

CLUBS.

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organized with twenty-five charter members, have now fifty-five enrolled in good standing. Few meetings pass without some new name being proposed for membership. In point of interest and enthusiasm we are second to no club in the state. Following is an outline of the year's work:

American History—Study of Colonial and revolutionary periods; biographical sketches of noted historical characters; papers on manners and customs; religious and forms of government.

Literature—Study of effects from Browning, Dr. Watson; poetic words and phrases from Tennyson, Longfellow and Whittier; general study from Hawthorne, Lowell and Holmes; book reviews; also economics and child study.

Our club is very much interested in the last named subject, each topic is generally followed by animated discussions, participated in by all. Through the generosity of the firemen we have a luxuriantly furnished hall for our club room, a favor we much appreciate.

The History and Art club of Albion met with Mrs. J. Howell Tuesday afternoon. Roll call was responded to with items from woman's clubs in other places, one member giving the history of our own club in verse. At the close of the lesson the president with several others surprised the members by bringing on dainty refreshments in honor of the anniversary of the organization. A delightful time was passed and all felt the afternoon well spent.

On Friday afternoon the W. R. P. C. club met with Mrs. A. M. Phelps. Roll call was responded to by quotations from Whittier. After a business meeting arranging for a reception to be given soon and appointing a committee to select subjects for the rest of the year, the regular program was given.

The subject being "The History of the Postoffice," well prepared papers on the different departments were read by Mrs. Sinclair, Herying, Wilson and Butler.

Mrs. Brockway and daughter Florence and Miss Jessie Brown were the guests of the club. Light refreshments were served by the hostess.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. H. Violet, 1727 J street, February 11.

The sale of "The Hatchet," the paper to be published on Washington's birthday by the woman's board of the Trans. Mississippi exposition, is progressing nicely. Some of the school children are much interested in securing subscriptions as all those who send in one hundred names will be given an admission ticket to the exposition. These tickets are good for anyone and the children are not the only ones who can earn a ticket with a very little expenditure of time and patience. Subscription papers have been printed and anyone who would like to help on the good work can have one of them by applying to Mrs. Field, 1828 N street.

In these days when so much attention is being given to the encouragement of patriotism among the children of the schools, it seems strange to read of the formation of a new woman's organization, the "Order of the Crown," which is limited to Americans who are descendants of a king. "This is not the limitation that might be expected," says the Harper's Bazar. "For according to these who have studied the subject there are more persons in this country who have reason to believe they are of royal descent than in any other country in the world."

The founder-general of the new order is Miss Henriette Lynde Farnsworth of Detroit, Mich., who traces her ancestry back in a direct line to Alfred the Great.

Mr. Charles H. Browning, the genealogist and author is to act as registrar, but he will be the only man admitted. His research and knowledge in the matter make him a valuable authority, and one upon whose assistance the new order will be glad to lean."

Sorosis met with Miss Harris on Tuesday, February 1st. After the roll call and current events, Mrs. Ricketts proposed that Sorosis should join the national federation, and it was decided to discuss the subject more fully at the next meeting to be held on the 15th of this month at the home of Mrs. Hall on K between 15th and 16th. Mrs. J. E. Miller then read a scholarly paper on modern Greece based on this outline:

MODERN GREECE.

Introduction:

1. Geography.
2. Peculiarities of the People.
3. History.

Revolution (1821-1830.)

Reconstruction:

1. Capo d'Istria.
2. Leopold.
3. Otho.
4. George.

Late conflict with Turkey.

Condition of the people: Agricultural, commercial, industrial, educational, financial.

Discussion.

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The next meeting on the 15th will be addressed by Mrs. H. H. Wheeler, who has prepared this outline:

THEOSOPHY.

As

A System of Philosophy:

(a) "Whether, after all, a larger Metaphysics might not help our Physics."—E. B. Browning.

(b) Physics.

Geology,
Astronomy,
Chemistry,
Chronology.

As

A System of Religion:

Theory of the Universe,
Man as a Microcosm.

As

A System of Ethics:

Universal Brotherhood.
Supreme Duty,
Re-incarnation and Karma,
Death,
The Brothers.

References:

Enc. Brit.

Neo Platonism,
Gnosticism,
Kabbalan,
Paracelsus,
Boehme.

Ocean of Theosophy—Judge.

Esoteric Buddhism—Sinnott.

Key to Theosophy—Blavatsky.

Proceedings of Congress at World's Fair.

Leonora A. Munson of York, reports: The Woman's club is now in its fifth year. It was organized and has been sustained for advancement and improvement along educational lines. The club was at first limited to twenty-five members, but the limit was afterward raised to thirty, and recently associate members have been admitted, so that the membership numbers forty at present. The ladies are all enthusiastic as to the results of the club movement, and everything is full of interest. The basis of study has been history from the formation of the club, although there are other lines of work. This year we are studying Roman history. Civil government was taken up this year, and is found to be most profitable and interesting. Papers on the different departments, usually followed by informal discussions, are read at each meeting. One of the most pleasant social events which the club has enjoyed was a re-

Allegretti Chocolates

AT

Rector's Pharmacy.

ception given by the president, Mrs. W. D. Mead, to the active and associate members on Friday afternoon. Small tables, beautiful with fine damask and suitable decorations, were arranged in the dining room, on which luncheon was served. Games of various kinds and music, made the hours pass so swiftly.

The Northland Woman's club observed January 29th as President's day, with a special program, consisting of a collection of pictures of the Old Masters, received from Mrs. Keyser of the Omaha department. Roll call was responded to by quotations on art. An introductory paper prepared by our president on "Christian Art" was much enjoyed by all. We profited greatly by interesting biographies of the various artists, given by different members of the club. A pretty little Legend of "Da Vinci" was read in an impressive manner, after which a well written paper on "Michael Angelo" was listened to with much interest.

Following there was a scene in Klondike, which had been artistically and beautifully arranged by the first vice-president and her assistants, consisting of mountains of snow and ice, valleys of sparkling "nuggets" in the shape of delicious cakes and creams so arranged to present a veritable Arctic scene.

Each member worked with an energy, and I do not doubt that all felt satisfied with her "yield"—for every one was enthusiastic over the "gems" which they carried away to treasure as souvenirs of the happy occasion.

The permanent organization of the National Federation of Musical clubs in Chicago, last week, is of especial interest to Lincoln people from the fact that the Matinee Musicale was represented by two delegates, Mrs. D. A. Campbell and Mrs. E. P. Brown; and also from the fact that Mrs. Campbell was not only made a member of the Board of Directors but also a member of the very important "Artists' Committee," composed of five directors, whose duty it will be to provide artists for clubs, and by combination to reduce the expense. This may mean much to Lincoln in opportunities of hearing good musicians. A musical exchange will also be established by the committee whereby clubs will send their best musical talent to sister clubs on condition only that their expenses be paid, no remuneration for services being expected.

Fifty-six clubs were represented at the meeting, with a total of 175 delegates, and the most exciting feature was the election of the president. In the informal ballot 99 votes were polled, Mrs. Sutro, the temporary president, receiving but twelve. In the first formal and decisive ballot the latter number remained the same, while the western candidate, Mrs. Uhl, received the remainder.

The new president, Mrs. Edwin F. Uhl of Grand Rapids, Mich., is the wife of the ex minister to Germany, and is now abroad. For many years she has been identified with the work of the musical clubs, and to her belongs the honor of originating the idea of the new

federation. Her own club in Grand Rapids of which she was president for many years, the St. Cecilia society, has always been an important organization and has the honor of owning the largest musical club building in this country. It was during Mrs. Uhl's absence in Germany last spring that the temporary federation of musical clubs was formed in New York and Mrs. Sutro had done such excellent work in that line in connection with the Nashville Exposition that she was naturally chosen first president. In many respects it is wise to have the chief officer in a more central location.

Besides the regular officers, four sectional vice-presidents were chosen, representing the east, the west, the north and the south, and each section is entitled to two representatives on the Board of Directors. Naturally the western division is much the largest, including all west of the longitudinal line passing through St. Paul. The western vice president is Miss Trevett of Portland, Oregon, and the two directors are Mrs. Campbell of Lincoln and Miss J. W. Hart of Kansas.

The constitution adopted provides that only musical clubs with women for their officers may be admitted to the federation and musical departments of women's clubs are not eligible.

The visitors were entertained at a charming concert by the Chicago Amateur Musical club, and had the opportunity of meeting many good musicians and distinguished people.

The next general meeting will be held in St. Louis in the spring of 1899.

The complete list of officers are as follows:

President, Mrs. Edwin F. Uhl, Grand Rapids, Mich.

First vice-president, Mrs. Chandler Starr, Rockford, Ill.

Second vice president, Mrs. Philip M. Moore, St. Louis, Mo.

Corresponding secretary, Mrs. James F. Peerson, New York city.

Recording secretary, Mrs. Thomas Ellison, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Treasurer, Miss Ada Douglas, Newark, N. J.

Auditor, Mrs. Russell Dorr, St. Paul, Minn.

Sectional vice-presidents—East, Mrs. Clara A. Korn, New York city; middle North, Mrs. J. S. Webster, Cleveland, Ohio; South, Mrs. Napoleon Hill, Memphis, Tenn.; West, Miss Emily Trevett, Portland, Oregon.

Board of directors—Mrs. F. C. Wardwell, Connecticut; Mrs. H. Alexander, New York; Miss H. Storer, Oklahoma; Mrs. A. Robertson, Indiana; Mrs. A. F. Perry, Florida; Mrs. E. F. Verdery, Georgia; Mrs. D. A. Campbell, Nebraska; Miss J. W. Hart, Kansas.

The Century club will meet with Mrs. J. E. Hill, 1701 L street, Tuesday afternoon, when a paper will be given by Mrs. Howell on Naples and its surroundings.

One of the mysteries of art is John La Farge's title design for Henry James' new novel in *Collier's Weekly*. At first sight it appears to be merely two heads with dark background and fantastic