Reports and Minutes

of the

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

of the

North-West India Conference

Meerut, December 3-12, 1927.

"Saved for Service."
Officers and Committees 1927-28

North-West India Conference

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The Misses Lawson, Pace, Greene, Okey, Mrs. Clemes; S. W. Clemes, R. T. Templin.

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Miss A. E. Lawson, S. W. Clemes.

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North India—Mrs. E. S. Jones.

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North India—Miss Emery, Miss Dunn, Mrs. Core.

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North India—Miss E. Bacon.

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Miss Greene, R. E. Crane; Alt, S. W. Clemes.

**Warne Baby Fold**
Miss Farmer, Amar Dass.

**Mary Wilson Sanatorium Committee**
Miss Bricker (term expires 1928).
Miss Everley (term expires 1929).

**Woman's Medical College, Ludhiana**
Miss Farmer.

**Indigenous Missionary Societies**
Mrs. Templin, Miss McLeavy, Mrs. Dye.

**Standing Committees on Central Conference Actions on Women's Work**
Member, Executive Board, Chairman; The Misses Lawson, Ball Greene, Farmer, Mrs. Clemes.

**Provident Fund**
Misses Clancy, Ball, Boddy.

**Auditing Committee**
The Misses Clark, Lawson, Everley, Schæfer, Miss Whiting, ex-officio.

**Annual Conference Furniture**
Miss Lawson, Mrs. Templin.

**W. F. M. S. Furniture**
The Misses Warner, Greene, Holman.

**Conference Programme**
The Misses Farmer, Everley, Justin, Mrs. Crane.

**Memoirs**
Miss Klingeberger, Mrs. Pace, Miss Warner.
# Conference Roll.

**North West India.**

**Organized 1893.**

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Appointments.

North West India Woman's Conference 1927—28.

ALIGARH DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. C. C. Herrmann.
Evangelistic Work, Miss I. A. Farmer,
Louise Soules Girls' School, Miss L. G. Bobenhouse. Miss Pearl Palmer.
Girls' Vocational School, Miss L. G. Ball, Miss M. O. Okey, Miss M. Bobb.

ANUPSHAHR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. Gardner.
District Evangelist, to be supplied by Miss A. S. Potenger.

BULANDSHAHR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. R. John.
Evangelistic, supplied by Miss A. S. Potenger.
District Village School, Miss A. S. Potenger.

DELHI DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. S. W. Clemes.
Delhi Girls' School, Miss L. D. Greene, Miss Helen Buss.
Evangelistic Work, Miss Ida Klingeberger.

MEERUT DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. Benson Baker.
Evangelistic Work, Miss E. E. Warner, P. O. Ghaziabad.
Village Education Work, Miss E. E. Donohugh, P. O. Ghaziabad.
Meerut Madison Avenue Boys' School, Mrs. Benson Baker.
Girls' High School, Miss G. E. Richards, Miss C. E. Schaufer, Miss Leath Doyle.
Ghaziabad Ingraham Training Institute, Mrs. J. C. Pace.
Ghaziabad Primary Girls' School, to be supplied.

MUTTRA DISTRICT

District Work, Mrs. R. E. Crane.
District Evangelist, Miss Grace Boddy.
Agra Holman Institute, Miss S. C. Holman and H. O. Wood.
Agra English Church, Miss S. C. Holman.
Zenana Work, Miss S. C. Holman.
APPOINTMENTS

Brindaban Hospital, Physician in charge, to be supplied.
Brindaban Hospital, Superintendent, M. E. Bricker, R. N.
Brindaban Hospital, Nurses Training School, Miss M. E. Bricker, R. N.
Brindaban Hospital, Out-door Department, to be supplied.
Muttra Blackstone Missionary Institute, Miss M. A. Clancy.
Muttra Blackstone Missionary Institute, Vernacular Education Department, Miss H. Wells.
Muttra Zenana Work, Mrs. Grace Mann.
" Anglo-Vernacular School, Mrs. R. T. Templin.
" Girls' Anglo-Vernacular School, Miss Garnet Everley.

MUZAFFARNAGAR DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. M. S. Budden.
District Evangelist Miss E. M. McLeavy.

ROORKEE DISTRICT.

District Work and Dennis Clancy Memorial Hostel, Mrs. Henninger.
Evangelistic Work, Miss E. M. McLeavy.
Roorkee Girls' Primary School, Miss Faith Clark.
Mussooree Girls' School, Miss A. E. Lawson.

SONEPAT DISTRICT.

District Work, Mrs. S. W. Clemes.
Sonepat, Catherine Craine Kissack Boys' School, Miss C. L. Justin.
Evangelistic Work, Miss Ida Klingeberger.

Special Appointments.

Executive Secretary and Registrar, Language School, Miss A. E. Lawson, P. O. Mussooree.
Theological Seminary, Dean of Women's School, Mrs. James Devadasan.

On Furlough.

Mesdames Rockwell Clancy, William Dye, L. B. Jones, R. C. Rankin, F. E. Henninger (after May 1st.)
Official Minutes
First Session
Monday, December 6th, 1927.

OPENING.
The North West India Woman's Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met for its thirty-sixth annual session in Meerut, Miss A. E. Lawson was in the chair. The devotions were led by Miss Livermore.

ROLL CALL.
Thirty members responded to roll call.

GREETINGS.
Miss Bobb and Miss Palmer, the new missionaries for this year and Miss Doyle, the new missionary of last year were introduced. Miss Agnes Dunn, a new nurse for Tilaunia, was also greeted. Mrs. A. J. Revnall, the Wesleyan Pastor's wife, was welcomed. Miss Clark, Miss Warner and Miss Boddy again in India after furlough were greeted. Mrs. Buck was also greeted.

Letters of greeting were read from Miss Gabrielson, Miss Moss, Mrs. Robertson, Dr. Fletcher Robinson. Greetings were given by different ones from Miss Cline, Miss Hermiston, Miss Donohugh, Miss Porter, Miss Randall, Miss McKnight, Mrs. Clancy and Mrs. Dye.

It was moved and seconded that the secretary arrange to send greetings to each of the friends thus mentioned.

ORGANIZATION.
The following officers were elected:

President: Mrs. J. W. Robinson.
Vice-President: Mrs. S. W. Clemes.
Secretary: Miss Grace Boddy.
Assistant Secretary: Miss Catherine Justin.

COMMITTEES.
The president appointed the following committees:
Nominations: The Misses Forsyth, Clancy, Ball, Klingeberger, Mrs. Baker.
Resolutions: Miss Wood, Mrs. Henninger.
Memoirs: Mrs. Pace, Miss Everley, Miss Warner.

TIME FOR SESSIONS.
The time of sessions was fixed from eleven to one.
REPORTS.

The Joint Literature Committee and the Language school reports were presented and approved.

On motion, a letter written by Mrs. Mann was referred to the Field Reference Committee.

ADJOURNMENT.

The session adjourned at one to give time to attend the joint meeting of the educational Board of Education and the Board of Religious Education. Miss Potenger offered the closing prayer.

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Second Session

Tuesday, December 6th, 1927.

DEVOTIONS.

Miss Boddy led the devotions.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

REPORTS.

The following reports of committees were presented and approved:

Blackstone Missionary Institute .. Miss Clancy.
Bareilly Woman's Bible School .. Miss Klingeberger.
Joint Evangelistic Board .. Miss Livermore.
Bible Readers' Examinations .. Miss Klingeberger.
Registrar's Report .. Miss Forsyth.
Evangelist Teachers and Summer Schools .. Miss Farmer.
Village Schools Reports .. Miss Farmer.

It was moved that the Revised Bible Readers' Course as suggested in the report that Miss Clancy gave, be referred to the Evangelistic committee for consideration and necessary action. It was also moved that the matter of whether Bible Readers' Examinations shall be oral or written be referred to this same committee.

In the programme of the day, music is a welcome treat and we were refreshed by a beautiful solo by Miss Wood.

It was moved that those ladies who supervise village schools be asked to attend and help in the Ghaziabad Institute. It was further decided that the suggestion fo
Mrs. Pace regarding half-yearly examinations for the wives of the Village Training School men be referred to the Evangelistic committee.

It was moved that the committee on Bible Readers' Examinations be combined with the Evangelistic committee and that the secretary of the evangelistic committee be the chairman of a sub-committee on Bible Readers Examinations with power to co-opt any persons to carry on the work of the committee.

It was decided that the election of officers be the first item of business on Thursday.

The meeting adjourned after prayer.

Third Session

Wednesday, December 7th, 1927.

DEVOTIONS.

The devotions were conducted by Miss Forsyth.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

It was moved that the teachers in the schools be invited to attend any of the meetings when their work permits.

REPORTS.

The following reports were presented and approved:
Sarah E. Creighton Hospital Nurses.
Training and Examinations Miss Bricker.
Community Health Centre Miss Okey.
Warne Baby Fold Miss Livermore.
Tilaunia Sanitarium Miss Bricker.
Ludhiana Woman's Medical College Miss Farmer.
Field Property Miss Bobenhouse.

It was moved that we accept the invitation of the Bishop and the cabinet to the effect that any who wish to consult with or present matters concerned with appointments or other subjects may feel free to do so.

Mrs. Clemes sang a beautiful solo between the hearing of reports.

It was moved that the matter of initial salary, increments, etc., of school nurses be referred to the Schools Committee.

It was moved that short verbal reports be given so that we might know what had been accomplished on
Temperance lines in our conference. A profitable informal discussion gave us a great deal of information.

The report of Mrs. Baker, the United Provinces Christian Council Board Member was submitted. Miss Farmer had been chosen at a meeting of the Board, as our representative to the United Provinces Council for 1927. Miss Farmer gave an informal report of the Council.

Fourth Session.

Thursday, December 8th, 1927.

The devotions were conducted by Miss Klingeberger.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Introductions.

Mrs. Ingram, known personally to many of the conference, was introduced and spoke a few words of greeting to us. Dr Touissant, Mrs Phillips and Miss Lall were introduced.

Election.

The following officers were elected:

- Field Correspondent: Miss Farmer.
- Statistical Secretary: Miss Richards.
- Assistant Statistical Secretary: Mrs. Crane.

It was moved that we vote by ballot for six names for the Field and Reference Committees. The following were elected: Mrs. Clemes, Miss Ball, Miss Lawson, Miss Bohenhouse, Miss Klingeberger, Miss Clark. Alternates: Miss Bricker, Miss Richards.

Miss A. E. Lawson was elected by ballot as Executive Board Member.

The following committees were approved:

- Promotional Fund Committee: Miss Richards, Miss Boddy.
- School Committee: All those appointed to school work. On motion the names of the Board of Education were referred to the Nominating Committee for further consideration.
- Joint Evangelistic Board—all lady evangelists.
- U. P. Council Board Member—Mrs Clemes.

On motion the names of the Joint Literature Committee were referred to the nominating committee for further consideration.

The following reports were read and approved:
Isabella Thoburn College—read by Miss Justin.
Conference Furniture—Mrs. Baker.
The names of the Joint Religious Education Board were read and approved as: Misses Richards, Clancy, Doyle, Boddy, Warner, Okey.

Fifth Session.
Friday, December 9th, 1927.

DEVOTIONS.
The devotions were conducted by Miss Holman.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
The following committees were proposed by the nominating committee and confirmed by the conference.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:
Miss Bobenhouse, Miss Richards, Miss Greene, Miss Everley, Miss Potenger, Miss Bricker, Miss Holman, Miss Boddy, Miss Wells.

JOINT EVANGELISTIC BOARD.
The lady evangelists.

JOINT BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.
Miss Richards, Miss Clancy, Miss Warner, Miss Okey, Miss Boddy, Miss Doyle.

JOINT LITERATURE COMMITTEE.
Chairman, Conference member of All-India Literature Committee, Miss Justin; the Misses Everley, Greene, Schaefer, Mrs. P. M. Buck.

EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE.
The ladies in charge of evangelistic work. Registrar, Miss Clark. Sub-committee for Bible-readers Examinations, Miss Klingeberger, Miss Boddy, Miss Clark.

LANGUAGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.
Misses Lawson, Pace, Greene, Okey, Mrs. Clemes.

BOARD OF TEMPERANCE.
Mrs. Clemes, Mrs. J. Devadsan, Misses Holman, McLeavy, Potenger, Warner, Mrs. Pace.

EVANGELIST-TEACHERS AND SUMMER SCHOOLS.
Miss Farmer, Mrs. Emma Moore Scott.
ISABELLA ThOBURN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.
Miss A. E. Lawson.

MEERUT GIRLS' SCHOOL COMMITTEE.
Principal ex-officio, the Misses Bobenhouse, Kehm, Schaefer, Everley, G. Davis, Warrington.

WOMANS' MEDICAL COLLEGE, LUDHIANA.
Miss Farmer.

INDIGENOUS MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.
Mrs. Templin, Miss McLeavy, Mrs. Dye.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE ACTIONS ON WOMAN’S WORK.
Member Executive Board, Chairman, Misses Lawson, Ball, Greene, Farmer, Mrs. Clemes.

PROVIDENT FUND.
Misses Clancy, Richards, Boddy.

AUDITING COMMITTEE:
Misses Clark, Lawson, Everley, Schaefer, Okey; Miss Whiting, ex officio.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE FURNITURE:
Misses Warner, Greene, Holman.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME.
Misses Farmer, Everley, Justin, Mrs. Crane.

MEMOIRS.
Miss Klingeberger, Mrs Pace, Miss Warner.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MUTTRA TRAINING SCHOOL.
Miss A. E. Lawson.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS, WOMANS' SCHOOL, BAREILLY, NORTHWEST INDIA.
Miss Klingeberger, Miss Boddy.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS, BAREILLY THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL, NORTHWEST INDIA.
Miss Clancy

BOARD OF GOVERNORS, WELLESLEY GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL
Miss Greene.
WARNE BABY FOLD
Miss Farmer.

MARY WILSON SANITARIUM COMMITTEE:
Miss Bricker (term expires 1928).
Miss Everley (term expires 1929).

BUTLER MEMORIAL
Miss Green, Mrs. Clemes, the Misses Klirgeberger, Farmer, Bobenhouse, Lawson.

ISABELLA THOBURN COLLEGE, BOARD OF GOVERNORS:
Miss A. E. Lawson.

It was moved that the report of the nominating committee as a whole be accepted.

It was moved that the office of Assistant Statistical Secretary be done away with and that Mrs. Crane be made the Statistical Secretary.

The Following reports were read and approved:
Schools Committee .......... Miss Justin.
Meerut Girls' School .......... Miss Richards.
Vocational Girls' School .... Miss Ball
Agra School .......... Miss Holman
Evangelistic Committee .......... Miss Klirgeberger
Field Correspondent .......... Miss Farmer.

Sixth Session.
Saturday, December 10th, 1927.

DEVOTIONS
Were in charge of Miss Doyle.

MINUTES.
Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

INTRODUCTIONS.
Miss Joan Davis and Mrs. Hermann were introduced. Miss Davis presented Temperance Literature and other things to be had from her.

The names of the Field Property Committee were elected as: Miss Lawson, Miss Greene, Miss Bobenhouse, Mrs. Clemes.

The delegates elected to central conference were Miss Farmer and Miss Wells, Alternate, Miss Bobenhouse.
It was moved that the report of the Provident Fund committee be accepted as a report of progress and that the committee continue its work. It was moved that the financial matters dealt with in the report should be referred to the Field Reference Committee.

During the balloting for Central Conference delegates a special representative of a Provident Fund scheme was invited to present his scheme and make clear the various features of it.

Miss McLeavy reported the amount in the Indigenous Missionary Society. It was moved that half of the amount go to the Warne Baby Fold and one fourth of it go to Korea and one fourth to the Indian Missionary Society. There was an animated discussion on this motion, the general tenor of which was that more emphasis be given to local missionary societies and that we cultivate missionary sentiment in our stations, districts, schools wherever we can enlist interest.

It was moved that the secretary send a letter of greeting and sympathy to Mrs. Templin.

It was moved that the money reported from the Indigenous Missionary Society Committee be turned over to the Field Correspondent.

The report of Miss Ball on Annual Conference Furniture was read and accepted. The Report of the Central Treasurer was read and accepted.

Mr. Pickett was introduced and spoke for a few minutes on the United Provinces Council. He presented the work of the Board of Temperance. He also urged us to interest laymen wherever possible in "The Indian Witness" and strive to get subscriptions for the paper. He also spoke briefly of the Warne Baby Fold.

It was moved that the time of adjournment be extended to 1:30 P.M.

The following reports were read and accepted:

Standing Committee on Central
Conference actions on Woman's Work . Miss Lawson.
Executive Board . Miss Lawson.
Auditing . Miss Lawson.
Board of Religious Education Report . Miss Clancy.

It was moved that the following memorial from the North-west Woman's Conference be sent to central conference. "In support of the Asansol resolution regarding an all India Bible Training College we recommend the following:
There is a great and serious need of high grade trained teachers of the Bible and of Directors of Religious Education in our High Schools and Colleges. Likewise in these high schools and colleges, both for Indian and Anglo-Indian, there are student volunteer groups of young women looking forward to definite Christian service, and since there is this real and growing need for such an institution, we recommend the consideration of plans for the establishment of an all India school of collegiate grade for training in religious education.

The following action was taken when the report of the Standing Committee on Central Conference Actions on Woman's Work gave its report.

"WHEREAS:

It has been brought to the notice of the conference that local missionaries, Deaconesses and other women workers have no vote in the district conferences.

Resolved that we ask the Central Conference to make such legislation as will legalize the vote of all who should be members of the district conferences."

It was moved that the matter of Institute mentioned in the report of the Joint Board of Religious Education be laid before the Joint Conference for discussion and action.

Orders for reports were taken before the adjournment of the conference.

After a motion for adjournment, the conference for 1927 closed with a short prayer.

Monday, December 12th, 1927.

Owing to several matters to be decided after the regular conference sessions were closed the Field Reference Committee conducted the following business.

The report of "The Friend" for 1927 was read and approved. In order to handle the matters dealt with in the report and in order to co-operate with the North India Committee, it was moved that the chairman of the Literature Committee be instructed to care for such business.

It was moved that the conference Reports and Minutes be printed at the Methodist Publishing House, Lucknow.

The Report of the Resolutions Committee was read and accepted. It was moved that the secretary not print the report but send to each whose services are mentioned, a copy of the resolutions.

It was moved that we recommend the Annual Conference Committee to confer with the conference programme committee for next year, regarding plans for conference.
It was moved that the present conference local committee in Meerut be presented with the balance of the unpaid bill on conference dishes with request for payment.

The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Field reference committee instructed the secretary to include the above actions in the regular report and minutes of the conference.

Grace Boddy,

Secretary.
Reports.

Blackstone Missionary Institute, Muttra.

Staff:
In addition to our faculty of last October, Miss Helen Wells, a former graduate of our school in the English Department, who had previously taught in the Training School for some years, was appointed at last Conference to Muttra. Her special work is with the Vernacular Department.

Miss Irma Bielenberg, who had been a teacher in the Himalayan School, taught in our English Department from January to May in place of Miss Kathleen Clancy who went on furlough.

Two of the graduates of the English Department joined the Vernacular Staff. The Hallowes' Scholarship Girl who graduated last May from the Vernacular Department is also on the staff of this Department.

Students:
The total enrollment for the year.
1. English Department 12
2. Vernacular Department 39

Graduates:

English Department 6
Higher Vernacular 20
Bible Readers

Work done by the graduates:

English Department.
Two are on the staff of the Vernacular Training, Muttra.
One is supervisor of Religious Education, A. V. Middle School, Muttra.
One is on the staff of Vocational School, Aligarh.
One is in Evangelistic Work, Hyderabad.
One is in Evangelistic Work, Madras.

Vernacular Department.
In many cases these graduates have gone back to their own schools and are teaching Bible.
New Students in July.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT:

Three are graduates of High School, Cawnpore, Kin- naird, (Lahore) and Victoria (Agra). Miss Staggs an experienced assistant from Madras is spending her furlough studying here.

VERNACULAR DEPARTMENT:

The attendance is much smaller than usual. There are various reasons of which the following are some.

Middle passed girls are completing the first two years of High School before taking Training.

Government pressure for Normal Trained Teachers.

The Principal did not wish to crowd the school with those below Middle passed.

We are hoping that eighth passed girls may come to us in July and also that special teachers may be selected for the one-year training course approved by Bishop Robinson and our Board of Education. Religious Educational Directors are needed, we feel, for Colleges, High Schools, Normal Schools, Middle Schools, and all other Mission Schools. Such students would be members of the English Department.

ITINERARY:

The Principal visited Calcutta, Cawnpore, Lucknow, and Poona in the interests of the English Department. Many young women showed a keen interest in the school. The seed has been sown and there will be a harvest.

FINANCES:

Because of the heavy attendance in the last two years, the funds were low when school closed in May. The smaller attendance has enabled us to keep out of debt. The Hallowes’ Scholarship Fund and the promise of help on our Evangelistic Fund by Mr. Blackstone will enable us to pull through.

BUILDINGS:

To our great joy, the old kitchen line, our great antique in the shape of a building is to be razed to the ground. A new and up-to-date building with a good kitchen and store rooms will take its place. Sufficient money was left from the last building project to supply the money to be given by the Mission. This money has been out at interest. Government is giving us a Grant to complete the necessary amount. The contribution of Govern-
ment will be about Rs. 6,000. This building will be shared by the A. V. Girls' School which receives a monthly Grant-in-aid.

METHODS AND PRACTICAL WORK:

More time each year is being spent on "How to teach the Bible." Since July all of the Seniors have had practical work in Sunday Schools and villages. Mrs. Mann, in whose hands is the Zenana work, will attend the Zwemer Conference at Lucknow, for the purpose of learning better methods in Zenana Work.

Sitapur Condition of the School.

1. The students have been blessed greatly by the services of the summer school which has just closed.
2. The urge of the "Go ye" is felt as they go into the villages and see the needs there.
3. By giving out to others the spiritual truths which they have received, the girls are able to receive into their own lives a fresh supply of spiritual food. We believe that students gain very, very much in spiritual life by telling to the world the story of Christ's love.

Report to the Annual Conferences of 1927.

Isabella Thoburn College.

As each returning date for submitting reports to the Annual Conferences comes along, the danger of making a merely formal statistical report grows. It has been my wish that in submitting these reports it might be possible to bring to the conferences interested in Isabella Thoburn College an account not only of the attendance, the passes and such routine matters, but something which would show what the College has done and is doing. For that reason I am submitting in this year's report a few statistics which were worked out in the latter part of the year 1926-27, so the figures do not include the College enrollment of this present year.

The first college candidates were presented for examination in 1885. The figures for the graduates since that time, considering only the B. A., Intermediate and Training classes are as follows: 371 young women have passed in one or more of these three departments. After leaving College 47.4 per cent became teachers, 21.5 per cent married, 13.2 per cent have pursued graduate study in India, 7.8 per cent have gone abroad for study, 6.2 have selected the medical career, and 4.3 per cent are Govern-
ment inspectresses. In the 36 years from 1885 to 1921 there were 59 B. A. graduates; in the 5 years from 1922-1926 there were 41. That is to say, 41 per cent of the College graduates over a period of 41 years have gone out in the last five years. This shows how rapidly the higher classes of the College have grown in recent years.

Another interesting study in College history has been the development of the attendance and graduation of non-Christian students. The first non-Christian graduate went out in 1905, 20 years after the first Christian graduate. Within the next decade there were 20; 5 years more added 17; while the last 3 years have sent out 31. In 1916 there were 6 non-Christians in the student body; 5 years later there were 9, and in another 5 years, i. e. last year, there were 32. Statistics are always more or less tiresome and it is not the purpose of this report to burden your minds with columns and paragraphs of figures. These which have been quoted are given with the purpose of showing that within the last decade there has been a sudden expansion of the higher departments of the college and a rapid increase in the attendance of non-Christians.

In this varied community which makes up our College group we have been able to keep free of the communal strife and jealousy which is so prevalent in the world outside. Friendships are not always formed within the community of the student, nor is there any jealousy between Hindu and Mohammedan, Christian and non-Christian, Indian and Anglo-Indian. These things belong to the tradition of the College and it is hard to say exactly how they have grown up, but certainly they must tend toward that time when we "shall all be one."

One of the strong features of this year's work has been the definite teaching programme on the ideals of the College. It is not easy to confine one's self to a limited list of ideals and it took some time and research to determine upon a list sufficiently brief to be easily remembered and sufficiently inclusive not to leave out very important things. This, however, was finally worked out and much time in the first term was devoted to emphasizing these ideals, getting them definitely before the students and doing this in such a way that they would become common topics of hostel conversation and be woven into the daily life. The religious teaching of the first term was done in connection with these topics and we feel that it has been so very helpful and so much worth-while that it will probably become a permanent scheme in our religious instruction.
The results of examinations in April 1927 were not as good as we have sometimes had, although, if that remark is made within hearing of certain members of the staff and student body I am always reminded that the High School had 100 per cent success. The Intermediate passed 75 per cent of those presented and the University 60 per cent, with two more entitled to take only the compartmental. The Training class which for two years has had complete success suffered a slight reverse this year, passing 8 out of 10, while the graduate training department has come to its present age without a single failure.

The enrollment for this year gives some interesting topics for study. For the first time since the College moved to its present quarters we did not admit any High School students since, according to the plan made last year, Lal Bagh has opened its High School Department, and we are only carrying on those who were already in our classes. Admissions, therefore, were made only for the Intermediate, University and Training Departments. The heavy enrollment in the Intermediate Science has continued until we are now greatly embarrassed for lack of room. When the laboratories were opened it was supposed that sufficient room had been provided for both the Intermediate and the 3. Sc. classes in case it should be necessary for them to be working at the same time. Already the Biology laboratory is unable to accommodate the Intermediate students. All admissions in the 1st Intermediate this year numbered 41, while the 2nd year has 30 students. The first year University admitted 13, while the second year will present 10 students for examination in the Spring. The Training Class was also exceedingly popular during the summer when applications were being made and because it was possible to admit only 10 students an almost equal number had to be refused. The new ruling of Government requiring that no teacher shall be employed in aided schools without a government certificate has brought a very heavy demand upon the Training Department. The total number on rolls at date of this report is 131.

In the matter of staff we have been both fortunate and unfortunate. Miss Hunt, of the Bengal Conference, came to us in January and has proved invaluable on the staff. Miss Wallace, of Central Provinces Conference, went on furlough at the end of the year, and, although India was searched from shore to shore, and from mountains to cape, no woman was found who could take her place. It was, therefore, necessary to employ a man teacher for the Chemistry this year. Miss Justin, who has so ably managed
the Domestic Science Department, also left us in April. To our great regret this Department must be discontinued when we lose the High School classes, as the subject is not recognized for Intermediate or University study. Miss Oldroyd returned to us in August after an absence of 10 years from the College. Miss Isabella Thoburn, 2nd, arrived in October and will take her place in the Graduate Training Department. Miss Venkata Krishna Rao's place has been filled temporarily by one of our own graduates. Miss L. Ghosh, who suffered family bereavement in the early days of the session did not feel able to return for some time, so Miss Venkata Ratnam has been engaged for the year in Miss Ghosh's place.

Mark Guy Pearse, the noted preacher and writer, a number of years ago used to give a lecture on "The Pretty Little Ways of Providence." Certainly he never had any better experiences on which to base such a discourse than have been ours during this year. Teachers have been found just in the nick of time, when there seemed absolutely no hope. Mrs. Thoburn, our Treasurer, was unfortunately very ill during the summer and was unable to return for her work until the end of the first term. We faced the problem of opening College without a Treasurer and it seemed a situation impossible to handle. However, a temporary English teacher had been employed and she desired to bring with her a friend who wanted to make the acquaintance of the College and she was given permission to do so. The friend proved to be an experienced bookkeeper and accountant and a woman of wonderfully fine spirit who walked into the Treasurer's Office, took over the whole work of the office, and carried it on with the utmost efficiency and satisfaction. We cannot be grateful enough that God brought these two women, Miss Sage and Miss Moore, to India at a time when Isabella Thoburn College needed them so greatly.

Another development of great interest at this time is the farm. As those will know who have visited Chand Bagh, the buildings occupy less than half of the compound. The larger half of it had not been brought under cultivation or care since the buildings were put up and it was causing great distress because of the wild grass and jungle which grew up. When the Board of Governors met last January it was suggested that an overseer for the place be employed, if such a person could be found. While there was at the time no serious thought that it should be done immediately, the condition of the compound was such that the kaska grass had to be dug out to save the place from ruin. This seemed a logical time
to put in the mango grove which we had considered and just at this time also, we found a man who could undertake the over-sight of such work, and he was employed to supervise the coolies work during the summer, get the grass dug out, and plant the mango grove. However, one thing always leads to another and when we realized that the mango trees would have to be cultivated and the ground kept free of weeds and grass, the only sensible thing seemed to be to plant some crops on the land and try for an income as well as an out-go. This has been done and the place has been of great interest to the Government Agricultural experts and other Government officers who make frequent visits to the place to see how the experiment proceeds.

No provisions were made this year for special meetings for students during D.isehra, but every possible opportunity was given them to attend the meeting in the city. Several went in for the day so as to take advantage of mid-day meetings as well as morning and evening services; others who could not do that, went for the public services of morning and evening. On the whole we consider the plan a success, although it was rather unfortunate that the terminal examinations followed the next week and proved a distraction which we regretted. It is hoped that a similar plan may be made for next year, but with more consideration as to what precedes and follows. However, the students found much enrichment for their spiritual lives and to many of them new experiences have opened up new knowledge of God and have made him real in their daily lives in a way which they had not before known to be possible.

Through this report, the staff and students of Isabella Thoburn College send greetings to the Conferences. One and all, we hold for our College, the ideals which we cherish as expressive of the highest Christian student life, and through which we hope to commend our life and service to the world—the ideals of Health, Honesty, Dependability, Scholarliness, Broad-mindedness, Courtesy, Poise, Spirituality, Loyalty and Service.

MARY E. SHANNON,
Principal.

Bareilly Woman's School Report for, 1927.

By God's help the past year has been a very happy and successful one for us all.
At the close of the last School year five women were graduated, each one of them having completed their
course of studies. Now and again we hear from them and thank God for the work they are now doing.

The present total enrolment is 18. Each year we are getting better grade of women whom we can teach more. Of these 18 women seven are taking special subjects in the men’s department. The subjects taken by them are Old and New Testaments and method of story-telling.

Although our number is small, we have to conduct eight classes four of Dihati Course and four of Bible-readers’ Course. Our Staff consists of three teachers and one Assistant.

Mrs. Sheets has been in charge of the Kindergarten department and also taught Methods Class for some time. Her help is greatly appreciated.

A Reading-room has been set up for the use of the women. Good helpful Hindi and Urdu literature is provided by the Seminary for the use of our women who take great interest in reading these books and papers. Almost every woman gets a free-period each day and this extra time is gladly devoted to this kind of outside reading.

The following activities are in progress:

1. Weekly class meetings are regularly held and are a source of great blessing to many.
2. Mothers’ meetings, too, are regularly held. Talks have been given on the lives of the mothers of great men such as John Wesley, Abraham Lincoln, etc.
3. The Weekly Sewing class which provides a very necessary part of their training.
4. Missionary and Temperance meetings are conducted monthly.
5. The Stri Sewa Samiti or the Woman’s School Service League is doing fine work not only amongst themselves but outside their own small circle whenever they can help in time of need.
6. Weekly Cottage meetings are also held in different homes of the students by turns in which the staff also joins.
7. Sundays are always full of joyful service for the master. The school is divided into two groups—one, divided into three or four bands, going out, each under the leadership of a teacher to mohallas in the city and Government Female Hospital to hold meetings, and the other staying at home and taking care of the babies of those who thus go out.
8. The women are taught to keep their homes clean and tidy. Surprise visits are paid to their homes each month by the school staff, annual Prizes being to those who come-out first.
During the Revival month a small party of women went to Sahiswan to work with Miss Emery for one week. The women were greatly benefitted by that kind of work, and learnt many practical lessons.

On the whole, the health of the women and children has been good and there has been no special case of illness. Our mission doctor and her associates deserve credit for the same, and their help is greatly appreciated.

Although our enrolment is small yet there is hardly any fall in the number of the children in our Nursery department. It is marvellous how the Dais give constant and untiring attention to the individual babies for full four hours daily although each one of them has a group of six or seven children to care for.

There are 18 children in the Kindergarten class. We have been able to get a good trained teacher for this department, and she takes interest in her work.

The spirit in the Woman's School, both among the Staff and the students, is very good and every thing is undertaken and attempted with interest and willingness to the glory of God and to the good of others.

ZOEO. M. DEVADASAN


The Landour Language School for the first time in its history gave diplomas to those who passed the examinations in the first year's course of study. The examinations took place the first week in September.

Of the number who received these certificates, seven were from our own Mission. Four of these passed in the first division, one with distinction, and three in the second division.

There were about one hundred enrolled in the Language School and of this number twenty belonged to our Mission and lived as usual, at Childers' Lodge. Nine were in the first year and were in attendance for both terms, from April to September. There were eleven in the second year and were in attendance for May and June.

We feel that a step in the direction of progress was made when the Conferences last year decided to substitute the Language School examinations for that of the Joint Examining Board, for the first year. As yet the School does not undertake the examination for second year students.
At the Annual Meeting of the Managing Committee in August a number of resolutions were passed which if carried out, will add greatly to the efficiency of the School. Several of the members of the Joint Examining Board were present and took part in the discussions.

The following recommendations were made: 1. That a special invitation to become cooperating Missions be sent to the American Mennonite, the United Church of Canada and the Disciples Mission.

2. That the Certificates of the L.L.S. be based equally on daily and examination work.

3. That only those whose attendance at the L.L.S. classes is satisfactory, can take the L.L.S. examinations.

4. That the principle of having Union Winter Schools be heartily approved, but that for the time being, Missions be urged to have their individual Classes and Schools.

5. That Boards be urged to have their new missionaries reach India so that they may begin language study no later than the first of November.

6. That the services of the Rev. R. D. Cornuelle be requested from the North India Mission for Principal for the first term, and the Rev. J. B. Cummings from the United Presbyterian Mission, for the second term, and that the services of the Rev. H. C. Scholberg from the M. E. Mission be asked for the Hindi department and Mrs. S. W. Clemes for first term Urdu.

In order to carry out the recommendation for a Winter Class after consultation with Bishop Robinson, it has been decided to hold a Class at Meerut, beginning the first week in January and continuing through March. All new missionaries of the Hindi-Urdu area will be welcome irrespective of Conference lines.

We are to have the vacant Mission bungalow at Meerut and the management will be on the lines used at Childers’ Lodge.

It was thought advisable to allow a little time after arrival and a short time before going to the School at Landour for the new missionaries to see a little of the work of their respective stations and become somewhat acquainted with their future home and work. As the missionaries are supposed to arrive early in December and the School at Landour does not begin until late in April, this plan can easily be carried out.

It is hoped that this Winter Class may meet a long felt need for it is difficult to complete the L.L.S. course within the four months which comprise the two terms at Landour.
Besides the seven who passed the L.L.S. examination three others in the first year gave the J.E.B. examination in order to complete work begun under that Board.

Eight in the second year have appeared for examinations also under the J.E.B. The results of these are not yet out.

A. E. LAWSON.
Registrar.

Examination Results of the Joint Examining Board April 1927.

The Rev. R. E. Crane passed in the Orals of the second year Urdu, completing the work of the second year.

Miss Garnet Everley passed in the Hindi Bible, also Miss Mary Okey.

Results of the Landour Language School Examination held in September 1927.

Miss Letah Doyle passed all the subjects of the first year Urdu in Div. I.

Miss Helen Buss passed all the subjects of the first year Urdu in Division II.

Miss Carolyn Schaefer gave the Joint Board Examination in all the subjects of the second year Urdu but the results have not yet been received.

A. E. LAWSON.
Registrar.

Mearut, December 5th 1927.

Report of the Schools Committee, December 9, 1927.

1. Miss Bobenhouse was elected Chairman of the Schools Committee, and Miss Justin, Secretary.

2. The Committee consisting of Miss Richards, Miss Clancy and Miss Ball, with Miss McLeavy and Miss Farmer as co-opted members appointed to consider the question of salaries of assistants and those who do not fit into the regular salary scale, reported. They submitted a blank form, to be filled in by the person applying, or by the one presenting her name. The Committee was authorised to evaluate the separate heads in the blank, and present it to the Field Reference Committee. It was suggested that if approved, copies be typed and kept by the field Correspondent.
3. Miss Okey reported on the Athletic Contest. It was moved that 

\textit{lota} carrying be left out of the contest. Moved that we accept the invitation of Aligarh and that Miss Bobenhouse and Miss Okey decide at which school the first contest should be held, as well as the time of the contest. The first week of February was suggested.

4. Moved that we increase the salary of school nurses on alternate years, as we do for Junior Teachers, for this year. Moved that a committee of three be appointed to consider the matter of salaries of nurses. Miss Ball, Miss Bricker, and Miss Everley were appointed.

5. Moved that a small committee be appointed to find out Government regulations concerning sick leave, and report back to the schools committee.

6. Moved that we recommend to the Woman's Conference that the Aligarh Vocational School Committee be discontinued and that its work be done by the schools Committee.

7. Moved that the Mission pay only Third Class R. R. Fare or its equivalent, to nurses and teachers attending Nurses or Teachers Conferences.

8. Miss Ball presented the Resolution from North India Conference concerning the formation of Conference Board of Control for our Girls Boarding Schools.

Moved that we lay the resolution on the table for this year.

Moved that whereas we feel that matters dealt with by the Conference Boards of Control Resolution could be better handled by the functioning of our District Educational Councils, thereby bringing our Indian workers into closer touch with the church, we recommend that stress be laid on the operation of our District Educational Councils.

Catherine L. Justin.

Summary of the Year's Work of the All India Literature Committee 1927

The year 1927 has been a year of accomplishment for the All India Literature Committee, in spite of handicaps because of changing personnel. Miss Eddy of Bengal Conference has been succeeded by Miss Adams, Miss Gould of Central Provinces by Miss Daubendick, Miss Shaver of Gujerat by Miss Nelson, and Miss Christensen of Indus River, by Miss Thompson. In April, Miss Donohugh who had handled the work of Secretary most enthusiastically and beautifully, left for a period of rest, and Miss Justin was elected to her place as Northwest India member.
There has been no meeting of the Committee since the last report, November 1926, and hence this summary of the year's work may be somewhat incomplete. It is hoped that the Literature Committees of each Conference may make suggestions and helpful criticisms for 1928. According to the By Laws, a meeting of the Committee must be held at Central Conference, and the work for the years ahead should be planned then.

The report of refunds from sales, and the report of material printed during 1927, or submitted for publication, in each Language area follows:

A.—Gujerati—

1. Three Bears and Peter Rabbit are ready for publication.
2. Many other children's stories are under preparation.

B.—Bengali—

1. A refund of Rs. 28-0-9 from the sale of Clayton Graded Lessons, Part I, was made.

C.—Hindi

1. The Committee voted Rs. 100 for publishing Miss Ashbrook's Nursery Rhymes. This has been done and the Rhymes are now ready for sale.
2. Miss N. B. Waugh has had translated into Hindi the Nature Study Outlines prepared by Miss Curtis. These are waiting estimates for publication.
3. The Committee voted Rs. 200 for the publication of Three Bears, Peter Rabbit, and Little Fat Sambo, in Hindi. The first two were revised from the Urdu, by the Inspector of Schools, Jubbulpore. The third was revised by Mr. Lehman, Hindi Examiner for the Intermission Course. Peter Rabbit has been published, and the other two books are new in press.
4. Miss Banerji has translated some of Bishop Warne's sermons.

D.—Tamil, Kanarese and Telegu—

1. Rs. 163-0-0 is reported ready to return to the fund, from the sale of Continuation Course Booklets.
2. Mrs. Garden has done much work on the Telegu lists but these were not yet ready at the last report.

3. The Literature Lists in Tamil were printed at a cost of Rs. 18-13-0.

4. Miss E. J. Wells has submitted the manuscript for a 60 page book on Home Craft, to be published in both English and Telegu. Estimates have been secured.

E.—Santali—

1. Rs. 500 was voted for the production of a Santali Hymnal.

F.—Urdu—

1. A Teachers Manual in Arithmetic, by Mrs. Raynor Smith, has been submitted for approval and publication in Urdu.

2. The Nature Study Outlines prepared by Miss Curtis have been submitted to the P. R. B S. for estimates on printing in Urdu.

3. The Moga Teachers' Journal was aided during the year by a grant of Rs. 25 from each of the four Women's Conferences in Northern India, on recommendation of the Literature Committee. This help has been most appreciatively acknowledged.

4. The Literature Lists of books available in Persian-Urdu have been published in both English and Urdu at a cost of Rs. 29-8-0 and distributed to the various Conferences in which there is Urdu work.

5. The Committee voted Rs. 61 for the purchase of 1000 sets of Stampkraft pictures for an Urdu edition of "Jack and the Bean Stalk." The pictures have come, and the books are expected to be ready in January.

6. "The King and his Wonderful Castle" was published during the year by the N. I. T. Soc., aided by funds from a Literature Committee member, but no funds of the Committee were used.

7. The Committee voted Rs. 150 for printing 1000 copies of Little Fat Sambo. This has been done, and less than 150 books remain unsold. The full Rs. 150 will be returned to the Literature Fund at an early date.
The Report of the Treasurer, up to July 31, 1927 follows:

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C. L. JUSTIN

The Woman's Friend.

The work of "The Woman's Friend" has been carried on as usual the past year. Miss Warne has kept up the usual high tone and in order to let others know of the beauty and worth of the magazine we plan to have an English edition of the Christmas number printed. In case there is a desire we might plan to get this English edition out quarterly at about twelve annas per year.

We plan to send copies to the District Superintendents for distribution to Boys' Schools, Girls' Schools and English reading friends. In this way we hope to make "The Friend" a blessing to many new friends and at least double its field of usefulness.

MAY W. BRANCH.

The Warne Baby Fold.

The time has come for writing the third annual report since I have been in charge of this institution. It is written with a great sense of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the health of our family and for the wonderful way in which He has helped us financially. Nor would I fail to express my appreciation of what it has meant to have a strong governing Board back of me in everything that has been done to make the work more worth while. Each conference has at least one Indian member on the Board and their fine spirit of co-operation is greatly appreciated.

We have had a good year. 58 children have been cared for, 43 of whom are still with us. We have lost but two children, by death, since the first of November 1926. Two children have been given in adoption into good Indian homes. One child was sent to Tilaunia, seven have been sent to school. Seven have been returned to their homes after being temporarily cared for here. One of these was
the child of a Hindu pandit. When the father married again, he brought the new wife to see how the baby was being cared for and then they took him home. He was our first non-Christian boarder and it was a joy to send him away so strong and well.

During the two and a half months I was compelled to be away because of illness the work was cared for by the Misses Emery, Smith and Dr. Vrooman. It was a joy to have a co-worker for four months of last year and we are now looking forward to the coming of an American nurse who is to be our very own and share in this work. Our staff consists of a matron, one graduate nurse, a teacher and a helper, together with six student nurses who come to us daily from the Clara Swain Hospital.

There have been times during the past year when the burden, financially, has been very heavy. But enough money has come in to enable us to carry on the work, keep our interest paid to date and pay Rs. 215-0-0 on the Building debt. It is most encouraging to note that of the Rs. 14,957-8-11 received, only Rs. 8,079-6-0 has come from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in America. Most of the balance has come from India. There is still a debt of over Rs. 27,000 on our building but we feel that in time, this can all be provided for in India.

We have recently had the great joy of having Bishop Warne with us over Sunday. It was his first visit to the institution that bears his name. He again expressed his appreciation of all it meant to him to have an institution of this kind named for him.

The Bareilly Christian Club held a melā on Easter Monday and gave the proceeds of Rs. 105-0-0 to the Baby Fold. We would be glad if other of our Christian communities could do likewise.

A number of requests for the admission of babies have come which we have had to refuse as all scholarships were in use and we had no other funds to draw on for their support. May I again urge upon you the need of very careful consideration before taking every baby that is offered to you for the Mission. When we once take them, the responsibility of their future rests upon us. I have been much concerned for many months, regarding the future of two children who have been sent to us. Neither show signs of much mentality.

We greatly appreciate all the women and children of America are doing for us and trust they will continue to help us until we can get rid of our building debt and the Indian church can take over the full responsibility for the upkeep of the Baby Fold.
For your prayers, your words of appreciation and for all you have done to help in the work of the Baby Fold this year, we render heart-felt thanks.

EDNA G. BACON,
Superintendent.

Mary Wilson Sanatorium.

Last November after Conference Miss A. M. Murray returned to the Sanatorium after her year's leave, and Miss J. L. Kipp was transferred to the Avery Girls' School, Ajmer. Miss Kipp had been connected with the Sanatorium for ten years, and it is due to her efforts largely that we have the fine plant at Tilaunia.

In February Dr. Riste and Miss Bunger, R. N., went home on regular furlough, leaving one medical missionary on the staff of the Sanatorium proper.

In March the Board of Directors came to Tilaunia for their first session. Bishop Badley presided. The Central Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society for India, and representatives from five out of a possible eight Annual Conferences were in attendance. The spirit of co-operation that prevailed was praiseworthy.

This year two suites of rooms consisting of a veranda, and three rooms with an enclosed compound for each were completed. These are both occupied, and we have inquiries from others for like accommodations.

Our compounding came to us as a patient when a school girl. She passed her Middle Examination from our Sanatorium school. After this her first years nursing and first year compounding examinations while still in the Sanatorium. She then went to Lady Harding Hospital in Delhi where she completed her compounding course, standing first in those who took the examination.

Another ex-patient after completing her Middle examination taught in our school for three years, and now has gone to Moradabad for Normal Training. Her health and work in classes was such that she was granted a government scholarship.

This year our one candidate for the Middle examination passes in the second division. She was thirteen years of age.

The past three months twenty-two patients have gone back to their homes or schools to take up regular work again, and others have stayed on here. The teaching and nursing staff of the Sanatorium is made up largely of patients that have become fit again for work.
these cases there has been a struggle of several years to secure fairly sound health. In all cases it has meant that the patient has had a real desire to co-operate in the treatment and to remold their ways of living.

The Indian people are largely carrying on the various lines of church work, and give creditably to the support of the various benevolences of the church. In thinking on these things we find much for which we gladly render praise and thanks.

The Health Department of the Sanatorium has completed its first year of work. In that time Miss Fernstrom has given over two months to superintending the Sanatorium, and two months was given for language work. Over one thousand health examinations have been made in the past year. Most of these were done in our boys' and girls' schools. With these examinations an effort has been made to rectify abnormal conditions and many children have learned to prize shining teeth and clean finger nails.

Miss Matthew has checked up and made recommendations regarding the diets of the schools of the conferences of southern and western India. For the Nurses Institute a series of lectures on Foods and Diets was prepared which should open a new line of thinking in our schools.

Miss Phillips, our headmistress of the Sanatorium school, has done a great deal in the translation of health stories, plays, and songs. The first Modern Health Crusaders for India were enrolled in our school. Others have been enrolled at Bihar and Meerut.

Miss Fernstrom has prepared and given at Ajmer District Conference a series of lectures on the mother and the baby. She also has prepared a course of health teaching for the third and fifth year classes.

The Nurses' Institute held at Bareilly was a success. The attendance was good and the interest fine and sustained. Misses Salzer, Calkins, Matthew, Wood, Nurses Stal-lard, Lorenz, Fernstrom, Doctors Forman and Kipp were on the staff for the Institute.

C. I. KIPP, M. D.

Woman's Christian Medical College, Ludhiana

We carry on five schools—
In the Medical Department, 88 students.

`` Pharmacy 25 
`` Nursing 52 
`` Nurse daily 48 
`` Indigenous 53 

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Among these there are Methodist girls:

Medical Students .... 3
Nurses in Training .... 3
Compounders .... 25

We have 7 English nurses, "Sisters"; a Science teacher; a Pharmacist; Secretary to Principal; and an evangelist. Doctors are 8 in number and we could well use 8 more, with about 20 assistants among our own students. We have 200 beds and our—

In-patients last year were .. 2,455
Out-patients ,, ,, ,, .. 43,975
Operations ,, ,, ,, .. 2,932

We have a new Science Hall and new Home for the Sisters and Nurses in Training. We need an X-Ray very much, and an assembly hall and are hoping the time will come when the portions of India that get benefit from our students will realize the privilege of putting their shoulders to the wheel and helping push.

Our students come from North, South, East and West, Travancore and Jammu, Central Provinces, U. P. and Darjeeling, 31 different localities. It is disheartening to have to write "none available" over and over again to the various appeals for workers. Usually those who come are planned for before they arrive and we cannot accommodate more without greater resources.

We convey a cordial invitation to the members of the Conference to come to see us and send their girls and their prayers on our behalf.

Belle J. Allen.

Report of Field Property Committee

Aligarh Girls' Vocational School

A piece of land lying almost in front of the bungalow has never been owned by the Mission but belongs to a Begam. She requested that we would buy the land with the alternative that she would erect a wall and buildings on it. The matter of exchanging this land for another piece lying farther away and adjoining other land owned by the Begam was suggested. The land has been measured and it has been found that both are the same size, 3 bighas, 6 biswas. The Begam has also reduced the price of the land from Rs. 3,000 to Rs. 1,000. The matter has not yet been decided.

No permanent building has been done in the school.
REPORT

GIRLS’ BOARDING SCHOOL

No building or repairs of a permanent nature has been done in the school.

BRINDABAN

The following repairs have been reported—
1. A large part of the wall surrounding the hospital compound has been repaired.
2. A stone floor has been laid in the east verandah of the hospital.
3. A new roof has been built on one room of the dispensary.
4. Some new permanent drains have been built.

BULANDSHAHR

A few minor improvements of a permanent nature have been made.

DELHI

Our beautiful bungalow in Delhi has been completed and the Sanitary Plant installed. The rock has all been taken out for the sewer system and it is expected that this will soon be completed.

GHAZIABAD

The servants’ quarters have been repaired, some of the walls were rebuilt and a new roof of a permanent nature replaces the old tile roof.

MEERUT

During the past year the dormitory on the south side of the hostel has been repaired. The old tile roof of the verandah has been replaced with a corrugated iron or steel girder roof with broad brick and mortar arches supporting the front. More arches were opened in the main front wall of the rooms and care was taken that they should be placed in front of the windows. Small ventilators were placed about a foot from the ceiling to increase the upper circulation of air, twelve on both the front and back of the building. The mud-floor was replaced by thin large bricks.

MUTTRA

Red sand stone floors have been laid in the dormitory rooms and verandahs without any expense to the Society. The class-rooms of both the Girls’ Boarding School and Training School have been improved by the placing of slate black boards. The new building at Muttra, which
will comprise a fine kitchen, store-rooms, rooms for cook-women and verandahs has been begun. The old building has been demolished and the digging for the foundations begun. Government has given a Grant-in-aid of half the cost,—over Rs. 6,000.

ROORKEE.

Improvements in the Girls’ Boarding School have been reported as follows:
1. One house for servants entirely rebuilt.
2. A brick floor laid in a dormitory.
3. A wall raised two feet.
4. A roof built over the well.
5. Two absorption pits put.
6. A new chula and chimney built in the hostel cook house.
7. A floor laid in a verandah.

Report of W. F. M. S. Furniture Committee

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Expended for Miss Potenger (Sikandrabad) | 118 |
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J. L. BALL
Chairman.

Auditors Report

All accounts audited except the Building and Furniture accounts at Delhi. The accounts on the whole are satisfactory.

A. E. LAWSON
Chairman of Auditing Committee.
Annual Conference Furniture Committee

Account of money on hand at the beginning of the 1927 Conference is Rs. 31-4-0.

IDA V. BAKER

Indigenous Missionary Societies.

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E. M. McLeavy.

Report of Evangelistic Committee.

MEERUT, Dec. 7, 1927.

A change in the course of study for Bible Readers was presented by Miss Clancy and was discussed in the meeting.

Motion carried that a committee of five be appointed to further discuss the above-named course and then present a recommendation regarding it to the Evangelistic Committee.

Misses Klingeberger, Wells, Farmer, McLeavy and Mrs. Pace were appointed.

Motion carried that we approve of some annual examinations for women taking the Bible Readers Course in our new Bible school of the Ingraham Institute in Ghaziabad.

Motion carried that the matter of written examinations be referred to the Committee of five named herein.

A sub-committee for arranging for examinations for Bible Readers was appointed as follows:

Miss Klingeberger, Miss Clark, Registrar, and Miss Buddy.

Motion carried that we ask the ladies conference to send a memorial to Bishop Robinson suggesting that
the Annual Conference be held on a later date in order to avoid a conflict of dates in our various District Conferences.

Motion carried that examiners be allowed one 2nd class round trip ticket on their travelling expenses, this to cover all expenses.

Motion carried that our Field Correspondent communicate with the Field Correspondent of the North India Conference regarding the new course of study and report results to the secretary of this committee.

Motion carried that for 1928 two-thirds instead of one-half of the Summer School expenses be paid from the Evangelist Teachers fund.

We recommend that when the new course of study be adopted there should be at least one written examination required in the 3rd year and more than one in the fourth year's work.

I. Klingeberger.

Secretary
**REPORT**

**Evangelist Teachers' Fund.**

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May I refer the readers to our Woman's Conference Report of 1926 for an excellent description of the origin, purpose and working of the Christian Council.

The U. P. Christian Council met at Bishop's Lodge, Allahabad April 20 and 21, 1927. Many lines of work were discussed and resolutions adopted. The following were among the most important.

"The Council recognizes the value to the churches and Missionary Societies of this Province of a Tubercular Sanitarium carried on under Christian Auspices, and would be glad to see the Almora Sanitarium so related to this Council to be of maximum service." A committee was appointed to study the situation.

"Since the Temperance Committee reports that in all the big towns of the Province there are now Licensing Boards in which special provision is made for Temperance representation it is recommended that necessary steps be taken to secure adequate representation.

"This Council has learned with gratitude of the measures taken by the authorities in Calcutta to prevent the traffic in minor girls for immoral purposes, and asks the Woman's Work Committee to make inquiries into the condition prevailing in the United Provinces as to this traffic."

"That Rev. J. R. Hudson be asked to investigate the law in the Province on the subject of Child Labour, and the practice in the municipalities with regard to the employment of children by public bodies, and particularly the law and the practice with the regard to the employment of children in underground sewers."

The Zwemer Conference was held in Lucknow in October for the study of Islamics. Many people availed themselves of this rare opportunity to become better informed on the subject. Following this conference another was held for special study of Zanana Work.

Ida Farmer.

Report of the Committee on Village Education.

Aligarh reports 12 organized schools. Six men are employed who give whole time to schools work. There are twenty-four unorganized schools. The Bible women are teaching most of these schools.
ANUPSHAHR AND BULANDSHAHR.

Miss Potenger was appointed to take charge of the schools of these two districts. She has two A Grade Schools, at Kurja and Sikandrabad. Aside from these there are several organized schools in the two districts.

DELHI AND SONEPAT.

These two districts have nine organized schools. Two of these are Night Schools. A Bible reader teaches one of these schools, and since February some young men have learned to read the New Testament. One teacher of the district is a graduate of the Normal Institute in Ghaziabad.

MEERUT.

In brief Meerut District has two A Grade Schools and thirty-one organized village schools. Of these thirty-one schools three are for girls only and thirteen have both boys and girls in attendance. Several boys from these schools have entered Fifth Class in Ingraham Institute, Ghaziabad.

MUTTRA.

The Kosi school is still receiving Rs. 10 per month as aid from the Government. A new school has been organized in Muttra City.

Holman Institute in Agra reports an average attendance of 92. Weaving of cloth and making of rugs has been introduced into the schools. All departments of the school work are most encouraging.

MUZAFFARNAGAR AND ROORKEE.

The object has been this year to organize a school in every circuit of these two districts. While they are schools they are not as yet all organized schools. Children are coming from near-by villages to the Central Primary School in Muzaffarnagar.

IDA FARMER.
Registrar’s Report.

Examination results of Bible-readers and Evangelist Teachers, 1927.

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E. M. FORSYTH, Registrar

Temperance Report 1927.

During the year we organized our forces in each District, and now have W. C. T. U. organizations in each district and these have been rendering effective and useful service. Besides the District Unions, in six places of the Conference, local unions were organized viz., at Roorkee, Mussoorie, Aligarh, Delhi, Meerut and Muzaffarnagar. These unions not only militate against liquor, opium and drugs, but they have voluntarily included “pan” in their programme, and have been strict in not appointing as its office-bearers those who are addicted to its use.

Several districts report visits from Miss M. F. Campbell, national organizer of the W. C. T. U., and at every place of her visit, waters were stirred and the persons signing the pledges include not only Christians but non-
Christians. We are glad to say that we have found temperance as a point of contact for work among our non-Christian friends and it is gratifying to say that our non-Christian friends have always been of great help in making these meetings a success and have warmly welcomed our approach to them in this cause.

Teaching on Temperance, Hygiene and Sanitation has been given in almost all of our schools and the Loyal Temperance Legions organized last year have functioned with interest and success. Senior girls and boys have taught the younger ones. Our preachers-in-charge have carried out a vigorous campaign and reports from them are very encouraging. They report remarkable effects of their teaching among our village congregations and especially among our women.

Our leaders have served efficiently on the district Advisory Boards. Bulandshahr reports that the number of liquor and drug shops have been reduced and Bareilly reports that such shops have been reduced to the least possible number.

We wish to place on record our appreciation of the Temperance Clipsheet recently restarted under the able leadership of the Rev. J. W. Pickett, D.D.

We wish to make the following recommendations:

1. That each of our workers continue to exert his or her influence in fighting this good fight against the evil of intemperance.

2. That those of our workers who know English subscribe to the Indian Temperance News.

3. That we affiliate ourselves to the All-India Prohibition League and elect delegates to represent us at its meetings on the 28th and 29th January, 1928, in order to show our interest in this work of freeing India from this vice.

4. That we continue to pray fervently for Prohibition in India.

We feel that, we are in the dawn of a day when India will be dry. Let us all unite to hasten that blessed day.

AMAR DAS, Chairman,
Board of Temperance.

Board of Religious Education.

This Board held three meetings during the Conference sessions. Mr. E. L. King was present and gave us much helpful advice.

The following actions were taken by this Committee:

1. That we have an Epworth League Institute.
2. That an Institute Committee be appointed which shall act as an Executive Committee. Eight members for this Committee were appointed:

- Mr. Clemes.
- Miss Everley.
- Mr. Pace.
- Miss Richards.
- Miss Okey.
- Mr. Amar Das.
- Miss Matthews.
- Mr. Templin.

The Committee on the revised Course of Study for the Vernacular Department of the Blackstone Missionary Institute, Muttra, consisting of Mr. Clemes, Miss Richards, Miss Klingeberger, and the Principal, Miss Clancy, ex-officio, voted to ask the Principal to put the Revised Course of Study into operation in July, 1928, and report progress at the next Annual Conference. This was accepted by the Board.

The following schools are using the Charterhouse Course:

1. Aligarh Girls’ Vocational School, through the Seventh Class.
2. Aligarh A.-V. Girls’ School, through the Third Class.
3. Meerut Girls’ School, through the Fourth Class.
4. Ghaziabad Ingraham Institute, Fifth and Sixth Classes.
5. Muttra A.-V. Girls’ School, through the Third and Fourth Classes.
6. Blackstone Missionary Institute, Muttra, has Training Classes in all these Courses.

The following examiners for the Charterhouse Course were appointed:

- Classes A and B—Miss N. V. Singh.
- " " II and III—Miss Dupre.
- " " IV—Mr. Pace.
- " " V—Miss Justin.
- " " VI and VII—Miss Tal.

It was voted that those who do not use the Charterhouse Course either examine their own Bible Classes or arrange for examiners.

It was recommended that the Minutes of the Board of Religious Education be printed in the Minutes of both Men’s and Women’s Conferences.

The matter of Institute was presented at a Joint Conference Session and it was decided not to have an Institute.

M. A. CLANCY, Secretary.
Supplementary Manual.

Committee on Education and Examinations.

Motion carried that the Committee on Bible Readers Examinations be made a sub-Committee of the Evangelistic Committee.

Examiners of Bible Readers for 1928.

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Summer Schools.

A. Expenses for the following items shall be allowed from the W. F. M. S.
   (a) One half of the travel expense of families.
   (b) Charpois and medicines.

   Note.—Itemized bills shall be sent to the Superintendent of the Summer School Fund, Miss Farmer.

   By special action for 1928 two thirds instead of one half of the Summer School expenses be paid from the Evangelist Teachers’ Fund.

Course of Study for Bible Readers.

PAHLÁ SÁL.

1. Dharmtulá in Hindi and Hindi Imlá.
3. Bādshāh aur us ká 'ajib o garib Mahal.
   Note.—"Mere rahne ká ghar 'Ki Kitáb mën imtihán ho saktá.
4. Hisáb jama’.

DÚSRÁ SÁL.

1. Khatt i ‘Ámm, Hindi yá Roman mën; Ya’qúb; Patras I, II; Yūhanná I, II, III; Yahúdáh.
SUPPLEMENTARY MANUAL

2. Parhezgari ki Catechism Hindi men, aur Hindi Imla.
3. Rasulon ke A'amal, Hindi ya Roman men, aur Imla.
4. Ratanmala Hindi men.

TISRÁ SÁL.

1. Mumuksh Brittánt Hindi men aur Hindi Imla.
2. I Kurinthion; Galation; Itsion; Filippion; Kulision; I Thissaluniklon; Filemon; Galation men Roman Imla. (In Khatton men se do se kam ek hi sál ke imtihan ke liye manzúr nahin hai).
3. Masihi Amánatdári (Duncan).

CHAUTHÁ SÁL.

1. Sat Mat Nirúpan Hindi men, aur Hindi Imla. Ek hissa hi ek sál ke imtihan ke liye manzúr ho saktá hai.

Rules for Bible Readers Examinations.

1. Muttra Training School ki pass ki hui Tulabá, Baibal Ridaron ke cháron sál ki khwándagi ko khatm kar chuki hain.
2. Jinhon ne tisre darje Boarding School ke Imtihan men pass nahin kiyaa hai, un ko Imla ek hi zubán men us sál ki kisi kitáb men likhná hoga ya'ne Urdú yá Roman yá Hindi.
3. Imla kitáb ke pahle chálís safhon men se howe.
4. Imtihan ke pass hone ke number 50 hain.

Course of Study for Evangelist Teachers.

PAHLÁ SÁL.

1. Pahli Kitáb, Hindi, Urdú yá Roman.
2. Gintí sau tak.
4. Hifz karne ke liye, Khudá ki du'á; Das Hukm, Rasulon ká 'Agída; do Bhajan ya'ne, "Oho Piyáro Masihá jiya hai," aur "Ham se Barní na jae."
5. Harfon ká likhná, Hindi, Urdú yá Roman.
SUPPLEMENTARY MANUAL

DÚSRÁ SÁL.

1. Dúsri Kitáb, Hindi Urdu yá Roman.
2. Gintí likhná sau tak.
3. Lúqá ki Injil.
4. Imlá ek juz ke lafzon kí.

6. Hifz ke liye zail ke bhajan:
   
   "Karo merí saháe."
   "Bachá lená Prabhú Yisú' hámáre práñ."

TÍSRÁ SÁL

1. Yúhanná ki Injil aur Imlá.
2. Hisáb jama' aur Tafriq pachás tak.
   
   Zarúrí Ta'lim (sawál o jawáb do-
   noñ).
3. Hifz ke liye:
   
   "Main to Yisú' ko man men maná
   rakhí húp."
   "Áyá hai Yisú' áyá hai."

CHAUTHÁ SÁL.

1. Matí kí Injil aur Imlá.
2. Hisáb Jama' aur Tafriq pachás tak.
4. Hifz karne ke liye tín
   
   Bhajan
   "Piyáro himmat bándho."
   "Tum suniyo suniyo."
   "Yisú' paiyán lágún."

The following examiners for the Charterhouse Course were appointed:

Class A and B and I—Miss N. V. Singh,
Class II and III—Miss DuPre.
Class IV—Mr. Pace.
Class V—Miss Justin
Classes VI and VII—Miss Ball.

It was voted that those who do not use the Charterhouse course either examine their own Bible Classes or arrange for examiners.
District Reports.

ALIGARH DISTRICT.

Louisa Soule Girls' School

Laura G. Bobenhouse.

I. L. M. Lawrence.

The health of the girls has been good on the whole. There was one case of typhoid followed by the inoculation of the entire school. Every life has been spared. We have a group of happy, laughing, romping girls—the result of good health. We are trying to teach them the beauty of keeping well. Our girls sleep in the open air throughout the year.

The results of the Government Middle Examination were encouraging. Seven candidates were successful. These girls are now all studying in the first year of High School. Seven more girls are preparing to take the examination this year. The general results of the school show that both teachers and pupils made earnest effort. We now have six trained teachers on the staff.

Twenty girls have given their hearts to the Lord and united with the church. They were taken into full membership on Easter Sunday. Again we could not go to our church on account of an infection of measles in the community. But our pastor came and we had a beautiful service in our school-house where he took the girls into full membership.

We are grateful to all who make it possible for these girls to have a Christian education.

Girls' Vocational School, Aligarh

Our school has been full this year to what we consider the best number for most effective work, that is 96. These come to us from fifteen different schools. They are divided into twelve families of eight girls each. In the family groups they carry on most of the housekeeping activities of an Indian home. Recently each room has had a cupboard built into the wall and the mistresses display proper housewifely pride in keeping clean papers on the shelves and the dishes and supplies in order. Last winter we started a point system by which each day the rooms are marked as to whether they are in order; the meals cooked properly and eaten with the whole family sitting together; and most important of all,
as to whether there is "co-operation" among the members of the family. For each day that these points are all secured a star is given. By accumulating sufficient numbers of stars they win for their rooms such things as a mirror, a picture, or a Bible with a shelf to put it on. Friday afternoons each girl mends her clothes and then the monitress shows them at inspection time.

We have organized a chapter of the Epworth League within our school this year. A senior teacher who has had the Bible Training in Muttra is President and other teachers hold the various offices. The girls are in this way being trained carefully in taking part in such meetings and later in the year they themselves will become officers. We feel this to be an active agent in building up that strong Christian character which is the true aim of education.

We are also endeavouring to teach independence and self-respect through having the girls' work and earn the money for their own Sunday clothes, boxes, and small necessities. The work is chiefly that of cutting the grass that grows in such abundance over our large place during the rains. At first it was hard for some of the older ones to bring themselves to digging grass but now there are very few who hold back. Recently among their letters I came across this sentence, "I am not ashamed to do any work that there is to do." We encourage them to save up their money for the things they need, so each girl has her own little tin bank. These are kept in a cupboard in the room where the school shop is located and on Saturday mornings as the girls are paid they may buy at the shop and put in or take out money from their banks as needed. They are making less lace than formerly because we feel that this other work gives an opportunity to a greater number. When a strip of land in the boarding was ploughed and offered for individual gardens it was at once laid claim to with enthusiasm. Many of the girls who were already working the larger family gardens as regular class work also have their little private plots.

Last year at the time of the report our new Community Dispensary was just starting. Now we wonder how we ever got along without it. In the year 10,331 treatments have been given to over five hundred patients. It is proving very popular with the people of the surrounding villages as well as taking care of the health of the workers and school boys and girls. At examination time the physical condition of the girls showed a marked improvement. In general the health has been good but
last spring there were two cases of typhoid. And in the summer one of the Boys' Industrial School boys had typhoid and was under our care. After weeks of anxiety he too was restored to health. The first of October Dr. Lall left us to go to the hospital in Bareilly so now Dr. F. Cousins is carrying on the work.

District Work.

Ida Farmer.

The heart of the evangelist is in the villages and that is where she loves to be. Through the cool season Miss Lall and I were itinerating in the circuits of the district. Taking the tents we would have them pitched where it was the most convenient for the work, and daily go out with the preacher-in-charge to the villages of the circuit. In many cases the wife of the preacher went with us. It was only when small children or illness kept her back that she stayed at home. It was encouraging as we went about two or three months after the Summer School to find that the workers had taught the three first stories assigned for the year and had the people ready for the examination. At the end of the year nearly six thousand passes were recorded.

God has been good to us. Our forty-seven Bible readers who have been in work have been kept from any serious illness. The way has been opened for four other Bible readers with their husbands to go to Bareilly Theological Seminary or Budaun Training School for further study. We are looking forward to the time when they will return to us better prepared for the work. India is fast changing and we often see that it is very important that we have better trained workers. So rejoice with us when you hear that your Bible reader has gone for further study.

Mohaniya, who with her husband, was the first to be baptized in the Aligarh District was called to serve up higher. Rebecca, a young woman, also suddenly left us leaving a babe of a few hours. Salomi, a school girl, has come as a bride among us.

Good work has been done in our twelve organized schools. You may be interested to hear about the Chamar village of which I wrote last year. Then they had just been baptised. Thirty-two boys, girls and young men are being taught in the school of that village. They are growing in the knowledge of him and are remaining faithful. This means much in these days of persecution.

The Mission Health Centre has meant much to the whole district. Aside from the work done there by our
doctor, we have treated more than eleven hundred people as we have been around the villages.

The Indian Red Cross Society have supplied Health slides and these we have shown in every circuit to large groups of Christians, Hindus and Mohammedans.

The Summer School and District Conference was a time of refreshing. Were it not for the loyal supporters of the Evangelist Teachers' Fund these meetings could not be held in our Conference during these times.

We thank you all for all you are doing in India.

I.F.

BULANDSHAHR AND ANUPSHAHR DISTRICTS

District Work, Mrs. Robt. John.
Mrs. Robt. Gardner.

Evangelistic Work, Miss M. A. Livermore.
Miss Tarsi Thorne.

Dr. R. E. Diffendorfer, in his article on, "Visible Results of India's Mass Movement" in *the Christian Advocate* of September 22, 1927, said "Our first big evangelistic duty in India is to shepherd and train in Christian experience these mass-movement Christians." This short review of the year is an attempt to tell what our force of forty-five women workers have tried to do this year to help shepherd and train the 30,000 Christians of these two districts, about half of whom are women and girls.

Objectives

At the beginning of the year we put before ourselves as workers five leading objectives.

First, Bible teaching (in the form of Bible stories). These stories were about sin and its consequences, the Saviour, evils of drink, what prayer does, God's protecting care; worship of God (1) in prayer, (2) in song and at Christmas and Easter time the old, old story of Bethlehem and of the empty tomb. To teach these stories with effectiveness, and unanimity all workers in the district, both men and women, were carefully trained. It was beautiful to see the way this training reached the men, women and children of the village as they re-told the story. Over 9,000 passed in from one to nine stories. The preachers and Bible women who passed the highest number of people were crowned at district conference time not with laurel leaves as were the Grecian victors but with a garland of Indian flowers!
The second objective was to teach every Christian man, woman and child a short prayer. The prayer was: "O God, forgive my sins, make my heart clean, bless my loved ones, bless my village neighbours, for Jesus' sake, Amen." "Very short," do you say? Well, it had to be short so that the toothless old woman and the lisping grandchild at her knee and all the young and old between might easily learn it and make it a part of their lives. Our ideal was, and is, to teach this prayer to every Christian in the two districts. Ten thousand have already passed and we are trying to reach the remaining twenty thousand.

The third objective is hymn and lyric singing. The little song book born out of this mass-movement work years ago is still in use. This year at the annual Bareilly convention we "tried out" some new hymns and lyrics that had recently come out of the life and experience of some of our preachers and chaudhries. They were such a success that the 500 copies taken to the convention were sold in ten minutes, 5,000 could have been sold. Requests began coming in from our own and other Missions to have the collection printed for general use. During the summer the Allahabad Tract Society printed the first 10,000 copies. These have been in use in some of the fall conferences of this Area and the workers have taken home hundreds of copies for sale in the villages.

The people love to sing and when the singing is accompanied by their drums, cymbals, violins, etc. the effect is inspiring. The great majority of the village Christians cannot read but they can learn by heart these hymns and lyrics which are saturated with Christian truth and teaching. These Christian lyrics with their lilt and rhythm and beauty are pushing out the low and unworthy songs learned at melas and bazaar gatherings.

The fourth objective,—Life of Christ. As in the short prayer so with the life of Christ the aim is to reach the last Christian of the district, so that no Christian man, woman or child may be found who does not know the life of Christ in short form. We have been at this for nine or ten years, and are still working. In 1922 a general examination was held. Nearly 6,000 passed. Since then we have worked just as hard on the objective but have kept no account. It is thought that in a year or two another district examination will take place when it is hoped that one half of the Christian population will be able to pass. The examinations are not by class but individual. This of course entails an immense amount of work.
The fifth objective is the *jalsa*, or the holding of village meetings. It is easily understood that when the people have been prepared in four of the above objectives, they are ready to take their part in the village meeting. The talking is not all done by the preacher, Bible woman and Missionary. The people—men, women and children, unaccustomed to public speaking, develop in a surprising way. Again and again when a *chaudhri* or other villager has recited the Bible story, bringing out the teaching with all its oriental colouring, we have had to exclaim “He would have been a great preacher had he found Jesus earlier!” We have seen many *chaudhries* and some village young women who would have made fine preachers, Sunday School teachers, or Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society auxiliary presidents had opportunity come their way.

And so the village meeting focuses the Christian teaching, and trains in Christian worship. It is the church service, Epworth League, prayer-meeting, and in many villages the Sunday School of the village congregation. It is attended not only by Christians but half or more of the village non-Christians will be there.

Aim

Now the great object of the year’s work was to get these “objectives’ over to the village congregations. We and the Bible women have tried. We are conscious of failure in some respects. However, we feel that a milestone has been reached and all are eager to take up another year’s work and so push on to another mile post in the ‘shepherding and training in Christian experience of these mass-movement Christians.’

Some Side Lights

Miss Tarsi Thorne, my Indian helper and companion in village work has carried regularly to the villages her bag of medicines—eye lotions, salves, quinine pills, disinfectants, etc. The people have been treated and helped. We could hardly bear to see the suffering found in many villages were it not that some relief could be given. Large sales of Bibles, New Testaments, and hymn (*bhajan*) books have been made. A district circulating library is in operation, patronized by the workers and some *chaudhries* who can read. Miss A. S. Pottenger has ably supervised the village schools.

Furlough

It is with mingled emotions of joy and sadness that I lay down my part of the work at the end of this year.
to go home on regular furlough. This comfort remains: I can pray for the workers and the village Christians who have become most as dear to me as my own loved ones whom I am longing to see in the home land.

ANUPSHAHR DISTRICT.

Zanana Report 1927.

My heart goes out in thanks to God our Father for the health and strength vouchsafed all through the year. This district is almost rectangular. Naturally, on the east the river Ganges and on the west the Jamna have separated it from the District of Moradabad, Delhi and Gurgaon. It is a place of pride for the Hindus, because on two sides it is protected by the 2 goddesses.

The tree and its branches—and its fruits—old and new (i.e., the Districts, its circuits, baptisms old and new.)

If Anupshahr District be compared to a tree, its 7 circuits are its branches—the shortest branch is 11 miles from the main trunk and the remotest is 45 miles away. All the rest lie at distances ranging from 13, 26, 34 and 38 miles. All these branches have 12,996 fruits. This year 608 were newly added—of this number 275 are women baptisms of the year under report.

Calamity on the District.—The year has been very unfavourable for us, on the one hand was the paucity of funds and the consequential reduced number of workers—on the other hand new fields of labour and opportunity were flung open. Besides these, we had other difficulties to face. But we thank God that in spite of these our work went on. All of a sudden two circuits lost their heads, i.e., the Master of the harvest deemed it wise to transfer the head labourers (Preachers-in-Charge) of 2 circuits viz., Jahangirabad and Pahasu from the Church militant to the Church Triumphant. This blow was keenly felt by us. Both zanana and mardana work was upset. The burden of work like a heavy load stood in our front. We had no course open but to pray for the District. We realized that our Lord according to His promise was with us for He hath said, "Lo I am with you always—yea to the end of the world," and it is gratifying to say that not only work went on but it did go successfully. During the year we have achieved the following definite objectives:—

1. Bhajans and hymns were taught from place to place.
2. Every man, woman or child was taught a short prayer.
BULANDSHAHR DISTRICT

3. Bible stories were taught from village to village.

4. We laid great stress on the teaching of the life of Christ on the form of a catechism.

5. We had jalsas in villages and during the year we had 45 of these and realized Rs. 146.11-9 for our self-support.

Day Schools.—We have 5 day schools, viz., Dibai, Chhatar, Shikarpur, Khanpur and Jahangirabad—of these, in 4 schools there are boys with an inkling of girls—but the school in Jahangirabad has only girls. This school has been started by a Bible Reader and she is carrying it out very well. We try to get Government aid for all these. We are very grateful to Miss A. S. Pottenger who has given much pain and time for the betterment of these schools; and we hope that we will continue to make rapid progress under her guidance.

District Conference.—We held our District Conference in a spacious open place. We pitched small straw huts for all. People had wonderful opportunity of praying in public and in private. Miss Livermore led the morning devotional meetings and she took us to high spiritual places. Our visitors were Bishop Robinson, Principal J. Devadasan and his Katha party, Revs. Dr. Baker and D. Wellington and Mrs. Baker. They all added to our spiritual blessings. In other words, we are glad to say that our Conference was full of blessings. People were renewed and have gone back with new intentions. Thus we ended a successful yet a difficult year. Although the work is great and our handicaps and difficulties are great, but we know God is with us and we are sure of victory through Him.

MRS. ALLEN GARDNER, 
Anupshahr.

BULANDSHAHR DISTRICT.
Village Educational Work.

My transfer last conference brought me from Ghaziabad to the Bulandshahr district. The work here differs somewhat from the Ghaziabad School work, in that, instead of one school, I have to supervise the village schools of the whole district.

To get to some of these schools, I have had the joy of motoring with Miss Livermore on several occasions. To others, the district ox-tonga has been the only conveyance possible, owing to the roads being very bad.

There are eleven schools in the district.
I find, the schools in the villages, differ from the "A" grade school in Ghaziabad in this respect, that the children are of an economic value to the family, and can earn from two to three annas a day. Still, they are keen enough to rush home from their work, take their mid-day meal, and spend the rest hours in school, and then rush back to their work. Those that are very interested, come again to the teacher at night for a couple of hours' work. The teacher, sometimes has a hard time getting the parents to be willing for the children to spend even two hours in school, because of their earning value to the family.

Two schools have made exceptionally rapid progress. One is in Khurja. The Head Master does not only take an interest in the Educational uplift of his pupils, but, is also interested in the spiritual growth of their parents. This school gets a Government Grant of Rs. 10 per mensem, (about 3 dollars) and we are hoping very soon to get an increase in grant. The Municipal Board of this station has sanctioned a grant for a night school as well. This will accommodate young men, who are unable to attend the Day School. The Head Master of the Day School, with the help of his assistant, will teach these pupils.

The other school that deserves special mention is the one at Golauthi. The teacher of this school, who also does Evangelistic work in the villages, is working very hard to get his pupils up to the requirements of the Government curriculum, and in another month or so, we hope to get a Government grant, which will then raise the school to the grade of an Upper Primary or "A" Grade School.

The schools are unique in this, that men, women, boys and girls are enrolled in the classes. When meetings are held, all take part quite efficiently as boarding school boys and girls.

There are great possibilities in these schools, but they need constant supervision. I am so glad to have a part in it.  

A. S. POTTEGRER.

DELHI DISTRICT.

Butler Memorial Girls' School.

Lily Dexter Greene.
Helen Buss.

A glance at the calendar reminds us that the hour has come when we must stop in the midst of all other duties and jot down some of the past twelve months' happenings.
How relentlessly this old wheel of time rolls round. How futile all our desires to stay its speedy revolutions.

The last year's conference was a joint session with two sister conferences, so every day was filled with committees, business sessions, helpful sermons and spiritual addresses. As soon as conference closed we hurried home to plunge into the multiplicity of duties awaiting us.

The school was in good working order with an efficient staff of teachers, so the daily routine of work in the educational line was not so difficult to supervise as some other portions of our task.

The erection of the buildings has ever been difficult, and to that we have given constant attention. The Butler Memorial Girls' School is the Woman's Foreign Missionary part of the whole Delhi Butler Memorial scheme and we have now completed the Staff Residence, one big Hostel, bathrooms, a garage, storeroom, and the entire Sanitary Plant for the establishment.

Our Hostel provides accommodation for the matron, six teachers, and seventy-three pupils. These pupils range in ages from five to sixteen years. The classes are arranged according to the government course of study.

The installation of the sanitary plant has been the most difficult bit of this building problem, for permission by the conference authorities was not given until the buildings had gone up and then extra expense was of necessity incurred in breaking out long ledges of rock which could not be blasted out owing to the proximity of the buildings. Then too, Indian workmen do not like difficult tasks any more than we do, and so it was most difficult to enforce the order that this stone must come out. The element of danger involved made it a nerve-racking process to those responsible.

However, the seemingly impossible has been accomplished at last and we have gained new courage to undertake future difficult tasks in the erection of the remaining buildings contemplated.

The Board of education has decided that we are to provide hostel accommodation for our Methodist girls who attend the Baptist Mission High School in Delhi, as that school is very near our mission and we can easily arrange to send our girls over there for tuitional work. Then they would have their religious instruction here with us and be an integral part of our church and community life. It was also decided that we plan to open a Teachers' Training College in which Matriculation-pass girls would prepare for work as teachers. As the demand for teach-
ers who are trained is very great, and now owing to compulsory education will be still greater, this seems a wise forward step and we rejoice in all these signs of life and progress.

So in order to enter these opportune doors we must plan for future buildings. Another hostel will be needed for the High School girls, also one for the Training College girls, and as we will need more teachers, proper quarters are to be erected for them outside the hostels. Then, too, we will need a small segregation ward for possible emergencies in cases of measles, mumps or other contagious ailments of children.

This then is our building programme, an ambitious one as you can readily see but not too great for the advancement of the "frontiers of knowledge" in this important centre.

But to return to the present day history of this school. We have just been cheered by a visit from the Chief Inspectress of Girls' Schools of the Delhi Province. Her advice and inspection of the school has been a great help and we have much to encourage us. Eleven girls are now reading in the First Year Middle class.

Our health record has been extremely good, almost no fever even during the rainy season, and no serious eye cases even during the hot weather. If you ask the reason why, my answer is that there is no place or chance for germs to breed. Blessed immunity from such death-dealing pests. Would that all India might have this underground disposal of all refuse, so that little children everywhere might have a chance to grow up in an atmosphere free from filth and contamination.

The generosity of our friends Mr. and Mrs. Miller of the Y.M.C.A. in loaning us all their household furniture for two years was a great boon.

Then our needs in that line were most generously provided for in the decision of Mr. and Mrs. William Boyd to supply the furniture for our Butler Memorial Home.

It has been a rare privilege to try to carry out their wishes in the selection and purchase of such furniture as will make this a comfortable home in every way, worthy of the noble founders whose name it bears, fitting representation of the highest and best in Christian culture and a restful home-like haven where gracious hospitality may always be extended to any and all missionaries or other Christian travellers whose duty or pleasure may lead to its open doors.

The transformation of a rock-quarry into a habitable abode is no easy task but at last this barren spot has
succumbed and now we have a grassy lawn surrounded by a vigorous Inga Dulcis hedge with an inner border of choice rose bushes which already give promise of future beauty and fragrance. Green vines with rich clusters of gay-coloured blossoms are climbing over the gray stone walls of your house and add the finishing touches to its attractiveness and artistic beauty.

In the effort to build up strong bodies we have given careful attention to the quality and quantity of nourishing food, and to the question of cleanliness as to clothes, bodies, rooms, compounds, minds and hearts. Daily exercise has also been provided in the form of outdoor games, vigorous drills and lusty singing.

While the body has thus been strengthened and the mind developed by daily lessons, the spiritual life has also had careful attention. Daily Bible lessons, chapel exercises in the school, family prayers in the Hostel,—all these exercises have stored their minds with the facts of our Christian faith while Sunday School and other church services have added their portion to the stream of religious instruction flowing through their lives.

We can but hope and pray that all these influences may send out these girls with messages of light and life to other girls less fortunate than they.

India is so full of rich plant and animal life and Delhi holds so many historic scenes of fascinating interest that we covet the ability to tune in these plastic minds that like the radio they may catch up much of this richness and beauty that fills the atmosphere all about them.

Above all else we long to have them listen in to the rich harmonies of the music of life and appropriate to the fullest extent the spiritual implications involved—India is supposed to be unusually full of religious waves—may our girls catch some of these in the ratios of their heart-wires.

No report of our Delhi school would be quite complete without calling attention to the strategic location we occupy—wonderful history is writ large on all sides of us.

Just come with me for a moment to our west verandah and as you run your eye along the skyline of the famous "Ridge" you will note first the Victory Monument, a memorial to the brave English and Indian heroes who lost their lives in the dark mutiny days, then further on the Asoka pillar with its Buddhist rock-inscriptions dating back to 250 B. C. and beyond that Hindu Rao House with its memories of those far-away events, and beyond that the old ruin said to have been a hunting lodge or by others called an observatory.
Or if you wish to have even a broader view than that vantage ground offers then come with me up the winding stairway to the flat roof of our house where you may enjoy a wonderful panoramic view which will take in the old government buildings, Metcalf House, Maidens Hotel, Curzon House, Kashmir Gate with its battered walls, St. James Church, with its bullet-riddled ball and cross spire, the rose-red sandstone walls of Shahjahan's famous Fort with all its rich treasures of Moghal days, the wireless apparatus and further to the south and west the tall closely crowded buildings of the old and far beyond to the south rise the white walled buildings of our splendid New Delhi.

During the year Miss Buss has spent much time in the study of the language having attended the Language School and completed the first years work. She returned to us in October and is now out in the District coming in touch with conditions there.

For us all the year has been full of toil, rich in the unalloyed pleasure of the accomplishment of difficult tasks and abounding in joy at the prospect of what the future may hold in privileges and opportunities.

Report for Delhi and Sonepat District for 1927.

Paul said to Timothy, "Do the work of an evangelist. Make full proof of thy ministry." The aims of an evangelist in America and India may be just the same but the methods of work are vastly different. I am inclined to think the work Paul encouraged Timothy to do was much like the work of an evangelist in India today.

Delhi and Sonepat Districts cover a large area in the mass movement. We have 776 villages in which there are Christians. These are divided into 22 circuits. At the head of each circuit is a preacher in charge and in most of them there is also a munshi. Our Bible Readers are the wives of these workers. All but two of these centers can be reached by motor. I have tried to get to each circuit twice in the year and from the head of the circuit work in as many villages as possible.

First of all we try to reach our Christians, the most of whom have been converted from the Chamar or Sweeper castes. But very often more than half of our audience is made up of non-Christians. This week I have worked in one of the Centers that can not be reached by motor. I went by train to within a few miles of the place and then went the rest of the journey in an ox-cart. The ancient old village does not boast of a single European resident.
We stopped in an old palace called Shish Mahal, which means Glass Palace. It was once occupied by a Mohammadan ruler but Ichabod might well be written over its doors now for indeed its glory has departed.

In the afternoon we went with our workers just outside the city wall where a group of our Christians live. We sat on chairs put for the occasion just by the side of the wall and our audience sat on the ground before us. Our Christians there are quite musical so we were received in great style with a band of two drums and three horns being played lustily. After they had sung a couple of bhajans I called on one of the chaudharies to lead in prayer, then altogether they repeated a short prayer we had taught them. The lesson followed after which we examined them in some Bible stories the Munshi and his wife had taught them. One after another they got up to tell of the raising of Lazarus from the dead, the story of the resurrection of Christ and of heaven. The top of the wall was lined with higher caste women and children who eagerly listened to the Bible stories told by the Christians. After another bhajan was sung a collection was taken. As we left the band led the way followed by a crowd of spectators.

The next morning we walked to a village about two miles out where we had a similar service to the one of the evening before. In the afternoon we went by bullock cart to another village. Our people while often very much in earnest are still very ignorant and it takes line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little. But we feel that they are growing in grace. The last few years we have followed a definite course of Bible stories in teaching our village Christians. For telling the story well I give them one point and if they know the Golden text of the lesson another point is given. In the two districts in 1925 we had 376 points in these examinations, in 1926 we had 2,779 points, while this year we had 5,205. This means that our people are increasing in the knowledge of the Lord as well as in the knowledge of His work. I often sit by the hour hearing them proudly tell what they have learned.

Besides this we carry a kit of simple medicines with us to administer to their physical ailments. I gave medicines to more than 400 people in the villages this past year. We always carry a package of Gospel portions too and other Christian literature which we try to sell to any who can read. Thus the Gospel seed is sown.

Another line of work we are pressing is village schools. I examined one of these on Thursday night of
this week, made up of Sweeper boys and young men. They work from early morning till eleven o'clock. Then after a bite to eat they go to the home of our Bible Reader who teaches them for three hours each day. Then they go back to work until evening. This particular group have done remarkably well. A few of them have since February learned to write and read. One young man read well from the New Testament. Their eagerness to learn is most encouraging.

I could go on mentioning office work, patrons' letters, personal interviews with individual seekers in helping them find Christ, and a hundred and one little duties that count in "the work of an evangelist" but lack of space forbids. God has blessed our efforts as we have tried to make full proof of our ministry through the past year and we humbly praise Him for the privileges of service that have been ours.

I. M. Klingeberger.

Report of the Catherine Craine Kissack Memorial School, Sonepat, Punjab.

On February 1st, 1927, I took over the school from Mr. and Mrs. Henninger. During the ten months just past I feel that there has been satisfying progress in the school, in character building, as well as in the actual details of learning.

Until February 1927, three teachers were paid by the school, and all year another supported in Moga Training School. However, one of the three was absent most of the year, and the full teaching burden fell on Master J. W. Singh, and K. Chandra. There were 34 boys in the boarding, and of these 75 per cent passed in their years work.

In April we welcomed the return of Master H. Peters, who had completed a year of training at Moga. In July, Master W. Ram, from Lodipur Training School joined our staff. At the same time our enrollment increased, so that we had 58 boys in the boarding by the end of July. Sixty is now our enrollment, with one day pupil in addition.

In the spring W. C. T. U. Essay contest, two of the boys from our school won prizes. Seventeen of them have again submitted Essays in the fall contest.

Our school won the prize of Rs. 25, in Library Books, for the best Chapel programme submitted to Mr. Badley.
We had a large class in preparation for church membership, sixteen being received into the church at the time of District Conference. Some of these boys we believe to be truly converted Christians, the result of Mrs. Samuels' special services with the boys, last February.

Under improvements and repairs we have to report the putting in of four seven foot walls, separating our class rooms from one another and from the hostel. We also replaced twenty-four wall almiras by windows, so that now we have plenty of light and air. In our largest class room one part of which serves also as church, we had constructed a simple form of altar. Walls, windows, and all cost 172 rupees, less than one hundred of which had to be taken from mission funds.

The Health of the boys has been good, and we feel that this is owing in large part to the untiring care of both Mr. and Mrs. Samuels. We have had no epidemic in the year. One fine Third Class boy died, three weeks after returning to his home for a short rest, following malaria. As part of our Health Programme, we are trying to increase the amount of sleep the boys take, and add variety to their food, by using rice for the mid day meal. In some respects this seems successful, for the 60 boys gained over 30 pounds a month. Dr. Toussaint examined all of our boys during November.

Our greatest difficulty has been the lack of money. We have scholarships for 46 boys, at most, and with this must pay the masters as well, and 14 extra boys, we have quite a problem. However, though many days, we have not known where the next day's food would come from, we have never lacked any good thing, and our trust is that we shall not.

Catherine L. Justin.

Howard Plested Memorial School.

Gertrude E. Richards,
Carolyn E. Scraefer.

As the year draws to a close we are glad to report the accomplishments of the year. Our impression is that of a healthy, happy active space of time. Some ideas have been worked out, while many others we hope will take form in the future.

The teachers and girls have as a whole, been hungry and seeking for higher things during the year. The closing Sunday of Evangelistic month was especially good. At the close of the Sunday morning Prayer service twen,
ty-nine girls consecrated themselves for special service. This spiritual uplift received new inspiration again during the Easter season, both from the Pastor's ministry and through the Easter drama, "The Challenge of the Cross." This consecration for service has been working out in the practical ministry of two groups going to the mohallas each Sunday. The desire for spiritual things was again satisfied at District Conference when noted speakers gave inspiring messages. The ideas received made such an impression on the girls that they put some of them into posters in order to have these ideas more definitely before them. We hope that these ideas of Christian service and living will become a definite part of the girls lives.

In the Middle examinations last year seven were successful, six of whom went on for higher work. Of the ten Normal girls nine were successful.

In July the enrollment advanced to two hundred and twenty-five, and it became necessary for us to have two fifth and two B classes. The girls are all from Christian homes, most of them the children of workers. This is a thing to be rejoiced in but which nevertheless limits the income for providing for so many.

In order to care properly for the smaller ones who were enrolled before summer vacation, we planned for the repair of the old hostel on the south side of the boarding. The repair consisted of putting on a verandah with broad arched pillars in front and a galvanized iron roof covered with cement. A number of arches were opened in the front wall of the building, and the upper ventilation was improved by placing twenty-four ventilators near the ceiling. The old mud floors were replaced by large bricks. The repair of this building made it possible to care for the sixty-five primary children in one hostel, and by securing a matron to look after them they are comfortable and happy in their own hostel.

The four other middle classes are still cared for in the old barracks, but the High School girls are still more cramped for space. Having one group in the segregation ward of the hospital has relieved the pressure a bit but even with that arrangement they are far too crowded for wholesome living. It does seem essential that in the very near future this cramped situation should be relieved.

A definite effort is put forth to give each child a goodly amount of exercise. This is carried out by the early morning drill for everybody, songs and games for the Primary group, and games or Guide work for everyone in the evening.
Since the opening of this school year the health of the girls has been unusually good. The girls had no physical examination last year but we hope to have Miss Fernstrom examine them this year.

A small increase in grant-in-aid has been received for the Middle school and four extra stipends for the Normal.

A Literary Society has been organized among the High School and Normal girls. The work and programmes of the Literary Society are carried on entirely in English. We hope that through this organization the girls will receive that training which will help to broaden their lives and thus make them better workers when they leave school.

We do thank God for all His blessings and we are grateful to all friends who have helped to make the past year a success. We ask your prayers that the work may continue to go forward in the coming year.

Village Education.

E. E. Donohugh.

Although Miss Donohugh is having a few months health leave we hope she will be back to write the next report.

In her absence we all have tried to boost the schools. The two A Grade Schools are having a fine measure of success. The Masters and Superintendent in charge of these schools have succeeded in spite of many adverse winds. Two boys from Ghaziabad Consolidated School having passed the fourth class entered Ingraham Institute in July. Others are looking forward to this opportunity. Several boys from the village schools also entered Ingraham Institute at beginning of last term.

Most of the thirty village schools are prospering. Many more could be opened if there were teachers and money to support teachers.

A few days ago I faced an interesting crowd in a Chamar (leather-workers) mohalla. Fathers and mothers and children were in the group. They followed along in singing the hymns and their faces showed they were eager listeners. Of course they pleaded for an opportunity for their boys. There were four Jats, higher caste than the leather-workers, standing at the outer edge of this group. I asked then if there was a school in the town. They replied there was one but it was only for Jats and Brahmins. I said, "Can these boys not attend your school, they, too, wish to learn." They replied it was impossible. Then the fathers said, "Miss Sahiba, there are five villages in a radius of a mile or two. If we could
only have one teacher the boys from these five villages could attend one school. I promised to speak to the District Superintendent about the need. But when I saw him a few days later he told me word had just come from America of another cut, a thirteen per cent cut. With twenty men already short in the District and open doors without number we cannot understand why.

Schools, village schools! We think of them by day, we almost dream of them at night. Our hearts are torn asunder as we turn a deaf ear to the many requests.

My report has become a plea, a Macedonian call, "Come over and help us."

E. M. F.

District Evangelistic Work.

Estella M. Forsyth, Evangelist.
Mrs. Benson Baker, District Work.

How happy the District Evangelist of Meerut District would be if she could report that during the past year each of the fifteen hundred villages in which Christians live had been visited and personal interview held with fifty thousand Christians. As this has been an impossibility we must be content to mention a few of the interesting bits of service.

Camp was established in twelve centres, length of stay varying from four to ten days. At each centre the preachers and Bible-readers entered heartily into the work. The night meetings were so worth while, so were the visits by day to hundreds of villages. One night in Malokpur four hundred Hindus listened to the Rev. Abdul Haqq preach as only that wonderful convert from Mohammedanism can preach. Some had come to mock Christianity but when an opportunity was given to ask questions no one ventured. In Sururpur a most interesting crowd assembled night after night, Brahmins, Jats and Baniyas sat in close proximity to members of depressed classes. No attention was paid to caste but very marked attention was given to the message. At the close of one of these meetings some Hindus said to the Rev. Borrison, "We believe Jesus Christ was sinless and it is our weakness that we do not accept Him." There were some wonderful testimony meetings. One night four preacher workers spoke freely of their conversion and God's dealings with them. Another night mohalla Christians themselves took the time and told how they had become Christians. There is nothing like Christian testimony to silence skeptical spectators.
At the District Conference held in October we had an unusually happy time. Nearly every Bible-reader was present. In the examinations women were presented and received certificates. Two of the Bible-readers have taken the Local Preacher's Course, one having passed four years and the other three. The Rev. Labbu Mall from Panjab and Swami Sundar Singh were most helpful. It was a treat to have Miss M. J. Campbell with us for several days. Our hearts rejoiced to hear the progress temperance efforts is making. She also told us about the wonderful revival in Pathankot, Panjab and we felt impelled to ask that Meerut District might be shaken by the power of God's Spirit.

This has been the best one of the six years spent in this wonderful district and we are loath to leave even for furlough.

E. M. F.

(For Report of Blackstone Missionary Institute see p. 18).

MUTTRA DISTRICT.

Girls' Boarding School.

Garnet M. Everly.

As we look back over the past year, we feel that it has been a good one. The girls have decreased in numbers due to the fact that we now have no girls from Delhi District and only a few from Hissar District.

This year we have been able to lay stone floors in all of the rooms and verandas where heretofore there had been dirt floors. There is a new dining room for the teachers where they all eat together. Their cook prepares their food in a new kitchen which has been built during the year. We applied for Grant-in Aid to help in the construction of a new kitchen line and a dining veranda for the girls. A Grant of over six thousand rupees was received and the building is now under construction. New slate blackboards have been placed in two of the class rooms. The new set of six swings made of iron chains have proven a delight to all. They are always full of girls having a good time.

We are still adding new books to our library. English books are in great demand. In the lower classes we are emphasizing the reading of as many books as possible so that the reading habit may be formed as well as that of getting thought from a printed page. In Arithmetic much
and rapid drill is making for speed and accuracy in the solution of problems. Our Nurse attended the Nurse's Institute at Bareilly and is now busy organizing Health Crusaders in the School.

At District Conference time the girls had their parents as guests at a programme and an exhibition of their school work. The parents were much interested in seeing the daily work of their daughters. The school has been divided into two literary societies each taking their turn in presenting a programme every two weeks. We have made a simple start in Student Government which we hope to perfect during the next year.

Many Christmas boxes came from America last year, so we were able give the girls a happy Christmas. Enough money was sent that every girl above the first class was given a song book and a Bible or a New Testament. This has made it possible for the girls from the second class and up to keep the Morning Watch alone. All of the little girls have their Morning Watch together with the matron. There has been a great improvement in the school prayers. The teachers plan them carefully with a central thought for the week.

Feeling that there would be more done to direct and train the girls in their religious life, it was deemed best to employ a teacher whose work is to direct the religious education of the school. She supervises the daily Bible Classes each day, teaches two of the upper classes in Bible, and holds daily meetings with the Bible Teachers instructing them how to improve their work. There is a revival spirit among the teachers and girls that we have never seen before. Twenty girls joined the church on probation, and seven in full connection last Easter. All of these girls were given special training and the Probationer's Class is still meeting weekly. Class Meetings are held for the larger girls each Sunday. They are also learning to take an active part in the Epworth League Devotional Meetings each week. We aim to give our girls Christian training that they may serve in the name of Christ.

Agra Central Day School

S. C. Holman.

We have had a very prosperous and blessed year in the school. With about eight hundred day scholars enrolled, a fair average attendance has been maintained. Eleven teachers are now on the staff.

As you know our children for the most part come from poor homes and must therefore work to eat and live. Now
while our chief aim is to lead these children into a real heart religion, yet it is absolutely necessary to help them into a better social condition. We must help them to find better employment. Therefore while we must teach these children to read and write, we must also teach them some hand work whereby they may become self-respecting and self-supporting citizens. We are making this one of our great concerns in the school.

Our mission property is in a most strategic position as far as the education of our Christian children is concerned. It is within a few minutes walk for some six hundred of them and the mission motor bus runs out three or four miles, thus bringing hundreds more within reach.

The importance of bringing these boys and girls into the atmosphere of the mission cannot be over-emphasized. In a remarkable way they are led to show in their own lives the same spirit of love and sacrifice which characterizes every member of our staff. There is no better motive for education than this "Love" motive which the school makes supreme.

As has been mentioned before, these children must all work as soon as they are able to do anything toward earning their daily bread. The Night School helps us to keep in touch with them after they have gone out of the regular school. We have one master specially for this work who goes daily into the homes of these boys, and teaches in the Night School from five to eight each evening. Many Christian young men who have never had an opportunity to read are taking advantage of this school and are learning to read for the first time. A few of the school boys serve as voluntary teachers to teach the alphabet, tables, counting the Creed, the Ten Commandments and others beginners' work. This has already grown into a very large work. It is a great opening but so far we have not been able to put any money into it. For that reason only those can come who are able to buy all their own supplies. For this work we need equipment such as maps, blackboards and charts. Most of all we need a school building. The day school is held on the verandah of the girls' boarding, where the teachers live. But as this is impossible for the Night School, it has to be held out on the bare ground with straw mats to protect from the rough ground. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we beg of you to support this work with your prayers and your money.

For more than two years regular English services have been conducted for the educated class of Indians who are teachers and students in the various colleges of
Agra. Our school bus goes every Sunday afternoon to bring from the Woman's Medical College, those girls who are students or professors and who are Methodist; while quite a number of young men students from the various other colleges come on their bicycles to attend this service. Many have declared these services to be very beneficial and have enthusiastically spoken their appreciation. When the young man who played the organ during the past year, was ready to leave upon the completion of his training, when thanked for his services replied, "I have enjoyed the English service and it will be something I shall look back to the rest of my life. Our aim is to bring these dear young people into a closer friendship with Jesus Christ that they might take him for their Friend and Guide throughout their life work, whether preachers or doctors or teachers.

Our heart's desire of many years to see this church full, was almost realized on last Easter Sunday afternoon. The school children and their teachers, assisted by the college students, gave a service in song to a large and appreciative audience. The children sang beautifully in English and a choir formed of teachers and of young men from the colleges rendered beautiful Easter songs in English. The mixed quartette sang "Not My Own" which was really an inspiration to everyone who heard it.

Can you imagine our feeling and how the children themselves must have felt, to face a well-dressed and educated audience and entertain them by singing difficult music in English? They did it exceedingly well. Could anything else but the power of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ bring about a situation where fifty sweeper children with bright beaming eyes should pour out their hearts in the singing of gospel messages to an eager, listening audience?

A vernacular service is conducted by our native pastor for those who cannot understand English. Also a fine Sunday School is conducted in the mornings which is attended by the children from whom we hope to draw leaders for the Church.

Sarah E. Creighton Memorial Hospital Report.

Mary E. Bricker, R. N.

As we look back over the past year we give thanks for the wonderful way in which God has led us and has supplied our needs. When Miss Porter was due to go on furlough and Dr. Tower was advised to return to America for health reasons, we were at a loss to know how or
from where to secure an adequate staff for the work. It seemed as though there was not a doctor to be found anywhere. I carried the work from December to March without a doctor. From the middle of March to the middle of May I had the help of an Indian medical assistant. She relieved me of a great deal of the actual medical work in both the hospital and dispensary.

During Miss Porter's visit to south India prior to her sailing for furlough, she heard of Dr. E. M. Toussaint who was at that time in government service in Mysore State. We immediately began to correspond and the result was, that we secured her services for Brindaban. The fact that she had spent several years of service in another mission hospital seemed to especially qualify her for our work. Upon joining us in July she took charge of the medical work in the hospital and also oversees the out-patient department. She did the physical examinations in both the girls' and boys' schools in Muttra. During the recent district conference all the workers were examined by families and health lectures were given. At present we have the help of Mrs. Malhotra, who is our medical assistant while her husband is taking further training in Allahabad. The remaining members of our staff are; a compounder, one graduate nurse and six student nurses.

A few of our statistics for the year are;

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In October the three junior nurses gave both the oral and written examinations and the three first year nurses gave their first year examination. Word has just come that they have all passed. This of course has been gratifying to me because the uncertainty of our staff and the absence of a doctor for three-fourths of their school year made it difficult to give them practical experience especially in the surgical department. I did not admit a new class of probationers in July due to the fact that I find it impossible to give the required supervision needed in the wards. In a school for nurses a foreign nurse must spend from eight to ten hours daily with her students if they are actually going to put into practice what is taught in the class room. No school can be successful until there are enough missionaries so that the nurse or one of the nurses is free from the general executive responsibilities and can devote her time to the
actual work of the hospital. As our work now stands I cannot do justice to any one line because of a lack of ability and time to be in all places at all times.

This fall I was appointed as one of the examiners for the nurses practical examinations under the Board of Examiners for Mission Hospitals for North India. I examined nurses in ten hospitals in the Punjab. This experience gave me an opportunity to observe methods used in other institutions and I returned feeling much better informed on several points. On one point at least, I am more and more convinced that you need to send your girls who are more mature in years and also in experience. The girls who are passing out of your middle schools today are as a rule far too young to be expected to assume the heavy responsibilities involved in caring for the sick.

Certain local conditions have greatly hindered our evangelistic work in the city. We have seemed helpless in removing or correcting them. The Ashram has recently been opened again.

Both Miss Doyle and Miss Wood have been a real help and joy to me during the time they have been here. I hardly know how I could have carried on without them.

Muttra District Evangelistic Work.

Mrs R. E. Crane.

Despite the fact that this is our first year in Muttra, and that we have had part of the Aligarh District work, as well as the fact that our family has had most of the diseases known to medical science since we came to Muttra a year ago, still I believe that we have been able to accomplish something for the Kingdom. We have seen the work in over two hundred remote, off-the-road villages; have held our Quarterly Conferences in the sixteen Circuits; and, until July, had charge of the Boys' School here Muttra.

The patrons' work, which is particularly my own, has been somewhat heavy as I have had, for the Muttra District and Muttra School and Aligarh District and two schools, about 400 persons with whom I have tried to keep in touch at least every two months. To save the salary of a driver I have been driving the District car since July and shall continue to do so, that the money thus saved may go into the District work.

Three booklets have been written during the year concerning our work here, these being sent home with the hope of stimulating interest in the work. The results have been gratifying.
A trailer for District work was given by a dear lady as a result of one of these booklets. Electricity has been installed in our Mission home, part of the money being given us by personal friends.

Our Summer School and District Conference were said to be the best our workers had ever attended. The presence of our beloved Bishop Warne was at the same time a bond and a benediction. We were all drawn closer together, and closer to our Heavenly Father during the beautiful consecration meeting which Bishop Warne held with us. Never will it be forgotten.

Our workers were in good condition spiritually and physically to return to their various stations, and we are looking ahead to and expecting the best year ever in Muttra, in 1928.

Roorkee and Muzaffarnagar Districts.

Ella M. McLeavy, District Evangelist.

We had just barely finished our itinerary in the Muzaffarnagar District when the call came from Roorkee for District Conference and a short Summer School which lasted twelve days.

Our New District Superintendent, Rev. F. E. Henninger had made special plans for it and we had a time of great spiritual uplift as we could not but help notice in the workers after when we visited their respective fields of labour.

Our singing from Muzaffarnagar was invited together with our District choir here, we had some beautiful music and singing which was most inspiring.

The Bible story method was gone over carefully, the workers are beginning to realize the important part these play in the work. Many useful plans were discussed for the furtherance of the spiritual growth and self-support among the people and after very careful thought and prayer it was decided to lay more stress on “Jalsas” (the gathering together of three or more villages in one centre) this plan has been closely followed in the Roorkee District with the result that our Christians are becoming more keen to bring their friends and relatives to the Master.

We have constant calls for baptism, sometimes one rather wonders at it for often the people have to undergo severe persecution and trials still the poorest and most uneducated are beginning to feel that “None but Christ can satisfy.”

This year there are fourteen village schools in this District all keen and interested and masters and pupils
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alike anxious to be at the top!! In one of the villages far away they had a special programme by the boys and girls. Nearly the whole village turned out to see and hear and it was a time of great rejoicing and pride to the children to feel their years hard labour was rewarded with little gifts. Education is the rage these days among all classes and castes. India is progressing by leaps and bounds!

We were very grateful to Miss Campbell, National President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, for giving us two days of her precious time. She combined her temperance talks with the evangelistic services which were very helpful. She organised a society among the women with Mrs. Henninger, wife of our District Superintendent as chairmain, and also held a meeting in the city in the Arya Samaj Hall, where there were about 450 men and women present. At the end of the meeting the people showed their sympathy and decided to try and have monthly meetings; four of these have been held using the temperance Magic lantern slides which have drawn crowds and been greatly enjoyed. Finishing up the work in the Roorkee District we started back through the villages to the Muzaffarnagar side, for the villages are all closely linked and it is not difficult in an ox tonga to go over the Kachcha roads.

There are ten village schools in the Muzaffarnagar District, one a central school in Muzaffarnagar itself of about 33 children; this is held under the trees in the Mission compound where the District Superintendent lives and when he is not on tour he supervises it. I took a very thorough examination and found children from the A grade right up to some of the books in the 3rd and even one or two of the 4th standard. These pupils come from a distance of eight and nine miles. A master comes along with them. There is a separate class for him in the school where he studies in the day and returns in the evening and holds a night school for the children who are too small to walk such a long distance.

The spiritual growth of the people in both Districts is most noticeable. The doing away with the superstitious rites and idols among the women especially is great, in some villages the women have been the means of breaking down shrines years and years old and also stopping the decoration of their houses and putting on of superstitious garlands on their children on particular festival days. As leaven his word is truly penetrating and doing his work.

From the 11th to 24th October we had District conference Summer school in the Muzaffarnagar District. On
the opening day there was a chaudhri "Jalsa" where several of the women and girls, besides men, came in from villages about 32 miles distant, they had prepared their own programme and looked so charming in their pretty bright new clothes. It was a most inspiring sight. In all there must have been about 100 present, just to think they had the energy to come so far when in former years it would have been difficult to get them out when we visited their own villages.

I must not forget to mention that Miss Campbell also came and had two fine meetings, one with the Christians and the other in the Town Hall with the Honourable Sukbir Singh as chairman. By these meetings one gets into close though with people who otherwise it would be impossible to meet, as they are greatly in sympathy with the drink question knowing the harm it is doing in India and other lands several of the young men and boys signed the pledge, and the young doctor and his wife were most enthusiastic, promising to get their friends interested in helping the cause. We are hoping to have a big meeting among the pardah women and organize a society among them in January. please pray for us.

MUZAFFARNAGAR DISTRICT

Mrs. M. S. Budden

There are 10 circuits in Muzaffarnagar district. In 9 of these the wives of the preachers-in-charge are working in their centres. Besides these there are 18 others who are wives of our pastors and they work in the villages. I help the district superintendent in his work and visit the homes of the women in the villages. I also go among the non-Christian women and find a welcome among them also. Our Christian women in the villages are learning to give and are making progress in their Christian lives. There are 9,565 Caristian in the district, 40 Sunday School attended by women to the number of 1,590. It is my custom to attend the quarterly conference in every circuit centre. At our district conference some of the women came 32 miles to attend a special programme.

There have been 884 women and girls baptized in this district this year. I am glad I have this opportunity of going into the villages and telling about Jesus. I'm praying that the Lord may use me in a wonderful way this coming year and that many souls may be brought to him.
"And it shall come to pass that before they call I will answer and while they are yet speaking I will hear." This promise has been our special one for this year and it has been proven over and over to us. Trusting in it mountains have becomes mole hills.

On the whole the health of the girls has been splendid. In January an epidemic of influenza, started by a girl who went home for her holidays, kept us busy as about half of the school were down, but there were no serious results. Dr. Twells from the Thomson College Dispensary, is our physician and is untiring in his efforts to keep the girls well.

Summer School was in May, just as school was closing and it gave the parents a fine opportunity to attend the closing exercises and see the exhibit of school work. Miss Dupre with a staff of five teachers and a Molvi are doing good work and the results have been encouraging. A class of sixteen finished our Fourth Standard in May, thirteen of them entered other schools and three were married.

Our plans for our new school house are at last before Government and we shall get a grant. Our Government Inspector has been for several years urging us to apply for the Grant but we had to be sure of the amount from America before we could do that. Now we have been promised that the amount necessary will be given and are truly rejoicing. By the time for reports next year the building should be well under way.

The repairing has taken more time than the building this year, as old property remodeling takes much time and planning.

Because of a special gift we were able to buy enough books to start a library. The girls are greatly enjoying them and it is doing them good to have new things to think about.

Gifts from American friends made it possible for us to have a happy Christmas as each girl received a gift, but their Christmas is not all receiving as they are learning the joy of giving too.

However, the real joy of the work is not with the building or the material things. It is such a joy to see the girls develop. The prayer room is a deep, quiet influence in their lives and the prayer band meeting is meaning much to them. In May nine joined the church.
in full membership and we now have a class of thirteen probationers. Will you, who are interested in this school, spend a little time each day in holding us up to the Throne of Grace in prayer? Our great desire is that each girl may know her Saviour personally and may consecrate her life to his service.

This work is supported by the New England, Cincinnati, Topeka, Northwestern, Columbia River and Pacific Branches.

M. P. House, Lucknow.
STATISTICS.
### GENERAL STATISTICS FOR NORTH-WEST INDIA CONFERENCE.

For the last complete Conference year preceding Oct. 31, 1927.

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- **Women in the Church:** Includes all women of all denominations, excluding boys in residential schools.
- **Bible Institutes, Training Classes and Sunday Schools:** Total number of girls in Bible Institutes, Training Classes and Sunday Schools, and number of girls under regular instruction.
- **Welfare Work:** Includes orphanages, hostels, and homes for children.
- **Organization on the Field:** Includes mission stations, presbyteries, and other institutions.

**Total:** 1,108,218 women in the Church, 536 Bible Institutes, and 536 orphanages, hostels, and homes for children.
### GENERAL STATISTICS FOR NORTH-WEST INDIA CONFERENCE.

For the last complete Conference year preceding Oct. 31, 1927.

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The Report should cover the last complete school year ending within this period.

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### STATISTICS FOR MEDICAL WORK IN SCHOOLS AND FOR THE CONFERENCE

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### Note:

- The table above provides a summary of the examination results for various schools and classes.
- Each row represents a school, and each column represents a class.
- The first column indicates the number of students presented for the examination.
- The second column shows the average score for each class.
- The third column displays the number of students passed in each class.
- The fourth column provides the average score of the passed students.
- The fifth column indicates the number of students who qualified in each class.
- The sixth column shows the average score of the qualified students.
- The last two columns give the general average scores for each category.
MISS ANNE E. LAWSON
Retired, after 43 years of service.
Resolution in Appreciation of Miss Anne E. Lawson

Miss A. E. Lawson, the senior member of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in this conference, has come to the time when, according to rule, she must retire from the ranks of active missionaries. Miss Lawson began her work in India in 1886. The period since then has been filled with consecrated service. No one more than she has so fully devoted all her talents to the Lord's service.

As an educationalist, she combines in a remarkable degree the foresight and efficiency of a director with sympathy and tenderness toward the individual. In outlining broad policies she never loses sight of the individual to be affected by them. She works not "for" the people but "with" the people, seeing the Indian viewpoint, encouraging Indian self-expression.

As a builder, the schools and homes that she has erected testify to her sound judgment of needs. Her enthusiasm for adequate housing is finely supplemented by her love of beauty, as shown by the spacious gardens of fruit and flowers which surround her buildings.

Perhaps the most outstanding thing Miss Lawson has done is her work in connection with the Mussoorie Language School. The young missionaries who have attended the school there for the past twenty years will never forget how kind and sympathetic she always has been. She always kept herself in the background. When the time came that it seemed wise to merge our school with that at Landour and some were advocating that we keep our Methodist School in Mussoorie, which she started, she pleaded for the union of the two schools, and at one Conference remarked that there was something bigger than Methodism. Bishop Fisher who was visiting the Woman's Conference at the time, said half under his breath, "Yes, you are." She did not hear it, but the Secretary did. She is big in every way—a leader in our midst.

In the conference sessions if Miss Lawson is present we feel that our affairs will be guided aright and we appreciate the keen sense of humour which adds to the charm of her personality and the enjoyment of our conferences. We are sad to think that she is off the list of active workers but she will not be inactive. In Language School and W. C. T. U. she will still make her influence felt. We rejoice that she is to be with us sometime yet, and though not on committees, she will often be asked for advice. We thank the Lord for such a gift as Miss Lawson and pray that she may be spared yet many years to serve in His great vineyard.

Adopted at Annual Conference, February, 1929.