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CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.

The name of this Society shall be "The Spokane Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions."

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society shall be, by means of union and systematic effort, to diffuse missionary information, to increase missionary activity among women of the Diocese, to unite previously existing Parochial Branches of the Auxiliary, and to encourage the formation of societies where there are none.

ARTICLE III.

All baptized women belonging to the Diocese who desire to become members of this Society, shall be so regarded upon the payment of ten (10) cents per annum to the Diocesan Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice Presidents (the Presidents of all organized Parish Branches), a Secretary, a Treasurer, a United Offering Treasurer, Junior Secretary, Educational Secretary and Secretary of the Babies' Branch.

ARTICLE V.

The President shall call all meetings and preside over the same.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. The duties of the Secretary shall be to give notice of meetings and keep a record of them; to conduct the correspondence with Parochial Secretaries and with the General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary; to keep a record of the "boxes" contributed by Parochial Branches or individual members of the Auxiliary; and to prepare an annual report for circulation in the Diocese.

Section 2. The Treasurer, under the direction of the President, shall receive and disburse all general funds sent for any Branch or Missionary work, or for the expenses of the Society. She shall keep a record of these and of funds received and disbursed by Parish Branches, accepting receipts therefor from Parish Secretaries. She shall present a full report at the annual meeting, and shall furnish the same to the Secretary to be incorporated in the annual report.

ARTICLE VII.

Every Parish with a society or societies working for missions, shall be entitled to four delegates, who, with the general officers, shall constitute the Executive Board. The first named of these four shall be the Corresponding Secretary for the Parish Branch.

ARTICLE VIII.

All the officers of this Society shall form a council for the purpose of

devising means to interest the women of the Diocese not already interested in the purposes of the Auxiliary, and (with the approval of the clergyman in charge) to encourage the formation of Parochial Branches in Parishes where there are none.

ARTICLE IX.

All Parish Guilds and Societies desiring it, shall be considered Branches of the Auxiliary upon the payment of the yearly Diocesan dues of ten (10) cents per capita, and \$1.00 from the treasury of each Parish Branch. They shall be expected to meet and do Auxiliary work during Lent; and will then send reports of money collected and work done. Delegates from all such societies will be expected at the general meetings of the Diocesan Auxiliary.

ARTICLE X.

This organization shall hold its annual meeting at the time and place of the annual convocation of the District and shall be presided over by the Diocesan officers.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

To the Woman's Auxiliary of the District of Spokane:

It is with much pleasure, my dear friends of the Auxiliary, that I welcome you here today. Though a newcomer and a stranger to most of you, it is as friends that we meet, for our common bond of Auxiliary work for many years, though in widely separated districts, has made us such. In whatever part of this vast United States we live our Auxiliary aims are all the same. We pray the same prayers, we study the same subjects, we give to and work for the same objects. We are laboring for the one great end—to spread Christ's Kingdom throughout the world.

Our work is strongest when it comprehends the three definite means: prayer, study, gifts. It has always seemed to me that they follow each other in natural succession. Let us take an example: In the Sanctuary of Missions in the "Spirit of Missions" we see the petition, "Pray for a blessing upon the educational work in Japan." After we have used the prayer we think to ourselves, "what educational work is our church doing in Japan?" We turn again to our "Spirit of Missions" and find an article on St. John's Orphanage—Osaka. We read it. It proves entertaining as well as enlightening. We find that a child can be supported at the Orphanage for thirty dollars a year. We think a great deal about this splendid work and wonder if our Auxiliary could raise that amount for the support of a child there. It ends in our sending the money, with our prayers and the request that they tell us more about this work. So, you see, we prayed, we studied, we gave and while we were praying and

studying and giving our sympathies were enlarged. We learned the part that sin and suffering are playing in the world. We saw into the lives of noble, self-sacrificing men and women, and we have come to feel that it was a privilege to do what we have done and we ought to thank God that even in this small way we are allowed to help in this work which is doing so much for the women and children of Japan. Therefore shall we not see to it that no one of the three means is neglected in the particular branch for which we are responsible.

It is always necessary to speak a word for renewed interest in the United Offering. This is our only voluntary gift, dear women. We are assigned our apportionment, we are asked to contribute to missionary boxes, we pledge so much for Diocesan Missions, but the pennies or dollars in our little mite boxes are as much or as little as we each individually choose. It is a gift of women to women. A loving gift to help women workers and to care for disabled workers. The disposition of this offering—"rich and rare"—after it has been presented at the altar, is decided entirely by the women. Sometimes the United Offering is given in the form of a birthday gift, and surely there is no more appropriate time for a thank offering than our birthdays. The amount of your offering from all the branches in this District in 1910 was two hundred (\$200.00) dollars. Are we going to be able to exceed that amount this tri-ennial? The best results come from gathering in of the contents of the blue boxes at least once a year by each Parish United Offering Treasurer and turning the money over to the Diocesan United Offering Treasurer to be by her put out at interest until the next tri-ennial. Perhaps the annual meeting each year would be the most appropriate time for this. How I wish it were in the heart of every woman here this afternoon to ask our United Offering Treasurer for a blue box that she might share in this beautiful gift which will be presented at the United Offering service on October 9th at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. I sincerely hope that every Auxiliary woman will some day (if she has not already had the privilege) be able to attend this most wonderful service. The inspiration gained and the spiritual help received will go far to help us over many of the difficulties in our work.

We have a great problem in this vast missionary district whose area is 43,000 square miles and population 409,904 souls. There are now eleven branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, four of which are here in Spokane. Can we not increase this number and extend the work farther to the north and northwest before another year? This will need individual work. Our good secretary writes letters and letters, many of which are never answered; but if every woman could carry some enthusiasm from this meeting to her home and determine that she will strengthen the Auxiliary in her Parish or start one if there is none there already, I have no fear but that our strength and our numbers will be increased. Miss Emery's hope for the Auxiliary is that it will be the leaven winning person after person till the church fulfil the name given her—"The Missionary Society with its field the World."

It has been suggested—and meets the approval of the Bishop—that next year we have here in Spokane a monthly intercessory prayer service for missions to be held in the different churches of the city. Cannot this be done in other cities? I am sure your clergyman would be delighted if you would ask him for such a service.

I am sorry that there are not more Junior Branches. Those we have are doing splendidly under their faithful Secretary. I wish it were possible to interest more young people in the Junior work. There seems to be no work at all in the Babies' Branch. This is such a lovely institu-

tion, which enlists our little ones from their very baptism as active members of the Auxiliary. Does not some one want to take up this work—that our organization may be complete in its three departments? Different Baby Branches have done such beautiful things in helping the kindergartens of Japan—in giving fonts to poor little mission churches—while at the same time the baby is taught to give and to lisp the little prayer, “God bless the missionaries all over the world and all the little helpers.”

Of all things it seems to me that willingness is the most necessary in Auxiliary work. Be willing workers—my dear friends—ready to give of your time and your means, ready to pray, ready to study, ready to work—that sweet willingness which says:

“Oh use me, Lord, use even me
Just as thou wilt, and when and where.”

E. M. WHITLEY.

May 22, 1913.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of of the Spokane Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in Trinity Church, Spokane, on May 22nd, following two days of convocation.

The morning session began at 10:30 with the celebration of the Holy Communion. The Rev. A. F. Randall, rector of Holy Trinity Church, was the celebrant, assisted by the Rev. H. T. Archbold and the Rev. Robt. S. Gill. Bishop Wells preached a beautiful sermon and took for his text one particularly fitted to the work of the Woman's Auxiliary—“She Hath Done What She Could.” He drew comparisons from the story of Mary and the anointing of her Lord to the work of church women today. The lesson of loving and humble service that met its reward in the commendation of the Master was one that sank very tenderly into all hearts. The special music rendered by Holy Trinity Church choir—especially the solo, “Just As I Am,” by Miss Ruth Webb, added greatly to the beauty of the service.

Luncheon was served by the Trinity ladies and 125 persons sat down at the tables in Minturn Hall—the new parish house—to partake of a bounteous repast. Delegates were present from many out of town parishes and the city churches were all well represented.

The afternoon session began at two o'clock with the singing of a hymn and the Rev. Mr. Randall offered prayer. Roll call of parishes and delegates followed, the following branches being represented: All Saints', Spokane; St. Paul's, Walla Walla; St. John's, Spokane; Grace Church, Ellensburg; Holy Trinity, Spokane; St. Peter's, Spokane; St. James', Prosser; St. James', Spokane. St. James', Pullman; St. David's and St. Thomas', Spokane.

There was a very able address by the Rev. C. E. Tuke of Walla Walla on general missionary work and the place of the Woman's Auxiliary which was full of helpful and timely suggestions. Our president's ad-

dress, printed in full, on another page, followed. Reports were read from the Diocesan Secretary, the Treasurer, United Offering Treasurer and Junior Secretary. Five minute addresses followed upon these subjects: "My ideal of the Woman's Auxiliary," prepared by Mrs. W. H. Cline of Sunnyside and read by Mrs. C. E. Tuke of Walla Walla; "The relation of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Other Organizations of the Parish," Mrs. C. K. Merriam of Spokane; "Study Classes or Program Meetings," Mrs. Wilson Johnston and the "Value of the Junior Department," Mrs. H. S. Collins.

A unanimous vote of thanks was extended to the ladies of Trinity Church for their kind hospitality and delightful luncheon.

The constitution was read and with a few minor changes as to wording was adopted unanimously. It is to be found elsewhere in this report.

The nominating committee which had been appointed at the morning session consisting of Mrs. Becher, Miss Bailey, Mrs. A. B. Kent, Mrs. C. E. Tuke and Mrs. J. E. Pickrell, brought in the following names: For president, Miss Maude Whitley; for diocesan secretary, Mrs. Wilson Johnston; treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Lindsay; united offering treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Bacon; junior secretary, Mrs. H. S. Collins; secretary Babies' branch, Mrs. Robert S. Gill; educational secretary, Miss Eva Scantlebury.

The Secretary read the resolution for the united offering for 1913, also the preliminary notices for the tri-ennial convention in New York. The following delegates were elected to the tri-ennial: Mrs. C. K. Merriam, Mrs. A. B. Kent, Mrs. Phil Becher, Mrs. R. I. Bolster, Mrs. S. R. Dishman and as alternates, Mrs. C. E. Tuke, Mrs. George Brooke, Mrs. T. E. Beddoes, Mrs. Wilson Johnston and Miss Whitley.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

FLORENCE C. JOHNSTON,
Secretary.

REPORT OF SECRETARY

The year 1912-1913 has seen a general strengthening of the Auxiliary work along all lines. The Diocesan officers have held nine monthly meetings with an average attendance of five members. General discussions and reports of the work already started and the consideration of future plans have been found mutually helpful.

Two general missionary meetings were held during the year, one of which was addressed by Miss Margaret Wightman, a co-worker of Bishop Rowe's in Alaska, and the other by the Rev. Geo. B. Hunting, Secretary of the 8th Missionary Department.

A constitution for the Diocesan Auxiliary has been drafted, adopted at the annual meeting and printed in this report.

The use of the "Chimes", a Cathedral publication has been generously given us as a medium for disseminating Auxiliary information.

I am able to report the organization of five new branches this year, making a total of 11 Auxiliaries as compared to six reported last year. The new branches being Holy Trinity, Spokane; St. Paul's, Walla Walla; St. Peter's, Spokane; Grace Church, Ellensburg, and St. James', Pullman;

where there is a Woman's Guild of 25 members devoting one meeting a month to the study of missions.

A brief synopsis of Auxiliary work by parishes follows:

All Saints', Spokane—Mrs. H. D. Smith, Secretary; 18 members, have prepared one local missionary box valued at \$100.00; have given \$150.00 toward the apportionment fund and a special gift of \$5.00 toward Miss Wightman's work in Alaska.

St. John's, Spokane—Mrs. F. L. Sherwood, Secretary; 8 members; have helped the Church Home for Children and sent altar linen to Sunnyside, Wash.

Holy Trinity, Spokane—Mrs. Nellie Mason, Secretary; 15 members; have contributed supplies to Church Home and St. Luke's Hospital; have given \$31.31 toward the apportionment for General Missions; \$17.78 to Diocesan Missions and \$21.00 to St. Luke's Hospital.

St. Thomas' (Guild), Spokane—Mrs. Mary Edmonson, Secretary; 19 members; have contributed \$10.00 to apportionment fund.

St. Michael's, North Yakima—Mrs. W. D. Wrighten, Secretary; 15 members; have contributed \$10.00 to apportionment fund for Diocesan Missions.

St. Paul's, Walla Walla—Mrs. Lyle Ormsbee, Secretary; 17 members; donation to the work in Kentucky \$7.00.

Holy Trinity, Sunnyside—Miss Grace Brown, Secretary; 3 members; have sent one box clothing and Christmas cards to Fort Yukon, Alaska.

Grace Church, Ellensburg—Mrs. R. I. Bolster, Secretary; 30 members; have contributed \$20.00 to the apportionment fund.

St. James' (Guild), Pullman—Mrs. Cathcart, Secretary; 25 members; have contributed to the apportionment.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE C. JOHNSTON,

Diocesan Secretary.

Note:—The Secretary can only report from such data as has been furnished her on the printed report blanks. She is not responsible for any omissions of work not reported.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Receipts.

Offering at annual meeting, May 22, 1913.....	\$12.85
Auxiliary dues for year 1913 from—	
All Saints' Branch, Spokane.....	\$ 1.85
Holy Trinity Branch, Spokane.....	2.30
Holy Trinity Branch, Sunnyside.....	1.00
St. Paul's Branch, Walla Walla.....	1.00
	6.15
	<u>\$19.00</u>

Disbursements.

Postage, mailing Chimes.....	\$.75
Postage, letters.....	.50
Postage, United Offering.....	.85
Balance on hand, July 1st, 1913.....	16.90
	<u>\$19.00</u>
United Offering to date	\$34.33

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE G. BACON,
United Offering Treasurer.

THE JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

The Junior work of our district, while yet in a formative stage, shows signs of growth. There now exist four Junior Branches, with three other organizations doing some missionary work. Several new Branches will be organized in the fall. So, while there have been discouragements and there are problems to face, the outlook is encouraging. But we must have leaders; who will help? Is it too much to hope that the time will speedily come when each parish will have at least one branch of the Junior Auxiliary, training the young children to take their part in the mission of the Church?

Financial Report of Junior Branches.

1—Brunot Hall, Spokane; for support of girl at St. Luke's Orphanage, Osaka, Japan, \$30.00; for apportionment, \$20.00.

2—St. Faith's Guild of St. James' Church, Spokane; for Mrs. White, Fort Yukon, Alaska, \$3.00.

3—St. John's, Spokane; for St. Luke's Hospital, linens, \$4.00; general missions, \$1.50.

4—Girls' Friendly, St. Peter's, Spokane; for Kentucky Mountain Missions, \$2.50; box for Miss Wightman at Salchaket, Alaska.

5—Grace Church, Ellensburg; for the education of a native girl in India, \$10.00; gifts to Church Home for Children, Spokane, value \$17.85; for general missions, \$30.00.

6—St. Paul's Chapter, Daughters of the King, Walla Walla; to Miss Richmond, China, \$1.85.

Total for General Missions	\$51.50
Special	\$59.20

ELOISE C. COLLINS,
Junior Secretary.

REPORT OF ST. PETER'S BRANCH OF THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

From May 1st, 1912, to April 30th, 1913.

St. Peter's Branch of the Girls' Friendly Society was organized Feb. 16, 1908 with:

Three Working Associates, 2 Honorary Associates, 8 members, 5 Probationers. Total 18.

We have now an enrollment of 4 Working Associates, 4 Honorary Associates, 1 Married Branch Helper, 23 Members, 6 Probationers, 20 Candidates. Total 58.

The meetings are held in the G. F. S. cottage, the members meeting on Friday evenings and the Junior Department on Saturday afternoon.

During the past year 31 general meetings of members have been held; 24 general meetings of Junior Department and 9 Associates' meetings. Total of 64.

The following special meetings, services, entertainments, etc., have been held:

May 10th, 1912—May Festival held at the home of Mrs. Tallman.

May 12th, 1912—Admission service held at St. Peter's Church.

July 12-20, 1912—Members' camp at Silver Lake.

Aug. 3, 1912—Candidates' picnic at Silver Lake.

Oct. 24th, 1912—Formal opening of the G. F. S. cottage (This is a small cottage belonging to Mrs. Tallman which has been loaned to the G. F. S.).

Nov. 3rd, 1912—Annual day of Intercessory prayer for the G. F. S.—observed by corporate communion at St. Peter's Church at 8 a. m. Afternoon tea at the cottage from 4:00 to 7:30; and an Admission service at St. Peter's Church at 7:30 p. m.

Dec. 20th, 1912—Members' Christmas Party—Bishop Wells was present at this party and entertained us by some amusing stories of his early days in the mission work in this district.

Dec. 21st, 1912—Junior Department's Christmas Party—This party was given by the little girls for their mothers.

Jan. 13th, 1913—Members' Sleighride party, followed by supper at the cottage.

Feb. 16th, 1913—Fifth Anniversary of the organization of St. Peter's Branch observed. Tea was served at the cottage at the close of the afternoon service at St. Peter's Church. An offering for missions was made as a birthday offering.

The work of the Girl's Friendly Society is both religious and secular, and is divided under the following heads or departments:

Social Service, Missions, Literature, Candidates, Holiday House, Parochial and Commendation.

The reports of the work of the different departments are as follows:

Social Service Department.

Lectures or talks have been given on various topics, including Mission Work in Alaska, two talks on Queen Esther, the trial scene of Christ—G. F. S. Membership, etc.—lessons in stencilling, etc. The Junior Department made valentines which were sent to the Church Home for Children; and during Lent they made Easter cards, decorated eggs, etc., which, with an Easter lily, were also sent to the Home.

Missions Department.

\$2.50 has been sent to Rev. Chas. Cruso at Louisa, Ky., for his mountain mission work; and a box is being prepared for Miss Margaret Wightman of Salchaket, Alaska. Miss Wightman visited the Branch last fall, and gave the girls a talk about her work.

Literature Department.

A circulating library of about 75 volumes, some magazines, etc., is maintained at the G. F. S. cottage, and two or three books have been read aloud at the meetings during the year.

Candidates Department.

The candidates are the little girls from 5 to 12 years of age who are being prepared for full membership in the Society, and they with the Junior Probationers (girls from 12 to 14) form the Junior Department of St. Peter's Branch. They meet on Saturday afternoons, have a short service, instruction, some work, games, etc.

Holiday House Department.

Our camping equipment received some additions the past year, and the girls enjoyed a trip to Silver Lake July 12th to 20th. The Candidates spent the day at the lake on August 3rd. We had a small one room cottage and three tents. The work of the camp was done by the girls under the direction of the Associates in charge, the work schedule being made out every morning. The camp was also used by the boys of the Sunday School for a week's outing.

Commendation Department.

We have received one new commended member this year, and one member has been commended to a Branch in Los Angeles, Cal. We now have three commended members who have come to us from the English G. F. S.

Receipts and disbursements for the year have been as follows:

Receipts.

Balance on hand May 1, 1912.....	\$ 16.53
Cash Gifts—Including	
Miscellaneous	\$20.25
Anniversary Offering for Missions	2.35
Given for Kentucky Mission	2.30
G. F. S. Calendars.....	3.12
Dues	16.46
Sales, Entertainments, etc.	35.45
Central Office Supplies (lost pin)	30
Holiday House	14.00
Total	\$110.76

Disbursements.

Sales and Entertainments	\$ 3.80
Central Office Supplies30
Parochial Objects (including brass alms basin for the church).....	12.75
Missions	2.80
G. F. S. Calendars	11.35
Flowers (for church, sick members, etc.).....	5.85
Holiday House	26.10
Library	1.35
Philanthropic objects	2.73
Equipment (including 1 doz. folding chairs, cooking utensils, lounge for cottage, etc.).....	18.60
General Expenses (fuel, light, etc.)	11.88
Dues to Central Office	8.58
Balance on hand May 1st, 1913	4.67
Total	\$110.76

Respectfully Submitted,

PEARL E. TALLMAN,
Branch Secretary.

