

ties to the faculty than formerly, they still recognize that they must not go too far. The professor is allowed to smoke a cigarette, to wear Boston clothes, and on Sundays carry a cane. But the students still resent the accent and the undefinable air of superiority which it takes the ever-blowing winds of Nebraska about four years to blow away. And in all this the student asserts an independence which is old as Saxon love of liberty and self assertiveness. Later years of cosmopolitanizing life will teach him that a man who flaps may be a very good fellow. But when that change takes place in him he is no longer a Nebraska state university student. That individual wears a chip on his shoulder as long as he is an undergraduate. As to the modernity of the western university, the Nebraska representative is behind the times in one important particular. Although it is a co-educational school there are at present only two or three women in the faculty. And although their ability is undisputed they are underpaid and overworked. Miss Mary Jones, who has accepted the position of librarian at Champaign, Illinois, never received the title of librarian, nor the pay. Though the faculty and regents admitted that she did the work and possessed the ability necessary to fill the position of librarian. But she is a woman and therefore not entitled to the credit of her attainments and ability. Miss Parker, who has been a member of the faculty, is so no longer because the regents agreed that, after putting a brick veneer on the blacksmith shop, laying down stone walks and making other improvements not absolutely indispensable, there was nothing left for the art department. Therefore the department which has existed through years of drought, and in the early days of the university when the appropriation was not half as large, was cut off from the university. The underlying reason was that it was in charge of a woman who only knew how to paint pictures and who kept her studio and taught pupils and painted pictures that would be a credit to a ten thousand dollar a year portrait artist, while a man who is an unacknowledged sycophant secured so large a share of the appropriation that other departments were necessarily crippled. In eastern institutions, and in European if a woman chance to have transcendent ability it is recognized, but in the university of Nebraska which has acquired a reputation for modernity, a woman is rated in accordance with the direct inspiration from Germany where it is thought unwomanly to earn a degree or to absorb by way of lectures what is called the higher education. Most of the professors who boast a German finish to their American foundation ridicule the idea of a woman being put at the head of a department or of the wages being cut to the same scale. It will probably be many years before a teacher is hired in the university of Nebraska because of his ability to teach and knowledge of a special subject, without regard to his sex. It will be many years after the business world has accepted the situation and allowed a woman to receive the same wages for the same work that a man does. The regents and faculty are masculine, and in spite of the co-educational character of the institution there is a strong sentiment in both bodies to keep them so. I have mentioned only a few of the palpable instances of injustice to women at the university that they have heretofore suffered in silence. Hereafter THE COURIER will take the liberty to inform the public of the real injustice done women in the state university. It may be that public sentiment will be able to hasten the day at this great institution, when men, and women too, are free and equal.

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A Season's Record.

The year of study has closed for most of the clubs. Some few hold meetings right on through the heated terms, some others have one summer meeting in the shade of an outing or picnic, and of course these outings happen later in the summer, when the danger of spring rains are less. Now that the long arduous studies are over it might be well to take cursory glance back over the year, and see what some of the clubs have accomplished. A glance through the year's books, and a resume of the many meetings, show a good deal of hard study done, a number of very pleasant social functions held and much good accomplished in general.

The Lincoln Woman's club closed the year among the first in the state. April 26 occurred the annual business meeting for the election of officers. The club held fifteen regular meetings, besides social and musical meetings. Nine departments had charge of the work, each department coming on for one or more of the regular fortnightly meetings. Each department took some study carried it through successively. It was a sort of a small university, and many of the members belonged to several departments or classes. The annual reports from the current events, literature, science, civics, domestic economy, art, parliamentary practice and physical education, showed that much work had been accomplished. Mrs. A. A. Scott guided the club through the year and was unanimously elected to the position of president for the coming year.

The Book Review club closed its year's work with a banquet at the home of Mrs. T. J. O'Connell the last of April. This club is composed of young married people of congenial tastes and the meetings are the most enjoyable of any club in Lincoln—the city of clubs. The purpose of the club is indicated by the name. It keeps the members abreast of the times in literature. As soon as a new book is out that attracts attention some member is delegated to read it and present a review of it to the club. Then excerpts from the book are read, and a discussion follows. In this way the

is composed of some of the hardest working women in the state. They are students and whatever they undertake is done well. It is a power in social and educational life in Plattsmouth, all of the good music, good art and high class entertainments come to the city under the wing of the club.

It is a departmental club, organized on the usual plan. Meetings have been held every week on Saturday. Mrs. Ida Snyder has had charge of the art department and the course of study has been interesting and instructive. The Italian painters were studied, The meeting began with a paper or conversation on "The dawn of Italian Painting as a Fine Art," the last meeting closed with the subject "Correggio, Greatest Master of Chiaroscuro." The current literature department had for a leader, Dell H. Hunger. The program consisting of a study of modern and mostly American authors, with reviews of books, excerpts and recitations. Mrs. Flora T. Waugh had charge of the household economics department. Good cooking, hints to housekeepers, and all sorts of things interesting to housewives were treated during the year. The meetings have been well attended, the enthusiasm has been great at every meeting. The club has the honor of having as one of its prominent members Mrs. Isabel Grimes Richey, a poetess of more than ordinary ability, who favors the club with many good things from her pen.

A small club, one of the largest in influence, however, is the History and Art club of Seward. This club has closed the year. Its meetings were held weekly, and as its name implies, the study of history and art has been the aim of the club since its inception. A fascinating program of English history, art and literature, ending with a wide excursion through French art history and literature has been thoroughly enjoyed by the members. The meetings have been held at the homes of the several members. Refreshments are often the last course at the meetings and the social side of the club is not the least part. Mrs. S. C. C. Laugworthy, a woman of fine culture and excellent qualities of mind, has always been at the head of the club. Her travels abroad have been of much help to the members, and her talks concerning her travels have been eagerly listened to by club members and guests. The History and Art club always ends the year with a business meeting and picnic held at the home of one of the members who lives in the country, and these annual meetings are looked forward to and talked about all winter long. The members number many bright women.

Perhaps the oldest club in the state is the Zetetic at Weeping Water. It was organized in 1884 and has been growing in power and strength ever since. A study of Germany has been the work of the past year and a fascinating study it has been, too. The beautiful legends, the wonderful literature, the interesting history of the land of the Germans, has been studied and talked over with more than common interest at the fortnightly meetings. The social side has not been neglected, however, and many evening entertainments where the husbands were invited to share the good things have been held. The president is a woman of culture and fine good sense, Mrs. Laura M. Woodward. The club closed its work for the year last week.

The Nineteenth Century club of Seward is a quiet hard working club that never makes much stir in the outer world, but nevertheless accomplishes a great deal for its studious members. A large number of its members have at some time or other taught school and they take much interest in

members of the club who are too busy to read all get a good idea of the new books. Mrs. Rudolph Rehlander is the president of the club for the new year.

Rose Cottage club (a charming name) is about to begin a study of the Illiad and Odessey. This club meets at the home of Miss Phoebe Elliott to study whatever the members decide upon. The club has no organization, it is utterly Bohemian. Miss Elliott invites those whom she thinks would like to study, and if they wish, they come, and if not they stay away. Dante's works were taken up one year, another year a parliament of religions was held. There is always much enthusiasm, much hard study and plenty of good feeling. It is a progressive and liberal club, and a narrow-minded person cannot go the meetings very long without becoming broader or being compelled to stay at home.

A unique club and one that has done much for the musical upbuilding of Lincoln is the Matinee Musicale that closed its winter's work with a fine May festival during the first of last month. The members of this club are musicians and music lovers. It is not all enjoyment, however, for the study of music and its history is a part of the work of the club. The meetings have been held fortnightly during the winter and have been attended by enthusiastic gatherings. The programs have been of a high grade of merit, and the papers have always been instructive. Each meeting has been devoted to some nation and its music and the varied programs have been most enjoyable. Mrs. D. A. Campbell, now in London studying voice, has been at the head of the organization and it is due to her executive and artistic ability, that the club has been such a power for good. The May festival was an undertaking of much magnitude and was successful. Its especial merit was the bringing together of a large number of the musicians from out in the state. Under the auspices of the club Ellen Beach Yaw and her concert company gave a concert, and one evening was devoted to the presenting of "The Fisher Maiden" by home talent.

One of the bright, wideawake clubs that has made its influence felt not only in its home town, but in many other towns, is the Plattsmouth club. It has for its president the president of the state federation, and it is doubtless for that reason that it is such a power. It