Reports and Minutes

of the

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

of the

North-West India Conference

Meerut, February 4—10, 1931.

"Saved for Service"
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Officers and Committees, 1931-32.

North West India Conference.

President
Mrs. S. W. Clemes.
Vice-President
Miss E. M. Forsyth.
Secretary
Miss Grace Boddy.
Assistant Secretary
Miss Laura V. Williams.
All-India Treasurer
Miss E. L. Whiting.
Statistical Secretary
Mrs. H. C. Scholberg.
Assistant Statistical Secretary
Mrs. C. C. Herrmann.

Field Reference Committee.
Miss Forsyth, Chairman; Miss Porter, Field Correspondent, Ex-Officio; Miss Whiting, Treasurer, Ex-Officio; Miss Clark, Miss G. Richards, Miss Doyle, Mrs. Pace, Miss Livermore. Alternates: Misses Boddy, Justin, Randall.

Field Property Committee.
Miss Clark, Miss G. Richards, Miss Boddy, Miss G. T. Holman and Field Correspondent and Central Treasurer, ex-officio.

Executive Board Member.
Miss E. Porter.

Schools Committee.
Misses Clark, Bobb Warner, Palmer, Justin, Buss, G. Richards, Bothwell, Boddy, Randall, Hoffman, S. C. Holman, Greene, Buss, Mrs. Pace, Mrs. Henninger; Mrs. Templin, and all others in School Work.

Board of Education.
Misses G. Richards, Warner, Bobb, D. Matthews, Justin, Boddy, N. V. Singh, Hoffman, Greene, Dr. Tower.

Board of Religious Education.
Misses Palmer, Randall, Warner, G. Richards, Sahae, Mrs. Pace.

Joint Evangelistic Board.
Miss Livermore, Chairman; Misses Boddy, Forsyth, A. Richards, A. Lall, Doyle, C. T. Holman, Mrs. Mann; Robert John, A. C. Chakravarti, Amar Dass, George Gordon, Robert Gardner, J. W. Alexander, Prem Das, Isaac Mann.
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES, 1981-82

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

Joint Literature Committee.

Evangelistic Committee
Mrs. Herrmann, Chairman; Miss Forsyth, Secretary; Miss Clark, Registrar; Misses Porter, Livermore, A. Lall, A. Richards, C. T. Holman, S. C. Holman, Doyle, Greene, Dye, Mrs. Schoenberg, Mrs. Amar Dass, Miss Forsyth, Chairman, Bible Readers Examinations.

Language School Committee.
Miss Porter, Miss Livermore.

Board of Temperance.

Village Education Committee.

Re-Allocation of School Fund.
Misses Porter, Justin, A. Richards, Wm. Dye, R. T. Templin, T. C. Badley.

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, Bobb, Warner, Justin, Lawrence.

Alligarh Vocational School Committee.
Principal 'ex-officio, Mrs. Pace, Misses G. Richards, Porter, Justin, Bobb, Hoffman, Warner, Clark.
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES, 1931-32

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

Examiners, Woman's School, Bareilly.
Miss Forsyth, Mrs. G. Mann.

Board of Governors, Bareilly Theological Seminary.
Miss Clark.

Board of Governors, Wellesley Girls' School.
Miss Boddy.

Warne Baby Fold.
Miss Barry.

Mary Wilson Sanitorium Committee.
Miss Clark (Term expires 1931).
Miss Porter (Term expires 1932).

Northern India Medical Committee.
Dr. Tower, Miss Porter.

Indigenous Missionary Societies.
Misses L. D. Greene, A. H. Johnson, F. Chand, Miss Sahae, Mrs. Amar Dass, Mrs. Herrmann, Mrs. Scholberg.
Standing Committee on Central Conference Action on Women's Work.
Member Executive Board, Misses Livermore, A. Richards.

Provident Fund.
Misses Porter, Boddy, A. Richards, A. Lall, N. V. Singh.

Auditing Committee.
Misses Clark, Forsyth, Boddy, Bothwell, Buss, Doyle.

Annual Conference Furniture.
Mrs. Scholberg, Miss Boddy, Mrs. Templin.

W. F. M. S. Furniture.
Misses Randall, Doyle, Bobb.

Conference Programme.
Misses Boddy, Porter, Mrs. Scholberg, Miss Randall, Miss G. Richards, Miss Bliss.

Memoirs.
Mrs. Scholberg, Misses Forsyth and Patrick.
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**North West India.**

Organized 1893.

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**Associate Members.**

| 1. Miss Edna Toussaint, L. M. P. | 1929 |
| 2. Mrs. H. S. Peters           | 1929 |
| 3. Miss Dolly Matthews         | 1930 |
| 4. Miss Mabel Patrick          | 1930 |
| 5. Miss Alice Johnson          | 1930 |
| 6. Miss Shama Sahae            | 1930 |
| 7. Miss Filicia Chand          | 1930 |
| 8. Miss Natha V. Singh         | 1930 |

**Missionaries who are detained at home or retired.**

| 1. Mrs. P. M. Buck            | 1871 |
| 2. Mrs. Emma Moore Scott     | 1877 |
| 3. Miss A. E. Lawson         | 1886 |
| 4. Mrs. Rockwell Clancy      | 1892 |
| 5. Miss Jennie Ball          | 1915 |

* On furlough
Appointments

North-west India Woman's Conference, 1930—1931

ALIGARH DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. C. C. Herrmann.
Evangelistic Work, Miss A. L. Lal.
Louise Soule Girls' School, Miss E. E. Warner, Miss Pearl Palmer.
Girls' Vocational School, Miss Grace Boddy.

ANUPSHAHR DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. M. S. Budden
District Evangelists, Miss M. A. Livermore, Miss Annie Winslow.
District Village Schools, Miss A. S. Pottinger (After Aug. 1).

BULANDSHAHR DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. R. Gardner.
Evangelistic Work, Miss M. A. Livermore, Miss Annie Winslow.
Village School Work, Miss A. S. Pottinger (After Aug. 1).

DELHI DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. T. C. Badley.
Delhi Girls' School, Miss C. L. Justin.
District Evangelist, Miss Letah Doyle, P. O. Sonepat.
Sonepat, Catherine Craine Kissack Boys' School, Miss Helen Buss.

GAZIABAD DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. William Dye.
District Evangelist, Miss L. D. Greene.
Village Educational Work and Burgess Day School, Miss L. D. Greene.
Ghaziabad Ingraham Training Institute, Mrs. J. C. Pace.
Ghaziabad Bible Training School, Mrs William Dye.

MEERUT DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. F. E. Henninger.
District Evangelist and Village Educational Work, Miss E. M. Forsyth, P. O. Meerut.
Meerut Boys' School, Mrs. F. E. Henninger, Hostel Superintendent.
Meerut Girls' High School, Miss G. Richards, Miss J. Bothwell.

MUTTRA DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs Scholberg.
Evangelistic Work, Miss A. Richards.
Agra Holman Institute, Miss S. C. Holman, Agra Evangelistic Work, Miss C. T. Holman.
Brindaban Hospital, Miss R. B. Tower, M. D., Physician in Charge.
Brindaban Hospital, Miss Eunice Porter R. N., Superintendent.
Brindaban Hospital, School of Nursing, Miss Alda Berry R. N.
Brindaban Hospital, Language Study, Miss L. E. Bliss R. N.
Brindaban City Evangelistic Work, Miss Eunice Porter.
Brindaban Ashram Work, Mrs. Chakravarti.
Muttra Blackstone Missionary Institute, Miss Faith Clark, Principal; Miss S. Edith Randall, Associate Principal.
Muttra Girls' Anglo-Vernacular School, Miss Mildred Bobb, Manager.
Muttra Zanana Department, to be supplied.
Muttra Boys Hostel, Mrs. Templin.

MUZAFFARNAGAR DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. Robert John.

ROHTAK DISTRICT

District and Medical Work, Mrs. Amar Dass.
Evangelistic Work, Miss Letah Doyle, (P. O. Sonepat).

ROORKEE DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. W. A. Revis,
Evangelistic Work, to be supplied.
Village Educational Work, to be supplied.
Roorkee Girls' Middle School, Miss C. E. Hoffman.
Roorkee Boys' Primary School, Miss C. E. Hoffman.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Isabella Thoburn College, Miss L. V. Williams, Miss M. I. Hermiston.
APPOINTMENTS

Theological Seminary, Bareilly, Dean of Women, Mrs. James Devadasan, Mrs. H. S. Peters.
Methodist Publishing House, Mrs. C. O. Forsgren.

ON FURLOUGH


Transferred to Gujerat Conference, L. E. Huffman, M. D.
Official Minutes

First Session.

Wednesday, February 4th, 1931.

OPENING.

The Northwest India Woman’s Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met for its thirty-ninth annual session in Meerut. Miss E. Porter was in the chair and Miss C. T. Holman offered prayer.

ORGANIZATION.

Conference officers were elected as follows:

President             Mrs. Clemen.
Vice-President        Miss Forsyth.
Secretary             Miss Boddy.
Assistant Secretary   Miss Williams.

ROLL CALL.

The roll was called, to which twenty-five responded.

GREETINGS.

A letter of greeting from Miss Everley was read by the Secretary, and greetings were brought from Miss McLeavy and Mrs. Forsgren.

Miss Bliss was introduced as the new member of the Conference, from Brindaban.

It was moved, and carried that the Secretary be instructed to send greetings to the North India Conference now in session; also to Mrs. Robinson, and to Bishop McDowell. At the roll call of absent members, volunteers promised to write greetings from the Conference.

COMMITTEES.

The following Committees were appointed by the President:

Nominations: Miss Klingeberger, Miss Forsyth, Miss Farmer, Miss Hoffman, Miss Matthews.

Resolutions: Miss Doyle, Miss Barry, Miss A. Lall.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Further introductions were made:—Mrs. Sampson of Ghaziabad, and Miss Bothwell, transferred from Indus River Conference; Miss Justin, Miss C. T. Holman, and Miss Hoffman were welcomed after furloughs.

Miss Bliss spoke to the Conference, telling of her joy in her new work.
It was moved and carried that the Field Reference Committee be asked to confer with the Bishop and the Cabinet regarding women's appointments.

The chairman of the nominating committee asked as to the advisability of combining the Joint Literature Committee and the Drama and Music Collection and Translation Committee. The President answered that since the latter was a new one, it might be given further chance to function as a separate committee.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Announcements of committee meetings were made. The session closed with prayer.

Second Session.

Thursday, February 5th, 1931

OPENING.

After meeting in Joint Session, the Woman's Conference re-convened at 1 P. M.

DEVOTIONS.

Miss Bobonhouse led in prayer.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and corrected.

Due to the absence of Miss Barry, the President announced that the name of Miss Buss would be substituted on the Resolutions Committee.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE ACTIONS.

Miss Porter reported a change in the constitution regarding membership in the Woman's Conference. Central Conference took action that women coming into the conference be recommended by the Quarterly Conference to the Credentials Committee. For full membership, the new member must serve a two year's probation period, with no voting privilege during that time. This includes new missionaries. All must have passed a high school course and have had two years of some special training. If this is not possible, then the candidate may pursue a course now in preparation and pass an examination on this course. Associate members may serve on committees. Associate members bear the same relation to the Woman's a Conference as laymen bear to Annual Conference. The above ruling applies from this year.
INTRODUCTIONS.

Miss S. C. Holman was welcomed after furlough. Mrs. H. J. Sheets was greeted as a guest from North India Conference and Mrs. Sampson of Bharatpur was welcomed as a guest.

ELECTIONS.

Miss Klingeberger reported for the nominating committee and the elections took place.

REPORTS.

In between the casting of ballots for members of standing committees the following reports were given: Mrs. Sheets for the Woman’s School at Bareilly reported and her report was accepted with thanks. Mrs. Dye reported for the Evangelist Teachers and Summer Schools Committee. Her Report was accepted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On completion of election of officers and committees for 1931-1932 the meeting adjourned at 2:40 P. M. Mrs. Dye leading in closing prayer.

Third Session.

Friday, February 6th, 1931.

OPENING.

After meeting in Joint Session, the Woman’s Conference convened at 1 P. M. Miss Carpenter led in prayer. Mr. Forsgren was introduced and said a few words regarding the Publishing House at Lucknow.

GREETINGS.

Miss Livermore, Dr. Greene, and Miss Winslow were welcomed after furlough, and Miss Carpenter and Miss Scholberg were introduced to the Conference.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last session were read and corrections made. At the request of the President, Miss Bliss’ name was added to the Conference Programme Committee.

REPORTS.

Miss Farmer presented the Field Correspondent’s report, and Miss Bobenhouse reported for the Field Property Committee. Both reports were accepted. Miss Porter presented the following motion which was passed:

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That arrangements be made by the schools and evangelistic committees, for the salaries of furloughed nationals who have been in school or evangelistic work, a report to be brought in by these committees at the next session of the Woman’s Conference.

Miss Porter explained that this matter had come before the Woman’s Work Committee of Central Conference; some conferences have arranged for a fund to be continued through the years, with money available when the time comes for furlough and there is no other arrangement for salary. The arrangement shall apply only to those recommended for furlough by the Field Reference Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Committee meetings were announced.

Miss Klingeberger read a letter from Miss Annie Ball.

The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

Fourth Session.

Saturday, February 7th, 1931.

The Conference met in regular session at 1:20 P.M. and was led in the devotional period by Mr. Chakarvati of the Brindaban Ashram.

Mrs. Revis was introduced and welcomed to the Conference session. A telegram of greeting from the North India Conference was read by the secretary.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Miss Clark reported for the joint meeting of the schools committee and the evangelistic committee regarding the matter of salaries for workers on leave. The following recommendation was accepted by the Conference: “We recommend that the salaries of those recommended for leave by the Field Reference Committee be provided for at the time from the scholarships, educational, evangelistic and medical pro rata,—the Field Reference Committee also to decide the percentage from each scholarship.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Committee meetings were announced.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME.

The secretary asked the opinion of the Conference regarding the Joint Sessions. Approval of the two-hour
sessions each day seemed to be unanimous, but there was much discussion as to the advisability of having joint after-dinner meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 P. M.

Fifth Session.

Monday, February 9th, 1931.

OPENING.

The conference met at 9 A.M. and was led in devotions by Sabhuddra Devi, a recent convert.

GREETINGS.

Greetings were received from Miss Lawson and Mrs J. W. Robinson.

REPORTS.

Miss Schaefer reported for the Drama, Music and Literature Collection committee and announced that in the future all translated material should be sent to Miss Palmer and she in turn would make duplicate copies and distribute them. Two dramas, "The Story of Joseph" and "The Challenge of the Cross" have been prepared.

Miss Clark reported for the Auditing Committee and urged all in charge of work to be ready for audit at least two weeks before conference.

Mrs. Scholberg in reporting about the work of the Statistical Secretary spoke of the necessity of prompt response to her request for statistics. There is some confusion as to how dispensary patients should be counted.

MOTION.

It was moved and carried that Miss Clark and the medical committee work out a uniform scheme for counting patients in district and school dispensaries.

Miss Warner reported for the indigenous missionary Societies stating that only two such societies exist, namely Delhi and Ghaziabad. It was moved that the money collected in these two societies as dues be sent to the Treasurer of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions of Southern Asia.

MOTION.

It was moved and carried that we make the Indigenous societies really indigenous and that we dispense with the collection we formerly took from each member of the Woman's Conference but that we be a part of the local societies and dispense with the collection at confer-
ence. It was moved and carried that the name of L. D. Greene be added to the committee and that she be made chairman of the committee.

EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE.

It was moved and carried that we, in answer to the question concerning the Revision of the course for Bible Readers, send to the North India Conference committee the course as revised two and a half years ago and state that we find this course satisfactory.

CONFERENCE MEMBER.

It was moved and carried that we accept Miss Bliss as a conference member on probation.

PROMOTIONAL FUND.

Miss Bothwell reported for the Promotional Fund Committee. It was moved and carried that we instruct the committee to order directly from the press to each Field Support Secretary the same number of Provident Fund Booklets as that number of scholarships, Bible, Medical and School, from the Branch. Also that we send just as we do the minutes. The rest of the 1,500 booklets printed to be divided equally among the W. F. M. S. missionaries of the conference.

PROGRAMME ARRANGEMENT.

The following recommendation was moved and carried: Inasmuch as an early dismissal of conference means financial embarrassment to the hostesses and renders it impossible to complete the work of the conference in an unhurried and dignified way, we the members of the Woman's Conference earnestly request the Bishop and members of next year's Programme Committee to arrange to give to the conference the full time as originally planned.

ENTERTAINMENT.

It was moved and carried that conference members notify the hostesses a week ahead of time as to how much time they expect to spend at conference otherwise they will be charged for the full time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

It was moved and carried that the secretary be allowed to submit the minutes of the last meeting to members of the Woman's Conference in her station for approval. The Report of the resolutions Committee was accepted.
Language School Committee.

Owing to a change in plans the Language School committee should have only two members of the Woman's Conference on it. The Field Reference committee was circulated to allow Miss Porter and Miss Livermore this appointment.

G. BODDY,
Conference Secretary.
Reports

Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow.

The enrollment for the present year is the best we have ever had. We opened the year with about one hundred fifty students. Two were eliminated by their physical examinations, one or two did not find their niche and withdrew almost immediately; with one or two other casualties we have on the roll at the beginning of the second term one hundred forty-two bona fide daily attending students. Before this report reaches you we are likely to have an increase. We have been asked to admit the students who joined the training department of Crosthwaite College in Allahabad, as that department has to be closed.

It was impossible this year to admit all the science candidates because of lack of room in some of the laboratories. Had there been any way to foresee the heavy demand for admission in this department a good opportunity for selection would have been before us, but since it was not anticipated, those who applied early were received and those who applied later were refused. It was extremely difficult to turn them away, not only because we should like to have the department larger for financial reasons, but because they were so anxious to come. One girl arrived in spite of refusal and sat in the hostel two weeks until she finally became convinced that the answer was not to be revised and she would have to go elsewhere; another was blocked en route by an urgent telegram; another is still battering at our door and has been promised first place on next year's list. I had a personal regret in the refusal of two Parsi girls, a community which we have not yet touched and where I would be glad to make a beginning.

Five years ago I had a consultation with the Vice-Chancellor, who was then our good friend Dr. Cameron, as to the advisability of cutting down our Intermediate Department, which included at that time two high school classes, because I felt that the preponderance of the lower classes rather unbalanced our academic life. He advised me to be patient with it for a little while, and I have now to report the wisdom of that patience. We have in the present year's enrollment sixty students registered in the Intermediate Department and sixty-eight in the University Department. This still leaves out of account the English
Teacher's Certificate class which we consider to be on a par with the Intermediate, but you can see how rapidly we are approaching a balance between the two academic departments.

It may interest you to know just how many girls were being aided by College scholarships (or, as we prefer to call it now, by College Loans) in the last term of 1929-1930. Those who received help are, by classes, as follows: First Intermediate, 5; Second Intermediate, 10; First B. A., 1; Second B. A. 1; First E. T. C. 4; Second E. T. C., 4; D. T., 1. This totaled Rupees 370 per month. Each loan is made on the understanding that it is to be repaid by the student either partly in service and partly in money, or if service is not rendered in Christian Schools then it is to be repaid in full. I cannot say that we get back every rupee that is coming to us. There was a certain period in the history of the College when payments seemed to lapse almost entirely, but although this was several years ago we are collecting some of what we were tempted to think were bad debts. Students who are going out now are almost without exception repaying their loans in the finest spirit.

I have thought it worth while to speak of this in my report because it is a matter in which you as conferences and as missionaries dealing with Christian young people are probably interested. I am glad to say that the time seems to be passed when students who have received loans from the College regard it merely as something to which they are justly entitled and which it is really a favour to the College to accept. This seems to us to herald the better day.

The disturbances in the educational world, when many colleges were being prevented from doing their daily work, did not touch us although we were threatened several times and made to feel that our days of immunity were about to end. The spirit of both teachers and students, while decidedly national, is also splendidly loyal.

The Christian activities of the College claim the allegiance of a large number of students—servants' school, Sunday school groups, Y. W. C. A., our College Church, the Chapel committee, students' Chapel programmes, Church choirs, and many less organized forms of service take their toll of the time of both students and teachers. The daily Chapel is well attended by students of all religious beliefs except the Roman Catholic.

Since the writing of this report sanction has been received from America to proceed immediately with the
erection of the hostel which, owing to the poverty of Government, must be built without Government grant, though we are promised that the hostel may be considered later for such aid. This means that as soon as the preliminaries can be attended to, actual work will begin and we hope the building may be ready for occupancy next July.

MARY E. SHANNON.

Report of Bareilly Theological Seminary Woman's School.

It is with diffidence that I attempt to make a report after only a few month's acquaintance with the school. It was given into my charge on my arrival in October. Due to careful organization by Mrs. Devadasan during the many years she has been in charge, the school has been able to tide over a very trying year. When, due to illness, she was unable to continue the work, it was turned over to Mrs. Thoburn. I have asked her for a report but with great modesty she replied that she had merely carried on, knowing that she was merely filling in until the midyear vacation. Reports from elsewhere tell of unstinted effort and an excellent record at the final examinations.

From July until October, the school was without a head, and even after my arrival, my first few months were spent largely in making my acquaintance with the work, and studying the demands which are now being made on the Bible-reader in the districts with a view to making the course fit the new needs in so far as possible. On the re-opening of the school in January, we initiated a few changes with a view to meeting these demands.

We have opened a training class for village school teaching. We do not hope, in the small amount of time we are able to give to the work, to be able to turn out a finished product; but if we can help some of our little children of the village into the mysteries of the printed page without their going through the agonies of the "Alif-be" method, we shall feel repaid. Our little practice school numbers only four at present, but our women are taking hold enthusiastically. This department is a reply to North India's demand that every woman in village work be given a little school to each.

The story telling class has continued to do good work. This year we are basing our stories on Mrs. Annett's course for village Sunday Schools. Our emphasis is on
the story for children, but we give some time to the story for adults in order to encourage the women to think for themselves and to realize that the story has value only as it meets some real need in the individual life.

We have our W. C. T. U., Missionary Class, and Mother's meetings each month. Since our women cover these subjects in their regular Bible reader's course, we use our organizations not so much as a means of giving information as a means of inspiration and of training in public speaking, efficient office holding, and intelligent membership. The Offices and Committees are so distributed as to give all a chance to serve.

Miss Westrup has opened a clinic which is arousing an interest in the subject of health. She hopes to teach the women that their health and that of their children is largely in their own hands. A prize was given to the most perfect child over six months of age, at the end of the first examination. At the end of the term one is to be given for the most perfect child and another for the child showing the most progress. Advice for herself and her family has been given to each woman.

We have had a very loyal staff of teachers, but with no head for some months and no assistant, their work has been very difficult. Mrs. Richardson has acted as head mistress and had done a very commendable piece of work. However, we need a woman of more training and experience to take the responsibility.

The babies form no little part of our school. The kindergarten numbers fifteen—children of our students and teachers. We have not had a trained kindergartener thus far but Mrs. Dan Singh has kindly consented to take over the supervision of the department. Knowing her reputation, we are expecting great things. We are not proud of our nursery. No appropriations have been made for the care of the tots from four months to three years of age. After salaries are paid in the school, we have ten dollars per month for all school expenses. Half of this has been diverted to nursery needs where four old women have been in charge of sixteen babies. They break every law of hygiene and child training. We must have funds to put a woman in charge who can give the babies intelligent care. One mother more courageous than the rest, has refused to put her babe into the nursery and I do not blame her in the least. We are praying that this report may find its way into the hands of some one who has a love for little ones and a hundred dollars a year which she can spare to give our babies decent care and intelligent training while their mothers are try-
ing to prepare for Christian service. We owe it to them.

GRACE B. SHEETS,
Principal.

Language School Report.

The Language School, under the guidance of Rev. R. D. Cornuelle, reports a good session for 1930. One hundred and fourteen students were enrolled, of whom the majority were Hindi students. During the first term sixty-four were studying Hindi and thirty-five, Urdu; during the second term forty-one were studying Hindi and thirty-three, Urdu.

Forty societies were represented. The Bible C. M. S. had the highest enrollment, thirteen missionaries. Ours ranked third with eight.

There were the usual Monday lectures which were well attended.

Twelve students gave the Language School examination, six appearing in Urdu and six in Hindi. Two were from our Mission. Miss Bear passed in first division and Miss Coy in second.

In June again representatives from the Women's Conferences of our Language Area again met and discussed matters of importance and interest in regard to the Language School and Rokeby. A copy of the minutes is included.

A copy of the minutes of the Language School Committee of Control is also attached.

One matter of interest, especially to those entering Language School for the first time, is the plan made for assignment of tutors, based on the priority of registration. All those registering before January 15th will receive preferential treatment in the assignment of tutors. Those registering after that will be given second choice.

Suggestions were made as to information regarding the Language School to be included in the report. They followed the line which was already customary in previous reports.

It was voted that early financial reports should be sent to the Field Reference Committees concerned with this Language Area.
It was moved and carried that each Field Reference Committee secretary be asked to send the names of the Language School Committee members from her conference to the secretary of the Language School Committee so that she may know who they are and be able to keep in touch with them.

It was voted that Language School accounts be audited by the Auditing Committee of the Conference to whom the Secretary belongs. No action was taken.

Second class fare was allowed for the member of the Language School Committee of Control.

The following action was taken to be placed before the several conferences concerned:

The W. F. M. S. Language School Committee shall consist of two members from each conference, one of which shall be a member of the Field Reference Committee. This committee shall replace the old Language School Committee.

It was suggested that the name of the secretary of the Language School Committee be printed in the Minutes of each Woman's Conference.

Miss Christensen was elected secretary and member of the Language School Committee of Control, with Miss Clinton as alternate.

Miss Lawson was asked to begin a Log Book for the Language School House.

1930 Minutes of Landour Language School Committee of Control.

The meeting opened with prayer, led by Mr. Campbell. Rev. M. R. Ahrens was elected chairman. The following members were present:

North India Mission—Miss Johnson, R. D. Cornuelle.
United Presbyterian Mission—Mrs. Alter, Mr. Ross,
Mr. Campbell
Canadian United Church Mission
Methodist Mission—Miss Christensen
(Mr. Scholberg, absent)
Mid India Council—Mr. Hill
Miss A. E. Lawson was present by invitation.
Rev. J. I. Hasler represented the Joint Examining Board.

R. D. Cornuelle was elected Secretary. R. D. Cornuelle and A. E. Parker were elected joint Treasurers. The time for the morning session was fixed for 9:30 to 12:30 and for the afternoon session until business is finished.
The Report of the Principal for 1930 was read and approved.

Mr. Hasler of the J. E. B. presented several questions for action.

(a) This committee favours the principle of reducing the amount of translation in the first year course.
(b) The committee approves of omitting translation into English from set books from the second year papers.
(c) We favour provision being made for including text books (school in the course for the benefit of missionaries in school work.) We cannot undertake to teach these books in addition to the regular books in the language school course.
(d) We doubt the practicability of introducing Shikast in the II year.
(e) We have no views on marking to even 5 points.

A committee consisting of Mrs. Alter, Mr. Newton and Miss Lawson was appointed with power to take action on the report of the auditor.

The Treasurer of the North India Mission was appointed auditor for 1930.

The Committee appointed on Mr. Chauha's MS reported that it was not complete. The committee was continued.

The present Principal (Rev. E. D. Cornuelle) was re-elected for 1931, and the North India Mission was asked to send Miss Johnson to be supervisor of the Hindi Department. The Punjab Mission was asked to send Mr. Ewing for the first term and to provide a supervisor for the second term.

The following changes and additions in the rules were made and the rules adopted:

No tutor may receive pay for teaching more than 7 periods a day.

The "short sermonic application" of parables and miracles will be omitted.

That instead of translation short conversation about the passage read (carrying the same marks) will be introduced.

That the translation in 1930 be written rather than oral.

That the "Cummings Sentences" be selected from the whole number of Hindi and Urdu sentences assigned.
Special classes will not ordinarily be organized for less than five pupils (Regular classes in 1 Year Hindi and Urdu and Punjabi will be organized as usual.)

Tutors are to be chosen in order decided by lot in classes according to priority if registration for one term at a time. Those registering before January 15 will have prior choice, for the first term hours.

Unregistered students will be charged a fee for tutors in addition to the rate for tutor (A Class Rs. 4, B Class Rs 3, C Class Rs. 2) except when such work is undertaken by the tutor at the special request of the Principal.

Ordinarily one tutor can be assigned in advance to a tutorial centre. Others needed can be drawn at the regular time.

Teachers of tutors leaving during the term of appointment without notice as required in the rules, shall forfeit pay for the period required.

For 1930 each co-operating mission will be allowed to send up to 10 pupils without paying any school fee.

Resolved: that the question of basis of support be further investigated with a view to considerably lessening the burden of the supporting mission, and decided at the next annual meeting of the committee of control.

Resolved: that one representative each from the three Christian Councils (Punjab, U. P. and Mid India) and from the J. E. B. be made regular members of the committee of control. That each sending body provide for the expenses of its representative.

Resolved that the North India Mission be paid Rs. 200 on consideration of the permission given to use Kellogg Memorial Church. That the thanks of the Committee be expressed for the use of the building in 1930.

That the Principal be allowed to overlook the inadvertent breach of tutorial rules in 1930.

That we ask the North India Mission to allow the Language School to use the Kellogg Memorial Church or the 1931 Session.

Resolved that we thank the North India Mission and the Punjab Mission for furnishing the supervisors of the Hindi and Urdu departments, and the co-operating Missions for sending help. The Canadian Mission sent Mr. Abraham, and the others sent contributions of money.

The rules were approved as amended.

Resolved that we thank Mrs. Cornuelle and Mrs. Slater for serving lunch to the Committee.
Blackstone Missionary Institute, Muttra

The School aims to meet the increasing demand for cultured Christian leadership of religious and social service in schools, churches and communities; specifically to provide the intellectual and spiritual training needed by young women who, in India's new day, are facing continually greater opportunities and responsibilities.

In the English Department, class work is on the Junior College level, with specialization in Bible-content, Bible Geography, and Methods of Teaching Bible, together with the history and the sciences most essential to undergird the teachings of Christianity, i.e. Comparative Religion, History of Missions, Village Problems, as Practical Sociology, Psychology and Personality Development. Worship receives special attention.

Further, the standard of the Normal school is required in practice preparation. Students must qualify in Story-Telling, Music, Handwork and Pageantry. Their practical training includes courses in “How to Teach Religion,” “Junior and Epworth League Methods,” sufficient mastery of two vernaculars to tell Bible stories in them, a Normal Course in Health and Hygiene, and Simple Book-keeping and Office Methods.

During the year, eleven alert young women have been enrolled, three fine new matriculates entering in August. Our students represent four religious denominations, and they come from the far reaches of India—from Rajputana and Assam, from Bombay Presidency and Orissa, from Central Provinces and United Provinces. In this melting-pot Assamese, Oriya and Gujerati must suffer neglect for the time being in favour of English and the Urdu and Hindi of our area, for practice teaching. However, experience proves that the new knowledge and inspiration gained here quickly find expression in the mother-tongue of our graduates when they return to their own language areas.

In the Vernacular Department, class work is on the high school level, specializing in Bible and religious training, preparing young women for the intimate contacts with other teachers and girls in vernacular boarding schools, and in the wider fields of community and district service.

During the year forty-four students have been enrolled in this Department, fifteen receiving their diplomas in May. These students also represent several missions, and they come from a wide area.
Special Features by both Departments.

Official Visits.

Miss Muriel V. Bailey inspected all classes on March 7th and 8th. She comments especially on the excellent work in Story Illustration, Sand Table Work, Nature Study, and Primary Methods of teaching Arithmetic. She approves the new course in Comparative Religious. She continues:

"The students have caught the spirit of their teachers and seem to understand the necessity for being able to teach the Bible with the best up to date methods.

India's greatest need today is well trained, wholly consecrated workers, filled with the spirit of the Master.

Bishop Robinson and Miss Mary F. Carpenter visited us in August. In particular, Miss Carpenter counselled with us on the curriculum plans which are being tried out, preparatory to the issuing of new Prospectus.

Programmes.

Especially worthy of mention are three programmes in which English and Vernacular Departments participated together:

"The Challenge of the Cross," a drama setting forth the meaning of Cross-bearing to young people of various temperaments, was given in the Vernacular to our District Conference and community, with profound effect.

"The Living Christ," an Easter pageant of great solemnity and beauty, was rendered for the first time in our vernacular. The three women and the angel at the tomb were English Training girls. The responses to the call of Christianity were given with deep feeling by Vernacular Training girls, Boarding School girls and High School boys.

Pentecost received emphasis this year, first in a week of devotional services conducted by the Rev. Ralph Temple, and later, in the evening of our Graduates' Class Day, when a beautiful pageant was given. These sixteen young women presented the scenes and songs of Pentecost which would emerge in a service of consecration of their own. Their deep sincerity was impressive.

We invite young women students, the best in character and in physique, the keenest thinkers, the most consecrated and adventurous Spirits, to come for training.

(Signed) M. Adelaide Clancy.
S. Edith Randall
Edna I. Bradley.
**Schools Committee Report.**

Moved and passed that the secretary be instructed to ascertain what other schools of the area are doing in regard to a scale for matron's salaries and fees for their children, and report to the Committee.

Moved and passed that the schools carry on W. C. T. U. speaking and essay medal contests in order to promote interest in temperance work.

Moved and passed that Miss Boddy be appointed to organize W. C. T. U. contests in the schools of the Conference.

Miss Boddy reported that Mrs. C. B. Hill of Ajmer is the General W. C. T. U. contest organizer, and that material for contests may be obtained from her.

Recommended that the heads of schools cooperate with evangelists and pastors for the purpose of stimulating greater interest in evangelism in schools.

Moved and passed that the following questions be sent by the secretary to the junior teachers Conference committee for the Conference agenda, and that in the meantime Miss Warner be asked to take the matter up with highly trained Indian educationalists and report the results to the committee.

1. When should the names of the letters be taught to beginners who are being taught phonetically? A. spelling.
   2. When begin?
   3. Material and order.

Recommended that the different schools try out different methods to see in what classes and by what method spelling and phonetics be best taught to incorporate them in the other school work.

Moved and passed that the secretary circulate to the principals of schools that they urge the girls to wear dresses of proper length, and that the wearing of saris above the third class be emphasized.

Moved and passed that the heads of schools hold meeting with the preachers of the districts to obtain a consensus of opinion as to when girls should wear chadars and to report to the committee.

Recommended that students for classes III to VI be admitted to the Girls' vocational school at Aligarh as previously.

Moved and passed that a committee be appointed to make such changes as may be needed in the events of
the athletic contest. Misses Schaeffer, Justin, Johnson and Bobb were appointed.

MILDRED S. BOBB.

Village Schools

The progress in village schools is very appreciable this year. Closer supervision is bringing results and "A grade" schools are appearing.

The teachers in the day schools are, in the majority of cases, Bible Readers; some of the day schools and nearly all the A grade schools have young men as teachers or women who devote all their time to teaching. The number of trained teachers is increasing but is yet far below what it should be.

The situation we face as a mission in relation to village schools for boys is being greatly altered by government's efforts toward compulsory education. Unless our schools equal or excel District and Municipal Board Schools we shall be unable to maintain them. Indeed, we should not try to do so. A good school is possible only when we have a good teacher, adequately prepared. The minimum requirement of government is Vernacular Final passed and training should certainly be an added qualification. If such Christian teachers were available we could reasonably expect them in the near future to be used in schools maintained by government for children of Christian communities.

A large committee appointed by the government last year when the Legislative Assembly of the U. P. met in Lucknow, is making definite recommendations as to ways and means for provincial-wide and immediate compulsory education for boys. The Christian community has almost no teachers qualified to serve in such schools, so government will use Hindu and Mohammedan teachers for the depressed classes schools and for schools attended by our Christian village boys. We should hasten and remedy the lack; urge boys and young men to pass the Vernacular Final examination and enter training classes and so fit themselves to enter this field of Primary Education and so strengthen and extend the bulwarks of the Church of Christ in India.


The Meeting of the U. P. Christian Council met in Allahabad, April 8 and 9, 1930.
This Council is representative of Church and Missions in the United Provinces. Its objects are

(a) To foster mutual understanding among all Christian Churches and Missions.
(b) To promote among them co-operation in policy and activity.
(c) To collect information regarding the needs and opportunities of the field and the work that is being done.
(d) To stimulate thinking and investigation on missionary questions.
(e) To co-operate with similar organizations in India and elsewhere.

Membership.

Every church that has 12,000 members in the U. P. may have six representatives. The following are the representatives of our Methodist Episcopal Church:

Rev. J. Devadasan, Bareilly.
Mr. N. Jordan, Almora.
Mr. R. W. Mathur, Lucknow.
Rev. M. C. Singh, Cawnpore.
Mrs. J. R. Chitambar, Jubbulpore.
Miss Yasmin Peters, Shahjahanpur.

Each Mission is represented according to its number of missionaries. Those missions having from 76 to 120 missionaries in the area may have three representatives.

Our representatives are

Rev. F. M. Perrill, Lucknow.
Miss I. A. Farmer, Aligarh.

All plans for the furtherance of the Gospel are of interest in this Council.

I will mention a few. Some of these are of concern in this area only and some concern all India.

The Week of Evangelism held last year from March 2nd to 9th. We were asked to make unhurried spiritual preparation for this great work. The idea was to get the layman to take part in this great work, each trying to sell at least 10 Gospel portions. The Punjab and the C. P. had the same dates, so from Peshawar to Benares and from Mussoorie to the southern boundaries of the C. P. one great effort was put forth during one week. In some places the response was encouraging, but it was felt that many did not avail themselves of this great opportunity of spreading the work of God.

An Institute for Zenana workers was held again in August in Cawnpore. This was the third Institute of its
kind and was thought to be very helpful for Bible women who work in Zenanas and among village Christians.

The School of Indian Music under the auspices of the Council was held again in Bareilly, and another school was held in Landour in June for any who could attend. Many missionaries availed themselves of the opportunity and found it most profitable.

The first week of November 120 people, who work among the depressed classes, met in Cawnpore for three days to study the problems which face every village worker. While the matter of self support was thoroughly discussed and encouragement given by three men who for several years have been on self support, it was felt that the greatest need today is for a deep spiritual awakening in the hearts of all who are in Mass Movement work. If we will go to the villages with our hearts on fire for God, surely some fires will be kindled. Dr. Stanley Jones was with us for the three days.

Rev. J. Z. Hodge, the Secretary of the National Christian Council, is making an inquiry into forms of oppression suffered by our Christians. He will gladly welcome any authenticated reports of any kind of oppression in our districts. Such reports may be sent to Canon Fisher of Cawnpore, or to Rai Bahadur A. C. Mukerji of Allahabad.

As we have seen in the Witness and the Kaukab Rev. J. W. Pickett, D. D., has been appointed as Secretary of the Depressed Classes Commission. Dr. W. W. Wilson of the Presbyterian Mission Board of America has arrived in India to assist in this work. They began their work in South India where there is a great Mass Movement among the high caste people. This work is being financed largely by the Institute of Social and Religious Research in America. We shall expect great help from the investigation of this Commission. Sometimes we who are working so near the hard problems fail to have the right perspective and we need to see through the eyes of others for a time. This investigation will be doubly helpful as it follows the investigation of Dr. Butterfield of Rural Conditions.

This is the Age of Commissions. Another Commission is in India. Our Bishop McConnell is a member of this one. This one is studying the conditions of the Colleges, and it is financed by the laymen of America. We hope they will make a plan workable by which our Lucknow College may become a College of first rank instead of an intermediate college. Dr. S. K. Datta and Mr. S. N. Mukerji are the national representatives on this commission.
At the Jerusalem Council it was suggested that the new churches in the East send “missions-of-help” to the churches of Europe and America. This idea is looked upon favourably by the Christian Councils. Such a mission is planned for 1981, from February to May. The Bishop of Dornakal is to be one of the members and three other people will be selected. It is hoped that among the number one lady will go.

Much more could be said about the matters mentioned here and many more. The Council is seeking to help along the lines of Medical work, Education and Religious Education. It is encouraging to see that the different denominations are not working in India as so many separate organizations. Much is being done to bring about union and we pray for the success of this movement, but until that day comes we can still be one in Him, and work with Him for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Mary Wilson Sanatorium

The Sanatorium has had a busy year. The first two months were filled with Christmas festivities, quarterly examinations of all the patients, and readjustments, as Miss Bothwell and Miss Bell were new on our Missionary staff. In March the Executive Committee of the Governing Board of the Sanatorium had a profitable meeting. This Committee authorised certain readjustments of walls and bridges, repair of roofs and the enclosure of one 20 bed ward with expanded metal. Early in the winter a real gardener was secured—and since then we have made several strides toward beautifying the Sanatorium grounds. We have had a daily average of around ninety patients or more a good part of the year, fully 40 of these most of the time have been on complete or almost complete rest. This means much of necessary education for the nurses and for the patients; for rest in bed is not held in favour by our people when the patient really feels fit to be out of bed. This year, for the first time since the old grass huts were burned in January, 1918 on account of plague, we have had a waiting list. All year we have had three children in the nursery. Each child has a mother who is a patient in the Sanatorium.

This year while Brindaban hospital was closed for two months on account of vacation we kept in separate quarters four of their babies all under one year of age. Last year we reported the affiliation of the Clara Swain Hospital Nurses' training school with ours. Two nurses have come every three months from this hospital a
Bareilly and have had special lectures and practical training under Miss Bell on tuberculosis and the care of such cases. Also definite health teaching in preparation for school nursing has been given by Miss Fernstrom or Miss Dunn. Both training schools have been very happy with the results.

Since July we have two regularly employed teachers for the Sanatorium and for the nursery a young woman with several years experience at Warne Baby Fold.

The attempt to get a medical assistant has been most discouraging. We also have failed to get a second fully qualified doctor. The special committee of the Christian Medical Association of India for surveying the Missionary medical institutions require as a standard one doctor and 1 nurse for every 50 beds. We have 100 beds and 1 doctor and 1 nurse—just half of what we need. We need additional doctor and nurses for carrying out our Health Programme. We need a woman fully trained to care for the occupational therapy. Imagine lying on a bed day in and day out fit to use ones hands—and no employment given. There is a little proverb about idle hands that is certainly true. Cures would come faster and more happily if suitable tasks were provided for all.

With our limited staff we have done practically nothing in the way of laboratory work. This means that we are often working in the dark. We need some one trained for this line of work. Here again Madar Sanatorium has helped us some as to sputum examinations, but, far more extensive line of work needs to be done if we are to give efficient service.

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Our Members.

The past year we have had 141 cases in the Sanatorium. Of this number 77 have been admitted during the year. As to religion there are 135 Christians, 4 Hindus, 2 Moslems.

Our Sanatorium family has come from Calcutta, Raipur, Nagpur, Bombay, Sukkur, Lahore, Pauri, Almora and Pithoragarh, and many places lying within these outposts.

Dismissals.

Arrested cases 44, Improved 5, unimproved 3, transferred to other hospitals as non-tuberculous 5. Total number 57.
Deaths 9.

Of these 1 died within a week of admission.
" " 2 " " 3 months " ",
", " 3 " " or just over 4 months of Admission.

Of these 3 above that length of time.

Since the opening of Mary Wilson Sanatorium on June 25, 1906, there have been admitted 1,608 patients.

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Health Department of the Mary Wilson Sanatorium.

The past year Miss Fernstrom has been able to give full time for health work and also Miss Dunn, except for three months when she supplied at the Sanatorium while Miss Bell was in Language School. As a result 33 Schools have been visited—every student and every member of the staff having a very definite health examination—a personal contact being made with each one.

Eyes were tested for vision, teeth were cleaned and some extractions made.

In addition to the above the following work has been in hand:

1. A skeleton outline in English of the courses of Health study for the 3rd and 4th classes (U. P.) These have been distributed widely to our educational institutions of India.

2. The revision of the third and fourth class courses.

3. The 5th class course has been made available and is in use.

4. The 6th class course has been prepared and is being translated into Urdu.

Lectures.

1. Two were given at the United Provinces Senior Teachers Conference.

2. Eighteen were given at the U. P. Christian Council Bible Readers Conference at Cawnpore.

3. Nurses' Institute at Bareilly with an attendance of 27 for 6 days.

Requests have come for lectures and for help at District Conferences which we were not able to meet.

Neither have we been able to handle every call for work in the schools.

Expenses.

We have had no appropriation for this work. The School children or the schools are giving 4 annas per head
and the school staff are paying 8 annas per head for examinations. Some special gifts have been used for meeting the expenses.

From the Sanatorium funds help has been given in translation and stationery, paper, etc.

Not counting that which the Sanatorium has handled, the expenses have been Rs. 964-9-0 and the income Rs. 1,006-13-0. This expense covers some translations, all the travel to various schools, and also the expense for the Nurses' Institute and the travel of staff for this Institute and of the nurse for the Bible Readers' Course.

Remarks.

1. We would like to see both boys' and girls' schools adequately examined with full corrective follow-up work.

2. The regular weighing, at least monthly, of every member of each school staff. Rupees sixty will buy a good pair of scales and not of the spring variety.

3. We are being asked to economize in our Missionary work. The making of healthy children is the way to cut down medical bills and save weeks and months of life in hospital and Sanatorium. We would urge that every candidate for work above the Middle school have a rigid physical examination by a fully qualified doctor before being given a scholarship for advanced work.

Report of the Field Property Committee for the Northwest India Woman's Conference, 1930

Aligarh Lousia Soule Girls' School Electric installation in Evangelists and school bungalow, including assistants quarters.

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Repairing walls .. .. 295 8 0
Bungalow cook house .. 1,059 11 0 33,926 9 0

Blackstone Missionary Institute, Muttra

Expenditures for building improvements during the year 1930.

1. Stone flooring of office veranda completed, and botal-khana floor relaid with stone .. 126 2 0
2. Galvanized roofed-veranda for matron’s room .. 49 0 6
3. New bath-room for teachers in third compound .. 158 9 3
4. New bath-room for Nurse .. 177 1 0
5. Stone flooring in Nurse’s room and veranda 105 11 3
6. Stone flooring of nine rooms and seven verandas, completing the flooring of the 1st. line dormitories for Vernacular Training Girls .. 725 9 9
7. Slate blackboards in Junior Training Room, finishing slate blackboards through-out .. 115 9 0

Total .. 1,457 10 9

Laura G. Bobenhouse,
Chairman.

Expenditures 1930.

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### Registrar's Report

**Examination results of Bible Readers and Evangelistic Teachers, 1930.**

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F. A. Clark, Registrar.
Evangelistic Committee.

The Evangelistic Committee met on February 7th. It was reported that a simplified edition of "Masih ka Namūna" is now in our press at Lucknow and we hope will soon be ready for sale.

A long correspondence has been carried on regarding a new and more simple edition of "Sat Mat Nirūpan." The Rev. Devadasan has promised to be responsible for rewriting one section of it in a simpler form and to find two other people who will re-write the other two sections. It is hoped that within the course of this year you may be presented with a new copy of "Sat Mat Nirūpan."

"Mūsalmānī Mat" and "A Primer on Islām," the latter by the Rev. M. T. Titus were discussed. The former is now used in parts of the C. P. It was voted that the secretary secure copies of these and that Miss A. Richards and Miss A. Lall each be asked to read one of these and report on their suitability for use in our Bible readers' course in July.

Miss Forsyth was chosen as our new secretary. She is also to be chairman of the B. R. examining board.

MRS. C. C. HERRMANN, Chairman
I. M. KLINGEBERGER, Secretary

Joint Board of Religious Education

We have had a wonderful year and we thank God for the amount of progress that has been made in many directions.

The Evangelists have given their report so we will confine this report to the schools.

Perhaps first and foremost we should mention our five thriving Junior Churches. Here the boys and girls from A. class to twelve years of age are learning to worship God in "spirit and in truth." I wish that you might worship with these little tots some Sunday. I wish that you could hear them pray. Perhaps you would say as the children do many times after the service, "We love Junior Church. That was such a good story." Four of these churches are connected with boarding schools. While one gets its members from the mohulla schools in Ghazipur. These Junior Churches in which nearly four hundred fifty children worship are the incubators of the Indian churches in this section. We hope that in ten or fifteen years these children will prove to be substantial members of the churches in this conference.
The Charterhouse programme has been experimented with throughout the year, although some schools have taught the Clayton-Pelly series throughout. Others have followed the new Charterhouse programme courageously and thoroughly, while those who are not quite satisfied with it have introduced some new courses that seemed to be needed. In all schools we believe that the training in ideals as well as the teaching of the Bible has been taken seriously.

The Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Leagues are training the children for leadership in the church.

Our aim throughout is that of training Christ-like personalities, which is the surest foundation for our on­coming Indian Church. The principle on which we have been working is that of appreciation. Once a person appreciates an ideal, such as honesty and purity, he is captured with a desire to possess that ideal. If he truly desires nothing stands in the way of his possessing it, for we introduce him to a great helper and friend who is more anxious than he himself is that he become honest and good.

There is all the difference in the world in making boys and girls good and making them want to be good. One is working from the outside in and the other from the inside out. The former does not get very far while the latter really works.

The highest point for many of our young people in this year's programme was the Epworth League Institute, where one hundred fifty-one boys and girls and thirty-nine leaders experienced a deepening of their spiritual lives. If you could have heard the testimonies around the camp-fire, and if you could see the difference it has made in the schools to which these young people returned, you would agree that the Epworth League Institute is one of the best agencies for furthering God's kingdom here in India.

In connection with this it was voted in our Religious Education board meeting that all pastors who are working with young people and who can come without expense to the institute will be welcome next year.

We are not satisfied with the E. L. score card so it was voted that a committee composed of Miss Richards, Miss Bradley, Mr. Templin and Miss Palmer go into the matter and make suggestions to Mr. King.

Mrs. Pace and the Rev. Amar Dass were elected to be members of the Institute Commission. The Institute officers were elected as follows—the Rev. Amar Dass—Dean, of the camp. The Rev. Dye—Dean of boys. Mrs. Templin
Dean of girls. The Rev. Templin—Registrar. Miss Bobb—Secretary. And Mr. Pace, Business Manager.

The Rev. Amar Dass and Miss Palmer were elected as members of the area council of Religious Education.

A committee of five was elected to collect, select, and adapt Religious Education material which should be translated and ask the Literature Committee to publish it.

We have started on a new year with high hopes and aspirations. God grant that next conference may see even greater progress.

PEARL E. PALMER
Secretary.

Temperance

There has been an encouraging advance in temperance work during the past year. Not only has the nationalistic movement not in any way hindered the work; rather, there has been increased interest among non-Christians, and temperance work has often proved a fine point of contact between Christians and non-Christians.

In Rurki and Muzaffarnagar two Temperance Unions have been formed with a combined membership of 52. In both places at District Conference time very successful Christian Melas were held by which Rs. 52 from Rurki and Rs. 41-8. from Muzaffarnagar was received towards the National Headquarters building fund. Some Rs. 5 worth of tracts and booklets was also sold, and in the city Miss M. Campbell held encouraging special meetings.

Muttra also had a good Mela and Sale in aid of the Headquarters fund. Miss Campbell presided over the special meeting at which the various stallholders brought forward the amounts they had made respectively. A total of Rs. 121 was received, this being Rs. 21 above what the Branch had undertaken to raise. This was surely a fine effort.

Brindaban reports that all the liquor shops and also the largest opium selling shop in the city have been closed. Help was also given by them in the Muttra sale.

Delhi reports an enthusiastic jalsa at District Conference and a temperance society at Sonepat among the boys in which interest never flags. They have also a Zenana Anjuman in connection with the Central Church and a Y. P. B. organized among the teachers which now has 21 members.
Ghaziabad has a good Zenana Anjuman, and at District Conference a live meeting was held in the city with Miss Campbell and a well known local doctor as the speakers. The chairman read a resolution which was enthusiastically carried by a unanimous vote that the authorities be petitioned to close all liquor shops within the municipal limits.

Bulandshahr reports a fine jalsa with Miss Maya Dass as speaker.

The members of the Aligarh W. C. T. U. enthusiastically voted to raise Rs. 100 for the Headquarters Building in Delhi. The teachers of the Louise Soule Girls' school put on the play Haridasi, inviting both the English and Indian communities. There was a hearty response and Rs. 83 were realized from the play. Rs. 17 were given from the Vocational school to complete Rs. 100. Rs. 2 were given as gifts, making a total of Rs. 102.

Miss M. Campbell, for so long our beloved president, has now retired and will be leaving for America on the 24th of this month (February). We shall truly miss her but she will live on in the hearts of those whose lives she has touched all over this great land.

We welcome our new president, Mrs. Keislar, and are proud to have one of our Methodist missionaries hold this position.

MAUD E. DYE,
Temperance Secretary.

W. F. M. S. Furniture Committee Report for 1930

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S. EDITH RANDALL,
Chairman.

Report of Medical Committee, Northern India.

Two meetings of the committee were held during the past year. One at Delhi, and one at Cawnpore at Central
Conference time. Miss Childs, who has a Medical scholarship at Ludhiana under this committee, has passed her first year very creditably, and she was recommended and accepted for the scholarship during her second year. Ways and means were discussed for securing candidates for more scholarships. Emphasis is laid on young women preparing themselves for taking the higher Medical degree of M. B. rather than being content with the L. M. or S. A. S. In 1932 the Women's Christian Medical College, Vellore, is opening their M. B. course. Higher trained doctors are desired in all Mission Hospitals.

On Medical Education for Women.

Since there is an increasing need for more highly educated Medical women it is asked young women in Methodist Institutions who are contemplating studying medicine should prepare themselves to take the higher M. B., B. S. course and degree rather than be content with an L. M. P. With the higher degree they will naturally be able to command a better position wherever they work following graduation. Of the Christian Medical Schools for Women, the one at Vellore, South India, is beginning an M. B. course in 1932. It is desired and the need has been discussed by the Medical Committee of Northern India that these facts be brought before the young women of our constituency who might benefit thereby. May we state that one or possibly two scholarships will be available for this work.

The data for the Diet list for Boarding Schools is as yet not all available, so no report on that is ready, but will be by the next session of the Board. This much is known that the present diet list is very insufficient in animal fats, and vitamins, and foods containing calcium, notably milk.

R. B. Tower.
Supplementary Manual

Examiners of Bible Readers for 1931

Aligarh .......... Miss G. Boddy
Anupshahi .......... Miss A. Richards
Bulandshahr .......... Miss E. Forsyth
Delhi .......... Miss G. Boddy
Meerut .......... Miss A. Lall
Muzaffarnagar .......... Miss E. Forsyth
Muttra .......... Miss E. Forsyth
Kohtak .......... Miss S. Sahae
Roorkee .......... Mrs. Dye
Ghaziabad .......... Miss L. Doyle.

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 bhishti 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. Asán Primer (Rev. Laurence)
2. Gintí sau tak.
7. Masih ki zindagi, solah sawál ke sát. (Miss Livermore).
DUSRA SAL:
1. Ásán Bayáñ. (Rev. Laurence).
2. Ginti likhná sau tak.
3. Légá, dúsrá hissa.
4. Imlá, Ásán Primer se Hindi men.
5. Catechism, (Mudge) Pahle 12 báb.

TISRA SAL:
1. Bál Bátiká, B. Class.
2. Imlá pahle das safhe se Hindi men.
3. Yûhanná kí Injil, pahlá hissa.
4. Hisáb, jama’ aur tafriq pachás tak.

“Main to Yisú’ ko man men maná rakhíhán.”
“Áyá hai Yisú’ áyá hai.”
6. Mudge’s Catechism, ákhrí 12 báb.

CHAUTHA SAL:
1. Yûhanná kí 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

PAHLA SAL:
1. Ásán Primer, ásán bayán, Bál Bátiká Class I, Bál Bátiká Class II.
2. Imlá ásán Primer se, Hindi men.
3. Mere rahne ká ghar.
5. Taqsim aur zarb ek ’adad se.
6. Cháhr 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 presented.

DUSRA SAL:
1. Bál Bátiká Class III and IV.
2. Hindi Imlá pahle tis safhe se.
3. Temperance Catechism.
4. Ḳhatt l ‘Ámm.
5. Muqaddas I.
6. Taqsīm aur zarb do ’adad se.
7. Dharmītalā.
8. Chār bhajan hifz karnē ke liye.

TISRA SAL:
1. Ratanmālā aur Hindī Imāl pahle tīs safhe se.
2. Rasūlūn ke A’māl, (Imtihān likhnā hogā).
3. I Kurānhīon, İfṣiōn, Filippīon.
4. Lūqā kī Injîl.
5. Amānatdārī.
7. Hisāb, jama’ aur tariq. Rs. As. Ps.

CHAUTHA SAL:
1. Masīh kā Namūna (Simplified by Dr. Buck) Imtihān likhnā hogā.
2. Sat Mat Nirūnan (Simplified).

Note:—Each Evangelist was asked to make a list of the books used in the B. R. course and the Publishing Houses 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 Pandit Ramabai; Charuṣe Majúśi; and Paul ke Jiwan kā Charitra.
We have seen marked growth in the spiritual lives of the girls during the past year. There have been changed lives, too. Their careless attitude towards life is changing to thoughtfulness, with a sincere desire to do what is right and instead of selfishness there is a spirit of helpfulness. We believe that it is in the hostel more than in the classroom where the girls develop in character and where their spiritual lives are put to the test in their general attitude and in their relationships to one another. This is where we have seen them develop in obedience, in promptness, in honesty, in general helpfulness and in the care of the younger children. At the present time we have no matron, but the girls are happily taking responsibility and developing in doing so.

We now have a Junior Church. More than a hundred children, the members of our Junior Sunday School, attend the services. The pastor is a graduate of the Bareilly Seminary. The children have their own choir. The spirit of worship is emphasized, to give the children a realization of their Heavenly Father and His care for them.

There is a spirit of endeavour in the classroom and there has been marked improvement in some who have been careless and given unsatisfactory results. We have an earnest helpful staff of trained teachers who help to inspire the girls with confidence.

The health of the girls has been good. We are grateful that every life has been spared. While weighing the girls recently, I expressed my surprise at the great increase in their weights, when a girl said "We are happy," realizing the relationship between happiness and health. We have given special attention to their food, in variety and proportion, and also increased the fats.

There has been a spirit of play this year, active romping games, for the love of play, in the hostel. Another activity, which has absorbed much of the leisure time of the younger girls has been the carrying out of spontaneous
projects, finding all their materials in the hostel and showing great ingenuity.

We are happy over the installation of electric lights in the missionaries' residence, teachers' quarters, schoolhouse and a few outside lights in the hostel. Government has sanctioned a grant for the lights in the schoolhouse.

Girls' Vocational School

F. A. Clark.
M. H. Bobb.

No really new project has been started during the year. Some have been culled out which we did not think profitable and more emphasis has been laid upon others. Great emphasis was laid upon the cooking class during the fall term. We hope the girls have learned something about balanced menus, vitamins and calories as well as how to cook their food nicely. Early in December a very profitable food display was given as a practical demonstration of foods, their values and uses, emphasizing in what foods carbohydrates, fats, proteins, minerals and vitamins are found. It was the first thing of the kind the girls had attempted. As part of the class examination a dinner was served to the staff and members of the class.

Now that more emphasis is being laid upon proper feeding of the girls in our schools we are making an effort to give them more and a greater variety of food. Before going to school each girl receives a cup of warm milk and a roti. We rejoice in our fine big garden. Because of the great variety and quantities of vegetables we raise, each day we are able to give the girls several kinds. Many of them are eaten raw. Previous to this only the fourth class had done gardening as a project. This year each family has had a little plot, raising at least four different kinds of vegetables.

This was my first Christmas spent here at the Vocational School and I feel that the girls enjoy a greater freedom than I have seen in any other school. As I went about their rooms I found them cooking different kinds of foods just as they might have in their own homes. This is made possible in the fact that they live in families and each family does its own cooking. Their supplies are given them and then they are free to cook whatever they want.

There have been about seventy-five enrolled in the school this year, the majority of them in the three highest classes. The Charterhouse course is being used through:
out the school. We find that the longer we use the course the deeper we get into it and have more of an understanding of its objectives. Through the class work a definite effort is being made to develop ideals which function in the daily life of the girls. A further effort is being made to develop the character of the girls through the "Friendship with Jesus" circle, which is composed of the seventh class girls. Circle meetings are held once each week and different ideals in their relation to the life of a true friend of Christ are emphasized.

Twelve of the girls attended the Epworth League Institute and came home greatly enthused by the whole institute. We feel that it is a real blessing to them in their spiritual lives. During the past year in our own Enworth League half of the meetings have been with our own girls only, the other half being joint sessions with all the young people of the church.

The need of extensive repairs it seems we have always with us. Many walls and floors have been painted during the year, there is still much to be done. New cement floors have been laid in five of the bungalow rooms. We find ourselves glad to be rid of dusty floor coverings.

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Aligarh District, Evangelistic Work.

Miss Farmer.
Miss Lall.

Having completed a series of lessons on the Life of Christ, which has taken four years to cover, we decided that this year we would begin the book of Acts, so our first lesson for the year was on the Coming of the Holy Spirit. That was followed by the lessons of Peter and John's healing the lame man and Paul's conversion, and Peter's release from prison. Emphasis is laid on the manifestation of the Spirit's power in the lives of these men, and the teaching is given that God is willing to give the Spirit to each of us. The examinations are now on and it is encouraging to see how many people grasp the promises for this new life. We believe that there will be transformed lives in this district this year among many Christians. The prayer which the people have been taught to pray, "Send Thy Holy Spirit to my heart" has taken on new meaning.

The number of Bible readers is gradually growing less as their husbands are dropped from the work. Five of our schools have been taught by men this year. Eight schools have been taught by Bible readers. A side
from these there are many reading classes which are taught by Bible women who can not be away from their homes three hours a day, and others that are taught by men who have many villages to visit. It is surprising to find that children can really learn to read when their Munshi can visit them but four times a month. Indeed, there must be a great desire to learn on the part of the child to have this absent treatment method a success.

The Chamars in three villages have been baptised since our last report. They are making good progress. We were in two of their villages last week and found them eager for more teaching. Their relatives living in other nearby villages implore our District Superintendent to baptise them. They are learning the same Bible stories and other teaching, such as, a short outline story of the life of Christ, Bible verses, prayers, and the 23rd Psalm, which are learned by the older Christians. Last year the total number of passes in the district was 8184. Each story recited counts as one pass. The young people like to get up a programme and invite us out to attend their meeting. It is encouraging to see them lead the meeting. We believe the younger generation which is coming on will be much stronger than the fathers.

Conference is drawing near and after conference—furlough. It is with a heart full of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the privilege of working in this part of His vineyard for six years that I turn homeward.

"Lord, if I may,
I'll serve another day."
ANUPSHAHR AND BULANDSHAHR
DISTRICTS.

Evangelist, Miss M. A. Livermore.
Village Schools, Mrs. B. G. Mann.

An Indian village—mud walls everywhere, an open courtyard, a Christian group—fifty-three sitting on the clean swept ground. In the place of the pulpit is an improvised table, covered with a pink chadar (woman's veil). The two rickety chairs and the two cane stools standing before it are for the preachers and evangelist. A non-Christian audience standing right in front numbers three hundred and twelve.

A service—good singing and two short Gospel addresses conclude the meeting. Then the examinations, which form a large part of the work of the district leaders, begin. On one side the district superintendent and the Sunday School secretary take the men and boys. Opposite sit the evangelist and her helper. Bible stories, memory verses, a short memory prayer and the Lord's prayer, short life of Christ, the Creed, form a part of the quarter's teaching. The gospel meeting and the examinations take three hours. All this time the non-Christian audience stands patiently, quietly, and listens to every word.

Who prepares the Christians for examination? The Bible women and their preacher husbands. To this particular village came the two Bible readers, walking two miles, day after day, until the people were prepared. How radiant they were when we passed woman after woman, and how happy the Christian people were to show what they had learned!

And so we go about the villages teaching, preaching and examining, thankful that Christian women make it possible to reach these other sisters.
Butler Memorial Girls' School, Delhi.

Catherine L. Justin.

In the beginning when William Butler was the only American Methodist preacher in India, he sat for a moment on the white marble dais just vacated by the Emperor of Delhi, and wrote a plea to America for missionaries and money. Most particularly he stressed the needs of the children of India, many of them underprivileged and orphaned.

With the passing of years there came to be many Methodist orphanages in India, and then schools, hospitals, and colleges to care for the thousands of the Methodist Christian community. It was not until 1923, sixty-five years after Dr. Butler's plea from Delhi, that work on a school was actually started in Delhi. In that year Dr. L. D. Greene was appointed to put up the buildings and open up the Butler Memorial Girls' School, of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society. For over four years Dr. Greene was principal of the school. She was succeeded by Miss Margaret Hermiston in March, 1929, and when the call came for Miss Hermiston to be Treasurer of Isabella Thoburn College, Miss Catherine L. Justin was appointed to Butler Memorial Girls' School.

One of the high points of the year 1930 was the day when we learned that all seven of our girls passed in the Government Middle Examination, five as Anglo-Vernacular and two as Vernacular Candidates. Their names shine forth in a golden frame from our wall. Another event of outstanding interest was the Epworth League Institute at Ghaziabad. Our fourteen delegates increased in stature and their spiritual growth was even more marked.

We still have no school house for our one hundred and six children, but must use the bungalow rooms as class rooms. We have no place for our teachers to live—they are crowded in one room of the girls' hostel. Plans are made, and money is at hand, so we hope that 1931 may be marked by moving the teachers into a home of their own, and by starting a school house.

Evangelistic Report.

Ida M. Klingsberger.

As I have now finished six years of evangelistic work in Delhi and Rohtak Districts it behooves me to take a
retrospective view of what has been accomplished in these years. It has not always been easy but it has been a pleasant and profitable term of service for the Master for me and I trust also for those for whom I have laboured.

The territory in these two ecclesiastical districts reaches into five civil districts and our community of baptized Christians numbers 36,000. Our big task has been to administer to the physical, economical, and spiritual needs of these infant village Christians, most of whom are very very poor and illiterate. They are scattered through 774 villages. For convenience in administration of work these have been divided into eighteen circuits. A preacher in charge lives in each circuit, and one or more munshies live in sub-centres in each circuit. The wives of these preachers and munshies also work as Bible Readers. With these as our helpers we have tried to put across a definite programme of religious education.

For each year a certain number of Bible stories were chosen with an appropriate Golden text for each. Then later a Bible catechism, the Lord’s prayer, a short free prayer, and other fundamental Christian teachings were added. Report books are kept in each circuit in which the District Superintendent, the evangelist, and Sunday School Secretary record the names of each man, woman, boy or girl who is examined in these things. One point is given for each story, golden text, prayer, etc., which the examinee is able to repeat well. The accompanying figures speak for themselves and show the progress that has been made in the past six years,

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The 1930 report shows an increase of 76.6 times over the report of 1925. These figures spell a lot of good hard consecrated effort, and also show growth in knowledge and grace on the part of our village Christians. I think of numbers of groups where a few years ago we could hardly get the people to sit for a service and now they are enthusiastic enough to learn all the lessons in the year’s course and even the women will tell the Bible stories and lead in prayer with a group of Hindus and Moslems standing about and looking on. It requires a great deal of courage for a woman of the depressed
classes to do this before the high caste men who are the owners of the village. Surely God has blessed this method as a means of leading our village people into a deeper experience of grace.

Last July, during our Chaudhari (village leader) course held in Sonepat, a chance for heart testimonies was given. One man told how he used to steal and even had a part in selling women to other men. When our preacher would come to his village he would persecute him and scoff at his messages. But at last the Holy Spirit convicted him of his sins and he gave his heart to God. He is now living a Christian life. His son is in our boarding school in Sonepat. Another man, once an Arya Samajist, told with a glow on his face how through a dream he was made so hungry for Christ that he sought until he found. He is now working as a volunteer preacher in our mission. He has been persecuted His life has been threatened but he is full of zeal for Christ. When an Arya he made several hundred Arya converts. He says now he will never be content until he wins that many followers for Christ.

Many other testimonies could be repeated but space forbids. We are praying and striving for more definite conversions; for these we feel are the foundation stones in building a strong Christian church in our villages.

We have eighteen small mission schools in this territory. We examined one of these this morning in which at present only seven boys are reading. Some of this school we have been able to get into the government school in the village hence the small number now on the register. They are bright little fellows and are making good progress. Besides their reading, writing and arithmetic they are instructed in religious teaching. This morning they told the story of Jesus' birth and of His blessing the little children. My heart throbbed with hope as they stood before me with their little brown hands folded, repeating the Lord's prayer and so sweetly telling how Jesus blessed the little children as He took them in His arms.

Medical work is carried on a small scale. Mrs. Amar Dass has a dispensary where she daily treats numbers of people who come to her for medicine. I always carry a small kit of medicines with me on tour. I have given simple remedies to some 300 people this last year. This part of the Punjab is fairly well supplied with government dispensaries and hospitals so we try to encourage the people to go to these. I give out more eye ointment than any other kind of medicine as one of India's sorest afflictions is sore eyes and blindness.
Our summer schools and district conferences are also a very vital part of our year's work. In these all our workers are gathered into one of the central places in the district and for a week or ten days special classes and devotional meetings are held with them. Both the Rohtak and Delhi district conferences were exceptionally good this year. New vision and inspiration were received by our workers. It was a time of blessing and refreshing for all of us.

So far the political unrest in India has not interfered with our village work. We have gone right ahead with our touring from village to village as usual, which can be seen from the milometer of my car which has registered 5,372 miles since I wrote my report last year. These are great days for India. She is being awakened not only politically but also in her spiritual life can we see signs of awakening and new life. As I go home on furlough it is with a hope that I may after a much needed rest return to our beloved Hindustan to do my bit to help her in this new day which is dawning in India.

Catherine Crain Kissack Memorial School

Helen Buss.

"What are little boys made of?
What are little boys made of?

I have, in times past, been guilty of answering

"Snipes and snails and puppy dog tails
That's what little boys are made of."

But, of course, I didn't know my Sonipat boys then.

We have at present 56 boys in our six Sonipat "families" and we are supporting four boys in other Schools. Each family seems to think that it is unique in that it has the best boys and the best monitor in all the hostel, which is as it should be, I suppose. One little fellow said to me the other evening at one of our family parties, "Miss Sahiba, is there any other family quite so nice as ours?" I tried to be truthful, yet diplomatic in my reply.

This has been a happy year for all of us. We feel that the boys are growing spiritually as well as mentally and physically. Our Housefather, Padre Benjamin, and Mrs. Benjamin, who came to us a year ago have done excellent work and the spirit among the boys is very good.

Little family parties are looked forward to with joyful anticipation. The latest variety is a roof party when each Monday evening one family comes with me to the roof of the bungalow, where we play a game or two.
have a little drawing contest and listen to the Victrola. Then two boys go back to the hostel for food and we all sit down and eat together while we listen to the music and watch the sun set. After a Bhajan it is time to come down.

The Victrola serves us often here in Sonepat. We use it for drill when the older boys do either Walter Camp's "Daily Dozen" or Wallace Jones' "Keep Fit" exercises for 20 minutes every morning. Our Victrola concerts are another thing the boys enjoy very much. We now have quite a nice selection of Urdu Records.

In spite of the siege of whooping cough, which finished without a single boy being ill enough to go to bed, we have had a good health record this year. Two of our boys returned to us from the Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Madar and both are gaining satisfactorily. A group of ten underweight boys comes to my verandah every morning at recess to get extra milk and 4 of them get a raw egg each day. They get quite hilarious over each pound gained in weight and all are gaining nicely.

Interest in the Warne Baby Fold in Barielly has been kept at a high point by the Baby Fold Birthday Box in which the boys drop a pice for each year of their age on the Sunday nearest their birthdays. They have sent Rs. 21·8-0 this year.

Individual garden plots are a blessing in more ways than one. A very popular pastime just now is squatting by one's own garden plot, munching turnip and radish tops. They also sell a few vegetables to the people in the compound and so bring in a little pocket money.

The masters have had their hearts in the work this year in spite of the fact that the two single ones had their hearts stolen by the lovely brides they brought to join our Sonepat family just a year ago at Christmas. J. W. Singh, our headmaster, married a Delhi teacher, so she has been teaching for us since April. The little ones especially enjoy the hand work and stories she teaches them.

In July a Mohammedan cook from Delhi asked me to take his 12 year old son into our 3rd class. After a week the father came to take him out saying he was unable to get a Transfer Certificate from his former school. About a month ago the boy returned with his little brother, bringing a note from his father begging me to take the two of them into our boarding. He had sent me a jar of guava jelly as a peace offering! Well, they were fine bright boys so I took them in. I heard later that the father said they were so naughty at home he could not
handle them but they certainly have not been bad boys here and both boys and parents seem very happy.

If you should ask me now

"What are little boys made of?
What are little boys made of?"

I would answer

"Sugar and spice and everything nice.
That's what Somepat boys are made of.'
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The Howard Plested Memorial Girls' School

Gertrude E. Richards.
Carolyn E. Schaefer.

I always think of a report in terms of marked advancement. Our most prominent advancement has been in the matter of daily living. And the bases for daily living have been formulated and presented through the Charterhouse Programme. The teachers have gotten a stronger conception of how the Programme should function and I believe a power to cause it to function which they did not have as a whole last year. Many of the girls have a new idea of what salvation means and how it develops and grows in one's life. A vital trust in God is a living reality in many more lives than it was a year ago. When girls are dealt with for some misdemeanour they themselves try to approach the problem with a desire to solve it in the light of Christ's conduct. Our problem is just to keep on and on and on until these ideals and Scripture teachings are well formed in every life and really begin to bear fruit.

Our number stands at two hundred thirty-five students with two matrons, a nurse, sixteen teachers, an office man and three missionaries. We are all definitely trying to make a valuable impression on life in daily order, cleanliness, gentleness, intellectual training, physical fitness and spiritual vigour. Nothing but the future can reveal what is really getting worked into the lives of all this army of youth which is here under guidance.

Since last Conference report we have had one verandah enclosed for a Library where we have collected all the books for pleasure reading, bound magazines and supplementary readers. Although the room is small yet we have a desk where teachers may prepare their notes and where we can have all the books which may be of use in preparing Scripture lessons out for reference. They are used too! The little room has been a joy.

The other verandah was enclosed for a Domestic Science room. The sewing has taken on a new firmness of stitch and an air of being finished since that room has been used for sewing. One cupboard contains all the cooking utensils. A third space is occupied with musi-
cal instruments for all the classes. We hope to be able in a few years to give more individual instruction in music than we have been able to do up to the present.

The high school and Normal training classes are full and on the whole the girls are energetic and industrious in their efforts to advance. The senior training class has twelve girls who are congenial and who are splendid specimens of young womanhood. They ought each one to fill a genuine need in a school next July. We hope they will be forces for good and that they will appreciate their high calling of guiding young life.

Wherever it has been our good fortune to have new books or pictures or maps or desk the girls have used them with care and appreciation. Wherever we have had to patch and repair and make the best of old mud floors the girls have done it tidily and happily. They are willing to make the most of what they have. That in itself we consider an art.

Before Christmas the spirit of celebration ran high and the work that was given in the classes was learned so quickly and piled up so that we had enough material for two programmes. So we divided the work on the basis of language and had the Vernacular programme one night and the English programme the second night. There was a collection taken for the nearby village Christians and we received twelve dollars for them. The students here were very happy for them to have a special treat from the Central Church. The school girls continue to go regularly to two nearby mohullahs or villages where they hold Sunday Schools in the middle of the day on Sunday.

The Junior Church ministers to the spiritual needs of about a hundred little folks from five to nine or ten years old. Songs, prayers, responses and stories make up the programme largely and we believe that young lives are learning how to worship, how to be reverent, how to be honest and how to honour God in their living. How much we do need your prayers in order to possess our souls in patience to carry on day by day in this very worthwhile task.

We always have more girls apply to us than we can possibly accommodate in our present cramped quarters. We are not asking for electric lights for ourselves or for the schoolhouse until we can see our girls in a simple comfortable dining room and with brick floors in place of mud floors so that the ever present germ laden dust may be no more. The health of mind, body and spirit will improve when that wonderful day comes.
We are supremely happy in our present situation but we do realize that these improvements are very necessary for the future of the school.

Evangelistic Work.

Htsella M. Forsyth.

As Paul went about among the churches of Asia Minor the burden rested heavily on his heart. There were weaknesses and some were not progressing as rapidly as he wished. While others were a real joy. We who are interested in the churches in India are now sharing his perplexities and victories.

It would be fine to report that the Church in Meerut-Ghaziabad Districts had become fully awake to its responsibilities, self supporting, self governing and self propagating. During the year this miracle has not been performed but we are glad to say there is progress along each of these lines.

Development of Village Leaders.

The village leader is awake as never before. He has been recognized and given a piece of work to do and in many cases is measuring up to his ability. His word in the “panchayat,” village council, bears weight. In the Circuit quarterly Conference he has a place to fill. He listens to the state of the church as portrayed by the reports of the preacher and then his name is called and he stands to report regarding progress or difficulties. He is now a part of the great work and enjoys the distinction. This village leader is urged to take definite steps in promoting social reforms, such as Christian marriages without any old idolatrous practices; regular worship in the village when the pastor is not present and evangelistic efforts among the people. It is to this village leader we appeal when a house in the village is required free of rent for the Indian preacher and some times he makes the arrangement. It is to him the proposition is made when a special programme for self support is suggested for his group. Stewards in the Methodist Episcopal Church are these men. How the Rev. John Wesley would rejoice to meet these Indian stewards!

As I am taking the examinations of the women in the villages, a village leader, a man of the mohalla, let me know that he is studying a course too and of course he is proud of it. One time a man said, “I am glad to have learned the Apostles Creed, for now when opportunity
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offers I am able to make a definite statement to Hindu or Mohammedan leaders regarding my faith." Another chaudhri was held up by the police while he was journeying from his village to a distant town. He was searched and a copy of the Gospels was found. He told the officers that instead of committing the robbery they suspected he had been preaching in a certain mohalla the night before. The official said, "You can’t preach." and the chaudhri: not to be quite discomfited before this man of authority said, "I do have permission to tell about the blessing which I have received so that others may receive it too." This man is a student in the special course for chaudhries.

The woman in Mohalla and Village.

The women, our problem and joy. Problem because they cannot read and must be taught by word of mouth and usually by the mouth of a woman. During the past year "Talim dena" (teaching) has been carried on faithfully as far as the supply of workers has allowed. Some are eager to be taught while others are still indifferent. They are our joy too. It was during Christmas week, that wonderful week in our work, and we were presenting the Christmas lesson to a group of women. One woman said, "Let’s sing Chalo darshan ko sakhi, aisi bipta dhan dhan swami." I can’t quite remember how it goes. There was a wistful look on her face. Her faith had leaped from the birthday of the King to the glorious resurrection morning. How the women love this Easter hymn!

You have heard that Ghaziabad District was the home of the Mass Movement in recent years. On Christmas day there was a new Mass Movement in Ghaziabad. It was the church service at midday and the women from the mohallas came in crowds; embarrassing crowds. One group was seated and then another and again they poured in until seats were no more. This great mass of women in the mohallas and villages have had a glimpse of the Cross. The shining way has been opened before them but they do not know yet how to walk perfectly in the way. We must show them.

One-third of the bible-readers in the two districts are teaching schools. These bible women are the link between the village women and the great masses.

Pentecost.

How we do wish that we might tell you the pentecostal blessing we read about in the second chapter of
Acts was a reality in our midst. Our faith takes hold of the promises for a great outpouring although in many quiet ways we realize the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Village School Report.

Emma B. Warner.

One of our first aims this year has been to give the village children a consciousness of worship. We have instituted the form of worship for village Christians with some adaptations, presented by Mr. Dye at the Teachers Institute last spring. In every school where we have full time teachers it has been used. It has been very successful in a number of places. The Ghaziabad Day School leads in the perfection of its use. This form has changed the prayer period from a haphazard hurried form into a religious service permeated by a reverent spirit.

We have also emphasized the Sacraments, especially that of baptism and the Lord's Supper. These have been taught through appropriate stories and wherever possible through experience. Some of the older boys, who have been formally taken into the church, have begun to partake of the Lord's Supper. There is a great need for this Sacrament to be regularly observed in the village church. There is also a need for a regular church organization where the children can become members. I have found the teachers ready to take this responsibility but it has not been given to them from the church. Three Village groups have carried out the plan of giving into the self support fund.

All the schools with trained or full time teachers cover the Vernacular Government course. We have eleven such schools. Three have been closed because of lack of funds. Besides these we have Ghaziabad and Meerut Day Schools covering the full course. The twenty-nine smaller schools are emphasizing Bible and Reading with a minimum of Arithmetic instruction. Some of the teachers attempt the government course but without too much success.

Day School.

We have had the feeling for some time that the work in Meerut City would show more progress if we could consolidate a number of small schools. We spent a great deal of time in talking but because of lack of funds, teachers and time we hesitated. At last we all decided
to launch forth in faith. We wished to pattern after the Ghaziabad School so we sent the former Head Master from there to Meerut to open the school. Mother Buck tells us how the Meerut girls school was cradled in a stable. Our City School is true to form for it was opened in a stable which we rented near the Tahsil. We outgrew that within two weeks and moved over to a very suitable building, which we succeeded in renting very cheaply, in a Mohammedan section. Here within a week the workers succeeded in getting sixteen Chamar children to come in with the Christian sweepers. Eight mohallas are represented in this school.

Burgess Day School, Ghaziabad.

This school as you all know is the key of the Ghaziabad work and aims to prepare for the vernacular course in Ingraham Institute. It also must serve as the practice school for the training class of the Ingraham institute. We have six trained teachers, one of whom is a compounder. He treats each child every morning who has any complaint, those who cannot find anything to complain of have a few minutes of breathing exercises and drill while the treatments are being given.

We have consolidated two mohalla schools of Christian sweepers with the Day School this year. We have had a gradual increase in attendance this year. The average attendance has improved greatly this year. The enrolment is 141.

We have opened a night school in connection with the Day School. Boys and young men who have had to stop the Day School to go to work, those who have been out of school and are afraid they will forget, those who want to learn English, some from the Day School who need help in the second language, and some who have finished our school and are attending the Ingraham Institute and need help in Urdu, attend the Night School. The enrolment is thirty-three. This makes a total of 174 for the Ghaziabad project. The young men in the Night School are studying the Chaudhri Course in connection with their Bible course. A young man who is studying for his Entrance is teaching this school.

The Rev. Ummed Masih, the pastor of the Ghaziabad Church, has begun a children's service for the school children after the Sunday School on Sunday morning. In this service he is teaching the children Christian ideals through short sermons from nature texts from the Bible.
MUTTRA DISTRICT.
A. V. Girls’ School.

Adelaide Clancy.

A few days before Christmas word was received from the Government, that a Grant-in-aid would be given to enable us to put in electricity. We called it a Christmas Gift. Miss Everley had applied for this Grant before leaving for America. Soon our Boarding Compound and special class rooms will be lighted.

Our girls who completed their course in last April, have gone on to High School and for Nurses’ training. One of the number was happily married.

We are at present having Senior Chapel and Junior Chapel. The girls in the highest class take their turns at being leaders at Junior Chapel. This course is planned in a special way. The older girls as well as the younger girls are being taught reverence for the place of prayer.

Our teachers and nurse have attended the W. C. T. U. Conference, the Epworth League Institute, the Teachers’ Conference, and the Nurses Conference. All have not been able to go at any one time, but the staff has been represented. The older girls had the pleasure of going to the Epworth League Institute.

We are very thankful to say that although there has been sickness in our midst, yet there have been no deaths among us. Only those who have been responsible to parents for children can understand what this means. When fever mounts up and one watches anxiously to see it go down, the strain becomes great. How thankful we are for our faithful Indian Nurse and the Doctor near-by in Brindaban!

We were very glad to have Miss Fernstrom examine our school, in September. We were able to understand better the mental, moral and spiritual condition of our teachers and girls when we knew their physical condition. Attitudes which had puzzled us were made clear when we realized that a child was not backward but was not in robust health.

We have missed Miss Everley very much this year, and have been very thankful for the fine foundations laid by her.

We appreciate the unselfish giving of the friends in America which makes possible the education of these girls. An uplifted girlhood will make an uplifted India.
Holman Institute, Agra

Miss Sarah C. Holman

"Jehovah raiseth up them up that are bowed down."

Already the Annual report is called for! It seems like yesterday that Sister and I landed in Bombay, but in reality it is over four months since we arrived in Agra.

It is good to be back in Agra again. One and a half years is a long time to be away from the people one loves so dearly. It was heartening to receive such a welcome from the school children and their parents.

For the most part our efforts are aimed towards the most needy ones of all God's creation, viz. the depressed classes, mostly sweepers. Children of the leather workers (also outcastes) and poor children are now being admitted on special requests. A Christian policeman brought his children and had them admitted in our school. Recently a very nice Anglo-Indian woman put her children in school. But this school is particularly intended to help our poor Christians and inquirers and all of those who have been oppressed and down-trodden all through the ages. Bishop Warne said once "The Methodist Church is washing India's feet!" It seems most fitting that we should exemplify our Lord and Master in this also.

We have not chosen this particular work because it is an easy job but because these people are so needy. In fact ours is a most difficult task. In the first place not many of the parents of these children are educated and therefore they do not appreciate an education for their children at first. Their abject poverty almost compels them to put their children out to service as soon as they are able to earn a dollar a month. Many of the scholars have little baby brothers and sisters whom they must care for while the mothers as well as fathers are out working. So they must either stay at home and care for these wee ones or bring them along to school. In order to overcome this obstacle we propose having a day nursery in our new school building, where these "little children" will be cleaned up, given suitable food and taught little games and songs thus affording them half a chance, at least, as a foundation for their childhood days. The weddings and festivals in India are proverbial and surely take their full toll of our school time.

Our first purpose is to give the children who come regularly a good primary education so that they will be able to read the Bible, hymns, books and newspapers, write their own letters or other records and keep their own accounts so as to protect themselves from the very
dishonest people with whom they are constantly having dealings.

We believe with him also who said "He that hath a trade owns an estate." We cannot give all of our scholars an estate when they leave our school but we can give them a trade whereby they can earn respectable living and emancipate themselves from their horrible inheritance. We want to turn out good citizens and worthy laymen of our church. So with this in view we have the boys learning to make Oriental rugs, weaving cloth and other industries may be added later. The girls, of course, are being taught sewing, knitting, crocheting and other useful household industries.

The greatest of all our aims and desires is to lead the students into an experimental religion. This is to be gained by clear, definite Bible teaching. We want these children to know the joy of sins forgiven, so that they will be constrained to tell others the Good News. We expect our scholars to take Gospel messages to their homes and lead their relatives and acquaintances to Christ. There is every reason to expect this from results already attained. We have had a number of baptisms resulting from personal work done by our scholars.

Any stranger going into a mohallah could easily pick out our school children for their difference from those who have not had the opportunity offered by this school, is most marked. Improvement in the home life of these people is one of the things which we are also working towards, and we can already see changes in many homes.

Recently we visited in a home where one of our school girls is engaged to be married to an old boy of this school. He now has a fine position as waiter in the best hotel in Agra. We picture them living in a very neat and clean home of their own.

Holman Institute has passed on to other schools sixteen of her former students. We are looking forward to the day when some of these, at least, will come back to their alma mater as Superintendent, Manager or Teacher.

We are most thankful to have Mr. and Mrs. Evans with us. Both are teaching in the day school. Mr. Evans teaches also in the night school. Mr. Evans is church organist and singing teacher Mrs. Evans does evangelistic work in the city mohallahs almost every day. He also does personal work with high caste men.

The Night School is composed of men and boys who work very hard all day at the most menial work, when their work is done they clean up as best they can and put in two or three hours study at night. In addition to
their own vernacular they study English, Arithmetic, Geography, Bible etc. Mr. Evans is teaching and supervising in this school also. He conducts the field games for both schools. So much depends, we believe, upon the physical development of our students. They have played several times against other boys schools of Agra.

Holman Institute Board of Governors

For various reasons, such as finance, property and our special experimental character, Bishop Robinson and other leaders of our conference felt that it was best for a board of Governors to be appointed. This was done last July by the Conference Board of education in session in Delhi. This Board met recently in Agra for its organization meeting and after extended discussion passed the following resolution:

"Whereas in our opinion a Central school of the type of Holman Institute is better calculated to meet the needs of the mohallah Christians than many schools of the usual type situated in the mohallahs; and whereas we believe that it has been already demonstrated that, with the evangelistic spirit and fervour as its supreme motive, such a school constitutes a most effective means for winning non-Christians of such mohallahs to the Christian life, while, at the same time lifting them to a certain respectability in the Christian community; be it hereby resolved that we record our approval of the plan in its general outline. We urge that the mission at large consider carefully its worth to cities of India wherever we have work in the mohallahs among the depressed classes.

"We further wish to record our desire that this institution be placed on a sound financial basis. The board advises that nominal fees be collected from the children, with a view to developing from the very beginning a sense of self-respect and responsibility, which will help to insure a strong Indian Christian community."

We have quoted in full because we predict that this stand will have an important bearing on our future as an institution. We are not building for a day, nor for ourselves, but for eternity and for God. It is most heartening for us to have the sound backing of such a Board of Governors.

One of the members, a trained and experienced educator, in the discussion said, "From an educational point of view this school reminds me more than anything else of the noblest experiments in English educational history...the so-called "Ragged schools" of London. If you will take the pains to review your history you will find those
schools, in that early day in London, performing precisely the same ministry to the untouched classes, as this experiment in the ancient city of Agra in these modern times, whose nurture now as a board we are responsible for governing.

What we do not here has significance not for Agra alone, but, I verily believe for all other cities of India. From the educational point of view the experiment is most sound and I believe also from the point of view of a true democracy.

We are most grateful for all those, in India and in America, who are supporting this work with their money, sympathy and prayers. We cannot say that we have yet attained but we feel that God is leading on.

With an average attendance of 140 for the past three months we are increasingly feeling the need for our new school building. We already have about half the money in hand for it but must be assured of the remainder before we begin to build.

We earnestly entreat that you will not cease to pray for the Principal, the teachers, the students and that God will supply all our needs.

Agra City Evangelistic Work.
Charlotte Theresa Holman.

"Happy the man whose hope lies in the Eternal One. The Eternal sets the captives free."

Can it be that 300 moons have waxed and waned since I used to live in Agra and work in these very same Mohallahs and do Zanana work here.

As we go in and out among the people we always get the same reaction, viz. that only those whose hope is in the Eternal can be truly happy.

Captives? yes captives to the customs of the country and slaves to those who have the supremacy over them. Jesus is the great and only emancipator. He is truth and the Truth shall make the people free whose hope is in Him. As we walk through the streets and lanes and go into the houses and mohallas we so often are led to pray "Lord send forth more labourers for the harvest is great!"

Agra is a great city. A world famed city. People come here from all parts of the earth. Come to see one of the wonders of the world. The inimitable Taj Mahal! But some people who take the time to go with us into the Zananas and mohallas say that these are more interesting than mosques and mausoleums.
The census for 1921 shows that there are 119,436 Hindus and 57,392 Mohammedans and 9,704 others in Agra, making a total population of 186,632.

The census says that there are 40,666 houses in Agra. It does not say that there are 40,666 homes. We are told that there is no word in the Hindustani language for home. There are houses, places to stay.

There are over fifty mohalla or wards where sweepers live, or rather stay. In a cursory survey of these mohalla over 4,000 children of school age have been found, while others say that 5,000 would be more accurate. We the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Agra are almost entirely responsible for the education and religious teaching of these. The missionaries of the other denominations are giving almost all of their time to the High caste work and to higher education.

"This ought ye to have done and not to have left the other undone" or as Moffatt has it, "The latter ye ought to have practised without omitting the former." I read into this that we ought to do high caste work if we can do it without neglecting the depressed classes. The message that Jesus sent to John the Baptist as a proof that the Messiah had come was, "The poor have the Gospel preached to them.''

We, ourselves, do not feel that we can neglect the high caste women who are shut up in the zananas. More than 300 houses in the city have been visited by our workers, who are always welcomed. By doing this bit of high caste work we are by no means overlapping with other missions; there are still hundreds and thousands who are not being visited by any missionaries.

One evening as we were walking back to the motor through the narrow lane women spoke to us from the roof of a house, in loud whispers;

"Miss Sahiba come in here, come in." It was late and the Bible women were tired but we went in to meet a warm welcome. And then, before we got to the motor a college professor spoke to us and he said that his women would be glad to have us visit them. Some of the women want us to teach them English but we have no time to enter that field.

It may well be said that the people of India are the most religious people in all the world. We are often greatly impressed with the devotion of these women. One woman told us that every morning before she began her morning worship or puja she took a full bath and dressed in entirely clean clothes. When we see these poor shut-
ins willing to render such homage to their deities we wish
that they knew of a worthy object of worship.

The Agra mohallahs are greatly indebted to the
Principal and teachers of Holman Institute for their
efficient and unstinted labours among them. The mission
bus goes out four evenings a week taking teachers and
missionaries to the mohallahs where we have Christian
families living.

We have 1500 baptized Christians in Agra and we
feel safe in saying that before the end of this season we
shall have many more baptisms. We find so many who
are almost persuaded.

We covet the prayers of God's saints for this very
wonderful opportunity of open doors.

Sarah E. Creighton Memorial Hospital.

Rita B. Tower, M. D.
Eunice Porter, R. N.
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The past year has been the most successful year in
the history of the institution. There was nothing like
the advent of a visiting specialist to draw the crowds.
But a steady increase of patients coming hither has
helped to make known this house of healing to many
villages and other districts. At all times a most earnest
endeavour is made to do the very best for each patient
whether rich or poor. There has been an increase of
patients coming from the higher ranks of society. Seven-
al months we have been so crowded, and at times we
were "hairan" to know what to do with the next patient
arriving. It meant a great many shiftings of beds and
almost endless changes to create a corner to accommodate
the new arrival.
Up till just recently this Hospital has been known as a Zenana Hospital, but the demand to do something for suffering men has been more pressing. While our accommodations for men are very limited - at adult men as you see were in-patients. And this number has a tendency to grow. We all feel that the time is past for us to call this a strictly Women’s and children’s Hospital and it has emerged rather into a General Hospital. One of our most pressing needs is better accommodation for men.

More equipment has been installed in the laboratory, increasing the facilities for blood examinations. During the past year there have been 608 Laboratory examinations.

Brindaban Hospital School of Nursing.

Elda Barry R. N.

The School of Nursing of the Sarah E. Creighton Memorial Hospital is affiliated with the North India united Board of Examiners for mission and other Hospitals. This board gives regular examinations and grants certificates.

Only those hospitals having 500 or more in-patients a year can continue classes in Nurses’ training in the second and third years. In the past ending January 5, 1931 we have had 544 in-patients.

The course of training is three years. The nurses are given training in Surgical and Medical nursing, anatomy, midwifery, feeding and care of babies and children, children’s diseases, Hygiene, simple compounding for school nursing work, and invalid cookery.

A very ambitious class of of students entered training a year ago last July and asked to take the course in English. Some of their classmates had gone to high school taking all work in English, therefore they wished to do the same. They took the first year examination given by the board in English and the results were very encouraging. The class that entered last July is also taking the course in English and is doing very well.

We had one senior nurse who just finished the course, passing the mission board examination in first division, and is now employed here as a staff nurse. There are ten students in training at the present time.

Candidates should be seventeen years of age and middle pass. A new class will be admitted in July. For further information write to Superintendent of nurses, S. E. C. M. Hospital, Brindaban.
Muttra District Evangelistic Work.

Grace Boddy.

I was released from my appointment in Agra late in October, 1930, when the Holman sisters arrived from America to take over charge. That left hardly a month till our District conference to finish the work of the year. I toured strenuously this one month and visited every centre where we had workers resident, taking examinations in the Bible stories and special teachings we had set for the year 1930. We had three times better work to examine than in any previous year but even so the results are not all we desire.

In the villages there is little disturbance or hindrance to our work and our welcome is genuine and sincere. In some few places where the centres have been better manned, the people know something, and give careful understanding attention to our message. But in every circuit, the far villages are the ones least visited and the people there are the most neglected.

There is a peculiar fascination about touring in the villages. Once is always finding something different and the hospitality, simplicity and charm of the people are best seen in the villages. My car has been a great help to me since I have been touring these few short weeks and I cover much territory at the same time with less nerve strain than I would have in an ox-cart or even in a pony cart. My grateful thanks go to those who gave me money for this car.

Signs of idolatry have not yet disappeared from our people and poverty and squalour have their innings. Oh! for more faithful hard working pastors and Bible women who feel a God-given urge for this task. Faithful, steady teaching makes a wonderful change in the attitudes and customs of the people and the more persistent and faithful the teaching and visiting, the less evident are idolatrous customs.

Sand and dirt, jungle and plain, trenches and mudholes greet us on our village roads. Sometimes we get stuck in sand, sometimes we get stuck in mud but we have always been able to get out and continue our journey.

If our work could just proceed without retrenchment we would accomplish much. When preachers are cut off the list our work suffers immeasurably. Our Christians cannot yet fend for themselves and they need the care of a faithful pastor to guide them and teach them. We are grateful to all those who in the past year have helped us with Bible Readers' salaries and with itinerating and motor up-keep.
Our Indian women have been most enthusiastic working side by side with the men. Making salt in their homes—resorting to hunger strike in order to persuade merchants from selling foreign goods—they are the leaders and dictators of the Congress working Committee otherwise known as "Council of Action." They lead the processions of men and women with the "National Flag"—ready to be arrested for the sake of securing freedom for their motherland. Really and truly their patriotism and sacrifice have been most marvellous and unbounded.

During this period of deep thinking I have made special efforts in visiting the homes of well educated women to study and know their minds.

I cannot express the joy of being acquainted with them and their high ideals in life. That I can well testify to their being most efficient and capable and strong and admirable charactered women of the present age. I feel the time has come when things should stand on a different basis to what they have been before.

I so often get discouraged with the poor knowledge and ability of our Bible women when at present there is so much demand of best educated young women of our community to come forward and deal frankly and with a straight-forwardness with the situation of the present age. People are hungry for something substantial—the "Everlasting Life" which only can give them entire satisfaction. I do hope and pray the time may come soon when our young Christian women will raise the tone of the women leadership in India by their loving, unselfish, sacrificial life even though it may cost us our lives.

I have many devoted friends among the leading Hindu women who esteem it a great privilege to hear our gospel message.

I have been asked by many Hindu women friends to participate in picketing liquor shops. I certainly gave them the credit for doing so and assured them of our long desired wish in connection with "Prohibition." I cannot help but mention here the most striking incident that took place lately. During the "Numaish"
(Exhibition) fair in one of our cities I was buying English cloth for my sari. I can never forget the pleading look in the eyes of a young educated woman picketer throwing herself on her knees saying “Piyari bahin bidesi kapramat kharido” (Dear Sister do not buy foreign cloth) With tears in my eyes caused by the low humble pleading voice I held her in my embrace and immediately left the shop without buying anything, came to the station and took the train back to my town. Ever since that time although I am not prejudiced against the foreign goods but have great delight in using mostly Indian made cloth for the sake of the humble plea which can never be erased from my memory.

Our Temperance Rally.

This year we have tried to raise the tone of our temperance work more than ever. The stirring appeal of our beloved National President Miss Mary Campbell of the W. C. T. U. in India for securing funds for the Temperance Head Quarter Building at Delhi has put us all alert. During our district Conferences our woman and men workers have donated heroically from their small income during the constant “Cuts.” Children’s garments were made and sold at the Conference Christian fairs which brought Rs 93 to help towards the building this year.

As a rule of our Conference all our bible women are holding day schools. We have 20 such schools in our 2 districts. There are 53 bible women and 4 school teachers under me. I have enjoyed the spirit of thorough cooperation of our men and women workers.

Methodist Girls’ School, Roorkee, India

Carlotta E. Hoffman.
Nina M. Dupre

The joy of being back in India and in Roorkee and of sharing together the problems as well as the pleasures of the work, has made this year a blessed one.

The past year will always be remembered in Roorkee by the great outstanding event—the new school-house. Part of the Grant from Government came and so there were funds enough to build the main hall, six class rooms and the verandahs. We expect the balance of the Grant this coming year to finish the building. Bishop Robinson, when here in August, laid the key-stone of the arch of the main hall door, and now the building is finished, ready for use. Only those who know what it is to hold school in crowded, unsanitary quarters can know the joy
of having large, airy rooms for classes. The main hall is used for chapel exercises, Sunday School, Junior Church, and, until the building is completed, will be used for a class room.

Besides the school-house we have accomplished much else in the building line, one new compound wall, two short walls, the much needed cook-house for the bungalow and two feet have been added to some other low walls.

Again our school won in the inter-schools Athletic Contest, so our name is first on the new shield.

Twenty-three girls will be ready to join the church on Easter. Our District Conference was a Spiritual treat for all and a new interest is being shown in deeper things. The girls are asking questions and thinking as never before, and the prayer-band meeting, where attendance is optional, is well attended and sometimes reminds one of the old-time prayer meetings which some of us remember.

We have had very little sickness this year but have been busy building up the girls who were underweight. They have responded so well that we hope to have all up to normal soon.

A number of new children have come from the villages, entering school in July. If our patrons could see the change in the children after even a few months in the school, they would realize in a new way what the investment of a few dollars means when it is put into lives. Even if they cannot see with their own eyes, they are surely conscious of the prayers of those that they are saving and preparing to help make the “New India” fit to take her place among the nations of the world.

We need their continued financial support, but with it must have their prayers for the dollar backed by prayer is one hundred percent more effective than the dollar given with no prayer. Will all who read this join with us in the prayer that each child may get a vision of Christ which will mean service for Him?

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## Statistics for Medical Work in Schools

**For the Conference year ending July 31, 1980.**

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|                   | 15  | 2,112 | 16,075| 90,203| 9,284 | 9,284 | 9,284 |

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**Total:**

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|                   | 4,744 | 2,437 | 15,138 | 17,926 | 9,785 | 50,088 |
## GENERAL STATISTICS FOR NORTH-WEST INDIA CONFERENCE

For the year ending October 31st, 1980.

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### Summary

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- Women in the Church:
  - 1,958
  - 4,055
  - 6,113
- Bible Institutes, Training Classes and Summer Schools:
  - Number of Missionaries: 45
  - Number of Bible Schools & Classes for Children: 48
  - Average Attendance: 770