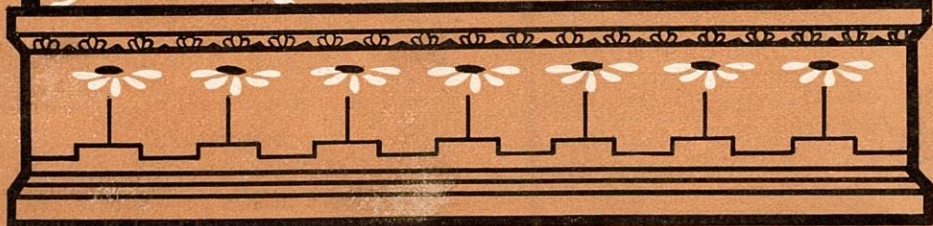


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Grand Chapter Conventions

PROGRAM

EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, OREGON GRAND CHAPTER P. E. O.

May 27, 28, 29, 1919, at Eugene, Oregon.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30—Executive Board Meeting.

TUESDAY EVENING.

7:30—Enrollment of delegates.

8:00—Convention called to order.

Appointment of guards, pianist and reporters.

Appointment of Committee on Credentials and Dispensation.

Opening ode.

Devotionals: Led by Mrs. Mary K. Logan, Second Vice-President, O. G. C.

Music.

Address of Welcome: President of Chapter H.

Response: Mrs. Lena Odell, First Vice-President, O. G. C.

Formal opening of convention.

Report of Credentials Committee.

Introduction of Officers and Guests of Honor.

Appointment of committees.

Minutes of last convention.

Report of committee on dispensations.

Secret work: By Miss Margaret Copeland, Organizer, O. G. C.

Roll Call: Mrs. Blanche Murphy, Corresponding Secretary, O. G. C.

Music.

Paper.

Informal Reception to delegates and visitors.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

8:30—Committee work.

9:00—Opening ode.

Devotionals.

Roll call.

Music.

Minutes of previous session.

Report of committee on credentials.

Correspondence and greetings.

Secret work.

Report of State Officers.

Report of Educational Fund: Mrs. Lena Odell.

Address: Miss Margaret Durward, Supreme President.

Adjournment.

Luncheon to delegates and visitors.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30—Convention called to order.

Music.

Roll call.

Minutes of previous meeting.

Secret work.

Memorial Hour: In charge of Mrs. Kate S. Polders, Chapter H, Eugene.

Model meeting and exemplification.

Report of Patriotic Service Committee, by Mrs. Lydia Leabo, Chapter E.

Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Guests of Chapter H.

THURSDAY MORNING.

8:30—Committee work.

9:00—Convention called.

Opening ode.

Devotionals.

Music.

Minutes of previous session.

Roll call.
 Secret work.
 Report of committees.
 Local President's Report (three minutes).
 Miscellaneous business.
 Election of officers and delegates to Supreme Convention.
 Question box: Miss Durward, Supreme President.
 Adjournment.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30—Convention called.
 Opening ode.
 Roll call.
 Response: "One Thing You Have Gotten From Convention to Take Home to Your Chapter."
 Secret work.
 Paper.
 Music.
 Supplementary report of Treasurer, O. G. C.
 Miscellaneous and unfinished business.
 Installation of officers.
 Minutes of closing session.
 Closing ode.
 Adjournment.

EMMA LUSE McCAW,
 President, O. G. C.



PROGRAM, ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, OKLAHOMA GRAND CHAPTER

Tulsa, Oklahoma, May 6, 7, 8, 1919.

TUESDAY MORNING.

11:00—Executive Board Meeting.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:00—Enrollment of Delegates.
 2:00—Convention called to order.
 Singing: "America."
 Appointment of guards, pianist, reporter and committees.
 Opening ode.
 Devotionals: Led by Mrs. Estelle Ashbrook, Second Vice-President, O. G. C.
 Address of Welcome: Representative of Chapter N.
 Response: Mrs. Mabel C. Mitchell, First Vice-President, O. G. C.
 Formal opening of convention.

Introduction of Guests of Honor and State Officers.

Minutes of previous session.

Report of Credential Committee.

Report of Dispensational Committee.

Presentation of Charters: Mrs. Zora Y. Knight, Organizer, O. G. C.

Greetings to New Chapters: Mrs. Emily Brake, Treasurer, O. G. C.

Response: Presidents of new chapters.

Music.

Reports of State Officers.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

TUESDAY EVENING.

8:30—Reception.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

8:30—Committee meetings.

9:00—Convention called to order.

Report of guards.

Opening ode.

Devotionals: Led by Mrs. Mabel C. Mitchell, First Vice-President, O. G. C.

Roll call: Donations to the Educational Fund.

Minutes of previous session.

Report of Credential Committee.

Symposium: Our Duty as P. E. O.s.

As Chapter Members.

As Chapter Officers.

As Delegates.

To the Educational Fund.

In Reconstruction.

Discussion.

Music.

Secret work: Mrs. Zora Knight, Organizer, O. G. C.

Proposed Revision of Constitution: Mrs. Winona Reeves, Editor of Record.

Report of committees.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30—Convention called to order: Report of guards.

Roll call.

Reading of minutes of previous session.

Model meeting: Conducted by Zora Y. Knight, Organizer.

Exemplification: Chapter N.

Music.

"Idle Thoughts of Past Presidents;" Led by Mrs. Louise K. Schmidt.

Reports of committees.
4:00—Auto ride.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7:30—Convention called to order: Report of guards.
Roll call.
Minutes of previous session.
Music.
Address: Mrs. Winona E. Reeves, Editor of the Record.
Reading.
Music.
"Our Attitude Toward the Privilege of the Ballot," Mrs. Helen G. McCatin.
Announcements.
Music: "Oklahoma."
Adjournment.

THURSDAY MORNING.

9:00—Convention called to order.
Report of guards.
Opening ode.
Devotionals.
Roll call.
Minutes of previous session.
Final report of committees.
Election of officers.
Unfinished business.
Installation.
Closing ode.
Convention closed.



SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Of Minnesota Grand Chapter P. E. O. Sisterhood; Chapter I, Hostess; St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul; May 8, 9, 10, 1919.

JUBILEE CONVENTION

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30—Meeting of Executive Board.
Enrollment of delegates and visitors.
2:00—Convention called to order.
Committees named.
Guards, reporters, pianist appointed.
Report of guards.
Opening ode.
Devotionals—Mrs. Mary Bell Williams, First Vice-President, Minnesota Grand Chapter.
Music—Sacred solo.

Address of Welcome—Mrs. Mabel Wallace, Chapter I.
Response—Chapter M.
Singing—"America."
Patriotic reading.
Formal opening of convention.
Minutes of last convention.
Report of Credentials Committee.
Informal reception.
6.00—Dinner.

THURSDAY EVENING.

8:00—Convention called to order.
Report of guards.
Minutes of previous session.
Roll call: "Something Worth While That Has Come From the War."
Model meeting—Chapter I.
Exemplification—State Officers.
Trio—Chapter E.
Reports of Grand Chapter Officers.
Report of Educational Fund.
Instrumental solo.
Announcements.
Adjournment.

FRIDAY MORNING.

8:00—Committee work.
9:00—Convention called to order.
Report of guards.
Opening ode.
Devotionals—Mrs. Edna K. Collins, Second Vice-President, Minnesota Grand Chapter.
Reports of committees.
Minutes of previous session.
Roll call—Chapter service record given by second delegate.
"The Americans Come"—Mildred Ozias DeVries, Chapter D.
Chapter reports.
Revision of the Constitution—Mrs. Grace R. Parks, Past Supreme President.
Discussion.
Announcements.
Adjournment.
12:30—Luncheon.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Jubilee Session.

2:00—Convention called to order.
Report of guards.
Minutes of previous session.
Jubilee processional, fifty P. E. O.s participating.

Address—Mrs. Grace R. Parks.
Music.

Paper—"Woman's Part in World Reconstruction" — Miss Georgina Lommen, Chapter K.

"The War's Best Book Review"—Mrs. Myra Gaumnitz, Chapter H.

Piano solo.

Dramatization of 1869—Chapter I.

Adjournment.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Special Program—Chapter I.

SATURDAY MORNING.

9:00—Convention called to order.

Opening ode.

Devotionals—Miss Carrie M. Evans, Past State President.

Roll call.

Reading of minutes of previous session.

Ratification of election of delegates to Supreme Convention.

Question Box.

Election of Officers.

Installation.

Reading of minutes of last session.

Closing ode.

Adjournment.

Program subject to change.

BERTHA W. DONNELL,
President Minnesota Grand Chapter.



PROGRAM OF SIXTEENTH ANNUAL

CONVENTION OF CALIFORNIA
GRAND CHAPTER, AT STAN-
FORD UNIVERSITY,
MAY 7, 8, 9, 1919.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

9:00—Enrollment of delegates.

10:30—Convention called to order.

Singing National Anthem.

Appointment of guards, reporters, pianist, credential and dispensation committees.

Report of guards.

Opening ode.

Devotionals—Led by Second Vice-President, Mrs. Streeter.

Address of Welcome—Chapter T.

Greetings from Stanford.

Response—Mrs. Florence Stevens, First Vice-President C. G. C.

Formal opening of convention.

Introduction of Guests of Honor, Supreme and Past State Presidents and Grand Chapter Officers.

Roll call.

Appointment of committees.

Report of credential committee.

Report of dispensation committee.

Presentation of charters.

Response.

Chapter reports.

Secret work, by Organizer—Mrs. Maud Wagner.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:00—Committee work.

2:00—Convention called to order.

Report of guards.

Minutes of previous session.

Roll call.

Report of credential committee.

Report of Grand Chapter Officers.

Report of State Chairman of War Activities—Mrs. Martha Smith, Past President C. G. C.

Short Address: "After Our War Activities What?" Mrs. Helen Gale. Chairman P. E. O. Red Cross Auxilliary, Los Angeles County.

Chapter reports.

Report of Memorial Committee: Mrs. N. Streeter, Second Vice-President C. G. C., Chairman.

Memorial Hour at Stanford Memorial Chapel.

Musical program by Dean of Stanford University.

Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7:00—Committee work.

7:30—Informal reception.

8:00—Convention called to order.

Anniversary song written by Mrs. Stevens, First Vice-President C. G. C.

Report of guards.

Minutes of previous session.

Short address: The Educational Fund.

Exemplification of initiation.

Solo.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

THURSDAY MORNING.

- 8:00—Committee work.
- 9:00—Convention called to order.
- Report of guards.
- Opening ode.
- Devotionals—Led by Mrs. Addie Chandler, Treasurer C. G. C.
- Roll call.
- Minutes of previous session.
- Report of committee on Certificates of Honor.
- Revision of Our Constitution—Led by Miss Durward, Supreme President and report of State Committee on Revision by Mrs. Miller.
- Secret work—By Organizer, Mrs. Maud Wagner.
- Report of by-laws committee.
- Adjournment.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

A drive through the Santa Clara Valley.

THURSDAY EVENING.

- Birthday dinner, celebrating fiftieth anniversary of P. E. O.
- Music and toasts.

FRIDAY MORNING.

- 8:00—Committee work.
- 9:00—Convention called to order.
- Anniversary song.
- Report of guards.
- Opening ode.
- Devotionals.
- Minutes of previous session.
- Final report of credential committee.
- Roll call.
- Report of committees.
- Chapter reports.
- Election of officers.
- Question box.
- Unfinished and miscellaneous business.
- Installation of officers.
- Secret work—Mrs. Wagner.
- Minutes of closing session.
- Closing ode.
- Adjournment.



CONVENTIONS AT COLLEGES

At least three state conventions this year are to be entertained in university cities, with some meetings in the university. P. E. O. was organized in a college, and every year some of the conventions are connected in some way with colleges or universities.

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION IOWA GRAND CHAPTER
P. E. O. SISTERHOOD

Entertained by Chapter DH, DX and EY,
at Sioux City, May 20, 21, 22, 1919.

TUESDAY MORNING.

- 10:00—Executive Board Meeting.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Enrollment of delegates and visitors.

TUESDAY EVENING.

- 7:00-8:00—Social Hour.
- 8:00—Convention called to order.
- Music.
- Appointment of guards, pianist and reporters.
- Opening ode.
- Devotionals.
- Thrice Welcome—Mrs. Lola Ewer, President Chapter EY; Mrs. Adda Van Horne, President Chapter DX; Mrs. Alice M. Smith, President Chapter DH.
- Response—Mrs. Lucy B. Engelbeck, First Vice-President Iowa Grand Chapter.
- Formal opening of convention.
- Introduction of Guests of Honor and Officers.
- Appointment of committees.
- Minutes of last convention.
- Report of credential committee.
- Roll call—Mrs. Florence E. Patterson, Corresponding Secretary Iowa Grand Chapter.
- Address—Mrs. Mary A. Stafford, One of the Original Seven.
- Address—Mrs. Helen D. Townsend, First Vice-President of Supreme Chapter.
- Exemplification—Under the direction of Mrs. Carrie S. Buechele, Organizer, Iowa Grand Chapter.
- Announcements.
- Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

- 8:00—Committee work.
- 9:00—Convention called to order.
- Opening ode.
- Devotionals.
- Minutes of previous session.
- Roll call.
- Music.
- Correspondence.
- Report of dispensation committee.

Greeting and presentation of charters.
 Response.
 Report of Iowa Grand Chapter Officers.
 Report of Reciprocity Bureau—Mrs. Mabel Duree.
 Report of tabulation of war work—Mrs. Lucy Engelbeck.
 Report of committee on War Camp Community Service—Miss Edith Prouty, Chairman.
 Miscellaneous business.
 Revision of Constitution—Miss Ida B. Johnson.
 Discussion by delegates.
 Secret work—Mrs. Carrie Buechele, organizer, Iowa Grand Chapter.
 Announcements.
 Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:00—Committee work.
 2:00—Convention called to order.
 Minutes of previous session.
 Symposium—P. E. O. and Reconstruction Without:
 1—As Government Allies.
 2—Thrift.
 3—Past war place in the community.
 4—Educational Fund.
 Music.
 Round Table—Reconstruction Within: "We Have Climbed the Hill, Are We Ready for the Mountain," led by Mrs. Lou C. McHenry, Past President, Iowa Grand Chapter.
 Rebuilding.
 How Choose Officers.
 Co-operation.
 Music.
 Miscellaneous business.
 Announcements.
 4:30—Automobile ride.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Guests of Chapters DH, DX and EY, at Morning Side.

THURSDAY MORNING.

8:00—Committee work.
 9:00—Convention called to order.
 Opening ode.
 Devotionals.
 Music.
 Minutes of previous session.
 Final report of credential committee.
 Roll call.

Address—Mrs. Winona E. Reeves, Editor of Record and Past Supreme President.
 Reports of committees.
 Official reports.
 Chapter reports.
 By-laws.
 Year book.
 Auditing.
 Finance.
 Memorial.
 Ratification and election of delegates to Supreme.
 Miscellaneous business.
 Announcements.
 Adjournment.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30—Convention called to order.
 Music.
 Minutes of previous session.
 Address.
 Roll call.
 Election of officers.
 Question box—Miss Edith Prouty, Past President Supreme Chapter.
 Miscellaneous business.
 Adjournment.

THURSDAY EVENING.

8:00—Convention called to order.
 Music.
 Secret work.
 Unfinished business.
 Miscellaneous business.
 Address—Mrs. Cornelia J. Sawyer, Past President, Iowa Grand Chapter.
 Report of Resolutions Committee.
 Installation of officers.
 Minutes of previous and final session.
 Closing ode.
 Adjournment.



MRS. BOWDEN'S ANXIOUS DAYS

Mrs. Vina I. Bowden, treasurer of Supreme Chapter, has been under a cloud of anxiety for months, with two sons in France. One son, Lorenzo, has been ill in a hospital for eleven weeks, and her son, Homer, is recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia. Her daughter, Mary Elizabeth, has had three surgical operations since July. All this tells why Mrs. Bowden's picture has not appeared in The Record with other officers of Supreme Chapter.

REPORT OF SUPREME TREASURER

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B, Nevada 6.50

A, New Jersey.... 6.00

Total Dues (States) 9,202.00

Total Reinstatements (States).. 98.00

Total (Subordinate Chapters)

Dues 647.50

Total (Subordinate Chapters)

Reinstatements 5.00

Mrs. Nancy Olds (Supplies sold).... 792.87

Chapter fees 10.00

Mrs. Bertha C. Hughes (returned

from bond)..... 10.00

Minnesota G. C. 2.00

Bond Coupons 40.00

Mrs. Alice Miller (two advertise-

ments in Record) 20.00

Interest Linn Co. Bank 79.17

\$15,062.16

DISBURSEMENTS.

Premium, treasurer's bond\$ 40.00

Lion Bonding Co., treasurer of

Educational Fund 100.00

Marwick, Mitchell, Peat & Co.,

auditing custodian's supplies.... 52.50

Editor Mrs. Rogers' assistant on

cabinet 15.00

Organizing Wisconsin 50.00

Mrs. Drake's trip to Omaha..... 10.00

Robinson Printing Co. 56.00

Lawrence Press Co. 12.35

Mrs. Townsend, convention expense 2.10

Mrs. Effie Hoffman-Rogers, trip

to Kansas City and telegram.... 79.65

Duty on two pins 1.30

Fairfield Tribune 10.00

Printing amendments 16.71

Mrs. Beatty, postage 4.15

Mrs. Alice Miller, trip to Kansas

City	27.24	Calif. Grand Chapter....	1,125.60
Premium, custodian supplies	5.00	Colo. Grand Chapter....	698.60
Mrs. Olds, for advance payment on constitution	200.00	Iowa Grand Chapter....	3,130.60
Robinson Printing Co. (\$10.50) (\$22.00)	32.50	Ill. Grand Chapter....	903.30
Treasurer's suitcase, postage.....	15.77	Idaho Grand Chapter....	293.00
Typewriter for Editor, postage.....	60.94	Kansas Grand Chapter	594.03
Miss Ida Johnson, letterheads.....	9.00	Minn. Grand Chapter	272.00
Corresponding secretary's ledger binding, postage	32.70	Mo. Grand Chapter....	1,116.10
Mrs. Alice Miller, expense to Kan- sas City	17.47	Neb. Grand Chapter....	1,265.00
Miss Ida Johnson, expense trip to Chicago	51.55	N. Dak. Grand Chapter	159.49
Miss Lillian Edmison, one-half ex- pense organizing So. Dak.	44.00	Oregon Grand Chapter	245.71
Purchase custodian supplies.....	400.00	Okla. Grand Chapter....	370.43
Mrs. Bowden, postage	7.44	S. Dak. Grand Chapter	256.82
Miss Lillian Edmison, one-half ex- pense, So. Dakota trip.....	7.04	Subordinate chapters...	883.79
Mrs. Lela R. Weber, expense Su- preme	7.00	Wash. Grand Chapter	406.86
Baylis Steele, postmaster, Kansas City	510.19	Wis. Grand Chapter....	97.00
Gate City Press	10,042.71	Total donations	12,118.33
Mrs. Olds, custodian's salary.....	525.00	Cash on hand March 1,	
Mrs. Olds, payment printing con- stitutions	525.00	1919	\$10,043.24
Mrs. E. H. Rogers, Mrs. Winona Reeves, Editor's salary and office expense	996.66	Notes on hand October,	
Miss Durward, traveling and of- fice expenses	349.58	1917	45,172.20
Mrs. Alice Scott, organizer's ex- penses	500.00	Loans made since Octo- ber, 1917	12,730.00
	\$14,851.64	Liberty bonds and W. S. stamps	1,185.92
Feb. 1, 1919—Cash on hand.....	210.52	Expense since October,	
	\$15,062.16	1917	259.29
			\$69,390.65 69,390.65

RECAPITULATION.

Cash on hand March 1, 1919.....	\$10,043.24
Notes on hand March 1, 1919.....	51,835.24
Liberty bonds and stamps, March 1, 1919	1,185.92

Total Educational Fund March
1, 1919

BERTHA CLARK HUGHES,
Treasurer.



EDUCATIONAL FUND STATEMENT

March 1, 1919.

Amount of Educational Fund, Oc- tober, 1917	\$50,133.39
Payments made on notes since October, 1917	6,066.96
Interest received from bank since October, 1917	200.90
Interest received on notes since October, 1917	871.07
Donations since October, 1917:	
Beatrice Foster	\$ 150.00
Blanche Love	150.00



EASTER

Open the door of your soul to-day,
Break ev'ry barrier down!
Let Life flow freely and fully sweet,
Blessing the cross and the crown.
Welcome the day when one Spirit guides,
Filling all hearts with His love;
Teaching the nearness of other lives,
Brooding o'er all like a dove.
Herald of joy to a waiting world,
Christ is the truth that you bring;
Purity born in His secret place,
Peace that is power, you sing.

LILLIAN M. SCHEDIN,
Chapter AF, Colo.

THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF P. E. O. TO DEMOCRACY

Mrs. Minnie M. Stuff at the Omaha Anniversary Celebration.

I deeply appreciate the honor you have conferred upon me in asking me to be your guest tonight. It is always a pleasure to meet my old freinds in the Omaha Chapters, and to have the opportunity to make new ones. This particular event is one of unusual privilege because it affords me the pleasure of meeting not only my P. E. O. sisters, but also my P. E. O. brothers—your Perfectly Elegant Outfit of B. I. L.s.

The occasion which brings us together tonight is one of great interest to all of our Sisterhood. Could the power to look ahead through the years have been given those seven girls at Iowa Wesleyan fifty years ago today, I am sure they would have been almost overwhelmed at the thought of the influence they were setting in motion. The vision of more than twenty thousand women wearing their star, and bound together by the same vows with which they were pledging themselves to eternal friendship would have seemed unbelievable to them.

As thoughtful people our first question is, "How did this come to pass?" An examination of any city paper will show long lists of clubs, largely women's social organizations. Do you think that fifty years from now the "Laf-a-lot," the "Kum-Again" or the "Cheerful Dozen Club" will be celebrating a half century of existence, with thousands of members all over the land, bound together by the same ties, inspired by the same ideals that are theirs today? No doubt such organizations have their place, since we need relaxation, but the chief object is to amuse. While the "ties that bind" in P. E. O. afford us a delightful companionship that is a "well-spring of joy" in prosperity and a "tower of strength" in adversity, the lofty ideals which call for our most earnest effort along lines of self-improvement and service really furnish the foundation on which our organization rests. At the altar of a fine and uplifting college friendship, each of those seven girls received, as it were, a flaming torch of high and serious purpose and upon graduation

went forth to light the way to finer, nobler womanhood.

When, as a child, I found in my spelling book that French phrase "Noblesse oblige" and its attendant definition, I was strangely fascinated by it. I read it again and again, and for days I would turn back to the page and take another look at it. I never forgot it, and today it seems to mean more to me than ever—"Noblesse oblige"—"the obligations of nobility"—"the responsibility of being of noble birth." Surely the P. E. O. Sisterhood has resting upon it the "obligations of nobility"—"the responsibility of being of noble birth." The spirit of self-improvement and service which has permeated P. E. O. from its incipency and which accounts for its marvelous growth and development, surely gives us "noble birth." Ours is a rich heritage and "to whom much has been given, of him shall much be required."

The high ideals of the Original Seven have never been lost sight of, though P. E. O. has grown from a membership of seven to more than twenty thousand.

No adequate record of the benevolences and many forms of service P. E. O. has to her credit is in existence. They range from tender ministrations to infancy and to old age to the magnificent patriotic services of hundreds of our sisters during the past two years. There is not time tonight to give you a full report of even Nebraska P. E. O.'s contributions to democracy during the war period, but a few facts will serve to give a general idea of the spirit shown. The same patriotic devotion pervaded the entire Sisterhood. The figures given cover only one year, from May, 1917, to May, 1918. Were they brought up to date they would be very much greater. Garments knitted, 5,565; invested in Liberty Bonds and War Saving Certificates, by individuals, \$595,146.00; by the chapter, \$1,515.00; contributed by individuals, \$31,781.00; by chapter, \$1,557.00. P. E. O. in Nebraska has furnished 145 chairmen of different departments of patriotic work. Number of husbands in the service, 38; number of sons, 136. Numbers of P. E. O. are engaged in all forms of woman's war work, including nursing, canteen work and hostess house work.

A fitting celebration of this anniversary requires not merely that we should look

backward and congratulate ourselves upon what has been, but that we should look forward, facing the future with its possibilities and responsibilities.

Never before have so many avenues of usefulness been open to women. The whole world is looking to organized, efficient, high-minded womanhood to help solve its problems. Time was when woman's sphere was limited by the four walls of her own home, now it is as boundless as the universe. It is true the full right of franchise is still withheld from her, but her right to serve is not questioned. Long years ago there was one who said "Let him who would be greatest among you be the servant of all." He it was who was the first and greatest exponent of democracy. His ideals have never been surpassed. Let us resolve upon this fiftieth anniversary of the founding of our Sisterhood that we will make a perennial "contribution to democracy" by making P. E. O. the "greatest among all" organizations of women because of the extent and quality of the service rendered to humanity. Let us never lose sight of the fine idealism that gave us birth. May "the ties that bind" ever grow stronger and more precious as with singleness of purpose and unflinching steps we move onward and upward toward the highest plane of Christian womanhood.



A LETTER OF GREETING

Mrs. Alice Bird Babb sent to the Omaha Founder's day party a letter of greeting at their request.

Through the courtesy of the Omaha Federation we are publishing it:

"I am glad and proud to greet the Omaha Chapters and all others on this our golden anniversary.

Fifty years seem a long time in the prospective, but only a day's travel in the retrospective.

I recall as only yesterday when I penned our first constitution. I remember the window at which I sat, the bleak January landscape outside, and how proud I felt when it was finished. It was only one page long, but full of such momentous designs. Proud I am today that our oath is identically the same as it was then, and that

P. E. O. has not changed in thought and purpose in fifty years.

Of course we build well, but no thanks to us seven founders, for the time was ripe for just such a society and we caught the step.

Up to 1869 there were few, if any, women's clubs, or college sororities, but about that time they began their useful work.

All along my P. E. O. life there have been lovely rest spots at which I love to linger.

I recall the beautiful P. E. O. day at Bluff Park in about '84. The assembly there asked various organizations to have a day there and ours was a great success. The weather was lovely, the boating fine and the long walks through the beautiful woods above the Mississippi delightful. When we had our open meeting in the morning the pavillion was crowded. I remember I took for a subject 'Edgar Allen Poe' because Poe had in it the letters P. E. O., and I declare I like that piece to this day.

Then in '93 at the World's Fair, in Chicago, we had a P. E. O. room in the Woman's Building, where Mrs. Jessie Mallory Thayer was the delightful hostess. It was very pleasant to register there and find right above your name the name of a P. E. O. from California or Nebraska.

I was with Mrs. Thayer the day Miss Phoebe Cozzins had her notable fight with Mrs. Potter Palmer, who was president of the Board of Lady Managers. Miss Cozzins was a little on the Mrs. Pankhurst type and, being infuriated at some ruling of Mrs. Palmer's, jumped right over the chairs to get at her, but was prevented from doing any harm.

So many P. E. O. experiences come to my mind, but none with more pleasure than the meeting of my own chapter in Mt. Pleasant, Original A, just before we moved to Aurora. So many delightful talks were made and the chapter presented me with a diamond studded pin. I shall wear that pin to Chicago next week to their anniversary party, and I shall wear Ella Stewart's pin, too. She left it to me when she died. Of course it was not her pin to give, or mine to take, it correctly belongs to my chapter, but they'll get both these pins some day. Ella's pin is one of the original pins. I lost mine. It is ugly, straight, pointed and poorly marked, but it is of great value to

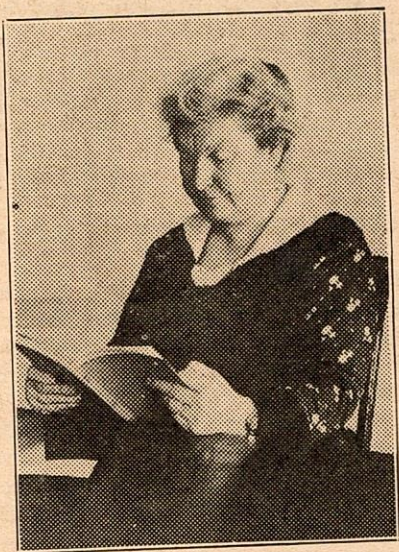
me, because it was Ella's.

So many things of interest crowd upon me, but the western sun is sinking and a bright glow falls upon my paper. Thus, too, does recollection throw its beautiful light over the past fifty years, and in its glow I send you my best love, and at this holiday season I say with Tiny Tim "God Bless Us Every One."

Affectionately,

ALICE BIRD BABB.

January 17, 1919.



MISS DURWARD
President.

A great many P. E. O.s know how Miss Durward looks sitting on the platform at conventions, but not many of us have seen her with this severe look on her face as she sits behind her desk in the Colorado State Agricultural College, where she is a teacher.

This picture was made for the college annual, and she sent us one to make us tend to business and get the Record out on time.

We are passing it on to the rest of you to make you mind your step, or the President will get you, if you don't watch out.

STARS

Edith Foster Williams, Oklahoma City.

"He made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the Heavens, to give light upon the earth. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day."

So from the very beginning of Time, stars were, even before man. God loves beautiful things. It is in the solitary places that man is most impressed by the greatness, majesty and beauty of his handiwork.

Stand in the silences of the mountains at night, their mighty peaks outlined against the darkened sky, and watch the stars come out—some steady, some twinkling, some bright, some dim—and every little while a falling star, like a life gone out. Or stand on the ocean's border and look far into the distance—stars and stars—and stars—and only the steady boom of the waves answers the unspoken yearning of the soul as it strives to see into the Great Beyond.

Maybe, a few times in life, you have risen early enough to step forth in the sweet, dewy breath of morn and waved a "good-bye" to the faintly smiling stars as they faded in the greater light of a new day—another day—another chance to lend a hand to a weary world.

Yes, God likes stars, or he never would have made so many of them, nor put them where we could see them half of the time.

"There shall come a star out of Jacob—Thou shalt call his name Jesus—for he shall save his people from their sins."

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem there came wise men saying, "We have seen his star in the East, where is he?" And lo, the star, which they had seen, went before them till it stood over where the babe, Jesus, lay.

So God used the stars as a means of communication between Heaven and earth, to bring love as well as light, to man. By the stars in the Heavens man, lost in the deserts of the world, is able to figure his course to bring him back to his home on earth. By the star of Jacob, lost man in the spiritual world, can also find his way back home—the home not made with hands—eternal in the Heavens.

Yes, surely God loves stars.

Man like stars. Look at the flags of the

nations. Every place they can put a star, they do. They name lodges and wear badges of stars—they decorate with stars—they plant their parks in the shape of stars—they put stars for honor and rank on their soldiers—they stand for authority on their officers—they compose poems and sing songs about stars. One nation that I know of stands when it hears a certain melody called "The Star-Spangled Banner." In fact they plan, not only on having stars around, over and on them in this world, but to see how many they can earn for trimming for their crowns in the next.

Yes, man loves stars.

And Woman? She begins to point out the stars one of the first things she teaches her children and tells them the story of the Star of Bethlehem.

For treats, she makes for them stars. She wants them to be star pupils in the school. Like her brother, man, she has societies and badges of stars. She likes them so well she even dissects stars into points, and gives to each a name that represents an essential portion of her ideal woman. Such a Faith that nothing in the world can take away her hope for the next; such Love that the world grows better every day; such Purity that she shall see God; such Justice that evil is afraid; such Truth that he who hears, believes.

Faith, Love, Purity, Justice and Truth combined make a star of such brilliance that, when woman, with earnest, sober words, vows to so live that, by her, its luster shall never be dimmed—then trust her, help her, love her, for she is a star.
Yea, Star of Jacob, long foretold,
We would in thee our hearts behold,
And by thy light, reflected, be
Stars with thee in eternity.



A GOLD STAR IN IDAHO

Miss Agnes Robertson, state corresponding secretary of Idaho, mourns a nephew, Lieut. Joseph H. Murray, who died recently in Germany. A Boise paper, speaking editorially, says:

"He fell asleep without ever dreaming that he was a hero. The soul of 'Joe' Murray has joined the heroic company of Idaho lads whose memories have added a new brightness to the annals of our young commonwealth. His modest, brave, dutiful and unsullied life is a reminder that the days of chivalry are with us still."



CHAPTER ADOPTS FRENCH ORPHANS

Chapter I, P. E. O., Wahoo, Nebraska, voted unanimously to adopt two fatherless children of France, the fathers having been killed in the war with Germany. The cost is \$36.50 for one child or \$73.00 for two children for a year in the home of their mother or near relatives. In nearly every city there is some one who is in charge of the work so we wrote to Mr. Max Westerman, Lincoln, Nebr., care State University, for information and we sent our money all at once to him and he forwarded same to the one in charge in France. The money is paid either monthly or quarterly to the mother of the children and goes through the French Government, the mother having to make affidavit at each payment period that the children are still living. We raised our money by each member paying the sum of \$2.50, and we never had so little trouble in raising any fund before. The Chicago Treasurer is Mr. David R. Forgan, Room 741, Fine Arts Building.

We requested our little adopted ones to write to us and asked for their pictures. Their names are Jean and Marie Begu. We have received two letters from their mother, written in French, of course, and, translated, they are as follows:

Mrs. E. O. Weber, Wahoo, Nebr., U. S. A. Mrs. It is my duty to thank you for the gracious gift which you have just made me. My mother's heart will ever contain an ineffaceable gratitude to you. And I shall keep this memory in the minds of my dear children. They are asking God to bless you. In their name and in mine I send you my most respectful and grateful regards.

WIDOW LEONIE BEGU.

Mrs. E. O. Weber, Wahoo, Nebr., U. S. A. Mrs. I am coming to thank you for your second gift. Your indefatigable goodness enabled us to endure severe hardships; but the expense of living becomes unceasingly higher. Because of this, the need of money makes itself felt the more.

I pray therefore to continue your gifts if that is possible and my gratitude and thankfulness will be increasingly great. I hope that your goodness will not grow weary. In this hope I beg you to accept my most profound respects.

The little folks send to their benefactors a tender kiss.

Your devoted

WIDOW BEGU.

Their pictures came in the first letter and we had a cut made of them and this is their picture.

MRS. E. O. WEBER,

Charman Committee on Fatherless Children of France.



ROBINSON-DAWES WEDDING

P. E. O. will be interested in the announcement of the marriage of Miss Eva Robinson, trustee of the Educational Loan Fund, and past president of South Dakota Grand Chapter, to Prof. H. E. Dawes, on February 14. A Sioux Falls, S. D. paper tells this of the wedding: For six years past Prof. Eva R. Robinson, head of the home economics department at the University of South Dakota, has been showing the women of South Dakota how to conduct a really successful home while Prof. H. E. Dawes, director of the short course project at state college at Brookings has been equally efficient in teaching the men some of the science of food production. And with both there must have been that long-

ing to demonstrate for themselves the principles they have been expounding with such influence over the state for on St. Valentine's day, the romance they had quietly nurtured culminated in their marriage at Vermillion, much to the surprise and joy of their many freinds.

Miss Robinson met her classes at the university as usual on Friday and not one of the guests invited to a little surprise party at her apartments, suspected that Cupid was celebrating until Rev. F. Graem Davis, rector of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church here, clad in his surplice and preceded by little Miss Mary Alice Abell, the ring bearer, entered. The ceremony over, a wedding supper was served by Miss Ruetta T. Day and Mrs. Edith Abell, both members of the faculty of the department of home economics, assisted by members of the economics classes.

Both the bride and groom are known all over the state. Miss Robinson is a graduate of the South Dakota state school of mines and of Chicago University and has been in charge of home economics work in South Dakota for the state food administration during the war, as well as being known to South Dakota women through the P. E. O. and other women's clubs.

Professor and Mrs. Dawes will make their home at Brookings. The bride will complete her work at the university, remaining here until the end of the present school year.



MISS OSMOND WRITES OF REVISION OF CONSTITUTION ON REIN-STATEMENTS

Sec. 11, Art. 9, Part 3.—Any honest person owing money expects to be called on for payment. A P. E. O. knows she owes annual dues and expects to pay. But if she has not done so, she knows she owes a reinstatement fee that the constitution fixes. She is deprived of voting, of holding office until she does pay it.

It used to be a simple transaction. She paid the \$2.00 the constitution required of her in Sec. 11, Art. 9, Part 3. With that payment she was reinstated, no waiting, no ceremony. She owed; she paid.

How is it now? Why, since the St. Louis

Convention of 1911 it has been this way: She must file a written request to her chapter asking to be reinstated and enclosing the \$2.00. The request is read to the chapter at the first meeting, after it is received and must lie over two weeks. At the end of two weeks (or at the next regular meeting of the chapter), is it voted upon to see whether she will be taken back in or not. If a majority votes favorably, she becomes reinstated. There this rule ends. It is nowhere stated what becomes of the \$2.00, if the vote is unfavorable, nor what is the woman's relation to P. E. O. afterward.

I put it up to you, P. E. O. Sisters, is this the way to have a P. E. O. sister pay a debt to you—with delay, risk of losing even the chance of reinstatement, and for aught the rule says of losing the \$2.00 also? What is there in the payment of her debt giving you a right to judge her at all? There is a regular procedure for trying a P. E. O., in the constitution. If she is not any longer worthy to be a P. E. O. you can use it and give judgement, with her knowledge why, and having the rights of a trial.

The only real reason for this rule, Sec. 11, Art. 9, Part 3, is to get rid of some one without a trial. But is it just? Won't you, P. E. O.s who read this, either read the rule yourself, as it stands in the constitution, or have it read aloud at the next meeting of your chapter? P. E. O.s have not known of this rule. Hundreds never thought of it, never knew it.

Of course if we choose to keep this as a rule of P. E. O. we must give up the use of the Lord's Prayer. Who will dare say, "Forgive us our debts as we forgive those who are indebted to us," when we have a rule like that? "As"—why if God forgives us "as" we do, out we go from His presence. So if we must keep such a rule let us carefully refrain from using the Lord's Prayer for we are invoking our own condemnation.

Miss Ida Johnson, chairman on the committee for revision of the constitution, writes that objections to Sec. 11 are being filed with her. They will be counted.

Think of it.

MARY OSMOND.

IN FLANDERS FIELDS AND THE ANSWER

Mrs. Nellie Ash Remple a member of Chapter F, Pueblo, Colo., has written a poem in answer to Lieut. Col. John M'Crae's poem "In Flanders Fields," which has been one of the most frequently quoted of the war poems. We are publishing both poems.

In Flanders Fields.

In Flanders Fields the poppies grow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing fly,
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved; and now we lie
In Flanders Fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe!
To you, from falling hands, we throw
The torch. Be yours to lift it high!
If ye break faith with us who die
In Flanders Fields.

The Answer.

To you in Flanders' Field where poppies
blow,
Between your crosses, row on row,
We broke not faith with you, dear dead,
We held your torch, high, over-head.

That quarrel is settled with the foe,
We have no flaming torch to throw,
Thy will is done, Thy victory won.
Thank God! The end has come.

Sleep! Sleep in peace, ye soldiers brave,
Where poppies bloom along your grave
In Flanders' Field—beneath your cross
In peace, sleep on.

—Nellie Ash Remple, Pueblo, Colo.



MISSOURI GRAND CHAPTER HAS NEW PRESIDENT

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Adams has tendered her resignation as president of Missouri Grand Chapter, because she and her husband have moved to Tulsa, Okla. As provided by the P. E. O. constitution, Mrs. Adams is succeeded by Mrs. Margaret M.

Templeton, who was first vice-president. Mrs. Adams in her resignation says:

With deep regret I tender my resignation as President of the Missouri Grand Chapter P. E. O.

My husband's business interests are in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and this will now be our home. I feel it is not right to serve Missouri P. E. O. and live out of the state.

I have enjoyed every day of my work—it has been wonderful in experience and brought blessings fraught with opportunities. No doubt I've made mistakes, and no doubt others have thought so, but I can conscientiously say, "Lord, Thou Knowest How I Live, All I've Done Amiss, Forgive."

I shall strive to be more unselfish, more lovable and patient in daily living, more charitable in criticism, more thoughtful of others, in fact just a little better because I have served Missouri P. E. O.



P. E. O. ROLL OF HONOR

To the thirty-nine names of P. E. O.s, actively engaged in war work, which have already been published in the Record, we are adding seven new names this month to that proud roll.

We are placing, too, our first gold star on the roll, for Mrs. Frances G. Post, of Chapter D, Ravena, N. Y. Her husband Dr. R. B. Post, was in the medical corps, with the A. E. F. in France and Mrs. Post nursed in the Geneva hospital during his absence. Her death occurred October 20, during the influenza epidemic. Mrs. Ward of Chapter D, Ravena, in writing of her says: "I believe of all the women I know, none wore the star more worthily than she."

Mrs. Grace G. Cline, of Chapter W, Burbank, Cal., is in the publicity department of the Atlantic division of the Red Cross in New York. Her husband, Major Cline, is with the medical corps, in the Army of Occupation, in Germany.

Miss Ione Taake, Chapter DZ, Mason City, Iowa, is in the Y. M. C. A. canteen service. Her address is 12 Rue d' Agnewwae, Paris, France.

Miss Pauline MacGregor, Chapter DZ, Mason City, Iowa, is a Red Cross nurse at base hospital, Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Georgia.

Miss Beryl Cornell, Chapter AW, Gothenburg, Nebraska, is a Red Cross nurse at the base hospital, at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Mrs. George L. Gold, Chapter O, St. Louis, Missouri, has been in Y. M. C. A. canteen service in France.

Miss Florence Putman, Chapter O, St. Louis, Missouri, has been a Y. M. C. A. canteen worker in France.

Miss Gertrude Latham, Chapter A, Buchanan, W. Va., in canteen service, American Red Cross, Tours, France.

Miss Alida J. Bigelow, Chapter G, Seattle, Washington, American Red Cross at Tulle France, later transferred to civilian relief work in Serbia.

Miss Geraldine Doheny, Chapter G, Seattle, canteen service at Cannes, France.



THE GOLD STAR

If it happened that your Blue Star shall
have turned to one of Gold
When the warring days are ended and the
last grim tale is told,
And the boys from over yonder swing along
the old home street
With the tunes they fought to making a
glad rhythm for their feet;
If your boy is not among them to wave
greeting going by
Just remember he is waving to you from
beyond the sky,
Where the golden stars are gathered; and
his love is still with you,
If you have a Gold Star shining where you
had a Star of Blue,
He is youthful still and splendid where our
children ne'er grow old,
If the Blue Star of your service shall have
turned to one of Gold;
And where Golden Stars are counted he is
waiting proud of you,
Proud of having put a Gold Star in the place
of one of Blue;
For 'twas You and Home and Freedom that
he battled for out there
And he'll come, hands out to meet you,
where the skies are always fair;
And his Country shall do honor to your boy
the ages through,
If your heart has got a Gold Star where it
had a Star of Blue.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**All Matter Pertaining to the Record is to be sent to the Editor.
WINONA EVANS REEVES, Keokuk, Iowa.**

THE MAY ISSUE of the P. E. O. Record should contain the names of the president, corresponding secretary and treasurer of every P. E. O. chapter.

That issue is the magazine used throughout the year as the official directory. If you wish to be in direct and prompt communication with state and Supreme officers and with other chapters be sure to send the report of your officers to the Editor of the Record by April 10.

ONE B.I.L. who returned March 3 from France, came home a Major. Dr. Prince Sawyer of Sioux City, Iowa, who is the husband of Mrs. Cornelia J. Sawyer, past president of Iowa Grand Chapter, a surgeon well known in Iowa, enlisted in the medical corps early in the war. He was a Captain when he left for France and earned his promotion to Major while in active service.

THE STATE Corresponding Secretary is the one who should send the Editor the list of all past state and Supreme presidents residing in her state, for use in the May directory. Send them before April 10.

MRS. LENA. S. MILLER, president of California Grand Chapter, lost her only son by death in December. He was twenty-two years of age, a young man full of promise. Mrs. Miller's P. E. O. sisters grieve with her in her sorrow.

MRS. DELORA W. BLAKELY, Chapter A, Salt Lake City, Utah, is a member of the Utah house of representatives, having been chosen in the last election to represent her district, which she is doing actively and acceptably. She has been president of Chapter A and prominently identified with the

federated clubs of her state. We are proud indeed of the honor which has come to P. E. O. through Mrs. Blakely.

MRS. LEONA STUKKEY, a member of Chapter X, Steamboat Springs, Colo., has gone as a missionary to Africa and is at the American Mission Benguela, Angola via Lisbon, Africa. We have P. E. O.s who are in mission work in China, India, Alaska as well as a number in home mission fields.

MISS NELLE K. SUTTON, organizer for Missouri Grand Chapter, organized a new chapter in Kansas City, to be known as DB. The chapter is made up of eleven members of Chapter CG. Mrs. Lottie Allen Babb is president, Mrs. Lenore Adams, corresponding secretary and Miss Fanchon F. Cole, treasurer.

MRS. MAY HARTLEY DeMONEY, of Chicago, is the author of "Victory Verse," a book of patriotic poems, most of them inspired by the war. The book is "Lovingly dedicated to the brave boys in khaki and blue, and to all who, in the smallest degree, helped to win the victory." The book is being sold by the author for benefit of the fund for war orphans. The poems are all inspirational and the little book is delightful in every page.

The last poem "Fields of Victory" contains these stanzas:

"Far over the fields of Victory
The poppies are nodding today,
Watching the silent sleepers,
The heroes who fell in the fray.
Sleep on, ye men of all nations,
Aye, sleep 'neath God's glorious sun.
Your names are emblazoned forever
On God's Honor Roll—'Well Done.'"

CHAPTER LETTERS

Clinton, Ill., March 8, 1919.

LUCY WILLIAMS KENT.

"Twilight and evening star,
And after that, the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark."

These lines of Tennyson recur continually to me, whenever I find myself mourning for Lucy Williams Kent. I am sure the sentiment was hers. Never was braver, stronger, blither spirit! When, on February 5th, the golden star slipped from its accustomed place, the firmament looked dark indeed. How comfortingly ring out the words of Mrs. Williams, Lucy's mother, and past president of Illinois Grand Chapter: "His grace is sufficient, even for this!"

The story is very touching. In 1912, Lucy Williams came to Clinton High School as teacher of English. She had then just returned from a trip abroad. During the year, Miss Williams was often in my home, to the great delight of everyone, for her mirth was irresistible and her powers of mimicry would drive gloom from all dark corners. In Clinton the romance budded, which blossomed five years later in her marriage to Emmett Kent. In a cosy brown bungalow, Lucy spent a few ideal months. Then, when the tulips she had so tenderly planted around the home had barely lifted their bonny heads, war called Lucy's husband.

Chapter B filled the comfort kit. At the risk of seeming personal, I am going to tell one incident: Just to help dispel the gloom, I put in a khaki photograph frame a picture of two birds in a nest, with these words:

"There were two birds lived in a tree,
And they were happy as birds could be.
There came a cat named Kaiser Bill,
Who threatened all their joy to kill,
So Emmett went to chase the Hun,
And Lucy flew to Evanston."

"That," said Lucy afterward, "was the only thing that made us laugh, all that long, dreary day."

Ft. Dodge was Emmett's camp, and thither this dauntless wife went, too, and "did her bit" in the hostess house and the hospital,—anything, no matter how hard, so as to be near her beloved. The thermometer stood at 106°, and the dust was choking, but still she stayed until the last of August, when the regiment was ordered to France. Nothing more to do now, but to wait, and to write and to hope.

From the porch of her girlhood home in Evanston, she could gaze on the blue waters of Lake Michigan, and no doubt they seemed to her the broad Atlantic, separating her from her knight. But though her heart was bleeding, her lips were still smiling.

In September she made her last visit to Clinton. She waved her hand gaily to me one morning from across the street, and that was my good-bye.

The weary months passed and Emmett, with his regiment, came sailing home from France. But the loyal little girl he left behind him had not the human strength for so cruel a wait, and after seeing him, passed on to join the choir invisible.

"Of those immortal dead who live again

In minds made better by their presence."

The first gold star in Chapter B's service flag. Reverently and proudly we wreath it with our marguerites!

MARY ESTELLE CARTER,
Journalist.



Minot, North Dakota, Feb. 13, 1919.

Chapter G sends greetings and extends best wishes to all P. E. O.s. We greatly enjoy reading the letters from sister chapters. I am sure all our sisters derive as much pleasure and benefit from the Record as I do.

As it has been two years since a letter from Chapter G has appeared in the Rec-

ord, I will mention briefly the work done in 1917. Our program was secondary to Red Cross work, the subjects discussed being along conservation lines. Our Founders day meeting, entertained by Miss Winsted, was an enjoyable event. Mrs. Martin (an Iowa P. E. O.) gave the P. E. O. history which was especially interesting as she has been a member of the Sisterhood for nearly twenty years and formerly lived in the vicinity of the Original Chapter A. Miss Cass gave a splendid paper on the Educational Fund and Miss Winsted read one of her beautiful poems.

Another enjoyable meeting was our fourth birthday party, entertained by the three then remaining charter members, Miss Porter, Mrs. Kelso and Mrs. Thomas at the home of Mrs. Kelso, to which the husbands were invited. The refreshments were served from small tables centered by the P. E. O. flowers, the Marguerite. The pretty feature was a large birthday cake, iced in white and bearing a large yellow star with the letters P. E. O. in its center. On the cake were also four lighted yellow candles. While the guests were still seated, the only two full-fledged B. I. L.s present, gave some timely talks, Supt. Frances on his reminiscences of Iowa P. E. O.s and Mr. Martin on his initiation into the mysteries of the Sisterhood, both giving advice to our husbands which was greatly enjoyed. Miss Winsted's poem to the charter members of Chapter G was very excellent. An original poem was read by Mrs. Thomas in which each of our prospective B. I. L.s were given a little personal hit, much to the amusement of the fellow.

We are now anxiously looking forward to our first B. I. L. initiation.

We began the past year with fourteen resident members and eight active non-resident members. Minot is rather a transient little city and every year our chapter loses two or three of its members by their leaving the city, but that which is our loss is another chapter's gain.

Our year book committee gave us an interesting program, the general topic being "The Countries at War." Alternate meetings were devoted to Red Cross work. Several potluck dinner meetings which extended through the afternoon and evening were held at the different homes. For these pot-

luck dinners, each member contributed with fear and trembling but in each case the dinner proved to be well balanced meal. At these special meetings, seventy-five aviator vests were completed for the Red Cross. Our chapter gave many evenings doing surgical dressings at the Red Cross rooms. Much war work has also been done by our members as individuals. Roll call is responded to by current events.

We were unable to hold some of our meetings on account of the influenza epidemic. Our president, Miss Porter, has tried to make up for these postponed meetings by calling special meetings and much credit is due her that we are closing so successful a year under so many difficulties.

Our Educational Fund is small, it being raised from the birthday money by each member putting into our little bank a penny for each year of her age. At Thanksgiving and Christmas time, it is our custom to leave well filled baskets at the homes of needy families. Much clothing has been donated has been altered to fit deserving children. A donation of ten dollars has been made to the Y. W. C. A.

We are very proud of the fact that our chapter has two poetesses, Miss Winsted and Mrs. Kelso. Each are very modest about their talent and prefer to hide their talent under a bushel.

The last state convention was held at Grand Forks and our two delegates, Miss Porter and Mrs. Van Fleet as well as our state recording secretary, Mrs. W. A. Peck, gave us excellent reports.

We were very much grieved by the death of Ralph J. Piper, the husband of one of our members, which occurred last June. Our hearts are full of sympathy for Mrs. Piper in her great loss.

A future star in the little person of Eleanor Jean Thomas came to brighten the home of the journalist in 1917. She is our first P. E. O. baby.

Our last gathering before the summer vacation is a picnic held in the park to which P. E. O. families are invited.

Several new stars will be added in the near future and we look forward to a successful new year for Chapter G.

BLANCHE JACKSON THOMAS,
Journalist.

Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Feb. 21, 1919.

The year just closing has been a busy one for all American women, but Chapter Original A has held all her meetings regularly except when the quarantine was on for the flu.

Under the guidance of our efficient president, Mrs. Stella McKibben, the year has been a most pleasant as well as profitable one.

The program Committee prepared a splendid year book and many excellent papers and readings have been given, loyalty and patriotism being the trend of the subjects. This year we did away with the "fourth" meal and held our social meetings at 6:30 and the literary meetings at 7:30.

At Thanksgiving time, 17 baskets were filled and delivered to worthy families. During the flu epidemic our chapter assisted Miss Dorothy Munson, the Home Demonstrator, in providing soups and necessary food to poor families.

We have given \$5.00 to the War Community Service at Des Moines and \$15.00 to the Educational Fund.

We had planned to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of our Sisterhood with a guest party at the beautiful Seeley home and all preparations were made for a nice time; but a couple of days before the party was to have been, one of our beloved sisters, Sadie McAdam, passed from our midst. She had long been a member of Chapter Original A and for many years had been in poor health, so could not always attend our meetings. She was a devoted wife and mother; she left a husband and one son and our heartfelt sympathy goes out to them in this sad hour.

On account of this bereavement in our Sisterhood we decided to give up the party.

Four young girls have been initiated into the mysteries of P. E. O. the past year: Miss Helen Weir, Miss Mary Kopp, Miss Ruth Evans and Miss Frances Dana Crane and we have gained one by dimit, Mrs. Mary Swaney from AQ, Brighton, Iowa, who is principal of our high school.

We have lost two by dimit: Mrs. Clara Gilfillan and Miss Pauline Gilfillan who have joined Chapter AD, Milton, Iowa.

We have been pleased to have had Miss Ermina Mills of Chapter DT, Mt. Vernon,

Iowa, with us this past year, she being on the high school faculty here.

Mrs. Lizzie Munsell has been here for some time taking care of her aged mother.

One of our members, Miss Florence Seeley, was married to Lieut. Wm. Lodwick and at present is living in Chicago.

During the past year we have had several welcome visitors, among them being Mrs. May Snider of Manhattan, Kansas; Mrs. Nell Stall Stevenson and Mrs. Dorothy Withrow Cole of Chicago; Mrs. Hoyt of Kansas City, a sister of Mrs. Mabel Applegate; Mrs. Effie Arnold Williams, a sister of Mabel Arnold Hurley.

Some of our members are away: Miss Emily Cole is teaching in Keokuk, Iowa; Miss Gussie Evans is matron of the Tri Delt House at Iowa City, Ia.; Mrs. Elizabeth Baker has moved to Burlington, Ia. and Mrs. Etta Antrim Lauterbach is in Washington, D. C.

With best wishes and fraternal greetings to all P. E. O.s.

INA BURKET BENNETT,
Journalist.



Seattle, Washington, Feb. 22, 1919.

Chapter A sends greetings to the Record and the P. E. O. Sisterhood.

We are proud to be known as the first and largest chapter in the State of Washington, our membership is 127.

This past week death claimed one of our dear members Mrs. Luella B. Guy. Though her illness prevented her being with us this past year she will be greatly missed for she was a woman of unusual character and refinement.

The stork left two baby girls this year, one with Neva Hay Hood and one with Esther White Langdon.

There has been a great deal of war work to be done by all women's organizations and as some of our members are at the head of National League for Women's Service many of our chapter have worked with them in this branch of the service. We were presented with a handsome service flag by Mrs. J. B. Quick and the stars upon it represent husbands, sons, and daughters in the service. Two of these stars represent two of our very own members, Florence Denny Hellicker and Ellen Turner. Mrs. Hellicker

is in reconstruction work in France and Miss Turner is with the telephone service, also in France.

For each member of our chapter we have sent a comfort bag to women of France. Dr. Cora Saxe who is chairman of our charity committee has given us interesting reports of her work and especially of the little crippled girl whom we have adopted.

While we have had a miscellaneous program and no entertainments, the year has been a pleasant one and most helpful to us all.

NORMA C. BROWN, Journalist.



Chicago, Feb. 24, 1919.

Mrs. Elizabeth Keeler Gunn, a most beloved and helpful member of Chapter AI, responded to the Honor Roll call above, on December 21, 1918.

The P. E. O. Sisterhood at large has received an irreparable loss in her passing, for her interest was as keen in the national and state work as in that pertaining to our own chapter.

We, the members of Chapter AI, do not feel the need of a formal memorial on this sad event, for we all mourn her as a loving and beloved sister and friend.

We will feel her absence keenly as she was endowed with unusual talents. Her executive ability, and counsel, were a great help.

Her sense of fairness and her desire to see the right triumph, was a dominant trait. As a friend she was loyal and true. Her sunny disposition endeared her to all, and her keen wit and humor made her a great favorite and welcome in every gathering.

"She is not gone, she's just away," and so we, the members of Chapter AI "must carry on," and bring to full completion the work she loved and helped so faithfully to build, and which she still watches over from afar.

We extend love and deepest sympathy to all who are nearest and dearest to her.

It is the desire of Chapter AI that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mr. Gunn, and all the immediate family including Mrs. T. Mason. That a copy be recorded in the minutes of Chapter AI, and one also be sent to the P. E. O. Record.

MRS. J. M. BRADDOCK,
MRS. EDWIN BUSSE.

Sterling, Kansas, Feb. 23, 1919.

Chapter W has not sent a letter to the Record for some time, but nevertheless, the chapter has been busy. The past year has been an especially busy one, owing to war conditions, but under the efficient leadership of our president, Miss Ellen Squire, we have been able to accomplish a great deal of work.

In August, 1917, Chapter W organized the first Red Cross in the county. Later, because Sterling is not a county seat, we were made a branch of the Rice County Chapter, and several of the members of Chapter W were members of the executive board of that organization. Our regular programs were dispensed with during the period of the war and the time usually devoted to programs was given over to Red Cross work. In addition to that, Chapter W met every week to do war work, and the alternate meetings were devoted entirely to making surgical dressings. Ten of our members took the surgical dressings course, passed the examination and were granted the privilege of wearing the Red Cross. The class was ably instructed by one of our members, Mrs. F. P. Green, who had previously qualified as an instructor. In addition to the work above mentioned, practically every one of our members were to be found working either in the surgical dressings room or the garment making department two other days in the week, and every member did knitting at home. The Civilian Relief, the Liberty Loans, the War Savings drives, the Salvation Army drives and all other forms of war work have found among our membership efficient workers. So you see the past year has been a busy one, and a profitable one as well.

Since the close of the war, and the consequent lightening of war work, our program committee has arranged clever programs for each meeting. One, which we felt was especially interesting, and very instructive, was cleverly arranged and brought out so much discussion that we feel that it is worth while passing it on. The committee had arranged a group of questions, which were written on separate slips. Then each member present was asked to write a question. These slips were then placed in a box and handed to the president, who read them in turn to the members pres-

ent. If that member could not answer the question, the president answered it, and in one or two instances the by-laws and constitution were brought into play to make sure of some point in question. It was a helpful meeting for all concerned, and especially helpful to the newer members.

The epidemic of influenza has saddened many homes in Sterling during the past few months, and has cast a gloom over the entire community. A second epidemic of the dread disease has invaded our midst the past two weeks, and on last Wednesday took from the home of one of our members, Mrs. D. J. Fair, her sweet little daughter, Margaret Ann. It is hard to realize that it was for the best that this tiny bud of humanity should have been allowed to flourish and grace the home of her parents but four short years, but "of such is the kingdom of Heaven," and while we grieve with our dear sister we can but bow to the will of the Omnipotent One, and pray that the bereaved ones may be given strength to bear their sorrow.

Plans are under way for entertaining the B. I. L.s at a dinner in the near future, but influenza ban may put a stop to the entertainment.

Several new members have been added to Chapter W since the last letter appeared in the Record, and we have an active membership of twenty-three. Mrs. C. B. McVay was recently granted her dimitt and has united with Chapter I, at Wichita. We regret to lose Mrs. McVay from our local chapter, but we heartily commend her to the good sisters of Chapter I.

We were represented at the state convention by Mrs. M. J. Hodge, who brought back a very splendid report of the convention.

Our usual donation was sent to the Educational Fund. In compliance with Mr. Hoover's request, no refreshments were served during the period of the war. In short, we have tried, and we feel that we are justified in saying we have succeeded, in complying with the spirit of the times in conservation, in war work, in benevolences and in our every day lives.

While the past year has been a very unusual one, we feel that it has been both profitable and pleasant to members of Chapter W, and under Miss Squire's presidency

we have been able to accomplish very satisfactory results.

Chapter W is looking forward with pleasure to playing the part of hostess to the state convention in May, and extends a hearty welcome to officers and delegates.

MRS. RUTH LYONS,
Journalist.



Fayette, Mo., Feb. 26, 1919.

Chapter AU, Fayette, Missouri, sends greetings and an invitation for you to come to Fayette and enjoy the convention with us in June.

We are expecting the greatest good to come to us from this convention, and we are also desirous that all of you enjoy the convention to the fullest extent. We have Howard Payne College in which to entertain our guests. It will be like one large house party having you all together, and I am sure you will leave us broader-minded better women for your having been with us.

In looking over our year's work I find very little was done by way of entertainment. The only important meeting of that kind was on the date of our anniversary meeting. It was our pleasure to be inspected on that day. We called it our birthday party. Mrs. Adams added much to our pleasure. Our entertainment was in the beautiful home of Mrs. Grace Denny. Our president, Mrs. Helen Bell, surprised us by presenting the chapter with a beautiful cake in our colors, yellow and white, the ten candles with which it was decorated representing our age. Mrs. Adams very graciously accepted the invitation to cut the cake, after which delicious refreshments, including the cake, were served. Needless to say, Mrs. Bell will in the future bake all P. E. O. cakes. Who else would dare to do so, after eating that one.

We sent two delegates to the convention. We omitted our literary programs, devoting one meeting each month to business and routine P. E. O. work and the intervening meetings to Red Cross work.

Instead of refreshments this year, we gave a dollar as hostess fee, which went into our contingent fund. This was to be done as long as the war lasted.

To save expense this year we used the covers to our old year books, thus cutting

down to about half the expense of new year books.

We have two new members and before the convention, we hope to have our full quota. A significant fact is that all the churches have pastors, whose wives are P. E. O.s.

We sent an annual gift to the Educational Fund.

On February 10th, Mrs. Adams, state president and Mrs. Henderson, state treasurer, visited us to complete the arrangements for the convention, to which we shall expect you all.

MRS. OLIVE McGRAW,
Journalist.



Cincinnati, Ia., January.

Chapter CI sends greetings to all P. E. O. sisters. I believe it is two years since the Record has heard from us.

We have had, like all other chapters, a very busy time in the last year. Each member doing her full share of war work according to her time and ability. Some of our members not only giving their time in the Red Cross room but doing a good deal of war work in their homes. Our corresponding secretary, Mrs. Clara Morgan deserves special mention for her work in the knitting for our soldiers, doing her full share and also finishing and fixing over all defective work sent in. Also Mrs. Hock, who took charge of the sewing at the Red Cross room, deserves great credit for giving herself freely to the work. At the suggestion of our president, Mrs. Lillian Steel, each hostess gives a dollar to be used in war work. We also voted to have a birthday box to help in war work. Our chapter has suffered in number in the last year, losing some members who have gone to find better climate. Mrs. Jennie Woodburn having gone to Washington, Mrs. Ruth Euwer to Colorado, Mrs. Carrie Pence to Missouri and Miss Loie Sayers having changed her name to Mrs. Loie Ferguson and her address to Chicago, Illinois, Miss Jean Caldwell also having changed her name and address to Mrs. Jean Duns-muir, Oilfields, California, also Mrs. Jennie Hawkins has moved to Centerville. We miss them every one very much. Mrs. Agnes Dinning, another of our members, is

spending a few months with a new grandson in Los Angeles.

Our programs have been miscellaneous but have proved both entertaining and instructive. Our social affairs were conducted in accordance with the plans to Hooverize, no fourth meal being served.

Although we have added no new stars, we have been busy, consequently happy.

Chapter CI wishes prosperity and growth in true P. E. O. spirit to all chapters.

MRS. HELEN ROSS,
Journalist.



Knoxville, Iowa, Jan. 21, 1919.

The rareness of its letters to the Record is by no means to be taken as the measure of Chapter M's activity in other directions. For Chapter M is always active. Since the beginning of the war it is only the larger social affairs that have been omitted, the parties for outside guests. This rule, however, has been absolute, not even Mothers' Evening or the B. I. L. part excepted. Our usual literary programs have gone on uninterrupted, except for the prolonged quarantine for Spanish influenza which has deprived us of many meetings and interesting programs which we can only hope to enjoy in whole or in part at some time in the future. To our usual P. E. O. work war work has been added as an extra labor, not taken up as a substitute for it.

We adopted, last winter, a company at Camp Dodge whom we supplied with knitted helmets and to whom we furnished cookies, a barrel of jellies and the like. The chapter is also foster parent to a French orphan whom it adopted a year ago.

In the way of economy we have made various retrenchments. Among others, we have for the past two years surrendered the use of the hall in which for so many years our meetings have been held, holding them instead, for economy's sake—without refreshments—in the homes. Our year books for the past two years have undergone a like change, they being now home-made and representing a very appreciable saving to the chapter.

P. E. O. work and war work merge into each other, and those who are the leaders in the one are likewise foremost in the work of the other. Mrs. Dora Bush, our president, has been for the past year in-

structor in the making of surgical dressings and one of the chief workers in that and other branches of the Red Cross. At present she is superintendent of the garment making.

Mrs. Olive Harrington, our president for the two years preceding the present one, has acted the past half-year as vice-chairman of the Red Cross chapter, serving with that faithful whole-heartedness in matters great and small which characterized her work as president of Chapter M, and which indeed marks everything to which she gives herself, and which finds no task too great to be undertaken and no detail too small to receive her earnest and gracious consideration. Ever gracious, thoroughly instructed in her office, and mistress of whatever situation may arise, her leadership in these as in other organizations has found such universal and cordial favor as comes to few.

Miss Emily Henderson, chairman of our year book committee and the genius that has created all the unique and superior programs that have made Chapter M so inspiring to its members for three years past, has the record of an unbroken attendance at the Red Cross rooms on P. E. O. day since the organization of the local chapter. With her genius in a literary and program-making way, and the unequalled generosity with which she bestows it upon the society, Chapter M owes more to her than to any other one of its members. Possessed apparently of an inexhaustible fund of ideas of her own, she supplements this with a special vision for attractive material, seizing upon occasions as they arise and with characteristic ingenuity turning them to program-making account. Moreover, her discernment and tact are sure to discover and employ the best talents of those contributing to the programs. Miss Henderson not only gives her talent unsparingly, but she also has had the task of bringing the programs so ably planned to full fruition by taking upon herself the work and responsibility of overseeing their fulfillment. By common consent she is the ruling spirit of the social part of our meetings.

At a P. E. O. Christmas party given by Mrs. Harrington a year ago Miss Henderson discovered embedded in her cake a twenty dollar gold piece, an expression of the gratitude of the chapter for all that

they owed to her of benefit and enjoyment.

Mrs. Edith Lyon, ever a faithful worker in P. E. O., donated to the Red Cross her entire earnings from premiums on her painted china received at various fairs in the state.

Chapter M has furnished one Red Cross nurse, Miss Imogene Bellamy, who left in May for Vassar College to enter upon the course of instruction in nursing offered by that institution to college graduates. The Misses Cora and Dorothy Hayward and Miss Mary Hays have been in New York for the past six months engaged in stenographic work for the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Carrie Vander Ploeg spent the fall and early winter at Camp Pike with Mr. Vander Ploeg.

Miss Edna Black was married in September to Mr. Louis F. Bousquet of Pella where she now makes her home.

JAQUELINE WRIGHT,
Journalist.



Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 18, 1919.

Chapter AW sends its first greetings to all P. E. O. sisters. We are almost one year old. Having been organized March 29, 1918, by Mrs. May DeMoney, at the home of Mrs. Flora Kemp. We were honored by having for our guest, on that day, the state president, Mrs. Luella B. Stafford.

After the chapter was organized, followed by the election and installation of officers, a delicious six o'clock dinner was served by our newly elected president and vice-president.

There were nine charter members. One of the number being dimitted. We have since increased the membership to fourteen.

All the members of Chapter AW are women with high ideals and interested in the better things of life. It is the hope of each one that the influenza of the chapter may be for good and prove a credit to the sisterhood.

Three of our sisters are at present non-residents of the state. One is making her home in Canada for a couple of years. Another is spending a year in California. And the third is staying with relatives in Oklahoma, while her husband is in France as a Y. M. C. A. worker. We very much

miss these dear sisters, for all of them are earnest and helpful P. E. O.s.

We have endeavored to do our bit by giving many hours to Red Cross work. Two war orphans, one French, and one Armenian are supported by the chapter.

We plan to give our quota for the Educational Fund.

Our one social event has been the initiation of the B. I. L. S. It was an amusing and jolly affair. The husbands were invited to a picnic supper, to be followed by the initiation. The initiates were all very obedient, did as they were told and entered into the spirit of the affair most pleasingly. We charged \$1.00 initiation fee, so enriched our treasury by a few dollars.

As we are nearing the end of the year's work, under the efficient leadership of our president, Mrs. Flora Kemp, we feel it has been full of good to us all.

ELLA R. FUNK,
Journalist.



Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. 20, 1919.

Chapter C has sustained an irreparable loss in the death of Mrs. Harriet W. Warner.

Coming from Menasha, Wisconsin, to Colorado Springs several years ago for the benefit of Mr. Warner's health, she very soon became identified with P. E. O. activities. Mrs. Warner leaves her husband and three daughters who miss her capable and unselfish service. She was ill but a few days with influenza, followed by pneumonia, thus suddenly ended a life, rich in all womanly attributes. She possessed a sweet soprano voice, and her gracious personality added to its charm. She shared freely the gifts with which nature endowed her, giving unstintedly of her time and talent in every way that religious, civic and social circles offered.

Chapter C feels the loss keenly. At our first meeting after the ban was lifted a time was set aside as a memorial hour and many of Mrs. Warner's P. E. O. sisters paid loving tribute to her memory.

EDNA L. BURNETT,
Journalist.



Chicago, Ill., Jan. 21, 1919.

The year, 1918, will stand out in the minds of everyone as most unusual and

trying. Everything was subordinate to the work for our boys at the front. Chapter I, not to be behind in love and patriotism, has done her full share in knitting sweaters and socks and making surgical dressings.

Fifty dollars was contributed to the Red Cross society. When the Fourth Liberty Loan was raised Chapter I took bonds amounting to \$6,050.00.

Twenty-two of our boys, including fifteen sons, five brothers and two husbands, responded to their country's call and we are most thankful that they are all returning to us, although two received serious wounds. Mr. Parks has put in many hours as chairman of the Exemption Board and Dr. Jenkins has been chaplain of one of the regiments. Mrs. May DeMoney, who is well known to many as she is our state organizer, has written a book of Victory poems, the proceeds of which she is donating to the war orphans.

We have lost three of our active members, Mrs. Julia Gordon Pratt and her daughter Ruth Gordon, moving to Seattle, Washington, and Mrs. Adnah Ballard going to Cleveland, Ohio. We certainly miss these good friends, but we know that our loss is some other chapter's gain.

We have had two weddings among our members. On Christmas Day, Mrs. Marie Brady, our treasurer, became Mrs. William Sanborn. Miss Bessie Pratt, one of our young daughters, became Mrs. A. L. Voight a few months past.

We have not forgotten our Educational Fund, giving it \$75.00. We feel that in spite of all 1918 was good to us, but we hope for even better things this coming year.

ELLA SHIELDS KENWORTHY,
Journalist.



West Liberty, Iowa, Jan., 1919.

Chapter AH sends sincere greetings to all sisters in P. E. O. and also best wishes for a happy prosperous 1919.

During the past year we have been doing, as have all other chapters, a great deal of Red Cross work, both as a chapter and as individuals. We served a luncheon and gave the proceeds, \$10.61, to the Red Cross, also gave \$5.00 at the Red Cross Service Flag sale. Sent 28 books to Camp Dodge and 100 pounds of magazines to

Camp Gettysburg. Our chapter now owns two War Savings Stamps, but as yet, no Liberty Bonds. Sent \$5.00 to the War Camp Community Service at Des Moines. We made our usual contributions to the Educational Fund and to Travelers' Aid, also a small contribution to the Armenian Relief Fund. The chapter signed a pledge eliminating the fourth meal.

Our social activities have been practically nil, war work and influenza being responsible. However, we have not neglected our chapter duties. One member, Mrs. Louie Forbes has been reinstated. Five new members have been added to our order. Miss Verna Swain, Miss Dorothy Evans, Mrs. Irma Morris, Miss Wilma Whitacre and Mrs. Nellie Whitacre. Miss Whitacre is the possessor of an exceptionally fine contralto voice and has toured the United States and Canada in concert and Chautauqua work. Our other new members are equally talented in different ways and we are very proud of them. We have had three brides this year, Mrs. Jessie Gates, Mrs. Janet Ady Malcolm and Mrs. Marie Kimberly Meyers. They were presented with P. E. O. spoons.

Five of our AH sisters are away from town at present. Mrs. Adelaide Stober and Miss Myra Potter are spending the winter at Clinton; Miss Dorothy Evans is head dietitian at the Tulsa, Oklahoma, hospital and Miss Helen Anderson and Miss Helen Swain are teaching at Bellevue and Clinton, respectively.

Lastly, but not least, comes our Mother's party. This party is always a great pleasure to us and we would be very reluctant to give it up.

We will soon finish a very busy and enlightening year under our able president, Mrs. Ethel D. Whitacre.

ALMA D. HISE.



Fairfield, Iowa.

During the past year the plans of our program committee have been broken into by the quarantine, caused by the influenza epidemic, which has passed over the country. The general topic for the year was "Women's Work in the World." Thus far we have succeeded in holding all but two

of the meetings as planned by the committee.

One meeting of especial interest had for its subject, "The Hostess House," and we were very fortunate in having the privilege of hearing Miss Katherine Tappert address the society. She very competently told of her work as librarian in Camp Upton, New York.

"A Day of Music offered an opportunity to learn of the methods used in the camps of this country to interest our boys in music. Miss Cora Ball recounted her experiences in visiting the Great Lakes Training Station this summer and hearing them sing, an opportunity for which we all had wished and yet so few had had.

The B. I. L. picnic was our one social event of the year. It was held at the Armory with a large number present. After the picnic supper, Mrs. Blackmar of Ottumwa, talked to us concerning the work of the Y. M. C. A., as a prelude to the United War Work Campaign, which was soon to be launched. She gave a very inspiring talk which was followed by a community Song into which the society and guests entered with spirit. The remainder of the evening was spent in varied amusements.

The treasurer's book shows for the past year, a donation of twenty-five dollars to the Educational Fund, a gift of ten dollars to Miss Laura Ensign of Des Moines to be used for "Girl's Welfare Work" under the direction of the Y. W. C. A. which also received a gift of twenty-five dollars. Chapter C has voted in a recent meeting a voluntary contribution for the Community War Service cause at Camp Dodge.

The sympathy of the chapter has gone out to Mrs. Bean and Miss Helen Bean in the loss of their husband and father, Dr. Bean, one of the pioneer physicians of the city. Sorrow came also to the home of our sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Whitney, in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Lucretia Heaton.

We wish to record the birth of two babies in our chapter homes, a son to Mrs. Paul McLean and a daughter to Mrs. L. W. Van Nostrand. Two marriages also occurred, Miss May McClain to Mr. William Neibert and Miss Kate Jones to Mr. J. L. Raney. Mrs. J. G. Browning has moved from Fairfield to make her home in Los Angeles.

One of our former members, Mrs. Nellie Stewart, coming from her home in Portland, Oregon, is with us for an extended visit.

We are rich in new members this year as Misses Florence Light, Frances Turney, Eleanor Turney, Gail Heflin and Margaret Snyder, all daughters of P. E. O.s active in Chapter C, have been added to our number. Miss Snyder's name on our roll shows P. E. O. loyalty even unto the third generation, for her mother and grandmother are both members of Chapter C.

Our society received an unusual and much appreciated gift, when Mrs. Maria Kirby, our former president, presented an ivory gavel, secured from Africa.

Chapter C wishes for all members of the Sisterhood, a pleasant and profitable year.

FLORENCE E. ROTH,
Journalist.



Orange, California, Feb. 4, 1919.

Chapter S sends its annual message of greetings to P. E. O.s everywhere.

The California Grand Chapter Convention so ably reported in the columns of the Record, is sufficient account of what Chapter S, as the entertaining chapter, accomplished during the early months of the year. As soon as this feast had passed away, most of the members quickly returned to their posts at Red Cross headquarters, where we are privileged to say P. E. O.s have been amongst the most active in carrying on this great war work locally, giving freely of their time and means and bearing the heavy responsibilities that fall to the lot of the faithful. Until all war relief workers can be honorably discharged from service, we plan our meetings very simply.

Our convention president, Mrs. Josephine T. Smith, has given us another example of a year's efficient service.

ALICE W. CRADDIET,
Journalist.



Bellingham, Washington Feb. 6, 1919.

Now when a child arrives safely at the age of four he generally speaks quite distinctly, certainly lustily enough. So it is with AB, and since this is our initial ap-

pearance in the Record, let us tell you about our brief existence.

We owe our excellent beginning to Chapter F, and to Mrs. Holt, who they dimitted to us. We charter members were initiated at the home of Mrs. Burpee and treated to a beautiful luncheon next door at Mrs. Daniel Campbell's home. We have pleasant memories of the poetry, wit, good wishes and bouquets which characterized the toasts to which the baby chapter did its bravest to respond.

Mrs. Howard saw that we were properly organized and Mesdames Abrams, Calvert, Clay and Nelson were present to assist.

Today we have only seven of the original eleven charter members remaining. Mrs. Epley moved to San Francisco and Mrs. Slentz to Washington, D. C., Mrs. Seabury now resides in Seattle and is a member of Chapter V. Mrs. Hadley spends much of the year in Washington with her husband, Representative Hadley. Mrs. Nobles resides on a farm in Skagit county, but still finds time to be a faithful member.

Of course we have some fine new initiates, five of these being daughters, and were fortunate enough to receive by dimit Mrs. Kezer and Mrs. Mann from Oklahoma. Mrs. Mann has since been called to her Heavenly Home, leaving her husband and two small children. Her little son, born a year and a half ago, was the first baby born to our chapter.

The passing of Mrs. Birney in August, 1917, was not only the loss of a sister to Chapter AB, but that of a mother to Mrs. Laube, one of our most active members. She had endured long patient suffering.

Both she and Mrs. Mann were unusually intelligent women and we feel their loss keenly.

So life goes on, some dear ones taken away and tiny little strangers ushered in. The stork has been very busy lately, having left in August a Junior at the home of Mrs. Margaret Smith, in September a future star with Mrs. Ethel Laube, and in November another little B. I. L. with Mrs. Mattie Kezer. According to the dads, these these are all "some babies."

We have rather neglected our B. I. L.s, having entertained them only once, in our first year. During this year we had papers concerning the history, poetry and birds of our state and enjoyed a luncheon

with Mrs. Holt and a Christmas tree with Miss Hays.

We began the second year by entertaining Chapter F with a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Stephen and had miscellaneous subjects at the meetings following.

The third year we gave magazine and book reviews, at the same time sewing and knitting for the Red Cross. We also furnished a complete outfit for a new born baby and gave food and clothing to two unfortunate families. Miss Hays is the moving spirit in Home Service work here and Mrs. Wirth, our president, has identified herself with the Superfluity Shop. All members knitted and sewed, none were slackers.

Every year we make a goodly addition to our Educational Fund, each member giving on her birthday a certain number of pennies corresponding to the years of her age.

One of our rules, from the very beginning, has been to eliminate refreshments, except upon such occasions as initiation, inspection, and purely social meetings. We always celebrate our birthday in March with a picnic luncheon and follow this with election of officers. The last meeting before Xmas is usually a social one.

This year very few meetings have been held, but we managed to make and fill ten comfort bags for French refugees.

Mrs. Viola Wirth and Mrs. Virginia Traf-ton have been seriously ill with influenza, but we are happy to know they are now recovering.

Thus we turn our faces resolutely to a new year, a new era, so to speak, with the ravages of war and disease behind us, with reconstruction and wholesomeness before us.

MRS. MARGARET TAYLOR SMITH,
Journalist.



Kennett, Mo., Nov. 27, 1917.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Adams, of Linneus, Mo., state organizer of the Grand Chapter of the P. E. O. sisterhood, organized at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin, in Kennett, Mo., Nov. 19, a P. E. O. chapter with twelve charter members as follows:

Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin, President; Mrs. Alma Ely, Vice-President; Miss Hattie Carsthen, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Alma Robb, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Ada

Hemphill, Treasurer; Mrs. Myrtle Rogers, Guard; Mrs. Bertie Shelton, Chaplain; Mrs. Carra Baldwin Organist; Mrs. Wirtie Jones, Journalist; Mrs. Sallie Tatum, Mrs. Josephine Jones, Miss Marian Ely.

This chapter is to be known as the CY Chapter of the P. E. O. of Missouri.

All were delighted with the organization and hope to make this chapter one of the best in the state.

WIRTIE JONES, Journalist.



Leon, Iowa, Feb. 9, 1919.

After enjoying the good things in our February P. E. O. Record, I want to voice my appreciation of its beautiful new cover.

It is beautiful as a work of art and is doubly so as symbolical of Ideal P. E. O. Womanhood. The foundation "Pure Gold," the emblem of highest worth; white, the emblem of purity; a touch of black to bring out by way of contrast the white and gold as a few shadows in life help to give a greater appreciation of the sunshine of life.

We may not be able to reach the ideal in our lives, but the mental picture of it will show us our deficiencies and inspire us to richer and fuller womanhood.

Our Leon Chapter catches an echo once in awhile from others in regard to the revision committees' work, but no definite stand has been taken in regard to any changes in the Constitution.

Personally I favor revision of part 3, Constitution, Art. 9, Sec. 11, Reinstatement. The revision making an inactive member active as soon as re-instatement fee is paid without any further time or action by chapter as recommended by our past P. E. O. Record editor, Miss Mary Osmond.

I would not have the name of our Supreme Chapter changed. Supreme implies just what we want to designate the highest tribunal of our order as in the judiciary of our country. It lends dignity without a hint of unnecessary display of words which is very befitting the P. E. O. society.

A change in our closing would be very acceptable to a great many of our chapters.

Is there not one among our many talented P. E. O. members who could compose a new one breathing faith, love, and patriotism which would be our very own?

EMMA JENNINGS McGINNIS.

University Place, Nebr., Jan. 23, 1919.

Chapter V, University Place, Nebraska, sends greetings to all other chapters in our Sisterhood.

Chapter V is beginning to feel her responsibility since she passed her eighteenth birthday in November. Our work the past year has been very much interrupted by war conditions and the influenza epidemic which by reason of the ban put upon all meetings has allowed us to hold but three meetings this year. We have done what we feel is our best in war relief work in the purchase of a Liberty Bond by the chapter, Red Cross work and other relief work. We have loaned two of our B. I. Ls to Uncle Sam, which took two of our sisters, Mrs. Victor Hays and Mrs. W. G. Bishop, from us for the present. During the year we have received two by dimit, Miss Eva Fosbury and Mrs. Furman, and one by initiation, Miss Tapha Aden.

We have also lost by dimit, Mrs. Fuhner and Mrs. Reese and one by death, Mrs. Susan Jensen, who passed away December 27. Her death was caused by pneumonia following influenza.

There has been much sickness in the homes of our members and we sympathize with Miss Hopper and with Mrs. McProud in the loss of their mothers and with Mrs. Simpson in the loss of her father. We have sent flowers to each sister who has been ill or in whose home there has been sickness.

A future B. I. L. came to the home of Mrs. Maude Campbell during the past year and a P. E. O. to be, came to Mrs. George Knight.

The wedding bells have also rung in Chapter V when Miss Myrtle Dalling was married to Lt. Aden of Ft. Leavenworth.

We are proud as a chapter to have one of our members in Christian work in Cuba. Mrs. Fern Simonds who returned from India is now in Cuba with her husband where he is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work.

Chapter V is to assist Chapters K, BR, BY of Lincoln and AI of Havelock, in entertaining the Grand Chapter Convention next June and our own Mrs. Burns is chairman of the general committee on arrangements.

We extend a cordial invitation to all our sisters in P. E. O. to attend this convention.

MRS. NELLE I. SMITH,
Journalist.

Greene, Ia., Mar. 1, 1919.

Looking back over the past year, we of Chapter CC are thankful for the pleasures it has brought and the lessons it has taught.

Our meetings and programs have been much interrupted on account of the quarantine made necessary by the ravages of influenza, but we feel that we have spent a very profitable year nevertheless.

Our war work, before the signing of the armistice, consisted in the purchase, by the chapter, of one War Savings Stamp and cooperation with our town library in sending books to the soldiers.

We have granted two dimit during the year's Aid, of Des Moines, and ten dollars to the Educational Fund.

We have granted twodim its during the year, one to Mrs. Gertrude Mitchell of Rockford and one to Mrs. Alma Morrell of Boulder, Colorado.

Babies have brightened three of our homes this year, baby girls to Mrs. Pooley and Mrs. Wilson and a baby boy to Mrs. Chase.

We have also added a new member to our chapter. Miss Merle Crandall who is a teacher in our public school and has her home here, is a happy addition to the sisterhood.

We enjoyed a social evening in November at the home of Mrs. Soesbe, to which were invited all the P. E. O. children.

Miss Mary Miner presented a splendid evening's program in the form of pictures. The children and mothers were posed in many different sittings to represent the famous paintings. We had spent a year or two in the study of art and this was specially interesting to us as well as instructive to the children.

Sadness and sorrow have entered our ranks this year. Mrs. McEniry and daughter, Margaret, two beloved members, have been called upon to mourn the loss of husband and father.

For the first time in the history of our chapter death has taken one of our sisters. This has come with a special shock because we have all loved so sincerely dear Mrs. Greene. She has been one of our most honored members, without whose advice we were loath to take any important step. In another number of the Record will be given a more detailed account of her death.

great we held both business and social meetings at the Red Cross rooms.

Although forced to be inactive for such a length of time, we have given our usual donation to the Roseville Public Library, and contributed to the French orphans and Armenian and Syrian Relief Funds. Also a \$50.00 Liberty Bond to the Educational Fund, which completed our quota of \$1 per capita for 3 years. Besides this we hold \$200 in Liberty Bonds and have a nice sum deposited in the bank.

Our membership has not been increased for some time, but we hope to initiate the daughter of Mrs. Edna Lester Adkisson as soon as she attains the required age. She is now nearing her first birthday. Another prospective P. E. O. is the brand new daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Calhoun, of Omaha, Neb. Mrs. Calhoun as one of our non-resident members.

Miss Louise Hunt, a member of Chapter P, Iowa, who has been teaching in our high school for several years, delightfully entertained our chapter at luncheon in June at her home in Burlington.

We are hoping for renewed activity as conditions again become normal.

BERTHA BOYD PATCH,
Journalist.



Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 22, 1919.

Chapter BL is nearing the end of its second year. This is our first time in print and we send greetings to our editor and to all P. E. O.s.

Chapter BL was organized on April 24, 1917, with nine members. Fortunately five were by dimit and able to guide and help us to live up to the rules of our order. We have adhered to the policy of slow growth and care in the selection of new members.

We have gained five members, the following three by dimit, Mrs. Helen B. Griggs, from Chapter AR, San Diego; Mrs. Helen H. Lillard, Chapter C, Los Angeles; Mrs. G. Elsdon, Chapter H, Mt. Vernon, Wash., and Mrs. Betty Holt and Mrs. Mabel Williams by initiation. Mrs. Williams is the wife of Professor H. O. Williams of the Sacramento High School, now over seas engaged in Y. M. C. A. service and recently sent into Germany on educational work.

Mrs. Sarah Keyt from Chapter V, Rockford, Ill., who has been spending the win-

and of the high place she has held in our chapter. We each feel that we have lost a dear and personal friend.

Our staff of officers this year has done excellent work and we close our letter with a word of appreciation for them.

EDNA BESTOR,
Journalist.



Roseville, Ill., Jan., 1919.

Chapter N has been handicapped as I suppose many other chapters have been this year, because of the flu. For three months we were unable to hold any meetings and of course all social affairs planned had to be abandoned.

On account of the war and other causes our working force has been considerably reduced. We have one B. I. L. in the service, Dr. G. W. Clarke, now a Major, stationed at Camp Bowie, Texas. Mrs. Clarke has been with him much of the time since he enlisted at our entrance into the war. Another B. I. L., Mr. Arthur Taylor, gave up his position as cashier of the First National Bank and enlisted for Y. M. C. A. work and is yet in France, serving our soldiers. Mrs. Taylor has been with their son all year at Urbana, where he is attending the State University.

Miss Fannie Pratt who could always be depended on for faithful attendance, is now taking a nurse's training course at the Proctor Hospital in Peoria.

Mrs. Edna Brown, now residing in Monmouth, but who still retains her membership in Chapter N, has been deprived of meeting with us this year on account of prolonged illness.

We have only one P. E. O. home that has the distinction of sending a member with the A. E. F., Cleo Pratt son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Pratt is still in France.

Our chapter was called upon to mourn with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Prouty in the death of their only son, Harry Prouty, of Lincoln, Neb. last October. He died of influenza at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Drake, at Beatrice, Neb. Also with Mrs. T. Dixon and Miss MacTaliaferro in the death of their father, Dr. D. M. Taliaferro, in December.

Our members have given much time, both individually and as a chapter, to Red Cross work. As long as the call for workers was

ter in Sacramento, has been such a help and pleasure to the chapter. She is surely a true P.E.O., giving to and helping us with our work. It has also been our pleasure to have with us on several different occasions, Mrs. Keyt's daughter, Miss Elice, who is teaching in the Sutter City High School. She acted as organist at our initiation. We have all learned to love Mrs. Nell Johnson from Chapter E, Los Angeles, and hope to claim her for our very own some time soon.

This fall two of our charter members left, Mrs. Kate Barker, our journalist, for Tucson, Ariz., to be away for some time, but she retains her membership in Chapter BL; Mrs. Laura Johnson, formerly our corresponding secretary, to make her home for the present in Kansas, and am glad we still have her membership. We hope that they both may soon be back with us.

Our first and past president, Mrs. Laura Pearce, who is our Chapter Mother, as it was through her efforts Chapter BL was formed, has moved to Stockton. Yet, we are happy to say that we have not lost her as she meets with us whenever she is able.

We hold our meetings every first and third Monday of the month at the homes of our members.

Our monthly luncheons, held on the first Saturday of the month in the main dining room, Hotel Land, have proved very successful and enjoyable.

Our first guest day was held at the home of our vice-president, Mrs. Anna M. Walsh, with a Victrola program and short sketch of famous musicians by our corresponding secretary, Mrs. Helen Griggs. Our hostess served a delicious course luncheon at small pointed tables decorated with dainty bouquets of white and yellow cosmos.

Then came the influenza epidemic, upsetting all our plans and our program. Some of us were stricken, but all were spared for the future. As nothing can keep down a good determined chapter like BL, we met whenever the opportunity presented itself.

Our bundle day for the wee orphans at the Sacramento Orphanage proved one of the most pleasant incidents, each member providing a bundle of dainty infant garments. These were delivered in person by five of the members, joined by Mrs. Nell

Johnston of Chapter E, Los Angeles, taking the ladies in her car.

Learning that twenty-six old ladies, inmates of the County Hospital, would be without Christmas cheer, with our Susan Elsom as chairman, we prepared individual boxes of sweets, made cheery with Christmas decorations of ribbon and holly berries.

Chapter BL has been in no way a slacker in war activities. Three mothers have their sons in the service. We have been busy knitting and sewing for the Red Cross, Friday being P.E.O. day in the surgical dressings. Our president, Mrs. Mary Etta Eby, was at the registration desk, if absent our vice-president took her place. Some of our members devoted much more time to Red Cross work.

Our president, also president of the Mothers of Soldier's and Sailor's Club, devoted much time and help in collecting data and pictures of three thousand, five hundred boys for war history work for Sacramento city and County.

Our chapter has given and helped in the drives for Liberty Bonds, Red Cross, War Chest, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Our president and vice-president are both on the latter board.

This is our second year caring for a little French girl and remembering her Christmas time.

We have taken our turn serving at the canteen, Soldier's and Sailor's Club and giving and helping in the packing of Red Cross Christmas boxes for our wounded soldiers.

Our program for the year has been varied and our refreshments simple.

We are not forgetting the Educational Fund as each member is giving one dollar, some giving more. This year we have given twenty-one dollars and thirty cents, three dollars to be applied on last year's fund, bringing it up to one dollar per member.

With the close of the war the chapter has again turned to social affairs and observed our second guest day at the home of Mrs. Helen Griggs, with a splendid musical program. Being near Washington's birthday

Our anniversary luncheon is to be at the

home of our president on April the twenty-fourth.

Our year's program is to close in June with our annual picnic to our B. I. L.s.

ANNA M. WALSH,
Journalist, Pro Tem.



Council Grove, Kans., Feb 10, 1919.

Another year has passed and Chapter H still plods along regardless of father time. Seven of our members have moved away; Mrs. Mayme Keith to Emporia, Mrs. Belle Warner to Ottawa, Mrs. Louella Wells to Argentine, Kans., and Mrs. Fannie Potts to Upland, Calif., and Mrs. Mamie Miller to Kansas City, Kans., when she is chairman of the State Censor Board of Kansas.

We have added four new stars: Mrs. Pearl Harvey, Mrs. Vivian Woodside, daughter of Mrs. Hattie Isbell, Miss Vivian Alford, daughter of Mrs. Anna Alford, and Miss Rosalie Brigham, daughter of the journalist. Our former president, Mrs. Gladys Rhodes, has a little son, John Jacob. Mrs. Woodside a little daughter, Vivian Adelle. We all sympathize with Mrs. Lura Keith in the death of her mother in Oklahoma, in July, 1917.

At last we have had a wedding. Vivian Alford, one of our very young members, was married to Captain Blackledge of Camp Funston last July. After fifteen years of existence and several unattached maidens in Chapter H it fell the lot of Miss Alford to be our first bride. Politics was unusually kind to our chapter; Mrs. Lura Keith was elected to a third term as clerk of the court. Mrs. Pearl Harvey succeeded Mrs. Anna Alford as register of deeds. Mrs. Alford has served four terms as register of deeds and Miss Kate Behring was county treasurer a few years ago.

Mrs. Mamie Sharp of Chapter H is County Chairman of Morris County Red Cross and has to her credit over 6,000 hours' work. She has at odd times, aside from executive work, knit 197 pairs of socks, 46 sweaters, 12 pairs of wristlets, 2 mufflers, 5 helmets. Can any P. E. O. beat this? If so, we want to hear from you.

We have as a chapter been untouched by the sadness of the war. Several of our sons are in service and we are thankful they

have been spared, however, our hearts go out in sympathy for our sorrowing P. E. O. sisters.

"Goodbye until we meet again."

LALLA M. BRIGHAM,
Journalist.



Blaine, Wash., Feb. 12, 1919.

Chapter J will be fourteen years old on Sept. 12, 1919. We have fourteen resident and six non-resident active members.

Every member of J is a member of the local branch of the Red Cross, working either in the Red Cross rooms or knitting at home. Our sister, Jennie L. King, has been the branch chairman for two years devoting almost her entire time to this work.

The programs arranged, by our Year Book Committee, for our benefit and pleasure, have been greatly interfered with by the epidemic of flu. No meetings were held between Oct. 1st and Dec. 10th.

Since resuming our work, however, our meetings have been well attended and the program carried out as planned.

Complying with a request from our Grand Chapter that we aid in her work, our sister, Mrs. Florence Heliker, member of Chapter A, who is a Red Cross nurse in a refugee hospital in France, we filled and shipped eight comfort bags. We have invested in War Savings Stamps and have given \$14.85 to our Educational Fund.

Six of our members have moved from Blaine and are sadly missed by the chapter. Mrs. Myrtie Vail, is in Bellingham, Wash.; Mrs. Margaret White, in Suogualamie, Wash.; Mrs. Lulu Shoemaker, in Rhinehart, Texas; Mrs. Hattie Keys, in Anacortes, Wash.; Miss Myra Snow, in Seattle and Mrs. Mary Bonnalie, in Portland, Oregon, where she is in training to become a Red Cross nurse.

Our social affairs have been simple, but very enjoyable. On April 30th we had a covered dish luncheon at the home of Mrs. Louise Montford. Our organizer was with us at this time. The annual picnic was held in June on the lawn of Mrs. Elnia Shepherd's home. Our anniversary meeting, Sept. 12th, at the home of Mrs. Etta Arnold was enjoyed by all. In August a happy P. E. O. evening was spent with Mrs. Emma Burton when members of Chapter J

entertained the state president and several visiting P. E. O.s. The Christmas meeting with Mrs. Frankie Hunter was a combined "work and play" social. Each member brought a donation for the comfort bags, which we sorted and packed. Dainty refreshments were served by the committee when the work was finished.

FLORENCE GRIFFEN,
Journalist.



Portland, Oregon, Feb. 18, 1919.

In loving memory of Nellie I. Spurck.

"I am not dead—I have changed my dwelling—I still live in thee who art faithful to me."

The sister we have known and loved has passed from our sight; but she still lives in our hearts. And may the treasurer of uprightness, of kindness, of silent heroism, which so marked her life live always in the hearts and lives of her sisters.

When the currents of life are strong in our veins we put away the thought of its conclusion. But there comes a time when each of us climbs the calvary of age. Each of us finds anew the agony. Each of us finds anew the desperate hopes and folly of the ages. May God grant to each of us the power to hold in reserve these same treasures which neither moth nor rust can corrupt.

May we not treat lightly this beautiful legacy from our sister; so may each of our lives in turn add strength to our beloved P. E. O.

Therefore, be it resolved that these inadequate expressions of appreciation for the life and character of our loved sister, Nellie I. Spurck, be preserved in the minutes of Chapter C, P. E. O., of Portland, Oregon, and be sent to the Record and to her near relatives.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET SEITZ.



Northfield, Minn., Feb. 20, 1919.

Chapter N, Northfield, Minnesota, is almost two years old and both years of this next-to-the-youngest chapter in Minnesota have been full of good times and interesting, profitable meetings. The programs have been devoted to Greek and Italian artists and their works, reviews of promi-

nent war books and current magazine articles, and study of the constitution. Though entirely different in subject matter, these topics have proven most interesting and each member has derived much benefit from the literary part of the meetings.

At present our membership numbers twenty-five, seven of this number coming to us this past year. Quite a few of our sisters are away from Northfield during the school term, but we enjoy them as much as possible during the vacation times.

Chapter N is most fortunate in having an older sister, Chapter G, right here with us. We have many good times with these members of P. E. O. During the past year we have had three evenings with the B. I. L.s. In March Florence and Grace Rice entertained the members and B. I. L.s of Chapter N with a lovely St. Patrick's dinner. In June we met with the members and B. I. L.s of Chapter G for a picnic supper, at the home of Mrs. George B. Woods, of Chapter G. By far the most important evening for the B. I. L.s, was their initiation January 20, 1919. Preceding the initiation a delicious dinner was served at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Nutting where the initiation took place. Nine B. I. L.s were made acquainted with the solemn mysteries of the order. We never realized that an initiation would command such serious thinking, on the part of able-bodied men, and we would suggest possibly other chapters, who are contemplating B. I. L. initiations, should serve a mild stimulant before the initiation and a bountiful repast after the candidates have successfully passed through the rites. We have had three delightful evenings with our sisters in Chapter G. In April Chapter N entertained Chapter G with a camouflage party at the home of Mrs. Katharine Scriner. On Hallowe'en Mrs. Mabou of Chapter G and Edna and Katherine Mabou of Chapter N were royal hostesses to the P. E. O.s of both chapters. Our last meeting together was at the home of Mrs. Fred B. Hill where we were the guests of Chapter G. It was an evening delightfully spent and one which helped us to become better acquainted with each other.

Our chapter has much enjoyed the little shower parties, of which we have had five, for future P. E. O.s and B. I. L.s.

We are very proud of the active Red

Cross work done by our members whose time was free to devote to such important work. We are still more proud that one of our own members, Miss Florence Rice, is now in active canteen work for the Y. M. C. A. in France. Her address is 12 Ru D' Agguesseau, Paris. I wish we might hear from these sisters in France through the Record. Surely letters from them would contain much of interest for P. E. O.s everywhere. We share with Chapter G their pride in Rev. E. B. Dean whose wife is an active member of Chapter G. Mr. Dean has been prominent in Y. M. C. A. work in New York City and now is engaged in a splendid work in France.

Through God's gracious providence not one of our sisters has lost a brother of husband in the awful world conflict. We have sorrowed very deeply with Mrs. Hill, of Chapter G, whose husband, Professor Fred Bernett Hill, fell a victim to influenza-pneumonia, on January 29th. A man with a wonderful personality, a generous, sympathetic heart, and a powerful influence, his loss is one of the greatest the college in which he taught and the community which he served has ever sustained.

We have had some very pleasant associations with Chapter L, of Minneapolis. In July we met the members of Chapter L at Antlers Park and had a lovely picnic and frolic. Then in October we were invited to a tea given in Minneapolis by the members of Chapter L. We hope to become better acquainted with other chapters in the Twin Cities this summer.

We send greetings and many good wishes to chapters as a whole and to P. E. O.s individually everywhere. This is P. E. O. anniversary year and we all should strive to carry the ideals of our Sisterhood higher than they have ever yet been carried.

FRANCES C. HORNBECK,
Journalist.



Oregon, Mo., February 21, 1919.

Chapter Z has again lost a member by death. Mrs. Minnie H. Moore died January 17, 1919, at Pasadena, Cal.

She has been making her home in San Diego, Cal., for several years, but retained her membership in our chapter. She was a bright, energetic woman and a loss to

any community where she might be living. She had been in the Y. W. C. A. work as Traveler's Aid in the San Diego R. R. station.

MRS. CARRIE LEHMER, Cor. Sec.



MRS. CORA M. GREENE—A MEMORIAL

Greene, Iowa.

Chapter CC has been saddened by the passing of one of our best loved members, Cora M. Greene, whose death occurred February 8th, 1919, at her home in Greene, Iowa.

For the first time since our organization in 1901, our circle has been broken. One star is now shining in the land beyond.

Mrs. Greene was a charter member of Chapter CC and was ever loyal and devoted to our sisterhood. In all her relationships with us she embodied the true P. E. O. spirit. No meeting seemed complete without her bright and cheery presence, and no important decisions were made without her wise counsel.

Her pleasure in her P. E. O. associations was increased by the fact that her daughter, Mrs. Leon Mitchell, was also a member of our society.

The chapter had conferred upon her its highest honors and felt that in her we had a beautiful example of what a true P. E. O. should be.

While she found her greatest happiness in her home she gave herself freely to further every good cause and the entire community mourns her loss.

Of her it may truly be said, "None knew her but to love her, none named her but to praise." Chapter CC extends its sincerest sympathy to her husband and other members of her family.

CLARA S. SOESBE,
EDNA BESTOR.



Syracuse, Kans., March 3, 1919.

Chapter AI sends greetings to her P. E. O. sisters. Although we have been silent for some time, and seemingly very "shy," about writing our own praises for the Record, this has not been for lack of interest in matters of P. E. O.

We all enjoy reading the splendid Records that come to our homes, and just be-

tween ourselves, speaking confidentially, upon comparison of notes, we P. E. O. sisters have discovered that our good B. I. L.s are just about as eager to scan the pages of the Record as are the P. E. O. members, perhaps hoping that one of these times something will slip by the editor's desk and be printed that will enlighten them upon the deep and mysterious matters that take place at P. E. O. meetings.

At one time, and that not very ancient history, I discovered, in reading the chapter letters in the Record, that our chapter had the peculiar distinction of being the smallest chapter in P. E. O. dom. However, be assured that, though small in number, our enthusiasm and spirit were always at high tide, neither were we long in adding to our number six new stars, as follows:

Miss Marian Getty, our first daughter to be initiated; Mrs. Mattie Burton, Mrs. Edith Ramsour, Miss Lillian Whitby, Miss Edna Lawton and Mrs. Eva Rich. We have enjoyed our new members very much, and trust the pleasure has been mutual. We now have sixteen active members though five of these are non-resident.

We all enjoy greatly the program which we call "A Day with Our Absent Members." On that afternoon letters from our absent members, and also from some of our dimitted sisters, are read and talked over. Each absentee, of course, had been previously notified that such a letter would be expected from them on a certain date, and they are always faithful in responding.

Our meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, and last year, after the business session was finished, one member would read aloud from a book while the others kept their fingers busy with Red Cross knitting. This year we held our first meeting, after the summer vacation, in October, and then, on account of the influenza epidemic our town was put under quarantine, and no meetings were held from that time until February 5th.

We have always given our apportionment to the Educational Fund, and we trust the goal of \$100,000 for this cause by next October may be realized.

We were sorry to lose by removal, Mrs. Zoe Clayton, our president, who now lives at Greeley, Colo.; Mrs. Relda Cleary, who

left us to live at Stafford, Kans., and Miss Marian Getty, who has entered Starmont Hospital, Topeka, Kan., to take the nurse's training course.

Last year we did not indulge in many social afternoons, owing to conservation. However, this was not a hardship, as when our chapter was organized, we decided not to serve lunch at our regular meetings. However, at our initiations we serve refreshments; and when our president, Mrs. Clayton, was with us for the last time before her departure, we surprised her by having a "sealed menu."

For the past several years, on our anniversary date, we have repaired to the Harvey House for a banquet. Last March our husbands certainly "put one over" on us, as they connived with the manager of the Harvey House, and together they planned that they, the B. I. L.s' were to banquet there, too, and surprise us. What was our astonishment, upon walking into the banquet hall, to find the B. I. L.s "standing at attention," and ready to "salute their superior officers," and ask us to be seated, with the additional pleasure of their presence added to the occasion. They most certainly did surprise us, and brought conviction to our minds that a B. I. L. can keep a secret almost as well as a P. E. O. Then when all had done justice to the splendid repast, and our treasurer had informed us how much replenished our treasury would be by this delightful surprise (as, of course, the B. I. L.s would "pay the bill") we spent the remainder of the evening at the pleasant home of Judge and Mrs. Downer.

In April Chapter AI served a banquet to the B. I. L.s at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, and after the repast was finished our husbands again gave us a happy surprise, in the form of a Liberty Bond. Our state president had written our society here, asking us to plan to take up a bond, as all other Kansas chapters were to do, and we were devising ways and means to do so, evidently within the hearing of our "better halves," and they thus kindly came to our aid and relieved us of further responsibility on that score. This was surely greatly appreciated by all our P. E. O. members, and the B. I. L.s received our hearty thanks, and the promise that we would re-

ward them in the near future with a B. I. L. initiation.

Our war work has been the making of layettes, property bags, knitting and sending of Christmas boxes to Camp Funston.

Sorrow has entered the homes of some of our members, and our sympathies have gone out to Mrs. Daugherty and Mrs. Downer in the loss of their fathers. Also we have been called upon to mourn for the second time in our own P. E. O. circle; Mrs. Mary Northrup Linell succumbing to the influenza, a notice of whose 'going' was in the January Record.

From the homes of two of our members two brothers have answered the call of their country. George Manker, brother of Mrs. Bessie Harrison is at Love Aviation Field, in Texas; Mr. Roscoe Chapman, of Great Bend, Kans., brother of Mrs. Zoe Clayton, made the "supreme sacrifice" on the battlefield of France, on September 27, giving his life in the cause of liberty.

Two little stars and one little B. I. L. have been welcomed into our midst: babies Harriet Jane Walter, Virginia Margaret Burton and Charles Frederick Harrison.

We are all looking forward to Supreme convention at Denver next autumn and hope our chapter can be there in full force, as it seems quite near home, Syracuse being located just a few miles from Colorado state line.

MABELLE C. YAGGY,

Journalist.



Muscatine, Iowa, Feb. 14, 1919.

With this letter Chapter FC makes her introductory bow, as it were, to all sister P. E. O.s. Although we have been organized almost two years this is our first letter to appear in the Record.

The past two years have been busy ones for us. Being a young chapter we have had much to learn; but in the learning we have come to appreciate more and more the teachings of our sisterhood.

Our program for this year has been greatly interrupted by the Spanish influenza. We are very thankful to be able to say that so far this dreaded disease has left FC untouched. Now we have resumed

our work, and are endeavoring to make up for lost time.

Our meetings, which are held once a month, are always pleasant occasions. The program committee planned a most interesting year's work for us. A great deal of the time has been devoted to parliamentary drill, study of the constitution, and exemplification of the ritual. We feel that being young we should familiarize ourselves along these lines as quickly as possible. In addition to this we have had a number of most interesting papers on miscellaneous subjects.

We have participated, both as individuals and as a chapter, in the various war activities. One afternoon each month has been devoted to Red Cross work; and knitting has always been a part of our meetings.

During the war our social affairs have been rather limited. Early in the autumn the chapter was entertained at a tea, at the home of our president, Mrs. Ethel Votaw, in honor of Mrs. Stafford, who had recently come to make her home in Muscatine.

Our most interesting social event this year was the celebration of our fiftieth anniversary. This was held at the home of Mrs. Olive E. Reuling, and our B. I. B.s were invited to join with us. After a bountiful dinner, served by our entertainment committee, Mrs. Stafford gave a most interesting paper on "P. E. O. History, Object, and Aims." The rest of the evening was spent informally.

Probably the most interesting fact relative to our chapter is that we now have as one of our members Mrs. Mary Allen Stafford, one of the Original Seven. It is indeed a privilege and an honor to have her with us. In the short time she has been in our chapter she has endeared herself to each and every one of us, and we have found her kindly help and good advice invaluable.

HELEN F. REULING,

Journalist.



Vandalia, Mo., Feb. 14, 1919.

Chapter CE sends greetings to every P. E. O. We are rejoicing that this new year bids fair to be one of much reconstruction work instead of the awful destruction that has covered the last four years. Each one of us is justly proud,

I am sure, that we are members of such a sisterhood which has for its ideals Christian culture and peace and love throughout the world.

Our chapter has been quite active in Red Cross work, both as a chapter and as individuals. CE was instrumental in securing a surgical dressings instructor when the call for such dressings was so urgent last year. We paid all expenses of the class and a great number of P. E. O.s received instructor's certificates, some of whom instructed other classes in the work. We also shared in the monthly Red Cross pledges giving five dollars per month from the chapter. And we are glad to say we are now supporting a little French orphan.

While doing the war work we are not neglecting the fellowship of love and companionship which belong to our Sisterhood as we have six splendid new members to introduce to you as sisters.

Our first social since a year ago, when we celebrated Mother's Day with the mothers of the boys in service of our community as our guests, was our B. I. L. initiation which we extremely enjoyed on Valentine night at the home of our dear president, Mrs. Will Daniel. All of our B. I. L.s renewed their vows to the Sisterhood and two novices pledged themselves to be ever faithful B. I. L.s.

CE extends every good wish for a most pleasant year. GENEVA McCUNE,
Journalist.



Chicago, Ill., Feb. 27, 1919.

In the P. E. O. year just closing Chapter P had a variety of experiences. In April, we entertained the State Convention, a most delightful and interesting occasion which was fully described in the June Record and which will be long remembered among us.

We shared the war activities of our sisters all over the country, sewing, knitting, soliciting for the Liberty Loans and War Savings Stamps, entertaining soldiers and sailors in our homes and assisting in entertainment at the various clubs in this vicinity. After convention, it was decided to give still more time to the work of the Red Cross; and a number of our members devoted themselves to helping in the down

town workshop all summer, besides continuing the knitting at home as long as there seemed any need of it.

In the autumn our meetings were interrupted on account of the illness of several members, when the influenza was so prevalent; but as soon as possible we resumed our regular work.

Our chapter is supporting an Armenian orphan, and several plans are under way for raising the money required.

We have given one dollar forty-five per capita to the Educational Fund, and just now we are preparing articles for the P. E. O. bazaar to be held at the Hotel La Salle on April twelfth, the object of which is to provide money enough to bring the entire Illinois contribution to the required standard. The present plan is for each city chapter to take charge of a booth for the afternoon and evening. A small admission fee will be charged.

We are still selling P. E. O. "Reminiscences," the beautiful and artistic booklet prepared by Chapter P shortly before convention, of which we are justly proud, for our own members wrote the poems and the music and designed the cover. It is especially valuable now that the older P. E. O. history is out of print, many of our younger members having no other means of learning our early history.

Our chapter has two lovely new nieces, Jean Marie Awsumb and Mary Louise Hardy, to whom we have given P. E. O. baby spoons.

We have initiated three members, the Misses Marion Davies and Margaret Towle and Mrs. Ramona Gahl.

Those of our members living in Evanston withdrew from our chapter recently to form Chapter AZ, leaving us twenty-eight resident and ten non-resident members. We shall miss these sisters from our midst, but hope to see them now and then.

We are planning our work for the coming year, but my successor in office may chronological those plans.

JUNE MAY SWEET, Journalist.



Bremerton, Washington, Feb. 19, 1919.

Chapter AH was organized November 15, 1917, with a charter membership of nine. The state organizer, Mrs. Florence Griffen,

had as her assistants the following past state presidents: Mrs. Jennie Moore, Tacoma; Mrs. Bowen, of Seattle; Mrs. Couier, of Tacoma; Mrs. Hunter, of Blaine; Mrs. Warson, of Seattle; and Mrs. Phelps, of Tacoma. Luncheon was served at the home of Mrs. T. B. Thompson. The officers installed were. President, Mrs. Migliaraeca; vice-president, Mrs. Peters; recording secretary, Mrs. Babcock; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Thompson; treasurer, Mrs. Bean; guard, Mrs. Mills; chaplain, Mrs. Harlow; journalist, Mrs. Sachtleben. Two of our charter members are now living elsewhere.

The chapter has been busy during the last year, all members were workers in the Red Cross hindering the work done by the chapter. We assisted the girl's bazaar, held in Seattle, also the local Y. W. C. A. in their drive for funds.

We made layettes for the refugee babies as part of our work, also to purchase comfort kits for the refugee women of France. We voted a sum of money to the Educational Fund.

We entertained the sons and daughters of P. E. O. mother's at an evening entertainment. These young people were in the employment of the government.

We now have a membership of fifteen, two absent members, Mrs. Bean, in Seattle, Mrs. Thompson, in Virginia.

We meet the second and fourth Mondays in the afternoon at the members' homes. As elsewhere, our meetings have been somewhat irregular owing to the influenza, but our interest in our chapter and what it stands for remains the same.

Chapter AH sends greetings to other chapters. Sincerely yours,

GRAIR W. BABCOCK,



Pasadena, Cal., Feb. 17, 1919.

Chapter AU will soon be four years old—quite old enough to write a letter to her sisters through the pages of The Record.

We organized March 20, 1915, with eleven charter members, three by dimit and eight by initiation. During the four years cupid has bombarded our ranks four times and captured four of our sisters. Margaret Thompson became Mrs. LeRoy Gholtz and is now living in Santa Barbara. Isabel McAlpine became Mrs. Wm. Schneider and is liv-

ing at Saticoy, Cal. Elsie Barlow became Mrs. R. Q. Roemer and now lives in Oakland. Mary Miller became Mrs. Glenn Lemmon and has gone to Iowa to make her home. We do not object to cupid bringing us new B. I. L.s, but we do regret that the B. I. L.s have taken our sisters away from Pasadena. Our loss is some other chapter's gain.

We have one business meeting and one social meeting a month. During the war we turned our social meeting into a sewing evening, and so accomplished quite a bit of Red Cross sewing as a chapter. Many of our members have helped in the Red Cross work extensively in sewing room, gauze room, dining room, etc., besides this chapter sewing.

Our literary program was placed on the social evening, and our guests could thus enjoy it with us.

Death has entered our midst and taken away one of our sisters, Mrs. Mamie Woods, who passed away into the land where sickness and pain are unknown, January 28th, after several months of patient suffering.

We will truly miss her presence among us, and our sympathy goes out to the sorrowing husband and son.

It was an inspiration to visit her during her sickness. She was always so cheerful and hopeful.

"There is no death! What seems so is transition.

This life of mortal breath
Is but a suburb of the light elysian,
Whose portal we call death."

During the war, instead of serving refreshments, each hostess donated a sum of money to be used in war work. We also had some social teas. In this way we were able to buy a Liberty bond.

Our meetings have been interfered with quite extensively this past year by influenza, but now that it has seemed to be over we are meeting again. It seems so good to be able to go to P. E. O. meetings again.

KATE HAMILTON, Journalist.



Anacortes, Wash., Feb. 9, 1919.

Chapter U sends greetings to all sisters in P. E. O. and hopes the same earnest principles that have actuated the deeds of sacrifice and patriotism throughout 1918 may

continue through these trying months of reconstruction.

A P. E. O. auxiliary was organized Feb. 5, 1918, and it is needless to say that each allotment of serving, knitting or contribution was promptly and freely met.

The chapter contributes five dollars monthly to the war chest of the local Red Cross and invested in thrift stamps.

We are filling seven comfort baks for the Belgian women.

Twelve dollars and fifty cents have been contributed to the Educational Fund.

The usual afternoon refreshments were discontinued in observation of conservation and each member contributed the entertainment fee of one dollar to the Educational Fund and Red Cross work.

The program for each meeting consisted of talks or papers on subjects of national or local import. Roll call was responded to by interesting events or quotations.

The visit of State Organizer Mrs. Florence Griffen was very much enjoyed in September.

The social and friendly aspect of P. E. O. was not entirely neglected because of strenuous war duties.

Mothers' Day was observed by a fitting program and delicious luncheon served our guests, the mothers or aged friends of the members.

Mrs. Josie Joiner on two occasions entertained delightfully at luncheon. Mesdames Mary and Myrtle Stapp entertained the P. E. O. and B. I. L.s at Christmas dinner and Christmas tree in the evening. Mrs. Bessie Cartwright and Miss Mabel Graham entertained P. E. O.s and husbands at dinner; both occasions being in honor of Mesdames Margaret Fulton and Verna Wells, before their departure for Olympia, where they have accompanied their husbands, who are in attendance at the state legislature.

Two members, Mrs. Katherine Parchman and Mrs. Verna Wells, were admitted to our Sisterhood.

ALICE M. SOULE,

Journalist.



Williamsburg, Ia., Feb. 24, 1919.

Chapter CN sends cordial greetings to all P. E. O. sisters.

Although our work for the year just closing has been greatly interrupted, we are glad to tell you of what we have been able

to accomplish under the faithful guidance of our president, Mrs. Jennie Gardner, through a year which has been most trying on account of the unusual conditions.

Our program has been of a miscellaneous but patriotic nature, many of our meetings being devoted entirely to Red Cross work.

Our donation of over 1,100 books to the war camp library last April is, perhaps, the most important event, thanks to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Lulu Blasier and her able committee. We felt amply repaid for our labor when we heard that ours was by far the largest and best collection of books from a town of this size.

It has been customary for several years for our chapter to present a medal to the pupil attaining the highest average through the seventh and eighth grades. Our president, Mrs. Gardener, had the pleasure of presenting the 1918 medal to Francis Whiteford.

Our only social event of the year was in June at the home of Mrs. Emma Moon. When we added two new members to our chapter, Miss Rachel Williams, supervisor of music in our schools, and Miss Gladys James, student at S. N. I. Dainty refreshments were served and a most pleasant evening spent. Our Hallowe'en party had to be given up on account of the influenza.

The stork has made us two visits, the first time leaving a son at the home of one of our past presidents, Mrs. Bessie Pugh, and later, a son at the home of Mrs. Cora Evans at North English. We assure them a hearty welcome.

We have contributed \$5 each to the Educational Fund and Traveler's Aid, and are the proud possessors of a Liberty bond.

We miss from our meetings this year, three of our loyal members, Miss Minnie Pierce having gone to Mason City, Miss Glen Ogden to Ottumwa, and Mrs. Lulu Blasier to Seymour.

On account of the influenza epidemic, when for many weeks our town was under quarantine, our P. E. O. meetings were discontinued and our chapter was greatly saddened, for deep sorrow entered the homes of three of our sisters, Mrs. Emma Moon and daughter, Harriet, having lost a son and brother, Dr. Arnold Moon, a prominent and successful young surgeon, whose death, followed by that of his wife in less

than twenty-four hours, cast a gloom over the whole community. Death also entered the home of Mrs. Miriam Jones, taking from her a devoted and loving husband. The sympathy of our chapter has gone out to them in their sorrows.

We are looking forward to a visit from the inspector, March 8th, just four days after election, which does not give us much time for rehearsal, but we will give her a hearty welcome and be on our best behavior, hoping thereby to make a favorable impression.

With best wishes to The Record and all P. E. O. sisters.

ALINE HAKES,
Journalist.



Knoxville, Illinois.

Greetings to the P. E. O. Sisterhood from Chapter AM.

Although our chapter is still young in years, we begin to realize the true significance of "the tie that binds" in P. E. O. The joys and sorrows of each year cement our fellowship so much more closely that we come to find in P. E. O. a well-spring of joy and comfort.

Under the efficient guidance of our president, Mrs. Orpha B. Hebard, we have passed through two pleasant and very busy years since The Record last heard from us. And now that the stress of war times is past, we feel all the stronger for the sacrifices that were made to "help win the war."

Our chapter has fourteen patriotic members and every one who could has worked in the local Red Cross shop. In the summer of 1918 our meetings were continued, that we might do more war work; every two weeks we met in the pavillion at beautiful Gilbert's Park, and sewed for the Red Cross. Last year we slighted our regular P. E. O. programs for war work, but this year we have had our literary and cultural programs as well as sewing at each meeting for the refugees of Europe.

Chapter AM owns a Liberty bond, has given donations to the Red Cross, to the Y. W. C. A., for the Armenians and to the P. E. O. Educational fund. The Knox County alms house is located at Knoxville, and we have furnished curtains and towels for the new dental rooms; we have also sent

magazines and like entertainment for those in the tubercular colony, at the county house. Furthermore we try to remember our own needy and each Christmas we have sent a box containing gifts, for the children and a good dinner, to some deserving family.

Our social times include the annual celebration of the founding of our chapter, a guest night and a B. I. L. party each year.

We have four new members, Mrs. Alice Harms, Miss Mary Buckley and Miss Marjory Becker, by initiation, and Mrs. Louise Rogers Larpy, by dimit, from Chapter AO.

The angel of death entered our circle for the first time Dec. 28, 1918, and claimed our beloved youngest sister, Miss Ruth Barrett. Her passing has saddened us, but her sweet and Christ-like spirit will always be felt among us. A few days later death relieved of his sufferings our esteemed Dr. Louis Becker. Our sympathies have gone out to our two dear sisters, his wife, Mrs. Addie Rearick Becker, and his daughter, Miss Marjorie Becker.

Chapter AM is looking forward to the state convention, soon to be held in Peoria, and which many of us hope to attend.

LEE ANNA HAGUE LAFFERTY,
Journalist.



Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 24, 1919.

Chapter DB, P. E. O., was organized at the home of Mrs. Miles T. Babb, 3400 Locust street, Kansas City, Mo., on Tuesday, February 15th, by the state organizer, Miss Nelle Sutton of Bethany, Mo. Mrs. Elizabeth Adams of Linneus, Mo., state president; Mrs. Ada M. Parker, past state president; Mrs. Georgia Kennerly, past vice-president, and Mrs. I. I. Cammack, past state treasurer. Other guests included the presidents and delegates from each of the six chapters in Kansas City.

Officers elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Lottie Babb, president; Mrs. Margaret Edwards, vice-president; Mrs. Olive Bozell, recording secretary; Mrs. Lenora Adams, corresponding secretary; Miss Fanchon Cole, treasurer; Mrs. Myrtle Kellogg, chaplain; Mrs. Clara Allen, guard; Mrs. Grace Greiner, journalist and pianist.

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