



1922-1929 Years of the “House”

4 NOVEMBER 1922 Angela Boffi leaves the community of the Daughters of St. Paul.

12 MARCH 1923 Maestra Thecla hands over the “St. Paul Book Shop” in Susa to Mr. Enrico Piazza.

23 MARCH 1923 The small Susa community returns definitively to Alba and joins forces with the community of Daughters of St. Paul that had been established in Alba during their absence.

1923-1924 M. Thecla writes down some of her remembrances about the beginnings of the Daughters of St. Paul. On the basis of these notes, a series of articles are written and printed in the *Pauline Cooperators’ Bulletin* (UCBS) between June 1923 and April 1925.

10 FEBRUARY 1924 Fr. Alberione initiates the Pious Disciples of the Divine Master. Following the Decree of Diocesan Approval (1929), M. Thecla becomes Superior General of this group too until 25 March 1947.

16 JANUARY 1926 M. Thecla sends a group of young sisters, under the guidance of Maestra Amalia Peyrolo, to open a community in Rome. Two days earlier, on 14 January, two other Daughters of St. Paul, as well as a group of boys of the Society of St. Paul led by Fr. Timothy Giaccardo, had already left for the same destination.

20 OCTOBER 1926 Death of Angela Boffi. In tears, M. Thecla communicates the news to another sister, saying: “I owe so much to Maestra Boffi.”

MAY 1927 M. Thecla visits (perhaps for the first time) the FSP community of Rome.

30 OCTOBER 1928 Together with other sisters, M. Thecla puts on for the first time the religious garments that will become the habit of the Daughters of St. Paul.

5 NOVEMBER 1928 The Congregation’s first branch house is opened in Salerno to carry out the apostolate of diffusion. In the same month, the FSP communities of Bari and Verona are also opened. M. Thecla personally accompanies the

founding sisters and helps them get started. These are her first apostolic trips.

5 FEBRUARY 1929 Goes to Cagliari to help the sisters open a community there.

15 MARCH 1929 Bishop Giuseppe Francesco Re approves the Pious Society of the Daughters of St. Paul as a Congregation of Diocesan Right. In the decree, M. Thecla is recognized as the Institute's Superior General, with the title of *Prima Maestra*.

19 MARCH 1929 Together with her four councilors, M. Thecla makes her public perpetual religious profession in the hands of the Founder, the delegate of Bishop Giuseppe Francesco Re. She thus becomes qualified to receive the vows of the sisters.
