

WOMEN'S CLUBS AND WORK

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GAIN the pioneers have come and gone, leaving in their wake a train of happy memories which have been brought to life by the reunion of old friends, the renewal of life-long friendships and the incessant flow of reminiscences which is one of the delightful features and perhaps the greatest inducement to bring this aged army together.

As the years go by this annual gathering grows dearer to the hearts of the honored band of men and women who, in the span of one life, have seen the wilderness blossom into a great state and cities rear themselves into immense areas of commerce and industry.

The sight of old people seated around the banquet table in one room and at one time as it is magnificent, and it is doubtful if its like can be duplicated in any other state. At last Thursday's banquet 19 long tables paralleled the drill hall of the Armory, and each was simply surrounded by beautiful and glass and perfectly gorgeous in its wealth of summer flowers.

Reviewing the club year just passed, I note with pleasure a goodly number of things accomplished by the Sorosis club of The Dalles. Last November we secured the Elson company's exhibit of pictures for schools and with the earnest cooperation of the teacher and pupils and our daily newspaper the exhibit was so well advertised that a sum sufficient to purchase 20 pictures was the result.

Early in March an afternoon entertainment was given for the benefit of the Florence Crittenden Refuge Home for girls. This entertainment was given in response to a plea from the management for funds to apply on their new home. Mr. Tenschler of the Boys and Girls Aid society of Portland kindly gave the expense of framing the pictures.

The Sorosis ladies were also associated with The Dalles library commission in helping secure a \$500 balance needed for the purchase of a site for a Carnegie library.

Our regularly planned work has been heretofore in the miscellaneous character principally along literary and civic lines. We have always endeavored to make our club not only a power for the improvement of the community, but a recognized element of progress for the entire community.

The club passed resolutions favoring the university appropriation, and had them published in the paper. Mrs. Egbert expects to be well represented at Chautauqua. AGNES C. BRADSHAW, President Sorosis.

Evening sessions of the biennial convention, which meets at Boston June 22, will be occupied in the following manner: Monday, June 22, 8:30, concert by members of the Symphony orchestra.

Tuesday, opening of convention. Wednesday, literature. Thursday, report of state presidents. Friday, forestry. Saturday, legislative, industrial and labor. Monday, women in business. Tuesday, presidents' evening.

The civil service reform committee, at its session present the following program: Report of the committee, by the chairman, Miss Anna Lewis Clark of Boonesville, Mo.

"The Practical Workings of Civil Service Reform in Institutions," by Miss Julia B. Perry of Beloit, Kan.

"The Cooperation of Women's Clubs and Organizations in the Promotion of Patriotic Work," by Mrs. Charlotte Emerson of Washington, D. C.

Miss Clark, chairman of this committee, is a Missouri woman by birth and education. She has traveled extensively both at home and abroad, and for many years has been greatly interested in club work. She is president of the Woman's club of Boonesville and of the Fifth district of the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs. She is also interested in the civil service reform and is convinced that there is a great work for club women to do along these lines, and that the principles of the reform underlie the work of all other committees.

The women of Oregon will have an opportunity to meet Miss Clark and hear her lecture at the coming Chautauqua, when she will have charge of the club programs.

The session of the committee on education at Boston, will open with the report of the chairman, Mrs. George C. Sikes.

The other speakers will be Miss Laura D. Gill, president of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, Mrs. M. D. Gilman of London, England, ex-president of the Society of American Women in London, and Miss Desha of Lexington, Ky. Miss Breakinridge is a great-granddaughter of Henry Clay and her father's home was made a part of Harvard college. She speaks and writes well on educational topics and has been closely identified with educational efforts in Kentucky. Her father was born in Maine, graduated from Smith college in 1831, taking her A. M. in 1835. Studied abroad for several years in the Universities of Leipzig, Geneva, Sarbonne, and later in the University of the South. In 1839 she was made a member of Harvard college. She was identified with the executive work for the Red Cross in the Spanish-American war, and later in the educational and "Red Cross" for orphans. A friend says of her: "She is a woman of exceptionally clear and vigorous intellect, moreover so wholesome, broadly human and well-balanced as to make her influence of great value to the cause she has chosen. She has executive ability and thorough and scholarly in all that she undertakes."

native of Minnesota. She was graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1887 and received master's degree from the University of Chicago in 1893; was fellow in political science for two years in the latter university and later instructor in history in the college. Mrs. Sikes is a member of the Chicago Women's club and of the General association of Collegiate Alumnae and chairman of educational legislation in the latter association. She is chairman of the committee on education in the Illinois Federation of Women's clubs, being especially interested in manual training in the public schools.

The library extension hour upon the general program at the biennial convention will consist of a report by the chairman of the committee, Mrs. Addison F. Broomhall. This report will be followed by an address by Dr. James H. Canfield, librarian of Columbia university. Dr. Canfield is an eminent scholar and educator, with a national reputation as a speaker. He is the only conversant with the phases of educational and library work, having resigned the position as president of the State university to accept the position he now occupies at Columbia. His subject will be "The Place and Value of the Public Library."

Mrs. Addison F. Broomhall, the chairman of the committee, has been a library worker for a number of years. She was one of the organizers of the library which she secured for her own community a splendid public library, and was a member of the committee which established the traveling library system for this state. Mrs. Broomhall served her state in some official capacity for a number of years and is now a member of the state advisory committee, a position which she also held under the former administration.

Many social events have marked the closing days of the club season. What a happy memory will be held by the Woman's club, most of the others have discontinued for the summer. The social events of the Woman's club have had to be hurried a little on account of the president, Mrs. Egbert, leaving for Boston yesterday, where she goes to attend the ninth biennial convention of the General Federation. Mrs. Egbert, by the way, will speak on "The Telephone Inter-View."

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Oakland vs. Portland RECREATION PARK, CO. VAUGHN AND 34TH STS. JUNE 9, 10, 11, 12, 14. Games begin week days at 3:30 p. m., Sunday, 2:30 p. m. Admission free. Bleachers 25c; grandstand, 50c; boxes, 25c extra; children, bleachers, 10c; grandstand, 25c. LAST DAY FRIDAY. Boys under 12 free to bleachers Wednesday. NICKEL ODON 120 Sixth Street. Program Changed Every Day

TRAPPING IN ILLINOIS.

Four Bearing Animals That Are Caught East of the Mississippi. The "varmints" are by no means exterminated in the territory east of the Mississippi river. Morgan county is the center of the trapping industry in Illinois. Four men who have their headquarters near the Illinois river handle 100,000 worth of pelts each year, all going to London and other European points.

These skins come from all sections of central Illinois, and the annual shipment numbers about 150,000, principally of raccoon, skunk and muskrat. About 400 fox hides are received each year. The number of muskrat skins runs up to 10,000. This firm also ships wolf pelts and skins from the common house cat, the latter being used in the cheapest class of coats. Muskrats are the most common fur coated animal, and over 75,000 meet an untimely fate every year in this state. Trappers find that the muskrats are the most easily caught, and they help to increase the hunters' incomes when more profitable animals are scarce. The Morgan county firm ships no less than 10,000 fox hides abroad each year. When the hides are purchased from the trappers they are fitted over a pole resembling an ironing board and the cleansers scrape off with drawing knives the bits of flesh which adhere to the skin. These scraps form a big source of revenue for a mile or so of skunk, raccoon and opossum flesh is boiled in harness oil which nets about 40 cents per gallon. The pelts are packed in barrels for export, and are shipped away from 800 to 2,000 pelts, according to size.

The shipping charge is a heavy item of expense owing to the distance. Many attempts have been made in various parts of Illinois to establish skunk farms, but it is said that this scheme has never proved profitable for the reason that the skunk's instinctive fear of the parent cannot be restrained, the young being eaten by the old animals soon after their are born. It is also difficult to prevent the animals from escaping by burrowing under the wire enclosures.

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