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The Maryland Branch  
Woman's Auxiliary

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## Greeting

FROM THE PRESIDING BISHOP TO THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY  
AND THE WOMANHOOD OF THE WHOLE CHURCH,  
AND PARTICULARLY THE WOMEN OF MARYLAND.



As the present Triennium draws to a close, it is my blessed privilege and high honor to write you this word of congratulatory greeting and encouragement.

This issue of *The Spirit of Missions* directs the attention of the Church to your rich sacrificial and sacramental gift of self and substance in terms of your Thank Offering for the advancement of the Kingdom of God in the Master's way and according to His will.

In this great undertaking, you emphasize two distinctive worthy features:

First, you stress the voluntariness of your action by the word "Offering". It is not a "Collection." It is the expression of a perfect heart and a willing mind. It is the free gift of love and has its glory in the enormous service for which it provides, by women workers at home and abroad.

And, second, you accentuate the joy of your religion in designating your "Offering" as one of Thanksgiving. Here, if possible, you strike a richer note. It expresses the inward and spiritual grace of the experience of which the offering itself is but the outward and visible sign.

When this offering is finally presented in the great sacramental service of the Church at the General Convention, in the act of your corporate communion, we are all given to know that through the medium of the Auxiliary, all the women of our Communion, in praise and adoration, "Offer and present unto the Lord themselves, their souls, and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto Him."

And your Offering being thus an oblation of self at the Altar, when it ultimately reaches the field, is translated from dollars to life by the consecrated service of those who are sent by you to accomplish the purpose of your gift.

Be ye strong, then, in the conviction that your work is of and for God, and that in the way of it "The Lord shall guide thee continually; and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water whose waters fail not."

Praying for all of you individually and collectively, I bid you Godspeed in these final months before our great day in Washington.

JOHN G. MURRAY.

With kind regards from  
Drs. Sionssat -

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*The Woman's Auxiliary of Maryland has received requests from many persons throughout the country to give a brief history of the beginnings which led up to the formation of that Body—the historical background, with a sketch of its methods, which it does gladly.*

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#### FOREWORD

It would seem well, in view of the approaching meeting of the General Convention and the Triennial of the Woman's Auxiliary, celebrating in this year the 30th. Anniversary of their first visit to the National Capitol, and incidentally, of the 56th. Birthday of the Woman's Auxiliary, to look backward upon the life of the Auxiliary in its relation to the church's progress.

It was in the troubrous times of the struggle between Parliament and the King that the English men and women left their homes in the old country and ventured into the new and untried land. No Church of England clergymen came out with the settlers, but on their arrival in 1634, after the landing of our Maryland pilgrims, they occupied for their devotions, a share in the little chapel at St. Mary's Citie, near the Fort, built by the priests who came in the Ark and the Dove. The Roman Catholics with their early mass, the Protestants not all Church of England people, using their turn, faithfully keeping their prayer-book service with lengthy discourses from some old volume, according to the use of the day. And this was in keeping with the spirit of the instructions sent out by Lord Baltimore in leaving England, which counseled courtesy and tolerance with their brethren in their voyage and on arrival.

It was quite a period before the little Churches began to dot the vast ranges of woodland and stream. The clergy were few and scattered. Of Bishops there were none, and so our courageous Prototype of the Woman's Auxiliary of today—Mary Taney, wife of the high sheriff of Calvert County, sent out her Macedonian call over the wide water “for a church in the place of Maryland where I live. We cannot expect,” she writes, “a minister to hold out to ride miles in the morning, and before he can dine, many more miles from house to house in all weather. This would dishearten the minister, if not kill him,” and she goes on to say to His Grace, the Archbishop of Canterbury, to whom this first missionary letter was indited. “One Church settled according to the Church of England will prove a nursery of religion and loyalty throughout the whole province.” She continues, “we are not, I hope, so foreign to your jurisdiction, but we may be owned your stray flock. However, the Commission to go and baptize all nations is large enough.” This brought a grant from the King's private purse, known as the Secret Service fund. The Reverend Paul Bertrand came out in 1684, and the procession passes down the ages.

This petition, however, could not bring the Bishop so sorely needed and so long denied. There was no discipline and but little order. The province thrived and grew, but few of the Indians had been converted, as was contemplated in all the Charters. Raids were frequent and the orders "noe man able to bear arms might goe to church or chapel without fixed gun and one charge at least, of powder and shot" was long on the books.

As late as 1754, when in the French and Indian War, the Indians came down within 30 miles of Baltimore Town, the men of the Garrison Forest Church cleaned their guns on Saturday night and stood them in the corners of the old high square pews on the Sabbath, which would have seemed calculated to discourage frequent attendance on Divine worship, but men and women, they came of a fearless stock.

The late visit of the Lord Bishop of Aberdeen and the Orkneys gave us a realizing sense of the difficulties in the union of Church and State. Under the English law every Bishop had to take the oath of allegiance to the English King and the Realm. The Reverend Doctor Samuel Seabury of Connecticut had gone over to the mother country to obtain his consecration, but as a new born American, could not transfer his allegiance.

But there were in the Church of Scotland, Bishops who had never taken this oath, and these non-juring Bishops had suffered many things for their devotion to the House of Steuart, as they considered the Hanoverian line as usurpers. "A lost cause and an impossible loyalty." But the day dawn came to us, when on November 14, 1784, Doctor Seabury was consecrated in Aberdeen by Bishops Skinner, Kilgour and Petrie, after all these long years as the first American Bishop.

The purpose of Bishop Deane of Aberdeen and the Orkneys is a pious and holy one. He hopes to re-build the Cathedral at St. Andrews, Aberdeen as a memorial of Bishop Seabury's consecration and a thank-offering for what the American Church owes to Scotland.

Meanwhile, in England, after the acknowledgement of our American Independence by King George III, other Bishops followed until from our own Maryland clergy was chosen Thomas John Claggett of Croome, Prince George's County, who received his consecration through both the churches of Scotland and England, and his was the only consecration in which Bishop Seabury ever took part, and so we pass our second milestone in 1684 to 1792.

No time was lost in bringing to the Church in Maryland all her panoply of power, and on March 24, 1793, in All Saints Parish, Frederick County, the first confirmation service was held, and ten devoted women then renewed their vows. Each of these women has handed down to her notable posterity the inheritance of the church, in its new strength and beauty, giving the background of the fine missionary spirit shown in their Auxiliary today, with a gift of life in the late Right Reverend J. Addison Ingle, the first Bishop of Hankow, China.

In the Right Reverend Thomas John Claggett, Maryland received a man who by inheritance, force of character, and Godly learning was prepared to face one of the most unique and difficult problems that

the church has ever known. A landed proprietor, he ruled his diocese from his own domain, his mitre remains today to show his appreciation of the traditions of the old use, and after his long tenure, he was gathered to his Fathers and rests with his devoted wife under the altar of the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul at Mount St. Alban's, Washington.

The first Bishop of Maryland had heavy burdens to bear. The work had been accumulating for over a century and a half, and his diocese held the territory of the whole State of Maryland when travel was not so luxurious as it is at present.

But help came to him in the ordering of the Reverend James Kemp, D. D., as Bishop Suffragan of Maryland. He was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland in 1744; ordained Deacon on the 24th. and Priest on the 27th of December, 1783; elected Rector of St. Paul's Parish on the death of the Reverend Doctor Bend on November 25, 1812, consecrated Suffragan Bishop, September 1, 1814, during the War, succeeded to the full Episcopate in 1816 on the death of the lamented Bishop Claggett. From St. Paul's Rectory, which still crowns the hill at Saratoga Street, looking down upon the business centers of the heart of the city, Bishop Kemp went forth, first as Parish Priest and then as Bishop of Maryland, from his palace. He was the first to catechise the children in the Parish Church and later assumed responsibility in civic affairs in associations served by clergy of different faiths. His last convention report in a quaint old pamphlet called "The Theological Repertory" published in Washington, gives some idea of how faithfully he served, until his untimely death in 1827 occurred from the overturning of a stage coach, in which he was making his visitations.

A stately tablet in marble recalls his life and work in old St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore and the names of these distinguished Prelates, Bishop Claggett, first Bishop of Maryland, and Bishop Kemp, second in succession, will be enrolled in the Golden Book of Remembrance, to be placed in the Cathedral of Aberdeen as permanent builders and benefactors, and "shall be named as such in every Bidding Prayer at the Consecration of the Cathedral and at every Anniversary and on every All Saints Day at the Memorial Eucharist."

When Peace was declared and the countryside rested in safety, a group of women in 1821 organized "a Female Auxiliary and Educational Society of Christ Church Parish of Calvert County, Maryland, to provide for the education of pious young men for the ministry." The names which are there registered are reproduced in the parish books of today. Meanwhile, the Female societies increased and multiplied, isolated bands were springing up over the land, while our Maryland auxiliary above mentioned, preceded the formation in the same year of that ancient and honorable Body, the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Societies, with patrons and a paid membership, parish Societies taking a large share in its work. The next landmark is the profession by the Church at large that the Missionary Society was one in which Baptism alone is made the requisition for member-

ship. Unhappily, this interpretation, like many others, never fully reached the hearts and minds of those for whom it was intended.

After numberless evidences of women's continuous interest and help, in Missionary enterprises, such as bales of goods sent from New York to the Indian Mission at Green Bay, Wisconsin, the Troy Society of New York contributing to the support of Mrs. Hill's School in Athens, Greece, Bishop Whipple's advocacy of the Indians and the uprising which drove the Sioux from Minnesota to Dakota, leading to the formation of the Dakota League in Emanuel Parish, Boston in 1864 and the Indians Hope in Philadelphia in 1868. At last, in 1868, was inaugurated the Ladies Relief Association, to supplement the Committee's work and the small salaries of the Domestic Missionaries by furnishing them and their families with boxes of clothing and household supplies.

But meanwhile other work for women was going on. In 1852 Doctor Muhlenburg, Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion in New York organized the first Sisterhood in the American Church. In 1868, Bishop Whittingham of Maryland ordered the first Deaconesses. In 1867, there was established in Philadelphia as a memorial to Pennsylvania's then late Bishop Alonzo Potter, a training house for women workers in the Church and it was from these quarters that our own Missionary—Margaret Ridgely, went out nearly a quarter century ago.

It is not strange that in 1850 Bishop Potter suggested the possibility of the revival of an authorized and organized work for the women of the church as a subject worthy of consideration.

This was stressed in succeeding conventions. At last in 1871, October 16th a Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was authorized at that most notable General Convention held in Emmanuel Church, Baltimore.

By January 1872, they had established headquarters in a rented room in the Bible House, New York, where the Board's Committee had their own hired room and when they called a woman—Mary A. Emery—to be the first secretary, with ready confidence, the Board gave its Auxiliary Secretary the utmost freedom in the development of her plans.

It is difficult for the active woman of today to picture entering upon office work with no stenographers, no typewriter, no telephone, and the Secretary had to look out from the Central Watch Tower over all the Churches to see how the vast body of its women were to be enlisted. From the beginning the ideal was clear. The Woman's Auxiliary offered opportunity for service to every woman old or young, rich or poor, lettered or unlearned, in every Parish and Mission, weak or strong, in every Diocese and Missionary District at the Center or the most remote, and so it has come to pass that every field from Hankow to Texas, from Alaska and Porto Rico to New York has its own Diocesan Branch, that over 4,500 parishes have been enlisted, and that uncounted individual women share its life.

In October 1874, the first general meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Sunday School of Calvary Church, New York, with 66 women present, from five dioceses, and this was our spiritual home until the Church Mission House was erected.

On October 9th, 1919, at 7.30 A. M. St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, Michigan, was crowded with representatives of this same Woman's Auxiliary who had come from 91 dioceses and districts to spend 14 days in conference and study, in prayer and plans, for a great advance, to assist in the formation of a Church Service League, "which should gather up all the forces so ably used in the great War, in the care of hospitals, schools and churches, to supply their needs, a Federation and a Clearing House." In 1900 the women of the Auxiliary had taken up mission study classes with the United Study Committee.

In 1916 and 1917, the "Advent Call" bade them as their special work in time of War to give a week to Prayer. They kept seven days at home, in church, privately and together visiting their fellow-church women, providing that every hour of the day and night should find a certain number praying in asking for peace, and unity, and the perfection of the Kingdom. We cannot forget the closing service in Old St. Paul's Church, when the military band from Camp Holabird accompanied the hymns and anthems, and after the benediction, the bugler came to the chancel steps and gave Taps for the many who were sleeping overseas—their last farewell.

Today we are listening for the sound of the incoming waves of our glorious United Thank Offering, the fulfillment of the vision which came to us in 1886.

And what of our Maryland privilege of work in the summing up of these years of endeavor? With the honors and spheres of influence filled by our Primate, Presiding Bishop and Shepherd of Souls among us, the cheery aid of the Bishop-coadjutor, always at our disposal, our parish priests so sympathetic and helpful, our place in the Federation and Clearing House of the Church Service League with which we have worked since the day of its formation, our fine diocesan staff of officers, our devoted parish presidents and their officers, into whose faces we look, not quarterly but monthly, in the exchange of our experiences, our joys and our sorrows. We like to recall our successful venture of a diocesan officer for the Spirit of Missions, the interest of the United Thank Offering in the hands of one whom we trust and love, our Chairman for Liberia who has the whole executive meeting for her committee, our supply officer who rules us wisely and well, both for auxiliary and C. S. L., our literature committee which so entirely fulfills our requirements and the capstone of the Educational Secretary who keeps steadily her duplex administration to the Church Service League and the Woman's Auxiliary in all pertaining to Education, Study Classes, Conferences and Institutes, with our latest labor of love, in our aid to rural work in the Maryland mountains. The chairman for the Promotion of Peace also serves both Church Service League and Woman's Auxiliary appointed by the Bishop under our Educational Department. Our Budget truly ministers to the church

throughout our ecclesiastical world. Are not these things all written in the Book of Life?

Our growth in spirituality, we believe to be our Hope, the Anchor of our Souls, the source of all our monetary aid of whatsoever sort and kind, and so today, we are making ready to give account for what we have received with deepest thanksgiving in these days of peace and happiness, of warfare and toil, of intellectual doubt and distraction and realize how we have been led along our road.

Our faces today are turned toward Jerusalem and as we view the gathering of the tribe in such vast numbers, we wonder greatly and trust much to the colossal work now going on to welcome us in the great neighbor diocese and from the stained glass windows erected in memory of the women who have served through the ages, we shall see the well remembered features of her to whom we owe so much, in Julia Emery, as the representative woman of our own times.

Does not all this accumulation of blessings through the long years we have so assembled ourselves together bring to us the sense of trust and permanency, not here alone but in those unseen regions where He abides, "the same yesterday, today and forever."

ANNIE LEAKIN SIOUSSAT, *President.*

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#### SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR 1927

During the year 1927, the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Maryland held as usual the nine regular monthly meetings of the Executive Committee, and the Officers held the usual meetings, which always precede the Executive Meetings, and one extra session. This extra meeting was called for a very sad purpose, i. e. for consultation about the appointment of a successor to the beloved Treasurer, Mrs. Frederick von Kapff; who, after an illness of a few days, departed this life shortly after the April meeting. Mrs. von Kapff had given many years of devoted service both as Treasurer of the Diocesan Auxiliary, and as Treasurer of the branch in her own parish, and was admired and beloved on all sides. Those who had the privilege of being her fellow-workers will always cherish loving and appreciative memories of her.

Having lost such an officer, the Auxiliary has been most fortunate in securing, as her successor, Miss Rebekah Harrison, who took hold of the work, (which naturally had been left in an incomplete condition) with the greatest efficiency, gathering up the loose threads, and carrying it on most successfully through the rest of the year.

Miss Harrison has impressed upon those who have been present at the Executive meetings that much better results can be reported in the work if everyone will send all moneys through her, accompanying checks with personal letters to missionary workers, if they so desire. These letters she will send to the mission field with the checks. If this be done, more can be counted on parochial apportionments, as

money sent direct from the parish branches to missions cannot be so counted, while the sending of the letters will furnish the personal contact which always adds so greatly to the interest of the work.

There were many specially interesting features at the meetings during 1927. At the January meeting, the new Bishop-Coadjutor was formally presented to the gathering, and cordially expressed his desire to do all in his power to forward the work of the organization. Two other speakers, on that occasion, were Deaconess Maria Williams of Dante, South Western Virginia, and the Reverend Dr. Browning, of the Committee on Evangelization.

In February, the Auxiliary was delighted by having Maryland's own Bishop, the Primate of the American Church, again in its midst. Bishop Murray made a most beautiful and impressive address on the sacramental life of the Christian, and called upon those present to rededicate themselves to our Lord and the work of His Church, by renewing their baptismal vows. This was an occasion of such import, and so impressive, as to deserve always to have a place in the remembrance of those privileged to be present. At this same meeting, Miss Emily Seaman, who has been associated with Miss Ridgely, in work in Liberia, gave some account of her experiences there.

At the March meeting, Miss Julia Cunningham, of the Committee on Evangelization, gave a stirring address. During the winter, many Auxiliary women were glad to help, in whatever ways they could, with the work of the Bishops' Crusade.

The main feature of the April meeting, was the discussion of routine business, there being no special speaker on that occasion.

The May meeting was begun with a memorial service for Mrs. von Kapff. Prayers were read by Dr. Kinsolving, and an address made by her own Rector, the Reverend Henry B. Lee, of Trinity Parish, Towson.

The annual gathering of the Church Service League was held on May 6th. The service in the Pro-Cathedral, at which the Spring Presentation of the United Thank Offering was made, was followed by a large meeting, and both were well attended by Auxiliary women.

At the Fall meetings, the speakers were Deaconess Hart (since deceased) who told of conditions in China; Miss Brent, who gave a brief account of the Lausanne Conference; and Mr. A. Abbott Hastings, who spoke in the interest of S. Michael's School, in Wyoming.

One of the very most important and interesting features of the Auxiliary's year is the Annual Meeting, which, in 1927, was held on November 9th, at the Pro-Cathedral. A very large congregation gathered at the annual Service, at which Bishop Helfenstein was the Celebrant. The annual luncheon was also very well attended, and was a very happy occasion; and, at the meeting which followed, Miss Sallie Deane, of Richmond, gave a very beautiful address on the United Thank Offering, the effect of which should certainly be to make every one far more appreciative of the "Little Blue Boxes." The contents of these marvelous little boxes, when gathered together, are able to do such a wonderful amount for the missionary work of the Church. An address by Miss Ward, of S. John Baptist's Mission, near Charlottes-

ville, Virginia, awoke much interest in the work she is doing in her school.

At present, the Secretary has 54 parish branches on her mailing list; and at the end of December, report blanks were sent to each of these branches. It is rather interesting to see the fate of these papers. It was requested that they should all be sent in by the sixth of January. Some few came before that date, and the last that came appeared about the middle of February. Forty-seven branches made reports; of these, 21 did not answer *all* the questions on the blank. The Officers of the Auxiliary are often questioned as to its numerical strength—a question that it is impossible to answer, for a large number of the branches leave that question unanswered. One can see that it is a difficult query to answer exactly, as the personnel of the Auxiliary, as of any other society, is often fluctuating, but it would be a satisfaction if the parish representatives would try to answer it approximately, and it is hoped that they will do so another year. It is interesting to know that the largest membership reported in 1927 was 299; while in one small parish, one faithful woman wrote, in sending some moneys she had gathered up, that in her parish the branch had dwindled down until she was the only one left—surely, it might well be a fit subject for intercession that others might be raised up to help such a faithful soul, for the account of her perseverance must be an inspiration to many others who may be feeling discouraged.

It is indeed hard to gauge by any statistics the amount of real interest felt in any work, or to realize the spirit in which it is done; but attendance at meetings seems, in some slight way, to indicate a certain amount of life. During 1927, there were held 9 sessions of the Executive Board—

8 Parish Branches were represented at all 9 of them.

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4	"	"	"	"	3	"	"
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1	"	"	"	"	1	"	"

while 16 parishes were not represented at a single one of the monthly meetings. The number of branches that responded to the roll-call at the Annual Meeting was 37. Of the 7 branches that sent in no report of any kind, all but 4 had attended meetings so that, out of a total of 54 branches, there were only 4 that showed no sign of activity or interest of any kind. It is hoped that during the coming year, these dormant branches may be revived and that some new ones may be organized.

The other officers have given accounts of what has been accomplished in their various departments, but, of course, there is much work done that is never reported; and besides all the "good works" that can be tabulated, there is the Church's greater work of prayer, in which we

feel that the Auxiliary, both individually and corporately, takes its part. Let us hope and pray that, in this new year of its life, this "ancient and honourable" society may ever increase in devotion and service, standing ever firm for the "Faith once delivered to the Saints" in an age when that Holy Faith is so often being questioned and denied.

RHETA FERGUSON BRUNE, *Secretary.*

#### SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

The Supply Department again had a very successful year as the following details show. The response for second-hand clothing for the Flood sufferers was excellent and we have tried to credit to each Parish as much as came to the Diocesan House marked, but a large part had no parish name. But all was sent at once, and also many boxes of used clothing to our Mission stations. The report is based on the parish reports sent to the Secretary, but many were incomplete and no doubt many omissions will be found, but we can only report what is sent to us by the parishes and valuations are always different.

ELLEN W. SHOEMAKER.

*Box Secretary of Woman's Auxiliary of Maryland.*

	Value of Boxes	Value of Second Hand Clothing
All Saints, Baltimore .....	\$ 51.35	
All Saints, Frederick .....	37.21	
Ascension .....	75.00	
Ascension, Chapter B. ....	75.00	
Ascension, Westminster .....		145.00
Cathedral .....	143.00	
Christ Church .....	226.00	
Church of the Redeemer .....	58.78	125.00
Emmanuel .....	99.80	100.00
Emmanuel, Cumberland .....	128.32	
Epiphany, Govans .....	39.35	
Grace and St. Peter's .....	205.00	
Holy Comforter, Lutherville .....	5.00	100.00
Holy Nativity, Forest Park .....	71.54	
Memorial .....	279.00	
Messiah .....	5.00	
Mt. Calvary .....	275.00	
Prince of Peace .....	40.00	
St. Anne's, Annapolis .....	75.00	50.00
St. Bartholomew's .....	133.86	
St. David's .....	52.60	
St. John's, Hagerstown .....	59.07	

St. John's, Howard County .....	25.03	
St. John's, Relay .....	10.00	100.00
St. John's, Kingsville .....	25.00	
St. Mark's on the Hill .....	378.00	
St. Margaret's, .....	60.00	
St. Matthew's, Sparrow's Point .....	20.00	
St. Michael and All Angels .....	137.45	50.00
St. Paul's .....	125.00	50.00
St. Peter's, Ellicott City .....	43.45	
St. Timothy's .....	65.91	
St. Thomas', Garrison Forest .....	125.00	
Trinity, Dorsey .....	36.60	
Not Marked .....		250.00

NUMBER OF GARMENTS MADE BY WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FOR  
INSTITUTIONS

		Surgical Dressings	
		all organizations	
	1927		
St. Alban's, Glenburnie .....	77		
Ascension .....	322	225	
St. David's, Jr. Auxiliary .....	38	3355	
Emmanuel, Belair .....	12		
Good Shepherd .....	328	340	
St. James', Parkton .....	87		
Emmanuel, Baltimore, 2/3 of total of 1861			
2/3 of total of 1980 .....	1320	15175	
St. James', Hagerstown .....	84		
St. Margaret's .....	66		
Memorial .....	146		
Messiah .....	20		
Procathedral .....	275		
Redeemer .....	205	446	
Resurrection .....	65		
Sherwood Parish .....	26		
St. Thomas', Garrison Forest .....	137		
St. Timothy's .....	210	3948	
Trinity, Long Green .....	36		
Ascension, Westminster .....	41		
Christ Church .....	32		
Grace and St. Peter's .....	921	5552	
Holy Comforter .....	28		
St. John's, Ellicott City .....	21		
St. John's, Mt. Washington .....	27		
St. John's, Relay .....	20		

St. Luke's, Brownsville .....	61
St. Matthew's, Sparrows Point .....	19
St. Peter's, Ellicott City .....	169
Transfiguration .....	122
Trinity, Howard County .....	87

NUMBER OF GARMENTS MADE BY CHURCH SERVICE  
LEAGUE UNITS

	Surgical Dressings	1927	all organizations
All Hallows, Davidsonville .....	100		
All Saint's, Annapolis Junction .....	19		
St. Anne's, Annapolis .....	24		
Christ Church .....	246	855	
Epiphany, Odenton .....	35		
Holy Nativity .....	157		
St. Mark's, Brunswick .....	85		
St. Paul's .....	329	1470	
St. Paul's Chapel .....	100		
Prince of Peace .....	324		
St. Thomas', Homestead .....	30		
Emmanuel, 1/3 of total of 1861			
Emmanuel, 1/3 of total of 1980 .....	660	15375	
Mrs. Barker's Sewing Class .....	342		
Christ Church, Prince Frederick .....	28		
St. Mark's-on-the-Hill .....	371		
St. Michael and All Angels' .....	567		
Middleham Chapel .....	22		
Mt. Calvary' .....	74		
Chapel of the Nativity .....	42		
St. Thomas', Garrison Forest .....	452		

REPORT OF SURGICAL DRESSINGS

From October to May, 39,213 dressings have been made and turned in. Below is the work done in the Diocese:

Grace and St. Peter's .....	5,552
St. Timothy's .....	3,948
St. David's .....	3,355
Church of the Redeemer .....	446
Ascension .....	225
St. Paul's .....	1,470
Christ Church .....	855

Good Shepherd .....	340
Emmanuel .....	15,175

Dressings have been sent to the following hospitals:

St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo, Japan.  
 St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Shanghai, China.  
 St. John's Mission Hospital, Jackson, Wyoming.  
 Emerald-Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn.

#### INSTITUTIONS HELPED IN 1927

Emerald-Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn.  
 Shoshone Indian Mission, Wind River, Wyoming.  
 St. Elizabeth School, Wakpala, South Dakota.  
 St. Barbara's Home.  
 St. Katherine's Home.  
 St. Gabriel's Home.  
 St. Mary's Home.  
 Maryland Home for colored boys.  
 Red Cross.  
 The Family Welfare.  
 The Henry Watson Aid Society.  
 The Babies' Milk Fund Association.  
 The Nursery and Child's Hospital.  
 The Florence Crittenden Mission.  
 The Howard County Public Health Association.  
 The Prisoners' Aid Association.  
 The Exeter Street Home.  
 The University Hospital.  
 The Johns Hopkins Hospital.  
 The Children's Hospital School.  
 Kernan Hospital for Crippled Children.  
 South Baltimore General Hospital.  
 Happy Hills Convalescent Home.  
 Mother's Relief Society.  
 Eudowood Sanitorium.  
 And special emergency calls.

#### REPORT ON EDUCATIONAL WORK

The educational work of the Church Service League and the Woman's Auxiliary is now under one committee and one Educational Secretary. This happy elimination of division has made it possible for the work to grow in scope and vision.

Any report given by the Educational Secretary is now a combined work of both organizations. This was unanimously agreed upon by all the officers of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Since the annual report of last May, Miss Boyer called a meeting of all Educational Secretaries of the Third Province at the summer conference in Sweet Briar, Va. There we were able not only to enjoy the Conference, but to meet each other and to compare the work of

the different Dioceses, as well as to benefit by the personal interest and advice of Miss Boyer.

I also attended the Blue Mountain Conference held at Frederick, Md., in July, and the provincial Synod held in Bethlehem, Pa., in October.

It is difficult to express in words the value of the inspiration of the Blue Mountain Conference. It supplied a strength that is unfailing in the darkest days of discouragement, and my advice to all Maryland women who sincerely wish to increase in the knowledge and love of God, through the Church, is to attend this exceptional Conference this summer.

Last October, the Rev. Dr. Goodwin of William and Mary College, gave a lecture at the Diocesan House. Thanks to the prompt co-operation of parish educational secretaries the assembly room was full, and every one present started the year's work wonderfully inspired by Dr. Goodwin.

During four Tuesday evenings in Advent, the Rev. Mr. Steele held a discussion group of young people on the fundamentals of religion. This was well attended by young men and women, who, after the first meeting, chose their own topics for discussion, and showed great interest not only in discussion, but in writing papers.

During the whole winter the Rev. Dr. Birkhead has been good enough to open to the whole diocese his Friday evening Bible Class, held in the great hall of Emmanuel Parish House. I hope if Dr. Birkhead is good enough to do this next winter, that many more will take advantage of his courtesy.

From Advent to Lent, a most delightful class on the Prayer Book was led by Mrs. William Brune. This attendance was not large, but the topic does not seem to be one to attract many people. This seems very strange to me, for the truths of our Church are nowhere so interestingly established as through the study of the Prayer Book. Mrs. Brune made these classes so delightful that I have already had four different requests to ask her to repeat it next year.

The annual Educational Institute was held this year at Memorial Parish House, where every courtesy and consideration was shown by Dr. and Mrs. Dame and the ladies of Memorial Church. The conference was well attended in spite of many other conflicting interests going on in Baltimore at that time. There was an enrollment of 200.

Almost every lecture and discussion was on the thrilling subject of our rural work, and we were fortunate enough to have Mr. Foreman himself, as well as our Bishop Coadjutor, speak at our opening luncheon. We also owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Will, Mr. Litsinger, and Mr. Mitchell who spoke on rural work, and to Dr. Dame and Mr. Gettier for their spiritual addresses at the midday services. Miss Seaman told us of her work in Liberia, Miss Cunningham was her usual inspiring self on the subject of the Bishop's Crusade, and Mrs. John E. Hill, of Pennsylvania, who was the leader of the discussion groups both morning and evening, made an exceptional appeal, both intellectually and spiritually.

As a definite result of the Institute the usual Lenten mission study groups were formed in the parishes.

It was the earnest effort of the Educational Committee to give to every parish in the diocese, the opportunity to have a discussion group, and a trained leader. The response from the clergy was very gratifying and the results, as have already been reported at the Woman's Auxiliary Executive meeting are shown on the charts. These show 56 different groups, 50 different parishes holding groups, 66 leaders, and 32 new groups who never had discussion study before. I wish especially to thank these leaders for their splendid spirit, and also to emphasize my thanks to the group of ladies who held themselves as substitutes, so that if any leader were sick she reported to me and I called at once upon a substitute who, being fully prepared, carried on the work of the class. I had to make many such calls at the last minute and always met with reliable and enthusiastic response.

I have tried to find the number of people touched by these classes on the rural work. Basing my figures on the reports of the various leaders, I think we can feel sure that approximately 500 people, including at least 75 men, heard one or more talks on this subject. A large majority of these attended a regular weekly class during Lent.

As a result of this study, we are now able to send \$500 to Mr. Foreman for a rural scholarship fund. This is sent as a memorial to Mr. Foreman's father, and to be given by Mr. Foreman to some student, so that he may obtain expert training in rural work, this summer. We are also sending several Maryland Clergymen to special summer conferences on rural work. Grace and St. Peter's is sending one of these, the Church of the Redeemer is sending one, St. Timothy's, Catonsville, is sending one, the Girls' Friendly is sending one, and I think there will be funds on hand from individual subscriptions to send one more.

Mrs. Betticher, a member of the Educational Committee, and as you know, the Diocesan representative of the *Spirit of Missions*, has asked me to make the following report. She has addressed 34 different groups, showing her slides of the mission fields, in almost all of these. Since November the parish representatives have doubled, and are now 38. The new subscriptions have not increased as rapidly as she wishes, and the progress made is due, almost entirely, to the small parishes. She asks special mention to be made of Memorial Parish for having appointed a representative in the Church School as well as the Woman's Auxiliary. The G. F. S. has promised representation in each branch, and will report growth next year. Mrs. Betticher's own words at the close of her report, are, "It is my hope to relate more closely the *Spirit of Missions* to educational work in the diocese, that the title, loved by some, and feared by others, will gradually win a place in each household as the best access to knowledge of the Church's Work."

Through the courtesy of the clergy, and with the help of Bishop Helfenstein and the Educational Committee I have gathered together certain interesting facts of educational value in the Diocese, shown on the chart.

You will see the latest road map of Maryland, and on it a pin placed in each spot where we now have a church. These pins are in four different colors, one color for each Convocation.

Since we have been studying the rural work I thought it would be of interest to see how many of our churches are rural and how many urban. Thanks to Mr. Harry Atkinson, who was good enough to get the figures accurately for me, I have the following results.

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#### NUMBER OF CHURCHES

	Urban	Rural	Total
Convocation of Annapolis .....	2	31	33
Convocation of Baltimore .....	53	1	54
Convocation of Cumberland .....	11	23	34
Convocation of Towson .....	3	36	39
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Totals.....	69	91	160
Per cent .....	43.01	56.9	100

The following figures are taken from 55 parishes:

Number of parishes having Bible Classes .....	38
Number of parishes having Mission Study groups .....	50
Number of parishes having educational classes or lectures .....	25
Number of parishes having Church school teachers meet for training	34
Number of parishes sending anyone to conferences .....	31
Number of parishes offering any kind of adult education.....	53
Number of parishes having representation for <i>Spirit of Missions</i>	38
Number of parishes having illustrated missionary talks by Mrs. Betticher .....	34
Number of parishes visited by some member of Educational Com.	91

I have, also, attached to the chart a copy of the report sent me by Mrs. Eleanor Warfield, who led a study group at St. Thomas', Homestead. She shows in this report how her group summed up the study in what she calls a "homemade pageant." I hope you will read it and see what can be done with a small group. I consider it excellent.

In closing my report I would like to mention the semi-annual meetings of the parish educational secretaries. They meet in January each with a two-minute report of educational work done in her parish, and it is most helpful to hear what every other parish is doing. In May they meet again, with a speaker to help them in some problem. Last year Mrs. Hill spoke on the duties of parish secretaries and this year I am hunting for a good speaker on how to form a parish educational program.

The best possible contact between the Diocesan Secretary and the parish educational work is made by these secretaries. There is no other way in which each parish can reasonably and helpfully become a part of the whole educational structure of the C. S. L. and the Woman's Auxiliary. If there are any parishes having secretaries who do

not get notices of these meetings or whose names are not on my files, will you please report it to me so that I may invite them to come to this spring meeting, and have their help and advice.

It is the object of the educational committee to give varied Diocesan opportunities during the year, in Baltimore as a center, and at least once a year to offer some definite educational opportunity to every rural parish, to be held wherever it is most convenient for that parish. We aim to work in co-operation with every organization in the Church, especially that of the department of Religious Education, and to do our share in this Diocese towards the extension of the Kingdom of God.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHERINE B. HARRISON,  
*Educational Secretary.*

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REBEKAH HARRISON IN ACCOUNT WITH WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF MARYLAND, JANUARY 1, 1927 TO  
DECEMBER 31, 1927

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Balance on hand .....	\$ 346.44
Ascension .....	372.00
Ascension, Chapter B. ....	418.50
Advent .....	16.00
All Saints .....	21.00
St. Bartholomew's .....	44.00
Cathedral of Incarnation .....	109.00
Christ Church .....	180.00
Mt. Calvary .....	171.00
Emmanuel .....	1,715.00
Grace and St. Peter's .....	2,290.00
St. Luke's .....	173.00
Memorial .....	812.25
Messiah .....	61.00
St. Andrew's .....	45.00
St. Michael and All Angels .....	345.00
St. Paul's .....	228.00
Church of The Resurrection .....	50.00
Church of Our Saviour .....	7.00
Prince of Peace .....	105.00
St. David's, Roland Park .....	110.00
St. Mary's, Roland Ave. ....	18.00
Transfiguration .....	17.00
St. Margaret's, Kate Avenue .....	34.00
St. Matthew's, Sparrows Point .....	40.00
Holy Nativity, Forest Park .....	75.00
St. Alban's, Glen Burnie, and Emmanuel, Pasadena .....	14.00
All Saints, Frederick .....	65.00
All Saints, Annapolis Junction .....	14.00

St. Anne's, Annapolis .....	171.00
Ascension, Westminster .....	58.00
Epiphany, Govans .....	27.00
Emmanuel, Bel Air .....	51.00
Chapel of Holy Comforter, Lutherville .....	38.00
Church of Redeemer .....	128.66
Good Shepherd, Ruxton .....	53.00
St. John's, Mt. Washington .....	70.00
St. John's, Relay .....	17.00
St. John's, Howard County .....	54.00
St. John's, Hagerstown .....	78.00
St. Mark's, Pikesville .....	80.00
St. Mark's, Brunswick .....	14.00
St. Peter's, Ellicott City .....	30.00
St. Timothy's, Catonsville .....	215.00
St. Thomas', Garrison Forest .....	535.51
Grace, Elkridge .....	102.00
Trinity, Howard County .....	32.00
Trinity, Towson .....	145.00
Sherwood, Cockeysville .....	23.00
Christ, West River .....	22.00
Emmanuel, Cumberland .....	32.00
All Saints, Reisterstown .....	51.00
Girls' Friendly Society for Rural Scholarship .....	100.00
Mission Study Classes, Edith Duer Memorial .....	283.00
Sale of Luncheon Tickets .....	128.95
Church Service League .....	11.08
For St. Michael's Mission, Ethete, Wyoming .....	113.00
Interest on deposits .....	26.26
Mortgage on All Saints' Rectory .....	14.00
Sale of Pamphlets .....	7.50
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	\$10,607.75
Sent direct to Mission Field .....	1,156.88
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Total .....	\$11,764.63

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The Bishop's Fund. Rt. Rev. J. G. Murray, D. D. ....	\$ 1,000.00
Kuling School, China .....	300.00
Bishop LaMothe, Honolulu .....	200.00
Lepers in Japan, Mrs. Cornwall Legh .....	200.00
Mountain Work in Virginia .....	200.00
Bible Woman .....	60.00
Indian Teacher, S. Dakota .....	25.00
St. Michael's Mission, Wyoming .....	123.00
Church Home, Baltimore .....	10.00
United Thank Offering Calendars .....	13.00
Miriam I. Holiday, Scholarship .....	60.00

General Missions, Alaska .....	100.00
Miss Martin, Church Mission of Help .....	10.00
Rev. Hugh Birkhead, for Lee Williams .....	300.00
Lectures on Peace and Unity .....	10.00
Miss Deane's traveling expenses to Annual Meeting .....	13.18
Miss Ethel Miller, balance from Rural Scholarships .....	33.33
Miss Diggs G. F. S. balance from Rural Scholarship .....	33.33
Luncheon at Annual Meeting .....	130.00
Part of Expenses of Delegates to Synod .....	55.00
Mrs. Betticher, Expense Account .....	9.35
William Ingle, Treasurer .....	300.00
Scholarship Du Bose Institute for Mr. Langley .....	150.00
Copies of Maryland Churchman .....	15.00
Rev. J. W. Chapman, Alaska .....	37.00
Rt. Rev. W. M. Thomas, Brazil, Edith Duer Memorial .....	283.00
Rural Scholarships to Summer Conferences .....	258.99
St. Gabriel's Home, Orange Grove .....	10.00
W. H. Murray, Walton, Japan .....	5.00
Archdeacon Wyllie, Dominican Republic .....	10.00
Bishop Hulse, Cuba .....	110.00
Bishop Nichols, Japan .....	50.00
Bishop Thomas, Wyoming .....	25.00
Conference on Faith and Order .....	80.00
Cathedral Home for Children, Wyoming .....	10.00
One Day's Income .....	25.00
Hospital, Boise, Idaho .....	2.00
Foreman Memorial Scholarship .....	132.50
Bishop Carson, Haiti .....	45.00
Bishop Rowe, Alaska .....	113.00
Berea College, Kentucky .....	100.00
The Berry School, Georgia .....	50.00
House of Bethany Scholarship .....	40.00
House of Bethany Building Fund .....	415.00
Building Fund for Du Bose Memorial .....	1,000.00
St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Virginia .....	30.00
Rev. Dennis Whittle, Luray, Va. ....	100.00
Bishop Campbell, Liberia .....	200.00
Dr. C. T. G. Mylrea, Persian Gulf .....	21.25
Church at Buffalo Gap, South Dakota .....	50.00
Rev. LeRoy A. John, Morgantown, N. C. ....	30.00
For Mortgage on All Saints Rectory .....	75.00
Mrs. Wetmore, Christ School, Arden, S. C. ....	5.00
Miss Riddell's Work Among Lepers .....	30.00
M. S. Ridgely Memorial .....	25.00
Du Bose Memorial .....	300.00
American Church Institute for Negroes .....	5.00
Helen Whitridge Scholarship, St. Mary's, Shanghai .....	50.00
Mary Randolph Scholarship, Hooker Memorial, Mexico .....	100.00
A. M. Randolph Scholarship, Greenwood, S. D. ....	60.00

J. H. Eccleston Scholarship, St. Mary's, Shanghai .....	30.00
Catechist, South Dakota .....	100.00
Deaconess Williams, Va. .....	45.00
Miss Ruddle, Province of Washington .....	10.00
Miss Boyer, Traveling Expenses .....	22.16
Miss Lindley, Expenses of Execution Board .....	25.00
Frank Dailey Scholarship, University of South .....	250.00
Mrs. G. K. B. Wade, Extra box fund .....	100.00
House of Happiness, Scotsboro, Ala. .....	25.00
Rev. Grafton Burke, M. D., Alaska .....	25.00
St. Barbara's Home, Baltimore .....	63.10
Bishop's Crusade .....	10.00
Japan Reconstruction .....	10.00
Rt. Rev. F. B. Howden, New Mexico .....	50.00
Rev. W. H. Haupt, St. Andrew's Church, Iowa .....	5.00
Chinese Sunday School Emmanuel, Baltimore .....	60.00
Supply Department C. S. L. .....	294.98
Times Publishing Co. .....	51.60
Book Store, Church Missions House .....	7.50
John H. Saumenig and Co. .....	22.00
Stationery and Postage .....	5.75
Rev. H. F. Pellegrin, N. E. R. .....	303.50
Corporate Gift .....	1,300.00
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	\$10,048.52
Balance .....	559.23
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	\$10,607.75

#### IN MEMORIAM

ANNIE VON KAPFF

*R. I. P.*

(Resolutions written and presented by the President of the Woman's Auxiliary, and read at the meeting of the Executive Committee, May 25, 1927.)

#### AN APPRECIATION

As the days go on, the women who have for so long stood at the head of our active organizations, and have preceded us in their arrival at the House Beautiful—the resting place for pilgrims—have left us only the memories of their dear presence.

It was only yesterday that Annie von Kapff went in and out among us in this her dearest field, the Woman's Auxiliary. Her fidelity, her steadfastness, her cheery outlook upon life, with her love of the old traditions, which were about her and around her, were all inspirations which we accepted unconsciously.

We, who are still in our pilgrimage, wish to record for those who come after, our deep and loving appreciation of her devoted labors, her high ideals, and her never-failing interest in her own office, with her ready sympathy with all who needed it, "unto the ends of the earth."

"The Master hath come and calleth for thee." Ready to answer the summons to go forward, we, with whom she had so long taken sweet counsel together, and walked in the House of God as friends, hope, with her, to behold the King in His Beauty in the Land.

To this the President, Officers and Members of the Woman's Auxiliary, in the Diocese of Maryland, give their loving testimony to be recorded in our Book.

Signed for the Executive Board,

THE PRESIDENT.

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THE UNITED THANK OFFERING OF THE WOMEN OF THE  
CHURCH TRIENNIAL OFFERING, 1922-1925

TOTAL PRESENTED AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,  
October 8, 1925 ..... \$912,841.30

This is to be spent as follows:

Permanent Trust Fund for Retired Workers .....	\$ 91,284.13
<i>New Buildings</i>	
St. Lois School, Hankow, China .....	15,000.00
St. Agnes School, Kyoto, Japan .....	15,000.00
For Training, sending and support of Women Workers ...	791,557.17
THE WOMEN OF THE DIOCESE OF MARYLAND GAVE	22,661.00
For 1926, In Bank .....	\$ 7,443.00

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RECEIVED FROM PARISHES TO NOVEMBER 15, 1927

Ascension, Baltimore .....	\$ 650.00
All Hallow's, Davidsonville .....	14.50
All Saints, Frederick .....	67.03
All Saints, Reisterstown .....	64.50
All Saints, Annapolis Junction .....	16.50
All Saints, Baltimore .....	40.85
All Saints, Calvert County .....	15.20
Ascension, Westminster .....	23.57
Cathedral of the Incarnation .....	239.00
Christ Church, Baltimore .....	155.00
Christ Church, West River .....	7.40
Christ Church, Calvert County .....	6.10
Christ Church, Howard County .....	4.75
Church of the Advent, Baltimore .....	42.06
Church of the Guardian Angel, Baltimore .....	7.00
Church of the Good Shepherd, Ruxton .....	80.00
Church of Our Savior, Baltimore .....	6.00

Church of the Messiah, Hamilton .....	45.00
Church of the Redeemer, Baltimore .....	289.26
Church of the Resurrection, Baltimore .....	26.80
Church of the Transfiguration, W. Arlington .....	11.36
Emmanuel, Baltimore .....	1,450.00
Emmanuel, Bel Air .....	115.23
Emmanuel, Cumberland .....	31.45
Epiphany, Govans .....	23.00
Grace and St. Peter's .....	1,211.33
Grace, Elkmere .....	69.20
Holy Comforter, Lutherville .....	69.58
Holy Nativity, Forest Park .....	84.82
Immanuel, Glencoe .....	100.00
Memorial, Baltimore .....	202.00
Middleham Chapel, Calvert County .....	11.00
Mt. Calvary, Baltimore .....	129.20
Prince of Peace, Walbrook .....	60.00
St. Andrew's, Clear Spring .....	14.03
St. Alban's, Glenburnie .....	13.63
St. Anne's, Annapolis .....	217.00
St. Bartholomew's, Baltimore .....	32.50
St. David's, Roland Park .....	168.75
St. James, Monkton .....	4.00
St. James, Baltimore .....	17.64
St. James, Westernport .....	34.00
St. James, Anne Arundel Co. .....	8.50
St. John's, Hagerstown .....	162.30
St. John's, Howard County .....	76.76
St. John's, Mt. Washington .....	55.00
St. John's, Waverly .....	25.00
St. John's, Relay .....	32.31
St. John's, Kingsville .....	19.80
St. Luke's, Baltimore .....	122.55
St. Mary's, Hampden .....	11.00
St. Mary's, Emmortoin .....	3.00
St. Margaret's, Kate Avenue .....	79.82
St. Margaret's, Anne Arundel County .....	12.80
St. Mark's-on-the-Hill .....	227.99
St. Mark's Parish, Frederick and Washington Counties .....	48.50
St. Matthew's, Sparrows Point .....	45.00
St. Michael and All Angels .....	2.44
St. Paul's, Baltimore .....	367.80
St. Peter's, Solomon's .....	7.00
St. Peter's, Ellicott City .....	19.81
St. Thomas, Garrison .....	382.47
St. Thomas, Homestead, Alameda .....	31.34
St. Timothy's, Catonsville .....	158.40
Trinity, Howard County .....	102.71
Trinity, Towson .....	141.79

Trinity, Ten Hills .....	10.80
Corporate Offering .....	96.55
Interest .....	367.32
Total . . . . .	\$8489.00
Plus 1926 . . . . .	\$7,443.00
Total to November 15, 1927 . . . . .	\$15,932.00

NANCY W. FULTON, *Treasurer.*

#### THE EDITH DUER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

On February 9, 1917, a little group sat around the table in a small room at the old Parish House of Grace and St. Peter's Church. We were approaching the end of an intensive winter's work together. Our study book was "The New World." We had been thrilled and inspired, and in our enthusiasm were ready to attempt great things.

Suddenly, our beloved leader, Miss Edith Duer, with her face beaming (we can never forget her expression) fervently wished for \$500 to furnish a chapel at the Southern Cross School, Porto Alegre, Brazil. The answer that she was hoping for came at once: "Why can't we do this?"

Six weeks later, on Wednesday in Holy Week, in spite of the Allied Bazar and all the other demands which war inevitably makes, an offering of \$500 was laid on the altar of Grace and St. Peter's Church at the first annual Corporate Celebration of the Holy Communion of the mission study classes of Maryland. In the meantime, however, it was found that the chapel had already been furnished, but that a library of suitable books was sorely needed. With this, our first offering, books, shelves, etc., were purchased, and a room in the school fitted up.

Bishop Thomas (at that time Headmaster of the school) was so touched and pleased by our gift—the first which the school had received from his own native state—that we promised to give him, as long as possible, a yearly offering for the library. Between 1917 and 1921 this amounted to \$1,026.

We laughingly told Miss Duer that this was her monument, begun in her life time so that she might enjoy building it with us. After her call in 1921 to higher service in her Master's Kingdom, a movement was at once started to erect a library building. Thus, the vision of a few has now become a reality, as attested by the Edith Duer Memorial Library. For this a total of \$4,788 has been contributed by the women of Maryland. The entire cost of the library, however, including furniture and tablet, was \$6,900. The difference was made up, Bishop Thomas writes, from school funds. Is it too much to hope that eventually this \$2,200 will be sent to Bishop Thomas from Maryland?

HELEN L. ODOM,  
*Chairman, Library Committee.*

REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN CHAIRMAN FOR  
THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS

A report was made of the Spirit of Missions at the May meeting of 1927, including November and December of 1926, also at the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, in November 1927.

In Maryland, there are 38 parish representatives and one diocesan representative of the Spirit of Missions. Notices were sent by the diocesan officer to the Parishes, that Advent, 1926 would be the season for a special campaign, planned at the national office, as part of the nation-wide preparation for the Bishops' Crusade.

Notices were sent, in Epiphny season, that March would be the time for the United Offering number, which is the copy advertised through the Woman's Auxiliary. The 38 parish representatives reported a total of 150 *new* subscribers, between November and May, and a fair record of renewals. The Girls' Friendly Society has made the Chairman of each branch represent the Spirit of Missions. Six new subscriptions were reported. Four new subscribers is the average parish increase of the Spirit of Missions from the total of 38 parishes. It is not a proud record—we are a long way from the standard set: "the Spirit of Missions in every Church family." A correct list of subscribers was made for the parishes in the Baltimore Convocation. At the Fall Annual Meeting, an acknowledgement was made of the cordial co-operation of the Clergy, in checking the Spirit of Missions by their parish address files. Memorial Chruch leads in subscribers; S. Margaret's is second, the Cathedral of the Incarnation is third. A lantern slide lecture of the "Church's Mission in all Lands" was arranged by the Diocesan representative; the slides have been used, through 1927, at 22 parish meetings. A slide lecture was given at the Girls' Friendly Central House, one for S. Barnabas Guild at the Union Memorial Hospital, one at Hannah More School, one at S. Paul's Boys' School. Addresses on the subject of the Spirit of Missions were made at 12 branch meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary, and one was given at the Executive meeting of the Daughters' of the King, and one at the Church Normal School. The Church of the Messiah has the credit of setting a standard in the Church School, 10 subscriptions were voted to be paid out by the School treasury, to be used by classes and teachers.

With the hope that 1928 may have a better record, not in subscribers alone, but of wider interest, through the Spirit of Missions, in the work of the Church,

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET BETTICHER.

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 the 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 Saviour and their king, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that  
he will send forth laborers into his harvest.*  
—S. Matt. 9, 38.

The Prayer  
for the  
United Thank Offering



O Lord, our Heavenly Father, we pray Thee to send forth more 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.