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SERIES 3\RECORDS RELATING TO HONAN

(Including the work of Honan Missionaries in Shanghai, Szechwan, Kweiyang)

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<u>SERIES 3\RECORDS RELATING TO HONAN. - 1925-1955.</u>			

Series consists of minutes of the Mission Council and its Interim Committee, 1932-1941; correspondence of the Executive Secretary with the field Secretary, 1928-1947, and the Christian Literature Society for China, 1928-1949; correspondence of the field Secretary, treasurer, and the missionaries, for the period 1927-1955 (incomplete); and some pamphlet literature dealing with the history of the mission.

83.058C	56-1	<p>Correspondence of W.M.S. with Mission Secretary Honan Mission: General Correspondence Letter to members of Mission asking for lists of personal and Mission losses to be sent to Home Boards, and to be submitted to the National Government of China. Some lists of losses.</p>	1928
	56-2	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence Most of the papers are letters from Dr. W.C. Grant, the secretary for the Woman's Missionary Society in Honan, to Mrs. H. R. Inksater, the Dominion Board secretary for South China, Honan and Shanghai, and also to Mrs. Anson Spotton, the Executive Mission Secretary.</p> <p>The first letter announces the creation of the new position, Executive Mission Secretary, outlines the duties of this secretary, and informs the mission that Mrs. Spotton will fill this position.</p> <p>Letters deal with payment of missionary salaries on the basis of the gold standard, losses suffered by missionaries and the damage to mission property during the recent evacuation. Miss Helen McDougall was appointed field secretary for the W.M.S. in Honan. A letter of January 28 comments on the minutes of Mission Council which met early in January. The Council requested the appointment of additional missionaries, especially nurses, and the return of all W.M.S. workers to the field. Other matters dealt with by Council included cost of living allowances in port cities; sale of Girls' School, Wuhan; appointment of Miss Brown to Shanghai; bequest made by Mrs. McClure and her sister for work among women and girls. Shantung University made a request for \$1,000.00 as a unit of maintenance. A statement dated April 28th discusses cooperation between the Chinese Synod and the Mission. Conditions in Honan</p>	1930

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		due to war were described.	
83.058C	56-3	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence The correspondence is between the Honan Field Secretary and Mrs. Inksater and Mrs. Spotton.</p> <p>Several letters deal with the appointment of Dr. Jean Miller, who had requested a term of three years without language study. The Mission suggested five years, including one of language. Mrs. Inksater reported the return to Honan of Dr. McTavish and Miss Preston, and the appointment of two new nurses, Miss G. Menzies and Miss Doyle. Work in Changte was reestablished as union medical work. Mrs. McGillivray was appointed to the Christian Literature Society, Shanghai. The Manchurian crisis was reported. There is a letter from the Consul-General regarding school property rights and government registration of schools. Scholarships were available at Ontario Ladies College for overseas students.</p>	1931
	56-4	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence Most of the correspondence is between the Mission Field Secretary and the W.M.S. Executive Secretary.</p> <p>On Jan. 18th there is a letter to the Mission Secretary from Dr. A. R. Kepler, General Secretary of the Church of Christ in China which deals with the newly recognized principle of the Church of Christ in China having direct relationship through its Synods with the church in Canada. Requests for mission grants, and the administration of the grants, were to be made directly to the church in Canada without consultation with the Mission Council.</p> <p>Correspondence dealt with extra grants for missionaries in Shanghai, due to the high cost of travel and medical expenses. A tense situation is reported in Shanghai, due to Japanese aggression.</p> <p>The mission secretary commented on the minutes of Mission Council. Subjects discussed at Council included the appointment of Dr. Menzies to Cheeloo University, the retirement of missionaries, the return to China of Violet Stewart,</p>	1932

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		<p>the allocation of medical staff. Difficulties between missionaries and Synod were referred to the General Council of the Church of Christ in China, and to a special meeting of Synod.</p> <p>In February a request was made for missionary representation at W.M.S. Board meetings. Matters concerning the work in Shanghai were dealt with in February and March. These included the sale of the Shanghai property, the terms of appointment of Mrs. D. McGillivray to work in Shanghai, transportation grants for Shanghai missionaries, and estimate for salary for Chinese assistants.</p> <p>Further correspondence dealt with the following matters:</p> <p>Mar 29 - Grants for Changte electrical plant, and for personal losses of missionaries. Grants to Synod to be direct, not subject to Mission alteration.</p> <p>Mar 31 and May 23 - Leasing property in Changte.</p> <p>May and June - Estimate of amounts for repairs for property</p> <p>May 21 - Appointment of Dr. Mary Grant to Honan. The return of Miss Stewart. Difficulties due to unsettled conditions.</p> <p>June 1 and 29 - Cooperative medical plan.</p> <p>June 28 - Cuts on salaries and grants to work.</p> <p>Sep 26 - Shanghai work, Miss French and Miss Brown.</p> <p>Oct 31 - Medical expenses of missionaries.</p> <p>Nov 18 - Hwaiking hospital; Weihwei kindergarten; reduced appropriations.</p>	
83.058C	56-5	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>The correspondence is between the Field Secretary and the Executive Mission Secretary.</p> <p>In January correspondence dealt with medical cooperation and the Hwaiking hospital. There are comments on the minutes of Mission Council regarding Nurses' Training School, the appointment of W. Harvey Grant as mission secretary, and the request that the W.M.S. appoint a teacher to the Canadian School for missionaries' children.</p>	1933

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		<p>In February there were letters re financing of medical work and the payment of drugs. Difficulties were arising because of reduced grants. There was a request for rehabilitation funds for Weihwei and Taokou buildings.</p> <p>Joint medical work was discussed in April. There was a recommendation that the names of W.M.S. missionaries be included in the United Church Year Book.</p> <p>At the Dominion Board in May estimates for 1934 and 1935 were based on a decrease of 15% on salaries and of 12.5% percent on maintenance. The fluctuating rate of exchange created difficulties in finance.</p> <p>In July mention was made of the depletion of evangelistic workers on the Honan staff. There was a need for missionaries with training for work in mass education, rural reconstruction and religious education.</p> <p>In August reference is made to the minutes of the mission executive committee meeting. Yellow River Flood Relief was very urgent.</p> <p>Later in the year a statement was made to the Home Boards regarding a study to evaluate the work in Honan. Concern was expressed that reduction of grants would result in reduced work at a time of great opportunity.</p>	
83.058C	56-6	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence The correspondence is between the Field Secretary and the Executive Mission Secretary.</p> <p>In January the correspondence concerns the furlough and return of Misses Forster, Sykes and French. More workers were needed.</p> <p>In February a report is made of literacy classes in the villages. Questions had arisen regarding the administration of Cheeloo University and Hospital, and whether the W.M.S. grant was to be used for the university or the hospital. Comments were made on the minutes of the 1934 Mission Council in regard to grants to Synod and Cheeloo, and to the Girls' Primary School. Letters from</p>	1934

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83.058C	56-7	<p>Honan Synod to the Board expressed thanks for helped received, submitted estimates for 1935, and asked for an advance on 1935 funds to assist in the opening of girls' schools.</p> <p>In March a letter was sent to Mrs. Spotton outlining the need for a larger evangelistic staff. In order to meet basic rural needs the field requested the appointment of one child-welfare worker, one kindergarten worker, a religious education worker, a theological graduate, a girls' leadership worker, and a vocational and household science social service worker. Other subjects of correspondence in March were Shanghai travel and staff, and the question of residence of retired missionaries on the mission field.</p> <p>In April, correspondence dealt with shorter term of service in Shanghai; grants for re-opening of girls' schools at Changte and Weihwei; Weihwei residence; the return of Miss Isabel McIntosh impossible because of poor health. The need for young women workers was again emphasized.</p> <p>Further correspondence was concerned with a house in Weihwei for which an evaluation was made, and which was purchased for the W.M.S. Cheeloo University grant was reduced, and reductions on 1935 grants were made on the same basis as for 1934. Plans were made for Dr. A. E. Armstrong's visit to Honan. Misses McLennan, Evelyn Buchanan and Isabel McIntosh arrived in Honan. Work was planned on the translation of medical books into Chinese. The Shanghai property was sold.</p>	1935
		<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence Correspondence was between the Field Secretary in Honan and the Mission Executive Secretary and the General Secretary.</p> <p>A letter from Dr. Grant reported many opportunities for mission work, with routine work in schools and church going on in a satisfactory manner. Christmas services went off well. W. M. S. estimates were adopted by Synod, letters of thanks were sent from the Synod Moderator.</p> <p>Council met in January and</p>	

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		<p>included discussion of the following topics: appointment of a W.M.S. corresponding secretary; preparations for the mission Jubilee in 1938. Council requested the appointment of a nurse with training in public health or administration. Other requests were for evangelistic and educational workers. Further business was concerned with residences for missionaries, a religious education building at Taokou, special projects, for Mission Bands, furloughs and return to the field.</p> <p>A letter enclosed a list of missionaries in Honan in 1935, twenty-four in all, including the three in Shanghai. Miss Doyle resigned to be married.</p> <p>The mission executive meeting in March was reported on by Dr. Grant, when discussion centered on the need for new recruits for the mission staff, the appointment of a W.M.S. corresponding secretary on the field, reparation fund, residence of retired missionaries on the field, age of retirement, and statistics required by the Church of Christ in China. Correspondence during the year continued to deal with some of these subjects, as well as with the appointment of Miss Edna Durant, the illness and resignation of Mrs. Spotton, and the withdrawal of Foreign Mission Board personnel due to the financial emergency in Canada.</p> <p>Disturbed conditions in Honan were mentioned in April and November. There was considerable correspondence regarding girls' schools, which were the responsibility of the Synod, and for which Synod had asked for special grants. Shantung Christian University (Cheeloo University) was given a special grant of \$2,500.00 because of extreme need. In September there is a statement regarding the Christian Literature Society and the retirement of Mrs. McGillivray. The W.M.S, initiated a study of policy, and sent a detailed questionnaire to all missionaries for study and report. In December Mrs. Hugh Taylor was appointed</p>	

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		Foreign Mission Executive Secretary.	
83.058C	56-8	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>In January a letter was sent regarding the sharing of expense in the office of Mission Treasurer in Tientsin, where half of the treasurer's time was spent on W.M.S, business. Mission Council appointed Mr. George K. King as corresponding secretary of the mission, and Miss Winnifred Warren as corresponding secretary to the Woman's Missionary Society.</p> <p>Need for staff, especially for religious education, was emphasized. The grant to the Christian Literature' Society was increased, and a grant made to the Church of Christ in China for the new department of Christianizing the Home. The first woman student in Theology had entered Cheeloo university. The question of scholarships or bursaries for women students to study in China or Canada was discussed.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Forges visited Honan in the fall. Dr. Mary Grant resigned to be married. Miss Warren sent a statement of expenses in rural reconstruction. There was correspondence regarding statistical reports and missionaries' personal reports. Include in the papers is the statement made by the Committee on Policy, with recommendations to the Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Missionary Society.</p>	1936
	56-9	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>The death of Mrs. Spotton was reported, and sympathy expressed from the field. Questions dealt with by Mission Council were the subject of much correspondence. Grants to Synod were discussed, as some misunderstanding had arisen regarding the way in which they were calculated; the W.M.S. share in the mission business office in Tientsin was increased to one-third of the total expenditure; changes were noted in postal addresses used for mission stations (An Yang for Changte, Chi Hsien for Weihwei and Chin Yang for</p>	1937

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		<p>Hwaiking); plans were made for the mission jubilee celebration in 1938; bursaries for study in Senior High School, Cheeloo University, and in Canada were discussed; a W.M.S. residence was planned for Tsinan, but later postponed because of the war. The mission was experiencing great financial difficulty due to the rate of exchange used in submitting estimates. This was the subject of much correspondence, but the W.M.S. Board decided that no change should be made.</p> <p>During the spring, word was received of the appointment of Miss Margaret L. Hargrave and Dr. Ethel Noble to work in Honan. Missionary reports and lists of missionaries were sent to Mrs. Turnbull, editor of the annual report.</p> <p>The Board expressed its desire for continued participation in the work of the Christian Literature Society in Shanghai. The Board also reported its decision to take a permanent share in the work of the national Christian churches. Grants made to these churches in various mission fields by the W.M.S. helped to reduce the financial strain being experienced by the Foreign Mission Board. Adjustments were also made in 1937 in regard to Joint Medical expenses, with the plan to come into full operation on a 50:50 basis between the W.M.S. and F.M.B. in 1938.</p> <p>Plans were being made for Mrs. Taylor to visit Honan in the fall of 1938 at the time of Jubilee celebrations.</p> <p>Serious disruption in mission work occurred during the summer when hostilities broke out between Japan and China. At a conference of missionaries certain action was agreed upon if it should see advisable. This included transfer of funds to Shanghai, shipping out of personal valuable, possessions, evacuation of missionaries from Honan, plans for keeping mission property free of military occupation, and plans to cooperate with the Red Cross.</p> <p>Missionary sailings from Canada were postponed, and later cancelled.</p>	

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83.058C	56-10	<p>Margaret Brown experienced the horrors of war in Shanghai, went to Hongkong for a time, then returned to Shanghai. In September Miss Warren wrote of the Mission Council Executive meeting, and the decision to remain in Honan if possible. As the province was experiencing very bad floods, funds for emergency expenditures were granted by the Board. Conditions became worse, with bombings in Changte, continued fighting around the city and finally the occupation of the city by the Japanese. Missionaries were safe, with little damage to mission property, but conditions gradually grew worse.</p> <p>As the two new missionaries had not been able to sail from Canada, Miss Hargrave found work in the W.M.S. hospital in Hearst, but Dr. Noble resigned from the Mission.</p> <p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence The correspondence is chiefly between Miss Warren and Mrs. Taylor or Mrs. Loveys.</p> <p>This was a very disturbed year for Honan. Mails were uncertain, missionaries moved from place to place as circumstances permitted, regular mission work was interrupted but much work was done with refugees. Advisability of the return of missionaries after furlough was not certain either in Honan or on the part of the Board. Synod, Mission Council and Mission Executive were unable to meet because of the impossibility of travel between stations in Honan. Much of the time no communication at all was possible between mission stations.</p> <p>In January Miss Warren wrote of the continued movement of troops and refugees north and south. Railway lines were cut. Christian families took refuge in Weihwei property. Famine relief funds were used as necessary for medical relief, etc. In March Weihwei and Hwaiking were taken, with all missionaries reported safe. In a letter sent by hand to Shanghai Mr. MacKenzie outlined the tragic situation under the Japanese. It was estimated that there were 6000 refugees in the Weihwei property. In</p>	1938

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		<p>May Mr. Copland wrote from Hankow of military movements in the Hwaiking area.</p> <p>In spite of these disturbed conditions, requests were sent home for the appointment of new missionaries, and the return of Mrs. Menzies, Miss Hodge and others to Honan. There is also some correspondence regarding repairs and furnishings for W.M.S. houses, and the repair of the Health Centre at Weihwei. Reports, estimates, etc. were dealt with as usual, as far as was possible.</p> <p>The Jubilee celebrations had to be cancelled in Honan, but were held in October in W.M.S. auxiliaries in Canada.</p> <p>In October three nurses were appointed for three-year terms in Honan, to leave Canada in January.</p> <p>Regretfully Mrs. Taylor wrote from India the Board had cancelled her visit to the Far East, due to war conditions.</p> <p>Historical booklet, 1938. Letters from Don Farris re Honan floods.</p>	
83.058C	56-11	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>Mission Council met in February and dealt with the following items: resignation of Miss G. Menzies, furlough of Miss Warren, retirement of Miss McLennan, repairs to W.M.S. residence at Weihwei, buildings for women's work at Taokou, and budget for rural reconstruction.</p> <p>During the first half of the year there was much more opportunity for work than in 1938. Country work was encouraging, with a great demand for Bibles. A letter of June 5th stated that hospital work, women's work and theological classes were all being carried on. A request was made for the services of refugee Jewish Christian doctors from Europe. The General Assembly of the Church of Christ in China reported the inauguration of a programme of mission work among tribes people of China.</p> <p>Miss French was to retire; Miss Brodie requested that she be moved from Tsinan; Miss Menzies was married.</p> <p>Mr. McKenzie reported</p>	1939

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		<p>unsatisfactory conditions in regard to mission work in agriculture.</p> <p>Beginning in July the correspondence reports increasing difficulties. The city chapel in Weihwei was taken over by the Japanese. A letter sent by hand by Miss McDougall in Peitaho reported that travel and communication had become very difficult; there was trouble in both Weihwei and Changte, with mission property being occupied by the Japanese.</p> <p>Several of the missionaries had serious illnesses, and Miss Shipley died of typhus.</p> <p>Three successive floods were the highest in forty years, causing extreme damage to crops. In August the mission requested delay in the sailings of those coming from Canada. In September a Japanese order came for missionaries to leave Changte and for both missionaries and Chinese to leave the Weihwei mission Chinese to leave the Weihwei mission property, including the hospital there. There was a boycott of missionaries at Changte and also anti-British demonstrations at Hwaiking and Peking. The correspondence to the end of the year deals with war, floods, illness, evacuation, looting.</p> <p>Many of the letters also deal with allocation of mission staff, to other positions in China. Invitations came for them to join the mission in West China, but many were reluctant to go such a distance, as they hoped to return to Honan before too long. In a letter of October 30th Miss McDougall reported that the Mission Executive planned for a group to be centred in North China, in work in Tsinan, Peking and Yenching.</p> <p>On December 14th Mr. King gave a survey of conditions in Honan. Changte had been looted, Weihwei hospital was carrying on, no report had got through from Hwaiking.</p>	
83.058C	56-12	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence During this year there was increasing disruption of work due to acceleration of the war.</p> <p>A letter from Mr. King To Mrs. Taylor, January 29th, commented on</p>	Jan-June 1940

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		<p>the minutes of the Interim Executive committee of the Honan Council, and also reported on conditions in Honan. In the Taokou Area a Chinese medical assistant was keeping the hospital running. It was difficult to hold a Synod meeting as half the Synod was in free China, half in occupied territory. Strong anti-British activities prevailed in north China. Requests were made for help in famine relief in Honan, where need was desperate.</p> <p>Relief work was being carried on among flood refugees in Tientsin by Misses Hodge, O'Neill, Sykes, Gay, Sommerville, Mary Boyd, Dorothy Boyd and Dr. McTavish. Plans were being made for Dorothy Boyd to go to Chengtu, Miss Sommerville to Kweiyang under the Church of Christ in China, Miss Stewart to Ming Teh Presbyterian School in Nanking, Miss McDougall to the London Mission in Amoy.</p> <p>Miss Gay was sent to Tsinan to nurse Miss Coral Brodie who was seriously ill with "a cerebral seizure due to malaria". Plans were made for Miss Brodie to return to Canada with Mrs. Ratcliffe. Miss Dinwoody, after furlough in Canada, was appointed to Ahousat Residential School. Miss Elizabeth Thomson requested to be released from her 3-year contract in order to be married.</p> <p>Late in February news came of the loss of mission buildings in Honan by fire. Dr. Struthers and Mr. King visited Changte with H. B.M. Vice-Consul in March, where they were greeted by an anti-British demonstration at their hotel. Inspection of mission buildings showed pilfering and fire damage.</p> <p>Much of the correspondence for several months deals with the allocation of missionaries. The Board wished as many as possible to go to West China to relieve shortage of workers there, but Honan missionaries did not wish to go so far from Honan. Appointments were being made to other places by the Church of Christ in China. Questions then arose concerning the relationships between the Missions Cooperating Council of the Church of Christ in China and the home Boards of the mission.</p>	

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		<p>Appointments were made and changed many times as conditions varied. Miss Dinwoody was appointed to West China, but she desired to do Phonetic work in Shanghai. In a letter dated April third from King to Taylor a policy statement was presented in regard to keeping a staff in Honan; the needs of the area were outlined in detail, and arguments advanced for not sending missionaries to West China.</p> <p>In April Miss Brodie arrived in Toronto. The appointment of Dr. McTavish and Miss M. Boyd to the Canadian Anglican Mission hospital was approved. A paper dated May 20, entitled Who's Who and Where gives the location of all Honan missionaries.</p> <p>In June Mrs. Taylor reported steps taken for the provision of funds for mission fields during the state of war.</p> <p>Miss Preston and Miss Stewart were transferred to West China, and financial arrangements made between the two fields. A letter also dealt with representation on the Board of Directors of the Christian Literature Society in Shanghai.</p>	
83.058C	56-13	<p>Home Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>The correspondence continues with plans and counter-plans for the stationing of missionaries. The Board still wished the missionaries to help fill the need in West China, but the missionaries themselves were unwilling to go so far from Honan.</p> <p>In a letter of August 9th Mr. King reported on a conference of mission staff at Peitaiho Beach on Aug. 2 and 3, and a meeting of Interim Committee on Aug. 5. A request was sent for the return of Miss Brydon and Miss Warren from Canada. There is also an interesting account of the relationship between the missions and military authorities.</p> <p>In September there is another list of the whereabouts of the W.M.S. Honan staff. The wedding of Miss Thomson is reported.</p> <p>In October the political situation deteriorated. Telegrams were sent between Board and field</p>	July-Dec 1940

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83.058C	56-14	<p>regarding the possible evacuation of women and children. Miss Stewart and Miss McDougall went to West China. Miss Mary Boyd resigned to be married.</p> <p>On November 28th and December 14th Mr. King sent a report on the local situation in Honan and a report of the general church situation.</p> <p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>The year opened with continued correspondence regarding the allocation of missionaries. Early in February Mr. King reported that Miss Brown planned to leave on furlough in March because of growing political tenseness. There is also a report on Weihwei Hospital.</p> <p>On February 14th a cable was sent to China: "Board orders complete evacuation of women. Strongly urge early evacuation of men. Missionaries from occupied China will proceed to Free China if possible." Mr. King replied outlining three travel routes to West China: 1. via Burma; 2. via Amoy; 3. via Fuchow, all of them difficult. He also reported on conditions, and the Communist-Japanese dealings in some villages.</p> <p>On March 25th Mr. King commented on the Interim Committee meeting, when request were made for scholarships for Miss Ch'i Yu Chen and Miss Elizabeth Chang. Emphasis was laid on the need for new recruits for the Honan staff. Financial matters in connection with the resignation of Miss Boyd and Miss Thomson were raised. The Christian Literature Society requested the services of Miss Warren, and Cheeloo University the appointment of Dr. MacTavish.</p> <p>Both these requests were approved by the Board. A request was made for increased funds for Synod and for salaries of mission employees.</p> <p>In May Mrs. Taylor wrote that a readjustment had been made in the method of granting funds to Honan to alleviate the effects of inflation.</p> <p>On May 20th Mr. King wrote a long report on Honan churches, based on a</p>	1941

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		<p>conversation with two Chinese pastors. Churches were flourishing in many ways, with cooperative work, extension of agricultural work, and with the High School carrying on. There was need of more pastors. Finances were adversely affected by inflation.</p> <p>In reply to a suggestion from the Board that Dr. McTavish go to India, Mr. King wrote that the recommendation of the Interim Committee was that unless it was found that the university must close, Drs. Struthers and McTavish should continue their services in Cheeloo.</p> <p>Mr. King reported correspondence with government officials regarding the Changte property. A letter from Mrs. Taylor to Mr. King in September dealt with the allocation of missionaries and the resignation of Dorothy Boyd. On Oct. 3rd Mr. King wrote regarding Dr. MacTavish going to Kweiteh.</p> <p>In December Mr. King reported tightening of conditions in Honan. Taylor and Armstrong cabled: "Due difficulty transmission funds and increasingly critical situation strongly advise immediate withdrawal Hodge, MacTavish, Faris Canada. Others proceed West." On Dec 6th King cabled: "Delay transmission funds." This was the final message before war between Japan and the West.</p>	
83.058C	56-15	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>This file contains only a few papers.</p> <p>Mar 20 - Two letters from Dr. Robert McClure in Kweiyang to his wife, reporting on his work with the Friends' Ambulance Unit.</p> <p>May 19 - Mr. King wrote a brief confidential letter to Taylor and Armstrong regarding the situation after the declaration of war, touching on banks, mission property, repatriation and the church.</p> <p>Aug 20 - The missionary group being repatriated on the Gripsholm reported the request for Miss Dinwoodyls services for promotion of Phonetic Script teaching.</p> <p>An undated report by Andrew</p>	1942

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83.058C	56-16	<p>Thomson describes the voyage home on the Gripsholm of fifteen United Church of Canada missionaries.</p> <p>There is an undated W.M.S. report of the Findings Committee on Mission policy as affected by the war.</p> <p>Letters of Grace Sykes.</p> <p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>By late 1942 many of the Honan missionaries were in Toronto. The file contains a report of meetings of these missionaries held in December 1942 and January 1943.</p> <p>Other missionaries had reached West China where an Emergency Interim Committee was organized in Chengtu, to deal with Honan business.</p> <p>On May 7th this committee met and discussed Synod grants for 1942 and 1943, the appointment of Miss F. Menzies, and the plan for Mr. Copland and Miss Sykes to visit Honan.</p> <p>Mr. Copland reported on the June 14th meeting of the Emergency Interim Committee. It was decided to send Miss Sykes to Honan to help in relief and refugee work. She was also to attempt to contact Honan Christians and arrange for Synod delegates to go to free China, in south, Honan, for consultation with Copland and Sykes regarding church matters. Bursaries were also discussed at the meeting. A report of the bursary committee is in the file.</p> <p>Copies of personal letters from Bruce and Margaret Copland discuss the situation in China - abolition of unequal treaties, inflation, evacuation, and life in general in time of war.</p> <p>Miss Sykes reached Loyang, Honan, in August, followed by Mr. Copland. From information supplied by two Chinese pastors, Mr. Copland wrote a long report on conditions in the Honan church, and famine conditions in the province. Congregations were unable to support the ministry.</p> <p>A letter from Mr. King to Mrs. Taylor was written from the Gripsholm internment ship. Misses Clazie, Courtice, Greenbank, Dr. Mullett and the Kings were being repatriated. Miss Hodge and Miss Warren remained in China.</p>	1943

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83.058C	56-17	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence</p> <p>In February there is correspondence between Mrs. Taylor and Canon Dixon regarding the travel of an Anglican Missionary to West China.</p> <p>Notes dated May 8 were compiled by Mr. King from a letter by W. H. Mitchell, describing the situation in North Honan.</p> <p>In July and August, correspondence regarding a Chinese student, Chang Hsi En.</p> <p>On August 18th Miss Warren wrote to Mrs. Taylor from the Lunghwa Interment Camp near Shanghai, describing the conditions as they had been during her two years of internment. Immediately at the close of the war the camp was visited by Chinese Christians from Shanghai, bringing money gifts and offers of accommodation when people left camp.</p> <p>On September 9th a cable from Chungking reported that a party of missionaries were leaving there for Honan. A covering letter from Dr. McClure explained the need of immediate action and financial assistance to re-establish medical and other work in Honan. McHattie and McClure were going to Honan immediately. The Friends' Ambulance Unit Rehabilitation Project would possibly help in medical re-habilitation.</p> <p>In October Mr. King wrote Mrs. Taylor concerning his return to China. In November Miss Preston wrote from Hearst with urgent inquiries regarding her time of return to China.</p> <p>Included in this file is a map of Hwaiking (relocated to Graphics).</p> <p>For period 1941-1945, see also Box 58-35, Miss Grace Sykes.</p>	1945
	56-18	<p>Correspondence with Miss J. Sommerville</p> <p>Several letters were written by Miss Sommerville during her travel from Canada to Shanghai by ship by way of Australia and India.</p> <p>March 1 - Mrs. Taylor wrote of plans for return of missionaries to Honan.</p> <p>March 13 - Miss Sommerville writes of plans for travel from Shanghai to Honan. Disturbed</p>	1946-1947

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		<p>conditions reported near Changte. April 5 - From Changte, Miss Stewart and Miss Sommerville have reached Honan, and write concerning grants for rehabilitation of property, house furnishings, etc. Further correspondence regarding renovations and property. October 12 - Post-war problems - 'moral slump'. March 24, 1947 - From Weihwei. Working among women in villages. July 1, 1947 - From Shanghai. Had had to leave Weihwei several weeks previously, Mission meetings in Kaifeng. Decision that Miss Sommerville and Mr. Knight go to Peking and Tientsin re mission goods in storage, but could get no passage, and went to Shanghai. Need of finding other work if unable to get back to Honan. See also Box 58-38 for correspondence of Miss Sommerville from Kweiyang.</p>	
83.058C	56-19	<p>Honan Mission: General Correspondence Missionaries gradually returned to Honan between 1945 and 1947, and an attempt was made to re-open work. However, the Communist army was occupying more and more of the area, with serious consequences to the life of the church. This file contains the following paper: May 13 - Chengchow. Statement of Changte station evacuation. May 14 - Chengchow. Memorandum of meeting with Dr. Stewart Allen. There was a discussion of the political and military situation as it was affecting Christian work. Evacuation plans were made. There is a letter from Mr. Boyd regarding the meeting with Dr. Allen, and a letter from Mr. King regarding the evacuation of Weihwei and Changte. The mission group planned to meet in the Canadian Anglican Mission in Kaifeng, to make decisions about the future of the staff, and about mission policy.</p>	1947
	57-1	<p>Honan Mission: General Assembly of the Church of Christ in China - correspondence and other papers On January 16th there is a</p>	1940

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		<p>letter to Mrs. Taylor from Miss Ch'i Yu Chen, the secretary for Christianizing the Home. Miss Ch'i reported on church work among the refugees. Attached is a statement about Miss Ch'i.</p> <p>The rest of the correspondence is between Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Kepler, executive secretary of the Church of Christ in China.</p> <p>Correspondence concerned the appointment of missionaries. Miss Sommerville was appointed to work in cooperation with Miss Ch'i in Kweiyang. Miss McDougall had been appointed to Tingchow, Fukien and Miss Stewart to Ming Teh School, Nanking. The W.M.S. had been anxious to have Honan missionaries stationed in West China, but Dr. Kepler pointed out the new principle of having missionaries available anywhere within the bounds of the General Assembly.</p> <p>A letter of May 10th outlined the proposed Church and Mission Cooperative Projects in "Free China". On October 3rd Mrs. Taylor wrote that grants had been approved for the Church of Christ in China (C.C.C.) Canadian Mission Press project, and for the Border Mission project. The W.M.S., gave general concurrence to the proposed Missions Cooperating Council of the C.C.C., but with reservations regarding the stationing of missionaries and the relations of Missions to the Board.</p> <p>Correspondence in October and November also dealt with the cooperative projects and the organization of the Missions Cooperative Council.</p> <p>In January 1941 Dr. Kepler wrote concerning the Canadian Mission Press, and Tribes work. In June wrote enclosing minutes of the Missions Cooperative Council.</p> <p>In addition to the above correspondence the file contains the following papers:</p> <p>Missions Cooperating Council - Minutes; excerpts from a circular letter by Dr. Kepler; printed minutes, 1941. Death of Dr. Cheng Ching-yi, general secretary of C.C.C. Printed letter from Dr. Kepler re situation in China, Oct. 1939-April</p>	

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		1940. Report of the Secretariat of the General Assembly of the C.C.C. Oct. 1939 to Sept. 30, 1940. Personal letter from Dr. Kepler re trip to West China. Printed reports entitled THE CHURCH 1935, 1936, 1941	
83.058C	57-2	Honan Mission: Shantung Christian University (Cheeloo University) This file contains the following: Apr. 1940 - Annual report of Miss Fuller. History of Cheeloo University. Jan. 4, 1941 - Letter to Mrs. Taylor from Sun Su Chin describing Christmas at Cheeloo, July 86, 1941 - A letter from D. Faris re Cheeloo, June 13, 1941. Letter from Miss Kathleen Greaves, acting Dean of Women, re Cheeloo.	1940-1941
	57-3	Minutes of Mission Council Honan Mission. Minutes of Mission Council and Council Executive Committee, 1932. Council minutes Jan. 23 to Feb. 4. Executive minutes Mar. 28, May 9, June 7, Nov. 16.	1932
	57-4	Honan Mission - Minutes of Mission Council and Council Executive; Executive Committee minutes April, 6, June 3, Aug. 5, Oct. 17.	1933
	57-5	Honan Mission. Minutes of Council and Executive; Executive minutes Mar. 27, July 16, Sept. 18, Dec. 26.	1934
	57-6	Honan Mission. Minutes of Council and Executive; Council minutes, Jan. 23 - 30. Executive minutes Mar. 13, May 1, July 8, Aug. 9, Sept. 19; Council minutes September 25-27.	1935
	57-7	Honan Mission. Minutes of Council and Executive, 1936. Executive minutes Feb. 19, Nov. 9. Council min. Sept. 1935 and Jan. 1936, Honan Synod and Executive 1936.	1936
	57-8	Honan Mission. Minutes of Council and Executive, 1937. Executive minutes Feb. 13, Mar. 25, Apr. 12, May 26, June 30, Sept. 21.	1937

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83.058C	57-9	Honan Mission. Minutes of Council and Executive, 1938. Executive minutes July 1, Aug. 16, Oct., 3, Dec. 14.	1938
	57-10	Honan Council. Minutes of Council and Executive, 1939. Council minutes Feb. 8-16, March 25-28. Executive minutes March, Aug. 21, Oct. 24, Nov. 3, Nov. 17. Interim Committee December 7, December 21.	1939
	57-11	Honan Mission. Mission Council reports re Evacuation of stations. Report of the Anti-British Activities which led to the evacuation of the United Church of Canada Missionaries from Changte, Honan, 1939. Report which led missionaries of the United Church of Canada. to withdraw from Weihwei, Honan, Oct. 12, 1939. Hwaiking report of forced evacuation, Oct. 29, 1939. Inventory of Mission Property, Oct. 1939.	1939
	57-12	Honan Mission. Minutes of Mission Council Interim Committee, 1940. Due to disturbed conditions the Interim Committee met in several places. Peking: Interim committee Jan. 18. Tientsin: Interim committee Mar. 12 and April 8. Tsinan: May 28. Bursary report June 30. Peitaiho: August 5-12. Tsinan: Sept. 14. Peking: December 7-9.	1940
	57-13	Honan Mission. Minutes of Mission Council Interim Committee, 1941. Tientsin: Mar. 21, Apr. 19; Tsinan: June 14, June 23, Nov. 28.	1941
	57-14	Honan Mission, Honan Canadian Committee, 1942, 1943. As many missionaries had been forced to return to Canada, a group was organized in Toronto to discuss matters relating to the Mission. The group was called the Honan Canadian Committee. Records show meetings on Aug. 27, Dec. 10, Dec. 29, 1942 and Feb. 1, 1943.	1942-1943
	57-15	Historical pamphlets: "North Honan";	

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		Kingdom of Heaven; "A Survivor of the Boxer Outbreak" by Percy C. Leslie	
83.058C	57-16	Honan Messenger - several copies	1925-1928
	57-17	A History of Honan Mission and Church by Dr. W.H. Grant	
	57-18	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, Shanghai, 1928 - 1938. Correspondence with W.M.S. treasurer re magazine "Happy Childhood".	1928-1938
	57-19	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, Shanghai, 1928-1930. Correspondence of W.M.S. treasurer with Honan Mission treasurer, also Miss M. Brown and others re finances of Christian Lit. Society.	1928-1930
	57-20	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, Shanghai, 1931 - 1940. Financial correspondence as above.	1931-1940
	57-21	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, Shanghai, 1939-1941. W.M.Ss Exec. Sec. correspondence with Margaret Brown.	1939-1941
	57-22	Christian Literature Society, Chengtu and Shanghai. This file consists chiefly of correspondence between Miss Margaret Brown and Mrs. Taylor concerning the work of the Christian Literature Society during the years when it was located in Chengtu, Sze., working in conjunction with the Canadian Mission Press. Miss Brown reported that publication of their magazines and books was carried on under great difficulties due to the great cost of paper and printing, the lack of staff, etc. She reported on the organization of the United Christian Publishers and the publishing in 1945 of the new paper the Christian Weekly. In her letters Miss Brown includes personal matters and also gives descriptions of life in Chengtu and the effect of tremendous inflation on the lives of missionaries and Chinese alike. Toward the end of 1945 Miss Brown writes of her return to Shanghai.	1943-1945

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83.058C	58-1	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, 1943-45. Chengtu. Here are found minutes and reports of the society during its Chengtu years.	1943-1945
	58-2	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, 1946. Shanghai, also 1947. Correspondence between the W.M.S., treasurer and the C.L.S., including letters from Miss Brown, Mr. Zia and others.	1946-1947
	58-3	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, 1948-50, Shanghai. Correspondence between the W.M.S. treasurer and Miss Brown, Mr. Z. K. Zia, and the treasurer of the C.L.S.	1948-1950
	58-4	Honan Mission. Christian Literature Society, 1948, 1949. Shanghai. 1948. Miss Brown to Mrs. Taylor re Tsinan evacuation and return; salary and bonuses. 1949, 1949. Miss Brown on furlough. Returning to China via Britain with many speaking engagements in England and Scotland. Letters written en route. (Reached Hongkong, but unable to enter China. Note: See Hongkong papers for continuation of work of M. Brown and Christian Literature Society.	1948-1949
	58-5	Missionaries Honan Mission, Missionaries. List of Honan missionaries as of January 16, 1956. a. Those supported by the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, 1888-1925. b. Those appointed by the W.M.S. of the United Church. c. Short term workers, 1928 - 1951	1956
	58-6	Honan Mission. Missionaries. 1936-1937. Foreword to personal reports of missionaries. 1936. Nurses' report: Hwaiking, Weihwei, Changte. 1937. Nurses' report: Hwaiking	1936-1937
	58-7	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Mary Boyd. Resignation	
	58-8	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Coral Brodie. Illness	

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83.058C	58-9	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Margaret Brown. Reports for 1937 & 1944. Statement concerning Woman's Messenger. (Other Honan files, especially those of the C.L.S. [#s 33-41] contain many papers concerning Miss Brown. See also Hongkong.) The Awakening. Shanghai, 1933 by Margaret Brown	1933-1944
	58-10	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Margaret Brown. Correspondence with W.M.S. treasurer re personal financial matters. Historical booklet, 1938. Summary of the North Honan Mission (1938) with addendum.	1938
	58-11	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Jane Brydon. 1940 furlough.	1940
	58-12	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Anne Davison. See also West China and Korea.	1944-1948
	58-13	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Leah Dinwoody. 1936 report. Correspondence re return to shanghai after furlough 1940. Phonetic work in Szechwan.	1936
	58-14	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Edna Durant. Reports of work and correspondence 1940.	1940
	58-15	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Dr. Margaret Forster There is a report for 1936. In 1940 Dr. Forster requested leave of absence, but in 1941 much correspondence is concerned with her return to China. On December 30th 1941 a letter from Honolulu questioned the possibility of being able to continue on to China.	1936-1941
	58-16	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Margaret Gay. Report 1936	1936
	58-17	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Mrs. Susan M. Grant. Report 1936. Dr. Harvey Grant. Mission Council approval 1933	1933
	58-18	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Bertha Hodge. A letter to Mrs. Taylor regarding refugee work in Tientsin, 1940.	1940

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83.058C	58-19	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Mrs. Donald McGillivray. Correspondence	
	58-20	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Isabel MacIntosh	
	58-21	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss M.I. MacIntosh	
	58-22	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Elizabeth McLennan. Report 1936	1936
	58-23	Honan Mission. Missionaries. M. Verne McNeely	
	58-24	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Dr. Isabelle McTavish. A letter to Mrs. Taylor on Aug. 8, 1942, from the Gripsholm. A letter dated Jan. 28, 1950 to Dr. McTavish from a former colleague gives an account of work in the Changte hospital from 1947 to 1950.	1942-1950
	58-25	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Mrs. Davina Menzies Report for 1936. Correspondence with Mrs. Taylor in 1939, 1940 and 1941 on the situation in Tientsin.	1936-1941
	58-26	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Georgina Menzies. Report	
	58-27	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Margaret Mitchell	
	58-28	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Annie O'Neill. Report of work. In 1942 and 1943 letters from Junghsien, Sze.	1942-1943
	58-29	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Clara Preston. Report 1936 This file contains correspondence regarding Miss Preston's work in Chungking in 1941, letters regarding Mr. Lindell's internment, etc.	1936-1941
	58-30	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Minnie Pyke	
	58-31	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Mrs. Jeanette C. Ratcliffe. Report	
	58-32	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Jean Sommerville. Report 1937	

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		Correspondence regarding work for the N.C.C. in Kweiyang; visit to Szechwan, 1941.	
83.058C	58-33	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Minnie Shipley	
	58-34	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Violet Stewart. Correspondence from Ming Deh Girls' School, Nanking, and from Buenos Aires on journey to Canada.	
	58-35	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Grace Sykes. Report 1936. Correspondence with Mrs. Taylor regarding work in Chengtu and plans to return to Honan. Mimeographed letters 1941-1945 re Szechwan to honan, and back to Chengtu, Sze.	1936-1945
	58-36	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Elizabeth Thomson. Correspondence re engagement to be married, and arrangements with W.M.S.	
	58-37	Honan Mission. Missionaries. Miss Winnifred Warren There is a report for 1937 and correspondence regarding return to Peking in 1940, and beginning of work in the church. In May 1941 Miss Warren was appointed to the Christian Literature Society in Shanghai. Correspondence deals with curtailment of work under the Japanese occupation of Shanghai. In February of 1943 Miss Warren wrote of preparations for the "Civil Assembly Centre", where she was interned to the end of the war.	1937-1943
	58-38	Honan Mission. Correspondence of Executive Secretary with Miss Jean Sommerville in Kweiyang, Kweichow Province Mar 15, 1948 - Miss Sommerville writes re 1947 report of work. July 14, 1948 - Mrs. Taylor questions Miss Sommerville re her attitude in case Communists gain control of country - would she prefer to remain, or leave beforehand. Jan 16, 1949 - Decision of Miss Sommerville to remain in Kweiyang. May 17, 1949 - Conditions uncertain. Women's and Children's work still being carried on. To Chungking for	1948-1951

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		conference.	
		Aug 20, 1949 - Description of young people's work.	
		Feb 17, 1950 - Miss Sommerville reports on situation under new government. Church activity not interrupted. Describes new situation. Rural conditions and travel hazardous.	
		Mar 9, 1950 - Financial problems of local Chinese.	
		Mar 24 - Need of remittance. Uncertain mails.	
		Apr 18 - City church activities not interfered with. Isolation. Interrupted mails. Loss of life. Financial difficulties among Chinese. Efficiency and discipline in government training classes and institutions. Church Easter celebration.	
		June 23 - Study groups of orientation to new political situation; intensive Bible study groups.	
		Oct. 11 - Furlough due 1951.	
		Nov. 26 - Plans to leave on furlough in summer, 1951. Reports re Church of Christ in China meetings in east.	
		Jan. 25, 1951 - Mrs. Taylor agrees to the plan for Miss Sommerville to return to Canada immediately.	
		Feb. 25, 1951 - Miss Sommerville describes church student conference, and institute for Bible study for church members. Projects to help pastors become self-supporting. Great need of pastoral counselling. Conflicting loyalties faced by young people." Tenseness and vigilance of life.	
		May 13, 1951 - Letter written by Miss Sommerville while waiting for exit permit. Missionary work restricted, but tells of housekeeping activities within the Christian group, baby-sitting, laundry, baking of "pantry-sale products". "New ways in which God is leading men."	
		Sep 10, 1951 - Sommerville had reached Chungking in early August.	
		Sep 13 - from Hongkong. Miss Sommerville reached Hongkong on 12th. Wait in Chungking had been due to tie-up in shipping. Restricted Movements while waiting; unable to see other Western friends.	
		October to December: Return to Canada; furlough plans; question	

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		of future work; discussion of W.M.S. decision that China missionaries not do public speaking.	

Note: For biography of Miss Minnie Shipley entitled "H is Herald in Honan" (by Winnifred Warren), see Archives Biographical Files

Correspondence with W.M.S. Assistant Treasurer			
83.058C	213-1	Home Secretary and miscellaneous	
	213-2	Davison, Miss Anne M.	1948-1953
	213-3	McDougall, Miss Helen F.	1942-1944, 1951
	213-4	Sommerville, Miss Jean	1943-1953
	213-5	Stewart, Miss Violet	1930-1938
	213-6	Missionaries - retired: C. Brodie, J.L. Brydon, L.H. Dinwoody, Mrs. I.L. Flemming, M. Gay, B.M. Hodge, A.O. O'Neill, L.C. Preston, G. Sykes, J.W. Warren	1936-1948
	213-7	Missionaries - resigned: Edna D. Durant, Dr. Maragret B. (Sylling) Forster, H. (Nelson) Turner	1943-1955
	213-8	Miscellaneous	
	213-9	Field Secretary	1947-1949
	213-10	Field Treasurer	1927-1930
	213-11	---	1931-1933
	213-12	---	1937-1941
	213-13	Field Secretary	1934-1936

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Appendix 1

HONAN MISSION

Introduction

The Presbyterian Church in Canada sent out her first missionaries to China in the year 1888, to establish work in the province of Honan. Beginnings were not easy. For two years the missionary group lived in the adjoining province of Shantung while making trips into Honan to secure property suitable for carrying on mission work. They met opposition from the Chinese, based on suspicion, superstition, and anti-foreign feeling, but quarters were finally obtained in Chuwang, Hsinchen and Changte.

One of the first party of missionaries was Miss Harriet Sutherland, who reached Cheefoo in August 1888, but resigned in 1889 to be married. Two nurses, Miss Margaret McIntosh and Miss Jennie Graham joined the group in December 1889. These women were supported by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which had been organized in 1876, and thus they became that society's first representatives in China.

There were many changes in staff in early years. Miss Jennie Graham was forced to return to Canada in 1891 because of ill-health, and Dr. Lucinda Graham who reached China in 1892 died of cholera in 1894. Dr. Jean I. Dow arrived in Honan in 1895, Miss Davina Robb in 1896 and Dr. Margaret Wallace in 1898. Miss Robb later married Dr. Menzies.

In 1900 all missionaries left Honan because of the Boxer uprising in China, returning in 1901 and 1903. During succeeding years work was gradually opened up in many centres in north Honan, along medical, educational and evangelistic lines.

The first hospital of the W.M.S. was opened in Changte in 1904, by Dr. Jean Dow. In Weihwei and Hwaiking W.M.S. doctors and nurses cooperated in the Foreign Mission Board hospitals.

Schools for girls were opened. In 1905 the first girls' primary school was opened at Weihwei, followed by a girls' boarding school at Changte and a primary school at Hwaiking. An industrial school for women was also established at Hwaiking. Village schools were opened in many places by local congregations.

Women missionaries carried on evangelistic work, especially in rural areas, holding literacy classes and training women for church leadership.

The Christian Literature Society was organized with headquarters in Shanghai. The Woman's Missionary Society took an active interest in this work, assisting it financially and with the appointment of workers to its staff.

By the time of church union in 1925 there were eight mission stations in Honan with a staff of twenty-nine W.M.S. missionaries. Work was continued under the United Church of Canada along lines already established. Mrs. E. J. Pratt describes the work of the

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		following years in this way: "At the time of Union in 1925 the main centres of W.M.S. work in Honan were at Changte, Hwaiking, Weihwei, Wu An, Tientsin. Medical work was carried on in these centres, as well as evangelical and educational work. Many mission schools were established, but in 1930, due to the constant threats of war, the General Council of the Church of Christ in China advised against re-opening Christian schools at that time; so acting on regulations regarding the opening of privately registered schools, a Junior Middle School for Boys and Girls was opened at Changte, a Church school under the direction of the Honan Synod of the Church of Christ in China. It was still flourishing in 1936, as were Junior and Senior Primary Schools in Weiwei and Hwaiking, and small Primary schools elsewhere under local churches. In 1937 war with Japan broke out, a and the schools had to be closed;...	
		"There were three general hospitals in the Honan Mission - at Changte, Weiwei and Hwaiking, in all of which the W.M.S. had an important share. In 1940 only the hospital at Weiwei was functioning. In 1949 it was taken over by the government and organized as a medical school.	
		"Cheeloo University, in which the W.M.S. co-operated, celebrated its 80th anniversary in 1944 on the campus of the West China Union University, where most of its faculties spent the war years. Cheeloo University was back in Tsinan in 1949; later it became a private university with government grants."	
		The story of the Honan mission is the story of repeated disturbances and wars, with repeated withdrawals and returns of the missionaries. In June 1925 missionaries evacuated to the coast, but returned in September. Fighting continued, with looting and destruction of Mission property at Changte and Weihwei. Missionaries left again in 1927 and returned in 1929.	
		With the outbreak of war with Japan in 1937 the position of missionaries again became precarious. All left the province in 1939, some going to West China, others to Peking, Tsinan, Tientsin, and Shanghai. Some members of the mission were repatriated on the Gripsholm in 1942 and in 1943. Miss Hodge was interned at Weihsien and Miss Warren at Loongwa Camp, Shanghai, until the end of the war.	
		Of those who remained in China, some worked with the West China Mission, others were appointed to various positions by the Church of Christ in China. The work of the Christian Literature Society was moved temporarily to West China, where Miss Margaret Brown carried on her editorial work from 1943 to 1945.	
		In 1945 some of the Honan staff were able to return to WeiHwei and Changte, but none could get back to Hwaiking. However, civil war between Nationalist and Communist forces resulted in the evacuation of all missionaries from Honan Stations in 1947. They first withdrew to South Honan for a few months, then some went to West China again, to Shanghai, or home to Canada. Miss Brown worked in Hongkong from 1949 onward, carrying on her literature work, and acting as liaison between the W.M.S. Board and the West China missionaries, assisting with the transmission of funds and with their travel arrangements from West China through Hongkong to Canada. Miss Sommerville worked for a few years in Kweiyang.	

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		Gradually all work was closed to Canadian missionaries in China. 1952 all had left.	By

NOTE: For later work among Chinese, see Hongkong files.

* The Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church of Canada. History. By Viola Whitney Pratt (Mrs. E. J.), Reba S. Patterson (Mrs. C. S.), and Mary E. Coburn (Mrs. J. Gordon)1. 1962.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE SOCIETY FOR CHINA

Headquarters: Shanghai.

1899 - Dr. MacGillivray of the Honan Mission was appointed to the Christian Literature Society (C.L.S.)

1909 - Salary of a secretary for Dr. MacGillivray financed by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

1929 - Miss Margaret Brown of the Honan Mission joined the staff of the C.L.S. as editor, writer, translator and administrator. Miss Brown moved with the society to Chengtu during the war, back to Shanghai, and later to Hongkong. In Hongkong the C.L.S. functioned as the "Committee on Christian Literature for Overseas Chinese." Miss Brown continued on the staff until 1956 when she returned to Canada for retirement.

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Appendix 2

Honan W.M.S. Missionaries at the time of church union in 1925

	Date of Appointment
Miss Margaret I MacIntosh	1889
Dr. Jean I. Dow	1895
Miss Davina G. Robb (Mrs.Menzies)	1896
Miss Isobel McIntosh	1903
Miss Elizabeth McLennan	1905
Miss Annie O'Neill	1909
Miss Margaret R. Gay	1910
Miss Margaret MacDonald	1910
Miss Leah Dinwoody	1912
Miss Grace A. Sykes	1912
Miss Margaret Brown	1913
Miss Bertha M. Hodge	1913
Miss Minnie E. Shipley	1914
Miss Isabelle McTavish	1915
Miss Ada E. Ross	1915
Mrs. Jeanette C. Ratcliffe	1916
Miss Janet L. Brydon	1917
Miss Winnifred Warren	1913
Miss Kathleen Anderson	1917
Miss Margaret Mitchell	1917
Miss Christine MacDougall	1917
Miss Violet Stewart	1918
Miss Isabel Leslie	1920
Miss Jean Sommerville	1922
Miss Helen McDougall	1921
Miss Clara Preston	1922
Miss Jean Menzies	1923
Miss Coral Brodie	1923
Miss Elizabeth Stephen	1924
Miss Edith Valens (Shanghai)	1925

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	Date of Appointment
Dr. Margaret Forster	1926
Mrs. Donald MacGillivray (Shanghai)	1931
Miss Miss Maude French (Shanghai)	1928
Miss Georgina Menzies	1931
Miss Allegra Doyle	1931
Miss Mary Grant	1932
Miss Edna D. Durant	1935
Miss Dorothy Boyd	1939
Miss Mary Boyd	1939
Miss Elizabeth Thomson	1939
Miss Anne Davidson	1946
Miss Margaret A. Hossie	1947
Miss Helen C. Turner	1947
Miss Evana B. Demitroff (appointed to Honan but went to West China)	1947

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Missionaries of the Woman's Missionary Society			
Presbyterian and United Church			
HONAN MISSION			
		Arthurs, Mrs. Hilda	1919-1922
		Baty, Violet (Mrs. N. Knight)	1919-1927
		Boyd, Dorothy M. (later W. China)	1938-1939
		Boyd, Mary G.	1939-1941
		Brodie, Coral M.	1923-1943
		Brown, Margaret (also W. China, Hkg.)	1913-1956
		Brydon, Janet	1917-1948
		Cameron, Ethel (later Canada)	1911-1914
		Christie, Annie Elizabeth	1921-1928
		Craig, Ethel (Mrs. J.T. Fleming)	1920-1921
		Dinwoody, Leah (also Canada)	1912-1946
		Dow, Jean I.	1895-1927?
		Doyle, Allegra	1931-1935
		Durrant, Edna	1935-1940
		Fifield, Winnifred E. (Shanghai)	1919-1920
		Flemming, Isabel (Leslie)	1920-1956
		Forsters, Dr. Margaret B.	1927-1952
		French, Maude (Shanghai)	1928-1940
		Galbraith, Eleanor May	1920
		Gay, Margaret R. (also Can. & W. China)	1910-1951
		Graham, Jennie	1889-1891
		Graham, Lucinda	1892-1894
		Grant, May	1932-1936
		Hally, Agnes A.	1909
		Hall, Marguerite Gordon	1923-1925
		Hodge, Bertha	1913-1948
		Hossie, Margaret A. (incl. Kongmoon, Hkg.)	1947-1949
		Lethbridge, Sadie	1914-1920
		Logan, Mina	1912-1918
		MacDonald, Margaret	1909-1927
		MacDougall, Christine F. (later Canada)	1917-1927
		MacDougall, Helen	1921-1962
		MacGillivray, Mrs. Donald (Shanghai)	1900-1936
		Magill, Edith	1906-1913
		Manson, Katherine Margaret	1923-1925
		McIntosh, Isabelle	1903-1927
		McIntosh, Margaret I.	1889-1927
		McLennan, Elizabeth (Korea 1927-1929)	1905-1940
		McNeeley, Maisie (Mrs. H.S. Forbes)	1914-1916
		McNeeley, M. Verne	1908-1914
		McTavish, Dr. Isabelle (also Canada)	1915-1950
		Menzies, Georgina	1931-1939
		Menzies, Jean M.	1923-1926
		Mitchell, Margaret S.	1916-1934
		O'Neil, Annie	1909-1946
		Preston, L. Clara (also Canada, W. China)	1922-1953
		Pyke, Mina A. (including Canada)	1896-1926
		Ratcliffe, Mrs. J.	1911-1941
		Robb, Davina G. (Mrs. J.R. Menzies)	1896-1940
		Robertson, Mary (Mrs. G.M. Ross)	1903-1905

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		Ross, Ada E.	1915-1928
		Shiple, Minnie	1914-1939
		Sommerville, Jean H.S.	1922-1952
		Stewart, Violet	1918-1960
		Straith, Margaret Meldrum	1921-1922
		Sutherland, Harriet R.	1888-1889
		Swann, Jean M.	1948-1949
		Sykes, Grace A.	1912-1955
		Thomson, Elizabeth D.	1939-1940
		Thomson, Mary S.	1906-1911
		Turner, Helen C.	1947-1950
		Valens, Edith M.	1925-1928
		Walks, Margaret	(Mrs. E.E. Struthers) 1913-1916
		Wallace, Dr. Margaret	(later India) 1898-1901
		Warren, Winnifred	(later Canada) 1917-1947

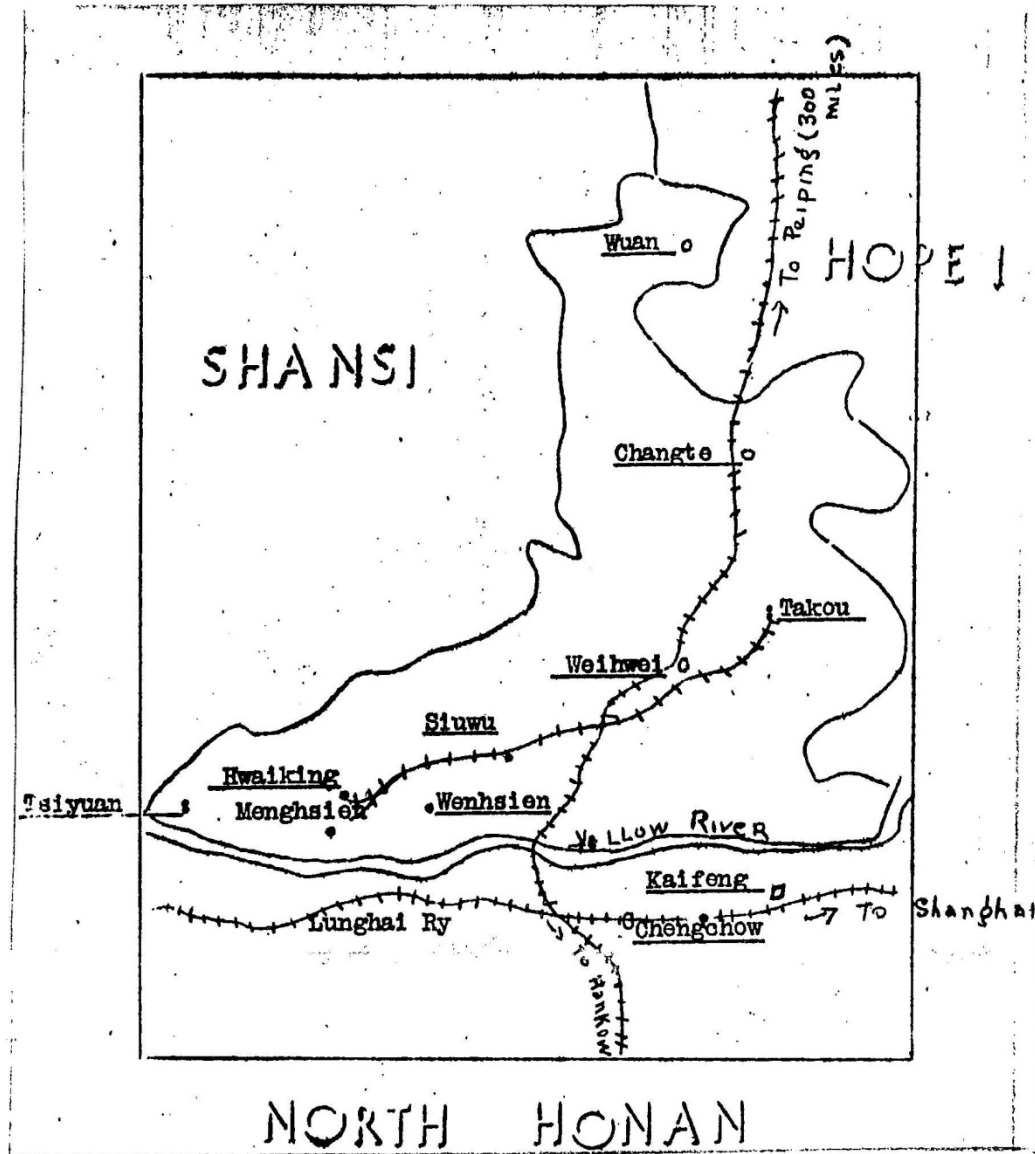


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