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OFFICERS OF THE FEDERATION.

President, Mrs. Geo. L. Meissner, 1512 D street.

First vice president, Mrs. Ida Kelley, 830 North Twenty-third street.

Second vice-president, Mrs. H. H. Wheeler, 1517 H street.

THE COURIER is a candidate for the title of official organ of the Women's clubs of Nebraska. Of course possessing the title THE COURIER would devote a large space to the reports of clubs, especially in this state. The editor would also seek to establish relations of correspondence between herself and the state secretaries of federations in other states. Under the direction of the Nebraska president of the state federation she would seek to aid the president by printing any communications to the clubs of the state which the board deems expedient. The official organ should be in sympathy with, and willing to take advice from the executive officers of the state federation. The officers labor without pay, they try unceasingly to do the duties they were elected to perform, and they should have the support of every part and member of the federation.

The editor of THE COURIER realizes that from the vantage point of their position and experience in club work the president and executive board have a clearer idea than an isolated member of the requirements of all the members of the clubs of the state. For which reason editorial criticism of the policy of the administration should be tempered by the consciousness of lack of knowledge.

THE COURIER's superiority to the other weekly papers which aspire to the title to be bestowed in October by the state federation are obvious on examination. Excluding the patent sides of the Excelsior THE COURIER contains five times as much composition as that paper. It has about twelve times the amount that appears in the Woman's Weekly. The editorial matter, if there be any in the Excelsior, is absolutely colorless, while in the Weekly, though frequently vigorous, it is often unjust. The best club reports of the past season have appeared in the State Journal. They were compiled by William Reed Dunroy and he has joined the staff of THE COURIER, and next winter will furnish several pages in every week's issue, of club matter. The price of THE COURIER is two dollars a year. For that price the company will send the paper to every subscriber with the addition of

any magazine, the price of which does not exceed two dollars, which the aforesaid subscriber may designate. Scribner's is three dollars a year. THE COURIER and the Century will be sent on receipt of three dollars to the subscriber's address. The same clubbing arrangement has been made with all of the most popular magazines so that families who take any magazine whatever can have THE COURIER without extra charge by sending the price of that magazine (if it amounts to two dollars) to the office of THE COURIER. Finally THE COURIER is owned, edited and operated by two women who hope to deserve the suffrage of the members of the federation which meets at Beatrice in October.

CLUB NOTES FROM YORK.

The Woman's club of York met in annual meeting June 14, with twenty-seven members in attendance. Reports were presented of the year's work. The following list of officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. W. D. Mead.
 Vice-president—Mrs. G. B. France.
 Recording secretary—Miss Grace Moore.
 Corresponding secretary—Mrs. G. W. Munson.

Treasurer—Mrs. A. L. Clark.
 Miss Grace Moore was elected to represent us at the State Federation with Mrs. F. B. Dazzy as alternate.

The York Woman's club met in an open meeting Monday evening, June 21 at the spacious residence of Mrs. W. F. Reynolds, each member being allowed to issue two invitations. Notwithstanding the extreme heat of the evening and the threatening clouds, the rooms were comfortably filled. A short program was given, consisting of excellent music, and an address by our outgoing president, Mrs. C. M. Cobe, in which she gave a review of our three years of pleasant and successful club work. A spicy debate followed on the question, "Which is the Most Important, Dress Reform or The Art of Cooking?" After which we repaired to the dining room and were served with ice cream and cake. The club will meet one week later with Mrs. W. H. Corner for its last meeting for the club year. A program will be given on literature, ending with a review of our years' work.

After an extended correspondence by a committee appointed by the York City Federation of clubs throughout the towns and townships of York county, a general meeting was called to convene at York June 17, for the purpose of organizing town and county clubs. After a

picnic dinner on the court house square such a club was organized with the following officers:

President—Mrs. Helen Harrison, of York.

Secretary—Mrs. Belle Harris, of Baker Township.

Treasurer—Mrs. Jennie Service, of York.

It is the intention to appoint a vice president from each township in the county. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the club rooms which will be used as headquarters for the ladies when in town. This club will hold its meetings monthly, taking up a regular line of study.

The city federation of clubs met on Tuesday, June 14, for its annual meeting, in the Congregational church. Reports were good and showed satisfactory financial standing for the close of the first year's work. During the short months of its life it has held two open meetings with carefully prepared programs. It has given a successful and most interesting entertainment of "Living Pictures" in the opera hall, and has called into existence a town and county club. We were all very sorry to lose our efficient president, Mrs. D. E. Sedgwick, but she insisted on a change being made. The following officers were duly elected for the coming year:

President—Mrs. Etta Harrison, of the Woman's club.

Vice-president—Mrs. Helen Harrison, of Avon club.

Recording secretary—Miss Abbie Burns, of the Art and Review club.

Treasurer—Miss Belle Warner, of the Dilettante club.

Mrs. B. M. Stoutenborough, the president of the state federation, is one of the busiest women in the state. Besides multitudinous duties in keeping her own household she has club duties galore, and church duties as many. Her Bible class in the little brick Presbyterian church at Plattsmouth is one of her pet enjoyments. She devotes much time and thought to this work and her class is as a unit in proclaiming her the best teacher that ever lived. Another one of her pet promulgations is her Boys' History class. This is a club of boys about 12 years of age and under. It is regularly organized, self-governing and independent. Mrs. Stoutenborough is simply the originator, the fairy god-mother or chaperone. The class issues a year book with programs just like big folks. The meetings are interesting and instructive, the bright boys often saying things worthy of older heads. Unselfishness obtains in this club, the tender-hearted lads often are engaged in charitable deeds and acts of mercy. Cruelty to animals is not tolerated by the members, bullying and rough boyish thoughtlessness is discouraged. The club has been in existence several years and the effect on the character of the boys who belong is marked. A love for study is acquired, a gentleness and a refinement is noticeable. The boys fairly worship their club mother, and the little club-mother has heart room for all her boys. Besides all these duties others crowd in to make this woman's life a busy unselfish one.

The Omaha woman's club will hold its meetings in the First Congregational church this coming year. The church is centrally located and easy of access, and is a fine auditorium. The members are to be congratulated on securing such pleasant rooms.

The Ashland Woman's club has been a wide awake organization during the year. Reports of the meetings show that good work has been accomplished and a pleasant time enjoyed by the members. The officers for the new year are: President, Mrs. S. S. Falles vice-president, Mrs. O. D. Harford soc-

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