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- LEXINGTON, *R. E. Lee Memorial*, First Circle— Pres. ;
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- LYNCHBURG, *Grace*—Pres. Mrs. John Wyatt Davis; 701 Euclid Ave.; Sec. Mrs. G. R. Shumate, 512 Jackson; Treas. Mrs. B. L. Goodwin, 503 Washington; U. T. O. Mrs. W. G. Wills, Warwick Apt.; C. P. C. Mrs. Cora Mosby, 712 Pearl St. 20 members.
- LYNCHBURG, *St. Paul's*—Pres. Mrs. R. T. Yates, 300 Madison St.; Sec. Mrs. Randolph Harrison, 413 Washington St.; Treas. Miss Virginia Goodwin, Pearl St.; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Holmes Smith, 608 Court St.; Ed. Sec. Miss Mary Bell, Parkmount; C. P. C. ———. 150 members.
- LYNCHBURG, *Good Shepherd*—Temporarily inactive (colored).
- MARION, *Christ*—Pres. Mrs. C. T. Atkins; Sec. and Treas. Miss Beattie Gwynn. 13 members.
- MARTINSVILLE, *Christ*, First Circle—Pres. Mrs. J. C. Kearfott, Church St.; Sec. Mrs. A. S. Gravely, Starling Ave.; Treas. Mrs. W. H. Gravely, Mulberry St.; U. T. O. Mrs. W. L. Ferrna; Ed. Sec. Mrs. S. G. Burele, Church St.; C. P. C. Mrs. J. R. Gregory, Starling Ave. 15 members.

MARTINSVILLE, *Christ*, Second Circle—

NORTON, *All Saints*—Pres. Mrs. G. E. Heuser; Sec. Fred McDonal; Treas. Mrs. John Horseman; Ed. Sec. Mrs. G. E. Heuser. 10 members.

PULASKI, *Christ*—Pres. Mrs. W. W. Chaffin; Treas. Miss Fredericka Pobst; U. T. O. Mrs. Chas. Masgell. 13 members.

ROANOKE, *Christ*—Pres. Mrs. T. W. Spindle, 600 Highland St. S. W.; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. B. O. Grove, 609 Windsor; U. T. O. Cus. Miss Flora Woods, 719 First; Ed. Sec. Mrs. C. S. McNully, 405 Highland; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. Fred Hiller, Camell, South Roanoke.

ROANOKE, *St. John's*—Pres. Mrs. E. C. Ambler, 317 Fourteenth Ave. S. W.; Sec. Miss Julia Leache, 115 Elm Ave. S. W.; Treas. Miss Janie Figgat, 1118 Henry; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Luke Garret, 1 Riverland Road; Ed. Sec. Mrs. Melville Jeffries, 814 Jefferson; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. J. C. Davenport, 315 King George. 57 members.

ROCKY MOUNT, *Trinity*—Pres. Mrs. Herbert N. Dillard; Sec. Mrs. Luta Price; Treas. Miss Alice L. Saunders; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. T. Wilson Carper. 20 members.

SALEM, *St. Paul's*—Pres. Mrs. W. H. B. Loving; Sec. Mrs. G. A. Scruggs; Treas. Mrs. J. C. Terry; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. James Woodward; C. P. C. Mrs. H. I. Johnson. 34 members.

SALTVILLE—No report.

STAUNTON, *Trinity*—Pres. Mrs. Jas. B. Taylor; Sec. Mrs. Roy Wonson; Treas. Mrs. Belle Brooke; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. McDonald Allen. 50 members.

STAUNTON, *Emmanuel*—Pres. Mrs. Franklin Hanger, 362 Sherwood Ave.; Sec. Mrs. Clark Worthington, West Frederick; Treas. Mrs. Jas. Templeton, 209 Market; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Jacob Van Lear, 232 West Frederick St.; Ed. Sec. Miss Mary Foster; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. W. T. Hartman. 28 members.

TOM'S CREEK—No report.

WYTHEVILLE, *St. John's*—Pres. Mrs. John Y. Terry; Sec. Miss Ella Goodwin; Treas. Mrs. Charles Barnitz; U. T. O. Mrs. J. W. Booyd; Ed. Sec. Mrs. William Barnitz; C. P. C. Sec. Miss Lena Gibboney. 46 members.

WYTHEVILLE, *St. John's*, Second Circle—Pres. Mrs. Jos. E. Caldwell; Sec. Mrs. Jane Byrd Pendleton; Treas. Mrs. Willie Terry; U. T. O. Miss Willie Terry. 7 members.

October 28, 1924.

The fifth annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council in the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia was held in St. John's Episcopal Church, Bedford, October 28th, 29th, 30th, 1924.

A meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 4:00 o'clock by the President. After a prayer for direction, a short business session was held. All of the officers were present.

QUIET HOUR

The quiet hour service of meditation and preparation was conducted by Mrs. Walter Ruan of Petersburg. The subject chosen "Prayer and Service."

"Prayer."

God listens to every petition with His whole heart. Each time we pray the whole infinite God is there to hear. He asks that in each prayer the whole man shall be there too.

"If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever you will and it shall be done unto you."

"We, the Church, the world need nothing so much now as the spirit of intercession to bring down the power of God on Earth."

A prayer for the descent from heaven of the spirit of intercession and for a great prayer revival was offered.

"Service."

What is service? Who is my neighbor?

Which is the greatest Commandment?

As I ask these questions the answer comes quickly to your mind, as a picture flashed on the screen. You see the Master talking to the rich young ruler, the Lawyer, the crowd of Scribes and Pharisees.

We feel sometimes that service must be some great thing like the gift of fortune or a life. But condemnation was pronounced alike to great and small, also rewards to the widow who gave her mite as well as the nobleman and captain of a hundred men, who ministered unto many.

And so we face our work with faith and courage. Each day a new duty, each year a new task. We are helping to make Church History—we are helping to extend the Kingdom. May it be done this year with a deeper sense of power through prayer, can we not draw nigh unto God feeling the strength of presence, knowing that in spite of so many discouragements,

“While God is in heaven,

All’s well with the world.”

Once more we listen to the Master’s voice as he gives to us our great commission and the realization sinks deep into our hearts that it is through service that souls are to be won.

EVENING SERVICE

Much information and inspiration was gained at the evening service beginning at 8:00 o’clock. Short addresses were made by the mission workers in the diocese, who told of their work and of their needs. As a result from the talks and appeals, special pledges were made amounting to \$317.50.

Addresses were made by the following:

Miss Ella Pier, Bear Mountain, Amherst, Indian Mission.

Miss Ora Harrison, Endicott.

Miss Margaretha Williamson, Grace House on the Mountains.

Mrs. Binns, Nora.

Miss Elizabeth Barber, Richlands, Va.

Mrs. William Wilkins, St. Barnabas, Piney.

Miss Caryetta Davis, St. Peters, Callaway.

Deaconess Adams, Keckee.

The Morning Service, October 29th, began with the Holy Communion 7:30 A. M., when Bishop Robert C. Jett was the celebrant.

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In St. John's Episcopal Church, Bedford, the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, Diocese of Southwestern Virginia was called to order promptly at 9:30 A. M., October 29th, by the President, for the first business session fifth annual Convention.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. W. A. Pierman, rector of St. John's Church, Bedford.

The Secretary called the roll to which twenty-five branches responded.

The following committees were appointed by the President:

PLEDGES:

MRS. W. H. B. LOVING, *Chairman*, Salem.

MRS. C. E. MICHAEL, Roanoke.

MRS. R. G. TAYLOR, Lynchburg.

MRS. J. C. KEARFOTT, Martinsville.

MISS CARYETTA DAVIS, Callaway.

MISS JULIA LEACH, Roanoke.

BY-LAWS:

MRS. W. E. MINGEA, *Chairman*, Abingdon.

MRS. G. E. HENSER, Norton.

DEACONESS WILLIAMS, Dante.

PROGRAM:

MRS. PHILIP PENDLETON, *Chairman*, Clifton Forge.

MISS MARY S. BELL, Lynchburg.

MRS. G. E. HENSER, Norton.

MRS. T. D. LEWIS, Amherst.

RESOLUTIONS:

MRS. CHURCHILL GIBSON, *Chairman*, Lexington.

MRS. F. H. TERRY, Wytheville.

MRS. MASON, Abingdon.

MRS. AMBLER, Roanoke.

MRS. ADAMS, Alta Vista.

MRS. GRANVILLE CAMPBELL, Lexington.

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NOMINATIONS:

MRS. O. C. BELL, Chairman, Bedford.
MRS. RUSSEL WINFREE, Lynchburg (St. John's).
MRS. J. T. BROWN, Arrington.
MRS. J. A. MUSE, Bristol.
MRS. J. E. ROLLINS, Covington.
MRS. O. C. BURKHARDT, Blacksburg.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

Mrs. O. C. Bell, Bedford, as hostess, charmingly welcomed the delegates. In her address of welcome she said that a Woman's Auxiliary had existed in Bedford since the organization of the Auxiliary in Virginia. So that, of itself, would cause the Bedford branch to welcome the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese. Coming together in this way would be an inspiration and a help.

RESPONSE

Mrs. W. H. B. Loving, Salem, in her response for the Auxiliary, as a whole, expressed the appreciation and joy of being with St. John's Auxiliary and of finding such a true and sincere welcome in the church, homes and hearts of the women of Bedford. She felt assured that all visitors would return home with pleasant memories and thankfulness that we were privileged to attend this meeting.

BISHOP'S ADDRESS

The Bishop in his address stressed three points: Spiritual Life, Faithfulness, Coöperation.

In this day of organization, let the spiritual life be supreme. Be careful lest you become mechanical. Second, Faithfulness—When you undertake to do a thing, *Do It*. Remember never to complain of any work that is done for our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. In connection with this the Bishop told of the new policy in the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, in regard to funds for the Program of the Church. All gifts from every church will be volunteer—there will be *no* assessment. The Leader is a layman, Mr. W. D. Tyler, Dante, Va. It has been prophesied that this

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method will fail—the Diocese accepts the challenge. The Bishop instructed the Woman's Auxiliary to go back to their homes and by their influence, work and prayer help to make the plan a success.

This brought in the final note—Coöperation. Parochial service alone is selfishness. In the service we render to Christ we must break beyond the border of the Parish of the Diocese to the world, wherever there is need.

The address closed with this benediction: "God bless you, my women. While you must plan I shall pray to draw the arms of the Lord about you that you may be used in a wonderful way for the advancement of the Kingdom."

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The President, after extending greetings, made a short address, in this she gave good news. The Auxiliary has gone forward. Increased interest on all sides,—this was attributed to three causes: help of the Bishop, clergy more interested and visits made during the year by the President, nine branches were united:

January—Staunton, Clifton Forge, Covington.

February—St. John's, Roanoke.

March—St. Paul's—Lynchburg.

April—Lexington.

May—Council, Lynchburg.

June—Christ Church, Roanoke.

July—

August—Bedford.

Appeals for workers have come to the President from various mission fields. These workers should be recruited from the colleges of which there are so many in this Diocese. This message was left in closing:

"Remember when we say 'Thy Kingdom Come' that we are trying to make that a real thing. We do not do enough to make every woman see her duty to God and to her Church. Not until every woman is a worker or a giver should we consider that we have done our part in trying to make that Kingdom Come."

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TREASURER'S REPORT OF WOMEN'S AUXILIARY DIOCESE SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA

January 1, 1924 to October 25, 1924

<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Pledges</i>	<i>Specials</i>
Abingdon	\$ 35.00	\$
Alta Vista	10.00	
Amherst	35.00	
Bedford	20.00	
Big Stone Gap	20.00	
Blacksburg	10.00	
Bristol	50.00	7.50
Buchanan		
Christiansburg	36.00	
Clifton Forge	25.00	2.00
Covington	75.00	151.00
Dante	90.00	128.00
Evington		
Graham	17.00	
Keckee		
Lexington, Circle A.	75.00	
Lexington, Circle B.	20.00	
Little Helpers	6.75	
Lynchburg, Grace Memorial	60.00	70.00
Lynchburg, St. John's	400.00	375.00
Lynchburg, St. Paul's, First Circle	100.00	
Lynchburg, St. Paul's, Second Circle	140.00	155.00
Lynchburg, Good Shepherd		
Marion		
Martinsville, First Circle	51.00	
Martinsville, Second Circle	55.00	10.00
Nelson County, Trinity	20.00	
Norton	37.50	
Pulaski		
Roanoke, Christ	100.00	117.00
Roanoke, St. John's	90.00	25.00
Rocky Mount	55.00	37.25
Saltville	15.00	
Salem	87.00	7.00
Schuyler	5 00	
Staunton, Emmanuel	50.00	5.00

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Staunton, Trinity	79.00	
Stuart Hall		
Wytheville, First Circle	75.00	
Wytheville, Second Circle		
Total from Branches	\$1,943.75	\$1,090.25
Balance from 1923	28.48	
Balance from President's Discretionary Fund	50.00	
Contributed through Mrs. T. D. Hobart	10.00	
Total Receipts to date	\$2,032.23	\$1,090.25

DISBURSEMENTS

<i>Pledges</i>		
Bishop's Educational Fund	\$ 225.00	\$
Boy at Covington	350.00	
Girl at Chatham	540.00	
Education of Mountain Boy	75.00	
President's Discretionary Fund	24.28	
Expenses		
Central Fund	10.00	
Synodical Dues	5.00	
Printing Reports	34.25	
Expenses of Officers	52.25	
Specials		
Auxiliary Special or Tuttle Memorial		29.50
Others at direction of Parish Branches		1,060.75
	\$1,215.78	\$1,090.25
Total Receipts	\$3,122.48	
	2,306.03	
	\$ 816.45	

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. B. LOVING,
Diocesan Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A copy of the Treasurer's Report, for nine months, was given to every delegate present.

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UNITED THANK OFFERING

Mrs. Minge, U. T. O. Custodian called attention to two points before giving in her report:

1st: How to gather the offering.

2nd: When.

How: By volunteer giving. Never include your U. T. O. in your Budget. In some churches the U. T. O. is offered at Corporate Communion.

When? March and September.

This report was also given to the Delegates.

REPORT OF THE UNITED THANK OFFERING OF THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA

Amount of Offering from Sept. 14, 1922 to Dec. 31, 1923.....	\$2,595.49
Amount of Offering for Spring 1924	1,024.25
Amount of Offering for Fall 1924	1,222.62
Total	\$4,842.36

MRS. W. E. MINGEA, *Custodian.*

Mrs. Wilkins, St. Barnabas Mission, Piney, near Wytheville, Virginia, was requested to tell more of her work for these mountain people. The greatest need in this section of the mountains is an Accredited School. The Woman's Auxiliary, Detroit, Michigan, after listening to an address on the subject by Mrs. Wilkins, gave a scholarship, in recognition of the services of Mrs. Stevens, their president.

"THE STEVENS SCHOLARSHIP"

Special Pledges were made by the delegates for this work, amounting to \$60.00.

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Deaconess Williams, Dante, was unable to attend this meeting. Mrs. Binns, Nora, asked if help could be given the Deaconess in paying the board of the volunteer summer workers. \$60.00 was pledged for this purpose.

Miss Barber, Richlands, made a touching appeal to the hearts—Give from the heart. The world must have Christ, its *only* help. Miss Barber has had experience working in the foreign field, China. Now the great needs of our own mountain people are pressing on her heart as she works for them. The Community House, Richlands, will be a great potentiality for Christ, if properly equipped. A piano is greatly needed. This appeal was referred to the Pledge Committee by the President.

The 329th Hymn—"Thy Kingdom Come, O God" was sung, followed by the Noon-day prayer for missions, by Rev. T. C. Page, Alta Vista.

Following the prayer Mr. Page asked for a few minutes to speak. He expressed his gratitude for the help received from the Woman's Auxiliary last year. He reported that St. Andrews-in-the-Sticks has been built and paid for. The building has been occupied since Christmas—Mission held in July. Five were confirmed.

Miss Caryetta Davis also reported that the mountain boy whom the Auxiliary is educating is a boy of admirable spirit and an honor student.

Bishop Jett reported another Honor Roll student, a Bristol boy, who was in the Virginia Episcopal School for three years, supported by Bishop's Educational Fund. He is now in the University of Virginia, purposes studying for the ministry. For a while he will have to give up his work as an operation on his eye is necessary.

SUPPLY SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mrs. Franklin Hanger, Supply Secretary, before giving her formal report gave a sketch of the history of her work. This work was assigned her in 1920. As she expressed it, she was told "to swim". Results have proven that she has learned.

Trinity Church, Staunton, furnishes a room for the Emergency Supplies in the Parish House.

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For the past year the value of the boxes sent out amounted to \$413.06.

Personal boxes allotted from Mission House, New York, for 1924. One has been sent to:

Rev. O. M. Yerger, Warren, Ark., value \$110.45.

The following are to be sent:

Deaconess A. I. Clark, Sacramento, California, Christmas Box.

Rev. Clayter High Wolf (wife and two children), Indian Pine Ridge, South Dakota.

Rev. A. C. Killeffer (wife and one son), Monterey, Tennessee.

Total number of garments sent, 409.

Number of garments, supply room, 780.

Mrs. Hanger requested that if any worker were in need of supplies to notify her.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order at 3:10 by the President.

The Secretary was instructed to send greetings to the Auxiliary of Southern Virginia now in session in Christ Church, Norfolk, Va.

A letter read from Deaconess Williams reporting that the mountain girl in Chatham Episcopal Institute, whose tuition is paid by this Auxiliary, is doing good work.

The address for the afternoon was made by Rev. H. H. Young, Dean of the Associate Mission. Subject: The Mission of a Christian. The Mission of a Christian is to do the work of the Master-Christ. To do the work, one must have the vision of Christ. The greatest army in the world is the Christian Army, and the mission of that army is to uplift the world and to serve humanity.

Grounds for Missionary obligation: Human Need.

There are 185,000 in Associate Mission field. 100,000 are non-church people,—that is, belonging to no branch of Christ Church.

In the field there are nine women workers and two clergymen. Need—Man power, at least ten chapels and schools—\$70,000 at least in money.

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Get the world vision. Carry the Gospel of Love to every creature. The doors of the world are open and God is calling us to enter. Take the world for Christ. Gain knowledge. Ignorance is the cause of lack of interest.

"The Gospel of the King shall be preached to all nations."

It is the Missionary obligation to hasten the fulfillment of these words.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARIES

Mrs. Pendleton—New River Convocation.

The educational work of the W. A. should be one of the greatest factors toward accomplishing the Church's Mission. We must *know* if we are to achieve. Therefore the real aim of the Educational Secretary should be to guide and develop education in those branches of the W. A. where it already exists, and introduce such education where it has not yet found a place.

Mission Study Classes—James River Convocation.....	14
Number of letters written	130
Number of letters received	83
Number of pamphlets	175

Programs to each Branch.

Trinity Church Auxiliary , visited by
special invitation.

Letters and pamphlets were sent out with regard to the Bishop Tuttle Memorial Fund.

The book to be used, 1925, for Mission Study Classes is: China's Real Revolution, by Paul Hutchinson.

Mrs. Heuser, Educational Secretary, New River Convocation:

Number of letters written	28
Number of letters received	59
Number of pamphlets	28
Number of leaflets	80

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REPORT SECRETARY, C. P. C.

Mrs. Robert L. Tucker

Number of magazines sent regularly, 282. These magazines bring cheer and help to many. The Church Periodical Secretary urged greater interest in this work.

The request has been made that this Diocese contribute through the C. P. C. \$60.00 for Medical Books, St. Luke's Hospital, Japan.

Referred to Pledge Committee.

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT ON THE ISOLATED CHURCH PEOPLE

Mrs. J. C. Kearfott, when called upon for her report among the isolated church people said that she had found none in the James River Convocation. Mrs. Jno. A. Muse reported two in the New River Convocation.

REPORT CORRESPONDENT SOUTHWESTERN EPISCOPALIAN

Mrs. Stevens, Salem, Correspondent Southwestern Episcopalian reported that space in this paper is given for Woman's Auxiliary news every month. She requested that more news and letters be sent to her for publication.

During the last year special pages were given for the U. T. O., also C. P. C.

No further business coming up the meeting adjourned at 4:00 o'clock—to re-convene for business October 30 at 9:30 A. M.

October 29, 1924.

After the business session closed the delegates motored to the various points of interest in Bedford,—returned charmed with this drive.

Address—Rev. Claudius Smith.

In the evening Rev. Claudius F. Smith, of Big Stone Gap made an address in St. John's Church, October 29th. Dr. Smith gave an interesting account of the work done in that section of the State.

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He illustrated his talk with photographs, in order to bring before his audience more vividly the great need in this part of the Diocese.

For preparation for the day, Holy Communion was again celebrated at 7:30, October 30th. Rev. W. A. Pearman, celebrant.

The second business session of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council Diocese of Southwestern Virginia was called to order October 30th, at 9:30 A. M. The President presiding.

The meeting was opened with prayer by R. W. A. Pearman.

Roll Call, twenty-two branches responded, minutes read, corrected and approved as corrected.

BY-LAWS

The Committee on By-Laws recommended by following change in the By-Laws, that Article VI be changed to read:

"These By-Laws having been approved by the Bishop may be amended or repealed at any annual meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of the delegates present."

This recommendation was discussed and voted that it *should* be adopted as read.

The next important business before the Convention was the nomination and election of delegates to the General Convention to be held in New Orleans, October 1925.

Each Diocese is entitled to five representatives.

The Diocese of Southwestern Virginia will have the following representatives:

MRS. T. D. HOBART, *President*, Roanoke.

MRS. W. E. MINGEA, *U. T. O. Custodian*, Abingdon.

DEACONESS WILLIAMS, Dante.

MRS. PHILIP PENDLETON, Clifton Forge.

MRS. W. H. B. LOVING, Salem.

ALTERNATES:

MRS. BURKHARDT, Blacksburg.

MISS MARY S. BELL, Lynchburg, Va., St. Paul's.

MR.: VIRGINIA L. LEE, Lynchburg, Va., St. Paul's.

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PLEDGE COMMITTEE:

MRS. W. H. B. LOVING, Chairman of the Pledge Committee recommended the following:

Bishop's Educational Fund	\$ 450.00
Boy at Covington	300.00
Girl Chatham Epis. School	300.00
Education Mountain Boy	150.00
President's Emergency Fund	120.00
Miss Barber (Richlands) (Piano)	100.00
Expenses	500.00
Araki San—Japanese	250.00
Church Pub. Society—Japan	100.00
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	\$2,270.00
Suggested Church Pub. Society	50.00
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	\$2,320.00

The \$300.00 which has been given to our own Missionary, Rev. Hubard Lloyd will again be sent to him, if needed, when he returns to Japan.

A member of the Woman's Auxiliary, St. John's, Bedford, gave a special \$20.00 for the Church Publishing Society.

PROGRAM

Mrs. Philip Pendleton, Chairman of the Program Committee, announced that the programs for 1925 would be ready for distribution in December.

Mrs. Gordon Baker, Christ Church, Roanoke Correspondent of the Alaskan Churchman announced that sample copies of this paper would be sent to each branch. If anyone wished to subscribe kindly notify her.

RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. C. J. Gibson, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, submitted the following:

1. *Resolved*, That it is with great regret we have to accept the resignation of Mrs. G. E. Henser, Educational Secretary of the New River Convocation.

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2. *Resolved*, That the Woman's Auxiliary of Southwestern Virginia extend to the Rector and Women of St. John's, Bedford, its appreciation for their hospitality and entertainment.

Hymn 263—"Ye Christian Heralds", was sung.

Mrs. R. G. Taylor, one of the delegates St. John's, Lynchburg, asked the privilege of the floor. She called attention to the fact that Rev. T. M. Page, Altavista, had in his talk October 29th inadvertently, let it be known that St. Andrews in-the-sticks, near Altavista had no Baptismal Font. She added that St. John's, Lynchburg, wished to give \$25.00 for this purpose.

Following Mrs. J. W. Davis, delegate Grace Church, Lynchburg, pledged \$10.00.

St. Paul's, second circle, Lynchburg, \$5.00; St. Paul's, first circle, Lynchburg, \$5.00.

Announcement made by Mrs. Philip Pendleton that the Missionary Calendar could be secured from her—forty cents.

Delegates to the Synod to be held in Charleston, West Virginia, November 18th 19th, 20th, were nominated and elected:

MRS. OTIS MEADE, Roanoke, Christ Church.

MRS. JOHN W. DAVIS, Grace Church, Lynchburg.

MRS. LANGDON LOWRY, St. John's, Bedford.

Noonday hour of prayer was conducted by Rev. W. A. Pearman. Following the Alternates for the Synod were elected:

MRS. J. C. ROLLINS, Covington.

MRS. OUTHANK, Lynchburg, Grace.

MRS. MASSIE, Blacksburg.

The President announced that in the annual report for 1924 a list of places in which the Auxiliary would hold its annual meeting would be published in order.

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The Committee on nominations reported the following nominations:

Honorary President, MRS. R. C. JETT, Roanoke.
President, MRS. T. D. HOBART.
First Vice-President, MRS. FRANK TERRY, Wytheville.
Second Vice-President, MRS. A. G. TAYLOR, Lynchburg.
Secretary, MISS MARY S. BELL, Lynchburg.
Treasurer, MRS. W. H. B. LOVING, Salem.
Educational Secretary, MRS. PHILIP PENDLETON, Clifton Forge.

James River Convocation:

Educational Secretary, MRS. R. J. DAVIDSON, Blacksburg.

New River Convocation:

C. P. C. Correspondent, MRS. R. L. TUCKER, Lexington.

Mrs. R. G. Taylor, Lynchburg, requested that her name be withdrawn as Second Vice-President. Mrs. Russel Winfree, St. John's, Lynchburg, was nominated. With this substitution the report was accepted and these officers declared elected. Unanimous vote of thanks was made to St. John's Church for its delightful entertainment of the delegates. The delegate from Lexington extended an invitation to the Auxiliary to meet in Lexington, 1925.

No further business the meeting adjourned.

OCTOBER 30TH

Afternoon Session—A reponse to the greetings sent to the Southern Diocese was read.

Address—Rev. Hubard Lloyd.

The closing address was given by Rev. Hubard Lloyd, Subject: Progress in Japan. Mr. Lloyd was a missionary for some years in Japan. He sketched the mission work of the Episcopal church 1859 to the present. Called attention to the fact that the influence of

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Christianity can not be stated in tabulated reports. The importance of teaching and training the young people. Stressed the leading difficulty that prevents the Christian work from going forward in Japan. The attitude of the people at home.

The Japanese had felt most friendly and filled with gratitude to the American people for the succor given them at the time of the Earthquake. Japanese exclusion bill put through by our Legislative body in less than twenty-four hours has served almost to destroy the kindly feeling of the Japanese. Japan wonders why?

The physical hardships of the foreign missionary are not to be compared with the spiritual hardships. Keep in touch with the wonderful gift of prayer that alone will keep one close to the Master, the Author of our faith.

After prayers and singing of a hymn, the meeting adjourned to meet in Lexington in 1925.

MARY S. BELL, *Secretary.*

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REPORT OF THE UNITED THANK OFFERING OF THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA

Amount of Offering from Sept. 14, 1922 to Dec. 31, 1923.....	\$2,595.49
Offerings in the year 1924:	
Abingdon—St. Thomas'	21.52
Amherst—Ascension	56.70
Altavista—St. Peter's	28.02
Arrington—Trinity	26.00
Bedford—St. John's	15.00
Big Stone Gap—Christ's	13.65
Blacksburg—Christ's	65.30
Bristol—Emmanuel	70.02
Callaway—St. Peter's	20.00
Christiansburg—St. Thomas'	72.44
Clofton Forge—St. Andrew's	39.77
Covington—Emmanuel	32.56
Dante—St. Mark's	70.54
Evington—Good Shepherd	8.00
Bluefield, Va.—St. Mary's	12.00
Keokee—St. Andrew's	15.10
Lexington—R. E. L. Memorial I	122.95
Lexington—R. E. L. Memorial II	49.35
Lynchburg—St. Paul's I	212.00
Lynchburg—St. Paul's II	116.00
Lynchburg—St. John's	314.42
Lynchburg—Grace Memorial	132.00
Marion—Christ's	2.00
Martinsville—Christ's I	48.82
Martinsville—Christ's II	39.84
Roanoke—St. John's	245.78
Roanoke—Christ's	167.13
Rocky Mount—Trinity	52.94
Salem—St. Paul's	98.00
Staunton—Emmanuel	62.56
Staunton—Trinity	109.02
Wytheville—St. John's I	85.00
Wytheville—St. John's II	4.00
Norton—All Saints	35.94
Bear Mt. Mission—Amherst	14.00
Corporate Communion	
Annual Meeting, St. John's, Bedford	27.20
Interest and deposits, 1924	142.73
Total	\$5,243.79

