

lege to isolate themselves and the scientists sunk themselves in investigation so that they were oblivious to their neighbors. Doctor Dedrick's companions evidently got on his nerves and he preferred to endure the rigors of an Arctic winter rather than further association with them.

### THE FALLEN LEADER.

So much has been said, and so well said, in thousands of publications concerning the career of William McKinley, that one were fatuous to attempt to say anything new upon the subject upon which all Americans feel alike. The President's career is now history. History will place him high on the roll of the nation's great men. He was a great man, indeed, because he mastered his own life consistently to a high ideal of ambition—an ambition nobly to serve his country and mankind. He was a patient man. He waited for the people's will to express itself. While he waited he strove earnestly to shape the popular thought and feeling into accord with his ideas and he usually succeeded because he invariably took conservative ground. He was a great manipulator of men because he inspired confidence in them. Men gave him power because they felt assured he would not misuse it. Mr. McKinley was a simple man, and it was this simplicity which made many people deem him darkly deep.

He was a frank man, so frank that he feared not to reverse himself to gain an end. He was a man who grew in his ideas until, just prior to his death, he stepped cut away beyond his party and himself and foreshadowed a generous measure of abandonment of doctrines of which he had been for years the most conspicuous representative. The man of one idea—protection—became a President of splendid scope and strength. The man who was once believed to know nothing other than tariff schedules, handled Senate and House so masterfully as to make both content to ask of him only what he would and he should have it.

The man who was dubbed a commercialist led the country in a war for one of the truest ideals of humanity and inspired a whole country by the massive nobility of his sentiments. That man gave the war a culmination impressive in its magnanimity to the vanquished. The black republican McKinley was hailed by the south as its best friend. By his tact, his grace, his kindness, his sympathy he wiped out sectionalism in this land. In his dealings with rebellion in the lands newly added to the nation's domain he preserved the poise of Lincoln, eminently sane, supremely patient with those who knew not what they did, but never did it approach tyranny.

He waited upon time and the prevalence of right reason, and he went ahead with the work or organizing government in the serene certainty that his principles would prevail here and in the archipelagos where the flag had been unfurled. Gradually William McKinley won the love of the people as completely as he compelled the respect and admiration of the world. He won this love and respect and admiration by his firmness, his restraint, his reserve, his sincerity. All his words were words of benevolence and good will. All his actions but interpreted the honesty and warmth and courage of his heart.

President McKinley was no orator like Lincoln and yet his speeches had something in them, of late years, of that tenderly solemn quality, that strain of prophecy which we note in the utterances of the great emancipator. There was on him, too, something of that touch of gentle sadness, as if pre-aging doom, that we note in the pictures of Lincoln. This it was that

people felt as they caught his eye. This was that look which, latterly, so many have said they "never could forget." William McKinley led a beautiful life. No need to specify those particulars in which it was beautiful. They are known to all men, his devotion, his unwavering tenderness, almost something motherlike, for his afflicted wife through long years. William McKinley was, so far as any great American ever was, an ideal Christian gentleman, faithful, considerate, pure. And he died a beautiful death, a death that in its resignation and trustfulness touched the world to something like the glow of old time faith and by its serenity almost eclipsed the horror of the act that brought the end. The man who knew how to live knew how to die with a grandeur of submission that yet had a little of the aching pathos of the simplicity of a little child. Americans, even in their sorrow, are proud of such an American. As an official he was truly the servant of the people in a sense more strict than might apply in the case of many of his predecessors. As a man he was a leader, an instructor of the people and, his life was an example of every virtue that civilization holds in honor. He is fellow to the finest, rarest, sweetest, strongest souls now or ever to be "citizens of eternity."—W. M. Reedy in *The Mirror*.

### CLUBS.

Officers of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs:

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Committee on Local Arrangements—Mrs. May W. Harrington, Mrs. Ella J. L. Wilbur, Mrs. Ella J. Pile, Mrs. Dell Blanchard, Mrs. Weldon.

Monday Evening, October 7, Eight O'clock—Meeting of executive board.

#### PROGRAM.

Tuesday Morning, 9 O'clock—Presentation of credentials by delegates.

Ten O'clock—Meeting of board of directors.

Tuesday Afternoon, 2 O'clock—Meeting of Federation, Mrs. Smith, chairman.

Invocation, Mrs. Ida W. Blair, Wayne.

Music, violin solo, "Thuringer Volkslied with Variations," H. Haessner; Otto Voget, Wayne.

Address of welcome, Mrs. J. T. Bressler, Wayne.

Response, Mrs. Gertrude McDowell, Fairbury.

Annual address of the president, Mrs. Draper Smith, Omaha.

Report of officers.

Report of Committees—Credentials, Mrs. John Erhardt, Stanton. (Roll call of delegates.)

Reciprocity Bureau—Mrs. A. A. Scott, Lincoln.

Constitution Committee—Mrs. Lillian R. Gault, Omaha.

Club Extension Committee—Mrs. Winnie Durland, Norfolk.

Program Committee—Mrs. Ella B. Lobingier, Omaha.

Tuesday Evening, 8 O'clock—Educational session, Mrs. Anna L. Apperson, chairman, Tecumseh.

Music—"Mazourka," for harp, op. 12, Edmund Schneckner; Mrs. Estelle Blake, Omaha.

Address—"Primary Methods," Miss Ida Swan, Peru.

Paper—"Woman's Relation to the School," Mrs. J. M. Pile, Wayne.

Address—"Women at the School Meeting and in the Schoolroom," State Superintendent W. K. Fowler, Lincoln.

Paper—"Patrons' Associations," Mrs. W. M. Morning, Lincoln.

Address—"What Not to Study in the Club," Miss Margaret McCarthy, Omaha.

Address—Miss Margaret J. Evans, vice president G.F.W.C.

Wednesday Morning, 9:30 O'clock—Business meeting, Mrs. Smith, chairman.

Club Reports—One hundred fourteen clubs, two minutes each.

Wednesday Afternoon, 2 O'clock—Business meeting, Mrs. Smith, chairman.

2:30 O'clock—Art session, Mrs. F. M. Hall, chairman, Lincoln.

Art Conference—One hour.

Music—"Valse Caprice, Gabrielle Verdalle; Mrs. Estelle Blake, Omaha.

I. "Benefits Derived from the Study of Art," Mrs. A. W. Field, Lincoln.

II. "Art Study in Women's Clubs (a three years' course suggested), Mrs. Jennie E. Keyser, Omaha.

III. "How to Build Art Interest," Mrs. H. M. Bushnell, Lincoln.

Discussion.

Ceramic hour.

"Early Historic China of United States," Mrs. H. M. Brock, Lincoln.

"American Potteries" (eastern), Mrs. Anna R. Morey, Hastings.

"American Potteries" (western), Mrs. Belle Perfect, Omaha.

"American Pottery at the Pan-American Exposition," Miss Mellona Butterfield, Omaha.

"The Influence of the Public on the Ceramic Worker," Mrs. A. B. Fuller, Ashland.

"The Ceramic Worker's Obstacles," Miss Nina Lombard, Fremont.

Discussion.

Outlines and Suggestions for Study: China and picture exhibit in church lecture room.

Wednesday Evening, 8 O'clock—Reception to the Federation at the home of Mrs. J. T. Bressler, president of the Wayne Town Federation.

Thursday Morning, 9:30 O'clock—Business meeting, Mrs. Smith, chairman.

Report of Special Library Committee—Mrs. Belle M. Stoutenborough, chairman.

The Nebraska Traveling Library—Miss Edna D. Bullock, secretary Nebraska Library commission.

Discussion.

10:45 O'clock—Industrial session, Mrs. Amanda M. Edwards, chairman.

Music—"Fruelingsrauschen," "March Grotesque, Sinding; Mrs. Will Owen Jones, Lincoln.

Girls' Industrial School at Geneva and Other State Institutions—Nellie Elizabeth Cady, St. Paul.

Nebraska Industrial Home at Milford—Mrs. Elizabeth Sisson, Norfolk.

Woman as a Factor in Industrial Pursuits—Mrs. W. H. Clemmons, Fremont.

Women and Children as Employees—Mrs. D. M. Carey, Seward.

The George Junior Republic—Mrs. Etta R. Holmes, Kearney.

Parental Schools and Courts for Juvenile Offenders—Mrs. M. N. Presson, Milford.

Discussion.

Thursday afternoon, 2 o'clock—Business meeting, Mrs. Smith, chairman.

2:45 o'clock—Household economic session, Mrs. W. G. Baker, Norfolk, chairman.

Music—"Magic Fire Music," Wagner-Brassin; Mrs. Will Owen Jones, Lincoln.

Report of state work—Mrs. W. G. Baker.

Housekeeping on a business basis—Mrs. Anna B. Steele, Fairbury.

Influence of early home life on children—Mrs. M. A. McMillan, Norfolk.

Progress of domestic science in schools,—Professor Rosa Bouton, Lincoln.

Address—"The social trend of American life,"—Mrs. Elia W. Peattie, Chicago.

Thursday evening, 8 o'clock, Mrs. Draper Smith, chairman.

Music—Selected; Jules Lombard, Omaha.

Address—The practical and aesthetic value of forestry—Reverend C. S. Harrison, Pres. Nebr. Park and Forestry Ass'n., York.

Town and village improvement, illustrated—Mrs. C. W. Damon, Omaha.

Music—"America," led by Jules Lombard, the audience joining in the refrain.

Friday morning, 9:30 o'clock,—Business session, Mrs. Smith, chairman.

Report of nominating committee; election of officers; election of delegates to G. F. W. C. biennial; report of resolution committee; installation of new officers; adjournment; meeting of the old executive board; meeting of the new executive board.

The Illinois state federation will hold its annual meeting at Decatur, October 16, 17 and 18. The assignment of delegates to the homes where they will be entertained has been facilitated by a system of double post cards, one of which goes to the delegate informing her of the name and address of her Decatur hostess, the other card going to the entertainer, giving the name and address of her prospective guest. Two members of the committee on credentials will be on board the club train from Chicago, and credentials will be presented and verified en route. The regular business sessions will be held in the First Presbyterian church, where the art program will also be held. A grand promenade concert will be held in the Tabernacle, the largest building in Decatur; luncheon also will be served in this building on Thursday and Friday. On the first day of the convention luncheon will be served in the woman's club building. The press session will be in charge of Mrs. Elia W. Peattie, and will consist of interesting talks by the leading newspaper writers of the state. Among them are Inez J. Bender of the Decatur Signet, who will tell what she knows about "The Country Newspaper;" Lena McCauley of the Chicago Post, who will speak of "Editorials;" Mary Holland Kingsaid of the Milwaukee Sentinel, who will present "Some Humorous Sides of Newspaper Life," and one of the Chicago Record-Herald staff, who shall be nameless, is expected to talk away up in the air about the "Moral Responsibility of the Reporter," while Annie Forsyth of the Chicago Chronicle will boom "The Woman's Page."

Dr. Rebecca Parish, the only deaconess physician engaged in hospital work in America, is medical superintendent in the new Wesley hospital in Chicago. Dr. Parish is a graduate of the Chicago training school and of a medical college in Indianapolis.

Wife (bitterly)—You deceived me when you married me.

Husband—I did more than that—I deceived myself.

"Have you taken the Midway in yet?"

"Started out awhile ago with that intention, but I believe the Midway won."