



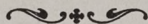
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THE PRAYER FOR THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, bless, we pray Thee, our work for the extension of Thy Kingdom, and make us so thankful for Thy precious gift to us of Thy beloved Son, that we may pray fervently, labour diligently, and give liberally to make Him known to all nations as their God and Saviour. We ask this for His dear sake. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESE

Almighty God, who feedest Thy flock, and callest Thine own by name; Mercifully keep this whole diocese, and lead each parish in the way, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind. Hallow and bless to us the sacraments and services of Thy Church. Inspire our clergy to show forth Thy truth by their preaching and living, and daily to minister according to Thy will. Bless the rulers of this land. Send forth labourers into Thy harvest, and hasten the coming of Thy Kingdom in all the world. Make Thy cathedral in this diocese a house of prayer for all people, and in each neighborhood make the parish church a spiritual home. Keep our communicants in singleness of heart, from unbelief and worldliness, giving them grace, both in their homes and callings, faithfully to confess Thy Holy name. May all our children be taught of Thee. Draw to the cross those who are impenitent and hardened in sin. And, we beseech Thee, heal the sick, comfort the sorrowing, relieve the distressed. In all our work for Thee may Thy Holy Spirit direct and rule our hearts. Move Thy people to give as Thou hast given to them. Fill the workers with the spirit of power, of love, and of a sound mind; and while we plant and water, do Thou give the continual increase; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Diocese
of Washington*

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

PROGRAM EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS Season of 1926-27

Friday, October 8:

Epiphany Parish Hall; 8 p. m.
"Japan: Is Our Work There Worthwhile?"
Miss Hallie Williams of St. Agnes' School,
Kyoto, Japan.

Tuesday, October 19:

St. Andrew's Parish Hall, 8 p. m.
"The World Call to the Church."
Mrs. J. J. T. Graham, of Holy Trinity
Parish, Collington.

Monday, October 25:

St. John's Parish Hall, 16th Street; 8 p. m.
"The Call to the Church from the Rural
Districts of the United States."
Rev. F. D. Goodwin, formerly Secretary
for Rural Work of the National De-
partment of Christian Social Service.
The Bishop of Washington will preside.

Friday, November 5:

St. Margaret's Parish Hall; 8 p. m.
"The Call to the Church from Latin-Ameri-
can Countries."
Mrs. E. L. Sliter, Educational Secretary,
St. Paul's Branch, Woman's Auxiliary.

Friday, November 12:

At 8 p. m.
"The Call to the Church from Special Racial
Groups in the United States."
Mrs. Dudley Carpenter of Chevy Chase
Parish.

Friday, November 26:

St. Thomas' Parish Hall; 8 p. m.
"The National Council Answers the Call."
Dr. W. Sinclair Bowen, Diocesan Deputy
to General Convention.

Wednesday, December 1:

Ascension Parish Hall; 8 p. m.
"The Church's Answer to the Call."
Rev. Dennis Whittle, of Luray, Va.

Thursday, April 28:

All Saints', Chevy Chase; 8 p. m.
Stereoptican Lectures:
"The Story of Joseph."
"Symbols of the Christian Church."

Wednesday, May 18:

Epiphany Parish Hall; 8 p. m.
Stereoptican Lecture:
"Social Results of Missions."

Wednesday, June 1:

Pageant—"The United Thank Offering"
Reprint from THE CHURCH MILITANT

The Clergy, the Presidents of the Parish Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, and officers of Young People's Organizations are earnestly requested to give frequent notices of the above mentioned meetings.

It is requested that notices of the meetings be published in Parish bulletins the Sunday before they take place.

It is most desirable that young people attend these meetings. The Educational Committee hopes that members of the Auxiliary will charge themselves with the duty of encouraging the attendance of young people from their parishes, and particularly from their own families.

The meetings are being held in the evening in the hope that men will attend as well as women.

The presence of the Clergy is particularly requested at the meetings on October 8 and 25 and December 1. At the first of these the speaker will be a missionary from Japan, and the Rev. Dr. Phillips will preside; at the second, the well-known Mr. Goodwin, the Church's expert on Rural Work, will speak and the Bishop will preside; at the third, one of the most effective missionaries in the Mountains will be the speaker.

Faithfully,

GRACE M. BOWEN, *Chairman.*

Northbrook Courts,
3420 Sixteenth Street N. W.

THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, whose compassions fail not, and whose loving kindness reacheth unto the world's end; we give Thee humble thanks for all the great things Thou hast done and art doing for the children of men, for the opening of heathen lands to the light of Thy truth, for making paths in the deep waters and highways in the desert, for knitting nation to nation in the bonds of fellowship, and for the planting of Thy Church in all the earth. O merciful Father, in whom the whole family is named, fill full our hearts with grateful love for this Thy goodness, granting us grace henceforth to serve Thee better and more perfectly to know Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE ORDER OF THE THOUSAND FOLD

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Who with Thy Son Jesus Christ hast given unto us all things in heaven and earth, we beseech Thee to make us a thousandfold more useful to Thee than ever before, so that Thy power and blessing may flow through us to multitudes of others who are in need, and also make us more willing and loving servants of Thine to Thy honor and glory for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

COLLECT FOR USE IN OPENING A MEETING

O God, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee; Mercifully grant that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE BISHOP'S CRUSADE

O Lord, we beseech Thee, send Thy blessings on the Bishop's Crusade undertaken in Thy name. Fill all leaders and workers with Thy Holy Spirit that they may speak their message with burning zeal, touching the hearts of all hearers and bringing them to true repentance and the consecration of their lives to Thy service, to the end that Thy Gospel may be spread and Thy Kingdom enlarged, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE BUILDING OF THE WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast taught us that all things are possible to Him that believeth, and that Thou wilt favourably hear the prayers of those who ask in Thy Name; We plead the fulfillment of Thy promise, and beseech Thee to hasten the building, in the Capital of this nation, of Thy House of Prayer for all people. Make speed to help us, O Lord, Whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit, we worship and glorify as one God, world without end. Amen.

THE PRAYER FOR THE UNITED THANK OFFERING

O Lord, our Heavenly Father, we pray thee to send forth labourers into thy harvest, and to grant them Thy special grace for every need. Guard and guide the workers in the field, and draw us into closer fellowship with them. Dispose the hearts of all women everywhere to give gladly as thou hast given to them. Accept, from grateful hearts, our United Thank Offering of prayer and gifts and joyful service; and bless it to the coming of Thy Kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR MISSIONARIES AND THEIR WORK

O God, Who by Thy Son Jesus Christ, has commanded us to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, make us faithful and obedient to do Thy Holy will. Give us compassion for all who are living without Thee in the world. Send forth, we beseech Thee, labourers into Thy harvest. Protect and guide them wherever they go. Give them patience, love and a right judgment in all things. Gather in Thine elect from all nations and hasten Thy Kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE BISHOP

O Thou, Who are the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, give to him whom Thou hast called to the place of a human shepherd of Thy flock such love for Thee and such true love for Thy sheep that in gentleness and guidance he may fulfill Thy will and bring Thy children ever nearer to Thyself. Hear us and help us, O Lord. Amen.

NOONDAY

Blessed Saviour, Who at this hour didst hang upon the Cross stretching forth Thy loving arms, grant that all mankind may look unto Thee and be saved, through Thy mercies and merits, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost ever one God, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER

O Lord of Souls, Who hast chosen and called me to service in Thy Church, all my trust is in Thee, for in Thee are the springs of my life. Abundantly give me of Thy Blessed Spirit, without Whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; and use me as it shall please Thee for the glory of Thy Name. Make my will patient, my conscience pure, my temper bright. Empty me of self, and fill me with the meekness of wisdom. Increase my faith, mellow my judgment, stir my zeal, enlarge my heart. Let my life enforce what my lips utter. Do Thou choose for me the work I do, and the place in which I do it, the success I win, and the harvest I reap. Preserve me from jealousy and impatience, from self-will and depression. Make me faithful unto death, and then give me the crown of life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR RURAL WORK

Blessed Lord Jesus, the Good Shepherd of the sheep, Whose flocks are upon a thousand hills, Who hast put into our hearts the hope of a better country; bless all who search for Thy sheep in scattered places, that they may fetch them home to Thee; Who art with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

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Miss Edith Foote, Karasumaru-Dori, Shimotachi-Uri, Kyoto,
Japan.

Deaconess E. Hart, St. Phoebe's School, Hankow, China.

Miss Margaret R. Paine, St. Agnes' School, Kyoto, Japan.

Miss Frances E. De Grange, Cuba (now in the U. S.)

Mrs. Henrietta Brewer, Vieques, P. R. (Employed in the field).

Miss Frances Davenport, Arizona.

Miss Pomphrey (on furlough from China).

In Memoriam

Ascension Parish—Mrs. J. Owen Dorsey.

Christ Church, Georgetown—Mrs. W. S. Bryant.

Christ Church, Washington—Mrs. Arthur Jones.

Epiphany—Mrs. Plume P. Ingersoll, Mrs. William F. Powell, Miss
Fannie Gilliss.

St. Alban's—Mrs. James D. Craighill, Mrs. Richard L. Sylvester.

St. John's, Bethesda—Mrs. S. E. Wheatley.

St. John's, Georgetown—Mrs. John Wood.

St. Margaret's—Mrs. William R. Turner.

St. Mark's—Mrs. S. B. Roane.

St. Luke's—Mrs. Grace Rice.

St. Stephen's and Incarnation—Mrs. Z. D. Blackstone.

St. Thomas'—Mrs. N. P. Atkinson, Miss Frances Cox, Miss Marie
Michie.

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Rosalie Ferguson Bequest

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Mrs. A. Crawford Mrs. W. S. Bishop

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Mrs. Spencer S. Wood

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Woman's Auxiliary
Diocese of Washington

Advent Parish

Mrs. David Miller, 29 You Street

All Saints' Parish, Chevy Chase, Md.

Mrs. Millard F. West, 3 Hesketh Street, Chevy Chase, Md.

All Souls' Memorial

Mrs. W. M. Gilbert, 3406 Ashley Terrace, Cleveland 278

Ascension Parish

Day Branch

Mrs. Wm. C. Rives, 1702 Rhode Island Ave.

Ascension Parish

Night Branch

Mrs. Thomas W. Cooke, 1308 Massachusetts Ave.

Ascension Church, Gaithersburg

Miss Ollie Myers, Sec., Gaithersburg, Md.

Christ Church, Washington Parish

Miss R. Isabel Simonds, 1329 North Carolina Ave. N. E.

Christ Church Parish, Georgetown

Mrs. Spencer Shepard Wood, 2808 N Street

Christ Church Parish, Kensington, Md.

Miss Martha Zimmerman, Kensington, Md.

Christ Church Parish, Port Tobacco, Md.

Mrs. J. Edward Burroughs, La Plata, Md.

Christ Church Parish, Rockville, Md.

Mrs. Alexander Kilgour, Rockville, Md.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Miss Emma W. Abbott, 509 I Street N. E.

Church of our Saviour

Mrs. C. E. Molster, Brookland

Church of the Transfiguration

Mrs. Julia H. Hartranft, 4824 Illinois Ave.

Emmanuel Parish

Mrs. Frances E. Frazier, 2237 Mount View Place S. E.

Epiphany Parish

Day Branch

Miss Mary Y. Wheeler, 2308 Tracy Place

Epiphany Parish

Night Branch

Miss Julia A. Karr, 1620 Rhode Island Ave.

Grace Church, Silver Spring, Md.

Mrs. E. I. Harmon, Silver Spring, Md.

Holy Trinity Parish, Collington, Md.

Mrs. W. D. Bowie, Mitchellville, Md., Tel. Bowie 20-F-4

Nativity Chapel

Miss Jessie E. Gibbons, 1314 North Carolina Ave. N. E.

Pinkney Memorial Parish, Hyattsville, Md.

Mrs. H. S. Robinson, Owens Ave., Hyattsville, Md.

- St. Alban's Parish**
Mrs. Edward M. Weeks, 3461 Lowell Street
- St. Andrew's Parish**
Mrs. Cornelia L. Munn, 1842 16th Street
- St. Andrew's Chapel**, College Park, Md.
Mrs. C. P. Close, College Park, Md.
- St. Andrew's Parish**, Leonardtown, Md.
Mrs. Robert Loker, Leonardtown, Md.
- St. Bartholomew's Church**, Laytonsville, Md.
Mrs. Samuel Riggs, Brookeville, Md.
- St. James' Parish**
Mrs. C. J. Wood, 233 8th Street N. E.
- St. John's Parish**, Washington
Mrs. G. Brown Miller, 1730 K Street
- St. John's Parish**, Beltsville, Md.
Mrs. Charles Church, Sec., Beltsville, Md.
- St. John's Parish**, Bethesda, Md.
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- St. John's Parish**, Georgetown
Mrs. E. P. Alexander, 3027 Q Street
- St. John's Parish**, Olney
Mrs. J. W. Jones, Olney, Md.
- St. Luke's**
Mrs. N. B. Satterwhite, Sec., 1777 T Street
- St. Margaret's Parish**
Mrs. Charles M. Wilkes, The Burlington, 1120 Vermont Ave.
- St. Mark's Parish**
Mrs. Martin Whalen, 115 C Street N. E.
- St. Paul's Parish**
Miss Helen Munroe, 1812 K Street
- St. Paul's Parish**, Rock Creek
Mrs. W. B. Patterson, 422 Randolph Street
- St. Peter's Parish**, Poolesville, Md.
and
Christ Church, Barnesville, Md.
Mrs. Thomas F. Chiswell, Dickerson, Md.
- St. Phillips' Parish**, Laurel, Md.
Mrs. Annie Gough, 204 Laurel Ave., Laurel, Md.
- St. Stephen's and the Incarnation**
Day Branch
Mrs. Wm. R. Bushby, 1536 Monroe Street
- St. Stephen's and the Incarnation**
Night Branch
Mrs. W. F. Bowen, 609 Northbrook Courts
- St. Thomas' Parish**
Mrs. Wm. C. Prentiss, 1720 Oregon Ave.
- Trinity Parish**
Miss Bessie J. Kibbey, 2025 Massachusetts Ave.

TIME OF MEETINGS
of
PAROCHIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES

- Advent—2d and 4th Thursdays—Homes of Members.
All Saints—3d Tuesdays—10:30 A. M.
All Soul's—2d Tuesdays—1:30 P. M.
Ascension—1st Wednesdays—3:00 P. M.—1702 Rhode Island Ave.
Ascension (B)—2d Mondays—7:45 P. M.—1308 Massachusetts Ave.
Christ Church, Georgetown—1st Mondays after 1st Tuesdays—2:30 P. M.
Christ Church, Rockville—1st Fridays—2:30 P. M.—Home of Pres.
Epiphany—1st and 3d Wednesdays—10:30 A. M.
Good Shepherd—2d Wednesdays—1:00 P. M.
Holy Trinity, Collington—1st Wednesdays—2:00 P. M.
Nativity—3d Mondays—8:00 P. M.
Pinkney Memorial—2d Fridays—2 P. M.
Transfiguration—2d Tuesdays—8:00 P. M.
St. Alban's—2d Wednesdays—All Day and 4th Wednesdays—2:00 P. M.
St. Andrew's—1st Mondays after 1st Tuesdays—8:00 P. M. and two weeks later—2:00 P. M.
St. Andrew's, Laytonsville, Monday after 3d Sunday—2:00 P. M.
St. John's—3d Thursdays—10:30 A. M.
St. John's, Georgetown, 1st Thursdays—8:00 P. M.; and called meetings A. M. for sewing.
St. John's (B) Georgetown, 1st Fridays—8:00 P. M.
St. John's, Olney, 2d and 4th Wednesdays, afternoon.
St. Margaret's—1st Mondays—2:30 P. M.
St. Mark's—1st Wednesdays—2:00 P. M.
St. Paul's—2d Thursdays—7:45 P. M.
St. Stephen's—2d Wednesdays—2:00 P. M.
St. Stephen's (Night)—1st Mondays—8:00 P. M.
St. Thomas—1st Wednesdays—10:00 A. M.
St. James Chapel, Bowie, 1st Wednesdays—2:00 P. M.

Reports

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

A year of progress! This we may joyfully say of the one just ended.

A year ago in this lovely old Church of St. John's, we were happy in the realization that the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Washington had continued to go forward. And today there is again cause for gratitude.

We are grateful for increased membership, increased gifts, increased parish organization of the Woman's Auxiliary, increased organization of B Branches; but greatest and best of all, is the increased power and influence of the Devotional Committees in Diocese and Parishes. "Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

If our Lord is really made the center of our lives and the center of every parish branch, and the center of our diocesan Woman's Auxiliary, we shall find all things possible.

Though the work and responsibility be heavy, we shall find women everywhere eager to have a part in it, if through it all and in it all they see this Christ Spirit; if they feel they may share in a worthy work for His sake and in His name.

Prayers from deeply consecrated hearts are needed. Intelligent planning of the work expected of us is imperative, both for the special work for General Convention in 1928, and also for the life task we accept when we become worthy members of the Woman's Auxiliary.

With such consecration and with intelligent pursuit of our great responsibilities, there will be such an influence created that increasingly large numbers of women, both young and old, will feel the call and recognize the privilege of service in the Woman's

Auxiliary.

January 4, 1927

St. John's Church.

Sarah Cooper Hurd.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

The Washington Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, held eight regular meetings during the year 1926. The average attendance at these meetings was 132; the average number of parishes represented, 32.

The Annual Business Meeting was held January 5th, at St. John's Church, Washington. Bishop Freeman, who was the celebrant at the Corporate Communion, charged each member of the Auxiliary to endeavor earnestly to spread the Kingdom of God. To do this, one's heart should be filled, not only with deep consecration, but with a passionate desire to save the souls of those who know not the redeeming love of Christ.

The following officers were elected at this meeting:

To fill unexpired terms—

For Vice-President of Third District—Mrs. Francis C. Wallace (to serve till January, 1927).

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Wm. S. Bishop (to serve till January, 1928).

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Wm. Curtis White (to serve till January, 1927).

To fill three-year terms—

Assistant Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Marcus Benjamin.

Assistant Treasurer—Mrs. Frank P. Leetch.

Educational Secretary—Mrs. Wm. F. Bowen.

Treasurer, United Thank Offering—Miss Lucy Grant.

Two special meetings were held—one at St. Paul's Church, at which the Rev. Dr. F. H. Pott of St. John's College, Shanghai, spoke. At the other, held in St. John's Church, Washington, Bishop Thomas told of his work in Wyoming.

During the year the special speakers at the regular meetings were: Deaconess K. E. Phelps, of Anking; Miss Gertrude Heywood, of St. Margaret's School, Tokyo; Mrs. C. R. Pancoast, Synodical Chairman for the Corporate Gift; Sister Lydia, of the Order of St. Margaret; Miss Sallie Dean, Vice-President of the Virginia Auxiliary; Miss Emily Tillotson, Educational Secretary of the (National) Woman's Auxiliary.

On January 19th, the Auxiliary united with the Sunday-School Institute of this Diocese in holding an evening meeting at Epiphany Church where Bishop Overs told of his former work (as Bishop) in Liberia.

A Conference for the parish officers of the Auxiliary was held in February, in St. Margaret's Church. It was a pleasure to welcome as speakers the presidents of our neighboring dioceses: Miss Louisa Davis, of Virginia; and Mrs. A. L. Sioussat, of Maryland.

On November 16th, at the Church of the Epiphany, the Auxiliary held its second annual Institute. The Rev. H. H. Sterrett conducted the service of intercession; addresses were made by Miss Davis, Miss Dean, Mrs. Pancoast, Miss Laura Boyer, Miss

Nellie Young, and Mrs. Wm. Channing Johnson. The Rev. F. T. Osborn, of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, made the address at the evening service.

Diocesan Headquarters in the Diocesan House, 1329 K St., have been given to the Auxiliary this year, and through the efforts of the Committee, of which Miss Mary Wheeler is chairman, money has been raised to (partly) pay for the equipment.

Already the Auxiliary is working on plans for entertaining the 1928 Triennial Convention, when it meets in Washington; and a Finance Committee has been appointed, of which Mrs. G. Brown Miller is Chairman.

Realizing the great importance of enlisting the interest of the younger generation in the cause of Missions, work among the younger women of our Parishes has been undertaken, and already several B Branches have been formed.

The newly-formed Devotional Committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Sidney D. Barkalow, has done much to strengthen and deepen the spiritual life of the Auxiliary.

The (Ninth) Synod of the Province of Washington was held October 26th and 27th, in Bethlehem, Pa. Mrs. Wm. D. Hurd, Mrs. Wm. F. Bowen, and Mrs. Wm. S. Bishop were delegates, representing the Washington Branch of the Auxiliary.

Among the members of the Auxiliary who died during the year were: Mrs. William R. Turner, Vice-President of the First District; and Miss Rosalie Ferguson, one of the original members when the work of the Auxiliary in Washington was begun, in the Church of the Incarnation, fifty-one years ago.

Through the courtesy and cooperation of the Bishop and of the Dean, a Memorial Service for the Auxiliary was held in the Bethlehem Chapel on St. Andrew's Day. At that service there was presented the beautiful (hand-made) Book of Remembrance, containing the names of those members in this diocese who, during the last fifty-one years, have entered into life eternal. Mrs. C. M. Wilkes, Miss Kibbey, and Mrs. Hurd presented the book to the Bishop, who very touchingly and tenderly spoke, not only of those earlier members, but of the present ones, who, falteringly (possibly), but earnestly and devotedly are striving to carry forward the banner of their King.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary L. Bishop,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY For the Year 1926

Of 600 Year Books printed, 530 were distributed. 73 letters were received, including lists of parish officers. 38 letters were written. 431 notices of meetings were sent.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine R. H. White,
Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF THE YEAR BOOK COMMITTEE

Much to our regret, one member, Mrs. William R. Turner, died before there were any meetings of the Year Book Committee.

Six hundred books were printed at a cost of \$130.00. All but seventy have been distributed. From the sale of the books in the Diocese I received \$31.00.

Copies were sent to the Bishop and each one of the Clergy, as well as the Church Missions House and the Secretaries of the different Dioceses in this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine R. H. White,
Chairman.

REPORT OF TREASURER

January 1, 1927

January 1, 1926—Balance	\$ 323.00
Receipts.....	\$8,919.63
	\$9,242.63

Disbursements

Expenses of Administration	\$ 493.86
Expenses of W. A. Headquarters	285.25
To Supply Department	149.71

For the Church Program

Undesignated	\$ 53.50
For Bishop Rowe's work	261.00
Stuck Memorial Hospital, Alaska	107.00
C. E. Jones' Memorial Scholarship, Shanghai	50.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai	56.00
St. Hilda's School, Hankow	50.00
St. Phoebe's School for Deaconesses, Hankow	18.62
Missionary District of Kyoto	108.00
Jane Wilkes Memorial Pledges, Cuba	106.00
Missionary District of Porto Rico	91.00
Fort Defiance Hospital, Arizona	89.50
Missionary District of Tokyo	25.00
Missionary District, West North Carolina	20.00
Christ School, Arden, North Carolina	5.00
St. Catherine's School, Porto Rico	25.25
St. Andrew's School, Tennessee	5.00
St. John's University, Shanghai	10.00
San Juan Mission, New Mexico	5.00

\$1,085.87

Advance Work

For Rectory, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil -----	\$ 53.79
St. Agnes' School, Tokyo -----	5.00
St. Timothy's Hospital, Liberia -----	5.00
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	\$ 63.79

Specials

National Deficit -----	\$ 25.00
St. Margaret's School, Tokyo -----	4,413.08
Japan Reconstruction -----	275.00
American Mission to Lepers -----	242.02
Boone Library -----	25.00
Deaconess Hart, Hankow -----	25.00
Miss Margaret Paine, Kyoto -----	25.00
Mrs. S. H. Littell, Hankow -----	25.00
Foreign Insurance -----	72.00
Kuling School, China -----	316.00
Du Bose Training School, Tennessee -----	5.00
Washington Post to Christ School, Arden -----	7.00
Work among Deaf in Province of Washington -----	15.00
St. Andrew's Mountain Mission, Marshall, Va. -----	20.00
Bishop of Haiti, Discretionary fund -----	23.25
Holy Cross Fathers for Liberian Mission -----	5.00
Miss Pretlow, Alberne, Va. -----	398.52
La Plata Relief Fund -----	237.50
Rev. Frank Persons, Elkton, Va. -----	5.00
Woman's Auxiliary Memorial Fund and Book of Remembrance -----	180.75
To Custodian, W. A. Triennial Fund -----	7.00
To Rev. George Dow -----	5.00
Montgomery County Hospital -----	21.49
Montgomery County Social Service League -----	30.25
To Church Periodical Club -----	18.00
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	\$6,421.86
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Total -----	\$9,242.63

Respectfully submitted,
Martha D. Kirkpatrick,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF AUDITOR

December 31st, 1926, at the request of Mrs. Martha D. Kirkpatrick, we have audited this account with the bank records and cash book and find them to be in balance with the figures given.

Robert D. Cunningham,
Bank of Bethesda.

OFFERINGS FROM PARISH BRANCHES—1926

	United Thank Offering	Church Program and Advance Work	Specials	Dues	Supply Dept.
Advent -----	\$ 52.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 51.50	\$ 2.25	\$ 76.67
All Saints' (Chevy Chase) -----	237.00	97.50	161.76	14.20	221.05
All Souls' Memorial -----	229.07	48.00	137.00	10.20	266.23
Ascension -----	90.00		15.00	4.35	49.09
Ascension (Evening) -----	10.00	28.50		3.00	
Ascension (Gaithersburg) -----					14.09
Christ Church (Washington) -----	45.00	22.00	21.00	3.30	32.48
Christ Church (Georgetown) -----	197.39	22.00	40.50	4.50	395.83
Christ Church (Accokeek) -----				3.00	8.00
Christ Church (Kensington) -----	12.00	11.00	18.00	3.30	211.60
Christ Church (La Plata) -----	30.31			4.80	23.01
Christ Church (Rockville) -----	90.54	20.00	28.00	5.40	49.82
Emmanuel (Anacostia) -----	10.00			2.70	49.10
Epiphany -----	349.70	135.25	{ 75.00 292.00 25.00	19.50	314.82
Epiphany (Evening) -----	222.78	55.00	67.10	15.10	607.26
Epiphany (Forestville) -----	25.00				
Good Shepherd -----	48.00	4.00	2.00	1.80	25.00
Grace Church (Woodside) -----	60.00	19.00	14.00	4.00	78.57
Holy Trinity (Collington) -----	41.97	12.00		4.80	26.00
Incarnation -----	28.00				
Nativity -----	45.00	9.00	{ 10.50 3.00	3.90	25.04
Our Saviour (Brookland) -----	21.65			1.05	69.12
Pinkney Memorial (Hyattsville) -----	92.78	23.00	12.00	5.70	119.10
St. Alban's -----	211.85	14.50	10.50	13.95	286.85
St. Andrew's (Washington) -----	113.69	5.00	14.00	4.35	154.72
St. Andrew's (College Park) -----	36.50	17.00	8.00	8.00	79.48

St. Andrew's (Leonardtown) -----			5.00		
St. Bartholomew's (Laytonsville) -----	10.78	8.00	5.00	2.25	25.31
St. James' -----	63.51	10.00	6.50	2.10	128.23
St. John's (Lafayette Square) -----	191.00	83.00	220.00	20.25	242.43
St. John's (Georgetown) -----	332.68	119.00	17.00	7.65	286.95
St. John's (Bethesda) -----	44.45	40.77	40.00	5.40	56.96
St. John's (Olney) -----	30.80	82.00	36.00	3.45	29.16
St. Luke's (Washington) -----	22.30			3.00	35.04
St. Luke's (Bladensburg) -----	13.57				
St. Margaret's -----	226.50	35.00	{ 30.00	7.05	69.45
St. Mark's -----	159.56	26.00	{ 55.00	3.00	213.97
St. Monica's -----	13.00		31.75		
St. Paul's (Twenty-third Street) -----	300.25	48.00	115.75	9.00	126.34
St. Paul's (Rock Creek) -----	76.93	31.00	165.50	3.30	36.87
St. Peter's (Poolesville) -----	10.25			2.70	130.04
St. Philip's (Laurel) -----	45.00	2.00	5.00	3.60	18.78
St. Stephen's -----	167.00	36.00	84.00	6.75	163.29
St. Stephen's (Evening) -----	22.25	4.50	5.00	2.40	
St. Thomas' -----	197.00	36.62	16.00	7.50	1,840.60
Transfiguration -----	69.06	15.00	17.00	2.40	50.93
Trinity (Washington) -----	188.02	11.00	141.36	1.80	75.93
Trinity (Takoma) -----	11.50				
	<u>4,495.64</u>	<u>1,144.64</u>	<u>1,986.72</u>	<u>236.75</u>	
Trinity (Upper Marlboro) -----					10.00
Girls' Friendly Society -----					307.32
					<u>7,030.53</u>

Total receipts for the Educational Department.

Total sale of Books -----	\$356.99
Spirit of Missions -----	23.00
Church Militant -----	41.00
Calendars -----	26.60
Collections at ten meetings -----	60.49
Total -----	508.08
Cost of Books -----	\$308.79
Spirit of Missions -----	18.00
Church Militant -----	32.35
Calendars -----	26.60
Printing, postage, speakers, stationery, etc. -----	100.23
	485.97
Profit on sale of Books -----	\$ 48.20
Text Books sold, 115	
Balance in Bank January 1, 1927 -----	\$ 22.11
Value of Books on hand -----	79.90
Total assets of Educational Committee -----	102.01

UNITED THANK OFFERING

Report of National Treasurer from Jan. 1, 1926 to Jan. 1, 1927

Receipts

Total United Thank Offering for 1925 -----	\$912,874.30
Interest to December 21, 1926 -----	32,620.71
	\$945,495.01

Disbursements

For salaries, pensions, training, travel, medical and dental outfits, Bishop Tuttle Memorial, Training School, Raleigh, N. C., through schools and hospitals, Training through schools and hospitals under U. T. O. Workers -----	\$270,000.00
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AMOUNTS ALLOCATED

One tenth of offering set aside to be added to permanent trust fund, the income to be applied to the support of retired U. T. O. Workers -----	\$ 91,248.13
Class room for St. Agnes' School, Kyoto, Japan -----	15,000.00
Class room and gymnasium for St. Lois' School, Hankow, China -----	15,000.00
Total allotted -----	\$121,248.13
Total disbursed and allotted -----	391,248.13
Balance on hand January 1, 1927 -----	554,246.88
Number of workers at home -----	75
Number of workers abroad -----	135
Number of workers on retired or disabled list -----	25
Number of workers in training -----	8
Total workers on U. T. O. pay roll -----	243

UNITED THANK OFFERING

Report of the Diocesan Treasurer from Oct. 8, 1925 to Jan. 1, 1927
Receipts

Offerings from Churches -----	\$4,495.64
Special gifts -----	81.05
Interest -----	29.50
Total receipts -----	4,606.19

Disbursements

Literature, books, stationery, printing, and postage -----	\$ 70.95
Balance January 1, 1927 -----	4,535.24

Presentation Services

Christ Church, Georgetown, April 11, 1926.

Speaker—Rev. James A. Mitchell.

St. Mark's, October 24, 1926.

Speaker—Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Darst, D.D.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy A. Grant,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF CHURCH SCHOOL SERVICE PROGRAM

Diocese of Washington

Diocesan Supervisor, Miss Emma W. Abbott, 509 Eye Street N. E., Washington, D. C.

Vice Supervisor, Miss Ann Estes, St. Paul's Church 23d Street.

Secretary, Miss Irene Noble, 1320 21st Street N. W.

Treasurer, Miss Carolyn Barkalow, The Brighton Apartments, California Street.

Secretary, Birthday Thank Offering, Mrs. Howard T. Craver, Brookeville, Md.

Secretary, Christmas Box, Miss Elinor Abbot, 2319 Tracy Place N. W.

Secretary, Little Helpers, Miss Clara Herbert, 3707 35th Street N. W.

The Church School Service Program works in thirty-one parishes and in one boarding school—Gunston Hall, 1906 Florida Ave., Washington, D. C.

Two public meetings have been held, one in April at Epiphany Church, when Miss De Grange spoke on work in Cuba, and one in December, when Miss Williams spoke on work in Japan, especially about a Sunday School in a village near Kyoto. In connection with this meeting, the children who had dressed dolls for the doll contest brought them in. Prizes were awarded as follows:

First prize to Juanita Lake, aged 10, Church of the Ascension.

Second prize to Elizabeth Avery, aged 11, Church of Our Saviour, Brookland.

Third prize to Dorothy Chaney, aged 10, Church of the Good Shepherd.

Fourth prize to Mary Willingham, aged 12, St. Paul's Church, 23d Street.

The prize-winning dolls are being kept for the exhibit at the General Convention, the rest were sent to a Mission in South Carolina, Miss Williams being able to take only two of the dolls to Japan, duty free.

The Diocesan Missionary Boxes this year were sent to:

One box to Grace House for Boys, Covington, Va.

Seven boxes to Pilot Knob, Stratton, Va.

Six boxes to Grace House, St. Paul, Va.

Seventeen boxes to St. Mary's School, Sewanee, Tenn.

Thirty-one boxes were sent, providing for 553 children and adults, totaling \$1,066.00.

In work, the schools reporting have covered the following items in 1926:—

Parish.—Sunday School work, dressing dolls for the contests, working in pageants, reading lessons in the Church Service, Choir work, helping with parish bazaar.

Community.—Filling bags for Central Union Mission, singing at the Jail, visiting Home for Incurables, and work through Associated Charities.

Diocese.—Helping the different Diocesan organizations, such as Hospitals and Homes.

Nation.—Worked for Diocesan box, gave pageants.

World.—Raised money. In one parish nine Brotherhood boys exchanged letters with nine Brotherhood boys in St. John's, Shanghai.

In money, the schools raised and reported through the Program:—

For Parish	\$1,451.73
For Community	46.00
For Diocese	330.77
For Nation	213.43
For World	397.43

Total	2,439.36
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Birthday Thank Offering	81.92
Lenten Offering	1,446.72
Little Helpers	68.41

Total	4,036.41
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The report of money raised this year shows an increase of \$551.48 over 1925, and in the Church at large.

2,350 Church Schools were reported in 1926, making 97 more schools working through the Program than in 1925.

Altogether the outlook is favorable and full of encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma W. Abbott,

Diocesan Supervisor.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL SERVICE PROGRAM

Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1926 -----	\$ 25.58
Dues -----	9.00
From St. Margaret's for Bishop Freeman -----	5.00
Offering at Spring meeting -----	3.50
Offering at Fall meeting -----	3.43
From sale of C. S. S. P. Books -----	2.61
From Little Helpers -----	68.41

Totals -----	117.53
	106.54

Balance -----	10.99
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Disbursements

For C. S. S. P. Books -----	\$ 4.28
Postage -----	6.85
Bishop Freeman -----	10.00
Miss Williams, Kyoto -----	15.00
Prizes -----	2.00
Little Helpers -----	68.41

106.54

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Barkalow,
Treasurer, C. S. S. P.
Diocese of Washington.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION WITH B BRANCHES

We believe that the past year has witnessed one of the most eventful happenings in the history of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese.

Quietly, unpretentiously, here and there over the Diocese, small groups of our young women, under the guidance of faithful members, who are themselves the real history-makers, but, who, because they "do good by stealth and blush to find it fame," would be the last ones to assume this role, have organized into, what for lack of a better name we call B Branches, of the Woman's Auxiliary.

We give unstinted praise to Miss Sally Dean, of the Diocese of Virginia, who, at the invitation of our president, came to us on several memorable occasions with her stirring challenge to make use of the latent power in the younger generation; for while it is true that "every baptized woman is by virtue of her baptism a member of the missionary society which is the Church"; she must assume the full duties and responsibilities of membership in some organization of the Church before she can do definite and effective work for our Master in helping to make Him known to all nations.

Judging from the earnest enthusiasm and expedition shown in organizing, and the tangible evidence of what they can accomplish even in so short a time, we predict that the older organization is going to feel a wonderful revivifying and inspirational influence from our contact with these new groups, endued with great potentialities, such as only youth possesses. Together we can hasten the time when His Kingdom shall come upon earth.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. David S. Carll,
Chairman.

OFFICERS OF B BRANCHES

All Saints' Parish, Chevy Chase, Md.

President, Mrs. Walter G. Dunlop
3752 Oliver Street, Tel. Cleveland 988

Secretary, Mrs. Charles Clark
3728 Jocelyn Street, Tel. Cleveland 3210

Meets—Fourth Monday in the month at 2:30 P. M.

All Souls' Memorial

President, Miss Margaret D. Brightwell
1173 Lanier Place, Tel. Adams 8047-W

Secretary, Miss Mary Worthington
1751 Park Road, Tel. Adams 20

Meets—Fourth Tuesday of the month at 8 P. M.

Ascension Parish

President, Miss Mary Cook
113 Maryland Ave. N. E.

Secretary, Miss Laila Clayton
1330 L Street, Tel. Main 7870

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Katherine Winslow
1421 Massachusetts Ave., Tel. Franklin 4682

Meets—Third Tuesday in the month at 8 P. M.

Christ Church, Georgetown

President, Miss Nancy Lay
3021 Dent Place, Tel. North 6322-J

Secretary, Miss Frances Ward
2512 Wisconsin Ave., Tel. West 480

Meets—First Wednesday in the month at 4 P. M.

St. John's Church, Georgetown

President, Miss Betty Purnell
3051 N Street, Tel. West 3084

Secretary, Mrs. E. O. Hulburt
3009 P Street, Tel. West 1127-J

Meets—Second Friday in the month at 8 P. M.

St. Stephen's Parish

President, Mrs. William F. Bowen
Northbrook Courts, Tel. Columbia 7231

Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Shaffer
3443 Oakwood Terrace, Tel. Columbia 301

Meets—First Monday in the month at 8 P. M.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT, WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Diocese of Washington

Annual Report for year ending 1926

On 1925 Allotment

To Missions, Schools, Hospital Stations, etc., Crow Creek and Lower Brule Missions, Fort Thompson, South Dakota, From nine parishes -----	\$ 579.73
Rosebud Indian Mission, Mission, South Dakota, From fourteen parishes -----	669.70
From G. F. S. -----	132.00
Grace Memorial Church Mission, Lynwood, Va., From six parishes -----	326.42
St. Mary's Mission, Honolulu, I. of H., From five parishes -----	223.36
Two Schools, Cape Palmas, Liberia, From two parishes -----	129.21
Valle Crucis School, Valle Crucis, N. C., From one parish -----	44.68
The Inebrada Limon and Allied Missions, Ponce, P. R. From G. F. S. -----	175.32
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	2,280.42

On 1926 Allotment

St. John's in Blackwell Hollow, Brown's Cove, Va., From three parishes -----	264.64
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	2,545.06

TO PERSONAL USE OF MISSIONARIES AND THEIR FAMILIES

On 1925 Allotment

Joseph Lodge, Fort Thompson, S. Dak. -----	40.00
Rev. Henry B. Moore, Jerome, Ariz. -----	232.47
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	272.47

On 1926 Allotment

Rev. Frederick D. Graves, Fresno, Calif. -----	199.30
Walter Bone, Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dak. -----	43.58
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	242.88

CHRISTMAS BOXES

On 1925 Allotment

Deaconess A. M. Gibson, Glasgow, Va. -----	5.10
Miss Eleanor Call, Honolulu, Hawaii -----	5.00
Miss Grace Denton, Lydia, Va. -----	5.77
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	15.87

On 1926 Allotment

Miss Emily W. Seaman, Long Island, N. Y. -----	5.00
Deaconess Anne G. Sterne, Tanana, Alaska -----	4.96
Miss Edith Marn, Spartansburg, S. C. -----	5.00
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	14.96
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Total -----	30.83

GIFT BOXES REPORTED FROM—

St. Andrews' -----	\$ 83.45
St. Thomas' -----	1,480.51
St. Luke's -----	12.60
Pinkney Memorial (Hyattsville) -----	89.30
Christ Church (Kensington) -----	178.00
St. Alban's -----	101.00
Christ Church (Georgetown) -----	264.50
All Saints' (Chevy Chase) -----	151.35
St. Peter's (Poolesville), and Christ Church (Barnesville) -----	50.00
St. John's (Bethesda) -----	5.00
Epiphany, Night Branch -----	393.85
St. Paul's (Washington) -----	55.00
Ascension -----	10.00
St. Mark's -----	137.93
All Soul's -----	200.00
Our Saviour (Brookland) -----	30.00
St. John's (Georgetown) -----	85.00
Advent -----	20.00
St. James' -----	81.50

3,428.99

Yearly Total of Allotted Supplies ----- \$3,091.24

Yearly Total of Gift Supplies ----- 3,428.99

Parish Supplies Total ----- 6,520.23

Store Room and Mission Work Day for the Year 1926

Supplies from Store Room to—

Rev. Claude Parkerson, Fort Atkinson, Wis. -----

Vestments and Altar Cloths, Church Mission House,

New York -----

St. James' Mission, Greene Co., Va. Total -----\$256.00

Two appeals filled for Mrs. Dow, City Missions -----

Gathering together, assorting and transporting La Plata
Supplies -----

Clothing and helping an ex-service man -----

Reconditioning vestments for Bishop Carson -----

Free will offerings, 1925-26, from 13 parishes ----- 42.01

Free will offerings, 1926-27, from 5 parishes ----- 13.00

Total ----- 55.01

Expenses include stationery, postage, mailing material, Sexton's services at St. Margaret's.

With the passing of the second year of our Store Room Work and the Friday Mission Work Days, the strained efforts of the few parish representatives cooperating, have forcibly brought forth the knowledge of a climax reached in the Supply Department.

In the great impetus of the inspirational wave enveloping us, are we, as a diocese, going to relegate the greatest of all God's love and commands to "go ye into all the world" to the reluctant packing of a box, or with "renewed allegiance" are we going to carry forward in love, knowledge, and service this nucleus of a pulsing unit of our auxiliary organization to limitless bounds, carrying to every heart, in every corner the same love and strength coming with the gift, as the All Hallowed strength to us through the "Gift of the Only Begotten Son"?

Respectfully submitted,

Gertrude B. Todd,

Secretary.

REPORT OF THE DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE

A Devotional Committee was appointed by our President in January for the purpose of planning and promoting a deeper devotional life in the Auxiliary.

The members were: Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Choate, Mrs. Munson, Miss Wheeler, Miss Grant, and Mrs. Barkalow. It was impossible for Miss Grant to serve. In June Mrs. Choate resigned on account of ill health, and these two vacancies were filled by Mrs. Carll and Mrs. Alexander. Monthly meetings were held in the apartment of the chairman at the Brighton, and here we have welcomed others who are interested in forming Prayer Circles and Prayer Partnerships.

We have esteemed it a very great privilege to serve on this Committee and have greatly appreciated the hearty cooperation of the clergy who have assisted in the services of intercession. The Quiet Days and the Quiet Hours have given us joy and inspiration and a fervent desire to seek Him with our whole hearts. Each Parish Branch has been asked to form prayer groups when it is possible to do so. The year of the Woman's Auxiliary always begins with Corporate Communion at the annual meeting on the first Tuesday in January at eleven o'clock.

On February 19th, at St. Margaret's, the Rev. Dr. Herbert Scott Smith conducted a Quiet Hour preceding the annual officers' conference of the Auxiliary. There were present Diocesan Officers of the Auxiliaries of Virginia and Maryland. The service was most helpful. We were grateful to Dr. Smith for his service of meditation and well-chosen hymns.

At the Diocesan meeting in March, Mrs. Crawford gave us an interesting meditation on Prayer. She and her husband had served their Master for years in the Theological Seminary in Alexandria, where many of our clergy have been trained for the ministry. She spoke with deep religious feeling for she had known many who had gone forth to plant the Cross in far off lands. A plea was made for the use of the Prayer for the Thousand Fold.

A Day of Intercession was held on April 15th in Epiphany Church. Meditations were given by Dr. Roland Cotton Smith, Rev. Buck, and Rev. Bomberger.

In May, the Octave Prayer for Christian Unity was observed in Epiphany Church. From May 16th to 23d, noon-day services were held with clergymen from several of the city parishes conducting the services, which consisted of carefully chosen prayers and hymns, and deeply devotional meditations. Reference was made to the Quiet Day at the Cathedral, conducted by Bishop Walpole of Edinburgh, and the one at Christ Church, Georgetown, conducted by Bishop Rhinelander. At Christ Church, Navy Yard, a Quiet Day was conducted by the rector, the Rev. Calvert Buck, in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Woman's Auxiliary in that parish. A spirit of fervent devotion marked this as well as the other Quiet Days.

Our Committee Prayer Partner this year has been Bishop Carson of Haiti. Two letters received from him gladdened our hearts, and we feel that we have accomplished something that is gratifying in that field, through our prayers and gifts.

The Day of Intercession for "The Message" and the "Bishop's Crusade" was held at the Church of the Ascension on October 15th, from 10 A. M. to 3:30 P. M., during which Bishop Freeman, Dr. Dudley, Mr. Cooke, Mr. White, and Dr. Bishop were the clergy who conducted the services. The following were among the Suggestions for Meditation prepared by Dr. Bishop:

"Prayer is, first of all, waiting upon God, listening to God.

In the morning will I order my prayer unto Thee. We must first of all order ourselves; assume the attitude of prayer; place ourselves in the presence of God. We must also set in order our prayer, plan to pray for certain objects in order. Those who pray are the Lord's Watchmen. The watchman needs vision; he needs a wide outlook. 'The Field is the world.' The watchman on his tower stands between God and the world; between heaven and earth. He stands as an intercessor; sharing in the work of Christ, the great Intercessor."

On November 16th, in Epiphany Church, the opening service at the Second Annual Institute was conducted by the Rev. H. D. Sterrett. This inspiring hour strengthened and refreshed the soul, causing us to remember the well-chosen text, "Be still, and know that I am God."

Our prayers should earnestly be made for the continued success of the Bishop's Crusade. The Bishops and Clergy are making great efforts and we feel that the secret of strength can only be found in having intercourse with God. Bow in deepest humility before God and wait on Him. He will work within you. God rules the world and His Church through the prayers of His People. God calls for intercessors. In His Grace he has made His work dependent on them. He waits for them.

Our Father, open our eyes to see that Thou dost invite Thy children to have a part in the extension of Thy Kingdom by their faithfulness in prayer and intercession. Give us such an insight into the glory of this holy calling that with our whole heart we may yield ourselves to Thy blessed service. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,
Venise Barkalow,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

January 4, 1926

Madam President, I beg leave to submit the following report:—

Your educational secretary was elected to office last January as an act of faith on the part of the nominating committee and those who voted for her. She had no experience but only a great enthusiasm and deep-rooted belief in the necessity and value of educational work. Whatever has been accomplished has been due to the loyal help of those members of the committee to whom I owe a great debt of thanks.

The first work of the year was a Normal Class, to consider the text-book on Latin America, called "That Freedom." The first session was held on January 5, 1926, at 9:45 A. M., and on five succeeding Tuesdays from 11 to 12:30 A. M. Thirteen ladies from eleven parishes attended. There were 8 visitors at different sessions.

A questionnaire, sent out in March, was answered by 35 branches—ten failed to reply, and of these one certainly had a mission study class. It is hoped this year each president will see that the educational work is reported to the educational secretary so that her report may be a complete one. Following the normal class, conducted by the secretary, 14 classes with 93 members from 16 branches of the Auxiliary were held, with an aver-

age attendance of 8, although one branch only had 4 and one had 14 members at each session. Only 3 classes reported less than 6 sessions. Of course this is the goal—6 sessions—one each week during Lent or in the Spring in rural parishes. The general subject of study was "That Freedom." The Call of the World and the General Program were each discussed by one branch. Seven branches reported using the discussion method and 4 combined lecture and discussion. For 33 women it was their first mission study class. This distinctly is encouraging. May this year bring double that number into our ranks. Almost \$50 was given as a thank offering for the blessings of study to Saint Catherine's School, Porto Rico, and to the Bishop of Haiti. All branches reported speakers at regular meetings on various subjects connected with missions. One group had a review each meeting of the current number of the Spirit of Missions; one had lectures on the text book after which their leader gave an additional lecture to their Young Peoples Society. This was a very fine effort to awaken our successors to their responsibility as Christians. Through the efforts of one branch 67 subscriptions to the Church Militant were obtained, and copies of the Spirit of Missions given to each Sunday School teacher in the hope of getting subscriptions. Another branch spoke of more life in the work, and another of systematic reading. One suburban parish has a yearly program with speakers, giving lectures on assigned subjects with discussion following. One branch has just this year adopted this desirable method and has formulated a program for the whole year. May next January bring reports of this being done in many parishes. It is much to be desired. A parish book shelf is another forward step reported by one branch.

The work for the coming year is well grounded. One active branch has already had 3 sessions (during Advent), of a study class on Mrs. Montgomery's book "Prayer and Missions." One hundred and fifteen text books have been bought and twenty "Suggestions to Leaders" are known to have been purchased. Two lending libraries of seven books each were purchased and have been loaned to eight parishes for one month's duration and two more parishes have made requests for them. This collateral reading will surely prove a help. In addition, a speakers bureau has been formed and twelve topics listed so that every branch, so desiring, may easily obtain a speaker for a parish meeting. Up to the present time, one talk on Team-work at Parish Meetings; two on the Sweet Briar Summer School; three on Alaska; one on Appalachia; two on Latin America; one on Group Study; one on Educational Methods; three on Proportionate Giving; ten on Baguio, P. I.; and three on the Corporate Gift, have been reported. One member has also spoken in New Jersey on Alaska, and held an intensive session on Alaska and Latin America in New York. It is greatly regretted that the opportunity to hear these ladies, who have so generously consented to be used, has not been more widely grasped. Six of the speakers have never been invited to a single parish. Surely a strange apathy prevails. It is hoped to reprint in the next issue of the Church Militant a list of speakers available this coming year. In addition, the educational secretary has visited twelve parishes and given a short inspirational talk. Three meetings in the Spring and seven meetings during the Fall were planned and promoted by the educational committee.

On February 9th, we had a stereoptician lecture on Porto Rico and Haiti with Dr. Glazebrook presiding; on March 10th,

a lecture on Comparative Religions by Mrs. Wallace Radcliffe; and on April 16th, a pageant called La Fiesta on Mexican Schools by the young people of St. Margaret's. On October 8th, Miss Hallie Williams (head mistress of St. Agnes' school for girls), Kyoto, Japan, gave a lecture entitled "Japan. Is our work there worthwhile?"

October 19th, Mrs. Graham gave the first of the series requested by the National Field Department ("The World's Call to the Church"), having as her subject "The Call to the Church from the General Convention of 1925." The second of the series was held on October 25th in St. John's parish hall. The Rev. Fred Goodwin, late member of the Field Department and author of our text book, addressed us on the "Call to the Church from Rural America." November 5th, Mrs. Sliter spoke on the "Call to the Church from Latin America." November 12th, Mrs. Carpenter gave the "Call to the Church from Special Racial Groups in the United States." November 26th, Dr. Sinclair Bowen spoke on the subject "The National Council answers the Call," and on December 1st, the series came to an end, with an address in the Church of the Ascension, by Rev. Dennis Whittle of Luray, Va., entitled "The Church's Answer to the Call." These meetings were crowded into a short space of time in order not to conflict with the Bishop's Crusade. Three more meetings, after Easter, will complete our program and will be announced in the daily papers.

Perhaps the event of greatest value was the Institute on November 16th, and the two training classes on November 17th and 18th, conducted by Miss Laura Boyer on "Beyond City Limits," and "The Method of the Discussion Group." During these two days, 27 parishes were represented by 52 women, including delegates from St. Paul's, Richmond; St. Paul's, Alexandria; Cunningham Chapel, Millwood, Va.; Christ Church, Charlottesville, Va.; and Trinity Church, Hughesville, Md.

Much to our regret, Mrs. James M. Featherstone was compelled to relinquish control of our bookroom. A more devoted, conscientious worker it would be hard to find. If we have lost her in one way, though, we have gained her in another. She has consented to be the Prayer Partner for the Normal Class, offering petitions weekly at the hour we assemble that God's Spirit may direct our minds and lead us into all truth. Surely this year our classes will be blessed. In October, to our great delight, God inspired another woman (Mrs. E. G. Dinsmore) to come forward and say: "Here am I, use me." During these three months my fellowship with her has made me realize that the Diocese has gained another of those valiant labourers whose chief joy is in work well done. From her fine report you can judge of her service. Of course this includes what Mrs. Featherstone reported from January to June.

Receipts:

Total sale of Books -----	\$356.99
Total sale, Spirit of Missions -----	23.00
Total sale, Church Militant -----	41.00
Total sale, Calendars -----	26.60
Collections at ten meetings -----	60.49
 Total -----	 \$508.08

Expenses:

Cost of Books -----	\$308.79
Cost of Spirit of Missions -----	18.00
Cost of Church Militant -----	32.35
Cost of Calenders -----	26.60
Misc., such as printing, sationery, postage, lending libraries speakers, etc. -----	100.23
Profit on sale of Books -----	\$48.20
Text Books sold -----	115
Balance in Bank (January 1, 1927) -----	22.11
Value of Books on hand -----	79.90

Total assets of Ed. Com. ----- 102.01

In closing, may I urge you one and all to visit the bookroom (Room 25, Epiphany Parish Hall), any Friday from ten to one. Even if you only come to get acquainted, drop in and take a look at what we have to offer. Give copies of the books as presents. A spoken word is quickly forgotten, but the printed page is an ever-present missionary. Finally, may I ask each branch that has no educational secretary and yet would have a class if a leader were furnished, to have a little talk with me. I have some wonderful charts and would be glad to show them wherever I am invited to go. They most forcibly demonstrate a need for study.

The things I would definitely suggest for each branch are:—
An educational secretary and an understudy, some educational work at each meeting, a parish bookshelf, a study class of six sessions (1½ hours long) during Lent, a representative attending the Normal Class, a promoter to solicit members for the class, and a prayer partner to pray for the success of the class.

Last, and chiefly, do I desire an ever-deepening conviction that until one studies of conditions and problems facing the different peoples of the globe, it is impossible to love all men as our Saviour Christ has commanded us, and so let us daily and hourly take for our watchword the advice of St. Paul to Timothy "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

Respectfully submitted,

Grace M. Bowen.
Educational Secretary, W. A.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

For the year 1926

Current Periodicals sent regularly -----	660
Donors of same -----	375
Prayer Books, Hymnals -----	197
Books, Theological and Secular -----	1,526
Tracts and Catechisms -----	99
Miscellaneous Magazines -----	12,618
Pictures and picture cards -----	2,182
Bibles and Testaments -----	76
Games, Scrap-books, Miscellaneous -----	931
Music, sheet and records -----	97

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Henry T. Cook,
Diocesan Director,
Church Periodical Club.

PLAN
for the Participation of the
CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB
in the

"Follow-up" Work of the Bishops' Crusade

Early in January, the Diocesan Director will procure and send to every C. P. C. librarian a list of the books specially recommended by the National Committee on Evangelism and other books of marked merit for this purpose. Each librarian will study this list carefully and select one book, which she is to procure promptly, and read **at once**. Then she is to write her name, address, and the date at the very top of the fly-leaf (**not on the inside of cover**), which is to be used for a printed notice to be supplied by the Diocesan Director. Then the librarian is to make a list of ten persons, preferably in her own parish, who will compose a Chain of Readers of this book. Two copies of the names and addresses of the members of this Chain should be made; the original sender must keep one, the other must be lightly pasted on inside of back cover of the book. Thus prepared, the book is to start on its crusade: the librarian is to pass it to No. 1, with an urgent request that it be read immediately and passed on to No. 2, within seven days. After reading, each person is to sign her, or his, name just beneath the others on the fly-leaf, before passing the book to the next on the list. Each person is to make it a duty to pass along the book at, or before, expiration of **seven days**. The librarian, or original sender, also should not fail to remind each Reader to not exceed this time limit, and should check her list once a week after having ascertained that the book is being passed on. At the end of ten weeks, the last Reader in the Chain is to return the book to the original sender (presumably the C. P. C. librarian). She, the original sender, is then to procure from the Diocesan Director the address of a clergyman in a rural district or small village, to whom the book is to be sent with an explanation of this plan, and the request that he promptly start a Chain of Readers among his people.

If this plan be conscientiously carried out, every book will have been read by at least 22 people—probably more—within three months.

In order that **all** of these recommended books may be read by **all** the people in **every** parish, it is urged that many Chains of Readers be formed; that the persons willing to form them get together, go over the list of books and decide upon those to be sent by each Chain; and compare the personnel of the Chains, to avoid confusion and congestion.

In many instances it might be well for several persons to buy a book jointly, and to read it in turn, adding enough other persons to complete the Chain of Ten. There should not be more than four to buy any one book jointly, otherwise the number of Chains would be fewer. The prices of most of these books will be moderate.

The aim of this plan is three-fold:

- 1.—To carry out the intention of the Crusade.
- 2.—To enable the members in all parishes to have the privilege of knowing these books at a minimum of expense.
- 3.—To do our share in aiding the rural clergy to supply religious reading to their scattered congregations.

REPORT ON THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

At the regular meeting of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary, in November, 1925, it was voted that a Book of Remembrance be founded to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the organization and in memory of the members who had departed this life during that time by inscribing their names on its pages.

The beautiful volume was bound and illuminated by Miss Marian Lane, who also tooled the symbolical cover design developed by Miss Bessie J. Kibbey. Nearly one thousand names were inscribed, and on November 30, 1926, St. Andrew's Day, the fifty-first anniversary, the Book of Remembrance was presented to the Cathedral at an impressive memorial service, conducted by Bishop Freeman, at Bethlehem Chapel, at 4:30.

The cost of the book, three hundred and eighty dollars, was defrayed by generous gifts, by contributions from members and auxiliaries, and by the special donations given by those who wished names inscribed on the indicated "In Memoriam" pages.

The book shall serve this purpose for all appreciable time to come until its pages are filled. All names of all members of Women's Auxiliaries in the Diocese of Washington who have entered The Life Eternal should be inscribed on the pages assigned to the respective parishes. The Golden Anniversary Memorial Fund was founded at the same time, the income from which is to be used for the education of women missionaries of which Memorial Fund, Miss Emily C. Matthews, 2926 P Street, is now Treasurer. This is a Perpetual Fund, offerings for which may be made each year on St. Andrew's Day, November 30th, the report of the fund being made at each annual meeting on the first Tuesday in January. At this time, also, the names of those who have departed this life during the year are noticed with the church or parish auxiliary indicated so that the names may be inscribed in the Book of Remembrance.

The Committee consisted of: Mrs. Charles M. Wilkes, Chairman; Miss Emma Abbott; Mrs. W. S. Bishop; Mrs. George F. Dudley; Miss Roberta Grant; Miss Edith Hall; Miss Bessie J. Kibbey; Mrs. Randolph H. McKim; Mrs. William R. Turner; Mrs. George P. Loker; Mrs. Frank Wallace; Mrs. R. L. Mulliken; Mrs. Guy S. Meloy; Mrs. John Fischer.

It was while serving on this committee and as First Vice President of the Diocese that the lamentable passing of Mrs. William R. Turner occurred.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Charles M. Wilkes,
Chairman.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL FUND

For the year 1926

On hand January 1, 1926	\$312.57
Receipts to January 1, 1927	256.69
Balance January 1, 1927	569.26

Respectfully submitted,
Emily C. Matthews,
Treasurer.

Committee: Miss Emily C. Matthews, Chairman; Mrs. Edward Burroughs, La Plata, Md.; Mrs. Francis C. Wallace, 9 Drummond Ave., Chevy Chase, Md.; Mrs. Guy S. Meloy, Lanham, Md.

PLEDGES FOR 1927

Applying on quota Bishop Rowe, Alaska -----	\$250.00
C. E. Jones' Memorial Scholarship, St. Mary's, Shanghai -----	50.00
Archdeacon, Stuck Memorial Hospital, Alaska -----	54.00
Jane Wilkes Memorial, Cuba (3d year of three-year pledge) -----	100.00
Good Shepherd Hospital, Arizona (2d year of three-year pledge) -----	75.00
Towards language study of Rev. Mr. Pickens, China (1st year of three-year pledge) -----	100.00
Rural work in Mississippi (one-year pledge) -----	75.00

Specials

Foreign Insurance -----	\$ 72.00
American Mission to Lepers -----	25.00
Japanese Reconstruction (last payment) -----	250.00

Committee

Mrs. J. J. T. Graham Miss Emily C. Matthews Mrs. James Kirkpatrick

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE GIFT

Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Washington
Ending January 31, 1927

Seventeen parish Auxiliaries are represented by custodians.
Fourteen parish Auxiliaries have subscribed.
Four talks on the Corporate Gift have been made at that many parish meetings.

Two meetings of Custodians have been held, one on October 29, at which eleven day branches were represented; the other on November 30, at which three night branches were represented.

Since being appointed and accepting the Diocesan Custodianship of this fund in March, 1926, there has been collected \$206.77. Of this \$98.50 is undesignated.

The amounts designated are as follows:

- \$49.27 for Church of the Resurrection, Baguio, P. I.
- \$33.50 for St. Mark's School, Nenana, Alaska.
- \$ 1.50 for Church of the Nazarene, Livramento, Brazil.
- \$24.00 for Holy Trinity Cathedral, Port au Prince, Haiti.

Respectfully submitted,
Elmeda Tracy Ansell,
Custodian.

REPORT OF LINEN SALE

The sale of linens given at All Soul's Memorial Church, by the Woman's Auxiliary, was for Deaconess Phelps for the Sallie Phillips Memorial School at Anking, and totaled \$117.90.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Abbott,
Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SALE OF MISSION HANDICRAFT

The Auxiliary of this Diocese very practically helped some of our mission stations by cooperating with Mrs. Rodman Pancoast in her sale of mission handiwork. For this sale, on December 10th, Mrs. Mackay-Smith very generously gave the use of her beautiful home.

In addition to the lovely embroidered linens from Anking, Ichang, and Haiti, there were hand-woven scarves and blankets from the mountain missions of the South and basketry from the Philippines. In order to pay the duty on the foreign handicraft, Mrs. Pancoast imports jewelry, brasses, and lacquers from the Orient, and in this way is also able to pay a ten per cent commission to the Diocesan Auxiliary where the sale is held. As the sale that afternoon amounted to a thousand dollars, the one hundred dollar commission was given to the Corporate Gift from this Diocese, to be used for St. Agnes' School, Kyoto.

Not only was this sale made possible through the kindness of Mrs. Mackay-Smith, but she very thoughtfully had a delicious luncheon served to the members of the committee in charge of the sale. To her, to Miss Florence Marlatt, the head of the group of debutantes assisting that afternoon, to Mrs. Samuel Warren Miller, Mrs. Spencer Wood, Mrs. James B. Woolnough, Mrs. Dudley Carpenter, Miss Kibbey, Miss Matthews, Miss Lamberton, Mrs. T. Percy Myers, Mrs. Paul B. Fenlon, Mrs. Angus Crawford, Mrs. James Kirkpatrick, and Mrs. William D. Hurd, the members of the committee, the chairman, on behalf of the Auxiliary, takes this opportunity of thanking them for their share in making the sale a success.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary L. Bishop,
Chairman.

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF KULING SCHOOL FUND

Kuling meets a need that is far reaching, and little imagination tells one of the immense good it renders to those families who make their homes within its reach.

As to the **SCHOOL**—The fall term opened with the largest registration we have had. 107 children, 78 being boarders, 34 being in the high school, where the full course is now given, as against 25 last year.

Mr. Stone is "much concerned about accommodations," and is continually turning away applicants.

As to **EQUIPMENT**—A modern heating plant has replaced the numerous stoves, which have been so grave a menace.

The classroom building will, we hope, be ready for use in the autumn, and will somewhat relieve the prevailing over-crowded conditions. All this has been made possible by the generosity of friends at home.

A boy's dormitory, accommodating at least 75, is the next necessity, and it is an urgent one.

As to **SUPPORT**—While unable to give complete figures for the current year, our income has increased remarkably in a year when emphasis has necessarily been laid on the building fund.

Towards the goal of \$15,000.00, seventeen diocesan branches of the Auxiliary have pledged in amounts varying from \$25.00 to \$500.00 -----	\$2,850.00
Twenty-two diocesan branches have contributed ---	1,250.00

Thirty-nine diocesan branches having given a total of \$4,100.00	
The actual need for the dormitory is -----	\$25,000.00

While this is a very gratifying increase in the number of branches giving diocesan backing to the school, we have not yet reached the ideal which those who have made the school possible, and have been its backers from the beginning, have in mind.

Each diocese has a custodian for the accrued funds of each Auxiliary throughout each diocese, and each Auxiliary has a custodian for its funds.

The quota for Washington is \$500.00 for the Episcopalians and for the Presbyterians \$500.00, making a total for the diocese of \$1,000.00.

We have on hand about \$400.00. Do help us to go over the top and make it a Happy New Year for those of our Church family in China.

Thanking you, on behalf of the Trustees, for your personal cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. William Channing Johnson,
Diocesan Custodian
for Washington, D. C.

In these days we are all anxiously watching the news from China, and since my report was given, the recent news has been received of Kuling. Those who have so steadfastly stood by the school must share our solicitude for it.

The fall term closed on December 16; the children went to their homes before any unpleasantness had developed at Kuling. Since then it has been deemed expedient for all foreigners, so far as we know, to leave the mountain.

In any case our entire faculty is now in Shanghai, where the Board of Managers, according to a cable received on January 24th, hopes to open the school for the Spring term.

These are only details as we have received them, except that all are well and undismayed.

The Trustees met recently and agreed upon two things:

First, that until we know what future developments will be, all plans for additional equipment be suspended.

Second, that every means must be used to keep the school going with as little loss as possible.

The cost of operation will be increased while the income on the field will almost certainly be diminished.

The optimistic view is given, that it will not be long before conditions in China are improved and once things are settled, the school's usefulness will be greater than ever.

Those who have stood by the school when its future was much more uncertain than it is today, will stand by it in these hours of stress and carry on as hitherto.

REPORT ON AUXILIARY HEADQUARTERS AT DIOCESAN HOUSE

Last Spring the Bishop of Washington very kindly arranged that the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary should have headquarters in Diocesan House, 1329 K Street, a plan requiring some ingenuity in the face of many demands on its none too abundant space.

Committee and social meetings are permitted in the rooms on the first floor, and space is provided in one of the third floor rooms for the modest selection of office equipment deemed advisable as a start.

On May 28th, was held the first "At Home" to our membership in the form of a silver tea. The rather somber rooms were abloom with Spring flowers and there was a gratifying attendance. Bishop and Mrs. Freeman honored us with their presence, and our party served as a farewell reception to Mrs. Pickett, soon to leave with her husband to represent our Diocese in the mission field of China.

The contents of the silver bowl started a fund for the purchase of a mimeograph and a typewriter. This fund was augmented by the proceeds of a second tea, on October 29th, given in the delightful country home of Mrs. Charles W. Richardson.

The chief feature of this entertainment was the informing talk by Mrs. Richardson on "China and Porcelains," illustrated by her large collection of rare specimens, displayed to advantage in many spacious rooms of her beautiful home.

The net sum resulting from the two teas was \$280.25, and the desired office furniture has been purchased and is at work, as the President's letters bear witness.

The quality of the work produced by the mimeograph would seem to justify the ambition to extend its usefulness, and it is hoped a little later that many orders from parish auxiliaries may be filled and at less cost than that incurred through the usual agencies.

The expansion of our auxiliary work is along many lines and entails an increase of overhead expenses which the old system of annual dues is not able to meet.

The employment of a part-time secretary; travel expenses of speakers for our regular monthly meetings; our Institute and Officers Conferences; the sending of delegates to Summer Conferences, Synod and Convention; the cost of the Year Book, all indicate the necessity of continued effort to maintain what other dioceses call a "Central Fund."

This it is hoped to accomplish by voluntary contributions from such parish auxiliaries or from individuals as find it possible and by occasional entertainments.

These social occasions serve a purpose by no means secondary in importance in increasing a sense of fellowship and unity in our large membership as we employ ourselves "about our Father's business."

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Y. Wheeler.

Chairman.

**FOREWORD IN ANTICIPATION OF THE TRIENNIAL
CONVENTION, to be held in Washington, October, 1928**

To the Woman's Auxiliary:

I am anxious that all the members of the Woman's Auxiliary should be advised of the great importance of preparing for the General Convention which is to meet in Washington in October, 1928. If we are to make it an occasion of great spiritual power, we cannot begin too soon to prepare for it. I feel very strongly that the officers and members of the Auxiliary will contribute a large part towards making this Convention all that it should be.

We are endeavoring to press forward the building of the Cathedral as rapidly as possible with such funds as we have in hand, which at present are wholly inadequate. It is our desire to complete, if possible, the great choir crossing which will have a seating capacity of approximately twenty-five hundred. If this can be accomplished it will furnish the finest setting for the great services of the Convention as well as the triennial thank offering service of the Woman's Auxiliary that our Church has ever had.

The Woman's Auxiliary is one of the most vital and important elements in a great General Convention, and I am hoping and praying that in the approaching Convention we may register a higher mark of spiritual attainment and thereby give a freshened impulse to the great work which the Auxiliary is doing.

It is anticipated that this Convention will bring together upwards of about twenty thousand people. This involves the large problem of hospitality and entertainment. In the solving of this problem the women of our Church will play a large part. One feature that will prove most interesting and practical in entertaining the hosts of people who will be with us is the rapid development and completion of the extensive Bishop's Garden. Under the able leadership of Mrs. Bratenahl, the All Hallow's Guild supported by the Bishop's Guild and interested individuals are carrying to consummation plans that will make this garden the most perfect place that could be desired for great outdoor social gatherings. Two objectives that are worthy of our most serious consideration have to do with the spiritual and fraternal aspects of the Convention and its allied bodies.

I am asking every officer and member of the Auxiliary, indeed, every interested member of our Church throughout the Diocese, to pray and work, to the end that the Convention of 1928 may prove to be the greatest in the history of the Church.

James E. Freeman
Bishop of Washington.

Washington, December 2, 1926

Dear Madam President:

At the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in New Orleans, it was my pleasant duty as your Diocesan President to extend to the women of our national organization the invitation to be our guests during the next General Convention. In the name of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Washington, I said we should welcome them to their National Capital, to their National Cathedral, to the Woman's Auxiliary, and to our hearts.

The time has now come when definite plans must be made and work begun for this happy responsibility which is to be ours. One committee has been appointed and is already at work, and it is a joy to announce that a place on this committee was accepted by each one asked to serve. This beginning gives splendid

confidence for the months to come as we assume our responsibilities in making ready for our guests. These guests we shall delight to honor by a preparation as perfect as is within our power.

Bishop Freeman urges us, as Church women in his Diocese, to feel a responsibility as hostesses through the Woman's Auxiliary and other Church organizations for the days of General Convention. Our love for our Bishop and loyalty to the Woman's Auxiliary will be our inspiration for the months to come, as we all work together. This requires the work of us all, and to it let us gladly and joyfully respond.

May we hope that prayerful and devoted consideration be given to every call made upon us, as the work of preparation is being completed for the meeting here in 1928 of General Convention and the Triennial Meeting of the national organization of our Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council.

Faithfully yours,

Sarah Cooper Hurd,

President.

Washington, December 2, 1926

Dear Madam:

Our first consideration in the New Year should be the Woman's Auxiliary Triennial Fund, which we shall require as hostesses to the delegates and members of the Woman's Auxiliary and other national woman's organizations attending the Triennial Meeting here in October, 1928, bearing in remembrance, the fine tradition that has been handed on to us, the fact that much will be expected of the Capital of the country, and our own appreciation of the great opportunity coming to us.

Expenses incident to the Triennial will start immediately, such as stationery, printing, postage, publicity; to be followed later by hire of convention hall for three weeks; free hospitality to all deaconesses and women missionaries; afternoon tea each day, and other entertainments; printing cards of direction and badges; hire of cars when necessary, and many other activities.

Your committee hopes that so far as possible the raising of the Woman's Auxiliary Triennial Fund may be a family affair through proportionate gifts from the branch Auxiliaries, and that this letter may reach all other Societies and Guilds in their Church so they may share the responsibility and privilege of our joyful preparation for an event which should be shared by every woman in the diocese.

Checks should be made payable to Mrs. James Kirkpatrick, Treasurer, 308 Wilson Lane, Bethesda, Md.

Yours sincerely,

Virginia B. Miller,

Chairman.

Mrs. G. Brown Miller

Mrs. David S. Carl

Miss Lelia M. Peachy

Mrs. Walter M. Gilbert

Mrs. Charles M. Wilkes

Miss Emily C. Matthews

Miss Mary Y. Wheeler

Mrs. Spencer S. Wood

