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OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Memo No. 1531-44. Dated, the 3rd July, 1941.

Copy ~~32~~ of the C. C. Minutes of the G. E. L. Church in
Chotanagpur and Assam dated 4th and 5th June, 1941 forwarded
to all the C. C. Members and the Manage Board of
Management of Properties and the
for kind perusal. Secretary Assam Choti Sabha

S. S. Luga
Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

Meeting of the Church Council Executive Committee
4th June, 1941 at 3 p. m.

- I. Prayer :- Rev. J.J.P.Tiga ne arambh men prarthna kiya.
- II. Present :- Rev. J. Stosch, President; Rev. J.J.P.Tiga, Secretary; Rev. L. Jojowar; Mr. H. Soy, Treasurer and Mr. Th. Surin.
- III. Minutes :- Minutes of 14.5.41 and 29.5.41 were read and confirmed.
- IV. Matters arising out of Minutes :-

(1) Kinkel M. E. School :- The Headsupervisor made the statement that it was desirable to appoint Mr. Samuel Minz a Matric C. T. as an Assistant teacher in the Kinkel M. E. School on Rs. 25/- p. m.

Resolved that the Headsupervisor's proposal be accepted. It was further stated that there was a need of appointing a mistress in the Kinkel M. E. School. The matter of appointing a mistress was postponed. The Headsupervisor was asked to be on the look out for a mistress.

(2) Govindpur :- Resolved that Miss Seteng Hero of Govindpur be sent to Khutitely U. P. School and Miss Rahil Toppe of Khutitely U. P. School be sent to Govindpur Girls' U. P. School with effect from a date to be fixed by the Headsupervisor.

Items from the Agenda of 7.5.1941.

A. Schools :-

16 A. Rev. Ch. Guria's letter re: Prabhudayal Topno's transfer :- The letter was read. The Executive Committee does not see any reason why the transfer should not take effect.

B. Kondra School :- The School is reported to be in further need of a Matric or non-Matric of a V. M. The Headsupervisor was asked to find one and send him there.

B. Congregational :-

3. Rev. D. D. Tiru and his children :- Resolved that Rev. D. D. Tiru be asked to engage a Government Amin and that Tahsildar Daniel Topno be asked to be at the spot on behalf of the Church during the measurement of the plots.

4. Disturbance in Jarakudar :- It was noted from a letter from Rev. Masihdas Lakra that there are some disturbances in some of his congregations caused by those who do not pay their rents.

5. Ranchi Mata Samaj and Jashpur Headpracharak :- The Secretary reported that he had a talk with the leaders of the Ranchi Mata Samaj and asked them to send their money to the Headpracharak of Jashpur through the C. C. Treasurer. They are not prepared to do so. They however promised to report every month to the Church Council about their remittance. The Committee accepted this arrangement.

12. (iii) Letter from Lohardaga Ilaka :- Mr. Prabhusharan Lakra aur uski men Monica Lakra :-

Lohardaga Ilaka ki chithi jo 7.5.41 ko Bahu Prabhusharan Lakra ke chachalan aur uski men ke sambandh men ayi so parhi gayi. Sab baton ko bichar kar bare dukh ke sath yah phaisla kiya gaya ki,

- (1) Babu Prabhusharan Lakra ko Bari Saja dii jawe.
 (2) Babu Prabhusharan Lakra ki man ko hukum diya jawe ki wah Kalisha ke ghar ko chhor dewe aur dusre taraf kahin jake rahe. Ilaka iske bishay kararwai kare.

(v) Loan taken from Sonica Patras Herenz of Dankera :- The Treasurer reported that the loan is being lequidated by monthly instalment. Rs. 200/- is yet to be paid.

(vi) Minutes of the Assam Chhoti Sabha :- Resolved that the Minutes of the Assam Chhoti Sabha d/ 16.3.41 and 2.5.41 (Executive) be circulated among the members of the C. C. Executive for their perusal.

(ix) Minutes of the 1941 Mahasabha :- Resolved that 200 copies be printed.

(x) Letter from Rev. N. Khalkho, Kuru re: Gopitoly disturbance during ~~Mahir~~ Mahabir Jhanda :- It was reported that the Government is taking necessary actions. No action was therefore necessary from the Church Council side.

(xi) Rev. J. Kujur's request for a Bible Woman at Arangi, Sikwar Parish, Lohardaga Ilaka :- Resolved that Miss Diller be requested to recommend one Bible woman who should be sent to Arangi.

(xii) Sakshi Bani :- The Secretary reported that on the recommendation of Rev. Urbanus Kujur actions have been taken to correct the following errors :-

No.	Error	Correction
90	1Thessaloni 6:12	1 Timothy 6:12.
121	Matti 21:6	Matti 25:6

(xiii) Lohardaga M. E. School :- The Headsupervisor reported that one more teacher of the lower grade was wanted for the Lohardaga M. E. School. It was therefore resolved that, Babu Yakub Dungdung M. E., E. T. be sent to the Lohardaga M. E. School as an assistant teacher of the school on Rs. 15/- p. m.

C. Property

1. The High School Reserve Fund :- The Secretary reported that he had not received any reply from the Gossner High School to his letter No. 957/41 of 18.4.41. After discussion it was, Resolved that As the Secretary of the Managing Committee did not reply to the letter No. 957/41 d/- 18.4.41 of the Church Council, the Church Council regrets to say once again that they strongly disapprove of the quite illegal action of the School authorities in drawing from the School Security money from the Bank without permission. The School authorities are now requested to give an undertaking clearly stating the way of refunding this money.

2. Singhani Bangalow Fund :- It was reported that Mr. Panna has kept a separate fund called Singhani Bungalow Fund and that he is willing to give part of this fund to the Church Council for their disposal.

The Secretary was instructed to negotiate with Mr. Panna in this connection.

3. Widows' Fund :- It was proposed that the new pastors be also allowed to join this fund.

Resolved that this matter be referred to the Ministerium for their consideration and recommendations.

6. Pension of retired pastors :- The Treasurer reported that at present there are nine (9) pensioners plus one whose

pension has been withheld for some time until his case re: land is settled. Thus there is at present want of Rs. 90/- p. m.. Till now the Council has been paying these pensions out of the American subsidy. The Council desires to make some more definite arrangement for this item but does not see any way just now.

7. G. E. L. Boys' L. P. School, Ranchi Municipal Tax :- As the School is badly in need of help it was resolved that the Municipal Tax of the School be paid by the Church Council in future.

8. Press matters :- It was reported that Mr. Panna being the Superintendent of the Press recently inspected the Press and it is now hoped that the working of the Press will be improved.

Matters from the Agenda for 28.5.1941.

13. T. A. Bill of Mr. Ignatius Lakra Headmaster, Khutitoly :- Messrs Soy and Tiga referred the matter back to the Executive Committee. After discussion it was Resolved, That Mr. Ignatius Lakra be asked to specialise his expenses because just as they have been given they cannot be understood clearly.

14. Gumla Hostel :- The President informed the Committee that he received a set of rules framed by the Gumla Hostel Committee and the approval of the Church Council was sought. Resolved that the matter be entrusted to a small Commission of the following :-

- (i) President J. Stosch.
- (ii) Secretary Rev. J.J.P.Tiga.
- (iii) Rev. L. Jojowar, Church Supervisor.

Matters from the Agenda for 7.5.1941.

C. Property (Continued)

9. Karamdi Church Repair :- The petition with the recommendation of Tahsildar D. Topno was taken into consideration and it was Resolved, That the petition be forwarded to the Board of Management of Properties with recommendations.

10. Mr. P. S. Sokey's request for the sale of a Tund tree in the Ranchi Cemetery near the muth :- The Council is not willing to cut this tree now.

11. Repair of Tokad bungalow :- The matter has been forwarded to the Property Board.

Matters from the Agenda for 28.5.1941.

15. Mr. Panna's letters re: -

(a) Jungles and trees in the Koronjo Ilaka :- Read letter of the Manager of Properties with the enclosures.

Resolved that (i) The action of the Headmaster in cutting the trees without obtaining permission to do so is disapproved and for the future he is warned not to cut any tree without obtaining permission from the Manager of Properties.

(ii) That the Notice drafted by the Manager be printed in the Gharbandhu.

(b) Wandohar request for 6 trees to erect a chapel :- Resolved that the questions re of Mr. Panna be sent to the Ilaka Chairman of Khutitoly with the request to answer those questions. In case they have not cut the trees they are asked to wait until they get an order to cut the trees.

(c) Banki Bungalow and the Compound at Purulia :- The Secretary informed the Council that the Board of Management decided to sell the Banki bungalow and its compound on Rs. 10000/- As there are no customers at present and there is no good in waiting to sell by pieces the Board of Management requested Mr. Panna to consider if he could buy himself. Mr. Panna has considered this and has replied that he is prepared to pay Rs. 10,000/- and buy this land.

Resolved that the Banki bungalow and its compound be sold for Rs. 10,000/- to Mr. D. M. Panna.

(d) Share of Widows' Fund to Mrs. Nimi Bhengra w/o late Rev. Johan Bhengra :- Resolved that in future Mrs. Nimi Bhengra be not paid from the Widows' Fund as it appears to be illegal. It is alright if she is not asked to refund what she has been given till now by mistake.

16. Babu Elias Tirkey of Babu Lane :- The Secretary reported that Babu Elias Tirkey did not pay his house rent from October, 1939 and yet he wanted materials to repair his quarters. On demand he paid Rs. 5/- and was allowed necessary materials.

The action of the Secretary was accepted.

17. Application of Babu Habil Lakra :- The woman whom Habil Lakra wants to marry belongs to the S. P. G. Mission, Duru Parish. The S. P. G. pastor of Duru has refused to grant a certificate and therefore the Lutheran pastor of Chatti has refused to solemnize the Bachandatt.

Resolved that the Anglican Bishop be requested to see to it that the Duru pastor grants a certificate.

18. Application of Babu Dhankumar Lakra :- Babu Dhankumar Lakra applies for a post in the Church but he does not give his qualifications. The Council could not consider the case.

19. Other matters :-

(i) Pension for Rev. I. Ekka :- The matter was postponed for the Full Council.

(ii) Cycle for Asst. Manager of Properties :-
Postponed for the Full Council.

(iii) Application for quarters in the Derakhana :- One tenant left the Derakhana. There were two applicants for the house. After consideration it was agreed that the house be given to Babu Manmasih Lakra, a teacher of the Boys' L.P. School.

(iv) Application of Babu Phanuel Toppo :- Postponed for the Full Council.

(v) Marriage of Babu Mangaldas Tirkey :- As all conditions have been fulfilled it was Resolved that Mangaldas Tirkey be allowed to re-marry.

(vi) Petition of the Headmasters of M. E. Schools who have come to Ranchi for training on Basic English :- Resolved that a Mess of the Headmasters be allowed to be run in the Derakhana. Fuel be supplied by the Church Council and the services of Mr. Naeman Toppo be made available for the management of the Mess. Expenses on all items other than fuel be met by those who join the Mess. If necessary advances be given to those who are in need.

(vii) Lutheran N. M. S. Appeal for Medical Service at Murwahi :- Resolved that the Appeal be forwarded to Mr. Masihdas Minz with the direction to collect subscriptions for the said

purpose and if necessary to make suggestion to the Church Council.

(viii) Chakradharpur - Case against the "arwari" :- Resolved that the representation of the Chakradharpur pastor be sent to the Manager of Properties for his consideration and necessary action.

(ix) Printing the Catechism ka Barnamsala :- Resolved that the Press authorities be requested to take the Proprietorship of the Catechism ka Barnamsala written by Misses A. Diller and H. Schmidt.

(x) Rev. Samuel Tirkey of Jashpur Michghat - Request for help :- Postponed for the Full Council.

(xi) A door in the Secretary's quarters :- It was shown that it was necessary to open a door in the middle of the two big rooms of the Secretary's quarters. It was resolved that a door be opened.

(xii) Repair of Govindpur Teachers' quarters :- The petition was read out. As the Headmaster is now here it was said that his opinion be invited on the matter. It was however resolved that the immediate needs be at once attended to.

(xiii) Increments :-

Resolved that the following increments be given :-

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- (a) Samuel Toppe driver - From Rs. 17/- p. m. to Rs. 20/- p. m.
- (b) Babu Daud Toppe - From Rs. 22/- p. m. to Rs. 25/- p. m.
- (c) Babu B. Binode Minz - From Rs. 15/- p. m. to Rs. 18/- p. m.

These increments to take effect from the June salary.

(xiv) Babu Bhanu Topno's application for increment :- As some Matric C. T.'s e.g. Babu Samuel Minz have been employed on Rs. 25/- p. m. the question of giving increment to Babu Bhanu Topno was held up.

(xv) Financial Report for May, 1941 :- Accepted.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

SD/- J. Stosch.
18.6.41.

SD/- J.J.P.Tiga.
Secretary.

Emergency meeting of the C. C. Executive Committee.
5th June 1941.

Present :- Rev. J. Stosch, President, Rev. J.J.P.Tiga, Secretary and Rev. L. Jojowar Church Supervisor.

1. Application of Bano :- An application from Bano Mandli, Latakai Parish of Takarma Ilaka was forwarded by the Ilaka Panch to the Church Council for consideration and action. The Bano Mandli's request is to allow them to appropriate certain proportion of their Mandli income in constructing a chapel.

After consideration it was,

Resolved that Rev. L. Jojowar Church Supervisor be asked to write to the Bano Mandli through the Takarma Ilaka Chairman

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that the Council cannot allow them to use the Mandli income in constructing the Chapel. They should follow the rules laid down by the Mahasabha in the " Mandli Karmchariyon aur Pancho ke Byawahar ka Byora " and find other ways to construct the chapel.

2. Burju Ilaka :- In continuation with the decision of the Executive Council asking Rev. Andrias Topno to leave Burju, it was Resolved that Rev. Mansidh Purty be requested to take charge of the Ilaka for the time being from the Rev. Andrias Topno and stay in Burju for the period.

3. Gumla Hostel :- The rules recommended by the Gumla Hostel Committee were read out and were adopted with a few modifications.

Sd/- J. Stosch.
18.6.41.

Sd/- J. J. P. Tiga.
Secretary.
