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## Iowa Convention

The Twenty-seventh Iowa Convention of P. E. O., which convened this year in Sioux City, was one of the best in the history of the state. There were fewer papers and addresses than in former years, but the special interest in the revision of the constitution and in the Educational Fund more than compensated. There were a number of unique features about the program which will long remain in the memory of those who were there, notably the masque which was given by way of welcome from the three entertaining chapters and the charming playlet "\$100,000 in 1919."

The convention opened Tuesday, May 20, the sessions being held in the First Methodist Church with Chapter DH, DX and EY of Sioux City entertaining.

The executive board meeting was held in the morning at the Martin Hotel which was officers' headquarters. In the afternoon the delegates enrolled at the church and at six o'clock a delicious dinner was served in the church dining room. From 7 to 8 o'clock there was an informal reception which gave the delegates and visitors opportunity for meeting.

The convention was called to order at 8 o'clock with the state president, Mrs. May Arnold Frantz, presiding.

The stage setting was most attractive. Tall floor vases of green were filled with yellow and white snapdragons, and there were marguerites in profusion and tall palms. An electric star gleamed on the wall above a banner which bore the slogan, "\$100,000 in 1919." There was not a minute of the convention but that thought of the fund was before it. That Iowa with

the other states will be on the honor roll at Supreme Convention goes without saying.

The first number was a delightful soprano solo by Mrs. Elizabeth Newton McCollin, "Thoughts Have Wings" by Lehman. Mrs. Mabel Duree, second vice-president, of Iowa Grand Chapter, conducted the devotional exercises following the singing of the opening ode.

The officers, with the exception of the vice-president, Mrs. Engelbeck, left the stage and in a moment the clear tones of a fanfare sounded and on the gallery at the right appeared a herald in costume with a trumpet in hand who gave in clear ringing tones this prologue:

"Most honored ladies of the Sisterhood

We welcome you, oh, how we wish we could  
In some symbolic fashion make you feel  
The warmth of this, our welcome and  
reveal

Our inmost hearts and how they honor  
you,

Our pride in what you suffer us to do  
Our hope that we may please you while you  
stay

And make you feel at home in every way.  
With your permission we will now present  
A masque of welcome showing our intent."

Next entered three pages, in costume, who walked with stately steps bearing before them each a pillow on which rested a key. They were followed by three queens in royal attire with crown and sceptre. The three pages knelt before the queens who faced the audience. As each queen recited her lines her page rose and crossed the stage and knelt before Mrs. Englebeck.



who took the key from the cushion, thus presented.

First queen (Mrs. Lottie Sanders Milligan, president of Chapter EY) said:

"Most honored ladies, who are now our guests,  
The local sisterhood, through me, requests  
You will accept this key out my hand,  
Which means our city is at your command;  
Our city, with its many gates and towers  
We give to you, for truly it is ours,  
And every citadel the city through  
Has opened its gates to welcome you!  
We promise you what e'er your wishes be  
You may enjoy them with this city key."

Second queen (Mrs. Adda L. Van Horne, president of Chapter DX) said:

"Most honored ladies, I am sure you know  
That there are places where the faithful  
go  
To which that city key will not admit,  
To sanctions where our rituals are writ,  
To cloistered cells and holy places where  
Kneel white robed mophites in silent  
prayer;

This key I offer you will let you see  
The secret altars and the mystery.

The every morning love—for through my  
hand

The Chapter Key is placed at your com-  
mand."

Third queen (Mrs. Alice Mathews Smith, president of Chapter DH) said:

"Most honored ladies of our sisterhood  
You do but well to praise all that is good  
In this our common cause. Yet look with  
me

Beyond the dim horizon, where we see  
The millions calling out to us for aid  
The giant etudes of progress to be made  
When we, the many, who shall act as one  
Complete the Century's cycle we've begun  
And sweep the world for truth, the victory!

Behold! I offer you the Future's Key."

To which Mrs. Englebeck responded:

"You who so warmly welcome us are  
talented.

What private aims you have indeed I know  
not

That cause you greet us so; you are most  
kind and generous,

And will, no doubt, continue thus to be.

I am no poetess as these maids are;

But as you know me all, a sister true

Who loves her friends; and that, they  
knew full well

That gave me public leave to answer you.  
For I have neither wit, nor words, nor  
worth,

Action, nor utterance, nor the power of  
speech,

To render thanks. I only speak right on;  
I tell you that which you yourselves do  
know,

That we are happy to be with you here;  
To meet you in your homes; to feel the  
cheer

Which radiates from one and all.

But were I gifted as your minstrels three;  
Then would poetic imagery engage  
To paint word pictures most sublime in-  
deed

Of all we feel and wish for you and yours.  
The honors you bestow, the freedom grant  
Of city and of chapters, one and all,  
We gratefully accept; nor may you see  
Your confidence misplaced, the gift  
abused.

A fair and beauteous city such as Sioux,  
That makes her progress by great leaps  
and bounds,

Munificent in giving; loyal, true—

Deserves a golden key her freedom to ex-  
tend.

Three sister chapters, such as yours, we  
know

Have naught but kindly deeds and helpful  
words

For those who come within the widening  
sphere

Of the vast influence of P. E. O.

The years just past have seen dark days  
In history of country, state and home.

Yet in those years was forged a stronger  
link,

A firmer bond of boundless sympathy

Than e'er before our country or our sis-  
ters knew.

Those years are past. With joyous trum-  
pet call

The present greets us. In its clarion note  
We hear a challenge to renewed devotion

To all that's noblest in the world today;

To God, to nation to our sisterhood.

The call we hear. Our answer is the  
torch

Which lights the future with its ruddy  
glow

Or leaves it spiritless and dead.



Upon the threshold of our fiftieth year  
The future beckons us with outstretched  
hands

To greater effort, higher loftier aims.  
This being true let us press forward then  
And striving, reach a goal undreamed as  
yet.

Again we thank you for your welcome  
true

And trust good things may always come  
to you."

The following guests of honor were then introduced: Mrs. Mary Allen Stafford, one of the founders of P. E. O.; Mrs. Helen D. Townsend, first vice-president of Supreme Chapter; Mrs. Winona E. Reeves, editor of the P. E. O. Record; Mrs. Bertha Clark Hughes, treasurer of the Educational Fund; Mrs. Alice S. Miller, chairman Record trustees; Miss Ida B. Johnson, chairman committee on Revision of Constitution; Mrs. Nannie T. Stockman, past president of Supreme Chapter; Miss Edith Prouty, past president of Supreme Chapter, and the following past presidents of Iowa Grand Chapter: Mrs. Mary D. Irish, Mrs. Ola Babcock Miller, Mrs. Katherine Y. Beckford, Mrs. Lou C. McHenry, Mrs. Lillian L. Griffith, Mrs. Cornelia J. Sawyer and Mrs. Louise M. Henely.

The officers of the Iowa Grand Chapter, all of whom were present, were then introduced:

Mrs. Lucy B. Englebeck, first vice-president; Mrs. Mabel Duree, second vice-president; Mrs. Carrie S. Buechele, organizer; Mrs. Mary K. Call, recording secretary; Mrs. Florence E. Patterson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Fannie H. Carrier, treasurer.

The president appointed the following committees:

Credential.—Mrs. Besse Webber, Miss Minnie Hord, Mrs. Charlotte Hopper, Mrs. Madge L. Vincent.

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Chapter Reports.—Miss Florence Grube, Mrs. May Inglis, Mrs. Jessie Riddell.

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Finance.—Miss Gertrude Stover, Mrs. Anna Montgomery, Mrs. Nina Allyn, Mrs. Jessie Watson.

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Resolutions.—Mrs. Ada Landon, Mrs. Elsie G. Nichols, Mrs. Mabel Price, Mrs. Lowdene Humiston.

Secret Work.—Mrs. Carrie S. Buechele, Mrs. Lucy Englebeck, Mrs. Louise Henely.

Pianists.—Mrs. Ethel J. Booth, Miss Faith Woodford, Mrs. Eva R. Caverly.

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Reporter for the Record.—Mrs. Reeves.

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The credential committee reported 152 chapters represented in convention and 172 members of convention present. Mrs. Florence E. Patterson verified the report of the committee by the roll call.

Mrs. Mary Allen Stafford, one of the founders of the Sisterhood, was introduced and the convention rose to honor her. She spoke on "The Cross and Crown of Womanhood" which is to be published in the Record. At the close of her address one of the pages brought her a beautiful shower bouquet of marguerites, a gift of the Muscative chapter. Mrs. Stafford and Mrs. Frantz bowed and smiled their acknowledgement of flowers at almost every session.

Mrs. Helen D. Townsend, first vice-president, then gave a timely and helpful talk for the good of the order.

The model meeting and exemplification was given in splendid form by Mrs. Bue-



chele, organizer, and members of Chapter DH.

During the evening a package was brought to the president's desk with a card on which was written "For Mrs. Frantz to be opened before convention." Mrs. Frantz said it might be a bomb but it proved to be a miniature pair of overalls for Charles Peter Frantz Jr., from the B. I. L.s of Chapter P. This disclosed the fact that Iowa's president is the mother of a son born April 27. Mrs. Frantz, with real heroism, had left her three weeks old baby with a devoted aunt and a trained nurse, not to mention his father, who is a physician, and came to convention to complete her P. E. O. duties as president. She presided at every session and carried forward the work in a splendid way. The last day of convention she received another box with the admonition to open it before convention. This was a handsome silver porridge set engraved "Charles Peter Frantz Jr., a gift of the Iowa Grand Chapter Convention P. E. O."

Wednesday morning Mrs. Mary Call led in the devotionals. Mrs. Florence Welch Armstrong read "Aunt Jane," giving a delightful impersonation.

Letters and telegrams were then read from Mrs. Stella M. Porter, Miss Mary Osmond, Miss Samuel Shaw Parks, Miss Dillie Dugan, Mrs. Bertha B. Love, president of North Dakota Grand Chapter and Mrs. Lillian Edmison, president South Dakota, the latter two sending greetings from their states.

The dispensation committee reported five new chapters: FF, Glenwood; FG, Fayette; FH, Summer; FI, Clinton; FJ, Davenport.

Mrs. Louise M. Henely then presented the charters in a speech full of advice and admonition to the new chapters.

Mrs. Isabel Hester, president of Chapter FF, Glenwood, responded expressing the pleasure and honor they had in being received into the sisterhood.

This was followed by the reports of state officers.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with a feeling of humility and gratitude that the officers you elected last May to serve you for this year bring to you today the report of their stewardship.

I appreciate more than words can express the honor and privilege I feel it to be to have been chosen to serve you. The development it has brought me, the broader understanding of the principles and practices of P. E. O., the opportunity to work, shoulder to shoulder, with the splendid women of the state, these have been my compensation and I trust you will know that the service I rendered was the best that it was possible for me to give. Under the many unusual circumstances this year the unwavering loyalty and support of the board have been mine. I thank them and I thank the supreme president and the past officers for their prompt and generous help at all times. Every officer, state or local, and I think every individual P. E. O. feels that this has been the unusual year of all the fifty that our sisterhood has been in existence.

Last year we had war conditions to meet. This year we have had war conditions and epidemic. Great as was our joy at the cessation of hostilities, it left us all suspended in inaction, and so we have in a small way been able individually to realize something of the problem of readjustment that is having to be met all over the world.

We had all been keyed to the highest pitch of patriotism and service. Suddenly the need for that service was removed and then in its place was substituted in practically every home in the state the need for the humble efficient service, for the homely demands that had nothing of the buoying qualities of the spectacular, only the silent demand for service for the loved ones in our homes that they might be spared. The homes that were not touched by the war were scourged by the epidemic; in some places not only an epidemic of influenza but followed by small-pox and scarlet fever. Many homes were called upon to part with loved ones. Since our last convention fifty-four of our own dear sisters responded to the call of the Master. Many, many more than ever before have this year learned the lesson of orrow and submission and have come to say most humbly,

Laid on Thine altar, O my Lord divine,  
Accept my will this day for Jesus sake;  
I have no jewels to adorn Thy shrine  
Nor any world-proud sacrifice to make;  
But here I bring within my trembling hand



This will of mine—a thing that seemeth small,

And Thou alone, O God, canst understand,  
How when I yield Thee this I yield Thee all.

I feel that it was because of these unusual conditions linked with the fact that every chapter has given to the extent of its ability to the war demands, leaving depleted treasuries, rather than to a lack of P. E. O. interest or hospitality, that there was no invitation extended for the entertainment of this convention.

By fall I was having some concern on the subject and as I had occasion to write different chapters I suggested to those where conditions seemed favorable that they extend the invitation. Early in November I began systematically to write the larger chapters which had never, or not for years, entertained convention, then I began on the chapters of medium size which had never entertained. I felt much as my old chemistry professor must have felt when he would call the class for recitation and then say "And they all with one accord began to make excuses." This went on until the middle of February, when I began correspondence with the larger hotels over the state and, with the approval of my board, I was on the point of closing negotiations with one when I received an invitation from the three Sioux City chapters who had learned of the predicament of the Iowa Grand Chapter. It was with the most profound appreciation that I accepted the invitation for you and I am sure you agree with me that we owe them a lasting gratitude. Their treasuries were no fuller than yours and they had entertained in recent years, but a sense of duty and loyalty, a gift for surmounting difficulties and a cheerful spirit have made possible the holding of this convention at the small expense to each chapter and is affording us the delightful sisterly hospitality we are individually enjoying.

As your State President, I automatically became a member of the Advisory Board of the War Savings Stamp Campaign Committee and a member of the State Advisory Board of the Woman's Division of the Council of National Defense. As a member of the War Savings Stamp Committee I sent out a letter early in the fall to the chapters, asking them to form Thrift Clubs where possible. Those chapters which could, did

so, and where it was not possible to do so because of clubs already formed, the stamps were bought faithfully—which was the ultimate object.

As a member of the Woman's Division of the Council of National Defense I attended a meeting in Des Moines in September and was privileged to gain inspiration not only from that gathering of patriotic women but I had the rare privilege of enjoying the exercises incident to the naturalization of 1000 soldiers at Camp Dodge.

P. E. O. has made for itself a definite place by its patriotism and its untiring efforts. No request made of a chapter was refused that could possibly be undertaken. One chapter at the request of the Council of Defense weighed and measured the more than 2000 babies under five years in the country. We surely are patriotic every one and at present we are being asked not to demobilize our patriotism during these trying days of reconstruction. Not many weeks ago I had a request that I ask my chapters to observe elimination of the fourth meal and it was my pleasure to reply that my chapters had so put themselves on record more than a year ago and were still observing the same. We are as loyal Americans today as last year.

Our year books were made out with thought for the maximum amount of war work and almost without exception a miscellaneous program was arranged, with a predominating number of current magazine articles, four-minute speeches, history of the war and of our country, intermingled with music, our Educational Fund Day, Constitutional quiz, Founders' Day and Mothers' Day celebrations. This was the year par excellence for the observation of Founders' Day and our original seven were honored as never before at our semi-centennial celebrations all over the state.

One very original chapter observed Mothers' Day publicly in one of the churches and invited each mother to bring a book for the War Camp Library. By so doing they were able to send 104 books.

Our chapters sent 2909 books to the War Camp Libraries, besides the boxes of books reported sent by six chapters with the number not given, one chapter of 23 active members sending 1135 books.

Our greatest efforts as chapters and as individual P. E. O.s have been for war re-



lief, but that report I will leave to those committees which were appointed to report that work to you today. Suffice it to say, I am sure you will feel, as did I, that P. E. O. was a most vitally effective factor in winning the war, could we count with the other reports the blue veils, the red veils, the white veils with the red service cross, the chairmen of cutting, the inspectors, the packers and the very faithful always to be relied upon workers in gauze and garments and knitting, the Council of Defense committees, the Home Defense, the War Board members, those in canteen service overseas, those and many, many others in service as nurses reported to me.

Aside from those things reported in the tabulation of war work, several chapters pieced and quilted quilts for the hospitals at Ft. Des Moines and Camp Dodge, other bedding and supplies, one chapter sending twelve pillows, another tray cloths and napkins. Many chapters sent home-made candies, cookies, jellies and grape-juice. Other near-by chapters sent bushels of fresh fruit and vegetables to the same hospitals. One of our very young chapters prepared at its meetings six dozen cards for convalecents and sent to the hospital at Ft. Des Moines. Another sent fifteen phonograph records. One chapter made 100 yards of outing flannel into relief layettes. About 35 layettes were made altogether. One chapter working at the Red Cross rooms all day went to P. E. O. meeting in the evening and made 32 layette garments there. A number of chapters made and filled comfort kits, the largest number in one chapter being 334 at a cost of \$143.00. Another chapter served lunch for Red Cross and cleared \$69.00, another held a lawn fete and made over \$837.00, which was used for war relief. Another raised and gave \$500 to Red Cross and also observed conservation week by displaying in a store window made-over garments, rag rugs, etc. One chapter gave 26 pairs of hose for French orphan relief; one had charge of two gatherings of relief clothing. Forty war orphans were adopted by chapters and through P. E. O. forty more were placed. One chapter gave a large flag to their High School.

With all of these war activities, our own charities and home relief were not forgotten. One hundred and twenty-five boxes

were prepared and sent to the inmates of county homes, the usual hospital rooms have been kept up, the homes for Blind Women at Des Moines, Orphan Children at Ottumwa and at Council Bluffs have been remembered with money and barrels of fruit and vegetables.

While it has not been possible, with the many demands for war relief and the local calls on our treasuries, to make our contributions in all the chapters the dollar per capita, some chapters have been able to do that and make up the last year's deficit, so it is with very great pride that I bring to you the amount of Iowa's gift, which in spite of war and depleted treasuries amounted to \$3309.05, the largest amount we have ever given.

These large gifts have been made possible by resorting to many clever and self-sacrificing plans. Some have given contributions outright, some have given as many pennies as pounds in weight, some as many as years a P. E. O., some chapters have taken a silver offering at each meeting, one chapter held a White Elephant sale, one a Salvage sale, one a Lawn Fete, one an Apron and Food sale, many chapters eliminated all refreshments, each member contributing from 25 cents to \$2.00 to a philanthropic fund, and with many chapters movie benefits, recitals and war lectures have proven popular and profitable.

I wish to commend to every chapter in the Sisterhood the example set by one of our chapters whose every member committed to memory the President's part in the Initiation and where the objects and aims as set forth in the constitution have been read at each meeting. The sisters of that chapter cannot fail to grasp the real intent and purpose of our Sisterhood. Let us join with them in starting right the first steps of the upward climb in our second half century of progress.

While not so large possibly as in normal years, the correspondence has been heavy. I have received 731 letters and reports and besides the 152 letters sent in the interest of the War Savings Stamp Campaign, which were franked to you by the government, I have sent out 674 letters and 16 postals, replying as promptly as possible to every communication that required an answer.



To The Officers and Members of Iowa Grand Chapter:

One year ago you entrusted to me, for the second time, the duties and responsibilities of Iowa Grand Chapter Organizer. I have appreciated more than I am able to express in words this evidence of your confidence, but have tried to perform my duties in such a way that actions would make words unnecessary.

The year just closing has been an unusually hard one for all P. E. O. officers, both state and local, but I really believe that the Organizer has had more anxious moments, more misgivings in regard to her ability to complete her work, than has any other officer, so it is with a feeling of gratitude to Him who has made it possible that I report to you today that I have finished the work you gave me to do.

Remembering the unusual severity of the preceding winter, I determined, soon after the convention last May, to complete the work of inspection during the months of October and November. My purpose in this was not wholly selfish, for I have long been of the opinion that it would be much better for the officers if they could receive any needed instructions early during their term of office rather than near the close, but Bobbie Burns tells us the fate of the best laid plans of mice and men, and mine, too, "gang" sadly "agley."

On the 28th of September, I started out happily on my first visit of inspection. After that one week, I made no more visits until the 13th of January, for the Angel of Death was abroad in the land, leaving as he passed hearts crushed with sorrow. The rustle of his wings was heard in homes from north to south and from east to west, and so many of our loved ones followed him across the bright river that leads to the City of Gold. For weeks cities I had planned to visit were under quarantine and in places where the ban had been lifted, there was neither heart nor courage to take up the ordinary duties of life for all we could think of was our own sorrow or that of our friends, and it was only by the exercise of all the Faith we possessed that we were able to look up and beyond the darkness and murmur, "God's in His Heavens, All's right with the world."

The Central District was scheduled for inspection this year, and it was both a sur-

prise and a delight to me to find the chapters making such brave efforts to recover from the disorganized condition resulting first, from the demands made upon every patriotic organization by the exigencies of the war, and second, as a result of quarantine, sickness, and sorrow. I have found the majority of chapters following closely the order of exercises, conducting their business meetings in a business like manner. There is a dignity about a well conducted business meeting that re-acts upon the individual member, making each one feel that the chapter meeting is really of importance and that she must bring to it the best she has and render the best service possible.

I have found all chapters contributing to the Educational Fund, not as liberally, perhaps, as many of them hope to do later when they have recovered somewhat from the demands made upon chapters and individuals for patriotic purposes, but all are interested in our Fund, they are proud of what it accomplishes, and are looking forward to the time when it shall be recognized as one of the great philanthropic funds of the country—a wonderful memorial to P. E. O. I have found that the officers are keeping their books in a painstaking manner, that they are making an earnest effort to perfect themselves in their ritualistic work, and it is my sincere belief that the great majority of P. E. O.s in the 104 chapters I have visited during the past two years are keeping before them our highest ideals and are endeavoring, earnestly, to live up to them.

There are just two conditions that have rather disheartened me. One is the tendency in a few chapters, so few, indeed, that perhaps I would better fix the number at three, to treat lightly and speak lightly of things pertaining to P. E. O. When a bright and capable member, who is regarded as a leader, allows herself to fall into the habit of speaking slightly of our odes, our chapter letters, our efforts to conduct a meeting properly, she does not realize the harm she is doing to others—she does not realize how much pleasure she is robbing them of by her critical comments and her spirit of levity. She simply does it without thinking for she is always too good a woman and too true a P. E. O. to do anything of the kind intentionally, and



yet, once during the winter, several sisters said to me, after a meeting, "—has done that for years and I am sure she does not realize how much harm she has done our chapter."

The other condition I found in six different chapters—a lack of ability to grow, seemingly because some one member was so out of sympathy with her sisters and so out of harmony with her surroundings as to cast the black ball whenever a name was proposed. Some injustice, real or fancied, may have brought about this state of affairs.

The president of Chapter Z suggested a thought to me the other day that seemed well worth while. Her suggestion was this, though the beautiful rhyme employed was not—that I claim for my very own, although something warns me that I shall be accused of plagiarism: If every P. E. O. were just like me, What kind of a chapter would my chapter be?

There were 59 chapters to be inspected in the Central District and the two organized last year. These 61 chapters were visited without misadventure although the two months in which it was necessary to do the work were not propitious for traveling.

I am sure that I should be considered ungrateful if I failed to make mention of the many delightful social courtesies extended, the most delightful part of which was the genuine hospitality.

I have received, during the year, 657 letters and have written 558.

There have been 13 requests for chapters, two of them for a second chapter. These have been referred to our State President and after a careful and impartial investigation it has seemed best to refuse 6 of them. Five requests were granted while two late applications, which seemed favorable, will be turned over to your next organizer.

The first of this year chapters was organized on the second day of July, 1918, a date which I am sure will go down in history as the hottest day of that year. It was organized at Glenwood which will be equally well known to posterity as the driest part of Iowa during that same year. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, I found in Glenwood ten capable, earnest women, anxious to assume the duties and take the

vows of our Sisterhood and I am sure that they will ever be a help and a credit to P. E. O.

On April 16, a chapter was organized at Fayette, with Chapter ER assisting materially with the work. I am satisfied that the eight charming women who took the vows will render a good account of themselves.

Chapter FH was organized at Sumner, May 12, with a charter membership of eight capable, congenial women, Chapter FL was organized at Clinton on the 14th of May, Chapter BG, DeWitt assisting with the organization which is made up of nine splendid women, while our youngest chapter is DJ of Davenport, organized May 15, with fourteen dimitted P. E. O.s, strong, talented women who will see that P. E. O. occupies its proper place in the community.

The year's work is ended. It has been a happy one, made happier by the help and encouragement of our State President, May A. Frantz. Her cheery words of counsel, her good common sense, have helped me to surmount many difficulties.

I have honestly tried to be helpful to the different chapters, but frankly admit that I have received much more than I have given.

The Book of Memory will contain one cherished chapter concerning my experience as Organizer of I. G. C. In it will be recorded the many delightful social courtesies, the countless kindnesses, the pleasant friendships formed and when the shadows of life have lengthened and the more active duties ended, then I'll turn to this chapter in my Memory Book and live again two wonderful years of happiness.

Mrs. Englebeck's special work as vice-president was the tabulating of the war work done by Iowa chapters. Her report was as follows:

War Work Done by P. E. O. Chapters in Iowa, from April, 1917, to March 1, 1919:

#### I. Liberty Bonds.

1. Bought by chapter, \$3,300.
2. Bought by women of chapter, \$1,351,350.

#### II. War Savings Stamps.

1. Bought by chapter, \$1,740.
2. Bought by women of chapter \$97,796.



## III. Red Cross.

1. Number of chapter members, all.
2. Hours spent in workrooms, approximate, 113,234.
3. Refugee garments made, 26,206.
4. Layettes made, 445.
5. Numbers serving as chairmen, 654.
6. Numbers serving as instructors, 360.
7. Canteen work, 480.
8. Motor Service, 51.
9. Knitted work, .....
  - a. Number of garments made, 21,176.
10. Number of Christmas packages sent, 1,700.

## IV. War Camp Community Service.

1. Numbers serving on board, 34.
2. Activities, \$2,335.50.

## V. Money Contributed.

1. To Red Cross:
  - a. By chapter, \$1,832.80.
  - b. By members of chapter, 707.95.
2. To Council of Defense:
  - a. By chapter, \$177.85.
  - b. By members of chapter, \$859.60.
3. Belgian Relief.
  - a. By chapter, \$240.70.
  - b. By members of chapter, \$760.60.
  - c. Armenian Relief, \$425.00.
4. Y. M. C. A.—Y. W. C. A.
  - a. By chapter, \$501.00.
  - b. By members of chapter, \$21,845.45.
5. American Library Assoc. (A. L. A.)
  - a. By chapter, .....
  - b. By members of chapter, 5824 books, \$275.82, many magazines.
6. United War Work:
  - a. By chapter, \$451.00.
  - b. By members of chapter, \$21,511.93.

## VI. Food Conservation League, all P. E. O.s were members.

## VII. How many French and Belgian Orphans Adopted? 80 by chapters, 86 by Individuals.

## VIII. Entertainment of Soldiers:

1. Number entertained, 2,167.
2. Number of dinners and lunches furnished, 1,527.
3. Number of soldiers' wives entertained, 160.
4. Number of soldiers' dependents helped, 80.

## IX. Honor Roll:

1. Number in service, 615.
2. Number in Y. M. C. A. service, 10.
3. Number in Y. W. C. A. service, 3.
4. Number of Nurses, 15.
5. Number of Gold Stars, 11.

## X. Miscellaneous Work, .....

Iowa had one P. E. O. who was District Chairman for Y. W. work in 7 counties.

One was matron of the Red Cross Home in Des Moines.

Mrs. Walter Irish, past president, Iowa Grand Chapter, was official hostess of Des Moines.

Two are teaching in the Reconstruction Work.

Many were County Chairmen, both for Red Cross and Junior Red Cross.

In many towns the P. E. O.s had charge of the Baby Clinics. One chapter reported 2,000 babies weighed and measured.

Jelly, jam, fruit, flowers, phonograph records, hospital garments, bedding, tray cloths and handkerchiefs were sent to the hospitals at Camp Dodge and Ft. Des Moines from almost every chapter in the state.

Thousands of garments both new and old were donated to the Belgian Relief.

This report is no way complete as I have the figures from only 116 chapters and in almost every case the chapter reported that no record had been kept and the report they were sending was only approximate.

Mrs. Duree's special duty had been the work of establishing a reciprocity bureau. Speaking of this she said:

As chairman of the Reciprocity Bureau I wish to submit the following report:

Last June our state president, Mrs. Frantz, asked that the second vice-president should conduct a Reciprocity Bureau for the exchange of papers.

I sent to each chapter in the state a postal card asking that they file with me



any papers of exceptional merit which had been read at their meetings.

Many chapters promptly acknowledged the card sent them, stating that for the greater part their subjects of study had been treated orally. A few promised to send papers later on. So far we have but one paper on file, it being a very excellent paper on "Psychology of Women and Progress." As our chapters like other organizations and, in fact the whole world, resume their normal life and activities, I am sure we shall soon have some very excellent papers on file for exchange.

This bureau has proven very helpful in the states which have it and I believe it will likewise prove very helpful to the Iowa chapters.

Mrs Florence L. Patterson, corresponding secretary, then presented a detailed report. She said:

Some of the chief features was that the numbers of active members, March 1, 1918, was 6228. There were gained during the year 447 members and lost by dimit, death and inactive 299. The number of active members, March 1, 1919, was 6376. There are 154 chapters in Iowa.

Mrs. Fannie H. Carrier, treasurer of the Iowa Grand Chapter, reported the total receipts of the year, \$17,638.22. The total disbursements were \$10,768.15. Due to Supreme chapter on 6,376 members was \$3186.

The total amount given to the Educational Fund was, \$3,309.05.

The largest individual contribution was a gift of \$100 from Mrs. James Watt, of Chapter Q, Des Moines.

Of the 154 chapters, 148 contributed to the fund. The chapters giving the largest amount were BM, EL, AO, AF, P, AY, BE, CY, DH, DS, CL, AQ, AW, DX, ER, EW, EF, EY, FD, FC, FF, and ES. The Grand Chapter gave \$1000 from the state treasury to the fund.

Miss Edith Prouty reported on the War Camp Community Service and later Mrs. Mary D. Irish was called to the platform to speak of her work in connection with this service. Miss Prouty's report will appear later.

Miss Ida B. Johnson was then introduced and was cordially received. She presented the revision of the constitution. The convention took a lively interest in every fea-

ture of the revision as presented by Miss Johnson, and there was much discussion.

Mrs. Mary Allen Stafford then spoke of the fact that Carrie Woolson Darling, one of the early P. E. O.s, the eleventh or twelfth member to be initiated into the sisterhood, was buried in the cemetery in Sioux City and suggested that flowers be placed on the grave from the convention. Mrs. Frantz then appointed as a committee Mrs. Cornelia J. Sawyer, Mrs. Stafford, Mrs. Nannie T. Stockman, Mrs. Winona E. Reeves, Mrs. Laura Crane Woolson and Mrs. Anna Mould. On Thursday Mrs. Sawyer gave the following report:

"At 8:30 Thursday morning your committee visited the grave of Mrs. Darling at Logan Park. The beautiful location of the resting place, the stillness of the morning hour, with nothing but the singing of the birds to fill the ears as we stood in silence for a moment, the blue sky, the green carpet, the friends she loved—all had a separate and sacred part in the convention proceedings. On the stone that marks the grave, are these words:

"Clara Woolson Darling, 1847-1916, wife and companion in service of Marcellus Darling. A life of sacrifice and love she gave willingly to the world, and the world loved her."

Our little service consisted of a verse of a hymn sung by Mrs. Woolson, a prayer by Mrs. Stafford, and from the others the silence of reverent sisters."

Wednesday afternoon was given the Educational Fund, impersonation in a one-act play written by Mrs. Edith Orr. The scene began as all well regulated plays open with a maid dusting the furniture. The synopsis as given on the printed program follows:

Mrs. Whittlesey, chairman of the Educational Fund, is surprised by a call from Mrs. Hughes, treasurer of the fund, and at the same time receives a visit from Mrs. Brown, an Iowa P. E. O. president (she represents any Iowa president) seeking information about the Educational Fund.

The information given in this way is authentic, the figures are exact and the latest obtainable, and the opinions and ideas expressed by these characters are genuine.

All letters read are real letters from real people.



The characters were:

Mrs Whittlesey, Chairman of Educational Fund, Mrs. Orr, DH.

Mrs. Hughes, Treasurer of Fund, Mrs. Fitzgerald, DH.

Mrs. Brown, an Iowa P. E. O. President, Mrs. Hayes, DX.

Miss Allen, an Applicant for a Loan, Mrs. Milligan, EY.

Jane, Mrs. Whittlesey's Maid, Mrs. Tackaberry, EY.

Scene: Sunparlor in Mrs. Whittlesey's home in Hollywood, California.

The play was most cleverly given and we aren't going to tell any more about it, only to say that Mrs. Orr has sent the manuscript to Mrs. Whittlesey, chairman of the fund, and the play is to be sold for the benefit of the fund. It makes a charming parlor entertainment, especially for an educational fund day.

A symposium, P. E. O. and its Relation to Reconstruction Without, and a round table on Reconstruction within, was the chief feature of the session. These papers will appear later in the Record.

The symposium included papers by Mrs. Della Triplett on P. E. O. as Government Allies; Thrift by Mrs. Pearl H. Blue; Post War Place in the Community by Mrs. Margaret Daugherty.

Mrs. Lou Cummins McHenry led a round table on P. E. O. and Reconstruction Within. She had for a theme, "We have climbed the hill are we ready for the mountain."

Mrs. Maud Shane spoke on Rebuilding. Mrs. Lillian Kuhrke spoke on How to Choose Officers, and Mrs. May Stouffer closed with a talk on Cooperation.

Mrs. McHenry who is deeply devoted to the sisterhood and its welfare, most ably led the round table, and all the papers were of a high order.

The music of the afternoon was most excellent and included two piano numbers, Fairy Dance by MacDowell and Irish Tune, from County Derry by Grainger, played by Mrs. Ethel Jamison Booth.

Miss Faith Foster Woodford also played most artistically, "Allegro Appassionata" by Saint Saens. At half past four o'clock, the members of convention were taken over the city for an automobile ride by the B. I. Ls.

The chief social event of the convention was a reception held at Morning Side Col-

lege which was attended by about three hundred guests. The officers and honor guests received. A musical program was given during the evening and ices and cake served.

Thursday morning a telegram of greeting was sent to Miss Osmond and an expression of regret at her absence. She has attended most of the sessions of the Iowa Grand Chapter and she was greatly missed this year at Sioux City.

Devotionals were led on the last day of convention by Mrs. Carrie S. Buechele and Miss Ethel Hedenburg sang, "A Memory" by Goring Thomas.

Mrs. Reeves spoke on the theme of our changed viewpoint since the experiences of the past year.

The convention voted \$100 to the War Camp Community service and Mrs. Frantz appointed as a committee to receive voluntary contributions from the chapters, Miss Edith Prouty, Mrs. Mary Allen Stafford and Mrs. Katherine Y. Bickford.

Mrs. Aikin, a visitor from South Dakota, Mrs. Laura Lambert Hagy, a P. E. O. for forty-eight years and a member of the old Seminary Chapter at Mt. Pleasant, were introduced to the convention. Miss Amy Gilbert, a P. E. O. who is state treasurer of D. A. R., was also introduced to the convention.

Mrs. Alice Miller and Mrs. Blue were named as a committee to rewrite the standing rules, to better their form but not to change the import and purpose of the laws.

Among the committee reports the one on officer's recommendations was of particular interest. Mrs. Lillian Long Griffith was chairman. The changes made by the adoption of the recommendations will give to the chapter entertaining convention, \$150 instead of \$100, as heretofore.

All chapters, whether or not they send a delegate to convention, will be required to pay a fee of \$3 to the entertaining chapter.

Should there be no invitation extended for the annual convention by December 1, the president shall arrange for such convention and the chapters shall pay the entire expenses of their delegate, was another recommendation adopted.

Miss Rachel Cook delighted the audience by two voice numbers, "I know a Hill" and



"The Nightingale has a Lyre of Gold," by Whelpley.

Mrs. Bertha Clark Hughes of Omaha, treasurer of the Educational Fund, was then introduced and gave a delightful talk full of information about the fund and of inspiration to work toward the goal of \$100,000 in 1919.

Iowa had given more than \$3,000 to the fund this year and voted from the treasury an additional \$1,000. Earnest talks were made by three or four of the past presidents, urging that every chapter meet its quota. On motion of Miss Prouty, the delegates pledged their best effort with their home chapter, to raise the full quota for Iowa.

Mrs. Ola B. Miller was made assistant secretary to aid the tellers and the election of officers resulted as follows:

Mrs. Lucy Englebeck, Des Moines, president; Mrs. Carrie S. Buechele, Waterloo, first vice-president; Mrs. Addie L. Van Horne, Sioux City, second vice-president; Mrs. Mary Call, Algona Recording Secretary; Mrs. Florence E. Patterson, Washington, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mabel Duree, Centerville, treasurer; Mrs. Fannie Carrier, Newton, organizer.

Miss Prouty answered the questions in the question box during the election, in a very satisfactory way.

There were invitations for the 1920 convention from Lean, Marshalltown, Iowa City and Fort Dodge.

Fort Dodge was chosen by ballot as the convention city for next year. The convention then ratified the election of the following delegates to the Supreme Convention:

Mrs. Anna Montgomery, Mrs. Margaret J. Daugherty, Miss Florence Grube, Mrs. Helen Kech, Mrs. Dora Bush, Mrs. Esther Mahar, Mrs. Fay Esden, Mrs. Ora Scott, Miss Margaret Baines, Mrs. Gertrude Whiteley, Mrs. Laura Crane Woolson, Mrs. Ethel Whitacre, Mrs. Dedie L. Beebee, Mrs. Gertrude Stover, Mrs. Nellie M. Morrison, Mrs. Bertha Clements, Mrs. Winifred Morse, Mrs. Mamie Whitehill, Mrs. Rozenia, Mrs. Myrtle B. Roberts, Mrs. Edith Grier, Mrs. Myrta Eiler, Mrs. Cora R. Ball, Mrs. Anna Murtah, Mrs. Lillian Schulte, Mrs. Ethel Huckins, Miss Amy E. Gilbert, Mrs. Lillian Steele, Mrs. Elizabeth Connor, Miss Ethel Connor, Mrs. Amanda Sibbert, Mrs.

Josephine Henry, Mrs. Adda Lewis, Mrs. Effie K. Darrow, Mrs. Marion H. Graham, Mrs. Guynne Ward, Mrs. Jennie Wylie, Mrs. Maud C. Hallock, Mrs. Lulu Lowry, Mrs. Daisy Forrester, Mrs. Satie Wellmer, Mrs. Anna L. Patton, Mrs. Jessie Crabbe, Mrs. Sue L. Armstrong, Mrs. Elsie Weathers, Mrs. Doris N. Graves, Mrs. Aletha Randall Wells, Mrs. Nell I. Westfall, Mrs. Nellie Galford, Mrs. Adaline F. Laeslie, Mrs. Jennie Stiles, Mrs. Isabel Hester, Mrs. Elsie A. Hicks.

The evening session had for its chief feature an address by Mrs. Cornelia J. Sawyer on, "A Vision of Understanding." It is a timely thought expressed beautifully and forcefully: It will be printed in the Record, and merits reading.

Mrs. Elizabeth Newton MacCollin sang delightfully, "I Bring You Heartsease" and "A Birthday."

The convention, by unanimous vote, endorsed the following resolution, which was drawn up by Mrs. Franc Rhodes Elliott, in behalf of lasting peace.

The resolution follows:

Whereas, Believing as we do, that if humanity is to be humanized, war must be abolished; that it does not belong to the twentieth century civilization, but is a part of a belated past; and

Since the women of the world bear upon their hearts the deepest and most lasting scars of battle;

#### BE IT RESOLVED:

That we women, as patriotic citizens, and members of the Iowa Grand Chapter of the P. E. O. Sisterhood, in convention assembled, will join hands in any movement looking toward the abolishment of war;

That we discourage all talk about the beauty and false glory, and eternity of war; and

That we express our appreciation of the efforts of the brave women of the world who assembled at the Peace Conference of 1915, and the hope that the result of their efforts be the realization of the dreams of the womanhood of the world.

The resolutions committee gave expression to the gratitude which all the convention felt at the gracious hospitality of the Sioux City chapters and their recognition that Mrs. Frantz had presided justly and graciously throughout the sessions.



Following the installation of the officers, the gracious sincere spirit expressed by Mrs. Englebeck in assuming her duties, made all present feel sure that Iowa P. E. O. is safe under the wise leadership of its newly elected president.



### CONVENTION NOTES

After the close of the last session of the convention Mrs. Frantz entertained the officers and the "has beens" at a party in her suite at the Martin Hotel. The party was in celebration of her retirement from the presidency and to extend the glad hand to Mrs. Englebeck, her successor. For so tired a group of women there was much gayety. A supper of sandwiches, pickles, cake and candy was served. The guests were given madeira embroidered handkerchiefs as reminders of the party and to recall the Iowa president who sees a joke in everything and who doesn't need to be admonished to smile, smile, smile.

A reception for members of the D. A. R., who were in attendance at the P. E. O. convention, was given by Martha Washington Chapter of Sioux City, at the home of Mrs. Chapman. The guests of honor were Mrs. Arthur Mann, state regent; Mrs. Frank Frisbie, recording secretary; and Miss Amy E. Gelbert, treasurer of the Iowa society, D. A. R. Forty guests were entertained and ices and cake served.

Mrs. Ola B. Miller and Mrs. Alma Barr, were reporters for the city paper and had unusually full reports and were given space liberally by the press. This was possibly due to the fact that Mrs. Miller has a newspaper husband and understands a city editor's idea of news value.

The luncheons and dinners for the convention were served the ladies of the Congregational and Methodist Churches and were exceptionally well served.

### OKLAHOMA GRAND CHAPTER CONVENTION

The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Oklahoma Grand Chapter met in the new Y. W. C. A. building at Tulsa, May 6, 7 and 8. All chapters, except two, were represented in the convention and all state officers present.

P. E. O. in Oklahoma has developed in a wonderful degree. Every feature of the convention was conducted with precision and in correct form. A beautiful sisterly spirit pervaded the convention and the memory of it is one of real joy.

Chapter N of Tulsa, was the hostess chapter, a very gracious hostess indeed. The officers and delegates were entertained at the Ketchum Hotel, a fine new hotel with every modern equipment.

The P. E. O.s were served in a private dining room of the hotel. Baskets of yellow and white flowers decorated the tables, where delicious menus were served.

The P. E. O.s had the honor of being the first organization to meet in the fine new Y. W. C. A., the completion of which was hastened that Chapter N, might use it for their convention. The building was only two blocks from the hotel which added to the comfort and convenience of the delegates.

The executive board meeting was held Tuesday morning and the convention opened at three o'clock with the state president, Miss Vera McQuiken, of Oklahoma City presiding. America was sung by the convention with Mrs. Pearl Ramsey, at the piano.

The appointment of committees, guards, reporters and pianist, were then made as follows:

Credential—Mrs. Ruth Abbott, Mrs. Alice B. Johnson.

Dispensation—Mrs. Emily Brake, Mrs. Nellie Jones, Mrs. Mary Chilcott.

Recommendations and State By-Laws—Mrs. Mabel Brigham, Mrs. Virginia Woods, Mrs. Emma Noble, Mrs. Elizabeth Bruington, Mrs. Eleanor Martin.

Local By-Laws—Mrs. Mamie Long, Mrs. Nettie H. Keeler, Mrs. Lyde Howard.

Auditing—Miss Grace Findlay, Miss Ida Banker, Miss Muriel Hopkins, Miss Edith Clark.



Local Treasurers' Reports—Mrs. Emily Brake, Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Stella Renfrew, Mrs. Freda Zacharias.

Local Corresponding Secretaries' Reports—Mrs. Signiora Laune, Mrs. H. F. Boone, Mrs. Ida Lynn, Mrs. Mamie Primrose.

Resolutions—Mrs. Effie F. Anderson, Mrs. B. D. Ashbrook, Mrs. Francis McElhoes, Mrs. Edith Wisdom.

Reporter for Record—Mrs. Winona E. Reeves.

Reporter for Local Papers—Mrs. Robert S. Wagner.

Pianist—Mrs. Pearl Ramsey.

Guards—Mrs. Florence Witmer, Mrs. Nettie McBerney, Mrs. Elsie Clark, Mrs. Helen Baker, Mrs. Marie Hine, Mrs. Mamie Roderick, Mrs. Estelle Johnson, Mrs. Grace Little.

The opening ode was sung and devotionals led by Mrs. Estelle Ashbrook, second vice-president of Oklahoma Grand Chapter.

Mrs. Ruth Abbott, the president of Chapter N, gave a very gracious address of welcome. Mrs. Abbott throughout the convention was an ideal president of a hostess chapter. She devoted herself to the convention and to the comfort and happiness of the delegates every minute. We might say in passing that she devoted also her husband and her chauffeur and her car to the cause of P. E. O. comfort.

Mrs. Abbott said in her address of welcome:

It is with a feeling of genuine pleasure that Chapter N bids you welcome at this time, for so many things contribute to make this occasion not only one of unmixed gladness to all of us but notable as well.

The war—for after all—the war has been and is still uppermost in the minds of all—is almost behind us. Compared with what has come to the women of the Old World, the great war has touched American womanhood lightly. We do not mean that the American woman has not made her supreme sacrifice, for the soil of France holds the sacred dead of many an American home. Memory that the boy gave his life for the right may ease the pain and time may heal the wound, but the scars will remain forever. In the light of the suffering and the agony which the women of France have endured, ours pales into insignificance. Compared with the losses which the women of Britain have suffered, ours

are light. Generally speaking, our homes are intact, the domestic life of the great majority of us has not been affected, the business life of the nation has hardly been interrupted, and most of us can take up the threads where we dropped them in 1917. The boys are coming home; the battle fought and the victory won; it is a time when we, as a nation, should be glad and all of us rejoice.

Again, we meet in the year that marks the fiftieth anniversary of P. E. O., fifty years—half a century. Every year full to the brim with big things—important things in the lives of nations as well as individuals. Years of progress—years in which wonderful dreams have come true, and years which have been wonderfully kind and generous with P. E. O. From seven, for that was the original number, to more than twenty thousand, have we grown. There must be something big in P. E. O. to have survived the acid test of time, and such times as the last fifty years have witnessed. We may with pardonable pride and great pleasure reflect on these things?

And last, but by no means least, this occasion is one of genuine pleasure and satisfaction to us of Chapter N, because you are here. None of us have had the pleasure of assisting in entertaining a P. E. O. convention before. We are fearful that something may have been omitted. If so, you will, I am sure, know that the error is of the head and not of the heart. We confess to a feeling of nervousness, lest we fail you in some respect, and this feeling is very like the misgivings which come to one after she has made preparations to entertain her dearest friend. If this occasion should prove one of enjoyment to all, we shall be largely indebted to the Y. W. C. A. for allowing us the first use of this, its lovely new home. The women of that organization wanted the convention held here. They want you to feel as though it were your own for the time being, and ask you to use it as you will.

We know that you will enjoy the sessions of the convention and find them profitable. You are going to grant a charter to Chapter AK, the newly organized Tulsa Chapter. While the women of that chapter are to be congratulated, at the same time, Madam President, the admission of that chapter should be a source of much satisfaction to



the state organization. Aside from the fact it is of splendid personnel, because nearly all of them are old in the service of P. E. O., we may expect splendid things from them in the future. There is room for both of us and we are pleased to extend to them our heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

But aside from the formalities of the convention, we want to meet and become personally acquainted with each of you at the earliest possible moment. We are having our reception this first evening, in order that we may have that opportunity. If you will only enjoy yourselves while you are here and go away as glad as you came, we shall be fully repaid for all of the "flutter" which the coming of this dignified body, into our midst, has produced. You are very, very, welcome.

The response was to have been made by Mrs. Mabel C. Mitchell, first vice-president, but she missed railroad connections and did not arrive until later in the day, when Miss McQuilken called upon her to voice the convention's appreciation of Chapter N's hospitality which she did in a delightful impromptu speech.

The president then introduced the guests of honor and state officers as follows: Mrs. Lela R. Weber, corresponding secretary of Supreme Chapter and past state president of Oklahoma Grand Chapter; Mrs. Winona E. Reeves, editor of the P. E. O. Record; Mrs. Louise K. Schmidt, Mrs. Helen G. McCain, Mrs. Lola Guinn, past president of Oklahoma Grand Chapter; Mrs. Dora Hallock of Milford Texas, past organizer of Supreme Chapter, was introduced as was Mrs. Elizabeth Adams, past president of Missouri Grand Chapter and Mrs. Flora A. Teasdale, past organizer of Oklahoma Grand Chapter.

The state officers were introduced, Mrs. Mabel Mitchell, first vice-president, Pawhuska; Mrs. Estelle Ashbrook, second vice-president, El Reno; Mrs. Belle Shelton, recording secretary, Lawton; Mrs. Signora R. Lane, corresponding secretary, Woodward; Mrs. Zora Knight, organizer, Tecumseh.

The officers of Chapter N, the entertaining chapter were: Mrs. Ruth Abbott, president; Mrs. Margaret Randolph, vice-president; Mrs. Pearl Ramsey, recording secretary; Mrs. Grace Coggeshall, corresponding

secretary; Mrs. Randolph Shirk, treasurer; Mrs. Emma Gordon, chaplain; Mrs. Florence Witwer, guard; Mrs. Isabel Wagner, journalist; Mrs. Pearl Ramsey, pianist.

The report of the credential committee showed all chapters represented except two, all state officers present, one supreme officer and four past state presidents.

The dispensation committee recommended that charters be granted Chapter AK, Tulsa, and AL, Alva.

Mrs. Zora I. Knight, organizer, presented the charters in a delightful short address and Mrs. Emily Brake, treasurer of Oklahoma Grand Chapter, gave very cordial greeting to the new chapters. Very appreciative responses were made by Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, president of Chapter AK, and by Mrs. Frazier, president of Chapter AL.

Miss Marguerite Gavin then gave a piano number an arrangement for the left hand of the Sextette from Lucia. She responded to a prolonged encore.

The reports of state officers were then given.

Miss McQuilken's report as president was listened to with the greatest interest, and showed that P. E. O. had indeed prospered during her term of office. She said:

Twelve months have elapsed since last we met—twelve months, the most momentous in the history of our nation, and the P. E. O. Sisterhood has been a great factor in the making of this history. Demands have been made upon our time, our energies, and, yes, even our purses but I am confident every demand has been met unfalteringly. However, with all these demands, our P. E. O. interests have not been allowed to weaken but have been strengthened by love and sacrifice for others.

This has been a year of great changes. When I first assumed my office we were engaged in the great World War and were putting forth every effort to support our soldiers. Then, just as we had commenced our meetings in the fall, came the terrible epidemic of influenza and we were compelled to dispense with our meetings for a time. When we were allowed to meet once more, the armistice had been signed and we were all happy at the prospect of peace and having our soldiers return to us. Many discouraging letters came to me in the fall



but since the first of the year, the chapters seem to have taken on new life and are anxious to make up for all time lost.

I had the pleasure of meeting with all of the Oklahoma City Chapters during the year, some of them a number of times, also with the two Chapters at Tulsa and had the added pleasure of inspecting the Chapter at Edmond. I would greatly have enjoyed a visit to each chapter but this was impossible so had to depend upon your chapter letters to learn of the work you were doing. I was extremely proud of the way in which the presidents responded. No wonder P. E. O. has grown this year with such efficient presidents. I am sorry to say, however, that we had three slackers. I sincerely hope these chapters will not overlook this next year.

The chapter letters show that the P. E. O.s in Oklahoma have been unusually busy throughout the past year. In order to economize very few had year books printed this year and many who did failed to follow them, being engaged in the war work. All chapters reported they were engaged in Red Cross work and many in local charity work. A number have adopted French, Belgium or Armenian orphans, several equipped rooms or beds in hospitals and nurseries, Christmas boxes were filled for soldiers, nurses furnished during the epidemic, a matron was placed at the station in one of the larger cities, by one chapter, the Red Cross linen drive was conducted by another chapter and still another had a P. E. O. Crucible. We have surely accomplished a great deal this year and the best part of it is that it is work for others instead of for ourselves.

This should, indeed, be a Jubilee year for Oklahoma P. E. O.s. In spite of the unusual amount of sickness, not one star has been taken from our constellation up to March 1st this year and I feel we should be doubly thankful to our Maker that we have been spared this sorrow. The angel of death, however, has invaded some of our home circles throughout the past year and to these homes we extend our love and sympathy.

It is needless to tell you how anxious I have been that we raise our quota for the Educational Fund this year and I know some of you grew weary hearing about it but I felt well repaid for all the time and

energy spent when, just after my last chapter letter had been written, I received a list of the donations from our state treasurer, Mrs. Brake, saying that with 691 members in the state, she had received at that time \$730.45. I was so glad I cried. This amount has been increased by additional donations and is now \$854.45. Last year with 660 members, we gave \$395.43. Our quota for the two years at \$1.00 per member would be \$1351.00, so you see we still lack a few dollars of this amount, though we have greatly exceeded our quota for this year and I thank the chapters who have made this possible.

We have gained forty-two members throughout the past year which is less than last year. I am positive, though, that we have gained in quality what we lack in quantity and believe it is important that we be very careful in the selection of P. E. O. material. The number returned to the inactive list, however, is appalling—twenty-five having gone inactive since March 1, 1919. Against this we had eight re-instate-ments. Surely to me action should be taken regarding our inactives or, rather, regarding active members to see that they do not become inactive. We have nine chapters with no inactive members.

Your Executive Board have been most faithful in the performance of their duties and have been ever ready to assist or encourage me in every way possible and their love and helpfulness has made each of them very dear to me. The first vice-president has had charge of the war work, the second vice-president of the Reciprocity Bureau. The work of the recording secretary has already spoken for itself in the minutes you received of the El Reno Convention. The books of the corresponding secretary and of the treasurer have been very carefully kept. We are proud to bring you two new chapters this year, AK of Tulsa and AL of Alva, and, if convention had been only a few days later, we would have had still another. The work of the organizer has been very well done and her reports show that most chapters are in an excellent condition. I wish to offer my sincere thanks to the members of the Executive Board for their earnest co-operation throughout that past year. To the organizer, I owe a special debt of gratitude for her assistance during the past weeks.



In conclusion let me remind you of the vows taken when you become a P. E. O. If we lived up to these, how much happier we would be and how much more would P. E. O. mean to us. What we need is more faith in each other, more love for our sisters, more purity in our speech, more justice in our dealings with others and more truth in our lives, and I hope we may go from this convention with hearts full of love and with the determination that we will be better P. E. O.s for having attended this convention.

Mrs. Mitchell, first vice-president, reported on the work of her office, speaking in particular of the importance of the chapters reporting their local work to the state board through the first vice-president as provided by the Oklahoma By-Laws. She commended the work done by the chapters but said that she was not able to report of the work of a number of chapters because they had failed to report the same to her.

Mrs. Estelle Ashbrook, as second vice-president, reported on the work of the reciprocity bureau.

Mrs. Shelton, as secretary, said that the minutes were her report of work done. Mrs. Signora R. Lane, the corresponding secretary, made the formal detailed report: There are thirty-four active chapters in the state and 691 active members. Twenty-nine members in the state became inactive March 1st. Nine chapters in the state had no inactive and no P. E. O. had died during the year.

Mrs. Emily Brake, treasurer, gave a detailed report of the receipts and expenditures which showed the state to have a substantial balance in the treasury. The total receipts in the Educational Fund was \$854.45. Mrs. Brake's work as treasurer was later highly commended by the auditing committee.

Mrs. Zora Knight, organizer, made her report of good work done under adverse conditions as follows:

The pleasure has been mine the past year to serve as Organizer of Oklahoma Grand Chapter, P. E. O. Sisterhood, and I gladly give you an account of my stewardship.

Owing to war conditions and the terrible epidemic of influenza that brought sorrow to so many hearts I was not able to begin the work of the office in the fall as I should like to have done, but when circumstances

over which we have no control arise, all we can do is to submit.

My work began January 14, with the organization of Chapter AK, Tulsa. This chapter was almost ready to come into the Sisterhood at our convention, but on account of some dimits being delayed, was unable to do so. The chapter was organized with ten dimitted members, all true and tried P. E. O.s. April 16th, Chapter AL, Alva, came into existence. Eight lovely women composed the charter list. Chapter C, Alva, gave the prospective chapter, and Chapter R, Waynoka, a lovely one o'clock luncheon after which they gave the initiatory ceremony in a most beautiful and an impressive manner.

These chapters and your organizer were fortunate in having with them that day Mrs. Lela R. Webber, supreme corresponding secretary, also Miss Cora Wiggins, past organizer, Oklahoma Grand Chapter, who gave beautiful talks on P. E. O.

According to the ruling made at your last convention, the state was divided into three sections geographically by your president and organizer for the purpose of inspection. The chapters in the list this year were: E, V, AC, AH and AI, Oklahoma City; M and AE, El Reno; F, Geary; I, Lawton; O, Hollis; W, Tecumseh; D, Edmond; ED, Guthrie. These chapters have all been visited with the exception of I and AE. For good reasons your president excused these chapters from inspection this year. Q, Enid; AB, Blackwell; N, Tulsa, and AJ, Miami, have also been inspected. While not in the list for this year, they were due inspection, as it has been three years since they had been inspected. Thus making a total number of chapters visited this year, fifteen. They have all been found in excellent condition and it has been very gratifying to your organizer to witness the beautiful manner in which the initiatory ceremony has been given. In some chapters I find the ritualistic work neglected. This should not be, for we should strive for perfection in all things pertaining to P. E. O.

The State Board set aside seventy-five dollars for the organizer expenses. The disbursements have been \$79.63, leaving a deficit of \$5.37.

When you consider going from Miami, in the northeast part of the state to Hollis, in the extreme southwest, and Alva, in the



northwest, you will realize the advantage of having the state divided into groups. The chapters for inspection next year will be P, Pawhuska; N, Tulsa; AG, Skiatook; X, Collinsville; AJ, Miami; T, Eufaula; B, Muskogee; Z, Okmulgee; G, Sapulpa; AF, Prague; AK, Tulsa, and AL, Alva.

I have written 186 letters and left no duty undone knowingly.

I regret not being able to bring you more new chapters, but while we have grown slowly this year, I feel that we have grown extremely well.

Numerous requests have come to me recently regarding chapters and now that our war work is over I predict for my successor a very busy year.

When one is elected to the presidency you confer your highest honor, but I am sure the greatest privilege and joy is given to the organizer. It is certainly a great privilege the P. E. O.s in their homes and I wish to thank each chapter that I have visited for their kindness and the many loving courtesies which have been shown me.

These reports closed the afternoon session. Very handsome baskets of flowers were presented to Miss McQuilkin from her home chapter and from the B. I. Ls of Chapter N. Mrs. Abbott was presented with baskets of roses from her own Chapter N and Chapter AK, of Tulsa. The B. I. Ls of Chapter N presented Mrs. Reeves with a basket of roses and the Sapulpa delegation sent her a corsage of roses. The platform was elaborately decorated in baskets of ferns and with flowers in many colors.

Tuesday evening a reception was held at the very beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Purcival E. Magee with Mrs. L. H. Witwer, Mrs. McGee's sister, as assisting hostess. A hundred guests were entertained. A very charming musical program was given. Ice cream, cake, salted nuts and mints were served. Every appointment of the reception was very charming. Mrs. Abbott and Mrs. Johnson and other members of the two Tulsa chapters assisted Mrs. Witwer as parlor hostesses. There was much informality and every one felt quite as if they were long time friends when the party was over.

Wednesday morning the devotionals were led by Mrs. Mabel C. Mitchell. One feature of the morning's program, which was greatly enjoyed, was the symposium "Our Duty as P. E. O.s." Mrs. Nell Morgan spoke of our duty as chapter members, emphasizing particularly the motto of attendance at meetings. Mrs. Mae Cloane Twyman was not able to be present at the convention and her excellent paper was read by Miss Mildred Smith. Mrs. Mattie Snyder closed the symposium by speaking of our duties as delegates in bringing help to the convention and in carrying home its inspiration.

A delightful musical number was then given by Mrs. Hadley.

The delegates took a lively interest in the proposed revision of the constitution as presented by Mrs. Reeves. There was much discussion of the various points. Mrs. Helen McKain, whose keen mind and clear logic is well known among P. E. O.s, led in much of the discussion.

Helpful thoughts from past president was the next order with Mrs. Louise K. Schmidt leading. Mrs. Weber, Mrs. McCain and Mrs. Guinn all spoke giving practical helpful suggestions for better work in chapter life. Oklahoma has a feature of her convention program, two minute reports from chapters. The reports were most interesting and showed a remarkable amount of patriotic work done and most generous gifts made. Among them the chapter at Blackwell reported that one of their members, Mrs. Cordelia Beatty, is giving \$200 every month, and has given it for a long time, to the aid of war families. Miss Helen Heckman, a member of the Muskogee chapter, earned \$500 for the Red Cross by alsthetic dancing. These are only two of many very generous gifts made.

Wednesday afternoon the principal paper was read by Mrs. Helen McCain on "Our Attitude Toward the Privilege of the Ballot." The paper will be published in the Record and merits reading.

The model meeting was conducted by Mrs. Zora I. Knight, organizer acting as president with Chapter N exemplifying. The work was particularly well done.



Wednesday evening was an open meeting which was largely attended. A violin quartette, an artistic musical organization of Tulsa, played a short introductory musical program.

Mrs. Reeves spoke of Fifty Years of Accomplishment in P. E. O.

Mrs. Mugge, a professional concert singer, gave a group of songs which so pleased the audience that she was twice recalled.

Miss Martha Gelmer of Oklahoma City, read an interesting paper on "The Educational Fund which had been written by Miss Margaret White of Chapter V. Miss Gilmer read the paper very well.

On Thursday morning the delegates were given an automobile ride over the city by the courtesy of the B. I. L.s.

Mrs. Avis Barbour Cox gave a delightful address on "Our Part in the World Reconstruction." Her delivery was exceptionally good. A telegram of greeting was read from Mrs. Mabel Brigham, whose absence from the convention because of illness was a disappointment to many.

Mrs. Lela Weber, who is famed as a corresponding secretary, would have made a good Methodist presiding elder for in three minutes by the watch she raised sixty-five dollars in \$5 and \$10 gifts for the Educational Fund bringing Oklahoma up to her quota of \$1 per member for the two years.

The convention voted to pay the expenses of one from the past presidents list, to the supreme convention, the one chosen to be preferably the retiring president.

The convention ratified the choice of the following delegates to the supreme convention at Denver. Miss McQuilkin from the past presidents list: Mrs. Effie Anderson, Muskogee; Mrs. Mamie Long, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Elizabeth Brewington, Pawnee; Mrs. Nellie Hunt, Prague; Mrs. Harriet McCoy, Tulsa; Mrs. Nell Morgan, Tecumseh; Mrs. Nellie Jones, Blackwell; Miss Grace Findley, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Olive Frazier, Alva; Miss Elizabeth Clark, El Reno; Mrs. Mary Primrose, Eufala; Mrs. Fred Miller, Enid.

The election of officers resulted in the selection of : President, Mrs. Zora Knight, Tecumseh; first vice-president, Mrs. Seig-

nora R. Lane, Woodward; second vice-president, Mrs. Harriet McCoy, Tulsa; recording secretary, Mrs. Belle Shelton, Lawton; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Avis Barbour Cox, Prague; treasurer, Mrs. Emily Brake, Geary; organizer, Mrs. Emma Noble, Sapulpa.

The officers were installed by Miss McQuilken in an impressive way.

The convention throughout set a high standard in every line of P. E. O. activity, which gives much promise for P. E. O. in Oklahoma.

### Convention Notes.

There were many interesting women in the convention, among them Miss Margaret Mitchell, a teacher of history, in the University of Norman. She is the type of woman upon whom the star shines with special luster. She thanked the Oklahoma P. E. O.s for the work they had done to secure the woman's building at the University, and said that largely through the work of P. E. O.s, the building had been erected. She spoke especially of Mrs. Lela Webber's part in it. Miss Mitchell was en route to St. Louis to attend a convention of history teachers and superintendents of the state historical societies of the middle west. Miss Mitchell and Miss Durward are kindred spirits.

There were a number of delightful social functions during the convention. Mrs. May Boehmler and Mrs. Alice B. Johnson entertained sixteen P. E. O.s at a beautifully appointed dinner at the home of Mrs. Boehmler one evening. The delegates from Collinsville, some of the state officers and guests of honor were entertained.

Mrs. Daisy Beerhans was hostess also at a very charming dinner at which covers were laid for Mrs. Rentfro, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Emily Brake, Mrs. Ola Brake, Mrs. Rose Penny, Mrs. Louise Schmidt, Mrs. Clara Beerhans and Mrs. Beerhans Sr.

Mrs. Ruth Abbott entertained at a delightful luncheon the last day of convention and Mrs. Harriett McCoy was hostess at a small breakfast party the day convention opened.



## CALIFORNIA GRAND CHAPTER CONVENTION

Reported by Mrs. Lulu C. Chapin.

The sixteenth annual convention of P. E. O., California Grand Chapter, held in the Woman's Club House of Stanford University, May 7th, 8th, and 9th, 1919, will long be remembered by California P. E. O.s. Not only because of its appropriate setting in the famous university town, recalling the surroundings at the inception of the order, but also because of the pleasure and profits of its activities, and the splendid feeling in evidence throughout. "The tie that binds" has been made stronger, no doubt, by the common sympathy for those who suffered sorrows on account of the great war, and on account of the common interest in Red Cross and other war work in which all chapters have helped.

The hostess chapters were T of Palo Alto, AI, San Jose; AQ and BM of Santa Clara. The rooms were at all times decorated by a wealth of flowers and greenery. The ample committee room space and excellent lunches and dinners served in the basement of the club house made the arrangements most convenient, while breakfast was served in the union club house next door. The President of Chapter T assisted by able committees had left nothing undone for the comfort and entertainment of the delegates.

California is a long state, and by far the greater number of chapters is in Southern California. Many times the Northern delegates have made the long trip South to conventions. This year the many Southern delegates who came felt that the trip was in the nature of a reciprocity party and came with all the spirit of helpfulness and interest in new acquaintance and extension of P. E. O. principles possible. The generous hospitality and thoughtful arrangements of the hostess chapters was much appreciated, and the welcome warm and sincere. Chapter AI entertained the Grand Chapter officers over Monday night at San Jose and took them by auto to Stanford the next day.

The real opening of the convention was a dinner given to state and supreme officers by Mrs. Mary Lockey, head of the famous Castellejo Girl's School of Palo Alto, Tuesday evening, after which a reception

was held for members of the convention who had arrived. A tour of the gardens and school home was indeed a pleasure, and the gracious P. E. O. lady who is at the head of this school was most cordial in her hospitality which was thoroughly appreciated.

Most of the delegates arrived at 10:15 P. M. Tuesday, and were met, given meal tickets, including ticket for the birthday dinner, with the address of their location. Autos were waiting to transport them to their temporary homes. It was a speedy way of meeting the usual hostess problem. Such a plan would be greatly aided by thoughtful chapters sending in their delegates names early at convention times.

At 9 o'clock Wednesday morning enrollment of delegates began, and by 10:30 all felt at home and ready to begin convention work, with the president, Mrs. Lena Miller, in the chair. Her gavel fell promptly, and she modestly admitted that promptness was one of her failings. The delegates took the hint and business always proceeded promptly.

The convention sang the National Anthem. The president appointed the usual guards, committees and reporters. Devotionals were led by Mrs. Streeter, second vice-president, who read the 13th chapter of First Corinthians, and the convention joined in the Lord's Prayer.

The address of welcome, extending a most cordial greeting to the convention by the hostess chapters, was given by the president of chapter T, Mrs. Ella W. Horine. Professor Wm. Proctor of Stanford, who says he is a loyal B. I. L., gave greetings from the University in a most happy manner. He partly described his interesting initiation into B. I. L., and the convention took notice of how he interpreted our mystic letters P. E. O. with a real man's intuition, "Perfect Except Occasionally."

The response for the convention was given by Mrs. Florence Stevens, first vice-president, and was extemporaneous, eloquent and inspiring, and received much favorable comment. The President then introduced the guests of honor, the Past Presidents and her official board. The credential committee reported eighty-eight delegates present.

It was special privilege to have with us the Supreme President, Miss Durward, she



responded with a few appropriate remarks and said she would be heard from later—and she was several times. Her thorough knowledge and experience in P. E. O. work, her dignified, yet always simple language, her broad view and exalted interpretation of all duties of P. E. O.s to the Sisterhood and her magnetic, yet comfortable, voice and definite presentation of the thoughts of such value to our convention interested and enthused delegates and must result in good to P. E. O. in California.

The convention rose in a body when an honored member of Original A, and one of the founders of the Sisterhood, Mrs. Francis Rhodes Elliott, came in. Her coming was a surprise to many and it was a great pleasure to the delegates when she spoke briefly after her introduction. She said, with pardonable pride, that "In fifty years there had never been any change in objects and aims, nor in the secret work of P. E. O." Her gracious manner and pleasing personality were delightful.

A telegram of greeting and regrets was read from Mrs. Laura P. Joyce, past president.

The guard brought in a great bouquet of roses for the President with the compliments of the hostess chapters, to which she gracefully responded.

The First Vice-President was called to the chair while the President gave her report of a year's work well done. In spite of war conditions and influenza interruptions P. E. O. has gained 104 members, and progress has been made. Thanks were given her loyal board, past presidents and especially to her predecessor, Mrs. Garvin and Miss Durward.

Mrs. Stevens, first vice-president, reported that her duties had been light but that she had been always ready.

The corresponding secretary, Mrs. Bennett reported a total of 67 chapters and an active resident membership of 1625.

The treasurer, Mrs. Chandler, reported a balance on hand of \$2521.28. Her report was referred to the auditing committee.

The organizer, Mrs. Wagner, reported that the influenza epidemic interfered with the growth of the work. She visited fifteen chapters in Los Angeles county and fourteen chapters in the North. A few were discouraged, but the spirit was sisterly and she was usually enabled to give

them new courage. The books she found correct, and chapters generally in good condition.

The state war work committee report was most interesting, as every chapter had work to report. The reports were probably incomplete or underestimated as some chapters were slow in sending their reports. There were reported 316,810 surgical dressings, 15,000 hours work, large amounts of bonds and War Savings Certificates purchased, 1 secretary, 7 nurses, 27 volunteer nurses, 22 canteen workers. One chapter furnished a room in Florence Crittenden Home. 1895 pairs of socks knitted, 494 sweaters, 109 helmets and scarfs. A fine paper was given by Mrs. Helen Gale, chairman of P. E. O. Red Cross Auxiliary Activities of Los Angeles. Her subject was: "After Our War Activities What?"

At this time the convention received the following report of the memorial committee:

California Grand Chapter, since its last convention, has lost from its earthly membership twelve members. In loving memory of these sisters we, your memorial committee offer the following resolutions:

Whereas, twelve of our sisters have passed to a higher life, and have left in their earthly associations places that cannot be filled, be it Resolved, That California Grand Chapter convention express their sense of loss and sympathy for the families and friends who will miss these sisters from their accustomed places. And be it further

Resolved: That as a memorial to these dear sisters who have had at heart the best interests of P. E. O. we who remain to carry on the work of California Grand Chapter pledge ourselves to renewed interest in all P.E.O. principles and teachings, and to increased effort to maintain the ideals of the Sisterhood, and to accomplish its work. Signed, Nina V. Streeter, AN; Mabel C. Welden, BN; Erma Miller, F; Grace B. Olson BO; Florence B. Connard, AG; Sarah Anderson, H.

The convention then formed in marching order and proceeded to Stanford Memorial Chapel, where perhaps the most beautiful memorial service in the history of our Grand Chapter was held. The chapel is beautiful beyond description. The quiet peacefulness was very impressive as Mrs.



Daisie L. Brinker gave the following selections on the splendid pipe organ:

- (a) Choral Prelude .....J. Brahms  
 "O how blessed, faithful spirits, are ye."  
 (b) In Paradisim .....Th. Dubois

"These are they which came out of great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His Temple. And they shall shine as the brightness of the firmament and as the stars forever and ever."

The address by Mrs. Nina V. Streeter was a fitting expression of the close sympathy and love of our Sisterhood for each other, and faith in the more beautiful life to come.



MRS. LENA S. MILLER  
 President California Grand Chapter, P. E. O.

Those sisters in whose memory the hour was given are: Sallie Stark, H; Linna Jordan, AQ; Mattie Smith, G; Anna J. Crose, G; May P. Chase, L; Rose Smith, AD; Mabel C. Meerdink, I; Nora Bentley, O; Mary Shephard Tholen, AH; Helen Mason Waterhouse, AK; Agnes Wells Merritt, BG; Mamie E. Woods, AU; Eva Cole, AV; and Sarah Andrews, H.

A beautiful soprano solo was given by Mrs. Howard Tennyson. After a period of silent prayer Mr. Warren D. Tholen, organist of Stanford, favored the deeply appre-

ciative company with an organ recital:

- Bell Symphony ..... Henry Burcell  
 Great Fugue in G Minor.....J. S. Bach  
 Pastorale ..... Wintter Watts  
 Chorale in A Minor.....Caesar Franck

Wednesday evening's session began with an informal reception which gave opportunity for mutual acquaintance. Fresh flowers had been added to the rooms. At eight o'clock the usual order was called and the anniversary song, composed by Mrs. Florence Stevens the first vice-president, and accompanied by Mrs. Prior, was sung:

#### Fifty Years of Star-Shine.

Fifty years of star-shine  
 Who can tell the worth  
 Of these myriad twinkling stars  
 On this old earth?  
 Lighting lonely places  
 With their ministry  
 Sing fifty years of star-shine,  
 Sing our jubilee.

Fifty years of faith,  
 Hand clasping hand in friendship strong;  
 Fifty years of love and loving,  
 Turneth grief to song;  
 Purity, like morning freshness,  
 All untarnished, shining clear  
 In the steady light of justice and of truth,  
 From year to year.

Stars shine on in undimmed luster,  
 Multiply and fill the Earth;  
 Centuries of such sweet star-shine,  
 Who can tell its worth?

Music adapted by Miss Jessie White,  
 Chapter T.

Then followed a beautiful solo by Dr. Geo. B. Little of Palo Alto, "I Go a Gleaning," which was heartily encored. He generously responded with a charming song.

The program of the evening was continued by the report of the Educational committee, and a fine address on "The Educational Fund." In the absence of Mrs. Eshelman the address was read by Mrs. Bertha Wilcox. As this is the principal philanthropy of the entire Sisterhood it is always absorbingly interesting. Mrs. Hulda Miller announced that they had reached the \$72,000 mark and hoped to reach their goal of \$100,000 before supreme meets in October. It was explained that when the



armistice was signed there was a balance of \$300 in the Los Angeles P. E. O. auxiliary treasury. It was voted to add this to the Educational Fund which enabled California to be the second state to go over the top. With an active membership of 1625 the California contribution this year was \$1800. Several chapters reported remarkable work done for the fund, notable among which was J of Riverside, which contributed \$100.

The session was completed by an exemplification of initiation given by Chapter AI. They had a real candidate, and the ceremony was carried out with great dignity and impressiveness.

Thursday morning's work began promptly at 9 o'clock, Mrs. Addie Chandler, treasurer of California Grand Chapter, leading devotionals.

The committee on Recognition reported 16 names entitled to certificates: Mrs. Rosena Stewart Bentley, K; Charlotte Campbell, L; Lulu Dupan, M; Edna T. Rebok, R; Leona McGee, V; Grace Raymer, V; Kathleen Hoppe, X; K. Ellison Palmer, AB, Katherine Ward, AC; Mary Hanson, BM, Patience Beatty, I; Margaret Stewart, B; Geneva Thomas, B; Fannie Larzalier, B; Florence Connard, AG; Ella May Hammond, AT. These had the honor of receiving their certificates from the Supreme President.

The President called Miss Kate Hamilton of AU, to the platform and told the convention of her remarkable record of attendance. She has been a P. E. O. sixteen years and has never missed a meeting. In her response she said she had taught school thirty-one years and never missed a day. She received hearty applause. Flowers were presented the President from her home chapter.

The dispensation committee reported two new chapters, BP and BQ, entitled to receive charters. These were presented by Mrs. Beatty, recording secretary of Supreme, and fitting responses were made by members from each chapter.

Mrs. Elliott was called on at this time to address the convention. She gave an enthusing talk, and said that "Men were so busy making money that ideals were left to us; think what we can do. We understand each other. There is a place for us in reconstructive work. The psychologi-

cal time is this fiftieth birthday of P. E. O. to work against war."

The reports of the committee on the constitution revision, of which Mrs. Lena Miller is chairman, was given by the secretary, Mrs. Hulda Miller. She said she almost feared her report would seem presumptuous, as they had recommended forty changes. They had written and consulted and asked for suggestions from as many chapters as possible, and forwarded their suggestions to the supreme committee.

Miss Durward's address gave a partial review of the work of the Supreme revision committee and was listened to with much interest. She said: "Last year the case would have been different. War with its necessities made P. E. O. hold to the line.

There were discussions about disbanding on account of war work. But there was purpose in P. E. O. work to be steady and sane and make our work count. We had held to the line. This year comes reconstruction work. Take stock of our resources to see how we have built."

Miss Durward said: "The revision committee has no theory, but tries to get the wishes of delegates and listen to all ideas."

"Some things we must not lose sight of. Yet we must grow, and have outgrown our constitution. Understand, I am not a member of the board, I am a simple bearer for P. E. O. from the managing board and manager." She brought thanks to California for the good way they considered changes.

At this time the guard brought in a gift to the president from her home chapter, a silver cheese and cracker dish. The difficulty of speech noticed in her for the first time was overcome in the ripple of amusement that followed a witty suggestion from Miss Durward that "Mrs. Miller expects us all to lunch with her," and she thanked her chapter becomingly.

A welcome diversion came next in the presentation to each member of the convention of a dainty yellow and white case filled with the finest specimens of Imperial prunes, raised in the Santa Clara Valley. They were stuffed with walnut meats and were prepared and presented by Chapter AI.

Invitation was given the delegates and visitors from the Chamber of Commerce of Palo Alto to a sixty-mile drive through the



wonderful Santa Clara Valley, with the choice of a shorter drive for those who preferred. These beautiful drives were made possible by the hostess chapters, and the afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed.

The evening session consisted of the birthday dinner celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of P. E. O. The convention hall had been converted into a sumptuous banquet hall during the afternoon. An elaborately decorated table in P. E. O. colors stood across one corner, at which the speakers sat. Tables radiating from that seating 250 people were beautifully arranged. Favors at each plate were star shaped nut holders, dated, and a tiny yellow candlestick with white candle. All were lighted before the guests came in. An elaborate menu was served and before the dessert course, and to the music of the anniversary song played by the orchestra, two white-robed attendants appeared pushing a tea wagon which held a great birthday cake. It was resting on a star of yellow flowers, the points of which held fifty lighted candles. The cake was placed before Mrs. Elliott, who took a knife and said: "In celebration of this fiftieth anniversary I cut this cake." Then the speakers rose and said in unison, "May the next fifty years bring as good results as the last fifty years." Then they made a brave attempt to blow out all the candles at once. Each guest was given a piece of the cake with ice cream for dessert.

Mrs. Ella Herine, president of Chapter T, acted as toastmistress. She spoke of the natural love of mystery, and of the starting of P. E. O. by the seven college girls. Mrs. Elliott responded to the toast "Fifty years ago." She told of the romantic flutterings of the girls fifty years ago over the blue uniforms of the boys coming home from the Civil War, just as the girls now take romantic interest in the khaki uniforms. She regretted they were a symbol of war which she deplored. She mentioned how many ladies now want a smaller star as an emblem, but the girls then thought it was not large enough. And many other incidents of the time were related.

Miss Durward responded to "Fifty years to Come." Mrs. Lena Miller spoke upon "The Golden Star in the Golden State." As the B. I. L.s honored us with their pres-

ence. Rev. Mr. Hayes, of Palo Alto, responded to "We Men," much to the delight and edification of the company. Mrs. Elliott called on Miss Kate Hamilton to rise, and presented her with a handsome picture of the Memorial Chapel, a gift of the executive board in appreciation of her faithfulness in not missing a P. E. O. meeting for sixteen years nor a day's teaching in thirty-one years. Miss Hamilton thanked them for the gift in a pleasing speech.

Hon. Monteville Flowers, of political fame, a good B. I. L. was asked to speak, which he did elegantly, on the subject "The League of Nations," incidentally telling of three esteemed P. E. O.s in his own family. This closed the celebration.

Friday was devoted strictly to business and presentations, chapter reports, election and installment of officers. Twenty-two delegates were selected for Supreme convention to be held in Denver in October.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Mrs. Maude Wagner, Y, president; Mrs. Lillian Garrett, O, first vice-president; Mrs. Charlotte Dingley, T, second vice-president; Mrs. Mildred Tallant, AC, resording secretary; Mrs. Lela Bennett, S, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Maude Clock, AF, treasurer; Mrs. Nina V. Streeter, AN, organizer.

Immediately Mrs. Belander of Van Nuys came forward with flowers for Mrs. Streeter from her husband, and a picture of Memorial Chapel from her chapter. A picture presented to Mrs. Lena Miller from the retiring board, and also a silver cheese knife. The entertaining chapters presented her with an elegant, etched crystal berry dish, while to Miss Durward they gave a very handsome jardiner. A traveling clock was presented to the President by the convention, in compliment to her promptness. A beautiful hanging basket of flowers was also given to Mrs. Miller by the home friends present. Mrs. Herine, Mrs. Proctor and Mrs. Dingley received flowers from the convention, Mrs. Horine responding for the three.

Before Mrs. Elliott returned home she presented the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Believing as we do, that if Humanity is to be humanized war must be abolished; that it does not belong to the twentieth



century civilization, but is a part of a belated past; and

Since women of the world bear upon their hearts the deepest and most lasting scars of battle:

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That we women, as patriotic citizens and members of the California Grand Chapter of the P. E. O. Sisterhood, in convention assembled at Palo Alto, May 9, 1919, will join hands in any movement looking toward the abolishment of war;

That we discourage all talk about the beauty and false glory and eternity of war; and

That we express our appreciation of the efforts of the brave women of the world who assembled at the Peace Conference of 1915, and the hope that the result of their efforts be the realization of the dreams of the womanhood of the world.

Invitation for the convention in 1920 was received from Chapters W, X, AK, and AD, Los Angeles. It was accepted. Santa Barbara wanted the 1921 convention to meet with them. Resolutions expressing appreciation and thanks for the many courtesies received, and which had helped to make this convention one of the most successful in the history of the organization, were enthusiastically adopted.

Then the President installed the new officers, Mrs. Wagner took the chair and made a short address, the closing ode was sung and the convention adjourned.

Although the convention was formally closed there was still a delightful occasion to be enjoyed. During the afternoon there was read a note from the Bay City Chapters, AP, BF, and BK, inviting the state and supreme officers and past presidents to a luncheon at Hotel Oakland, Saturday, at 1 o'clock. Other members of the convention were privileged to attend, "Dutch Treat." It was a merry party which proceeded to Oakland where they were cordially met by these chapters, who entertained the guests ever night. An evening drive was arranged to get the wonderful view of the Golden Gate and the millions of lights of San Francisco, and the Bay Cities, which proved very delightful. Saturday morning a lovely drive around the Bay through Oakland, Berkley, Alameda and other Bay cities was enjoyed. At 1 o'clock about one hundred sat down to lunch, and

after the delicious menu, short informal talks by many of the guests were given, through all of which ran the keynote of appreciation and satisfaction with the splendid convention celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of P. E. O. just passing into history.

Mrs. Dora B. Littleton, J, Asst. Rep.  
Mrs. Lulu C. Chapin, F, Reporter.



#### IDAHO GRAND CHAPTER, P. E. O.

Reported by Carrie G. Manning.

The fourth annual convention of the Idaho Grand Chapter, P. E. O., was entertained by Chapter E, Jerome, Idaho, May 14, 15, 16, at the North Side Inn. Although Jerome is a new town of about 2,000 inhabitants, they can certainly boast of a splendid hotel. Among the first of the guests to arrive was our Supreme President, Miss Margaret Durward. Although this was her first visit to Idaho, and she was a stranger to most of the Idaho P. E. O.s, all felt that she was truly our Big Sister. Her speech was bright and interesting, and she told some good stories of her travels, every one with a laugh in it. She is a woman of unusual executive ability, just and fair in her judgment and throughout the convention her counsel and advice was greatly appreciated. As the delegates and guests assembled on Wednesday afternoon, they were met by members of Chapter E, who were on duty as a reception committee, extending a most cordial greeting and assigning us to our rooms.

The meals were served in the spacious dining room and on the tables, every day during our stay, were bouquets of flowers. The meetings were held in the Jerome amusement hall, a short walk from the Inn. The executive board met at 7:30 o'clock, followed by enrollment of delegates and visitors.

Convention was called to order and formally opened at half past eight, Mrs. Eda Warner, state president, presiding. Al joined in singing "America," followed by the opening ode, after which Mrs. Jolena Coombs Smith, past state president I. G. C., led the devotional exercises.

The president then made the following



appointments: Guards, Mrs. Brewer, Miss Brewer, Miss Gorman, Mrs. Quay; pianist, Mrs. Hattie Mannon, E; reporter for local paper, Miss Nancy E. Robertson, H; reporter for Record, Mrs. Carrie G. Manning, K; assistant to recording secretary, Mrs. Kartzke, E; credential committee, Mrs. Laura Doe, J; Mrs. Minnie Hahn, D; dispensation committee, Mrs. Lou M. Poug, K; Mrs. Florence Breckinridge, D; state by-laws committee, Mrs. Jolena C. Smith, D; Mrs. Maud Rice, A; local chapter reports committee, Mrs. Ethel Thrailkill, H; Mrs. Dora McKinney, C, and Mrs. Lottie Graveley, A. Recommendations committee, Miss Nancy Robertson, H; Mrs. Grace Crookham, F; auditing committee, Mrs. Mary Frances Whittinghill, K; Mrs. Cecilia Thoreson, B. Finance committee, Mrs. Helen Eagleson, A; Mrs. Alberta Hardwick, E; resolutions, Mrs. Ellen Oberholtzer, J; Mrs. Mina Carmichael, I.

The address of welcome by Mrs. Adeline Faye Peters, president of Chapter E, was cordial and sincere and Mrs. Mattie Wilson, treasurer I. G. C., responded in her usual pleasing manner.

The president then introduced the officers and guests of honor, as follows: Supreme president, Miss Margaret Durward; past state presidents Mrs. Lottie Graveley, Mrs. Jolena C. Smith; second vice-president, Mrs. Ethel I. Sprague; organizer, Miss Katherine Mann; recording secretary, Mrs. Nellie Barclay; corresponding secretary, Miss Agnes Robertson; treasurer, Mrs. Mattie E. Wilson.

First Vice-President Miss Anna Johnson was unavoidably absent.

The president then introduced the president of Chapter E, the entertaining Chapter R, Mrs. Axline Faye Peters, who in turn introduced her officers, as follows: Vice-president, Mrs. Kartzke; recording secretary, Mrs. Nellie Barclay; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Margaret Quay; treasurer, Mrs. Armstrong; chaplain, Mrs. Eichelberger; guard, Mrs. Brewer; pianist, Mrs. Hattie Mannon.

The Jerome chapter quartet, composed of Mesdames Burkey, Eichelberger, Gronzeback and Peters, sang "Indian Mountain Song" and graciously responded to a hearty encore "Under a Toadstool." About this time a B. I. L. was admitted, carrying a beautiful bouquet of Ophelia roses, and after

placing them on the president's table, brought three more as beautiful, and an American flag, which added to the beauty of the hall, which had previously been decorated in yellow and white streamers and marguerites.

Convention responded by giving the P. E. O. yell. Mrs. Warner then declared the fourth annual convention formally opened.

The report of credential committee was made by Mrs. Laura Doe, who reported all state officers present, except first vice-president, Miss Anna Johnson, and the following delegates:

Chapter A—Mrs. Maud Rice, Mrs. Helen Eagleson.

Chapter B—Mrs. Cecilia Thoreson, Mrs. Grace Stevens.

Chapter C—Mrs. Dora McKinney.

Chapter D—Mrs. Florence Breckinridge, Mrs. Minnie Hahn.

Chapter E—Mrs. Axline Faye Peters, Mrs. Alberta Hardwick.

Chapter F—Mrs. Ruth Murphey, Mrs. Grace Crookham.

Chapter G—Mrs. Ruby Seagraves, Mrs. Fales.

Chapter H—Mrs. Ethel Thrailkill, Miss Nancy E. Robertson.

Chapter I—Mrs. Mina Carmichael.

Chapter J—Mrs. Laura Dee, Mrs. Ellen Oberholtzer.

Chapter K—Mrs. Lou M. Yong, Mrs. Mary Frances Whittinghill.

Chapter N—Mrs. Stephens.

Miss Durward then talked to us on the revision of the constitution. She said she was sorry to have to talk on serious business the first evening of convention but she wanted to tell us some of the most important subjects in the revision and give us a chance to think about them and discuss them during the remaining days of convention.

Mrs. Cora Grenzeback, E, played a group of piano numbers, "Frightening," "Chattering Squaw," "Reverie," which were very much appreciated. Three minute talks on "The Full Import of P. E. O." by Mrs. Alberta Hardwick, E, and Mrs. L. P. Whittinghill, K, were interesting and full of the spirit of P. E. O. Mrs. Bell of Chapter L, was unable to be present to take her part in this three minute talk. Mrs. Lou M. Young made the report for the committee on dispensations and recommended that charters



be given to Chapter M, Kellogg; Chapter N, Nampa; and Chapter O, Moscow. Miss Mann, organizer Idaho Grand Chapter, made the presentation speech calling forward Mrs. Stephens of Nampa and introducing her to the convention. After a few announcements convention adjourned.

All committees were at work at 8:30 Thursday morning and the convention was called to order at 9 o'clock. Mrs. Dora McKinney, C, conducted devotionals reading a part of the Fifteenth Chapter of John. Reports of state officers being next in order, second vice-president, Mrs. Ethel Sprague, took the chair while Mrs. Eda Warner gave her report as follows:

#### President's Report.

To Officers and Members of Idaho Grand Chapter:

Today we are glad that the world is again at peace. Glad that it is May time, and that we are assembled in convention, in this our jubilee year—here to renew our old friendships and to make new ones, to review the past and to plan for the future—to tell of our success and our failures, our joys and our sorrows; to consider our relation to one another and to the needy world about us; to renew our vows and to imbibe more of the true P. E. O. spirit. This is indeed our place of refreshment and inspiration, and I earnestly ask that you help me to so conduct each session that no moments will be lost.

Since last we met two of our sisters have been called to their Heavenly home: Mrs. Turner, president of Chapter C, and Mrs. Goldsmith, Chapter F. We feel this loss to our Sisterhood and extend our heartfelt sympathy to their families and chapters.

Last year when Mrs. Smith handed me the state president's box, a peculiar feeling of fear and responsibility came over me. The things most treasured in our Sisterhood had been given into my keeping for one year, not only the visible, but the invisible, the work, the principles, the spirit which these things stood for were mine to "carry on," and I breathed a prayer that I might faithfully perform every duty of my office.

Before putting the box in the dark closet and hiding the key, I opened it. I had never seen the inside of a state charter. There closely rolled on one side was the fine

parchment with the beautiful yellow and white bow. Imagine my disappointment when I found it to be only a blank charter for a local chapter and the truth dawned upon me that we had no state charter. Of course, I went to Miss Durward with my trouble and she said to write Miss Prouty, who was Supreme president when our state chapter was organized. Miss Prouty was very much surprised and not able to understand the situation, but you can easily see how one rolled charter could be taken for another, outside appearances are often deceiving—a fine dress and beautiful bow have caused more than one mistake.

After much correspondence, which proved to be a pleasure rather than a hardship, we have our state charter properly signed and sealed, and I would like to have you realize, as I do, Miss Prouty's love for and interest in, the Idaho sisters. She wrote, "Please give my love to all P. E. O.s in convention. I would be there, if it were a possibility, but it isn't. It costs too much for a poor lawyer woman to even consider, but I will be there in thought, and I hope you will all catch the vibrations of love and good wishes that I shall send you."

In September I wrote to each chapter enclosing printed report blanks for our war work, asking that a secretary be appointed in each chapter to keep a record of our patriotic service and funds. Miss Johnson, our first vice-president, consented to act as state secretary of this work, and will astonish you with her splendid report. We may well be proud of our record.

The war has taught us many lessons, the most startling, perhaps, is that we are capable of accomplishing so much more than we supposed we could before the many stirring appeals keyed us to a higher pitch of endeavor. We have learned a new and more efficient handling of our "spare hours," but now that the war is over, we are in danger of losing all the ground that we gained under military discipline. We must not forget that our world is to be a reconstructed world, industrially, socially and spiritually renewed. Every man, woman and child must be given a chance to develop into his best. So let us throw the same amount of energy into our plans for the future that we did into our war service.

Last September we were disappointed when we read in the Record the report of



the Educational Fund. Idaho had not been given credit for the Liberty bonds given by Chapter A and D, hence our average was a little below the dollar per member. We are especially anxious that our contributions be large. The young women are in greater need of help now than ever before. Mrs. Sprague, our second vice-president has had charge of the fund this year and will report the same.

Our membership, which was an even 300 last year, is now 387. Twenty-seven are charter members. You will be delighted, I'm sure, to know that I have issued three dispensations, Kellogg, Nampa and Moscow. Mrs. Grace Reinking, a member of Chapter C, Kalispell, Mont, was given consent by her chapter to select a charter list at Kellogg. Eight names were on this list, including one other P. E. O., Mrs. Malin of Chapter G, Iowa. Five members of Chapter A, Boise, vouched for Mrs. Anna E. Stephens to select the list at Nampa. They are nine. Mrs. Helen Kostelak, a daughter of our own Mrs. Pitcairn, was vouched for by five members from Chapter D, Twin Falls, to select a list in Moscow. She was assisted by our Mrs. Snoddy, formerly of Chapter J, Burley. Ten names were in this petition. We owe a great deal to these women. For over a year they have had their lists under consideration. Each member has been chosen with thought and care, as to her fitness for P. E. O. They have not made it a personal matter, for sometimes our dearest friends would not make good P. E. O.s. In each case they have asked, "Will she help P. E. O.?" So we are glad and proud to extend the warm hand of greeting to each of the sisters in these new chapters. We congratulate them upon being brought into the Sisterhood through the splendid efforts of Miss Mann, our state organizer, one so true to the letter and so well grounded in the P. E. O. spirit. "To know her is to love her." We have other new sisters. Over fifty have been initiated during the year. We feel sure that they are all women of culture and refinement, women who will keep their vows, not only for today or tomorrow, but for all time, one day at a time. We welcome them and ask them to do three things, repeat the objects and aims and chief duty once each day—only two minutes. Study carefully the constitution, supreme and state by-laws and read the Record.

Nine local presidents wrote me the annual letter in January. One came to see me instead and the benefit was mutual, I'm sure. These letters meant a great deal to me, putting me in closer touch with the work. With two exceptions they spoke of the splendid spirit that prevails. Sorrow and work have lifted us out of self and made us more thoughtful of the welfare of others. Many questions have come to me, and I've answered them to the best of my ability. The secret work, I've sent to four presidents. Glad, indeed, to know that they were interested in giving it just right.

In March a request came to me from Mrs. Grimes to appoint someone to write our P. E. O. history in Idaho. I've asked Mrs. Jolena Smith, who has been a member of each convention and two years organizer, and one year state president. I felt that she knew our history and was in every way qualified to do the work.

Miss Durward's letters were full of suggestions and inspiration, and I wish to thank her publicly for the help and comfort she has given me and do indeed feel that our Sisterhood is to be congratulated upon having so strong and efficient a leader. We do most sincerely appreciate her presence and help during this convention. Sometimes we have felt a little neglected by our older and wiser sisters. Each member of the executive board will speak for herself and yet I know and would like to tell many nice things about their work. I'm sure you will be proud to know that Mrs. Weber, our supreme secretary, wrote that "Idaho's reports were absolutely correct." I wish to thank each of them for the splendid support and co-operation they have given me. I do also wish to express my love and appreciation to Chapter E, our hostess chapter. They truly are strong in the knowledge and in the spirit of P. E. O. and tireless in their efforts to make this convention a success.

In March Mrs. Barclay, our recording secretary for two years, invited Mrs. Wilson and myself to her home to meet the program committee from Chapter E. She welcomed us with a delicious four course luncheon, perfect in all its appointments. The afternoon was given over to plans and suggestions for convention. This was indeed a great help and will always remain a pleasant memory.



In many ways this has been a trying year. Many weeks we were forbidden public gatherings. Sickness and sorrow visited every chapter. Often our work was done with a heavy heart and eyes blinded with tears, but out of it all have we not developed a heart culture that will radiate more love wherever we go. Is not the "tie that binds" stronger today than ever before? It has indeed been a year of harmony and growth.

I am thankful for the privilege I have had of serving, for the splendid friendships I have formed. I lay down the gavel with a deeper truer love for our Sisterhood and a sincere wish that you may give my successor the same loving support that you have given me and that she may lead you to greater accomplishment next year.

Report of Second Vice-president was given orally and accepted. Organizer reported that on account of the awful epidemic of influenza which swept over our ported that she had done her years' work in about two months and in that time she had visited ten chapters, giving each a thorough inspection and finding all in very good order. She also organized three new chapters. Mrs. Nellie Barclay, recording secretary, reported that she had kept a record of various reports, and had all supplies printed and distributed. Miss Agnes Robertson, corresponding secretary, gave a complete report and in the final reported 379 active members in the state. Mrs. Mattie Wilson gave a very good report of the finances.

Idaho went over the top in their contribution to the Educational Fund and in the regular fund—a comfortable balance to begin our new year.

Mrs. Margaret Quay of Chapter E, sang very sweetly "Ye Bells of Peace Today." She was accompanied by Mrs. Hattie Mannon piano, and violin obligate by Mr. J. M. Mannon. She responded to a hearty encore by singing, "Whisper, and I Shall Hear." Reports by presidents of local chapters were interesting, giving in detail the many good things accomplished by the different chapters during the year. Miss Katherine Mann gave a "Chalk talk on Uniformity of Chapter Books," which was very instructive and helpful. Mesdames Eichelberger and Peters sang a duet, "The Passage Bird," which was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Lottie Graveley read a very good paper on

"Rotation in Office" and Mrs. Nellie Barclay had a well written paper entitled "The Black Ball."

The afternoon session was opened by singing "Idaho, Oh Idaho." This was followed by a symposium "P. E. O. Peace Conference. Boundries, Miss Nancy Robertson, H, Boise; Power Within, Mrs. Mina Carmichael, I, Emmett; Loyalty, written by Mrs. Rose Aikman but in her absence, read by Mrs. Ellen Oberholtzer, J, Burley. There papers were all most interesting and we wish we might have them all printed. Chapter E, with Miss Mann presiding, conducted the model meeting, initiating a real candidate, Mrs. Ruth Brown of Jerome. This was a helpful part of the convention and Chapter E is surely to be complimented. Miss Durward gave us a few suggestions which each could take home to her chapter. At this time, greetings were read from Miss Harriet Warner of Twin Falls, who is a student at Berkeley. Mrs. Hattie Mannon, a most excellent musician, then played piano selections, "A Prelude," Pierrott Reveur; "Caprice," Ganarelle; "Japanese Etude," Peldini. Mrs. Axline Faye Peters gave a reading "The Explorer," by Kipling, which was enjoyed by all present. Convention adjourned for the memorial hour which was in charge of Miss Agnes Robertson of Chapter H, Boise. In a few well chosen remarks she told of the loss of two sisters the past year: Mrs. Ellen Goldsmith of Chapter F, Caldwell and Mrs. Rettie Turner, Chapter C, Payette. A tribute to Mrs. Goldsmith written by her dear friend Mrs. Steunenbergh, was read by Mrs. Grace Crookham as follows: It is with deep sorrow that Chapter F reports the passing of sister Ellen F. Goldsmith on July 4th, of last year. Sister Goldsmith was a loyal P. E. O. faithful in her duty to the sisterhood, counting it a privilege to serve humanity in every way possible. In her beautiful Christian life, she exemplified her faith in Christ. In her willingness to give at her country's call, the son that was her hope and stay, she showed care patriotism. As a mother she was kind and self-forgetful, sacrificing always beyond her strength abounding in sympathy and love, with but one desire, and that for her children. In her going, P. E. O. has lost a valued member, our community, a loyal patriot and a beloved friend.



A tribute to Mrs. Rettie Turner written by Miss Anna Johnson of Payette, and read by Mrs. Dora McKinney as follows: What a wonderful thing it is to have lived. Our dear sister, Mrs. Rettie Turner, so close to us of Chapter C, how we loved her, and, oh, how we miss her. One of us just a few short months ago, with us in convention at Twin Falls, last year—just forty-two, too young to die and there seemed so much for her to live for. Yet, she had lived a most purposeful and useful life, and she lives on in the characters of her children, the melding of which she made the primary business of her life. When her eldest son was leaving for college last September, Mrs. Turner said to him, "I haven't any advice to give you, now, I have done all that I could for you in your earlier training." Last Sunday was Mothers' Day. How the heart of Chapter C went out to her husband and children. They have been so brave but how they must miss her. She was so capable, so vivacious, a comrade and friend to each member of her household.

Last summer, she gave time and strength in helping her husband in the work of food conservation for Payette County. She spent hours in the Red Cross rooms, was the President of our Portia Club as well as of Chapter C, and was vice-president of the Presbyterian Missionary Board. Aside from those duties she found time to be a real wife and mother. Mrs. Turner really lived. Her memory to Chapter C will always be an incentive to higher and better things. It was a rare privilege to have known and loved Mrs. Turner.

A solo, "Crossing the Bar," was beautifully sung by Mrs. Jolena C. Smith. Convention rose and repeated the Twenty-third Psalm in unison and thus closed the memorial hour. Thursday evening was held an open meeting and informal reception at the public amusement hall. It was beautifully decorated in yellow and white flowers, potted plants and American flags. A goodly number of townspeople, guests of Chapter E, assembled and all enjoyed the following program:

1. National Hymn.
2. Devotionals—Mrs. Mattie Wilson, Treasurer Idaho Grand Chapter.
3. 'Cello Solo—Mr. W. Zenas Smith, Twin Falls.

4. Our Fiftieth Anniversary—Mrs. Jolena Smith, Past President Idaho Grand Chapter.

5. Vocal Solo—Mrs. J. T. Young.

6. Reminiscences—Mr. Wm. A. Peters, a B. I. L.

7. Trio—Mrs. Burkey, Eichelberger, and Peters.

8. A Tribute to our Honor Roll—Mrs. Lottie Graveley.

9. Piano Solo—Mrs. Ruth Brown.

10. Address—Miss Margaret Durward.

11. Vocal Solo—Miss Nellie Teasedale.

Cake and punch were served by a group of pretty young girls, following the program.

Friday morning the convention was called to order at 9 o'clock. After the opening ode, Mrs. Ethel Sprague conducted devotions. Minutes of previous session read and approved and the secret work given by Miss Mann. A vocal solo, "Mother of Mine,"—Tours, by Mrs. J. T. Young delighted the convention and she responded to a hearty enchoire by singing "Come into the Garden, Love,"—Mary Turner Salter.

The report of war work by Miss Anna Johnson was read by Mrs. Dora McKinney as follows:

Patriotic activities of P. E. O. Sisterhood in Idaho.

Members belonging to Red Cross.....	204
Hours spent in Red Cross work room	15,696
Garments knitted .....	695
War Service positions filled.....	
Chairmen of Committees, Registers,	
Captains of Drives, Hostess at Y.	
W. C. A. Hostess Houses, Public	
Speakers, Supervisors, Inspectors	
and Instructors for Red Cross and	
Food Conservation Work, and many	
others .....	77

Amount invested by individuals:

Liberty Bonds .....	\$81,365.00
War Savings Certificates.....	12,220.00
Total amount invested.....	\$93,585.00

Amount contributed by individuals:

Red Cross .....	\$4,557.50
Y. M. and Y. W. C. A.....	1,737.00
Council of Defense, 60 hours.....	51.00
War Relief, 278 hours.....	1,121.00
Library War Council.....	
United War Drive.....	405.00
Total amount contributed, 338	
hours .....	\$6,871.50



Books contributed by individuals.....	444
Magazines contributed by individuals.....	1,583
War orphans supported by individuals	28
Amount invested by chapters:	
Liberty Bonds .....	\$250.00
War Savings Certificates.....	30.00
Total amount invested.....	\$280.00
Amount contributed by chapters:	
Red Cross .....	\$110.00
Y. M. and Y. W. C. A.....	10.00
Council of Defense.....	
War Relief .....	39.00
Library War Council.....	
Total amount contributed.....	\$149.00
War Orphan supported by chapter.....	1
Books contributed by chapters.....	
Members having husbands in the service..	9
Number of sons of P. E. O.s who are in the service .....	30

Election of officers was next in order and the officers elected as follows: Miss Katherine Mann, I, Emmett, president; Mrs. Maud Rice, A, Boise, first vice-president; Mrs. Laura Doe, J, Burley, second vice-president; Mrs. Nellie Barclay, E, Jerome, organizer; Mrs. Ruth Murphey, F, Caldwell, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary Frances Whittinghill, K, Pocatelle, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mattie Wilson, B, Blackfoot, treasurer.

During the counting of the ballots, Miss Durward answered the questions in the question box—all of which was very instructive and interesting. Miss Durward presented the convention with an unusually large box of delicious chocolates which a B. I. L., Mr. Wm. Peters, had presented to her the previous evening. Mrs. Minnie Hahn of Chapter D, Twin Falls, read a most excellent paper on "The Tie that Binds." Mrs. Louise Burkey, Chapter E, sang a beautiful solo, "The Morning Wind." At 1:30 P. M. the final report of treasurer, Mrs. Mattie Wilson was given.

Recommendation committee reported, first to raise the state dues from \$1 per year to \$1.50 per year; second, that state state by-law regarding delegates expenses to biennial convention read, railroad expenses, instead of necessary expenses. Convention adopted the first but the second was lost. Caucus was then held to choose delegates to supreme convention and reported as follows: Mrs. Lottie Gravels, Mrs. Florence Breckinridge, Mrs. Laura Doe. Two additional delegates are to be chosen.

Report of committee on resolutions by Mrs. Ellen Aberholtzer as follows: We the resolution committee beg to submit the following: Be it resolved that this convention extend to our Supreme President our appreciation and pleasure for her presence with us and for her inspiring message and the wisdom of her counsel.

To our State President and members of the executive board, we extend thanks for their able efforts in promoting the welfare of our sisterhood.

To Chapter E, our hostess, we extend our warmest praise for her gracious hospitality and for the delightful accomadations shown the members and guests of the convention.

We are especially grateful to Mr. Temple for the excellent service and courtesies extended us in the charming North Side Inn.

To Mrs. Mannon and the other musicians for the inspiration of their splendid music.

To the loyal B. I. L.s of Chapter E for their beautiful flowers and other kindness.

To the merchants of Jerome for their tasteful symbolic decorations.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ellen D. Oberholtzer,  
Mrs. Mina Carmichael.

Miss Durward installed the new officers after which convention adjourned until 1920, when we will meet with Chapter F, at Caldwell, Idaho.



#### EXCERPTS FROM RESPONSE TO TOAST "FIFTY-YEARS AGO"

By Franc Rhodes Elliott, P. E. O. Fiftieth  
Birthday Dinner, Palo Alto, California,  
May 9th, 1919.

When Mrs. Horine, our delightful toast mistress asked me to talk about "Fifty Years Ago" at this rare golden anniversary dinner, I mutually reserved the privilege of saying something about this most complex and important present. Really there is no past that we may need long linger over, but there is the eternally new, formed out of enlarged elements of the past, and with oecche I am sure we all agree that our constant and real desire must be for the new and better creation.

As I glance over the audience and look into the faces of you brave men who have



just returned from overseas, where you had gone at the nation's call, risking life—that sweetest boon given to man,—I travel back in memory to 1865-6 when at the close of the Civil War, our boys in blue came back, but only some of them, to finish their studies in the old Iowa Wesleyan University—studies that had been so ruthlessly interrupted half a century and more ago. I learned then what hero worship meant. For I had a serious attack of it, and here on Stanford Campus, where I have had a chance to diagnose, I am learning that the infection is the same. That it makes no difference whether the uniforms are blue or khaki which the soldiers wear, still my sympathy goes out to the girls of 1919, for we girls of 1869 were afflicted in the same way, and the natural conclusion is that girls don't change much after all. I am wondering if ever in any other half century since this old world began it has been so teeming with events of the weal or woe of humanity as the fifty years between 1869-1919.

An event contemporaneous with our fiftieth celebration, will be observed tomorrow, for fifty years ago a dream that had long been in the minds of men of vision, and which meant much to this Pacific Coast, but much more to the whole nation for its realization brought hope and strength; hope that never again there would be the fear of national dissipation and that for all time we might continue one strong and undivided union. I refer to the day, May 10th, 1869, after the last tie was placed and the spike of California gold was driven by Senator Stanford at Promontory, Utah, which signified that the West and East were one and riveted together in sympathy, security and purpose. It was a small but cosmopolitan company that witnessed the ceremony—Americans, Monogolians, Irish, Mexicans, and Indians, six hundred all told, but by the connection made between the silver hammer that drove the golden spike and the wire, the nation responded in every city of the Union with the booming of cannon and ringing of bells. In Chicago there was a procession four miles long and Vice-President Colfax made an address. In New York the mayor ordered a salute of one hundred guns and in historic old Trinity Church, the Te Deum was sung while the chimes peeled out the glad tidings. That was the

occasion for the poet, for then poetry and railroads were not yet divorced. Then it was that your own Bret Harte wrote, "A Song of Steam," for the occasion which he called "What the Engines Said" the one from the West, and the other from the East when they first met at Promontory. I think that it dots not seem irrelevant that I refer to this most significant occurrence in our "age of steel" in Palo Alto, and at this birthday dinner where you have come to hear stories of the infancy of P. E. O. and to celebrate our golden anniversary. Is it possible that fifty years have passed since seven inexperienced and callow college girls, organized a group which had in it a germ that was destined to grow and spread from coast to coast, and then spread on over the border into Canada, and that I should be here in this beautiful California to tell you something of the P. E. O. Sisterhood. It all seems like a fairy tale. Had a prophet then announced that some day I would be these thousands of miles from my native home, I could not have believed it, for the habit of travel was not upon them and you could not then have discovered in any one of the seven any evidence of the "culture that comes from travel," of which we hear so much these days. The longest railroad journey I had ever taken until I went on my wedding journey was when I went from Mount Pleasant to Ottumwa, Iowa, about fifty miles.

So impressions of foreign countries, or the gain we might receive from them, is not to be found in primitive P. E. O. I assure you that it is entirely of a domestic quality and "made in America."

It simply grew out of the hearts and minds of the individual members of the group of seven, and was bound together with love and appreciation for each other, that had grown in the four years of college association.

Each contributed something that was particularly dear to her girlish mind. In the Record of February, the one that Mrs. Reeves calls the "anniversary number," I told of the origin of our sisterhood, of the pique engendered, when the delegates came over from Monmouth, Illinois, to initiate a group into the "I. C." Sorority. Greek letters were not used in women's sororities fifty years ago. I told about the bibbed aprons we had made as a suitable back-



ground for the new stars, of the proud Indian march into chapel, just in time for all to see and wonder and give us the "glad hand" before devotions began.

I think I did not tell, in the Record, of the first reception we gave, how we sent out printed invitations—not engraved ones—for our friends to come to a Siderial Soiree—we affected French then as we are doing now. Things were quite simple—nothing to be compared to this beautiful banquet spread for us tonight, by the choice Palo Alto and other sisters—but we did not mind the simplicity. There were no decorations or flowers as here, at that early function. There were no B. I. L.s on hand at that first soiree, but the Betas and Phi Delts were there, and some of them were prospective B. I. L.s.

But as I look back over the long vista of years, I can see that P. E. O. was not only just "a happening" and I am able to recognize many determinate factors which had entered into the lives of the seven in their college days for mutual benefit. The nation then was in a time of reconstruction as we are today, and of course the students were alive to every national movement.

Women had not organized independently in any kind of undertaking before the Civil War, but the necessity of working together for the Soldier's Aid compelled them to submerge personal inclinations for the common good.

#### Beginning of Woman's Clubs.

After the war, for the first time women were being socialized. Because they realized that a broader education was needed, they began to organize clubs. Their ambition was to study and become acquainted with good literature so they studied Shakespeare and Emerson and discussed Dickens and Thackeray, and later on affected Browning. While their motive might in a way seem selfish, it was a good foundation for the other more serious things waiting for women's efforts.

#### Early College Education for Women.

Young women of the generation before ours had not had the privilege of a college education.

In intellectual Boston in 1834 where high schools had been established for both boys and girls, when the buildings became crowded, the trustees sent the girls home to make

more room for the boys because they said: "Boys must have an education, girls do not need it."

There is no more interesting study than that of the growth of educational opportunities for the women of the United States. Perhaps my interest is more deeply colored, because my father-in-law, Dr. Charles Elliott, a minister, and the editor of the first woman's magazine printed in America—possibly excepting Godey's Fashion Magazine, which he called "The Ladies' Repository," saw keenly the need of education for women, and dreamed of a university for them where they could study the classics. He not only dreamed, but worked for the realization of his dreams. He enlisted the noted Henry Ward Beecher and his sister, Catherine Beecher, who gave Dr. Elliott all possible aid.

The result was the establishment at Cincinnati, Ohio, of a college for women where they could follow the same courses of study their brothers pursued. Of course Dr. Elliott was met with opposition and refused the use of pulpits in his own denomination to talk his woman's college scheme. Men high in church authority, objected because they said "Women hadn't the brains to study mathematics" and if they studied Greek and Latin it would surely unfit them for housekeeping and the care of their families."

#### The First Co-Educational University to Confer Degrees Upon Women.

It was a red letter day for Dr. Elliott who then in his old age and President of the Iowa Wesleyan University conferred the degree of M. A. upon the first women in the United States, to take a degree from a co-educational institution. This was in the early "sixties." To show you how recently this was done, Mrs. Lucy Killpatrick Burket is still living and I believe has her home in, or near Los Angeles. I tell you these things so that you may in a larger degree appreciate your blessings as you look back into "the pit from which you were digged."

The obvious deduction after receiving the benefits of what a college had to offer, was that women would be interested in things outside of their homes, become interested in laws and institutions which had a direct bearing upon women, the home and



children. In 1868-9 our senior year, we had been studying philosophy and science of government, subjects that provoked thought, and we began some of us, to question whether the United States was really a democracy when only half of the people made laws for the whole people. Out of such questions the so-called women movement grew. During the fifty years that spans the life of our organization, this greatest of the world's spiritual movements, the women movement has been gaining in strength and sympathy until the question of its righteousness is now scarcely debatable.

The scales are fast dropping from the eyes of former opponents. Statesmen, Jurists, wise men, and politicians today honestly confess that the feminine mind differs from the masculine mind, and that it has in it elements which might be helpful in making just laws especially those that relate to educating of the young, and where women are affected, elements that would corrolate and balance with the masculine mind, and that the country would be better governed if these elements were together represented in government. Now that the knitting and sewing needles are idle, aside, and other implements for work you needed in the many war activities—Red Cross, Relief and Thrift kitchens are put aside, what now women, and citizens, are you going to do next in this post-war reconstruction time? I believe that every earnest woman today feels the responsibility upon her, and is thankful for the gift of the ballot, because through it she is able to make effective protest against a wrong, and help in time, to further the scientific thought of today toward the realization of a better race. An effort peculiarly fitting for us women and for which we are I believe, foreordained.

The war opened our eyes to the need of reformation in our own homes and neighborhoods when mental and physical tests were made, for entrance into the army that shocked us.

We are learning through the war that there is an unthinkable mass of illiteracy in the United States. In your own state, which ranks relatively high in education, there are 80,000 adult men and women who cannot read or write.

Look into our educational system and you will see that it is in the main based

on the German system, and not fit for a democracy. The German education is planned for an autocracy. Many years ago the Germans put the kindergarten out of their schools, because it taught children to think and take the initiate, and coming citizens trained in that way did not make the right kind of German citizens. No other faculty than the memory seemed to be recognized, no use was made of exercising the reasoning faculty either analytically or synthetically. The German schools made machines of the children and we now know, too well how efficient the human machine became, the effect on the children was pathetic. That the German school system has been introduced into our public schools is in large part accountable for the great number of boys leaving school from the sixth to the eighth grade.

Men high in educational affairs, see and deplore the conditions and are ready to have it supplanted by something better. Here is an opportunity for every educated and thinking patriotic woman in the United States to help change the old order, and in its place encourage the adoption of a system which will train American children in American ideals. Women have during the past terrible carnage, come to think with Olive Schreimer, "That as it is women who supply war's most valuable munition and face death that the battle field may have its food—a food more precious to us than our heart's blood—it is we especially who have our word to say concerning war. A word that no man can say for us." And this keen woman of keen insight continues, "war will pass when intellectual culture and activity have made possible to woman an equal share in the control and government of modern national life. It will probably not pass much sooner; its extinction will not be delayed much longer."

The first thing to be done by all patriotic women will be, to join hands in a movement towards the annihilation of war. That all false talk about the glory of war, its beauty and eternity should be silenced forever on the lips of women; and that in season and out, they should teach that war belongs to those phases of life, that must be overcome, if humanity is to be humanized. I hope that before this convention adjourns a resolution may be adopted to this end.



What more fitting memorial could we leave on this fiftieth anniversary, for the young women who will take our places in another generation, than that the women of a past generation met in conference, and put their seal against the curse of war and its ever attendant evils.



### CROSS AND CROWN OF WOMANHOOD By Mary Allen Stafford in the Iowa

#### Convention.

Heretofore, almost always, I have been requested at our convention to give something in the way of reminiscence of our organization, or beginning. Pleasant as are these memories to those of us who were there at the beginning, and who are still with you, I greatly preferred at this time to leave reminiscences to others, and to write on some other subject. In fact I preferred not to be on the program at all at this time and to be relieved from all public responsibility, but I found it impossible to refuse the urgent solicitations of my personal friend Mrs. Frantz who has served us so faithfully, and so I have allowed my name again used for public duty but not in connection with our early history and so have chosen as the subject for this paper, "The Cross and Crown of True Womanhood." You will at once note that I am to talk of womanhood in a wider and larger sense than the limitations of our P. E. O. Sisterhood. I am not here, however, to make an outcry of woman's wrongs, or an appeal for woman's rights. I have come to feel that in our land, and Christian civilization, many of the so called wrongs of women are imaginary, and that we already have about all the rights that we deserve, or live up to. My thought is to show that "By the Cross is the way to the Crown," or in other words that service in the sphere for which woman has been created is the way to the crown of true womanhood. It might be added that the heavier the cross the brighter the crown. In other words service that is costly in sacrifice brings the most richly jeweled crown.

The old, and oft mooted, question of the equality of the sexes, is, after all, a foolish question, that should never have been asked.

God made the man and the woman to be one, and there can be no question of equality in one, for there is no basis of comparison. Two halves constitute a whole, but the halves are equals. This is not saying that the halves are alike in the sense that the one is patterned after the other. The one may be, and in this case, the one is, the compliment of the other. A man, or a woman, individually left to himself, or herself, without the other half is but half a personality. In this personality is to be, not the same half as that of the man, but the other half. Whenever she becomes in any sense the same as the other half, or like the other half she becomes to that extent masculine, and spoils the symmetry of the personality, as divinely intended. The vital question is therefore how can woman best measure up to the highest possibilities in the relation for which she was created. To this there can be but one answer, that is, by rendering the service for which she was created and in that service, by that cross is the way to the crown, of truest, highest, noblest womanhood.

The way of the cross, or the duties that minister to true womanhood is found, first, in the home life of the woman. There is no place that woman's service is more in evidence as the complement of man's skill or ability than in connection with the home life. No one cares even to be for any time a guest in a home kept by a man. It is here that woman, in the service of the home, wins, and wears, the crown of the queen. When I speak of the queenliness of woman in the home I am not confining my thought to the woman who presides over the home as wife, or mother. For while perhaps the highest dignity of womanhood is in a happy marriage relation, and joyous motherhood, yet many a woman for good reasons denied these relations, has shown herself a true queen, possessing all the grace and dignity, in manner, and service, in caring for father, and mother, or ministering to other loved ones who, without her ministrations, would be lonely and helpless. She may not be the other half of a husband, but she is as truly the other half of father, brother, kinsman.

Man may be the house maker, of builder but he is not the home maker. He does not know how to make a home or take care of it, after it is made, that is woman's work and a work to which she is especially



adapted. Of course, there are cares, duties that are almost endless, perplexities, and at times even drudgery in the home responsibilities, but these are the cross by way of which woman wears the crown of truest womanhood.

My second suggestion of the way of the cross that crowns true womanhood is motherhood. In this as in the home service I would make clear what I mean by motherhood, that I may not be misunderstood: Every woman has as an endowment of her nature the intuition of the mother. If any of you do not agree with the thought that I am expressing as to the sexes by nature being supplemental to each other, or the one the complement of the other, I only ask you to study little children at their play when they innocently respond to the impulses, or intuitions, of nature, and note now the boy plays with his ball, and bat, his horse, and car or wagon, the girl with her playhouse, dishes, and dolls and tell how it happens that these differences of tastes are a part of childhood. Every woman true to her nature is endowed with the intuitions of motherhood. Bishop Edwin Hughes of the Methodist Church said in a sermon "God pity the woman who has never felt the touch of baby's fingers, or the kiss of baby's lips on her cheek," and yet there are multitudes of women who for good reasons never become mothers. We should not forget, however, that there are multitudes of motherless children and people in the world, so that any and every woman may and can in service, if she will, be a mother to someone who needs a mother. Illustration: The incident of the nurse feeding the wounded soldier who had lost both arms in battle and then going aside mother-like to weep over his suffering.

Maude Ballington, known the world over as "The Little Mother," has broken the alabaster box and poured out the precious ointment of mother-love for criminals shut up in prisons, until they have come to love her as children love the mother, and call her, and think of her as "The Little Mother" that she is to them.

But for the woman who gives her service to the child that God has given her there are cares and responsibilities heavy to bear. Only she who has borne these cares and faced these responsibilities can understand just how heavy the cross is sometimes at

least. Longfellow has touchingly, and beautifully, said as he watched a little child passing him:

"Oh little feet that such long years  
Must wander on through hopes, and fears,  
I sitting at the wayside Inn  
Where toils shall cease and rest begin,  
Am weary thinking of your road."

And all along that long, weary, road the mother must go side by side with the child. But the mother-love is never exhausted, even though the journey be long and the pathway sometimes stony and rough. Kipling has expressed the imperishableness of the mother-love in the following lines:

"If I were hanged on the highest hill  
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine  
I know whose love would follow me still  
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine  
If I were drowned in the deepest sea,  
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine  
I know whose tears would come down to me,  
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine."

My third and last answer to the question of where, and how, the cross is borne that brings the brightest crown of womanhood, is by her service in social life. I am not talking about the mere butterflies of society, but the woman who is giving her life to the service of humanity in filling the place for which she was created.

Ruskin has said "Woman has a personal work, and duty relating to her own home, and a public work, and duty which is but the expansion of that. Man's work and duty for the home is to secure its maintenance, progress, and defense, the woman's to secure is order, comfort, and loveliness. The man's duty as a member of the commonwealth is to assist in the maintenance, progress, and defense of the state. Woman's in the ordering, beautifying, and adornment of the state. What man is to his own gate—defending it if need be against insult, and spoil, that he is also to be at the gate of his country, and what woman is to be in the home, or within the gates of the home, as the center of order, the balm of distress, and the mirror of beauty that she is also to be without her gates, where order is more difficult, distress more imminent, loveliness more rare." He continues, "Lord, as applied to man, means the maintainer of laws; lady means, loaf-giver, So, that man only deserves the title of Lord, who proves himself the maintainer of laws, and



woman the title of lady when she is reaching out the helping hand to those in need of help. In the home she is moulding character, outside the home she is working out the blemishes, and improving as far as may be, characters already moulded and many times very imperfectly. In the home is where her master craft hand, and work, are shown, but outside the home the true woman render a service, not possible to men. It has been well said that "The hand that rocks the cradle, rules the world," but aside from rocking the cradle it helps rule the world, especially as to righteousness. Is it not true that woman's predominating nature, or intuition of love, has endowed her with, to sacrifice in and for service as is not possible to man. It was this that made her "last at the cross and first at the sepulchre," and from there sent her with fleetest feet to tell the men, His disciples that He was risen from the dead. Is it not this nature of affection intensified by the Christ love, that whenever the call to service of mankind has come she has hastened to answer the call without stopping to count the cost?

(Continued in next month's issue.)



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A table will be reserved in the fountain room, Marshall Fields, Chicago, Ill., on the first Wednesday of each month. All residents and visiting P. E. O.s are invited.

A table will be reserved at the Y. W. C. A. tea room on the last Friday of each month, from 12 to 1 o'clock, by Chapter C, Tacoma, Wash.

A table will be reserved in Gimbel's Grill room on the second Saturday of each month,

from 12:30 to 1:30 o'clock, by Chapter F, P. E. O., Milwaukee, Wis. All resident and visiting P. E. O.s are invited.



#### NOTICES

##### P. E. O. at Bay View.

P. E. O. Day will be observed on Bay View, Michigan, assembly program, the first week in August. For information further write Dr. Carrie B. Stewart, care of House of Stewart or Mrs. Clara West, care of Nebraska Collage.



##### Notice from Washington, D. C.

If P. E. O.s will send the names of any relatives who may be at Walter Reed or other military hospitals near Washington, D. C., the members of Chapter D, will be glad to do anything in their power for the comfort of these soldiers.

Please address the President, Mrs. Wm. J. Ethell, 2123 18th St., N. W., Washington, D. C., Telephone North 1345J.



##### Luncheons Discontinued.

For the present the monthly luncheons of Chapter BL, Sacramento, California, are discontinued.



## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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

MISS MINNIE J. NIELSON, a member of Chapter A, Valley City, North Dakota, and the first woman to be initiated into P. E. O. in North Dakota, had the degree L. L. D. conferred upon her on June 18, by recommendation of the president of Fargo College. These are the reasons President Howard gave to the trustees for recommending the conferring of the degree:

1. In recognition of women's work in the world war.

2. In recognition of the work women are doing for schools; of Miss Nielson's own constructive work in education and particularly in behalf of the rural schools.

3. In recognition of the women of the Congregational Church, to which church Fargo College owes its birth and with which the college hopes to come into a closer union and of which church Miss Nielson is a useful and honored member.

Personally I feel like taking off my hat whenever Miss Nielson's name is mentioned, because she has been a really heroic character as she has stood her ground in every line of advancement in her state. She was elected State Superintendent of public instruction in North Dakota, by a very large majority. Her right to the office was contested, without cause save that a man



wanted the position. She stood for her rights in the lower courts which sustained her. The case has been appealed by the opposition and has yet to pass the supreme court.

The North Dakota, P. E. O.s are justly proud to claim her.



IN THE ROLL OF HONOR in the June Record by an error Miss Hazel Nielson was spoken of as from Valley City, South Dakota, instead of North Dakota. That is pretty nearly as bad as to confuse Minneapolis and St. Paul—it starts something.



NOW THAT THE STATE CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES are being elected, we are giving the first notice, which will be repeated "anon if not oftener" as Samantha says, that it is one of her chief duties in her relation to the Record to furnish a correct list of past state presidents of her state to the Record for use in the May issue. Notwithstanding that this was made one of the duties of the state corresponding secretary some six years ago, the lists have been sent by only one or two officers and some are incorrect in consequence. The name of Mrs. Margaret S. Rust, 111 Grove Ave., South Pasadena, Cal., should have appeared as the first past president of South Dakota. Mrs. Nellie B. Humphrey of Nickerson, Kansas should be listed among the past presidents of Kansas, and the name of Mrs. Ida S. Hocker, should appear in the Oklahoma list.



MISS SARAH E. FISK and Dr. Emma Hackett, two P. E. O.s, have established children's educative play rooms in New York. Miss Fisk, who is a graduate of the Teachers' College, Columbia University, is director and Dr. Hackett is secretary. The play rooms provide both indoor and out door activities, which instruct as well as entertain. The play rooms are near the Mall in Central park and here the out door play is conducted. The play rooms are stocked with tools and equipment for various forms of hand work. The whole plan is scientific and altogether delightful for the children.

MRS. ETHEL N. SYLVESTER, a member of Chapter E, Iowa City, has been for months at Camp Grant with her husband, Capt. R. H. Sylvester, where they have charge of the reconstruction and re-educational work for the wounded soldiers. In civil life Capt. Sylvester was director of the psyscological clinic for Iowa. For some time at Camp Grant he was chief examiner, but is now in charge of this splendid reconstruction work. The plan of organization is like a university with various colleges offering many courses of study with Capt. Sylvester as chief educational officer.



THE ONE ACT PLAY, "\$100,000 In 1919," which was written by Mrs. Orr and staged at the Iowa Convention, is, we are told, to be sold by Mrs. Viola R. Whittlesey, Hollywood, California, chairman of the educational fund trustees, for the benefit of the fund. It was a very charming playlet as given at Sioux City and could be effectively used as a parlor entertainment.



THAT NEARLY ALL STATES report at their state convention that the quota of one dollar per capita has been given, indicates that the slogan of "\$100,000 in 1919" is to be fulfilled. Those states who fail to make up their quota should there be any, are going to feel very humble when the roll is called at the supreme convention in Denver. Every P. E. O. ought to read at least that part of all convention reports, that she may be informed not only as to the standing of her own state, but as to what others have done.



INSPIRED BY THE GRAND CHAPTER CONVENTION, Mrs. Mabel Duree, state treasurer, reports that the following Iowa chapters have already made up their Educational Fund deficit and have come up to their quota of one dollar per member for the past three years: DK, Cedar Rapids, \$73; AC, Hampton, \$34.50; BI, Sac City, \$31 in cash and a \$50 Liberty Bond; DS, Odebolt, \$9.72. This is a fine showing for these chapters and there is little doubt felt but that all chapters in Iowa and else where will make good their pledge to the Colorado slogan.



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ILLINOIS.



O McLeansboro, Jan. 4, '06  
P Chicago, May 19, '06  
R Peoria, Dec. 3, '06  
S Maywood, May 17, '07  
T Kirkwood, Sept. 27, '07  
U Hamilton, Oct. 19, '08  
V Rockford, Nov. 18, '08  
W Galesburg, Mar. 18, '09  
X Bushnell, June 1, '09  
Y Havana, Apr. 22, '10  
Z Harrisburg, Mar. 10, '11  
AA Christopher, Mar. 11, '11  
AB Carlinville, Mar. 14, '11  
AC Dixon, Apr. 22, '11  
AD Chicago, Feb. 8, '12  
AE Farmington, Mar. 7, '12  
AF Chicago, Jan. 6, '13  
AG Keokuk, Mar. 16, '14  
AH Peoria, Mar. 18, '14  
AI Chicago, Apr. 7, '14  
AJ Bridgeport, Apr. 14, '14  
AK Gillespie, Apr. 25, '14  
AL Rushville, Mar. 20, '15  
AM Knoxville, Oct. 1, '15  
AN Galesburg, Mar. 4, '16  
AO Elmwood, Apr. 13, '16  
AP Waukegan, May 19, '16  
AQ Augusta, Sept. 23, '16  
AR Urbana, Nov. 7, '17  
AS Pekin, Nov. 19, '17  
AT Lawrenceville, Nov. 21, '17  
AU Glen Ellyn, Mar. 21, '18  
AV Berwyn, Mar. 22, '18  
AW Birm'gton, Mar. 23, '18  
AX Chicago, Apr. 1, '18  
AY Chicago, Apr. 5, '18  
AZ Evanston, Jan. 28, '19  
BA Joliet, Apr. 10, '19  
BB Abingdon, Apr. 19, '19

#### KANSAS.

A Meade, Mar. 5, '88  
C Lyons, Dec. 21, '91  
D Hutchinson, May 7, '94  
F Pratt, July 13, '90  
H Council Grove, Jul. 8, '93  
I Wichita, Jan. 11, '94  
J Atchison, Apr. 6, '94  
K Beloit, May 4, '94  
L Iola, June 6, '95  
M Ellsworth, Apr. 17, '96  
N Fredonia, Apr. 19, '96  
P Holton, May 8, '97  
Q Nickerson, Dec. 9, '97  
R Howard, Dec. 11, '97  
S Hutchinson, May 25, '98  
T Neodesha, Apr. 28, '99  
U St. Francis, June 3, '99  
V Columbus, Dec. 30, '99  
W Sterling, May 26, '10  
X Garden City, June 18, '10  
Y Garnett, June 24, '10  
Z Goodland, Nov. 10, '10  
AA Norton, Nov. 12, '10  
AB Galena, Feb. 3, '11  
AC St. John, Mar. 2, '11  
AD Leavenworth, Apr. 22, '11  
AE Smith Cent'r, Apr. 26, '11  
AF Augusta, Nov. 9, '11  
AG Newton, Jan. 20, '12  
AH Greensburg, Mar. 8, '12  
AI Syracuse, Mar. 26, '12  
AJ Topeka, June 3, '12  
AK Halstead, Oct. 15, '12  
AL Kansas City, Jan. 4, '13  
AM Humboldt, July 9, '13  
AN Washington, Feb. 11, '14  
AO Concordia, Mar. 5, '14  
AP Liberal, Oct. 22, '14  
AQ Pittsburg, Mar. 1, '15  
AR Junction Cy, Apr. 5, '15  
AS Clay Center, May 3, '15  
AT Tonganoxie, May 7, '15  
AU Ottawa, Jan. 17, '16  
AV Clyde, Dec. 1, '16  
AW Scott City, Feb. 19, '17  
AX Atwood, Apr. 12, '17  
AY McPherson, June 2, '17  
AZ Lawrence, July 7, '17  
FA Ashland, Apr. 30, '18  
BB Marysville, Apr. 30, '19  
BC Kansas City, May 6, '19

#### CALIFORNIA.

B Escondido, Oct. 29, '90  
C Los Angeles, Aug. 20, '92  
D Los Angeles, Mar. 5, '95  
E Los Angeles, June 17, '93  
F Pasadena, Aug. 25, '93  
G Long Beach, Nov. 7, '93  
H Redondo, Dec. 12, '93  
I Los Angeles, June 20, '94  
J Riverside, Aug. 8, '94

K San Diego, Dec. 21, '04  
L Glendale, Mar. 11, '05  
M Monrovia, Mar. 25, '05  
N Alhambra, Oct. 2, '05  
O Pomona, Jan. 6, '06  
P Santa Monica, Mar. 21, '07  
Q Orange, Mar. 30, '07  
R Palo Alto, Apr. 6, '07  
S Burbank, Sept. 8, '08  
T Whittier, Dec. 7, '08  
U Los Angeles, Feb. 17, '09  
X Los Angeles, Mar. 4, '09  
Y Fullerton, Mar. 6, '09  
Z Pasadena, May 29, '09  
AA Pasadena, Jan. 12, '10  
AB Santa Ana, Mar. 5, '10  
AC S. Barbara, Mar. 26, '10  
AD Los Angeles, Apr. 2, '10  
AE San Jacinto, May 10, '11  
AF Long Beach, Mar. 23, '11  
AG Hollywood, July 25, '11  
AH Tropic, Jan. 19, '12  
AI San Jose, Feb. 20, '12  
AJ Sebastopol, Feb. 22, '12  
AK Los Angeles, Mar. 19, '12  
AL S'n Francisco, Apr. 18, '13  
AM Van Nuys, May 3, '12  
AN Los Angeles, June 26, '12  
AP Berkeley, Mar. 31, '14  
AQ Santa Clara, Apr. 1, '14  
AR San Diego, Apr. 9, '14  
AS Hemet, May 12, '14  
AT Los Angeles, May 14, '14  
AU Pasadena, Mar. 20, '15  
AV El Centro, Apr. 15, '15  
AW Long B'ch, June 21, '15  
AX S. Pasadena, June 24, '15  
AY Glendora, July 22, '15  
AZ Inglewood, Oct. 8, '15  
BA Glendale, Mar. 11, '16  
BB Claremont, Mar. 18, '16  
BC Long Beach, Mar. 24, '16  
BD Long Beach, Mar. 29, '16  
BE Pasadena, May 26, '16  
BF Oakland, Nov. 18, '16  
BG Livermore, Nov. 25, '16  
BH Modesto, Nov. 28, '16  
BI Monrovia, Apr. 12, '17  
BJ Whittier, Apr. 16, '17  
BK Oakland, Apr. 21, '17  
BL Sacramento, Apr. 24, '17  
BM Santa Clara, Apr. 26, '17  
BN Hollywood, Aug. 2, '17  
BO Westwood, Jan. 4, '18  
BP Anaheim, Apr. 14, '19  
BQ Los Angeles, May 3, '19

#### WASHINGTON.

A Seattle, Feb. 22, '93  
B Shelton, Jan. 9, '97  
C Tacoma, June 13, '98  
D Sedro Woolley, Sep. 23, '93  
E Spokane, Feb. 9, '04  
F Bellingham, Mar. 14, '04  
G Seattle, Mar. 16, '04  
H Mt. Vernon, Dec. 1, '04  
I Arlington, Apr. 13, '05  
J Blaine, Sept. 12, '05  
K Prosser, Mar. 26, '06  
L Sunnyside, Mar. 27, '06  
M Spokane, Mar. 30, '06  
N Davenport, Feb. 22, '07  
O Newport, Apr. 27, '08  
P North Yakima, May 15, '08  
Q Everett, Feb. 8, '10  
R Spokane, Feb. 26, '10  
S Pullman, May 23, '10  
T Hoquiam, Jan. 31, '11  
U Montesano, Jan. 31, '11  
V Seattle, Feb. 15, '11  
W Anacortes, May 2, '11  
X Centralia, Nov. 25, '12  
Y Olympia, Apr. 25, '13  
Z Waterville, Feb. 13, '15  
AA Roslyn, Feb. 13, '15  
AB Bellingham, Mar. 3, '15  
AC Seattle, Apr. 22, '15  
AD Walla Walla, Mar. 6, '16  
AE Palouse, Oct. 13, '16  
AF Calfax, Mar. 9, '17  
AG Herrington, May 25, '17  
AH Bremerton, Nov. 15, '17  
AI Spokane, June 3, '18

#### OKLAHOMA.

A Okene, Dec. 16, '03  
B Muskogee, Nov. 22, '05  
C Alva, May 23, '06  
D Edmund, May 26, '06  
E Okla. City, Feb. 20, '07  
F Geary, Feb. 21, '07  
G Sapulpa, June 21, '07  
H Pawnee, Jan. 14, '09  
I Lawton, Jan. 15, '09

J Vinita, Dec. 21, '04  
K Altus, Mar. 11, '05  
L El Reno, Mar. 25, '05  
M Tulsa, Oct. 2, '05  
N Hollis, Jan. 6, '06  
O Pawhuska, Mar. 21, '07  
P Enid, Mar. 30, '07  
Q Waynoka, Apr. 6, '07  
R Tonkawa, Mar. 27, '11  
S Eufaula, Dec. 9, '11  
T Stillwater, Dec. 9, '11  
U Okla. City, Jan. 6, '12  
V Tecumseh, June 19, '12  
W Collinsville, Nov. 16, '12  
X Kingfisher, Apr. 22, '13  
Y Okmulgee, Apr. 23, '13  
Z Woodward, Mar. 7, '14  
AA Blackwell, Mar. 9, '15  
AB Okla. City, Apr. 9, '15  
AC Guthrie, Apr. 12, '15  
AD El Reno, Apr. 24, '16  
AE El Reno, May 22, '16  
AF Prague, Apr. 4, '17  
AG Skiatook, Apr. 19, '17  
AH Okla. City, Apr. 19, '17  
AI Miami, Aug. 5, '17  
AJ Alva, Jan. 14, '18  
AL Alva, Apr. 16, '19

#### OREGON.

A Portland, Aug. 12, '05  
B Portland, June 13, '08  
C Forest Grove, June 7, '11  
D Portland, Aug. 21, '11  
E Portland, Aug. 23, '11  
F Salem, Sept. 5, '11  
G Eugene, Apr. 11, '13  
H Eugene, Sept. 2, '13  
I La Grande, May 20, '14  
J Woodburn, Dec. 1, '14  
K Vale, Mar. 18, '15  
L Newberg, May 19, '15  
M Portland, Oct. 28, '16  
N Portland, Feb. 22, '16  
O Albany, Mar. 4, '16  
P Oregon City, Apr. 15, '16  
Q The Dalles, Dec. 5, '16  
R Enterprise, Jan. 13, '17  
S Corvallis, May 7, '19  
T Clatskanie, May 26, '19  
U Klamath Falls, May 26, '19  
V Lebanon, May 26, '19

#### MINNESOTA.

A Minneapolis, Dec. 12, '01  
B Breckenridge, Mar. 28, '06  
C Pipestone, Apr. 3, '07  
D Minneapolis, Apr. 4, '10  
E Minneapolis, Apr. 5, '10  
F Sauk Rapids, Aug. 16, '11  
G North, Mar. 8, '12  
H St. Paul, Apr. 12, '12  
I Windom, Oct. 31, '14  
J St. Paul, Apr. 2, '15  
K St. Paul, Apr. 3, '15  
L Minneapolis, Mar. 15, '16  
M Fergus Falls, Mar. 15, '16  
N Northfield, May 3, '17  
O Moorhead, May 20, '18

#### NORTH DAKOTA.

A Valley City, Mar. 29, '06  
B Dickinson, Oct. 16, '06  
C Beach, Jan. 10, '13  
D Grand Forks, Apr. 7, '13  
E Fargo, Feb. 19, '14  
F Bismarck, Feb. 24, '14  
G Minot, Feb. 25, '14  
H Mandan, Oct. 20, '15

#### IDAHO.

A Boise, Apr. 2, '04  
B Blackfoot, Oct. 9, '04  
C Payette, Oct. 9, '06  
D Twin Falls, May 4, '08  
E Jerome, Aug. 24, '10  
F Caldwell, Sept. 3, '10  
G Gooding, Nov. 3, '15  
H Boise, Feb. 22, '16  
I Emmett, Feb. 22, '16  
J Burley, Mar. 7, '16  
K Pocatello, Apr. 17, '16  
L St. Anthony, Feb. 26, '17  
M Kellogg, Apr. 12, '19  
N Nampa, May 3, '19  
O Moscow, May 10, '19

#### SOUTH DAKOTA.

A Elk Point, Apr. 26, '05  
B Aberdeen, Apr. 27, '05  
C We'ge'n Spgs., Oct. 18, '06  
D Vermillion, Feb. 4, '09  
E Huron, Oct. 26, '11  
F Woonsocket, Jan. 4, '13  
G Mobridge, Jan. 7, '12  
H Sioux Falls, Oct. 23, '16  
J Mitchell, Oct. 24, '16

B Beaver Dam, May 11, '11  
C Superior, July 3, '11  
D Milwaukee, Sept. 21, '17  
E Beaver Dam, Sept. 21, '17  
F Stevens Point, Sept. 25, '17  
G Manitowoc, Apr. 3, '18  
H Fond du Lac, Mar. 12, '19

#### Subordinate to Supreme Chapter.

#### INDIANA.

A Thorntown, Mar. 26, '86  
B Knox, Sept. 14, '98  
C Kokomo, Aug. 13, '08  
D Lafayette, Feb. 6, '16

#### TEXAS.

A Whitesboro, Sept. 4, '02  
B Amarillo, June 20, '07  
C Hondo, Apr. 1, '08

#### UTAH.

A Salt Lake City, Jan. 15, '90

#### MICHIGAN.

A Detroit, Oct. 8, '90  
B Detroit, Feb. 20, '03  
C Otsego, Dec. 7, '09  
D Detroit, Nov. 9, '10  
E Detroit, Jan. 20, '15  
F Highland Pk., Jan. 22, '15  
G Ann Arbor, May 8, '19  
H Milan, May 9, '19

#### DIST. OF COLUMBIA.

A Washington, May 29, '00  
B Washington, May 21, '02  
C Washington, May 22, '06  
D Washington, Apr. 16, '14  
E Washington, May 26, '19

#### NEW YORK.

A Highland, Mar. 8, '99  
B New'rkvall'y, Nov. 13, '08  
C New York, May 22, '11  
D Ravena, May 29, '11  
E Buffalo, Sept. 23, '11

#### PENNSYLVANIA.

A New Castle, Oct. 27, '02  
B Pittsburgh, Mar. 30, '12

#### ARKANSAS.

A Eureka Spgs. Feb. 15, '92  
B DeQueen, Apr. 7, '15  
C Little Rock, Apr. 8, '15

#### WYOMING.

A Rawlins, Mar. 23, '06  
B Sheridan, Feb. 13, '07  
C Cheyenne, July 5, '09  
D Cody, Aug. 4, '09  
E Laramie, Jan. 30, '14  
F Greybull, Mar. 28, '18  
G Casper, Sept. 12, '18

#### NEW MEXICO.

A Carlsbad, Jan. 22, '09  
B Roswell, Apr. 22, '10  
C Gallup, July 3, '13  
D Tucuman, Feb. 2, '17

#### MONTANA.

A Glendive, Apr. 25, '10  
B Laurel, May 19, '15  
C Kailspell, May 21, '15  
D Whitefish, Aug. 18, '15  
E Billings, Oct. 12, '16

#### OHIO.

A Loveland, June 3, '11  
B Toledo, May 22, '18

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

A Vancouver, Aug. 28, '11  
B New W'mins'r, Jn. 20, '12  
C Vancouver, Feb. 1, '17

#### ARIZONA.

A Phoenix, June 10, '12  
B Tucson, Nov. 17, '14

#### WEST VIRGINIA.

A Elko, Oct. 7, '16  
B Buckhannon, June 29, '15  
C Morgantown, June 2, '19

#### NEVADA.

B Reno, Feb. 20, '17

#### NEW JERSEY.

A Newark, May 19, '17