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*On furlough.*
Conference Appointments.

ARRAH DISTRICT.
District Work, Mrs. G. M. Massey.
District Evangelistic Work, Miss R. E. Hynerman (P. O. Shahpur Pati.)
Sawtelle Girls' School, Miss M. Tirsgaard, Principal; Miss I. C. Bear.

BALLIA DISTRICT.
District Work, Mrs. R. I. Faucett.
District Evangelist and Village Education, Miss E. M. Abbott, (P. O. Rasra.)
Medical Work, Dr. Mrs. Ilahi Baksh. (P. O. Rasra.)

BASTI DISTRICT.
District Work, Mrs. F. M. Wilson.

BUXAR DISTRICT.
District Work, Mrs. A. H. McGee.
Village Education, Miss N. A. Bacon.

CAWNPORE DISTRICT.
District Work, Mrs. M. C. Singh.
Allahabad Boy's School, Miss N. A. Bacon, Manager; Mrs. E. R. Peters, Headmistress.
Cawnpore Girls' High School, Miss J. A. Bragg, Principal; Miss A. Robbins.
Hudson Memorial Girls' School, Miss E. Hoge; Principal, Miss E. M. Hutchens.
Cawnpore English Church, Mrs. J. H. Wilkie.

GONDA DISTRICT.
District and City Work, Mrs. B. R. Franklin.
Chambers Memorial Girl's School, Miss M. Richmond, Principal; Boarding Department, Miss Tara David until June 30, 1933, Miss E. Lal from July 1st 1933, Normal Training School, Miss M. Richmond Primary Boys Hostel, Miss Tara David until June 30th 1933, from July 1st 1933 Miss E Lal.

LUCKNOW DISTRICT.
District Work, Mrs. G. J. Shaw.
District Evangelistic Work, Miss R. E. Gantzler.
Evangelistic and Mohalla Work and Deaconess Home, Miss R. E. Gantzler.
City Zenana Work, Miss A. Frederick.
Lal Bagh Church, Mrs. F. M. Perrill, Mrs. E. W. Mumby.
Central Church, Mrs. J. G. Shaw.

RAE BARELLI DISTRICT.
District Work, Mrs. J. H. Wilkie.
Rae Barelli City Work, Mrs. S. B. Finch.

TIBBOOT DISTRICT.
District and City Work, Mrs. G. L. Lorenzo.
Indian Girls' School, Miss J. M. Smith.
Educational and Evangelistic Work, Mrs. R. Eveland.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.
Isabella Thoburn College, Miss M. E. Shannon, Principal.
Lal Bagh High School, Miss M. C. Lawrence; Miss H. Roy.
Lucknow Publishing House, Mrs. C. O. Forsgren.
Itinerating Health Nurse in Schools, Miss Agnes Dunn, (P. O. Tilaunia.)

ON LEAVE.
Miss M. E. Dalrymple; Miss Abbie M. Ludgate; Mrs. G. A. Ackerly; Miss Isabella Thoburn; Mrs. S. Raynor Smith; Mrs. H. R. Calkins; Mrs. J. W. Pickett; Miss E. L. Whiting; Miss M. Sheldon; Miss A. Dunn, after May 1933; Miss Tara David, from July 1st 1933.
Officers and Committees.

President
Mrs. J. R. Chitambar

Vice-President
Miss E. Hoge

Secretary
Miss R. E. Eveland

Assistant Secretary
Miss M. C. Lawrence

Statistical Secretary
Miss R. E. Hyneman

Field Correspondent
Miss J. M. Smith

Field Reference Committee.
Miss Smith (ex-officio.)
Miss Shannon, elected to serve through 1934.
Miss Bragg, elected to serve through 1934.
Miss Lawrence, elected to serve through 1934.
Miss Gantzer, elected to serve through 1935.
Miss Tirsgaard, elected to serve through 1935.
Miss Richmond, elected to serve through 1935.

Alternates.
Miss Abbott
Miss Eveland

Property and Furniture Committee.

(Nominated by Field Reference Committee.)
Central Treasurer (ex-officio*)
Miss Smith
Miss Tirsgaard, Chairman
Miss Hyneman
Miss Gantzer
Miss Richmond

Auditing Committee.
Central Treasurer (ex-officio)
Miss Abbott
Miss Lawrence, Chairman
Mrs. Mumby
Miss Bacon
Mrs. Wilkie

Auxiliary Committee.
Mrs. Perrill, Chairman
Miss Frederick, Secretary Treasurer
Mrs. Wellons
Miss Roy
Miss Hyneman

Conference Mess and Furniture Committee.
Mrs. Wilson, Chairman
Chairman of Local Committee for conference mess of coming conference.

Committee of Schools.

Miss Tirsgaard
All Ladies in School Work

Evangelistic Committee.
Mrs. Wilson, Chairman, and all ladies in evangelistic work.
Mrs. Perrill, Registrar

Medical Committee.
Miss I. Bear, Mrs E. A. Ilahi Bakhsh, M. D., Miss E. Lal.
Custodian of the Archives.
Miss Lawrence
Delegate to the Executive Board.
Miss Bacon
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Joint Board of Christian Education.

Miss Richmond, Chairman.
Miss Eveland
Miss Bacon
Miss Roy
Miss Bear
Mrs. Peters

M. C. Singh
W. A. Watson
R. D. Wellons
M. C. Biswas
J. H. Wilkie
Lalit K. Shah

Evangelistic Board.

Mrs. Singh
Mrs. Perrill
Miss Abbott
Mrs. Wilson
Miss Hyneman
Mrs. Faucett

F. M. Wilson, Chairman
A. B. McGee
Solomon Wheeler
Saul Johnson
Emmanuel Singh
D. L. Lorenz

Literature Committee.

Mrs. Wilkie Chairman
Miss Roy, Librarian
Mrs. Faucett
Miss Eveland

J. H. Wilkie
S. J. Shaw
Nabidad Khan
Hardeo Prashad
C. A. Roberts.

Representative on All-India Literature Committee

Mrs. Wilkie

Temperance Board.

Mrs. Faucett, Chairman
Miss Frederick
Mrs. Peters
Mrs. M. C. Singh
Miss Gantzer
Miss Robbins

P. S. Gardner
D. D. Sadoc
I. C. Lorenzo
Guilam Qadir
D. P. Dalton
S. P. James
V. M. Ilahi Baksh.

Representative on U. P. Christian Council.

Miss Richmond.

Alternates.

Miss Bragg.
Mrs. E. A. Ilahi Baksh, M. D.

Language School Board.

Field Correspondent.

Miss Robbins.

Village Schools Fund Committee

(Elected by Field Reference Committee.)

The W. F. M. S. Ladies in charge of Village School Work
The District Superintendents of Arrah, Ballia, and Buxar Districts.

The Village Schools’ Committee.

(Elected by the Schools’ Committee.)

Miss Bacon, Chairman.
All Ladies appointed to Village School Work.

Board of Trustees Girls' High School, Cawnpore.

(Nominated by the Board of Trustees and elected by the Joint Annual Conference.)

Ex officio: Bishop J. R. Chittambar, The District Superintendent, Cawnpore District. The Pastor, Cawnpore English Church; The Principal, Cawnpore Girls' High School.

Elected, F. M. Perrill, T. C. Badley, Sir Thomas Smith, A. P. Curtis, Miss E. Hoge, Miss M. Landrum, Miss M. Richmond.
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Conference Sustentation Fund Society.

E. Ahmad Shah, President
Miss H. Roy, Vice-President
J. H. Wilkie, Vice-President
F. G. Cornellus, Secretary
W. D. Punt,
Mrs. G. H. Thomas,
W. Williamson.

CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES

Board of Governors Isabella Thoburn College.

Miss Bacon, (Term expires 1934).
Mutra Training School.
Mrs. Wilson
Miss Bragg, Alternate

Board of Trustees, Bareilly Theological Seminary
Mrs. Wilson

Board of Governors, Wellesley Girls' School

Miss Hoge
Mrs. Wilkie, Alternate

Lal Bagh High School Committee
(Elected by Field Reference Committee)

Miss Bacon
Miss Hoge
Miss Bragg
Miss David, Alternate
Tilaunia Sanitarium Committee

Mrs. Wellons
Mrs. E. Iahl Bakhsh, M.D.

W. F. M. S. Language School Committee

Miss L. D. Christensen, Secretary
Official Minutes

FIRST DAY

The thirteenth annual session of the Lucknow Woman's Conference was opened with devotions led by Mrs. Chitambar. The meeting was held in the drawing room of the Chambers' Memorial Girls' School at 8 a.m.

Mrs. Chitambar was unanimously elected president. The following other officers were elected:

Vice-President: Miss Hoge
Secretary: Miss Eveland
Assistant Secretary: Miss Lawrence
Statistical Secretary: Miss Hyneman.

Miss Hooper's letter regarding the appropriations for 1933 was read by Miss Whiting.

The conference adjourned to meet again at 9:45.

Second Session.

Twenty-six members responded to roll call.

Miss Richmond and Miss Eveland were welcomed back from furlough and Mrs. Russan of the India Interior Mission at Bahralch was introduced to the conference.

Greetings were received from Miss Dalrymple, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Tweedie, Mrs. Pickett, Mrs. Briggs, Miss Shannon, Miss Ludgate, Miss Thoburn, Mrs. Warne and her daughter, Mrs. Fisher, Dr. and Mrs. Fisher, Miss Madden, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Clancy, and Mrs. Lum.

The Field Correspondent reported the recommendations of the Field Reference Committee regarding the adjustment of funds necessitated by the 15% discount. The recommendations were considered separately.

Recommendation I (See Field Reference Committee Report) was accepted with the understanding that those teachers having taken a government reduction of 10% are not to take an additional reduction.

Recommendation II (See F. R. C. Report) was accepted with the same understanding.

Recommendation III (See F. R. C. Report) as presented by the Woman's Conference was accepted.

The session was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

SECOND DAY.

December 12, 1932.

The meeting was opened with devotions led by Miss Hoge.

Greetings were received from Mrs. Ballenger, Mrs. Faucett, and Mrs. Wellons.

The conference voted to meet at 12:30 on Tuesday and make the election of the Field Reference Committee the order of the day.

The recommendation of the Field Reference Committee that funds from the W. F. M. S. be withdrawn from the Zenana work of Gonda and Muzaffarpur Cities after March 31st, 1933 was presented by the Field Correspondent.

The Gonda Bible Women were introduced by Mrs. Wilson.

It was voted to refer the question of withdrawing funds from the City Zenana work of Gonda and Muzaffarpur back to the Field Reference Committee with the request that Rs. 10 a month be granted to each for conveyance and that the local church do anything else necessary to provide teaching for the interested women in the Zenanas.

The Field Reference Committee was asked to consider the Lucknow Zenana Work and to make recommendations for reductions in it also.
OFFICIAL MINUTES

An extension of time to 3:20 was voted and a special session was called from 4:15—5:30.

The Central Treasurer's Report was given by Miss Whiting and accepted with a vote of thanks by the conference.

The session was adjourned with prayer by Miss Smith

Second Session.

The recommendation of the Field Reference Committee that no reduction be made in the work money for the Arrah, Buxar, and Muzaffarpur Evangelists, the upkeep for the Deaconess Home (now used for Miss Frederick's rent), and the conference rents was accepted. The recommendation that all other work money be reduced 15% was accepted by the conference.

The following reports were read and accepted:—Tilaunia Sanatorium and Health Department, Property and Furniture Committee, Muttra Training School, and the Auxiliary Committee.

The new plan of electing from the Lucknow Woman's Conference one Indian woman each year and one missionary woman each third year as representatives to the U. P. Christian Council was accepted.

It was voted to have no representative for the Aligarh Vocational School.

The session was adjourned with prayer by Miss David.

THIRD DAY

December 13, 1932.

The meeting was opened with devotions led by Mrs. E. A. Ilaiai Bakhsh M. D.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

Greetings were received from the Bombay Woman’s Conference and the secretary was instructed to write a letter of appreciation.

Miss Smith was elected Field Correspondent.

It was voted to elect three members to the Field Reference Committee for two years. The following were elected:—Miss Tirsgaard, Miss Richmond, and Miss Gantzger. Miss Abbott and Miss Eveland were elected as alternates.

The reports of the All-India Literature, Schools, the Literature and Temperance Committees were read and accepted.

The Field Reference Committee presented the following recommendations which embody the suggestions from the Woman’s Conference. They were accepted.

1. That the City Zenana funds in Gonda and Muzaffarpur be discounted 15% from January 1st—March 31st and that from April first only Rs. 10 monthly in addition to pensions be given.

2. That the City Zenana funds in Lucknow be discounted 15% from January 1st—March 31st and that from April first there be an additional discount of Rs. 15 monthly.

The disposition of the amount remaining in the Promotional Fund, Rs. 334-0-0, was referred to the Field Reference Committee with power to act.

It was voted to have the Landour Language School Report printed in the minutes but not read on the conference floor.

It was voted to consider the report of the Nominating Committee item by item. The report as amended was accepted.

The conference voted to elect the representatives to the U. P. Christian Council by ballot. Miss Richmond and Miss Boy were elected with Miss Bragg and Mrs. E. A. Ilaiai Bakhsh M. D. as alternates.

The secretaries were asked to arrange for hours for the Woman's Conference on the Official Programme and to plan the agenda for the sessions of the coming year.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Miss Hoge to meet again at 4:15.
The meeting was opened by the singing of a hymn and prayer by Miss Taylor.

The reports of the Medical and Auditing Committees were read and accepted.

It was voted that the money, Rs. 55-11-6, from the Conference Library Fund be given to Miss Eveland to buy books for the district Libraries.

It was voted that the following memorials be sent to the All-India Woman's Conference:

As a conference we desire to reiterate the resolutions by the U. P. Division of the W. C. T. U. and express our resolutions (1) to further the cultivation of public opinion for the enforcement of the Sarda Act; (2) to express our hearty disapproval of the immoral traffic in women and children; (3) to register ourselves as against war and our determination to co-operate in every way we can with all peace movements.

We further also note with regret the tendency to increase rather than decrease the number of liquor shops in our provinces. We are convinced that this policy on the part of the excise officers will bring further economic distress to the people in these localities, especially to those of the depressed classes, and therefore we request that this policy be reconsidered and steps be taken to decrease the sale of liquor.

We further direct the secretary of our conference to convey our attitude on these questions to the All-India Woman's Conference in order that they might consider these matters and express their opinion on them at their session in Lucknow.

It was voted that the actual reduction in salaries be so fixed by the Field Reference Committee as to avoid fractions of pice in the Teachers' Provident Fund Accounts.

Miss Taylor, of Dehra Dun was introduced to the conference.

The report of the resolutions committee was accepted.

The session was adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Chitambar.
Reports of Committees

Field Reference Committee Report 1932.

*December 1931.* The doctors’ recommendation that Miss Shannan immediately proceed to America on emergency leave was approved and the Central Treasurer was instructed to arrange for the funds necessary for travelling.

*February/March 1932.* The following actions regarding the Cawnpore City work were passed;—Mrs. B. John shall be retired at the end of the summer holidays; full salary shall be paid for May and June, and Rs. 8 pension from July. Mrs. Lorenz and the other Bible-women who are doing city visitation among Christians shall be retired at the end of June and shall be given pensions according to their years of service, age etc. The conveyance should be sold at the earliest possible time and actual expense for hired conveyances as required for Miss Child’s supervision shall be allowed, but expense shall not be incurred for conveyances for the daily trips of Bible-women and teachers.

*April.* The Central Treasurer was instructed to pay the fees for the Muzaffarpur blind woman at Banchi; also to pay Rs. 5 monthly for Miss M. Claudius. The transfer from Balances to the fund for Homeless Women of sufficient funds to meet these expenses was sanctioned.

Furlough for Misses Whiting and Sheldon at the end of 1932 was recommended.

It was recommended that Miss Dunn be allowed to continue her work in Tilaunia until Miss Fernstrom’s return in 1933.

It was voted that whenever the girls’ and the boys’ schools in Arrah be amalgamated according to the rules adopted, the name “Sawtelle Girls’ School” may be changed to “Sawtelle School.”

Miss David was asked to permit the Central Treasurer to deduct from the Chambers Girls School hostel current work money the sum of Rs. 40 monthly, beginning with May, and to apply this on Miss David’s salary.

Permission was given Miss Frederick to use Rs. 50 from her balance toward extra conveyance hire and for miscellaneous expenses; the remaining Rs. 100 is to be returned to the Central Treasurer.

Mrs. Wilson was informed that Rs. 20 monthly can not be granted for teacher’s salary unless it is ascertained that satisfactory work is being done in the school.

The Central Treasurer was authorized to pay (during this period of readjustment in the Cawnpore City work) the actual salaries and pensions monthly, and also any necessary additional expense upon the receipt of bills which should be presented to her before the 20th of each month.

Pensions for Mrs. Lorenz and Mrs. C. Lall were fixed at Rs. 5 each.

The Central Treasurer was authorized to pay to Miss Tirsgaard up to Rs. 3,000 from balances, for the boys’ hostel building connected with the Sawtelle Girls School.

The Grant from the Anti-tubercular fund was continued during 1932 for Roseline Singh in Almora.

In substitution of the recommendation of the Village School Fund Committee it was recommended that the workers paid from the W. F. M. S. funds be required to collect “chanda” according to a scale fixed by the District Superintendent in consultation with the W. F. M. S. Supervisor of village schools, and that the “chanda” be deducted from the salary. We approve the District Superintendent paying the salaries with the understanding that he collect from the W. F. M. S. Supervisor only the actual amount paid to the workers. The money thus saved from the workers’ salaries shall be held by the W. F. M. S. Supervisor for the employment of other workers according to the rules of the Committee on Village School Funds.
Permission was granted Miss Hyneman to use from work money a sum up to Rs. 75 to build a bathroom and a servant’s room on the Board property at Shabpore.

May. The Committee voted to rent the property known as the Duncan White Institute for Miss Frederick’s use after July 15th, 1932.

August. The Central Treasurer was instructed to pay Rs. 35 monthly from the Deaconess Home Fund into Miss Frederick’s current work account. Miss Frederick was asked to pay Rs. 35 monthly as rent for the Duncan White Institute, beginning July first, 1932.

The purchase of three mats for the Duncan White Institute was sanctioned. Rs. 25 was granted from balances and the remainder is to be paid from Miss Frederick’s current work money.

Miss Bragg was authorized to borrow from the Central Treasurer a sum up to Rs. 3,000 if necessary, to help carry the building debt on Girls’ High School, until it is otherwise liquidated.

Considerable attention was given to the best means of meeting the probable reduction in W. F. M. S. funds for 1933. A reduction of 10% on missionaries’ salaries was voted as the first means of lessening expenditure. If a further reduction is necessary it was voted to accept a uniform reduction on all current work funds with a request for permission to readjust funds by transferring from one piece of work to another. The recommendation of the Furniture Committee that hereafter no furniture grants be sent from America with new missionaries coming to this conference was approved.

The Field Reference Committee regret Miss Child’s decision to resign from the work of the W. F. M. S. and voted that since her leave with salary was granted for past services she should not refund the salary paid during leave. It was decided that she is entitled to the Mission’s contribution to her Provident Fund.

December. Permission was given Miss Tirsgaard to continue the fifth class boys into the sixth class in the Sawtelle Girls School, for tuition fees only, during 1933.

Miss T. David was authorized to transfer Rs. 400 from the Gonda Primary Boys Hostel to the Chambers Memorial Girls’ Hostel account.

The following amounts were voted to be refunded to the treasury:

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After preliminary recommendations to the Woman’s Conference regarding the readjustment of funds necessitated by the 15% reduction the Field Reference Committee approved the amended suggestions from the Conference as follows:

1. Salaries of all workers paid by the W. F. M. S., who receive a monthly salary of Rs. 45, or above Rs. 45, shall be discounted by 10% beginning January 1st, 1933.

2. Salaries of all workers paid by the W. F. M. S., who receive a monthly salary of Rs. 20 to Rs. 44 inclusive, shall be discounted by 5% beginning January 1st, 1933.
3. Salaries of all workers paid by the W. F. M. S., who receive a monthly salary of Rs. 15 to Rs. 19 inclusive shall be discounted by 21/2 percent beginning January 1st, 1933.

4. All funds paid by the W. F. M. S., shall be withdrawn from the Gonda and the Muzafferpur Zenana work from April 1st, 1933, except Rs. 10 monthly which may be used to hire conveyances in order that the retired Bible women may visit as frequently as possible the Zenana homes where a real interest is manifested in the Gospel message. The persons in charge of these two items of work are instructed to sell the conveyances as early as possible and hire conveyances to the end of March. It is anticipated that the funds thus realized and the credit balance will be sufficient to finance the work through March.

5. There shall be no discount in the funds of the following items of work:—

   Arrah District Evangelistic work
   Ballia
   Lucknow
   Muzafferpur "District Evangelistic work
   Rent for Gonda Boys' Hostel, for the Allahabad plant and for the Duncan White Institute (for Miss Frederick).

6. All the remaining work shall be discounted 15%.

7. In addition to the 15% discount, Rs. 15 monthly shall be deducted from the Lucknow Zenana Funds beginning April 1st, 1933. It was suggested that the one in charge of this work initiate plans for self support to maintain the work as she thinks essential.

The following transfers of appropriations were made:—

   From Cawnpor City work
   To Buxar Educational work N. Y. $ 65
   To Ballia Evangelistic and Educational work, Phil. $32-50.
   From Gonda City and District work
   To Arrah Evangelistic and Educational work, Cinn. $65.
   To Ballia Evangelistic and Educational work To Basti Cinn. $130
   From Muzafferpur City work to Muzafferpur Evangelistic work full appropriation less Rs. 10 monthly to be held in the City work.

   It was voted to continue the present number of scholarships paid by the W. F. M. S. to the Manager of the big boys' hostel at Arrah (with 15% reduction) from January to June inclusive. From July, 1933, so far as funds are available, the grant shall be paid at the rate of Rs. 6-4 monthly for the actual number of Christian Primary boys living in the big boys' hostel. The number of such boys shall be ascertained in July, 1933, and thereafter annually.

   Ten scholarships were transferred from Hudson Memorial Girls' School to the Cawnporp Girls' High School.

   Three scholarships were transferred from the Allahabad Girls' school to the Arrah Primary boys' school.

   The matron's salary of the Gonda Primary Boys' Hostel was transferred to the Indigenous Workers Fund.

   The Finance Committee was informed that funds for district itinerating and district conferences can be continued only for those districts from which the two required patrons' letters are received before December 31, 1932.

   In as much as Miss T. David did not know about the recent emphasis on the ruling of the Foreign Department of the W. F. M. S. regarding furloughs for national women workers, it was voted to try to arrange work for Miss David in Delhi (her home) from July to December 1933. In case this can not be arranged six months' leave on half salary is recommended. This is a special concession which can not be repeated.

   Miss Lawrence was instructed to purchase a portable fan for Miss Frederick's use. The same shall be marked W. F. M. S. and shall become the property of the Daconess Home when not needed elsewhere.
Reports of Committees

Miss Whiting's return to the office of Central Treasurer after her furlough is recommended.
Rs. 5 monthly was voted to the person in charge of the Cawnpore City work.

Mrs. E. Peters was granted permission to open a kindergarten department in the Allahabad boys' school provided she asks for no financial support from the W. F. M. S.

The contribution for Roseline Singh was continued during 1933. This is to be paid from the Anti-tuberculosis' fund through the Isabella Thoburn College.

The remainder of the Promotional Fund was assigned to Balances.

Mrs. F. M. Wilson was designated to supervise the village schools of Gonda and Basti Districts and to handle the funds of the same.

Pensions for the Muzaffarpur Bible women were fixed as follows; Mrs. Ashraf Rs. 8 Mrs. Lassia Chetu Rs. 6.

Miss Lawrence was elected Chairman of the new Committee.

Property and Furniture Committee.

During the year the following plans were made and sanctioned for Buildings.

ARRAH.

An addition of 3 rooms to the line of rooms used as Hostel for Primary Boys in Sawtell Girls' School Compound.
4 rooms to be erected opposite the present hostel buildings to be used as Matron's quarters, kitchen, storeroom and sick room.

GONDA.

Three rooms and verandah, adjoining the rooms formerly used as hospital, with 3 bathrooms and a sanitary latrine for Teachers and a compound wall.
Remodelling of one old room used as a servant's room for a hospital.
Bathroom and sanitary latrine to be constructed in compound which is enclosed by a wall.

Furniture Grants.

Rs. 30 for an iron bed and Rs. 10 for a tea table for Miss Bear.
Rs. 25 for one dining table and 2 sitting room chairs for Miss Frederick.
The following list of furniture was approved for each W. F. M. S. Bungalow.

Drawing room: 6 chairs at least, 1 center table, 1 or 2 small tables, 1 book case, 1 setee.
Office: 1 desk for each person in charge of work, 1 almirah, 1 book case, 3 or 4 chairs.

Dining room: 6 chairs at least, 1 sideboard, 1 dish cupboard, 1 dining table.

Each Bedroom: 1 bed, 1 teapoy, 3 chairs, 1 writing table, 1 hanging almirah, 1 chest of drawers, 1 dressing table, 1 commode for bathroom.

Pantry: 1 hanging doll, 1 shelf doll, 1 work table, 1 hot case. No stuffed or reed or bamboo furniture to be purchased. Permission was given Miss Gantzler to loan Miss Frederick for her home on the Lal Bagh Church Compound 19 pieces of furniture from the Deaconess Home, the same to be returned when needed by the Deaconess Home.

The value of all W. F. M. S. properties has been ascertained and listed. The deeds for the same have been copied and are on file with the Central Treasurer and Secretary of Property Committee, respectively, save for the Gonda property and a search is being made for that deed.

M. TIRSGAARD, Chairman.
R. E. HYNEMAN, Secretary.
For the following items usually printed in the Annual Minutes kindly see the minutes for 1931.
Constitution of the Woman's Conference
Rules for the Provident Fund for Women workers.
Rules for Auditing.
Salary Scale for Teachers.
General Rules for Evangelistic Work.
Course of Study for Bible Readers.
Course of Study for Joint Examination Board.

Auditor's Report

The W. F. M. S. books have been carefully audited through September 1932 and the balances found have been reported to the Field Reference Committee for action.

M. C. LAWRENCE,
Chairman.

Auxiliary Committee Report

We tried to give mite boxes in every Christian home, both in the districts and in the city of Lucknow. Notwithstanding the straightened circumstances of some, it was wonderful how gladly they accepted them. One of our preacher's wives, who had gone through a very trying time and having a large family to support and a husband without work, on account of reductions in our mission funds was so grateful when one of her sons secured a position that she came to me with tears in her eyes and said, "Put my name down for Rs. 20 for the Baby Fold. I give it as a thank-offering." For sixteen months this family was in great difficulties as there were four children being educated and the father trying his best to carry on a small shop.

The little daughter of the Principal of the School of Commerce took a keen interest in her mite box and, of her own accord, placed in it Rs. 2 of her birthday money and persuaded her brother, who is a little older, to give eight annas of his savings.

Several of our workers, who were not able to give much themselves, went out and collected from others. A little day scholar at the Gonda Girls School, who had only been on the rolls a few days, was given a mite box. She brought four eggs to her teacher and insisted that those same four eggs be sent to the Baby Fold. With some difficulty the teacher convinced her that the eggs would have to be sold for money and the money placed in the box to be sent to the babies.

RUTH GANTZER,
Chairman.
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- Rs. 4 sent to Baby Fold together with a personal gift of Rs. 90.
- Rs. 10 sent to the Bhabua Mission.
- Cawnpore City Work Rs. 10; Baby Fold Rs. 30; Bhabua Rs. 30.
- Rs. 30 sent to Bhabua Mission.
- Rs. 50 to Bhabua Mission Rs. 120 to Warne Baby Fold.
- Rs. 33-4-6 sent to Bhabua Mission.

R. E. Gantzer,

Secretary Treasurer.
Schools Committee Report

The Schools Committee met during the Conference Session at Gonda and the following matters of business were transacted.
1. It was voted that each Senior Group in the Athletic Contest be allowed to drop any one event counting 20 points.
2. Misses Bear, David and Robbins were elected as the Athletic committee for the ensuing year.
3. It was voted that a nurse should start with an initial salary of Rs. 20 per month and get an increment according to that given to Junior teachers.
4. It was voted that Rule 4 under "Rules applying to Junior and Senior Teachers" should agree with the rule under the contract required by Government, and if any further leave be necessary, it should be referred to the Field Reference Committee.
5. It was voted that nurses should be entitled to six weeks vacation during the year, the time for the same to be determined by the Manager of the School.

Tara David,
Secretary.

Literature Committee Report

We feel that the time has come to make a radical change in regard to our conference library, and so recommend that it be discontinued as such and that the books should be divided to form the nucleus of district libraries. In laying the emphasis now on district libraries we urge that each district should put at least ten rupees a year into buying books so as to make these libraries of some real value; and we further recommend that in each district there should be a librarian whose business it shall be to see that the books are kept in circulation and in good condition. In this connection we wish to draw the attention of our conference members to the fact that Miss Eveland has been appointed by the committee to keep track of new books as they are published. The conference library list will be found to be full of suggestions, and there are various book Lists procurable.

We also recommend that each city church should establish a library of its own connected definitely with the church, and that wherever possible a room should be set aside as library and reading room. Many will have books and magazines in English which they will be glad to contribute, and with a little encouragement the members of a local church will be emboldened to subscribe for a good daily paper and perhaps a periodical or two such as The Indian Witness, the Kuki and the Treasure Chest as well.

We wish again to draw attention to the need of village school libraries. Miss Bacon has supplied us with the list of books she has found useful in such libraries. She writes: "We have the 'Funnies' from Jubbulpore, Miss Justin's books Jalebi, a nice little book of poems I found at Bhargava's in Lucknow, Langur aur Mali from the Lucknow Press, Ajab Desk, (a book of world wonders which I think I found in Bhargava's Lucknow), Dudd Malai, Bal Gopal, Lal Kabita Mala, Gudari ke Lat from the Tract Society Allahabad. Dudd Malai are little poems. I find the children love little poems in Hindi. Ajab Janwar and Aesop's Fables in Hindi are from Bhargava's Samundar ke Mahima, a book of sea animals, is from the Tract Society, Allahabad. We have also many school readers. The C. P. first reader is very good. We have the magazines Balsakha and Bhanugoya each month to put in. We have a few over a hundred books forming a school library for our schools. I had a Sunday collection of Rs. 10 and a Christmas collection of the same amount sent me from the Almora T. B. Sanitarium and from that I got most of the books. The Jubbulpore school made us some certificates, and when a child has read 10, 25, and 100 books he gets certificates telling how many he has read. All my books are in Hindi." We draw attention to the fact that as all our libraries should be centres of real Chris-
tian influence each should contain some devotional books and something in the way of a handbook of Christian teaching for reference. Such elementary handbooks as *Tukhm-i Talimat* or *Gyan ku Bij* (obtainable at the Methodist Publishing House) would be good books of this character for the village school libraries.

In connection with the village schools we are glad to note that our recommendation of last year has been carried out in the Arrah District, where the children in the central schools have made handwritten books for the village and muballa school libraries. We recommend that this plan be carried out still further and that our aim shall be that each child who has reached the fourth standard grade shall each year make such a handwritten book, carefully copying out some of the stories they have enjoyed most in their own library books, for these village schools. These books could be illustrated by cut out pictures or by self-made illustrations, and perhaps some of the more ambitious children will want to do something in the way of making their own book covers and bindings. In the higher classes the girls and boys could get excellent practice as well as do a fine piece of social service by making their books original translations into the vernacular of some of the store of delightful stories in English which so many of us long to share with these children.

During the year our conference has been responsible for the publication of two books in connection with the All India Literature Committee. Mrs. Raynor Smith's *Primary Arithmetic* was finally brought out early in the year by the Tract Society, Allahabad, and our press in Lucknow has just completed the publication of *Doodles*. Our request for 1933 is for the publication of a book of stories, translations of some of these written by and published by Bishop Badley, Mrs. Chittambar has consented kindly to see to the preparation of a book of a simple, devotional character for children, and Miss Abbott has been asked to prepare an arithmetic suitable for children in our village schools in the second and third year's work.

**Caroline Wilkie,**
*Chairman.*

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**Medical Report.**

Of the six girls' schools in the conference five have had the annual Health examination by Hospital or Government Doctors or by the Itinerating Health Nurse. (Through a misunderstanding the sixth school was not examined.) All children are regularly weighed and extra food and rest and Cod Liver Oil are given to those who are not gaining satisfactorily. As every year, many things are being done to improve the physical condition of the girls but only a few especially interesting and encouraging facts can be given in a short report.

There has been less Malaria than usual this year. In one school where a few girls did succumb they were given Quinine not only during the fever but the regular two months course. (Dr. Forman's). In a H. S. where the examinations were made by a Hospital Doctor the recommendation was made—and promptly acted upon—that exercise for constipation be given to all the girls before *chhori kazi*. In one school where a dentist visits the town only once in two or three years the missionary was glad to have the Oral Hygienist from Allahabad go over the teeth of all her girls and do the necessary cleansings, fillings and extractions. An optometrist from Bushnells has tested the vision of the girls in this same school, while in other schools girls have been taken to Hospitals or oculists for glasses. Two little girls who entered school straight from a village were very much underweight, having fever and indigestion. When taken to the Sadar Hospital for examination they were kept for a few days for Hook Worm treatment and have been gaining nicely since. In one school the Indian Doctor after examining a girl asked for consultation with the Assistant Civil Surgeon and pronounced the case one of "Lung Infection." The Sanatorium was suggested as the best place for her but, in the meantime, she was put to
bed, fed up, isolated, and given treatment by hypodermic. The encouraging facts here are that a case of Tuberculosis—it matters not about the name—was diagnosed early enough to allow of adequate treatment and arrest of the disease, and that this Doctor realized the advantages of consultation. Dr. Kipp has examined about forty girls in one school and as a result several girls have withdrawn while others are receiving special attention at school. In this school for two years the Health Nurse has advised Tonsillectomies for several girls whose parents would not give their consent. When word went to the homes that Dr. Kipp recommended the operation, permission was given at once. Several schools have expressed a desire to have Dr. Kipp check up on their schools as soon as possible. In the school where the girls live in cottages there is keen competition between the cottages as the names of the girls who have lost weight are posted according to the cottage in which they live. This gives a check-up on the work of the house-mother in her report of the way her children eat, and sometimes reveals the fact that some are losing because of quarrels which have gone on secretly behind closed doors. (Why "secretly"? because the girls have come to be ashamed of them!) In this school the girls take an early morning bath even in the cold weather and attribute their good health to this fact. They also do what is seldom done in this land—wash out saris and underwear when necessary without waiting for dhobi day, thus keeping clean ALL the time.

Evangelistic.

A good deal of Health and Medical work is performed done by all evangelists. Many people are persuaded to go to dispensaries and hospitals for treatment or operation and many are treated in villages, especially for sores, malaria, sore eyes and worms. Hindustani remedies are being used as much as possible by the workers as they can be had in all bazaars and are so cheap that the people can buy them. Quinine and cinchona are so expensive that chirreta is mostly used for malaria. Col. Birdwood's "Doctor" book is popular as it gives mainly Hindustani remedies. Dr. Forman's "Medical Chest for Village Workers" is also used. The people are so thankful for medical attention that they bring rice or vegetables or eggs as fees. One worker says that she is an eye and tooth specialist because she cleans up so many eyes and extracts, with her fingers, so many teeth. The Health Nurse has promised her a pair of forceps. Another worker took a woman sixty miles to a hospital for a cataract operation. Another has used health posters on fresh air, cleanliness, etc. in connection with her teaching in the Zenanas, and has given series of talks on Child Welfare and Temperance. The vision of the children in one Mahulla school was tested and three children will receive much needed treatment. The Oral Hygienist examined these children as well as men and women, extracting, filling and cleaning teeth as necessary. In this Mahulla the Christian panchayat stopped the worship of the Smallpox Goddess in their homes and gave the treatment suggested by the evangelist instead.

A. DUNN,
Chairman,

Temperance Committee Report.

The Temperance Committee bring the following recommendations for carrying on the temperance programme for the ensuing year.

Since the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is a registered body, proper recognition of its activities will be taken by Government. Further more, in the United Provinces registered temperance societies may have one member on the Local Excise Licensing Board, therefore study the "Rules concerning Licensing Boards" copies of which may be obtained from Temperance Headquarters, 24 Rajpur Road, Delhi. Get acquainted with the members of your Local Licensing Board and with all temperance enthusiasts; find out when the Board meets, what it recommends and frame your resolutions accordingly. Send copies of your resolutions to the Deputy Commissioner, to the Excise Officer, to the Editors of the Daily and Weekly
papers, and to the Organizing Secretary of the All-India Woman's Conference on Social and Educational Reforms. Miss S. I. Vincent, Lady Irwin College, 11 Barakhamba Road, Delhi, is the Organizing Secretary for Oude for the year 1932. Names of officers for the coming year will appear in the Witness, Kaukab-i-Hind and Indian Temperance News.

Arouse public opinion in favour of Temperance by making use of up to date literature which can be procured from the Temperance Headquarters. Literature is regularly advertised in the Indian Temperance News. One good method of arousing public opinion is by holding Medal Contests in some prominent public place after thorough advertisement. Always take up a collection. Helps may be secured from Mrs. R. I. Faucett, Ballia, U. P.

MARY S. PERRILL,
Chairman.

Resolutions.

We, the members of the Lucknow Woman's Conference, express our deep appreciation of the presence of Bishop and Mrs. Chitambar and of their high spiritual leadership. We are grateful for their sympathetic understanding of our problems and for their fellowship and helpfulness. We have also appreciated the gracious manner with which Mrs. Chitambar has presided over our meetings.

We mourn the loss of one of our members during the past year, and extend to the family of Miss Jane Peters our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

To those who have just returned from furlough, Misses Eveland and Richmond, we extend a hearty welcome and our best wishes for a successful and happy term of service.

To those soon to go on furlough, we wish a safe voyage and a restful vacation, so renewing their strength physically and spiritually that they may return for another term of service in India.

We rejoice with Miss Wheat in her new happiness and extend to her our best wishes for a long and happy future.

We regret that our absent members could not be with us and appreciate their greetings.

To our hosts and hostesses, who have so thoughtfully provided for our comforts, we express our hearty thanks, and assure them that our stay in Gonda has been most pleasant in every way.

M. TIRSGAARD,
Chairman.
District Reports

ARRAH DISTRICT.

Village Education.

I trust that this year has been one of my best. Altogether I have spent 192 days visiting with village Christians. I chose one Circuit and have spent most of my time in it. Once each month I have visited two other villages where we have small day schools. In the one Circuit, Shahpore, I have been mostly to two villages, Rudyenagar and Kalesar. In each we have a small day school which meets each day. Our effort has been not only to help the boys learn to read and write well but hope we have helped them learn enough from the Bible and about the Christian life to cause them to want to be Christians themselves. We trust that older folks, as well, have learned much and in fact we know that some know songs which they learned from the boys as well as much about the Bible.

Our effort has been to teach all about Jesus and to do for them as we feel Jesus would do. Their idea has been that it does not mean much to be Christians, just the help that we may give them in times of trouble, but we feel we have helped them feel it means far more and our prayer is that soon we will know that many have found Christ as their Saviour. We hope to see them as members of a live Church and a brotherhood of their own trying to live as Christ has taught us.

I feel we can help most when we live in a village where there are Christians. I have not realized this hope this year but I hope to be so doing when the hot weather comes. I have just camped for a month in a village where much lasting good has been done by a poor uneducated pastor-teacher who lived with his people. What he has done all of us surely can do if we live with those we serve. Pray for me that my life will be such that I can thus lead others to Him.

R. E. HYNEMAN.

Sawtelle Girls' School

Miss M. Tirsgaard, Principal.
Miss I. C. Bear.

We have had a good year in the Sawtelle Girls' School. The work has gone smoothly and well, and we have had no serious illness among the children.

The cottage system in the girls' hostel is developing and becoming more and more helpful. The girls seem to be more cleanly in their houses and to take more initiative. There is a healthy competition between the different cottages which adds to the interest in efficiency. The cottage gardens bloom in various colours and display the tastes of the individual families. We are encouraged and feel that girls growing up under this system should develop into dependable women. One girl has helped with medicine and has shown a special ability and interest in that direction. She has been helpful and responsible, and we are glad that she now, on finishing school, is able to take nurse training in spite of a physical handicap.

The Primary Boys' Hostel was crowded in the old buildings, and it was a great relief to have the additional three rooms that have been built this year. These, too, are already full, and more boys than we can possibly take want to come in January. This group of our family is full of life, fun and interest. These little boys are a wonderfully responsive and promising group. They have a fine spirit of unity, and are always active and eager to do anything.
A pack of Wolf Cubs was enrolled this year, and the boys take as keen an interest in that as the girls do in Guiding. There is quite a rivalry between the boys’ and girls’ hostels, and we have to be very careful not to show any difference, intentional or unintentional.

We have had co-education through class V this year, and it has proved as successful and wholesome in the upper classes as in the lower. The comradeship and teamwork of the boys and the ambition of the girls to excel in their work have stimulated the class work and heightened the moral tone of the group. As one day, when it was a question whose turn it was to play a favorite game in class V English. When a girl in one section took the game, the other side began to protest. A boy in the first section calmly and without a word took the game out of the girl’s hand and gave it to the other section. Thus the question was settled without the interference of the teacher, and the girls who had fussed looked ashamed.

We have a fine staff with whom it has been a joy to work. A fine spirit of co-operation has prevailed throughout and has greatly strengthened the work. Each teacher has shown real interest not only in teaching but also in the children themselves. Final examinations are just over, and we are starting the new school year. All the girls sent up for Government Middle Examination last year passed; we hope to be as successful this year.

Again we have tried to emphasize the spiritual progress of the children in all phases of life. Through the panchayat, the Bible classes, and the Chapel services we are trying to bring into practice in actual living the teachings of Jesus Christ. In these efforts we have found real helpers and spiritual leaders in our pastor and his wife, who have held the spiritual tone of the Church on a high level. It has been a high privilege to both of us to work in such close fellowship with Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Massey and the teaching staff.

BALLIA DISTRICT.

Evangelistic Work and Village Schools

Miss Edna M. Abbott, Missionary.
Mrs. A. M. Beecham, Assistant.

The past year in Ballia District has been one of definite progress in a number of ways. In looking over my diary I fail to find any evidence of a pre-arranged plan of work. My goings and comings, it seems, have been determined by various happenings and circumstances. We have tried to fit into the general work of the District and to meet the needs of the various places.

In May the Conference examiners came and examined the pupils of our schools. A number passed and are going on with the course in preparation for another examination this year. The examination had a salutary effect on both teachers and pupils. They are making a great effort to follow more closely the course of study laid down for them. In every school the work is more systematic and constructive.

The attendance problem still continues, and in some places has been aggravated by the lack of rain at the proper season. Even during the rainy season water had to be drawn from the wells for the crops. This made much extra work at a season when there is usually some leisure. The night schools also were affected, as the boys continued the watering of the fields (their own and those of the land owners) until quite late at night. Yet in one school the attendance has become very regular.

One school has had to be closed because of unfavorable conditions. In its place, we have two new good-sized schools. The transfer of a munshi from the Circuit center to an outlying village made possible the opening of these schools, one being held at noon in a near-by village and the other at night in his own home. During the year one of our teachers who had been sent to Lodhipur Community School for a teacher-training course, returned. He was put in charge of one of our schools, and is doing very good work, showing up well the training he has had.
A new feature of our work this year and one growing directly out of the village school work, is the organization of a Village Young Men's Society. The necessity of providing something for the larger boys and young men in our schools became imperative, so at the suggestion of the District Superintendent, the Society has been started. The boys who have learned to read, sing and pray in the schools are, of course, the chief "performers" and leaders among the boys and young men who are illiterate and largely untaught. We are emphasizing the four-fold development of life-physical, mental, spiritual and social. I have a vision of using the upper class in our schools as a training ground for the preparation of the older boys, to give out what they have learned to the boys of their own and other villages, through the Young Men's Society. This will provide an objective for our schools an objective which looks toward the improvement of village life, rather than the withdrawal of its brightest members to the larger centers.

The Brotherhood Movement continues, there having been held two District chaudhari (leaders) meeting besides Circuit meetings. These have taken considerable time from our regular work, but are very much worth while in the building of the Christian Church, which is, in fact, the goal of all our work. The presence of school boys in these meetings has been an encouraging feature. The boys have shown considerable ability in singing, and there has developed a wholesome rivalry among the schools as to which can furnish the best music.

Our work among the women has gone on as usual. My village Bible woman has gone among them with the Gospel message, and in those places where we have schools, and hence make frequent visits, the women are being changed. As faith in Christ comes into their hearts, the old superstitions and fears drop away.

All in all it has been a good year. We are seeking more and more to get our work on a foundation which shall be rooted in village life and not on the changing conditions of Mission service. The Kingdom is coming, yes, it is even taking root in these little, obscure villages of India. Whatever victories may have come in the past, we are looking forward to greater victories ahead.

Medical Work, Rasra.

This conference year seems to have come to a close more suddenly than is usually the case. That may be due to the fact that I did the unusual thing of leaving Rasra for some weeks this summer for a holiday in Nanl Tal.

It was wonderfully refreshing to be in the hills, but it was distressing to think of all the suffering that was endured without relief during the weeks I was having a good time in a cool climate. I find it possible to say that the general depression has not caused any falling off in our work. The decrease that you will note does not arise from the depression, but from my absence for nearly three month last hot season. The patients came as regularly as ever, and for about the same causes. Rasra is one of the backward places where the more fashionable ailments do not seem to have become popular, as yet, so that I still go along treating people for about the same illnesses as I have been doing for past years. But this difference I notice that an increasing number of patients come in bus and motor cars. This just shows that it is no longer correct to speak of the "unchanging East." While we still find plenty of carts on the road, we find that these are used more for the transporting of goods and that people are turning to motor transportation as being more rapid and comfortable even in proportion to the cost. This is a hopeful sign as it means progress.

The general unrest, that is noticed all over India and in all walks of life, is not entirely absent in Rasra among the simple village folk, though it does not seem to have taken so violent a hold on the people here as in some of the larger places. This unrest is not alone political and economical but it is religious as well. This attitude of doubt and questioning gives us an opportunity to set them thinking along lines that may lead them to higher truths. While engaged in the task of healing the body, we grasp
the opportunities given us to give the knowledge of Christ whose reception in the life brings spiritual health.

It is our hope that the simple words which we speak may lead some seeker after the light to the true light in Christ Jesus. Through God's goodness and help some individuals have been healed this year when it seemed that there was no help for them.

My helper, Mrs. Mall, has been ill for some time and at present I am entirely alone with the work. Pray that I may find some person to help me as I feel that I need assistance both in the work of the dispensary and in the work of evangelization.

| Indoor patients | 6 |
| Out visits | 10 |
| Obstetrical cases | 3 |
| Operations | 57 |
| Dispensary Patients | 5,540 |
| Income | Rs. 350 |

E. A. Ilahi Baish, M. D.

BUXAR DISTRICT.

Village Schools.

Nettie Bacon and Frances Paul.

For the first time in the five years that I have spent in the district looking after village schools I am really very happy over the progress they are making. With the exception of the work under one teacher, who has had no training not even for the month of our institute, the children are making satisfactory advances in their studies.

Last year a course was made for the village schools through out Lucknow Conference. The first examinations were given in February of this year. About fifty percent of the children sent up for the examinations were successful. During the month following the examinations the teachers came to Buxar for the fifth session of the Buxar Teachers Institute. The first year's course was again thoroughly gone over and the second year's course prepared to put across in the schools. After the institute the teachers returned to their schools to prepare the children for another examination next February and all have worked most faithfully toward that end. The course is finished in most cases and both first and second year children are, or soon will be, beginning to review for the examinations.

The courses are not simple ones and both teachers and children have to work in order to get over the ground. Four books are read in the first year and twelve in the second year. Eight of the twelve are read as supplementary readers. In both cases the readers required by government are required in the lists. In arithmetic the work required in district board schools is included in the course. An attempt is made to make the work practical and not encouraging the children to learn just by rote.

The first year of Clayton's Bible Stories is covered in the two years. Ten bhajans (Christian songs) are learned each year. The children also know the Lord's Prayer, the 23rd Psalm, Apostles' Creed, Zaruri Talim beside the memory verses with each lesson in Clayton's book.

A small amount of work in hygiene, nature study and hand work is also included in the course. Among the eight supplementary reading book is one in hygiene. The children learn to write letters and fill out money order forms. With part of the family working in Calcutta and part living in the village these accomplishments are much appreciated.

At our training school next February a third course will be added. Children showing possibilities will be sent to district board schools or mission boarding schools after finishing the three years in our village Schools.

At first it seemed so hard for a teacher to keep two classes busy at the same time. The tendency was for each child to recite by himself while the
rest of the children ran away for the time being. Now it is surprising to see how well they work together in classes and how quietly one class will sit and work independently writing or doing problems while the other class is reciting. The first class is usually in two sections so there are three classes to keep busy in most cases. One new teacher who opened a school after the training institute does this so easily and so quietly. He took a school that had been closed for some time and in three months had all the children who could read ready for the first year's examination. These older children are now about ready for the second year's examination.

A second new teacher started a school after the training then decided to go to Bareilly for Theological training. Another teacher was put with him the last month he was there to get hold of the methods he had learned in the training institute and then to carry on the school alone. This was a school that had been going for some time but none of the children had learned to read. The ten who were in the school before are now reviewing the course and four of the beginners are now reading the last book of the course. The school continues to grow. There are twenty-five registered at present. The school runs from eight to eleven and two to four. The last trip to the village we were planning to be present for the last session. We reached the village about half past one and met the teacher just leaving from the morning session. The teachers have no time pieces and when teachers and pupils are really interested one forgets all about time.

Miss Paul saw a Hindu from a village where one of our Lodhipur trained teachers has taught a school for two and a half years. He said, "We would like to put up a building for the school. ("Most of our schools have no buildings.) He said the teacher there spends his whole time with the children, teaching them, playing with them and helping them in every way. This teacher lives in the village with the Christian people. His influence counts with the whole village. Another worker lives there and works with him in the village. The second man has gone on to self support and receives nothing but his house rent from the mission.

The two women teachers are doing very fine work. Time does not count with either of them. They teach school nearly all day. One has a nice class ready for the first year examination and they read so well. The children seem like mere babies and several of them can not talk plain. There are also second year children in both schools. In the one school the children gather their parents together every evening for a little service, meeting in the different homes in turn. The children sing the songs they have learned in school, one of them tells the Bible story they learned that day while another leads in prayer. The other teacher has a school for the second year children in the morning with part of the first years. At noon some girls, who are shy to read with the boys, come with the first year class and in the evening the older boys who have to work in the fields during the day come for a night school. She gives so much of her time to the children and loves them.

Last year at Christmas time we were present for a programme in school. With the exception of one teacher's schools all had the place decorated. This year they are going to try and get the children to decorate their homes as well. The dramatizing of the Christmas stories were so interesting. The surroundings were so Oriental and the costuming so easily done. The manger was not one built for the occasion but where the village cattle fed every day. In one village one hundred people gathered to listen to the Christmas programme prepared by the school children.

Miss Paul is such a help in the work. I would not know what to do without her. She so quickly understands and picks up the many differences in the village dialect so new to her when she came here. She is a real teacher and loves so much to teach a class while the teachers observe. She is especially good in the teachers' institute. I am most fortunate in having her with me.
Missionaries, Jessie A. Bragg, Adis Robins.

"Let me stand still. . . . . There is no standing still. . . . . By journey-laws. . . . . I must go forward or must backward go."

One would choose to stand still even for a backward glance over the roadway of 1932, before venturing to report its ups and downs and pleasant level stretches. As one contemplates pausing, however, the scenery's changing assures one that a hasty backward glance is inadequate to measure the advance or receding of the year's journey. We believe 1932 has been an onward march toward the divine plan for the school. Many friends have helped the advance; a Divine Hand has surely been leading, and we as a school have tried to follow aright,—onward.

The beginning enrolment of January, 162, has advanced to the highest mark of 173 in September, which is 20 more than at any time last year. An outstanding feature of the second term has been the continued good enrolment since July, averaging 171. There have been 15 more boarders than last year. The total enrolment for the year is 210, an increase of 25 over 1931 and of 12 over any previous year.

Correspondingly fee-receipts have been somewhat better the increase of tuition fees for day-scholars by one rupee each pupil, as urged by Gov't. last year, was put into effect in July. This too has been a needed financial aid. The Government regulations for 10% "cut" in salaries and grants has reached us too. As best we could we have willingly met our share of these economic measures.

The music department, although not large, has not decreased. The four pianoforte candidates were successful, as listed on another page. One of the two theory candidates in November 1931 passed. This year two pupils sat for the theory examination, results of which have not reached us.

Five of the six Cambridge School Certificate candidates were successful, and one of three Juniors. Of the five successful Seniors four are in college for advanced training and studies. It is gratifying to note, in the course of a few years, the growing interest and ambition for advanced schooling. Even when the fulfillment of the ambition is prevented by circumstances the desire itself is uplifting to the individual and so to the tone of a school. Those who fail examinations often make admirable successes in life's further adventures and bring credit to their school and friends. Two Seniors are the only Cambridge candidates this year.

During the year 32 children have been financially aided, 16 by scholarships of the Women's Missionary Society, 4 by endowed scholarships or part scholarships, and 12 by gifts through the Education Fund of the school. Our Methodist English speaking churches of Naini Tal and Jubelpore, as well as our local church, are loyal friends who yearly help children through this fund. We gladly aid as many as we can with the limited funds.

For a while there was a lapse of Guiding activity, but since the rainy season it has been resumed, also the Bluebirds meetings. Hopes are being built for little boys being organised into Cubs next term. The kindness of Hazari Club in permitting the exclusive use of the swimming baths by the Girl Guides for an hour Saturday mornings is truly appreciated.

Dr. Addeley of the St. Catherine's Hospital has very faithfully and patiently continued in Medical charge of the school. There have been no serious illnesses. Dr. Addeley's personal attention to individuals as well as to general health matters deserves much of the credit for the good health record of the year.

Measurements are impossible in the realm of spiritual growth. The Y. W. C. A. girls have continued their activities under Miss Robbins' leadership. Interest in improving worship services has appeared in a new form. The tithing band continues its contributions to a tithebox which is opened once a year. The amount thus collected is used for a chosen poor child. Recently some little children gave a miniature concert on their own initiative the small proceeds of which are given by them to help a very poor little child get clothing to come into school next year.
Patiently trying to lead in the right pathway; also making possible those religious organizations, services, and daily personal influences which give opportunity for soul-growth are the main things that can be done. Even tillers of the soil and sowers are dependent on other powers for seed-growth. Great joy is theirs who live with children and see the little souls open to new lights from heaven. Discouragements come, of course, and keen disappointments when a child develops strongly and beautifully, however, is certainly working hand-in-hand with God. We would not stand still to measure advance. We would trustingly leave that to Him in whose name we serve.

It is in the same humble trust that we believe the year 1932 has found G. H. S. not standing still or going backward, but true to the journey-law of forward. So may it be in 1933 and all future years:—forward to the fulfilment of God’s purpose for it.

Hudson Memorial School

Miss E. Hoge, Missionary.

The past year has been as other years. School work always seems monotonous so far as reports are concerned, but how full of interest the days are only those, whose lives are wrapped up in some particular school, can tell.

Our numbers have been about the same as always. We have had 171 on the roll and this is a big responsibility.

During the year quite a revival swept over Cawnpore. Our girls were greatly blessed. One night they were praying so earnestly that some of our English neighbors came in to see if something had happened. I told the girls that God could hear them just as well if they prayed quietly and so they have not disturbed the people around since, although they have been just as earnest in their prayers.

Every Monday the girls conduct their own chapel exercises, even the very tiny ones, four or five years old. It is most interesting and they are very reverent in all that they do. It is a good training and it is encouraging to hear them reciting whole chapters of the Bible at times.

The teachers have a Prayer Circle which meets every Sunday morning. Many subjects are marked “answered” on our list and we are thankful for the faith that is shown. They, and the girls too, are praying for the Prohibition movement in America. They ask that the “18th Amendment” may never be repealed. It brings the tears to my eyes and ache into my heart when I hear these daughters of India praying for “Christian” America. May it be that that greatly blessed country may not disappoint the people of Hindustan.

All but one of our girls passed in the Government Examination last April. This year we have 17 in our Middle Class and we are hoping they may all be successful.

Our Girl Guides are doing good work. Miss Jeremy, one of our Senior teachers, is a Captain and has full charge of the Guides. We have a Blue Bird corps and also the Rangers.

At Easter time fifteen of the girls were received into full membership in the church.

Miss Jane Peters, of whose illness I spoke in my last report, was relieved from her illness and went to our Heavenly Home in April. We were thankful for her release as her sufferings had been intense. She was a most patient sufferer, and did much good during her illness.

Again I write with the glory of the chrysanthemums before me, and again I pray that the beauty of the Lord may shine through us constantly.

M. E. Mission Boys’ Primary School, Allahabad.

Miss E. R. Peters.

There is something noble about instructional work. Should an institution maintain that nobility students will come to it from different parts
of the city and the countryside in increasing numbers. We wonder, sometimes, where all our students come from and why they come. Sometimes those that come seeking admission in our School and hostel have to be refused for lack of room. We agree with Matthew Arnold when he says that "The prime and direct aim of education is to direct and enable a child to know the world and its Creator." This is the goal that we have put before us, and that seems to be the answer to the question as to why they come.

Last year the total number of students on roll was 104. This year it is 112. Out of these, 55 are Christians, and the rest are non-Christians.

There are two hostels attached to the School which have 44 boarders below 14 years of age under a Matron and four lady resident teachers whose motherly care of them makes them regard it as a second home. The health of the boys in the Hostels has been good and every care is being taken to prevent them from catching prevalent or seasonal diseases.

Class-room teaching work is faithfully carried on by our Staff who also make special efforts to give the subjects of the curriculum a practical bias so that it may bear close relationship to the everyday life and needs of average rural or urban boy. Boys passing out IV Class from our School have been admitted in VI Class of some of the local Schools. This shows the high order of our teaching, credit for which goes to the Staff.

Physical drill has formed an integral part of our daily schedule and supervised games are carried on in the playground.

The School has a troop of Boy Scouts. It rendered meritorious service in the last Magh Mela mention of which was made by the Scout Commissioner.

A garden has been laid out near the School. It has been divided into plots and each plot is worked by individual students. Vegetable Seeds were sown. We have already enjoyed the rainy season product of our garden and hope to have the winter product ready for use soon. This will decrease our expenditure for vegetables for the hostel this year.

Nineteen boys passed the IV Class last year. After passing out from our School they go and join other institutions. Some of them this year joined the Centennial School at Lucknow.

This report will not be complete if I omit to say something about the most important work which this institution is trying to do, namely, the building of character according to the principles of Jesus Christ. Scripture teaching in Class-rooms is imparted daily and religious talks in the Assembly hour are given for the moral and spiritual uplift of the students. The boys attend Sunday School and Thursday Prayer Meetings also and are benefited by personal work among them of the Pastor and the lady teachers. Every effort is thus made to lead our students to grow in the likeness of Jesus Christ for we believe that it is the only way of life which will free our Country and the world from the bonds of pettiness, greed and strife and usher in the era of love, brotherhood, peace and joy which we all follow.

GONDA DISTRICT.

Gonda Zanana Work, Village School and Conference Evangelistic Work.

MRS. F. M. WILSON.

My work has been more varied during this past year than at any time during my 33 years in India.

We were loaned to the work in Mussoorie for over six months, but the report of that belongs to the North-West India Conference. Of the 365 days of the year, the time in Mussoorie took out 210. Of the remaining 155 days we have spent 55 days in different parts of the Conference, where we have been called to attend District Conferences, Epworth League and Teachers' Institutes, village day schools, Chaudhari meetings and general evangelistic work. 25 days have been given to people of the Railway, here in Gonda, in attending weddings, funerals, baptisms, visiting
the sick and sorrowing and making pastoral calls. The remaining time here in Gonda has been spent in preparing work for the Zananas and village day schools, visiting the Zananas personally, attending to correspondence with patrons and general miscellaneous work.

Zanana work.

The four Bible women, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Samuel, Mrs. Barkhu and Mrs. Augustus, have continued their faithful work, four and five hours a day, five days in the week and have taught Mohalla Sunday Schools on Sunday. Uniform lessons have been given in all of the 150 homes. These are prepared before hand, and to some extent, adapted to the different classes of hearers, such as Hindus and Mohammedans. Lessons pertaining to the Christian Festivals, such as Christmas, Good Friday, Easter etc., so that the women may learn the deep spiritual meaning of these Christian festivals. These lessons are studied by the Bible Women at their regular prayer hour before going out to their work each morning.

Zanana work has been carried on in Gonda for many years and it has undoubtedly made its impress upon the minds and hearts of the women, and, although there have not been many visible results, they have come to know of Christ and the doctrine of salvation and of its requirements in character. Christian teaching is truly permeating the whole of India, and through the Zanana work it is even permeating the women in Parda and helping them to be ready for the new day, which is dawning on Indian womanhood, when a woman may openly become a Christian without being required to leave her husband and children.

Village Schools and Evangelistic Work.

Under my supervision are four village schools averaging about fifteen or twenty pupils each. The nearest one is about 25 miles distant and the others much further.

I have spent much time in organizing and re-organizing these schools and in planning work for them and helping with it for days at a time in the schools.

We have combined educational and evangelistic work, going to the places where the schools are, and staying for a number of days, working in the schools during school hours and holding evangelistic meetings with the children and their parents in the evenings. One of the great purposes of the schools is to furnish an evangelistic centre for building up the Christian community.

The school at Nanpara is the only one having a full time pay from the W. F. M. S. At Bahraich the preacher teaches the school, receiving part of his pay from that source and part from the W. F. M. S. The two at Balrampur are men who have learned to read and write in their own sweeper Mohallas by teachers the mission has furnished in the past. These two men do sweeper work themselves and teach the school at the noon hours when they have a little time off and when the pupils are also home from their sweeping work. While these teachers do not know much of methods, they have been able to keep the schools together and to keep the teaching going.

It is a great joy in these days of much propaganda in India about the Hindus giving up untouchability to feel that from the time missions started in India the Christian teaching has been for the brotherhood of all and the raising of these low caste people. The labors of the years are now bringing forth fruit.

We thank all who have contributed to the support of the Bible Women and to the school teachers and we bespeak prayers for all.

Chambers Memorial Girls School

Tuitional Work—Mary Richmond, 
Hostel Work—Taramoni David.

Miss Wheat, who was in charge of the school last year, sailed for America soon after Conference, to be married to Mr. Allen Ameruan. They will live in Los Angeles, California.
I have just returned from furlough and it is good to be back in my old place in Gonda.

Government Examination results were good this year and there has been normal progress in all the classes. We are becoming quite popular in the town and have now about fifty day pupils, mostly non-Christian.

The teachers quarters were built during the early part of the year, without waiting longer for the government grant as there seemed little hope of getting it and the need was so great. Now as the financial year draws to a close we have word of a grant of four thousand five hundred rupees which makes possible two new class rooms and a septic tank.

The family system in the hostel life has proved a great success. Each big girl in the family is responsible for a little girl in her family and in this way a spirit of helpfulness and service is created.

Special attention is given to the health of the children. This year Dr. N. L. Varma, Assistant Surgeon of the Government Hospital was engaged on our staff. He has given his very best attention to building up the health of the children.

Mrs. Jacob came to us as matron in July and Miss Nellie Ram as nurse. Both are hard working and will, we hope, help to make it a good year.

An interesting feature of hostel life is the Friday Group Meetings. These are on the panchayat system, in which all problems of hostel life are discussed. Weekly reports are given by the proctors and short talks are given along the line of character building.

LUCKNOW DISTRICT

Mrs. G. J. Shaw.

After having spent another year in the Lucknow District we feel that God has carried on his work in a wonderful way. Although, owing to shortage of funds, our workers have been fewer in number and their salaries reduced, yet they have worked on with gladness, uncomplaining and contented. We pray that a vision of God's love and care for his people may ever be uppermost in their minds.

At our District Conference, which was held in Barabanki, it was gratifying to us to observe the keen interest shown by the laymen of the District in the affairs of the Kingdom. Both men and women made contributions to the programme which were helpful and which showed their willingness to co-operate in the work of the church in bringing Christ to the people of Lucknow District.

Our missionary meetings have been interesting and inspiring. At our annual mite box opening nearly a hundred rupees were collected for the Baby Fold and for the Bhaua Mission. Women in the district had also been given mite boxes and they shared in the interesting work of giving for others.

We are grateful to Miss Gantzur, our district evangelist, who is always ready with her practical suggestions for carrying on the work of the district in the most effective way.

We pray that God may grant us faith, courage, strength and zeal for the work of carrying the gospel of Jesus Christ to the needy souls in our district and that His Kingdom may continue to advance and souls may be won for Christ in greater numbers during the coming year.

Evangelistic Work

Miss Gantzur.

Lucknow district has been greatly reduced for want of funds and some preachers have been obliged to be sent away and centres of work have been closed. In several villages the poor ignorant Christians have had no one to instruct or care for them. It makes one's heart sick. For years I have depended on the help of the district preachers and their wives and now, that they have gone, it makes it difficult to carry on the work.
We had a scarcity of rain this season so consequently the crops were not very good and the farmers are finding it difficult to pay their land rents, and they have scarcely anything with which to buy seed for the winter sowing. Notwithstanding all these difficulties, the people welcome us and some have shown their appreciation by being hospitable, one of the outstanding traits of Indians. A poor village Christian, scantily clad with only a loin cloth, came to the Dak Bungalow when he heard I was there and, with a beaming face told me that he had kept a little pig for me. I told him I was very grateful for his gift but I would rather he used it for his family. He was not satisfied with my reply and tried to get the preacher to persuade me to accept it. In another place a man borrowed a gun and begged for some shot and brought us a pea fowl. Others insisted that we drink milk and tea, which one would much have preferred them to drink, but all these acts show how much they appreciate our visits.

We usually hold our meetings in the shade of the trees or on the verandas where men, women and children congregate. The men sit on the burlap beds, as lords of creation, while the women sit on the floor. In one place, where there were a number of young women and it was not considered proper for them to sit with the men, I asked permission to go into the enclosure where I could talk more freely to the women, who could there unroll their faces. They gave me permission but, of course, one or two men had to be there to hear what I had to say. I gave them the lesson of the thief in the night and how we should always be ready for our call. One of the men was very impressed and went out and rebuked the preacher and said, "you have never told us this and it is perfectly true."

Towards the north of the district is a village which I visit about twice a year. A religious Hindu whom they call a Babu, lives there. He has several hundred disciples, both men and women, who come from long distances for instruction. He makes his living from these people by conducting religious services and by selling them sacred threads which are supposed to protect them from various evils. With beaming face he always gives me a very warm greeting, and sometimes he takes my hand in both of his and leads me to a prominent seat before all of his disciples who look on in wonder. This is rather embarrassing. We have had many an opportunity of giving his people the gospel and I feel sure it goes home to his heart but it is hard for him to give up his livelihood. This last visit he was determined to feed me with bananas from his field, I told him that we never came with the object of receiving, but to give what we had received. He said that he did not wish to feast me but he knew that God was in me and he wanted to feed His. I have prayed for him regularly for years and I hope some time he will know the truth.

Last year one of our good faithful preachers died and was buried in a little cemetery by the side of which is a road to a village. The villagers dreaded going on this road at nights but, since the old preacher has been buried there, they pass on that road at any hour of the night as they say he was such a good man and loved them so much in life, that now, though he be dead, he will not allow any harm to come to them. Such is the love and confidence of these poor ignorant people.

The dak bungalow is a place where one can have heart to heart talks with the workers, as it is there, in the quietness of the evening, they come with their problems. Many difficulties are talked over and mutual help is derived from prayer which is the greatest force in our lives. If nothing more could be accomplished by the district evangelist, it would still be worth while going among the workers and helping them to bear the cares and difficulties of every day problems, surrounded, as they are, by non-Christian influences.

Christian Mohalla

R. Ganjar.

The Christian women in the mohallas seem to be taking a greater interest in all that Misses Ward and Dhar are trying to teach them. In September they had a little programme of their own and conducted everything by themselves. One woman explained the meaning of the hymns they sang
They also told Bible stories very well. Many of them have learnt to pray quite intelligently. This is the result of regular systematic teaching. At the time of illness and death they behave very differently from their non-Christian neighbors. I do not know of any Christian mother amongst these women who ties sacred threads or any kind of superstitious relics on to her children. They know the benefits of hospitals, both for themselves and for their children. One poor woman, living in a remote village about 60 miles from here, came to me to get her eyes attended to and I had her admitted into the hospital as she is to have an operation for cataract in both eyes.

In the programme we have for Christmas, many of them take part and tell about the birth of Christ, the story of the Wisemen, the Shepherds etc.

A month before Easter they have special lessons leading up to the story of the sufferings, death and resurrection of Christ. This year they have especially learned about the miracles of Christ. One woman was very pleased to learn these for she said that she would be able to tell them to her children when they came home from the boarding schools and they would then know that she, too, knew about these things.

The Indian ladies at the Central Church always give freely and happily toward the Christmas fete for these poor Christian women, and a very happy evening is enjoyed by them. Some of them come hours before the appointed time, eagerly waiting for their little gifts and sweets. They know what Christmas means and the poorest among them cleans and decorates her home with colored paper and with pictures which we have given her. Something special is usually cooked and the family make a round of visits amongst their friends and relations and this keeps on all day. It would be a calamity if these poor ignorant people were to be deprived of their teachers, for in all of their affairs, either joy or sorrow, Misses Ward and Dhar are called in to share with them. The love and confidence which the women have in them is not to be wondered at for do they not give their love, time and strength to build these up so that they may be better disciples of Christ?

Deaconess Home.

Miss Gantzvar

The work at the Deaconess' Home has been going on as usual. The comforts of the guests, who come and go through out the year, are attended to. House to house visiting has been carried on regularly, also visits to the hospitals of which there are four. We had an unusually hot summer and several old people and little children succumbed to the heat. I find some of the homes in the European community in very bad circumstances. Fathers and sons without work and poor care-worn mothers and wives not knowing how to make the ends meet. This is the condition all over the world at present. It is difficult to go in and out among them and not be able to help them financially.

By God's help, I succeeded in securing a small monthly pension from a benevolent society for a poor widow who is unable to work any longer. A little Anglo-Indian boy going to a boarding school for the first time asked for a Bible and received it. Old magazines are often given to homes where there is no reading matter available and this little chap always looked for these magazines.

Church visiting amongst the people of Indian Christian community is also part of my work. In these homes I always receive a warm welcome and am told that the visits are missed when I am away in the district. There have been some sad cases to deal with when people have had serious family troubles. God has wonderfully helped me in dealing with these cases and helped me to bring comfort and counsel to the homes. Occasionally, it seems that people persist in having their own way and in thus increasing their difficulties and lessening the chances of having them overcome.

During the Dashehra meetings, early in October, the attendance of our people was good and spiritual blessings to many resulted.
D I S T R I C T  R E P O R T S

Lucknow Zemana Work.

A. Frederick.

It is with thanksgiving that we record the work of this past year. It has been a privilege and a joy to have had a part in the building of God's Kingdom. The Zemana Work is interesting, not only because of the different personalities which one meets in these homes but also because of the insight one gets into all phases of Indian life and because of the opportunities one gets for presenting Christ through the teaching of His Word.

Every home where we visit and where the girls and women can read the Vernacular, a Gospel portion is either sold or given to each. There are very few homes which cannot afford to pay at least two cents for a Gospel portion. The Gospels are read and studied with the help of the Bible Teacher. If girls are not advanced enough to be able to read the Vernacular, oral lessons are given them using the story method. Along with the regular Bible study we have had memory work; The Lord's Prayer, The Ten Commandments, The Beatitudes, several psalms and some of the Christmas story have been learned. The girls and women have seemed to enjoy this part of the lesson and have been able to recite the memory work very well.

During this year we have had many calls to come to new homes, but we have been able to open only about thirty as the Bible teachers have more houses than they can efficiently care for. We are cordially received in the homes we visit and sometimes we reach outsiders in our visits for all in the house, residents and guests, listen to the message given. While it is not possible for me to go to each home each week, I do accompany my teachers as often as possible; one week going with one, the next week with another, etc. While visiting these homes one has a variety of opportunities to bring enlightenment to these shut in women and girls. These days the Muslims and Hindus are more anxious that their girls and women should be taught than they were some years back. But the older women are lamenting that they, too, were not taught to read and write. They do encourage their daughters and grand daughters to learn. For these days unless a girl can read, write, cook and sew, she stands a poor chance for marriage as the men of the present day do not wish wives who are illiterate and untrained in homemaking.

This year we find that thirty of our homes are subscribing for the Urdu edition of the Woman's Friend. Also during the year we have been giving Temperance and Hygiene teaching and we find that there have been good results from the teaching as some of the homes are being kept cleaner and sanitary conditions are somewhat improved.

Taking women to the hospital for medical treatment has also been a method of service. Our Zemana Bible Missionary Society has a hospital in the city and the doctors and nurses are very generous in their help given to such patients.

Nine of these purdah ladies came to tea one afternoon and, after refreshments had been served, they were taken across the compound to see our church. They were quite impressed with the church and one of the women expressed a wish that she might come to one of our services.

We have many interesting girls and women in these Zemana homes. Abdah Begum is one of these. She had been taught the vernacular before her father's death as he wanted his girls to be able to read the Koran. Since his death she has learned to read English and has become an interested student of the Bible. We feel that she is truly a Christian at heart and we pray that the time may soon come when she will dare to come out openly and confess Jesus as her Saviour.

For the faithful service and co-operation of my helpers, for the continued prayer and support from the friends in America, for the guidance and strength for the task assigned us, we give our thanks to God and trust Him for continued blessings throughout the coming year.

RAE BARELI DISTRICT.

W. F. M. S. Report 1932

Mrs. S. B. Finch.

Rae Bareli district has eight centres where the Bible women and their husbands are stationed. These Bible women visited during the year 148 non-
Christian families and taught them hand work and the Christian religion which has created in them hatred for sin and superstitious things to which they were addicted before. This has influenced their lives to such an extent that their ideas and attitude towards us have changed into one of love and respect, and they now anxiously wait for our next visits, which persuades us to believe that they are not very far from our Saviour, who shed His blood to redeem them also.

There are six Sunday Schools through which we impart Christian doctrines to non-Christian minors and adults. Some of them are not regular in their attendance, but the glad tidings of the Gospel given to them makes them happy and, whenever they get an opportunity, they not only come themselves but also bring others to our Sunday Schools. We gain acquaintance through these little ones with their parents, and also with other new families. Our chief aim and responsibility is to bring more sheep into the Fold and persuade and teach them to be true and faithful Christians.

We have market days at all those places where our Bible women live so these village Christian women and girls flock there to buy their necessities and then they visit us also. So we get another opportunity to teach them about Christ and have short prayer meetings with them, which makes them happy and helps them to grow in Christian grace and experience. During the year four hundred and thirty-one village Christian women and girls visited us. Among the Zenanias we sold many Gospel portions and distributed several thousand religious tracts to non-Christian families and we pray to God that the seed thus sown in weakness may bring forth abundant fruits.

We held our District Conference in the first half of October this year at Rae Bareli which was attended by all but one Bible woman whose husband had died in September. The programme was interesting and the services were a source of rich blessings which we all received for ourselves and for furthering the cause of the Kingdom of Him Who said ‘All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.’

Besides the regular Conference members, the Christians of the Rae Bareli city also attended the services and were blessed, and were happy to meet so many of our Christian workers who are scattered in the two districts of Rae Bareli and Unao.

We are grateful to the W. F. M. S. for their very kind and generous help towards our Conference travelling expenses. May God supply all their needs according to His riches in Glory by Christ Jesus.

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TIRHOOT DISTRICT.

District and City Zenana Work.

Mrs. G. L. Lorenzo.

Every year when I write the annual report and think of all the blessings, mercies and opportunities of the past year, my heart overflows with joy and gratitude. And I cannot help exclaiming, like the Psalmist, “Bless the Lord, O my Soul, And all that is within me, bless his Holy name.”

In the district we have six circuits and there are Bible Women at the centers of these six circuits. These women have carried on their work of spreading the gospel with earnestness and sincerity of purpose.

In the Muzzafarpur City we have had a good year. Early in the year we were much helped and encouraged by the visit of Mrs. Chitambar who was with us for two days and who visited some of our homes. Her visit and consultation with our Bible Readers brought strength and inspiration to all.

We find that the message which we have to give is welcomed by many families, both Christian and non-Christian, and homes are opened to us for teaching and preaching. We have been able to serve these homes in a variety of ways.

Our Bible Readers have collected money for the Baby Fold, both from Christian and Non-Christian women, and they have attended the large Hindu melas where they have been able to distribute many tracts and to preach to the women and children in attendance there.
In a country like India where religions are so many and where there is so much in the way of temptation, it would seem that there should be no question about the need of zenana work among the non-Christian women and girls. As we go into the zenanas and teach the women and the young girls, we are teaching the future mothers of India. We go to these women, who are now in the custody of caste and creed, and in the depths of social backwardness and of old and strange superstitions, and we take them the knowledge of Him who is the "Light of the World" and we believe that the time is coming when these women will come out of the darkness into the light and will bring with them their husbands and fathers and brothers and that Christ shall be glorified.

Indiana Girls' School.

Jennie M. Smith, Missionary.

The enrollment for 1932 shows an increase of nearly 50% over that of 1931. This has meant enlarged opportunities as well as greater responsibilities. It has been a joy to see little village girls, timid and frightened at first, develop into trustful, healthy, happy members of our family.

The staff is practically the same as that of last year, most of the members being former students of this school who have returned to serve here after they have completed their training.

That the same high standard of scholarship has been maintained is evidenced by the fact that again all the girls appearing for the Government Middle School Scholarship Examination passed. The percent of passes throughout the school is high. The annual examination was held in November and the new year is beginning with renewed and earnest zeal on the part of both teachers and pupils.

Two members of the staff attended the Sat Tal Institute on Religious Education. This has given an impetus to the daily work in Religious Education and has also resulted in one teacher conducting Junior Church for the younger children since July. Several temperance programmes have been given by the girls under the direction of the teachers. The staff also assist in the work of the Sunday School and Missionary Society.

On the whole the health has been good.

Definite cases of victory over sin, sincere testimony regarding new light and growth in grace, and voluntary daily practice of Bible study and prayer are special blessings for which we thank and praise our loving merciful Father.

District Evangelist

M. Sheldon

Another year, the second in my work as District Evangelist, has passed, and it has indeed been a happy one, in spite of opposition. When we see the victories He wrought, we are even more confident that the battle is His and ours is but to wait with patience the Salvation of the Lord.

In the main, our efforts are concentrated, working with one group at a time, trying to establish a strong Christian Baradri,—in reality a Christian Church,—in that group before leaving it for the next. This does not mean, however, that we are leaving other Christian villages untouched or are neglecting the non-Christians, for each week-end we go out to do this type of work also.

Until last April, we continued our work in the Gudri Mohalla, which we had begun there the year before. The marvelous transformation in one year's time paid abundantly for the intensive work done there. When we began there a year ago they were Hindu in all their practices, observing all the Hindu festivals, sending their children out to beg, observing child marriages or no marriage at all, and taking their dead to the Burning Ghat. The Mohalla was famous for its filth, drunkenness, gambling, quarrelling, and fighting. There was neither a school nor a church, and not a single child was in school anywhere. The people became sick and died without any one's seeming to care. It was God's will that they die, so what could they do?
Now after one year not a single Hindu lock is seen, no Hindu festivals are observed, children are married and the dead buried by Christian rites. There is a regular day school with good attendance while eight boys and three girls are in Mission Boarding Schools, and others intending to go after the Christmas holidays. At the request of the Brotherhood Panchayat (the "Official Board"), the Municipality granted these people a half holiday each Sunday that they might go to church; so services are held each Sunday when they join in repeating the Lord's Prayer, the Apostle's Creed, sing and play their bhajans with great joy, and listen reverently to the messages given to them. Each month Holy Communion is given. Children tell us that prayer is offered at each meal and at bedtime in their homes. A series of evangelistic services were held and the testimonies given at that time were most gratifying. Twice some of the men have volunteered to help in evangelistic work among their non-Christian caste brothers in the villages. Recently when an aged childless widow lay dying, they took care of her, giving her food from their own, and sometimes they would gather round her to pray for her. Three couples who had been living in adulteries realized they were living in sin and asked that they might be married, choosing Christmas as their wedding day.

Their loyalty to Jesus Christ has been severely tested. Aryas have offered them clothes and money if they will become Hindus, telling them that they can come into the temples and that untouchability is a thing of the past. And Satan has tested them in even more subtle ways. For instance when one of the Gudri men had gone to great expense in getting his son's wedding party to the girl's home, a distance by bus of thirty-two miles, he was met by the girl's father who threatened to call off the wedding if certain Hindu rites were not performed. When every pice means so much to these poor people I shuddered at the temptation, but the father of the boy was just as firm and said he, too, would look elsewhere for another girl. The argument lasted until long after midnight; but it was finally decided that they should be married by Christian rites.

Another test came when a caste brother asked the whole Christian Baraderi to join in a feast, the meat of which had been offered before idols. They refused the invitation, and as a result a quarrel ensued between one of the Christian families and the family of their son's father-in-law, who took his daughter back to his home and refused to allow her to live in the Christian home. A Panchayat meeting was held, and it was decided that if the boy and his family would thereafter take part in their sacrifices, the wife would be returned to the boy. Before the large assembly of Hindus both the father and the boy said, "Never. We'll never turn our backs on Jesus Christ." This happened when there was not a single Christian worker present and I was in the Hills.

Superstitions are breaking down. When smallpox and chickenpox broke out in the Mohalla, the Panchayat decreed no puja, and that medicine should be applied—a thing unheard of before. At the Chhat Festival, a time when the sun is worshipped, they were told their children would die if they did not offer their gifts to the sun; never-the-less, they obeyed the order of the Panchayat and did not present their offerings.

In April of this year we left this Mohalla in the hands of Mr. Lyall, the teacher-preacher, and my helper and I went out to another so-called Christian village where we have opened a school, and where the Brotherhood rules have been presented and accepted by the people there. Church is held there each Sunday and every morning there is a prayer and Bible study period. Medicines are given out, volley ball and other games are played, and school is held twice daily. Two little girls from that village have come into the Girls' Boarding School here. It was in this village, before we started our work, that the bride's father was determined to have certain Hindu rites in the marriage mentioned above; but I am glad to state plans are under way for the marriage of another girl of that village at Christmas time, and the father wants a Christian ceremony. We have engaged another teacher-preacher for this place and hope to be able to leave this village soon to establish another church somewhere else.

Just a month ago we were called to another place to give baptism to a whole village. We were most happy but felt they should be given certain instruction first; so we went there to remain ten days. After a few services, the Aryas and Zamindars began threatening them that their land would be
taken from them, and telling them there was no benefit from joining a foreign religion, etc. Even in the face of all this, some still wanted baptism, but we felt it wiser to wait until all were ready. I know they will yet come into the fold, for his promises are sure. Please join in prayer for them that they will trust him fully and come into his Kingdom.
Inter-Conference Reports

Isabella Thoburn College Lucknow.

The year 1932 will probably be remembered in the College as the year of the building of the two sections on the east and west of Nichols Hall. They are now completed and we are already occupying and enjoying most of the rooms. These give us practically all of the class-room and laboratory space that we shall need for years to come. But we hope the dream of our Assembly Hall and a separate Chapel may be fulfilled some day. In some ways the new buildings are almost a source of embarrassment, because people take the fact that we have been building in this time of financial depression as a sign that we have somewhere found unlimited resources, whereas in reality, with our funds curtailed by Government and missionary society, we wonder how we are going to manage the increased cost of upkeep which they entail.

The year will also be remembered as the year in which Miss Shannon was forced to leave on account of her health. As many will be inquiring about her, I may say that the latest word is that she hopes to be well enough to return by the end of the college year in April.

I shall not attempt to make this a report of the college year. Since I know that brevity is what you desire, I shall merely give you a few little incidents out of our college life that will perhaps be of interest to you.

You will take it for granted that the girls study their daily lessons and put forth their best efforts to pass examinations, and you know that the college bears the reputation of a high standard in examinations, but you may wonder what other things the girls do, especially in the way of religious activities and service in the community.

The Y. W. C. A. is a real center of power and initiative and a fine training ground for leadership. There was a very earnest spirit manifested in the preparations for the joint camp at Sat Tal and the students returned feeling that it had been very much worthwhile. One of the most earnest of the delegates was a Hindu girl who had with difficulty secured her father’s permission to attend. She felt that it was her one chance for anything of this sort and made the most of her opportunity. Her face was aglow when she came in after her return to tell how much it had meant to her.

Among the most worthwhile things are the weekly discussion groups. There are about 10 of these, with from 8 to 10 students in a group, led by a teacher. In these there is free interchange of ideas and frank discussion of problems of religion and of Christian living. The teachers feel that they get to understand the girls and can help them through these groups more than in any other way.

Five girls are teaching Sunday School classes in the Hindustani Sunday School, four groups go to a nearby Mohalla for village Sunday School, a student with a group of helpers has charge of the servants’ school, and another of the school for servants’ children. They also help with the Sunday School for children in the servants’ quarters, and with the Sunday service for the servants.

The Prayer Group have their weekly prayer meeting regularly. Last year they sent out teams of three to five to five of our nearby district schools for a week-end. This year so far they have gone once. Each team took as its theme, “What it means to be Christian”. First they got acquainted with the children by means of games, etc. The first meeting was a song service. There were two formal meetings, one on Saturday evening, at which three of the girls spoke on different aspects of what it means to be a Christian, and one on Sunday morning, at which there was one main speech, followed by short talks by the rest of the team members on “Why I am Glad I am a Christian”. Each meeting was followed (after an interval) by discussion groups, and also by personal interviews. The Sunday service was held in the church, and was attended by others besides the school girls. In two of the places, the girls were asked to take extra meetings for the older people of the church—which
they willingly did, although they had prepared to have children’s meetings only. Many messages of appreciation have come in about this. I can quote only one, but it will indicate something of what this opportunity means:

‘We surely did enjoy having the Team here with us over the week-end and I wish you, too, might have heard the wonderful testimonies that they gave in the church service…….I seem to feel a different spirit as I go in and out among the girls and believe that they have indeed received a great blessing from these helpful meetings……..Let me express my appreciation of the work that…….your group of girls are doing. I think that this is a step in the right direction. L. W., Gonda.’

The two church choirs are very faithful and they certainly contribute much to our services of worship both morning and evening. The daily Chapel services are conducted on Mondays by the principal, three days by members of the staff, and on alternate Wednesdays by an outside speaker and by the classes in rotation. The services are of a high type and are always helpful.

Students who write back speak oftenest of the Sunday after-dinner song service. In these services we become familiar with a wide variety of hymns from our Methodist Hymnal, and in the closing prayer we always remember the former students and thus there is a fellowship between students past and present. One of our Christian girls who is teaching in Bhopal in a school of which one of our Muslim graduates is the head, wrote recently of how lonely the two are, especially on Sunday evenings, and of how the two get together and sing hymns and remember Chand Bagh days. She said a favourite of J’s is No. 820, ‘I want a principle within’. Girls often write and ask us to sing a certain hymn for them on Sunday evening.

It is something for which we are ever thankful that our beloved Founder started the college with the idea and maintained it that there should be no distinctions of race or creed or religion. That atmosphere so permeates the college that there is no question about it. At the opening of college a young Hindu man brought his sister. He asked many questions and seemed anxious that she should enter into every activity of the college. He mentioned wanting her to belong to the Y. W. C. A., and the only restriction he suggested was that he should not like her to room with a Mohammedan. Of course, there was no difficulty in acceding to this request, but I noticed that before the first term was over one of the Muslim girls of her class was her best friend and each is as much at home in the other’s room as in her own. This is not uncommon but a typical incident.

At present we have on our rolls 108 Christian students, 12 Muslims, 25 Hindus, 3 Sikhs, and 3 Brahmons, totalling 151. Of the Christians 43 are Methodists, 41 Church of England, 14 Presbyterians, 4 Roman Catholics, and 6 of other denominations. They come to us from many parts of the country and with varied backgrounds of training. Continue to pray for Isabella Thoburn College that here the students may receive richly and that going out they may give freely.

We receive to give.

AVA F. HUNT.
Officiating Principal.

Lal Bagh High School Lucknow India

As we come to the close of the year and to the writing of another report we find our chronicles are much the same. We say this has been the best year or the busiest year, yet we are perhaps too close to the details to get a clear idea of the whole task; so it is with the details of the work that this report must deal.

Our teaching staff has changed little in the year. Mrs. Prem Nath Dass left us to join the College staff in July and Miss Edwards and Mrs. Gration took up work in other schools. Miss Kishore and Miss Janes came as new teachers and only last week Miss Clancy arrived from America, so the staff in school and hostel now numbers twenty-five. And it is through the faithful efficient daily work, of the members of the staff their loyal cooperation in all plans for the
school and their example of life and work that the high standards of the school are maintained.

The total enrollment so far is 364, and a larger number than usual, some 50 or 60, have been refused for lack of room. Prep. A and B and the VII A and VII B classes are the ones that have been full from the very beginning. But we cannot take more in these beginning classes for added sections here would soon make double sections on up through the school for which we are financially unable to arrange. Unfortunately in the lower classes it has been thus necessary to exclude 35 or 40 little boys; so this year we have only 59 small boys in the school. In VII A we had an initial enrollment of 60 the largest we have ever had. Eight more applied for admission but the sixty had filled the two sections for which we had arranged and reserved the last scholarship available. By sections the enrollment is divided as follows in kindergarten 27, in the Preparatory and Lower Primary Classes 115 in III, IV and V 70 and in classes VII to X, our High School group, 152.

Eleven were sent up for the High School examination of 1932 and all passed; two were placed in the first division with Distinction in Mathematics, seven in the second division and two in third. Of these, two are now in college, four are taking the Normal Training course, three are teaching and two are at home. We will send up a class of sixteen for the examination of 1933.

But examination results are only one measure of success. This month at a Test Board Conference in Bareilly I one day counted 23 former students of Lal Bagh in attendance, and if a roll of teachers in the Girls' schools of the province were taken we would find a much larger number. So we measure success not only by examinations passed but also by what you can do. Recently in a discussion group, in answer to the question, 'What makes one person worth more than another?' this answer was given. 'The use which we make of what we have and what we know.'

The regular subjects of the required curriculum we teach as a matter of course. The real value of a Christian boarding school for girls comes in the 'more than that' that we are able to add to the required curriculum, through Chapel Services, Scripture classes, supervised study, game hours, chorus classes, Guide training, the example set by teachers in work and play—through all these and many other incidents of school and hostel life new standards are set and higher ideals of life and living are inculcated. A love of reading is being developed in some through the library hour. The Guides this year made their own uniforms and attended the first Guide Rally each wearing the frock she had made.

Our girls still teach in the City Sunday school, which numbered over a hundred and eighty at the last meeting, others teach in the Primary department of the central Sunday School. Some sing in the Hindustani Church choir, ten have charge of groups at the games hour and a variety of hostel duties give most of the girls a chance to learn by doing. The last two months have been used by some of the girls in sewing for the N. M. S. sale, and one group has been making clothes for the servants' children that are in school. Since July they have been collecting money in the mite boxes for the Babyfold and when the boxes were broken at the missionary meeting last week they were much pleased to find that they had collected over Rs. 20 in their boxes.

At Easter time a class of twelve girls was admitted into full membership in the Methodist Church and one was confirmed in the Church of England. Special classes were held for several weeks previous to this in preparing them for this important step.

The Junior Church, with Miss Violet Stephens in charge, has had a successful year. About sixty children attend the service and take a keen interest in the same.

So the work follows much the same line year after year, but we hope we are holding our standards just a little higher and a little more securely than we did a year ago.

G. C. DAVIS,
Principal
INTER-CONFERENCE REPORTS

Blackstone Missionary Institute

At the last meeting of the Board of Governors of the Blackstone Missionary Institute, they expressed their approval of the purpose and work of the School of Religious Education in both Vernacular and English Departments. Their action, "that in the light of the demand for such courses as are given by the Muttra School of Religious Education the English Department be continued on the present basis," has made it possible for the staff to plan ahead definitely as to courses to be offered and practice work to be done.

Conditions in Miss Clarke’s family made it necessary for her to leave for home before my arrival on the field in March. We began at once to make plans for the new school year, and to study the curricula and housing conditions of Government Vernacular and English Training institutions, so we might surpass, if possible, the standard set by Government for teachers in training and practice work. In light of this study, we have arranged a dining room and kitchen for the English Training girls in their hostel, so they no longer eat in the bungalow. However they do continue to share the social life and family prayer life with the staff and missionaries. We have arranged a schedule of practice for Seniors and Juniors which includes two eight week periods of teaching Bible in the Boarding School to children of different age levels. Each Senior has practice for eight weeks, two hours a day in teaching in a Muhalla School where she in turn teaches reading, writing, arithmetic, games, and health. In all of the practice work, the supervisor is present when the lesson is taught and holds daily conference with the girls about the work. Our Zenana practice work is carried on in the same way. The girls spend two hours a day, three days in a week for a month visiting Mohammedan homes and then later in the year, spend a like amount of time in Hindu homes. We have selected different types of homes, so that the girls may not only learn to deal with those of different faith, but with those whose standards of living are different.

All of the Seniors and most of the Juniors are doing practice teaching in the Sunday School which is organized into three departments. In their programme Building class, they are learning to conduct different types of meetings for children of Primary, Junior, and Intermediate age. Our emphasis throughout the year has been on the practice work and its supervision; for we consider it very necessary for girls who are to be future mothers and leaders in India.

Last May five girls graduated from the English Department and four from the Vernacular Department. All of the girls have posts and seem happy in the service that has come to them. Two of the graduates of the English Department became members of the staff of the Vernacular Department so as to relieve Miss Hector and the missionaries for supervision of the practice work. This coming May, we hope to have eleven graduate from the different courses. There are always more calls for girls than we can supply. The girls are eager for service and are beginning to think of that service in terms of what they may do to help bring India and her millions to know and love Jesus Christ.

In every way the staff has cooperated with Miss Randall, Miss Bradley, and myself to make this year one of the best we have had; we continue to thank God for his goodness to us and the share we have in training young women to become leaders in the Kingdom of God Movement in India.

GARNET M. EVERLEY.


In view of the Financial Difficulties facing so many missions it is a cause for thanksgiving that the Language School has had such a successful season during 1932. The attendance was one of the largest on record and at the same time the interest has been good and the work most satisfactory. This is due in part, at least, to the good reputation for students have come from missions that hitherto have been unfavourable to the school, and some of them are very enthusiastic in their support as the result of the help received this summer. Thus the school continues to prove its usefulness.
There were four sections of First years Urdu both terms, two sections of Second Year Urdu, both terms, four sections of I Year Hindi the 1st term three sections during the second term, and two classes of II Year Hindi. Hindi 1st term, and one class in Punjabi was held during the second term. A class for tutors met twice a week during the second term and was taught by the Principal, and an examination was held at the close. A special class in Medical terms was also held for two weeks during the first term. And Dr. Douglas Forman lectured to this class for three days.

Twelve students were examined in I Urdu out of which three passed in the First Division, and one with distinction, and six students were examined in First Year Hindi, three passing in the first division and one with distinction. There was one failure and two conditional passes among the Urdu candidates.

Monday Morning Lectures were held as usual and well attended by the students as well as the general community.

The new Sunday School rooms and the sanitary improvements built by the Kellogg Church were greatly appreciated and proved a big help in the school.

Receipts and expenditures were just about equal and amounted to more than Rs. 19,000. The sale of books was in charge of Mrs. Cummings and totalled more than Rs. 1,000. The school also supplied tutors to the outsiders. more than 30 missionaries availing themselves of this service and paying a fee to the school for the same.

Mary Wilson Sanatorium, Tilaunia.

Staff.

Early in the year, because of ill health, Dr. O. G. Taylor, who was acting as Medical Director, was forced to go home to America. This left Dr. Martha Nikanth, Asst. Medical Director, to carry on the work until this fall when Dr. C. I. Kipp returned from furlough. In October Dr. Nikanth was married and resigned her position. There have been no other changes on the missionary staff.

The Junior staff this year has consisted of two staff nurses, one teacher, one Baby Fold attendant, and the matron. Recently one staff nurse has resigned in order to take a course in midwifery.

New Equipment.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, held in February, a local committee was appointed to purchase batteries for the electrical plant. This Committee decided to buy the used batteries from Madar. These were, with difficulty, installed and for several months were unsatisfactory, but the plant is now in fair working order.

With the gift of money received last year from the “Lady Irwin Fund”, 16 new hospital beds were purchased. These new beds, with adjustable head rests and wheels for rolling them about, have afforded great comfort to the very ill patients and are greatly appreciated by them.

This year another one of the wards was enclosed with expanded metal. In front of two of the wards stone platforms were built. The patients are taken out on these roofless verandahs for sunbaths and they also sleep there during the hot weather.

Nurse Training.

Three probationers, who started the nurses course found the work too difficult and did not continue their training, but were kept on as helpers in the wards.

Seven nurses from Bareilly and five from Brindaban took 3 months affiliation course in Tuberculosis and School Nursing. Since the inauguration of this course, 32 nurses have completed the work and received certificates.

In connection with “Health Week” observed in Ajmer during February the Sanatorium had a tuberculosis exhibit. The nurses prepared stories, lectures, and posters for this. The work done there was a very practical demonstration of the use these nurses can make of their knowledge of Tuberculosis and its
prevention. By request the exhibit was displayed one day for the Indian
Princes of Mayo College.

School and other Activities.

Since the beginning of the school in July there have been about 30 children
in school. Several convalescent patients have been helping with the school
activities. Handwork, sewing and gardening projects have afforded useful
occupation and healthful exercise for the patients. Sunday School and Church
services have been conducted as usual.

A teacher from the Ajmer Girls School, while spending her summer holiday
in Tilaunia, started the Girl Guide work. In July the Provincial Commissioner
of the Girl Guides, came to Tilaunia and enrolled a company of Girl Guides
made up of patients and nurses. There is now a flock of Bluebirds who are
hoping some day to become Girl Guides. While some of the girls are handi-
capped and, because of physical disabilities, cannot pass all of the tests, yet
some of the Guide work has been of great interest to them. Another teacher
from Ajmer now comes twice a month to hold the rallies.

Baby Fold.

Fortunately, as there have been no babies in the Baby Fold for some
months, it was possible to use this building as a ward for boys. When the
Madar Sanatorium closed some small boys were transferred to Tilaunia. So
most of the year there have been five little boys in the Baby Fold under the care
of a matron who lives with them.

Health Department.

The best news to be given regarding the Health Department is that its
Director, Dr Kipp has returned from furlough. From Oct. 24, 1931 to Oct.
30, 1932 seventeen schools were visited, in 14 of which all the children were
examined. In these schools 1707 girls, 377 boys and 96 teachers and nurses were
examined. Return trips were made to three schools to check on eyes, teeth,
weights, and one return visit to help a school nurse, who had had the 3 months' 
course at Tilaunia, get a good start with her work.

Four days were spent in Ghaziabad examining the “Chaudries” and their
families, and one class in the boys’ school. Methods of teaching practical health
were discussed with those in charge.

Sometimes it is very difficult to get corrective measures done, but even-
tually many are done. This fall an American dentist gave of his services and,
as a result, a girl, who for 4 years had had dental work recommended, was
treated for 5 permanent teeth that were abscessed.

Other children have had their vision much improved by faithful treatment
of eye conditions. Any eye specialist, visiting the hospital at Bareilly, operated
on a girl who was blind in one eye, and as a result she has a fair amount of
vision in that eye. Another girl, who could see objects only at 6 feet, can now
see objects at 40 feet. Another girl, failing in her Middle Examination for the
second time in a school where health examinations had not been done, was
transferred to another school and there it was discovered that her vision was
defective. Glasses were provided, and very shortly the girl stood first in her
class.

Last November, for the second time, health lectures were given to the
Bengali mothers attending the Women’s Institute in Sangrampur, Bihar. One
talk was given to the mothers at a District Conference. Just now a request
comes from the State Zenana Hospital, Jaipur, for a talk to the nurses there.

Through the request of Miss Fernstrom, the Library Service sent out
50 books on Hygiene and Health Teaching which were distributed to our schools.

In Tilaunia 20 lectures on School Nursing were given to three different
groups of affiliating nurses during the year. It is gratifying to see that the
nurses, who have had the course, are doing considerable health work in their
schools.

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