sonepat, Punjab.
Sonepat Catherine Craine Kissack Boys’ School, Miss Helen Buss.

GHAZIABAD DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. William Dye.
District Evangelist, Miss E. M. Forsyth.
Village Educational Work, Miss E. E. Warner.
Ghaziaab Ingraham Training Institute, Mrs. J. C. Peace.
Ghaziaab Bible Training School, Mrs. William Dye.

MEERUT DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. F. E. Henninger.
Meerut Girls’ High School, Miss G. E. Richards, Miss C. E. Schaefer, Miss Letah Doyle.
District Evangelist, Miss E. M. Forsyth, P. O. Ghaziabad.
Village Educational Work, Miss E. E. Warner, P. O. Ghaziabad.
Meerut Boys’ School, Mrs. F. E. Henninger, (Hostel Superintendent).

MUTTRA DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. H. C. Scholberg.
Evangelistic Work, Miss Grace Boddy, P. O. Agra.
Agra Holman Institute, Miss Grace Boddy, P. O. Agra.
Agra Holman Institute, one missionary to be supplied.
Brindaban Hospital, Physician in charge, Miss R. B. Tower, M. D.
Brindaban Hospital Superintendent, Miss E. Porter, R. N.
Brindaban City Evangelistic Work, Miss E. Porter, R. N
Brindaban Hospital School of Nursing, Principal, Miss Elda Barry, R. N.
Muttra Blackstone Missionary Institute, Principal, Miss M. A. Clancy; Associate Principal, Miss Edith Randall; Zehana Department, to be supplied.
Muttra Girls’ Anglo-Vernacular School, Miss M. A. Clancy, Manager.
Muttra Boys’ Hostel, Mrs. Templin.

MUZAFFARNAGAR DISTRICT.

District Work, Miss Robert John.
Evangelistic Work, Miss A. Richards, Miss Ella McLeavy.
Village Educational Work, Miss A. Richards.

ROHTAK DISTRICT.

District and Medical Work, Mrs. Amar Dass.
Evangelistic Work, Miss Ida Klingeberger, P. O. Sonepat, Punjab.

ROORKEE DISTRICT.

Evangelistic Work, Miss A. Richards, Miss Ella McLeavy.
Village Educational Work, Miss A Richards.
Roorkee Girls’ Primary School, Miss C. E. Hoffman.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Isabella Thoburn College, Miss L V. Williams, Miss M. I. W. Hermiston.
Theological Seminary Bareilly, Dean of Women, Mrs. James Devadasan.
Butler Memorial Hospital, Baroda, Miss L. E. Huffman, M. D.
Associate Editor, Indian Witness, P. O. Lucknow, Mrs. C. O. Forsgren.
ON FURLough.


RETIRED.

Miss A. E. Lawson, Mrs. Rockwell Clancy.

TRANSFERRED.

Helen Wells, to Indus River Conference.
The Northwest India Woman’s Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met for its thirty-eighth annual session in Aligarh. Mrs. C. C. Herrmann was in the chair and also led in devotions. A very earnest, prayerful spirit prevailed in the opening session.

ROLL CALL.

The roll was called to which twenty-two responded.

GREETINGS.

Dr. Tower and Miss Porter returned from furlough were welcomed and Miss Barry, our new missionary, who although she came to us last year could not attend conference, was also greeted. Miss Ball sent a message by letter to the Conference. Mrs. Pleeted also sent greetings.

Miss Farmer announced the names of three new full members now present with us, Mrs. Amar Dass, Miss A. Richards, and Miss A. Lall. The names of three associate members Miss Dolly Matthews, Miss Mabel Patrick and Miss Alice Johnson were also presented. These three will attend the conference on Saturday.

ORGANIZATION.

Conference Officers as follows were elected:

- President: Miss Porter.
- Vice-President: Miss Forsyth.
- Secretary: Miss Boddy.
- Assistant Secretary: Miss Williams.

COMMITTEES.

The following committee were appointed by the chairman:

- Nominations: Miss Richards, Miss Everley, Miss Bobb, Miss Barry, and Mrs. Clemes.
- Resolutions: Miss Clancy, Miss Schaefer and Miss Doyle.

DAY OF PRAYER.

Miss Farmer distributed to each one a copy of a Programme for World Day of Prayer, March 7, 1930.
TIME OF MEETING.

It was moved and seconded that we attend the joint session to-morrow for one and a half hours or until the district superintendents finish their reports.

INDIGENOUS SOCIETIES.

It was moved and seconded that we continue to give our Rs. 3 dues and also collect as much as we can from our local auxiliaries.

ADJOURNMENT.

Conference closed at 2:45, a vote having previously been taken to extend the time. The session closed with prayer.

Second Session.

Thursday, January 9th, 1930.

OPENING.

After meeting in Joint Session, the Woman’s Conference re-convened at 12:45 P. M.

DEVOTIONS.

Mrs. Buck had charge of the devotions.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

INTRODUCTIONS.

Mrs. Amar Dass, Mrs. Rockwell Lance, Mrs. A. R. Budden, Miss Moses and Miss Walter were introduced and welcomed.

GREETINGS.

A letter of greeting from Miss A. E. Lawson was read by the secretary, and Mrs. Clemes brought greetings from Miss Hermistion to the Conference.

TIME FOR ELECTIONS.

By common consent it was agreed to consider the report of the Nominating Committee at this time.

An extension of the meeting was given.

REPORTS.

In between the casting of ballots for members of standing committees, the following reports were given:

Miss Clancy reported for the Blackstone Missionary Institute at Muttra, and Miss Klingeberger reported for the Joint Evangelistic Board. These were accepted.
Music.

Miss Herrmann delighted us with a beautiful piano solo.

Vocational School.

It was voted that certain vital points concerning the Vocational School be presented in a Joint Session, and this motion was amended to the effect that the matter should be referred for action to the Board of Education and presented as a part of the report of the Board to the Annual Conference.

It was voted that two evangelists be on the Aligarh Vocational School Committee, the matter to be referred to the Nominating Committee, which should present names for same.

In casting ballots for members of the Field Reference committee, it was voted that when electing the sixth member, we choose four names, the one having the highest number of votes to be the sixth member of the committee, the other three to be alternates.

Regarding the election of Miss Justin as chairman of the Joint Literature Committee, Miss Warner suggested that as Miss Justin would not return before January 22nd, somebody should be appointed to take her place until her arrival. It was decided that the work should be carried on as formerly until that time.

Miss Boddy moved the following: That the Woman's Conference refer to the Woman's Work Committee, with instructions to draw up a memorial concerning same, the matter of ordination for women and their membership in the Annual Conference. After discussion, by common consent it was agreed that Bishop Badley be invited to come on Friday and instruct us as to the outcome of the Woman's Conference if women were admitted to membership in the Annual Conference. The secretary was asked to write, asking the Bishop to come. The motion before the house, that the matter be referred to the Woman's Work Committee, was seconded and carried.

Announcements.

Miss Farmer made announcements concerning leaflets for the "Call to Prayer," and medical blanks. Dr. Tower made an announcement concerning physical examinations.

On motion, the meeting was closed with prayer at 2:40 P.M.

Third Session.

Friday, January 10th, 1980.

The Conference met in regular session at 11:30 A.M.
DEVOITIONS.

Basing her thoughts on the 23rd Psalm, Mrs. Amar Dass led the Conference in the devotions.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS.

Mrs. C. O. Forsgren was introduced and was welcomed as a new member of the Conference. Miss Olive Clemes was also introduced.

Permission was granted the Nominating Committee to present the names for the Aligarh Vocational School Committee on Saturday.

GREETINGS.

Letters of greeting were read from Miss Livermore and Miss Potenger.

WOMAN'S MEDICAL COLLEGE, LUDHIANA

By common consent the matter of selecting two members from the North-West India Conference to serve on the Medical Commission of Northern India, was passed on to the Nominating Committee for names to be presented in the usual way.

MUSIC.

We were privileged to enjoy a beautiful piano solo played by Miss Olive Clemes.

PROVIDENT FUND.

Miss Boddy presented the committee's report, but by common consent action was postponed till Mr. Amar Dass' coming later in the session.

INDIGENOUS MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Miss Warner reported for the committee. After some discussion of the committee's recommendations, it was voted that the missionary's wife in each station be asked to be responsible or make somebody else responsible for the organization and welfare of indigenous societies.

As to the distribution of the funds now in hand (Rs. 102) it was voted, that one-half be sent to the Warne Baby Fold for their building fund; one-fourth be sent to Korea; and one-fourth to the Bhabua Mission.

At this time Bishop Badley discussed at length the matter of ordination of women, and their membership in the Annual Conference. He brought a message of greeting from Mrs. Badley and Miss Badley.
An extension of time for the meeting was moved and seconded.

Rev. Amas Das visited the session, explained certain technicalities regarding the Provident Fund, and answered questions asked.

**Election of Delegates to Central Conference.**

It was voted that two delegates be elected, after which two alternates should be elected. The suggestion was favourably accepted that one delegate be elected from the Indian membership of the Conference.

The following were elected:

- Miss E. Porter, Miss A. Richards.
- Alternates: Miss Lall, Miss Forsyth.

**Report of U. P. Christian Council.**

Miss Farmer presented the report. It was voted that the report be accepted.

Dr. Tower asked that Hospital Sunday be observed in the Churches throughout the Conference. It was voted that Hospital Sunday be observed, that the matter be presented to the Joint Session, and a committee appointed to present a programme.

**Miss Randall.**

A letter was read from Miss Randall, in which she asked for the prayers of the Conference for restoration to health. Business was suspended while Miss Bobenhouse led in prayer.

It was voted that one-half of the Summer School expenses of evangelist teachers, and, if possible two-thirds of the bill be paid by the Conference.

**Provident Fund.**

It was voted that the Committee be continued to confer with Mr. Amar Das on the matter of the Provident Fund.

Miss Richards asked that a music committee be formed to collaborate with the Literature Committee, to aid in translation of songs, etc. After discussion, it was voted that the Literature Committee be asked to include such work in their work. After further discussion, it was voted that the matter be referred to the Nominating Committee for action.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 P.M.
DEVOITIONS.

The devotions were led by Mrs. Mann.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

NEW MEMBERS.

Miss Shama Sahae, Miss Filicia Chand, Miss N. V. Singh were presented by Miss Farmer as Associate Members of the Conference. They were accepted. Miss Dolly Matthews, and Miss Mabel Patrick were introduced and welcomed as Associate Members.

GREETINGS.

A telegram of greeting from the Bengal Woman's Conference was read, and it was voted that the secretary send a letter of greeting in response.

The secretary announced the receipt of a letter from Mrs. Devadasan in which she asked to be relieved of attendance at Conference until such time as her health permitted her to be present.

The Nominating Committee presented names for the various committees which are printed in the list of standing committees.

COMMITTEE FOR HOSPITAL SUNDAY.

The President appointed the following committee to make suggestions for the observance of Hospital Sunday: Misses Doyle and Barry, Mrs. Amar Das.

MUSIC.

Mr. Gordon Herrmann played a violin solo, accompanied on the piano by Miss Esta Herrmann.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

At Mrs. H. C. Scholberg's suggestion, it was voted that two columns, one to show the credit balance, and one to show the indebtedness, be asked for in the new year's statistical report in the Conference Minutes.

At this time Mr. Sankey Sheets of Lucknow was introduced, and spoke to the Conference on the subject of the Warne Baby Fold. He requested that the President appoint a committee to consider what might be done throughout the Conference to increase interest in the Baby Fold and to secure funds for same. It was voted that the Indian members, together with Miss Klingeberger as Chairman, act as a committee for this purpose.
FIELD CORRESPONDENT.

It was voted that we accept the report of Miss Farmer as Field Correspondent.

It was voted that we send as a Memorial to the Central Conference the following: If any member absent herself two years in succession from the Conference meetings, her name shall be dropped from the Conference roll. After a member has been excused for three consecutive years her name shall be dropped from the Conference roll.

PROMOTIONAL FUND.

Miss Schaefer reported for the Committee. It was voted that her report be accepted.

EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE.

Miss Forsyth reported for the Committee.

Regarding the recommendation,—After January 1st 1931, no new candidate be accepted as a Bible reader who is not Middle Pass, or Vocational 6th Pass, or Muttra Bible Trained nurse or teacher trained,—it was voted that this matter be referred to the committee again for action.

On motion, the meeting adjourned, after prayer offered by Mrs. Budden.

Fifth Session.

Monday, January 13th, 1930.

The Conference met in regular session at 12:30 p.m.

DEVOTIONS.

The Devotions were led by Miss A. Richards.

It was voted that Miss Barry act as Assistant Secretary in the absence of Miss Williams.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE.

The report of this Committee was read and accepted.

SCHOOLS COMMITTEE.

A recommendation from this committee regarding a revised form for Teachers' Contracts was made to the Conference for its approval. The form was accepted and will be sent to the Chief Inspectress of Schools for sanction.
LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

The Literature Committee called attention to a new booklet, "Words for Workers" by Dr. Buck at 2 annas per copy, "The Children's Friend," at 6 annas per year, and "The Treasure Chest," a magazine for children published monthly.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY OBSERVANCE COMMITTEE.

This committee reported its intention of sending out a suggested programme for the observance of Hospital Sunday.

On motion the meeting adjourned at 1:30, after prayer offered by Miss Porter.

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Sixth Session.

Tuesday, January 19th, 1930.

OPENING.

The women's conference met for its sixth session at 9 a.m.

DEVOTIONS.

Devotions were conducted by Miss Lall.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS, GHAZIABAD BIBLE SCHOOL.

The name of Miss Boddy was accepted as a member on this board.

NEW BUSINESS.

It was voted that a memorial be sent to Central Conference from our women's conference asking for the duties and privileges of associate members to be defined.

PROVIDENT FUND COMMITTEE.

The Provident Fund Committee reported. Its recommendations were accepted. It was voted that the Provident Fund Committee be continued and carry on its work during the year further clarifying and organizing plans. The names of Miss A. Richards and Miss A. Lall were proposed to serve in place of the two members, Miss Livermore and Miss Randall, who because of sickness were not able to be present. Miss Boddy was made chairman of the committee.
ORDINATION OF WOMEN.

It was voted that a memorial be sent to conference requesting that provision be made for the ordination of women.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

A special committee consisting of Misses Boddy, A. Richards, A. Lall and S. Sahae was appointed by the Field Reference committee to state the problem of girls at home, without a plan for their future. The committee's report was accepted. The Committee sent a communication to the men's conference urging the importance of sympathy and co-operation on the part of parents with the schools. It was voted that such parts as ought to be handled by the educational board should be referred to that board.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

The report of the resolutions committee was accepted.

MINUTES.

It was voted that the minutes of the last meeting be sent to the members of the Women's Conference in Muttra for approval.

ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at ten o'clock by prayer offered by Mrs. Pace.

GRACE BODDY,

Conference Secretary
Reports

Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow.

Report to Women's Conferences, 1929.

Last year's report sent to you during my absence must have brought you all up to the middle of the year. From Christmas until the end of April each year two great events stand out, the meeting of the Board of Governors and the annual examinations. There are also of course the regular College events, Sports Day, Founder's Day, The Golden Circle, farewell parties, and many special occasions.

Because of my return from America the meeting of the Board of Governors was delayed until April so that it might be held after my arrival. The Board met on the 6th April and Dr. Eno, concluding her year as Officiating Principal, gave a splendid report. It seemed too bad that any one should return and make a break in an administration which had been so effective and satisfactory, but Dr. Eno had her mind definitely made up not to remain in the College any longer. In just one month after the meeting of the Board we realized that there was a reason—a reason which is of course known throughout India by this time. We rejoice to have her with us in the sense that she is still in Lucknow and we may call upon her for all those many services which she can render so beautifully and which she does render so willingly to the College.

The second great event, the examinations, proved as successful as usual. In the University examinations one girl failed in the B. Sc. and one was placed in the compartmental class in the B. A., but one girl was placed in first division, which is a distinction won by very few University candidates up to the present time. In the Intermediate thirty-four passed out of thirty-eight presented and two of these were in the first division, one in arts and one in science. Both training departments, the Diploma in Teaching for graduates and the English Teachers' Certificate for undergraduates, passed entire.

The new year which opened in July brought us a very interesting group of students. There has been this year a noticeable return of old students, not quite literally old but students who have been out of College eight or ten years and are now back for further study. One of them has humorously dubbed the crowd "the gray sisters." The amazing thing is that out of the whole group of eight or ten such students there is not a single misfit.
Some of them, having had their training and having taught for all of these years, have come back as freshmen to find themselves under the chaperonage of former pupils of theirs, but they have accepted matters of that kind as the good joke which they really are, and have fitted into the student body in a most surprisingly satisfactory way. The enrollment at the beginning of the year was one hundred and forty, the largest we have ever had without the high school classes. There has been the usual falling off but the number has not seriously altered.


This year we are fortunate in having a fine group of women and a good teaching staff. The Principal of the school has been ill since the beginning of the new school year, and Mrs. C. S. Thoburn has been of great help in carrying on the work in spite of the fact that there has been illness also among the other members of the staff. While some of the special courses, such as music, have not been held this year, the regular work of the school has not suffered seriously.

Last year there were eighteen women in the school. In May six women left, and this fall five more came to take their places. Another is to come but has not yet arrived due to prolonged illness. So we have the same number this year as we had last. In the spring the women passed the following examinations:

- First year dikhāli .. 2
- Fourth " .. 2
- First year Bible readers' Course 3
- Second " .. " .. 1 and 2 passed parts
- Third " .. " .. 2 " 1 " ..
- Fourth " .. " .. 1

The remainder of the women as well as some of those listed above took various Bible courses with the men. This fall about half the women are able to take their Bible courses with the men.

Besides their regular school work the women have a sewing class, take part in the Missionary and Temperance meetings and Sunday School, and go out in bands to help in mohalla Sunday Schools. The hospital is holding a special clinic for seminary women and children and is arranging a series of health lectures for them.

The Kindergarten this year has fifteen children. Because of crowded conditions in the Girls' School the six year old children were not able to enter this year, so we are having a special class for them to give them a
start in reading and arithmetic in hopes that they may
do better work when they do enter school next year.
The nursery has about twenty babies. The number is
changing constantly as the babies enter at four months
and leave at three years whether it is the beginning of
a term or not.

Landour Language School Report.

The 1929 session of the Landour Language School
has been a good one.
The enrollment for the first term was 116; 64 in the
Hindi department and 53 in the Urdu. Of this number
29 belong to the M. E. Mission, the largest number from
any single Mission. Four of these were representatives
of the General Board and fifteen of the W. F. M. S., but
only six were in attendance the second term.
The Rev. R. D. Cornuelle was Principal during both
terms and Miss Johnson was Supervisor of the Hindi
department during the same time. Mrs. Clemes again
gave fine supervision for the first term in Urdu and Mrs.
McArthur for the second. These were assisted by an
able staff of nine Indian Instructors.
Monday lectures as usual were given on many vital
subjects throughout the session.
Twenty students appeared for examination in the Urdu
section at the close of the school the first week in September
and eleven in Hindi.
In June representatives of the Women's Conferences
in this language area met at Dilaram, Mussoorie to make
plans for carrying on the work on a more permanent basis.
The Conferences represented were North India, North-West
India, Central Provinces, Indus River and Lucknow.
Miss M. A. Livermore was made Correspondent and a
member of the Managing Committee of the Landour Lan-
guage School.
It was recommended to buy property instead of renting
as we have been doing the past six years, and a plan was
outlined showing how this might be done advantageously.
A small committee was appointed to negotiate and
eventually a place called "Rokeby" was selected. This is
a beautiful and most conveniently situated place and
we hope to occupy it next year.
It was recommended that the Mission grant a certificate
on completion of the second and third year courses of
language to such students as are not eligible to a Joint
Examining Board certificate and that this rule apply to
students of recent years who did not receive the J. E. B.
certificate due to a new ruling.
It was suggested that the Field Reference Committees might meet the payment of this amount either from free money or by prorating the various accounts.

Another recommendation made was that a book to be chosen by Mrs. Cleenies, in consultation with the members of the Language School staff, in place of "Qasas-i-Hind" in the second year.

Since this committee passed this resolution, a strong request has come from certain persons that they be allowed to substitute a book for nurses called "Hidayat-i-Temardari" for "Qasas-i-Hind." It seems that it would be well to grant permission to substitute some properly approved book, though it might not be the same for all conferences. It would be well if the conferences would vote on this question.

In the Landour Language School examination which took place the first week in September the following from our Mission passed in the second division:—

Miss Chase, M.D., Miss Barry, R.N. and Miss Bell, R.N.

A. E. Lawson.

Blackstone Missionary Institute, Muttra.

For Year ending October, 1929.

Purpose of the School.

"This Institution was established to stimulate and give facilities for the study of the Bible, to increase the number and efficiency of Christian workers and to utilize the undirected or misdirected energies of Christian women in active service."

Its specific objects are:—

1. To give the knowledge of the Word of God.
2. To give practical training in Religious Education.
3. To give general information concerning the habits, customs, and religions of the people.
4. To test those offering themselves for Religious Education work, as to physical, mental and spiritual experience.

The Staff.

I. English department and Missionary Staff.

We have been greatly encouraged by the coming of Miss Edith Randall from the Boston University School of Religious Education, and Miss Edna Bradley from the Hartford Seminary School of Religious Education. Miss Randall is Associate-Principal here. The work of these ladies lies
principally in the English department. This leaves me free to devote my time to the Vernacular department. Miss Garnet Everley will be very much missed as she goes on furlough. She has given courses both in English and in the Vernacular, in spite of her heavy work as manager of the Boarding School. Miss Helen Wells, a Local Missionary and a graduate of our English department, left us last November for Kinnaird College, Lahore. She has been very much missed because of her splendid executive ability and her work of supervision.

II. Vernacular Training Staff.

1. Miss Shanti Chew, Miss Shanti Mann, graduates from the English department.
2. Miss Anji Lal, Miss Catherine Singh, graduates of the Vernacular department.
3. Matron, Mrs. G. White, a graduate of our vernacular department, and former teacher in this department.
4. Change in Staff.
   Miss Gladys Kirk, a graduate of our English department, was married, on October 16th to a fine Christian man. Both are much interested in Church activities. Mrs. E. Shering is now taking a course in compounding in Ludhiana. She had given us five years of faithful teaching.

III. Health Department.

This is under the supervision of the Brindaban Hospital Staff and our local nurse, Miss Mercy Matthews.

IV. Zena?na Department.

Mrs. G. Mann, Deaconess. Mrs. Rasulan Scott, teacher, a graduate of the vernacular department.

Special Courses and Staff.

1. Zena?na work—Mrs. E. G. Mann. Mrs. Mann attended the conference at Cawnpore.
2. Picture-Interpretation and Hand-work for Bible-teaching, Miss Edna Bradley.
3. District Summer School.
4. Epworth League Methods and Course Ideals, Miss Garnet Everley.
5. Biblical Geography, Miss Edith Randall.
7. For other courses to be given, please see the Syllabus.
8. Lectures on Birds and Trees, Dr. Lily D. Greene.
Students, Areas, and Missions.

The total enrollment for the year in the English department has been 8, and in the vernacular 45. Students have come from six main areas, and from nine missions.

Graduates.

There were two graduates of the English department both of whom are teaching in mission schools. From the vernacular department there were nine graduates.

Present Conditions of Attendance.

I. English Training Department.

We have six consecrated young women in this department. Some have come after years of planning.

II. High Vernacular Department.

This year we have seventh class pass girls, as well as A. V. Middle pass.

III. Lower Vernacular.

As no one is allowed to take this course who cannot read or write well, the grade of work done is much better than before. New converts are not accepted. Two years ago I applied to the Executive Committee to be allowed to close this department. But they did not feel that this should be done.

Demand for Graduates.

The demand is much greater than the supply. We are praying that the Master may bring to us more students.

M. A. Clancy,
Principal.

Schools Committee.

1. Miss Clark was elected chairman of the School Committee, and Miss Bobb secretary for the coming year.

2. Miss Schaeffer reported that the committee which had been appointed to revise the rules for the athletic contest, had made no revisions with the exception of the jump which had been increased three inches.

3. Moved and passed that a committee be appointed to decide on the size of balls to be used in the athletic contest, adjusting the size of the balls to the size of the girls as near as possible. Misses Schaeffer, Everley and Bobb were appointed. The committee recommended a volley-ball-size ball between eight and nine inches in diameter for girls from the second class up, and the tennis ball for A., B. and First classes.
4. Moved and passed that Miss Bobb succeed Miss Okey as director of the athletic contest.

5. Moved and passed that the athletic contest be completed by March 10th.

Miss Richards reported that the committee appointed in 1929 revise the arithmetic curriculum for middle schools decided to retain the curriculum now in use in these schools.

7. Concerning the question of the need for salaries for Bible-trained teachers in our schools, the secretary reported that the Field Reference Committee has asked the ladies in America for appropriations for Bible-trained assistants for the supervising of the teaching of Bible in our schools.

8. The secretary reported that sub-divisions 2 and 3 of the report of the sub-committee of the Schools Committee report for 1929 had been approved by the Field Reference Committee—Namely:

(a) In case of matrons who are capable of carrying full responsibility and are in charge of hostels during the summer vacation, we recommend that they receive an additional sum of Rs. 25 for the extra vacation work. They may be allowed during the regular school sessions the months vacation due them on full pay.

(b) In case of assistants or local missionaries or others who carry the work during the summer time in the absence of the missionaries, we recommend that they be allowed Inter fare and Rs. 50 per month with the understanding that they pay their own board.

9. Moved and passed that we accept the mission adopted form of teachers contract.

10. Moved and passed that we ask all schools in this conference to use this adopted contract.

11. Miss Bobenhouse was appointed to see about the printing of teacher's contract forms for this conference.

12. Moved and passed that the question of the responsibility for girls going from the Roorkee Girls' School to the 5th and 6th classes in Meerut be referred to the Field Reference Committee.

13. Moved and passed that the matter of requiring medical certificates for entrance into the Girls' Vocational School be referred to the Vocational School Committee.

MILDRED H. BOBB.
REPORTS

Village Schools.

There has been encouraging progress in village school work during this year. One missionary was appointed to give all her time to village school work. Another divides her time between a large primary day school and district village schools. In other districts the village schools are cared for by the district evangelists.

All of the Reading Classes are conducted by Bible Readers and are therefore maintained by funds of the W F.M.S. Gradually and as a result of successive “cuts” in the funds of the Board of Foreign Missions the financial responsibility for most of the village schools taught by men has been assumed by the W.F.M.S. The reports for this year show that more than the 75% of these salaries are paid by the W.F.M.S. In addition the two large primary day schools, Agra and Ghaziabad, are maintained entirely or almost entirely by the W.F.M.S.

Two-thirds of the children in the district schools are reading in the two beginning classes, while only one-third stay in school long enough to become really literate. More adequate supervision would do much to ensure regular progress but such supervision is impossible with our limited staff.

Religious teaching is receiving great emphasis. Each district has a carefully planned course of Bible study, even though a teacher may be left to plan the details of the other courses. All the districts have graded the work of both schools and reading classes and try to have examinations regularly.

Mildred Page.
Chairman.

The United Provinces Christian Council.

The Christian Council of the United Provinces met in Allahabad April 3, 4, and 5, 1929. The first day was given to the discussion of the Jerusalem Conference statements on the Christian Message and the Relation of the younger and older churches. We were fortunate in having with us during those days the Rev. J. Z. Hodge, who takes the place of Dr. Macnicol as Secretary of the National Christian Council.

Many subjects were discussed and resolutions brought forward. One in which we will be interested in was the proposed Commission on Christian Colleges. Two men from England, two from America and several from India would compose the Commission. It was the opinion of
some present that we did not need both the Agra College and our Lucknow College. Many looked with disfavour on the suggestion, but heartily approved that the Home Boards be consulted in regard to the appointment of such a commission, for it was felt that much needed to be done to raise both these colleges to higher rank.

A report was given concerning the School of Indian Music and it was decided to hold another such school in 1929, which was done.

February 9th has been appointed as Hospital Sunday and it is hoped that in every church offerings will be taken to help one of the 177 Mission Hospitals of India.

From March 2 to the 9th will be observed the week of special Evangelistic effort. This will be marked by the selling of gospel portions as well as personal work. It is hoped that every Christian will sell at least ten gospels, and will lead somebody to know Christ. Let us remember the date.

Appreciation was expressed of the work of the Woman’s Work Com. in arranging an Institute for Zenana Workers. Another Institute was arranged in August for zenana and Bible readers. I can testify to the success of this Institute as I sent four Bible readers who came back greatly helped by what they had received.

A resolution was passed in favour of changing the blind school and Home at Naini, Allahabad, into a school only, making some other arrangement for the elderly people who are there.

It was resolved that a strong representation be made to Government concerning the dissatisfaction of the Management of Christian Schools and of the Christian Council of the U. P. with the hypothecation clause in the Provincial Education Code owing to the removal of the words “limiting liability to a period of twenty years.”

IDA FARMER.

Mary Wilson Sanatorium

Mary Wilson Sanatorium has had another year filled with many blessings. We are grateful for the help given to us by friends in India and abroad. One great help we wish to especially mention. In August Bishop Badley very kindly, in recognition of our need, loaned us first Dr. Wood of Puntamba and later Dr. Dodd of Sironcha to the Sanatorium. This was a great help in arranging for a vacation for the doctor-in-charge. We are grateful, too, not only to the two doctors who so kindly left their own work to come
to our assistance but to those who in turn carried extra burdens in their stations during their absence. We believe that such interest and co-operation is desirable in every phase of our mission work.

Staff.—Our trained Indian staff is still small in numbers. What we have is good, and are doing faithful work. We have so far been disappointed in securing an Indian doctor. Unfortunately our people yet fear to work among tuberculosis patients. Only devotion to one's own peoples' needs and education will change this.

Miss Laura E. Bell, R.N. arrived early this year. While most of her time has been spent in language school, she has already become somewhat familiar with conditions at the Sanatorium. She had much of her training at Beth El, our Methodist Sanatorium in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Miss Dunn has been with us as nursing superintendent, and has filled a big gap in our medical staff.

At the end of this year Miss Matthew goes on furlough. We are glad that Miss Jean Bothwell is here to take over the office work from her.

Nurses Training School.—We have three non-tuberculous first year pupil nurses, the first after a lapse of several years. They are allowed by the North India Board of Nurses Training to have half of their training at the Sanatorium.

Some stress is being laid upon the preparation of nurses for school nursing. As Miss Fernstrom has visited various schools, she has found much room for improving the conditions under which the school nurse works. The missionary and the nurse both need help in adjusting their relations to one another. And the nurse finds herself confronted with conditions she never met, naturally, in a hospital.

To give the nurse preparation for school nursing, this Fall, Clara Swain Hospital has begun sending nurses by turn from their second and third year classes to Mary Wilson Sanatorium for a period of three months. In our non-infectious compound ordinary school hostel conditions prevail. Here these nurses will learn the duties of a school nurse. We hope to instil the "health" idea there. They also will have special training in nursing tuberculosis cases and will receive lectures on this disease from a health standpoint.

Tuberculosis Clinic.—Last January a tuberculosis clinic was opened in Ajmer. This clinic is open each Friday morning in the Civil Surgeon's office of the old District Hospital. Dr. Taylor and his assistants have carried this work in the main, but the cases coming are largely women so we are very anxious to have a larger part in it.

Sanatorium Board of Directors.—Considering that the meeting of this board was held during Passion Week we
had a good attendance. We find this bringing together of representatives from the various conferences pays well as a means of publicity, and also brings added support and cooperation.

Sanatorium Work.—We have had nothing new regarding our medical work. We had an unusual number of bone and gland cases to whom sunlight treatment was administered.

Church Work.—For the first time, I believe, in the history of our Tilaunia Church, all the officers of the various organizations are Indian people.

Health Department.—Here we had a handicap of ill-health for part of the year, but even so we are able to report.

Schools visited in the interest of Modern Health Crusade—12.

Number of schools in which physical examinations were made—6.

Total examinations made in these schools—780.

Dr. Kipp checked upon under-weights and other questionable cases in four of these schools, besides checking up, by the request of Dr. Toussaint, a number of cases at Muttra.

Lectures were given before one Senior Teachers’ Conference, two Annual Conferences, one Provincial Educational Conference, and also before the meeting of the All-India Christian Medical Association.

Lectures and demonstrations were made at one District Conference.

The translation of the fifth and sixth class outlines is now being executed.

The Mission Schools are showing great interest in the Modern Health Crusade. Many requests have come from other Missions, and from some inspectresses of schools, Government, both in regard to the Health examination and the Health course of study.

Field Property Report for Northwest India Woman’s Conference, 1929

Aligarh: Slate, Blackboards and graphboards in classroom. Rs. 304 3 0
Grey stone floors in school hall. Rs. 481 13 0
Of this amount one-half, or Rs. 393 0 0, will be refunded by Government.

Painting and general repairs have been made amounting to Rs. 86.

One room has been added to the girls’ school Bungalow for the District Evangelist at a cost of Rs. 2,400.
Delhi. A new wall has been erected between the Girls’ school and Railway Company’s property at a cost of Rs. 968. Six small pardah walls have been put up on the verandas of the dormitory thus making three teacher’s rooms.

Brindaban: A fuel godam has been built, and a chimney added to the kitchen in the nurses home. Permission was given to erect a garage within the Hospital compound for the Ambulance. It has been completed.

E. PORTER.

1929.

Evangelist Teachers’ Report.

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Expenditures

Miss Livermore 144
” Farmer 540
” Forsythe 252
” Boddy 468
” Clark 360
” Lall 900
” Klingeberger 775

Brindaban Ashram 180

Extra help for B. W. 210
Aligarh 360
Meerut 240

Roorkee and Muzaf.

Summer Schools

Miss Potenger 309
” Boddy 155
” ” 152
” McLeavy 83
” Warner 268
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Registrar's Report.
Examination results of Bible Readers and Evangelistic Teachers, 1929.

F. A. CLARK, Registrar.
Evangelistic Committee.

Aligarh, January, 1930.

The list of items to be allowed in the Summer School bills which are paid in part by the W. F. M. S. was revised. (See in Supplementary Manual.)

Various books used in the Bible Reader Course were discussed. Mrs. Clemes reported that the simplified edition of "Masih ka Namuna" written by the late Dr. Buck is now ready for publication. A new edition of "Mumuksh Brittant" is now ready and can be obtained from the North India Christian Tract and Book Society in Allahabad. Miss Klingeberger was asked to make inquiries from various Publishing Houses and Theological Seminaries to get information regarding good books on comparative religions, one of which may later be substituted for "Sat Mat Nirupan," as publishers refuse to make a new edition of it unless thoroughly revised.

Moved that we ask the proper authorities to appoint Dr. Hoffman as conference health director in Northwest India Conference. Miss Porter, Dr. Tower and Mrs. Clemes were asked to interview the Bishop on the matter.

The following report regarding the re-adjustment of paying and employing Bible Readers was read by Miss Porter and accepted:

"At the Delhi area meeting held in Lahore in April, 1929 Bishop Robinson requested that a committee be appointed composed of two, to be appointed by the Field Reference Committee of each Conference in the area, for the purpose of bringing in recommendations for re-adjustment of Bible Readers' salaries.

In the Official letter from Miss Watson dated July, 1929 she also requested that some plan of adjustment be agreed upon.

The members of the committee representing Indus River Conference were Miss Lydia Christensen, and Miss Grace Pepper Smith. Northwest India Conference, Miss Gertude Richards, and Miss Porter. It is understood that the North India Committee met separately and have forwarded their recommendations to the General Executive Committee. A copy of the recommendations from North India have been circulated for discussion. The following recommendations while perhaps not entirely satisfactory seem to meet and to be meeting the need fairly satisfactorily in Indus River and Northwest India Conferences.

The following recommendations to be presented to the Northwest India Conference for action and then forwarded to the General Executive Committee.

Recommended that:
(1) The funds of the W. F. M. S. District Evangelistic Work be administered by a member of the W. F. M. S.; or in accordance with the advice of the Field Reference Committee.

(2) Every Bible Reader who does satisfactory work shall be paid according to the Bible Reader scale of the conference in which she works; that every Bible Reader who fails to do satisfactorily the work assigned to her by the District Evangelist or one in charge shall be reduced to a salary of Rs. 4 per month by the District Evangelist in consultation with the District Superintendent.

(3) After January, 1930 no worker’s wife be taken on the Bible Readers roll automatically but only by the advice of the District Evangelist.

(4) After January 1st, 1931 no new candidate be accepted as a Bible Reader who is not Middle Pass; or Muttra Higher Vernacular, Bible Trained, nurse or teacher or Vocational 7th Pass; Trained.

(5) We continue to co-operate in the boys’ Primary education, and that such funds as can be released by the District Evangelist be used in an approved project in Primary Boys’ Boarding Schools under W. F. M. S. supervision.”

Mrs. Hermann,
Chairman.

Miss Klingeberger,
Secretary.

Indigenous Missionary Society

There has been a united effort to organize auxiliaries this year. One Society was organized in Ghaziabad with four types of work: W. F. M. S., W. C. T. U., Child Welfare and Social. The Delhi Society gave a good report.

The total collection from Societies is:

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Total Rs. 102-0-0

It was voted by the Conference that the wife of each District Superintendent should assume the responsibility of organizing and reporting the work and money to the chairman of the Indigenous Missionary Society before next Conference.

E. E. Warner.
Joint Board of Religious Education.

The Joint Board of Religious Education met January 7, 1930 in Mr. Herrmann's Drawing Room. It was opened by prayer by Rev. Amar Dass.

It was voted that all present should have the privilege of the floor.

Mr. Pace, the president, was in the chair and Miss Richards, Miss Clancy, Miss Warner, Mrs. Pace, Amar Dass, R. T. Templin and Miss Palmer answered to roll call.

Minutes were read and approved.

Mr. Templin gave a report of the Epworth League Institute.

It was voted that an Epworth League Institute he held this year at a time and place to be decided upon later.

Voted that the Board of Institute Officers be as follows: Mr. Clemes, Dean; Mr. Pace, Business Manager; Mr. Templin, Registrar; and Miss Bobb, Secretary.

Voted that there be an Institute Commission to be formed of six members, two of whom shall be elected each year for a period of three years by the Board of Religious Education and the Chairman of the Board as ex-officio chairman of the Commission, to be empowered to plan Institutes from year to year and to act with full freedom within the limits as set by the Board. The following constitute a nominating committee to present names to the Board for election as the first six members of the Institute Commission: Mr. Clemes, Chairman; Mr. Mann, H. S. Peters, Miss Everley and Mr. Pace.

Voted that we recommend to the Finance Committee to instruct each school and each District to pay Rupes 5 annually, to be a permanent fund known as the Institute Fund, such fund to be at the disposal of the Institute Commission for the purchase of necessary institute equipment.

Miss Richards gave a report on the Junior Church, its programme, message and value.

Discussion took place on "How to increase the pupils' participation in the Lord's Supper and how to make it more meaningful." Mrs. Pace asked if children who had not joined the church should be barred from taking the Sacrament. This Board wishes to go on record as believing that since the taking of Communion is not a disciplinary measure, any child asking for it, whether he be a member of the church or not, if he loves the Lord and his heart is right toward others, should be permitted to participate.

Mr. Badley explained the purpose of the Sat Tal Institute for the Charterhouse Programme and the heads of the various schools gave the probable number of teachers they expected to send.
Voted that we suggest to the committee that there be courses offered covering the exact work for the two highest primary classes and Middle classes at the Sat Tal Institute.

Voted that uniform Bible examinations be dropped this year because we are passing through a transition period and few schools are doing the same work.

Voted that Miss Warner send her work on Bible stories to Mr. King and ask him if it will cover the field he wishes covered by a children's Bible in the vernacular.

Meeting adjourned.

January 14th. A short business meeting of the Board of Religious Education was held after the closing session of conference. Mr. Pace, Mr. Templin, Mr. Dass and Miss Clancy, Mrs. Pace and Miss Palmer were present.

Mr. Amar Dass was elected President and Miss Palmer secretary for the year 1930.

It was reported that the Finance Committee requests each school in each district of this conference to pay Rs. 5 and each District Superintendent will be asked to pay Rs. 5 for a permanent Institute fund.

The following were appointed as members of the Epworth League Institute Commission.

Mr. Amar Dass 1930.
Mrs. Templin 1930.
Mr. P. D. David 1931.
Miss Richards 1930.
Mr. I. Mann 1931.
Miss Palmer 1932.

Meeting Adjourned.

P. E. Palmer,
Secretary

Evangelistic Board.

Held at Delhi, 18th December, 1929.

Present.—Messrs. Herrmann, Clemes, Amar Dass, Bishop Robinson, the Misses Porter, Farmer, Forsyth, Boddy, Klingeberger, Lall, Potenger, Peters, (Indus River Con.).

Elected Chairman.—Miss Klingeberger; Secretary, Wm. Dye.

After prayer Mr. Clemes read a paper on 'Pentecost in 1930.'

Recommendations:

(a) That the article be printed in the Witness, the Kaukab and in the syndicated section of the Advocates.

(b) That Superintendents be urged to arrange retreats, both for their cabinets and for the
workers of each circuit with Pentecost and the Filling with the Holy Spirit as the theme. That they be held early in the special period commencing at Easter.

(c) That the Refresher Courses of 1930 be given the same emphasis; teaching being centred round Pentecost.

(d) That the Literature Committee be recommended to have Bounds' “Power through Prayer” translated into the vernacular, and that wide use be made of other like books calculated to quicken the spiritual life.

(e) That the Kaukab be used for a series of articles beginning early in the year leading up to the special period.

(f) That the committee of Aggressive Evangelism be stirred up to give special publicity to the Pentecostal observance.

Miss Boddy spoke on Tracts.

Recommended that the Publishing House be requested to get out some new tracts which include bhajans.

SAT TAL CAMPS.

Recommended that we express to the Sat Tal camp committee our great interest in the scheme; that we feel it meets a real need and that we shall give it our wholehearted moral support.

Robert John read a convincing paper on the inadvisability of employing mohalla men at Rs. 6 or Rs. 8.

Recommended that the paper be printed in the Kaukab.

Wm. Dye spoke on the Chaudhri Course.

Recommendations to the Area Committee.

That the three years’ course be printed both in Roman and Hindi.

That a burial service be added.

That examinations be taken in sections by Superintendents, District Evangelists or their appointee.

That apart from certificate suitable recognition be given (Sash, Badge, Pagri, etc.)

C. C. Herrman read a paper on “Village Worship.”

Recommended that continued emphasis be placed on ibadaatgas.

Reverent orderly worship.

Miss Farmer presented a tentative form of “Burial Service.”
Miss Farmer and Robert John were appointed to revise it and present it to the Area Committee.

**Objective.**—Miss Klingeberger, Miss Forsyth and Wm. Dye were appointed to draw up a brief graphic list of objectives for next year, also to arrange for the annual conference Evangelistic Programme.

**GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.**

Miss Peters (North India Conference) drew attention to the difficulty experienced with girls who came home after passing the course but who were yet too young to be married.

Recommended that the Area Committee consider the possibility of an Area Industrial School for Girls.

**NEW STORIES FOR VILLAGE COURSE.**

For those needing new stories attention was drawn to 'Woodhouse' Bible Teachers 'Hand-book.' Recommended that Miss Thoburn be asked to arrange for the Publishing of the Course on Idolatry and Customs given at Cawnpore by Miss Emery.

**Points.**—Recommended that these be given as last year except that each chapter of Mudge's catechism be given one point. The practice of giving recognition to the circuit or preacher securing the highest number of points, a shield, cup, bowl was mentioned as being effective in increasing interest and good work.

Wm. Dye,

Secretary.

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**Temperance Report.**

The Reports that have come in from several districts of the Conference, tell of renewed enthusiasm and effort.

Temperance Instruction has gone hand in hand with Evangelistic work in almost every district.

The Local Unions have been quite active in holding their monthly meetings, and other Missions have been visited in order to make new members for the W. T. C. U.

**Rurki.**—Reports a Christian Mela held during District Conference, including a Sale of needlework and other articles the proceeds of which have been sent to W. C. T. U. Headquarters for the New Building Fund.

**Agra.**—Reports a newly organised Branch with 39 members working five Departments in Literature, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Y. P. Band, Child Welfare, and Blue Ribbon, they also sent 4 delegates to the Divisional Convention.
Meerut.—As Miss Campbell writes is a well organised District. At the District Conference they made a special effort against Tobacco chewing and smoking. The question was asked of every D. C. member if he was using tobacco in either of these ways. He was then asked to promise that from that day onward he would leave tobacco alone. They had a very live meeting. Many asked for special prayer when making the promise to enable them to keep it. All felt they had taken a step forward.

Muittra.—Report good work done by their Local Union. Also a very inspiring meeting at District Conference giving a review of the historical beginnings of the W. C. T. U. in America through all its different Departments.

Brindaban.—Reports great interest among the Hindus. They requested that regular Temperance Meetings be held in the City.

Delhi.—The Zanana Anjuman meets and holds at least four Temperance Meetings through the year. Besides paying its regular W. C. T. U. dues, the union sent 15 rupees contribution toward the building of National W. C. T. U. Headquarters in Delhi.

Maud E. Dye,
Chairman, Board of Temperance.

W. F. M. S. Furniture Committee Report for 1929.

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S. Edith Randall,
Chairman.

All India Literature Committee.

October 22, 1929, Credit Balance with the treasurer Rs. 4,993-3-2.
With what has been sanctioned but not yet paid the true balance is only Rs. 111-13-0.

The “Golden River” translated by Master Molahar Singh is for sale at the Methodist Publishing House, Lucknow.

The Rhymes Review Primer by Miss Emma E. Warner will be available in both Hindi and Urdu shortly from the North India Tract and Book Society, Allahabad.

The Children’s Bible Books in connection with the Village Bible course have been held up because of being unable to get suitable pictures.

The First Primer Stories are ready for publication later announcement will be made about them.

E. E. WARNER.

Ludhiana Committee Report.

Two joint meetings were held with Doctor Kipp, the representative from Indus River Conference, and it was decided to ask North, Northwest and Indus River Conferences to elect members for a new committee which shall be called the “Medical Committee for Northern India.” The members shall be elected: two from North India, two from Northwest India Hospital Staffs, and one from Indus River medical institution with power to co-opt a second. The duty of this committee shall be to draw up rules and a form of bond for a medical scholarship and assume the responsibility of getting candidates to take this scholarship or loan and also direct where they shall work upon graduation, and any other work that may arise in the administration of this fund already appropriated by the W. F. M. S., with the exception that formal action on committee recommendations be taken by the Field Reference Committee according to the ruling.

Auditing Committee.

Attention may again be called to suggestions made in last year’s report to those who are responsible for our funds. Books have all been audited with the exception of two sets which will soon be done. May all books be ready before Conference without fail the coming year.

F. A. CLARK.

Minutes of the Board of Governors’ Meeting

Warne Baby Fold, September 15, 1927.

The meeting was called to order with Bishop Robinson presiding. All joined in singing “Come Thou Fount of
every Blessing,"... after which Rev. P. D. Phillips led in prayer.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

The superintendent's report was read and accepted, with thanks.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BUILDING FUND.

Mrs. Hyde reported for the Building fund showing all interest paid to date, but with a debt of Rs. 27,420 still remaining. It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted with thanks.

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

Rev. Amar Das reported books of both superintendents and also treasurer of the Building Fund to have been audited and all vouchers and bank books checked. It was moved and carried that vouchers be asked for all sums of Rs. 10 or above, instead of Rs. 20 as previously. The report was accepted.

REPORT OF FINANCIAL AGENT.

Rev. Pickett again brought the matter of the debt before us and told of new subscription blanks recently gotten out, and to be used in a campaign in raising money for the Building debt.

It was suggested that some kind of a letter of information as well as of thanks be gotten out, to be used as a receipt for all amounts collected by preachers in the district. It was also asked that this letter contain a picture of the children. It was felt that this would help to hold the interest of the donors. The preparation of such a letter was referred to the Financial Agent and the Superintendent of the Institution.

Eight-thousand leaflets containing two stories, one in Urdu and one in Hindi were given out for the use of the workers in the four Conferences. These stories were written by Miss Emery.

The question of how to keep Conference treasurers in touch with the financial condition of the Institution, was brought up and the following action was taken:—

Recommended that instruction be given to all District Superintendents that when they send money direct to the Baby Fold, they also send word to their Conference Treasurers of the amount sent. Miss Bacon was instructed to
send a copy of this recommendation to each Annual Conference so that instructions may be given to all District Superintendents.

CONFERENCE APPROPRIATIONS.

Moved and seconded that all conferences be asked to renew their appropriations for current work as last year; Indus River, Rs. 720; Northwest India, Rs. 960; Lucknow, Rs. 960; and North India, Rs. 1,200. In addition to this they are asked to try to realise 20 per cent above their appropriation, this amount to be applied to the Building Fund. Carried.

REDUCTION OF DEBT ON BUILDING.

This matter having been discussed during the report of the Financial Agent and also under Conference Appropriations, not much more time was given to the discussion. It was suggested that Bishop Warne, after retirement, might be able to interest some friends in the homeland in doing something to help us get rid of this building debt. The Financial Agent and the Superintendent were asked to talk to him about this matter when he visits the Baby Fold in the near future.

It was voted that the Secretary write a note of thanks to the Bareilly Christian Club through their President, Mr. Charles, expressing the appreciation of the Board, of the work they did in organizing the Bareilly Christian mela and giving the proceeds to the Baby Fold.

It was also voted that the Financial Agent and the Superintendent write to the different Conference representatives asking them to try to get at least partial proceeds from Christian melas held in their Conferences, for our Building Fund debt.

It was voted that we ask Mr. Devadasan to be responsible for the writing of a Katha on the Care of Children. It was felt that this might meet a real need in meetings and where funds were being raised for the Baby Fold.

Rev. Pickett spoke of the possible organization of the Baby Fold auxiliaries in three or four of our larger centres, these auxiliaries to collect money from other than our regular constituency, for our building fund. As a representative of Lucknow, he challenged Bareilly for an organization of this kind.

Since the trial budget of last year did not cover our needs, only Rs. 215 from current funds, have been paid over to the Building Fund.

Moved that we re-affirm our action taken in a previous meeting and ask the Financial Agent, together with the
Superintendent, to get in touch with the National Child Welfare Organization, in the hope of getting something toward our Building Debt.

It was voted that we send a vote of thanks to Mr. Gibson for the interest he has shown in the work, in sending us medical supplies and in so kindly offering to continue the supply.

**Budget for the Coming Year.**

A budget of Rs. 1,211 per month, was sanctioned for the coming year.

**Conference Representatives.**

Nominations were made as follows:
- Indus River—Mrs. Keislar, Rev. Chatur Bhuj.
- Northwest India—Miss Farmer, Rev. Amar Dass.
- Lucknow—Miss Whiting, Rev. G. L. Lorenzo.
- North India—Rev. P. D. Phillips, Mr. J. Hakeem.

The Secretary was requested to send these nominations to the Bishop in charge, and not to conference secretaries just previous to the convening of each Conference.

**Publicity Agent.**

Rev. H. J. Sheets was elected as Publicity Agent.

**Nomination of Superintendent.**

Miss E. Bacon was nominated as Superintendent.

**Auditors for 1928.**

Miss Whiting and Mr. J. Hakeem were elected as auditors.

**Financial Agent.**

Rev. J. W. Pickett was elected as Financial Agent.

**Treasurer of Building Fund.**

Mrs. Hyde was elected as treasurer of the Building Fund.

**Members of Executive Committee.**

Mr. J. Hakeem and Mr. H. J. Sheets were elected as members of the executive committee.

**Numbers.**

The former action was re-affirmed, namely, that forty children may be admitted under the budget and ten additional on full fees.

**Sanctions.**

Sanction was granted for the buying of a safe.
Sanction was granted for the Building of a chimney and new chula in the children's kitchen.

The matter of a necessary nali was referred to the Executive Committee.

**TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.**

It was voted that Inter travelling expenses be allowed return tickets to be purchased where possible.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Bishop Robinson led in prayer, after which the meeting adjourned.

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EDNA G. BACON,  
Secretary.

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**Provident Fund Committee.**

We recommend that the Provident Fund scheme now in operation in the Men's Annual Conference be adopted and that we participate in it on whatever basis the Field Reference Committee may be able to work out.

Any woman working under the direction of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Northwest India Conference, born after 1879, shall be obliged to join either the conference Provident or some other Provident Fund association recognized by the Board of Governors, as there will be no other provision for her old age or time of retirement.

G. BODDY.
Supplementary Manual

Examiners of Bible Readers for 1930

Aligarh        Miss Clancy
Anupshahr      Miss A. Richards
Bulandshahr    Miss Klingeberger
Delhi          Miss Forsyth
Meerut         Miss Boddy
Muzaffarnagar  Miss A. Lall
Muttra         Miss Farmer
Rohtak         Miss S. Sahae
Roorkee        Mrs. Dye.

Summer Schools.

Expenses for the following items shall be allowed from the W. F. M. S. in Summer School bills:

1. Travel expense of families.
2. Charpois and medicines.
3. Travel expenses of speakers.
4. Salary of extra sweeper and bhisti for workers.
5. Necessary expense in housing arrangements.

By special action for 1930 two-thirds if possible instead of one-half of the Summer School expenses are to be paid from the Evangelist Teachers' Fund.

Note -- Itemized bills shall be sent to the Superintendent of the Summer School Fund, Mrs. Wm. Dye.

Evangelistic Teachers' Course

PAHLA SAL:

1. Ásán Primer (Rev. Laurence).
2. Gintí sau tak.
4. Hifz karne ke liye, Khudá ki du’á; Das Hukm, Rasúlon ká 'Aqída; do bhajan ya’ni, “Yisú’ Masíh mero prán bachaiyá,” aur “Ham se barní na jáe.”
5. Harfon ká likhná, Hindi men.
7. Masíh kí zindagi, solah sawál ke sáth. (Miss Livermore.)

DUSRA SAL:

1. Ásán Bayán. (Rev. Laurence.)
2. Gintí likhná sau tak.
3. Lúqá, dúsrá hissa.
4. Imlá, Ásán Primer se Hindi men.
5. Catechism, (Mudge) Pahle 12 báb.
6. Hifz ke liye zail ke Bhajan: (a) "Karo merí saháí,"
   (b) "Bachá lená Prabhú Yisú' hamáre práñ."

TISRÁ SAL:
1. Bál Bátiıká, B. Class.
2. Imlá pahle das safhe se Hindi men.
4. Hisáb jama' aur tafriq pachás tak.
   "Main to Yisu’ ko man men manh rakhi hún."
   "Áyá hai Yisú’ áyá hai."
6. Mudge’s Catechism, ákhri 12 báb.

CHAUTHA SAL:
1. Yúhanná ki Injil dúsrá hissa.
2. Hisáb jama' aur tafriq sau tak.

Note:—We suggest that throughout the E. T. course we accept work in Hindi only.

Course of Study for Bible Readers

PAHLÁ SAL:
1. Ásán Primer, ásán bayán, Bál Bátiıká Class I, Bál Bátiıká Class II.
2. Imlá ásán Primer se, Hindi men.
3. Mere rahne ká ghar.
5. Taqsíṃ aur Zarb ek ’adad se.
6. Chár bhajan hifz ke liye.

Note:—Each district to decide which bhajans to be used and the examiner to record in her report in the district book the one present.

DUSRA SAL:
1. Bál Bátiıká Class III and IV.
2. Hindi Imlá pahle tis safhe se.
3. Temperance Catechism.
4. Khatt i ’Amm.
5. Muqaddas I.
6. Taqsíṃ aur zarb do ’adad se.
7. Dharmtulá.
8. Chár bhajan hifz karne ke liye.
SUPPLEMENTARY MANUAL

TISRA SAL:

1. Ratanmálá aur Hindi Imlá pahle tís safhe se.
2. Rasúloù ke A’mál, (Imtihán likhná hogá.)
3. I Kurinthión, Ifsíón, Filippíón.
4. Lūqá kí Injíl.
5. Amánatdári.
7. Hisáb, jama’ aur tafríq. Rs. As. Ps.

CHAUTHA SAL:

1. Masíh ká Namúna (Simplified edition by Dr. Buck) Imtihán likhná hogá.
2. Sat Mat Nirúpan (Simplified).

Note:—Each Evangelist was asked to make a list of the books used in the B. R. course and the Publishing House that handle the same, this list to be kept in the B. R. Examination Book for reference of successors.

As supplementary work for those who have passed the four years of the B. R. course it was suggested that we use the Autobiography of Pandítá Ramábál; Chauthe Majúśi; and Paul ke Jiwan ká Charitra.
District Reports
ALIGARH DISTRICT.
Louisa Soule Girls' School.
Laura G. Bobenhouse.
Pearl E. Palmer.

We closed school in May with an enrolment of 161, including day-scholars. As there had been very little sickness during the year, the attendance was very good. Nine girls took the Girls' Middle examination in April, of whom six passed. Of these, five are now studying in High School, and one is taking nurses' training. The teachers have carried on their work with enthusiasm. A happy spirit pervades the staff and school.

Government has given a special grant for slate blackboards in the classrooms and a stone floor in the school-hall. Painting and other repairs are also being done. When all is finished, our schoolhouse will be a pleasant and restful place, and uplifting to the morale of teachers and pupils.

The work of our Junior Sunday School and Junior League is carried on with enthusiasm, being made attractive for the children by the use of up-to-date methods. We have been endeavouring to emphasize the work of character building among the girls. We rejoice to see marked growth in some of them, and an endeavour to live right lives.

We come to the close of the year with thankful hearts for the blessings of the year and for the opportunity to serve in this work for India's children.

Girls' Vocational School.
Mary C. Okey.
Mildred H. Bobb.

Our greatest new venture of this past year has been goats. In October we purchased a goat for each family in the boarding with the exception of one, and that family had selected chickens. Each goat has a kid or two. The girls take care of goats and chickens and keep a record of the grain which they give them, and also of the amount of milk and eggs which they get. We have hardly had the animals long enough to tell whether or not they will be a paying proposition, but if they prove to be so, we feel the project will be a valuable one for the girls.
The general health of the girls has been very good this year. However, there were several girls who were badly underweight, and it seemed we could not build them up in spite of all the milk, ghi, and eggs we gave them, so we had Miss Fernstrom examine them. We put these girls on the milk, tonic, and rest schedule which Miss Fernstrom prescribed for them and three weeks later Dr. Kipp re-examined the girls. She recommended the Tilaunia Preventarium for several, and four have now gone there. We hope that after several months of rest and hospital care they will be able to return to us.

Last May ten girls received certificates in the seventh class. Of this number three have married, one is taking mid-wifery training, four nurse's training, and two Bible training in Muttra. Nineteen received certificates in the sixth class, and of this number two have married, two are taking Bible training, and nine returned to take seventh class work. On Easter Sunday seventeen of our girls joined the church.

During our spring term we started a course in home-living in the seventh class which includes a study of the home and family and all the problems connected with them. This course also includes the making of a baby outfit in the sewing class period.

There has been a little repair work done in the boarding. Some of the roofs were in bad repair, so we had the old wooden beams which had given us quite a lot of trouble from white ants and rotting taken out of a line and a half and had them replaced with strong iron ties. Most of the brick walls have been made pakka with cement teaping. In January a slate floor was laid in the kothi drawing-room.

Miss Okey left for her furlough the latter part of November. We felt pretty much alone at first, but the Heavenly Father has been near and all the staff members have been co-operating beautifully, and all are eager to help, so the work has been going on pretty much the same as usual. However we are eagerly looking forward to the coming of Miss Okey's successor, whom we hope will be able to come soon after Conference.

Aligarh District Evangelistic Work.

Miss Ide Farmer.

Miss Adeline Lall.

Today as we were going to the village to hold meetings with our Christian people we overtook a man who was measuring his length along the road which leads to the Ganges River, sixty miles away. We stopped the car and went back to him. He measured his length a few more times.
then sat up to rest. Here was a man who for twelve days had measured the way from his home to this stop and he was willing to continue this penance for twelve more days. Where was there a better place to preach the gospel of free salvation! He listened to the message of love which we had to give, then went on his way measuring out the distance to his sacred river. He is seeking peace and he is willing to suffer anything that he may obtain it.

We went on to our villages. In the last one which is far from the circuit centre we found a little band of Christians who were from the lowest castes but from their radiant faces we knew that they had found Him for whom that man was searching. They did not find by doing penance, but by simple faith in Christ, who said, "If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink."

This is the itinerating season. Since we last wrote Miss Lall and I have visited nearly five hundred of our thousand villages. The longer we do this work the more encouraged we are, for we know that God is not without His witnesses in these far away villages. The Holy Spirit is working in the hearts of men. In a neighbouring circuit there is a village of Chamars who have begged to be baptised. When they have been refused because of lack of preachers to teach them, they have come in bands and have insisted. Week after week and month after month they wait.

In September all the preachers and their wives came in to Aligarh to attend the Summer School. That was a very profitable time. An hour and a half each morning was given to the Bible readers for Bible study and special subjects. The men took care of all babies so the women could devote their whole time to the subject in hand. We were all greatly helped by studying the Life of St. Paul. All were very interested in making their note books.

The subjects of Home Missionary work, Temperance, Care of Children, and Schools were also carefully considered.

Many of our workers have done excellent work in preparing their people for the examinations which were held during January, April and August. Their work consists of teaching Bible stories, Bible verses, prayers, hymns, and catechism. There were 6,298 passes in the district for the year. At Summer School time another course was laid out and they are continuing work on the same plan this year. Our first round for examinations will be in January.

There are twelve day schools in the district and many more reading classes that are taught whenever the worker can reach the village. Three of our regular schools have been taken over by the Municipal Board of Hathras. We encourage the children to attend these schools wherever
opportunity affords. Two of our teachers have been taught in the Day schools only. They are doing good work in teaching others. Trained teachers are needed, but until we have them, we must use such as can be obtained.

It will take us a full month to make the round of the 125 villages of this one circuit. Every day is interesting and affords opportunity of telling the Story again and again. The presence of the Master is very real.
ANUPSHAHR AND BULANDSHAHR
DISTRICTS

Mrs. Robert Gardner.
Mrs. Robert John.
Miss Tirsi Thorn.
Miss A. S. Potenger.
Miss M. A. Livermore.

Evangelistic Work.

Spiritual teaching in the form of Bible stories continues in the districts with increasing interest and profit. The Religious story is India's way of teaching religious truth. It is the favourite medium of both Hindu and Mohammedan teachers. Stories from the Ramayan and of Mohammedan saints hold enthralled for hours groups of village folk. Like the English or American child whose interest does not flag in a good story, though many times repeated, so the village audiences listen entranced to a religious narrative told in song and story. I myself have come under its spell as the story of Mary at the sepulchre or of Peter's denial, repentance and restitution have unfolded before me in the simple beautiful song-story of India's people. Given a moonlight night in an Indian village, a small choir of common people with a portable harmonium such as India makes and sells by the thousands, a village drum and cymbals and a spirit-filled leader who feels, sings and recites Amos' call and messages or some of Paul's experiences and midnight comes too soon!

One cannot always have a singer and choir or ideal time and place, but the story can always be well told. (One of the happy duties of the district leaders is to teach the story to the workers.) The Story of the Lost Sheep was being given to a group of village women. One of the women who had heard it through said, "He has not found me." "Are you lost?" was the inquiry. "I don't know but I am unhappy like that lost sheep. Would that He might find my son and husband who are caught in the jungle of gambling and drink." "Yes," retorted her neighbour, "and you are caught in the jungle of a vile tongue." It was the beginning of a "search" in which the whole family was "found."

One of the interesting hours at the annual district conference is the report of the district Sunday School Secretary who keeps a record of the "passes." Two men stood first this year and two women, second. "Of course
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men,” said the Bible women, “can stand first, they have bicycles and can get to more villages.” The winners were honoured in the Indian way by having garlands of flowers hung around their necks.

That no Christian of all the 30,000 in the two districts shall be found who is unable to give the short outline story of the life of Christ is still a district aim and objective. Men, women and children—all are included in this large task. Bible Readers, preachers, Missionaries, teachers are always at it. In fields, at cane sugar making, while men tan leather and women embroider shoe tops; when mothers are cooking the evening meal, where children tend goats and cattle; or it may be a chance companion between villages across green fields or over dry stubble, if it is found that he does not know the “Story,” forthwith the teacher-preacher begins.

Some of the district objectives for the coming year are as follows:

1. Eight Bible stories to be taught to as many people as possible. Each year in the two districts from ten to fourteen thousand pass in a part or all of the stories chosen for that year.

2. A short burial service to be taught by heart to the Chaudhries so that if a minister cannot reach a village for such a service a Chaudhri can lead.

3. Continued emphasis on the short outline story of Christ.

4. The organizing and training of singing bands.

5. To enroll more children in village schools and to make the schools more efficient.

M. A. LIVERMORE.

Bulandshahr and Anupshahr Village Schools.

Miss A. S. Potenger.

I am glad I have had the privilege another year to supervise the Village Schools of the Bulandshahr and Anupshahr Districts.

There has been a decrease in numbers due to some Bible Readers having dropped out. I am glad, however, to say, with the co-operation of the District Superintendents and Preachers-in-Charge we have now 28 Day Schools, four of which are “A Grade” Schools.

Quite a number of the Lower Primary Schools which can be reached several times during the year, have made steady progress. Others being in places which during the monsoons are unreachable are not up to the standard of work I require of the teachers.
Miss Thorne, who is really the Evangelist helper, has rendered me very valuable help in the supervision of the School when she has been free from other duties.

The total number of pupils in all the Schools is 293.

It was very encouraging to hear the report of the Sunday School Secretary in regard to the pupils passing satisfactorily in the Bible Stories and other District Objectives of each quarter.

The libraries we gave to the Upper Primary Schools have been made good use of, and we were glad to put in a new set of books at District Conference time.

I must not forget to say that the boys and girls of the Upper and Lower Primary schools have had a large share in making the “jalsas” (Religious meetings) a success. Not to say that the men and women have not done equally as well. Many have been just school Jalsas, when the children have taken great delight in raising “Chanda” (collection) each time amounting to five rupees and over.
ANUPSHAHR DISTRICT.

Mrs. E. Gardner.

In spite of famine conditions, due to no rain and a pest of locusts which ate the little there was, we have much to be thankful for. Evangelistic work has gone on. We have preached, distributed 21,975 tracts, sold 5,049 Bible portions, 38 New Testaments, and 11 Bibles. Our collections on self-support and tithes during the year amounts to Rs. 1,994-10-6.

In November we had an important mela in Anupshahr itself, and as usual quite a lot of evangelistic work was done there, as thousands of people gather for the occasion.

Our District Conference and Summer School too were a great help to us all. We were especially pleased to have the chaudhries present who gave Rs. 108-4.

The opportunity among the Chamars is great and so we feel our obligation to them is great too. We are praying a solution may be made and a better life be made possible for them.—Our hope is in God.
DELHI AND SONEPAT DISTRICTS.

Butler Memorial Girls' School, Delhi.

Margaret I. W. Hermiston.

More girls than ever before, with many refused admission for lack of room; a better trained staff, with the school one class higher, being a full Middle School. That, in a sentence, is the school report. It is left to the imagination of those who see the report, to read into it all that is “between the lines.” One or two things only I shall mention.

The health of the girls has been good all year. There has been no chicken-pox, small-pox, cholera or plague, though these were prevalent in the city. We are thankful.

Special stress has been laid this year on training in the virtues. This has been done at the Chapel period preceding school. We have used that splendid little magazine put out by the Boston School Committee, “Citizenship Through Character-building.” We have used the story method to get the message over. It is doing good. The girls are responsive. It does one good to work with them.

At the Church School one Sunday, Mrs. Church, wife of the Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society for this area, told several stories of the good the Bible had done. I could see that the girls were intensely interested. At the close one of the girls came to me and said, “Miss Sahib, please give all of the money I have just earned to the Mem Sahib for the Bible Society. Aur har ek paisa dijiye—And please give every pice.” I could see that she was deeply moved. And I was, for Jane is one of our orphans, dependent upon the Mission for practically everything. We try to make girls independent by working for some little things, and Jane had just worked for one of the little things she needed by doing some sewing. She needed a comb very much, and had just earned the money for it. But here she was, ready to do without her comb in order to help the work of the Bible Society. I called Mrs. Church to meet Jane. She asked, “If you should want sweets what will you do?” “Oh, I shall not want sweets,” she replied. Not a tenth, but her all, and the all she had earned for something she really needed.

District Evangelistic Work.

Ida M. Klingeberger.

My Chevie keeps complaining, “Everybody else has a chance to make reports, why can’t I?” So I said, “Alright,
you can do the annual report for this year," and this is what she says:

"My milomètre now registers 26,658 miles. That I have done in taking my Miss Sahib on long touring trips into five civil districts during the past three and a half years. Much of this we did on well built roads but very often we leave the beaten track and go through fields and jungles where there is no road fit to be called a road at all. More than once my gear has been caught on a ridge or my wheels dug so deeply into the sand that I had to be pulled out by all the men that could be mustered from any village that happened to be near by. I go through all sorts of experiences to get my Miss Sahib and her helpers to out-of-the-way villages where people are waiting to be taught the Word of God.

We are always met by an eager crowd even though we stop in the most unpopular section of the village where we minister to the needs of the Christians from the depressed classes. One day a little boy about five years old just jumped up and down and clapped his hands for joy as we halted right near his father's mud hut. He kept saying over and over, "Ab ham bhi parhenge," (Now we too shall learn to read.) Then he put his arms around a child still smaller and said, "Thum bhi parha karo." (You also come and read.) This is indicative of the eagerness of the people to learn of the things of God in most all of the 300 or more villages and mohullas we reached this past year. I often have to wait for two or three hours in one place while the people are telling one after another the Bible stories and golden texts, etc. that they have learned. I was not surprised when I heard the Miss Sahib say that 2,587 people told the Bible stories this year. There were 6,464 points gained through golden texts alone that were memorized by these same people. 1,423 of them learned to pray a simple prayer. I get awfully excited and forget how scratched up and dusty I am when I hear them tell how a certain worker got 50 points in one service, another 100 in one place, etc. With the examinations held by our party and those held by our Dist. Superintendents and S. S. Secretaries we totalled 15,847 points in Delhi and Rohtak Districts this past year. This is something to rejoice over for it means a vast spread of the knowledge of God's Word in the hearts of our village Christians.

Before we leave a village the medicine kit is opened and simple remedies are dispensed to those in need of them. We find more people with bad eyes than any other ailment. Most every village we come to has at least one blind person in it and very often the victim is a child. How often I hear the Miss Sahiba telling the mothers to wash their babies' eyes. Some times little children are not allowed to sit in a
service until they go and wash their faces. I often chuckle as I see them running back to the meetings with the centre of their faces washed clean and a crusty dusty edge left all around. Through the year medicine was given to 400 or more people.

I also take my mistress to examine and inspect eighteen small schools scattered through the two districts. In these 197 boys and 29 girls are learning reading and writing and other elementary knowledge. There were 78 promotions this year. Some of these schools were held out under trees and others are held in the preachers' houses. Poverty is one of the greatest enemies of these schools. Children are sent to herd cattle or take care of their little baby brothers and sisters so the parents can go and earn a bite of bread for their families. Famine conditions this year have made economic conditions much worse than usual in the Punjab. I can testify to seeing many faces pinched with hunger, and many clothes that have been reduced to dirty rags with not enough left of them to cover the nakedness of the wearers. The fields too look pitifully dry and barren as we go chuckily chuck through them on our way to and from the villages. I fancy from what I hear them say it is quite a struggle to keep these village schools going as well as they do.

Every Monday morning early from the first of August till about the 6th of May the trailer is attached to my back and loaded with bedding rolls, clothes and food supplies for a week and off we go till all the 22 circuit centres in the two districts have been visited. We leave our things at some dak bungalow or canal bungalow and spend our days working in as many villages as we can reach in the time allotted for each centre. The furthest circuit is over 100 miles from Sonepat. This year we went to each Circuit centre twice, once in the cool season and once in the rainy (?) season.

On Saturday mornings I am always given my weekly clean up and looking over. This gives my Miss Sahib a chance to look over her week's accumulation of mail and get it answered. Then on Sundays I stay in the garage and rest while the mission family have Sunday School and church services.

During the time of our two summer school and District Conferences I get a partial rest too. I judge from all the singing I heard and the way the people rushed back and forth from the meeting places that both of these conferences were very inspiring and helpful this year. Now and then I was brought out and they loaded me most like a truck with women and children to take back and forth to the hospital.

I could go on ever so long and tell you a lot more of all I saw in the villages this past year and all I know of the
work being done in the district but I haven't time now. I am not a bit ashamed to toot my own horn for I know that I, the Sonepat Chevrolet, have a good big share of the evangelistic work being done in both Delhi and Rohtak Districts.

Catherine Craine Kissack Memorial School.

Helen Buss.

This has been a year of joyful service in Sonepat. We have a healthy happy family of 70 boys in our Boarding. There are six "family groups" with a monitor as head of each. This monitor is nearly always a big boy but is chosen for his strength of character, goodness, kindness and general ability as a leader. These six family heads form a "panchayat" which meets to make rules, enforce them, decide punishments, etc. I am always present at these meetings to advise but I try not to overshadow the boys in their decisions but try to get them to think for themselves. Family picnics, family parties in the office or on the bungalow roof, sitting in family groups at meals and working by family groups help to strengthen the family ties.

On the whole the health of the boys has been good. We have had plenty of mumps and measles but all were light cases and it is all over now. One severe case of pneumonia last March gave us an anxious two weeks but the little fellow is now well and strong. I weigh the boys every month and keep their records so we can tell if they are gaining properly. During the month of November only one boy lost one pound, eight boys remained the same weight as in October and the rest gained a total of 111 pounds, or an average gain of 1.63 pounds per boy.

Mrs. Samuel, our House-mother, left us the first of November to be matron of the girls' school in Meerut and Padri S. Benjamin came to us as House-father. He brings a wealth of enthusiasm for his new work and we feel that his efforts are going to count for much good during the coming year. He is supervising the Loyal Temperance Legion and is preparing a class of boys for church membership.

Our staff consists of four trained masters. Master William Ram, who is Shahjahanpur trained, is completing his third year here. Master B. M. Walter is Ghaziabad trained and Master Keshave Chandra and Master J. W. Singh are Karnal Government Normal Trained. The latter was sent for training from Sonepat and has now returned as our headmaster. Under his leadership we feel that the in-
The structural condition of the school is steadily improving. The Inspector has been very much pleased with his efforts to bring our class work up to the Punjab regulations. We are a government recognized school and receive a small grant-in-aid. It is also through Master Singh's personal work with the boys that a great number are regularly keeping Morning Watch.

One little Mohammedan boy comes to us as a day scholar and only a few days ago the Hindu Bank Manager asked if he could send us his little 6 year old girl. We hope to build up the number of non-Christian day scholars during the coming year.

Under improvements we have to report Badminton started for the Masters. A Christmas gift from Rev. Tuck last Christmas made possible not only a gift for each individual boy but a table and chair for each master to use in his house. 34 feet of cement blackboard laid on the walls of four class rooms has been a great help. Two new wall maps and two new Geography trays make Geography a much more interesting subject. A new Munj matting for the church floor where the boys sit for chapel has been purchased. To our games equipment have been added two new volley balls and a new football. The thing that has given them most joy, however, is a set of iron pipe parallel bars made possible by a gift from friends at home.

The IV Class was taken to Delhi and New Delhi to "see the sights" last March, an event about which they are still talking. The boys made their own individual gardens under the supervision of Master Singh. Some of them raised some nice vegetables which they sold to the school and some of the compound people. While we might not be able to say they raised an abundance of vegetables we feel they raised a bumper crop of boy character in doing the work and watching things grow. Their activities run like epidemics during the year. For a month or two, in season, it was gardens. Later they started building little fire places out by the brick wall. On these they sometimes cooked vegetables from their gardens or a pigeon they had killed with a sling shot, but more often they seemed just to want to satisfy that liking all boys seem to have for sitting around a fire. Lately they have been playing tennis, but you would laugh at their equipment! For a net they stretch a string between two trees. A three pice hollow rubber ball works fine and for bats they use their aluminium plates from which they eat their food!

The outside interest for the boys this year has been the Warne Baby Fold. They have a Sunday School Birthday Box in which they put a pice for each year of their age.
on the Sunday nearest their birthdays. They have collected about rupees five from this source. The biggest feature of their programme given during Summer School for workers was a Baby Fold Drama. We had not planned to take an offering but when people began asking to give we placed the Birthday Box on the table and they crowded around to drop in their offerings. About rupees ten came in that day. The boys had made paper flowers in a handwork class which they sold to their parents and added another rupee to the fund.

Ups and downs come in the best of regulated families and we have had our share but on the whole we feel that this has been a good year. We thank our Heavenly Father for the way He has led us throughout the year and ask for His guidance in the year just ahead.
MEERUT DISTRICT.
The Howard Plested Memorial Girls' School.
Gertrude E. Richards.
Carolyn E. Schaefer.
Letah M. Doyle.

What has 1929 meant to our school by way of spiritual uplift, physical health, intellectual advancement and social breadth? We started the year with definite aims in each of these phases of life. We are not conscious of anything like perfection in any line but we are more conscious of genuine advancement than we have ever been before.

In the spiritual realm one of our marked advancements has been along the line of individual worship at the morning and evening chapel service. The atmosphere of worship has been made to surround the students by shutting the school-room atmosphere out entirely and by adding a few touches of beauty to the chapel. Programmes have been prepared in the Upper Middle and Normal classes and then used for one week in the chapel services. Discussions have led to decisions as to what is valuable in a worship programme and why? The development which has been realized has aided in bettering other individual decisions relative to life problems.

The relation of Bible study and principles to every day life has been greatly aided by the carrying out of suggestions in the Charterhouse Programme. The discussions of conduct in specific situations have led to a deep desire to correct the faults as each student sees them in her own life. Every class has an opportunity frequently to come to the drawing-room for hymn practice and thus not disturb the other classes.

The discussions which have been carried on in the class rooms have done a great deal in socializing the recitation period. This influence has been carried still further in the Sunday School Classes and also in the Epworth Leagues. Here we have carried on three distinct groups with renewed interest and profit.

It has been a real joy to be with the girls in their Bible Classes and to hear them talk over their problems, and tell how they are trying to put into practice in school and boarding the lessons they are learning. We do see evidences of their efforts too. The girls enjoyed making mottoes for the rooms in the hostel and scrap books for the hospital to help make others happy.
The physical health of the family of two hundred forty has been most excellent during the year. We have had an epidemic of chicken-pox but everyone had a light run of it and now all have recovered.

The little children have been so responsive in the Junior Church. A more worshipful and reverent attitude is manifested in their meetings than ever before. The children enjoy having their little church books, and I am sure the tiny children look forward to the time when they can read and have books too. The Junior Teachers are so faithful and have shown such an interest in this work.

To appreciate the willingness of the Boarding School girl to help, one needs to be without a Matron for a time. So many added duties were lightened by the prompt response the girls in general gave when they were called upon to help. The Junior Teachers also shared in this service. Now we are fortunate in having a matron, Mrs. A. Samuel, she began her service here years ago and has been a faithful worker in many other places during the intervening years.

In our Hostel we are extremely proud of our family of babies. There have been eight pre-school children part of the time, two having been cared for since October because of their mother's illness. Two full orphans have just been sent to the Baby Fold at Bareilly.

The special care given to the vegetable garden has been rewarded by a daily supply of fresh things for the girls. The amount of fats given has also been increased. Every time that a new child has come to us there has been marked change in her physical condition within a few weeks. They do respond to abundant food, rest and cleanliness.

The scholastic records of the girls are improving. The cases of girls who are not enthusiastically anxious to get on can be numbered on one hand.

The enthusiasm the girls show in this school work is exhibited at play time too. We are happy when they ask how soon games will start instead of being indifferent as many formerly were. The High School girls are very enthusiastic about Base Ball, Basket Ball, Captain Ball and Badminton. Games time is always too short for these girls.

Evangelistic Work.

Mrs. Wm. E. Dye.
Estella M. Forsyth.

The Bible Story Examination has been a most interesting part of the years' work. While it has been impossible to examine in fifteen hundred villages, yet in the mohallas
and villages visited the contacts have been so worthwhile. May I picture a scene for you. A group of village Christians assemble. Examination day. “Imtihan ká din.” That is quite a mouthful for a villager. Where shall we begin? The parents say to begin with the children. They know there will be a better showing there for the children learn more readily from the Bible-reader or preacher than do the parents. So we begin taking each one separately. Six or eight Bible accounts, viz., Birth of Christ, The Lost Son, The Sower, The Great Supper, The Lost Sheep, Healing of the Paralytic, The Man Born Blind, Raising of Lazarus, Bible Verse, Personal Prayer, Catechism, Ten Commandments and Sixteen Questions from the Life of Christ.

Quite a long process you say. True, but remember the crowd are learning while each one recites. As we have begun the thought has come to me, what a chance for those who come after the first two or three to become prepared even though they were not ready before. Then to my surprise the next boy or girl will present a touch which no one else has mentioned. For instance some one says the Prodigal son receives a bath in warm water upon arrival at home. Another says the shepherd sought the lost sheep with a lantern. The seed is sown in India in much the same manner as it was in Palestine and the account of the Sower is very real to them. When we have finished with the children we begin with the fathers and mothers. Perhaps they wish to be excused. Oh no, no one is to be excused for this is “Imtihan ká din” and every Christian has to appear. If a woman can tell but one story she is encouraged to do so and is credited with a point for each item in the examination list. Even if the woman cannot tell all the stories there is one thing she can do and that is to offer a little prayer right out of her heart and need. This is vital. Perhaps she says, “My Lord God give me a clean heart for Jesus’ sake, Amen.” Or she might pray “Bless my family and the people of this village.” One sentence, two sentences, think what it means for these village women to begin to talk with the Heavenly Father. The whole crowd bow heads as each one prays the personal prayer. It does not get mechanical as you might think. Then we go on and ask the sixteen questions regarding Life of Christ from the Incarnation to the Resurrection. The Lord’s Prayer is usually known by the children who are in the village schools. Catechism may sound like a dry word to our western friends who know the contents from childhood but let us think for a moment of some of the questions. Here we find Christian theology pure and simple. “Who is Jesus Christ, What did He do for our salvation, What is salvation...
What is sin, What are the fruits of sin What are the fruits of the Spirit, How is salvation obtained.” I like to dwell on this last question and say to the boy or girl, man or woman, “Suppose some one should ask you on the road or in the field, ‘How does one find salvation.’ What would you say? We must be able to give a definite answer. The answer is, ‘Salvation is obtained by repentance for sin and faith in Jesus Christ.” Then I may tell them about the sweeper boy of the depressed classes who became a real Christian and one day as he was sweeping the railway platform, a dignified Maulvi Sahib (Mohammedan religious teacher) said to the boy with a bit of sarcasm in the voice, “What do you gain by being a Christian?” Quick as a flash the boy replied, “New life.” The Maulvi Sahib said, “How,” and the boy said, “Once I was an idolator, a liar, a drinker of intoxicating liquor and now I do none of those things.” The Maulvi Sahib moved away silently. Oh friends positive Christian testimony is so needed these days in India as well as in the other countries of the world.

Then we come to the Ten Commandments. Out of date, not at all. A sermon could be preached on each one every hour of the day and night to countless numbers in the Orient and if those sermons or talks were accompanied with the conviction of the Holy Spirit it would mean a mighty revival. In fact India’s need is akin to that of the Occident. My Local Preacher’s License was renewed recently and I must continue to exhort.

What shall I say of other phases of evangelistic work. Pastoral visitation from house to house, personal conversations with high caste and low, aid to the sick from the travelling dispensary box. Bible-readers and other women piloted to and from Delhi Hospital and distributing the printed page. Oh this service is wonderful and full of joy.

The wives of the Indian preachers who live in the villages, right beside Hinduism and Mohammedanism and sometimes very near streets and alleys where sanitation is unknown, these women who live in the trenches are the ones who are helping to make a new India. There are sixty-three in Meerut District and I wish you might have seen them stand before the District Conference and tell how work progresses in their areas. You will meet them some day, His representatives and yours, and all hearts will be thrilled to hear of victories through His grace.

Village Schools, Meerut District

Emma E. Warner

It is difficult to keep pace with the new educational thought these days in India. Compulsory education has
reached a number of towns and a few villages in the District. This has perhaps been a means of awakening other people to the value of an education for boys at least.

We have opened a number of new schools but we do not begin to have teachers or money to pay teachers in places where there is a call for Christian schools. I wish there were as great a demand for girls schools as there is for boys but we can only be grateful for the little progress that we see.

The girls school that was opened in Ghaziabad last year has to be closed for a time because of not being able to get a teacher. The women and girls became so insistent upon having the school opened that we were forced to make a temporary arrangement. We hope we have a teacher now but she is so young and inexperienced that it will be quite difficult for her.

We have this year about fifty schools in Meerut District, say about fifty, for the number varies, for some schools are closed for a time because of illness, the harvest season, and so forth.

I suppose the thing that we are the most encouraged over is our self-supporting school. The people of the village of Saladnagar promised that if we would supply the teacher they would build a school and as soon as they had a harvest begin to pay at least a part of the teacher's salary. A good school house was built of kacchi bricks during the summer but because of the draught they have been unable to fulfil the rest of their promise, but we still have hopes that it can be carried out when they have a harvest.

I can see progress in the past year and I can also see where we may progress next year.

Two boys from a village school have entered the fourth standard in Meerut. Five boys from the Burgess Day School, Ghaziabad, entered Ingraham Institute in the fifth standard in July. This has been our first group to go to school. We have had one or two through the years but never a group like this. The boys all went as day pupils. Two of the boys have overcome all caste thought and have gone in as boarders, two were not far enough away from caste thought to be content with the more definite Christian group so stopped, one boy is still going as a day scholar.

We have two village schools which are preparing boys to go directly from the village to Ingraham Institute next year.

The attendance in the Burgess Day School has almost paralyzed our resources by suddenly mounting from an average of eighty or ninety to a daily average of be-
tween one hundred twenty and one hundred thirty. This meant putting on another teacher and finding another classroom. In one year we have outgrown the new school room. We must have some arrangement for our overflow soon. We pray for showers of blessings and when we get them we do not know what to do with them.

Another step forward that we have made is that a boy from the Christian sweeper mohulla has entered from the mohulla schools into the fourth standard in the Burgess Day School. There has been a strong caste feeling in Ghaziabad and we feel that this is indeed a victory.

In has been very difficult for us to get a consideration for grant-in-aid from government but this year we have succeeded in breaking through the Arya opposition and have grant-in-aid for one in the District.

The needs are so great and the opportunities are so many and our resources so meagre that I shall not show that side.
MUTTRA DISTRICT
(For Report of Blackstone Missionary Institute
see special reports.)

A. V. Girls' Middle School

Garnet M. Everley.

The past year has been one filled with the joy of seeing girls happy in the use of the new kitchen line and dining veranda and appreciative of the repairs in the hostel which has made them so much more comfortable. Much of the good health of the girls may be attributed to the increased interest in play on the part of the girls. A new pakka court inside the boarding, which was the gift of a High School Y. W C A. in America, has provided basket ball, badminton, and volley ball.

This year we have striven to raise the standard of work in all of the Arithmetic Classes. Teachers have worked hard especially in the lower classes in both Arithmetic and Urdu. Although the school is smaller in numbers than in years past, the standard of the work is such that the grant-in-aid was increased. The Inspectress of the circle is watching with approval and interest the new experiment being tried in teaching English in the lower classes. All of the girls presented for the A. V. Middle Examination last April passed and are now in High School or taking Nurse Training.

Our efforts of last year to “Build an Honest Student” have been continued; in addition this year we have set as our goal, the “Building of an Unselfish Student.” Discussion groups on these themes have been very popular and profitable. Much of the responsibility of the hostel has been given to the older girls who have carried on the work in a creditable manner. For the last two years a girl from the sixth class has looked after all of the dhobi work and has done it as well as mature persons had done in previous years.

Sixteen of our girls accompanied by two teachers and the manager attended the Epworth League Institute held near Ghazaibad in November. Even before the Institute our Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Class girls were taking an active part in all of the Devotional Meetings of the Epworth League. The Institute only increased their interest and their ability to serve in this way. The girls are learning to preside at such meetings with ease and credit to themselves and the school. In so far as possible we are trying to train our
girls for places of leadership in the life of the New India which is just ahead.

For the blessings of the past year, for the opportunity of working with growing, responsive girls, and for the fruits of our labour which we have seen, in a measure, we express our gratitude to the Heavenly Father.
HOLMAN INSTITUTE
Agra Central Day School.
Grace Boddy.

In Agra, the great tourist city, the Methodist mission has certain landmarks and monuments of the devoted services and consecrated efforts of missionaries who have in past years lived and worked here. Among the names of missionaries stands that of Holman so it is quite in keeping with past traditions and also with present achievement that the words "Holman Institute" are lettered on the front gate post.

Holman Institute, at present has a flourishing day and also a flourishing night school. The steady routine held to, in a sense, prevents a showy demonstration of big accomplishment. But, nevertheless, every day when ninety children get out of the motor bus at the gate and enter the schools precincts, the real results of faithful work are soon before one. The classes sit in set little rows, they pass in and out in prim little lines and learn and recite their lessons all according to schedule. And these children are almost all of them from sweeper mohallas, poor, dirty, undisciplined when they first come, used to few comforts but like all children, free, eager to play, curious and winsome. These are from some forty odd mohallas to which our evangelistic workers go regularly.

On Sunday we have two Sunday schools, the first of which the workers, laymen and servants attend and the second, the school children. It is at the second then, that the religious teaching given through the week comes to evidence. For although a new lesson is taught still simple prayers, stories, songs, verses, memory work, poems, the catechism, all such things are in review and have prominence. On special occasions the choir puts on its white surplices and a bit of ritual and solemnity are thus introduced into the worship.

Because a great part of the time Agra is full of melas, festivals, marriage celebrations and various feasts we have to use all possible moral suasion to get regular attendance. We weep over irregularities on our daily records more than over any other shortcoming. As I write this our biggest boy is this week arranging to get married. This involves much conference and carrying messages back and forth. The next biggest boy in school has found a job and so has stopped school. Our third biggest boy because he has a Rs. 2 month job has been absent for three months.
But in spite of all these limitations and drawbacks for regular attendance, eleven boys and three girls within the past year have gone elsewhere to attend government aided schools and some nine of these are in Boarding schools where attendance is not a matter of whim.

In the industrial department of the school hand work is cultivated. The nimble fingers of the small boys are directed each day in tying knots at the rug making looms. These looms are busy with alternate groups of little workers. The head boy is on a small regular salary and teaches the others. At present he has a wool rug in rich warm colours, about nine feet long and four feet wide on the loom, just ready to be taken off. For this he gets over time pay worked out on a scale of so much for each inch of rug made.

The new school, when we get it erected, will fill a long felt need for our present quarters are crowded and inadequate but we will describe our new school when we write again next time.

Report of the Sarah E. Creighton Memorial Hospital for year ending November, 1929.

Rita B. Tower, M. D.
Eunice Porter R. N.
Elda Barry R. N.

This is the anniversary of the 40th year since the purchase of the first piece of land, for the work of the Church in Brindaban, which took place in 1889. It is very worthwhile to see the growth of the work during this period of years. A comparison of now and then would show up some very interesting facts but there is neither time nor space for such now. There have been difficulties within and without, and due to shortage of staff time and again the question has been raised “Must we close this work?” And always the courageous answer has come from those who have made the sacrifice and carried the burdens, “We must not, we cannot close up.”

Dr. Emma Scott began and carried on the medical work under great difficulties. It was not until 1910 that the hospital was built giving a place for in-patients. Many of the people of the city still remember her with loving appreciation.

In many ways the past year has been the best in the history of the institution. Our requirements have become 100 beds, while we can only fairly comfortably accommodate fifty patients. During recent years the increase of male patients has caused us to forfeit the right of being called a strictly Zanana Hospital. Out of a total of 767 in-patients during the past year 156 have been men.
The faith of the pioneers of the work was greatly strengthened in the very beginning by two Brahmin converts. During the years good fruit has been borne by the work done. There is no way to measure it. The Word of God has continuously been disseminated by spoken word and printed page. The numbers of those who have confessed faith in Jesus Christ have not been large, but it has been most encouraging that there have been a goodly number of high caste, both men and women. And from among them have come some staunch loyal soldiers of Jesus Christ. Because of marked opposition and subtle temptation most of them have had to go to other places for a few years at least. There is a continually increasing readiness on the part of the people to hear the Gospel message.

Our work is greatly handicapped by the lack of a Church building. People are glad to come and listen to spiritual teaching and we are sorry not to be able to have a building where they may be seated comfortably and listen without interruption. Our regular attendance at Sunday School remains right around 100, and at times runs up to 150 and 170. Church services continue to be held on the verandah of the Missionary Home open to constant interruption. The deeper things of the spirit are appreciated in a quiet place.

Staff: We have a more complete staff than at any previous time. At present Dr. Toussaint is on leave taking a six months course in the Tropical School of Medicine in Calcutta. Miss Mary E. Bricker went home on furlough in December, and Miss Elda M. Barry of Topeka Branch arrived and joined the staff in the same month. She has passed first year's language examinations. There are a total of 18 Indian Nurses. All are Christians. All take active part in the evangelistic work both in the hospital and in the homes. Nine new students entered for Training since July.

Equipment: The Committee on Survey, Efficiency and Co-operation of the Christian Medical Association of India has prepared a list of equipment for a fifty bed hospital. Our hospital falls somewhat short of the requirements in several ways; in private room accommodation, X-ray, electricity, and running water. During the year twenty-five new up-to-date hospital beds, a motor Ambulance and a wheeled stretcher have been added to the equipment.

Since July a Dental Clinic has been opened in connection with the dispensary in charge of Miss Helga Krogh, a Danish Nurse, where 423 prophylactic and other treatments have been given.

The hospital and community profitted greatly by a visit from Dr. Eugene Foote, Eye, Nose and Throat Specialist, who spent a month with us during January and February,
during which time he did over 400 eye operations, and about fifty nose and throat operations. Dr. Foote plans to come again. He will bring Mrs Foote on his next visit.

Our work is hampered by lack of sufficient room. The 216 children who have been in-patients during the past year emphasize the great need of a children's ward where they may be separated from the adults. There is also urgent need for European private rooms.

Statistics:

- No. of in-patients: 767
- No. of dispensary visits: 9,045
- 77% of total out-patients are Christians.
- 92% of in-patients are non-Christians.
- 60% of operations are Christians.
- No. of European patients: 14

Dr. Tower has been on health leave for four months of the year, and Dr. Toussaint absent three months of the year.

Muttra District Evangelistic Work.

Mrs. H. C. Scholberg
Grace Boddy.

In Muttra district we have things on big lines. Big numbers of Christians, big numbers of villages, big distances, big needs, big opportunities, all challenge us. In touring one comes to realize the task before us. Visiting the villages means going through sand and jungle, over narrow and uncared for roads, sometimes through mud-holes and many times through fields, both cultivated and uncultivated. And away off in the distant circuits our Bible women work away with a group of women and children teaching them the three R's and the simple catechism and Bible stories as scheduled in the course planned for such schools. These women are little beacon lights, shedding their light faithfully.

Besides the big distances that have to be covered in the villages we have the big cities of Muttra, Brindaban, Bharatpore and Firozabad to care for. In Muttra and Bharatpore we furnish a conveyance for our Bible readers to ride to their work and thus they are able to reach their mohallas fresher in mind and spirit than if they had to walk.

Educating the children of our Christian community is a colossal job! Four masters run schools in four different
parts of the district. Three of these being from the Ghaziabad Normal Training, are more prepared for their work than the ordinary pastor teacher who has not been thus trained. The majority of our Bible readers have at least one school in which the children learn and while we are not able to provide educational facilities for all, still we are aware of our burdens and are constantly trying to lift them.

One big task is to develop leaders, for our village leaders themselves are only babes in Christ. At our last district Conference in Muttra for two days we had our village "chaudhries" present to learn all they could and catch the inspiration that comes when a group of earnest Christian workers get together to talk over their problems and give their reports of work accomplished during the past year. After one of the meals where they ate together, some of the bread, which was a coarse, unleavened wheat kind was left over; as several had left pieces on their plates, the preacher in charge of the food arrangements asked one of the "chaudharis" to gather up the pieces and give to a cow, which was standing in the yard outside. The man said, "Oh, I couldn't do that. We think too much of a cow to give her broken bits of food." The idea is that the cow is sacred and is an object of worship and so must not be given anything but the best. While I was shocked and grieved to find a leader of village Christians should have such strong feelings and such backward ideas, still I was overwhelmed with a new sense of our task, to teach, to guide and to uplift our people.

I note as I look over the above that I have not made clear what work is done by W. F. M. S. funds, for I have lumped the whole thing as a vision and an enterprise of the church and that is the way I feel about our work, the best resources we have are to be used in helping to develop a self-conscious, spiritual church.
ROORKEE AND MUZAFFARNAGAR DISTRICTS

Evangelistic Work

A. Richards.

Nearly six years ago I came to Roorkee as Miss Ella McLeavy's guest for a short time who was then the evangelist missionary for Roorkee and Muzaffarnagar Districts. It was just the time for her to be out into camps, and so I accompanied her. After I had been a week with her I got so interested in the work seeing her enthusiasm that I decided to stay on a little longer. Gradually my desire for the evangelistic work grew so strong that I had made up my mind to give up my school work and consecrate myself for this great work of evangelism. I thank the dear Lord for this great privilege and ever since 1924 I have been a witness for the Lord in the villages.

Last year a great problem came up when Miss McLeavy's furlough was due and there was a great demand of an evangelist in her place. Having won the love of our village people and our fellow workers I offered to stay on and hold the work for her, the work that she loved so much. I am glad to say the year is pretty nearly over and I have been carrying on the work with the help of a bible reader. I have felt the master's presence in a most wonderful way with me and what would have been utterly impossible in my own strength has been accomplished through his "power."

A very marked incident has taken place in both our district conferences this year—two special days were kept aside for our "retreat"—waiting on God. When a great spiritual awakening entered almost every heart, the Lord dealt directly with each individual and a mighty spirit of prayer prevailed among our people, some giving nearly their whole time and strength to prayer, others becoming so convicted lying on their faces before the altar crying and confessing their sins.

I have no doubt in feeling that every one was inspired to live a more practical spirit-filled Christian life and gone back to their fields with a wonderful spiritual experience. We are hoping and praying that in our next report we shall be able to send you good and wonderful results of our work.

Our district conferences have been a great inspiration to my own soul so that I am led to begin my report.
with this wonderful incident in order to inspire other people.

Our God is giving us great victory and as we go from village to village in our two districts sometime even two or three times a year our hearts rejoice to see the improvement in the village lives.

1. Giving up their old rites and customs.
2. Breaking up of idols and thans.
3. Increasing of Sunday and day schools.
4. Singing of Christian bhajans at the time of marriage and birth and burial ceremonies.

Our singing bands have been a great asset to people, I myself have given more time this year in learning to play on Indian musical instruments and training our women to sing with enthusiasm, for I feel we can never inspire people with our low half dead voices in singing.

There is a great demand of singing out in the villages.

Our women workers have played a very prominent part this year during the Hindu and Mohammedan melas in selling Bible portions and distributing tracts and although there has been a big and constant blow up of the Aryas in certain places, thank God our women have stood firmly against them by visiting their mohallas daily without a break.

Our Sunday and Day Schools are working side by side; our women, with their poor ability are realizing the need of the schools and in nearly all our circuits there are one or two reading classes. We examine people in Bible stories and this year nearly 800 have been successful in the story telling examination. The Bible stories are also acted in dramatic performances, at the time of our district conference and Jalsas.

The Jalsas in which people from 3 or 4 villages and sometimes more get together with their singing and playing bands are a great testimony for our non-Christian people to feel that the Lord is really working among their poor Christian lives.

Our hearts go out in great appreciation to you our missionary friends who make it possible to carry on this great work by your co-operation—helping us with your purse and prayers. May the dear Lord bless you abundantly for it.
MUZAFFARNAGAR DISTRICT

Mrs. M. S. Budden.

This year as all others we have been busy. Our District Conference and Summer School, at which we were greatly blessed, closed just two weeks before this.

I have had the opportunity during the year to go camping with any husband. The villagers seem to be growing in grace and there are many earnest seekers.

In Muzaffarnagar itself we carry on city evangelistic work, mohallas and homes are faithfully visited. We have a Sunday School and a public service on Sundays Bible readers go out to villages two at a time.

We have much to thank the Lord for and would also thank our friends for their help and co-operation.
The year that has passed has brought about the realization of one of our building projects. We now have very nice quarters and compound for the teachers. There are four bedrooms, a dining room and a kitchen, all with a fine verandah. The rooms are such that I should not mind living in them myself. Our long looked for school building is still not realized. Shortage of rains again this year makes government funds unavailable and the prospects are that we must wait at least another year although the funds from home are on the field. It is a trying process when we are so in need of the school building. However if one wants to really learn how to be patient just come to India.

We are very proud of our little school in the inter schools' games contest. For three years in succession we have won and now the shield, which is given to the winning school, is ours to keep. We are working hard in order that our name may be the first to appear upon the new shield.

Our girls continue to keep well and happy on the whole. Their annual physical examination has just been given. Owing to the follow-up work done after last year’s examination we see a vast improvement in some respects. There are still many weaknesses to be treated which do not appear on the surface. We are very grateful for a fine spirited and very helpful Indian Christian lady doctor in the Municipal Hospital. She works in splendid co-operation with our health programme.

We have an increase of 20 girls in the enrollment so our hostels are well filled. A fine class of thirteen girls are under preparation for full membership in the church.

Our 4th class enrolls 18 girls who will not be returning to us again. We are sorry in some respects that we are only a Primary school and our girls must leave us so soon.
METHODIST PUBLISHING HOUSE, LUCKNOW.
STATISTICS.
### Statistics for

*For the year*

The Report should cover the last complete academic year.

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