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### EDITORIAL BITS

Like a fond parent presenting a cherished child in a first appearance before an expectant but exacting audience we presented the child of our brain and the object of our fond hope before a large and enthusiastic gathering in the Veteran's Memorial Building on Friday night last. Our child did not disappoint us, but we think it more fitting that others should tell about it. We thank the writer of the article in the opposite column, and also the many others who have said such kind things about the performance.

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There is, however, one point which we should perhaps emphasize, for it may be that among those who witnessed the performance were some who went away with the impression that a large part of the proceeds will be used in paying the cost of the production. On the contrary, however, the cost was surprisingly small. An expert seamstress, Mrs. Katherine Chan, cut and fitted the girls' dresses, without charge, after which the girls themselves finished the job. The boys' uniforms were made by good friends of our churches, the bulk of the work being done by Mrs. A. L. Stephens, Miss Nannie Don Carlon, Mrs. Gilliland and Miss Rose Sorensen. The dummy rifles were made by Chung Mei boys. The swords were purchased some years ago in Paris, France, from a dealer in discarded arms for one dollar and a quarter apiece, and brought into this country by the writer duty free. The soldiers' hats, which many thought were of metal, were made of pasteboard, and painted and decorated at the Chung Mei Home. The scenery was old "Nancy Lee" stuff done over. So there you are.

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At last our dream of years is beginning to become a reality. The contract for the first unit of our Home, and part of the second, has been let, and the work of grading and excavating is already proceeding apace. Before the next edition of our little paper reaches our readers, we trust our beautiful new edifice will be well under way. Both we and our friends will be daily watching with intense intcrest, as gradually there comes into being the new Home which we have so long needed.in order to shelter our family

# "ZANDAVIA"TAKES A BOW W. Earle Smith

The beautiful Veterans' War Memorial auditorium, seating eleven hundred persons, was filled to capacity. It was an ideal place for "Zandavia" to take her bow. The lighting effects were superb, the moonlight garden scene being especially beautiful. The whole production was unique and lovely in its setting, beautiful in costuming, with splendid drills and truly remarkable choruses, not to mention the lovely Chinese girls of the Square and Circle Club. A delightful story of true love ran through all.

While Dr. Shepherd was the author of \_ and guiding hand in this production, we realize of course that its success was only made possible by the talent and cooperation of all who took part. I

The characters of the King and Queen of Zandavia were taken by Wing Gay Wy and Renmi Jue. They were very clever, and made an outstanding contribution to the production. The parts of the foreign princess who came from the far away kingdom of Astrakania to wed the Prince of Zandavia, and her Lady-in-waiting, Cora Cavanaugh, were played by Daisy K. Wong and Margaret Thomsen. Fred Owen very effectively took the part of the Prince Charming, while Dr. Shepherd played General Zipple of the Royal Zandavian Army. But we must not forget innie Lee Chan whose charmand coyness as a nursemaid created such merriment among the audience, and came near to stealing the entire show. She was supported by George Haw, one of the Chung Mei boys. The dialogue between these two, and their duet, was very clever; and the audience was delighted when they too joined in the triple betrothal before the court in the last scene.

It was a delightful evening of entertainment, wholesome and of a high order, and the audience repeatedly showed its genuine pleasure by enthusiastic outbursts of applause. Particularly was this true during some of the romarkably intricate drills, and at the close of some of the stirring choruses.

Some said the costumes looked like a"million dollars." As a matter of fact rayon, organdie and sateen made up these beautiful costumes. The cost was very small, the girls making their own dresses, while some of the good women of our churches made the uniforms.

So successful was this performance, and so great the demand for a return engagement, that "It Happened in Zandavia" will be given again on the evening of Saturday November 3, at the Mandarin Theatre in San <u>A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY</u> Margaret G. Thomsen

As you have already seen by our Editorial page, the initial performance of "It Hap-;ened in Zandavia" took place in San Francisco last Friday night. It was a thrilling evening for us, and we hope for all who were present. For those in the East Eay - keep these dates in mind -<u>Oakland performance, November 16</u> at the Joman's City Club; <u>Berkeley performance</u> Dec. 7 <u>November 23</u> at Berkeley High School. Plan to be there.

> The Chung Mei boys took part on the program of the State Convention at Vallejo, singing a group of songs. They enjoyed meeting and shaking hands with Governor Merriam at that time.

Come and laugh with His Imperial Majesty, Zenobia XXI, King of Zandavia. You will enjoy him.

The Oakland "All Artist Concert" given by Mrs. Grace Adams East and a number of other artists, as a benefit for our building fund, was a splendid one. Those who were present were truly thrilled, and any who were not present missed a rare treat. We are very grateful to these artists for this service in our behalf.

You have been reading about the Square and Circle Club, members of which are assisting us in our performance; and you have perhaps wondered who and what they are. The Square and Circle Club is an organization of school, business and professional Chinese young women dedicated to social and community service. The members are pledged to be square in all dealings with their fellow men and to strive for all-round knowledge. For a number of years they have partially supported a boy in Chung Mei Home and they usually have as protegees several young girls who are needing assistance in going through school.

Watch for announcements and secure your tickets for "It Happened in Zandavia."

The Chung Mei boys and Captain took charge of one Sunday evening service at the Thousand Oaks Baptist Church, and one at the First Baptist Church of Stockton. Pledges for our building fund were taken at both of these services.

Here is what one man says of "It Happened in Zandavia." "Congratulations on the splendid performance you gave us last Friday night. It was grand ....worth going many miles to see and hear."

There are so many persons we would like to thank through these columns, folks who have given of their time and strength to help us in the preparation of our new production. Because we have not the space here we will say a collective "thank you" to all who in any way have helped to make it a success

#### PERSONALS George Chow

In the general flurry of money raising, Chung Mei's eleventh anniversary passed by almost unheeded - but not quite, for there are a couple of us "old timers" left yet who remember how it all began eleven years ago this October.

Miss Richert is away vacationing at her family homestead, a farm down at Reedley. Of all the places to pick for a rest! Who ever heard of anyone sleeping late on a farm. Poor Miss Richert!

We were glad to have a number of our old boys witnoss our performance of "It Happened in Zandavia" in San Francisco. Some of them came back-stage after the performance, among them Willie Gee, alias Red Herring, alias Hot Dog. Several years ago when the plot of "Zandavia" was first forming in the author's mind, Willie Gee was selected for the part of the King. The other night he made this comment, "It was a swell show, but phew! what a narrow escape I had! We wonder what he meant by that.

Fifteen of our boys attend the Burbank Jr. High School. Five of them; viz., Frank Wong, Billy Wong, George Chan, Bobby Choy and Harry Chan attained scholastic prominence, making the honor roll for the first quarter. Two others just barely missed being on it. Some record, what?

Hero worship takes a peculiar form sometimes. One of the boys was the cynosure of attention a short while ago. His claim to fame was that - so he states he had, accidentally of course, stepped on Governor Merriam's toes.

There are some touching love scenes in "It Happened in Zandavla." One of the scenes so affected Dewey Wong during a rehearsal that he put his head on Frank Wong's shoulder, sighed gently, and snuggled contentedly with an ecstatic look in his eyes. Ordinarily such carryings on would provoke at least a harsh word, if not a "sock in the noso" from Frank, but the scene had its effect on him too, and wo are willing to wager that it would have been interesting to watch developments had not the scene ended there. As it was, Frank very nearly kissed Dewey.

The following new boys have entered the Home since our last issue: Johnnie Fong, Douglas Fong and Alfred Woo.

Several letters have been received from Eddie, in fact he has developed into quite a generous and voluminous scribe. From all accounts he is settling down and enjoying his new work. He is also finding out some of the want and suffering endured by our fellow-countrymen across the seas - a thing he knew little of until recently.

# OUR BUILDING FUND

Since our last published statement the following contributions have been received.

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Employees Nat. Dollar Stores	\$ 400.00
(additional gifts)	
Mr. Frederick H. Reimers	200.00
Judge J. W. Curtis (2nd gift)	100.00
Dr. C. W. Gawthrop	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. John Knapp	100.00
Mr. Andrew Lowe	100.00
Woman's Miss. Soc. Central	- 1.
Baptist Church	50.00
Mr. J. C. Moore	50.00
Chung Mei boys earnings	43.31
Mr. Frank Martino	33.40
Mr. Joseph Fusch	25.00
Mrs. Wilcox & Betty	25.00
Mrs. T. B. Holmes	25,00
Mrs. Edna Linton	25.00
Mrs. E. H. Kinney (2nd gift)	25.00
Mrs. Mattie W. Turner	20.00
Mr. Herbert Imrie	20.00
Chinese S.S: Pittsfield, Mass.	16,00
Mr. & Mrs. Li R. Hughes	15.00
Mrs. W. A. Phillips	15.00
Corning Baptist S. S.	10.00
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Dr. & Mrs. Alonzo Petty	10,00
Dr. Oliver Graeber	10.00
Mrs. H. M. Nicolson	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. S. L. Strang	10,00
Miss H. Cusick	10:00
Wah Yick Chong Company	10.00
Two Friends of Chung Mei	10.Q0
Mrs. Henrietta Huff	10,00
Mr. H. F. Allen	10.00
Dr. & Mrs. Geo. L. White	10.00
Mrs. R. F. Gerahty (2nd gift)	10,00
Mrs. Barbara M. Morse	10.00
Mr. Robert H. Ellithorpe	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. O. W. Halladay	10.00
Miss Helen Igo	10.00
Rev. Carl Truex	10.00
Madera Vacation School	10,00
Woman's Aux. Fresno 1st Church	10.00
Mrs. I. H. O'Hara	10.00
Community S. S. Manette, Wash.	8.50
Rev. & Mrs. G. L. Snyder (2nd)	8.00
Mrs. E. P. Lassater	7.50
Fresno Chinese Vacation School	6.29
Mr. R. V. Wilcox	5.00
Mrs. Lloyd Terrill	5.00
Mr. L. B. Hickey	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Speegle & Louciele	5.00
Misses C. A. and J. McCall	5.00
Mrs. S. S. Champlain	5,00
Miss Margaret Schellenberg	5.00
Warren and Franklin Merrill	5,00
Mr. & Mrs. R. J. Wood	5.00
Mr. Fred Stripp, Jr.	5.00
Mrs. K. M. Heath	5.00
Mr. Arthur Heath	5.00
Mrs. Frank Butterfield	5.00
Thousand Oaks Collection	5.00
Dr. Frederick Lent	5.00
Miss Clara M. Love	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. W. B. Mikesell and	
Mrs. Martha Hougham	5.00
Miss Gaye Harris	5.00
Just a Santa Barbara Baptist	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. E. D. Bothwell (2nd)	5.00

Int. Dept. S.S. 1st Bapt. Church	
Aberdeeh, Washington 💲	5.00
Mrs. Allie Hale	5.00
Miss Grace Brainard	5.00
Mrs. J. M. Davis	5.00
Mr. E. M. Chitwood (2nd)	5,00
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Dunsmore	5.00
Woman's Aux. Christ Ch. Alameda	5.00
Vacation Sch., Bartlett, N. Y.	5.00
" " Salamanca, N. Y.	5,00
Mrs. W. H. Eastwood	5.00
Woman's Union Highland Park	
Baptist Church, L. A.	5.00
Mr. F. C. Tucker	5.00
Rev. R. D. Licklider	5.00
Rev. & Mrs. R. N. Rowe	3,75
Bapt. Vacation School, Bellingham	
Washington	2.50
Mr. & Mrs. Frank M. Reed	2.50
W.W.G.Selwood Bap. Ch., Portland	2.50
Vacation School, Laurel Bapt.Ch.	
Lynden, Wash.	2.20
Rev. Ivan Bell	2.00
Mr. C. A. King	2.00
Mr. & Mrs. Norval Martin	2.00
Master Don A. Derbyshire	2.00
Anonymous	2.50
Miss Edith C. Bailey	2.00
Mr. R. G. Young	2.00
Mrs. C. H. Hobart Sale of Proverbs	2.00
Mrs. H. L. Brier	1.75
Master Johnnie Tarver	1.00
A Friend	1.00
Mrs. Beers	1.00
Master Billy Lambert	1.00 1.00
Mrs. B. Cook	1.00
Circle 2 - 1st Church, Berk.	1.00
Mrs. Alice K. Evans	1.00
Miscellaneous	1.00
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The above sum does not include any of the proceeds of the Grace Adams East concert, or the San Francisco performance of "It Happened in Zandavia," complete returns of which are not yet in.

We are profoundly grateful for the fact that money continues to come in, even though it does at times seem to come rather slowly. We have enough to finish the first unit, and thus adequately care for half of our boys. We are greatly in need of additional gifts in order to be able to carry on with the second unit and thus provide for our entire family of sixty-six boys.

Many of the readers of our Chronicle have responded to our appeals, some of them very generously; but there are still nearly 700 regular readers of our little paper from whom we have not heard. We are convinced that most of them intend to do something for us. We urgently appeal to them to do so now. Whether it is large or small, cash or pledge, it would be a tremendous relief and a great help if we could know about it in the near future. Think what it would mean if every one of the 700 sent us <u>something</u> during the next few days.



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#### EDITORIALS

#### MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Once again the Christmas season rolls around with its spirit of good cheer and generosity, its joyous reunions and its poignant reminder of God's goodness to mankind.

Once again upon the midnight clear sweet voices carol that glorious song of old, while sharp inquisitive little eyes peer from among the bed covers in hope of catching a glimpse of tender-hearted old Santa Claus.

Once again we lift our hearts in humble gratitude for God's gift of His Son, the Babe of Bethlehem, who became the Christ of Galilee, the Saviour of men.

And once again the editorial staff of the Chung Mei Chronicle wishes for every reader a merry Christmas, and a bright and prosperous New Year. . R. S.

# LIFE MILITANT

We Americans are funny people - smart people no doubt, capable people, shrewd people, in fact quite remarkable people, but for all that, funny.

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In na way do we manifest our "funniness" so much as in our tendency to extremes.

During the World War we became so incensed against Germany that we even gave up the study of the German language, and deprived ourselves of the very real enjoyment of German and Viennese music. It wasn't safe to have a name that savored of German origin. To fail to remove one's hat as the flag of our country passed by was to run the risk of having one's head knocked off today but a small percentage do the flag the honor of uncovering as it passes.

Some years ago we went "goofy" over Mah Jhong, and a little later "daffy" over Miniature Golf.

Now the order of the day is pacificism. Far be it from us to belittle this grand sentiment, or to say anything that would militate against the efforts of those who are striving to bring in the era of peace on earth, when swords shall be beaten into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks. We have a son of our own; and our task in life involves the care and training of the sons of many other parents. Scarce a day passes that we do not pray in our hearts that none of these may ever have to go forth to slay their fellow-men, or be slain by them.

However, even in respect to this matter, one can easily go to extremes. And now comes a good brother from Montgomery, Minnesota who suggests a crusade against militant hymns in our Sunday school song books. He objects to all fighting terms, to such words as "victory," "marching," "struggle," "fray," and "conflict," and raises the question of their moral effect upon our boys and girls.

Surely to go to this extreme, one must be sadly lacking in imagination and in the power of discrimination. It is not the act of drinking that is harmful, but drinking the wrong thing. It is not the act of eating, but eating unwisely that causes indigestion - and so ad infinitum. Every child knows that in Sunday school we sing of the fight against evil, the war against wrong, the struggle against temptation, and victory over sin. All life is a conflict. Even in the vegetable and animal kingdom there is the constant struggle for survival. With the human race this struggle is even more pronounced, and in the Christian life it reaches its highest form and expression. If our good brother would revise our hymnal he would better go farther back and revise our New Testament, from which emanate all these militant expressions which are found in our hymnals.

As for us, we find that every day the Christian life is a struggle, that one must fight if he would overcome the evil forces which militate against righteousness. So we shall continue to teach our boys to fight, not each other, nor their fellow-men of another race, but the forces of evil which constantly menace their lives. We shall continue to urge them to be good soldiers, and to press forward in the hope of victory. And together we shall continue to sing our Chung Mei Hymn:

> "Fight the good fight with all thy might. Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right Lay hold on life, and it shall be Thy joy and crown eternally." C. R. S.

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# A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY Margaret G. Thomsen

Since our last issue we have had two more successful presentations of "It Happened in Zandavia." November 16, at the Oakland Women's City Club, a large and enthusiastic audience witnessed it, and on December 7, at Berkeley High School, an equally enthusiastic and appreciative audience was present. Many words of commendation have come to us since these performances.

We enjoyed having Mr. Armstrong with us again on November 25, for our Sunday evening service. He told us some interesting and inspiring incidents and stories of his work in the Congo.

A group of boys sang a few selections at a meeting of the Northbrae Women's Club on Nov. 26. The meeting was held at the Women's City Club, Berkeley.

Slowly but surely our building fund is increasing. We are profoundly thankful for every gift, large or small. We still need about \$15,000 to complete the building and care for our present family. Until this building is finished thirty of our boys will have to find refuge in temporary quarters.

Our Thanksgiving dinner was again provided by the Women's League of the First Baptist Church of Berkeley, and was thoroughly enjoyed. On Thanksgiving Day a large group of the boys visited our acres at El Cerrito to see the progress made on the new building. It is indeed interesting to watch it grow.

Gen. Tsai Ting Kai, formerly commander of the 19th Route Army, and defender of Shanghai, has been visiting the Chinese communities of this country. On Nov. 7 a parade in his honor was participated in by all organizations in San Francisco Chinatown. The Chung Mei Cadets paraded at this time, and also in Oakland on Nov. 11. The cadets were presented, by Mr. Art Wong, with a silver loving cup for their outstanding performance on parade. On Nov. 14 the General visited Chung Mei Home, where he addressed the cadets and made a tour of inspection of the Home.

Our annual Thanksgiving service at the Thousand Oaks Bapt. Church was held on Sunday evening, Dec. 2, and at 10th Ave. on Sunday morning, Dec. 9. Gifts of groceries, fruit, etc. were brought at both services to help in our work.

Dear Reader, you, we are sure, believe in this work. If you have not yet participated in our building fund, will you not right now decide to do something, large or small, and send us the most generous contribution you possibly can. Make it a Christmas thank offering to God for all His goodness to you.

#### PERSONALS George Chow

What do you think of this? Raymond Chow, one of the Junior boys who is not more than seven or eight years of age, told us such a gruesome ghost story that it kept us awake for half the night.

A member of the staff, with a highly imaginative and inventive, not to say daring, mind, created a salad dressing with an extremely lingering quality. (We can still taste the garlic!) This is the part of the story that qualifies the member of the staff for daring. Knowing the component parts of the dressing, he dared to use some of it on his own salad. It just goes to show that curiosity is stronger than fear of the unknown.

We found one of the smaller boys bawling lustily the other day, and, it being our duty, inquired the reason for his lamentations.

"He sad," supplied another very little boy.

"Aha," we said, "melancholia, eh?" "No," corrected the little informant, "He sad on a thumb tack."

It's not good taste to brag, but still ? Our boys have been walking away with a great deal of the scholastic honors at Burbank Junior High School. Of the seventeen who attend that institution of learning, seven were on the honor roll, or **over** 41%!! Suppose the rest of the school were on a par scholastically with our boys, what a school of prodigies it would be!

The boys who made the honor roll this quarter were Robert Choy, Frank Wong, Harry Chan, George Chan, Robt. E. Lee, Raymond Wong and Billie Wong.

Henry Lowe, after a stay of over three months in the San Francisco Hospital, passed away on Friday, November 30. Henry was a likeable, lovable and whimsical little fellow. We mourn his passing.

The following ex-Chung Mei boys have visited us lately: Winston Wong, Goodman Loy, Charlie Tom, Benjie Wu and Edward Lem.

When Captain was in Seattle recently he had the pleasure of meeting Edwin Lawyow, one time writer of this column.

Henry Chan and Roland Chew have gone from under the old home roof to live with American families and work their way through school.

Since the last issue of the Chronicle we have loved and lost her - Beczlebub, a most adorable police puppy. Her passing has left an empty feeling in more than one heart.

# OUR BUILDING FUND

Since our last published statement the following amounts have been added to our fund.

Boys' earnings (Inc. Zandavia)\$	1 430 35
Mrs. R. A. Hilton (2nd gift)	500.00
Chin Toy Memorial (addition)	500.00
Mr. Frederick J. Shepherd	200.00
Mrs. East's Concert	218.00
Melrose Thanksgiving offering	127.80
Mrs. Elsie Cutler	50.00
Mrs. C. E. Palmer	40.00
Rev. & Mrs. W. T. Riggs	25.00
Mrs. H. C. Bush	25.00
Wom. Aux. Bible Class, 1st	
Bapt. Church, Oakland	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Morrice	25.00
Mr. Floyd Oliphant	20.00
10th Lve. Bapt. Ch. Mission	
Study Class offering	20.00
Vacation Schools, Michigan	16.53
	10.00
Berean Class, 1st Bapt. Church	
Grand Junction, Colorado	15.00
Anonymous	13.30
Rally Day offering, Martinez	
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Baptist Sunday School	13.25
Mr. & Mrs. G. C. Hughes	10.00
Mrs. Light	10.00
Mrs. Milton Shirk	10.00
Miss Grace Pryor	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. C. F. Scott	10.00
Mr. S. M. Gardner	10.00
Mrs. Clara Anderson	10.00
Rev. S. S. Aplin	10.00
Boyhood friends of C.R.S.(Eng.)	10.00
Mr. Robt. L. Shepherd	10.00
Corning Baptist Church	6.50
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Longacre	5.00
Miss N. E. Kness	5.00
Mr. S. L. Towle	5.00
Miss Alice Brimson	5.00
Mr. Victor M. Schott	5.70
Mrs. T. O. Morse (2nd gift)	5.00
Hi B.Y.P.U., Thous. Oaks Ch.	5.00
Miss Emma Goodell	5.00
Protheon Circle, Highland Park	
	5.00
Bapt. Ch., Los Angeles	
Mrs. Sue J. Mammen	5.00
Miss Mary E. Mott	5.00
Mrs. D. H. Stone & sons	5.00
Miss Grace Brainard (2nd gift)	5.00
Miss Anna B. Farley	5.00
Dr. E. H. Dutton	5.00
Mrs. John Bostrom	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. A. Stickney	5.00
Mrs. Ella K. Whitmore	5.00
Mrs. Emma C. Gilbert	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. A. L. Lewis	5.00
Faith Joice Chap.W. J.G., Richmond	
San Pablo Church collection	5.00
Mrs. Addie Strong	5.00
Mr. Charles Biscomb	5.00
Mr. L. E. Hobart	3.50
	3.00
Miss Josephine Johnson	
Mrs. John Hitchings	2.00
Mr. & Mrs. D. E. Wyatt	2.00
Mr. R. E. Dunsmore	2.00
Mrs. S. A. Hall	2.00
Mrs. Etta Waldo	2.00
Mr. & Mrs. Geo. J. Irvine	2.50
Wom. Aux. Martinez Bapt. Ch.	2.00
Jr. High Dept. Highland Park.L.A	
Miss Ada Biggerstaff (2nd gift)	2.00
Inter. B.Y.P.U., Puyallup, Wash.	1.25

Mite Box	1.10
Mrs. John Bentzien	1.00
Miss Emma Larson	1.00
Mrs. Hart	1.00
Mrs. A. Steeves	1.00
Mrs. G. W. Warburton	1.00
Mrs. Lucile Hanlon	1.00
Mrs. Louisa Rams	1.00
Mr. Fred Brandt	1.00

Total

\$ 3,526.78

### HERE IS AN IDEA

Some of our friends are becoming interested in, and taking hold of, the idea of providing the cost of a certain part of the building, either in their own name, or as a memorial to some other person. Following we record some of the responsibilities already assumed.

\$3,000 for the Assembly Hall, provided by the National Dollar Stores, Inc.

\$1,100 for a room and furnishings for four boys, provided by members of the First Baptist Church, Berkeley.

\$1,000 for the hospital room, provided by friends of Mrs. Chin Toy, as a memorial to her husband, the late Rev. Chin K. Toy.

\$1,000 for a room for four boys, provided by Rev. and Mrs. George H. Holt of Burlingame.

\$1,000 for a room for four boys, provided by Oakland Chinese Mothers' Club.

\$1,000 for a room for four boys, provided by Square & Circle Club.

\$850 provided by members of the Shepherd family (United States and England) for <u>a room as a memorial</u> to John Shepherd, father of Charles R. Shepherd, Superintendent.

\$550 for a room for two boys, provided by Mrs. Robert A. Hilton as a memorial to her husband, the late Dr. Robert A. Hilton.

\$500 for a room, provided by members of the First Chinese Baptist Church of San Francisco.

In each of these instances there will be a bronze plate in the room as a permanent recognition of the gift.

There are numerous similar projects remaining to be cared for. We shall be very happy to hear from any others who may be interested in such a proposition. Arrangements can be made for payments over an extended period of time.

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#### EDITORIALS

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!

"God make your year a happy one -

Not by shielding you from all sorrow and pain, but by strengthening you to bear it if it comes.

Not by making your path easy, but by making you sturdy enough to tread any path.

Not by taking hardships from you, but by taking all cowardice and fear from your heart as you meet hardships.

Not by granting you unbroken sunshine, but by keeping your face bright even in the shadows.

Not by making your life always pleasant, but by showing you where men and his cause need you most and by making you zealous to be there and to help.

Not by keeping you from battle, but by bringing you off every field, more than conqueror through Christ who loves you.

God make your year a happy one!"

- Cleland B. McAfee -

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#### THE LAST FIFTEEN THOUSAND

One year ago we announced that, owing to the coming of the Bay Bridge, and the consequent condemnation of our building, we were about to embark on a financial campaign to raise sufficient money to build and equip adequate new quarters.

Because we felt that we ought to build for a larger family than we have at present, we estimated that we would need \$100,000. Later, however, we modified our ideas, revised our plans and announced a campaign for \$75,000. It was agreed by all concerned that this was the minimum that could be figured on to adequately care for our present large family, together with a slight increase. Owing to the exigency of the times it has been a strenuous campaign, an uphill pull, and at times quite discouraging. We are, however, happy and thankful to be able to announce that at this time of writing we have slightly passed the \$60,000 mark.

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Now we face the problem of raising <u>THE LAST \$15,000</u>. And we realize that in some respects this will be the <u>HARDEST PART OF OUR CAMPAIGN</u>. And yet, if all those who know about our work will do their part in giving, and enlisting others to give, it really should not be difficult.

In faith we are going ahead with our building, hoping that we shall not have to stop short of completion, but that the money will come in by the time it is needed; the tragic part of it is, however, that unless we get this last \$15,000 thirty of our boys will be unprovided for.

How are we going to secure this money? We have several ways in mind. Here is one way by which at least part of it could be, and ought to be, secured.

Among those to whom we have been sending our little paper for quite a long time there are still six hundred who have so far made no contribution to our fund. If each one of them would send us five dollars our fund would be increased by \$3,000. We are, however, not going to ask them outright for five dollars, although we hope that after reading these lines many of them will send us that much or more; but we are ASKING MOST EARNESTLY that every one of those who have so far made no contribution SEND US AT LEAST ONE DOLLAR NOW. That is asking very little. It will just about reimburse us for the amount we have spent on copies of the Chronicle, publicity and postage. Surely none of our readers will turn us down on this proposition. Surely every one of them must want to have at least that much in this great enterprise.

On the slope at El Cerrito the building is now going up. It is a piece of wonderful workmanship, a splendid sample of economy and utility. It is going to be beautiful, an outstanding landmark in the East Bay, a credit to all friends of Chung Mei - American and Chinese.

With victory in sight we must not fail to complete this building and adequately care for these boys of ours.

Come then, let us all put our shoulders to the wheel to <u>SECURE THIS LAST \$15,000</u> <u>AND FINISH THE JOB</u>.

<u>No. 3.</u>

# <u>A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY</u>. Margaret G. Thomsen

The Christmas season seems rather a long way off at this time, but in many ways it is still fresh in our minds. Our real celebration was on Christmas Eve. After a dinner, provided by the women of the First Baptist Church of Oakland, Santa Claus himself, in the person of Mr. David Glick of Berkeley, arrived with a loaded pack. What a jolly St. Nick he was. We all enjoyed him immensely. After the first greetings and general jollification the gifts and Christmas stockings were distributed. Every boy was well remembered, and there was much fun and hilarity in opening of packages. Some funny packages were received, as well as nice ones. George Haw was especially well remembered in this way. We had a number of guests with us on this evening, and were happy to have them. Ice cream and cookies were served at the close of the evening.

Won't you help us to raise that last \$15,000?

There were a number of Christmas parties as usual. A class of boys at the Plymouth Congregational Church of Oakland entertained a group of Chung Mei boys one day. The Jr. department of the First Congregational Church of Berkeley entertained our group of the same age on another day. The Chinese Congregational Church of Berkeley also held their annual Christmas party on the evening of December 21. There were also parties for the different groups at the First Baptist Church of Berkeley, and the visit of Chung Mei boys to Ming Quong sisters was also made.

Sunday evening, December 23, the Chung Mei Cadets conducted the evening service at the Elmhurst Baptist Church, presenting "The Chung Mei Home in Song and Story."

Put this date on your calendar now --Sunday afternoon, February 17 -- and plan to be with us for the laying of the cornerstone of our new building. You will receive further details at a later date.

\$15,000 still needed. Won't you help us reduce this figure by sending us your bit now?

Eleven boys enjoyed a surprise birthday party for Philip Booth, given at his home on January 10.

We want to thank, through these pages, all who had any part in making our Christmas a success - those who sent in gifts, Christmas goodies, etc., or who helped in any other way. We are all interested in watching the progress of the new building, and frequent trips are made to the site, though not as frequently as we would like. It is inspiring to watch it grow.

And that reminds me, a good New Year's resolution, if you have not already made it, would be: "I will help the Chung Mei boys complete their new building by sending in my subscription."

The senior boys surprised the Ming Quong girls by serenading them during the first few minutes of the New Year. The girls, however, were making so much noise they did not hear the music for some time; but when they did, the boys were invited in, and half an hour of sociability was onjoyed before returning to Chung Mei.

# PERSONALS George Chow

George Haw - the only remaining boy of the original eight - is graduating from High School this month. George has the distinction of being in the home longer than anyone else, staff and boys included. He will be leaving us soon to make his own way in the world, via the Grace Lines. By the time we move into the new home we'll expect George to have a repertoire of salty tales garnered from the far corners of the seven seas or maybe he'll just make 'em up. He's good at that.

Imagine what one of our boys got for Christmas - mumps! no less! Of all the times to get them - just when he didn't have to go to school. But the fates are kind. It's school time now, but Willie Choye doesn't have to go - 'cause he's still recuperating.

Since the last issue of our Chronicle Roland Chew, Henry Chan, Jim Lee and Roy Lee have left us. Roland and Henry both have school jobs nearby. Roy Lee has gone to his father at Courtland, and Jim Lee to his parents in Alameda. We have six newcomers, however: Raymond Lowe, Henry Wong, Johnson Chow, and Jack, Jim, and Tom Woo, whose mother passed away recently.

Frank Wong and Raymond Lowe have had their tonsils removed, and are doing nicely.

Henry Chan, Roland Chew and Edward Lem all came back for Christmas Eve.

Letters from Eddie Tong tell us that he is getting along splendidly in China.

Wedding bells! Jack Young ('27) is to be married next week.

Since our last published statement the following amounts have been added to our fund: S.F.Bay Cities Baptist Union \$,3,000.00 Boys' earnings (inc."Zandavia") 177.94 Miss Edith M. Fox 100.00 Anonymous 100.00 Chinese Miss. Sch. North Shore Bapt. Ch., Chicago, Ill. 61.50 A Friend 50.00 Chinese Mission, Fresno, Calif. 25.00 Miss Frances P. Greenough 25.00 Former Faculty of Edison Jr. High School, Berkeley 25.00 Dr. John Hestenes 25.00 1st Chinese Bapt. Ch., Chicago 20.00 A Pang Yau 15.00 Dr. & Mrs. John C. Killian 10.00 Dr. Frank Fagerburg 10.00 Mr. & Mrs. E. P. Lassater (2nd) 10.00 Miss Eva Gibson 10.00 Good Templars Home for Orphans 10.00 Prof. & Mrs. Sandford Fleming 10.00 Mrs. Daniel C. Stewart 10.00 1st Bapt.Ch. Riverside, Calif. 10.00 Birthday Offerings Rev. Avalon Brown 10.00 Mr. George M. Bowe 10.00 Miss May Huston 10.00 Swedish Bapt. Ch., Oak. (offering) 9,50 Chinese S. S., 1st Bapt. Ch. Pittsfield, Mass. (2nd) 9.00 Mrs. Harlow Hanlon 8.00 Dr. E. A. Fridell 8.00 Two Loyal Friends 5.00 Mr. & Mrs. W. T. Beck (2nd) 5,00 Miss Alice M. Gibbs 5.00 Mr. & Mrs. O. F. Wisner 5.00 Miss Gertrude Howell (2nd) 5.00 Mr. C. M. Lucas 5.00 Mrs. Ruth Mc Carthy 5,00 Women's Aux. Tabernacle Ch., S.F. 5,00. Miss Gladys H. Strong 5.00 Mrs. H. M. Orme 5:00 B.Y.P.U., Hamilton Square Ch., S.F. 5.00 Dr. T. B. Chew 5.00 Mite Box 5;00 Mrs. A. S. Dresser 5:00 Misses McGill's class, Chinese Bapt. Ch., Sacramento 4.50 C.W.C., Immanuel Bapt.Ch., Erie, Pa. 4.25 Ir. & Mrs. H. Saunders (2nd) 4.00 C.W.C., 1st Bapt.Ch., Warren, Pa. 3.00 Dr. E. A. Hanley 2.50 Mrs. S. J. Johnson 2.50 Sale of Proverbs 2,50 Anonymous 2,50 Jomen's League, 1st Bapt. Church Urbana, Illinois 2.09 Ħ League 1st Bapt.Berkeley 1.50 Ir. Chung (2nd) 1.00 iss Ethel Lum 1.00 J.W.C.,1st Bapt.Ch.,Ottawa, Kans. 1.00 D. W. C., York, Pa. 1.00 iss Helen Beals 1.00 Friend 1.00 )r. Charles E. Goodall 1.00

#### RIB TICKLERS

Very few people have weak eyes from too much looking on the bright side of things.

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Patient: "Well, Doc, you sure kept your promise when you said you'd have me walking again in a month." Doctor: "Well; well, that's fine." Patient: "Yes, you see, I had to sell my car when I got your bill."

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Mother: "Why did you strike your sister?"

Young Son: "Well, we were playing Adam and Eve, and instead of giving me the apple she ate it herself."

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- He: "I am glad you are so impressed, dear, with these explanations I have been making about banking and economics."
- She: "Yes, darling, it seems wonderful that anybody can know so much about money and have so little."

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- Corpulent teacher: "Can any boy tell me what a little bird can do that I cannot?"
- Small boy: "I know, Miss ---, take a bath in a saucer."

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She: "A little bird told me you were going to buy me a diamond brooch for Christmas."

Hei "It must have been a little cuckoo."

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I hate to be a kicker, I always long for peace But the wheel that does the squeaking Is the one that gets the grease. You tell 'em kid -- you're peaceful And not too hard to please; But the dog that's always scratching Is the one that has the fleas. The art of soft soap spreading Is a thing that palls and stales, But the guy that wields the hammer Is the one that drives the nails. Let us not put any notions That are harmful in your head, But the baby that keeps yelling Is the baby that gets fed. That is why this poor scribe hollers -We still need fifteen thousand dollars.

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# EDITORIAL

#### TOLERÁNCE

Chinese folk lore has it that there was once a clan of six thousand souls - all offspring of nine brothers whose happy life-in-common was rumored far and near until their fame reached the ears of the Emperor, who was so much impressed by the stories he heard that he resolved to investigate the matter for himself.

In the poverty of a Chinese village the Emperor found nothing but peaceful, joyous men and women; and calling upon the eldest of the clan he inquired of him how such an harmonious condition came about. Asking for paper and brush the elder wrote Chinese characters all over one sheet of paper. The Emperor studied it, and found that what the old man had written was nothing but a continuous repetition of two words which mean "tolerance."

"From the first awakening of their understanding," declared the old man to his Emperor, "we teach our children tolerance and consideration for the peculiarities of their brothers, sisters and cousins."

If those who lived in times, and under circumstances, of such comparative simplicity and tranquility so felt the need of the practice of tolerance, how much more so we who live in a civilization that is complex and marked by high pressure in all of its phases. Many years ago this writer was engaged in a religious census in one of the largest cities in America. Upon returning one evening from his day's work he remarked to his friend, "Well, I've surely met a lot of queer people today." His friend looked up from the book he was reading. "Yes," he said, "no doubt. We're all queer. You are queer and I am queer very. It is a wonder that the good Lord can do anything with any of us."

How tolerant God must have to be with us strange and erring mortals; and how much happier a place this world would be if we, realizing that we ourselves are just as queer as anybody else, could learn to practice that blessed virtue of tolerance.

C. R. S.

# SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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Our campaign to raise sufficient money to pay for our new building has been in some respects an uphill pull and a hard grind; but from time to time there has come to us unusual inspiration and joy as we have been made to realize how many true friends we have who have been willing to really sacrifice in order that they might assist us in our undertaking. We could not possibly report all these cases of sacrificial giving, but there are a few that are so outstanding and inspiring that we want to share them with our readers.

Some time ago a young woman made us a gift which we knew at the time must have meant self-sacrifice. It was, however, not until some time later that we learned that this money was earned by the sale of her blood to save the life of an infantile paralysis victim.

In the Sacramento River Delta we called on a Chinese family, consisting of father, mother and eight children, which was living certainly very close to the margin of things. Yet they expressed their faith in Chung Mei Home and their desire to help, and out of their apparent poverty they produced five dollars which they insisted we take.

Recently we received this letter from a good woman in the San Joaquin Valley. "Enclosed Money Order for \$ --- for your building fund. It is not much, but every little helps. I earned it by doing our hired man's washing."

An aged couple whose income is so small that they are barely able to make ends meet received from some of their friends at Christmas time a small sum of money. They insisted upon sharing it with Chung Mei Home.

On the day of the ground breaking a lad from East Oakland pledged two dollars which he paid up very promptly. We have since learned that he earned it by selling newspapers.

Another even smaller boy pledged two dollars which he earned scrubbing floors, chopping wood and doing odd jobs in the garden.

Several Sundays ago a little Chinese girl brought to Sunday School five pennies, which she was expecting to spend later on. After hearing about Chung Mei's need she gave one of these pennies to her teacher, saying it was for Chung Mei Home. A few minutes later she came back with another penny, and then again with another. Finally she brought the remaining two, saying, "I think I had better give them all for Chung Mei."

C. R. S.

<u>No. 4</u>.

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# A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY Margaret G. Thomsen

The evening service of the Golden Gate Baptist Church, on Sunday, February 10, was conducted by the Chung Mei boys. An offering was received for our building fund.

Our new building is going ahead rapidly, and we invite our friends to drive out and see its progress. Drive straight out San Pablo to Hill Street. Turn right on Hill, go four short blocks and straight in our front gate.

The boys are busy on the grounds every Saturday, moving rocks and clearing the ground preparatory to future grading and beautifying. We also have a nursery at the lower end of the grounds where we are planting shrubs and plants of all kinds to be used in landscaping when the building is completed. Mr. McCaleb of Burbank Jr. High, and members of his class, have prepared a lathe house, and are also at work raising shrubs, etc. for our new place. We very much appreciate these efforts in our behalf. If any of our friends have plants or shrubs we could use, Mr. McCaleb and his boys will take care of them for us until we are able to place them.

A friend who sent in a contribution to our building fund recently, suggested that we give instructions through these columns as to how checks should be made out for this fund. They may be made out to Chung Mei Building Fund, Dr. Charles R. Shepherd or Rev. W. Earle Smith. We appreciate this suggestion.

Our hearts have been saddened recently by the death of two good friends. Rev. L. S. Chan, pastor of the Chinese Baptist Church of San Francisco, and a member of our Chung Mei Board, passed away on the first day of February. Mrs. Geo. Holt, wife of Rev. George Holt of Burlingame, and a loyal friend of Chung Mei Home, died on February 4. To the bereaved families we extend our sincerest sympathy.

We are proud of our cover page this month. It is entirely the work of Richard Chin who has for some time done the lettering, but has this time taken over the entire page.

As part of our building program we are now promoting a plan for securing gifts, large or small, from Sunday Schools all over the country, in the hope that in this way as much as \$3,000 can be raised, thereby paying the cost of onw whole dormitory for fifteen little boys. Captain has written a leaflet entitled "Five Little Pennies and How They Grew," setting forth the idea of a Chung Mei Day in the Sunday Schools. These leaflets may be had for the asking. Our fund has now passed the \$400 mark. We hope you will plan to have a Chung Mei Day and thus help secure this Sunday School dormitory.

In our last issue we featured an editorial entitled "The Last \$15,000," in which we called attention to the fact that we were within \$15,000 of our goal, and entreated our readers to do their very best to help us reach it. In response to this editorial came a letter from a good friend who has already contributed to our fund, saying that she would be glad to give us the last \$1,000 when the time came. This leaves us now less than \$12,000 to raise in order to complete our undertaking. Then all together let us "ung cheh" and finish the job.

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# PERSONALS George Chow

Three of our boys graduated from the Columbus Grammer School. They are Edward Leong, Albert Wong and Wilfred Hall. Allen Chan moved up to the Berkeley High School from which George Haw has just graduated. George is waiting in San Francisco at present for the Grace Liner "Santa Rosa" on which he hopes to secure a job and round out his education with a bit of travel.

The Columbus Grammar School presented two plays at the end of the last semester, and the following Chung Mei boys took part: Edward Leong, Albert Wong, Billie Tom and Leonard Chow.

Six of our boys are on the Burbank Jr. High School Honor Roll this month. They are Frank Wong, Harry Chan, George Chan, Harold Cheung, Robert Choy and Jack Wong. Three of these boys are eligible to receive the scholastic pin award, having earned the right to wear it by being on the Honor Roll for the duration of a semester.

Edward Lem, Henry Chan, Roland Chew and Walter Lim have been back to see us recently.

Jack Young, one of our former boys, was married to Anne Chan, daughter of a prominent Chinese business man, last month. We wish him happiness.

We have just heard from Eddie. He has been gone for half a year now, and we hear he is still a bit homesick.

Howard Deah, another of our former boys, is in the same young people's group as Eddie. They call it Baptist Young People's Organization over there. Recently they put out the first issue of their publication - "Ching To" - "The Straight Path," and we can honestly and sincerely say that it is the best publication of its kind we have come across. Incidentally, Eddie is the Editor-in-Chief, and his editorial brings real inspiration. Since our last published statement the following amounts have been added to our fund.

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Rev. & Mrs. E. J. Evans (2nd) A Friend	100.00 100.00
Rev. & Mrs. O. L. Martin(3rd)	100.00
Boys' earnings	73.10
Mrs. Wallace Alexander	50.00
Mr. Sam Haycraft	50.00
Corning Bapt. S. S. (3rd)	40.00
San Pedro C.W.C. #85	35.00
Dr. May H. Sampson	25,00
Mrs. Geo. A. Smith (2nd)	25.00
Mrs. G. I. Padelford	25.00
Mr. E. C. Herrick	25.00
Mrs. Alice Fenn	25.00
	25.00
Miss Mary A. Gardner So. Mennonite Breth.Ch.,Reedley	23.00
Mrs. Alton Miller	20.00
Hopi Indians, Toreva, Ariz.	16.02
S.S., Com. Bapt. Ch., King City	15.00
Misses Marian & Edith Haskell	15.00
Central Bapt.S.S., Hartford, Conn.	15.00
Santa Cruz Bapt. S.S.	12.45
Rev. Paul Offenhiser & members	12,50
Miss Mary Storer (2nd)	12.50
Miss Eva Storer (2nd)	12.50
Golden Gate Ch. offering	11.00
Mr. C. J. Millis	10.00
Women's Miss.Soc., Watsonville	10.00
M. E. B. (A Shut-in)	10,00
Mrs. Washington Laycock	10.00
Mrs. C. S. Colyar & Jean	10.00
Mr. Harry Gilman	10.00
Auburn Bapt. S. S.	10.00
Leo Allen Bergholz, Esq.	10.00
Miss Grace Spaulding	10.00
J.O.C. Class, Stockton Bapt.Ch.	10.00
Modesto Bapt. Women's Union	10.00
Mrs. Hugh Heath	10.00
Yuba City Bapt. Church	10.00
Mr. William T. Sheppard	10.00
Miss.Circle #6,Newton Centre,	
Massachusetts	11.00
Miss Rose Sorenson (2nd)	10,00
Miss Jane Lawrence	10.00
Mite Box	9.50
W.W.G. Highland Park, L. A.	9.25
Katherine House, E. Chicago, Ill.	8,50
Philathea Cl., Newton Center, Mass.	8.00
Calvary Sapt. S. S., Sacto.	6.00
Rio Vista Baptist S. S.	6.00
Wom. Bible Cl., 1st Bapt., Selma	6.00 6.00
Mrs. Annie C. Benton	6.00
Turlock Baptist S. S.	0.00
W. W. G. & Int. S. S. group Sunnyvale Baptist Ch.	5.17
Mr. Nick Adkins	5.00
Mr. R. R. Haugh	5,00
Mr. R. R. haugh Mrs. Elizabeth Raisner (2nd)	5.00
Mrs. S. F. Easterbrooks	5,00
Mrs. G. L. Snyder (2nd)	5.00
Vac. Sch. Somersworth, N. H.	5.00
Reedley Baptist S. S.	5.00
Prof. Richard M. Vaughan	5.00
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Oxford, Pa.	5.00
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Dr. C. L. Trawin 5.00 Mr. H. L. Case 5.00 Miss Ada Brigham 5.00 Miss.Circle #3, Newton Center, Mass. 5.00 Miss. Circle #1, Newton Center " 5.00 Rev. Cecil T. Axworthy 5.00 Mrs. A. E. Manning (2nd) 5.00 5.00 Mrs. C. C. Clay Dr. & Mrs. E. E. Gates 5.00 5,00 Mrs. Anna Gordon (2nd) Salinas Baptist S. S. 5.00 C.W.C., Alden, Kansas 5.00 Miss Fannie M. Sheppard 5.00 Grande Ronde Wom.Assoc., Oregon 5.00 Miss Edith Aldis 5.00 Arbuckle Baptist S. S. 5.00 Mrs. Mary Mott (2nd) 5.00 5,00 Dr. W. R. H. Hodgkin Mrs. John MacDonald 4.00 Wom. League, Berk.Bapt.Ch. 3.25 Miss Venda Dahlberg (2nd) 3.00 Wom. League, Calvary, Sacto. 3.00 Inter. B. Y. P. U., Richmond 2.50 Covelo Bapt. S. S. 2.50 Mrs. S. J. Andrews 2.50 . Seattle Chinese Night School 2.50 Lakeport Baptist S. S. 2,36 Chinese Miss.Sch., No. Shore Bapt. Church, Chicago (2nd) 2.00 0 Mrs. Pearl Dunn Wong 2.00 Mrs. Elizabeth Lossing 2.00 2.00 A Friend 2.00 Mrs. Frank Edmonds 8.00 Anonymous Gifts 2.00 Miss Amy Porter Mrs. Pearl Honeychurch 2.00 Pioneers Central Sq. Bapt. Ch. 2.00 Portland, Maine Santa Rosa Bapt. S. S. 1,58 1st Baptist Ch., Colfax, Wash. 1.50 Allendale Baptist Church 1.33 1.00 Jr. B. Y. P. U., Modesto Mrs. Harold Hansen 1.00 Mrs. Henry Budgul 1.00 Mrs. Smith Thomas Ford 1.00 Mrs. Frederick Anderson 1.00 Rev. A. B. Waltz 1.00 Miss May Brainard 1.00 \$ 2,303.61 Total

\* Making a total of \$11,000 from The American Baptist Home Mission Society.

We are grateful that so many pledges are being paid as they become due. There are, however, at present a number of pledges past due, and as we have reached the point where we need the money we shall most heartily appreciate it if all pastdue pledges are paid in the near future.

We have not so much as hinted to any of our donors concerning a second gift. Nevertheless we have already received about thirty-five such, and several third gifts. We most sincerely appreciate this continued interest and support on the part of our good friends.

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#### EDITORIALS

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#### Calling All Friends!

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All who read the newspaper accounts of the shocking loss of the Airship Macon, America's queen of the skies, will recall how the gallant young radio officer, Ernest Dailey, remained at his instrument to the last moment, sending out his calls for help, and how in so doing he lost his life.

On the cover page of this number is seen a Chinese youth, seated in the old ramshackle building which has been so long his home, working at his instrument and sending out calls for assistance. He is calling because he has just received word that he and his sixty-five comrades must within a few short weeks vacate this old structure; and because, although a new home is in course of construction on the hillside out at El Cerrito, he knows that those upon whom he is depending for care and protection have not enough money to finish the job.

The struggle of the past twelve months to raise sufficient money for this great project will go down in Chung Mei history as an episode of which all who have had any part in it will be justly proud. But the task is not yet accomplished, and cannot be successfully and completely accomplished until the remaining sum of \$10,000 is raised.

The analogy between the Airship Macon and the Chung Mei Home is only partial. The Macon went down in spite of the fact that every ship which heard her distress call either came to the rescue or satisfied herself that her assistance was not needed.

No matter what happens, however, Chung Mei, unlike that ill fated ship, is not going down to destruction. It will survive. It will carry on. It will succeed in its appointed task. It will because it <u>must</u>. Somewhere, somehow, the No. 5.

money will eventually be secured to complete this task. But the question is, when that hour of victory arrives, and the roster of those who have had a part in it is complete, will there be found in that roster the names of the many readers of this little journal who have not as yet responded to the many urgent appeals which they have received. We wonder. And the young lad sitting at his machine on the front page also wonders. C. R. S.

# GRATITUDE!

An insurance agent sat in the office of the editor, and the following conversation ensued.

"Do you know a Chinese young man by the name of ----?"

"Yes, I do."

"Was he at one time in this home?"

"Yes, he was."

"Can you tell me where his parents are?"

"They are both dead."

"Dead, eh? Any brothers or sisters?"

"I do not know for sure about that."

"Has he any dependents in this country that you know of?"

"I know that he has no relatives in this country. But why do you ask me all these questions? Is he in trouble of some kind?'

The insurance agent paused, cleared his throat, and then answered with a smile.

"No, he is not in trouble of any kind, but he has just made an application for life insurance, and made this institution the beneficiary - and we were won- . dering about it."

Yes, he had a right to wonder; for it is not often that youth still in its teens shows such thoughtfulness and gratitude.

To the editor it was just one of those beautiful things that come once in a while and serve as a recompense for some of the harder things in life.

And then, too, there is that other boy who recently came with half of his first month's pay on his first job, and asked us to put it in the building fund. C. R. S.

"Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days."

# A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY Margaret G. Thomsen

Our Sunday evening service on March 3 was conducted by Mrs. Booth, and greatly enjoyed by the boys.

The fence around our property, what was left of it, has been taken down and cut into firewood. The place looks quite different without it.

We are grateful for the help of Mrs. Harriet Williams, Mrs. Esther Peterson, Miss Lillian Lewers and Miss Florence Roberts in getting out recent publicity material.

The fund for our Sunday school dormitory is growing, and has now passed the \$650 mark. We hope many more of our Sunday Schools will respond and help bring it up to our goal of \$3,000. Copies of the "Five Little Pennies" leaflet may be secured for the asking.

Sunday evening, March 17, the worship service of the Fruitvale Christian Church was conducted by the Chung Mei boys, giving their program "The Chung Mei Home in Song and Story."

Our new building is progressing from day to day, and we are eager for the time when we will be able to move in. Our old building will not hold together much longer.

Mrs. H. H. Harris of San Mateo, an artist, has donated some of her beautiful paintings to be hung in our new home. They will add much to the charm of the interior of the building.

There are tentative plans for the presentation of "It Happened in Zandavia" in Sacramento sometime in May. Details are now being worked out, and definite announcements will be made later.

We are looking forward to another trip to Turlock on next Friday to assist in a benefit program for the church. Incidentally, we expect to have a good time visiting our friends there.

Our readers will be interested to know that Eddie is coming back to take his place on the Chung Mei staff. He will probably be here by the time the next Chronicle is issued. Needless to say, we are all very happy about it.

#### PERSONALS Geo. Chow

Willie Gee, whose plans to enter college have so far been held up for lack of finances, is hoping to enter the San Francisco Junior College which opens next semester. Good luck, Bill. The boys are all looking forward to a week-end trip to Turlock in the near future. That is, all except Frank Wong. It seems that Frank isn't particularly struck on Turlock at this time of the year, since there are no melons to be had. Frank, it will be remembered, was the one who suggested leaving some boys behind on the last trip so that there would be more room for melons.

Roland Chew and Henry Chan were recent visitors at the home. We are always glad to have them.

Richard Chin and Frank Wong distinguished themselves at the kite contest a few weeks ago. Richard took one first place, and Frank took a first and a third.

Harry Chan won a prize in an essay contest. He wrote on Ng Poon Chew, the pioneer Chinese journalist.

The following boys are again on the Honor Roll at the Burbank Jr. High School: Harry Chan, George Chan, Robert Choy, Frank Wong and Jack Wong. Needless to say we are proud of them.

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#### "<u>A PLEA</u>"

This I would like to be - braver and bolder, Just a bit wiser because I am older, Just a bit kinder to those I may meet, Just a bit manlier taking defeat; This for the future my wish and my plea: Lord, make a regular man out of me. This I would like to be - just a bit finer, More of a smiler and less of a whiner, Just a bit quicker to stretch out my hand Helping another who's struggling to stand; This is my prayer for the future to be; Lord, make a regular man out of me. This I would like to be - just a bit fairer, Just a bit better and just a bit squarer, Not quite so ready to censure and blame, Quicker to help everyone in the game. Not quite so eager men's failings to see; Lord, make a regular man out of me. This I would like to be - just a bit truer, Less of a wisher and more of a doer. Broader and bigger, more willing to give, Living and helping my neighbor to live, This for the future my prayer and my plea: Lord, make a regular man out of me.

---Adapted from "Ching To"--

# CHUNG MEI HOME BUILDING FUND

Since the last issue of our Chronicle the following gifts have been received.

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Nat'l Dollar Stores (add.) 🖇	800.00
Oakland Chinese Mother's Club	
(additional gift)	208.00
S. S., 1st Bapt., Selma	50.00
S. S., Minonk, Illinois	40.00
Mrs. Edna M. Linton (2nd)	25.00
Mrs. W. S. Hunkins	25.00
The Misses Young	25.00
Mrs. John Shepherd (3rd)	25.00
S. S., Fresno 1st Bapt.	24.64
S. S., Swedish Bapt., S. F.	21.30
S. S., Chinese Bapt., S. F.	17.20
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S. S., Jr. Dept. Calvary Bapt.	
Washington, D. C.	16.00
Miss Amy Purcell	15.00
Miss Ruth Nelson	15.00
S. S., Clovis Bapt. Church	10,45
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Covin	10.00
Anonymous	10.00
	10.00
S. S., 1st Bapt., S. F.	
S. S., Tulare	10.00
Miss Lily Bryant	10.00
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Scottsdale, Ariz.	10.00
Circle #6, Newton Centre, Mass.	•
Bapt. Ch. (2nd)	10,00
Mrs. Minnie B. Wilkins	10.00
Mrs. Bertram Waters	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Armstrong	10.00
S. S., 1st Bapt. Everett, Wash.	10.00
S. S., Chinese Bapt., Fresno	7.24
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S. S., Elmhurst, Oakland	6.60
S. S., Porterville	5.00
Miss Beulah Berry	5.00
Berean Class, Lincoln, Nebr.	
(in memory of Fannie Barton)	5,00
Mrs. Viola McKern	5.00
Wom. Miss. Soc., Santa Cruz	5.00
Mrs. Kathryn Ferguson	5.00
Miss Edith M. Whidden	5,00
Mrs. Ada Keaton	5.00
Mr. J. A. Dieves	5.00
S. S., Emmanuel Bapt., N. Y.	5,00
Mrs. E. J. and Pearl Eggers	5.00
Miss Grace Jacobsen	5,00
Mr. Warren Young	5,00
Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Barker	5.00
Mrs. James Rice	5.00
Miss Elizabeth Holt	5.00
Ladies Aid Soc., San Pablo Ch.	5.00
Mr. Geo. L. Sargeant	5.00
Boys' earnings	3,50
S. S., Golden Gate Bapt.	4.00
Miss Alice Fong	5.00
S. S., Caruthers Bapt.	3.42
Bapt. S. S., Jr. Dept.Antrim.N.H.	
C. W. C., Burlingame	3.00
C. W. C., Watsonville	2.50
Anonymous.	2.25
Mei Yu W. W. G., Ogden, Utah	2.00
C. W. C. Spring Hill, W. Va.	2.00
S. S., Fowler	1.90
C. W. C., Downes, Kansas	
C. W. C., HILLSAND MICH	1.58
C. W. C., Hillsdale, Mich	1.58 1.10
A Friend	1.58 1.10 1.00
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C. W. C., Augusta, Kansas	1,00
C. W. C., Clovis	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Dallas McCabe	1.00
Jr. C. W. C. 1st Bapt. Ch.,	
Arkansas City, Kansas	1.00
Rev. & Mrs. Gilbert Christian	1.00
C. W. C., Quiderette, R. I.	1.00
Total \$	1,582.68

Once again we want to express our most sincere and heartfelt thanks to all the good friends who have come so generously to our assistance and brought us on our way to where victory is actually in sight. And we are not unmindful of those few who have written in to tell us that their hearts and prayers are with us in this struggle, although owing to adverse circumstances they find themselves absolutely unable to help us. We have written to them all personally, but now take pleasure in again saying, "We thank you."

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To those, however, who have not yet come to our assistance we say most earnestly at this time, "Won't you help us now?" Only \$10,000 stands between us and victory, but without that sum the building cannot be completed, and our large family adequately cared for. We must not fail. 'We know we will not fail if our friends stand by us.

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Here is a sample of the way some loyal friends are doing. Early in our campaign the Oakland Chinese Mother's Club pledged themselves to raise the sum of \$1,000, with the understanding that they would have three years in which to do it. There are only about twenty-five of these women. They are not women of means. They had little to give save their devotion and enthusiasm. They have gone out among their friends and neighbors, gathering here a little and there a little; and now, with only a year of their three years gone, they have more than completed their task, having raised a trifle over \$1,200.

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We wish to most gratefully acknowledge here the contribution of photographic work to the amount of \$75 by the Coleman Studic.(Mrs. Grace Coleman and Mr. Frank Colburn, Jr.) This photographic work was done in connection with our campaign and used for publicity purposes.

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#### EDITORIAL

### WE LIVE AGAIN

This is written on Easter Sunday morning. Today the whole of Christendom awoke to celebrate the victory of life over death, to do honor to their risen Lord, and to give fresh and triumphant emphasis to the great and vital realities upon which their faith is founded.

We have just listened to the joyous pealing of the bells of Christ Church in the ancient city of Jerusalem. Borne to us over the wires and through the air for a distance of over eight thousand miles, their music sounded fully as harmonious and triumphant as though we had stood with awe in the streets of that old and historic Holy City and watched the pilgrim throngs hastening to worship at the shrine of their Redeemer. If man can accomplish such wonders, which in ages past would have been regarded as utter impossibilities, is it difficult to believe that God could have raised Jesus from the dead?

"If a man die shall he live again?" said Job in one of his moments of despair. "I am the resurrection and the life," said Jesus of Nazareth. "He that believeth in me, though he were dead yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

If, as the founders of the Christian faith have taught us, we live again in a state of blessedness after we leave these mortal bodies, that is indeed a matter for profound gratitude and thanksgiving on our part. There is, however, another phase of the matter that is sometimes lost sight of in our joyous enthusiasm about another life beyond the grave. After all, whether or not we shall enjoy life beyond the grave, and the nature of that life, have very little direct bearing on the world we leave behind. On the other hand, this world is greatly affected by the fact that men do here live again in a very real way after their mortal bodies have been laid to rest.

Shakespeare makes one of his characters say, "The evil that men do lives after them. The good is oft interred with their bones." But Mark Anthony, when he spoke these words, was depressed and grief-stricken over the loss of Caesar. Trug it is that the evil which men do lives after them, and the world must pay the price of it; but the good is by no means interred with their bones. In another of his plays Shakespeare says "How far that little candle throws its beams. So shines a good deed in a naughty world." If so shines a good deed, how much more so a good life? Once lived, it continues to make its influence felt long after the one who lived it has passed on, just as the waves set in motion by the falling of a pebble upon the surface of a pool continue to radiate long after the pebble has sunk out of sight.

We have had in our midst one who came to us for protection, care and training when but a wee lad of six. For almost eleven years he has lived among us. From a little bud he blossomed into a beautiful flower. A life so exemplary, a character so faultless, a disposition so Christlike, is indeed most unusual in a boy; but ours has been a most unusual experience and privilege.

To know Milton Tom was to love him. To place upon his little shoulders a responsibility gave assurance that the responsibility would be met. To assign a task meant that the task would be well performed. Almost unbelievable as it may seem, in the eleven years he was with us, Milton never failed us. We had, from time to time, much uneasiness concerning his physical well being; but never a moment's anxiety about his character. Manly, sturdy, honorable, loyal and lovable it thrilled us to watch him develop as the days, months and years passed by. A real boy, full of fun and pep and wit, a hard and willing worker; yet is can surely be said of him that he walked with God; and God must have enjoyed his companionship, for God took him.

His going left us all - boys and members of the staff - almost stunned with grief; and yet we were able to look through our tears into the face of God and say, "We thank Thee for such a life." One who knew him very intimately said, "he was loaned to us to show us what a boy could be."

He is gone. His bed is empty, his seat at table vacant; but still we feel his presence. He lives again in our midst. He reminds us to be true, loyal and upright, tender and thoughtful for others. He fills us with a desire to live our lives well so that, whether they be long or short, we may, after we answer the last roll call, live again in the hearts and minds of all who knew us.

C. R. S.

# An Appreciation

The whole Chung Mei Family was grief-stricken on the morning of April 5th to learn of the passing of Milton Tom, beloved member of our household.

On Friday, March 29, the Chung Mei troupe went to Turlock to participate in a benefit p rogram for the Turlock Church. That night, after the performance, Milton was taken violently ill, and early in the morning an emergency operation for appendicitis was performed, from which he seemed to rally quite well; and we were hopefully looking forward to the day he would return to us.

Then on Thursday came a message saying that our little man was dangerously ill, and another operation was imperative. Captain and Mrs. Morrice left immediately to be with him, while we at home could do nothing but hope and pray, waiting for the outcome. During that afternoon Milton recuperated enough to talk to those with him, and even to joke with the doctor. About midnight, however, he began to be very restless and uncomfortable. He spoke to Captain, saying, "I'm slipping. Won't you carry me?" Captain leaned over him. "Sure, Son, I'll earry you," he said as he placed his arms around the little body and held him close. Milton seemed satisfied and murmured a contented, "Okeh." Later he began to struggle and become irrational, and then gradually grew weaker. He spoke again, "I'm falling. I can't walk - but I'm not afraid." Everything that could be done for him was done, but his time on earth was up, and he slipped away from us at 3:45 on the morning of April 5th.

Our hearts are still sore, and it is hard to put into words the feelings that lie deep within us. We loved him - the boys as a comrade, pal and brother - the members of the staff as a precious young brother or son. We shall always love him and miss him. He can never be lost to us, for he occupied a place in our hearts which no other can fill. He came back to us, and we looked on his dear face, serene and beautiful. "Our little leader," as one business man called him, could not speak to us with his lips, but his spirit spoke clearly and distinctly.

The memorial service was held on Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church of Berkeley, of which church Milton had for seven years been a member. (Seven years ago, on the day of his burial, he was baptized there.) From the street, up into the vestibule of the church, the boys formed a guard of honor through which the casket was carried into the church, the boys following. The auditorium was lovely with the many floral pieces sent by friends, and the soft tones of the organ filled the air. Grace Adams East played as a trumpet solo that beautiful hymn, "Near to the Heart of God." Rev. W. Earle Smith read a portion of scripture, and Mr. Todd led in prayer. A double quartette of girls from the Ming Quong Home sang "The Lights of Home." No music could have been sweeter or more appropriate. The beautiful harmony of their voices was like that of an angel choir, and we could not help thinking how rich heaven was with our boy there.

Dr. George Derbyshire gave an inspiring message. He said in part, "I heard a story. I saw a locker. I shared an experience." The story was one told by a Sunday School teacher who had been telling the life of Jesus. She spoke of His sinlessness, and said that no other person on earth had ever been perfect. A small Chung Mei boy spoke up and said, "No, you are mistaken, Miss ---. There is one other - Milton Tom." "I saw a locker" - Milton Tom's locker - just as he left it when he went to Turlock. To look at it one would think he had expected not to come back to it. It was in perfect order, even as his life was in perfect order, and spoke eloquently to all who saw it. "I shared an experience." Milton, through the years of his life in the home, had been storing up funds in the Bank of Good Behaviour. After his death a large number of boys were able to draw upon his funds, and an accumulation of three weeks "detention" for misdemeanors was wiped out because of one boy's exemplary record. (Dr. Derbyshire had been present at the assembly when this settlement had been made.) At the close of Dr. Derbyshire's talk Captain also spoke of Milton's life, and of how he lived up to the traditions of a 100% Chung Mei boy.

As the organ again softly sent out its notes the Chung Mei Family paid tribute to this dear comrade. Each boy and member of the staff placed in the casket a cluster of flowers, and breathed a prayer that we might be found worthy, and that we might be finer because of his life.

As a fitting close to the service the golden tones of Mrs. East's trumpet sounded "Taps" - "sweetly rest, all is well, God is nigh."

The boys again formed a guard of honor while the casket was borne out by six of Milton's comrades. On Monday his body was laid to rest in the Mountain View Cemetery. It was hard to say good-bye even to his earthly remains. His physical body has gone from us, but he lives on in our hearts, a beloved memory, and a constant reminder of the beauty of a life well-lived.

#### A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY Margaret G. Thomsen

This is really a "personal," but of course Eddie couldn't put it in about himself. We are exceedingly happy to have the Lieutenant back with us again. He arrived from China on April 10. We could not all go to San Francisco to meet the boat, but welcomed him vociferously at home - in fact so vociferously that a traffic officer heard the noise from San Pablo Avenue and came down to see what was happening. We know all our friends will be happy about it also.

Mr. McCaleb of Burbank Jr. High has been devoting a great deal of time to planting, pruning, etc. at our new place. We appreciate his efforts in our behalf.

The California Nursery at Niles recently made us a gift of five dozen fruit trees, which Mr. McCaleb and some of the Chung Mei boys have already planted.

One of our readers recently sent us a donation to our building fund which he had earned by writing an article on "Ung Cheh" (see our editorial February 1934) and sold to one of our denominational papers. Just a little suggestion for some of you embryo writers.

We very greatly appreciate the help extended to us by our many friends during the hard days following Milton's death. Friends in need are friends indeed.

On Easter Sunday morning the following Chung Mei boys were baptized by Dr. Geo. Derbyshire into the membership of the First Eaptist Church of Berkeley: Harold Cheung, Willie Choye, Billy Tom, Dewey Wong, Jack Woo, Stanley Lee and Harry Wong.

Our new building is rapidly taking on the aspect of a real place, and it will not be long now before we will be able to move in. What a glad day that will be. We will tell you now that the tentative dates for our opening have been set for June 8 and 9. We may have to change this, but we hope not.

On Saturday the 20th an Easter Egg Hunt was held out on the new place. The boys had a lot of fun and enjoyed the eggs.

"It Happened in Zandavia" will be presented on the 18th of May at Sacramento.

Captain and the boys have spent several days at the new place clearing off the surplus wood and storing it in the barn, wo that we will have something to burn in our fireplaces this winter. The barn is full, so I guess we'll have enough to keep us going for a while.

# PERSONALS Edward H. Tong\*

Only a short period remains for Chung Mei alumni to visit the old home, as the time for us to vacate the present location is rapidly approaching. It would be a good idea for all old boys to visit the old home at least once more to refresh their memories of the days that were spent there, before the opportunity to ever do so will be closed. Among those who took advantage of this opportunity during the last month were Donald Hall, Benjie Wu, Henry Chan, Edward Lem, George Jung, Hubert Leong, Charlie Tom, Jim Lee, George Haw, Winston Wong, John Woo and Victor Young.

On April 19 Jim Lee sailed for China on the President Hoover. We are sorry to have Jim leave us, for we could always depend on him for a sunny smile.

George evidently became tired of the idea of becoming a sailor, for he now has a job on land, working for the National Dollar Store in San Francisco. We hope he likes the job, and we feel sure he will make good.

Our "crooner," Warren Young, turned athlete last week and traveled to Sacramento to participate in the Fifth Annual California Aggie Invitational Track and Field Meet. "Bing" represented McKinley High in the 100 ycrd dash, and out of a field of ten contestants came in third.

Norman Leong has left us to live with his mother, The following new boys have come into the home since the last issue of the Chronicle: Raymond Siou, Milton Lew, Kenneth Young, and little Billy Woo, who, being only three and a half, is now our baby. Billy is full of pep - and a few other things.

Speaking for the fellows, I know that whatever tribute, no matter how high, be uttered in praise of our comrade, Corporal Milton Tom, it will be reiterated in the hearts of all those who knew him and came in contact with him in the home. He played the game always. Reliable and dependable as he was to perform faithfully whatever duties were placed on him, he nevertheless possessed his share of mischieviousness and love of fun that won for him the reputation of being a regular fellow. We all miss him, and will continue to do so. Our memory of the little Corporal will serve as an inspiration to us all to play the game as he played it, and to be ever the soldier and gentlemen that he was.

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\*Most heartily we welcome back Edward H. Tong as the writer of this column, after an absence of nearly a year in China. CHUNG MEI HOME BUILDING FUND

Since the last issue of our Chronicle the following gifts have been received. Thousand Oaks Church offering \$ 30.00 Mr. Fred Stripp 25.00 S.S., First, St. Albans, W.Va. 24.00 Dr. & Mrs. C.R. Shepherd (M.T.M.)\* 20.00 Palo Alto Church offering S.S. Central, S. F. 17.15 15.34 S.S. Jr. Dept. Forest Park Bapt. 15.00 Church, Chicago Miss Hazel Weller 15.00 Woman's Society, Porterville 15.00 Anonymous 13.00 S. S. Burlingame 11.47 10.00 Miss Alice Snape Mrs. Eva C. Wilson 10.00 Mrs. H. C. Kinnee 10.00 S. S. San Jose First 10.00 B. Y. P. U. Thousand Oaks 10.00 Mrs. Mary V. Bray 10.00 10.00 Miss Annie M. Pickering Dr. G. Pitt Beers 10.00 Mrs. Elsie R. Cameron 10.00 S. S. Aromas, California 10.00 Central Baptist Association10.00Mr. Benjamin Wu (M.T.M.)\*10.00C. W. C. North Adams, Mass.9.00 C. W. C. North Adams, Mass. 9.00 S. S. Puyallup, Wash. 8.03 8.00 S. S. Pioneer Dept. San Diego 1st Mrs. F. H. Evers 7.50 S. S. Redwood City 7.16 Woman's Aux. Ogden, Utah 6.45 S. S. Jr. Dept., Indianapolis 1st 6.43 Miss Faith Joice (2nd) 5.00 5.00 Mrs. R. E. Beach Mrs. F. C. Turner 5.00 Sr. B.Y.P.U., Corning 5.00 1st Bapt. Church, Tucson, Ariz. Mr. & Mrs. Chas. G. Sorenson Dr. Noel Keys (2nd) Mrs. Bertha E. Wood (2nd) 5.00 Miss Lena Fake The Booth Family Santa Barbara Chinese Miss. (2nd) S. S. Red Bluff, Calif. Bapt. Wom. Aux., Red Bluff S. S. Red Bluff, Calif. S. S. Corning (4th) S. S. Jr. Dept. Central Bapt. Ch. Mrs. R. F. Gerahty (3rd) Mr. Henry Chan (3rd) (M.T.M.)\* 5.00 Rev. Harry Oppenshaw 5.00 Miss Mary Lewis Gott 5.00 5.00 Pacific Ass'n Wom. Miss. Soc. S. S. Spokane Valley, Wash. Miss Florence Benson 5.00 5.00 Miss E. J. Sherman (2nd) Rev. & Mrs. Erle F. Rounds Mrs. Frank Mulks Rev. T. M. Atkinson C. W. C. I. 3.00 C. W. C. Lewisburg, Pa. Mrs. Gertrude Griffen 3.00

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Mrs. J. D. Wood	3.00
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C. W. C. Prospect Ave. Buffalo, N.	Y. 2.00
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Miss. Soc. Cherry Creek, N. Y.	2.00
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S.S. Primary Dept. Havre, Mont.	2.00
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Anonymous	2.00
Inter. B.Y.P.U., Locke, Calif.	1.50
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Jr. B.Y.P.U., Newburg, Ore.	1.00
C. W. C. Hoosick Falls, N. Y.	1.00
C. W. C. Roseville, Calif.	.50
Total \$	577.15

5.00 This is the first month since our build-5.00 ing campaign got under way that our re-5.00 ccipts have been under a thousand dollars, which goes to prove that what we 5.00 have said is true - namely, that the 5.00 last \$10,000 comes the hardest. We are, 5.00 however, not discouraged. We know that 5.00 5.00 somehow and somewhere this last money is 5.00 going to be found.

Hartford, Conn. 5.00 Gerahty (3rd) Chan (3rd) (M T M )\* Arrangements have been made to carry this amount of money temporarily, so that work on the building is continuing on the building is continuing, and we hope to occupy our new premises early in June.

It has been decided to make a part of 5.00 the building a memorial for Milton Tom. 5.00 It so happens that the section of the building in which his group will live is in that part which is not yet paid for. We would like to raise a sum of Mrs. Abbie Colt5.00Mrs. Abbie Colt5.00S. S. Ukiah, Calif.5.00B. Y. P. U. Mountain View5.00Women's Soc., Arcata, Calif.5.00Women's Dictures3.50Carries his story and an attractive had<br/>tone engraving of him. The same can<br/>tone engraving of him. The same can 5.00 \$5,000, thus making the entire Senior 3.50 carries his story and an attractive half-3.00 tone engraving of him. The same can 3.00 be had for the asking. Write and enquire about the plan for the Milton Tom Memorial.



# SUCCESS

IT'S DOING YOUR JOB THE BEST YOU CAN AND BEING JUST TO YOUR FELLOW-MAN. IT'S FIGURING HOW, AND LEARNING WHY AND LOOKING FORWARD AND THINKING HIGH, AND DREAMING LITTLE AND DOING MUCH. IT'S KEEPING ALWAYS IN CLOSEST TOUCH WITH WHAT IS FINEST IN WORD AND DEED. IT'S BEING TRUE AND PLAYING FAIR, IT'S LAUGHING LIGHTLY AT DAME DESPAIR. IT'S SHARING SORROW AND WORK AND MIRTH AND MAKING BETTER THIS GOOD OLD EARTH. IT'S SERVING AND STRIVING THROUGH STRAIN AND STRESS, IT'S DOING YOUR NOBLEST - THAT'S SUCCESS. - Anon. -

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# EDITORIALS

# NEARING THE GOAL

A little more than fifteen months ago we embarked upon a campaign to raise \$75,000 to provide new and adequate quarters for our large family. We did this, not because we wanted to, not because we tho't the time was opportune or the task a simple one, but because we were compelled to. Many told us it could not be done, and still many more had their doubts. We knew it would not be easy, but we knew that it had to be done, and, proceeding upon the theory that what must be done can be done, we tackled the job. It has been hard sledding. There have been many discouragements. We have never really doubted, but have often wondered just how it was to be accomplished.

Even yet the task is unfinished. It has been necessary to add \$1,500 to the cost of the building to cover a few additional necessary features. This, together with the cost of the campaign and an allowance for furniture, brings the total cost to \$79,000. We have already received a total in cash and pledges of \$69,000, so that we still have \$10,000 to get. \$69,000 over certain parts of our country. Those in fifteen months, during times like these, who can in any way help have done so. is indeed something to be profoundly thankful for. Our friends have stood loyally by us. True, there are some who have been unable to help; but many new friends have sprung up, surprising us by their generosity and loyalty. For all this we thank God and our friends; and carry on in the hope of securing new gifts to enable us to meet the outstanding indebtedness. In the meantime we are preparing to move. As soon as school closes the migration will commence. We plan to welcome our friends to an Open House on Saturday, June 29, and to observe the formal dedication on Sunday, June 30.

#### SOON BUT A MEMORY

This is the last number of our little paper that will carry the legend "Published monthly at 3000 Ninth Street, Berkeley, California," and this is the last editorial to be written in this room.

The gaunt, ramshackle old house, which so long has stood at the foot of Ashby Avenue, and for nearly twelve years has housed that group of Chinese lads known

the country over as the Chung Mei boys, will soon be but a memory. In less than three weeks after these lines are read we shall have vacated the old building and taken up our abode in our practical and beautiful new quarters up on the sunny slope at El Cerrito. Old and unsightly though our present quarters be, we are not unmindful of the fact that for the past twelve years many Chinese boys have found here safe protection, loving care and a real home; and glad as we are to greet the day when we can move out to a finer abode, we would not be ungrateful for the service this old building has rendered. Soon, under the ruthless hands of the wreckers, it will commence to disappear. Here and thore parts of it will be found serving useful purposes. Other portions will lie around discarded, and some of it will be consumed by fire. Then over the spot where the old Chung Mei Home used to stand, the swift stream of traffic will commence - busy, bustling, whirling traffic, man in his machines tearing hither and yon. Very many who rush over this spot will not even know that the old home once stood here. Others who now know will soon forget, but many there will be to whom each passage will bring back memories of days never to be forgotten. C. R. S.

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THE GREAT AMERICAN FLOOD Contributed by E.P.S.

Our minds have been turning in sympathy and concern these days to the many who have lost their lives, and the thousands in danger by the floods which have swept The Red Cross is giving assistance, and will continue to do so until these unfortunate people are out of danger. Each one of us would be only too glad to help personally if we could.

There is, however, a greater flood than the one we have mentioned which is sweeping over this beautiful country of ours. It is taking many lives daily, endangering thousands of others, and darkening many otherwise happy homes. We speak of the flood of liquor which is so great in these days that wherever we turn it surrounds us. Our innocent young people see it in supposedly good motion pictures. They hear it advertised over the radio. see it in innumerable store windows, and its ubiquitous advertisements scream at them from a multitude of billboards.

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What are we going to do about it? Are we going to take it lying down? This is a question for each one of us to consider seriously. It calls for clear and fearless thinking. Decent American citizens, what about it?

#### <u>A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY</u> Margaret G. Thomsen

On Sunday evening, April 28th, the Chung Mei boys and Captain presented our program "The Chung Mei Home in Song and Story" at the San Jose Grace Baptist Church, and on the evening of May 5th at the Santa Clara Baptist Church. At both of these services an offering was given to be applied toward our Milton Tom Memorial fund.

A parade in Chinatown on the evening of Sat., May 18th, closed the festivities of "China Week." The Chung Mei Cadets participated in this parade, together with many other Chinese groups.

Another parade participated in by the Chung Mei Cadets on Monday afternoon, May 20th, was that of the Spanish War Veterans in connection with their convention recently held in Berkeley.

On Memorial Day, May 30th, the Chung Mei family visited Milton's grave, and reverently honored his memory by covering his grave with flowers.

Work on our new building is progressing rapidly. It will soon be ready for occupancy. Saturday, June 29, and Sunday, June 30, have been set aside for Open House and Dedication. On Saturday the house will be open all day for inspection. Friends may come and go as they please, taking all the time necessary to see everything. The formal exercises of dedication will be held on Sunday afternoon, starting at three o'clock. Please reserve these dates and be with us on at least one day to help celebrate this happy occasion.

Friends have been asking for suggestions as to what we need in the way of furnishings, etc. We could use at least one radio set for a boys' living room. We also need a number of small chairs and tables for boys' bedrooms. These have been ordered but are not paid for yet. They will cost two dollars each. It would be a real help to have one or more of these provided by individuals or groups.

Through the kindness of a friend we have been given some splendid playground equipment which we are very glad to have, and which will be useful and enjoyable on our new grounds.

The wrecking company which has purchased our old building from the State has been kind enough to donate to the Chinese Christian Union the ten old colonial pillars with which all who have visited the home are familiar. These pillars are to be used by our Chinese friends to erect a shelter or pavillion at the Chinese Christian cemetery.

#### PERSONALS Edward H. Tong

Harry Chan, in the low 9th, is to be commended for his academic attainments for this semester. He succeeded in obtaining a grade of "A" in all of his subjects,

There are others who have also made us proud of their scholastic achievements by winning a place on the honor roll. To qualify for the honor roll one must have grades of either "A" or "B" in all subjects. The following boys maintained this standard: Robert Choy, Frank Wong, Jack Wong, Billy Wong, Albert Wong, and Edward Leong.

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Richard Chin is evidently quite versatile in his abilities. His pastel drawing was judged to be tied for first place in a contest held in his art class at Burbank. Not being content with this distinction, he participated in the Burbank Field Day, and came out with three ribbons: one awarded for first place in the relay, another for first place in the 60 yard dash, and a third for second place in the shot put.

In this same meet Frank Wong won third place in the fifty yard dash, and Robert E. Lee won first place in the relay as one of the team-mates with Richard Chin.

Recently we have heard from Wayland Chan. It is a great pleasure indeed to know that he is in active Christian work. He is assistant to the superintendent of the Chinese Baptist Sunday School at Sacramento.

The following old boys have visited us recently: George Haw, Henry Chan, Arthur Deah and Roland Chew. It was good to see them. We are always happy to welcome back our alumni.

We were happy to have a brief visit from Miss Dietz recently.

Measles seems to be the order of the day. The following boys have Grade A cases: Chester Wong, David Young, Victor and Herbert Wong. Our readers will note that the Wong clan excel both in measles and scholarship. (See above.) George Lum has graduated from the measle class. Peter Wang is very anxious to matriculate, but Miss Richert is not so sure about it.

Raymond Lowe has gone to San Francisco to be with his parents. Fred and Paul Yee have joined our ranks.

Miss Thomsen has been on her vacation. In her absence Mrs. Cottingham, Mrs. Harriet Williams and Miss Nancy Lim carried on so that the correspondence and circularization connected with the building campaign did not lag. ----

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Since the last issue of our Chroni	cle the	First, Hughson, Calif.	10.00
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Mrs., T. S. Tompkins	50.00	Jr. Dept. Temple Ch., Phila., Pa.	5.00
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Oak. Chinese Mothers' Club (add.)		Sunnyside, Los Angeles	5.00
Mr. George Nason	25.00		5.00
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		A Friend (2nd)	3.00
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FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL DORMITORY		Henry Chan (3rd)	2.00
From the following Sunday Schools:		Mrs. Emma F. Kuno (2nd)	2.00
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1st Bapt. Ch., Newton Centre, Mass.	50.00	A Girls Class, Central Sq.Portland	1.50
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1st Bapt. Ch., Lindsay, Calif.	15.23	Mr. Harry Wong	1.00
		Mrs. Carrie Hale (2nd)	1.00

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#### EDITORIALS

# OUR NEW HOME

This is the first number of our paper to carry the legend "Published monthly at El Cerrito, California," and this is the first editorial to be written in this comfortable, cheerful office in our new home.

Our new home! For years we dreamed about it, talked about it, planned for it, longed for it and worked for it yes, how we worked for it; and now at last it is a wonderful reality. As we look back and think of the time when we first faced the undertaking of securing a new home, when we recall how tremendous seemed the task, how numerous the difficulties, how great the obstacles, how many there were to tell us it couldn't be done; and when we review the steps by which the goal was gradually reached, sometimes in the face of almost heartbreaking experiences - yes, when we think of all these things - it seems almost unbelievable. But here it is! That which was once a thing of hopes and faith alone is now a visible, physical reality. An imposing structure and a real home on the sunny slopes of El Cerrito, conspicuously visible to the eyes of all who approach or leave the East Bay region by way of San Pablo Avenue. A thing of beauty, we think; and all who have seen it seem to agree with us. But the beauty has not been costly; for our architect was one who believes in and demonstrates the idea that in building it is not necessarily costly to follow the line of beauty. Neither has efficiency been sacrificed, for we knew what we wanted, from the standpoint of utility, and again our architect demonstrated how beauty could be combined with usefulness. Thus we now are given the happy privilege of endeavoring to carry on the work so dear to our hearts in surroundings that are beautiful, restful and inspiring.

We are profoundly thankful to God, who through our many, many friends has made this thing possible; and we pray that we may be found worthy of the confidence and trust which has been placed in us, and that we may acquit ourselves worthily in our coveted task of assisting Chinese boys in their preparation for lives of useful Christian citizenship. No. 8

# DEDICATION

They were two great days in the history of Chung Mei. On Saturday, June 29th, after a week spent in getting everything ready, we opened our house to our friends and the public in general. From eleven o'clock in the forenoon until nine o'clock at night a steady stream of visitors came to call, to inspect our new premises and to rejoice with us. Friends had sent in a profusion of flowers which added a fragrance and attractiveness to the native beauty of the building. Members of the Oakland Chinese Mothers' Club assisted the staff of the home in acting as hostesses, serving of tea, etc; while a number of the older boys shouldered the responsibility of registering the guests and showing them about the building. The Chu Family instrumental quartette enlivened the occasion by providing musical numbors at frequent intervals throughout the day. Visitors on that day numbered about three hundred.

Sunday, June 30th, was the time of actual dedication. A colorful parade formed at the El Cerrito City Hall and marched to the new home, a distance of about a mile. In this the Chung Mei Cadets were escort .ed by the New Cathay Band, a marching unit from the Ming Quong Girl's Home, and units from the Berkeley, Albany and New Cathay Posts of the American Legion. Gathered about the building by the time the parade arrived were nearly fifteen hundred people to witness the services of dedication, presided over by Rev. W. Earle Smith. Greetings were received and read from Chinese and American friends in various parts of the country. Brief historical sketches in English and Chinese were given by Miss Donaldina Cameron and Rov. Lee Hong respectively. Mrs. Carrie Hoyt, representing the Berkeley Women's Relief Corps, presented to the home a beautiful new American flag which was raised on the pole by the two sergeants of the Chung Mei Cadets, while the New Cathay Band played the strains of the American national anthem. Then Judge Jesse W. Curtis, in a few well-chosen and inspiring words, delivered the keys of the new building to the superintendent, who opened the front door for the sixty-eight boys to enter. As soon as the boys had retired to the designated parts of the building the many guests were admitted. The girls of the Ming Guong Home gathered in the beautiful chapel and rendered half an hour of sacred choral music while the friends moved about the building. They were followed by the untiring Chu quartotte. Light refreshments were served to all present, and it was a very happy occasion. Many of the friends, loathe to leave the happy spot too soon, lingered on until close to dusk. Thus came to a close a day long to be remembered by the Chung Mei Family and their many friends.

C. R. S.

#### A BOWL OF CHOP SUEY Margaret G. Thomsen

We are sorry to have omitted publication of our Chronicle for two months, but are sure our readers will realize what a busy summer it has been for us. With preparations for moving, our opening and dedication, to say nothing of the many adjustments to be made in fitting into our new home, vacations and the illness of the superintendent, it has been impossible to get it out earlier.

Ve noticed, on our day of dedication, that many people were taking pictures. We should like very much to have copies of any good ones, and shall be glad to pay for prints of the same.

In our February issue we announced that a good friend who had already contributed to our fund had written to say that she would be glad to give the last §1,000. This was Mrs. John F. Scott of Pasadena, and although we are still some distance from reaching our goal, she has sent us her check for §1,000.

There are still a good many of our readers who have not yet contributed to our fund. We hope they will want to have a share in helping us clear up the remainder of our indebtedness.

In the editorial columns mention was made of the service rendered on our two opening days by the Chu Family Quartette. We want to especially thank these four talented young people for their gracious and untiring efforts in our behalf.

We were unable to have a real camp this summer, but the boys have had a number of outings and picnics which were very much enjoyed. The Seniors had two days at Santa Cruz. There have been several picnics at Niles Canyon, outings for Intermediates and Juniors at Alum Rock Park, etc. One group of boys who worked with Mr. McCaleb, hauling dirt for our front lawn, had a special treat in a trip to Big Basin.

We have had a good many visitors since moving to our new location, and we still extend a hearty invitation to our many friends to visit and share with us our joy in this lovely home.

We have already thanked them, but wish also to acknowledge through these columns the gifts sent to us for our opening. Among them were pictures, vases, clocks, teakwood stands and chairs, etc.

We also wish to acknowledge the splendid gift of the Fidelis Coterie in so beautifully furnishing our reception room.

Mrs. H. H. Harris of San Mateo has also made a very real contribution in the gift of six large oil paintings, her own work. Three of these, the Madonna of the Chair, Christ and the Children and a scene from the River Jordan, hang in our chapel. Two floral studies are in the reception room, and one of roses in the staff dining room. There are also a number of small beautiful pastels.

For the convenience of our readers, our mailing address now is - The Chung Mei Home, El Cerrito, California.

#### PERSONALS Edward H. Tong

Now that we have settled down in our new building, with the life and the routine of the home well established, it would be appropriate to introduce our new sons to our readers. They are as follows: Jerry Lum from San Dimas, Fred Hoh from China, Glen Wong from Los Angeles, Eddie Wong, Tommy Hoh, Billy Lee (a former Chung Mei boy) from San Francisco. With the addition of these boys our home is almost filled to capacity, the total number now being soventy-two.

We have had many visits from our alumni since we moved into our present location. Among those whom we have been pleased to welcome are Theodore Chin, Ernest Wong, Hubert Leong, Benjie Wu, Bobby and Roger Lee, Wayland Chan, Willie Chan, Arthur Deah, Frederick Schultz, Roland Chew, Oliver Chin, Henry Chan, George Haw, Donald Hall, Walter Lim, Harry Fong and Willie Hall.

Mr. Leroy Custer, who was with us for seven weeks during the summer, has gone to take up his new duties at Bacone Indian College. During his stay here Mr. Custer contributed to the life of the home by conducting a series of interesting and helpful services, and in other activities. We wish him success in the work he is about to undertake.

We are most deeply indebted to Mr. Mc Caleb, a teacher at Burbank Jr. High, for his valuable and untiring efforts in landscaping our grounds. The lawns which he planted recently are already beginning to sprout, and will soon add much to the appearance of the home.

Harry Chan spent the summer at Lake Tahoe with an American family. He says he grew two inches while he was away.

Willie Gee is now attending San Francisco Jr. College, and George Haw, who is working in San Mateo, is attending Jr. Gollege there.

We have enjoyed several visits from Miss Dietz lately.

Captain has just returned from a vacation spent at Hermosa Beach, and Mrs. Morrice is at present away on her vacation. The following gifts have been received C.V.S. Emmanuel Bapt. Ch. & since the last issue of our Chronicle. UNDESIGNATED Mr. & Mrs. Art Wong Miss Alice Coe \$ 300.00 100.00 Miss Amy Coe 100.00 Mrs. Robert A. Hilton (3rd) "One Who Loves Her Lord" K. Haggard Mrs. Carter Norris 50.00 50.00 50.00 Mrs. Carter Norris Judge J. W. Curtis (3rd) 25.00 25.00 Mrs. M. Burden Mr. B. R. Bowron Mr. Walter A. Staub 25.00 25.00 25.00 Mrs. W. S. Hunkins (2nd) Mr. Homer Parks (2nd) Two Friends 25.00 25.00 15.00 2nd) Two Friends The Parks Family 15.00 A Friend of Boys 15.00 A Friend of Boys10.00Evening Mission Club, Nat. Bapt.<br/>Church, Washington, D.C.10.00Women's Union, Eirst, Redlands10.00Dr. B. C. Wong10.00Miss Edna L. Eurden (2nd)10.00Mrs. R. N. Lynch (2nd)10.00Wr. Joel Johnson10.00 Mr. 5001 Johnson10.00Oakland Chinese Y.W.C.A.10.00Mrs. Louise C. Graham10.00Mr. A. J. Symonds10.00Miss Dorothy Stevens10.00Mrs. A. L. Stephens10.00Dr. J. Stowe Ballard10.00Mrs. A. Mrs. F. G. Scroll10.00 Mr. Joel Johnson 10.00 Dr. J. Stowe Ballard10.00Dr. J. Stowe Ballard10.00Mr. & Mrs. E. G. Sowell10.00W.W.G. Electa Chap., San Diego10.00Mr. & Mrs. C. D. Herriott (3rd)7.50Trinity Bapt. Church, Oakland7.00C. V.S. Vorde Part. Ch. Arigano.2.70 7.00 C.V.S., Verde Bapt. Ch., Arizona Mrs. J. H. Buckley Mrs. J. H. Buckley C.V.S. Fresno Chinese A Saint's Legacy Dr. A. W. Rider 6.60 5.31 5.05 5.00 Wom. League, Binghampton, N.Y. 5.00 Miss. Society " " 5.00 Mrs. Wayland Bailey 5.00 Wom. League, Binging " Miss. Society " " 5.00 Mrs. Wayland Bailey 5.00 First Chinese Bapt. Ch., Oakland 5.00 Mrs. Bruce Colton 5.00 Mrs. Mrs. Chow King 5.00 5.00 Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Travis 5.00 5.00 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur L. Hamilton Miss Katherine Cameron Miss Elsie Anderson 5.00 5.00 Mr. H. E. Granquist & Family5.00Mr. E. W. Carlson5.00Miss Bernice Allen5.00 Miss Bernice Allen Miss E. V. Higgins 5.00 5.00 Miss H. V. Higgins Miss Christine Olson Mrs. Wong H ong Mrs. Wong H ong 5.00 5.00 L. More Mrs. Katharine E. King L. More 5.00 5.00 Mr. Yee Chee Tai Salamanca N. Y. Bapt. Church 5.00 Mr. & Mrs. Edwar Lee 5.00 5.00 A. Pang Yau Mr. Siou Teh 5.00 5.00

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1st Shenandoah, Iowa	11.49
Corning, Calif. (add.)	11.00
Lodi, Calif.	11.00
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4th Bapt., Pawtucket, R. I.	10.00
Alameda, Calif.	6.85
Central, Olympia, Wash.	6.83
lst Cambridge, Ill. (& C.W.C.)	6.60
Ansonia, Conn.	6.25
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Venice, Calif.	5.22
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Vevay, Indiana	5.00

#### CHUNG MEI SPIRIT

There is an intangible but very real something which makes Chung Mei Home a distinctive institution, and which radiates from each Chung Mei boy, causing him to stand out in whatever group he finds himself. It is a spirit of happy optimism and determination, of loyalty to the group, of purposefulness in life, of courtesy to others and respect for self. We call this Chung Mei spirit. It came slowly to life early in the histcry of the home, and has developed and blossomed as the years have passed. Sometimes in the life of an organization it happens that in moving from humble and inadequate quarters to those which the old spirit is lost. We had feared that they will render as good account that something like this might happen to Chung Mei in leaving behind the old home with its many hallowed surroundings, and moving into a more comfortable and commodious abode. But we are happy to relate that every present indication is to the contrary. Chung Mei spirit still lives on in the hearts of the boys, the more sincere, more lofty, move vibrant than ever.

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2.50	Madera, Calif.	2.00
2.50	Waterford, Calif.	2.00
2.50	Zion, Waterbury, Conn.	1.50
2.00	Sellwood, Portland, Ore.	1.50
2.00	First, Gladstone, Ore.	1.02
2.00	Albany, Calif.	1.02
1.00	Valparaiso, Ind.	1.00
1.00	Forest Hills, Evansville, Ind.	1.00
1.00	TAT TENT " TOTIL TANKA	
1.00	FURITIURE Mow Lee Co.	60.00
1.00	Oak. Chinese Mothers' Club	24.00
	Sacto. River Assn. B.Y.P.U.	4.00
	B.Y.P.U. Elnhurst, Oakland	4.00
13.54	" " First, San Jose	4.00
11.49	" " Oakley, Calif.	2.00
11.00	" " Fallon, Nevada	2.00
11.00	" " Prospect Ave., Buffalo, N.Y.	2.00
10.00	" " Grace, San Jose	2.00
10.00	" " Salinas, Calif.	2.00
6.85	" " (Progess.) Burlingame	2.00
6.83	" " Reedley, Calif.	2.00
6.60	" " Enmanuel German, N.Y.	2.00
6.25	" " St. Albans, W. Va.	2.00
6.07	" " (Adult) Central, S. F.	2.00
5.50	Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Browning	2.00
5.22	Mrs. Orrin Gilbert	2.00
5.00	Mrs. H. C. Bush	2.00
5.00		

#### SCHOOL!

Our boys all keenly regretted having to leave the Berkeley schools where they were so happy in their school relationships. This was particularly true of those in Columbus and Burbank.

On Monday, August 26th, however, seventy out of the seventy-two of our family entered the schools of the Richmond district, forty-three in the Stege elementary school, twenty-two in Longfellow Jr. High and five in Richmond High School.

We greatly appreciate the warmly cordial welcome which our boys received in each one of these schools; and we sincerely that they will render as good account of themselves in their new surroundings as they did in the schools of Berkeley where their scholarship and citizenship both averaged high.

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"There is everything that's noble in the staff and in the atmosphere of the home - wisdom and the grace of fulfilling every duty, what soever be your place."