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Passed from this life November 18, 1928

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"Numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting"

List of Branch Officers for 1929

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BOONESBORO, *Trinity*—Pres. Miss Louise Meriwether, Holcomb Rock, Va.; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. D. H. Oglesby, Lynchburg, Va., Route 4; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Geo. Lewis, Lynchburg, Va., Route 5. 20 members. Second Saturday.

BRISTOL, *Emmanuel*—Pres. Mrs. Matt Cox, Weaver Pike; Sec. Mrs. J. English Baumgardner, 321 Lee St., Treas. Mrs. Henry Smythe, Holston Ave.; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. R. B. Mitchell, 348 Moore St.; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. K. A. Grandstaff, 904 Seventh Ave. 25 members. First Tuesday.

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CLIFFORD, *St. Mark's*—Pres. Mrs. Dallas Hudson. 10 members.

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DANTE, *St. Mark's*—Pres. Mrs. R. W. Irvin; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. E. E. Thacker, U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. J. A. Muse. 20 members. First Thursday.

EVINGTON, *Good Shepherd*—Pres. Miss Mary Saunders; Sec., Treas and U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Fleming Saunders; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. Charles W. Haden. 7 members.

GRACE HOUSE-ON-THE-MOUNTAIN—Pres. and Treas. Miss Mabel Mansfield, St. Paul, Va. 10 members. Weekly meetings.

IVANHOE, *St. Andrew's*—Pres. Mrs. E. S. Fry; Sec. Mrs. John Jackson; Treas. Mrs. C. R. Ellyson. 10 members. First Tuesday.

LEXINGTON, *R. E. Lee Memorial, First Circle*—Pres. Miss Auzolette Gadsden; Sec. Miss Fanny Mallory; Treas. Mrs. Robert H. Tucker; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. John Mallory; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. Reid White. 32 members. Monday after first Sunday.

LEXINGTON, *R. E. Lee Memorial, Second Circle*—Pres. Mrs. R. W. Dickey, 17 University Place; Sec. Mrs. Stuart Moore, 16 Jordan St.; Treas. Mrs. John L. Campbell; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Claud Feamster, Jackson Ave.; Ed. Sec. Mrs. Forrest Fletcher, C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. S. M. Millner. 30 members. Tuesday after first Sunday.

LYNCHBURG, *Grace Memorial*—Pres. Mrs. R. A. Ralph, 100 Pennsylvania Ave; Sec. Mrs. A. J. Davis, 1002 Grand Ave; Treas. and C. P. C. Sec., Mrs. A. P. Craddock, 1103 Wise St; U. T. O. Cus., Mrs. G. M. Shumate, 1512 Jackson St. 60 members. First Monday.

LYNCHBURG, *St. John's*—Pres. Mrs. W. K. Barger, Warwick Lane and Rivermont Ave.; Sec. Mrs. A. A. Onthank, 612 Riverside Drive; Treas. Mrs. W. D. Jones, 2 Arlington Place; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. E. F. Haley, Princeton Circle; Ed. Sec. Mrs. B. M. Bryan, R. F. D. 4 Peakland; Rivermont Place; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. C. H. Lumsden, Norfolk Ave. 217 members.

LYNCHBURG, *St. Paul's*—Pres. Mrs. W. D. Hodges, 601 Washington St.; Sec. Mrs. W. A. Anderson, 803 Court St.; Treas. Miss Virginia Goodwin, 605 Pearl St.; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Holmes Smith, 608 Court St.; Ed. Sec. Mrs. W. K. Smiley, Lexington Pike; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. Lewis Mattison, 607 First St. 200 members. First Monday.

MADISON HEIGHTS, *Emmanuel*—Pres. Mrs. S. M. Panck; Sec. Mrs. L. W. Wright.

MARION, *Christ*—Pres. Mrs. Z. T. Atkins; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. W. V. Birchfield, Jr.; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. W. H. McCarty. 10 members. Second Wednesday.

MARTINSVILLE, *Christ, First Circle*—Pres. Mrs. J. C. Kefkott, Church St.; Sec. Mrs. A. S. Gravely, Cleveland Ave.; Treas. Mrs. W. H. Gravely, Mulberry St.; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. W. L. Fernald, Church St.; Ed. Sec. Mrs. T. G. Burch, Church St.; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. J. R. Gregory, Starling Ave. 15 members. Third Monday.

MARTINSVILLE, *Christ, Second Circle*—Pres. Mrs. J. F. McIndoe, Cleveland Ave.; Sec. Mrs. H. D. Whittle, Starling Ave.; Treas. Mrs. W. A. Barr, Starling Ave.; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. B. M. Parrish, Mulberry St.; Ed. Sec. Mrs. W. E. Whitener, Jr., Church St. 19 members. Third Monday.

MONTVALE, *St. Mark's*—Pres. Mrs. W. H. Buford; Sec. Mrs. A. H. Gummell, Villamont, Va.; Treas. and U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. A. M. Parker. 8 members. Tuesday after third Sunday.

NELSON PARISH, *Trinity*—Hon. Pres. Mrs. J. T. Brown, Arrington; Pres. Mrs. Robert Randolph, Arrington; Sec. and Treas. Miss Mary Whitehead, Lovingston. 24 members. First Thursday.

NORTON, *All Saint's*—Pres. and Ed. Sec. Mrs. Guido Heuser; Sec. Mrs. Fred McDonald; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. John Horseman. 10 members.

POCAHONTAS, *Christ*, Pres. Mrs. W. Erroll Pybass.

PULASKI, *Christ*—Pres. Mrs. T. L. Massie; Sec. and Ed. Sec. Mrs. J. L. Sneed; Treas. Miss Fredericka Pobst; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. C. P. Macgill 20 members. First Monday.

RADFORD, *Grace*—Pres. Mrs. J. Custis Peter, Radford; Sec. Mrs. Ambrose Wilson, East Radford; Treas. Mrs. E. J. Fink, East Radford; U. T. O. Cus. Miss Minnie Howe, East Radford; Ed. Sec. Mrs. Wm. Likens, East Radford; C. P. S. Sec. Mrs. H. B. Walbridge, Radford. 24 members. Third Wednesday.

RICHLANDS, *Trinity*—Pres. Miss Frances Chester; Sec. Mrs. John A. Wilson, Jr.; Treas. and U. T. O. Cus. Miss Mary Williams. 12 members. Thursday after third Sunday.

ROANOKE, *Christ*—Pres. Mrs. Jas. W. Ridout, 375 Washington Ave. S. W.; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. F. F. Heller, 522 Camilla St. Walnut Hill; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. M. A. Carpenter, 1107 South Jefferson St.; Ed. Sec. Mrs. R. Frank Taylor, 504 Greenwood Road, Raleigh Court; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. C. B. Ransome, 501 Grandin Road Raleigh Court. 65 members. First Tuesday.

ROANOKE, *St. John's*—Pres. Mrs. R. S. Koehler, 303 Highland Ave. S. W.; Sec. Mrs. W. K. Davis, 302 Stanley Ave.; Cor. Sec. Mrs. Thos. A. Scott, 709 Carolina Ave.; Treas. Miss Janie Figgat, 1118 1st St. S. W.; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. John L. Bladon, Windsor Apts.; Ed. Sec. Mrs. E. C. Ambler, 371 Allison Ave. S. W.; Box Sec. Mrs. J. C. Durant, Bluemont Ave.; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. W. T. Barbour, Shenandoah Hotel. 62 members. First Wednesday.

ROANOKE, *St. Peter's*—Pres. Mrs. W. D. Williamson, 546 Day Ave. S. W.; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. J. E. Creasy; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. T. C. Shipman; Ed. Sec. Mrs. A. C. Bussingham; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. W. G. Jones.

ROCKY MOUNT, *Trinity*—Pres. and Sec. Mrs. Douglas I. Hobbs; Vice-Pres. Mrs. E. W. Skinnell; Treas. Miss Alice Saunders; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. W. T. Roberts. 15 members. First Wednesday.

ST. JOHN'S-IN-THE-MOUNTAINS—Pres. Miss Ora Harrison, Endicott, Va.; Sec. Miss May Cannaday; Treas. Miss Maude Beheler. 9 members. Second Saturday.

ST. PETER'S-IN-THE-MOUNTAINS—Pres. Treas. and U. T. O. Cus. Miss Caryetta Davis; Sec. Miss U. F. Montgomery, Calloway, Va. 10 members.

SALEM, *St. Paul's*—Pres. Mrs. G. C. Moore, R. F. D. 3, Roanoke, Va.; Sec. Mrs. T. A. Foster, 130 High St.; Treas and U. T. O. Cus., Mrs. J. C. Terry, 25 Pennsylvania Ave.; Ed. Sec. Mrs. George S. Stevens, 113 W. Main St.; Box Sec. Mrs. J. Gordon Wells, Broad St.; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. H. I. Johnson, High St. 30 members. Monday after first Sunday.

SALTVILLE, *St. Paul's*—Mrs. A. F. Crowell; Sec. and Treas. Mrs. R. D. Campbell. 9 members.

STAUNTON, *Emmanuel*—Pres. Mrs. Franklin Hanger, 362 Sherwood Ave.; Sec. Mrs. Clarke Worthington, 411-W Frederick St.; Treas. Mrs. Margaret R. Ranson, Middlebrook Rd. Staunton; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Pease, Woodward Apts.; 200 E. Beverly St. 22 members. Second Friday.

STAUNTON, *Trinity*—Pres. Mrs. McHenry Holliday, Woodward Apts.; Sec. Mrs. Roy W. Wonson, 214 N. Market St.; Treas. Miss Belle Brooke, 202 Thompson St.; Ed. Sec. Miss J. May Elder, E. Beverly St.; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. Donald Allen, 212 Fayette St. 43 members. Tuesday after first Sunday.

WAYNESBORO, *St. John's*—Pres. Mrs. Vernon Wheeldon; Vice-Presidents Mrs. Wm. A. Pratt and Mrs. J. C. Hughes; Sec. Mrs. Leo Mehler; Supply Sec. Mrs. H. M. Bell; Treas. and U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Jas. Kay. 11 members. Second Thursday.

WYTHEVILLE, *St. John's, First Circle*—Pres. Miss Helen Otey; Sec. and Ed. Sec. Miss Jane Byrd Pendleton; Treas. Mrs. Angela Bourne; U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Sallie Moore; C. P. C. Sec. Mrs. Frank Terry. 35 members. First Monday.

WYTHEVILLE, *St. John's, Second Circle*—Pres. Mrs. Jos. E. Caldwell; Sec. Mrs. R. W. Williams; Treas. and U. T. O. Cus. Mrs. Towson Moore. 12 members. First Monday.

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Tuesday, November 6, 1928

QUIET HOUR

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary opened at St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, November 6, 1928 with the Quiet Hour conducted at 4 P. M. by the Rev. Carlton Barnwell, Rector of the Church.

Mr. Barnwell's subject was the three sources of strength. The first was a right appreciation of our own ability,—a laying aside of false modesty, the spirit of "I will try", a willingness to do the best we are able to do, which is all God asks of us.

The second source of strength Mr. Barnwell said was the spirit of co-operation. Each unit is not expected to be the whole, but each unit, each individual in her place doing her own piece of work and knowing that others throughout the Diocese and the world were working with her, give the strength which could not be had in an isolated sense of individual effort.

The third and most important source of strength—the power of God which is ours for the asking, without which our efforts are in vain, but with a spirit of willingness to be used, the sense of unity and the power which God supplies we may accomplish what seemed the impossible.

EVENING SERVICE

At 8 P. M. a mass meeting listened to the Diocesan Missionary Workers tell of the work being done in the mountains of Southwestern Virginia. The workers present were:— Deaconess Williams of Dante; Miss Ella Pier of Bear Mountain Mission, Amherst, Miss Mabel Mansfield of Grace-House-on-the-Moun-

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tain, St. Paul, Rev. John A. Wilson of Trinity House, Richlands, Miss Caryetta Davis, St. Peters-in-the-Mountains, Callaway, Mrs. William Wilkins of St. Barnabas Mission Wythe Co., Miss Ora Harrison, St. John's-in-the-Mountains, Endicott, Deaconess Binns of Nora, Dickenson Co. These speakers touched the hearts of their audience many times as they rehearsed their interesting experiences in the mission field.

WEDNESDAY

The Corporate Communion was celebrated at 9:30 A. M. by Rev. Carlton Barnwell, assisted by Rev. Dennis Whittle of Emmanuel Church, Covington.

BUSINESS SESSION

The business session was called to order at 10:30, by the President and opened with prayer by Rev. John A. Wilson.

The Roll Call was answered by thirty-four parish branches, who gave most interesting reports of work being done throughout the Diocese.

A gracious address of welcome was given by Mrs. Wiley D. Hodges, and was charmingly responded to by Miss Caryetta Davis.

On motion of Mrs. W. E. Mingea of Abingdon, the program was approved and adopted as Order of Business for the meetings.

On motion of Mrs. Ridout of Christ Church, Roanoke, messages were sent to Mrs. Robert Carter Jett, Mrs. T. D. Hobart, and Miss Mary S. Bell, and to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Southern Virginia in session at South Boston.

In the absence of Bishop Jett on urgent business, the Rev. Carlton Barnwell read our beloved Bishop's message to the Auxiliary as follows:

TO THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA, MEETING IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LYNCHBURG, NOVEMBER 6-8, 1928:—

I greet you, my helpers in Christ Jesus, with deep and sincere affection, and with a feeling of profound gratitude for all that you have been to the Church and to me as your Bishop.

I had looked forward to my association with you during your assembly with keen anticipations of pleasure and of profit. However, an emergency involving a great and important duty in relation to a diocesan interest will not permit me to realize my

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hopes. It is impossible for me to be with you in body, but I shall be closely and devotedly with you in spirit and in prayer for God's abundant blessing upon your deliberations.

So great is my sense of obligation to you, on account of your consecrated lives and your notable achievements in your missionary devotion, I felt that I had no right to absent myself from your meeting without first having explained to your President the nature of the emergency which appeared to me to justify my absence, and without being assured by her that my non-attendance would not be construed as an indication of indifference or attributed to an unappreciative sense of the worth of the Auxiliary to the Diocese and to the Church at large. Mrs. Loving will, I am sure, tell you that she considers that I am performing even a greater duty and will make you understand that I am absent by compulsion and not by choice.

Your strong spiritual impulse, your Christian vision, your inspiring and enthusiastic missionary spirit, under the leadership of that splendid woman, Mrs. T. D. Hobart, found expression and moved you to precede me in action, and before I was set apart to the Episcopate you had taken your stand in the front rank of missionary service in our new Diocese. It was you who simultaneously with the organization of the Diocese, at its Primary Council, promptly dedicated yourselves to a great service and began to catch its vision, to brighten its hopes, to pray its prayers, to accept its opportunities and to share its every privilege and sacrifice.

From that day until now you have gone steadily and quietly forward, making each year more glorious than the preceding by your unfailing devotion and your ever increasing offerings with which you have honored the altars of God, beautified the mountains and lowly places with the feet of those who have published good tidings, and enriched the crown of Him whose salvation redeems the sinner and opens to him the kingdom of our God and of His dear Son.

Long live the Woman's Auxiliary. May its identity never be lost. Rather, God grant it, may its position of leadership in life and service continue to hallow, inspire and direct every other activity within our Church.

With such an able President as Mrs. Loving, and with the assistance of such a Custodian of the United Thank Offering as Mrs. Mingea has proven to be, and with such other women as now fill the various offices of your organization, the success of your work is certain, its growth is assured.

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I am forwarding with this a brief statement showing the amounts received on your pledge to the Bishop's Educational Fund and the purposes for which this money has been used. I could not be more grateful for the help that you have, through me, given those to whom I carried in your name needed help.

While the whole question of the proposed school in the southwest must for the present wait, I shall continue as opportunity permits my efforts in behalf of this greatly needed institution. We have made sufficient progress in the accumulation of funds to justify a continuance of the undertaking. I shall hope to be able to give a better account at your next meeting.

Again assuring you of my love and of my unfailing pride in you, and with deep gratitude to God for all that He has enabled you to do, and with prayers that God may guide you by His Spirit in all that you may say and do, I am,

Affectionately yours,

ROBT. C. JETT.

The noonday prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Whittle, of Covington, in which he remembered the missionaries by name, who have gone from our Diocese to foreign fields, our Prayer Partner, and those who are working within the bounds of the Diocese.

The President appointed the following committees:—

I. NOMINATING COMMITTEE:—

1. Mrs. Reginald Koehler, Chairman, St. John's Church, Roanoke.
2. Mrs. C. I. Smith, Emmanuel Church, Covington.
3. Mrs. McHenry Holliday, Trinity Church, Staunton.
4. Mrs. A. A. Onthank, St. John's Church, Lynchburg.
5. Miss Aurelia H. Davis, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

II. PLEDGE COMMITTEE:—

1. Mrs. Wiley Hodges, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.
2. Mrs. Thos. Walker, St. John's Church, Wytheville.
3. Mrs. Gordon H. Baker, Christ Church, Roanoke.
4. Deaconess Maria P. Williams, St. Mark's Church, Dante.
5. Miss Fredericka Pobst, Christ Church, Pulaski.

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III. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:—

1. Mrs. A. H. Gemmell, St. Mark's Church, Montvale, Chairman.
2. Mrs. Jas. Rigby, St. Thomas' Church, Christiansburg.
3. Mrs. A. B. Massey, Christ Church, Blacksburg.
4. Mrs. Fred Horsley, Trinity Church, Arrington.
5. Miss Mary Saunders, Good Shepherd Church, Ev-
ington.

IV. COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING:—

1. Mrs. A. P. Craddock, Grace Memorial Church, Lynch-
burg, Chairman.
2. Miss Judith Anderson, R. E. Lee Memorial Church,
Lexington.
3. Mrs. Gordon Wells, St. Paul's Church, Salem.

V. EDUCATION OR PROGRAM COMMITTEE:—

1. Mrs. Loudon Lowry, St. John's Church, Bedford,
Chairman.
2. Mrs. Thos. D. Lewis, Ascension Church, Amherst.
3. Mrs. K. A. Grandstaff, Emmanuel Church, Bristol.
4. Miss Anzolette Gadsden, R. E. Lee Memorial Church,
Lexington.
5. Mrs. Sam Booker, Christ Church, Martinsville.

VI. COMMITTEE ON CORPORATE GIFT:—

1. Miss Helen Otey, St. John's Church, Wytheville,
Chairman.
2. Mrs. J. W. Kern, R. E. Lee Memorial Church, Lexing-
ton.
3. Mrs. Frank Chaffin, St. John's Church, Wytheville.
4. Miss Flora Whittle, Christ Church, Martinsville.
5. Mrs. John McCleary, Christ Church, Roanoke.

VII. COMMITTEE ON ENLISTING OTHERS:—

1. Mrs. Matt Cox, Emmanuel Church, Bristol, Chair-
man.
2. Mrs. Margaret Ranson, Emmanuel Church, Staunton.
3. Mrs. Osborne, St. Mary's Church, Bluefield.
4. Mrs. C. A. Duncan, Christ Church, Pulaski.
5. Mrs R. W. Dickey, R. E. Lee Memorial Church,,
Lexington.

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VIII. COMMITTEE ON GIFT OF LIFE:—

1. Mrs. John Bladon, St. John's Church, Roanoke, Chairman.
2. Mrs. K. A. Grandstaff, Emmanuel Church, Bristol.
3. Miss Mabel Mansfield, Grace House-on-the-Mountain, St. Paul.

The Secretary read her report. This was followed by the reports of the Treasurer and the U. T. O. Custodian, these reports will be published in full in the "Minutes", or Annual Report.

Mrs. Mingea's inspiring account of the wonderful corporate communion at the first service held on the floor of the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul, Washington at which the United Thank Offering of the women of the church was presented, was read by Mrs. John L. Bladon, of Roanoke.

Mrs. Mingea then showed the checks which have been presented at the three triennial meetings, since our organization as a Diocese.

The adjournment for luncheon took us to the dining room where a delicious luncheon was served by the ladies of the Parish.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mrs. Franklin Hanger, Supply Secretary gave an interesting account of the work of her department which will be published in full.

This report was followed by the reports of Mrs. T. D. Lewis, Educational Secretary of the James River Convocation, Mrs. K. A. Grandstaff, of the New River Convocation, Miss Mary S. Bell, Church Periodical Club, Director, Mrs. John L. Snead, Correspondent of the Southwestern Episcopalian. All of which will be published in full in the Annual Report.

Mrs. Lewis in her report of the General Convention said it was all so fine, so spiritual, but to her mind education was written large on everything at the General Convention. It was not in the forefront, as was often the case but it was distinctly discernable in the background. Great emphasis was placed on the need of information, intelligent study and understanding not only in regard to missionary work, but in all phases of the Church's life.

In the 47 Courses offered by the Institute for study and conference 2700 persons were enrolled. It was certainly inspiring

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to see the eagerness of the women to gain information as to methods and plans to take back to the Diocesan Branches.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Sneed for her efficient work.

Deaconess Binns made an appeal for the needs in her work. These were listened to with great interest.

Further consideration of the appeals of other Diocesan workers was postponed until Thursday morning in order that the delegates might attend a delightful reception given by Rev. & Mrs. Randolph at the Virginia Episcopal School, at which time an opportunity was given to inspect the buildings.

EVENING SERVICE

Bishop Robert Erskine Campbell, Missionary Bishop to Liberia gave us at the 8 o'clock service an account of the people to whom he has been sent. This description made us see them holding out their hands to us for their share of the light God has given us.

THURSDAY

The second day of the Annual Meeting was begun with the celebration of the Holy Communion at 9:30 A. M. Bishop Campbell of Liberia being the celebrant, assisted by Mr. Barnwell.

The business session was called to order by the President and the Minutes of Wednesday's meeting were read and approved. Thirty four branches again responded to Roll Call.

The Diocesan Mission Workers then made their appeals and were generously responded to by the Branches. Four hundred and ninety dollars, besides many boxes of used clothing, quilt pieces, sewing material, candy and oranges for Christmas boxes being pledged for the Mission stations.

Noonday prayer was conducted by Bishop Campbell of Liberia.

The Gifts or Pledge Committee then made their report which was accepted after being amended by adding \$25.00, for a nucleus for a lending library for the educational work of the Auxiliary.

It was moved by Mrs. Koehler of St. John's, Roanoke and seconded by Mrs. Ridout of Christ Church, Roanoke that any surplus in the treasury on Jan. 1, be given to the fund for the proposed school for mountain children. This motion was carried.

The President gave a most interesting report of the business transacted by the Triennial Meeting in Washington.

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In beginning this our ninth annual meeting let us with grateful hearts praise God for His guidance and blessings during another year, realizing that He alone can put into our hearts good desires and by His grace alone can the same be brought to good effect.

We praise Him for such a measure of success as we have known and we pray that our labors in the coming year may be more abundant, our faith clearer, our vision broader that our mistakes may be fewer, that we may have the joy of knowing we are of greater service in the Master's Kingdom than we have been before.

We are rejoiced to report one active new branch at Ivanhoe. It is with pleasure that we state that the Guild of St. John's Church Waynesboro has decided to devote one meeting a month to Auxiliary study and work. The interest and cooperation of all diocesan officers is asked in their behalf.

Your president was unable, owing to illness in her family to make as many visits last summer as usual but has written many letters which have kept her in touch with most of the branches.

The reports of the Secretary, Educational Secretary, Treasurer Supply Secretary and United Thank Offering Custodian will show that most branches are working with increased faithfulness.

Last year at the suggestion of the Vice-President in charge of Education a report page was included in our minutes and sent to officers of each branch with the belief that its use would arouse interest and increase efficiency. We are more than pleased with the interest shown. We hope that there may be suggestions and recommendations offered to your Educational Secretaries or to the Resolutions Committee at this meeting reflecting your feeling concerning its continued use or any additions or changes you may desire.

In this connection let me urge you to increase the efficiency of each committee appointed by giving to them an expression of what you desire them to do. If there is some phase of the work about which you desire information tell the Program committee so they may plan one meeting in the year book to give you what you need. If there is some appeal for help which seems to you as important or more important than the objects listed by our Pledge or Gifts committee—lay your object before the committee that each claim may receive consideration, It will help them. More than this you are urged to place before your nominating committee the names of women who can and will replace those

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of us who have had the privilege and responsibility of serving you in Diocesan offices. We seem to have been particularly unfortunate in the matter of vice presidents.

I have to report the resignation of the first Vice-President, Mrs. J. B. Ecker who was elected at Covington last year and to whom I had confidently looked for a successor this year. She has left Lexington and will probably make her permanent home outside our diocese.

It is with very unusual regret that I report that our second Vice-President, Mrs. Philip C. Pendleton asks to be relieved as at present her home duties absolutely forbid her attempting to continue in office.

I can name at least a dozen women who seem to me well qualified for these offices but whose other duties, condition of health or overdeveloped self depreciation prevents them from accepting office. Will you help the nominating committee by giving to them names of women you feel fitted for office and who would be willing to serve if elected. One of the outstanding events of 1928 for the Woman's Auxiliary of Southwestern Virginia was the visit in June of our Prayer Partner, Miss Hildreth Cronshey of St. Andrew's School, Mayaguez, Porto Rico. I am only sorry she could not visit each branch individually but I was very much gratified that so many women heard her, some going quite a distance to be with the nearest branch she visited.

Those of us who were so fortunate as to hear and meet her think of her as a beloved friend who is doing beautifully a piece of valuable work in the Master's vineyard and for whose continued safety, protection and usefulness we pray spontaneously.

Quite a number of branches responded promptly to the request made last year that you appoint in each branch a representative of the Southwestern Episcopalian and send her name at once to Rev. J. Lewis Gibbs, Box 522, Staunton, Virginia and a representative of the Spirit of Missions and send her name to the Spirit of Missions 281 Fourth Ave., New York City *and help each of them by giving them your subscriptions.*

To those branches who did this *Thank You.* To those who did not will you please make it your first order of business on your return home.

The greatest thing you can do for your diocese next to living a consistent Christian life yourself is to get others to see and know the work the church is doing all over the world and the opportunities for work if only the men and women and money were available. Which brings us naturally to one of the most im-

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portant questions before the church and before the Auxiliary, namely enlisting others. At this point I will speak of it from the angle of enlisting others for work in the Auxiliary.

How are we to reach the uninterested woman and how are we to hold her interest once we have aroused it?

I would say quite frankly that if you invite a woman used to a carefully planned program at her literary club and give her a program that was hastily arranged the night before, or that morning, or (can it be possible?) thrown together after the meeting is opened, with nothing to do about it after those present have *heard*; then the new member may be sympathized with but certainly not blamed if she loses the little flame of interest which brought her to the meeting.

If, however the person in charge of a meeting begins *at least* a month before to arrange topics, who is to take topics, where material for topics can be found etc., in order that every person on the program is brim full of information and enthusiasm on her subject and then when the climax of interest is reached something is *done* about it; your new member cannot be excused if she loses interest but she will not so often lose interest.

And really and truly it will not take a bit more time for the parish president, educational secretary or chairman of program to plan all these things out in proper time than it does to do them at the last minute.

In Washington we were constantly and deeply impressed with the B. Branches.

They acted as ushers at the U. T. O. corporate communion and as ushers and pages at the business sessions of the Auxiliary. One very attractive member of the youngest B Branch in the Diocese read a most graceful address as part of the program presented by the Committee on Enlisting Others. The feeling seemed to be wide spread that we must overcome the loss in the doing away of the Junior Auxiliary as a training school.

I do not feel, as I heard a prominent clergyman in the diocese put it recently, that the young women are more important now than the older women but every time I notice the increase of silver in my locks I realize that they very soon will be more important in this world than I will.

And the concensus of opinion seems to be that we must find something for them to *do*—Christian Social Service sewing for the supply room—a personal box for a missionary—clothes new or serviceable used ones for a mountain girl who is being sent away to school—work for the leper mission. Or they can give a

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play or a pageant. Oh! there are so many things to be done if we only look about us.

And with these younger women and girls the work done will more often than not fire the mind with enthusiasm for the organization which brought them these suggestions and gave them these opportunities for service.

We are appointing two committees to serve until the next annual meeting. The Committee on Enlisting Others will try to help branches to bring to the joy of service in the church the women and girls who are now inactive.

The Committee on the Gift of Life will be charged with the task to help us find the young women in our diocese who may be influenced to offer their lives for—1. Vacation Work. 2. A term of years. 3. A Life of service in extending the Master's Kingdom in the waste places.

For this diocese has not given lives in recent years as freely as it has given money. And that is a weak spot.

Before closing, permit me to say that my appreciation and yours is due unstintedly to the officers who each in her place have worked so faithfully and efficiently toward accomplishing the tasks we have had in hand.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. B. LOVING,
President

Mrs. Loving said the thing which impressed her most at the Triennial Convention was the clearness of the spiritual note. The call to see the Christ and to follow Him, to learn of Him and to do for others *in His Name* was given by Bishop Stevens, who led the Quiet Hour which marked the opening of the Auxiliary meeting. It was reiterated in Bishop Anderson's wonderful sermon on Mt. St. Alban and in the noon-day meditations led by Miss Lindley. It was the one thought of the day of Intercession and it was felt in the discussions in every session of the Auxiliary.

The theme for those sessions was "Christ and the Human Relations," and this theme was considered under eight heads, as follows:

1. Personal Religion and Evangelism. After hearing three speakers and after consideration and discussion, the following resolution was passed.

Be it Resolved, That we each and every one of us return to

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our several dioceses from this meeting praying that all hesitation in witnessing for Christ be taken from our hearts; with a fervent desire to share Him with others and a sincere purpose to carry out the same. Note that Evangelism rests upon the belief that Christ is as necessary for the rest of the world as for us.

II. Missionary Problems:

(a) Domestic. Speakers were heard and resolutions passed pledging interest and co-operation in (1) work done in our own dioceses, (2) health clinics in centers of negro population, (3) interest in foreign-born who may live amongst us, (4) the development of village and country life and the work in all rural fields, (5) co-operation in plans for the rehabilitation of Southern Florida and Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands, (6) that domestic missionary appeals be given in Advance Work program.

(b) Foreign. That dioceses, one or more of whose members are working in foreign mission fields be asked to appoint an officer to keep in touch with those representatives, to know when they may return, when they may be in the diocese, and if their children are in schools or colleges in the diocese look after them, especially during the holidays. Remember them in prayers.

Resolved: That we put ourselves on record as believing that we should use our influence to see that the maintenance of the Church be paid in full.

III. Christianizing Relationships. (a) Acquire intelligent understanding of community problems, (b) help educate public opinion, (c) co-operate with diocesan and civic agencies for Social Service and with other Christian bodies, realizing that this is one way of promoting Christian Unity, (d) realize that responsibility in the field of human relationships is laid upon us by our Lord Himself and that service to Him must include service for others.

IV. Gifts. The Corporate Gift. Change was allowed Bishop Campbell of Liberia as he found it wise to use the \$20,000 given for a hospital in Cape Palmas instead of in Cape Mount as originally planned. The surplus was given, \$5,000 to Bishop Mitchell for a water system for Indian work at Fort Defiance, Arizona, the remainder was given to Bishop Burleson, \$11,000 of which was to complete the Hare Industrial School on the Rosebud Indian Reservation.

It was voted to undertake a Corporate Gift for Advance Work of \$100,000. The first \$25,000 is to be given for a church in

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Santo Domingo. The other objects to be decided by the Executive Board in consultation with Dr. John Wood, Executive Secretary of the Department of Missions. This gift is to be closed by Epiphany 1930, when we will be ready to work under the direction of the National Council in the larger advance work of the whole Church.

V. Religious Education. Resolved, that the Woman's Auxiliary in Triennial Meeting assembled urge a closer and more intelligent co-operation with the department of Religious Education and that we assist the Department in its purpose to have Missionary Education represented on the program of every Church School, Local Conference, or Institute, that we promote subscriptions to "Findings in Religious Education," that we help to make the Birthday Thank Offering for Missions Churchwide, and that we offer our assistance and encouragement to the Church's work in colleges and universities; that the Woman's Auxiliary continue to include in its group of secretaries an educational secretary or secretaries.

VI. Publicity and Promotion. Resolved that a determined effort be made by the Woman's Auxiliary to secure a more intelligent use of the great mass of material relating to subjects upon which the Auxiliary should be informed and which material is already available; that by the use of Missionary Kalendars, Church papers, posters, lectures, lantern slides, simple dramatic plays we give publicity to and promote interest in all phases of missionary work undertaken by the Church.

VII. Training Workers. Resolved that we inform ourselves about the opportunities the Church is opening for trained workers; that we seek out young women who might or should consider missionary work and present to them the claims the Church has upon their abilities and usefulness.

VIII. Enlisting Others. Resolved that we begin with our neighbor or friend who is not in the Church, try to bring her in. If she is in the Church but not active in its work, that we so present its work that she may find in it the joy it has brought to us.

A very important piece of legislation was the adoption of by-laws, the details of which will be given you later.

The following members-at-large were elected to the Executive Board to serve for the next three years: Miss Lucy Sturgis of Massachusetts, Mrs. Harper Sibley of Western New York, Mrs. George Woodward of Pennsylvania, Miss Nannie Hite Winston of Kentucky, Mrs. Alan McGregor of Southern Ohio,

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Mrs. E. J. Randall of Chicago, Mrs. Blair Roberts of South Dakota, Mrs. Robert Burkham of Missouri. The election was completed on the first ballot. Miss Louisa T. Davis of Virginia, provincial member from the Third Province, was elected chairman of the new board.

A message from Miss Mary S. Bell was then read expressing her regret that sickness prevented her attending the meeting.

Miss Anzolette Gadsden, of Lexington, one of the delegates to the Triennial reported on the missionaries that she saw or heard in Washington. This report was very much enjoyed.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Immediately after the meeting was called to order on Thursday afternoon the Committee on Nominations, Mrs. R. S. Koehler, of St. John's, Roanoke, Chairman reported.

The President asked Mrs. A. A. Onthank of St. John's, Lynchburg to take the chair.

There being no other nominations the report was voted on as a whole upon motion of Mrs. McHenry Holliday, of Trinity, Staunton, seconded by Mrs. Rigby of Christiansburg, the following officers being elected:—

Honorary President.....	Mrs. R. C. Jett.....	Roanoke
President.....	Mrs. W. H. B. Loving.....	Roanoke
First Vice-President.....	Miss Helen Otey.....	Wytheville
Second Vice-President.....	Mrs. T. D. Lewis.....	Amherst
Secretary.....	Miss Julia P. Leache.....	Roanoke
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Gordon H. Baker.....	Roanoke
U. T. O. Custodian.....	Mrs. W. E. Mingea.....	Abingdon
Supply Secretary.....	Mrs. Franklin Hanger.....	Staunton
C. P. C. Director.....	Miss Mary S. Bell.....	Lynchburg
Educational Secretary.....	Mrs. Landon Lowry.....	Bedford
James River Convocation.....		
Educational Secretary.....	Mrs. K. A. Grandstaff.....	Bristol
New River Convocation.....		
Correspondent South- western Episcopalian.....	Mrs. John L. Sneed.....	Pulaski

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Mrs. Andrew H. Gemmell of Montvale, Chairman, offered Resolutions, which were passed as follows:—

Resolved: That we wish to express our thankfulness for the inspiration of these Annual Meetings, that the devotional part has been more emphasized this year and for the interest that made possible the great Triennial United Thank Offering.

Resolved: That we place on record our regret at the absence of the Bishop and Mrs. Jett, with sincere thankfulness for Mrs. Jett's improvement from her injuries.

Resolved: That a greater effort be made to interest our young people in missions, particularly by sending them to the educational institutes.

Resolved: That we endorse the recommendation of our educational secretaries.

First, that the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese hold a Diocesan Institute some time during the year—the details of which shall be worked out by the President and the Educational Secretaries.

Second, that the Woman's Auxiliary request the Department of Religious Education of the Diocesan Executive Board to grant the Auxiliary a representative in that department, the appointment to be made upon the nomination of the President of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Third, that we start a Woman's Auxiliary circulating library under the charge of the Educational Secretaries and that the Branches support this object by gifts of money and books.

Resolved: That we express our appreciation to Mrs. Loving and the other officers of the Woman's Auxiliary, for their faithful and efficient work, regretting that Mrs. Philip C. Pendleton has sent in her resignation as Second Vice-President.

Resolved: That we express our appreciation and thanks to St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, the Rector, members of the Auxiliary and Dr. & Mrs. Randolph for the gracious hospitality extended to us while in their Parish.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

MRS. A. H. GEMMELL, *Chairman*

MRS. JAMES RIGBY

MRS. A. B. MASSEY

MRS. FRED HORSELEY

MISS MARY SAUNDERS.

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Miss Gadsden then gave the history of the movement for putting water in the houses of the mission workers. She reported that St. Stephen's Mission, at Nora, Dickenson Co., now had water in the house and that the water supply for Grace-House-on-the-Mountain was the next objective.

The Sweet Briar girls have contributed money to put water and a sink in the kitchen at Bear Mountain Mission and this will be done as soon as the plumber can get at the work.

The Committee on Place of Meeting, Mrs. A. P. Craddock, of Grace Memorial, Lynchburg, Chairman, reported that Trinity, Staunton had extended an invitation to the Auxiliary to meet with them in Oct. 1929. This invitation was accepted.

Mrs. Mingea was granted the floor to express her regret at the indefinite ending of her report. She explained that the Gifts Committee at the Tri-ennial brought in their report so late that there was no time to get it in the hands of the delegates. This information covering all matters in regard to the United Thank Offering 1929-30-31 will be sent to the Custodians as soon as she receives it from the Church Missions House.

Mrs. Mingea speaking for Mrs. Baker and herself in regard to their offices as Treasurer of the Diocese and Treasurer of the United Thank Offering said that they desired to give bond for the faithful performing of their duties. She would ask the advice of the Chancellor of the Diocese on this matter.

The President spoke very feelingly of our Prayer Partner, Miss Hildreth Cronshey, of Porto Rico and her experience during the recent hurricane. She urged that each member send Miss Cronshey one used garment, and that we call attention in the parishes to the offering to be made on Nov. 18th, for the rehabilitation of Porto Rico and Southern Florida.

Mrs. John L. Bladon, of Roanoke, Chairman of the Committee on "Gift of Life" made a request that members of the Auxiliary support the work of the Committee by their prayers, and this was pledged by a rising vote.

The meeting adjourned after the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Barnwell.

JULIA P. LEACHE,
Diocesan Secretary

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA

Number of Branches..... 44

Number of Members approximate..... 1013

The "Minutes" or Annual Report was prepared and sent out during February and March to every Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese, to Diocesan and Provincial officers and to all mission workers in the Diocese.

Number Report Blanks sent out..... 45

Number copies of Minutes mailed..... 182

Letters written..... 129

Mimeographed letters and cards..... 204

Expense for postage, materials and mimeographing. \$12.24

Respectfully submitted,

JULIA P. LEACHE,

Diocesan Secretary

TRIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

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

1926 — 1927 — 1928

	Amount	Total
1926—Abingdon—St. Thomas.....	\$ 19.19	
1927—Abingdon—St. Thomas.....	13.22	
1928—Abingdon—St. Thomas.....	22.87	
		\$ 55.28
1926—Altavista—St. Peters.....	34.91	
1927—Altavista—St. Peters.....	8.30	
1928—Altavista—St. Peters.....	38.00	
		81.21
1926—Amherst—Ascension.....	47.10	
1927—Amherst—Ascension.....	74.45	
1928—Amherst—Ascension.....	67.34	
		188.89

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1926—Amherst—Christ Mission.....	\$ 10.00
1927—Amherst—Christ Mission.....	9.00
1928—Amherst—Christ Mission.....	5.00

	\$ 24.00
1926—Arrington—Trinity.....	24.00
1927—Arrington—Trinity.....	26.00
1928—Arrington—Trinity.....	34.75

	84.75
1926—Bedford—St. Johns.....	19.12
1927—Bedford—St. Johns.....	22.20
1928—Bedford—St. Johns.....	50.00

	91.32
1926—Big Stone Gap—Christ's Church.....	27.24
1927—Big Stone Gap—Christ's Church.....	36.15
1928—Big Stone Gap—Christ's Church.....	6.03

	69.42
1926—Blacksburg—Christ's Church.....	57.08
1927—Christ's Church.....	104.90
1928—Blacksburg—Christ's Church.....	79.72

	241.70
1926—Bluefield, Va.—St. Mary's.....	9.04
1927—Bluefield, Va.—St. Mary's.....	12.42
1928—Bluefield, Va.—St. Mary's.....	8.00

	29.46
1926—Bristol—Emmanuel.....	78.50
1927—Bristol—Emmanuel.....	73.35
1928—Bristol—Emmanuel.....	90.00

	241.85
1926—Callaway—St. Peters.....	20.00
1927—Callaway—St. Peters.....	20.00
1928—Callaway—St. Peters.....	20.00

	40.00
1926—Christiansburg—St. Thomas.....	84.01
1927—Christiansburg—St. Thomas.....	108.50
1928—Christiansburg—St. Thomas.....	89.50

	282.01
1926—Clifford—St. Mark's.....	11.18
1927—Clifford—St. Mark's.....	12.05
1928.....	_____
	23.23
1926—Clifton Forge—St. Andrew.....	35.37
1927—Clifton Forge—St. Andrew.....	27.82
1928—Clifton Forge—St. Andrew.....	12.15

	75.34

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1926—Covington—Emmanuel.....	\$ 29.90	
1927—Covington—Emmanuel.....	27.83	

		\$ 57.73
1926—Dante—St. Mark's.....	87.28	
1927—Dante—St. Mark's.....	99.75	
1928—Dante—St. Mark's.....	138.43	

		325.46
1926—Evington—Good Shepherd.....	11.00	
1927—Evington—Good Shepherd.....	18.66	
1928—Evington—Good Shepherd.....	13.00	

		42.66
1926—Lexington A—R. E. L. Memorial.....	185.36	
1927—Lexington A—R. E. L. Memorial.....	130.15	
1928—Lexington A—R. E. L. Memorial.....	177.00	

		492.51
1926—Lexington B—R. E. L. Memorial.....	115.12	
1927—Lexington B—R. E. L. Memorial.....	132.71	
1928—Lexington B—R. E. L. Memorial.....	138.22	

		386.05
1926—Lynchburg—Grace.....	142.14	
1927—Lynchburg—Grace.....	25.00	

		167.14
1926—Lynchburg—St. Paul's.....	547.50	
1927—Lynchburg—St. Paul's.....	585.96	
1928—Lynchburg—St. Paul's.....	589.52	

		1722.98
1926—Lynchburg—St. John's.....	454.54	
1927—Lynchburg—St. John's.....	430.20	
1928—Lynchburg—St. John's.....	286.99	

		1171.73
1926—Marion—Christ's.....		
1927—Marion—Christ's.....	16.30	
1928—Marion—Christ's.....	9.00	

		25.30
1926—Martinsville I—Christ's Church.....	34.00	
1927—Martinsville I—Christ's Church.....	50.00	
1928—Martinsville I—Christ's Church.....	42.00	

		126.00
1926—Martinsville II—Christ's Church.....	34.17	
1927—Martinsville II—Christ's Church.....	32.70	
1928—Martinsville II—Christ's Church.....	34.84	

		101.71

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1926—Norton—All Saints.....	\$ 14.00
1927—Norton—All Saints.....	14.00
1928—Norton—All Saints.....	

1926—Pulaski—Christ's Church.....	47.50
1927—Pulaski—Christ's Church.....	76.08
1928—Pulaski—Christ's Church.....	98.31

	221.89
1926—Richlands—Trinity House.....	5.00
	5.00
1926—Roanoke—St. Peter's.....	29.60
1927—Roanoke—St. Peter's.....	18.00
1928—Roanoke—St. Peter's.....	37.30

1926—Roanoke—St. John's.....	234.83
1927—Roanoke—St. John's.....	365.90
1928—Roanoke—St. John's.....	424.52

	84.90
1926—Roanoke—Christ's.....	212.30
1927—Roanoke—Christ's.....	180.39
1928—Roanoke—Christ's.....	171.70

	1025.25
1926—Rocky Mount—Trinity.....	34.48
1927—Rocky Mount—Trinity.....	41.60
1928—Rocky Mount—Trinity.....	33.63

	564.39
1926—Salem—St. Paul's.....	94.30
1927—Salem—St. Paul's.....	113.12
1928—Salem—St. Paul's.....	141.36

	109.71
1926—Staunton—Trinity.....	164.84
1927—Staunton—Trinity.....	151.10
1928—Staunton—Trinity.....	182.52

	348.78
1926—Staunton—Emmanuel.....	59.65
1927—Staunton—Emmanuel.....	74.90
1928—Staunton—Emmanuel.....	65.85

	498.46
1926—Wytheville I—St. John's.....	105.00
1927—Wytheville I—St. John's.....	132.00
1928—Wytheville I—St. John's.....	143.14

	200.40
1926—Wytheville II—St. John's.....	19.10
1927—Wytheville II—St. John's.....	28.00
1928—Wytheville II—St. John's.....	36.55

	380.14

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1926—Montvale—St. Mark's.....	\$ 13.95	
1927—Montvale—St. Mark's.....	28.00	
1928—Montvale—St. Mark's.....	21.75	
		63.70
1928—Boonesboro—Trinity.....	12.70	12.70
1928—Bedford—St. Phillip's.....	5.00	5.00
1928—Lynchburg—Good Shepherd.....	5.00	5.00
1926—Deaconess Adams.....	5.00	
1927—Deaconess Adams.....		
1928—Deaconess Adams.....	4.50	
		9.50
1927—Isabella Mason.....	5.00	5.00
1925—Corporate Communion.....	14.12	
1926—Corporate Communion.....	36.02	
1927—Corporate Communion.....	17.50	
		67.64
1926—Interest.....	48.61	
1927—Interest.....	180.60	
1928—Interest.....	217.19	
		446.40
Total.....		\$10,313.21
Check to Lewis B. Franklin.....		10,313.21

PRESENTED AT THE CORPORATE COMMUNION
OF THE
WOMEN OF THE CHURCH OF THE CATHEDRAL OF
ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL,

Signed: WASHINGTON, D. C.
FANNIE T. MINGEA

DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA
DIOCESAN OFFICES
P. O. Box 1068
PHONE 4189
ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

February 8, 1929

Mrs. W. H. B. Loving, President,
Woman's Auxiliary,
Diocese of Southwestern Virginia,
Roanoke, Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Loving:—

As provided in the by-laws of your organization, I have examined the books of Mrs. W. E. Mingea, Custodian of the United Thank Offering, for the Triennium just past—1926-1927-1928.

Herewith is your copy of Mrs. Mingea's Triennial Report, which I have checked against her receipt stubs, cash account and ledger.

The credits to the various churches, as shown in the report, are correct.

The check to Mr. Lewis B. Franklin, Treasurer of the National Council, for \$10,313.21 is correct and represents the total of the Custodian's receipts during the Triennium, as indicated by the original receipt stubs and the bank pass book.

Faithfully yours,
THOS. A. SCOTT, Treasurer

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THE REPORT OF THE U. T. O. CUSTODIAN—1928

We gathered together for our Triennial Corporate Communion and the presentation of the United Thank Offering in the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul at Washington. There were women from 107 dioceses, three thousand and more.

A very beautiful program of prayers and hymns and meditation had been arranged to be used by those arriving so very long before the service at 8 o'clock. Hymn, "O Master, let me walk with Thee in lowly paths of service free." Then a meditation. Hymn, "Lord, speak to me that I may speak," then a second meditation. Hymn, "Oh, for a closer walk with God," then a third meditation.

At eight o'clock promptly the cathedral choir of men and boys singing the processional hymn, "As With Gladness Men of Old," preceded through a vast crowd of women, then up to the main floor of the cathedral followed by the bishops, who were either to take part in the service or to sit within the chancel.

Then, all kneeling, came the beautiful hymn, "Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove."

There were three thousand women on the main floor of the cathedral and overflow services in three chapels, and many hundreds in the open amphitheatre, singing hymns. This, I understand, was through the thoughtfulness of the Church Army.

Bishop Murray was the celebrant, assisted by Bishop Freeman of Washington and Bishop Lloyd, of New York, and seven Missionary Bishops. Bishop Murray used the Communion service found in the new prayer book and celebrated from the Jerusalem Altar. The missionary bishops celebrated from the side altars. Bishop Freeman made a short address explaining how Bishop Satterlee had conceived the idea of this almost completed cathedral, and in fact, the entire cathedral close. This, our United Thank Offering service, was the first to be held within its walls. There was no sermon, and the offering came immediately.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant," I am sure was in the heart of every woman there when the strains of "Holy Offerings, Rich and Rare" seemed to ascend to heaven.

The young women of the Auxiliary acted as ushers and received the offering. It was a very impressive sight to see these women go about their task so quietly, dressed in white cassock, purple breast ribbons, and college caps; still more inspiring when they stood at the chancel rail and deposited the little purple

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bags filled to overflowing with the thank offering. The beautiful gold alms basin became so heavy that it took many willing hands to lift it and place it on the altar. Woman's Gift for Woman's Work.

\$10,313.21 *you* women had in that great offering and all the love and thankfulness that went with it.

Three thousand women knelt at the altar rail, three thousand women receiving new strength to go forth and gather the next thank offering.

"May we go forth in love that shall not cease
To work and pray that all may know Thy peace."

REPORT OF SUPPLY SECRETARY—NOVEMBER 7TH, 1928

The Supply Secretary wishes to report that she attended the meeting of the Supply Secretaries of the various Dioceses of the Church, which met for conference on October 17th in Washington.

The meeting was well attended and the reports were most interesting, coming as they did from dioceses great and small, with various methods of making allotments and of financing their work. But all agreed as to the need of this particular department of the Church's work.

The missionaries present expressed great appreciation for the services rendered, and made many helpful suggestions, especially those from foreign fields.

The questions brought out in the discussion were—

WHY the Supply Department

Is it to be a permanent Department of the Church's work?

Has it a real educational value?

How best financed?

Should "used garments" be valued?

This Diocese has accepted our complete allotment for the year 1928-29, including both Advent and Lenten work, and is as follows:

Personal Boxes.

Rev. Edward S. Barlow, South Waco Street, Weatherford, Texas.

Rev. H. P. J. Selinger, Chadron, Nebraska. (Western Nebraska).

Christmas Boxes.

Miss Marjorie Francis Gasele, San Juan Mission Hospital, Farmington, New Mexico.

The Secretary is very grateful for co-operation given her at

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all times and especially so to have this Department included in the Yearly budget.

As the report of this department is a long one, and cannot be given in full at the Annual meeting, it has been decided best to have same published in full in the Southwestern Episcopalian.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FRANKLIN HANGER

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Educational Secretary for James River Convocation begs to submit the following report:

Approximate number of letters sent out
during the year 75

Approximate number of replies 55

The Diocesan Programs were sent out to the branches in January and other literature when available.

A report of Missionary work in the Associate Mission Field, written by Mrs. Loving, was gotten out in typewritten form and copies sent to all the branches.

A questionnaire was sent out to each branch in October to obtain information regarding the works accomplished during the year.

These replies indicated that the Diocesan Programs were used generally throughout the Convocation, that mission study classes were conducted by a large majority of the branches but that few of them sent representatives to Sweet Briar Summer School.

The financial report is as follows:

Bal. on hand Oct. 1927 \$4.00

Discount on literature for year ending Oct. 1928. 2.73

Total \$6.73

Total amount expended for postage, stationary,
phone call, typewriting \$7.95

Total deficit 1.22

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE K. LEWIS,

Educational Secretary for James River Convocation.

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REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY
FOR THE NEW RIVER CONVOCATION

In giving an account of my stewardship for the year just closed I have much to regret and much to be thankful for. It was a keen disappointment not to be able physically to visit the branches and meet the women personally and to observe the work that is being so splendidly carried on by them, but from time to time I made mental excursions to them all and tried to visualize their meetings in the hope that my letters to them would convey my personal interest and that the literature sent would help them to carry out the educational program of the Church.

The New River Convocation has 24 branches with a membership upward of 500.

Last year I had to report 5 branches not functioning. This year 3 of the 5 are doing good work, one of which made a report that rivals the most active branch in the Convocation. Next year we hope to be one hundred per cent.

Most of the branches have used the year book and have found it a practical help in preparing monthly programs.

The real test and status of the progress of religious education is to be found in the reaction of the women to the Diocesan and General Church programs.

I candidly believe that it is "Day Break" every where, for the women have made a serious study of all subjects presented to them. A Church Awake, the C. P. C. play, Bishop Rowe's thirty years in Alaska and many other subjects were most thoroughly studied by many branches.

A goodly number went to Sweet Briar in June and also to Roanoke in January to attend the Institute at Christ Church conducted by Mrs. Herndon of Bethlehem, Pa.

Our prayer partner, Miss Hildreth Cronshey, was a visitor to many of our branches this summer giving informative talks about her work in Porto Rico. When a guest of Emmanuel branch Bristol, delegations came from Big Stone Gap, Dante and Abingdon to hear her.

This convocation was represented at the General Convention of the Church, held in Washington, by several of our Diocesan officers, and, most of the branches expect to send delegates to the Annual meeting in St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

In closing I wish to urge the importance of adult education and I am praying for a united effort in this work during the next triennium under the banner of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Very respectfully submitted,

(MRS. K. A.) JULIET W. GRANDSTAFF,
Ed. Sec'y. for New River Convocation.

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REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE
SOUTHWESTERN EPISCOPALIAN

Your Correspondent has sent in material for thirteen numbers of the Southwestern Episcopalian since the last Annual Meeting. She has sent postal cards to every branch in the diocese at least once, and to two-thirds of them, twice. Some were received in stony silence, some were answered at once.

It is a sad fact that your correspondent has not the spirit of divination, or she would visit each branch as a spirit or ghost, and then she could learn what some of them are doing. She might as well live on Mars, however, for all she knows about some of the branches. Please recognize her limitations, and send her some bits of news occasionally.

Your correspondent again wishes to thank Mr. Gibbs for his unfailing patience and courtesy. It has been most interesting and pleasant to work with him.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. JOHN L.) ELIZABETH JOHNSTON SNEED,

REPORT OF THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB
FOR THE YEAR—1928

Your Director of the Church Periodical Club submits her report with a feeling of some encouragement,—the statistical report is not complete owing to the fact that a number of the questionnaires sent out to the branches were not returned—but with all—it is better than last year—but far from the Standard that it should reach.

Three new branches have been formed, prominent among them is Dante—since February 1928 this Branch has given to Miners and Mountaineers fifteen hundred magazines, it is hard to estimate the real good that has gone out to these people through these magazines, and Dante is to be congratulated for its good work.

Another outstanding work for the year has been the interest taken in the Community Libraries, notable among the Churches having an interest—are St. Paul's, Salem and St. John's Lynchburg.

St. John's, Wytheville follows in contributing a number of books this year.

One branch, Christ Church of Blacksburg, sends out yearly one thousand Christmas Cards these with their message of good

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cheer go as far away as Alaska.

Let me ask the Branches, in case there are any magazines discontinued, that they notify their Parish Secretary who will in turn notify your Director.

And now a word about the postal rates—the high rates were reduced July 1st of the present year, with this—it is hoped that there will be an increase in the number of magazines sent out from willing hearts and hands to glad receivers.

Thanking the Branches for their co-operation, and with the prayer, that the Service of the Church, Periodical Club—will expand—and be a method of extending Christ's Kingdom upon the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY S. BELL,

Director 74

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

Statistical Report—

No. of Branches.....	20
Current Periodicals sent regularly.....	257
Magazines sent in bulk to hospitals and reading rooms.....	5860
Books sent to Libraries.....	264
Christmas and Easter Cards.....	1000
Victrola Records.....	10

Financial Statement—

From The Woman's Auxiliary S. West, Va.....	\$60.00
Expenditures—Postage.....	2.00
Sent to Executive Secretary for Boone Library—	
Wuching China.....	60.00
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Bal. on hand.....	0

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The Budget for 1929

Expense Fund.....	\$ 500.00
President's Emergency Fund.....	120.00
Support of a Boy at Covington.....	300.00
Bishop's Educational Fund.....	450.00
Education of a Mt. Boy (Miss Davis).....	150.00
Education of a Mt. Girl (Deaconess Williams).....	100.00
Mrs. Wilkins Educational Work.....	100.00
Support of Kuling School, China.....	100.00
Rev. Hubard Lloyd (O. O. M.).....	300.00
Care of Tubercular Child Fort Yukon, Alaska.....	60.00
Our Prayer Partner.....	25.00
Church Periodical Club.....	60.00
Supply Department.....	50.00
Seaman's Church Institute (Tuberculosis Hospital, Arizona).....	50.00
Work among the Blind.....	25.00
Bear Mountain Mission (Miss Ella Pier).....	25.00
Water Fund (Wyoming Mission).....	35.00
Bishop Campbell, Liberia.....	40.00
Tonsil Operations, Pilot Knob, Strattan.....	40.00
Delegates Fund to General Convention.....	70.00
Library Fund.....	25.00
 Total.....	\$2,625.00

TREASURER'S REPORT
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA
JANUARY 1, 1928 TO JANUARY 1, 1929

	RECEIPTS	Pledges	Specials
Abingdon.....	\$ 35.00	\$ 15.00	
Altavista.....	10.00		
Amherst.....	35.00		
Amherst—Christ Mission.....			
Bedford.....	30.00		
Big Stone Gap.....	25.00		
Blacksburg.....	35.00		
Bluefield.....	15.00	15.00	

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Boonesboro		\$ 60.00	\$ 20.00
Bristol			
Callaway—St. Peters in the Mountain		30.00	40.00
Christiansburg		30.00	40.00
Clifford		5.00	
Clifton Forge		20.00	7.00
Covington		81.25	215.00
Dante		90.00	256.00
Evington		1.75	5.00
Lexington—Section "A"		80.00	225.35
Lexington—Section "B"		50.00	115.50
Lynchburg—St. Johns		350.00	705.00
Lynchburg—St. Pauls		600.00	1,202.60
Lynchburg—Good Shepherd			
Marion		21.43	
Martinsville—1st Circle		45.00	15.00
Martinsville—2nd Circle		54.00	10.00
Montvale		10.00	
Nelson Parish—Trinity		25.00	20.00
Norton			
Pulaski		75.00	10.00
Roanoke—Christ		200.00	90.00
Roanoke—St. Johns		150.00	50.00
Roanoke—St. Peters		10.00	10.00
Rocky Mount		50.00	
Salem		90.00	10.00
Saltville			
Staunton—Emmanuel		60.00	
Staunton—Trinity		150.00	55.00
St. Paul—Grace House		5.00	
Wytheville—1st Circle		76.00	51.00
Wytheville—2nd Circle		15.00	
Total from Branches		\$2,589.43	\$3,142.45
Balance from 1927		467.46	
Cash from sale of Gold and Silver			15.25
Corporate Gift			379.50
Special offering } (Miss Mansfield.	\$23.91		
at Lynchburg } (Bishop Campbell.	60.28		84.19
		\$3,056.89	\$3,621.39

DISBURSEMENTS

1928

	Pledges	Specials
*Expenses	\$ 546.05	
President's Emergency Fund	120.00	
Support of Boy at Covington	300.00	
Bishop's Educational Fund	450.00	
Education of Mountain Boy (Miss Davis)	150.00	
Education of Mountain Girl (Deaconess Williams)	100.00	
Mrs. Wilkins' Educational work	50.00	

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	Pledges	Specials
New Diocesan School.....	150.00	
Support of Kuling School—China.....	100.00	
Rev. Hubbard Lloyd—Japan.....	300.00	
Care of child at Fort Yukon—Alaska.....	60.00	
Miss Hildreth Cronshay—Porto Rico.....	25.00	
Church Periodical Club.....	60.00	
Supply Department.....	50.00	
Araki San, Tokio, Japan.....	100.00	
Rev. Amos Goddard.....	85.00	
Specials as directed by Parish Branches.....		\$3,142.45
Corporate Gift—Mrs. Chas. R. Pancoast.....		379.50
Special to Miss Mansfield (Lynchburg offering).....		23.91
Lewis B. Franklin for St. Margaret's, Tokio.....		15.25
 Total.....	\$2,646.05	\$3,561.11
Balance on hand December 31, 1928.....	410.84	60.28

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. GORDON H. BAKER, *Treasurer*

*EXPENSES

Officers.....	\$155.12
Expense speakers at Lynchburg.....	74.60
Printing.....	166.20
Central Fund.....	10.00
Synodical Dues.....	5.00
Expenses of Educational Institute.....	59.43
Traveling expenses of Miss Cronshay.....	45.00
50 copies General Church Program.....	15.00
Expense of Program Committee.....	15.70
 \$546.05	

CORPORATE GIFT

	1926	1927	1928	Total
Clifton Forge.....	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 6.00
Nelson Parish.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00
Big Stone Gap.....	8.00	.....	.....	8.00
Dante.....	25.00	25.00	25.00	75.00
Roanoke—Christ.....	25.00	25.00	25.00	75.00
Salem.....	5.00	.....	5.00	10.00
Wytheville—2nd Circle.....	5.00	10.00	15.00	30.00
Saltville.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00
Keokee.....	7.70	.....	.....	7.70
Evington.....	3.00	5.00	.....	8.00
Lynchburg—Grace.....	25.00	.....	.....	25.00
Staunton—Trinity.....	25.00	5.00	35.00	65.00
Bristol.....	20.00	5.05	.....	25.05
Lexington—Section "A".....	.....	29.50	.....	29.50
Wytheville—1st Circle.....	.....	5.00	70.00	75.00
Roanoke—St. Johns.....	.....	35.00	65.00	100.00
Montvale.....	.....	2.50	2.50	5.00
Martinsville—2nd Circle.....	5.00	5.00
St. Paul—Grace House.....	5.00	5.00
Bedford.....	15.00	15.00

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	1926	1927	1928	Total
Covington.....	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Roanoke—St. Peters.....	5.00	5.00
Bluefield.....	6.50	6.50
Christiansburg.....	5.00	5.00	10.00
Amherst.....	2.00	.....	2.00
Lexington—Section "B".....	50.00	50.00
Lynchburg—St. Pauls.....	50.00	50.00
Abingdon.....	15.00	15.00
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	\$160.70	\$195.55	\$366.50	\$722.75

CORPORATE GIFT FOR 1929 TO 1930

Amherst.....	\$ 1.00
Evington.....	2.00
Lynchburg—St. J.....	.....	10.00
Total.....	.....	\$13.00

DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA

PHONE 4189

DIOCESAN OFFICES

P. O. Box 1068

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

January 21, 1929

Mrs. W. H. B. Loving, President,
Woman's Auxiliary,

Diocese of Southwestern Virginia,
Roanoke, Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Loving:

Complying with Article II of the By-Laws of your organization, I have examined the books of Mrs. Gordon H. Baker, Treasurer of the Auxiliary, for the year 1928, and I find:

1. The records have been kept most carefully and accurately, and agree exactly with the bank account.
2. Postings from the daily cash record (account of original entry) to the ledger accounts of the various churches are correct.
3. "Specials", with the exception of the one item on the books at the end of the year as shown in the tabulation below, have been remitted and to the proper persons.
4. All checks for the year bear proper endorsements.
5. Following is a brief summary for the year:

	Balances Jan. 1, 1928	Receipts 1928	Disburse- ments		Balances Dec. 31, 1928
			1928	1928	
Pledges Account.....	\$ 467.46	\$2,589.43		\$2,646.05	\$ 410.84
Specials—					
Regular.....		3,142.45		3,142.45	
Offerings at Lynchburg					
For Miss Mansfield..		23.91		23.91	
For Bishop Campbell		60.28			60.28
Corporate Gift.....		379.50		379.50	
Sale of Gold and Silver.		15.25		15.25	
Totals.....	\$ 467.46	\$6,210.82		\$6,207.16	\$ 471.12

Faithfully yours,
THOS. A. SCOTT, Treasurer.

**STANDARD BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA**

Points									Points
10	1	At least 8 Meetings a Year—Dates							
10	2	Prayer Service at every Meeting Missionary Information at every Meeting	P. S.						
10	3	Southwestern Episcopalian Spirit of Missions used		M. I.					
10	4	Christian Social Service done.							
10	5	Corporate Communion at least once a year—Dates							
10	6	Collection of United Thank Offering twice a year	Spring		Fall				
10	7	Supply Work once a year—Date							
10	8	Contribution Church Periodical Club	Magazines Monthly	Magazines Bulk	Cards				
10	9	Contribution to Diocesan Pledges Contribution to Woman's Aux. Corporate gift Contribution to Specials					D. P.		
10	10	Attendance upon an Educational Conference Attendance upon Annual Meeting					W. A. C. G.		
100	10	Branch Address					Specials		
								Total	

Check your Branch by this standard and send by your delegate to annual Meeting.
Do not write in spaces under "Points."

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