Reports and Minutes

of the

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

of the

North-West India Conference

Muttra, January 14-18, 1932.

"Saved for Service"

Station Press, Meerut.
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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES, 1932-33.

North West India Conference.

President .......... Miss A. E. Lawson.
Vice-President ..... Mrs. J. C. Pace.
Secretary ........ Miss Grace Boddy.
Assistant Secretary  Miss L. V. Williams.
Assistant Secretary  Miss Ella Perry.
Field Correspondent Miss E. Porter.
All-India Treasurer Miss E. L. Whiting.
Statistical Secretary Mrs. H. C. Scholberg.
Assistant Statistical Secretary Mrs. C. C. Herrmann.

Field Reference Committee.

Mrs. Pace, Chairman; Miss Porter, Field Correspondent, Ex-Officio; Miss Whiting, Treasurer, Ex-Officio; Miss Boddy, Miss Justin, Miss Forsyth, Miss Livermore, Miss Bobenhouse. Alternates: Miss Randall, Miss C. T. Holman, Miss Everley.

Field Property Committee.

Misses Boddy, C. T. Holman, Justin, Bobenhouse and Field Correspondent and Central Treasurer, Ex-Officio

Executive Board Member.

Miss E. Porter.

Schools Committee.

Misses Hoffman, Bobenhouse, Everley, Bothwell, Justin, Randall, Bobb, Boddy, Wells, Warner, Palmer, S. C. Holman, Mrs. Pace, Mrs. Scholberg.

Board of Education.

Chairman, J. C. Pace, Misses Warner, Bobb, Everley, Bobenhouse, D. Matthews, Justin, Boddy, Hoffman, Greene, Livermore, Dr. Tower, H. C. Scholberg, J.D.B. Paul, T. C. Badley, C. C. Herrmann,

**Board of Religious Education.**

Miss Palmer, Miss Randall, Miss Perry, Mrs. Pace, Miss Forsyth, Miss Winslow.

**Joint Evangelistic Board.**

Miss Livermore, Chairman; Misses Boddy, Potenger, Forsyth, A. Richards, A. Lall, Bobenhouse, C. T. Holman, George Gordon, R. Lance, A. C. Chakravarti, J. W. Alexander, Issac Mann and all District Superintendents.

**U. P. Christian Council Board Member.**

Mrs. C. C. Herrmann.

**Joint Literature Committee.**


**Evangelistic Committee.**

Mrs. Herrmann, Chairman; Miss Winslow, Secretary; Miss Forsyth, Registrar; Misses Porter, Livermore, A. Lall, A. Richards, C. T. Holman, S. C. Holman, Greene, Mrs. Dye, Mrs. Scholberg, Mrs. Amar Dass.

**Language School Committee.**

Miss Porter, Miss Livermore.

**Board of Temperance.**


**Village Schools Committee.**

Re-Allocation of School Fund.
Misses Porter, Justin, A. Richards, William Dye, F. E. Henninger, S. W. Clemes, T. C. Badley.

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

Drama and Music Collection and Translation Committee.
Misses Palmer, N. V. Singh, Bliss.

Isabella Thoburn College Board of Governors.
Mrs. T. C. Badley.

Meerut Girls' School Committee.
Principal Ex-Officio, Misses Hoffman, Everley, Warner, Justin, G. Davis.

Aligarh Vocational School Committee.
Principal Ex-Officio, Misses Hoffman, Porter, Bobb, Justin, Warner, Everley, Bobenhouse, Mrs. Pace, Miss Wells.

Board of Trustees, Muttra Training School.
Bishop of Southern Asia, Superintendent of Muttra District, Principal Ex-Officio, Miss E. Porter; Alternate, Miss A. Lall.

Examiners, Women's School, Bareilly.
Misses H. Wells, A. Lall.

Board of Governors, Bareilly Theological Seminary.
Miss Randall.

Warne Baby Fold.
Miss Barry.

Mary Wilson Sanitorium Committee.
Miss Boddy (Term expires 1933).
Miss Porter (Term expires 1932).
Northern India Medical Committee.
Dr. Tower, Miss Porter.

Indigenous Missionary Societies.
Misses L. D. Greene, Bliss, S. C Holman, Mrs. Amar Dass, Mrs. Henninger, 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 Everley, Boddy, Bothwell, Justin, Winslow.

Annual Conference Furniture.
Mrs. Herrmann, Miss Warner, Miss Boddy.

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

Conference Programme.
Misses Boddy, Porter, Mrs. Herrmann, Miss Warner, Miss Bliss, Miss Randall.

Memoirs.
Misses C. T. Holman, Wells, Mrs. Mann.
### CONFERENCE ROLL.

**NORTH WEST INDIA.**

Organized 1893.

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*On furlough.*
31. Miss Letah M. Doyle* .. 1926
32. Miss Mildred H. Bobb .. 1927
33. Miss Pearl E. Palmer .. 1927
34. Mrs. C. C. Herrmann .. 1927
35. Mrs. H. C. Scholberg .. 1928
36. Miss L. V. Williams .. 1928
37. Miss Elda Barry, R. N. .. 1928
38. Mrs. Amar Dass .. 1930
39. Miss A. Richards .. 1930
40. Miss A. Lall .. 1930
41. Miss Annie S. Winslow .. 1931
42. Miss C. T. Holman .. 1931
43. Miss Jean Bothwell .. 1931
44. Miss Lois E. Bliss, R. N. .. 1932
45. Miss Beulah Bishop, R. N. .. 1932
46. Miss Ella L. Perry .. 1932
47. Miss Irma Schlater, R. N. .. 1932
48. Mrs. T. C. Badley .. 1932
49. Miss H. H. Wells .. 1932

**Associate Members.**

1. Mrs. H. S. Peters .. 1929
2. Miss Dolly Matthews .. 1930
3. Miss Shama Sahae .. 1930
4. 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. Mrs. Benson Baker .. 1902
6. Miss Jennie Ball .. 1915
7. Miss Mary Bricker, R. N. .. 1924
8. Miss Mary C. Okey .. 1924

* On furlough.
Appointments.

North-West India Women's Conference 1932-33.

ALIGARH DISTRICT.

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

ANUPSHAHR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. M. S. Budden.
District Evangelist, Miss M. A. Livermore.
District Village Schools, Miss A. S. Potenger.

BULANDSHAHR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. R. Gardner.
District Evangelist, Miss M. A. Livermore.
Village School Work, Miss A. S. Potenger.

DELHI DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. T. C. Badley.
Delhi Girls' School, Miss C. L. Justin, Miss Mildred Bobb.
District Evangelist, Miss I. M. Klingeberger (P. O. Sonepat).
Sonepat, Catherine Craine Kissack Boys' School, Miss Helen Wells.

GHAZIABAD DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. William Dye.
District Evangelist, Miss L. D. Greene.
Village School Work and Burgess Day School, Miss L. D. Greene.
Ghaziabad, Ingraham 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.
Meerut Boys' School, Mrs. F. E. Henninger, Hostel Superintendent.
Meerut Girls' High School, Miss L. G. Bobenhouse, Miss J. Bothwell.

MUTTRA DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. H. C. Scholberg
Evangelistic Work, Miss A. Richards.
District Agra, City and Evangelistic Work, Mrs. Jas Devadasan.
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; Miss Eunice Porter, R. N., Superintendent.
Brindaban School of Nursing, Miss Elda Berry, R. N., Miss L. E. Bliss, R. N.
Brindaban Language Study, Miss I. E. Schlater, R. N.
Brindaban City Evangelistic Work, Miss E. Porter.
Brindaban Ashram Work, Mrs. A. C. Chakravarti.
Muttra Blackstone Missionary Institute Vernacular Dept., Miss Garnet Everley, Principal, English Dept., Miss S. E. Randall, Principal.
Muttra Anglo-Vernacular School and Boarding, Miss G. M. Everley, Manager.
Muttra Boys' Hostel, Mrs. H. C. Scholberg

MUZAFFARNAGAR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. Robert John.
District Evangelist, Miss A. S. Winslow, (P. O. Meerut).

ROHTAK DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. Amar Dass.
Medical Work, Mrs. Amar Dass.
District Evangelist, Miss I. M. Klingeberger, (P. O. Sonepat).
ROORKEE DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs S. W. Clemes, (after 1st July).
Roorkee City and District 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. B. Hoffman.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Isabella Thoburn College, Miss L. V. Williams.
Bareilly Theological Seminary, Mrs. H. S. Peters.
Tilaunia Sanitorium, Miss Beulah Bishop R. N.

ON LEAVE FOR SERVICE IN AMERICA.

Official Minutes.
First Session.

Thursday, January 14, 1932.

OPENING.
The North-West India Women's Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met for its fortieth annual session in Muttra. Miss Forsyth was in the chair and Miss Lawson led the devotions.

ORGANIZATION.
Conference officers were elected as follows:

- **President**: Miss Lawson.
- **Vice-President**: Mrs. Pace.
- **Secretary**: Miss Boddy.
- **Asst Secretaries**: Miss Williams, Miss Perry.

ROLL CALL.
The roll was called to which twenty-eight responded.

GREETINGS.
Misses Perry, Schlater and Bishop were presented to the Conference. Mrs. Badley, transferred from the Lucknow Conference, was also welcomed. Misses Meeker and Wiicox were introduced as visitors travelling from China and they brought messages from their Conferences. Miss Potenger and Mrs Mann were welcomed after furlough and Miss Masoji from Raichur. Greetings were brought to the Conference from several absent members including Miss Schaefer, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Clancy and Miss Everley.

RECOMMENDATIONS.
The recommendations of Miss Schlater and Miss Perry for membership in the North West India Woman's Conference were read.

COMMITTEES.
The following committees were appointed by the President:

- **Nominations**: Miss Forsyth.
  Mrs. Herrmann.
Miss Clementina Butler, daughter of Dr. William Butler, founder of Methodist Missions in India was presented to the Conference. Miss Butler spoke briefly of the power of prayer and gave examples from her mother's life. A large picture of Mrs. Butler was given to each station and each person received a badge like those given at Springfield at the 61st anniversary of the W.F.M.S. when the campaign for endowed schools was started. Miss Butler brought Communion Cups sent from China so she conducted a brief love feast. Each cup is inscribed with this message, "East, West, One Spirit." Miss Butler gave to the Conference ten of these Communion Cups.

Miss Masoji entertained with music.

After announcements "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" was sung and Miss Livermore closed the meeting with prayer.

Second Session.

Friday, January 15, 1932.

OPENING.

The Women's Conference re-convened at 11:30 A.M.

DEVOTIONS.

After the singing of a hymn, Miss Butler led the devotions.

Rev. Ralph Templin and Miss Bliss furnished inspiring music in the singing of two Negro Spirituals.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the first session were read and corrections were made.

INTRODUCTIONS.

Mrs. J.W. Robinson, Miss L. Sullivan, and Miss Wells were introduced to the Conference; a letter was
read from Miss Hermiston, and Mrs. Mann brought the
Conference greetings from Mrs. Mansell.

**BUTLER MEMORIAL GIRLS' SCHOOL.**

Miss Justin reported for the Butler Memorial Girls' School.

Miss Livermore suggested that time be given Miss
Butler to ask questions and to give a parting message if
she so desired. It was agreed that such should be done
after the report of the Nominating Committee.

Miss Boddy moved that the election of the Field
Reference Committee and the Field Correspondent be
made the order of the day for Saturday.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE.**

Miss Forsyth reported for the Committee. The
names appear in the list of Committees and Officers.

It was moved that the matter of the selection of the
Board of Education and Join Evangelistic Board be
referred back to the Nominating Committee for further
action.

The matter of representative on the Board of
Governors, Wellesley Girls' School was referred back
to the Committee.

Miss Butler brought the matter of literature to the
attention of the Conference. This was followed by a
discussion of The Treasure Chest and its value to the
Indian children. Suggestions were made for improv­
ing in it. It was moved that we ask Miss Butler, if
possible to get an interdenominational Committee for
India for the Treasure Chest.

It was moved that we urge those who have charge
of publishing this paper that they have a page for
the publication of children’s contributions similar to that
in the "Witness".

Miss Holman announced that Miss Farmer was
elected delegate to General Conference, with Miss
A. Lall as alternate.

The session adjourned with the singing of a hymn
and a prayer by Mrs. Scholberg.
OFFICIAL MINUTES

Third Session.


OPENING.

The Woman’s Conference met at 11:30 A. M. with Miss Lawson in the chair. Mrs. Mann led the devotions. At this time Miss Helen Scholberg played a very lovely violin solo.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

It was moved that the Conference send a cable to Miss Farmer, advising her of the fact of her election as a delegate to General Conference.

INTRODUCTIONS.

Mrs. Reid was introduced; Miss E. Bacon of Bareilly and Miss E. Whiting were also introduced.

While balloting for the office of Field Correspondent was carried on, Miss Forsyth reported further for the Nominating Committee and the elections took place. She announced that the committee had decided that the Conference representation on the Wellesley Girls’ School Board of Governors should be discontinued.

Mrs. Scholberg made several statements concerning the Statistics.

Mrs. Pace reported verbally for the Village Schools Committee; her report was accepted with the understanding that the formal, written report would be inserted in the Minutes.

Miss Clark’s report for the Blackstone Missionary Institute was accepted.

Mrs. Herrmann’s report for the Evangelistic Committee was accepted.

Mrs. Dye’s report for the Evangelistic Teachers and Summer Schools was accepted. It was moved that the Evangelistic Committee take up the matter of revising the items allowed for summer schools and that the decisions be sent to the men’s Conference for printing in the Annual Conference Minutes.
Miss Whiting's Treasurer's report to the Women's Conference was accepted.

Miss Porter reported for the U. P. Christian Council meeting of April 1931, and her report was accepted.

On motion the meeting adjourned with the singing of the Doxology and a prayer by Miss Forsyth.

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Fourth Session.

Monday, January 18, 1932.

OPENING.

The Women's Conference met at 11:30 A.M. with the Vice-president Mrs. Pace in the chair. Miss Perrill led in prayer. Mrs. J. W. Robinson was presented with a bouquet of roses and she expressed her appreciation and pleasure at being present.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and corrected.

INTRODUCTIONS.

Miss Perrill of the North India Conference, Miss Copeland of Delhi were introduced to the Conference and Mrs. M. B. Budden was welcomed.

REPORTS.

The report of the Schools Committee was read and accepted.

The report of the Language School Committee was given and accepted with the suggestion that the names of the missionaries passing the examinations be printed. It was moved (1) that the chairman of the Language School Committee do the corresponding with the new missionaries regarding registration, courses of study and the choice of language, (2) that Urdu be the first language and Hindi be the second in this area.

Miss Porter, the Field Correspondent, read her report and also the report of the Executive Board, both of which were accepted.

Miss Clark's report of the Auditing Committee was accepted.
Mrs. Scholberg's report of the Annual Conference Furniture Committee was approved.

Miss Randall reported for the W. F. M. S. Furniture Committee which report was accepted.

It was moved that the report of the Nominating Committee be reconsidered and Mrs. Dye was made chairman of the Temperance Committee in place of Miss Boddy.

Miss Justin gave a verbal report of the All-India Literature Committee.

It was moved that the President appoint a Committee to report on "Sat Mat Nurupan" and "Masih ka Namuna". Misses Justin, Wells and A. Lall were appointed.

It was moved that a committee be appointed to consider the transfer of travelling expenses of Conference Appointees. Misses Wells, Warner and Boddy were named.

Miss Greene read the report of the Indigenous Missionary Society. It was moved that this Conference shall organize societies in each station for the women of the church.

Mrs. Badley was authorized to send greetings to Mrs. Emma Moore Scott.

A letter from Miss McLeavy was read and Miss Wells was asked to send greetings to her.

It was moved that the Evangelistic Committee appoint the examiners for the Bible readers and send the report to the Secretary for printing.

A letter was read from Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Dye was asked to write to her.

The report of the resolutions committee was read by Mrs. Badley and accepted.

After the singing of "Blest Be the Tie that Binds", Miss Sullivan led in prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

A called meeting Jan. 18, 1931 after the evening joint session approved of the names for the building committee which committee appears in the list of committees and officers.

GRACE BODDY, Conference Secretary.
Reports.
Isabella Thoburn College Lucknow.

Report to the Annual Conferences, 1930-1931.

Isabella Thoburn College has concluded another year of its history as far as the conferences interested are concerned.

The most visible result of the year's work, of course, is the new hostel which we call Nishat Mahal. It was built at a cost of Rs. 78,237, which included all equipment except some of the furniture which was given in special gifts by people in India. It will accommodate at capacity fifty students and two teachers. Naturally it is not crowded this first year; it would have been a source of great anxiety had we absorbed all of our additional accommodations in the first year. The design is similar to but not identical with the other two hostels. The college had splendid cooperation from the building firm (Martin and Company), from Mr. Vaugh, the building expert of the Presbyterian Mission, and from the whole building committee who spent many hours on the plans and gave very valuable advice. Because of this splendid work and cooperation the cost of the building was very materially reduced from the first estimate without affecting its efficiency or stability.

The results of last April's examinations were embarrassingly good, the embarrassment arising from the fact that we shall probably not be able to maintain the very high standard achieved last year. Two first divisions in the B.A. and one in the B.Sc. were secured. In the Intermediate, three passed in the first division. There were three failures in the B.A. and two in the Intermediate. The two training departments did well; the graduate department again maintained its phenomenal record of never having had a failure while in the
E. T. C. one girl failed and must do two subjects again this year. The entire class of the latter department is now engaged in mission schools.

The extra-curricular activities of the college go on with the usual vigor and interest. It was a particular satisfaction that during the year under report the head clerk, himself a recent convert, has shown a very great interest in the Christian activities among the servants. Miss Vincent, one of the India members of the staff, gave much time and energy to the servants' night school. The Y. W. C. A. continues to be the clearing house through which the student Christian activities operate. In January a new plan for the two large Methodist churches of Lucknow was put into operation and a morning service was opened in the Lal Bagh Church. Feeling that the college should make every possible effort to link its church life with the churches outside the college, our own morning service was given up.

With the opening of activities of the the summer vacation, however, the morning service in the Lal Bagh Church was given up so we have resumed a service in the college. But instead of turning the whole matter over to a pastor, a committee has been formed of teachers and students who are responsible for the morning service. This has proved very satisfactory so far and for the present it seems to offer greater possibilities than the old plan in which responsibility fell wholly on the regular preacher. Chapel attendance this year has been excellent. Except for one or two students the Roman Catholic group consistently avoid chapel. But for the most part non-Christian students attend, and many of them participate in the singing and in responsive readings. Once in a fortnight the classes in rotation are responsible for chapel and they have given us some very splendid services. Once in a fortnight also a speaker from outside the college is asked to come; these chapels are sometimes of doubtful value but the committee does its best to secure only those people who will really have something to give the students.
It was a very great joy when in the Board of Governors meeting of January 1931 we presented for the blessing of the college a group of five young women of conference members who either had been or were to be appointed by the Bishops in charge to missionary appointments. All of these were young women who had already given service which was their high recommendation for full responsibility. Not every graduate of Isabella Thoburn College will be a missionary any more than everyone who graduated from the colleges which many of us attended was qualified or called for special Christian service. But there is a spirit in many of our students which gives great hope for the future.

It is not always possible for the college to do everything which it seems we should do because we are bound by rules from a good many different directions, but as the college was founded with the aim to prepare young women to serve Christ in India, so it is our present aim to fulfil that purpose. Obligations to Government, to the University, to the missionary societies supporting the college and to the people who send their girls to us all have to enter into the formation and carrying out of our policies. None realize better than those who are serving in the college what careful consideration all these things need. We desire to serve with you.

Principal.

Bareilly Women's School.

It is a pleasure after a year which has seen some of our dreams accomplished, to look back over the path traversed. Our school family numbers fifty-four, of whom fifteen are in the adult classes, twenty in the kindergarten, and nineteen in the nursery. Since 1924, our numbers have steadily decreased. In earlier days and as far back as 1891 our adult school averaged fifty. With the decline in financial support from America our numbers have had to be cut each succeeding year until we have reached this low level. In quality, however, we are on the upgrade; hence we feel we should offer a
more comprehensive and more adequate course of study. If the conference approves, we hope next year to make some important changes in the curriculum.

The classes in story telling which were started under Mrs. Devadasan's regime have been continued, but this year the women have had the advantage of using the primary department of the Central Sunday School as a practice clinic. As soon as a woman has gained a certain amount of efficiency in the weekly classes, she is given a Sunday School class where her work is watched and suggestions given.

Last January we initiated a course of training for village school teaching. It was started in a small way of course but it has proved worth while and has been continued and improved this year. We have a trained teacher in charge and use our older kindergarten children as our practice class.

A class in home economics is being held in which we are studying the problems which come to an Indian woman as a home maker and a mother. Miss Westrup has continued her clinic work meeting the women once each week, and Dr. Albertson has now undertaken to back her up in lines more directly medical. As a result we expect not only better health for our students, and their families, but an educational influence which will multiply itself in the villages.

It was with much pleasure that we welcomed Miss Ram into our midst as head mistress in July. She is Muttra English trained and has had some years of experience in school work. Her beautiful Christian experience and willingness to co-operate together with her efficiency has meant much to the school.

Another cause of rejoicing has been the work of the trained nurse whom, by the kindness of the North West conference we were able to install in the nursery. Last year we heard constantly, complaints of the care given the babies. The dais didt heir best but their age and lack of training were the cause of many of the illnesses of the babies. They simply could not manage twenty squirming, crying, self-willed, boisterous little
tots under three years of age. With the nurse in charge the mothers are happy, the babies are happy, and the staff is happy. The babies are not only being cared for but trained. One mother this year writing to her home about the new school, said that she was especially pleased with the excellent “intizam” for the nursery. Since the home base could not see its way clear to appropriate for new work this year, we hope that North West Conference will see its way to help us for another year with a nurse’s salary. We are still struggling along in nursery quarters which are hopelessly inadequate. When days are cold or wet or windy we have to dismiss school because the babies are unprotected from the weather. We continue to hope and pray that money will be forthcoming to put up a nursery building. We have drawn up our plans and from time to time get them out and dream of the pleasure which will be ours when we see these drawings materialize in brick and mortar.

The general health for the year has been fair. A siege of whooping cough gave us considerable anxiety and one little tot was taken from us. Several cases of serious illness and several operations gave us concern but all made satisfactory recoveries.

The spiritual tone of the school has been especially good since July. We have had no cataclysmic upheavals but a steady growth in that which is kind, that which is beautiful, that which is satisfying to the soul.

The examiners spent several busy days with us in May. With the exception of one woman all passed and, on the whole, with very high grades. We have felt that we could do the course in less time so after a half year of study we are asking for a mid-year examination in the books of the Bible-reader’s course that we may pass on the next year’s work.

So another year is added to the history of the Women’s School. We rejoice over our victories, repent of our failures and have our eyes on a goal far over and ahead of us.

Grace B. Sheets.
Landour Language School, 1931.

The 1931 Session of the Landour Language School has not been large in point of numbers but it has been characterized by a spirit of earnest and hearty co-operation that has been very encouraging to the Principal and the members of the staff.

For the first term the enrolment was 91, distributed as follows: — 32 in First Year Urdu, 32 in First Year Hindi, 18 in Second Year Hindi, and 9 in Second Year Urdu, making a total of 59 in the Hindi Department and 41 in the Urdu Department for the First Term.

The enrolment for the second term—July 6th—September 5th—was 70 distributed as follows: — 28 in First Year Urdu, 20 in First Year Hindi, 12 in Second Year Hindi, and 10 in Second Year Urdu, making 38 in the Urdu Department and 32 in the Hindi Department for the Second Term.

The enrolment for the year totalled 108 different students, 57 in the Hindi Department and 51 in the Urdu Department.

Thirty eight different missionary societies were represented. The largest number from any single society was from the Methodists, who sent 12; the next largest number was from the Bible Church Missionary Society, who sent 11.

Owing to the sad death of Principal Elect, Mr. R. D. Cornuelle, the Board of Control appointed Rev. Robert W. Cummings, of the World Wide Couriers as Principal in his place. During both terms he served as Principal and as Supervisor in the Urdu Department.

He has been chosen as Principal for the Session in 1932, at the meeting of the Board in August 1931.

Miss Johnson again supervised the Hindi Department, in her usual efficient way.

Two missionaries, Mrs. Llewlyn and Mr. H. E. Anderson helped in the teaching of classes. They were from the American Presbyterian Mission, Punjab. Other co-operating missions sent money contributions.
The usual Monday morning lectures were held and were greatly appreciated, by outsiders as well as students in the Language School. The subjects of the lectures covered a wide and interesting range of experiences.

The income for the school was approximately Rs. 16,500/- and the expenditures Rs. 16,000/- leaving an approximate balance of Rs. 500/-. About Rs. 500/- worth of books were sold by Mrs. Cummings.

Thus for 31 students have enrolled for 1932, mostly for second year, and there is knowledge of about 20 first year students, already. More will be enrolled as missionaries arrive on the field.

The Language School is doing a valuable piece of work and should have the hearty cooperation of all missions.

Blackstone Missionary Institute
1930-31.

The year has brought its changes. Miss Clancy has gone on furlough and after an absence of six years I have returned to take up work in the Institution. I have sense and am conscious of many changes.

The year has been a difficult one because of illness in the staff. It was almost impossible to carry on the work in the Vernacular Department after Christmas because of this. Teachers suitable for teaching religious education are not easily found. We are grateful at the beginning of the school year in July for a full staff. We are most fortunate in Miss Hector's returning to teach in the Higher Vernacular course. She was our one graduate in the English Department last May. Miss Ferguson, another new assistant has come to us. While she is not particularly trained for this work she is adapting herself most satisfactorily. Miss Randall has had the great misfortune to break her leg just at the close of her summer vacation but she has carried on with her teaching in spite of her Handicap.

We have become so crowded for a worship room for the children and living quarters for the English Training that we instituted another great change in the
English Training at the opening of the school year. Two of our rooms had to be given over to the District Evangelist and we have been compelled to take the large wing back of the offices which was used as a dormitory for the English Training and convert it into a worship room for the Junior Church, Intermediate League, Primary Sunday School etc. The English Training girls are all now pleasantly situated in the newest line built for teachers and converts in the boarding. Each girl has a small room to herself and we feel they are ideally located. They continue to eat in the same dining room with us but their food arrangements are entirely separate from ours. We find this most satisfactory; they have plenty of good wholesome food and it noticeably reduces our living expenses.

With the passing of the years in order to meet the new requirements of the mission and the Government we find the type of girl sent for training changing very rapidly. In former years girls passing out of the Vernacular Department were accepted as teachers in the Middle Schools and many of them did most satisfactory work but the Government will no longer accept them; they must be normal trained. This alone has made great in roads in our attendance. Within the past two years our own Conference Evangelistic committee has passed the rule that no one under Middle pass may be taken on as a Bible Reader. This has made it almost necessary that we close out the department for girls under Middle pass. We still have a few widows and one or two girls of fifth class standard have been taken in because those sending them were wanting them returned as their Bible Readers. They are not of our Conference. Thus you may see that a large percentage of the girls who came to us in former years are now shut out.

Now that the programs for Religious Education are being so stressed in our schools and churches we are hoping to be able to train our teachers and girls that they may give more efficient help in these programs: Before school closed in May we planned programs in the Vernacular Department in which practically the same courses are being offered as are now being given
in the English Department. These are planned for our trained Junior teachers or for girls from the eighth standard and upward. We feel that the thing that is going to help us most in getting candidates for this course is the co-operation of the principals of our schools. Until the principal feels the need of trained help in the work and is willing to urge one of her teachers to come and take the training we will have but few candidates. We have four girls taking this new course this year. None of them have read as far as we had our stakes set but all are doing fine work. They come from the Central Provinces, only one being from our Mission.

We are still groping in the dark as to the future of our English Department. Jubbulpore hopes to open by July of 1932. They plan for the Matric Pass girl only. What is to become of the girl who is not Matric Pass? Just now we have nine enrolled in the English Department. Out of this number four are Matric Pass, three are Matric Fail, and two have read only into the seventh class. Of the nine four only are eligible for Jubbulpore work. Applications have been received from other Matric fails and lower, we are urging such to take our new course in the Vernacular but most of them prefer to stay away rather than take the Vernacular Training. We are anxious to do the best thing for our work in India. We are depending upon our interested friends to help us find our place.

F. A. Clark,
Principal.

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Report of Schools' Committee.

1. Miss C. Hoffman was elected chairman of the schools' committee for the coming year, and Miss M. H. Bobb secretary.

2. The secretary read a report from the other two conferences in the Delhi area regarding a salary scale for matrons and a rate of fees for their children. These two conferences follow no fixed salary scale for matrons and no fixed rate of fees for their children.

Moved and passed that the secretary send the above report in detail to all the schools in the conference.
3. Moved and passed that we recommend to the Board of Education that all Mission schools concur with Government requirements in decrease of teachers' salaries according to Government regulations.

4. Moved that the chair appoint a new committee to make changes in the athletic contest rules.

Misses Bobb, Everley and Bothwell were appointed.

5. Moved that the matter of outfits for girls going to the Meerut Girls' High school be referred to the Meerut school committee, suggesting that all non-essentials be omitted from the outfit.

6. The matter of failures of students and the length of time we should help failures was discussed.

Moved and passed that Principals be asked to make a survey of their classes after the promotion examinations in 1932 to ascertain how many years the students of each class have been in their present class, the results of the survey to be sent to the secretary for tabulation and report at the next meeting of the schools' committee as a basis for discussion and action on the matter of help for failures.

M. H. Bobb,
Secretary.

Mary Wilson Sanatorium

Annual Report 1931.

Staff.

There were several changes in the Sanatorium staff this year. Dr. Kipp went home on furlough and Dr O G. Taylor of Madar became Medical Director. Dr. Martha Nilkanth came as Assistant Medical Director. Miss Fernstrom's going home left Miss Dunn alone with the Health Department work. Miss Beulah Bishop, a new nurse, arrived in November. She spent the winter in language study at Fatehgarh and attended the Landour Language School during the summer, returning to Tilaunia in September. Miss Murray was very heartily welcomed back to her former position as office manager.
The junior staff this year has consisted of two teachers, two staff nurses, one Baby Fold attendant, matron, three student nurses, and the nurses who come from Bareilly for affiliation. We have also had several patients who did part time work in the school, dispensary and wards, whose work helped us a great deal.

Board Meeting.

In March the Board of Directors met at Tilaunia. Upon the recommendation of the board at this meeting Bishop Robinson assigned the members of the Sanatorium staff to the different conferences. As the Sanatorium is an inter-conference institution it was thought best that the staff be made up of members from the different conferences.

The Board passed a resolution expressing appreciation of the work of Dr. Kipp and asking that she be returned to Tilaunia and that a second doctor also be sent here. Later a special emergency request from the Executive Committee was sent to the Society at home asking for a doctor, and for money to repair the electric plant.

Electric plant.

Due to engine trouble and later to the batteries wearing out our electric plant stood idle for several months. We had a difficult time supplying the institution with water and lights and in getting our grain ground as all these things are usually done by electric power. We now have a temporary arrangement for using light directly from the generator. But we are hoping we will soon receive money to repair the plant.

Baby Fold.

We have had six to eight children in the baby fold most of the year. These children come when their mothers come as patients. They are usually sent to us as "healthy" children but we find on examination that all of them show signs of having been infected. So they receive regular preventorium treatment, sunbaths, rest, special food and medication. Most of these children attend the Kindergarten class in school.
School and Sunday School.

Since the opening of school in July there have been about twenty-five children in school. The classes are irregular as both pupils and teachers are only allowed to go to school when the doctor gives permission. There are language difficulties also. We have three classes: Hindi, Urdu and Gujarati. Some of the class work is about up to standard but in other classes emphasis is placed on hand work, health projects as booklets, posters etc. A school garden this year has given the children much pleasure and healthful exercise. Our two teachers have had much valuable help from several of the patients in the school work this year.

Sunday School and church are held regularly in our church. There are also classes conducted in two of the big wards where the patients are not able to walk to the church. The Kindergarten class is one of the largest and most interested classes. Dr. Nilkanth is S. S. Superintendent.

The sewing and gardening class for the older patients as well as the children has done very good work this year. We find as in all Sanatoria that cures comes faster and the patients live a happier life when suitable tasks are provided for all. In this respect we are badly in need of trained helpers to work with our patients. In addition to her school work and with the help of a very efficient little cripple patient, one of our teachers looks after some of this work as best she can, not having had training for such work.

Pleasure and health instruction have been given the girls through a picture machine which we use in the school and in the wards. Our D.S. also entertained with his picture machine one evening which gave the patients much pleasure. Mr. Mukerjee paid us a short visit, spoke to the patients and gave them a special treat of food as well as of happy thoughts.

Nurses’ Training.

In October four nurses took their first year nurses’ examination under the N.I. Examination Board. They were given their training and instruction through the
year by the Superintendent and the Assistant Medical Director. These girls will go elsewhere for further training, as we give only one year of training, including lectures on Tuberculosis and School Nursing. A three months course on the last named subject is given to the students of the Bareilly Hospital.

Patients.

During the year there was a total of 147 patients treated in the Sanatorium.

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Of the 68 dismissed the results were as follows:

- Unimproved: 1
- Transferred as Non-Tb.: 7
- Improved: 16
- Apparently arrested: 45

Of those dismissed 6 were of other mission, 3 were Hindus, and 1 Mohammadan.

We had a slightly smaller number of patients this year but a larger number of dismissals. We had fewer third stage cases this year. The majority of our cases are first stage and preventorium children. Most of the patients made good gains throughout the year. A mother and child came from Burma last winter. The mother seemed quite ill when she arrived but she surprised and pleased us all by making a very steady recovery. She gained over twenty pounds in six months. Several school girls gained as much as twenty pounds during the year. We had a slight epidemic of influenza in August and quite a number of cases of malaria and one of dengue.

Dispensary.

In our outdoor dispensary we aim to treat only those people who cannot go elsewhere for treatment, such as our own servants and the nearby villagers. Sometimes we have difficulties persuading those who need hospital care to go to Ajmer or Jaipur but we do so
whenever possible, as we need to concentrate our efforts on our tuberculosis work. During the dispensary hours Mrs. Lakshmi Chand acts as Bible woman. She sells tracts, sings bhajans and preaches to the patients who come for medicine and dressings.

The dispensary report for the year is as follows:—

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We gave first aid to several persons bitten by mad dogs and snakes.

For his professional services and his loyal support and help through the year we are grateful indeed to Dr. Taylor of the Board of Foreign Missions. He drove every week over the difficult road from Madar to Tilaunia even during the rains not missing one trip.

We wish to thank the C. P. Conference for lending us Dr. Martha Nilkanth in our time of need.

During the year we were the happy recipient of a gift of Rs. 1,800/- from the "Lady Irwin Fund" administered by the A. G. G. at Ajmer. Through the influence of Rev. George Eldrige we were given the above amount. The fund was created by the Maharajah of Jaipur at the occasion of his ascending the throne last March.

**Health Department.**

This year the report of the Health Department covers only eleven months. 15 schools have been visited and 1211 children were examined. The boys, who are in our girls' schools, are included in this number.

The Pilgrimage of Health, taking the place of the Modern Health Crusade as you may remember, was put into the hands of Mr. Mehra, Director of the Junior Red Cross, by Miss Fernstrom. The hygiene books for third and fourth classes are called "Health Land", books 1 and 11.
When Mr. Mehra was at Tilaulia a year ago he said it would take two years to get the books printed and the work under way. He surely is thinking "Health" if one judges by the Junior Supplement to the Red Cross Magazine and we hope the Pilgrimage will be launched on time, and that it will meet a much larger need than the Crusade has been able to do.

For the past year Miss Dunn has been secretary of the Health Visitors' League in connection with the Trained Nurses Association of India. It means a bit more work, we have had quite a good many letters of inquiry regarding the Crusade and the Health work in our schools, besides requests for literature from our Health Department from Burma, S. India, Sind, Kashmere.

We feel that health teaching and annual health examination with corrective work are worthwhile in our schools, and are glad to share with this large family outside our own mission.

The Teachers' Training School in Jodhpur state has been using our library for sometime now. The Principal, Narain Prasad has visited Tilaulia several times. Now the Headmaster of the H. S in the same place is asking for a Health Institute.

The climax of the year's work was the Health Workers' Institute held in Tilaulia. This institute was attended by principals, teachers, matrons and nurses, the total registration being 28. We regret that more schools were not represented.

The Institute began with a sight-seeing trip to Ajmer on Saturday. Sunday was a day of rest and worship. After S.S. there was a trip through the Sanatorium.

It was emphasised during institute that all on our compounds strive for the attainment and maintenance of a 100% Health Record, meaning physical, mental, moral and spiritual. In the program we gave place to these four aspects of health—in the devotional hour, led by Dr. Oliver and Dr. Nikalath; in Dr. Oliver's lectures on Social Hygiene; in the Teaching of the Modern Health Crusade along with Child Psychology and Methods by Miss Piyari Phillips; in the Teaching of Hygiene in
the lower classes and Tuberculosis Prevention by Dr. Huffman; in demonstrations on Health Work in our schools by Miss Dunn; in Ideal Diet by Miss Bobb; in Corrective Exercises and Games by Miss Salzer; and by two Health Dramas given by the Tilaunia folk.

One of the features of Institute was the singing of Health Songs by the help of illustrated slides which Miss Beil prepared.

We tried to make the Hindustani menu correspond as nearly as we could with the "Ideal Diet" given by Miss Bobb, calling for milk, vegetables, and fruits besides the ordinary dal, bhat, curry, chapati and khichari.

On Friday the girls went to Jaipur to see the palace in Amber, and the beautiful new State Zenana Hospital, built by the Maharajah of Jaipur, and administered by the Scotch Presbyterian Mission.

During the year Miss Dunn came back to Tilaunia every three months to give a set of twenty lectures to each new group of Bareilly affiliating nurses who come to us for Tb. work and School Nursing.

Last November four talks were given to a group of Bengali mothers in Sangrampur, Bihar. These women are the mothers of three-fourths of the girls in our Pakur school. We went to them in their village, lived in tents on the church compound, visited in the homes mornings, and had the meetings in the little mud church afternoons.

One talk on Methods of Teaching Health was given in a Government High School.

There is increased interest in Health work and more follow up work is being done each year.

This year we were happy to see the improvement in vision of eyes which have been treated for Follicular Conjunctivitis, Trachoma, etc. Some of those who have glasses have improved in health and in their school work.

In a few schools Scabies was found, but after seeing by actual demonstration what the real treatment is and that fifty or sixty can be cured in a week, we expect to find it in those schools again.
This year we have the help of an Oral Hygienist sent out by Dr. Foreman and our schools are taking advantage of the opportunity thus afforded.

Submitted by,
L. E. BELL,
Supt. of Sanatorium.

Report of the Field Property Committee for the Northwest India Women's Conference, 1931.

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### Evangelist Teachers Report, 1931.

#### Expenditures 1931.

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*M. E. Dye,*

*Sup. S.S. Expenses.*
Registrar's Report.

Examination Results of Bible Readers and Evangelistic Teachers, 1931.

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F. A. Clark,
Registrar.

Minutes of Conference Evangelistic Committee.

Aligarh Sept. 16, 1931.

Meeting convened with Miss Boddy at the Girls' Vocational School.

Mrs. Herrmann presided and all but three of the members were present.

(1) It was the consensus of opinion that joint sessions at District Conferences are preferable.

(2) Suggestion was made that the Bible Readers bring well prepared reports to present before the District Conference.

(3) Much time was spent on suggestions for objectives for the coming year. The plan of having printed folders in the hands of each worker giving the prescribed work for each quarter received approval.
(4) The value of “jalsas” was reviewed and suggestions made that this is an excellent time to hold quarterly examinations of village Christians.

E. M. Forsyth,  
Secretary.

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Recommendation from the Evangelistic Committee.

On January 14th the Evangelistic Committee sent a recommendation to the Field Reference Committee asking that permission be given to the District Evangelist to pay half of the salary—outside the wife’s allowance—to a worker to help in the district teaching programs and examinations; and that he be a married man.

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W.F.M.S. Furniture Committee Report for 1931.

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S. Edith Randall,  
Chairman.

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It was resolved that this Society shall be called the Indian Woman’s Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
It's purpose shall be twofold:

1. Educative—that our women may know the situation.

2. Remunerative—money to be applied to the work decided upon by the Conference each year. For Bhabua Mission in 1932.

A 'conference record book shall be kept of the organizations as to number of members and money collected year by year.

The membership fee shall be annas 8 for Bible readers of ordinary salaries and rupee 1 for teachers, nurses and matrons.

Report of money given:

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Paid to Treasurer of Bhabua Mission Jan. 18, 1932.

Submitted by
L. D. Greene.

Village Schools Committee.

1. Whereas we feel the lack on the part of our Boarding schools of sympathy, understanding and interest in the village Christian Community and,

2. Whereas, we must look to the Boarding school, for future leadership in the village Christian Community and,

3. Whereas, the boys and girls in the Boarding schools do not feel their responsibility for village uplift and for developing a richer, mental and spiritual life in the village, and that the boys and girls may have an opportunity to see the needs as they now exist, we recommended that—

Each Boarding School be given pastoral responsibility in a nearby village or mohalla. The details of
the appointment to be worked out in consultation between the District Superintendent or pastor concerned and heads of schools.

The committee views with apprehension the widespread use of Hindu gods and goddesses in the homes of village Christians. At the same time we realize the need for bright pictures in their dark rooms and feel that as we insist on their removing these Hindu pictures, we must offer them Christian pictures as cheap as the ones they are now using and as pleasing to their taste.

Therefore, we request the Board of Foreign Missions and the Tract and Book Society of Allahabad to take steps in making immediately available a good supply of Christian pictures cheap and attractively coloured.

Mildred Pace.

Resolution.

The Fortieth Annual Session of the North West Conference will be remembered for the presence of Miss Clementina Butler.

She led us out to examine the fountations of the great cathedral of our Mission. We looked with awe at the magnificent work that has gone into it. We examined the stones of which it is built and found that they were living personalities and that small and greater lives fitted together have made a solid masonry.

We could not keep looking at the foundation for the superstructure demanded our attention and there is a vast amount of unused material waiting to go into the building.

We were brought face to face with the fact that we, too, are building and that if this cathedral is to reach the magnificence God has planned for it we must put the same devotion and sacrifice into it that have gone into the foundation.

We have been inspired by Miss Butler's spirit and enthusiasm and we resolve to accept the challenge to be worthy of our high calling in Christ Jesus.
We were greatly delighted to have Mrs. Robinson and Miss Lawson with us and their presence and wise advice have been a benediction to us all.

We greatly regret that Mrs. P.M. Buck could not be with us and unanimously send her our greetings and love.

We would express our greatful appreciation of Dr. Pickett’s helpful presentation of the results of his research work in certain mass movement areas, and we record our conviction that in view of the possibilities of attainment which have been placed before us, and which we have as yet failed to reach, we must endeavour in greater degree to concentrate our attention and focus our efforts on more intensive cultivation of the areas now under our supervision.

As a practical result a Committee has been working during Conference looking to the immediate use of the suggestions put forward by Dr. Pickett at this time.

At the order of Central Conference we as a Conference realize that the parents of our girls should again be warned of the dangers and temptations to which their daughters are subjected when they take up Nursing Doctor’s training and Welfare work. They are not properly protected and the new freedom in such a life often brings grave disaster. We urge all parents to use the utmost care in making arrangements for their daughters’ training in these lines.

We greatly regret that it is necessary for Miss Clark to go home at this time. We shall miss her and we hope the way may open up soon for her return.

We bid farewell to those who go on furlough and pray that their year in America with loved ones may be a very happy and restful time.

Our hearts are sad as we bid God-speed to Miss Margaret Hermiston. She has given of her best for the girls of India. We pray that as she goes she may be very conscious of the presence of the Great Physician and that her health may be speedily restored. We need her inspiration and her devotion and pray that after a time
of rest and care she may be permitted to return and continue her work in her beloved India.

We wish to thank our Hostesses for their thoughtful arrangements for our stay here. We have been splendidly cared for and we shall have only pleasant recollections of our Conference in Muttra.

Clara N. Badley.

Pearl Palmmr.

Annie S. Winslow.

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Report for All India Literature Committee.

We are fortunate in having on our Joint Literature Committee people really interested in the production of literature. Perhaps the most hardworking member is Miss E.E. Warner. During the last two years she has completed the publication of Nursery Rhymes "Lauriyon ki kitab" in both Urdu and Hindi and over half of the editions have been sold. She also had printed "Sahil Kahanian No. 11" a large type sight reader, using only the words in the Nursery Rhymes and in the first story of the Beacon Primer. In addition, she has had printed privately Sahil Kahanian No. 11, and a fourth book, "The Musicians." She now has in press the first of a Series of Bible Readers. The name of the first is "Sulh ka Raj." It is a series of stories of the life of Christ, and for each story there is a good picture. It is planned especially for use in village schools but should have a wide general use in boarding schools and in homes, and in Zenana work.

Miss Patrick translated into Urdu from the Hindi the five books of "Funnies" published in Jubbulpore, but we have not yet permission for the publication.

Prof. Devadasan prepared and published in English the story of Lakhan Singh, "The Converted Bandit.

Rev. L. H. Sampson and Rev. Amar Dass and Rev. J. W. Singh have been very kind in reading manuscripts for the committee. Among others, they corrected the book "Our Neighbour", a retelling of the
story of the Good Samaritan, which was prepared by Mr. Baid of the Baptist Mission, and afterwards published by him. Also "Little Mohan and the Crocodile" prepared by Miss I. Rodger of the Baptist Mission, and published by permission from the magazine "Child Education". This was printed by the N. I. T. C., Allahabad.

Miss Justin has acted as Urdu book Review editor of the Moga Journal, giving notice during the year of a number of new books available. She has had published during the year "Boys of the Bible", in Urdu and Hindi. Also a new book "Sonu's Little Garden" has been published in Urdu and Hindi, and blocks for it are available for use in other language areas.

An Urdu edition of the first Gujerati Primer was prepared, with the help of Miss H. H. Wells, and published privately. All the first 1000 Urdu copies were sold, and a second edition of 500 copies is now ready. The second editions of "Peter Rabbit" and "Three Bears" were prepared the help of this Committee, and are still available. A third edition of Urdu "Little Fat Sambo" was put out by the Methodist Publishing Co.

So much for the work accomplished. We have now ready for publication the following books, and funds are asked for their publication in Urdu and Hindi, editions of 1500 and 500 respectively.

1. A Book of Elephants, similar to the Book of Monkeys.
2. A Book of Foxes, similar to the Book of Monkeys.
3. The most Beautiful Goat, (plates are ready and may be used in other areas).
4. The Brave Little Engine.
5. The Three Camels.
6. The Three Foolish Bears (adapted by Miss Walter).
8. The Selfish Fox.
9. A Silent Reader (By Miss Helm).

10. A Winifred Hulbert story (permission for which has been secured from the League of Nations Association).

In addition Ferguson's "A Book of the Teeth" is being prepared and will probably be published by the N. I. Tract Society, through arrangement with the American publishers.

Two others books published three and four years ago are now out of print, but the demand does not yet warrant their re-issue, they are "The Pied Piper", "Jack and the Beanstalk".

Catherine L. Justin.
Supplementary Manual.
Examiners of Bible Readers for 1932.

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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 bhishiti 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. William Dye.

Evangelistic Teachers' Course.

PAHLA SAL.

1. Asán Primer (Rev. Laurence).
2. Gintí sau tak.
5. Harfon ká likhná Hindi men.
7. Masih kí zindagí, solah sawál ke sáth. (Miss Livermore).

**DUSRA SAL.**
2. Gintí likhná sau tak.
3. Lúqá, dúsrá hissa.
4. Imlá, Asán Primer se Hindi men.
5. Catechism, (Mudge) Pahle 12 báb.

**TISRA SAL.**
1. Bál Báṭiká, B. Class
2. Imlá pahle das safhe se Hindi men.
3. Yúhanná kí Injil, pahlá hissa.
4. Hisáb, jamá’ aur tafríq pachás tak.
   “Main to Yisú’ ko man men maná rakhihún.”
   “Ayá hai Yisú’ áyá hai.”
6. Mudge’s Catechism, ákhrí 12 báb.

**CHAUTHA SAL.**
1. Yúhanná kí Injil dusra hissa.
2. I-lisao, 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. Asán Primer, ásán bayán, Bál Báṭiká Class I, Bál Báṭiká Class II.
2. Imlá ásán Primer se, Hindi men.
3. Mere rahne ká ghar.
5. Taqsim aur zarb ek'adad se.
6. Chár bhajan hifz ke liye.

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

DUSRA SAL.
1. Bál Báṭiká Class III and IV.
2. Hindí Imlá pahle tis safhe se.
3. Temperance Catechism.
4. Khatt i 'Amm.
5. Muqaddas I.
6. Taq-sím aur zarb do 'adad se.
7. Dharmtulá.
8. Chár bhajan hifz karne ke liye.

TISRA SAL.
1. Ratanmalá aur Hindí Imlá pahle tis safhe se.
2. Rasúlon ke A'mái, (Imtihán likhná hogá).
3. I Kurinthión, Ifsión, Filippión.
4. Lúqá kí Injil.
5. Amánatdári.

CHAUTHA SAL.
1. Masíh ká Namúna (Simplified by Dr. Buck) imtihán likhná hogá.
2. Sat Mat Nirúpan (Simplified).

Note.—Each Evangelist was asked to make a list of the books used in the B.R. course and the Publishing 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 Pandírá Ramatálí; Chauhíne Majdí; and Paul ke Jiwan ká Charitra.
DISTRICT REPORTS.
ALIGARH DISTRICT.
Louisa Soules Girls' School, Aligarh.

Emma E. Warner.
Pearl E. Palmer.

When considering growth and establishing working ideals into active human souls, a year is a very short period of time in which to make a report, yet we do see individual development and advancement even in that time. Most of this is only important and interesting to the Father who watches over little children and to the ones who are giving of their lives to effect these changes.

Eight girls have been taken into the church as full members. Twenty-eight have been received as probationers. This includes all the girls through our fourth class.

We have enclosed the sides of our assembly hall so as to make the place for the junior church and school prayers more devotional in appearance. This has increased reverence in the attendants of both groups.

We have tried special prayer subjects extending over a month in the 'Upper classes morning prayer group'. Rev. S. Johnson our pastor has closed the month's work with a sermonette on the subject. The result has been good and the teachers have found it easier to follow.

We have developed detailed monthly curricula for each class through the fourth standard. In this the Arithmetic is increased, and from four to six supplementary readers given to each class. Letter writing, composition, and general writing has been increased in amount as well as excellency.

All the children above the second standard have taken the Manery classification test. Needless to say the full data has not been collected from this. However it showed that one failing girl ranked very high and that we have enough intelligence in our middle class to have
a 90 per cent. pass, other factors being equal. We hope to carry this on so as to obtain some definite findings.

A clerk and a matron have been added to our staff this year, they with eight trained teachers and a molvi are interested and willing to cooperate in every way. We are all making a great effort to reduce unnecessary failures and to inspire the girls with confidence in their ability and efforts.

There has been only two serious cases of illness and they have both recovered nicely. The girls seem to be awakening to the value of their bodies and the part they have in their intellectual and spiritual development.

The girls have carried through two general school projects. First the girls made gifts for all the women and children in the District Conference. The teachers helped in displaying the school work and the matron helped in preparing and serving refreshments. It was a very successful reception, we were sorry that it could only be for the Aligarh District parents.

The second project was the making of Christmas presents. The upper classes made handkerchiefs and the smaller classes made toys. One class made enough kites for all the children through the second standard. These were distributed at the Christmas closing before the girls went home.

We leave the year's work in the Lord's hands, may He bless what He can to the development of the lives of these His children and give us His strength for another year's work.

Girls' Vocational School.

G. Boddy.

Before the end of the year 95 girls will have been enrolled in the school. A great many are new but most of the girls who have not completed the VII class returned and are interested and happy in their work. The new girls have come from a wide territory. North India has sent us quite a number and Northwest India also, and Indus River has sent a few news ones. It is
a much more wholesome thing to get girls from a large area than from a small one for in this way all who have a need can find a place and we are fairly sure of taking the type of girls who ought to come here but when any one school sends us a large number we feel there is a mal-adjustment somewhere. Over quite a period of years the following four schools have sent us a goodly number and I am glad to say that these schools have planned for their girls when they graduated from here and I have had co-operation. The four schools are Muttra, Ajmere, Gonda and the Girls' Middle School, Aligarh. I might add that Budson and Bareilly have also been of the same mind, and have been willing to help in every way.

Aside from the girls sent to us from schools, we have a large number who come to us privately, sent by parents or guardians. To my mind, these are the most urgent needs for unless such as these are cared for in some such place as this, what can become of them?

I have been able to get all who wished to be provided for situated in one way or another and am thankful to say that several Mission Hospitals have taken some seven of our girls for Nurse Training. There are not many offers of marriage coming in and so we cannot expect to give our girls homes very soon so we must think of other avenues of service.

Out of our graduating class of 15 this last May, we had three who married. Five went to the Baby Fold to take the Mothercraft course. Three went to take the Muttra Bible Training. Four have taken up Nursing.

Our great difficulty as I see it for the future is, to get a qualified, experienced staff to run the school. At present, the whole staff with the exception of one is new. In another year our head teacher will have gone and we shall be in need of a strong, experienced woman to handle the school.

The policy of the school has not been changed but we endeavour to build upon the foundation laid by others, particularly emphasizing hand work of all kinds. The
s nove is one big feature of our handwork. We teach spinning also. There is one class in cooking and one class in gardening.

Evangelistic Work.

Miss A. D. Lall.

I believe fully that God hears us and answers prayers. Glory be to His name. God is helping us to-day in the same way as He did in the Apostolic times.

During the year 1931 the Census was taken, which, without doubt, meant a thorough searching of our work. Our village Christians, in many cases, were persecuted because they refused to enrol themselves as Hindus. Some of them were dismissed from service; their wives were not allowed to carry on their regular vocation; they were forbidden to graze their animals; and in many places our people were actually beaten. But hundreds of them remained firm in their faith. It is true many stepped backward and renounced Christianity; and so now we have on the roll almost those who, we may safely say, are true believers. Although a majority of our true Christians have no worldly goods and are illiterate, yet they are disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ.

When our Christians were tried and tested they had, in some cases, no one to help them with the exception of their preacher and his wife who have under their charge many villages and thus do not have an opportunity to meet their Christians more than, perhaps, once a year.

I have been informed that there is a village on our District in which there was only one Christian family in the year 1921; but during the last decade, in face of persecution, the number of families has increased to ten, which means the seed has brought forth fruit tenfold. And we are positive it will yield fruit thirty, sixty and even hundredfold.

One Bible Reader told me the other day that there was a pleader in one of the villages, who hated Christians and did all he could to interfere with the Christian work. This Bible Reader and her husband prayed for
the man incessantly. After a short time it so happened that the only son of the pleader fell seriously ill. The boy was treated by several doctors, but with no result. A village Christian woman asked the pleader to send for the Bible Reader, which he did. The Bible Reader on reaching the house said that she would like to pray for the boy. The father and mother joined in the prayer. The Bible Reader visited the house several days and did nothing but praying to God, the Father, through His Son Jesus, to heal the boy. The boy was healed; and the pleader and his family are now very favourably disposed to Christianity.

Another Bible Reader tells me that the Arya samajis were deadly opposed to the work of Christ in the village she is working in. The result was that many Christians renounced their faith and joined the Aryasamaj. Notwithstanding the continued efforts of the Bible Reader and her husband (a preacher) no one seemed to pay the slightest attention to the gospel message. Both the wife and her husband then decided to pray for the people. After some time the Bible Reader visited a house, in which she found a woman who was very ill. She prayed for her, and the woman was healed. Shortly afterwards a she-buffalo was taken ill; and the owner requested the Bible Reader to pray for the animal too. The she-buffalo recovered and the people then said to themselves that the Christians were well-wishers of everybody and so they began to have a little esteem for our workers who now have a nice school in the village, in which the number of boys is 12. And the total number of passes this year was 600.

Miss Farmer, our worthy District Evangelist, had to leave for the United States in February last in order to enjoy her well-earned furlough and responsibility of the District work fell on to my shoulders. The Lord has certainly helped us all along; and we find there has been a steady growth in every direction. The number of passes this year was 8584—an increase of 300. We distributed thousands of tracts in the District, sold 86
copies of the Gospels, and carried the gospel message to hundreds of men, women and children—the gospel which has given us joy and freedom.

In our District we have 18 Day Schools where both boys and girls are being educated. Some of these pupils are in class 4th. We also have 23 Reading Classes attended by men and women. We are thus trying to do away with illiteracy in our villages.

Our village Christians are in narrow circumstances and our preachers are greatly disturbed owing to the "Cuts". Let us pray to our Redeemer to supply our needs, so that His Kingdom may be fully established in this land.
Anupshahr and Bulandshahr Districts.

Evangelistic Work.

Miss M. A. Livermore.

"A. S. Winslow.

Did Hiram have to grow the cedars of Lebanon? Did he again plant out a hillside denuded of those giants, with young trees as does the Indian Government here on these Himalayan slopes? Those Lebanon cedars became important pillars in the building of the temple.

In the building of the Indian Church the "cedars" are growing. The Chaudhris are the cedars. They are growing. They are in the process of becoming pillars—helpers in the building of the Indian Church. Likewise the Chaudhrin is growing. She may be the wife of the Chaudhri, or she may be a widow with sons and possibly grandsons to her credit. She is not yet made. She is in the process of growing into a helper in the building of the Church. That she will make her contribution there is not a doubt. Both the Chaudhri and the Chaudhrin are growing. They are beginning to show their worth and strength.

For instance, we attended a meeting last Sunday in a Christian mohalla where the Chaudhri led from beginning to the end. Our purpose in going was to worship as one of the congregation. Standing up before the pulpit, which was made out of a dry good's box set up on four legs, the Chaudhri unlocked the lid, took out a Bible, hymn book, and the collection plate, and placed them on top of the pulpit. The collection plate was really not a plate but a solid silver piece shaped like a bonbon dish. It serves the double purpose of a collection plate and a baptismal cup. As this lay leader stood before his plain pulpit, to the left he faced his brethren seated on the floor; on the right the women were similarly seated. Two school teachers and the preacher, also, sat on the floor. The two lady visitors occupied the only two chairs, which were borrowed for the occasion. The Chaudhri did not have a written order of service, lest he forget, but from
memory guided the audience in its worship. The sermon was a Bible story with its appropriate teaching. The only part the preacher had in the leading of service was bless the collection, presumably because it belonged to him.

. Seated as we were among the women it was evident that they too know the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and that they too worshiped at this service. One of them who reads nicely and who has passed in all the teaching of the quarter, reminded us that she was in need of a copy of the Hindi testament. The preacher's wife to support the young woman's request said that she was one of the "dependables" of the congregation.

As in America so in India the women are finding another important niche in the building of the Church, as was instanced in another place. The night was rainy and cold. So the women did not come out in good numbers bringing their babies as was their custom. Consequently the collection was less than half as much as usual. "It is because the sisters are not present," said the preacher thoughtfully, a part of whose living depended on these collections. Yes, even in India, without the women the collection suffers!

A half dozen of the congregation escorted us to our conveyance. We had come twelve miles to worship here. One said referring to the leader of the evening, "Bima has never taken the service before so we beg your pardon if the leadership has seemed not up to par." One of the visitors turned to Bima and said You did better than I did with my first meeting. We felt God's presence this evening. You are going to make a good leader."

However, our real objective is changed lives. Confronted by the mass of illiteracy as found in the villages, it may seem at times that teaching, instructing, training, hold the foremost place. These things do get into our thinking and tend to overwhelm the main objective. But the year opens with the resolve to keep ever before one the real objective, that is, changed lives.
Village Schools.

A. S. POTENGER.

A furlough ends all too quickly. But when the time comes for work, it is a joy to get back especially when one is reappointed to the districts where one has put in such a lot of time to get the teachers to a place where there are hopes of progressive work.

I found on my return that some of the teachers whom I had helped had gone into District work, or sent elsewhere to open up other schools and new teachers installed in their places. This of course means going over the same training ground again.

Since my return in August, I have been to all the schools (13 in number now two are three times, and have stayed a week at a time in some places in order to help the teachers and to inspire them with zeal, determination and interest in the progress of their classes. The Majority of the teachers in our village schools are untrained, and it takes a great deal of effort, patience and time to help them on the way of successful teaching.

On my second visit to one school, which means a journey of 80 miles to reach the place, I was pleased to see the interest the teacher was taking in his work. He used to be in the Meerut District, and he with a number of others was called in from time to time by the Supervisor of Village schools to see the work of the Ghaziabad Primary Day School. His work showed he had not forgotten some of the helps he got there. He had on display divices for teaching primary classes, which was a pleasure to see. He reminded me that it was at the Ghaziabad Primary school he got his inspiration to make careful preparation of the teaching of his classes.

One other thing that pleased me very much in some of the schools, was that the children were being trained to take the Opening Exercises. These consist of a hymn, scripture lesson and prayer.

There is a well defined plan of objectives for religious teaching in the Village Schools, and the teacher is supposed to finish a certain portion of this outline each quarter.
Delhi-Rohtak Districts.
Butler Memorial Girls' School, Delhi.
Catherine L. Justin.

We now have 118 enrolled in the school and of these 84 are in the boarding school. The other 34 are day scholars; three Hindu boys, 15 Christian boys, and 16 Christian girls. In addition we are supporting two of the girls who finished here in the Baptist Mission Girls High School, Delhi; and two in Teachers Training. The children in the boarding live in 6 "families", fourteen in a group. Each family is intent on surpassing the others in gains in weight—at least till they come up to American standards. The 84 girls have succeeded in gaining from 37 to 200 lbs. a month. One or two have over-done the matter, and are encouraged to reduce. There have been no epidemics during the year.

Only one sorrow has come to us—our beloved matron Mrs. Parki M. Chand has gone from us. She died on Thanksgiving day, and we are missing her, and mourning for her at every turn.

The teachers are now living happily in their new quarters, rejoicing in being entirely to themselves. There are eight of them, and they have their own food arrangement, taking turns in being housekeepers.

Of the seven girls who first passed the Government examination in 1930 from this school, four are now taking Teachers Training, one is in Nurses Training, and two are in High School. This year six girls took the examination. Four are taking Nurses Training, one is in High School, and one is married.

Our new church was dedicated December 20th, in the presence of all three Bishops of our Church in India, and of Miss Clementina Butler, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William Butler, for whom this school is named. We are awed by the beauty of the new church—and shall love it deeply. At the last service in the old church sixteen of our girls were received into full
membership. They had been led into closer touch with God through the work of Miss Palmer, in her "Friends of Jesus" circles. They say to me, "our hearts are lifted now; help us that they may continue to be that way". We must build worthily on the foundation laid.

The very last and newest news is that on December 19, 1931 work was begun on our school building. In another five months that also may be ready for use. There is joy in working in a growing school in the capital city of India. We feel the great need for a city evangelist here, and are most appreciative of the work done by our "retired" missionary Miss A. E. Lawson during the winter months.

Evangelistic Work.

Mrs. Amar Das.
Mrs. T. C Badley.
Miss Grace Joel.
Miss Letah Doyle.

A new experience came to us in a village recently when a Mohammedan muttered disgustedly as we came into the group assembled. "Bungion ki memsahiba". This means "Friend of the Depressed". What an experience it has been to be just that for the past year! Five years ago as the writer travelled up country from Bombay she almost recoiled at the thought of working in the sodden grey villages with their thatched roofs suggestive of things unpleasant. Now "behind mud walls" there are all sorts of keenly interesting things which are pleasantly anticipated.

At present we are having a most delightful tour of seven days duration of the Rohtak district, the Superintendent and his family going with us each day to an appointed circuit. Since it is so soon after our District Conference the best work of last year is being reviewed mainly. The programs consist of bhajans (songs), prayers, recital of the Creed, Shepherd's Psalm, Catechism and new and old stories told by those of aptest memory. The offering has been carefully planned for and is laid upon the table most solemnly. Sometimes
the coin is supplemented by a dozen eggs, a bag of grain or a young kid.

Next comes a medical lecture by Mrs. Amar Das and a sermon by the District Superintendent. In one meeting two outstanding young Christians treated the entire group to sweets. The munshi who served them had come with his wife and child on foot ten miles that morning to be there for this occasion. With him was Samu an old Christian, who years before had toured this district with Dr. Wilson when he was opening up the work. Now he is a trusty old leader in his village and last January was host to Bishop McConnell and his family, our resident Bishop and his wife, Dr. E. Stanley Jones and Rev. S. Clemes at a jalsa where hundreds of neighbouring Christians had a part.

Tomorrow our meeting is in Jhajjar where our greatest work among the Charmars is. The little Bible Reader has so won and taught the women and children of that village that for hours one can sit and examine them in telling the stories. A group of young girls sit tittering and whispering as their hands fly at beading the bright leather shoes prepared in the homes by the men. When their turn comes they do their part creditably but never for a moment do they cease their working. Jind City where our most interesting Mohullah School is, sent four boys to the District Conference on Chaudhri Day to give various numbers on the program. Two weeks later these boys were able to tell three of the new stories and finish off the year's work in School. There, winsome little Chatroo is a type of many a little blind boy becoming a leader in story and song.

After one busy day visiting many villages along the canal-road the Bible Reader took us to a School upon the roof of a civilian's home. Here a Begam was teaching the children and young wives of the leading men of the village. We set in the soft moonlight for two hours listening to these non-Christian girls tell the stories and give the memory work which our Bible Reader had been asked to teach.

Next week begins a similar tour on the Delhi District with our new Superintendent and his wife.
In Karnal real leaders are being trained. In Panipat the Bible Reader ministers not only to the spiritual needs of her people in a wonderful way but being a practical nurse cares for all of their other ills.

This has been a good year and is only a token of better work on the part of those who carry on next year. The evangelist is most fortunate who has been given two such well-organized districts and who has had a small part in fulfilling the Command "be an evangel".

Catherine Craine Kissack Boys’ School Sonepat.

Helen Buss.

Sonepat Boys’ School has had another birthday. Grown-ups say that childhood is the very best time in life and since Sonepat is only eleven years old it is still in the “barefoot boys” stage. We have had a happy year doing the things that “barefoot boys” love to do—playing games, going for long walks, making gardens, studying and worshipping together and “growing in stature and in favour with God and man”.

The improvement of the year of which the boys are most proud is the new Chapel. The evolution of the Sonepat church as told by a missionary formerly stationed here is as follows: “That chapel has long been an eye sore to me and you don’t know how glad I am to hear that you are doing it over. I can remember the time when one sat in church (which was a school room during the week) and looked down the long hall upon all the boarding beds. Then later one of the Sahibs had chatai partitions put in. These we looked upon until they lopped over and almost fell down. After a while we had the brick wall, which formed the front wall of the church, built half way up and the altar table made with a curtain around it and a white cloth for the top. And now you say it is to be transformed into a real chapel. Sounds like evolution, doesn’t it?” This year we finished the front wall and had it plastered over with an arch over the altar, moved out the school room equipment and along with it the unsightly ink smeared benches, and color washed the walls. New doors and
windows with frosted glass were put in and the wood
work painted a soft tan to blend with the walls. The
floor was teeped and a new moonj matting was put down.
The boys paid to have a beautiful teak-wood cross made
for the space in the centre of the arch and some choice
colored pictures have been hung on the side walls.
There is nothing elaborate or expensive about it but we
love it and the boys say "It is our very own church".

The boys' Birthday Box yielded another rupees ten
for the Baby Fold this year and nearly every anna of
that came from the boys themselves. At District
Conference time we had a Junior Silver Medal W.C.T.U.
Contest and while all of the contestants were either
under or only just barely over the age limit of 12 years
the judges said they did very well.

We still have the family system and work and play
by families. Joys, as well as sorrows, come to the boys
by family groups so we have continued the weekly family
parties. At one of the recent parties the boys were sing­
ing with a great deal of enthusiasm and zeal the story of
the sower who went forth to sow. The thought came
to me at that time, "How like the different kinds of soil
are these boys lives!"

The first soil was hard, made so by those who trod
upon it. Little A—is only eight but has been trod
upon until I fear very few of the seeds we try to sow
find root. His father died a few years ago and the
rumors we hear of the life the mother is living makes us
sick at heart. He came back to us after six weeks of
summer vacation filthy dirty and neglected in every way.
We are trying to break up the hard dry soil but need
cooperation from the mother if we are to be successful.

B—is the son of a poor village man. He had just
one bright promising year with us and after summer
vacation he did not return. When pressed for an
answer the father said "I can't let him go back to school.
I need him to herd goats." No amount of pleading
could change his decision. The stones of poverty and
ignorance have checked the growth of the promising
plant and the scorching rays of the sun of indifference
are drying it up.
The third soil was over grown with thorns and C—certainly seemed like a thorn patch when he first came to us. His mother had died when he was a very small boy and he had been allowed to roam the village streets while his father went to his work. His tongue had become so vile and profane that he seemed a hopeless case for some time. He had a fine mind, however, and he at last began to respond to cultivation and began to put up a brave fight of his own so the thorns were uprooted and cleared out. He has been with us four years now and is one of our most trusted older boys.

How thankful we are for the good ground from which we may expect good crops! There is D...... and E.......and F.......and several others I could name whose lives show great promise for the future. They are the leaders in their groups, are obedient and helpful and even at this young age show fine traits of character. D......says he will be a doctor and what a fine one he would make! Both his parents were nurses so I am not surprised at his choice. E.......wants to be a headmaster and I feel sure he would make a good one. Little F.......is only seven and still says he wants to be a motor driver or a policeman, but whatever he does I believe he will do it well. It is from such boys as these that we expect to come the future leadership of India—Yes, and even from the first three soils too, if cultivated by love and prayer, precept and example, may come men whose lives shall bear fruit, some sixty, some ninety and some an hundred fold.

I have had three delightful years in Sonepat. In a few days I shall be going on furlough and am turning the school over to Miss Helen Wells. I wish for her a large share of the joy that has been mine in “cultivating Sonepat boys”.

Ghaziabad District.

Evangelistic and Primary Educational Work.

Lily Dexter Greene.

One day, not long since as I was driving along the dust-laden road toward the city of Dehli, I met various and sundry pilgrims on their way to the great mela at Garhmukhtesar.

The women were all gaily dressed in bright garments, so well suited to their bronzed complexions, and ornamented with heavy jewelry, which is really the savings bank account of the “masses of Indian’s dumb millions”.

Many trudged along on foot, some were in splendidly equipped vehicles such as the travellers possessed, or could secure from their friends or relatives, and many were carried on the broad backs of huge old water buffaloes.

In the midst of that surging seething crowd of human beings were many tagirs and sadhus, swinging along as though set free from earth’s cares and worries, as to food and raiment and shelter.

One very aged man attracted my attention by his kindly face, framed in his long gray locks and by the wonderful patch-work “coat of many colors” which was thrown carelessly over his shoulders.

As I passed on I fell to musing about this strange patch-work garment......surely the bits of which it was made must have been gathered from the four quarters of this land of the Hindus !!! How long had he been in selecting these bits !!! Some were dull and gray, some were bright and gay. Why this variety, why not all bright colored ones !!! What must have been his thoughts as he stitched bit by bit. Whence had he gleaned so many bits, and how long had he taken to do the work before he could display such finery. Then too why did a holy man desire such a piece of art work anyway !!! These and many other queries passed through my mind as I pondered the problem.
Then memory recalled the patch-work of the deft fingers of home-loving hands of some of my sisters of "the land of the free",—beautiful sofa pillows, soft slumber robes, and even large bed-spreads, one in particular which was a gift from a dear old friend eighty years old. It was made of bits of soft velvet, odds and ends of shining satin and tiny bits of gay-colored silky materials, and all so very artistically joined with numberless stitches of bright-colored thread.

Still I mused but suddenly awoke with a start as I heard the words, "This is your report, for the past year has been just a year of patch-work". Let me tell you of some of the bits that have been pieced into this year of patch-work.

First of all the patch of collecting one's scattered earthly belongings piano, pictures, curtains, dishes, books and boxes great and small, containing all sorts of odds and ends necessary for house-keeping—and moving them from Delhi out to Ghaziabad, a distance of twelve miles.

Then a patch of meeting new people, becoming acquainted with new conditions of an entirely new kind of task and trying to adapt the working of my Boarding School mind to a day school situation, with village day schools and Bible Readers work to supervise in spare hours.

Another patch was placed when I tried to settle the Mission House into some semblance of a home, and make the garden supply food, and prevent the deterioration of the trees and plants. Tucked into various corners and empty spaces were small patches—book-keeping, letters to workers, visits, reports, scholarship letters to patrons who support the work and many individual letters to the rank and file of the great army of workers in the home-land, and all the various services of the Church.

Then came the vacation patch, a necessary bit it seems, though I always deplore the break which comes from weeks of absence from the work.

The next big patch was District Conference, which was held at the Ingraham Institute, some three miles
distant, which meant constant going back and forth, hurried meals and the rush to be in time.

At the close of the Conference sessions, with all the Bible lessons, sermons, song services, and special programs such as the Diamond Jubilee and a general toning up along spiritual lines, preparatory to the special evangelistic effort of the cold season, the next patch was the carrying on of an intensive program in the mohallas of Ghaziabad and out in some of the villages.

Still another patch and a very important one was the opening of my Mission dispensary for the poor who have no medical care. I was able to secure an efficient compounder to help in this work who, also teaches in the Burgess Day School.

One of the brightest patches has been the distribution of gospels, scripture portions, and tracts to the people who can read, whether I find them in the city, in the villages, at the railway station, or here at my very door.

Still another bright patch is made up of the quiet unhurried visits with earnest seeking souls, who have come to talk of things that are eternal, the things of the Spirit.

These are some of the big patches that are wrought into the work of the year now ended, but in every niche and tiny crevice of time I see many many patches, some of them entirely too sacred to mention, some too insignificant to record here, some too particularly local to be of general interest.

Stitching all these bits into place has been the silk thread, the scarlet thread of love, which holds each bit in its proper setting and binds into one great whole the months, the hours, the days and the moments of this year of patch-work done in His strength and for His sake.
Meerut District.
The Howard Plested Memorial Girls’ School.

G. E. Richards.
J. Bothwell.

It seems only a few weeks ago since Miss Carolyn Schaefer left and Miss Jean Bothwell came; but that time is almost a year distant. During the year the “daily round, the common task” has furnished all we could ask to draw us and other nearer God. In this common task there have been all of the daily needs of two hundred thirty children besides the helpers and their families and the teachers. There has been a small amount of sickness but even then we have had some severe cases such as dysentery and one diphtheria case among the helpers’ families.

During the six years which it has been my privilege to work in Meerut, there has been no death among school children. I can certainly be very thankful for that when I remember what pangs of sorrow came with experiences of death during the first siege of influenza.

We have had the usual number of teachers and on the whole they have been very interested in and diligent about their work. I am sure the Scripture work in the practical religious programs has not been as thorough as it was last year with Miss Schaefer’s efficient help in planning work for one whole department. In order to have the teaching be a living force there must be a vitality in the work which can come only through an individual who has been carefully trained in Religious Education. I hope we shall soon have the Department at Jabalpur come to the aid of schools scattered all about in this part of India.

The two high school classes are doing good work this year, especially the second year in high school. There are twenty-five girls in that class and without an exception they are ambitious to do a high type of work. Several of them will go on for the third and fourth years.
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of high school work as the girls from that class have done previously. Some will be married and join the evangelistic and educational forces in the villages. A few will enter Bible Training and a few Nursing. It is also from this class that we receive the majority of girls for the vernacular training class which is organised for girls who have passed the Junior high school stage.

In the Vernacular Training Department we have seventeen bright energetic girls who are being prepared for teachers. The emphasis in all their work is on the practical side of teaching. They prepare large charts with pictures and bold writing for the primary classes in reading. The use of flash cards stimulate an alert attitude in the mind of the children. After the manual activity related to building up the multiplication tables the very little classes have busied themselves with making little books of scraps of paper in which to write down the tables. Then they write them in sand and hear one another say them which helps a great deal in the speed with which they acquire a mastery of the tables.

As the season advances the charm of one thing will change to another thing. Soon knitting will become a fad and all the little sticks which can be collected will be occupied in making small stockings out of bright bits of string and wool.

During the winter season the older girls go to nearby villages with teachers or Bible-readers for evangelistic work. At the present time two groups go out regularly on every Sunday, and the poor sweepers have an opportunity for some little uplift in the middle of the day on Sunday.

A group of thirteen girls have just been taken into the church in full membership. They have been having a profitable study in a “Friendship with Jesus Circle”. I believe they have an understanding of the basis of companionship with Christ which will go with them all of their lives.

In the realm of the living quarters it has been a wonderful year in many ways. Sometimes, when casting a glance back over the days to sum up the account
it looks as if most of one's time were devoted to paying out money for the girls' many material needs: flour and soap and fire-wood, milk and spices and mending the pump, and counting blankets. But when one looks again, through another pair of spectacles, one realizes the pleasure that has gone along with the days like the bright thread in a dull pattern of routine. The realization that one has really made friends of the school girls, even though it has come perhaps through the sternness of discipline, is worth the tired mind and interrupted office hours that working for them entails. And the wee folk! What darlings they are and how hungry for a bit of love and attention, a clasp of the hand or to be tucked in tight at night so that they shall sleep sweetly. The hostel mother's lot is a happy one and I am glad to have been given such a wonderful year with the girls.

Evangelistic and Village Educational Work.
Estella M. Forsyth.

At the last Annual Conference in North-West India there was an upheaval in appointments and Miss Warner who for three years had been in charge of the village and city schools was placed in charge of the Aligarh Girls' School. It was then the work of the schools fell to me and if this report tends toward schools instead of evangelism you will understand that the schools have claimed much attention.

Village Schools

As we speak the words village school we may think of a place, books, blackboards, slates and of course children, but in order to really appreciate the school we must look into the bright eyes of these barefooted youngsters, note their interest in the reading and arithmetic lessons, watch their lovable and unlovable traits as they deal with each other and see them develop into really adorable children. Some of them come to school with sore-eyes, such eyes as you would seldom see in America and sores on legs and ankles. At these schools we keep a supply of eye medicine and ointments and are able to minister to the physical needs as well as the
mental and spiritual. Our interest does not stop with the individual child in the school but is bound up with the parents who never had a chance to rise higher than the level their caste has experienced for centuries.

Some days ago I was in a sweeper mahalla, the home of one of the boys attending Central School in Meerut and I told the father of the boy that there was weeping in my heart. By the time I had repeated this several times with much pathos he wondered what was coming and then I reminded him that his boy had been absent from school for one month and that I wished the boy sent to school the next day without fail. The boy had no mother and his old grandmother had decided it was time for him to take up the life of a scavenger as his forefathers had done. There was prayer along with the appeal and since that day the boy has hardly missed a session.

Meerut Central School.

On the roll seventy with average attendance of sixty. The pupils come from many sections of the city and represent four castes. The teachers as they go to call on the children meet the parents and an open door for evangelism is presented. Not only the parents but many non-Christians have the benefit of the outdoor evangelistic service. On Sunday an interesting Sunday School takes place in the school building.

Why do we urge the parents to allow the children to attend school regularly? We can see a mass of seventy million of the depressed classes in India and we also have a vision of what God can do with these multitudes if they may have the opportunity for education and Christian and moral teaching. This school has enrolled seventy out of the seventy million. Only a seed you may say but in the New Testament we read about a grain of mustard seed and take courage. It will be a great investment in prayer when you pray for the children and teachers of Central School, Meerut.

Handhiya Mohalla School.

This school is situated in a section of the city too far for the children to attend Central School. A good
part of the year the classes meet under a large tree. The name of the teacher is Chhutan Lall. A word about his romance. Eight years ago in a far away village his marriage ceremony was performed with a girl of the Chamar group. As is the custom in villages he did not see the face of his bride that day and as she went home with her mother immediately after the wedding to remain several years, he had never seen the girl until some days ago when Miss Richards and I met these two in the drawing-room of the Girls School bungalow. Two years ago Miss Richards took this village girl into her school that she might learn Hindi and writing and simple arithmetic. This girl's husband was well enough educated to conduct a Primary school and it was too bad for his little wife not to have a chance. For two years now she has been having it and has made good progress and has been so happy. Now the time has come for her to go to her husband and she is sewing and he is getting the house ready. Wish you might see this fine couple. Both will go together to Handhiya Mohalla school and because of the presence of Master Chhutan's wife many small girls will have the courage to attend school.

Binauli School.

It would pay you to take a trip to India to see this school, really it would. A large Primary School taught by two earnest teachers, a man and his wife. The school is located far from Meerut but whenever we appear at the door we find about sixty-five children in their classes in perfect order and everything moving as if they were ready for supervision.

We receive Grant-in-Aid from the Government for Binauli school which proves the Inspector is satisfied.

Baoli School.

Another school at least forty miles from Meerut. The children are just as interesting in the Baoli school as in Binauli. We think each group unique and very fine. We receive Grant-in-Aid for Baoli school.

Hapur School.

Nineteen miles from Meerut we find the interesting school in Hapur for sweeper children. Master S.C.
Bentwick is in charge. His wife also teaches in the school. There is regular attendance in the new building we have secured. Formerly the school was held in the verandah of a mohalla house and it has been good to get the group away from their old surroundings. The Sunday School is held in the school building and for special programs at Christmas and Easter the building is filled with fond parents who come to enjoy the service. Progress and fine interest are noticeable in the school work. This school has recently been recognized.

What shall I say of Dotai, Mowana, Phaphunda, Sinauli, Dahana, Asara, Barnawa, Sururpur, Kirthal and all the other village schools in which you are interested.

Wish I could make you feel how worth while these schools are. Really it is a Great Investment. The influence radiates to a large group of people including immediate families of the pupils and to the relatives and neighbours.

By means of the Ministry of Intercession you know you will be able to sit among these classes and help to change their lives. Pray that the Bible-readers and teachers may be flaming evangels. I covet your full co-operation in the work of the village schools.
Mildred H. Bobb.

An unhappy feeling came over me at Conference last February when the appointment were read, and I found I was to leave my happy home at Aligarh to come to the A V. Girls' School at Muttra. I felt that the task ahead of me was more than I could carry. That was ten months ago, and in those ten months, I have found the burdens less heavy than I had anticipated. I have found also that one can be satisfied to live wherever his work calls him.

Our work is progressing quite nicely at present. We have one hundred pupils enrolled this year, an increase of twenty-seven over last year. About twenty of our children are day-pupils. This year we are taking boys in our A and B classes for the first time. We are not running in competition with the Boys' School but in co-operation with it. We enjoy the boys very much.

We opened a school shop this fall where the girls come every Saturday to buy their necessities such as soap, oil, ritha, school supplies etc. One of the assistants is in charge of the shop, and each Saturday selects two or three girls to assist her. The supplies are bought through the office, but the girls are book-keepers by turns. We allow the girls to make suggestions as to what they would like to buy in the shop, and these suggestions are followed when we are "bazaaring" for them. So far they have not been at all extravagant in their desires.

In a room adjoining the shop, is an almirah in which the girls keep their tin boxes which are their "Banks" for pocket money. Each Saturday when the shop is opened, the girls come to their banks and take out only enough money for their "shopping" and chanda. No money is allowed to be taken to the hostel except that for collections on Sunday.
At present we are making some improvements in the school house. Two windows have been recently put into each of two rooms which were very dark, thereby providing proper light and sufficient fresh air. The school hall which also serves as our church, is being wired for electricity. Many dingy walls are receiving new coats of whitewash.

We feel that our Senior and Intermediate Leagues, Junior and Primary Churches have made a great deal of progress this year. Last spring we transformed a large room next to the office from a dormitory, into a worship room. Intermediate League, Junior Church and Junior Sunday School are held in this room, also the A and B Scripture classes. We feel this new room has accomplished much in creating an atmosphere of worship.

The above mentioned scripture classes are conducted by the girls of the English Department of the school of Religious Education, as practice work under the supervision of Miss Bradley and two assistants. This arrangement has proved to be very satisfactory.

While attending to the spiritual life of our young people we have tried not to neglect their social life. During the year, we have had joint socials boys and girls for seniors, intermediate and juniors, which have been quite successful, and which have made a happy break in the routine of school life.

Sarah C. Holman.

"He hath anointed me to preach good tidings to the poor: He hath sent me to proclaim release to the captives... to set at liberty them that are bruised."

Praise the Lord for answered prayer and hopes realized. The new school building has materialized! The walls are finished, the veranda roof is on and next week we began to lay the cement brick slabs for the roof of the main building. There are Eleven rooms in the building. The assembly Hall 25 x 60 is to be converted into three large class rooms by means of folding
doors. The veranda is 192 feet from end to end. Dr. Pickett, after a recent visit here wrote of the building: "The new building is admirably conceived. The plan embodies some features which are superior to any that I have seen in other school buildings."

It will mean everything to the future of the school to have these nice rooms with good light and ventilation. Now the classes will be protected from the scalding heat, the pouring rain and the biting cold, as the seasons roll round.

My! The day we broke the sod was a joyful day: Mr. Scholberg conducted such a good meeting in the church after which we all went to the building plot. Before lifting the spade Mr. Scholberg asked the scholars, "What are all these bricks lying around here for?" The answer came ringing back "To build a school." Then he asked "Whose school?" Then the children thundered back as in a single voice (although they were 209 strong) "Our School!"

A wonderful light brightened those chocolate colored faces from the joy bursting forth from their hearts with the thought that they were going to have a school building and class rooms where they could study and recite.

May He, who said "Feed my lambs" richly reward everyone who has helped to make it possible for us to have a school building.

The building is being constructed of the best materials available and the very reliable contractor is taking great pride in making the building as beautiful as possible, himself putting in little extra touches without any extra charges. After a Director General of construction work inspected the building this week he said "You are to be congratulated on the workmanship of the building." He was also highly pleased with the school plans.

The children have prayed a long time for this building and I am glad for their sakes that they have a building that will not only strengthen their faith but also give them more self-respect. One day a teacher
asked a boy in her class why he came to school, he said that he wanted to become an educated man so that he would be allowed to *touch* things in the shops and be able to buy things like other people. In other words he wanted to remove that awful stigma of untouchability. That is just what the Institute is doing, lifting human beings from the deepest degradation and teaching them so that they are being admitted into the Government high school, the Baptist high school and the Muttra high school. And now instead of being called "Untouchable" they are called "Christian".

Mrs. Badley wrote after her recent visit here. "We have always been interested in and appreciative of your Agra school but now more than ever we share the vision with you of a well established institution to train Christian Character and to develop Christian workers from among those boys and girls."

After his recent visit Dr. Pickett wrote, "The boys and girls who go to the Holman Institute are being impregnated with a Christian spirit. The Institute program is exceedingly well adapted to their needs. For their needs the school does much more than schools ordinarily do, for it is broader-based and more wisely controlled. Religion is taught in every class no matter what the subject under discussion may be and it is taught so wisely that good results are achieved."

One teacher says, "I am looking forward to seeing these children shining like precious jewels and preaching the Gospel to an hungry world."

The simple hygiene taught in the school is having its effects. The children plead for soap to wash their clothes. More than once when a child has been given fruit as a little treat the fruit has been handed back with the request that a bit of soap be given instead and the hungry child has gone off smiling over the good bargain. Our trained nurse does a great deal for the health of the children, she has a clinic every day and one day she treated 260 ailments.

Child welfare is one department that we wish very much to develop one as soon as we can get suitable
quarters built for this. I wonder how many mothers are out sweeping trying to earn a few pennies towards the family support. Many of the children would have to stay at home all the time to take care of the baby brothers and sisters if we did not allow them to bring them to school with them in the bus. It is very difficult for these children to do their class-work with babies clinging to them. We need an apartment separated from the school, with a courtyard, where the babies can be taken and bathed and a kitchenette where we can prepare simple baby food, and a rest room furnished with beds where we can put the babies to sleep. We would need a trained nurse for this part of the work. If funds were available we should like to begin to build for this department at once while the contractor is here working on the school building.

We also must have a workshop for the industrial department. Some of the older boys are now making very nice little oriental rugs. The smaller boys are learning to make rugs with jute. These will be given wool as soon as their work justifies the additional expense. We want the boys to have a trade so that they can earn a living wage and also become liberal supporters as layman of our church.

A visitor after seeing the school said, "If this work can be maintained its influence will be immeasurable. Already there is a spirit among the depressed classes, to whom this school is ministering, that I have rarely seen in these city groups. That so much has been achieved in so few years is remarkable, but this success will extend in geometrical proportions if the work is made to abide." The Institute must have an endowment fund to ensure its permanence.

At the present time we are having an average daily attendance of 205. There are classes from Kindergarten to class five. There are eleven teachers and one trained nurse. One teacher wrote in a letter recently, "Many people have seen God's light through this school, who otherwise would never have been helped. Of course in the matter of wealth this school is very
poor but in grace this school is very rich and for the teachers it is a Bible training which brings them nearer to God”

The Management is most grateful to everyone who has contributed anything towards the support of this Institute and we ask that you will please remember that we need your prayers also.

Agra City and Village Evangelistic work.
Charlotte Thersa Holman.

Can it be that a year has passed since the last annual report was written? The years and the months and the weeks and the days are all too short for the task that is set for us. If only we could duplicate ourselves and get twice as much accomplished every day, how happy we should be!

We have over 2000 baptized Christians living in and around Agra. Over 100 of these have been baptized during the past year. Besides the Christians there are thousands of leather workers in Agra who are always glad to welcome us to their homes as often as we can go. Sometimes when we are leaving they will request us to come, at least, once a week and give them Christian teaching.

While we are longing and praying for more preachers and teachers for the city work our hearts are sad over the death of a beloved Bible Woman. Mrs. Samuel Singh was taken ill and although I did not realize that she was seriously ill still I took her to the Govt hospital. The lady doctor said she thought that she had pneumonia and should be admitted into the hospital. So she willingly stayed. Only three days later we received a notice that she was dead. She will be greatly missed.

It is a blessed privilege to serve such a wonderful Master in this land.

We sometimes do grow very weary in the work but never weary of it.

It is encouraging to see the fruit, of the labour of of our hands.
Recently we had a great meeting in one of the Agra mohallahs. Some inquirers, after a Sunday evening meeting, asked us to come to them on Wednesday night for their baptisms. The Indian Pastor and two teachers accompanied me. We first spent a little time in a social way talking with individuals before beginning the religious service. After that came the baptisms. First one man was called up and then his wife and children came forward and these were baptized. After a prayer for special blessing for this family they took their seats in the audience and another such group came forward and in this way all were baptized family-wise. One man presented himself for baptism but when we asked for his wife he said that she could not come as their daughter was lying very ill. We told him that after we got through here we would go to his house and baptize him with his family. This we did when the man, his wife, mother and three children were baptized. The mother was superstitious at first and afraid to be baptized for fear of the curse of the gods. A hand was laid upon her head and an earnest prayer offered that her eyes might be opened, strength was given her to overcome her fear and she said I wish to be baptized. A young high school student, who was converted while a student in the Holman Institute, was present all the evening and was most helpful in the services. He is a real Christian young man. We are looking for great things from him and from many others who are now students here in our Agra school. While conducting meetings in the city we find these school children most helpful in our meetings. They sing from their hearts, tell Bible stories and repeat Bible verses.

Although two new teachers have been added to our staff this year still we cannot nearly cover the ground, or enter all the open doors. We need some one to give all her time to visit the dear shut in ones in the zenanas. How glad they are to see us when we do go, all too seldom, into their homes.

Others, Lord, yes others, and none of self for me;
Help me to live for others, that I may live for Thee.
The Sarah E. Creighton Memorial 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. The objects of this board are to raise the standards of training and uphold the highest ideals of nursing among Indian women, and to hold regular examinations and to grant certificates.

The course of training in the school of nursing is three years. The nurses are given training in Surgical and Medical Nursing, Feeding and Care of Babies and Children, Children's Diseases, Hygiene, Simple Compounding for school nursing works, and Invalid Cookery. A trained nurse shall be able to obtain a midwifery certificate after a one year's course of training and by passing a written and practical examination.

Since July 1929, when the new class that entered at that time asked to take the course in English, we have been teaching in English only. There are many advantages in having had the course in English. Those nurses are given preference in positions and receive a better salary, but the most important of all is that more helpful literature, magazines, text books, etc., are obtainable in English than in the vernacular. It is impossible to obtain any variety of nursing text books in the vernacular suitable for the nurses' training course.

There is a mistaken idea that if a girl cannot read farther in school she may become a successful nurse. A girl asked her friend, after having passed her middle school examination, "Are you going on to high school, going to read on, or are you going to take nurses' training?" Taking Nurses' Training means much hard work, physical and mental. So we want girls for training who are strong physically, good students, and who want to spend their lives in service for others.

We now have eleven students in training and five graduate nurses. It has been a great joy to see them enter as quite young shy girls and watch them develop
in poise and ability to take responsibility. They do not seem to be the same girls as those who entered a few months ago.

It will be through the efforts of such trained women that much unnecessary suffering and death will be reduced among women and children. Only a few weeks ago a woman brought her sick baby into the hospital for treatment saying that six of her children had died in infancy and asking us to care for this one as for our own. While the baby was here the mother learned many things. She learned that babies need fresh air, proper sleeping and feeding habits, and how to bathe and dress them properly. We have many similar examples.

The students are taught not only the care of the body, but they are given spiritual teaching too. We want that each one have a real spiritual experience and that she may be a true witness for Christ. Each morning before going on duty in the hospital we have devotions and Bible study with the nurses. Then before beginning their duties in the hospital the students and staff have singing, some scripture lesson and prayers with the patients. Many patients are much impressed by the spirit with which the nurses do their work, and we hope they return to their homes not only stronger physically, but having been helped spiritually, too. The nurses also make calls in the homes in Brindaban with the Bible woman.

Those who may enter for training should be seventeen years of age and middle pass. For further information write to the Superintendent of nurses, S. E. C. M. Hospital, Brindaban.

Evangelistic Work.

A. Richards.

After completing seven years of evangelistic work in Roorkee and Muzaffarnagar Districts I was transferred to Muttra in February 1931.

Muttra is one of the chief cities of Hindu pilgrimage with beautiful costly temples and buildings at almost every 2 or 3 miles on your way out in every direction.
Our people are scattered in 20 circuits which are managed by our workers. There are 35 Bible women working under me in mohalias and villages. Bible stories are taught throughout the year and at the end of the year an examination is taken in stories. This year we have nearly 5000 people pass in the examination.

There are also 5 schools and several reading classes run by the women.

My desire for meeting new people and getting acquainted with the work was so great that immediately after 5 days I got out into the district.

As I went round visiting people I carefully watched the attitude of our Christians towards Christianity and within 5 months I found out that most of our people were still in the grip of idolatry. My heart went out in great sympathy to them.

Under God's guidance and leading I made my new schedule for the next visit with a great determination for helping the people destroy the idols and build a house of prayer instead. The Lord helped wonderfully in my new enterprise, opening the way and preparing people for accepting the message.

Within 5 months of my next visit I destroyed 65 thans and built 2 churches in chief the cities of Agra and Muttra Districts.

The first church was dedicated at Firozabad on the 22nd of November 1931 and the other on the 20th of December 1931 just at the time when the new church at Delhi was being dedicated. Praise be to the Lord who giveth us Victory.

There are no more promises for building. The church people are wide awake. I have set my heart on building the church and destroying idols and I have faith to believe that when this blessed work is begun God will see us through.

May His Kingdom come soon.
Muzaffarnagar District.
Evangelistic and Village Educational Work.

Estella M. Forsyth.

Let us make a tour together in Muzaffarnagar District starting from the centre of the district which is the large Indian city of Muzaffarnagar, we find the Methodist Church and beside it the home of the District Superintendent, Rev. Robert John, Mrs. John and the Bible readers Champi Barnes, Georgiana Singh, Grace Singh, Lalki Singh, Green Revis, Solomi Lall and Irene Masih can tell us how work progresses in the city mohallas and circuit.

The interesting circuit of Khatauli is south of Muzaffarnagar with Adeline Silas and Monica Ram as workers. It is here Adeline Silas conducts a Day School in which five girls from Hindu homes study along with children from the group of leather workers. In the evening mohalla meetings the singing is an inspiration and reminds us of the efforts of Miss McLeavy and Miss A. Richards. A most interesting jalsa took place at Khatauli in October. At the last moment heavy rains made the place arranged quite impossible and one of the C.M.S. missionaries opened her verandah and compound. It was good to have Bishop Robinson in charge of the fine program and our hearts were stirred when he took into full membership of the Church village youths who by their earnestness assured us they were ready to take this step.

It is a long journey to Kairana Circuit where Sundri Nath represents the work among women and then in order to see Sarah Franklin and her mohalla people we go by ox-tonga ten miles further. In Kairana there are hundreds of mohalla Christians with inadequate provision for instruction. In October at the jalsa crowds came from the city mohallas, came from the villages and brought their clanging musical instruments with them.

The interesting Shamli Circuit is on this road and the workers are Rukmani Budden, Bakhtawri Singh,
Rachael Cladius and our school teacher Samuel Cladius. To see the boys and girls assemble in Shamli mohalla school is to see something worth while. Deep interest and good work prevail. One of these mohalla boys entered the Roorkee Primary Boys School in July. Several other boys were ready but the parents were unwilling to send them.

It is another long journey to Budhana Circuit but one is encouraged to find two village schools taught by Henry Peters and Ram Gopal. The Roorkee Boy's school received students in July from Ram Gopal's school in Phugana. Catherine Peters and Rosie Lall are responsible for work among women in their stations. What an interesting drama the mohalla people gave in Budhana the night I was there.

On to Kandila beautifully situated on the Ganges Canal. The women workers are Clara Alexander, now grown grey after long years of service; Dhapuri Sahae who teaches a mohalla school and Somatiya Singh. What an encouragement to hear the children repeat Bible stories and verses taught them by Somatiya Singh.

In Baghra Circuit Singhari Barnard, Florence Singh and Lizzie Bruce are responsible for teaching women and children.

Jansath Circuit is represented by Julia Benjiman and Chhoti Ram. I have made but one trip to this circuit but can assure you the possibilities are great.

There is another circuit, far away Shahpur. Here Rozana Singh, Florence Singh and Hazari Singh are your representatives. Hazari Singh is the School teacher.

There are in the district ten Day School in which one hundred seventy-five boys and girls are reading. Ninety-three Sunday Schools attended by 3142 children. In the Bible stories there were 17,372 points gained. In all this work the women have taken a proportionate share in the efforts.

This is a glimpse of the opportunities presented among 24,000 Christains and I am sure you would like to pitch a tent in each circuit and study the work at close range.
Roorkee District.
Methodist Girls' School, Roorkee.

Carlotta E. Hoffman.
Nina M. Dupre.

The year 1931 will always be remembered as a very special year in the history of this school and we feel that it has been a great privilege to be here.

The first event of importance was when by Conference appointment, sanctioned by the Field Reference Committee and the Finance Committee, the Boys' School was placed under the same management as the Girls' School. Separate hostels are maintained but the boys and girls attend the same school and are in classes together through the fourth standard. It has made the work much heavier but all have felt that it has been most worth while. Meanwhile the school has become a lower Middle School for girls but remains an Upper Primary for boys.

This amalgamation was made possible by another event which marks this as a red letter year. Our new school house was completed sufficiently so that early in April the classes moved in. What a wonderful day it was, and we who had worked under the handicaps of the old regime, without proper equipment and in the old bungalow, were so rejoiced that we had a praise service. As we look at the beautiful building we are reminded of the American friends who made it possible and they have been blessed, I am sure, in the giving. We often have a time of silent prayer when we thank our Father for them and ask his blessing upon them.

Various things interfered so that the formal opening and dedication did not take place until December second. Bishop Robinson came and used the beautiful new service which he had prepared. The audience of English, Indian Christian, and non-Christian, was most appreciative. After the service as Bishop Robinson was conveyed away in a motor, his last view was one of the whole building, roof and verandahs, lighted with
myriads of wee lights, just a symbol of what that building should stand for, boys and girls going out into India to brighten the dark places with their own small individual lights.

The hope is to have the auditorium, Faris Hall, used for community purposes. Dr. J C. Taylor of the R. P. Mission, before leaving for furlough last year, gave us a very fine stereopticon and already we have had three lectures. The arrangement has been made with the Head Master of the Government High School to work together in giving instructive lectures as well as our own lectures on Christian subjects. Our great desire is that Faris Hall may be used for Community uplift in every sense. Will you who read this, pray that such guidance may be given that through all the activities Christ may have the pre-eminence?

We are happy to still possess the Conference Inter-Schools, Athletic Shield, having won it for five years in succession.

The health of the school has been remarkable but we still have some children under weight in spite of all that we have done.

Our staff this year are united in purpose and cooperate with us in all we suggest. They have such a fine spirit and are determined that this co-educational institution shall be a success. We have met some difficult problems but by uniting together in prayer at our weekly staff prayer meeting, some have been solved and the others will be, for His guidance and help are most real.

Sunday School is held here at the school but the older girls and boys go to the Church for the afternoon service. Junior Church is also held here. We have such a fine group of little ones who enjoy this service.

When the school opened in July, twenty-three new boys came. All did not stay but most of them did, and what a pleasure it has been to see the change in them. We are so grateful that we have not had to refuse any and to know that we shall not have to turn any out who are able to go on in school.
Of course we are using the Charterhouse Course and whatever else is done, our great aim is the spiritual development of the children. Our District Conference was a most helpful time and many were deeply blessed. As we said in our report at District Conference, if we say that our girls and boys have received a great blessing and then when they go to their homes their parents and friends see no change in them, the parents will doubt the truth of what we say. Last year when we had said nothing, one father came to us and said, "My daughter is so kind and thoughtful of her mother and helpful with her little brother, there is a great change in her." It is that for which we are working, a real change in their lives so that their own folks may recognize the change.

We praise our Father for this year of service and face the new year with a stronger faith in Him and his eagerness to help us to built characters, in these boys and girls, which will glorify Him.
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For the year ending October 31st, 1931.

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