The Summer of 1918

We look forward to the time when all young women of the Madras Presidency preparing for the profession of medicine will seek enrolment in the Medical School at Vellore.

— Anna Kugler, 1918

Towards the end of the First World War, on 12 August 1918, a British military doctor of the Madras Presidency was going to speak at the inauguration of a medical school in South India. Supporting correctly that the first school in two buildings did not pass a distance for anatomy classes, Col. Reginald Brown decided to take one with him. The distance, dangerously breasted, enabled by train from Madras to Vellore, where it becused the teacher of anatomy for business girls. The school's president of anatomy was also in principal, Dr. Sth Srinivasa Sundar. The school had only two medical women.

Four years later, when the girls graduated, the president of anatomy had become the president of the medical college. The beautifully planned graduation ceremony was held within a week, since the school still had little in the way of buildings. Present at the ceremony was Dr. Anna Kugler, the first woman medical missionary in South India. She wrote a little book to commemorate the occasion. Self-effacing, Dr. Kugler did not include her own name in the book. The final line read:

Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received her frame
From everlasting Thou art God
To endless years the same...

— Isaac Watts, 1719