

If the rarity be true, and it sometimes seems so, no wonder that our club women are busy and hurried with a hundred things which they never intended to undertake.

A woman should think many times before assuming a responsibility; but when once assumed, it should be a moral obligation for her to live up to the tacit promise.

For a woman to leave the loose ends of her duties for others to unravel the tangles, when the tangle would have not existed had she promptly fastened her threads, shows a woeful lack of consideration for the rights of others.

Club life apportions the work to its members, and were each one thoroughly reliable, the burdens now overwhelming many weary shoulders, would not exist.

The regular meeting of the Women's Club was omitted on Monday, in order that the many strangers who had come to Lincoln for the Riley lecture, and were guests of the club, might have an opportunity of meeting the club's members. A dainty tea table was spread for the cheer of any who might call at the rooms, and many of the visitors as well as the members, gladly availed themselves of the invitation.

The society of the Hall in the Grove met on Friday evening, November 19th, with Dr. and Mrs. Steia. In place of the first part of the regular program a paper on "Early Roman Art," by Mrs. J. L. McConnell was substituted. The thorough knowledge of the subject shown by Mrs. McConnell, and the scholarly manner in which it was presented, won the greatest interest from all present, and the numerous questions asked later showed how closely the paper had been followed.

Professor Loveland, as leader, spoke on the religion and religious institutions of Russia. A general discussion closed the program. The next meeting will be on December 3rd with Mrs. Smith, 645 South Fourteenth street.

By the death of Miss Ellen Gibson last week, two of the Lincoln clubs, Sorosis Junior and the New Book Review, were deprived of a valuable member. This is the second sad gap caused by death in the ranks of Sorosis Junior within one year; and great sympathy is felt for this club in their loss, as well as for the members of the New Book Review, by their more fortunate sister organizations.

The Century Club will meet on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. F. E. Campbell, 1045 C street. Mrs. C. I. Jones will be the leader for the afternoon, and as no paper will be given, all the members of the club are expected to contribute something to the program.

The household economic department of the Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. John A. Ames on Monday afternoon. A Christmas program will be given, including gifts and their origin, and followed by a demonstration of candy making.

The New Book Review club met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. T. J. O'Connell and listened to the following program appropriate to the thanksgiving season:

"Thanksgiving Day," Mrs. R. L. Rehlender.

"Fast and Thanksgiving of New England," Mrs. Cook.

Poem on Thanksgiving, Mrs. S. C. Hoover.

Piano selections were rendered by Mrs. L. D. Munson and Mrs. Ralph Penney.

The next meeting of the civic department of the Woman's Club will be held on Wednesday next in the old club rooms, corner of Twelfth and M streets. Mrs. Anna B. Winchester will talk on the Continental Congress, the beginning of American nationality. The postponed paper on the Puritan commonwealth

will be given later by the leader, Mrs. R. L. Rehlender.

A recital will soon be given by the student members of the Matinee Musical. This membership is open to any of the younger musicians, whose names may be presented by an active member of the club, upon the payment of one dollar dues. As all of last year's student members have not yet renewed their memberships, they are requested to do so soon, in order that a series of student recitals may be arranged for immediately.

The year book of the Woman's Club is finally completed and will be treasured with pride by all lovers of dainty bindings. Within covers of white tied with violet cord, are found thirty-four pages of information relating to the clubs printed in violet on heavy white enamelled paper. The outline of work for each department is given, besides the constitution, list of officers and complete membership list, forming a useful book of reference for the year.

The Once-a-Week Kensington club met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Al Hart. Light refreshments were served after a few hours of sewing and conversation. Those present were Mesdames Will Risley, Ward Richardson, Grant Hoagland, Burt Davis, Wallace Crandall, Fred Hallett and Miss Margaret Hallett.

The department of parliamentary practice of the Woman's Club, held its regular meeting in the N street club rooms November 23rd.

The object of this department is the advancement and knowledge of all matters pertaining to laws in public meetings of all description, and like the electric spark that leaps from one bulb to another making an instantaneous light, so the members are enthused on each subject aroused.

Committee meetings and reports interested the usual full and enthusiastic attendance at the last meeting.

"Lay on the table" and the "Previous Question" will be the subjects for discussion at the next meeting, December 7th.

### Those Premium Checks

There has been a lively discussion in the daily papers of late concerning the different premium schemes afloat in the city in which checks and stamps are supposedly given for nothing to people making purchases at different stores.

The propositions plainly stated are that merchants buy of the premium people, stamps and checks which they in turn give to their customers who in turn in some dim and distant future are to receive some kind of a premium for their stamps.

It would scarcely seem necessary in the general transaction of business that any middle parties would be a necessity between merchant and their customers, but that is the place the premium people occupy.

It is very evident, after a few weeks experiment, that it is a profitable thing for the workers of the premium schemes, but decidedly expensive for the people who gather them up. The merchants have quickly discovered that a drain upon their combined business, approximating a thousand dollars a week, is more than they can stand, but they have a remedy. They can charge their customers enough more for their goods to make up the cost of stamps and checks and in that way keep even. The question then resolves itself at once into a transaction between the customers of the merchants and the premium people and the transaction is entirely one-sided.

The customers stand the entire expense and the premium workers gather in the money. The fact that weeks, or in the future years the premium people have gathered in hundreds of dollars,

they prepare to redeem checks and stamps in some sort of premiums is a small part of the whole business. Before any buyers get premiums they have paid four or five times over, the cash value of the premiums and through the whole transaction are simply used by the premium promoters to help them to money making while the scheme lasts.

Of course if they can get the people to demand stamps and checks it is money direct for them to do so, but they presume greatly on the gullibility of the public when they urge their claims. Their presumption reaches a climax when they urge the women of the city, to demand checks, when it is those who demand checks have them to pay for over and over.

### YOUNG WOMEN ORGANIZE.

A new Young Woman's Christian association was organized last week in the rooms of the disbanded or discontinued W. and Y. W. C. association. The old organization was made under local auspices and rules. The new organization is effected under and subject to the rules of the international board of the Y. W. C. A.

A committee empowered to canvass the city and find out what are the prospects for a new organization reported favorably and the number present, a room well filled, justified the ladies having the movement in hand with pushing it to a consummation. A constitution was adopted and the following officers elected: President, Miss Rose Bouton; first vice-president, Mrs. Grant; second, Mrs. R. C. Manley; third, Mrs. E. T. Harley; recording secretary, Miss Margaret Palmer; treasurer, Miss Flora Burns; directors, Mrs. F. M. Hall, Mrs. S. D. Hyde, Mrs. F. E. Campbell, Misses Rymal, Dennis, May Sumner, Martha Pierce and Luella Witte.

As Miss Laura Wild expects to leave on December 1st, the president was

authorized to forward a request to the international board for a secretary as soon as one can be found.

### NOTICE.

(First Publication October 21)

Wm. M. Buckman vs. Edward T. Huff, et al. 21-257.

To Albert Huff, Jessie Huff, his wife, and Thomas L. Teasdale, non-resident defendants:

You and each of you are hereby notified that on September 18th, 1897, William M. Buckman, as plaintiff, began an action against you and other defendants in the District Court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, the object of which is to foreclose a certain mortgage on the following land in said county, to-wit: Lot number 12 in block number 13, in the city of Lincoln, according to the recorded plat thereof, made by Edward T. Huff and Emma E. Huff to the Lombard Investment Company, dated September 1st, 1890, to secure the payment of a promissory note of said Edward T. Huff and Emma E. Huff to said Lombard Investment Company for \$1,650.00, on which there is now due \$1,780.00 with interest from September 1st, 1895, at ten per cent per annum.

Plaintiff prays for decree of foreclosure and sale of said land to satisfy said liens as aforesaid, for deficiency judgment and general relief.

You are required to answer plaintiff's petition on or before the 29th day of November, 1897.

WILLIAM M. BUCKMAN, Plaintiff.  
By S. L. Gesthardt, Attorney.  
Nov. 13.

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