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A. L. MILLER, Editor

UNITED CHURCH W.M.S.

The tenth annual meeting of the Haldimand-Norfolk Presbyterial Women's Missionary Society, was held in the United Church, Delhi, on Thursday, March 23rd, with about 150 present, representing 28 auxiliaries. Rev. VanLoon, of Delhi, in his address of welcome, reminded us that even in these days of uncertainty and danger, the work of the Church goes on, and that in the darkest periods of history the great missionary movements were born.

Gratifying reports were received from the various secretaries. There are 12 active Mission Bands in the Presbyterial, with a total of 252 members who sent in over \$232.00 to the Finance Committee last year. Awards were presented to three bands—Ethelbert, Inwoodch and Simcoe—who had reached in all respects the standard set by the Board.

Norfolk Supply Committee sent sales of new and used clothing, layettes, gifts and toys, weighing 300 pounds and valued at \$131.32, to Rev. Eric Warren for Indian Mission Work at Perry Island. Also boxes of supplies valued at \$135.37 to a hospital at Ethelbert, which ministers to a large Ukrainian settlement. In June, Haldimand Supply Committee sales for Mr. Warren were valued at \$150.00 and supplies sent to Ethelbert worth \$160.00. In December a box of quilts was sent to a Northern Ontario settlement.

The allocation last year was \$6,000 and \$6,343.38 was sent in to the Branch Treasurer, an increase of 5.7% over 1937.

The Delhi evening auxiliary, in their Wreathing Service, appealed to all Canadians to overcome race prejudice. Strangers from foreign lands are coming to us. As Christians we should welcome them and help them adjust themselves to conditions here.

The main address was given by Miss Mabel Carroll of Canton, South China. First, she outlined the history of Christian missions in China. As early as 635 A.D. the Nestorian Christians from Asia Minor sent missionaries to China but though the seed was planted, it did not grow.

In the 13th century, Franciscan missionaries made the long journey over the mountains of Tibet and established two large churches in South China. They carried on the work for nearly thirty-five years. In 1601 some followers of St. Francis Xavier established the Order of the Jesuits in China and for a hundred and fifty years this Order labored at Christianizing the Chinese. However, when the work was handed over, then in the early 1800's Roman Catholic missionaries again went into but it is bitter to learn that Canada

FIRESEE MEETING

Mr. Ralph Johnson, of Jarvis, was guest speaker at the Firesee Meeting sponsored by the Young People's Prayer Group, at the Simcoe Baptist Church last evening. His message was "The A. B. C. of the Gospel" was interesting and convincing. Chas. Miller, conducted the song service and Tom Lee led in the opening prayer. Miss D. Botwright, violinists, of Jarvis, was sick and unable to be present, so Mrs. Ralph Johnson, also of Jarvis, took her place and sang two solos entitled "The Christ of the Cross" and a gospel song set to the melody of "A Beautiful Land of Some where".

—Reformer, Simcoe

China and have now about two and three quarter million converts. The first Protestant missionary to China was Robert Morrison, sent out by the London (England) Missionary Society in 1807, and he has been followed by many gallant men and women. The Protestant churches in China have over a half a million members and an additional half million adherents. This seems like a very fair showing until we realize that the population of China is four hundred millions.

A number of the Protestant denominations, including the United Church of Canada felt they could work more efficiently as well as more economically as one unit rather than several, so have united under the title of the Church of Christ in China. In 1936 they decided to publish a joint hymn book in Chinese and 10,000 copies was set for the first printing. But before the plans were completed over one hundred thousand copies had been ordered and paid for and by 1937, a quarter of a million were sold. The sale of Bibles too, is astonishing. More Bibles are being sold now in China, even in wartime, than ever before.

A Christian Broadcasting Station is operated in Shanghai. The programs include sermons, addresses, music, discussions, etc. Some of these programs are in Chinese and some in Russian, as there are a great many Russians in Shanghai. This is probably the only broadcasting station in the world which is wholly devoted to Christian work.

Today no discussion of mission work in China is complete without some reference to the war. Miss Carroll returned only last September from Canton and scenes of horror and distress are still vivid in her mind. Though the mission field in South China is not yet in the hands of the Japanese, in Canton they have suffered over 800 air raids since the beginning of the war.

In 1937 the Chinese were bombed. The dining-hall was demolished and every door and window in the building was shattered but only two lives were lost.

Much of the organized mission work has been disrupted. Schools are being carried on in dug-outs or cellars. The Theological College which remained open until the end of the term, last June 12th, had to suspend classes frequently during the night or in the very early morning when the atmosphere was most likely to be quiet.

In spite of the danger, nearly all the foreign workers, as well as the native pastors have remained at their posts to give what they can to the refugees and the wounded, the families of the wounded, the families of the wounded, the families of the wounded.

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