

ERADICATION OF ILLITERACY

MEDHI'S APPEAL

MADRAS, Feb. 28.

Mr. Bishnuram Medhi, Governor of Madras, presiding over the College Day of the Stella Maris College, Mylapore, this evening, remarked that a great responsibility lay on the shoulders of educated women of India, at the present moment. They would have to come forward and do everything in their power, in co-operation with educated men, for the removal of illiteracy to begin with and then to help in the economic betterment of the less fortunate people in the country.

The Governor congratulated the institution on its excellent progress in the past 13 years and paid a tribute to the foreign missionaries who had been rendering yeoman service in the field of education in this country.

Mr. Bishnuram Medhi desired that students, while striving to achieve high academic distinctions, should not lose sight of the development of character. He emphasised the need for a proper integration of material, moral and spiritual values.

Rev. Mother Proinsias, Principal, in her report, mentioned that the campus of the College would be shifted to Cathedral Road, Teynampet, from the beginning of the next academic year and added that they were given a grant of Rs. 1 lakh for the construction of a hostel by the University Grants Commission. She said that during the year the College had opened post-graduate courses in Economics and in English.

Mrs. Medhi then distributed the prizes.

Dr. P. V. Cherian proposed a vote of thanks.