

Supertintendent W. M. Kern of Columbus, recently chosen vice president of the Nebraska State Teachers' Assocation, is a Hoosier by birth and a Nebraskan by choice. He is a graduate of the state university of Indiana, class of '94, and has pursued special work at Chicago university. He began his public school career in the common schools of the Hoosier state, served as high school principal, and upon graduating accepted the position of teacher of science in Fairfield college. This position he resigned to accept that of superintendent of schools at David City, Nebraska, which position he filled for seven consecutive years. In January, 1901, he was elected to his present position at Columbus, but the David City board declined to release him. In June of the same year he was again chosen superintendent of the Columbus schools and accepted. He has engaged in institute work throughout the state for several years and is editor of the high school department of the "Nebraska Teacher."

art exhibitions in Lincoln and told many interesting incidents of the lives and achievements of the artists represented In the present exhibition of the Nebraska Art Association,

The club then adjourned to the Art Gallery, where Mrs. Hodgman's remarks were supplemented by a talk on the paintings by Miss Hayden, which was full of information in regard to the technic and composition of the pictures from an artist's standpoint.

The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Burnett's 549 North Twenty-fifth street, on January twenty-seventh. Mrs. D. L. Brace, a former member of Sorosis, will

Clubs organized for the purpose of helping others, rather than for promoting the selfish interests of the members. are growing in numbers over the country and thus is the altruistic spirit being developed.

The Chrysolite club of Chicago is another instance of this sort of work and is unique, in that it has for members men, women and children. "Lend a Hand" is the watchword, and, in addition to many small charities, it furnishes and maintains rooms at the Jackson Park Sanitarium and the Model Lodging House. The members have endowed ed in the Chicago Orphan Asylum, and they support an emergency nurse for the Visiting Nurse Association. They made and donated about 500 garments to that organization last season.

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The question of furnishing better homes for refined women who earn their own livings is one of interest to all women in cities.

This question appears to have been successfully solved by the society for the care of women's health, in Russia, which has decided to build a hotel exclusively for women. Women will build the house, own it and live in it. This scheme is directly the patcome of agitations made by the women's lights party in Russia, which is strengthening daily. The new hotel will be located in St. Petersburg. Shares will be abscribed for in the form of rent for rooms. At the end of ten years the shares will have

been paid up and tenants will be at liberty to sub-let their premises. This is on condition that the under-tenant also be a woman. An arrangement regarding this hotel which would not please American club women is that men will not be allowed in it not even as guests for luncheon or dinner.

The suffragists of the state are pushing the bill pertaining to the property rights of women which they have had presented before the legislature and there is little doubt but that it will pass, The bill provides that the widow of an intestate, if there be children, shall receive one half the real estate in fee simple, unless there be children by a former wife, in which case the widow shall receive one-third of the real estate in fee simple. The same law will apply to the husband of a deceased wife. Following are quotations selected by the state suffrage association from the laws of various states, regarding the property rights of women:

Kansas-Dower and curtesy abolished. If husband or wife die intestate, one-half of the estate, both real and personal, goes to the survivor; if no issue, the whole of the estate goes to survivor. Neither can will more than one-half of his property away from the other without the other's consent.

Iowa-Dower and curtesy abolished. The surviving husband or wife is entitled to one-third in fee simple of both real and personal estate of the other at his or her death. If no issue, one-half goes to the survivor, the other half to the parents of the deceased.

Indiana-Dower and curtesy abolished. One-third of the real estate shall descend in fee simple to the survivor free from all demands of creditors where the real estate is less than ten thousand dollars.

California-Neither curtesy nor dower obtains. If decedent leave surviving wife or husband and only one child or lawful issue of one child, the estate goes in equal shares to the survivor and child, or issue of such child. If there be more than one child, one-third goes to the sur-

Idaho-Neither dower nor curtesy exists. The surviving wife or husband re-

ceives one-half if there be but one child; if more than one, the survivor receives one-third of the real estate.

Louisiana-Neither dower nor curtesy obtain. At the death of either husband or wife, the survivor is entitled to half the community property absolutely. If there are no descendants or ascendants the survivor has a life estate in the other half. If issue is left, the survivor shall use as usufruct for life "so much of the share of deceased in such community property as may be inherited by such issue until a second marriage is contracted.'

Maine-Dower and curtesy abolished. The interest of the husband or wife in the real estate of the other if there be living issue, is one-third; if no issue onehalf: if neither issue nor kindred, the whole.

Massachusetts-While dower and curtesy both obtain, if there be no issue the widow is entitled to the real estate absolutely to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars. Of the personal estate she received the whole up to the amount of five thousand dollars.

Minnesota-Dower and curtesy abolished. If either husband or wife die intestate, the survivor, if there be issue living, is entitled to the homestead for life, and one-third of the rest of the real estate in fee simple. If no issue, the entire estate goes absolutely to the survivor. The personal estate follows the same descent.

Mississippi-Dower and curtesy abolished. If either husband or wife die intestate without leaving children or descendants of any, the entire estate real and personal goes to the survivor. But if there are one or more children or descendants, the survivor has a child's share of both real and personal estate.

Nevada-Dower and curtesy abolished. On the death of the husband one-half the community property goes to the wife; if he die intestate and leave no issue, all the community property goes to the wife; if either husband or wife die intestate as to their separate estate, and there be one issue the survivor received one-half of the estate: if more than one issue, the survivor takes one-third.

North Dakota-Dower and curtesy abolished. If either husband or wife die, intestate, leaving one issue, the survivor is entitled to one-half of both real and personal estate; if more than one issue, the survivor receives one-third. A homestead may also be retained by the survivor.

South Dakota-Neither curtesy nor dower obtains. Practically the same as North Dakota.

Utah-Neither dower nor curtesy exists. Practically the same as North Da-

Washington-Dower and curtesy abolished. Practically same as North Da-

Wyoming-Dower and curtesy abolished. If either husband or wife die intestate, leaving descendants, one-half the estate, real and personal, goes to the survivor. If there be no descendants, three fourths goes to the survivor, unless the estate, real and personal, does not exceed ten thousand dollars, when it all goes to the survivor.

"I don't believe in early marriages. I don't intend to be married until I am over thirty."

"And I don't intend to be over thirty until I am married."

Caractacus, on being led a prisoner before Caesar, refused to plead for his life. "My lawyer," he insisted, "advises me to say nothing."

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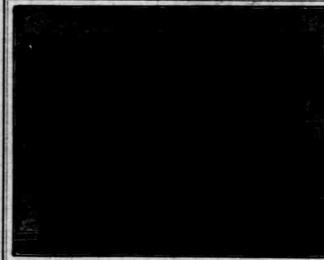
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