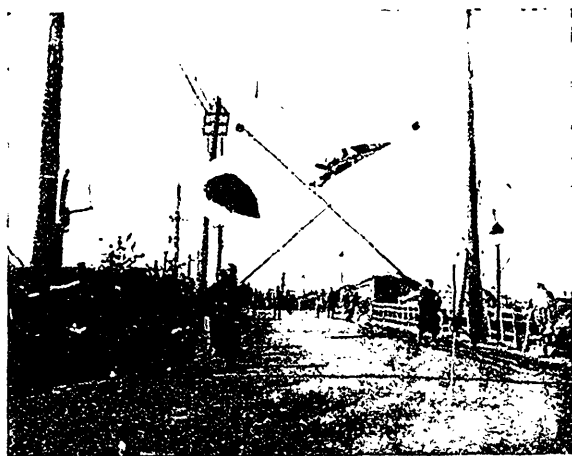


taste to show our Scripture pictures. We explained that we were Christian workers, and told them why we did not show our Scripture views. I told them I was an Englishman, and I would speak on the war, and so I proceeded to tell them why the English sympathized with Japan at the present time, and hoped she might win. When I finished there was a shout of "Hurrah for England" (*Ei-ko-ku ban-zai*).

Our most interesting work has been among the wounded soldiers. The three Churches—Methodist, Presbyterian, and Episcopalian—formed a joint committee for the carrying on of this work. About a thousand men have fallen to the Methodists, and Mrs. McKenzie and I have the direction of the work. The W.M.S. ladies of our mission have ten other rooms at the opposite end of the parade grounds, the point nearest their house.

We first obtained permission to visit the hospitals with singing bands on Sunday afternoon to sing hymns. In order that the soldiers might receive the most possible benefit from this work, we selected from the new Union Hymnal (used by nearly all the Protestant Churches in Japan) twenty good hymns, and had them printed for distribution among the soldiers.

When the rooms are filled there are about forty beds on a side; that is, eighty in a room. The patients are some of them lying down, others sitting up, reading, smoking, chatting, and if it happens to be a fine day some of them will be walking in the grounds outside. The men are dressed in thick wadded Japanese clothes, or "kimonas," made of unbleached cotton, and



A BRIDGE OVER A RAILWAY, JAPAN.
The flags are crossed in honor of a Japanese victory.

having a red cross on the left sleeve. As we enter the room we salute the inmates, and ask them if they would like some singing. "Yes, yes, yes," is the hearty response. So we take up a position at the centre of the room, and having distributed the sheets with the hymns on, announce a hymn. If it is the first time we have visited this particular room we briefly explain the meaning of the hymn before singing it. We usually sing three or four hymns in a room, winding up with the Japanese National Anthem. Most of the twenty hymns we have printed for distribution are old familiar ones, known all over the world wherever Christians are found. Here is a partial list: "Stand Up for Jesus," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Fairer Than Day," "Lily of the Valley," "Yield Not to Temptation," "Whiter Than Snow," "Soldiers of the Cross, Arise," "Onward, Christian Soldiers." Occasionally among the patients there is a Christian, and he can join in the singing. Others who do not yet know the hymns, but are anxious to learn, try to join in. A number of years ago the question was