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Program of Twenty-Fourth Biennial Convention Supreme Chapter P. E. O.



El Jebel Temple, Denver, Colorado, September 30,
October 1, 2, 3, 1919

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th.

Meeting of the Executive Board.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th.

2:30 P. M.—Enrollment of members of convention.

8:00 P. M.—Open meeting.

Processional.

Song: "America, the Beautiful."

Address of Welcome:

For Denver—Mrs. Belle M. Musser,
Chairman Central Committee.

For Colorado—Mrs. Florence B. Loomis,
State President, Colo. Grand Chapter.

Response—Mrs. Helen Townsend, First
Vice-President.

Address: "Fifty Years of P. E. O."—Mrs.
Frances Rhodes Elliot, one of the Original
Seven.

Address: "Our Golden Jubilee"—Mrs.
Helen M. Drake, Past President, Supreme
Chapter.

Address: "Consider the Lilies"—Mrs.
Alice Bird Babb, one of the Original
Seven.

Pageant celebrating our Fiftieth Anniversary.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1st.

8:45 A. M.—Convention called to order.

Devotional exercises.

Report of credential committee.

Formal opening of convention.

Minutes of last convention.

Introduction of guests of honor and officers.

Roll call.

Report of dispensations committee.

Presentation of charters:

To Subordinate Chapters—Mrs. Emma
McCaw, Past State President of Oregon
Chapter.

To State Chapters—Mrs. Alice Scott,
Organizer, Supreme Chapter.

Report of Supreme officers.

Summary of War Work—Mrs. Helen Town-
send.

Report of Record Trustees—Mrs. Alice
Scoville Miller, Chairman Board of Trus-
tees.

Report of Editor of Record—Mrs. Winona
Evans Reeves.

Report of Educational Fund—Mrs. Viola
Whittlesey, Chairman of Board.

11:30 A. M.—Adjournment for committee
meetings.

12:00 M.—Luncheon.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:00 P. M.—Convention called to order.

Music.

Minutes of Previous Session.

Revision of constitution.

4:30 P. M.—Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

- 7:30 P. M.—Convene.
 Minutes of previous session.
 Music.
 Address.
 Two-Minute Talks, by State Presidents—
 Led by Mrs. Lucy Englebeck: "Iowa's
 Ambition for P. E. O."
 Exempification of Ritual.
 9:30 P. M.—Adjournment.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2.

- 8:45 A. M.—Convene.
 Devotionals.
 Minutes of previous session.
 Music.
 Revision, continued.
 11:30—Adjournment.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

- 1:45 P. M.—Convene.
 Minutes.
 Revision, continued.
 3:30 P. M.—Adjourn for auto ride and picnic
 dinner on Lookout Mountain.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

- 8:00 P. M.—Convene.
 Music.
 Address.
 Three-Minute Talks by Past Supreme Pres-
 idents: "P. E. O. in My Time."
 Memorial Hour. In memory of all sisters
 in P. E. O.:
 For Original Three—Mrs. Mary Stafford,
 one of Original Seven.
 For the Sisterhood—Mrs. Louie Abrams,
 Second Vice-President.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3.

- 8:45 A. M.—Convene.
 Minutes.
 Revision. Completed.
 2:00 P. M.—Convene.
 Minutes.
 Election of officers.
 Miscellaneous business.
 Installation.
 Final reading of Minutes.
 Closing ode.
 Adjournment.

SUPREME CONVENTION NOTICES

Will the delegates please take note of the following suggestions:

Since nearly all through trains arrive during the morning hours, you will have ample time to get settled and registered before the first meeting Tuesday night. It is desirable that every one be on time for the opening session, and be prompt in attendance at every session. If you will carry out the instructions given by the entertaining chapters, it will greatly facilitate matters. Have all your baggage plainly marked. The delegates from chapters subordinate to the Supreme chapter will please send to Mrs. Lela Weber, Waynoka, Okla., before Sept. 10th: (1) Copy of local by-laws, written on official blank; (2) local chapter reports for March, 1918, and March, 1919, from both corresponding secretary and treasurer. Bring to convention (1) credentials signed by the president and recording secretary of your local chapter; (2) copy of the constitution; (3) copy of 1917 Record, January number, containing the minutes of the last convention.

Delegates from state grand chapter will bring (1) credentials signed by their state president and state recording secretary; (2) copy of the constitution and the minutes of the 1917 convention.

State presidents will bring (1) credentials, (2) annual reports for 1918-1919, (3) state by-laws, (4) copy of constitution, (5) minutes of 1917 convention.

State presidents and subordinate chapter presidents please remember that all additional contributions to the Educational Fund which are to be reported at this convention must be sent to Mrs. Bertha C. Hughes, treasurer of Educational Fund, by September 15th.

The program which follows is not complete in every detail, due to difficulties of correspondence during vacation time. It will serve to indicate, however, the amount of time which must be devoted to the interesting and essential work of revision. Every effort is being put forth to make this an enjoyable, epoch-making and memorable gathering.

MARGARET DURWARD.

TO DELEGATES AND MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION OF SUPREME CHAPTER, P. E. O.

A reception committee will meet trains at the Union Station in Denver. Owing to the large number of trains coming into Denver, and the present crowded conditions of things in general, notice of time of arrival will be much appreciated and may avoid delays.

Arrangements have been made whereby delegates may have suitcases transferred for 25c, trunks for 50c. In order to secure these rates, delegates must hand their checks to the reception committee meeting them at the station in Denver. Do not give checks to transfer agents on the train.

Delegates will be entertained at the hotels. Lunch and dinner will be served at the Albany Hotel.

Past Supreme presidents and past state presidents coming to convention will please notify committee, that proper arrangements may be made. Present reports not satisfactory. Address all communications to Mrs. Belle M. Musser, the chairman of the central committee, 312 17th street, room 19, Denver, Colo.

Inquiries of visitors will be promptly answered. Regular rates are charged by all hotels. Visitors desiring accommodations would better secure them in advance.



REPORT OF COLORADO GRAND CHAPTER, P. E. O.

By Maude Boggs.

In the beautiful little city of Rocky Ford, in the Elks hall of that city, was held the seventeenth annual convention of Colorado Grand Chapter, P. E. O., on June 10, 11 and 12. Chapters R, Rocky Ford, and W, La Junta, were the gracious hostesses, and nothing was left undone to make this meeting of the State Grand Chapter the most successful and pleasing assembly possible. This proved to be the largest convention in the history of Colorado P. E. O., and these chapters and their respective cities are to be congratulated upon the success of this convention. Colorado Grand Chapter extends its sincere thanks to these sisters and to

these cities for their gracious hospitality. The homes of Rocky Ford were thrown open to the delegates and everything done for their pleasure and comfort, while the business houses and streets of both cities were attractively and artistically decorated in honor of P. E. O.

At nine-thirty on Tuesday morning was held the meeting of the Executive Board and to their capable guidance and foresight is due much of the success of the convention. The President, Mrs. Mary Keeler Foster, of Chapter L, Loveland, was in the chair and presided over all sessions. She was ably assisted by Mrs. Stella M. Magill, Chapter AQ, First Vice-President, Mrs. Myrtle C. Woods, Chapter V, Second Vice-President. Mrs. Florence B. Loomis, Chapter A, Denver, Organizer, Mrs. Vassie B. Shafer, Chapter AK, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Effie B. Reinert, Chapter S, Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. Jessie G. Charles, Chapter U, Treasurer.

Enrollment of delegates took place in the afternoon, until convention was called to order at four-thirty. Following the appointment and report of guards, the devotionals were conducted in a beautiful and impressive manner by Mrs. Vassie Ballard Shafer, state recording secretary, after which the formal opening of the Seventeenth Annual Convention of Colorado Grand Chapter P. E. O., was declared by the president, Mrs. Mary Keeler Foster. Only the routine work was taken up at this time, after which convention adjourned until eight P. M., and the delegates taken to their respective places of entertainment.

Tuesday evening at the open session a most entertaining program was given, the convention hall being filled with the friends from both Rocky Ford and La Junta. The musical talent of the cities, including a splendid orchestra assisted in the music of the evening and all of the numbers were greatly enjoyed. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Jennie Elser Rex, President of Chapter R, and after her cordial words of greeting the entire delegation felt that truly we were welcomed by these cities and chapters. Mrs. Jessie G. Charles, Treasurer of Colorado Grand Chapter, gave the response, in which she reminded us that love, the keynote of our Sisterhood, should rule convention, and that insofar as we ex-

emplify the teachings of our guiding star, so far will our Sisterhood be held in our respective communities.

With a review of the wonderful growth of P. E. O., how from a band of seven, this wonderful organization had invaded almost every state in the union, and even Canada, Mrs. Foster introduced the guests of honor and State officers. We were most happy that our first guest of honor should be our own beloved Supreme President, Miss Margaret Durward, of Ft. Collins. Miss Durward responded in her usual able and clever manner, adding to Mrs. Foster's thought, regarding the growth of P. E. O., by reminding our visitors of the evening that this Sisterhood is the largest organization of women, independent of men's organization, in existence. The other guests of honor were past president, Mrs. Belle M. Musser, of Denver; Mrs. Ida M. Campbell, of Boulder, and Mrs. Edith K. Cuning, of Las Animas, and the state officers, as previously named.

The address of the evening was given by Mrs. Ida M. Campbell, on the subject of "Our Educational Fund" and was most instructive as well as entertaining. Mrs. Campbell explained the purpose of the fund and the method of making the loans, as well as giving a short history of the fund, emphasizing the fact that it is in no way charity. The first loan was made in May, 1908, and in the eleven years since, 304 girls have been helped to gain their education by this Fund. She very beautifully likened our Educational Fund for girls to a building fund for a community house. We only regret we cannot include the entire address in our report. Mrs. Campbell emphasized the thought that P. E. O. has failed in nothing and we do not helpede to gain their education by this fund. and our Sisterhood as a failure, and urged that we exemplify the principles of P. E. O. by the manner in which we maintain this Fund. The program of the evening was interspersed with excellent music and the reading of an allegory, "The Gift," by Mrs. Charlotte Baylis, of Chapter AQ.

Following the usual devotionals and formal ception was enjoyed, and delightful refreshments served.

The actual work of convention was begun with enthusiasm on Wednesday morning. Following the usual devotionals and formal

opening of convention, the committees having been appointed Tuesday afternoon, the credentials committee reported 96 delegates, including past presidents and officers, entitled to a seat and vote in convention.

The state officers' reports were then heard at which time the first vice-president, Mrs. Stella M. Magill, took the chair and the president, Mrs. Foster, read her report. As is usual with Mrs. Foster, her report contained many excellent things, but one fact set forth therein that will be of interest to our Sisterhood at large is the wonderful work that the chapters of Denver are doing toward the entertainment of Supreme Chapter to be held in Denver in October. These seven chapters are giving \$15.00 per capita into this Supreme fund, in addition to the other work they are doing for the success of the convention and the pleasure of the delegates this Fall. Certainly Denver is to be congratulated upon her great effort toward this end.

The report of Mrs. Stella M. Magill, first vice-president, was then read. This office, carrying with it the responsibility of our Reciprocity Bureau, Mrs. Magill reported that during the year thirty-two papers had been supplied. Nine new papers have been added during the past twelve months, one of which is a clever B. I. L. Initiation, furnished by Chapter L, of Loveland.

The annual report of Mrs. Myrtle C. Woods, second vice-president, was read. This office has the interests of our Educational Fund as its object, and Mrs. Woods gave a report of the donations to this great fund.

The report of the state organizer was of especial interest to the convention. Our organizer, Mrs. Florence B. Loomis, reported having written 350 letters, and that, owing to the influenza her year's work did not actually begin until January first, and not until February 18th, was she able to begin her tour of inspection. She suggested that standing rules No. 1 and 8 be more fully observed by the local chapters. These rules are:

1. Three extra blanks for reporting officers shall be sent to the local corresponding secretary. The local corresponding secretary shall send to organizer, first vice-

president and second vice-president, a report of election of officers not later than March 15th.

8. Each chapter shall send a copy of its year book to the state president, first vice-president and organizer.

Mrs. Loomis organized four new chapters and inspected twenty-eight chapters—an excellent record when considering the fact that her work was delayed until the first of January. She reported fifty-two chapters and one thousand two hundred and eighty-eight members in Colorado.

Mrs. Vassie Ballard Shafer, recording secretary, then read a very interesting report, like its predecessors, was duly accepted.

Mrs. Effie B. Reinert, state corresponding secretary, reminded the convention that our supreme corresponding secretary is asking for more prompt action on the part of our local corresponding secretaries. We are sure that these officers will be glad to comply with Mrs. Weber's very reasonable request. Mrs. Reniert reported one thousand and ninety-six active members in 1918, with twenty-six chapter members added since that date, one hundred and nine initiated during 1918-9, twenty-five received by dimit and fifteen reinstated, making a total of one thousand two hundred and seventy-one active members during the year. She also reported the granting of thirty-three dimit, ten deaths, and thirty-two inactive members, leaving a total of active members March 1, 1919, as one thousand one hundred and ninety-six and two hundred and seventy-seven inactive members. She reported that sixteen chapters had no inactive members on their roll and that Colorado had no disbanded chapters.

Mrs. Jessie G. Charles, state treasurer, submitted her report, which is always of much interest to convention. She reported contributions and earnings of \$1,139.20 in Colorado's convention fund for entertaining Supreme in the fall. Also that Chapter V, Monte Vista, had contributed \$100 to the Educational Fund. Colorado Grand Chapter contributed \$1,003.35 to the Educational Fund during the year.

We should like to publish this report in full, but we would be crowding space in our Record, so that we are sure Mrs.

Charles will be glad to send he report to any chapter who might be sufficiently interested to send for it.

Following the above mentioned report Miss Emma Groom, of Chapter N, Grand Junction, gave a very pleasing paper on "Mental Economy."

Miss Durward, Supreme President then gave a detailed, and most interesting report of the revision committee. Many helpful suggestions have been made by this committee which are of much interest to every chapter, but inasmuch as Miss Durward visited practically all of the state conventions, each one has undoubtedly heard this report from Miss Durward, herself, hence we do not incorporate it in this report.

This was followed by the hour devoted to "Our Service Flag," beautifully and ably conducted by Mrs. Belle M. Musser, past state president. The convention arose while "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" was sung by Mrs. Jessie Esch, the convention joining in the chorus, during which time our service flag was unfurled by Mrs. Edith K. Cuning, past state president. This was followed by two readings, by Mrs. Maude Weissner of Chapter A, Denver, "The Things that Make a Soldier Great," written by Edgar A. Guest, and "The Humble Spot Called Home."

Mrs. Musser then delivered a beautiful address, in which she reported that our service flag carried one hundred and seventy-five stars for the sons and husbands, only, of Colorado P. E. O. S. These represent majors, captains, many lieutenants, privates, sailors and aviators. Chapter H, of Boulder, has the largest number from any one chapter, having given nineteen of its sons and husbands to the service. Four gold stars paid their silent but loving tribute to four sons, from Chapters C, Colorado Springs; E, Denver; O, Golden and M, Longmont. Mrs. Musser also paid fitting tribute to our P. E. O. sisters who have given their service unstintingly to the great cause, reporting three nurses in the base hospitals and many other nurses, both overseas and on this side, and reported many stars for canteen workers. A beautiful poem entitled, "Hail and Farewell" was then read, during which, Mrs. Cuning covered the stars of our service flag with roses, in fit-

ting commemoration of the noble deeds of these beloved sons and husbands of Colorado P. E. O. The ceremony was concluded by Mrs. Wiesser who read, "The New Year," which was written by a Denver soldier, after the signing of the armistice.

Wednesday afternoon the chapter reports from A to M were given. Many helpful suggestions were contained in these reports, from the chapters.

Following the report of the dispensation committee, Mrs. Florence B. Loomis, state organizer, presented her four new chapters to the convention and their respective charters to the new chapters, and Colorado Grand Chapter welcomed chapters AW, Denver; AY, Burlington; AX, Telluride and AZ, Fort Lupton. Mrs. Loomis closed her remarks with an admonition which would be well for older chapters as well as new, to observe and this was, "Let the mantle of love and charity cover your chapter room."

The presidents of these new chapters each responded in a happy and fitting manner, and at the close of their responses, although their chapters were but a few weeks or days old, chapters AY, AX and AZ each presented a check of \$5.00 to the Educational Fund. Mrs. Loomis was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers from her "Denver girls."

Following the singing of "America" the guards presented a large collection of roses to both Mrs. Foster, state president, and Miss Durward, Supreme presidentt, given by the B. I. Ls of Rocky Ford and La Junta.

Mrs. Stella Mehaffie Magill, first vice-president, then delivered a most excellent address on "The New Patriotism." This paper will appear later in the Record.

Miss Butler gave a very pleasing reading, followed by the report of local by-laws committee. Chapter reports were continued, followed by the caucus for electing delegates to supreme convention.

The Memorial Hour was conducted by Mrs. Myrtle Clark Woods, second vice-president. This was a beautiful service, in which loving tribute was paid to twelve P. E. O. sisters, who had passed on during the year. Following the ode, sung by the convention, Mrs. Woods read the Scripture lesson of the hour, which was followed by

prayer, and the beautiful duet, "Crossing the Bar" followed the "Tribute to Departed Sisters" read by Mrs. Mary Isabel Bushinger, of Chapter V. Mrs. Lord Ferguson, of Loveland, gave a reading from Dickens, "A Child's Dream of a Star," followed by the quartet, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." "In Memoriam" was read by Mrs. Woods, and following the solo, "Just as I Am," sung by Mrs. Jessie W. Esch of Chapter AG, Denver, the service was concluded by singing the closing ode, by the convention.

Wednesday evening's session was opened with a beautiful solo by Mrs. Pearl R. Brown of Rocky Ford. The exemplification of model meeting and ritual was given by Chapter W, La Junta. This was exceptionally well done, as it was presided over by the capable and dignified president, Mrs. Winterburn. Many comments of praise given this chapter for its excellent work. Mrs. Foster allowed a few minutes for discussion and questions relative to the work given, after which two papers were read, "Our Objects and Aims," by Miss Maude Boggs, of Chapter AA, Wray, and "Blazing The Trail," by Mrs. Elizabeth Olgilvie Croft, of Chapter E, Denver, who was Colorado's first state organizer. Both of these papers were drafted for our reciprocity bureau by Mrs. Magill, first vice-president. Mrs. Ferguson of Loveland, gave a pleasing reading after which correspondence and greetings were read.

Thursday morning's session was, aside from a few business matters, devoted to "Refracted Rays of Supreme Convention." Those who presented these "Refracted Rays" were Mrs. Edith K. Cuning, past president, Miss Mayme Harris, Chapter G, Mrs. Laura Davis, Chapter AU, and Mrs. Maude R. Barton of Chapter AW. We are not going to recount the many pleasant things which Denver is planning for supreme convention, but leave that to be a happy surprise to those who will be fortunate enough to visit Denver on that occasion.

Following a beautiful piano solo, by Mrs. Effie B. Reinert, and the reports of committees, the chapter reports were concluded, and Mrs. Loomis gave the exemplification of the secret work.

Thursday afternoon was devoted to the closing of business of convention, the final

reports of committees were heard and accepted and recommendations passed upon, and adopted as set forth in notes following this report. Unfinished and miscellaneous business was followed by a pleasing reading, delivered by Mrs. Elvyra T. Nelson, of Ordway, and greetings were read from Miss Mary Osmond, and from Mrs. Viola Whitteley, past president of Colorado Grand Chapter, who is now living in Hollywood, California, and who had not missed a convention in the history of Colorado Grand Chapter until this year.

During the election of officers, the question box was answered by Miss Durward, and from these questions many interesting and beneficial discussions arose. The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. Florence B. Loomis, A, Denver; first vice-president, Mrs. Myrtle Clark Woods, V, Monte Vista; second vice-president, Mrs. Effie Behm Reinert, S, Fort Morgan; organizer, Mrs. Stella Mehaffie Magill, AQ, Grand Junction; recording secretary, Mrs. Vassie Ballard Shafer, AK, Cripple Creek; corresponding secretary, Miss Maude Boggs, AA, Wray; and treasurer, Mrs. Jessie G. Charles, U, Windsor.

Following the ratification of delegates to supreme convention the officers elect were duly installed, and the Seventeenth Annual Convention of Colorado Grand Chapter, P. E. O. was formally adjourned.

A happy conclusion to this successful convention was the banquet held in La Junta by the entertaining chapters. At 6:45 P. M. the delegates re-assembled at convention hall, where they were met by a large number of automobiles, and given a most delightful ride which terminated at the M. E. church in La Junta, where a sumptuous five course banquet was served by the ladies of the M. E. Church of that city. Covers were laid for two hundred and twenty-five as the B. I. Ls of Rocky Ford and La Junta were in attendance. Mr. Winterburn of La Junta, the husband of the president of Chapter W, acted as toast master and filled this office in a most capable and clever manner. Numerous toasts were responded to by both P. E. O.s and B. I. Ls and all showed unusual talent and cleverness in this line.

CONVENTION NOTES

During the report of the revision committee, Miss Durward was interrupted by the guards announcing that three B. I. Ls were seeking admittance. The president ordered them to be admitted and a committee representing the B. I. Ls of Rocky Ford and La Junta marched down the aisle carrying a huge bouquet of beautiful peonies, artistically tied with yellow and white ribbons. The chairman made a short address, welcoming the state convention of the P. E. O. Sisterhood, to the cities of Rocky Ford and La Junta, and in words of praise for the sisterhood presented the bouquet to the convention. The president, Mrs. Foster, responded for the convention in her usual pleasing manner.

At the conclusion of her chapter report of Chapter E, Denver, the president presented to the state treasurer a check for \$115 for the Educational Fund, this in addition to the \$25 already contributed by that chapter during the year.

During the Thursday morning session, a committee of three, quietly chosen by the body of convention, presented on behalf of convention, a liberal silver offering to Mrs. Mary Keeler Foster, who had so ably filled the office of president during the trying year just passed, and as a token of love and esteem in which Mrs. Foster is held by all Colorado P. E. O.s.

The following recommendations of the officers were adopted by convention:

President:

1. That Colorado Grand Chapter levy an assessment of \$1.00 per active member, said assessment to be paid to state treasurer by September 20, 1919, state treasurer shall immediately turn the sum accruing thereby to the central committee of Denver, to be used in defraying part of the expenses of entertaining supreme.

2. That executive board be authorized at its first meeting to appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for expenses of state president during the year.

Organizer:

1. That a committee of two past presidents, state organizer and newly elected

organizer be appointed to group chapters in such a manner that the work of the organizer may be carried on with greater economy in both time and money.

2. If above recommendation carries, I recommend that standing rule number 2 be abolished.

(Standing rule number 2: "A chapter shall be inspected within twelve months after organization, and then placed in the geographical district.")

During the Thursday morning session the convention sent a gift to Miss Martha Farrier, past state president Colorado Grand Chapter, who had recently been seriously injured in an auto accident, and so was unable to attend convention. The state board presented a token to the president, Mrs. Foster, and the Elks of Rocky Ford, gave each member of convention a card with the picture of their beautiful hall in which convention was being held.



REPORT OF THE MINNESOTA CONVENTION

By Mrs. Emma Gossman.

The seventh annual convention of the Minnesota P. E. O. Sisterhood was held in St. Paul, May 8, 9 and 10. Chapter I was the entertaining chapter, and to its membership was due a most successful and helpful meeting. It can well be said of our thirteen old chapters and our two new chapters (O, Moorhead, and P, Red Wing) that there is a strong desire among them all to develop along the improvement path of our splendid Sisterhood; so, of course, it is a source of great delight to be present at the year's assembling.

The sessions were all held in the Palm rooms of the beautiful St. Paul Hotel, and every one of them was too short, so full were they of instruction and entertainment. We had for our inspiration Mrs. Grace Parks, past Supreme president, who had presided seven years before when Minnesota Grand Chapter was organized. Glad expressions were heard everywhere at having her back among us. We gave her a Minnesota P. E. O. engagement ring, hoping she will always keep faith with us.

Perhaps in no better way could I convey to you the real spirit of the convention than

to give to you the welcoming words by Mrs. Mabel Wallace, president of Chapter I, and the response to them by Mrs. Elizabeth Niles of Chapter M:

Address of Welcome.

It is most fitting that Chapter I greets you as the hostess of this Jubilee year of our Sisterhood.

Eight chapters in Minnesota were content to remain under the jurisdiction of Supreme Chapter until a little group of P. E. O. women in St. Paul knocked insistently at the door of Minnesota's P. E. O.s, not only pleading, but demanding admittance, and with the entrance of Chapter I, the question of Minnesota Grand Chapter was not only assured, but required. And it is fitting in these same rooms, where Chapter I was formed, with Mrs. Parks as the organizer, that after seven years we should greet Minnesota Grand Chapter, which has since doubled in size. The members of Chapter I are designated by the wearing of the marguerite, and are here at your bid. The delegates are designated by the seven little stars, emblematic of those seven years of growth, linking us to the larger star, which has culminated in fifty years of helpful activity. So Chapter I takes great pleasure in greeting you.

She welcomes you in a mood of thoughtfulness; she welcomes you in a mood of joyousness; he welcomes you in a mood of helpfulness; she welcomes you in a mood of playfulness.

The thoughtful mood we trust, may lead us all into ways of planning and executing that may meet the needs of P. E. O. for many years to come.

The joyous mood may spring from the deep sweet peace which we have not enjoyed in our conventions through the cycle of two years.

The helpful mood will bring to us an inspiration to take back to our chapters in the days to follow.

The playful mood is good for us all, since it often finds the little bridge which bears us over a turbulent stream.

We welcome you to your own capital city. We would give you its key. But we have been entering by the back door ourselves for the past week, and have not presumed to

ask for the front door key, since our boys are but lifting the latch.

But better than all the keys, is the open door, and that you will find in your own St. Paul of the Hills.

Your welcome is only surpassed by our joy in your coming. We are a city chapter, each separate member, with her varied community, social and church affiliations, bound together by the one tie of Sisterhood. We were thus deprived of the pleasure of having you in our homes, but we have hoped to place you in pleasant surroundings, although we know it lacks the home-like atmosphere for which we humbly apologize, placed somewhat as little Susie, who, upon inviting her playmate into the house, was met by the command of an over-tired mother "to get off that clean katchen floor with muddy shoes." They transferred themselves and dolls to the front veranda, where the visiting child remarked, "My mother never scolds me for coming in with muddy shoes." After a long pause, which indicated that no reply was forthcoming, Susie conciliated, "I wish I had a nice, dirty mother like yours, Katie."

We trust you will feel quite at home with us, for we have officially tried to take the part of a true hostess.

We are glad to have you come, and trust you will be happy with us. In the name of Chapter I, as its president, I welcome you.

Response, by Mrs. Elizabeth Niles:

We thank you for the kindly greetings and sincere hospitality so graciously extended, which serve to renew our mutual vows and our enthusiasm.

When the president of Chapter M asked me to respond to the welcome we have just listened to, she also told me of the sparkling wit and quaint humor of Mrs. Wallace, which left me wondering why she requested me to answer, unless she believes in the new definition of an expert: "An expert is an ordinary person away from home."

But as Mrs. Wallace has convinced us of our hearty welcome, and we do feel at home, we can't count on that.

We are all expecting the greatest good to come to us from this convention and trust we will devote our powers to things of abiding worth.

Our hearts are thankful and so much lighter than when we assembled a year ago.

All that was then of war and partings with our dear ones as they carried our flag over seas in defense of liberty. It was said the Germans had no fear of the Red, White and Blue—they had seen those colors in the French flag, but when they saw our Red, White and Blue, they saw Stars.

The thought came to me as I was polishing my star to attend this convention, that as our heroes returned with their higher ideals, their broader visions, we must stand with them on this higher plane. So may our P.E. O. stars shine brightly, may we show them by word and deed that we have a lasting ideal.

The story is told of a man who, toiling upward toward the loftier heights, felt never alone. Besides the others toiling and struggling up the rough and rugged way, there was always one near him whom he couldn't recognize. When he helped others, he was always assisted when he failed to help, his way was blocked. At times he thought he knew who it was, but never quite sure, until at last as he reached the top, he found it was his ideal. Never in the history of the world has there been such an outlook for the advancement of woman and woman's service.

Nothing is too great nor hard for her to do. We, with our P. E. O. vows, have faith to know that each tomorrow will in all things be better than today, and that above all else we have "put on love, which is the bond of perfection."

The state officers' reports were well received. The responses to roll call were "something worth while that has come from the war." The paper, "Woman's Part in Reconstruction," by Miss Lommen, Chapter K, struck the keynote of the times. She admonished us "to take heed in time that we may reap the harvest." Among the strong points she brought out were: That woman must keep on saving; she must do what she can to restrict child labor; must help to see that fathers are protected so their health will be better and their wages increased; she must more and more encourage education along all lines, so there will be better home makers and so that the health of our children will be improved. Much more could be quoted from this excellent paper, but for fear I shall be taking too much space, I shall go on and just make

mention of some of the other parts that made the convention so fine.

The book review by Mrs. Myra Gammnitz of Chapter H: "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," was entertainingly given and everyone who had not read the book was urged to do so.

One thing I must not fail to mention, was the dramatizing of the P. E. O. in '69 in the form of an album arranged by Mrs. Wallace of Chapter I. In the album we came face to face with the original seven members, as each one was characterized by a member of Chapter I. A beautiful little girl was the sprite who turned the pages, and to say the presentations were clever does not express it, as it must be seen to be fully appreciated. The program was given in three scenes. The first scene was in the music room of the Iowa Wesleyan College, in January, 1869, with Hattie Briggs and Franc Rhodes as the characters. Scene two was the same place on the afternoon of the same day, with the original seven appearing in the first P. E. O. meeting.

Scene three was in a girls' study room, in the dormitory, with Mary Allen and Suella Pearson as the characters. The closing pantomime was marching into chapel.

Tuesday evening was entirely given over to pleasure when again Chapter I manifested her ability to provide abundantly for all occasions.

The last session Saturday forenoon was taken up with the usual routine of business. The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. Edna Collins, Chapter I, president; Mrs. Grace Montgomery, Chapter K, first vice-president; Mrs. Inez Jayne, Chapter D, second vice-president; Mrs. Harriet Tietema, Chapter H, recording secretary; Mrs. Sadie Vest, Chapter I, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Stella Smith, Chapter C, treasurer; Mrs. Inette Schumacher, Chapter L, organizer.

One of the excellent papers of the convention was by Mrs. Mary Bell Williams, who reported on the Educational Fund, as follows:

We have now reached our fiftieth milestone and as we look back to review what has been accomplished, apart from the close friendships formed, the individual growth of our members in mind and spirit, the

Educational Fund stands as a living monument to our work and worth.

It is certainly the one thing worth while, for it bespeaks service to others, and is not confined within our own circle. Perhaps the meaning of our letters to "pass education on," and what a privilege is ours to help these brave and worthy girls to help themselves.

There is an old quotation, "Educate a man and you educate an individual. Educate a woman, and you educate a whole family." So our work is for future generations as well as the present.

We have had a generous portion of the fund for our Minnesota girls, and perhaps if we all had a clearer understanding of the way to approach the trustees, or make applications, more might be done for our worthy girls.

The proper procedure is to write the chairman, Mrs. Viola R. Wihltlessey, stating all that is necessary regarding the girl desiring a loan, and ask that the regular application blanks be sent her.

Every member should feel a strong sense of responsibility in recommending a girl to the trustees,—not a financial responsibility, but a moral one, and if you feel that the girl is not thoroughly business-like, honest and capable, discourage her.

I wrote for letters from Minnesota girls who had had assistance from the fund, but the letters sent were from other states; very interesting, but I had thought it would bring us into a little closer touch with the work, perhaps, to hear from our very own girls. The names of the girls are not given out, out of fairness to them, so perhaps that is why no Minnesota letters were sent.

To date, 301 girls have had assistance, and the demand is greater than we can meet with the present amount. The fund, however, is climbing toward the goal—\$100,000 by October, 1919—for upon the outside of a letter I received yesterday from Bertha Clark Hughes, was written exultantly,—if one can be said to write exultantly—Extra, May 1, 1919, amount on hand, \$71,043.33. Which is about \$10,000 more than the March 1st report.

I should like to read you a part of one letter to show what one girl can accomplish with a little assistance and encouragement.

There are many others just as interesting, but I will not take the time to read them to you as this is a report, not a paper.

Our Minnesota chapters have responded splendidly. I will give you a comparative report of this and last year's contribution:

	1918.	1919.
A	\$40.00	\$24.75
B	6.00	14.28
C	32.50	34.75
D	29.00	32.00
E	29.00	24.00
G	29.00	23.00
H	5.00	25.00
I	35.00	36.00
J	19.00	20.00
K	18.00	19.00
L	11.00	20.25
M	12.00	15.00
N	6.50	30.00
O		11.25

Making an increase of \$69.25 over last year. There is still the amount of \$180.07 to make up the deficit of the \$1.00 per capita for the three years. You can all see the great need of this fund, and it is impossible to be contented with what has been done, when girls are being refused aid, through lack of means to help them.

Let us see to it that our non-resident members become more interested. As they are still P. E. O.s, they should have the great work of our Sisterhood at heart as much as our active members, and may I advise that you notify your non-resident members that they will be expected to participate in your educational day programs (which each chapter should have) for in any line of work it is the one that has a part who is enthusiastic—so give each one something to do. See that each chapter member informs herself as to the rules and regulations governing the fund and the method of procedure to obtain a loan. And if you will allow me, I will quote a trustee: "Our Sisterhood has united in choosing this splendid work for our chief endeavor as a Sisterhood, and the choice has placed a song in our hearts which finds an echo in the hearts of these girls whom we have helped."

The president's address gave a resume of the work of the year as follows:

To the Officers and Members of the Seventh Annual Convention of Minnesota Grand Chapter of P. E. O.:

The year during which it has been my privilege to serve you as president is nearing the end. As I look back over the twelve months, in some ways it seems but a little of the journey we are all traveling. In other ways, with so much having happened, it seems a long stretch of the road. It surely has been a stretch full of wonderful scenes as we've looked beyond the boundaries of our own pathway. For six months of the time almost to a day, we could see in the far distance the shell-torn earth, the air filled with bird-like machines dealing out their toll of death. We could hear the cry of the fallen warrior, the sobs of the widows and orphans,—then suddenly the smoke of battle lifted and in one short day all was changed. There was no firing of guns, but just then we discovered that an enemy as deadly as shot and shell,—yes, more so,—was in our very midst: the dread influenza.

While the other enemy had affected the P. E. O. sisters who were traveling with me on this stretch of the road, causing us to discard much superfluous baggage and elaborate equipment, the result being that we moved faster, pressing forward to a higher degree of usefulness and unselfishness; whereas, the second enemy caused many delays in keeping up the schedule of our allotted distances. S. O. S. signals began to come to the leader, What shall we do; what can we do? The enemy invaded our pathway, but we are thankful that none were taken from our ranks.

About the time the bans were lifted, the chapter presidents' January letters began to come in. They told of renewing of plans to "carry on" with the work in keeping with the Objects and Aims of our Sisterhood, after war relief and influenza's inroads. It is a splendid plan, this writing to your state president at mid-year. It brings joy to her heart and makes it possible to better plan her work looking toward convention time.

My co-workers, your state officers have been very helpful, so faithful in the performance of every duty. Your first vice-president has had charge of the Educational Fund, and the fact that our gift this year

is extra large is due in part to her letters of encouragement along that line.

It will be a pleasure to us to hear a little later just how generously each chapter has responded to this appeal.

My first official duty was to arrange with Mrs. Shoemaker and Miss Carter about the reorganization of Chapter O at Moorhead. I am sure the generosity of the board was appreciated by both Miss Carter, whose term of office expired just before she was able to organize the chapter she had laid the plans for, and Mrs. Shoemaker, who, to use her own words, assumed the responsible office of organizer with fear and trembling. But conscientious work, with a desire to serve, has made her a very efficient as well as loveable organizer.

Our first executive board meeting was held in October, at which time the items of a questionnaire were decided upon, in order that we might carry out Miss Durward's expressed desire to have a record of service rendered by P. E. O.s. The questionnaire to be used as a guide in making out chapter reports along such lines.

On Saturday, February 1st, it was my privilege to entertain the executive board at luncheon, the afternoon being spent in outlining plans for the annual convention. This meeting was unique in that so far as I can learn, it is the only state board meeting, outside of convention time, when every member was present. We had the advantage of having the counsel of two past presidents and a representative from Chapter I. Other matters of business of board meetings will be made known in the recording secretary's report.

I want to take this opportunity to thank every member of my official family for the loyal support, earnest co-operation and faithful performance of duties during this memorable (to me) year. Unless it has been one's privilege to know about the work of such officers as treasurer, organizer, and especially corresponding secretary, it is hard to realize how much they have to do, and I would like to have each chapter realize how much they can help these officers by sending in reports promptly.

After due consideration, plans were made to add another chapter to our state family, and it was indeed a privilege to go to Red Wing with Mrs. Shoemaker and assist in the

organization of Chapter P. I shall always feel a closer touch with this chapter, which I am sure will prove a source of satisfaction to all concerned.

I had hoped during the year to have the pleasure of visiting many chapters at regular meetings, but with the influenza ban during the fall and the busy days of every month since then, I have not had that privilege as often as I would have liked. I assure you it has been my loss.

My first visit was with Chapter I, January 2d. If I had had any doubts about the ability of Chapter I to successfully entertain M. G. C. convention, those doubts would have quickly disappeared. There was such happy co-operation, practical, purposeful planning from the very start, and the enjoyment of such a convention as this is the result. It has been a pleasure to confer with any member of our hostess chapter at any time, and my tasks have been made easier because of their helpfulness.

My next visit was with Chapter L, when two sisters were initiated and a most delightful program and social hour enjoyed.

When Chapter D invites us to anything, it is taken for granted it will be a treat. The afternoon in February, when the twin city chapters were guests of Chapter D, at the Leamington, was a pleasure to all who accepted Chapter D's invitation.

When Chapter E prepares for anything as strenuous as election of officers again, something is taken for granted, and in this case it will be preceded by a luncheon.

At the close of the luncheon, March 7th, my own chapter presented me with a beautiful corsage bouquet. April 1st will long be remembered, because of the delightful visit to Chapter H in South St. Paul. I was entertained so graciously for dinner and overnight in the home of Mrs. Miller. I recalled Miss Prouty's estimate of the excellent P. E. O. quality of those making up the list, when she organized Chapter H, and time has proved her estimate correct. After initiation, a happy time was spent in sociability and a real "spread."

During the year, I have received many letters, nearly one hundred in all, especially the correspondence with Miss Durward, our Supreme president, Mrs. Reeves, our very efficient Editor of Record, and an occasional letter from Mrs. Drake. There are

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many big things in the planning. The revision of the constitution, the Jubilee anniversary convention, and a new history of P. E. O.—to be prepared and presented at Denver. A letter was received from Mrs. Grimes asking me to appoint someone in Minnesota to compile a concise history of our state organization. Miss Evans, our first state president, kindly consented to prepare same. I would suggest that we have a historian who will be appointed by the president each year.

No one can serve the state as president to whom the object and aims of P. E. O. do not open up a wonderful pathway of promise, whose fulfillment shall be the joy of service.

I lay down the gavel with a deeper, truer love of our Sisterhood, a higher appreciation of the fine system of organization.

The knowledge that you, my sisters, were helping me by your ready sympathy, has made this stretch of the road smoother and much more enjoyable.

Questions often asked lead me to believe that it would be well to have the state by-laws read at a regular meeting each year; therefore I recommend that there be added Standing Rule No. 10:

That the State By-Laws shall be read at a regular meeting of each chapter yearly.

I present this recommendation for the ensuing year:

That each chapter pay into the state treasury \$5.00, to help defray expenses of the state delegates to Supreme convention.

I submit the following changes in the by-laws for your consideration, that

Article III, Dues, Section 1, shall read:

The annual dues of the local chapters to M. G. C. shall be \$1.50 per active member.

That in Article II, Section 4, Chapter P shall take the place of Chapter F (disbanded).

BERTHA W. DONNELL.



DEATH OF MR. MARTIN GRIMES

The host of P. E. O. friends of Mrs. Anna B. Grimes will sympathize with her, in the death of her husband, which occurred recently at their home in Hutchinson. He was for years a prominent business man and was a devoted husband and father. He had been ill for many months.

MISSOURI GRAND CHAPTER REPORT

By Katharine Martin.

Missouri Grand Chapter, P. E. O. Sisterhood met in the twenty-sixth annual convention at Howard Payne College, Fayette, Missouri, on June 4, 5 and 6, 1919. The delegates were entertained in the fashion of a house party in the spacious and comfortable school home of the college. The business sessions were held in Classic Hall, which seemed to be pervaded by the spirit of culture of the thousands of young women who have been educated there.

The president, Mrs. Margaret M. Templeton, CJ, Excelsior Springs, opened the convention in due form on the evening of the fourth and presided throughout with great dignity and success. The convention was most fortunate in having so many guests of honor present. Mrs. Helen D. Townsend, Albia, Iowa, supreme first vice-president, P. E. O. Sisterhood; Mrs. Vina I. Bowden, treasurer, Supreme Grand Chapter; Miss Nina Shearer, Mrs. Elizabeth Milbank, Mrs. Addie B. Parker, Mrs. Floy J. Stevens, and Mrs. Edith Bradley, Missouri past state president. It was a great inspiration to the delegates to be able to look into the faces of these leaders of our sisterhood, to visit with them, and to listen to their addresses and discussions as they spoke from time to time throughout the sessions.

No less dear in our memories are the members of the Fayette chapter, led by their president, Mrs. Helen W. Bell. That their gracious words of welcome were sincere was proven continually by their attention to our every desire, which they anticipated before we realized it ourselves. From first to last it was truly a family gathering in charge of our dear sisters of Chapter AU, who have every right to be proud of the success of their undertaking.

The address of the convention were helpful and inspiring. Adequate resumes are impossible in a brief report; only the main themes can be stated. Those given by Mmes. Townsend, Bowden, Milbank and Bradley could fill places in the Record most worthily. Perhaps we can have some or all of them during the year.

Mrs. Townsend reviewed the always interesting history of the founding of the sister-

hood, noted the coincidence that it began with a company of college girls in a Methodist college in Iowa, and suggested how those girls would have felt to be at our convention and see the large group of Missouri women gathered in another Methodist college to transact the business for one state division of the great organization they founded. She traced the growth of the sisterhood and showed its changing spirit from one of mere fraternity through the stage of charity to that of co-operative service for the improvement of the whole world.

Mrs. Bowden in "Who Is Who, and Why—in P. E. O." also gave a look backward. She sketched the forward movement of woman from the time sixty years ago, when the first woman won a college diploma to now, when education is fully accepted as the right of all women and our own organization is raising \$100,000.00 to loan to worthy girls who otherwise might not reach their educational birthright. She showed how our spirit and work are an exemplification of the true essence of Christianity and expressed the hope that "our star may always follow in the wake of the Star of Bethlehem." Mrs. Bowden's paper is a real classic.

Mrs. Milbank, our brilliant humorist spiced up the whole convention. Her talk on "Mother's Mixtures" brought down the house. No one can retell her stories or repeat her jokes and do them justice. She ought to write us a P. E. O. mixture for the Record—our magazine deserves her "efforts" as well as the others that are publishing the products of her pen. We will repay her with our appreciation and love. The gem of philosophy she gave us was that the fruits of our labors are mixtures—compounds of all our best values of brain, heart and hand, and that just to live our complex lives in our best way is to fulfill the duties of comprehensive womanhood.

Mrs. Bradley's paper on "The Lessons of Solitude" was also a masterpiece. She insisted that we properly value the silent influences that are contributing to our education and culture. She especially stressed the worth of the companionship of good books and pleaded for the support of every movement that tends to distribute them

more widely among our people or to cultivate the taste of our boys and girls for the best literature.

A brief talk by Mrs. W. W. Martin, Chapter BI, on the subject of Reconstructing P. E. O., brought out the belief that our organization needs no radical internal changes, simply a continuation of the fine wholesome growth we have been making; but that, like our nation, we have become a world factor, and our next step is to work out an adequate scheme of close federation with the other great women's organizations in order to make our contribution to problems which as a whole must solve.

The official reports carefully wrought out and effectively given. The president in reviewing the situation under which she took over the duties of Mrs. Adams, whose sudden resignation gave the management of the convention entirely into her hands, made every delegate feel that P. E. O. morale in the face of unexpected duty was never before better exemplified. The convention was splendidly managed and Mrs. Templeton was overwhelmingly elected to continue in the office. She modestly and decisively declined to the regret of all. Her report showed the year to have been a very unusual one on account of the exigencies of war; however, the chapters have not suffered any great deterioration, in fact have been stimulated and broadened in their activities. She reviewed the work of the president on the advisory board of woman's committee of the Council of National Defense, which was most satisfactory.

Mrs. Virginia White, CT, carried the work of both first and second vice-presidents after Mrs. Templeton came into the presidency. As the former she gave a resume of the war work done by the P. E. O.s. As was to be expected, the reports were very incomplete. Women's war work was so complex and comprehensive, carried on under so many different auspices and in such composite undertakings that it was extremely difficult to disentangle any ones credit from any other. Where definite accomplishments had been achieved, these were reported. Although the totals given were in no sense a measure of the real contribution of Missouri P. E. O.s to the support of our war work they indicated great

consecration and versatility in their service of the nation. Nearly all of the chapters are bonders, all took vigorous part in the food, education, childwelfare and finance campaigns to the very end; and, of course, all supported the Red Cross with money and labor. The war orphans had a great share of attention. The recommendation of Mrs. White that we continue all these lines of activity as a part of our public duty was heartily received and consented to, as the needs of our children and the depleted countries of Europe will be ever before us.

As manager of our bureau of reciprocity Mrs. White announced a great demand for more papers. She said she knew that there is a large number of excellent papers lying in the P. E. O. desks over the state and she urged the chapters to call them forth and send them in. A new catalogue of material is soon to be issued, which will make the service of the bureau more available and helpful.

The recording secretary, Mrs. Florence Oxford, BX, gave a very business-like report that showed the work of that office efficient in every particular. Her work in convention was a model of promptness and accuracy; and her consideration and courtesies to the Record reporter are most gratefully acknowledged.

The corresponding secretary, Mrs. Harriet E. Rynerson has carried on an active and intimate correspondence with the chapters and other officials, having written over twelve hundred letters during the year. She reports that the active membership on March 1, 1918, was 2,182, 19 have been initiated, 157 have been transferred to our membership by dimit and 29 have been reinstated. We have had 15 deaths and 1 expulsion. On March 1, 1918, we had 96 active chapters with a membership of 2,288, a gain of 106 for the year.

Perhaps nothing measures the real health of an organization more accurately than the report of its treasurer, for the dues and gifts of the past year have come out of painstaking effort and self-sacrifice over and above the incalculable sacrifices and labors of our war service. Mrs. Maude V. Henderson, BF, had arranged her report in a very telling way so that the delegates

could readily see the strength and weakness in the finance of the year.

The total receipts were \$5,975.20; of this \$1,296.06 was the balance from the preceding administration. The total disbursements were \$1,518.13. The total balance on hand June 4, 1919, was \$4,457.07 and \$350.00 in Liberty Bonds.

The chief interest centered in our Educational Fund, the total of which for the year on June 6, was \$2,552.75. Note that this amount is a little more than two-thirds of Iowa's total at convention while Missouri has a trifle more than one-third as large a membership. We are not reporting this to criticise Iowa but to reassure Missouri P. E. O.s and show them that their task in bringing up their quota before supreme convention is no greater than that of our leading state, who has pledged herself to do so. Our grand chapter took the same pledge, and a reasonable effort will bring us generously over the top.

Attention! Missouri P. E. O.s! Go through, and let us attain our objective on schedule! An analysis of the fund for the year shows \$2,042.75 given by 89 chapters, and \$500.00 by the Grand Chapter at convention; \$10.00 more came in from chapters during the convention. Only five chapters failed to contribute anything. However that is just five too many. It is difficult to understand how a P. E. O. chapter, committed as they all have been from the foundation of the Sisterhood to education and culture, and stirred since this fund was started by the desire to give all young women their share—how any chapter could be indifferent to so paramount a P. E. O. enterprise. One can only conclude that either that chapter must have been formed by the wrong quality of women who do not truly represent our spirit, or else, what is more probable, that somehow those in charge of the fund have failed to put the measure across into the minds of the members of the chapter and they are innocent because they are ignorant of the purpose of the fund and the splendid record it has already made.

In some way those five chapters must be made to feel the pressure of the earnest

support of all the sister chapters until Missouri comes clean with a record of 100% loyalty to the cause of education.

Twenty chapters are on the honor roll for giving their quota of \$1.00 per capita for three years. They are:

Chapter.	Gift.	Per Capita.
F, Kansas City	\$105.00	\$1.00
H, Monroe City	128.00	1.00
O, St. Louis	202.00	1.67
S, Lathrop	62.00	1.00
T, Chillicothe	95.00	1.19
AD, Trenton	82.50	1.02
AE, Kansas City	141.00	1.50
AO, Lawson	49.00	1.00
AZ, Columbia	113.50	1.08
AP, Carthage	100.00	1.00
BA, Windsor	70.00	1.27
BB, Sedalia	125.00	2.55
BE, Bucklin	70.00	1.21
BF, La Plata	63.00	1.00
BG, Springfield	111.00	1.00
BR, Hannibal	112.00	1.00
BV, Bethany	64.00	1.00
CA, Kansas City	52.00	1.00
CG, Kansas City	91.00	1.05
CK, St. Louis	67.30	1.40

The chapters, not included in the above, giving \$1.00 per capita for two years are:

Chapter.	Gift.	Per Capita.
K, Hopkins	\$89.00	\$1.23
L, Maryville	69.00	1.05
AM, Linneus	72.00	1.00
CF, Kansas City	57.00	1.00
CN, Monett	83.00	2.57
CO, Richmond	28.00	1.00
CR, Hardin	24.00	1.00

Ten more chapters gave an amount equal to \$1.00 or more per member for the year 1919. Sixty-one chapters did not reach even this standard. Only the returning delegates, meeting the membership face to face, can burn in the urgency of the situation.

Mrs. Henderson's very important recommendations follow:

"Do not fail to report any change of officers which may occur during the year. The treasurer will otherwise send notices and letters to the one whose name appears in May Record.

The state treasurer is not responsible for the contents of circular letters that are sent out, in that they failed to state the amount

of the dues for 1919. These letters are sent out by Supreme, and contain only such instructions as are covered by our general constitution and by-laws. Any change in dues or other finances, peculiar to this state alone, should be mentioned in the state president's letter to chapters.

Presidents, please see that your treasurers send out notices of dues so as to reach non-residents in ample time. If every one of your non-residents has not sent her dues before March 1st, they are delinquent, and should you ask your state treasurer to enter these after your report is in, she may do it, to accommodate a sister, but in so doing she is breaking the law, and disorganizing her books and records.

The delay in sending receipts, about which there were a few inquiries, was caused by the rule which requires the treasurer to issue no receipts until corresponding secretary's and treasurer's reports tally. This year there is more than the usual incorrect reports sent in, and much time was consumed in returning same for corrections. The law states that president, corresponding secretary and treasurer shall compare all reports before sending in. Much time would be saved if local chapters carefully observed this.

I would request that the retiring, rather than the incoming, treasurers of local chapters send the annual reports to the state treasurer.

I should like to suggest that non-residents be asked to contribute to the Educational Fund in the local chapters. They have duties and responsibilities in their new homes, but they are not P. E. O. duties, and no doubt they would be glad to have this opportunity to do this and consider it a privilege. Many chapters pay \$1.00 per member for resident members, but your state treasurer has a record only of active members, and can report contributions only upon this basis.

The handsome gift from AP, Carthage, was made possible through a bequest from their late beloved sister, Alice Wetherell Stanton, who left \$50.00 to the Educational Fund.

The largest gift, this year, was from H, Monroe City, \$108.00, completing their quota of \$1.00 per member for three years.

The largest per capita was from Monett, CN, \$3.94, making their average for three years, \$1.64 per member.

The largest per capita for three years was BB, Sedalia, \$2.55.

The largest amount for the three years was O, St. Louis, \$202.00.

In March, after the annual reports were all in believing that unless some steps should be taken to arouse an interest in the fund for this year, especially, and as it seems to be the duty of no one to have supervision and an active interest in the contributions to this fund, your treasurer wrote to each chapter in the state telling of the resolution adopted by Missouri Grand Chapter to endeavor to give to the Educational Fund the amount of \$1.00 per member for the three years preceding the Supreme convention this fall, and enclosed a statement to each chapter showing the amount given in each of the years 1917, 1918 and 1919, its membership during this period, its per capita gift for these years, and the amount required to reach the desired quota. To this appeal, 28 chapters responded; 14 sent their apportionment; 14 chapters sent gifts of varying amounts, and all together, \$557.00 was sent as a result of this effort.

I wish I might report the good excuses some of the chapters showed for not meeting their apportionment. Some were supporting war orphans, others engaging in various civic enterprises, all of which will, I assume be shown in the vice-president's report as gathered from the local presidents' letters. However, the reason given as being a small chapter, is hardly sufficient, as the per capita is the same, be a chapter large or small.

For the past few years, we as a Grand Chapter, have not given to this fund. There are several of the copies of minutes of our state conventions for the past few years missing from the treasurer's files, and I was unable to find the date when this Grand Chapter last made a gift. Perhaps some of you can recall, and supply this date. In 1910, I find, we ranked third among the states, in gifts."

The Grand Chapter in pursuance of this suggestion voted of \$500.00 to the fund.

Six chapters sent in Liberty Bonds, thus serving two objects with them—the call of

the country, and the call of our girls for education. Most of the bonds received had all the coupons attached, so are really worth more than \$50.00, but as many came in just prior to convention, I did not figure this added amount, but we will receive credit for same from Supreme.

Please note our growth in giving:

	Membership	Gift.	Per Capita.
1917	2024	\$ 933.96	\$.46
1918	2182	1116.10	.61
1919	2239	2552.75	.89
3 years	6495	4071.81	.62

One of the most thrilling numbers on our convention program is, of course, our Baby Show. Our organizer, Miss Nelle K. Sutton, BV, presented charters and greetings to four infant chapters; DB, Kansas City; DE, Springfield; DD, Aurora; and DE, King City. We fell in love with the representatives on the spot. If they are a true sample of their chapters, the additions to our P. E. O. family are most desirable. Mrs. Lottie Babb, the first president of DB, is a daughter-in-law of our Mrs. Babb of Original A.

Miss Sutton reports having inspected 35 chapters, finding them in good growing condition in spite of the year's interruptions by war and flu. She has a number of fine "prospects" and the increase will probably be much larger the current year.

The proposed constitutional revisions were ably presented by past president, Mrs. Floy J. Stevens. The members, being true Missourians, had to be shown, and the discussions were long and lively. The democracy of our order was fully established by the independence shown in the final vote. The convention went on record as opposed to the change of name "Supreme Chapter," as favorable to the \$5.00 initiation fee; as opposed to the \$15.00 charter fee; as opposed to the change in election plans. A motion that Section 9, Article 9 be eliminated from constitution was carried.

All the regular business of the Grand Chapter was carried out with efficiency and dispatch. The convention committees made highly commendable reports. We had 123 accredited delegates, 6 state officers, and 8 guests of honor, among them 6 past presidents.

The gift of \$500.00 to the Educational Fund received a unanimous approval.

The annual election resulted in the choice of the following offices:

President, Mrs. Harriet E. Rynerson, Carthage; first vice-president, Mrs. Maude V. Henderson, La Plata; second vice-president, Mrs. Helen W. Bell, Fayette; recording secretary, Mrs. Florence Oxford, Cainesville; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lula Cammack, Kansas City; treasurer, Mrs. Mattie Rinehart, Queen City; organizer, Miss Nelle K. Sutton, Bethany.

The invitation of the Joplin Chapter AS, for the 1920 Grand Chapter meeting was gladly accepted.

If space permitted great praise could be given to the ceremonial work which served throughout to unify, tranquilize and delight the convention members. Those present appreciated as never before the real value and artistry of our ritualistic procedure. A high point was reached in the model initiation put on by Chapter AU with such beauty and correctness. Their "stunt" of wearing aprons that were exact copies of the uniform aprons of Original A, while their pins were being made, was a great hit. The question arises "What will Joplin do to equal them in a specialty for 1920?" And all the rest of the chapters are already on a still hunt for an original idea.

Great moments were frequent—our music was art of a high order. Mrs. Meservy's piano solos held us spellbound and each one of her accompaniments was a separate delight. The vocal numbers by Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Paul Smith of Fayette, Mrs. Parker of Columbia and Mrs. Porter of Bowling Green were greatly enjoyed. A rare treat was the song "These Three" sung by Mrs. Addie Manser Parker to the accompaniment of Mrs. Lillian Craig Coffman of St. Louis, the composer of the music. Mrs. Coffman's compositions have commanded wide recognition, and P. E. O. is very proud of her.

The convention took great pleasure in singing our convention song written by Mrs. Varina Gillis Jackson, and two originals composed by and led by the Kansas City delegation.

The Ninety-First Psalm, sung during the memorial hour by Mrs. Anna Norwine of Flat River lifted the convention to the

heights. Nor will any other number of that beautiful service pass from our minds—the scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. Rynerson, the loving tributes to the dead by Mrs. Bowden, or the fine interpretation of the meaning of the finished lives of our loved ones and our manifest duties in the light of their spiritual achievements, given by Mrs. Anna Lee Smith, FJ.

Mrs. Virginia P. White announced the following names of our sisters who have passed on during the year:

Mrs. Virgie Melson, O, St. Louis; Mrs. Emma Gould, R, Laclede; Mrs. Fannie Watkins, V, Browning; Mrs. Ellington Britt, BP, St. Joseph; Mrs. Minnie Westphaling, Y, Paris; Mrs. Alice Wetherall Stanton, AP, Carthage; Mrs. Myra Kelley, AK, Moberly; Mrs. Addie Horton, AY, Webb City; Mrs. Laura Grant, BB, Sedalia; Mrs. Mary Philpott, BB, Sedalia; Mrs. Mary Radford, BJ, St. Joseph; Mrs. Mollie E. Dahl, BI, Gallatin; Mrs. Virginia Teitz, BW, Jefferson City; Miss Mattie Baskerville, CC, Appleton City; Mrs. Anna Lemley, CT, Kansas City; Mrs. J. E. Parrish, C, Memphis; Mrs. Ida Keath, T, Chillicothe; Mrs. Mary Oldham Berry, CG, Kansas City; Mrs. Edna Moore Weathers, AP, Carthage.

"Like a shadow thrown softly and sweetly
from a passing cloud;
Death fell upon them."

On Thursday evening the convention had an absolutely new experience never shared by a convention before. Mrs. W. E. Harshe of AZ, Columbia, had the honor of announcing that the United States Senate had at last come over the top by passing the Susan B. Anthony Amendment. The news was greeted with cheers, for the P. E. O.s have been waiting expectantly, with the other women who are serving their times for the day when their value to public welfare should receive official recognition. The Senate being the chief point of obstruction, its captulation means the speedy use of the best ability of women in service to our nation. Under the leadership of Mrs. Parker of Kansas City, the convention joined in singing our national hymn with a new fervor.

The work closed with the session of Friday afternoon, everybody tired but happy and thrilled with the challenge of the new

year's work that stretches before us, everybody eager to get back to her chapter to pass on the thrill and the challenge.

In making this report, I have tried not so much to feature the outstanding individuals, who need no honor added to honor, as to interpret the spirit of the body of delegates as a whole, that splendid rank and file that fill the trenches and hold the firing line in all advances of P. E. O. Who can measure their love and loyalty to each other or their common purpose to do good?



WISCONSIN GRAND CHAPTER CONVENTION

By Lillian M. Simonds and Clara Gerich.

The Second Annual Convention of the Wisconsin Grand Chapter, P. E. O., was entertained by Chapter C, at the Hotel Pfister, Milwaukee, April 24, 25 and 26, 1919. Nothing for the comfort and happiness of all attending was left undone by Chapter C, whose "Welcome P. E. O." in blazing electric lights of white and yellow met the eye as one entered the hotel and whose hearty personal greeting was given to all.

Most of the delegates and visitors had arrived by noon of the 24th. After luncheon the meeting of the executive board took place and later the enrollment of delegates and visitors. About three o'clock the convention was called to order and after a salute to the flag the following appointments were made by the president:

Credential Committee—Mrs. Atkinson, Mrs. Ramsey, and Mrs. Bird.

Dispensation Committee—Mrs. Livingston, and Mrs. Youtz.

State and Local By-Laws Committee—Mrs. Zuehke, Mrs. Parfitt, and Mrs. Hollingsworth.

Recommendations Committee—Mrs. Leahy and Miss Morton.

Chapter Reports Committee—Mrs. Beans.

Resolutions Committee—Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Campbell, and Mrs. Frank.

Reporter for Local Newspapers—Mrs. Koester.

Reporter for the Record—Mrs. Gerich.

Pianist—Miss Donahue.

Guards—Miss Lovell, and Mrs. Welsh.

Page—Mrs. Easton.

After the opening ode Miss Lillian M. Simonds, first vice-president, conducted the devotional exercises and we then listened to a very excellent piano solo, "A la Bien Aimie," by Mrs. Marian Regan.

Mrs. Vida Babb welcomed the delegates, visitors and honored guests most cordially in the name of Chapter C and was answered very graciously by Mrs. Mary G. Delzell, second vice-president of the Wisconsin Grand Chapter.

We had many visitors at our first meeting and many guests of honor, this fact adding greatly to the pleasure of all as each had a few helpful and inspiring words to say. Among these were Mrs. Alice Bird Babb, one of the original seven and original in many other ways. Her talks and answers to questions are always an inspiration to a true P. E. O. Also Mrs. Grace R. Parks of Chicago, a past supreme president; Miss Edith Prouty, Humboldt, Iowa, a past supreme organizer and president; Mrs. Olga Iddiols, St. Louis, a past supreme organizer; Mrs. Nancy Olds, custodian of supplies; Mrs. De Money, organizer of Illinois Grand Chapter; Mrs. Nellie Hayes Scott of Original A, who said she had five daughters and a grand daughter, all P. E. O.s; and Mrs. A. K. Smith also of Original A, who in her little talk gave a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Alice Bird Babb. Many other guests were with us, Mrs. Goodsmith and Mrs. McGonigle of Chicago, and Mrs. Hyder, formerly of Detroit, recently moved to Milwaukee.

The state officers present were:

Miss Russella Scott, president; Miss Lillian M. Simonds, first vice-president; Mrs. Mary G. Delzell, second vice-president; Mrs. Lucy R. August, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mary E. Kellar, recording secretary; and Mrs. Ellen E. Morris, organizer.

Mrs. Fannie G. Bayley, treasurer, who was unable to be present sent congratulations and best wishes by way of a very pleasing telegram during the convention.

The president declared the convention formally opened and received a partial report of the committee on credentials.

By a unanimous vote the reading of the minutes of the last convention was omitted and we listened to two vocal solos by Mrs. Estelle Stanley, "Snow Flakes" by Cowen, and "The Star" by Rogers.

Twenty delegates registered:

A, Milwaukee—Mrs. Frances B. Morton, and Mrs. Florence Atkinson.

B, Appleton—Mrs. Ina Zaehlke, and Mrs. Eva M. Youtz.

C, Milwaukee—Mrs. Audry Livingston, and Mrs. Clara Gerich.

D, Beaver Dam—Mrs. Sadie Bird, Mrs. Jennie Hollingsworth.

E, Superior—Mrs. Edith M. Beans, and Mrs. Martha Campbell.

F, Milwaukee—Mrs. Mae Thomas, and Mrs. Mabel Parfitt.

H, Madison—Mrs. Mary R. Smith, and Mrs. Etta D. Shuster.

I, Stevens Point—Mrs. Bertha E. Leahy, and Mrs. Josephine Martin.

J, Manitowoc—Mrs. Violet Graham, and Mrs. Margaret Reardon.

K, Fon du Lac—Mrs. Hazel S. Frank, and Mrs. Jessie P. Ramsey.

After each state officer had made her report of the year's work, Mrs. Morris, state organizer gave a very pleasant address of welcome to our new chapter, Chapter K, of Fon du Lac. Mrs. Ramsey responded very appropriately and sweetly.

Mrs. Grace R. Parks read part of the proposed revision of the constitution, after which Chapter C conducted a model meeting and exemplified the initiatory work. Mrs. Audry Livingston, president of Chapter C, conducted the meeting and Mrs. Ellen Morris assisted in the initiation service by giving the secret work.

At seven-thirty, the P. E. O.s and their B. I. L.s enjoyed a most delightful banquet at the Hotel Pfister. The decoations were beautifully carried out in yellow and white. Every one was most enthusiastic in their praise of the dinner and surroundings.

Mrs. Alice Bird Babb gave a most interesting talk, and to those of us in Wisconsin who have not seen or heard Mrs. Babb before it was a great treat and privilege to listen to her. Her reminiscences were clear and concise, one could just see her sister, see Mr. Babb come a courting and the girl graduates with their pink, blue, green and yellow tarlatan dresses. These girls who had to economize because of the Civil War. It was a pleasure to hear Mr. Parks, from Chicago, who has known Mrs. Babb for many years. He hinted that they were not

only "founders but rounders" because they attended so many P. E. O. conventions.

The musical program was most interesting and Mr. Easton will always be remembered as a leader of community singing. Singing these songs together many of them original was thoroughly enjoyed and made the evening very informal. We enjoyed a violin solo by Miss Elizabeth Scott, and were pleased by Mrs. August's sweet singing. Mrs. Livingston read Henry Van Dyke's "Home Again" with feeling and it was a surprise to many to hear Mr. Livingston render a piano solo.

The evening closed with the singing of "On Wisconsin" made immortal by our boys in France. All agreed the evening was very successful and were sorry when it came to a close.

The Friday morning session was opened in due form, Mrs. Mary G. Delzell, second vice-president, conducting the devotional exercises. The president made the following recommendations which were referred to the committee on recommendations and later voted favorably.

I. The state by-laws shall be read by the recording secretary of each local chapter in January of each year."

II. "The by-laws of each local chapter be sent to the state secretary."

The recording secretary recommended that the second meeting in November be set aside as Educational day and an appropriate program be rendered and donations given." This recommendation was adopted.

A telegram was received during the morning from the Illinois Grand Chapter.

Mrs. Morris in her most gracious way presented Chapter K with her charter which was received by Mrs. Frank. Mrs. Frank made a few appropriate remarks.

The reports from the local chapters gave one an idea of the work being done by the P. E. O.s in the state. These reports were very interesting and show that P. E. O.s have accomplished a great deal.

The memorial hour will always be remembered by those present as being most helpful in one's thoughts and resolutions towards those who have passed from us.

The music was most impressive, Miss Mabel Jones and Mrs. Killam both taking part.

On Friday afternoon there was an auto ride for all who wished to go. Many preferred a quiet hour in their own room.

At three o'clock the convention was called to order and Mrs. Iddiols gave a most helpful talk. A woman who has been organizer and over the whole United States has much to tell us and many suggestions to offer. She spoke of the P. E. O. as the new woman who found many things of interest outside her home, of a woman who met her problems by looking through them and not at them. She spoke very beautifully of the enthusiasm and loyalty of the P. E. O.s in Wisconsin.

The questions in the question box were answered by Miss Prouty, very clearly, generously and honestl for Miss Prouty, with her legal mind looks "through, not at."

The convention on Friday evening was called a little late and all present enjoyed hearing Mrs. Hervey, in her most delightful and interesting vocal selections.

Miss Prouty gave an interesting address, "Where do we go from Here?" She spoke of the spirit of sacrifice brought about by the great war and how it became necessary to give and give and give again. How it had taught us unselfishness and generosity and the great good coming to us all thereby. How the boys abroad considered selfishness, boastfulness and lack of courage as the worst vices of all. We hope this address will be printed in the Record, together with Mrs. Iddiols' address.

Mrs. Olds does not claim to be able to give an address but she is certainly very helpful and gives most necessary advice in regard to correspondence, her supplies and her work. Her greatest trouble seems to be with incorrectly written letters.

Saturday morning opened with a great deal of business in hand, the most interesting being that of election of officers and delegates to the Supreme Convention. The results of the election was as follows:

President, Mrs. Ellen E. Morris; first vice-president, Mrs. Mary Randall Smith; second vice-president, Mrs. Bertha E. Leahy; organizer, Mrs. Mary E. Kellar; recording secretary, Miss Lillian M. Simonds; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Eva M. Yout; treasurer, Mrs. Edith M. Beans.

The delegates elected were:

Miss Frances B. Morton, Mrs. Violet Graham, Mrs. Lucy R. August and Mrs. Mabel Parfitt.

Alternates:

Mrs. Carrie Easton, Mrs. Edith M. Beans, Mrs. Clara Gerich, and Mrs. Bertha Leahy.

After the installation of the officers by Miss Prouty an informal reception and farewell caused the guests to leave looking forward to their return as guests of Chapter F, Milwaukee, in a few years and all meeting next year in Beaver Dam with Chapter D as hostess.



P. E. O.—AN OASIS

By Estella T. Knott, FI, Iowa.

In the pigtail era of my life, I first heard of oasis. Its meaning was vague, owing to my lack of knowledge, yet I realized that it meant extreme and refreshing delight to the traveler under the burning heat of Sahara.

Today, I know that many who have never seen the sands of the far-off desert are eager to find an oasis as they travel life's busy highway.

P. E. O. is just that. How do I know? Because, I've been there.

For over two years and a half, I was without a chapter, living where P. E. O. was practically unknown. For twenty-five years I had worn the star reverently, with an ever-deepening love for its beautiful meaning. I had been a loyal and active member in one of the dearest of Iowa chapters, O. Then, through removal, I was wholly deprived of P. E. O. Never a star met my eager eyes. My own star grew so precious that I contemplated wrapping it in tissue paper and laying it away carefully lest, while displaying itself to unknowing ones, it might become "lost" and would have to be replaced by a smaller one of later style.

Time passed by, as time always does. One day there appeared a ray of light. A star shimmered in the darkness, then a bright radiance, and the mystical, magical star of P. E. O. shone over a new chapter, FI. An oasis indeed. Again I heard the dear, familiar principles rehearsed as of yore. The "objects and aims" of this wonderful Sisterhood seemed to stand out more clearly

and potently than ever before. Instead of losing my original sisters, as I feared, I kept them and gained new ones. The star revealed those whom I had scarcely met, to be not only delightful and charming women, but sisters.

Wherein lies the enchantment of P. E. O.? There is nothing like it anywhere in the whole world. It is neither a lodge nor a club. It is a Sisterhood, the relationship of which is blended together "forever and a day" by faith and love. The tie that binds hearts together is a golden cord lengthening and strengthening as it gently encircles all P. E. O., east, west, north and south.

P. E. O. stands for a splendid type of womanhood. A chapter may now and then make a mistake in material, but mistakes are rare. P. E. O. sons and daughters are the best ever. They hold in reverence their mother's star and her friends who wear the star. Its radiant influence touches them and they grow into better men and women because of P. E. O. The B. I. L.s are the most royal bunch of men on earth, and not one of them but loves P. E. O. and is enriched because of it. And they all read the Record!



A SUGGESTION TO ALL LOCAL CHAPTERS

P. E. O.s in a large city are confronted by difficulties which are probably unknown to the dwellers in small towns. Permit me to state some facts. The writer recently received a letter stating that a member of Chapter —, state of —, has recently come to our city to live, and any courtesy we could extend would be appreciated by her home chapter, adding that the writer of the letter could not give her street address. This was a waste of postage. Detroit has passed the million mark in population; so, while this sister is a beautiful character, and we would be happy to make her acquaintance, she is just one in a million here,—the "needle in the haystack." Does any one of you want to go to hunt her up?

Another letter comes, introducing another sister, who has come to live among us, giving her address. Shortly after re-

ceiving this letter three of our members "took an afternoon off" to go and call on her and invite her to a meeting, only to find her not at home. All that could be done was to leave a note asking her to call the president of the chapter by telephone.

Again comes a letter informing us of the coming of another sister, and giving her address—an avenue we had never heard of—a circumstance not unusual in a rapidly developing city. The city map disclosed the location to be literally miles from any of our members. Can you wonder that we hesitate to take another afternoon for a possibly fruitless quest?

Now to the point, the suggestion: In conversation with a very good B. I. L., a few days ago, I told him some of the above problems. This is his solution:

"I am a member of the Masonic order. When we go into a strange place, we make it our business to look up the Masons, and do not expect them to look us up. That would be absurd."

Can we not make this apply to P. E. O.? If any of you are coming here to live, or to any other large city, why not make it your business to look up the P. E. O.s? It is easy. Refer to the May Record of the current year and you will find the name and address of all local chapter corresponding secretaries. When you are located write a note to the secretary giving your name, street address and, if possible, telephone number. Then we can get in touch with you and, if not possible, to make a formal call, can arrange for you to attend a meeting, giving explicit directions for finding the place. A cordial welcome will be awaiting you, and we will be glad to extend all possible courtesy and help you to find a P. E. O. home. The various chapters meet on different days and at different hours. If one does not suit, another may.

We do not wish to shift responsibility, but does not this method appeal to you as a wise policy? It does not do away with the customary letter from the corresponding secretary of the home chapter, but will greatly facilitate our much desired acquaintance.

Please try it, and see what a cordial welcome you will receive from Detroit P. E. O.s.

CARRIE S. BUDLONG,
Cor. Sec., Chapter D, Mich.

OUR MARGUERITE

A marguerite grew in a golden age,
On the bank of friendship sweet,
And she raised her beautiful, snow-white
head,
A message of love complete.

And as she gazed out across the years,
How little she really knew
Of the prominent place she was to hold
In the P. E. O. review.

Chosen was she from a world of flowers
To honor a chapter of love,
To lend a pure and lasting peace
Like the far-famed battle-dove.

And many a banquet board she graced,
And many a waist adorned;
And sunshine she sent in many a home,
And for loved ones she has mourned.

She has scattered her family far and wide,
O'er a land of liberty,
And hoped and prayed in times of strife
For Freedom's democracy.

For she has lived through years of peace,
Through years of love divine,
Always a representative
Of an object pure and fine.

But there came a time when she saw her
friends,
The men of the P. E. O.s,
Lay down civilian work and don
Their khaki soldier clothes.

'Twas then through the months of worry
and dread,
We knew what her colors meant,
'Twas then her message of purity
To each P. E. O. she sent.

And she lived through the time of the bugle
call,
Through the time of the armistice,
And always her lovely head she held
So high with fearlessness.

And now, dear friend, with the marguerite,
Our chosen fleur-de-lis,
We'll jealously guard our chapters all
With the cloak of purity.

—Ida Mullen, Chapter H, S. D.

A TRIBUTE TO MOTHERS

By Mrs. Jennie O'Neill Dereg.

The loves of mankind are many, you know;
There's the love of a friend, who may soon
be a foe,

The love of the fathers, the sisters, the
brothers,

The husbands and wives—but the one above
all others

Which endures through all trials, be they
what they may,

Is the sacred and unselfish love of the
mothers.

'Twas she whose loving arms held the
small baby form;

'Twas she, ever watchful, who kept us from
harm,

When dangers were darkest, and troubles
were near;

'Twas she who stood by us to help and to
cheer.

She soothed all our woes, she rejoiced in our
joys;

She petted and punished her girls and her
boys,

Having always in mind the command from
above—

Let all that ye do be done ever in love.

So, to the dear mothers, who form this band,
And all the loved ones throughout our broad
land—

Mothers and grandmothers, honored, re-
vered,

To two generations doubly endeared,

To you who are with us, thrice welcome,
we say;

While we think of and wish for the ones far
away.

—Chapter U, Butte, Nebraska.

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NOTICE

It is with regret that we announce the res-
ignation of Mrs. Gertrude Banton as corre-
sponding secretary of the Grand Chapter of
South Dakota.

Mrs. Winona Gilreath of Yankton has been
appointed to fill the vacancy.

MRS. IVAH B. CLAYTON,
President South Dakota G. C.

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LOST, A P. E. O. PIN

A P. E. O. pin has been lost in Los Angeles.
Finder please notify Catharine Sedgwick, 320
N. Garfield Ave., Alhambra, Cal.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

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

THIS ISSUE of the Record completes the reports of state conventions, with one exception. As you read the reports, do you realize that as a society and as women, we have lost our provincialism; that like every other man and woman whom the war breath has fanned, we are forever changed. We are all somewhat like the child who has thought of the stars as points of light pasted to the blue wall of the sky, and who for the first time lifts his face with the knowledge of illimitable space, and of worlds and suns in infinite number. Our friendships are no longer circumscribed by our chapter and by those in our own walk in life, and our interests are wide as the world. The woman who used to say in a seemingly apologetic tone, and yet with smug satisfaction, "I know so few people. I don't know anyone on the other side of town." To any woman who would say that today, it would be an indictment against her, for during the year, all classes of women from the avenues and the parkway, to cabin boat row, have met in happy activity for a common cause. The great leveling of social lines in the war activity has been a great step here at home, toward the democracy which has been strangely lacking in the so-called greatest democracy of the world.

Just how much we are all changed by the year's experience we ourselves hardly realize. There is no more for us the spending of days as hundreds and thousands of American women did spend their time three years ago. Don't you remember how it used to be? Breakfast at 8 o'clock. Dust the living room and beat up the cushions on the davenport, sit for a little while on the front porch to watch your husband down the street on his way to the office, or the children off to school. A glance at the morning paper, a little small talk with the neighbor across the way, a trip down town to market, and it was lunch time. A nap

after luncheon and a bit of bridge or an hour at the club, or an afternoon tea, then dinner, and the day was gone. Thousands and thousands of American women spent their days just that way, and grew plump and round and pretty in the process. The women with husbands of lesser income spent more time in the kitchen and in sewing for the children, but the same self-centered atmosphere surrounded them.

This change in our viewpoint is going to affect the next generation.

Do you realize that to your daughter and mine embroidery is going to be a lost art? In my own home city there is only one woman who embroiders. She fell and broke her knee at one of the first patriotic demonstrations, and has since lived an isolated life. She lost the vision, and she is still making violets and roses in purple and pink floss on fine linen. She doesn't know there is anything else. We are all in a measure unconscious of just what change has come to us, but we know that it is no longer a burning question as to whether we shall have oranges or grape-fruit for breakfast. We are more concerned that the little children of Belgium shall have food and clothing.

The change in the viewpoint of the boys and men who went on the great adventure is known to everyone. Early in the war a boy came home on five days' furlough and at the end of four days was back in camp. One of the men said to him, "Why, Jim; why are you back? You bet I'd have stayed till the last minute." And Jim said, with troubled face, "I couldn't stand it. They worried because the meat man didn't come on time." You see, the folks at home hadn't the same measure of values that the boy had acquired in his months of training. That is the thing that has happened to us all unconsciously; it is a change in our

measure of values. The Mississippi is very wide until you see the ocean. Spirit Lake is a wonderful sheet of water until you see Lake Michigan. Our own needs and importance are all-absorbing until we come to see the greater needs of the destitute in a war-ridden country and the infinitely greater importance of our wide relationship.

We have all learned the reality of God. Very certainly the men in the trenches came to know Him as a living friend and as a power to give strength and courage. One night in the trench, one soldier said to another, "Are you afraid?" and the reply came, "Afraid, nothin', the Germans can't shoot God." God was a reality to that boy. The French army knew that only God Himself intervened at the Marne, when only a handful of the French faced a great wing of the German army; and history will tell how they turned back, impelled by the same unseen force which saved Paris. Then, too, we have come to look at death with new eyes. Easter meant more to the world this year than ever before since the first Easter morn. You remember the scene in Maeterlinck's "Blue Bird," where the children stand before the City of the Dead, expecting, when the gates shall open, to see skeletons and ghosts. What they do see when the gates open is life, flowers, happiness and hope. They ask, "Where are the dead?" The angel answers, "There are no dead."

"They shall not pass" was one of the victory cries of the war. Remembering our broadened viewpoint, we should have for a victory cry, "This day shall not pass"—this day of deeper understanding of our sisters' needs, this working with others for the common good. To do our share in keeping alive the spirit of real democracy is manifestly a present-day duty. I remember, as a child, hearing my father, who was a Civil War veteran, thank God that "no longer the war drum sounded, nor the battle flag unfurled."

We, too, may offer this prayer of thanksgiving, but, coupled with it should be the petition of the soldier who said, "I ask not, Lord, that all may be forgiven, but this I pray, that my eyes may be open, that my eyes may be open."

MRS. MARGARET RUST, past state president of South Dakota, lives at 1411 Oak street, South Pasadena, California. She was the first president of South Dakota, and her name was mentioned many times at the convention of that state.

MRS. HELEN M. DRAKE had a beautiful compliment paid her at the South Dakota convention, and she wasn't there to see and realize with what affectionate memory she is held in that state, which she helped to establish as a grand chapter. All during convention a large picture of Mrs. Drake stood on the piano at the front of the convention hall.



A LETTER FROM the chapter at Little Rock, Arkansas, appears in this issue of the Record, the first to appear from that chapter. The letter is written by Mrs. Emma Bagg, a former member of the Creston, Iowa, chapter. Those of us who live where P. E. O. is an established institution cannot realize the work which pioneer chapters are doing in subordinate territory, where the Sisterhood is little known. It takes infinite patience and great wisdom to keep P. E. O. in its rightful place in the community, but the patience and wisdom is always rewarded. The new plan of districting subordinate territory which has been suggested by Miss Ida Johnson, chairman of the revision committee, gives promise to be of great aid to subordinate chapters, if the plan is adopted at Supreme convention in Denver.



AMONG THE WOMEN who have done notable work for the education of girls, is an Iowa woman, Dr. Mary Mills Patrick, who is president of the Constantinople College. For thirty-eight years of revolution, massacre and war, the doors of this American college have been open, giving hope and opportunity to young women in a land where the opportunity for women is limited. Miss Durward, in her convention address last year, expressed a hope that some day our educational fund might help women in other lands as well as in our own country. Should the time come when we could do this wider work, no better school could be found than this American college in Constantinople, of which an American woman is president.

MRS. CORNELIA J. SAWYER, past president of Iowa Grand Chapter, wrote the paper, "A Vision of Understanding," which appeared in the August issue of the Record. Through an error the line giving her name as the author was lost in the make-up of the magazine. This paper was one of the best features of the Iowa Grand Chapter convention, and will be read with much interest for its subject matter as well as for its literary style.



THE MANY FRIENDS of Mrs. Minnie M. Stuff, past president of Nebraska Grand Chapter, will sympathize with her because of the death of her father, which occurred at his home in Lincoln on June 3rd. He was a splendid type of man and had lived a long, useful life.



MRS. JESSIE H. APPLING of Sioux Falls, S. D., whose report of her state convention appears in this issue, has the honor to be state president of the South Dakota Business and Professional Woman's League and represented the state in the national convention in St. Louis recently.



CHAPTER LETTERS

Windom, Minn., Feb., 1919.

This is not the first letter that Chapter J has sent to the Record, but the letters of our former years seem to have gone astray.

Chapter J was organized about four years ago by Mrs. Lyford, who was then a member of Chapter Q of Des Moines. She has since become a member of Chapter J by dimit.

Upon advice of the organizers who have visited us, we have "made haste slowly" in adding to our membership.

AMONG THE WOMEN given by America to the great war, was Miss Jane A. Delano, who was director-general of the department of nursing of the American Red Cross. In that capacity she recruited thirty thousand Red Cross nurses, and after the Red Cross had gone on a peace basis she laid the foundation for the public health program now being carried out all over the United States. She gave her life for the work, having died in Savauey, France, in April, the last of her family. She was fifty-seven years old, a trained woman of wonderful executive ability, a representative of the best type of American womanhood. The work she accomplished is her memorial.



BEFORE ANOTHER ISSUE of the P. E. O. Record, Supreme convention shall have convened in Denver. The program and announcements as made by Miss Durward appear elsewhere in the magazine. The presence of the four founders of P. E. O. who have lived to see the Sisterhood come to its fiftieth year, will make the occasion a golden jubilee indeed.

To us prairie folk who go to the convention there will be the joy of the mountains and the beauty of their rugged scenery to which our eyes are unaccustomed.

We have a very pleasant and congenial group of sisters to whom the order means much, and who endeavor to be true to the teachings and spirit of the order in every way.

Our meetings are held twice a month, refreshments being served at one of the meetings.

There have been a number of social events, most conspicuous among them the initiation of the B. I. L.s into our chapter, according to reports a most enjoyable and jolly occasion.

An annual picnic is also a feature of our social life, the day being spent at the lake home of one of our sisters, Mrs. Sanger, the B. I. L.s coming out in the late afternoon for a swim in the lake, after which they enjoyed a picnic supper with us.

Our members have been active in Red Cross work, sewing and knitting, also knitting the squares requested for the orphans.

For the past year we have been making little dresses for the French children, over three dozen of these have been sent to Dr. Forness, St. Paul.

We have contributed to the Educational Fund.

Delegates have been sent each year to the state conventions, from whom fine and enthusiastic reports have come to us, of the work of our organization.

At the last convention, we were honored by having a member of our chapter, Miss Edna K. Collins, elected to the office of second vice-president.

Chapter J is looking forward to 1920, when it will be our privilege to entertain the state chapter.

BELLE COLLINS,
Journalist.



Little Rock, Ark., July 28, 1919.

Chapter C extends greetings to the P. E. O. sisterhood. Although we are several years old, this is our initial appearance in the Record.

With Mrs. L. L. Whitney, mother of Chapter C, the guiding star the first three years, and Mrs. Mary Ellen Marshall, our efficient leader for the year past and to continue, we feel that the silence of these non-recorded years has been golden for we now have a membership of thirty and the chapter has been active in the pursuit of knowledge, sociability and helpfulness striving to exemplify the traits of character which lead to an ideal chapter.

The programs have been of a miscellaneous character both interesting and instructive.

Our membership contains some very busy, wide awake women, whose time and talents are very generously given for the betterment of humanity outside as well as inside the home.

Our charming, vivacious president who is manager of the woman's department of the Equitable Life, in Arkansas, is a thorough business woman, yet she always finds time for our P. E. O. meetings, diffusing enthusiasm with her presence.

Mrs. Joseph Trauenthal of Conway, chairman of the Arkansas woman's committee of the National Council of Defense. Mrs. C. E. Whitney editor of the women's section of the Arkansas Gazette, the largest daily paper in Arkansas. Mrs. C. W. Garrison, state chairman of the child welfare movement and whose informal address to us since her recent trip to Washington, as delegate to the "National Woman's Council," was particularly interesting and beneficial. Mrs. Trebing whose valued time is spent in the interest of music for the children of the Arkansas School for Blind. Mrs. Will Heuniger, whose music studio has been headquarters for so many of the soldier boys and whose entertainments at Camp Pike as well as in the city, have been heralded with joy, especially when she was to sing. We cannot all do great deeds but others doing little deeds with a great purpose, hope to make the links stronger that form the chain of an ideal sisterhood.

It has been said if you have something of importance to be done, ask the busiest woman for she will find time to do it, and so we have had some excellent papers on our programs this year, by some of these busy women, worthy of publication in the Record viz:

"Woman's Club Origin and Growth," by Mrs. C. E. Whitney; "Women of the Hour," by Mrs. Joseph Trauenthal; "Women Pioneers," by Mrs. G. A. Griffin.

With Camp Pike so near, we with other Arkansas women and other Arkansas organizations, not only have done "our bit" but have done "our best" to lend aid comfort and pleasure to the boys who were so willing to make the supreme sacrifice for our protection. Submerging our own inclinations in war work, we had no social affairs nor served refreshments during the war period, placing the amount for same in a war fund. We contributed books and magazines; made comfort bags and bed socks. On one occasion making 104 pairs of bed socks for an emergency call from the base hospital, when

the weather had turned unusually cold, some working far into the night that they might be ready for early delivery next morning.

Each year at Christmas time we give a program and serve refreshments to the elderly ladies, about twenty-five in number, who live at the Ada Thompson Home, presenting each with a gift. The Christmas just past, each received a blooming plant.

We have contributed each year to the Educational Fund. Mrs. R. E. Farrell opened her home in December, for a party in the interest of this fund, from which we received \$30.00 making \$41.00 contributed this year which brought up our \$1.00 per member quota.

Under the creditable supervision and untiring efforts of Mrs. L. L. Whitney, we have given \$135.00 to the Girl's Industrial Home and Woman's Reformatory of Arkansas, to be built soon.

We have given the children of the Orphan's Home an outing. Have also given to the Armenian Relief and Traveler's Aid, and have a Hospital Fund, to which we contribute something each meeting. With so capable a treasurer as Mrs. Louis Flickinger we know at any and all times just what, when and where, concerning our funds.

Sorrow has been in our midst when death called the husband of Mrs. L. L. Whitney, who took the body to St. Louis for cremation. There she found the true P. E. O. spirit demonstrated by the sympathy and loving helpfulness of some of the sisters of chapter O.

We are looking forward for much good to come to us from Mrs. Alice Scott's visit in the near future and our slogan is now—A Grand Chapter for Arkansas.

EMMA C. BAGG,
Journalist.



Minneapolis, Minn., March 10, 1919.

Chapter E, Minneapolis, has been a very busy chapter during the past year. We have had very little social life although have kept close in touch with each other doing our bit in Red Cross.

We met each Friday at the Woman's Club for all day sewing and surgical dressing.

After the grand news came and the general closing of such work we had a fine pro-

gramme presented us by the programme committee, and the rest of the year looks as if it were full of wonderfully interesting things, all the more so for our work.

We have twenty-four members. Two have been added by dimitt, Mrs. Minnie Lowden from Illinois, and Mrs. Winzell from Iowa. We miss our Mrs. Ellis who has gone to California to live.

Our chapter has given to Armeian relief, gone over the top in the Educational Fund; also own two Liberty Bonds. Several members have given their sons to the service, happy now to have them home again.

One new baby B. I. L. has come to live with Mr. and Mrs. Omer E. Bliss.

Among our social functions was a dainty luncheon at Mrs. C. J. Moffatt's home, a tea given by Mrs. W. A. Gordon. A most sumptuous luncheon at Mrs. Johnstons home. Our annual luncheon at Mrs. Style's hospitable home. Our guest day and B. I. L. party are yet to come, closing with a picnic at "Old Homestead," Mrs. Womack's country home.

May this year the fiftieth Anniversary of P. E. O. be the brightest and best.

Sincerely yours in P. E. O.,
MRS. ANNTONETTE KLOVE BLISS.



Webster City, Ia., Feb. 3, 1919.

Chapter EL, of Iowa, sends greetings to all P.E.O.s, after a silence of some two years. War conditoinns have affected our chapter much the same as they have affected other chapters. During the past two years, we have found it difficult to keep up all our enthusiasms, inasmuch as one has just so much energy to be used, and when said energy needs must be divided up amongst the many activities, Red Cross, food saving, child welfare, charity, church work, domestic duties and, last, and specially dear, P. E. O., it seems that one's determination must be extremely elastic to compass all the demands.

Be that as it may, our chapter has had a happy life in the past two years. We have kept our minds upon patriotic purposes; some of our dear sisters have sent their sons or husbands in the cause of world democracy, but we all rejoice that, had we owned a service flag, no gold star would need to shine thereon.

We have lost two sisters by dimit, Edna Pate to BQ, and Eleanor Todd to BW, but we know that the receiving chapters have rejoiced at their coming, since Chapter EL held them most dearly in love.

Sister Pearl Neel Fellows spent a year with her husband at Ann Arbor, and upon his graduation, his entry into the naval medical corps took her to Washington, D. C. he having been assigned to duty in Rhode Island. She returned to Webster City and she and baby, Gene Paul, are now most welcome visitors at the delightful home of her parents, which is also a P. E. O. home, I may add.

Since September, 1918, four "twinkling little stars" have been added to our firmament; they are Master Sterling Fenton McKee, Miss Carolyn Casper Groves, Miss Ethel Jean Lyon and Miss Gene Pearl Fellows. It is proposed that we have an evening soon to inspect our small new members.

Our presiding officer, who has been our tried and true leader for the past three years, is Mrs. Doris Neel Groves. She has been a busy worker indeed, a most tireless and efficient war worker, a mother who bade her baby son go in defense of his country, and kept her smile going, to cheer and urge others on to renewed efforts. She made comfort kits for the W. R. C., she boosted the W. C. T. U., she made sweaters and socks and sheets and pillow cases galore for the Red Cross; she was county chairman of the Woman's Com. of C. N. D. and county chairman of the child welfare work. All these things were bravely and cheerfully done, and now she has the great happiness of showing the honorable discharge of Sergt.-Maj. Wilfred A. Groves. We all rejoice with her that her soldier lad is home again. Sister Anna Kelly is another dear, brave sister who gave her only son to do or die for his country, and then plunged into the work of doing the home boosting wherever it was needed. Her reward has also been the return of her splendid son, Lieut. Dennis Kelly, who was instructing in O. T. C. at Newport News when the armistice was signed.

Sister Minnie Neel is awaiting the return of her son, Glenn, who is completing his work in aviation, hoping soon to return with his lieutenancy.

Another dear sister who has let neither

heat nor cold, storm nor shine deter her from her work, is Sister Hattie A. Zitterell, who has been county chairman of the Red Cross work, having charge of this and all auxiliary chapters.

Here is a record written in gold: she has exemplified all the points of our star in her wonderful achievement of the stupendous work of mercy she conducted. Chapter EL is extremely proud of her.

Sister Daisy Crandall, one of our charter members, conducted the campaign for phonographic records for the soldiers. Like everything else that she does, this was well done; in fact, so well that headquarters sent her a congratulatory letter, stating that nowhere in the U. S. had a town of this size sent so splendid a response to the call. Yes, we are proud of our Mrs. Crandall.

In fact, I might point with pride to every member of our chapter. They are all grand women, who believe in P. E. O. and try to live its principles.

Our city was under quarantine for a period of nine weeks, for influenza. The paralyzing effect of a rigid quarantine fell alike upon school, business, church and P. E. O. Mrs. Buechle had her itinerary all planned, and came to inspect our chapter on the second day after the "lid" was lifted. With strenuous efforts we managed to get some preparations made, and Mrs. Crandall kindly opened up her hospitable home, where we convened and were inspected by our kind and able elder sister. The meeting was exceedingly helpful to the sisterhood and Chapter EL rejoices that such lovely women as Mrs. Buechle are our leaders.

The charity work of Chapter EL is unique in that this chapter has clothed and kept in comfort a small orphan girl for the past four years. The work was begun when the child was two weeks old, and she is now a beautiful little girl of four. In addition, much clothing has been made for the needy and distributed by the charity committee. The chapter bought a \$50 Liberty bond of the third loan and at our last meeting we voted this bond to the educational fund.

We also bought and made four Martha Washington bags for refugee women in Belgium. The chapter bought the materi-

als, costing \$12 and the members made the articles so sorely needed by our homeless sisters.

With renewed good wishes to all P. E. O.s and with sincere appreciation for the able efforts of Mrs. Reeves.

BESSIE L. LYON,
Journalist, EL.



La Grange, Mo., Feb. 10, 1919.

My dear P. E. O. Sisters: Chapter BO has never before rendered an account of herself, therefore I shall endeavor to give a review of our life.

We were organized Aug. 26, 1911. We were doubly blest by having Mrs. Stephens, our state organizer, and Mrs. Bowden, our state president, to organize us.

We had a membership of seven, two of our members (teachers) leaving the next day which left us five in number to carry on the work for one year. If any discouraged chapter wishes to know how to keep going under difficulty write to Chapter BO. We doubled up on officers. We had very heavy year's work, each of us being on duty every meeting, yet there were no failures, as suffering and hardship always draws us nearer. So in P. E. O. we learned to know and love each other and to form ties which it would be next to impossible to break.

For money making ventures we have had two candy sales; we had one night a week for a number of weeks, at a picture show house at which time we presented "Old Curiosity Shop," "Sarah Bernhardt," etc. Trying to kill two birds with one stone, viz: Educate the public to better films and to make money. We had two seasons of "Lecture Course." A sale of our own old papers and magazines, and we have an annual bag and apron bazaar near Christmas. Many of our residents wait for this event to purchase Christmas gifts. The beautiful thing about our bazaar is, each member gives as much or as little as she wishes, and they seem to vie with each other to see who can give the most beautiful things. I never saw such displays of beauty from the hands of twelve women. Our latest venture is in anticipation. It is to serve dinner at a country sale. Each member is to donate six pies and three quarts of scalloped potatoes. The

remainder is to be purchased from our treasury. All of these activities require much thought and labor, but we are a chapter of true P. E. O.s. Therefore we enter into all kinds of service with joy. We always know that we are going to do some great good with the money we earn.

For gifts, of course, we always give to the Educational Fund.

One Christmas our town had what they called "The Christmas Ship." We gave the luxuries such as chickens, honey, our choicest canned fruits, and a sack of flour. We gave to our city \$5.00 toward drinking fountains; one for people, and one for animals. Also \$10.00 this year to Red Cross; and \$5.00 to Syrian and Armenian Relief.

We are working now with a view to adopting a baby in the war devastated country. We anticipate deriving the greatest returns from this of anything yet done by our chapter for the supremest cry in every woman's heart is to "mother" something.

For programme we have had some years miscellaneous. One year's study of "Knights of the Round Table," one year "Book Reviews." There being just twelve of us, we had each, one book review.

We had much merriment over an original story of five chapters.

We have a "Courtesy Committee" who send flowers to our sick, plan showers for our brides to be and our new babies.

Along with our work we have much pleasure.

We initiated our B. I. L.s which initiation was not at all dignified. We observe "Mothers' Day" at which time we invite from one to four guests each. This is one of our "Sacred" days, with always a touch of sadness, for some of our members cannot have their mothers present.

One of our members, Miss Clara Koch, now of San Diego, Cal., visited "The Passion Play" at Oberammergau, and brought home to us all the knowledge gained there. We had an "Open Session" at which time she entertained us with a wonderful description of this most wonderful of all plays.

The event of each year until the declaration of war, was a dinner to our B. I. L.s. We had a May day dinner with May baskets for favors; an April fool with "Dunce Caps," a "St. Patrick" with Shamrock, and so on.

We had an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. Gladys Quinn, one of our country members. We were served a three course dinner, and we had a most delightful time.

On retiring from office Miss Ellen Heatherly gave a P. E. O. dinner.

We were represented at the last two supreme conventions, Miss Ellen Heatherly at Los Angeles and Mrs. Olive Atterberry, by appointment, at Hutchinson, Kans.

We have had three very capable presidents and the writer, the writer being the first because she had been many years a P. E. O. and is therefore rather looked upon as the mother. The others are Miss Ellen Heatherly, Miss Ruth Crouch, (now Londermilk) and Mrs. Edna McPike the present one. Any of them are capable of gracing the supreme chair.

Now that the world must be built up after this most terrible war, my prayer is, that every P. E. O. will be even far more willing to suffer, sacrifice, and give herself and her money than even during the war.

Sincerely,

OLIVE J. ATTERBERRY,

Journalist.



Tonkawa, Okla., Jan. 2, 1919.

Chapter S, which has heretofore never spoken through the medium of the Record, to the Sisterhood, desires to become better acquainted with P. E. O. members everywhere, that she may receive, consequently, the inspiration that follows from being a definitely recognizable part of a worthy organization. Incidentally, Chapter S is responsible to all the ties that bind her to the great band of noble women in the Sisterhood, and hopes that by her faithful observance of P. E. O. principles, all women may be directly or indirectly encouraged to cultivate ideal womanhood.

The history of Chapter S, P. E. O., at Tonkawa, Oklahoma, covers a period of eight years. The chapter was organized formally March 21, 1911. As history is ever in the making, and as it is only natural for every normal individual to hope for the best—just so it is with the members of growing Chapter S, who believe with Browning, the poet, "The best is yet to be."

P. E. O. ideals, which are in reality the

very foundation of things worth while, become more dominant with the development of civilization. At the beginning, then, of the new year and with the opening of this, a new era, when we observe the rise of world democracy, the exaltation of justice, and the inevitability of righteousness, may we not expect the spirit of P. E. O. to keep to the fore? P. E. O. traditions have ever been laudable, but with the promise of the future as a stimulus, can we imagine the potentiality of our beloved Sisterhood?

Idealistic as is Chapter S in many respects, yet during the last year and a half each member has engaged courageously in some form of practical social service work. Red Cross activities naturally made imperative demands upon the time of each member. During the efficient presidency of Mrs. Nora Williams, our chapter purchased a Liberty bond and worked consistently as a unit on specified days at Red Cross headquarters.

Miss Flora Morse, the present capable president, has likewise encouraged much systematic Red Cross work among the members. Under the direction of Mrs. Maude Cassity, an ardent Red Cross enthusiast, Belgian relief garments have been collected and quilts for Belgian babies have been made. The latter work has been done during part of the time at our regular meetings.

Under the direction of Mrs. Alice Hebbe, with the assistance of Mrs. Myrtle Jones and Mrs. Ida Lynn, a careful registration of the women of Tonkawa was made as requested by the Council of National Defense.

Without exception the members of Chapter S are women of true Christian character. They take thought, too, for the poor of our little town. Theirs is not spasmodic giving, but they do make a specialty of Christmas baskets to the needy; all of this, of course, without ostentation.

Another tradition of Chapter S is the observance of Mother's Day. Of all occasions, it is the one most cherished by Chapter S. Last year, the elderly mothers of Tonkawa were entertained most delightfully at the spacious home of Mrs. Hattie Stall.

Last autumn, the chapter voted to entertain the women instructors of our public schools and the wives of the faculty members. The party in their honor, at the home of Mrs. Alice Hebbe, proved so pleasant that

it will undoubtedly become an annual affair, as is the chapter anniversary party.

Two P. E. O. weddings were celebrated during the year; that of Miss Cassie Sttall to Dr. James Woll of Tonkawa, and that of Miss Ruby Williams, to Lieut. Vern Shelton, now in rance. Naturally, these events occasioned showers for the brides and so provided added pleasures for the chapters.

Mrs. Gertrude Browne's lovely little daughter is a P. E. O. baby of 1918.

With the pleasures and blessings of 1918 have come death and sorrow to Chapter S, in the loss of Wesley Ricks, son of Mary Ricks. His death, which was due to influenza, came shortly after his response to his country's call to service.

Other members whose families were represented in the service are:

Mrs. Flora Waggoner's husband, Dr. E. E. Waggoner, is a captain in the medical corps in France.

Mrs. Edna Allspaugh's elder son was in the aviation division. Mrs. Allspaugh was a charter member and the first president of Chapter S.

Mrs. Mary Burress, a former P. E. O. president, sent three sons to the service.

Mrs. Pearl Freeman, our new member of 1918, is a charming woman and the wife of a leading druggist in our town.

Mrs. Vivian Williams, a former music teacher, is our pianist. Her lovely voice and pleasant manner, make her a desirable addition to every P. E. O. program.

Mrs. Grace French, although of very delicate health, is a loyal member. She is the mother of two handsome little sons, and the superintending of their education is her first care.

Mrs. Inis Cole and Mrs. Cornelia Redfield, the former a past recording secretary of Chapter S, and the latter the present vice-president, are both untiring workers for the best interests of the chapter.

The following members of the chapter, Misses Mary Bell, Alice Burress and Ortie Hebbe, have not had the privilege of regular attendance at P. E. O. as they have been either attending school or else engaged in teaching—yet they feel that the principles of P. E. O. have been an inspiration to them in their work.

Miss Mary Bell secured her A.B. degree at Winfield, Kansas. Last summer she took a post-graduate course at the University of Chicago. Miss Bell now teaches at Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Miss Burress, who attended the University of Oklahoma, also spent last summer at the University of Chicago. She now teaches at Guymon, Oklahoma.

Miss Hebbe secured both her A.B. and her A.M. degrees at the University of Kansas.

Non-resident members of Chapter S are as follows: Mrs. Ada Dawson, Ponca City, Okla.; Mrs. Florence Thomas, Bronson, Kansas; Mrs. Frances Goodman, Mt. Ayr, Iowa; Mrs. Elizabeth Robertson, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. Margaret Wiles, Braman, Okla.; Lura Bishop, Dilunth, Okla.; Miss Blanche Campbell, Austin, Tex.

Without exception, Chapter S is composed of women the choicest qualities and of the most worthy ideals. Each member feels it her duty and privilege to exalt the five cardinal principles of our Sisterhood; hence, the strength and the influence of our union upon our lives. With cordial wishes to all chapters.

J. ORTIE HEBBE, Journalist.



Centralia, Wash., Feb. 14, 1919.

Chapter X extends greetings to the Record and to all the P. E. O. Sisterhood. The past year has been a very busy one for our chapter, each meeting has been devoted to Red Cross work, our program being informal.

Besides giving one day a week at Red Cross headquarters, we have made twenty complete refugee layettes.

Every member of our chapter contributed a comfort bag to the destitute women of Belgium and France. This refugee relief work is described in the February Record, "Under Our Own Star."

Besides sending \$25 to our Educational Fund, we have sent \$20 toward the foundation of an industrial home for the little war orphans of France: "Orpheliuat des Armies, 21 Rue Jacob, Paris.

Our social life has been limited to two parties, one the anniversary tea, November

22d, and a Christmas dinner during the holiday weeks. Our B. I. Ls enjoyed this with us.

We are planning a very useful year for our chapter, and hope that the new year will bring to all P. E. O.s the same happiness in their work that we are anticipating.

MAY S. BENEDICT, Journalist.



Franklin, Neb., Feb. 19, 1919.

As a journalist I have proved myself very much a slacker, as I have been endowed with this honorable position since the year 1916 without writing a letter recording the interesting affairs of this small, but active chapter, BG.

Do not be alarmed, dear sisters, because I am not going back to the year 1916 to tell you how many brides we have showered or how many homes the stork has visited, etc., but will give you a brief outline of our work the past year.

The watchword of BG has been conservation; therefore, I have no social events to record, such as "a delicious luncheon was served," or "we entertained our B. I. Ls at a delightful banquet," because BG has been content to eat "chow," and give their time to Uncle Sam and his boys.

The only two social events of the year were our annual Mother's meeting in May, at which light refreshments were served, and a farewell supper for our B. I. L. captain, Dr. Feese, who was called to duty in August. Supper was served in the dining room of Franklin's new and beautiful hotel. The place cards were decorated with a service star on one side, the other bearing the following: "Here's to Jean Feese, our first B. I. L. called into service to mix the Kaiser a pill." In the center of the table was a beautiful floral piece representing the American flag, designed by our efficient president, Mamie A. Humphreys, and vice-president, Sadie D. Spence.

We had two out of town P. E. O. guests present, Miss Ada Bloedorn of Denver, who has three brothers doing their duty to their country, and Mrs. Clearman of Minden, Neb., whose husband, Seergt. Clearman, is serving with the famous 89th Division in France.

We enjoyed an instructive and pleasant visit from Mrs. Kemp, our state organizer, in June.

Each member of our chapter contributes \$1 yearly to our educational fund, and is obligated to tell in poetry how she earned her dollar.

Our programs have been rather light in order to give more time to Red Cross activities.

Mrs. Mae Benedict, our treasurer, proved herself a very efficient instructor in surgical dressing work, and under her instructions BG spent many busy hours in the pleasant surgical dressing room kindly furnished us by a loyal B. I. L., Dave Benedict.

The stork did not slight Chapter BG this year, bringing to the home of Mrs. Richard and Burton marquerites, and a little B. I. L. to the home of Mrs. Naden. Each one received a shower of useful gifts, for BG is no slacker when it comes to clothes for marquerites and B. I. Ls and babes of P. E. O.s.

So glad I have "gone over the top," even at the eleventh hour.

Here's hoping when BG sees this in print, they'll not be shocked at things I've said, but will say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," and pat me kindly on the head.

This letter I must bring to a close as too much now I've said, I fear. So in behalf of BG's P. E. O.s, I wish you all a prosperous year.

ADA C. NADEN.



Pawhuska, Okla., Feb. 24, 1919.

Chapter P sends greetings and kindest wishes to all P. E. O.s.

How good it seems to have the great war burden lifted, and normal activities resumed.

Our chapter consists of sixteen resident and three non-resident members. For the past two years we have had only one meeting a month, the members devoting all their spare time and energy to Red Cross and war work.

There were in the army from our homes: husbands two, sons eight. They are all safe, and most of them home, so it is with great rejoicing and zest that we resume our regular meetings.

We have given \$41 to the Red Cross and purchased a \$50 Liberty bond.

The stork visited two of our homes, bringing a dear little girl to Mrs. MacDonald and

a splendid boy to Mrs. Mitchell. The chapter sent a P. E. O. spoon to each baby.

We have no literary program, but each member is assigned a topic for roll call. The response often brings out considerable discussion and much interesting information.

We always observe our anniversary day on the 21st of January, with a banquet for the B. I. L.s. This year we met at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Tucker, it being the golden anniversary of P. E. O. Especial attention was given the color scheme of gold and white, the gold predominating. The tables were arranged in the form a T. Covers were laid for thirty-two guests. After a bountiful repast, Mr. Mitchell, in behalf of the B. I. L.s, presented the chapter with \$80 for the educational fund. Needless to say, we are very proud of and grateful to our B. I. L.s. Each member made her usual offering of \$1, so that we were able to send \$100 to the educational fund.

A B. I. L. initiation is scheduled for April 1st. There are two candidates who seek to penetrate the mysterious veil, also a second degree to be given.

The February Record, in its new dress, is at hand. Its simple, dignified lines are very attractive.

The messages from the founders of P. E. O. have been a pleasure and inspiration. Mrs. Babb has given such a bright picture of the three who adorn a higher realm that we can feel we have really known them all.

NELLIE L. SHINN, Journalist.



Trinidad, Colo., Jan. 7, 1919.

Chapter J's first meeting of the new year was saddened by the thought that one of our sisters had passed away into the great beyond, leaving a vacancy that can never be filled. Our hearts are burdened with the deep love and sympathy we feel for her dear mother and loved ones. For the little daughter, so early bereft of her mother, we bespeak all the love and tender solicitude of Chapter J.

Not only our chapter, but the whole community mourn the loss of Rose Wolcott Orth. While devoted to her home, she still found time and opportunity to help others.

Particularly through her church and Sunday school, and in our chapter, as elsewhere, she gave her best efforts.

She had a strong, bright intellect and her life was a demonstration of finest womanhood. She leaves the record of a life well spent.

Though we grieve over our own loss at parting with her, let us remember:

They never quite leave us, our friends who have passed beyond,

Through the shadows of death to the sunlight above.

A thousand sweet memories are holding them fast

To the places they blest with their presence and love.

NELLIE SHERMAN,
ELIZABETH STACY,
CARRIE SHEAR.



Logan, Iowa, March 2, 1919.

If Chapter DP has not been represented by a letter in the Record, inactivity in our chapter has not been the cause. Perhaps the satisfaction and enjoyment we find in our little circle has kept us selfishly silent. If in telling some of our experiences, the true spirit of sisterhood which characterizes every chapter letter can be further emphasized, and the star made to shine any brighter, we are ready to speak.

Our programs are usually miscellaneous and this year have dealt largely with war topics. We have been very anxious to do our share in winning the war. The members have purchased \$1,120 in war saving stamps and \$5,000 in bonds. We have spent \$48 in war relief and \$18 for Travelers' Aid, educational fund and war camp community service.

Most of the mothers in the club have been represented by sons in the service. Only one of the mothers was called upon to make the great sacrifice, John Harvey, son of Mrs. Fanny Harvey, and brother of Nelle Harvey, was stricken with influenza while in S. A. T. C. at Iowa City, and died after a brief illness. The grief of this mother and sister was felt deeply by all of us who knew and loved John as a friend.

Last summer we lost a very dear sister in the death of Addie Hedges. She was one

of our first presidents, an active member, and daily exemplified the teachings of P. E. O. in her life.

Miss Mary Rice and Mrs. Della Milliman were called upon to give up their mother during the past year; also the same grief in the loss of a mother, came to Mrs. Jesse Blackburn and Mrs. Mary Stearn.

One of our most pleasant affairs, which also gave a surplus of \$286 for the Red Cross, was an old-time concert. In this entertainment we all appeared dressed in the garb of our grandmothers and put on all the stunts engaged in years ago, even to a quilting bee. There were songs, duets, trios, readings and rounds, and at the close of the entertainment, no one asked for his money to be refunded. Later on, we joined with the P. E. O. Sisterhood of Woodbine in putting on a similar entertainment.

We celebrated P. E. O. fiftieth anniversary with a 6 o'clock dinner at the beautiful new home of Mrs. A. W. Blackburn. Our B. I. L.s were the honored guests and seemed to enjoy the occasion equally with us, even to the rereading of the history of P. E. O. and the short program following.

At Christmas time it has always been our custom to furnish baskets for the needy families or those who will have no extras for Christmas. This year we filled five.

Our annual mothers' meeting is an event we always look forward to and we have found that the anticipation is mutual with our guests, the mothers, who are with us on that day. Our "eats," our entertainment, our conveyance to and from the party are all planned with the thought of pleasure for these, our mothers, and is worth every effort we can put forth.

We end our P. E. O. year with a picnic, to which our B. I. L.s are invited. This is another feast and an informal good time.

One little new P. E. O. has come to us during the past year, little Margaret, daughter of Mrs. Mary Henn Stearns.

I am enclosing a poem composed by one of our talented members, Mrs. Ada Mills Dewell. We used this at our Red Cross entertainment last year and found that it always touched the hearts of the audience, because it was a message from the heart of a true P. E. O.:

I'm Sorry Fer Ye.

If you hain't got a little girl—
A buddin' little flower—
A-flyin' all about your home,
An' brightenin' every hour;
A-luggin' dolls an' cats around
An' stirrin' up mud pies,
A-worryin' about her books and curls
An' her finger exercise;—
Well my, stars! I'm sorry for ye!

If you hain't got a little kid—
A sturdy, growin' boy—
A-playin' soldier around the yard,
An' fillin' life with joy;
A-bringin' in the eggs an' wood,
An' trackin' up your floor;
A-eatin' up your gingercakes
An' hollerin' fer more!
Well, goodness me! I'm sorry fer ye!

If you hain't got a gal or two,
Jest bloomin' in their teens,
A-growin' sweeter every day
Than any royal queens;
A-takin' tan an' freckles off
With—buttermilk, I s'pose;
A dreamin' over happy thoughts,
An'—blushin'—bout their beaux;—
Well, gracious! I'm sorry fer you!

If you hain't got a baby—
In your arms an' heart to hold,
A-cooin' over "patty cake"
An' wuth his weight in gold;
A-gummin' on a cracker
To cut his toofies through
An' climbin' up beside a cheer,
As no other kid could do—
Well, mercy me! I'm sorry fer you!

If you hain't got no kids at all,
Because you think them rude,
'N' prefer to spend your quiet hours
In lonely solitude;—
Or if your kids is all growed up;
The high-cheer packed away,
The cradle in the attic—
The kids gone off, to stay!
My land! Hain't I sorry fer ye!

If you hain't got a fine, big boy,
Who wears a khaki suit,
Who's sailed away to fight for peace;
To shoulder arms—an' shoot.
If there ain't no one over there

That you can serve an' love;
 For whom you'll sacrifice an' work
 An' send your prayers above—
 Goodness me! I'm sorry fer ye!

But if you try to do your bit
 To make the whole world free.
 To honor God's most glorious land—
 This great democracy;
 If you are buying bonds and stamps,
 An' help the Red Cross out.
 If you will work an' save and knit
 An' for this flag can shout—
 Gracious Peter, I hain't sorry fer ye!

ETHEL H. JAY, Journalist.



Sac City, Iowa, Feb. 28, 1919.

How much we all gain by the bonds of fraternity comes to us more and more as we peruse the columns of the Record. We are taken out of our own narrow limits and realize what others are doing to advance the cause we have undertaken, and through which our Sisterhood hopes to accomplish much in the betterment of humanity.

The structure we are building is on a safe and sure foundation, over ideals of the highest standard. May our vision of the good, true and beautiful lead us onward and upward with successful results.

We have found much to be done in the past two years on the way of Red Cross work and our chapter has spent many hours in labor and has given willingly and gladly of her means to further the work in the greatest struggle the world has ever known.

The first shipment from our town to the Red Cross was forwarded by Chapter BI and consisted of various articles most necessary in a hospital.

Since the Red Cross was organized in our country, so we have worked with it.

Just recently have finished up thirty-two garments for the Belgian children. We also bought a Liberty Bond. On account of the work we had planned to do we made our program in accordance, each meeting being placed in the hands of a leader giving her full charge of entertainment while others could work.

This has given us a varied program and has been very satisfactory as well as instructive.

We have found each one will select that which she can give with the best returns to her listeners.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Baily and Mr. Paul W. Dixon on June twenty-second gave us another B. I. L., but his having been stationed at the Great Lakes most of the time, we have been unable to give him the proper initiation. However, we welcome him most heartily.

November 29th, Sister Mary Brimhar passed away at her home in Schiller. For several years she had been an invalid, but was always ready to greet her P. E. O. sisters and we will not forget the pleasant hours spent with the two members, Mrs. Brimhall and Mrs. Whiteside at Schiller, Iowa.

February 24th being our twenty-first birthday, we celebrated our majority by a social function at the home of Mrs. Bessie Findley. Dinner was served at six-thirty, after which we were entertained by a very unique program.

All were invited to come dressed to represent a song and bring the music. That furnished a guessing contest.

An exhibition of many creations, such as the "Giant from the Andes," the "Mummy from Egypt," the "Strong Man," the "Sword Eater," the "Juggler of Feather Weights," the "Albino," and various interesting objects coming from the extreme portions of the earth, furnished much amusement and was entered into by our B. I. L.'s and other guests, much jest and hilarity making the evening one to be long remembered.

February 27th, Mrs. Buecheel inspected our Chapter. We certainly appreciate the understanding she gave us relative to minor detail in conducting our meetings.

Our meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Anna Hart. After inspection light refreshments were served.

BELLE HENTON, Journalist.



St. Paul, Neb., Feb. 12, 1919.

Chapter AP sends cordial greetings to all P. E. O.s. We are at the close of a very pleasant and successful year under the lead-

ership of our president, Mrs. Ella Bell, and her staff of officers.

We now have twenty-six resident members and four non-resident members. We have added no new stars to our chapter this year.

Our program for the past year was miscellaneous and, although several meetings were discontinued during the prevalence of the influenza epidemic, we have had some very pleasant times together. Our members all belong to the Red Cross and individually we have done considerable Red Cross work through the year; also doing our bit toward helping with the war work by buying Liberty bonds, war saving stamps and donating to all the various drives and benevolences.

Have also donated our annual quota to the educational fund.

Socially we have not been very active.

In April we had a white elephant party at the home of Mrs. Pauline Arterburn. In May we held our annual mothers' day party, with Mrs. Byrdie Taylor as hostess, and on Jan. 8, 1919, we celebrated our thirteenth anniversary with an alphabetical luncheon at the home of our president, Mrs. Bell, and we are looking forward to our annual B. I. L. party, which is to be held in the near future.

We have had two weddings during the year, Miss Ethel Pope and Miss Lois Bennett. Sincerely yours,

VERA I. TAYLOR, Journalist.



Everett, Wash., Feb., 1919.

Surely any chapter may be excused for failure to send the annual chapter letter during the past strenuous times.

But now that the urge of war work which was given the first and greatest consideration, has passed, Chapter O has resumed her usual course of pre-war days.

It is a great pleasure to read the chapter letters with, now then a dear, familiar name, and to see that P. E. O.s everywhere have been working together as one great body for the world's welfare.

The members of our chapter, I am sure, have taken a positive part in every war activity. We Hooverized at home, and of course, dispensed with all refreshments at

our meetings. We purchased a Liberty bond of the first issue, and are accumulating war saving stamps. We have subscribed to the soldiers and sailors' library fund, and the Y. M. C. A. We placed a P. E. O. register in the hostess house at Camp Lewis, for the P. E. O. boys, and met every week for work at the Red Cross rooms.

When the call came, a year ago, for clothing for the Belgians, the Red Cross asked Chapter Q to take charge, with the result that seven and a half tons of good clothing, including 500 pairs of shoes, were packed and sent across the seas. Six months later almost as much was again sent.

Our last effort was the comfort kits for Belgian women. We made and packed ten.

Our benevolent committee has kept up the usual local charities, and the educational fund, which is very dear to us, received \$19 last year.

We have sorrowed with two of our sisters, Miss Roscoe's mother was taken after a long illness, and the eldest son of Mrs. Thos. Robinson passed away as the result of influenza. Truly, "some days must be dark and dreary."

The regular meetings suspended during the influenza have been resumed with the usual pleasure and enthusiasm. The program at the last meeting was especially interesting because of a clever original story by Mrs. Elizabeth Clay, in which all the beautiful ideals of the Sisterhood were impressively set before us. We are looking eagerly forward to our anniversary meeting next week at which time the B. I. L.s are to be the hosts. We will tell you all about it next time. ELLA THOMPSON BYERS, Journalist.



Whitefish, Mont., Feb. 8, 1919.

In behalf of Chapter D, Montana, I desire to extend the chapter's greetings to all P. E. O.s.

After our usual summer vacation we entered upon another year's work with renewed interest and a determination to do all in our power in every branch of our work.

On September 24, 1918, a special meeting was called for the purpose of inspection by the organizer, Mrs. Alice Scott, who re-

ported favorably on the condition of books and gave us an interesting talk, full of suggestions for improvement and for the growth of our P. E. O.

I am sure that I can vouch for each member of our chapter that we were delighted to know Mrs. Scott, and thoroughly enjoyed having her with us, and that she left us with renewed inspiration.

We met in regular meeting on Oct. 2, 1918, and made a start for the new year's work, the president appointing a committee on program to fill out the calendar for the year's work.

Before time to meet again the flu ban was placed upon our city, which was not lifted till January 6, 1919; so we did not meet again till January 15, 1919.

Our little city was hit very hard by the flu, and so many sad homes as a result of the epidemic; but we are so thankful that conditions are about normal once more.

Our chapter is 100 per cent Red Cross, and all the members active in the Red Cross work and fill all the prominent offices.

We meet on alternate Wednesday evenings and usually have a full attendance of all resident members.

Though small in numbers, we hope our magnitude in spirit is large.

We are planning to devote more time to education and study, and are looking forward to a year of growth and usefulness, trusting that we may be given grace to perform with cheerfulness, the duty which lies nearest; and we hope to grow steadily in the beautiful principles of P. E. O.

IDA V. MURPHEY, Journalist.



Tipton, Iowa.

Chapter DY sends greetings to the P. E. O. Sisterhood. We started in our year with a get-together picnic which was enjoyed by all as each one had been busy doing her bit in Red Cross work, so much needed during the past year. Our program has been a miscellaneous one, as we felt it would be restful after having extra war work placed upon us, and also involved less time and work than a regular study course.

We always contribute to the educational fund, not so much, perhaps, as some chapters, but we are not large, having 19 resi-

dent members and six non-resident. Mrs. White, of Nevada, joined us by dimit at our last meeting. In November we entertained the B. I. L.s at 6:30 dinner at the home of Mrs. Blanche Miller. Several guests were present, one being Mrs. Jennie Gregg, a non-resident member from Buffalo, Wyoming. After the delicious dinner several toasts were given by the B. I. L.s, also a few by our sisters. During the evening we were entertained by a play given by a number of the sisters, which greatly pleased the audience, who showed their appreciation by showering the stage with flowers.

We have several soldier husbands in our chapter, but they, of course, could not be with us. Another social function greatly enjoyed was a 12:30 luncheon, held February 1st, at the home of our president, Mrs. Vivian Dean, when we had as a guest our inspector, Mrs. Buechele of Waterloo. She spoke well of the way our president carried on the work of the chapter, and said the initiatory work was carried out nicely.

During the year Cupid sent invitations to two of our sisters to come and visit friends and, while away from our care, persuaded them to change their names, Bertha Reichert becoming the wife of Capt. Charles Penningroth at Pemberton, N. J., the captain now being in Germany, and Mildred Yule becoming the wife of Lieut. Howard Phelps in California.

We still have the brides with us, but are fearful of their departure later on.

Our hostess usually serves refreshments at the close of the meeting. We usually make up any extra money needed by assessments, but at present we have a basket that is being passed among the sisters, going alphabetically, according to their last name. The one starting the basket put in something to eat, valued at 50 cents and sent it to the next in order, who takes out what surprise is found, replacing with something of equal value, and 50 cents, passing it along until all have received and donated. The basket always contains something good and is a surprise worth having.

We join in best wishes to the P. E. O. Sisterhood in your new year's work.

AGNES REICHERT, Journalist.

Guthrie Center, Iowa, Feb. 18, 1919.

There is a wise old saying that declares "Happy is that country whose annals are brief."

While our country was at peace, the pen of the historian was scarcely needed to record its progress. The development of the country was its history.

Now the minds of generations of young people yet unborn will stagger under the weight of facts and grow weary deducing the causes and results of the great war.

Chapter BY is happy in brief annals. There has been steady progress, and her history is that of united effort in building up and strengthening the bulwarks of P. E. O. in her own chapter and community, and as far afield as her opportunities have permitted her to go.

There is a richness and depth in her unrecorded history which each member feels. The bond of sympathy strengthens with the years, especially since the call of country has made us "soldiers all."

Our beloved P. E. O. order has nobly lost itself in the great cause of liberty and righteousness—only to shine anew with a clearer and holier light.

It has been two years since Chapter BY has written to her sister chapters through the medium of the P. E. O. Record.

During the year 1917-1918 we were led through a profitable year under the gracious guidance of our president, Miss Helen Alexander.

The present year finds us progressing under the capable direction of Mrs. Ella Crawford.

During these years war work has taken precedence over carefully wrought-out literary programs. Our hearts have led us into paths of service; rather than our minds, into fields of cultural knowledge.

Christmas boxes have been sent to our soldier lads. Contributions in work and money have been made to the Red Cross, and the nimble needle has plied its way in the fashioning of soldier garments. Liberal purchases have been made, individually, in Liberty bonds and war savings stamps.

About \$15 has been contributed to the educational fund.

Our social life has been fostered by a 1 o'clock luncheon, served at the first meet-

ing of each month; by observing guest day each year; by enjoying the society of our B. I. L.s at a party given in their honor at the home of Mrs. Anna Fordyce; by an after Christmas "white elephant" party at the home of Mrs. Georgia Milligan; and by our annual picnics at the close of each year's work.

The chapter members were entertained in a most enjoyable manner at a 1 o'clock progressive luncheon, given by Mrs. Susan Brown, a non-resident member of Panova, and a P. E. O. sister, Mrs. Balcoff, at the home of Mrs. Brown.

We have welcomed several new stars into our chapter: Mrs. May Cahail, Miss Grace Herriott, Miss Mary Applegate, Miss Jessie Milligan, Miss Helen Dougherty, Miss Harriet Hill, and Mrs. Mary Lemmon, who comes to us as a bride from Pasadena, California.

A new star has come into the home of Mrs. Edna Mahan, in the person of a winsome baby girl, Patricia.

Our chapter meetings have been brightened from time to time by the presence of visiting P. E. O. sisters: Mrs. Frances Powell of Coxsackie, New York; Mrs. Helen Brundage of Chicago; Miss Belle Lay of Grand Junction, Colo.; Mrs. Lulu Rogers of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Cora Easton and Miss Lulu Smith of Colorado Springs; Mrs. Updegraff of Fort Morgan, Colo., and Mrs. Jennie Lyons of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Last year our efficient secretary, Mrs. Sara Selby, tendered her resignation, as Florida was to become her new home. Los Angeles, California, is her present home.

Several of our sisters have met bereavement. Our sympathy has gone out to Mrs. Mary Long in the loss of her mother; to Mrs. Edith Udegraff in the loss of her son, Bower; to Mrs. Effa Crawford and Mrs. Susie Brown, who have each been bereaved of a father, and to Mrs. May Palmer, whose girlhood was spent in this place, in the loss of her daughter, Lorna.

Recently our chapter was inspected by our state organizer, Mrs. Carrie Buechele, at the home of Mrs. Lucy Hopkins. The occasion was a very pleasant one, and we were much profited and encouraged by her kind words.

MRS. LUELLA APPELGATE,
Journalist.

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IOWA.		DE SLUX CITY, May 9, '11		BC Cambridge, May 20, '11		CA Kansas City, Feb. 1, '11	
Jan. 21, '89	DI Hamburg, Nov. 1, '04	BE Ashland, May 27, '11	CB Warrensburg, Mr. 29, '15				
Dec. 4, '74	DJ Ft. Dodge, Dec. 16, '04	BE Pierce, Mar. 1, '12	CC Appleton Cy, Mr. 30, '15				
Sept. 12, '81	DL N. Ham'ton, Apr. 25, '05	BE Wilbur, Mar. 12, '12	CD Washington, Apr. 9, '15				
Apr. 8, '82	DM Seymour, Nov. 2, '05	BE Franklin, May 5, '12	CE Vandalla, May 12, '15				
Mar. 8, '83	DN Shenandoah, Feb. 15, '06	BI Shelton, Feb. 23, '14	CF Kansas City, May 14, '15				
Apr. 12, '84	DO Sidney, Jan. 29, '07	BJ Alma, Mar. 31, '14	CH Eldon, Nov. 1, '15				
May 27, '84	DQ Logan, Mar. 4, '07	BK Omaha, Apr. 2, '14	CI Montgomery, Apr. 12, '15				
Aug. 30, '84	DR Reinebeck, June 19, '07	BL Chadron, Apr. 12, '15					
Dec. 26, '84	DR Adel, Jan. 6, '08	BM Ainsworth, June 5, '15	CJ Excelsior Springs, Sept. 1, '15				
Feb. 6, '85	DS Odebolt, Apr. 20, '08	BN Omaha, June 10, '15					
Aug. 1, '85	DT Mt. Vernon, May 9, '08	BO Sidney, June 11, '15	CK St. Louis, Jan. 1, '16				
June 29, '86	DU Sheldon, Nov. 12, '08	BP Omaha, Feb. 12, '16	CL Marshallfield, Apr. 8, '16				
Aug. 31, '86	DV Iowa Falls, Jan. 12, '09	BQ David City, Feb. 16, '16	CM West P'ns, Apr. 1, '16				
Feb. 19, '86	DW Coon Rapids, Mr. 30, '09	BR Lincoln, Mar. 17, '16	CN Monet, Apr. 1, '16				
Oct. 1, '87	DX Sioux City, Apr. 1, '09	BS Benson, May 31, '16	CO Richmond, Jan. 1, '16				
Nov. 28, '87	DY Tipton, Apr. 26, '10	BT Weeping Water, June 3, '16	CP Dexter, Apr. 1, '16				
Apr. 13, '88	DZ Mason City, Apr. 28, '10	BU Atkinson, Nov. 25, '16	CQ Ridgeway, Apr. 1, '16				
Jan. 26, '89	EA Clear Lake, Apr. 30, '10		CR Hardin, Apr. 1, '16				
May 4, '89	EB Carroll, Nov. 16, '10		CS Laredo, Apr. 1, '16				
Sept. 2, '89	EC Traer, Apr. 27, '11		CT Flat River, Apr. 1, '16				
Jan. 3, '90	ED Rockford, Dec. 6, '11		CU Mt. Vernon, May 1, '16				
W Leona, Jan. 31, '90	EE Cherokee, Apr. 25, '12	BW Orleans, June 14, '17	CV Charleston, May 1, '16				
X Okosloosa, June 9, '90	EF Onawa, Apr. 26, '12	BX Omaha, Oct. 2, '17	CW Kirksville, May 17, '17				
Y What Cheer, July 12, '90	EG Rockwell City, Dec. 10, '12	BY Lincoln, Jan. 26, '18	CX Chaffee, Oct. 5, '17				
Z Waterloo, Oct. 11, '90	EH Des Moines, May 2, '13	BZ Gordon April 30, '18	CY Kennett, Nov. 17, '17				
AA Ames, Aug. 3, '91	EI Belle Plaine, May 7, '13	CA Valentine May 2, '18	CZ Novinger April 16, '18				
AB Bonaparte, Sept. 1, '91	EJ Eagle Grove, May 10, '13	CB Ravenna, Dec. 5, '18	DA Bowl'g Grn May 13, '18				
AC Hampton, Sept. 28, '91	EK Waukon, Apr. 7, '14	CC Seward, May 9, '19	DB Kansas City, Feb. 15, '19				
AD Milton, Mar. 9, '92	EL Webster City, Apr. 16, '14		DC Springfield, Apr. 5, '19				
AE Clarinda, May 3, '92	EL Twarden, May 15, '14		DD Aurora, May 28, '19				
AF Atlantic, June 1, '92	EL Storm Lake, Apr. 28, '14		DE King City, May 29, '19				
AG Winterset, June 1, '92	EO Oakland, Apr. 16, '15						
AH Wt Liberty, June 1, '92	EO Strawberry Point, Apr. 28, '15						
AI Rock Rapids, June 1, '92	ES Northwood, Apr. 30, '15						
AK Brooklyn, June 1, '92	ET Wapello, May 7, '15						
AL New Sharon, June 1, '92	EU Allerton, May 10, '15						
AM Nevada, June 1, '92	EV New London, June 8, '15						
AN Humeston, June 1, '92	EW Tama, Sept. 21, '15						
AO Newton, June 1, '92	EX Lake Mills, Apr. 20, '16						
AP Harlan, June 1, '92	EY Sioux City, May 3, '16						
AQ Brighton, June 1, '92	EZ Anita, Feb. 20, '17						
AR Clay Center, June 1, '92	EA Eldora, Feb. 24, '17						
AS Manly, June 1, '92	EB Woodbine, Apr. 6, '17						
AT Spencer, June 1, '92	EC Muscatine, Apr. 23, '17						
AU Mount Pleasant, June 1, '92	ED Efffield, Jan. 26, '18						
AV Mount Pleasant, June 1, '92	EE Waterloo, May 6, '18						
	EF New London, July 2, '18						
	EG Fayette, Apr. 16, '19						
	EH Sumner, May 12, '19						
	EI Clinton, May 14, '19						
	EJ Davenport, May 15, '19						

O McLeansboro, Jan. 4, '08	K Ran Diego, Dec. 31, '04	J Vinita, Oct. 29, '09	K Yankton, Jan. 19, '10
P Chicago, May 19, '08	L Glendale, Mar. 11, '05	K Altus, Jan. 19, '10	L Lead, Jan. 19, '10
R Peoria, Dec. 3, '08	M Monrovia, Mar. 25, '05	M El Reno, Apr. 5, '10	M Hat Spring, Apr. 5, '10
S Maywood, May 17, '07	N Alhambra, Oct. 2, '06	N Tulsa, Apr. 16, '10	N Wagoner, Apr. 16, '10
T Kirkwood, Sept. 27, '07	O Pomona, Jan. 8, '06	O Hollis, Nov. 24, '10	O Milwaukee, Nov. 24, '10
U Hamilton, Oct. 19, '08	Q Hollywood, Mar. 21, '07	P Pawhuska, Nov. 30, '10	B Appleton, Mar. 16, '11
V Rockford, Nov. 18, '08	R Santa Monica, Mar. 30, '07	Q Enid, Mar. 13, '11	C Milwaukee, Mar. 13, '11
G Galesburg, Mar. 18, '09	S Orange, Apr. 6, '07	R Waynoka, Mar. 27, '11	D Beaver, Mar. 27, '11
L , June 1, '09	T Palo Alto, Dec. 10, '07	S Tonkawa, Mar. 27, '11	E Superior, Dec. 9, '12
M , Apr. 22, '10	U Burbank, Sept. 8, '08	T Eufrata, Dec. 9, '12	F Milwaukee, Jan. 6, '12
N , Mar. 10, '11	V Whittier, Dec. 7, '08	U Okla. City, Jan. 6, '12	G Beaver, Jan. 6, '12
O , Mar. 11, '11	W Los Angeles, Feb. 17, '09	W Tecumseh, June 19, '12	H Madison, Sept. 21, '17
P , Mar. 14, '11	X Los Angeles, Mar. 4, '09	X Collinsville, Nov. 16, '12	I Stevens Point, Sept. 25, '17
Q , Apr. 22, '11	Y Fullerton, Mar. 6, '09	Y Kingfisher, Apr. 22, '13	J Manitowoc, Apr. 3, '18
R , Feb. 8, '12	Z Pasadena, May 29, '09	Z Okmulgee, Apr. 23, '13	K Fond du Lac, Mar. 17, '19
S , Mar. 7, '12	AA S. Pasadena, Jan. 12, '10	AA Woodward, Mar. 7, '14	Subordinate to Supreme Chapter.
T , Jan. 6, '13	AB Santa Ana, Mar. 5, '10	AC Okla. City, Apr. 9, '15	INDIANA.
U , Mar. 16, '14	AC S. Barbara, Mar. 26, '10	AD Guthrie, Apr. 12, '15	A Thorntown, Mar. 26, '86
V , Mar. 18, '14	AD Los Angeles, Apr. 2, '10	AE El Reno, Apr. 24, '16	B Knox, Sept. 14, '98
W , Apr. 7, '14	AE San Jacinto, May 10, '11	AF Prague, May 22, '16	C Kokomo, Aug. 13, '88
X , Apr. 14, '14	AF Long Beach, Mar. 23, '11	AG Skiatook, Apr. 4, '17	D Lafayette, Feb. 6, '16
Y , Apr. 25, '14	AG Hollywood, July 25, '11	AH Okla. City, Apr. 19, '17	TEXAS.
Z , Mar. 20, '15	AH Tropico, Jan. 19, '12	AI Okla. City, Apr. 19, '17	A Whitesboro, Sept. 4, '02
AA , Oct. 1, '15	AI San Jose, Feb. 20, '12	AJ Miami, Aug. 5, '17	B Amarillo, June 20, '07
AB , Mar. 4, '16	AJ Sebastopol, Feb. 22, '12	AK Alva, Apr. 16, '19	C Hondo, Apr. 1, '98
AC , Apr. 13, '16	AK Los Angeles, Mar. 19, '12	OREGON.	UTAH.
AD , May 19, '16	AM S'n Francisco, Apr. 18, '13	A Portland, Aug. 12, '05	A Salt Lake City, Jan. 15, '99
AE , Sept. 23, '16	AN Van Nuys, May 3, '12	B Portland, June 15, '08	MICHIGAN.
AF , Nov. 7, '17	AO Los Angeles, June 26, '12	C Portland, June 7, '11	A Detroit, Oct. 5, '90
AG , Nov. 21, '17	AP Berkeley, Mar. 31, '14	D Forest Grove, June 7, '11	B , Feb. 20, '03
AH , Mar. 21, '18	AR San Diego, Apr. 9, '14	E Portland, Aug. 1, '11	C , Dec. 7, '09
AI , Mar. 22, '18	AS Hemet, May 12, '14	F Portland, Aug. 1, '11	D , Nov. 9, '10
AJ , Apr. 1, '18	AT Los Angeles, May 14, '14	G Salem, Sept. 2, '11	E , Jan. 20, '15
AK , Apr. 5, '18	AU Pasadena, Mar. 20, '15	H Eugene, Apr. 1, '11	F , Jan. 22, '16
AL , Apr. 28, '19	AV El Centro, Apr. 15, '15	I La Grande, Sept. 2, '11	G , May 8, '19
AM , Apr. 10, '19	AW Long B'ch, June 24, '15	J Woodburn, May 20, '11	H , May 9, '19
AN , Apr. 19, '19	AX S. Pasadena, July 22, '15	K Vale, Dec. 1, '11	I , May 9, '19
AO , Apr. 19, '19	AY Glendora, Oct. 8, '15	L Newberg, Mar. 18, '11	OF COLUMBIA.
AP , Mar. 5, '86	AZ Inglewood, Mar. 11, '16	M Portland, May 19, '16	A , May 29, '00
A Meade, Dec. 21, '91	BA Glendale, Mar. 13, '16	N Portland, Oct. 28, '16	B , May 21, '02
O Lyons, May 7, '94	BB Claremont, Mar. 24, '16	O Albany, Feb. 22, '16	C , May 22, '06
D Hutchinson, May 13, '00	BC Long Beach, Mar. 24, '16	P Oregon City, Mar. 4, '16	D , Apr. 16, '14
F Pratt, July 13, '00	BE Pasadena, May 26, '16	Q The Dalles, Apr. 15, '16	E , Dec. 26, '19
H Council Grove, Jul. 8, '03	BF Oakland, Nov. 18, '16	R Enterprise, Dec. 5, '16	F , Jan. 13, '17
I Wichita, Jan. 11, '04	BG Livermore, Nov. 25, '16	S Corvallis, Jan. 13, '17	G , Apr. 1, '17
J Atchison, Apr. 6, '04	BH Modesto, Nov. 28, '16	T Clatskanie, Apr. 1, '17	H , Apr. 1, '17
K Beloit, May 4, '04	BI Monrovia, Apr. 12, '17	U Klamath Falls, May 1, '17	I , Apr. 1, '17
L Iola, June 5, '05	BJ Whittier, Apr. 16, '17	V Lebanon, May 1, '17	J , Apr. 1, '17
M Ellsworth, Apr. 17, '06	BK Oakland, Apr. 21, '17	MINNESOTA.	K , Apr. 1, '17
N Fredonia, Apr. 19, '06	BL Sacramento, Apr. 24, '17	A Minneapolis, Dec. 1, '17	L , Apr. 1, '17
P Holton, Apr. 8, '07	BM Santa Clara, Apr. 26, '17	B Breckenridge, Mar. 1, '18	M , Apr. 1, '17
Q Nickerson, Dec. 9, '07	BN Hollywood, Aug. 2, '17	C Pipestone, Apr. 1, '18	N , Apr. 1, '17
R Howard, Dec. 11, '07	BO Westwood, Jan. 1, '18	D Minneapolis, Apr. 1, '18	O , Apr. 1, '17
S Hutchinson, May 25, '08	BP Anaheim, Apr. 14, '18	E Minneapolis, Apr. 5, '10	P , Apr. 1, '17
T Neodesha, Apr. 28, '09	BQ Los Angeles, May 3, '19	F Sauk Rapids, Aug. 16, '11	Q , Apr. 1, '17
U St. Francis, June 3, '09	WASHINGTON.	G , Aug. 16, '11	R , Apr. 1, '17
W Columbia, Dec. 30, '09	A Seattle, Feb. 22, '93	H , Aug. 16, '11	S , Apr. 1, '17
X Sterling, May 26, '10	B Shelton, Jan. 3, '97	I St. Paul, Mar. 3, '12	T , Apr. 1, '17
Y Garden City, June 18, '10	C Tacoma, June 13, '98	J Windom, Oct. 31, '14	U , Apr. 1, '17
Z Garnett, June 24, '10	D Sedro Woolley, Sep. 23, '03	K St. Paul, Apr. 2, '15	V , Apr. 1, '17
AA Goodland, Nov. 10, '10	E Spokane, Feb. 9, '04	L Minneapolis, Apr. 3, '15	W , Apr. 1, '17
AB Norton, Nov. 12, '10	F Bellingham, Mar. 14, '04	M Fergus Falls, Mar. 15, '16	A Rawlins, Apr. 1, '17
AC Galena, Feb. 3, '11	G Seattle, Mar. 16, '04	N Northfield, May 3, '17	B Sheridan, Apr. 1, '17
AD St. John, Mar. 2, '11	H Mt. Vernon, Dec. 1, '04	O Moorhead, May 20, '18	C Cheyenne, Apr. 1, '17
AE Leavenworth, Apr. 22, '11	I Arlington, Apr. 13, '05	NORTH DAKOTA.	D Cody, Apr. 1, '17
AF Smith Cent'r, Apr. 26, '11	J Blaine, Sept. 12, '05	A Valley City, Mar. 26, '06	E Laramie, Apr. 1, '17
AG Augusta, Nov. 9, '11	K Prosser, Mar. 26, '06	B Dickinson, Oct. 16, '06	F Bismarck, Apr. 1, '17
AH Newton, Jan. 20, '12	L Sunnyside, Mar. 27, '06	C Beach, Jan. 10, '13	G Grand Forks, Apr. 1, '17
AI Greensburg, Mar. 8, '12	M Spokane, Mar. 30, '06	D Grand Forks, Apr. 7, '13	H Fargo, Apr. 1, '17
AJ Syracuse, Mar. 26, '12	N Davenport, Feb. 22, '07	E Fargo, Feb. 14, '14	I Bismarck, Feb. 24, '14
AK Topeka, June 3, '12	O Newport, Apr. 27, '08	F Bismarck, Feb. 24, '14	J Minot, Feb. 25, '14
AL Halstead, Oct. 15, '12	P North Yakima, May 15, '08	G Minot, Feb. 25, '14	H Mandan, Oct. 20, '15
AM Kansas City, Jan. 4, '13	Q Everett, Feb. 8, '10	IDAHO.	A Boise, Apr. 2, '04
AN Humboldt, July 9, '13	R Spokane, Feb. 26, '10	A Boise, Apr. 2, '04	B Blackfoot, Oct. 2, '06
AO Washington, Feb. 11, '14	S Pullman, May 23, '10	C Payette, Oct. 9, '06	D Twin Falls, May 4, '08
AP Concordia, Mar. 5, '14	T Hoquiam, Jan. 31, '11	E Jerome, Aug. 24, '10	F Caldwell, Sept. 3, '10
AQ Liberal, Oct. 22, '14	U Montesano, Jan. 31, '11	G Gooding, Nov. 3, '10	H Boise, Feb. 22, '16
AR Pittsburg, Mar. 1, '15	V Seattle, Feb. 15, '11	I Emmett, Feb. 22, '16	J Burley, Mar. 7, '16
AS Junction Cy, Apr. 5, '15	W Anacortes, May 2, '11	K Pocatello, Apr. 17, '16	L St. Anthony, Feb. 25, '17
AT Clay Center, May 3, '15	X Centralia, Nov. 22, '11	M Kellogg, Apr. 1, '17	N Nampa, May 2, '19
AU Tonganoxie, May 7, '15	Y Olympia, May 23, '12	O Moscow, May 10, '19	SOUTH DAKOTA.
AV Ottawa, Jan. 17, '16	Z Waterville, Apr. 25, '13	A Elk Point, Apr. 26, '06	A Elk Point, Apr. 26, '06
AW Clyde, Dec. 1, '16	AA Roslyn, Feb. 13, '15	B Aberdeen, Apr. 27, '06	B Aberdeen, Apr. 27, '06
AX Scott City, Feb. 19, '17	AB Bellingham, Mar. 3, '15	C Wege'n Sprgs., Oct. 18, '06	C Wege'n Sprgs., Oct. 18, '06
AY Atwood, Apr. 12, '17	AD Walla Walla, Mar. 6, '15	D Vermillion, Feb. 4, '09	D Vermillion, Feb. 4, '09
AZ Lawrence, July 7, '17	AE Palouse, Oct. 13, '16	E Huron, Oct. 26, '11	E Huron, Oct. 26, '11
BA Ashland, Apr. 30, '19	AF Calfax, Mar. 9, '17	F Woonsocket, Jan. 4, '13	F Woonsocket, Jan. 4, '13
BB Marysville, Apr. 30, '19	AG Herrington, May 25, '17	G Mobridge, Jan. 7, '12	G Mobridge, Jan. 7, '12
BC Kansas City, May 6, '19	AH Bremerton, Nov. 15, '17	H St. Louis Falls, Oct. 22, '14	H St. Louis Falls, Oct. 22, '14
CALIFORNIA.	AI Spokane, June 1, '18	I Mitchell, Oct. 24, '14	I Mitchell, Oct. 24, '14
B Escondido, Oct. 29, '90	OKLAHOMA.	WEST VIRGINIA.	NEVADA.
C Los Angeles, Aug. 20, '92	A Okeene, Dec. 16, '03	A Elko, Oct. 7, '16	B Reno, Feb. 29, '17
D Los Angeles, Mar. 5, '95	B Muskogee, Nov. 22, '05	B Buckhannon, June 29, '15	NEW JERSEY.
E Los Angeles, June 17, '03	C Alva, May 26, '06	C Morgantown, June 2, '10	NEW YORK.
F Pasadena, Aug. 25, '03	D Edmund, May 26, '06	NEVADA.	NEW YORK.
G Long Beach, Nov. 7, '03	E Okla. City, Feb. 20, '07	NEVADA.	NEW YORK.
H Redondo, Dec. 12, '03	F Geary, June 21, '07	NEVADA.	NEW YORK.
I Los Angeles, June 20, '04	G Sapulpa, Jan. 14, '09	NEVADA.	NEW YORK.
J Riverside, Aug. 8, '04	H Pawnee, Jan. 15, '09	NEVADA.	NEW YORK.