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be sent to the Treasurer of the District for San Francisco sufferers.

The Nominating Committee reported the following nominations:

President, Mrs. Cameron Mann, Fargo

First Vice President, Mrs J. W. Sifton, Jamestown

Second Vice President, Mrs. H. C. Payne, Grand Forks

Third Vice President, Mrs. S. Lowe, Kenmare

Secretary, Mrs. J. P. Birchall, Fargo

Treasurer, Mrs. C. Turner, Larimore

For Delegates to the Missionary Department Meeting at Minneapolis, Mrs. C. D. Lord, Park River, Mrs. Harry Hall, Rugby.

Motion made and carried that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the persons nominated.

The following ladies gave short talks upon their work in North Dakota: Mrs. Mook of Lakota, Mrs. Wendel of Enderlin, Mrs. Lowe of Kenmare, Mrs. Beede of Rolla, Mrs. Spurr of Valley City. Mrs. Burleson of Grand Forks, spoke of the early work of the Woman's Auxiliary, and the great help it had been to the Missionaries.

It was moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to Bishop and Mrs. Mann, and the ladies of the Parish for their gracious hospitality.

Meeting Adjourned.

ELLA M. BIRCHALL, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

May 27, 1905—To balance on hand	-	\$ 15.54
To Annual dues	- - -	26.00
To Gifts for Apportionment	- -	128.00
Total	- - - - -	<hr/> \$169.54

DISBURSEMENTS

By Postage and printing	- - -	\$ 8.69
By paid apportionment	- - -	128.00
By cash on hand	- - -	32.85
		<hr/> \$169.54

ABSTRACT OF REPORTS AND NAMES OF DELEGATES
AT ANNUAL MEETING

	Members	Receipts	District Annual Dues	Paid on Apportionment	Delegates at Convention
AUXILIARIES					
Fargo	18	\$ 39.80	\$1.00	\$20.00	Mrs. Haxby Mrs. Wilson Mrs. Blakemore Mrs. A. P. Burleson
Grand Forks	30	92.40	1.00	20.00	
JUNIOR AUXILIARIES					
Fargo	8	25.00	1.00		Miss Harriet Hunt Miss Jennie Edwards Miss Frances Holloway Miss Leone Corey Miss Florence Neate
Grand Forks	14	17.25	2.00	5.00	
GUILDS					
Bathgate	12	44.00	1.00	2.00	
Bismarck	15	265.30	1.00		
Buffalo	10	124.10	1.00		
Casselton	10	144.40	1.00	4.00	Mrs. G. S. Churchill Mrs. John Gunkel
Devils Lake	17	248.47	1.00	4.00	
Dickinson	28	451.42	1.00	2.00	
" Altar Guild		112.73			
" Junior		40.00			
Enderlin	10	140.00	1.00		Mrs. W. G. Wendell Mrs. C. I. Gross Mrs. Wm. Prescott Mrs. Robert Thompson Mrs. Frank Ball Mrs. John S. Frame
Fargo	37	637.15	1.00	14.00	
" St. Cecilia	16	85.18	1.00	2.50	
Forest River			1.00		
Grafton	10	136.00			
Grand Forks	37	818.62	1.00	15.00	Mrs. James Elton
Jamestown	20	389.01	1.00	4.00	
Kenmare	9	232.00	1.00	2.00	Mrs. S. H. Lowe Mrs. C. S. Mook Mrs. W. D. Prescott Miss Florence Prinver Miss Emma Lilley
Lakota	20	277.01	1.00		
Langdon	16	192.23	1.00	2.00	
" Junior	9	11.15			
Larimore	33	247.14	1.00	3.00	
" St. Margaret's			1.00		
" St. Agnes'			1.00		
Lisbon	17	307.17	1.00	2.00	Mrs. Rawson
Mayville	15	96.67	1.00		
Minot	25	478.03	1.00	5.00	Mrs. G. W. Wilson Miss Florence Wilson Mrs. S. Currie Mrs. C. D. Lord
" St. Margaret's		31.50	1.00		
Park River	7	71.10		9.00	
Pembina	10	337.79	1.00	1.00	
Rolla	12	73.62		2.00	Mrs. A. M. Beede Miss Maud Shafer
Rugby	16	321.00	1.00	5.00	
Towner	10	150.00	1.00		
Valley City	25			10.00	Mrs. L. G. Moultrie Mrs. B. M. Spurr Mrs. A. P. Peake Miss Esther Peake
" Junior	10		1.00		
Walhalla	7	60.00			

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Quietly but surely there has been an advance this past year along the lines of Missionary work done by the women of North Dakota. Considering that our Parish and Mission Guilds are obliged to contribute so largely to the support of their own home services, and that the Guild members must necessarily also be the Auxiliary members, it seems to me best, for the present at any rate, not to increase the number of branches of the Auxiliaries, but for each Guild to do its share in the work imposed upon us.

The summary of the year's work will be found in the reports. They show a decided increase in giving and representation. More than the gain in money has been the growing sense of responsibility, a willingness to share in our obligations to the Board of Missions.

Last fall our President visited eight Missions: Langdon, Park River, Larimore, Rugby, Towner, Minot, Lakota and Grand Forks; introduced seven birthday boxes, and obtained new subscriptions for forty-four copies of the Spirit of Missions. Of this number seventeen were introduced into as many Guilds, and therefore within the possible reach of two hundred and eighty-three members.

I am pleased to report that in several of these guilds some portion of the meetings has been given to the reading of this magazine. I trust that in every Parish and Mission this will form a feature of its work. In this way it is hoped more interest will be taken in Missions, and that each woman reading it will have a clearer understanding as to what the term "General Missions" really means.

The United Offering from North Dakota has never been what it should be. It is now on a more systematic basis, and where it is not possible to introduce the individual boxes, the birthday box will be found convenient. Each custodian of a box is expected to send the contents each year, September 1st, to the Treasurer in Fargo. This offering is not counted on the apportionment, nor is it made in

payment of any pledge. It goes as a free will contribution to the Thank Offering of the Women of the Church and is presented at the meeting of the General Convention.

There has evidently been some misunderstanding in certain quarters as to the "Annual Dues." These, which are one dollar for each Guild or Auxiliary, are levied for the purpose of paying for necessary printing, such as circulars, notices and reports, and for defraying, in whole or in part, the expenses of delegates to the General Missionary Meetings of the Sixth Department, such as the one to be held in Minneapolis next October. I would suggest that a report of the past year's work be printed and copies sent generally to the women of the Church in North Dakota. It is hoped that during the coming year much interest will be awakened in the Junior Branch.

The opportunity of a new year is before us. Let us all strive, not as Auxiliaries alone, or Guilds alone, but as co-workers in a great cause, to accomplish more than has ever been done before for the Missions of the Church.

NORTH DAKOTA WOMAN'S UNITED OFFERING

For the years 1899—1901	.	-	-	\$217.42
For the years 1901—1904	-	-	-	117.33
Collected for United Offering Sept. 1, 1904				
to Sept. 1, 1905	-	-	-	90.70

OBJECT OF THE UNITED OFFERING OF 1907

Resolved: That the United Offering of 1907 be given to the Board of Missions, for woman's work in the Domestic and Foreign fields; including the training, sending and support of woman workers, also the care of such workers when sick and disabled; this to be interpreted to include Brazil, Haiti, Cuba and Mexico; but that a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be devoted to some building, or extension of the same, preferably connected with woman's work, to mark the United Offering of 1907 and to be begun in that fiscal year, such building to be approved by the Board of Missions on the recommendation of the General Secretary and the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary.

REPORT ON CHURCH HALL AT VALLEY CITY

The Episcopal Hall at Valley City, an institution started as a home for young women students attending the State Normal School, went into operation June 8, 1905. The use of the building was secured for a rental of \$35.00 per month, and those responsible for the venture were given an option on the same for one year.

From the first it was hoped that the undertaking might prove such a success as to warrant the purchasing of the building for permanent use in this way. This hope has, we believe, been realized, for during these first eleven months the Hall has earned a little over \$500 above all expenses.

Those accommodated at the Hall have been regular students and teachers at the Normal School. The number has averaged over twenty, and many more have applied for admission than could be received.

The needs of the Hall are many, but simple. At present the most pressing ones are dining room chairs, comforters, bed linen, towels, a piano, and dishes of all kinds. But most of all we ask for the co-operation and prayers of all who are interested in helping young people.

During the year the following gifts have been received:

All Saints' Parish, Valley City,	-	\$350.00
Woman's Aux., Ch. of the Messiah, Gwyned, Pa.,		50.00
Mrs. C. D. Lord, Park River,	- - - - -	5.00

Through Bishop Mann, towels. Through Mrs. Mann, barrel of glass ware. From Oswego, N. Y., box of linen; Woman's Auxiliary, Grand Forks, comforters and towels; Mrs. I. P. Clapp, Fargo, feather bed; Woman's Auxiliary, Rosemont and Radnor, Penna., one doz. table cloths; six doz. napkins; four doz. sheets; four doz. pillow slips; three doz. knives; three doz. forks; three doz. teaspoons; three doz. tablespoons.

MRS. B. M. SPURR, Superintendent.

PRAYERS OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Almighty and Merciful God, of Whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service; grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life, that we fail not, finally, to attain Thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O LORD, without Whom our labor is but lost, and with Whom Thy little ones go forth as the mighty, we humbly beseech Thee to prosper all works in Thy Church undertaken according to Thy Holy Will, especially the work of the Woman's Auxiliary; and grant to Thy laborers a pure intention, patient faith, sufficient success upon earth and the blessedness of serving Thee in Heaven; and especially to those who labor in the Word and Doctrine, grant the abundant blessing which shall give the increase to their sowing of the seed, so that in all ways Thy Holy Name may be glorified, and Thy Blessed Kingdom enlarged. Accept as done unto Thy Dear Son whatsoever we may do in Thy Name for Thy Ministry or Thy poor, through the Same Thy Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
NORTH DAKOTA BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS

ARTICLE I

The name of this Association shall be the North Dakota Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE II—Object

The object of this association is fourfold: 1st—To diffuse Missionary intelligence; 2nd—To increase Missionary activity among the women of the District; 3rd—To unite previously existing societies in a common interest; 4th—To the formation of new societies for Missionary work and study.

ARTICLE III—Membership

All baptized women belonging to the District of North Dakota shall be considered members of this Association, and may be so enrolled by sending their names to the District Secretary and pledging themselves to the payment of twenty-five cents each year as dues. When, however, any woman is a member of a parochial branch of this Auxiliary it shall not be necessary for her to send her individual dues to the Treasurer of the North Dakota Branch; but it shall suffice that such parochial branch send one dollar per year to cover the dues of all individual members of such parochial branch.

ARTICLE IV—Officers

Sec. 1—The officers of this Association shall be a President, three Vice Presidents, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

Sec. 2—The duty of the Presidents shall be to preside at all meetings, to arrange for the organization of parochial branches, and to have general charge of the work.

Sec. 3—The duty of the Vice Presidents shall be to preside in their order in the absence of the President, and to organize and superintend the Auxiliary work in the districts which may be assigned to them by the Bishop of the District.

Sec. 4—The duty of the Recording Secretary shall be to keep a correct record of all meetings, to send out notices under the direction of the President.

Sec. 5—The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to conduct all correspondence and to prepare the annual report.

Sec. 6—The duty of the Treasurer shall be to receive, and under the direction of the President, disburse all funds, and to render an account of the same at each annual meeting.

ARTICLE V—Parochial Branches

A parochial branch of the District Auxiliary may be organized in any parish or mission in North Dakota by the consent of the rector or missionary (if there be one in charge of such parish or mission) and by consent of the District President. Each parochial branch shall pay one dollar as annual dues to the District Auxiliary. Any existing Guild or other Woman's Society connected with any parish or mission in North Dakota may become a branch of the District Auxiliary by passing a vote to that effect, and complying with the foregoing conditions including the payment of \$1.00 annual dues. It should be understood that when any existing guild or aid society becomes a parochial branch of the District Auxiliary it will thereafter endeavor to devote some portion, however small, of its funds to Missionary causes outside such local mission or branch.

ARTICLE VI—Reports

Each parochial branch shall make an annual report to the District President at least one month before the time of the meeting of the District Convocation.

ARTICLE VII—Meetings

There shall be one general meeting of this Association each year, at the meeting of the District Convocation. At all meetings each parochial branch shall have the right of representation by not more than three delegates, but only members of branches which have paid their dues, shall have the right to vote.

ARTICLE VIII—Rules of Parochial Branches

Each parochial branch shall adopt such rules as to duties of officers, times and places of meetings, and other necessary regulations, as it may see fit.

ARTICLE IX—Constitution

This Constitution may be altered at any annual meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, subject to the approval of the Bishop.

BY-LAWS

I.

The election of officers at the annual meeting shall be by ballot.

II.

Special meetings may be called by the President at such time and place as she may designate, for the purpose of stimulating interest in the work.

III.

The regular order of business for the annual meeting shall be as follows:—

1. Prayer by the Bishop or presiding officer.
2. Calling the Roll.
3. Reading the minutes of the last meeting.
4. Report of the President.
5. Report of Corresponding Secretary.
6. Report of Treasurer.
7. Report of parochial branches, etc.
8. Discussion of work for the ensuing year.
9. Miscellaneous business.

IV.

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting, by a vote of a majority present.

