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University Place Woman's club opened its year's work last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Miller. Miss Blood our new president, presided with grace, tact and ability. A short programme had been arranged by the president consisting of a piano solo by Miss Lawrence and a recitation by Miss Love. Our delegates having just returned from the State Federation held in Omaha, were called upon for reports of the convention. These reports were very interesting and we received much inspiration for our club work.

Literature, Child Study, Kensington and social departments will be continued and other departments will be added as they are desired.

The department of Child Study, Mrs. Munger leader, held a most entertaining and instructive meeting at Plattsmouth Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. Byron Clark.

The president called on Mrs. Stoutenborough as leader of the English Literature department to assign her topics for the next meeting. After doing so, Mrs. Munger opened the meeting with a well-written paper by herself, the reading of which she prefaced by an apology for having done so, owing to the fact that she was too busy a woman to hunt up some one to write papers, and thought she could do it in less time. The paper was so good that her apology was readily accepted.

Mrs. Unruh furnished an excellent paper and Mrs. Perry Walker made some delightfully original remarks, contrasting the old and new-fashioned mother in which the "new mother" or the mother of today, suffered somewhat in comparison. Animated discussions on child training were the order of the evening and some of the thoughts brought out were rather theoretical than practical. Mrs. Atwood offered the use of her parlors for all meetings of the club for the season. Said offer being thankfully accepted the House and Home committee having had a serious time trying to secure centrally located quarters.

The next meeting will be in two weeks at Mrs. Atwood's home, Mrs. Stoutenborough's department of English Literature furnishing the program.

The Lincoln Woman's club met on Monday afternoon to discuss a question affecting its own well being. Mrs. A. J. Sawyer led the discussion on "Resolved that higher education unfits a woman for domestic life," and was followed by a number of other speakers. The majority of the club members were present, eager either for their own enlightenment in this important problem, or prepared to assist in its elucidation to others. They were early admonished—not to consider their own homes, as that was too personal, but to consider the state of the homes of all the other club members. No papers were given, and each speaker was so carried away by her own enthusiasm, that the allotted ten minutes was entirely too short, and each one left the platform with half of her thoughts unsaid. No definite decision was reached through the leader, Mrs. Sawyer, in weighing the evidence at the meeting's close, considered that the unfitness of educated women for domestic life had been acknowledged. She also said she would like an hour in which to suggest remedies. This was promised her by the president for some future time.

The program opened with a pretty solo, "Appear Love at Thy Window," by Miss Stella Smith. The subject was then presented by Mrs. Sawyer in its three aspects—education, unfitness and domestic life. She first considered education from a historical standpoint, and said that there was no fixed standard of higher education for women. It changed from year to year; even today a small percentage of women had college diplomas, too few to be considered. Instead, she traced the results of the common school training, which should fit girls for home life, but instead, generally unfitted them for all domestic labor. Mrs. Sawyer thought that the highest character and skill were required to make a successful home.

Mrs. H. H. Wheeler spoke in the negative. "If education," she said, "were nothing but instruction, it would unfit for any life; but education should be a training and developing of all the power in the person. If men make history, the mothers make the men: and the better the mother is fitted for the work, the better the work." This argument was later answered by the leader, who said that the records showed the mothers of all great historical characters to have been uneducated women. Mrs. Wheeler asked those present to consider whether their own friends were failures as home keepers. She said that the most charming homes that she knew were those of highly educated women. She described the home of one club woman, who kept no servant, but dispensed lavish hospitality. The object of the illustration was recognized and the words brought forth enthusiastic applause.

Mrs. E. T. Hartley followed, supposedly the negative side, but she weakened her cause by promptly suggesting cooperative home-keeping as the inevitable future mode of life. "Higher education," she said, "should teach women to simplify housekeeping." She then brought a weighty argument to her defense in the history and description of the Renaissance club, each member of which is an intellectual star, and at the same time is famed for her skillful cookery.

Mrs. Morning thought that even the pleasures of club life unfitted a woman for home duties. "Housekeeping," she said, "is a specialty or collection of specialties, each one of which requires thought and careful study. When the duties of motherhood are added, little time is left to the average woman for speech making and meetings." Mrs. Morning thought that the educated woman would never be entirely satisfied with the routine of home duties.

The last of the speakers, Mrs. McLennan, knew as many poor housekeepers among the ignorant as among the educated women; there were as many indolent women in one condition as in the other. She considered it entirely as a matter of industry. Minute talks were given by a number of members. Some thought the university girls should be taught to wield the dish cloth and broom for their necessary physical exercise, while others insisted that university girls were most skillful in the use of those weapons. Mrs. Sawyer closed the subject with a resume of all arguments, which, in her words, settled the unfitness, but left the women of many minds where they were.

Mrs. Manning read three stirring war poems, "The Call to the Colors," "The Race of the Oregon," and Kipling's "Recessional." The latter was given

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with deep feeling and the dramatic rendition of the second poem made "The Race" most realistic. This was by far the most enjoyable meeting yet held by the club.

The Ohio State Federation of Women's clubs assembled on October 25th at Columbus. Mrs. Canfield, wife of the former chancellor of the Nebraska university, is one of the most popular and efficient club workers in Ohio as she was in Nebraska. She was elected vice president and might have had the presidency, according to the press reports, had she not declined it. Chancellor Canfield welcomed the members of the federation to the university and the orchestral and lyrical societies gave them a welcome in music. Most of the United States officers were present, though President Lowe, who was expected, was not present.

The Columbus Dispatch presents a very good likeness of Mrs. Canfield and says of her:

That Mrs. Canfield is a very popular woman was evidenced by the applause that always greeted her appearance or the mention of her name. When installed as vice president she was presented with a bouquet of magnificent chrysanthemums tied in the convention colors, yellow and white. It is hoped that at the next election Mrs. Canfield will allow herself to be placed in the hands of her friends.

Under Mrs. Canfield's inspiration an art exhibition was collected and the critics speak very flatteringly of two of Mrs. Canfield's pictures, a portrait and a sketch of Mirror Lake on the Ohio state university campus. The receptions, dinners and luncheons given to the delegates were numerous and the four days were brilliant socially as well as intellectually stimulating.

Lincoln Sorosis met at Mrs. W. A.