

motion was carried to dispense with department work and have the program prepared by the program committee. It was also decided to have members prepare topics for discussion next year and to submit them to the secretary for consideration. The meeting closed with the election of officers: Pres., Mrs. J. B. McDowell, unanimously re-elected; vice pres., Mrs. J. C. Kesterson; treas., Mrs. G. E. Jenkins; sec., Mrs. H. P. Showalter; corr. sec., Mrs. M. G. Pemberton. Mrs. Jenkins will represent the club at the state federation at Wayne.

"We Seven" is the name of a well known society club of Vincennes, Ind. The name is adopted from the title of Wordsworth's poem, "We Are Seven," and the members are young girls who have been friends since childhood, and whose ages are within a single year. Regular meetings are held, at which the members devote the time to discussions of current topics, the latest novels, and to various forms of amusement.

The May meeting of the Des Moines Women's Press club was held in the Y. W.C.A. parlors May 6. New officers were installed, and a report was given by the club's delegate to the biennial. Mrs. George Garver, the treasurer, reported the club to be in a flourishing condition financially, after which a review of the year's work was given in an appreciative manner by the club's historian, Mrs. Henry Wallace. Six representatives of the press club, including Mrs. Durley, Mrs. Clark and Miss Glaspeil, attended the biennial and discussed many points outside the scope of their regular newspaper reports. Mrs. Fletcher Howard, the new president, was introduced by the retiring president, Mrs. George Ogilvie; Mrs. Howard spoke to the club of her plans for the year's work, and announced as members of the new entertainment committee Mrs. Anna Ross-Clark, chairman; Miss Nellie Mathews and Miss Emilie B. Stapp. Mrs. Ella Hamilton-Durley is chairman of the program committee; the other members will be announced at the June meeting.

Haydn Hall will be the name of a new building soon to be erected for the college for women at Western Reserve university. Part of the building will be used as a place for study and recreation and part as a dormitory. Radcliffe college also will soon have a new dormitory building, called Bertram Hall. The dining hall will be fifty feet long and twenty-five feet wide, and will be adapted to many uses. The University of

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California has a new woman's gymnasium, the gift of Mrs. Hearst. Gymnasium work will now be compulsory for women during the first two years of their college life.

The following "Don't" from "The Club Woman" are worth reproducing:

Don't join a club just because there is a vacancy.

Don't join a club expecting to attend only when there is nothing else to do.

Don't join a club until you have read and understand its constitution and by-laws.

Don't join a club expecting the officers to furnish all the fuel for the steam of enthusiasm and for the fire of energy.

Don't take refuge in ignorance, and say, "Oh, I know nothing of parliamentary law, but this or that or the other ruling was all wrong."

Don't imagine, if an officer, that you have any higher personal privilege, except to work early and often.

Don't imagine that every other subject on the program would have suited you better than the one the committee assigned to you.

Don't imagine when you are on the affirmative side of a question that the negative member is assigned to oppose you for life; it's only for ten minutes.

Don't imagine your number on the program is a movable feast, to receive attention any time by anybody. It is dated and by the "noblesse" of club life is marked "not transferable."

Don't imagine because corporations have no souls that clubs have no epistolary etiquette. Prove that they have by answering letters, even at the point of prostration and pen paralysis.

Don't, if difference comes, "carry the war into Africa," from one club to another. It is a direct violation of the laws of neutrality, and a reckless waste of ammunition, as usually sufficient unto the club is the war thereof.

An interesting work is being accomplished by the Philadelphia chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Eight unknown portraits of men of colonial prominence, painted by James Sharpless, are hung in Independence hall. Photographs of these pictures have been made by the Daughters and sent to museums and to public and private galleries in America and Europe, with the result that seven of the eight have now been identified. The seven are General Samuel Smith of Maryland, General Rufus Philip Van Courtland of New York, Governor Thomas McKean, General C. C. Pickney of South Carolina, Colonel William Few of Maryland, and Colonel Isaac Smith of New Jersey.

A successful convention was held last week by the Des Moines District Women's Missionary Society. The meeting was held in the Highland Park Methodist Episcopal church, and the program consisted of music, addresses and reports of various auxiliaries.

Mrs. L. K. Wynn of Des Moines entertained the members of the Chauncey Depew club last week Thursday, in honor of Mr. Herbert L. Stetson, who will soon move to Kalamazoo.

The following officers were elected by the Clio club of Ottumwa, Iowa: Pres., Mrs. Frank Mills; vice pres., Mrs. H. P. Colt; sec., Mrs. W. T. Wilkinson; treas., Mrs. William Hansell.

The annual election of officers of the Ottumwa Woman's club was held May 8 in the parlors of the First Congregational church. The vote was taken by ballot and resulted in the following election: Pres., Mrs. A. G. Harrow, first vice pres., Mrs. Charles Connelly; second vice pres., Mrs. George Porter; rec. sec., Mrs. C. S. Graham; corr. sec.,

Mrs. James Gee; treas., Mrs. J. T. Phillips; historian, Mrs. Edwin Mather; members of board of directors, Mrs. Charles Bachman, Mrs. Taylor B. Gephart, Mrs. S. H. Harper and Mrs. R. H. Moore.

The musicale which was to have been given at the home of Major Mahon was indefinitely postponed on account of the death of the father of Mrs. Nellie Brown Hughes, one of the club members who was one of the musicians.

Three women physicians were recently appointed on the staff at the Cook County hospital, Chicago. They are Dr. Florence Hunt, Josephine Jackson and Jeannette Kearsley, graduates of the Woman's Medical school, Northwestern university. Two woman physicians have also been appointed as resident medical officers at the London Royal Free hospital. They will give their entire attention to women and children.

Vassar college has received a scholarship of \$10,000 from Miss Helen Gould, in memory of her mother.

Vacation school playgrounds will be conducted during the summer months by the Women's Literary Union of Haverhill, Mass. The work will be under the supervision of Miss Annie P. Roche, who was largely responsible for the success of the movement during its experimental period. This idea is one which could be adopted with profit by many western cities.

An appeal to clergymen was sent out by Mrs. Mary Wright Sewall, of the woman's international peace and arbitration committee, asking them to explain the object of the meetings held throughout the country today. Mrs. Sewall also sent out an address to be read at these meetings, which says in part: "We unite in the expression of our conviction that nations, which are but aggregations of individuals, should be held to a morality at least as exalted as that which is demanded of individuals under the highest existing forms of civilization. The Court of Common Justice, in which differences are arbitrated by law and reason, has succeeded to the duel as the approved method of settling individual controversies. We believe this fact to be a pledge that nations also may be brought to settle, under corresponding laws of justice and reason, sectional and international controversies. We pledge ourselves to give support to the principles enunciated in the conventions passed by the Conference of The Hague, to sustain the Court of International Arbitration, to endeavor to augment public respect for it, and to aid in so modifying conditions that the range of its influence and the application of its principles, in behalf of which it convened, may be extended."

At the regular meeting of the Platts mouth Woman's club last week the literary department furnished the program. A review of "Quo Vadis" was read by Mr. C. A. Rawles and was greatly enjoyed by members and guests. Mrs. C. S. Polk was elected corresponding secretary in place of Miss Buzzell, resigned. Mrs. Polk reported the work of the school visiting committee. The club met again last night at the home of Mrs. James Herold. The meeting was under the direction of the department of music and art, and was in the form of a musicale, the program in charge of Mrs. Davis, assisted by the club chorus.

The last meeting for the year of the Deborah Avery chapter D. A. R., will be held on Friday, May the thirty-first, at the residence of Mrs. A. J. Sawyer, 1718 F street. The medal offered by the chapter to the girls of the Senior class

of the Lincoln High school for the best paper on the Acquisition of the Louisiana Territory will be awarded at this meeting. There are ten competing for the medal and the contest promises to be close.

Andrew Carnegie has been elected president of the New York Philharmonic society to succeed E. Francis Hyde who voluntarily resigned. The orchestra will doubtless be heard in many cities outside of New York next season. Emil Paur has consented to remain director of the society, which fact will insure the popularity of the organization wherever it may appear.

The Massachusetts Federation will hold its ninth annual meeting on Wednesday, May 22, in the Baptist church at Clinton. The Federation will be the guest of the Clinton Woman's club

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