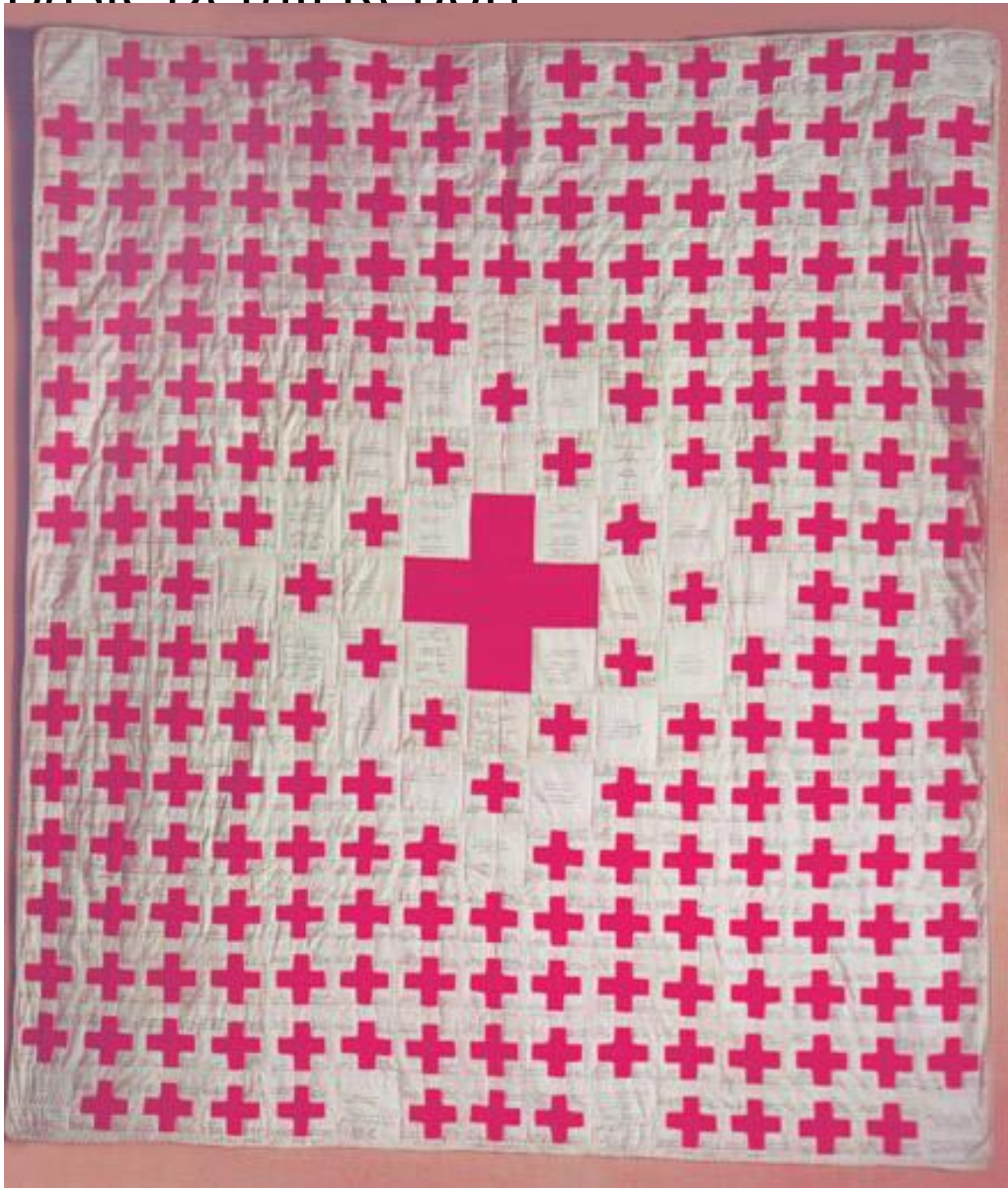


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Title Appliqué Quilt

Date 1918

Primary Maker Ladies Aid Society of Windsor Avenue Congregational Church

Medium Hand-stitched, plain-woven cotton; black ink

Description Appliquéd signature quilt in the Red Cross pattern; this pattern is also known as a Liberty quilt. The quilt consists of a top of plain-woven red and white cotton, batting, and a white plain-woven cotton backing; these three layers are joined by a quilting pattern. The top consists of a red cross in the

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center surrounded by square white blocks each of which is about 5 1/2 inches

square; these square white blocks extend to each edge of the quilt. Red crosses

are appliquéd on the white blocks in a diamond around the center cross, then

on most blocks toward each corner of the quilt. The white blocks have hand-

written inscriptions in black ink; these inscriptions are the names of servicemen

and women with their branch and place of service. At the bottom center of the

quilt is a hand-written inscription with information about who made the quilt:

"This Liberty Quilt/ was started by Mrs. Martha J. Brunner/ of Hartford, Conn., in

1918, to raise money for/ the Red Cross, as a patriotic service in/ honor of our

brave men and women in/ our country's service./ It was planned and made by/

Mrs. Alice M. Jones and Mrs. M. C. Brott/ of the Ladies Aid Society of the/ Windsor

Ave. Congregational Church/ of Hartford, Conn./ The names were inscribed by

Miss Waters./ The amount raised for the/ Red Cross by means of/ this quilt was/

\$1150". The quilting pattern outlines each appliquéd cross. The quilt is edged in

white cotton. Condition: The top has a few scattered, light brown stains. Small

holes are pierced through the binding at the sides, possibly the result of tacks.

The back has light staining in a line down the center and in blocks at one side

where the quilt may have been folded. Each corner also has light staining.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width): 93 x 82in. (236.2 x 208.3cm)