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The National Council requests that the Woman's Auxiliary prayer be repeated in unison:

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 God and Saviour. We ask this for His dear sake. Amen.

O God who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send Thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh: Grant that all men everywhere may seek after Thee and find Thee. Bring the nations into Thy fold, and add the heathen to Thine inheritance. And we pray Thee shortly to accomplish the number of Thine elect, and to hasten Thy kingdom, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continued help that in our works begun, continued and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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.

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the Fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us all evermore. Amen.

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President's Message and Report, 1924

Would that all could have heard the reports of the year's work given at our Mid-Winter Meeting. One would never doubt what the corporate life of the Woman's Auxiliary stands for, and, through that united effort, is accomplishing for the spread of God's Kingdom.

We have come together today to worship Him and give Him thanks for all His benefits bestowed upon us this past year and to plan our gifts for the coming year. Through service to individuals, the community, nation and world we have come to know something of the joy of a life more abundant.

In a few minutes we will have the reports of the several parishes. As we listen to them may we think of them as the outward and visible sign of an inward spiritual self-giving. Will each one keep in mind what has been accomplished so that in making their program of work for the coming year, it will be better and more far-reaching than ever before? Underlying all must be the Devotional Life, worship; silent and intercessory prayer. Study and discussion of the needs and problems of the day should have a place on the program and should result in constructive service, direct or indirect. Through our faithful prayers, consecrated thought and earnest endeavors may we have a closer fellowship with God and through Him with each other.

My greatest regret is not having been able to visit each Branch during the year. It has been my privilege to attend the Diocesan Board meetings held the third Friday of each month. To be present at four of the Deanery meetings Faribault, Mankato, Minneapolis, and St. Paul; to visit our church women at Red Wing, Chatfield, Pine Island, Austin, Kasson, Mankato, Anoka, St. Mary's St. Paul, Christ Church St. Paul, the Mid-Winter-Meeting held at Gethsemane Church, Minneapolis, the Semi-Annual meeting held at St. Paul's Church, Winona, and the annual meeting held at St. Paul's on the Hill, St. Paul; to enjoy the week at the Summer School at Lake Koronis, and the Synod of our Sixth Province at Omaha.

In closing may I try and express my gratitude to one and all for the many kindnesses, the inspiration and help given me during the year.

Great opportunities are before us. May God's blessing rest on every effort,

KATHERINE A. KING.

Report of the Recording Secretary for the Year 1924

Nine regular monthly meetings have been held in the past year, the meetings alternating between St. Paul and Minneapolis.

They have been well attended, having an average attendance of nine members.

The Board adopted a very practical recommendation of Mrs. Flagg's—namely, "that the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Auxiliary be held on the day previous to the Council Meeting, that is, on the morning and afternoon of the day on which the Council opens with an evening session."

This will enable the delegates to the Auxiliary to attend the Council Meeting and at the same time simplify the work of the parish which is entertaining the Council and Auxiliary.

Five delegates, namely Mesdames McElwain, Knickerbocker, Elmquist, Theopold, and Ober were sent to the Provincial Synod at Omaha.

The outstanding achievement of the year is the opening of a Church Book Shop at 1044 Security Building. On Oct. 22, 1923, the Executive Board held a meeting at which the Finance Committee presented the following recommendation:

"After considering the appeal of the Librarian for a larger and more accessible room for our rapidly growing book sales department as well as the Loan Library, the Finance Committee recommend: that the Librarian be authorized to rent a room, suitable for her use, in the business district of Minneapolis, and to furnish it, provide a telephone, and arrange for a part time assistant; that the Board underwrite the venture to the extent of a sum not to exceed \$500.00 for the first year, the hope being that the library will soon be practically self-supporting."

This recommendation was accepted and Mrs. Olney made the necessary arrangements. Enough cannot be said of her faithfulness and untiring efforts in the past years, all of which have made our Church Book Shop a reality.

Three general meetings have been held during the year, the first the Mid-winter Meeting held in Gethsemane Church, Minneapolis, on January thirtieth. Forty-eight parishes responded to Roll Call with 217 members present.

Dean Charles N. Lathrop, Miss Boylson of the Church Mission of Help and Miss Jessie Hill were the speakers, their subject being "Social Service Work in the Parish."

The semi-annual meeting was held in St. Paul's Church, Winona, on May 14th.

The speakers were Bishop McElwain and Miss Louise Sutherland of the Normal School Faculty whose subject was "Glimpses of Japan."

The Forty-third Annual Meeting was held in St. Paul's Church on the Hill, St. Paul, October twenty-second and twenty-third, 1924.

Twenty-six parishes responded to roll call, represented by 108 women.

A report of the Provincial Synod, held in Omaha, was given by Mrs. McElwain, supplemented by Mrs. Elmquist and Mrs. Keiter.

Mrs. Rollitt's work with the shut-ins and isolated was reported and commended.

Miss King, our president, has come from Rochester to each and every meeting held during the year. She has been both faithful and efficient.

Respectfully submitted,

MAYME M. MEADER,
Recording Secretary.

Report of Corresponding Secretary

From a financial standpoint, our box work dropped seriously during the past year; both Diocesan and Domestic work being affected.

In the Fall seven family boxes were sent us to care for, on which eleven parishes co-operated.

Ten parish groups worked for the one Mission Station.

Six Christmas gift boxes were sent to Women Missionaries.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the Diocese

Sheltering Arms	\$ 83.55
Church Home	257.70
Birch Coolee Mission.....	182.66
	—————\$ 473.91

Domestic

Seaman's Institute, San Diego.....	\$ 32.41
Burnt Fork Mission, Lone Tree, Wyo.....	81.79
St. Andrew's Mission, Pine Bluff, Ark.....	346.04
Special Christmas Boxes.....	30.00
Family Boxes	1,448.61
	————— 1,938.85
Total	\$2,412.76

AMELIA P. BEARDSLEY.

Minneapolis, Minn., January 1, 1925.

Annual Report of Treasurer From January 1, 1924, to December 31, 1924

Receipts

Offerings: Mid-winter Meeting	\$ 37.30
Semi-annual Meeting	15.75
Annual Meeting	50.00
Dues and Pledges, 47 Parishes.....	1,281.61
Librarian, Sales, Etc.	1,866.59
Specials, 1923 Pledges, paid in 1924.....	18.00
Refunds	11.88
1924 Receipts	<u>\$3,281.13</u>
Balance on hand January 1, 1924.....	1,157.40
Total	<u>\$4,438.53</u>

Disbursements

New York, Class A Dues.....	\$ 25.00
Provincial Synod Dues.....	5.00
U. T. O. Mid-winter Offering.....	37.30
Japanese Relief, Semi-annual Offering.....	15.75
Auxiliary Special, Annual Offering.....	50.00
Rental of Safety Deposit Box.....	10.00
Expenses of Officers—President	150.00
Educational Secretary	25.00
Treasurer	5.80
Secretary Isolated	10.00
Delegates, Provincial Synod.....	35.00
Printing Year-Book	84.40
Miscellaneous Printing and Stationery.....	43.89
Postage	2.00
Flowers	5.50
Remington Typewriter	60.00
Reserve Fund, Merchants National Bank.....	400.00
Expenses of Library.....	2,187.09
J. C. Wade, Treasurer Scholarships and Memorials.....	250.00
	<u>\$3,501.73</u>
Balance on hand December 31.....	936.80
	<u>\$4,438.53</u>

MARY A. LINCOLN.

Report of United Thank Offering Treasurer

Balance from 1923.....\$2,616.51

Receipts

Outside of Twin Cities.....	\$ 643.12
Churches in St. Paul.....	1,250.00
Church Home	23.80
Churches in Minneapolis.....	832.01
Mid-winter Offering	37.30
Little Helpers	10.00
Interest	45.89
Interest on money sent to New York.....	137.50
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	2,979.62
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	\$5,596.13

Disbursements

Postage, Stationery, Printing, Supplies.....	16.55
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Total U. T. O. for Two Years.....	\$5,579.58

GRACE R. KIRTLAND,
Treasurer U. T. O.

Report of Educational Secretary

When the time comes around to give my yearly report I always wish that I might say that every parish in the Diocese had conducted a study class and had reached practically every woman of the Auxiliary. That is a vision that rises before me and I trust it will not be long before the Educational Secretary can truthfully give that report. For until all of the women of the Auxiliary really know where our Missions are situated and what is being accomplished in each one we cannot do the effective work that we should be doing.

Last year we really did reach more people than we have done since I have been your Secretary, but I trust that this coming year the subject of our study will be so alluring that there will be no trouble at all in establishing groups in nearly every parish to pray and study about this, our greatest field—China.

Last summer I was able to attend all the sessions of the "Minnesota Summer School of Missions." This is an interdenominational organization with a number of our own women serving on the Board. It was well worth my time, and I came away with a broader knowledge of what the Church, as a whole, is doing for the spread of Christ's Kingdom upon earth.

There is one suggestion I wish to make (I make it every year), and that is, that in making out your programs for the year you include "The Woman's Auxiliary, what it is, and why and when"; and the "United Thank Offering." Give a whole afternoon to each one. I suggest that you get some one who is conversant with all the facts to present them to your branch. There are new members every year who really do not understand what we really are and have a very hazy notion of what the United Thank Offering really is. Please think this over very seriously and call upon any or all of your officers to help you. This is what we are chosen to do and I know of no place where we can do it more effectively than in your own parish group.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH YARDLEY.

Report of Librarian, Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary of Minnesota, for the Year 1924

During the year 1924 the Library has served 45 Parishes and Missions. The numbers of individuals and the ways in which we have served them are too numerous to burden you with in this report. The aim has been as always, to promote Religious Education through the dissemination of knowledge. This has been through the distribution of leaflets, loaning of books and supplying of general Church literature.

In 1924 we furnished well over 300 books for study on Japan. This shows how many the Library helped just on Lenten study.

We had our usual display of Episcopal literature at the Minnesota Summer School of Missions in June.

The Diocese again appointed me as their Librarian for the Summer Conference held this past year at Lake Koronis. As we could not transport our entire Library we tried to take the books directly related to the courses given. Many attending the Conference borrowed our books for their leisure hour reading. Some individual books were loaned as many as six times during the five days there.

It was at this Conference that Christian Nurture received its greatest impetus. During the hours of intermission we were kept busy outlining its merits. Several churches adopted them for the first time this past fall.

Through its books for circulation and sale, the Library had an opportunity to illustrate its breadth of usefulness to both clergy and laity.

Soon after our return from the Koronis Conference the enlarged work of the Library made it practically impossible to successfully continue at a private home. Besides more room we needed a much more central location. After reviewing the situation your Board authorized, the Librarian to rent a room downtown immediately and suite 1044, Security Building, Minneapolis, was engaged and fitted for our needs. Our room is light, airy, cozy, quiet and well arranged for reference and study. Our hours are from 12 to 4:30 daily except Saturdays from 10 to 1. Already one Auxiliary Educational Committee has met there to arrange their program planning to utilize our material as the basis for their program.

This has permitted us to add considerably to our stock of Christian Nurture material and enlarge our stock of late religious books for sale. We have increased our books for loan, adding many recommended for collateral reading in connection with every course of Christian Nurture, and many new books on China. Never have we been so well prepared to supply such a wide range of reading on our study topic for this Lent, as we have in our new books on China. Nearly every one mentioned by Miss Boyer in her "Helps" is ready for loan. Several already have a waiting list.

We also subscribe and have on file the current numbers of several church papers and magazines for reference to any one at the Library.

We have added over \$100 worth of books to our loan department during 1924.

Our aim now is to make the Library self supporting through the sale of Christian Nurture and other religious books for study, reading and gifts. Those who have called and reviewed our stock have seemed much pleased at their ability to get so much useful material. While our stock is not large in any one item, due to our having to be cautious on investment, yet we have tried to make it cover as many items as possible.

The new location has demanded the need of an assistant and after much casting about we were fortunate in securing Miss Bernice Peckham, of Gethsemane Church, Minneapolis, who is proving a most efficient assistant. I felt that when we got located down town there would be ample time to do all the work at the office but only an inquisitive mouse peeking in every few minutes could testify as to how busy we both are during our hours there. In spite of daily hours at the office the Librarian still has considerable clerical work which has to be done at home. Thus practically her whole time is now given to the fostering of the Library.

In October the Field Department of the National Council of the Church sent Miss Elizabeth Matthews here to conduct normal classes prior to the campaign for the Church's Program. The Bishop asked me to accompany her and take charge of the literature. Together we visited for two day sessions, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Mankato, and Rochester, and one day at Faribault. Miss Matthews is also a member of the National Board of the Woman's Auxiliary and was much interested in the work our Library is accomplishing.

Although we got the Library started a bit late in its down town location, yet we did get a line of Churchly Christmas cards which sold fairly well. This illustrates how we are using every opportunity to put the Library on a self sustaining basis as rapidly as possible.

Many of our Church School workers have been very loyal to us, appreciating the advantage of obtaining their needs, large or small, as promptly as our stock gives them.

In closing I want to add that while we are branching out from our own organization in this work, yet "Where there is no vision the people perish" and the more wide spread we can promote religious education the more we are really fulfilling Christ's command "Go teach all the World." In helping others to teach more interestingly, more emphatically; helping those of the smaller Churches by the loaning of books many could not afford to buy and furnishing material to enable them to teach better, are we not helping to "hasten the number of God's elect."

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. F. E.) ETHEL B. OLNEY,
Librarian.

Report of the Faribault Deanery

The yearly meeting of delegates from the ten parishes and missions, comprising the Faribault Deanery, was held at the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, Faribault, on Thursday, Oct. 2, 1924.

A Corporate Communion Service was held at eleven o'clock, with a missionary sermon by Dean Zoubek.

This was followed by luncheon in the Guild House.

At two p. m. the business meeting was called to order by the President of the Deanery, Mrs. Kramer. Roll call of the several branches showed the best attendance on record, almost every branch being represented by a goodly number. Several clergymen and the President of the Diocesan branch were present, also guests from outside the Diocese.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Dean and the singing of a hymn, after which a few words of welcome were extended to the out of town delegates, by Mrs. Palmer, president of the Cathedral Branch.

Reports of the year's work of each branch were given.

Mrs. Theopold, Diocesan representative of the Bishop Tuttle Memorial Fund, told of the status of the fund, making an earnest plea for an increase of gifts for it. She also read a short play, which would increase interest in the matter.

It was voted to give ten dollars from the Deanery treasury to be added to the fund.

Miss Bessie Curtis of Wells, Minnesota, who was, for three years, a missionary nurse in St. Luke's hospital, Tokio, gave a most interesting address, telling of her work and experiences in that sadly devastated land.

The election of officers for the coming year followed and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Sam Rask of Blooming Prairie; vice president, Mrs. George Ten Broeck, of Austin; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. George Babcock of Dundas.

After singing a hymn and receiving the benediction, given by the Rev. George Ten Broeck, the meeting adjourned till next October, when the Northfield branch of All Saints' Church will be hostesses.

ADA J. S. KRAMER,
Vice President.

Deanery of Mankato

The annual meeting was held in St. John's Church Nov. 2, 1924.

The following parishes were represented: Le Sueur Center, Kasota, St. Peter, Mankato, Lake Crystal, Wells, Windom and Redwood Falls.

Arch-deacon Couper was present and conducted the opening and closing services.

Miss Matthews, who is a member of the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, was conducting an Institute at this time at St. John's Church, for the training of leaders in the group discussions in the different parishes, using as a textbook, "My Father's Business."

This gave the delegates to the Deanery meeting an opportunity of attending the Institute also.

We are deeply grateful to our Auxiliary President, Miss Katharine A. King, who gave a most inspiring address.

Miss Curtis of Wells told of her mission work in Japan as a nurse in St. Luke's Hospital. She impressed us deeply with her loyalty to the Japanese and her sympathetic understanding of their character and their problems.

Mrs. F. E. Olney explained her work in connection with the Diocesan Library and Church Book Shop, urging all to make use of both, expressing her desire to be of use to the Auxiliary.

The reports of the different branches were most encouraging.

BELLE COLLINS,
Vice President.

Report of Minneapolis Deanery

During 1924 the Minneapolis Deanery held three regular meetings, the first on Jan. 7th at St. Matthew's Church at which the annual election was held.

After the election Mr. J. K. Craig of the Hennepin County Sunday School Association addressed the meeting on "Week Day Religious Instruction," which was most enlightening and instructive.

Mrs. George Prince of St. Paul spoke of the budget system of the Diocesan work and Mrs. A. W. Goldsmith spoke on the Junior Auxiliary and Young People's Activities in the various parishes.

St. Paul's Auxiliary was hostess for the March meeting when Rev. Phillips E. Osgood of St. Mark's Church was the speaker and in his delightful manner held our undivided attention for over an hour.

In May the deanery was pleased to accept an invitation to meet at Holy Trinity when the St. Paul deanery was our guest.

The Rev. Hanford L. Russell gave an illustrated talk on China as a forerunner for the study book on China the coming season.

Mrs. J. F. Marlatte, President of the Interdenominational Summer School of Missions, briefly outlined the program which would be presented at the eighteenth session of the school the week of June 9-13.

In May the present vice president resigned and on Nov. 10th, at the suggestion of our Diocesan President, Miss King, a special meeting was called, which was held in Gethsemane parish house. A nominating committee was appointed to present a ticket for the next annual election in January.

I wish to take this occasion to thank our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Frank A. McElwain, the Rectors of all the churches, our Diocesan Presidents, Miss Norrish and Miss King, as well as the presidents of parish auxiliaries, who have given me their assistance and support in every way and who have done so much to make my feeble work a delightful memory.

"One heart, one way, thy love and leading one,
For every people, 'neath the circling sun;
Till all Thy children, wherso'er they rove,
Have heard the message of redeeming love."

ALICE M. DANFORTH.

Report of St. Paul Deanery

The first meeting of the St. Paul Deanery was held in November, and we were entertained by the Auxiliary members of Christ Church parish. Miss King gave a fine talk on the scope of Auxiliary work, telling of what has been accomplished in the past, and giving inspiration for work in the future. At the time of this meeting the Near East Relief Campaign was at its height, and Mr. Jackson, the regional director gave us an address telling of the work. He displayed candle sticks and other work made by boys learning to be carpenters in the industrial schools connected with the orphanages in Nazareth and other places in the Near East.

The second meeting of the Deanery was the annual one, held for election of officers, in January. It was a great pleasure at this time for us to be the guests of the Auxiliary women of St. Peter's Parish, who gave us a most cordial welcome. Archdeacon Couper gave us a very interesting talk on his work in the rural parts of our diocese. He was optimistic as to the growth of our church in the parts of the state away from the larger cities.

Following the talk the election of officers took place. Our efficient treasurer and secretary, Mrs. Paul Kirk of St. Paul's-on-the-Hill, was re-elected. Mrs. Thomas N. Keys, also of St. Paul's-on-the-Hill, was elected vice president of the Deanery. Under her efficient and interested leadership we are confident the Deanery will go on to a larger and better service. She has all our good wishes.

NANCY W. JANES.

Deanery of Winona

One informal meeting was held, September 20, 1924, at the time of a community picnic at the State Park, Whitewater.

When the president of the Deanery of Winona recognized many familiar faces of church women among the picnickers, she decided that here was an opportunity to call an informal Deanery meeting in one corner of the park.

Seventeen persons, representing seven parishes, responded to roll call. Some of these had never attended a Deanery meeting before. There were informal talks, a season of getting acquainted, discussion of ways and means of taking up mission study classes during Lent, and the stressing of the United Thank Offering.

After the Auxiliary prayer for missions, we adjourned, feeling that the meeting, though informal, was of great importance.

The Red Wing center of the Winona Deanery had a picnic on July 9, 1924, at Colville Park. There were 75 members present representing four parishes.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. J. N. Barnett. Prayers were offered by Rev. A. T. Gesner of Waterbury, Connecticut, Mrs. Barnett's father.

Miss Norrish of Hastings, retiring Diocesan president, was present and gave an inspirational talk. Others who spoke were Mrs. Graves, wife of Bishop Graves of California, Mrs. Gesner of Connecticut and Miss Margaret Densmore of Red Wing.

A collection was taken up, amounting to \$22.00, and sent to Bishop Burleson of South Dakota to aid in the rebuilding of a number of Mission churches, destroyed by tornado, June 14th.

After the meeting, a social hour followed and a delicious picnic supper was served.

These get together meetings have proven very successful, and many have expressed themselves as favoring such meetings oftener.

MRS. W. R. O'BEVAN.

Report of Little Helpers, 1924

Another year has past, and an account must be given of the work of the Little Helpers.

Last January the leaders were invited to my home, where we met and discussed the work. All who attended seemed very enthusiastic over it.

During the year 97 letters have been written, and one parish was visited.

In looking over my list I find that 29 parishes have leaders but of these only fourteen responded with an offering in 1924. I am very happy to say that two of these, Ascension Church, Stillwater, and All Saints', Minneapolis, have new branches, and each sent an offering this year. I know you will be interested to learn that the little Indian children at Birch Coulee have again made the largest offering. Their gift for 1924 amounted to \$54.11. The combined offerings of all the parishes totalled \$127.13. These gifts have been used to help in the work in kindergartens in China and Japan, also in Manila, Porto Rico, and the Canal Zone. They have helped in the work of spreading the gospel in North Carolina, Idaho, and Arizona. Part of the offering has gone to help maintain the Little Helpers' crib at the Sheltering Arms, Minneapolis. Besides this the Little Helpers of our diocese have contributed toward a font in the Mission field and have made their yearly contribution of \$10.00 toward the United Thank Offering.

I wish it were possible to have a leader appointed in every parish in the diocese, one who would consider it a privilege to carry on the work of the Little Helpers, training these little ones to pray for and give to missions, thus helping to extend Christ's Kingdom throughout the world.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE L. HELSON.

MINNESOTA BRANCH LITTLE HELPERS

Report for 1924

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1924.....		\$ 6.34
Austin	\$ 3.00	
Birch Coulee	54.11	
Dakota	2.10	
Dresbach	1.07	
Dundas	1.88	
Hastings	4.26	
Owatonna	5.50	
Stillwater	6.50	
White Bear	5.00	
Willmar	1.00	
All Saints', Minneapolis.....	13.96	
Messiah, St. Paul.....	2.00	
St. Mary's, St. Paul.....	22.32	
St. Philip's, St. Paul.....	4.43	
Total Offering 1924.....		\$127.13
GRAND TOTAL		\$133.47

DISBURSEMENTS

Stationery, Postage and Carfare.....		\$ 2.60
Foreign, Domestic and Diocesan Missions:		
Fort Hall, Idaho.....	\$ 10.00	
Fort Defiance, Arizona.....	10.00	
Children's Home, Canal Zone.....	10.00	
St. Andrew's, Mayaguez, P. R.....	10.00	
House of the Holy Child, Manila.....	10.00	
Chinese Primary Schools.....	15.00	
Japanese Kindergartens	40.00	
Font in the Mission Field.....	1.00	
Little Helpers' Bed, St. Agnes' Hospital, Raleigh, N. C.	5.00	
Little Helpers' Crib, Sheltering Arms, Minne- apolis	5.00	
	\$116.00	
United Thank Offering.....	10.00	
Total		\$126.00
Balance on hand December 31st.....		4.87
GRAND TOTAL		\$133.47

Annual Report of Junior Auxiliary

January 1, 1924, to December 31, 1924

Sixteen groups containing 115 members sent:

6 boxes to Liberia.....	\$ 65.00
5 boxes to Kentucky.....	45.00
1 box to Church Home.....	35.00
1 box to Birch Coulee.....	25.00
1 box to Cannon Ball, N. D.....	40.00
1 box to Hospital	20.00

Total\$230.00

Cash Report

Received from Miss Sleppy, April 17, Junior Auxiliary
Savings Account \$41.02

Expenditures for articles to complete contents of boxes
to St. Timothy's Hospital, Liberia, to one dozen
each:

6 nighties	\$ 6.00
8 pajamas	6.40
4 dresses	4.00
5 rompers	2.70

\$19.10

Postage to Liberia..... 6.12
Further postage 3.06 28.28

Balance \$12.74

ARABELL L. GOLDSMITH,
Director.

Church Periodical Club for the Year 1924

1. Current magazines sent.....	129
2. Donors of same.....	35
3. Paid subscriptions.....	12
4. Bibles	4
5. Prayer books and hymnals.....	51
6. Books	731
7. Tracts	976
8. Odd magazines	5,813
9. Christmas Cards	5,158
10. Picture cards	1,032
11. Music	120
12. Miscellaneous	2,117
13. Institutions in Diocese aided.....	49

FINANCIAL REPORT

Expended by parishes.....	\$156.12
Expended by correspondent.....	18.15
Total	\$174.27
There are 24 Parish Branches in the Diocese.	

MARGARET DENSMORE,
Diocesan Correspondent,
Red Wing, Minn.

The Bishop's Guild

The Bishop's Guild has worked steadily throughout the year, fulfilling, we think, more fully its purpose, as it grows in age.

Since the last report, two rochets, a pair of silk sleeves for chimera, and eight pairs of ruffles have been made for the Bishop, and chimera and scarf renovated.

We have also ordered from Wippells', London, a satin chimera and scarf at a cost of a little less than one hundred dollars, that our Bishop may be well equipped for General Convention.

The guild has made a complete set of altar linen, fair linen, cere cloth, credence cover, corporal, chalice veil, sacramental cover, pall and pall cover for St. Paul's church, Winona.

Two sets of markers, green and red, were made for Mankato, fair linen for Calvary Church, Waseca, a corporal, veil, pall and purificators for the mission undertaken by St. Peter's, St. Paul's and various small pieces of embroidery for St. John's, Linden Hills, and St. Clement's, St. Paul, and a surplice for St. Matthew's, St. Paul.

As missionary work, the guild has made and given, through the year, a silver pyx and altar linens for the Church Home. Two surplices have been made, the material of one furnished, for Arch-deacon Couper. A corporal, veil, pall and purificators for Trinity Church, Litchfield, corporal and purificators for Lake Crystal and a corporal, veil, pall and purificators for Calvary Church, Waseca.

All this is being paid for by the dues of the members and returns from the work. Only one donation has been received this year, which we acknowledge with gratitude, ten dollars from the Altar guild of St. Paul's Church, Minneapolis.

The Guild has as its object the care of the vestments of the Bishop of the Diocese, and the assistance, wherever possible, by means of altar linen, for the fitting celebration of the Sacrament of the Holy Communion in the small churches. The guild would be very grateful for assistance in either of these objects from anyone in the Diocese who is interested.

JESSIE STEVENS CROUSE,
President.

**Account of the Shut In Work of the Woman's Auxiliary,
Diocese of Minnesota**

Faribault, Minn., April 25, 1925.

May 1, 1924, balance on hand.....	\$ 0.90
Received from Treasurer.....	10.00
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	\$10.90
Paid Out:	
For cards	\$3.00
For postage	2.00
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Balance on hand.....	\$ 5.90

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. C. ROLLIT, Secretary.

Report of Porto Rican Handkerchief Work for the Year 1924

Orders taken for

249 handkerchiefs at 75c.....	\$186.75
19 handkerchiefs at \$1.50.....	28.50
4 bibs	4.40
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Total	\$219.65

A number of orders have come in for 1925.

Anyone desiring samples of these handkerchiefs or any information concerning the work may write.

MRS. RALPH BROWNSON, JR.,
Hastings, Minn.

Information

Woman's Auxiliary Library and Church Book Shop

1044 Security Building, Minneapolis

Church Home of Minnesota

1879 Feronia Ave., St. Paul

Sheltering Arms

44th and River Boulevard, Minneapolis
Miss Susan E. Salisbury, Missionary in Charge

Birch Coulee Mission

Morton, Minnesota
Miss Susan E. Salisbury, Missionary in Charge

The Sixth Province

Comprises the Dioceses of Minnesota, Duluth, Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Montana, also Missionary Districts of Western Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming

There are three Diocesan meetings yearly. Annual meeting and election of officers in October, Mid-winter meeting in January, Semi-annual meeting in May.

By sending names and addresses to Mrs. C. C. Rollit, Faribault, who will be happy to send greetings to "Shut-ins," every parish will help to scatter sunshine.

Scholarships

The Woman's Auxiliary of Minnesota has two scholarships in St. Mary's School, Wuchang, China, named for Bishop Whipple and Bishop Gilbert.

In St. Mary's School, Shanghai, we have the Cora R. Bronson Scholarship.

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