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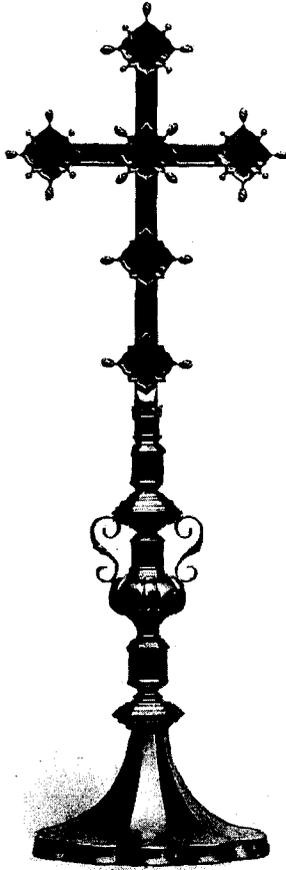
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CONSECRATION SERVICE

The Consecration Service of the Huntington Chapel was held on the 3rd of April at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Bishop Greer conducted the service assisted by Dr. Slattery of Grace Church, Dr. Reiland of St. George's and Dean Robbins of the Cathedral. The music was rendered by the choir of Grace Church. The Dean of the Cathedral Dr. Robbins presented the articles of Donations and Endowments.

At the end of the Consecration Service Bishop Greer made an address in which he likened Dr. Huntington to Ansgarius the patron saint of Sweden. Ansgarius was a Builder and the Bishop said that this was true of Dr. Huntington. By him, material already in the church, was taken, and moulded into greater usefulness.

The Bishop spoke of three special ways in which Dr. Huntington had rendered service to the church in America. He had revived the order of Deaconesses which had existed in the early days of Christianity but which had lapsed into disuse. Later this order was revived in the English Church. In the early 90's Dr. Huntington revived the order in the American Church. Bishop Greer said that this order continued to grow into usefulness year after year.

Next the Bishop spoke of Dr. Huntington's service in enriching and enlarging the Prayer Book. At the close of the Communion Service the Bishop said the Collect for the Feast of the Transfiguration. This collect was written by Dr. Huntington.

Thirdly, the Bishop spoke of the service Dr. Huntington had rendered in the building of the Cathedral. To Dr. Huntington, the Cathedral owed its material existence more than to any other individual. The idea of the Cathedral was conceived by Bishop Potter. From its inception Dr. Huntington had labored enthusiastically. He not only worked himself, but he interested others, and the Cathedral as it stands today owes a large measure of its beauty and usefulness to Dr. Huntington's wise judgment.

The congregation which filled the Chapel was composed of friends who had in some way contributed to the building. Had a general invitation been given the Chapel could not have contained the multitude who would have flocked to do honor to a name beloved and revered not only in the Diocese of New York but in all parts of the American Church.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY MEETING

The Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the Alumnae Association of the New York Training School for Deaconesses met at St. George's Deaconess House on January 24th.

Deaconess Thompson in the Chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer as usual.

Present: Deaconess Affleck, Deaconess Armstrong, Deaconess Chappell, Deaconess George, Deaconess Garvin, Deaconess Hemphill, Deaconess Hyde, Deaconess Mills, Deaconess Schodts, Deaconess Thompson, Miss Chappell, Miss Bartlett, Miss Bearse, Miss Hopkins and Miss Ranger.

A letter was read from Dr. Gardner thanking the members of the Association present at the Retreat for the cheque they had sent him.

Miss Celestine McCullough, a student at the School during the winter of 1914-1915, was voted in as an elected member.

Deaconess Hyde had no report to make on the Benefit Fund.

Deaconess George gave the financial statement:

October 10th. By balance from previous treasurer . .	\$146.78
From dues	9.00
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Total	\$155.78
Expenses	36.25
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Balance	\$119.53

The matter of having the usual Corporate Communion Service on the Annunciation was then discussed, resulting in the decision that as it came in Holy Week and the luncheon would not be possible, that cards should be sent out asking all who could to be at the 8 o'clock Service in Grace Church Chantry—or to go to the Service at that hour in their own Parish Church.

The meeting was then addressed by Dr. Gardner, who spoke in regard to his hopes and ideas in connection with the future of the school, and especially in the matter of training of Deaconesses.

Dr. Gardner said that he thought that there was a growing call and need in the Church for the work of trained women for which he wished St. Faith's to prepare the way. In the matter of training Deaconesses he desired to see a constant increase in numbers and in importance. That the Church would realize the need and grant a more definite place to the service of women, and that women would stand for greater permanence.

He said also that he had decided that it restricted the freedom of expression on the part of the younger pupils to have older ones working in the same classes—owing to the tendency of the elders, from their experience, to bring the discussions to an end too quickly. To remedy this complication, he hoped to have separate classes in part and living quarters out of the School for women over thirty-five, and in general to limit the possible influence of age and experience over the less mature minds. After adjournment, the members of the Association were delightfully entertained.

HARRIET C. HYDE,
Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE MAY MEETING

The Fourteenth Regular Meeting was held in the Library at St. Faith's, on Commencement Day, May 16th.

Present: Deaconess Charlotte Boyd, Deaconess Gillespy, Deaconess Dahlgren, Deaconess West, Deaconess Nicholas, Deaconess Armstrong, Deaconess Schodts, Deaconess Woodward, Deaconess Spencer, Deaconess Stevenson, Deaconess Thompson, Deaconess Hyde, Miss Sprague, Miss Ranger, Miss Kawcgynski, Miss Flagg, Miss Hopkins, Miss Fracello, Miss Vanvechten, Miss Languedoc, Miss Heistand, and Miss Munson.

The meeting opened with prayer as usual. Bishop Greer and Dr. Gardner were present for a few minutes, and each spoke regarding their interest in the School.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report showed:

By balance, January, 1918.....	\$119.53
By dues	14.00
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Total	\$133.53
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To expenses, January, 1918 to May 16.....	\$ 53.00
Balance on May 16.....	80.53
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Total	\$133.53

The resignation of Mrs. Roland Redmond was accepted with regret.

The matter of getting news from members then came up, and plans for a simple questionnaire were discussed, and it was decided to have sent out cards with character of work, weekly schedule, notes of interest, length of time in present work, any distinctive work along community or other lines, printed on them, with spaces for answers. It was felt in this

way material could be gotten that would make the BULLETIN have more of a personal and intimate note.

Seconded and approved.

It was then proposed by Deaconess Boyd that in consideration of the terrible need, an amount from the treasury of the Association be voted as a gift to the Red Cross. This was changed to take a collection from those present. This resulted in \$5.50, which was to be sent to the Red Cross by the Secretary.

Deaconess Nicholas, Miss Flagg and Miss Ranger were asked to serve as the Nominating Committee for the fall election of officers.

Members of the graduating class, Miss Bunce, Miss Hicks, Miss Johnson, Miss Ledbetter, and Miss Millar were welcomed into the Association.

Meeting adjourned.

HARRIET C. HYDE,
Secretary.

EXTRACTS FROM DR. GARDNER'S ADDRESS AT COMMENCEMENT AT ST. FAITH'S, MAY 16, 1918

RECENT DEVELOPMENT IN WOMEN'S STATUS MAKES POSSIBLE AN ENLARGED CONCEPTION OF THE OFFICE OF DEACONESS

I wish to press the conviction that today is an important moment for equipping women for spiritual leadership in the Church, and that the conception of the Office of Deaconess should be enlarged.

Thousands of young women and women of maturity are seeking higher usefulness. They wish positions of responsibility in administration, in education and in social service. Within the past year the responsibility of voting has come to thousands of women, their first representative has taken seat in Congress, while in war work in France and in this country their amazing energy and their effective administration and their widespread gift of self in the hour of the Nation's need, have demonstrated their ability to lead.

With business, government and many professions recognizing the valuable contributions which women can give, shall not the Church recognize that in spiritual leadership and religious administration the modern woman has capacities which should be utilized?

Regardless of tradition and custom, women are becoming identified with and essential to those ordered administrative processes in which previously men alone have exercised authority. In Congress, legislature and city council, in ordering the department of police, of the Poor, or

Recreation, Child Welfare, etc., women are now given authority. To deny that a similar movement will take place in the Church, is unreasonable.

The growth of giving authority to women will be determined by the vision of need. The definition of a task essentially belonging to a woman demands the authoritative recognition of the woman who can perform the task.

Within the administration of the Church are tasks for women. The question—Will the Church give authority to women to do those tasks in the name of the Church?—is a more vital question today than—Can women become part of the ordained ministry of the Church? The ordained ministry is the result of divine guidance. No one will say that it is always to be limited to three orders, but at the present time it is so limited by canon.

THE CHURCH SHOULD PROVIDE TRAINING

If the Church is to make the appeal to the best women, three things are essential: The first is the provision of training facilities. Until the Church has created and supported for her women adequate schools with courses of instruction and training, we must expect a certain superficiality in all the work done by women in the Church. No profession attains its best heights unless it has high standards of training for its aspirants. The Episcopal Church has only three training schools for women workers: Training School for Deaconesses, Berkeley, Cal.; Church Training and Deaconess House, Philadelphia, Pa.; and the New York Training School for Deaconesses. If women are to be effective in Church work, these schools and their courses must be enlarged and multiplied.

THE CHURCH SHOULD SEEK PERMANENCY

The second essential for authorizing woman's work is the ideal of permanent service; the Church needs workers who will give life service.

THE CHURCH SHOULD PROVIDE AUTHORITY AND FELLOWSHIP BY THE OFFICE OF DEACONESS

When the Church finds a woman who is well trained and is ready to become part of the permanent forces of the Church, the Church should recognize her training and her willingness and strengthen her by binding her into a fellowship with women of the same idea. Here is the modern opportunity for the Office of Deaconess: The Office of Deaconess, of which Phebe was among the first, should become the gift of the Church to her effective workers and to those who desire to be permanent in her service.

NOTES

CLASS OF 1911

Deaconess Gertrude Jean Baker writes from St. Elizabeth's, Wakpala, South Dakota:

"The Indian women—men, too—trust us so much more than they did; there is seldom a serious illness that the patient is not given over to the nurse for unquestioned care, and very often brought here to the Infirmary and left with us. That could not have happened five years ago.

"Last night was library night. When I went to the dining-room I found three boys and fifteen girls quietly reading, most of them too interested to look up. Our greatest difficulty now is to get enough simple stories and magazines to circulate among them. They still have to be very simple."

CLASS OF 1903

From Deaconess Henderson, Shanghai:

I do hope that through all of the sifting and changing and trying the Deaconess place in the Church will only be made more valuable and defined and secure. I so love the Order,—have loved it now for so many years,—and the *trying* of the years in the Order have only made it more dear to me. So I shall watch the development with much hope and prayer.

Miss Beard and I are constantly using the Grace Church war-time prayers. She is English, but with very slight verbal change it covers all. Now I must say Good-bye and get at sweater knitting. All except the most necessary work has been put aside and all fingers are flying. My best knitter can make two sweaters in three days, and I call that pretty good. The Brooklyn has had to rush from Manila to Vladivostock,—some change in climate for the poor men, so it is up to us all to get busy—and we are.

CLASS OF 1914

In the Sisterhood Chapel at Bethany Home, Glendale, Ohio, on St. Mark's Day, Sister Olivia Mary (Olivia Matthews, '14), was professed as a Sister in the Community of the Transfiguration. Three other Sisters took their life vows at the same time, the blessed day having been prepared for through a long noviciate and by a three days' retreat immediately preceding it. The Bishop of New Jersey, the Chaplain General of the Community, was celebrant and preacher while the Rev. Joseph S. Meade, sub-chaplain, and Archdeacon George C. Reade assisted. Bishop Matthews preached on fellowship with Christ being the essence of the Religious Life, a sermon which will long be remembered by the candidates

for Profession in whose hearts his few words of direct, personal application and blessing will be treasured. After the sermon the four novices advanced to the altar rail where they pronounced their vows and signed the form of Profession according to the use of the Community. The service of profession was followed by a sung Eucharist at which many friends beside the Community received with the four new Sisters.

Sister Olivia Mary with two other Sisters expects to sail for Honolulu in August, there to take charge of St. Andrew's Priory School recently put under the care of the Order.



Miss Frances Niebuhr, 1914, died the first of July, after an illness of some length.



FIELD WORK AT ST. FAITH'S

The students of St. Faith's carried on considerable field work during the closing term of the academic year. These duties brought them into helpful association with many of the Deaconesses throughout the city, as well as with workers in the Church Mission of Help, the Charity Organization and the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society.

Two of the seniors took a short course with the Woodcraft Society, learning much which they feel will prove of value in rural work.

The elective courses at St. Faith's in public-speaking, civics, storytelling and folk-dances and games have been greatly enjoyed by the students. Much that they learned was put to immediate use in their out-work, as they came into touch with groups of children and young people. Stories were sometimes rehearsed during social hour after dinner, when guests and faculty were numbered among the group of auditors.

Among recent speakers at St. Faith's were Mrs. Biller, representing the work of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Domestic Field, Miss Dorothy Dickinson, of Rochester, N. Y., who addressed the students as a Director of Religious Education, Professor Blodgett, of the General Theological Seminary, and the Bishop of Porto Rico.

WAR ACTIVITIES OF THE ALUMNÆ

Our Red Cross Branch was organized last August and at the present time numbers 83 members. The members come from our two villages (with one or two exceptions), and some from the hospital.

It was very hard at first to awaken any realization of the great need of help, but now their enthusiasm is well shown by the earnest work done.

I also am so very glad to find how our two villages are helping each other—one such a self-respecting little place, the other a typical mining town where evil in all the worst forms runs wild.

ELEANOR SUSAN McNULTY,

Deaconess.

Definite war-relief work was begun, in a small way, at Grace Chapel last spring by the King's Daughters, who made comfort kits for our own Chapel boys in the service. These they embroidered with the initials of the boys to whom they were sent. In the Vacation School, during the extreme heat of the summer, the children made one hundred pads for comfort kits, about forty comfort pillows, and a considerable number of fracture pillows. Over three thousand trench torches were also made. The members of the Mothers' Meeting co-operated with the Mayor's Food Committee by organizing a Class in Canning and Food Saving. Theirs was the first class of the kind to be formed in our district of the city and the only one to be continued for any length of time.

When autumn came, Red Cross Auxiliary Number 49 was formed. The Auxiliary makes no surgical dressings. Over 1,200 knitted articles and hospital garments were made between November and May. Deaconess Hyde has come each Monday evening to the Parish House to give lessons to any who wished to learn to knit. No funds are available for the purchase of materials, but, after inspecting the quality of the work done by the Auxiliary, the Red Cross kindly placed it upon the list for free material. The children of the Industrial School are working along the lines which were followed by the Vacation School.

At Christmas, through the Auxiliary, packages were sent to each of the Chapel boys in the service.

AMY G. THOMPSON,

Deaconess.

Now as to War Work—On October 15th of last year, we organized a "Girls' Friendly Society," and I was appointed Branch Secretary. We meet every Monday night in the Parish House, and as I believe the work for the soldiers to be of primary importance (and that everything else must take a secondary place until our cause is won), we decided to devote the first hour of the meeting to knitting for the soldiers, with myself as knitting instructor, as I was obliged to become an adept in that art from early childhood days, owing to our extremely cold Canadian winters which make woollen garments a necessity.

Many of the girls have done a great deal of the work at home, and through the Society quite a number of sweaters, scarfs,

helmets, trench caps, socks, and wristlets have been completed. A quilt is also being knitted at the same time, for it seems better for the girls to first practise on those little squares, rather than attempt the more intricate work at once. When the quilt is finished we shall give it to the soldiers, but if not needed there we shall donate it to some worthy cause.

EMILY H. LANGUEDOC.

The three alumnae in the Archdeaconry are working hard on Red Cross. Here in Dante I started the work last spring, and the camp has done splendidly I think. We have nearly 250 members, sent in \$500.00 to headquarters in October, the result of a Moving Picture Benefit, sew every Thursday afternoon on hospital garments; and more than anything else the women knit. Most of them learned when they were children, and knit socks very rapidly. But far beyond what we have done for Red Cross the work has helped the camp in drawing the women together and making them realize the big world outside.

Miss Edith M. Sutton at Wilder, another mining camp eight miles over the mountain, started the Red Cross work there and is accomplishing a great deal, and Mrs. Hugh F. Binns at Nora, nine miles distant, is indefatigable, not only in Red Cross work but in Armenian Relief and War Savings Stamps.

MARIA P. WILLIAMS,

Deaconess.

I'm doing "my bit" by giving Sunday evenings to Canteen work in connection with the National League for Women's Service—my station is the Comrade Club, where the League runs the Canteen. I'm also knitting for the Patriotic Service League and have adopted one of the fatherless children of France.

MABEL F. SPRAGUE.

Replying to your card I am glad to report that Grace Parish, Brooklyn, is extremely loyal and active in patriotic work, from our free kindergarten, with its daily Salute to the Flag and games of "Soldier Boy," up through all our organizations.

We have joined with a number of other churches on the Heights in an association to provide entertainment for the sailors at the Navy Yard, and on Christmas Eve and again on Washington's Birthday gave them, and any soldiers who happened to be in town, a rousing good "home time" at the Arbuckle Institute. Our Red Cross Auxiliary meets one entire day each week and is on the Honor Roll of the Brooklyn Chapter. Personally, I take as large a share as I can in all this work, have taught many

boys, as well as girls, to knit, and am knitting myself in every spare moment. Our Girls' Friendly Branch voluntarily met all through the past summer in order to do war work, and of these meetings I had entire charge, as all the other associates were away.

I long to do more for our Country and Allies and if I had had my wish would now be in France. In the summer of 1916 I took the Red Cross Course and passed the examination for a "Nurse's Aid." Later I was asked to take that position in Naval Base Unit No. 1, and passed the physical examination and was vaccinated. Then they decided to train a number of young men as "Nurse's Aids" and, when the Unit finally sailed, no women were taken except the fully trained nurses.

Perhaps other deaconesses have been disappointed as I was, and I think we may find comfort in the thought suggested by the Archbishop of York as quoted by Bishop Lawrence in "The Living Church." "One of his greatest statements, coming as it did, right from the midst of the battle, was his insistence upon the necessity now in the midst of war to prepare for a nobler country and a finer civilization when peace comes." Certainly all our work is to this end, and I trust we may all have strength to work harder than ever, at "whatever our hand findeth to do," to help in this great war, "for Right against ungodly Might."

MABEL W. NICHOLAS,

Deaconess.

My work is all in connection with my parish. Christ Church, Cincinnati, has a Red Cross unit which so far has made over 93,000 hospital supplies, and about 1,700 knitted garments. The unit meets on the day that the Girls' Friendly Society holds its weekly meeting, so it extends its activities one hour and a half into the evening in order that the girls may have an opportunity to help.

The Patriotic League has a good many members among the Girls' Friendly Society, and we have organized an "Active Patriotic League," in the interest of the girls themselves. They meet to learn to sing trench songs and to march and drill under a competent leader.

I believe that the most important war work we are doing is the holding of meetings for the parents of the boys of our adopted company and of the 183 boys whose stars are on our Parish Service Flag. These meetings are full of interest and friendliness and strong encouragement, which I feel certain reacts in courage to the soldiers.

BELVA JENNINGS,

Deaconess.

Surely we are all doing War Work, the question is whether or not one's particular brand of work will be of interest to any one else. The appeals for time, money and goods come in a never-ending stream and it requires much self-restraint to withhold anything from those who present such excellent reasons for taking it.

My own work has been for some years chiefly with girls and young women and in undertaking War Work I have so far concentrated on the Girls' Friendly Society and the Home Service Department of the Red Cross. Both of these societies need trained workers and offer unexpected fields for loving and tactful personal work.

We decided to plant a War Garden at the Girls' Friendly Society Vacation House at Huntington last spring. This meant hard work and plenty of it for the chairman of the committee during several busy weeks, later we mobilized the girls for work with rake and hoe as they came for their vacations, then I left others in command having been refreshed in body and spirit by my labors. In the autumn I visited Huntington once more to harvest a good crop of potatoes from our three-acre field. Part of August was spent in work at the Girls' Friendly Society War Headquarters at Miss Chapin's School doing Red Cross and other work. Later in the year with other associates I arranged for a large Patriotic Meeting for girls in Morristown and we also started the Girls' Patriotic League here. In December I made a survey in Dover, N. J., of social and recreational work for girls, as a result the War Emergency Committee, Girls' Friendly Society Association asked me to start some work there. I have made numerous calls, held meetings and organized a branch of the Friendly in the parish church. The girls in both Morristown and Dover are doing Red Cross work. I have also assisted in the "Drive" of the New York Girls' Friendly Society to raise money for the splendid work they have undertaken.

Spring has come again and plans must be made anew for tired girls at Huntington.

EDITH C. SMITH,
Deaconess.

In response to your card I would say that as representative of the Red Cross Work of St. John's Parish, at the Red Cross rooms here in Yonkers, I am very much interested in the War Work and especially in that part of it done by the members of St. Martha's Guild whose members have divided the time given heretofore to work for the Parish poor so as to work regularly for the Red Cross and Navy League. Sewing was done at the Parish House every week during the summer last year and the work has been continued ever since. Several suits of pajamas, hospital shirts, clothing for French children, sweaters, scarves, helmets, socks and wristlets have been made.

The Girls' Friendly Society of St. John's have made comfort kits and hospital garments and are now making surgical dressings. The candidates of the Girls' Friendly Society have been knitting squares for baby blankets, and the Saturday Morning Juniors, composed of the youngest children of the Church with their teachers, have been making ambulance pillows, trench candles, and babies' booties. The teachers and scholars of the Church School had a supper and sale at Christmas time and the proceeds amounting to \$800.00 were sent to the Syrian and Armenian Relief Fund.

LILIAN L. MUNSON.

I think my best work was reporting three parties, two were men, who perjured themselves to get a gambling loafer off. I heard of it as I went to Berryville, en route for Winchester, Va. They were from here, and a man from here was in Berryville, whose uncle was one of the perjurers. I talked with him, and right before him reported the case to one who was connected with the drafting for this country. When the man returned home he told what I had done, and the two men were so frightened they walked about ten miles to Berryville, going so early in the morning, people called it night. They said they had done wrong. I really felt anxious for sometime after I returned here alone, fearing they might retaliate. The man went to camp and has written, at least, had a card written to me, he cannot write, he is quite pleased with camp life, and I hope it will do much for him.

JULIA BOYD,
Deaconess.

In regard to Red Cross or War Work I feel that my connection with it can prove of little interest to others. Our Girls' Friendly Society is organized into a Red Cross Auxiliary and has devoted all its time to the work this past year. They have this winter made over 700 surgical dressings and 150 knitted garments. My "Mothers' Guild" is also devoting its time at present to making hospital garments and baby kits.

ANNA REBECCA ARMSTRONG,
Deaconess.

My War work is in these parts.

First: I work with Gethsemane Red Cross every Monday evening. Second: The Knights of King Arthur, a boys' club, with which I am connected have made, once a month, their meetings war nights. We sent a Christmas package, books and magazines and are now making comfort kits for a Chaplain at Eagle Pass, Texas. Third: My Brotherhood of David, smaller boys, have sent an Easter package of games, chocolate and scrap books made by themselves to the same place.

I am in the unusual situation of being left in charge of a parish whose rector has gone to war. I have charge of the Department of Hospital Garments in the Rhinebeck Branch of the American Red Cross and have six workers under me. It means two afternoons a week at the rooms besides much planning outside. And I am also one of the case workers in the Home Service Department.

I was Chairman of the Woman's Committee of Rhinebeck for the Third Liberty Loan and we raised \$75,000.00. The total amount raised was \$277,950, so we had a large share.

MARY C. WEST,
Deaconess.

St. Bartholomew's Red Cross—Surgical Dressings during the winter of 1917-18, 48,500; Knitted Garments, 1,659.

CHARLOTTE BOYD,
Deaconess.

I am the President of St. John's branch of the Red Cross. We meet in the Parish House every Friday afternoon and turn out many garments, hospital supplies and surgical dressings which are delivered to headquarters fortnightly. As I can knit better than I can do other work, I have been knitting socks as my special contribution, and am now on my eighteenth pair since last November. I have also knitted two sleeveless sweaters, but prefer to do the socks. I am glad to say that I could contribute much old linen sheets and table cloths also, which have been found very useful. I might mention that I am a life member of the Red Cross and a contributor to the War Chest, as well as a purchaser of one of the second Liberty Loan issue.

HENRIETTA PELL-CLARKE,
Deaconess.

During 1917, the Sunday School supported six fatherless children of France. They paid the entire sum, \$218.00 out of their own treasury. These same six children have again been adopted for 1918. The larger part of the funds being raised at a Kirmess given under the auspices of the school.

The Junior and Intermediate Auxiliary alternately work for missions and the War Relief.

The Little Helpers turn in one afghan a month.

The older Juniors have just completed two dainty layettes (the official Red Cross patterns) for French or Belgian infants.

The girls are just beginning to make pamphlet editions of serial stories, for distribution among the soldiers and sailors.

We find that the bandages and other surgical dressings are best done at the Community Red Cross room and so we urge regular attendance there with good results. The organizations are well represented daily.

AUGUSTA P. KAWCZYNSKI.

I am doing War Work, having taken two Red Cross courses last spring in order to take it up in St. Luke's Mission where I work.

We have had an auxiliary for the neighborhood since June 6, 1917, where all the different kinds of work are done including, knitting, sewing, surgical dressings, soliciting for membership, food conserving and some prohibition efforts to save the dreadful liquor waste. We have had six speakers. For the past nine months, one afternoon a week has been given in the Church Hall and since Christmas, two evenings in my rooms where my sister presides over the surgical dressings and knitting.

MARY T. PATTERSON,

Deaconess.

Well, we have a Red Cross—there are a good many members and a due supply of officers, but all that is done except the actual sewing and knitting is done by me. We have thirty-seven members and collected over \$70.00 besides from our small community. The children make layettes for refugee babies, and the women knit. Then we collect 17 cents a month from as many as we can—one day's keep for an Armenian child—last month we got 36 x 17 cents.

Third and last—on pay day I begged a lot of War Savings and Thrift Stamps from the postmistress and took them to the commissary. No one had bought any but me until then. I sold over \$34.00 worth to twenty-seven depositors. I have since been made an agent for War Savings Stamps.

There I am—nothing spectacular but it takes all the minutes left from school, three Sunday Schools, getting up congregations for services, sick calling, etc. And I left out my precious garden which I am really going to work this year and see how near I can come to feeding myself next winter.

MARGARET D. BINNS.

It is strange how a year ago it could not have seemed possible to add two full half days to one's schedule, and yet in response to the war conditions and needs, we have added here at the Cathedral a morning at the Red Cross sewing rooms, and another in Surgical Dressings at the Parish House, and do not seem to feel it much. Forty of the women of our club are sewing in the Red Cross Unit coming at ten o'clock and bringing

their lunch, and remaining for the club in the afternoon. Others of the club are knitting regularly for the Red Cross.

Their spirit has been fine, and this combination of War Work with church atmosphere has helped both their religious life and their patriotism. The Thrift Stamps are being sold at the club meetings, and at Sunday School, under the direction of committees of each.

Friday mornings I do Surgical Dressings with one of our Guilds, but have no special responsibility for the work.

I hope I have told you in the above what you wanted to know about War Work. We don't seem to be doing very much here, and I am sure it isn't worth quoting. I will look forward to learning what the other Deaconesses are doing from the BULLETIN.

ANNA GRAY NEWELL,

Deaconess.

I am a member of the Red Cross and always have some knitting on hand when not where I can do active work. There has just been a branch organized here affiliated with Gastonia. We have tried to arouse interest among the mill girls; they are willing to pay their dues, but have no time to do any work although some of them are learning to knit with the object of help in view.

EVA H. CRUMP,

Deaconess.

Trinity Cathedral Branch of the Red Cross—One day a week with an attendance of about sixty average. Sewing and knitting.

Girls' Friendly Society—Money invested in Liberty Bond. A French orphan, \$36.00, and boxes. 50 baby kits for Belgians. Armenian Relief. Some nursing course. Some surgical dressings. 50 Christmas comfort kits. Also almost weekly instruction in conservation, current events and Red Cross, etc.

Junior Auxiliary—Helping Girls' Friendly a little with some sewing for baby kits, some knitting.

Trinity House Club—A neighborhood knitting class of some 35, for Army and Navy knitting.

Our Sunday School class of girls—Red Cross knitting.

E. C. KLEMM,

Deaconess.

Deaconess Phelps is in France with the Quaker Unit. Her address is Mission de la Societe des Amis, 53 rue de Rivoli, Paris.

Edith Chappell is giving valuable War Service in assisting in the training of thirty young Polish nurses, under the auspices of the Polish White Cross, to be sent to care for their countrymen, who are fighting with the Allies on the Western front.

I should like to be able to report some regular War Work, but, much knitting for "the boys," knitting of sponges for the American Fund for the French wounded and a good deal of work on surgical dressings during the summer, is all.

FRANCES W. KENNETT,
Deaconess.

WAR TIME ACTIVITIES OF THE CATHEDRAL SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The children of the Cathedral Sunday School, which is under the direction of the students at St. Faith's House, have been very much interested in war activities of different kinds. In the Fall, they took up a collection for the purchase of a large school flag. This was dedicated at one of our services in St. James' Chapel, and has since then, been carried at the head of our line every Sunday afternoon when we march over to the Chapel. About eleven dollars of our money "for others" has been voted to the Columbia Base Hospital where it will be used to buy stamps for the sick soldiers who are there. On one of the Sundays in the Third Liberty Loan Drive, the children and teachers with the Rev. Mr. Nash, our Superintendent, sang hymns for the Liberty Loan on the street corner outside of Synod Hall and displayed posters. On the special day of Prayer for Victory, the children brought in the names of their relatives who were serving at the front, and special intercessions were offered for them at Evensong. Next year, we may perhaps, form troops of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts from among the Sunday School children. A survey of the School showed that while practically all the children are doing Red Cross work in connection with Day School, almost none of them belong to any clubs outside of school. The Scout organizations would be very valuable for recreation and school spirit as well as for teaching Patriotism. Of course, the difficulty is the usual one—the lack of money!

ADELAIDE CASE,
Educational Director.

TO MISS JANET WARING, TREASURER, FOR THE CHURCH GENERAL
HOSPITAL, WUCHANG, CHINA

From October to May, by night and by day,
We've had these envelopes before us!
Now hear our report in united chorus—

By wielding brooms, and cleaning rooms,
By giving shampoos, and polishing shoes,
By mending clothes, and—nobody knows
All else we've done beside!

We've given plays and recitations,
Willing slaves in our ministrations
For that fund for the Wuchang Hospital.

Five hundred and thirty-three cubic feet,
We now challenge another school to beat!
Pray accept from Saint Faith's twenty scholars,
Our hard earned gift of Eighty Dollars.

St. Faith's House, 1918.