

### SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club closed its calendar year last Wednesday afternoon with installation of officers, who were, without exception, all re-elected for the coming year, and a reception given them by the Study Club.

After the reading of the year's reports, refreshments were served and the new officers responded to toasts. They were Miss McLaren, president; Mrs. W. F. Laraway, first vice-president; Mrs. Ella J. L. Wilbur, second vice-president; Mrs. H. F. Davidson, secretary; and Mrs. C. D. Harbich, treasurer. Mrs. J. P. Lucas acted as toast mistress.

The report of Miss McLaren, the president, was submitted and reviewed what has been a most successful year for the club, 23 new members having been added and much that was pleasurable to the members of the club and of distinct help to the city having been accomplished. Only lack of time prevents the publication of Miss McLaren's very interesting report in full.

Mrs. W. M. Stewart, president of the library committee, submitted their report as follows:

"This year's work of the Woman's Club for the establishing of a Hood River Library will go down in future history. Meetings have been called during the year when business demanded and I believe that little time or strength has been spent on that which has not been for a permanent result.

"At the beginning of our work for the Club year the park and library committee could not give up an almost lost hope that the street now so proudly shown as a park and library site should in some way be procured if possible for that purpose. Two years ago these same committees had met with complete failure in their efforts to secure the right from all property owners touching this street to present a petition to the council asking for it to be set aside for this purpose, but the appeal was again made and with some concessions the signatures were secured and the chairman of the park committee and myself appeared before the council and as you all know were successful.

Another task of the library committee was the preparing of a quantity of petitions for a library tax to be presented to every tax payer in this county, asking the county court

for a 1/4 mill tax to be levied for library purposes.

The committee feels that nothing was left undone in making this appeal intelligently and only lack of funds and the county's present indebtedness, we are assured, prevented us from receiving the full amount asked for, as you all likely know, we were granted about \$1200.

This took matters out of our hands and it was necessary for the mayor to appoint a library board, which was done after consulting the secretary of the state library committee, who came to Hood River and met with this library committee, the mayor and county judge and instructed them as to ways of proceeding. An ordinance was presented to the council by Miss McLaren and myself, asking them that a board be appointed, which was done by the mayor, and also to consider entering into a contract with the city for a county library. This ordinance passed and Miss Marvin, secretary of the State Library Board, was called again and met the new board at two special meetings of the county court and the contract was entered upon for a Hood River County Library.

The board consists of six members, with the county court or judge and commissioners always as ex-officio members: L. H. Huggins, president; Mrs. Wm Stewart, vice-president; Prof. J. O. McLaughlin, secretary and treasurer, with Miss McLaren and J. P. Lucas as members of the board.

The board has met and committees have been appointed for buying books and securing rooms, and Miss Marvin has been instructed to send us desirable applicants for a first-class librarian of experience to be here by the middle of August.

The Hood River County Library will open Sept. 1st, and the library board expects the library committee of the Woman's Club to be their right hand support, as well as every member of this club.

The board, as soon as books are purchased will enter into negotiations with the Carnegie Commission for a building, which we were advised to not do until established in rooms, as Carnegie does not build a home for books until the people have made some effort on their part toward a library.

The library committee were instrumental in bringing to Hood River Miss Edna Lyman, the children's story-teller, who spoke to the children of our schools at this place and whose voice so beautifully modulated, pictured to the children in the

choicest of language the fine old stories they will never forget. Many older ones scarcely realized what a charming opportunity had been given our young people in Hood River, for who shall not say that many a child has not been inspired by her stories to read more and better literature.

I cannot leave this work without expressing a thought of our much-loved poet, Whittier:

"That God and man shall own his worth,  
Who toils to have at his bequest an added beauty to the earth,  
For he who sows a field, or trains a flower or plants a tree,  
Is more than all."

This the woman's Club of Hood River can do by their held in founding a Hood River library that will stand as a monument to their sowing and planting in the building of character in the young men and women of this community.

**Examination for Clerk-Carrier**  
An examination for clerk and carrier will be held at the postoffice in this city on June 20.

Married women will not be admitted to the examination. This prohibition, however, does not apply to women who are divorced or those who are separated from their husbands and support themselves, but they are eligible for appointment only as clerk.

For application blanks and for full information address immediately Secretary, Board of Civil Service Examiners, Post Office, Hood River, Ore.

#### DEWEY SAW THE POINT.

He Paid Up After His Dog Had Been Kicked Around.

Admiral Dewey had an English bulldog of which he was very proud. So marked was his affection for the dog that an atmosphere of "love me, love my dog" had sprung up around the admiral and the canine. It is further reported that the animal came near causing trouble between the head of the navy and the late "Fighting Bob" Evans.

Admiral Dewey while on a tour of inspection when he was in command of the Pacific squadron took the dog along with him. He lost sight of his pet on Evans' ship, but in a few minutes saw him hurried skyward from the companionway as if shot from a catapult. With blood in his eye Admiral Dewey rushed over to see the reason for the sudden ascent, surmising correctly that some one had kicked the dog. He saw "Fighting Bob" at the foot of the steps.

"Sir," roared the admiral, "what do you mean by kicking my dog?"  
"Sir," roared Evans in return, "I'd have kicked that dog if he had been the property of the president of the United States! He chewed the legs off two pairs of fifteen dollar trousers and destroyed an edition de luxe of the navy regulations."

Dewey saw the point and paid for new uniform trousers—New York World.

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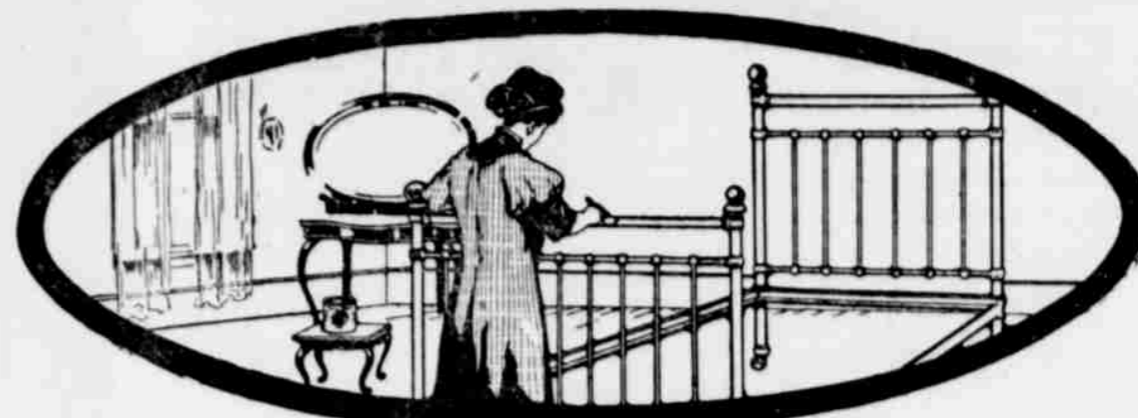
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