

the civil war. The power of explosives has been multiplied, powder has been made smokeless, range finders have been invented and all guns, notwithstanding their greater carrying capacity, have been made lighter. The soldier's knapsack has also been reduced in weight. No attempts have been made to teach the cooks to prepare better and more palatable food, to supply them with portable kitchen whose possibilities would make a respectable cuisine. In view of what we have learned since the civil war about the microbes of typhoid fever the government, in establishing a camp at Chickamauga, which was to be occupied for months, should have provided immense water boilers. Whereas vessels for boiling water were not to be procured but the recruits were marched from all over the country from comfortable camps, where they might have been drilled and made into soldiers without loss of life, into the arid Chickamauga, where swarms of microbes waited in the water to jump down the throat of the thirsty. The men who died, and those who are still dying at an appalling rate, were slaughtered by a Chinese indifference to sanitation, the effects of the spoils system, and because no one has thought it so much worth while to make a study of how to save soldiers lives before the battle as how to kill them in it.

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The North Pole will probably be discovered by a man on a bicycle. The difficulty of transporting food and shelter has been insuperable from the fact that the dogs or carriers must also be fed, and the amount over and above what they consumed was not sufficient to bridge the distance between the pole and the explorer's last camp. On hard snow, with a bicycle built for two and carrying concentrated food, the few hundred miles between the point nearest the pole yet reached and the pole, may be reached before the century closes. Unless the hummocks are too tall and it is not practical to go around them, there is glory waiting for the man on an ice bicycle with a boat attachment that starts for the pole.

#### MY MOTHER'S SONG.

I've heard the world's great singers  
Whose voices, sweet and clear,  
With songs of rare enchanting  
Have charmed my willing ear;  
But all their songs are nothing  
Compared to one I know,  
The one my mother sang to me  
In the years of long ago.

It was a song of sweetness  
Of sleepiness and calm,  
And carried in its cadence  
A soft and soothing balm,  
And on my tired eyelids  
Pressed down the weight of sleep  
As she rocked me on her bosom,  
To slumbers sound and deep.

Tonight my cares are heavy;  
I long for peace and rest,  
My brain is sorely troubled,  
There's a turmoil in my breast,  
But all my cares would vanish  
And all my heartaches flee  
If I could hear my mother sing  
That dear old song to me.  
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## CLUBS.

The Fifth Section club of Carthage has changed its name to the Century Social Science club.

The Ohio Board of State Federation, at its meeting last week, announced the annual convention to be held at Columbus, October 26, 27 and 28.

Yesterday was a red letter occasion in the history of the Woman's club of Lee's Summit, marking its initiation into the Missouri State federation.

Twenty-five thousand women are enrolled in the New York Federation of Women's clubs and the state president, Mrs. William Tod Helmuth, confidently predicts that 5,000 more will be added to the fold by the time of the annual meeting, which takes place in November. Besides New York's seventy-eight clubs that are federated there is an outside list of 227 clubs. Notable in the clubs of this state are the Woman's Health Protective association and the Looking Forward club, the last an imposing society of 500 business women.

Mrs. Mary H. Ford will give nine lectures before the Arche club of Chicago this season. The club is pursuing a course of American art and literature. Mrs. Ford's talks will be given on alternate Fridays upon the following subjects: "American Out of Door Men," "Hawthorne and the Scarlet Letter," "American Poets," "Emerson," "American Decorative Art," "Congressional Library" (illustrated), "Southern Novelists," "American Women in Art," "American Sculptors," and "American Illustrators."

A clever point that has been overlooked in the general defense of club interests is made by Miss Annie Laws of the Woman's club of Cincinnati. Her view of the club's influence is optimistic and refreshing. Miss Laws says: "It seems to me that it is a very beautiful thing that the club women of this country, who apparently were being diverted from their homes in going into many organizations, have merely gone out for a little time, to get better ready to go back and take to those homes the instruction and the instinct of the mother—that has been so often only a blind instinct—into a loving insight that gives her great knowledge of what she ought to do for the development and education of her little ones. This is one of the great steps that we have taken in club work. Some of our state superintendents have expressed themselves in strong terms, speaking of their pleasure in the co-operation of the club women with the schools. They believe that this is one of the greatest movements of the age; that, strange to say, the women of the homes, for the first time, are expressing their interest in the schools in various practical ways. What better work is before us? What more hopeful sign have we in our educational work than just this, that the women of the homes are coming into close touch with those self-denying and earnest women who are the teachers in our schools?"

The three culture clubs of Tecumseh, The Cozy club, The Friends in Council and the Deka, met on the 17th of this month at the home of Mrs. May

Headrick for the purpose of forming a city federation. Mrs. Tracy, of the Friends in Council, was elected president. Miss Blanche Roberts, of the Deka, secretary and Mrs. True, of the Cozy club, treasurer. The executive committee will consist of one member from each club, to be chosen later at the first meeting of the individual clubs.

The federation was organized for outside work, which, the ladies feel, can be preformed better by united effort. The new organization stands pledged to work for the city library this year, whose needs just now are very pressing. The public library found itself this month without a home and was obliged to finish and furnish at its own expense an uncompleted room in the city hall. They now have a beautiful, airy room, comfortably furnished, but it has left the board with very little funds for new books. In this crisis the help from the city federation will be most timely.

As four members of the library board are also active club members it is not strange that the clubs are enthusiastic over library work.

The clubs of Tecumseh begin their year's work on the 5th of October, and there will probably be a large representation from our clubs at the federation meeting in Omaha.

Lincoln Sorosis met for the first meeting of the year with Mrs. Welch on Tuesday, September 27. According to custom it was purely a business meeting and officers for the ensuing year were elected. They are: President, Mrs. Munger, vice-president, Mrs. Bell, secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Burlingim, executive committee, Mrs. Sawyer and Miss Harris, delegate to the state federation, Mrs. Summers. The delegate was instructed to do as she thinks best in the matter of the per capita proposition. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Burlingim at 1810 H street. After the arrangements for the year were completed Mrs. Sawyer read the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas; The central idea of the club movement is culture in its broadest sense; that clearness of thought and facility of expression are as essential elements of culture as the acquiring of information, therefore be it

Resolved. That the members of Sorosis discourage the use of manuscripts; that the leader be given thirty minutes and the remaining minutes, less ten, be divided equally between the members present; that the president shall keep record of time and announce the number of minutes to which each member is entitled, no one shall be permitted to exceed the apportionment, nor speak twice, until all shall have had an opportunity to speak; that the last ten minutes shall be open for questions or general remarks; that the leader and members shall not be interrupted during the time apportioned to them; that while it is desirable to have all participate, no member shall be compelled to speak, and time waived shall be added to the closing time for general discussion.

The year book, which, in the case of Sorosis, is a record of past programs rather than a program for the com-

ing year, was distributed. It is a very neat little pamphlet and records the names of only forty-seven people who have been members in its nine years of existence. As the membership is limited to twenty-five the slight changes are a tribute to the interest felt in the club. The book is cream colored with a handsome monogram of Sorosis on the cover. The title page is illustrated with a picture of bread fruit. The emblem of the New York Sorosis is a pineapple. The word comes from a botanical term meaning an aggregation of blossoms and any fruit of such a character is emblematic of the name and meaning of Sorosis.

The resignation of Mrs. A. C. Ricketts and Mrs. Fling was read by the secretary, Mrs. Summers, and accepted with much regret by the club.

A band of Chicago society women have distanced the world in the formation of a club that has no prototype. It is duly incorporated under the name of the Woman's Athletic club, and has already held its first election of officers. Charter members have bought three year memberships with a view of keeping the organization on a high social and intellectual basis. Two years ago Mrs. P. D. Armour, Sr., and Mrs. William R. Lynn, discussed the movement with a few friends and the work was carried on quietly until formulated plans were brought to perfection. Last week a state license was issued and an outline of the organization formally announced. There is to be a clubhouse on Michigan avenue, furnished with equipments that more than justify the club's ambitious christening. Over the swimming pool a floor 100 feet in length is laid. This constitutes the grand hall for dances and receptions.

The ample provision of the club as a home of modern conveniences are evidenced in its Turkish baths, hairdressing and manicuring establishments. There are apartments for indoor tennis and basket ball and a fascinating bowling alley. The library is to be made a special feature. The membership is limited to 500 women. The entrance fee is \$100, and \$40 represents the annual dues.

Besides the privileges of the club, members and their daughters are entitled to instruction in swimming. Card playing and the use of alcoholic beverages in the club are strictly prohibited. The incorporators are: Mrs. William B. Linn, Mrs. C. K. G. Billings, Mrs. P. D. Armour, Sr., Mrs. William R. Lynn, Mrs. William Hale Thompson.

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