



The Woman's Auxiliary

to the

National Council

Diocese

of

Western North Carolina

Year Book

1939

The Bishop's Message

*To the Women of the Church in the Diocese of
Western North Carolina:*

By the time this message is placed in your hands, I shall probably have celebrated the fifth anniversary of my consecration as your bishop. Please accept my hearty thanks for what you have done, for your "auxilium" or aid, in helping me to discharge the responsible office entrusted to me by God and man. Through these years I have been conscious of your interest and support. One of the first messages of cooperation which I received was from the President of the Woman's Auxiliary.

And now as we begin a new year of service, it seems to me that it would be well for us to do all we can to promote the idea of the Church as a family. St. Paul refers to "the Father of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named" (see also the benediction at the end of the Baptismal service), the words diocese and parish have a household significance and meaning, and the prayer that is on our lips more than any other is the great family prayer, the "Our Father." Because so much of a woman's time is spent in the home, the family is supposed to mean more to the woman than to the man. What could be more appropriate than that the women of our diocese should give themselves to making their own homes abodes of holy families, all of whom are joined with the other families in the parish, the diocese, and the rest of the world in doing the will of the Great Head of the House, the one Lord and Father of us all.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT E. GRIBBIN

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Seventeenth Annual Meeting
Kanuga Lake, Hendersonville, N. C.
June 15th and 16th, 1939

The President's Letter

To the Women of the Diocese:

Once again I send you greetings at the beginning of a new year. The whole of 1938 has been encouraging and we have had a happy time together. You will be glad to know that all our obligations have been met in full and many additional gifts have been made to the work.

In looking forward to what we may do in 1939, let us be inspired by these words of a great Church-woman and Auxiliary leader, Miss Sallie Dean, of Richmond, Virginia: "Christ for the world to the last man, woman and child." If we can be possessed with this personal interest in everyone we will strive to make ourselves more effective messengers as well as generous givers. The Conferences at Kanuga will give you the preparation you need that you may be better equipped to interest others. Try to send at least one from each Branch and from each Church School. Your joy in working for the spread of the Kingdom grows as your vision becomes clearer.

How glorious it would be if, at the close of this year, we could have every woman connected with our Church enrolled as an enthusiastic, active member!

Reports of 1938 show 676 women actively engaged in the work of the Auxiliary; in 1937 there were 511; an increase of more than 25 per cent. Suppose each one of us seeks through prayer and work to bring one new member this year, how great would be the increase! I pray this may be accomplished.

Faithfully yours,

JEAN SOMERVILLE WOOLDRIDGE

Calendar of Gifts for 1939

"All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee."

The Treasurer, with the advice of the Finance Committee, has suggested to each Branch the quota needed as its share of the budget adopted at the Annual Meeting. Your gifts cover the five fields, as you can readily see by the tabulation below. Let us individually strive to bring ourselves to a fuller realization of these words, "And here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, our souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto Thee."

Diocesan Budget for 1939

DIOCESE

Appalachian School, Penland	\$200.00
Christ School, Arden	200.00
Patterson School, Legerwood	200.00
Valle Crucis, Valle Crucis	200.00
Missionary in Southwest part of Diocese.....	800.00
Bishop's Discretionary Fund	250.00

NATION AND WORLD

Hudson Stuck Memorial, Ft. Yukon, Alaska..	\$200.00
House of Bethany, Liberia	200.00
Provincial Gift	50.00
Work Among the Blind	25.00
St. Augustine's School, Raleigh	50.00

Total	\$2,375.00
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Central Fund 32c per Member.

In sending monies, please remember to send the Offering for Advance Work to Mrs. A. B. Stoney, Morganton; the United Thank Offering to Mrs. S. E. Elmore, Spindale; and the other pledges to the Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. May T. New, Gastonia.

Suggestions for Meetings

Call to order.
Appropriate Hymn.
Carefully selected Bible Reading.
The Apostle's Creed.
"Let us Pray."
The Lord's Prayer.
Additional Appropriate Prayers.
(Some suggested prayers may be found following).
Roll Call.
Reading of the Minutes.
Report of Committees.
Unfinished Business.
New Business.
Program.
Appropriate Prayers for Work Considered at this Meeting.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

(To be said in unison at every meeting)

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, bless, we pray Thee, our work for the extension of Thy Kingdom, and make us so thankful for the precious gift to us of Thy Beloved Son, that we may pray fervently, labor diligently, and give liberally to make Him known to all nations as their Saviour and their King; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

UNITED THANK OFFERING

O Lord, our Heavenly Father, we pray Thee to send forth more laborers into Thy harvest, and to grant them Thy special grace for every need. Guard and guide the workers in the field, and draw us into closer fellowship with them. Dispose the hearts of all women everywhere to give gladly as Thou has given to them. Accept from grateful hearts our United Thanks Offering of prayer and gifts and joyful service; and bless it to the coming of Thy Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR WORLD PEACE

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed; kindle, we pray Thee, in the hearts of all men the true love of peace, and guide with Thy strong and peaceful wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility Thy Kingdom may go forward, till the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of Thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER PARTNERS

"Almighty God, Who didst call holy women to be helpers and workers in Thy service; bless we pray Thee Thy servants, Lona Weatherly and Grace West Brady, and prosper them in the work to which Thou hast called them. Grant them sufficient wisdom for every task, Thy gracious help in time of trouble, the sense of Thy presence in loneliness and the power to accomplish whatever has been begun in Thy name and for Thy glory; through the might of Jesus Christ, our Lord." Amen.

FOR INDIA

O Lord Jesus Christ, who didst call Gentiles to Thy light, and kings to the brightness of Thy rising, hear our prayers, we beseech Thee, for the conversion of India to Thy holy faith, and grant Thy blessing and guidance to all who are working there for Thee. Let Thy grace in fullest measure rest with the Bishop of Dornakal and all his co-workers. And to all of us at home, grant the spirit of prayer and almsgiving, that many laborers may go forth to gather in the harvest of the souls for whom Thou has died, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, livest and reignest, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

THE CHURCH IN THE CITY

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, who declarest Thy glory and showest forth Thy handiwork in the heavens and in the earth; deliver us, we beseech Thee, in our several callings, from the service of mammon, that we may do the work which Thou givest us to do, in truth, in beauty, and in righteousness, with singleness of heart as Thy servants, and to the benefit of our fellow men; for the sake of Him who came among us as one who serveth, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(See also page 39 January, 1939 "Spirit of Missions.")

FOR PEACE AND UNITY

Our Father in heaven, we pray Thee to send into our hearts, and into the hearts of all men everywhere, the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

Bless, O Lord, we pray Thee, the Church Periodical Club, that it may be an instrument of service in Thy hands. Grant to its officers wisdom and patience, to its members perseverance and the spirit of sharing that asks no return. Bring many more to take part in its activities. Bless our gifts and those who receive them, to the enriching of individual lives and to the growth of

Thy Kingdom, throughout the world, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FOR SUPPLY WORK

O God, our Father, make us realize that, in our Supply Work, even as we do it unto the least of these Thy little ones, we do it unto Thee. We pray for the inspiration to help the material needs of those who are less blessed than we are, in the knowledge of the helping and healing power of faith in Thee. Help us to work with our hands and to give, with a joy that will be conveyed through our gifts to those far away, and help them to realize the happiness that comes with faith in Thee, through Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OR

Almighty God, who hast taught us by Thy Son Jesus Christ that it is more blessed to give than it is to receive; look with favor, we beseech Thee, upon the Box Work of Thy Church (especially in this Diocese). Touch our hearts with compassion for the poor, the sick and the homeless, and make us strong to lift their burdens with our ready gifts and service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

We commend to Thy mercy, O Heavenly Father, all that we have thought, and said, and done this day, beseeching Thee to pardon all that has been amiss in us, and to accept for Thy glory all that has been done in accordance with Thy holy will through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

—Used daily at Second World Conference on Faith and Order, Edinburgh, 1937.

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

Suggestions for 1939 Programs

Our Provincial Theme: Fellowship With Christ Throughout
the World
Fellowship in Faith, Work, and Worship
1939—Fellowship in Work

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As we enter upon a new year of opportunities, let us "move out into new fields of more generous living, more disciplined thinking, more adventurous praying." Above all, let us have a fixed time for the deepening of our spiritual life through daily prayer and meditation, using the Bible, the Prayer Book or other devotional book, and Forward—Day by Day. So only shall the "Love of God" be shed abroad in our hearts and overflow in joyous witness and service to others.

Suggestions for Leaders:

1. "A vital program in any parish must grow out of the needs and experiences of its own group." These programs are only suggestive. Each branch should have a Committee to arrange a program for the year adapted to its own needs. Refer to W. A. 49 and 55. Your Diocesan Chairman of Christian Education will be glad to assist you.

2. The person who presents the program should have a conviction about the subject and approach it with earnestness and enthusiasm.

3. Promote discussion; it helps to interest people if they have a chance to express themselves.

4. See that the sick or shut-ins or isolated are informed of the program and ask them to share through the ministry of intercession.

5. We are seeking to build a Christian world order. It is an impossible task for any other agency than the Church of the Living God. Let us believe that it IS possible for the Church, but only for a Church whose members are informed and spiritually alive. "The things that are impossible with men are possible with God." (St. Luke 18:27).

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Our Provincial Educational Chairman's suggestions for our 1939 topic, "Fellowship in Work," are:

Reference: Section on "Christian Unity and Cooperation" on page 12 in Findings of Triennial Meeting, in Minutes of the Triennial Meeting (Book Store, 281 Fourth Ave., New York, N. Y., 10c).

Missions: Witnessing in our Diocese and the Nation (Forward Day by Day).

Our Brethren in India.

The Church in the City.

Religious Education: Promoting Christian Education in the Parish.

1. Promoting attendance at summer conferences.
2. Promoting interest in the Young People's Service League and other organizations for young people.
3. Promoting interest in Church Schools and taking an active part in their program as auxiliary members.
4. Promoting classes for leaders in auxiliary work.
5. Striving for a Unified Parish Program for the whole Parish.
6. Promoting classes and program meetings for the study of the Missionary subjects suggested by the National Church. These classes should be open to any member of the Parish who wishes to attend.
7. Promoting courses on Christian Social Relations at summer conferences and in the Parish.

Christian Social Service: Cooperation in a county survey (by all branches in each county) through which our opportunities for service will develop.

1. To remedy conditions in county institutions, where needed.
2. To make closer Church contact with the isolated and those in rural communities.

Devotional Foundation: "The love of God" (to be used as a theme for meditations, addresses, quiet days, retreats, etc.) Armistice Day of Prayer for World Peace.

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In addition to the above the following are recommended for the study of "Christian Unity and Cooperation":

Textbook: "Getting Together," a course of study based on reports of Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences for 6 or 12 sessions. Price 15c. Order from The Forward Movement, 406 Sycamore St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

"Toward Unity," an introduction to the subject, including a reading list. (5c). Order from The Book Store.

Report of Oxford Conference, 15c. The Book Store.

Report of Edinburgh Conference, 10c. The Book Store.

"The Living Church" November 6, 1937, a special Oxford-Edinburgh Conference number.

"The Spirit of Missions," page 30, January, 1938, article on closer union of our Church with the Presbyterian Church.

Hymn 337—a prayer-hymn for Church Unity.

St. John Chapter 15 and 17:20-26; Eph. 4:1-6.

Edinburgh Litany for Reunion of Christendom. Order from The Forward Movement. 1c a copy in lots of 20 or more.

World Council of Churches—Utrecht, by Mrs. H. H. Pierce. (Order from your Diocesan Chairman or Christian Education.)

International Missionary Council at Madras, India, held in December, 1938. See December, 1938 "Spirit of Missions"

SANCTUARY on page 509. Watch the "Spirit of Missions" and other Church papers for articles about this conference.

We are asked to stress the following quotation from a sermon by the Bishop of Chicago, the Right Reverend George Craig Stewart, and all its implications: "I challenge this Church in the next three years to take for its slogan not 'More Money', but 'More Grace'. To institute not a campaign for money, but to invoke a movement of the Spirit which shall bring to us year by year this Triennium the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Love of God and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit. . . . Then in 1940, let us come marching into a new experience of unity, and new visions of the unity of the Body of Christ by setting ourselves to realize afresh the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit."

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Suggestions for study in the devotional life, personal religion, and evangelism, the Forward Movement, the Bible, the Prayer Book, Church History, the Program of the Church, Church Seasons, Holy Days and Symbolism, etc., will be recommended by your Educational Chairman upon request.

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The following subjects are recommended for study classes or discussion groups, and will also be helpful in planning programs for regular meetings: I. INDIA. II. THE CHURCH IN THE CITY.

I. INDIA is our newest mission field and in order to take an intelligent interest in her country and people, to understand her problems, to grasp the significances and urgency of the present opportunity for the Church in this great land,— study is necessary. Unless we know the needs and opportunities, we will not care.

Textbook: "Moving Millions," (50c).

Helps: "A Packet On India," (35c) including Miss Marston's guide for leaders.

Order from Church Missions House Book Store, 281 Fourth

Ave., New York, N. Y., making money order or check payable to Lewis B. Franklin, Treas. See October, 1938 "Spirit of Missions," page 430 for further suggestions. Also look for series of interesting articles of INDIA now running in the "Spirit of Missions" from December, 1938 to March, 1939.

II. For THE CHURCH IN THE CITY the following material is recommended not only by our National Auxiliary Board, but by our National Departments of Field, Christian Education, and Christian Social Relations. See July-August "Spirit of Missions" page 331. Also page 377 of September, 1938 "Spirit of Missions" for Church School literature on this subject. Instead of one textbook, a set of 6 pamphlets is recommended, entitled: "The Church in Urban America," (50c a set). Each pamphlet has at the end a set of questions and bibliography for discussion and further study. Order from The Book Store.

1939 Calendar of Events With Program Suggestions

JANUARY:

- 1 Feast of the Circumcision.
- 6 The Epiphany.
- 10 51st Anniversary of Church Periodical Club. (Are you having a share in this fine work?)
- 22 3rd Sunday after Epiphany (Christian Social Relations Sunday. Write your C. S. R. Chairman for special program suggestions on this subject).
- 25 The Conversion of St. Paul.
- 25 5th Anniversary of the Consecration of our Bishop.

FEBRUARY:

- 2 The Purification of St. Mary the Virgin.
- 12 Race Relations Sunday. (Write Diocesan Chairman of Interracial Relations for special program suggestions. Pre-Lenten Season.
- 22 Ash Wednesday. (Help to circulate Forward—Day by Day).
- 24 St. Matthias, Apostle.
- 24 World Day of Prayer. (Cooperate with other Christian bodies in its observance. If not observed in your community, try to initiate its observance. Order leaflets from The Book Store).

FEBRUARY AND MARCH:

Leaders from the International Missionary Council will visit the United States to acquaint us with the significance of the world conference held in Madras, India, December, 1938. Charlotte, Columbia and Nashville are places nearest this Diocese to be visited. Watch for dates in daily papers and Church periodicals and arrange to attend one of them if you possibly can.

MARCH:

- 1, 3 and 4 Ember Days. (Pray for those to be admitted into Holy Orders).
- Lenten Study Classes.
- 25 Feast of the Annunciation—Corporate Communion for Presentation of United Thank Offering).
Special program on United Thank Offering.
Easter Supply Box. (Learn about the Mission to which it is sent).

APRIL:

- 2 Palm Sunday.
- 6 Maundy Thursday.
- 7 Good Friday. (Remember Church Offering for work in Jerusalem and East Mission. Find out what our Church does in Jerusalem through the services of the Rev. C. T. Bridgeman. Write your Educational Chairman).
- 9 Easter Day.
- 25 St. Mark, Evangelist.
Attend Joint Service for Presentation of Church School.
Lenten Offering.
Attend Spring District Meetings.

MAY:

- 1 SS. Philip and James, Apostles.
- 14 Rogation (Rural Life) Sunday.
- 15, 16, 17 Rogation Days. (Write Diocesan Chairman of Rural Work for special program suggestions).
- 18 Ascension Day (or Holy Thursday).
- 28 Pentecost, commonly called Whitsunday.
- 31 Ember Day.

JUNE:

- 2, 3 Ember Days. (Pray for those to be admitted into Holy Orders).
- 4 Trinity Sunday.
- 11 St. Barnabas.
- 15 16 Annual Meeting of Woman's Auxiliary at Kanuga. (Ask delegates to bring back reports of Annual Meeting).
- 24 St. John Baptist.
- 29 St. Peter, Apostle.
Summer Camps and Conferences. (Urge attendance and provide scholarships, if possible).

JULY:

- 25 St. James the Apostle.

JULY-AUGUST:

Summer Conferences, Kanuga and Sewanee. (Urge attendance and provide scholarships, if possible).
Porch Meetings for Summer Reading Circles or Study Classes. (Write to Church Missions House Library for books, which may be had for two weeks by paying postage).

AUGUST:

- 6 The Transfiguration of Christ.
- 24 St. Bartholomew, Apostle.

SEPTEMBER:

- 3 Labor Sunday. (Write Diocesan Chairman of Christian Social Relations for program suggestions).
- 21 St. Matthew, Evangelist.
- 20, 23, 24 Ember Days. (Pray for those to be admitted into Holy Orders).
- 29 St. Michael and All Angels.
- 29 United Thank Offering Corporate Communion.
Special United Thank Offering Program.

OCTOBER:

- Provincial Synod, Tampa, Florida.
- 18 St. Luke, Evangelist.
- 28 SS. Simon and Jude.

NOVEMBER:

- 1 All Saints' Day—Advance Work Offering Corporate Communion. (Program on place to which Advance Work Offering goes).
- 11 Quiet Day for Prayer. (Armistice Day—write Diocesan Chairman, Christian Social Relations, for program suggestions).
- 23 Thanksgiving Day. (Offering for Thompson Orphanage, Charlotte).
- 30 St. Andrew, Apostle.
Assist with Every Member Canvass. (Auxiliary women should make a year-round preparation for this by studying the Church's Program in the Mission Fields).
Begin Fall Study Classes.
Christmas Supply Box. (Learn about Mission to which it is sent).

DECEMBER:

- 3 First Sunday in Advent.
Advent Study Classes.
- 21 St. Thomas, Apostle.
- 20, 22, 23 Ember Days. (Pray for those to be admitted into Holy Orders).
- 25 Christmas Day. (Stress more spiritual observance of Christmas).
- 26 St. Stephen, Martyr.
- 27 St. John, the Evangelist.
- 28 The Holy Innocents.

Directory of Branches

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Owen, Jr., Biltmore Forest; Mrs. Francis Field, Biltmore For-
est; Mrs. Duncan Dean, Lake View Park, Asheville.

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- BREVARD—St. Phillip's. The Rev. Harry Perry.
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Mrs. S. B. Stroup.

LEGERWOOD—Chapel of Rest. The Rev. Hugh A. Dobbin.
Miss Frances B. McNulty, Miss Frances Chester, Miss Frances
Chester, Miss Frances Chester.

LENOIR—The Rev. B. M. Lackey.
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VALLE CRUCIS. Holy Cross. The Rev. Dargan Butt.
Mrs. E. D. Butt, Mrs. Charles Taylor, Treas., and Mrs. Will
Cook, U. T. O. Treas.

WILKESBORO—St. Paul's. The Rev. B. M. Lackey.
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Fourth District

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GASTONIA—St. Mark's. The Rev. Phillip S. Gilman.
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Catholic Ave.

ASHEVILLE—St. Stephens', St. Matthias. The Rev. John Davis.
Mrs. Susie Herbin, 210 Cella St.; Mrs. J. C. Davis; Mrs.
Sharon Hart, 228 Flint St.; Mrs. Leslie Moore.

MORGANTON—St. Stephens'. J. Walter Edwards.
Mrs. Lillie Harbinson, 411 Concord St.; Miss Daisy Avery,
Mrs. Margarey Hennessee, Mrs. Lillie Harbinson.

RUTHERFORDTON—St. Gabriel's. The Rev. E. L. Avery.
Mrs. Mattie Carpenter, Mrs. Elizabeth Avery, Mrs. Laura
Hogue, Miss Priscilla Mooney.

TRYON—Good Shepherd. The Rev. E. L. Avery.
Mrs. H. H. Hannon, Miss Geo. Lyles, Miss M. Harris, Mrs.
H. H. Hannon.

perience this will probably not be the case when the books close.

It has been very gratifying that the branches have responded so well to the first "assessment" made since this treasurer has been in the office. There are only a few branches who have not paid this assessment and only two of these have refused to respond, and it is still hoped these may all do so before the end of the year. It will take another year to complete the endowment of the 22nd of November for St. Agne's Hospital in honor of dear Mrs. Wilkes.

The contributions "at Bishop Cheshire's disposal" were less than the \$300 asked for last year and so far the Bishop has only had about \$125 this year. This does not appear to indicate a great effort on the part of the branches to hold up his hands in his great work for the missions of the Diocese.

The "Annie Cheshire Fund" has been supplemented largely this year by the Jubilee Offerings in Greensboro, Charlotte and Concord, and yet to date there has been only \$337.32 given for this fund. \$650 is needed that the Diocese may have the honor and the women the joy of supporting their "own missionary." This is certainly the opportunity of showing appreciation of her who gave herself in answer to the prayers of the North Carolina Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. Has your branch taken this opportunity to the fullest extent?

The books close March 20th, that the treasurer may be given time to pay out in the Diocese any funds sent for that purpose, and so give the clergy and treasurers the time to include the amounts in their reports.

MRS. DORIAN H. BLAIR, *Treas.*

A Representative Branch, Holy Innocents. Henderson.

The editor of the Woman's Auxiliary Department of the Carolina Churchman has asked for accounts of methods that the North Carolina branches have tried and found to be successful in furthering the Auxiliary work.

Because of the greater zeal manifested in fulfilling the Divine Command to "Preach the Gospel to Every Creature," there is likewise a greater reaching out by all missionary organs for better ways and means.

In accordance with this wish, Holy Innocents' (Henderson) branch, gives below some of its methods—those only that have worked well. It has been said that "The best that we can do for one another is to exchange our thoughts freely." Probably there is something here that if tried may bring forth fruit as the Stocking Shower idea—originating in the Christ Church (Raleigh) branch, did here in October, when 253 pairs of stockings were collected for our orphans at Charlotte.

1. The women of the parish meet every Friday, the closing hours of the day of the Lord's Passion are spent working for His Kingdom. "Every woman is expected every Friday afternoon," is printed in large type at the top of the pledge list for this year; and every woman, whether she feels able to contribute to all—the Parish Guild, the Auxiliary, the Raleigh Convocation Missions Chapter of the Auxiliary, the Thompson Orphanage Chapter of the Auxiliary, and the St. Mary's Guild, or just to the Auxiliary, remains after the Litany and Bible Class to the meeting, whichever it happens to be.

There is no disbanding for hot weather.

The St. Mary's Guild can only meet when there is a fifth Friday, but it is unique in that its entire fund is at the disposal of Miss Annie Cheshire in China, who, as a classmate of a number of the members, is looked upon in a special way as a St. Mary's Missionary. The other object of the Guild is to keep those in charge at St. Mary's informed as to desirable and possible pupils. In this connection Henderson has the distinction of having sent more non-church girls to St. Mary's than any other North or South Carolina town.

2. All meetings are held in the Parish house or church, and because of this no woman is kept away. We believe many would absent themselves if a private residence, was the meeting place.

3. No one is kept out on account of the amount of money asked—the amount is optional. All contributions are gifts. Not a cent is raised publicly.

At the beginning of Lent each member is asked for a Lenten Offering, and the date on which it is desired is also stated on the post card which is sent to each woman.

Following the Diocesan Secretary's request, her report was examined by a special committee. The committee's report created much interest. It was found that Holy Innocents' gave more than any other branch to the orphanage and to the Raleigh Convocation Missions, but very meagerly to the United Offering—that if this branch had not fallen off at this point, Holy



Mayodan Juniors—AT WORK.

Innocents' would have been first instead of third among the North Carolina branches.

Every object on the list is pledged to.

As suggested by the United Offering Treasurer, the Corporate Communion and special United Offering service were held on St. Michael's and All Angels Day. In this, as in all requests or suggestions made by Diocesan officers, Holy Innocents' branch strives to render ready compliance.

4. A consultation of the officers before each meeting has been found to produce excellent results.

5. Ten minutes of each meeting, the Parish Guild excepted, are devoted to the study of the "Conquest of the Continent," the admirable Missions Course for the year. As suggested, the leaders tell the story, and supplement it with material from the rector's library, and else where, and with the use of a black board and maps this course of study is quickening interest in the spread of the kingdom.

At the election in March an Educational Secretary

The WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

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BABIES' BRANCH.

Secretary of the Convocation of Raleigh:

MRS. FRANK SPRUILL, Rocky Mount.

Secretary of the Convocation of Charlotte:

MRS. WALTER SMITH, Charlotte.

O Lord, Jesus Christ, who in the days of Thy flesh didst accept the services of faithful women who ministered unto Thee of their substance; be pleased, we humbly ask to bless our endeavors, to aid and encourage missionaries. Put into our hearts the things we should do and say to promote Thy glory. Grant that we may never be discouraged under difficulties, but go forward in faith and hope, looking unto Thee. Hear us, and answer this our prayer, for Thine own Name's sake. Amen.

Intercessory Days:

The eve of the feasts of:

ST. ANDREW'S—Diocesan Missions.
 At the disposal of Bishop Cheshire.

THE EPIPHANY—Foreign,
 The Annie Cheshire Fund.

THE ANNUNCIATION—Domestic,
 At the disposal of the Bishop of Asheville, unless otherwise designated.

THE TRANSFIGURATION—Thompson Orphanage.

This page of our Diocesan Paper will be devoted to the work of the Woman's Auxiliary. It is earnestly hoped that the members will enable us to make it a live page. Please send items of interest concerning the work in your parish and make suggestions which may help others in our great effort to further the cause of missions.

Address your communications to

MISS KATE CHESHIRE, Tarboro, N. C.

The Special Woman's Auxiliary Number of "The Carolina Churchman."

As the editor of the Carolina Churchman has given us additional space this month to emphasize the work of the Woman's Auxiliary, it may be well to give a short sketch of our Branch in the Diocese of North Carolina.

Just about thirty years ago a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was organized by Mrs. John Wilkes (our present honored President), at a meeting of the Convention held in Calvary Parish, Tarborough. It was composed of six branches, only four of which are in the present diocese: Tarborough, Charlotte, Millsboro and Pittsboro. Their members were 119. Their offering \$261.60. Since that time the diocese has twice been divided, and yet our last report shows a membership of 1963, and our offering of \$5,087.23. We have 121 branches, including the Junior Department. Our ideal is to have a branch in every parish and mission station

in the diocese, composed of every woman and child belonging to the church. We have not yet reached our ideal, but our outlook is encouraging. As a stimulus to our zeal we are looking forward to a great meeting in Charlotte next fall, when women from fifteen dioceses, composing the Missionary Department of Sewanee, will meet together to advance the cause of missions in the South.



Mrs. John Wilkes, President.

This will be one great source of inspiration, and another is nearer at hand. On the ninth and tenth of May, when we have our annual meeting in connection with the Diocese Convention, we have been promised the pleasure of a visit from our General Secretary, Miss Emery. The following letter from her shows what she expects of us, and demands our serious attention.

Miss Emery's Letter.

March 2, 1912.

My Dear Miss Cheshire: It will be a pleasure to be with you again at a meeting of the North Carolina branch and you may be sure that I will be glad to meet the Juniors on the 9th. as well as the women on the 10th of May. I wish we might have an hour on both. Do you not think this would be possible? We are using this method more and more, and find it very interesting. If you think we could do something of this sort, could not you get up a few questions, or get the delegates to think of them, so we could be prepared in advance with just enough to start us on our way? Please tell me too if there are any special points that you would like me to dwell upon.

Yours very sincerely,

JULIA C. EMERY.

From the Treasurer.

Just at this time it is hard to give an idea of the standing of the parish branches of the Woman's Auxiliary for by the time this is in print, many branches that have loitered for eleven months will have rushed in their contributions in the twelfth month so that pledges may be redeemed before the annual meeting.

At the present writing every item on the pledge list is behind its last year's standing, but from past ex-

will be added to the list of officers, whose duty it shall be to increase the number of readers of the Spirit of Missions by making the best possible use of those already taken in the Parish and by securing other subscribers, see that certain leaflets published by the Board of Missions are distributed and read and to further devise plans for the spread of missionary knowledge.

In addition to the "Conquest of the Continent" an account of some work to which the branch is pledged is presented, having been secured direct from the field, when possible, by the reader.

6. This every-member canvass of November 5-10, almost doubled the membership. There is a special committee to look after members for prolonged absence.

7. In addition to study, offerings and prayers, active personal service is rendered by many of the members among our mill people, a further field—among the colored people and throughout the County of Vance.

A Movement to Interest the Younger Women in Auxiliary Work.

One of the new departures in Auxiliary work in the diocese has been the formation of branches composed of girls and young married women who are too old for the Juniors, and who have not identified themselves with the parish branches usually composed of older women. The success of this new movement has been most encouraging.



Mayodan Juniors—AT PLAY.

St. Katharine's Branch, Tarborough.

About two years ago the first of these branches was organized in Tarborough, and we give the method as a suggestion to other parishes. The rector was given a list of the names of young women who did not belong to the Auxiliary, and when he asked them to meet together at a certain time and place, interest and curiosity prompted them to go! They were met by the Diocesan Secretary who explained to them the object of the gathering, and we can say to their credit that they rose to the occasion and joined the Auxiliary almost to a woman. From that day to this, they have been a live and lively branch. They took the name of St. Katharine to distinguish them from the Calvary branch, and these girls of St. Katharine's stand for a great deal in the parish. They are a most representative body, about twenty-five young women, teachers, bookkeepers, stenographers and girls of leisure, who need something more than society to satisfy their lives. Several times during the year they meet at night, and have concerts, bazaars and parlor plays. These meetings serve the double purpose of raising funds for mis-

sionary work and bringing the young women of the congregation in personal touch. Last year's report showed that they had doubled the amount which they had pledged to missions, and this year they are striving to do still more.

St. Ann's Branch, Rocky Mount.

For a number of years there has been in Rocky Mount a most valuable parish Guild composed of the younger women of the congregation. Soon after the formation of St. Katharine's branch the Diocesan Secretary was invited to meet them, and she urged them to enlarge their sphere of usefulness by becoming a part of the Auxiliary. They are now organized under the name of St. Anne's Branch, and while they do not neglect their own parish work they are contributing to the support of our missionaries in the home and foreign field. It seems a good omen that their President and Secretary are both named Anne.

St. Anne's Branch, Raleigh.

A branch of the same name has just been organized in the parish of the Good Shepherd by Miss Sarah Cheshire, a daughter of the Bishop, who writes most encouragingly of their work. They also meet at night, between fifteen and twenty girls, who are either at school or business during the day. They have lately been stimulated by visits from Miss Tillinghast, representing the Deaf Mute Mission and Deaconess Goodwin from the Church Missions House.

St. Monica's Branch, Charlotte.

St. Monica's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Peter's Church, Charlotte, was first known as the "Second Circle" of the Auxiliary. The first year a special study of mission work in China was taken up. During the present year the American Indian is the subject of study, and preparations are being made for an Indian Entertainment, the proceeds to go toward the Mission Hospital on the Navajo Reservation, which is in charge of an aunt of the rector's wife.

The membership has increased from 18 to 40 enrolled members, and of this number about 24 are active members. It is one of the most enthusiastic branches in the Diocese, and continues to grow.

If any more of these younger branches have been formed the Secretary would like to hear of them as soon as possible.

THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY

I. Letter From the Secretary of the Convocation of Charlotte, Mrs. Ino. Gible.

We, of the Convocation of Charlotte, need to be aroused out of an apathetic state as regards a vitally important work, that of the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Why isn't there a branch in every parish and mission in the convocation?

Some one is responsible for this grave neglect; *are you?*

The Secretary will gladly give you the necessary information if you will only get the children together and give them their rightful and blessed privilege of helping to win the world for Christ. Don't hesitate because your parish or mission may be weak, a faithful Junior Branch will make it stronger. Even *two* members can carry out the Junior motto of "Prayer, Study and Work."

Some of the branches are doing splendidly.

This is how one branch, that of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Burlington, is conducted. It began with seven members one year ago. Six of these are still faithful, one having moved away. There are now thirty-four interested members, among the number fifteen sturdy boys. They meet every Thursday, beginning *on time*, with the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Junior Prayers in unison, Bible reading, usually illustrated, roll call, using an attendance roll, marking punctual with a gold star, tardy with a red star, and if present four times consecutively, the U. S. flag on a sticker. Each member answers roll call with either a verse from the Bible or with one of the Ten Commandments. After this comes the order of business, then an illustrated mission study, the offering, doxology, silent prayer for a blessing upon the branch or upon some special missionary or mission work, and closes with the Grace of our Lord, etc. Their pledges are made up from voluntary offerings. A birthday offering will be made in Whitsun week.

They make scrap books, usually at home, using old Christmas and Easter cards, all the left over Sunday School lesson leaflets and other suitable pictures. "How Can I Help in the Overcoming of the Dragon?" was given in seven lessons while the members made up the book. "The First Americans" will be similarly given and these two books passed on to some mission point. At present they are having "The Conquest of the Continent" given with pictures and black board to impress the main points.

They love their badge, the silver Shield of Faith, with its blue Greek across, symbolizing missionary Zeal, Truth and Purity, a constant reminder that the Junior must "Pray, Study and Work."

II. Letter From Secretary of the Raleigh Convocation.

MISS BESSIE DUNN

At the request of our Diocesan Secretary, Miss Cheshire, I will gladly tell you something of our Juniors in the Convocation of Raleigh. We have 350 members organized in 14 good working branches. Our records show for the year ending 1911, \$381.62. I have reasons to believe it will be larger this year. Still it isn't as large as it should be. There are many parishes with no Junior Auxiliary. Will not the rectors of these unrepresented parishes give me the names of some workers in their parishes who will be willing to undertake this work? I am asking this because I have written many letters and received few answers. It is our earnest desire to have every branch represented in the Junior work. If this can be accomplished we can easily double the amount we received for last year.

THE BABIES' BRANCH.

I. Letter From the Secretary of the Raleigh Convocation.

As Secretary and Treasurer of the Babies' Branch of the Auxiliary for the Convocation of Raleigh, I am happy to have this opportunity of telling something of the work. This organization has been established in 27 parishes in the above convocation, with 341 members, the amount contributed during the year 1911 being \$223.70.

The object of the Babies Branch of the Auxiliary is two-fold—systematic prayer and almsgiving. Each child must be provided with the little red mite box, in

which it is expected to place a penny on Sunday. It is difficult to make a record of spiritual things, yet we believe that the penny so deposited, that is accompanied by the prayer, yields a better return. The true purpose of the work being an ideal combination of prayers and gifts. There is no age limit to the members of the Babies Branch, the children continuing members until they have advanced in years and experience sufficiently to join the Juniors. There should be no option exercised by the parent in the matter of her child's becoming a member of the Babies Branch of the Auxiliary. Is it not her duty and privilege to begin the spiritual training as she does the physical? It is my pleasure to answer all questions pertaining to the work, and I will be happy to hear from anyone who is interested and will aid me in establishing a branch in parishes not already represented.

MRS. F. S. SPRUILL,

Rocky Mount, N. C.

II. From the Secretary of the Babies' Branch in the Convocation of Charlotte.

The biggest thing done in the Babies' Branch in the Convocation of Charlotte this year, has been done by one, who a few years ago, was herself one of the "Babies." Miss Mary Walton Ruffin, in the little mill town of Mayodan, has, with the assistance of our Diocesan Secretary, just established a branch of twenty-two members, and as the result of her work, has sent in the sum of seven dollars. Can any of our older and larger congregations do as well?

Encouraging Notes From Parish Branches.

From the *Henderson* Parish paper: "The interest shown in the Auxiliary of Holy Innocents and the recent increase in the numbers is a real cause for gratitude."

From *Charlotte*: Most of the members of the Church of the Holy Comforter are enrolled in the Auxiliary, and its aim this year is to have a membership composed of every woman communicant in the parish.

From *Burlington*: "We are doing more work in the Auxiliary than ever before."

From the Secretary of the Juniors in the Convocation of Charlotte: "My Juniors (in Burlington) are splendid. Mayodan and Spray are all right."

From a 13 year old girl in the mill town of Mayodan: "I have 22 babies in the Babies Branch."

From *Raleigh*, St. Anne's: Our meetings are full and very interesting.

From *Tarborough*: Our branch—St. Katharine's—is growing steadily.

Mrs. C. F. Morrison is the new president of the St. Paul's, Wilkesboro, Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. A Mission Study Class is being conducted by the Rector during Lent; the course outlined in Mr. Burleson's "The Conquest of the Continent," being followed. The Church has during the winter been furnished with new chancel and aisle carpets, and a good coal stove, making it much more comfortable during the winter months, as well as more attractive.