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THE COVER. Plain old petunias, that's what they are, and in the olden days everyone had the same varieties spilling over the flower boxes, making pinkey-purpley borders along the sidewalk, or providing the perpetual edge of bloom for the round flower bed in the middle of the yard or the village square, the one planned to bring a succession of blooms in concentric circles around a hub of Canna Lilies. A Prestele print.

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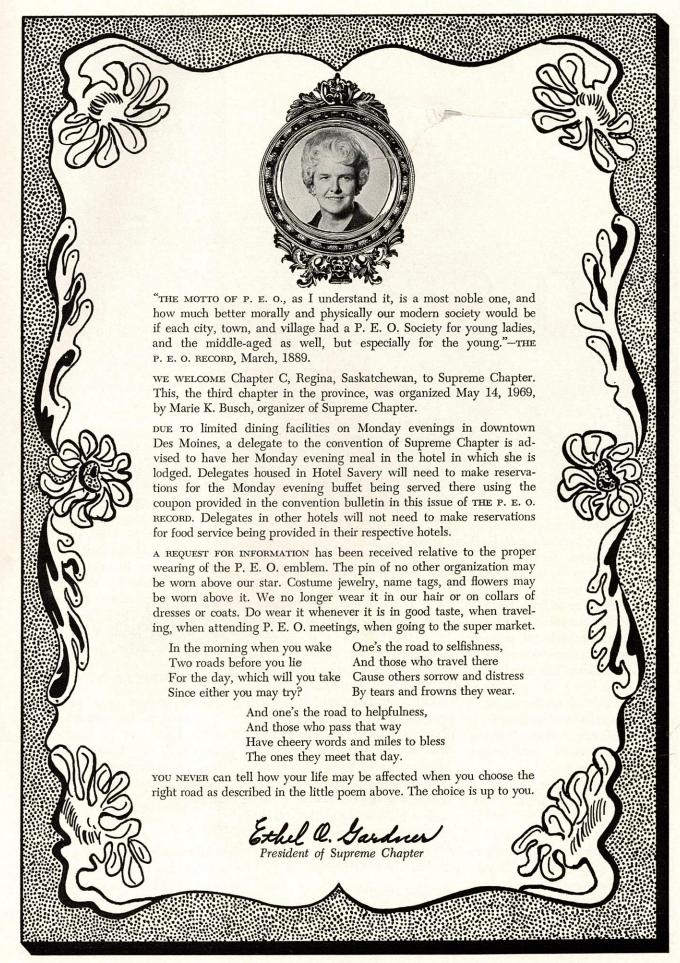
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Convention Bulletin V

By ANNE JOHNSON, JU, Iowa Publicity Chairman Convention of Supreme Chapter, 1969



THE STAGE IS SE

Convention of Supreme Chapter – P. E. O. Centennial

Time: September through October 2, 1969

Place: Des Moines, Iowa

Cast: Thousands of P. E. O.'s as

delegates and visitors

Scene: A gathering to celebrate the rich heritage of the P. E. O. Sisterhood founded years ago by seven young college women and which grew to be today a national and international organization pledged to promote opportunities for higher education. The celebration turns from the past to a celebration of the future, a future which holds greater challenges but even greater opportunities for accomplishment.

ARRIVAL

Please remember that Iowa is on Central Daylight Savings Time.

Since accommodations are not available for people arriving before Sunday afternoon, no pre-convention tours have been arranged. There will be no Sunday pre-convention dinner or social event for delegates.

Delegates and visitors arriving before the Memorial Hour on Monday afternoon may wish to visit some of the points of interest mentioned in the June issue of THE P. E. O. RECORD. This would be on an independent basis.

REGISTRATION

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. Monday, September 29, on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Fort Des Moines. Presidents of state chapters who will register their delegations, and delegates from chapters in subordinate territory who will register individually, are urged to do so early.

Visitors arriving on Monday will register on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Fort Des Moines from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Visitors also may register in Veterans' Memorial Auditorium Tuesday morning throughout convention.

B. I. L.'s will register at their headquarters, the Drake Ballroom, third floor, Hotel Fort Des Moines, all days of convention.

MEMBERSHIP CARD

All visitors attending official sessions of the convention must present their 1969 P. E. O. membership card. Delegates are expected to have their membership cards in possession.

SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE FOR **DELEGATES**

Shuttle bus service between delegate housing locations and the Veterans' Auditorium will be furnished from Monday afternoon to attend the Hour of Memory until the end of the final session on Thursday noon. Bus tickets may be purchased only by delegates on Monday, September 29, at the Transportation Desk in each delegate housing location. Be certain to purchase tickets promptly.

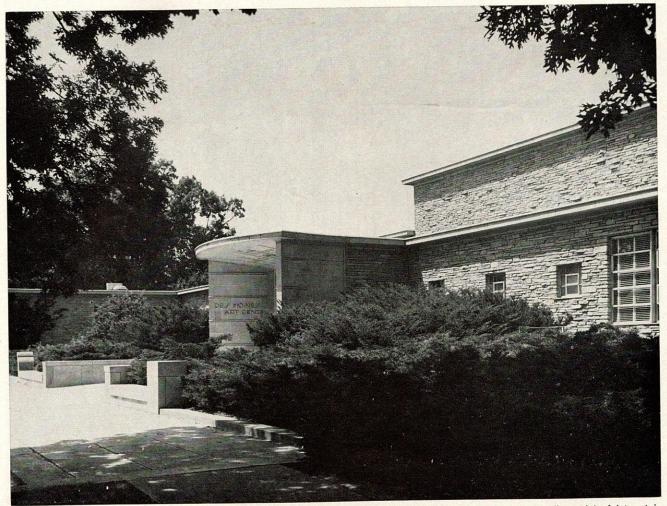
TRANSPORTATION FOR VISITORS

Those visitors who have indicated need for transportation from motels have had information enclosed with their housing confirmation. No transportation can be furnished for those staying in private homes.

MEALS

All visitors, past state presidents not entitled to entertainment, and B. I. L.'s must order all meal tickets in advance. Use the coupon in the May issue of the P. E. O. RECORD. Please note the deadline of September 1 and enclose payment and

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The Des Moines Art Center, located in Greenwood Park at the corner of Grand Avenue and Polk Boulevard, is an outstanding point of interest in lowa's capital city. It was founded by the late James D. Edmundson as a gift to the city. Collections include works by Goya, Daumier, Pissarro, Courbet, Gilbert Stuart and many of the foremost American artists of the twentieth century. Classes are provided for adults and children, and a junior museum presents exhibitions for children.

a self-addressed envelope with the order. Delegates will find meal tickets in their official convention kits.

LUNCHEONS Tuesday and Wednesday will be served in the Exhibition Hall at Veterans' Auditorium. There will be no Tuesday luncheon.

MONDAY NIGHT MEALS are not included in official entertainment. For further details see section on that subject elsewhere in this bulletin.

five special dinners are planned for Tuesday evening, September 30. They are: Past presidents of state chapters at the Savery Hotel; presidents of state and provincial chapters at the Kirkwood Hotel; state organizers at the Kirkwood Hotel; chapter delegates at the Fort Des Moines Hotel; and visitors and B. I. L.'s at Veterans' Auditorium.

THE BANQUET will be held the last evening October 1, in Veterans' Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. As explained in the July issue of the p. e. o. record, arrangements have been made for serving to capacity in the main auditorium. Any overflow will be served in the Exhibition Hall of Veterans' Auditorium with those served there returning to the balcony of the main auditorium for the program.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

HOUR OF MEMORY will be observed at Veterans' Auditorium on Monday, September 29, at 4:00 p.m. This is open to visitors and B. I. L.'s. No tickets are needed.

OPENING SESSION OF CONVENTION will be on Monday evening, September 29, at 8:00 p.m. in Veterans' Auditorium. All those attending convention are invited to this meeting.

A SPECIAL PROGRAM at 8:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30, will be highlighted by a pageant of events in P. E. O. history. Visitors and B. I. L.'s are invited to attend.

B. I. L. ACTIVITIES — A REMINDER

Those desiring to go on any of the tours described in the June issue of the P. E. O. RECORD must make their reservations and send remittances before September 1. B. I. L.'s must also order meal tickets for events as designated in the May issue.



Salisbury House, an authentic replica of an English castle, will be enjoyed by convention visitors and delegates who can arrange for independent sightseeing. It houses many rare treasures and furnishings as well as offices of the Iowa State Education Association. Other suggestions for sightseeing in Des Moines were given in the June issue of The P.E.O. Record.

DEADLINE DATES

VISITORS' HOUSING VISITORS' MEAL TICKETS SPECIAL B. I. L. EVENTS CORSAGES MONDAY NIGHT MEALS (Delegates at Hotel Savery)

SEPTEMBER 1 SEPTEMBER 1 SEPTEMBER 15 SEPTEMBER 15

MONDAY NIGHT MEALS

No meals are provided by the hostess state on Monday night, September 29, and delegates are advised to have their Monday evening meals at their respective hotels due to limited dining facilities in downtown Des Moines on Monday night. Reservations are not needed except at Hotel Savery which will serve a buffet; delegates housed there should use the coupon on page 5 to make reservations.

CORSAGES

Corsages to be delivered during the convention will be handled by Des Moines florists through a corsage committee. Orders may be placed on the official order blank in this bulletin and selected from the following list: Roses, (pink, red, yellow) \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00; carnations (white, pink, red, variegated, orange, yellow) \$2.50, \$3.00; gardenias (single) \$2.50, (double) \$5.00; orchids (lavender) \$6.00, \$7.50, (white) \$7.50; two cymbydium orchids, \$5.00, or one large \$4.00.

Orders must be accompanied by full remittance (check or money order) payable to Mrs. J. W. Doherty, Corsage Chairman. Please use separate order blank for each corsage. Order deadline is September 15. Your check will be your receipt. If a receipt from the florist is desired please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope for return mailing.

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CORSAGE ORDER BLANK

Deadline: September 15

Mail to: Mrs. J. W. Doherty, 3946 Columbia, Des Moines, Iowa 50313

For Please print name in full (State) (Chapter)) Visitor) Delegate Hotel (if known) From Message Kind of flower Color Price (See list on page 4) Delivery Date Amount enclosed Name of person placing order: Please print name in full. Street address Zip Code City State



ATTENTION:

Delegates housed at Hotel Savery
Special Reservation
MONDAY EVENING BUFFET, HOTEL SAVERY

NAME	CHA	CHAPTER		
STREET				
CITY	STATE	ZIP		

Enclose check for \$3.25 made payable to NOUE GOODMAN (Mrs. L. O.), treasurer. Enclose a STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE and send to: JANE COLLINS (Mrs. R. R.), 5130 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50312. Deadline date for reservations is September 15.



THE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION was appointed in 1961 — the purpose being to develop an appropriate commemorative program for the centennial of the P. E. O. Sisterhood. This we have done, to the best of our abilities, and our responsibilities will terminate with convention of Supreme Chapter this fall.

To promote interest in our centennial was the idea behind the sale of the charms and the seals. Both items may still be purchased through the Supply Department. Charms will be offered for sale during this coming convention; however, we urge members to purchase their charms prior to convention. The charms are priced at six dollars each and may be selected in all gold or gold on sterling silver.

The culmination of our centennial planning is the centennial project — our beautiful P. E. O. Centennial Center. The Center will be used for the present for business, educational, and charitable purposes of our organization. All delegates to convention will have opportunity to tour both the Executive Office and the Centennial Center which adjoins it. Visitors will also wish to visit these buildings.

It is not too late to give gifts toward the furnishings of the Center. State chapters, local chapters, or individuals wishing to make such a gift should contact Ada Mead (Mrs. C. W.), 5122 Davenport Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68132. All such gifts will be permanently recorded and may be given in honor of, or in memory of, a designated person if so desired.



With the climax of our centennial celebration coming at convention this fall, we will then look hopefully to our future and plan our course for our next one-hundred years. May they be as glorious as our first century. — Helen H. Tuttle, Chairman, Centennial Commission.

CONCERNING COLLEGE ADDRESSES

we strongly urge that a college student use her home town address for the P. E. O. RECORD, and have mother forward the magazine. Changing addresses for hundreds of college women twice a year, or oftener, is a costly process and impractical since we cannot assure continuous delivery of the magazine. (During vacation periods if magazines continue to go to the college they are returned to us as undeliverable; the post office charges us ten cents per copy, and the member's name has to be removed from the mailing list).

Also, whenever sending any address for receiving the P.E.O. RECORD, remember it must be your mailing address. If you receive mail at a post-office box, use the box number and omit your street address. — Eve Hillman, Circulation Department.

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

The following proposed amendments to Part I of the Constitution, to be presented at the 1969 convention of Supreme Chapter, have been approved unanimously by the executive board of Supreme Chapter, as required by Standing Rule #4. They are published herewith in accordance with Part I, Article XII of the Constitution. Page numbers refer to the 1968 Reprint.

Marjorie W. Smith, RECORDING SECRETARY, SUPREME CHAPTER

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PART I OF THE CONSTITUTION

1. (p. 7) Amend Article II, Section 1, paragraph 1 by adding the line:

Buildings Committee

EXPLANATION: Adds the Buildings Committee to list of members of convention of Supreme Chapter.

2. (p. 11) Amend Article VI by inserting a new section to become Section 4 to read:

Sec. 4 – ACTION WITHOUT MEETING. Any action to be taken by the executive board may be taken without a meeting if all the members of the board shall individually or collectively

consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote taken at a meeting of the members of such board.

EXPLANATION: Provides for the executive board of Supreme Chapter taking action by mail, which shall have the same force and effect as action taken at a meeting of such board.

3. (p. 12) Amend Article VII, Section 2, paragraph 4 by substituting for the present paragraph the following:

To sign all warrants except those for departments under the supervision of boards of trustees or committees, as provided by the Constitution or Bylaws of Supreme Chapter.

EXPLANATION: Clarifies duty of president of Supreme Chapter in signing warrants.

4. (p. 14) Amend Article VII, Section 5, paragraph 5 by substituting for the present paragraph the following:

To sign all warrants except those for departments under the supervision of boards of trustees or committees, as provided by the Constitution or Bylaws of Supreme Chapter.

EXPLANATION: Clarifies duty of recording secretary in signing of warrants.

Reports of CONVENTIONS of State, Province, and District Chapters

ALBERTA: Edmonton, May 2, 3

Hostess Chapter: E General Chairman: Vonda Smith Assistant Chairman: Jane Armstrong

PRE-CONVENTION events included a past presidents' dinner followed by a reception open to all members in the graciously appointed home of Gladys MacLachlan, E, convened by Zoe Reid, E. There were 33 members of convention and 78 guests registered for Alberta's sixth annual convention. Guards in yellow and white centennial ensembles led the processional of past presidents; guest of honor, Margaret Holliday, chairman, Board of Trustees, Educational Fund; and the executive board. Members of the board were attired in nineteenth century costumes to commemorate P. E. O.'s centennial year.

With friendliness and efficiency, Jane Lundberg, I, called the convention to order, and past president, Nona Davis, E, gave the invocation. Vonda Smith, E, welcomed the assembly, and Dorothy Gilmour, C, gave the response. The Northern Lights chorus of Chapter E members, led by Margaret Giffen, presented a musical welcome and added sparkle.

The president's theme address was a challenging keynote in which she said: "Setting man aside from God's other creatures, imagination enables us to relive the past, to understand more fully the beauty and message of our Star, to enrich our surroundings, and to create the future our world demands. Surely the P. E. O. emphasis on 'thoughtful consideration' - past, present and future - will serve well in attempts to bridge the chasms created by technology which bring 'instant' components to living, but no 'instant' solutions to problems."

In the opening meditation Lillian Hay, J, invited us to share her dream of immortality. A charter was presented to Chapter K, Edmonton, by Eleanor Brunell and accepted by their first president, Patricia Williamson.

Make Your Life a Masterpiece,

was the title of Margaret Holliday's stimulating message. Eleanor Brunell conducted an organizer's conference with 'handy hints' for local officers. Out-of-province guests were introduced from Saskatchewan, Ontario, Texas, and Scotland. The Centennial Fund report, listing members and chapters honored by donations, was read by Marion Vallat, B, first vice president. A letter of greeting from Ethel Gardner, president of Supreme Chapter, was read by Helen Richards.

The model meeting was ably exemplified by Chapter D, Evelyn Reeves presiding.

Tribute was paid to two members of Chapter A at the Hour of Remembrance. Flowers were placed in loving memory of Henrietta Jackson, by Bertha Purdy, A; and Lena McClellan, by Louise Johnson, A. Freida Mossop, second vice president, chose for her theme, "To live in the hearts we leave behind is not to die."

Members of the hostess chapter wore centennial gowns for the B. I. L. banquet. Olive Hunter, president, extended a warm welcome. Highlights included Margaret Holliday's greetings with response by Lyle Hunter; an address by our local author and historian, Tony Cashman; and musical selections by the Chapter E Chorus Girls and David Giffen. Jean Buchanan, E, was honored by Cristianne Smith, K, for her contribution in selecting their charter list. Mary Lee Kelly, E, was remembered on her 87th birthday with a musical salute.

Saturday morning's meditation was presented by Betty Estep, F, with a vocal solo by Lorraine Mc-Leod, F.

The Education Projects Hour was conducted by Marion Vallat and Freida Mossop. The program included an interview with two international students; letters read from a Cottey graduate and her mother, Winnifred Scott, formerly of Chapter B; and a dialogue concerning Loan Fund procedures. All participants were members of Cal-

gary chapters. Jane Lundberg presented \$100. to the Education Fund, a gift from Chapter I.

Margaret Dowkes, J, provincial historian, arranged a display of posters and pictorial histories from each Alberta chapter. An invitation from Chapter I to the 1970 convention in Calgary was accepted.

It was with regret that members of convention accepted the resignation of Helen Richards from the executive board. Margaret Holliday installed the following officers: Marion Vallat, B; Freida Mossop, B; Eleanor Brunell, F; Hilda Clark, D; Margaret Dowkes, J; Harriet Shiels, C. Mary Pemberton, E.

Chapter B presented the new president with a huge flower-decked hat of useful items, and toasted her in song. Mrs. Vallat announced her 1970 theme, Beauty. Congratulations and many thanks to Jane Lundberg and Chapter E for an inspiring and memorable centennial convention. — By Velma Clark, I.

JANE SIMMONS LUNDBERG (Mrs. W. D.) was born and raised in Montana and was graduated from Montana State University with a B.S. degree. During her school years, Jane was a member of The Order of Rainbow, Pi Beta Phi, Spurs, and Phi Upsilon Omicron, home economics honorary. She worked in her profession while husband Bill was overseas with the Army, and after



JANE LUNDBERG

the war while he completed his degree in engineering. Work in the oil industry took Jane and Bill to several states and finally to Canada.

Coming from a family of P. E. O.'s, Jane was initiated into Chapter R, Redlodge, Montana, where her mother was a charter member. She later dimitted to Chapter M, Cutbank. Upon moving to Alberta, Jane became a member of Chapter B, Calgary, and in 1959 became a charter member of Chapter I.

The Lundbergs have two children: Bill a graduate engineer who lives in Oakville, Ontario; and Karen, completing grade twelve this year in Calgary.

Jane has a special interest in books, creative needlework, and gardening, and the intention to resume golfing,

bridge and music.

ONTARIO: Toronto, May 2, 3

Hostess Chapter: E Chairman: Merle Porter Theme: "Star-Studded Years."

sunny spring weather, forsythia studded lawns, and the delicate tracing of new leaves bursting on the trees ushered in the 14th annual convention held in Lawrence Park Community Church, noted for its ecumenical quality. The convention rooms were bright and cheery with colorful spring flowers. Candles tastefully arranged among stars and flowers decorated the luncheon tables. Everything was in readiness for an anticipated convention.

The dignified Hour of Memory was conducted by Eleanor Stuart, I. Bessie Hudson paid loving tribute to the memory of Catherine Anderson, A. Elizabeth Hathway, E, gave a reading, He Leadeth Me. Lovely organ music was provided by Mr. Adrian Wintle.

Convention was opened by our president, Ellen Freeman, with her special charm and warmth. She developed her theme with skill and ease and brought our centennial year sharply into focus.

Ellen welcomed our guest of honour, Marie Busch, organizer of Supreme Chapter; past presidents of Ontario Provincial Chapter; delegates; and visitors. Roberta Evans, president of Hostess Chapter E, gave a warm welcome. Response was by May McCaa, C.

Beauty, topic of devotions by Gladys Lewis, E, and Serenity, by Daisy Brown, M, followed the convention theme. The hymns, For the Beauty of the Earth and Dear Lord and Father of Mankind, sung sincerely and heartily by convention rounded out the thought-provoking devotions.

Chapter M, London, received its charter from Isabelle Lake, organizer. Marie Busch welcomed the new chapter and Gretchen Haire, president, accepted the charter. In her fine address, Marie Busch emphasized the important part individuals play in the shaping of the P. E. O. future.

Mary Bagshaw, first vice president, presented the Cottey College program through a skit interpreting life at Cottey in early years and now.

The hostess chapter chose Glendon Hall, York University, as the setting for the guest dinner at which the general chairman, Merle Porter, presided. Mr. Tim Woodrow and his St. George's Young Canada Singers delighted us with their repertoire. B. I. L. Keith Porter presented a thrilling film, America's Cup Race 1967, which was enthusiastically received.

An excellent model meeting was exemplified by Chapter A with Louise Marshall presiding. Lovely music added to the beauty of the service.

In her report on IPS, Edna Bark-

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er, second vice president, introduced Pramila Sani from India who has been studying International Affairs at Carleton University, Ottawa; she was Ontario's IPS student for 1968-1969. We then had an opportunity to meet our current student Miss Lorna Dunkley of Jamaica; we look forward to her year with us.

Convention had an opportunity to get reacquainted with a former Educational Fund loanee, Joanne Scruton, who has just been initiated into Chapter K and who we feel will make a real contribution to her chapter and to education.

A novel invitation to Convention 1970 was extended by Chapter F and was accepted by Violet McDuffee, treasurer. Musical interludes added to the enjoyment of convention as provided by Margaret Gelus, C; Velma Bassingthwaite, E; and Helen Johnston, F. Group singing was led by Constance Ellis, A, and Helen Russell, E.

Other items of interest include: The presentation of Eskimo carvings to Ellen by Chapter B as a token of affection; (they will grace the reception room in Centennial Centre furnished by Canadian P. E. O.'s); the attractive program covers with sketches of Old Main 1869 and the Centennial Centre 1969 by our talented B. I. L. Edward Carswell; Elizabeth Gillan's beautiful banquet programs which were so greatly admired; the enjoyable skit presented by Chapter L depicting the first year in a new chapter; the smartly stepping guards and attentive page; the delicious luncheons both days.

Marie Busch installed the following officers: Mary Bagshaw, Edna Barker, Isabelle Lake, Kathleen Spalding, Joan Brown, Violet McDuffee, Laura Blake.

The new president, Mary Bagshaw, was greeted by a song of welcome. Marie presented Ellen with the past president's credential and Constance Ellis, A, presented her past president's pin. — By Miriam Duff, E.



ELLEN FREEMAN

ELLEN BEK FREEMAN (Mrs. R. S.), was born a "faculty kid" in Grand Forks, North Dakota. She was graduated from the University of North Dakota, where she was active in Kappa Alpha Theta, Mortar Board, YWCA, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi. She was married to Albert Selke who died in 1944.

She received a master's degree from Columbia University, taught at Cornell University, and at the University of Michigan. Further study at the University of Minnesota brought her a Ph.D. and a B. I. L. Ray and Ellen have lived in Carbondale, Illinois, and since 1952 in Toronto, where Ray is professor of parasitology at the University of Toronto and where Ellen taught food chemistry.

Ellen was initiated into her mother's chapter, D, North Dakota, and has belonged to AF, New York; GX, Illinois; and B, Ontario. Both Ada Bek and Lulu Selke are past presidents of North Dakota State Chapter.

Ellen has shared her husband's Unitarian Church activities, love of music, interest in the outdoors — fishing, hunting — and in Labrador retrievers. More private interests are gardening and her collection of United States and Canadian stamps. A year in Finland as a "Half-bright" (wife of a Fulbright professor) deepened Ellen's appreciation of Ray's Finnish heritage.

NORTH CAROLINA: Hendersonville, May 7, 8
Hostess Chapter: H

Chairmen: Bernice Harrington, Willmana Noyes
Theme: "Love Powerfully."

NORTH CAROLINA mountains were bright with dogwood, red bud, and azaleas as members of the seventh annual convention met at Kanuga Lake Inn. There were in attendance 34 delegates, 7 state officers, 5 past presidents and 102 visitors, 12 from out of state. Our guest of honor was Marie Busch, organizer, Supreme Chapter.

Programmed activity began with a projects luncheon which included reports from Ardith Coward and Claire Wilder, state officers; a taped interview with Carole Morris, Educational Fund girl sponsored by Chapter M; and an International Peace Scholarship skit, in lovely costumes, by Chapter M.

The convention was called to order by the president, Constance Straughn. Serene, gracious, forward-looking, she set the mood for us with her theme of love. Of special interest was Connie's recognition of our past state presidents. She reminded us that this was our seventh convention year in North Carolina — she then compared each past president to one of the seven original founders, and presented to each the appropriate founder's picture. It was fitting that at the next day's session, Evelyn Garrison, J, gave to Constance, herself, the portrait of the seventh founder.

The guards in trim yellow and white checked dresses and ruffled white aprons were efficient and colorful, as were the tellers in long yellow skirts and white blouses. The pages, wearing white dresses and yellow sashes, were Mary Helen Hayman, L, and Eleanor Carter, L. Throughout the sessions,

expert musical leadership was furnished by Willmana Noyes, as pianist, and Elisabeth Klick as songleader.

An especially happy moment came when Haidee Wiebe presented a charter to Chapter Q, Boone. Winnifred Palmer accepted for Chapter Q.

The qualities of leadership and friendly, gracious spirit of Marie Busch were felt at all times and particularly in her inspiring talks.

The model meeting was presented with excellence by Chapter O, under the guidance of Haidee Wiebe with Virginia Wing serving as president.

A beautiful service of Scripture and music comprised the Hour of Remembrance, led by Chapter D. The following members were honored: Ethel Cook, A; Margaret Singleton, E; Elizabeth Githens, F; Gertrude Bream, L; Grace Edgar, L; Lois Hoesly, O.

A large festive group assembled for the banquet honoring the B. I. L.'s. Bernice Harrington presided, calling on the Rev. Arthur First Congregational Colbourn, Church, Hendersonville, for the invocation. Constance Straughn presented the state officers, enlivening her comments with original verse. Marie Busch gave greetings and Harold Clarke responded for the B. I. L.'s. Films of Cottey College were shown. The Ding-a-Lingers, under direction of Marty Irving, O, gave a delightful musical program using hand bells.

Only those who had previously heard Louise Bailey speak for her beloved mountain people could know what a treat awaited them. Her subject was Treasure from the Hills, and as always, her wit sparkled and her stories showed heartwarming respect and affection for her friends. A Song of Parting, written and sung by Marty Irving, Q, with Mary Lib McLeod, O, as accompanist brought the evening's program to a close.

The final session of the convention opened with a meditation in song, The Three Dimensions of

Love, by Elisabeth Klick and B. I. L. John Brown. Ray Robinson, I, extended an invitation to next year's convention at Raleigh. Pat Hildebrandt, P, accepted. Elected and installed as officers were Ardeth Coward, I; Haidee Wiebe, J; Patricia Elliott, N; Patty Butler, C; Pat Hildebrandt, P, Mary Voorhees, E; Genevieve Scheer, L. — By Evelyn Watkins, H.

CONSTANCE STRAUGHN is the wife of W. R. Straughn, member of the faculty and director of admissions for the University of North Carolina Medical School. They have made their home in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, since 1945. Their oldest son, Bill, is a medical student; the second son, Arthur, is married to the former Miss Carol Guthe of Knoxville, Tennessee and attends U. N. C. at Chapel Hill; an only daughter, Dorothy - a fourth generation P. E. O. - is a junior at U. N. C. Chapel Hill; the youngest son, Charles, is a junior in the Chapel Hill High School.

Constance was a charter member in Chapter F, Durham, and Chapter L, Chapel Hill. She held offices in both chapters. She was initiated into Chapter D, Mansfield, Pennsylvania, where her mother, and her husband's mother and grandmother, were all charter members.

Before her marriage she attended Mansfield State College and graduated from Denison University, Granville, Ohio. She took courses in social work



CONSTANCE STRAUGHN

at Columbia University and the University of Pennsylvania, and was employed by the Children's Aid Society in Pennsylvania and the Morris County Children's Home in Morristown, N. J.

The Straughns are members of the University Presbyterian Church in Chapel Hill. Constance was an officer in the Women of the Church for many years and is a member of a circle. Her husband has held all church offices and is at present a member of the session as an elder.

Constance formerly headed the Host to International Students Program sponsored by the Church Women United, and U. N. C., Chapel Hill.

MINNESOTA: Minneapolis, April 30, May 1, 2

Hostess Chapters: S, V, BH, CT, CW, CX

Chairman: Patricia Salisbury Theme: "Past Is Prologue."

MILDRED WERMAGER in opening remarks referred to hostess chapters saying, "When love and skill are united — expect a masterpiece." The masterpiece was much in evidence throughout convention. We were reminded, "No light guides us to the future like that illuminating our path from the past." — B. Franklin.

The Gold Room of the Radisson Hotel with its lovely chandeliers and "old world" atmosphere was an appropriate setting for the beautiful Hour of Remembrance, honoring the memory of 44 sisters and a past president of Minnesota State Chapter. Planned by Radonna Schwartz, the program of prelude music, vocal, and instrumental selections were beautifully presented by Ann Olson, BJ, convention pianist; Geraldine Nelson, CX; Margaret Corwin, K, violist; and Barbara Nemer, soloist. Louise Heinemann, past president, gave

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a lovely tribute to Dorothy Lautzenheiser, past president. The meditation was given by Rev. Elaine Marsh.

Pre-convention activities included a dinner followed by the Education Hour directed by Jayne Sand, M, and Maxine Howard, CE, vice presidents. With charm, grace, and dignity Mildred Wermager welcomed the delegates and visitors, and introduced the guest of honor, Florence Wallace, third vice president, Supreme Chapter; members of honor, Gertrude Tomhave, CA, past president, Supreme Chapter, and Marcella Oberg, E, Board of Trustees, THE P. E. O. RECORD; past presidents and state officers.

Two Cottey scholarship winners were announced as were the three composite scholarships awarded this year. Maxine Howard introduced the eight area chairmen and Carol Sargent, P, gave the report.

A clever skit about Cottey, Slumber No More, was presented by Betty Lou Snyder, W; Virginia Taylor, CE; and Anne Bransford AI.

Irene Fraser, U, reported on the Educational Fund. Minnesota has loaned \$5600 and has sponsored nine loans. Three IPS students from South Viet Nam, Japan, and the Philippines were guests. Our Foreign Students was the topic of Dr. Joseph Mestenhauser, dean, Foreign Student Affairs, the University of Minnesota. A reception honoring state officers, members of honor, and Florence Wallace was given by the hostess chapters.

The president's two personal pages were her daughter, Sheryl Wermager, BU, and her niece, Ila Mae Schumacher, BJ, Hudson, Wisconsin.

Pages, guards, and tellers, all in white brocaded cotton dresses with colored scarves, performed their duties with poise and grace. After devotions, a beautiful basket of mums, pink gladiolas, and red snaps was presented by Mrs. Wermager's family. A gift of \$100 was presented from Mildred's chapter, BU, to be used for the project of

her choice. Gertrude Tomhave brought greetings to the convention. Reports of state officers were given. Minnesota now has 4,276 members.

Florence Wallace delivered a stimulating address. Kay Lafans, BH, convention songleader, sang Love Never Faileth by Frederic Root and God, My Shepherd by Bach. The model meeting was presented by Chapter L directed by Alva Larson. An interesting review of presidents' letters was given by Rita Woolson, BU.

The Radisson Ballroom in beautiful candlelight was the setting for the B. I. L. banquet. Patricia Salisbury served as toastmistress; B. I. L. response was by Curtis Carlson. The president introduced the guests of honor and also her husband, two sons, daughter-inlaw, daughter, and a brother, Rev. Knudsvig and his wife. Gracious Mary Ellen Jenkins sang opera arias and Fun with Music was done by Dick Lowey. Guest speaker was the Honorable Elmer L. Anderson, former Minnesota governor. Following the banquet Mildred's BU sisters were hostesses to a lovely reception in her honor in the Mediterranean Villa.

Friday's devotions were given by Harriet Miller, M. A string trio composed of Bernice Hedlund, BU, daughter, Mary Ann, and B. I. L. Frank played selections from Haydn and Beethoven. An inspirational message, Blossoms in the Dust, was given by the Rev. H. M. Knudsvig, brother of the president.

A clever invitation to the 1970 convention in Duluth was presented by Chapters BD, BR, CR, Litchfield and Duluth. Following Mildred's gracious closing remarks, Florence Wallace installed the new officers: Jayne Sand, M; Maxine Howard, CE; Alva Larson, AW; Billie Needham, CK; Janet Sandison, AU; Kay Mathes, CL, and Gretchen Ostberg, AR.

From the first tap of the gavel until the final benediction, Mildred Wermager's thoughtful planning and the hostess chapters' sincere hospitality truly made the 57th convention one to be remembered. In Mildred's words, "As we stand on the threshold of the new century, we are reminded that the spotlight is on us — the P. E. O. of today and tomorrow." — By Margaret Kratzke, BU.



MILDRED WERMAGER

MILDRED WERMAGER (Mrs. L. E.), a native Minnesotan, is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Knudsvig. She received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, where she was a member of their world-famous concert choir. She attended graduate school at the University and taught in Minnesota high schools for 5 years prior to her marriage to Lawrence Wermager, who has been superintendent of schools in Fergus Falls for 20 years.

They have three children — Brian, who recently completed 5 years as an officer in the Air Force and is now studying at the Theological Seminary; Marc, now serving as an interne in preparation for the parish ministry; Sheryl, a first-year music teacher. Their two grandchildren, children of Brian and his wife Diane, are a source of great joy.

Mildred teaches private piano lessons in her home, is engaged in numerous musical activities, Music Club, has sung in church choir since college days, and does solo work.

Active members of First Lutheran Church in Fergus Falls, the Wermagers have served as Sunday School teachers, youth counselors, members of the church council, and choir members. Membership in Schumann Club, Reading Club, and Faculty Wives Club besides all community activities centered in the field of education, demonstrate that Mildred is an extremely capable, talented, organized and ambitious person.

Mildred was initiated into Chapter

BU in 1954 and has held six offices on the Minnesota Executive Board. She now looks forward to having a little more time for reading and enjoying the family's enthusiasm for outdoor activity — they hope to be able to spend more time at their summer home on Ottertail Lake.

Hostess Chapter: D

Chairman: Ruth Ashmore; Co-Chairman: Urla Brigden

Theme: "P. E. O. — An Outward Expression Of Inner Loveliness For One Hundred Years."

AN EXERCISE in love and laughter could well describe the 18th convention of Manitoba Provincial Chapter at Westworth United Church; 48 delegates and 127 visitors attended. Guiding us ably by her own inner loveliness, President Janet Bowles, H, proved adept at handling all items of business, while ample time for a radiant P. E. O. spirit to shine through the proceedings.

None outshone our honored guest, Loree Melton, AJ, Arkansas, chairman of Board of Trustees, P. E. O. Supply Department. In her major address, Loree imparted her own love of P. E. O. to us all and laid on the line our responsibility as members. In her closing remarks, she was wistful, gently humorous and in her reply to the banquet toast proposed by Judge Leon Benard Saturday evening, displayed a rapier wit that won immediate response. We loved her. We laughed with her. And so did our B. I. L.'s.

Love and laughter were the basic ingredients of songs composed by May Allenby, B, for our guest and provincial officers. These were sung with gusto during introduction of the executive board, by Manitoba's P. E. O. Choir directed by Joan Dalgliesh, H, and Kathleen Brown, Q, with Shirley Taylor, M, at the piano.

A love of loveliness deepened by a concern for faith set the tone of thoughtful devotions by Jean MacDonald, E, and Roberta Popoff, O. Kathy Bolte, H, promoted a love for giving and sharing in her paper entitled, "On Being a P. E. O." Her thoughts were reflected in a special P. E. O. version of "Happiness Is," sung by the choir. Victoria Merrett and Helen Houston, D, displayed a love for and appreciation of music, with their memorable medley of violin and piano duos during the Friday supper hour.

Love, with a generous portion of laughter, highlighted, "Fifty Years a P. E. O.," a rib-tickling sketch written by Patricia Mac-Donald, H, honoring her mother, Mildred Venables, D, as Manitoba's first 50-year member.

Then laughter took over completely, as Chapter E extended their invitation to Convention 1970 with the theme "Growing to Beat 70." They borrowed liberally from the Province of Manitoba's slogan for its centennial next year and Jean MacDonald did her utmost to resemble the Golden Boy, an historic symbol of progress which graces the dome of Manitoba's legislative buildings.

Affection and devotion were exhibited by all provincial officers and project chairmen in their annual reports. We learned that Chapters M, N, and O have sponsored a total of seven student loans in the past year; \$245 has been contributed to the International Peace Scholarship Fund; Manitoba P. E. O.'s gave \$1,615 to the Cen-

tennial Centre in Des Moines, including memorial gifts honoring Nina Smith, A, Selkirk, a past provincial president and Evelyn Simpson, J, Winnipeg, our first provincial president. Miss Wendy Donner, Winnipeg, a student at the University of Manitoba, received our \$200 bursary for 1968-69. Chapters B and H added to the bursary fund in honor of Jennie Webb and Janet Bowles. Together with two anonymous donations, these gifts will increase the award by \$82 for the 1969-70 recipient.

Two scholarships of \$100 each were given Miss Patricia Muirhead and Miss Sandra Woods (daughters of Chapters E and M, respectively) for studies at Cottey. Patsy, a senior, served as president of P. E. O. Hall, chairman of the Residence Halls Executive, and member of the Golden Key Society. Sandy, a junior, was elected to the Mu Alpha Theta Mathematics Honor Society and also became a Golden Key Girl. A third Manitoba girl, Miss Jacqueline Mitchell, has made application to Cottey for admittance in September, 1969.

In their model meeting, members of Chapter N led by President Margaret McDevitt, revealed a keen understanding. Their gift of love to Lorna Walker, N, provincial organizer, was the initiation of her daughter, Glenna. Grandmother Glenna Carpenter, J, was a delighted guest at the meeting. No heart could remain untouched by the love and reverence surrounding the Hour of Remembrance in Westworth Church Sanctuary. Jennis Webb, B, Manitoba, first vicepresident, conducted the service. Tribute was paid four sisters by members of their own chapters: Nan Emerson, E, by Jean Irwin; Ethel Crowder, D, by Christine Alexander; Irene Smith, A, by Agens Reid; Nina Smith, A, by Evelyn Veitch. The soprano voice of Kathleen Brown added much beauty and dignity to the service. Sim of Westworth Winifred Church was at the organ.

A colorful variety of costumes

was evident on the convention floor: pages in 19th century gowns; tellers in flowered dresses appropriate to the 1920's; guards and pianist in the mini-dresses of today; choir members in pastel dresses topped by copies of the aprons worn by our founders. The fun continued at our Centennial Banquet and Ball as members and escorts blossomed forth in period apparel from the Victorian Era to Bonnie and Clyde to the sleek pant-dress of 1969. It was a ball definitely - held at the University of Winnipeg.

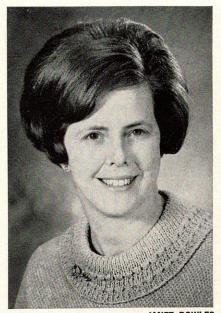
Provincial officers were installed by Loree Melton: Jennie Webb, B; Iola Bagshaw, H; Lorna Walker, N; Vivian Shannon, M; Nancy Sikorski, O; Ruth Reid, P; Shirley

Taylor, M.

In her farewell message Janet Bowles paraphrased two wellknown quotations as she told us, "Attempt great things for P. E. O. Expect great things from P. E. O." After receiving her credential from Loree Melton, Janet was given her past president's pin by Donalda Fallis, E, who escorted her to a seat in the past president's group while the choir sang The Skye Boat Song, number one on Scottish-born Janet's all-time hit parade.

All present joined in the singing of "Godspeed" as our exercise in love and laughter came to a fitting finale. - By Shirley Taylor, M,

and Jean Jones, O.



JANET BOWLES

JANET M. BOWLES (Mrs. H. E.) was

Chapter H, Manitoba, and has served seven years on the Manitoba Provincial Board. Her special interests include travel, books, flowers, houses and history. Her special dream is someday to live near the ocean, preferably in a house with a garden with P. E. O.'s close by.

born in the Lowlands of Scotland and came with her parents to Winnipeg as a very young child. She received her education in Winnipeg and served for a number of years on the staff of the Dominion Government's Meteorological Section. Janet is married to Dr. Howard E. Bowles, who practices as a family physician and surgeon in Winnipeg. They have two teen-aged children, a daughter Sheila, and son, Bruce. Janet was a charter member of

SOUTH DAKOTA: Sioux Falls, May 5, 6, 7 Hostess Chapters: I, U, AD, AJ, BC, BD

Chairmen: Marion Graham, Marilyn Larsen, Dorothy Greenlee Theme: "Now Is The Time."

ALL FORCES seemed to work together to bring alive our convention theme; this really was THE TIME! The city seemed never more beautiful, including the grounds of the First Presbyterian Church, our meeting place, where blooming shrubs and masses of choice bright

tulips bordered walks and entranceway, setting the mood for the hospitality and warmth of the reception within.

A spirit of quiet reverence prevailed at the Hour of Remembrance, lovely in every detail as planned by chairmen Charlotte Reaves, BD, and Marion Grove, BC. Marie Bresee, BD, was organist and Joan Gross, BC, soloist. Elaine Foss, BD, gave the invocation. Tributes were given by Mary Shield, AJ, and Janet DeWitt, BD, honoring 43 whose names appeared on the Memorial Roll.

At the Centennial Tea and reception of officers plumed hats for those presiding and frilly white hair pieces for the hostesses were happy reminders of our 100 years. Mary Stahman, BC, Helen Jordan BC, and Gertrude Swift, I, were responsible for arrangements. Lucille Schirmer, I, and Mary Jo Wagner, BC, entertained with piano numbers. Mabel Butler, BD, was responsible for the many appropriate and delightful floral arrangements provided for convention events.

A highpoint was the B. I. L. banquet at the Minnehaha Country Club sponsored by Chapter AD, Dell Rapids; Beth Vogt, chairman. Elizabeth Caldwell, I, provided organ music. Table appointments including the grandfather clock motifs which adorned the program folders, were appropriate and enhancing. Grace was given by the Rev. John Foss, B. I. L., pastor of First Presbyterian Church. Past President Clarissa Dieson as toastmistress welcomed guests, Dr. Harry Bowes giving the response. President Lorraine introduced special guests, including our guest of Marjorie Smith, honor, brought greetings from Supreme Chapter. An old-fashioned soiree of songs and readings was presented by Chapter AD.

Past President Marian Hersrud directed the processional to formal President Lorraine assembly. opened the meeting with prayer. Helen Evans, recording secretary, led the flag salute and Pledge of Allegiance. Marion Graham, BC, introduced her co-chairmen and members of the convention committee. Dorothy Delicate, L, treasurer, gave response, followed by introduction of hostess chapters, guards and pages. Florence Sorensen, AA, presented her assistant recording secretary, Mary Ann Garris, also of AA. Organizer Elizabeth McCann presented charters to Chapter BY, Sioux Falls, and BZ, Webster. An address by Marjorie Smith and the organ postlude brought to a close the evening meeting.

Throughout convention the de-Centennial Choristers, lightful twenty members in quaint blouse and skirt attire, entertained us, Joan Gross directing and Marie Bresee as accompanist. Also giving atmosphere and charm to all formal sessions were guards and pages in toe-length, ruffle-trimmed Empire gowns, pages in pale green and guards in dainty yellow. High velvet belts and black velvet neckbands with jeweled or cameo pendants were charming touches. In directing committees, tellers, guards and pages, Dorothy Chaney, Esther Wudel and Mary Sheild, past presidents, were most helpful.

Tuesday's session, a down-tobusiness one, was highlighted by the model meeting by Chapter AI.

The banquet in the beautiful Salsbury Student Union of Sioux Falls College was hosted by Chapter U, Canton. Patricia Rudolph was toastmistress; Dorothy Nielsen presented Cottey scholarships to two lovely young recipients; Florence Sorensen spoke for the Educational Loan Fund, and Jean Bibby for International Peace Scholarships. Entertainment was by Mr. Steve Oakland, piano, the Canton High School Brass Septet. Dr. Richard Gibb, Commissioner of Higher Education, gave an excellent address.

Our final meeting filled with the important details of closing, and with many expressions of appreciation for those tangible and intangible things of which eventful conventions are made. Sandra Looney, I, received applause for her lively and scholarly interpretation of our convention theme. Marjorie Smith presented Lorraine with her credential and pin, and installed the following officers: Dorothy Niel-

sen, AM; Jean Bibby, BA; Elizabeth McCann, BP; Helen Evans, I; Rhoda Christensen, A; Dorothy Delicate, L; and Mary Sue Purdy, AQ. — By Gertrude Abbott, I.

LORRAINE KAISERSATT (Mrs. C. T.) is one we can well claim as our own. Although a native of Minnesota, she came with her family at the tender age of six months to Madison, South Dakota, which place she has since called home.

Lorraine received her B.S. degree from General Beadle State College (then called Eastern State Teachers' College) in Madison. She was a teacher of English in Watertown for five years prior to her marriage to Charles T. Kaisersatt.

In P. E. O., she was initiated into Chapter O, Madison, later becoming a charter member of BN there. She has one daughter, Mary Jane Oakland (Mrs. David), KR, Ames, Iowa, and one grandson, Mark. Her three sisters are: Irma Parker (Mrs. A. M.), BN; Della Adkins, BN; and Jerry O'Connor (Mrs. Gene), EJ, Colorado.

For her hobbies Lorraine lists reading, knitting, cooking, and bridge. Her love of books and reading has led her



LORRAINE KAISERSATT

to her present position as head librarian at the Carnegie Public Library in Madison.

Her devotion to P. E. O. is a matter of record, having served six years on the executive board and in each office, excepting that of treasurer. She is a member of the Methodist Church, and active in numerous good works.

VIRGINIA: Arlington, May 2, 3
Hostess Chapters: D, AC

Chairmen: Barbara Mullan, Nell Coon

Theme: "Our Heritage in P. E. O.: Yesterday's Vision; Today's Challenge; Tomorrow's Reality."

pocwood and azaleas outdoors and warm hospitality within made memorable the 20th convention of Virginia State Chapter, as 85 members of convention and 153 visitors assembled. Chapters C and AC welcomed all comers and served coffee during registration.

Preceding convention, Chapter W, directed by Arline Stewart, second vice president, presented a beautiful Hour of Remembrance in words and music.

In convention hall, banks of azaleas framed a stunning picture as the guest of honor, Miss Helen F. Evers, second vice president of Supreme Chapter, and the state officers entered in costumes of 1869 and seated themselves around tables with pink covers.

The president, Lucille Board, H, presided in a beautiful gown of blue. Her pages were Barbara Turk, H, Marriott Jackson, R, and Betty Hall, AB, in green with marguerite aprons. Lucille welcomed us with warmth and charm. She introduced our guest of honor, who later brought a stimulating address. She was equally in tune with her audience as she wittily welcomed the B. I. L.'s to the banquet.

The guards, members of Chapter AF, and the P. E. O. chorus adorned the scene in long skirts and frilly blouses as did the hostesses at the coffee hour. The Chorus, composed of members of chapters D, AC, and AF, directed by Pauline Raudabaugh, D, enchanted us all with appropriate

words to period tunes, and climaxed their performance with a program of music from the library of the Lee Mansion. Most deservedly they have been invited to appear in a program at the Mansion.

The welcome to convention was given by Barbara Mullan, D, and Frances Cox, B, expressed the thanks of all present. Chapter Z, with Mary Schuweiler as president, presented an excellent model meeting, and the organizer's conference was led by Isabelle Hardie, AE, and Miss Evers.

The devotions each day were thoughtful and inspiring, by Margaret Riggins, A, and Mildred Heimlich, H. Helen Dudley, N, past president, presented the convention theme reverently and im-

pressively.

Our projects were embodied by three college students: Miss June Haley of George Washington University, a loan fund recipient; Miss Aruna Saaika of Assam, an IPS student completing her Ph. D at George Washington University; and the holder of the Virginia Memorial Scholarship, Miss Ann Ervin, a freshman at Mary Washington College. Holder of the Virginia Cottey College Scholarship, Miss Marcia Thompson, greeted us by

The banquet sparkled as B. I. L. Ernie Saulmon presided, and the Strolling Strings of the U.S. Air Force enchanted us all. B. I. L. Russ Blandford, Chief Counsel of the Committee on Armed Services of the U.S. House of Representatives, received a standing ovation at the end of his address.

Delegates elected to convention of Supreme Chapter were: Elizabeth Olson, F; Crist Brown, C; Jean Coffman, G; Jean Brown, AG; Anne Allen, N; Faye Crumpler, X; Helene Jensen, Z; and Mildred Hickson, AD. Past presidents selected to attend were Fredrika Browning, BK, Florida; Ruth Coy, M; and Dorothy Walker, K.

Miss Evers installed the following officers: Edna Watkins, N; Isabelle Hardie, AE; Janice Bruner, D; Glenny White, X; Jo Ann Jorgenson, W; and Margaret Riggins, A. Arline Stewart, second vice president, prevented by a serious family emergency from being present, was elected first vice president.

The invitation to the 1970 convention in Colonial Williamsburg was delivered by Dorothy Kenny, I, in colonial dress, and Cicely Garrick, F, in mod attire, and was accepted in witty rhyme by Jean Coffman, G.

As convention drew to a close, Marcia Larson, P, past president sang a charming song of 1907 to which Dorothy Thatcher, AE, had set words. Lucille was presented her credential by Miss Evers, and the traditional past president's rocking chair by Mary Kiechel, J, immediate past president, this time a chair atop a hat for wear while lying in the sun. It was with reluctance that we brought to an end a convention that will be long remembered for its color, its inspiration, and its warm friendly feeling. - By Mildred Rountree, B, Past President.

LUCILLE CHRISTIAN BOARD (Mrs. E. E.) is a native of Virginia and has spent all her married life in Radford. She obtained her higher education at the Pan-American Business College, Richmond, and Radford College where she affiliated with Sigma Sigma Sigma and Pi Gamma Mu. She taught school before her marriage to Erby Board, pharmacist. They have one daughter, Sarah, a senior in Radford High

Lucille has served as president of the Radford Branch, AAUW; president of The Woman's Club; treasurer and



LUCILLE BOARD

first vice president of the Blue Ridge District, Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs; and first vice president of Radford Garden Club. Presently, she is recording secretary of the Woman's Club and year book chairman of the Garden Club.

She and her family are members of the Presbyterian Church. She has always been active in many phases of church work and is now serving as co-chairman of a circle. She has served as historian for the Women of the

Lucille became a P. E. O. in 1958 when she was initiated into Chapter H. She was elected to the executive board in 1962 and has served in all

offices.

She is listed in Virginia Lives, the Old Dominion Who's Who, 1964. The high regard in which she is held finds her much in demand in many areas. Her music is appreciated, her book reports are always anticipated, and all enjoy her wonderful collection of antiques.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Washington, May 9, 10

Hostess Chapters: AB, AC, AD

Chairman: Vera Miller; Co-Chairmen: Rue Burke, Virginia Willis Theme: "Lift Up Mine Eyes."

THOUGH RAINING outside, the warmth and graciousness evident inside set the stage for the 34th convention, Bernice (Bee) Varhus, AC, president, greeted the 85 members of convention and 293 visitors. Special greetings were extended to Irene Snell, corresponding secretary, Supreme Chapter; to 17 past presidents including Laura Hanson, F, our first president, who has attended all conventions and who had come from Texas this year; to Verla Crockett, formerly on the board, and now of Chapter NW, California; to Bee's sister, Frances Zeigel, KO, Illinois; and to the 50-year plus members.

Due to the illness of Vera Miller, AB, general chairman, Virginia Willis, AD, extended welcome for the hostess chapters. Harriett Lynn, L, treasurer, responded with

an appropriate poem.

The Hour of Remembrance was beautifully conducted under direction of Kathryn Towne, H, first vice president, assisted by Marian Petring, H, who lighted a candle in the memorial centerpiece for each of 15 sisters.

Alice Windrem, G, gave tribute to the Centennial and a challenge for the future. Bee Varhus reported that the District had contributed \$3,074 toward the Centennial Building Fund.

The excellent model meeting was presented by Chapter S with Leta Moore presiding. Board members and committee chairmen gave instructive and informative reports.

Ruth Bright, F, second vice president, introduced Miss Aroona Saikia, IPS student from India, who is working on her doctorate at George Washington University. Aroona told of her family and of wedding customs in her country. Miss Karen Hopper, an Educational Fund student sponsored by Chapter N now in nurse's training at Washington Hospital Center, sang two selections.

In his address, Cottey College — A Unique Institution, Dr. Frank Dickey, executive director, National Commission on Accrediting, Washington, and a former trustee of the College, brought up-to-date information on the status of Cottey, and recognized the need for diversity in the curriculum. He suggested the possibility of P. E. O.'s arranging for workshops with guidance counselors in local communities as a means of increasing interest in enrollment.

Irene Snell enriched convention with the warmth of her personality and brought inspiration in her message.

In her devotions God's Promises, Merry Canavan, AA, referred to the message sent by the three astronauts at Christmas which concluded with "and God bless all of you on the good earth." Merry stressed that our earth, our home, is good, with the many blessings already available to us. She also reminded us of the special talents God has given each of us to use, and that having promised mercy, guidance, compassion, forgiveness, grace and love, He asks only that we help Him fulfill His promises.

Janice Smith, AD, in her devotions I Looked Upon A Mountain High, recalled that as a small girl she watched her mother stand alone by the kitchen window which looked out upon the Colorado mountains, her "Window Toward The Hills." Janice compared the steadfastness, majesty, and serenity of the hills and mountains to our lives, saying that it is good for us to stand face to face with the strong, the enduring, the exalted ministry of the mountains in order to quicken in us eager desires for strength and steadfastness, and for God.

Dr. Arnold F. Keller, Jr., minister, Lutheran Church of the Reformation on Capitol Hill, in his inspirational address, Resources for Living, pointed out that each one must have resources to draw upon beyond himself if life is to have meaning. Dr. Keller suggested two qualities of life as necessary if we are to grow in depth and resources — personal quality of obedience to God's will, and second, the quality of love.

The gracious hospitality of the hostess chapters included a reception honoring Irene Snell, followed by a banquet with Germaine Krettek, AC, as mistress of ceremonies. Bee introduced the board, their B. I. L.'s, her sister and B. I. L., her own B. I. L., and her son who had recently returned from Vietnam.

The Mount Vernon Guards, a group of boys and girls nine to fifteen years of age, in colonial costumes, gave a delightful, musical dramatization of the period 1775 to 1787, including selections by the Fife and Drum Corps and the minuet.

The P. E. O. Chorus under the inspiring leadership of Jeannette Kressin, Q, with Dorothy Lewis, T, accompanist, presented many beautiful selections. Members of Chapters A, B and C, dressed as Town Criers with bells in hand, unscrolled the invitation to the 1970 convention of Towne meetings. The scroll was then presented to Kathryn Towne, H, the elected president. Other officers installed by Irene Snell were: Ruth Bright, F; Irene Geiss, I; Adele Reed, T; Mary Irons, G; Harriett Lynn, L; Lolita Fetter, N. After Bee received her past president's credential from Irene, her pin was given to her by Kathryn. Mary Prussing, AA, welcomed Bee to the Past Presidents' Club. - By Adah L. Bagby, D.

BERNICE L. VARHUS (Mrs. H. H.) was born and received her early education in Upland, Nebraska. Following completion of high school, her family moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she attended the Minnesota School of Business. She was employed



BERNICE VARHUS

as secretary in Minneapolis, New York City, and with the British Army Staff in Washington, D. C. Her husband, Henry, was graduated from the Minnesota Institute of Technology, University of Minnesota, as an electrical engineer. Presently he is manager of an Engineering Department of the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, a research and development laboratory of the United States Navy. Their one son, Alan, recently returned from Vietnam and is continuing his education at the University of Maryland.

Bee was initiated into P. E. O. in 1954 as a charter member of Chapter AC, District of Columbia. She served in all offices in her chapter except chaplain. During her term as president, Chapter AC presented the model meeting at the annual convention. She also held all offices on the executive board, and was chairman of the decorations committee for convention

of Supreme Chapter in Washington in 1961. Her sister, Frances Zeigel, is a member of Chapter KO, Charleston, Illinois.

Bee and Henry are active in the Lutheran Church of the Reformation, Washington, in which they were married. Bee taught in the junior department of the Sunday School for many years, and is now serving on the Altar Guild. She is also actively interested in the Washington Cathedral, and gives illustrated lectures on the beautiful needlework in the Cathedral. She is a member of the Twentieth Century Club, the Capital Speakers Club, Hillmead Garden Club, and National Cathedral Association. Her hobbies include needlepoint, reading, birdwatching, and flower arrangements. The family spends some time each summer in the northern woods of Minnesota and at the ocean, at Rehobeth Beach, Delaware.

ARIZONA: Scottsdale, May 2, 3
Hostess Chapters: F, X, AL
Chairman: Cecelia Burton

Theme: "Heritage Of A Hundred Years."

STRAW BASKETS artistically decorated by the hostess chapters were carried by 122 delegates attending the 38th annual convention. There were more than 300 visitors. Guest of honor was Irene Kerr, first vice president of Supreme Chapter, with Katharine Akin, Board of Trustees, Cottey College, attending as member of honor.

The president, Jane Ledbetter, presided in her friendly and efficient manner having as page her daughter, Jill Nagel, AE. A warm welcome was extended by Cecelia Burton, AL, after which everyone joined in singing a clever welcoming song directed by Annis Dotts, AL, accompanied by her Century Belles.

Following the presentation of a charter to Chapter BI by Josephine Karmen, organizer, Irene Kerr welcomed this 61st chapter. In her stimulating address she carried out the heritage theme.

Hester Cochran, L, Cottey College chairman, announced the

names of six scholarship recipients. Bettie Ingraham, AG, IPS chairman, introduced Kathleen Jefferds, an Educational Fund girl, and Lela Parmee, a former IPS recipient. Fay Bagby, O, Educational Fund chairman, reported that over eight million dollars had been loaned since the year 1907.

As Centennial Chairman, Jane Ledbetter stated that donations of \$100. for Centennial Center were made by 47 chapters.

Devotions by Miriam Wallis, B, and Helen Burge, O, were inspirational beginnings to each day. The beautiful voice of Judith Armer enhanced Doris Still's reflective devotions during the Hour of Remembrance dedicated to 29 sisters. Hester Cochran presided with Nancy Hall, BF, leading prayer.

The model meeting by Chapter AJ, under direction of Josephine Karmen, was presented with dignity. The lovely luncheons were friendly gatherings highlighted by a skit portraying the dress styles and events of P. E. O.'s first centu-

ry. This was presented by Jane Ledbetter's chapter, AE, honoring 50-year members. Oil paintings by Anna Corbell and Lola Kohler of Chapter X were presented to our president and Irene Kerr.

"New friends leave the heart aglow," said the Toastmistress Margaret Jane Rice at the B. I. L. banquet. Our president's B. I. L., John Ledbetter, added humor to the evening in his remarks. We enjoyed a duet by Dr. Willard Pedrick and his wife Jane, and violin music by Lurames Michels.

During Katharine Akin's address, Why I Believe in Cottey College, a deep sense of gratitude was felt by all, realizing that this month would end her term as a member of the board of trustees.

Gifts toward P. E. O. projects from the past presidents' circle, as well as Chapters AE, AJ and the Tucson reciprocity board, were only a few of the many thoughtful deeds during convention. Mildred Huey, X, and Jane Pedrick, AI, assisted at the piano and organ throughout the two days. Flowers from the Tucson and Phoenix reciprocity chapters and greetings from Ethel Gardner and Catherine Howsman were most appreciated.

Throughout convention, all felt the warm hospitality and efficiency extended by hostess chapters whose members were dressed in yellow. The guards, under the capable leadership of Alice Butts, AX, with chief guard, Sue Frankman, AE, expertly carried out their duties.

Extending an invitation to convention in 1970 were members of Chapters I, O and Y. Officers elected were: Hester Cochran, L; Bettie Ingraham, AG; Josephine Karmen, AI; Eula Wager, X; Lucille Metcalfe, AN; Fay Bagby, O; Mirian Wallis, B. By Sally Brooks, AT.

JANE K. LEDBETTER (Mrs. J. F.) was born in Hayfield, Minnesota, second daughter of George and Harriet Kottke, a member of Chapter J, Minnesota. Jane lived in Windom, Minnesota, until college years. She received her B.A. from Hamline University, St. Paul, with a major in economics. She



JANE LEDBETTER

was initiated into Chapter BO, Minnesota, in 1938.

Jane worked as a secretary for General Mills before her marriage to John

F. Ledbetter. During war years they lived in Carthage, Missouri, when John was stationed at Camp Crowder. They returned to Minnesota where Jane became a member of Chapter CE. She became a charter member of AE, Tucson, in 1954, following their move to Arizona in 1953.

Continuing her education, Jane received her M.Ed. degree from the University of Arizona and has taught in Tucson schools for 14 years. She is active in Delta Kappa Gamma, and a member of the administrative board of Catalina United Methodist Church, of which Jack has been head usher for ten years. His business is in sales promotion; currently he is president elect of Civitan International.

The Ledbetters have three children: Steve, father of the family's pride and joy, Bill (18 mos.), now in Italy doing research for his doctoral dissertation in musicology; Jill, Mrs. Frederick Nagel, now living in Louisville, Kentucky; and Mark, a sophomore at Northern Arizona University.

Jane has served in every office on the executive board.

Hostess Chapter: P
Chairmen: Margaret Iverson, Gladys Doll
Theme: "Friendship And Growth 100 Years In P. E. O."

THE THIRTY-FOURTH annual convention of Utah State Chapter convened at Hotel Ben Lomond. The hostess chapter members, identified by their colonial attire, graciously welcomed 50 delegates, 7 state officers, 17 past presidents, and 165 visitors.

Convention was called to order by president Eleanor Cottingham, D, whose charm and competent manner set a mood of happy anticipation. She extended a welcome to our guest of honor, Mary Bowen, chairman, Finance Committee of Supreme Chapter, the past presidents, and members of honor, including Marjorie Gump, R, a trustee of the P. E. O. Foundation. The past presidents were introduced by Annabelle Baer, S. They presented a gift of \$25. to the Centennial Building Fund in memory of Essie Neal, C.

Devotions delineating the theme were ably presented by Eleanor Reed, V, and Pat Harns, X.

Members of convention were welcomed by chairman Margaret Iverson, P. The response was given by Fay Curtis, G, first vice president. Out of state visitors from California and Idaho were introduced.

The guards and pages in centennial costumes performed their duties with precision and grace.

A highlight of convention was presentation of a charter to Chapter Y, Salt Lake City, by our organizer, Elsie Jones, W. Florence Slattery, president of Chapter Y, accepted the charter. Welcome was extended by Mary Bowen, and Eleanor Cottingham.

Mary Boonstra, K, gave tribute to five 50 year members: Marion Hiskey, I; Mabel Fredrick, T; Mary Goldstein, A; Flora Dawson, D; Tracy Maddux, K. They were presented corsages through the courtesy of Herb Cottingham, husband of our president.

Reports of officers and committee chairmen together with the resume of presidents' letters proved this to be a year of accomplishment and satisfaction. Carolyn Holmer, V, gave an enthusiastic report on the activities of the Cottey College Club, organized a year ago to stimulate interest in Cottey College.

Fay Curtis, G, first vice president, introduced three graduates of Cottey. Each expressed her admiration for the college and urged every P. E. O. to acquaint prospective students with the school.

The Hour of Remembrance was held in the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, under guidance of Esther Badertcher, H, second vice president. Reverence prevailed as tribute was paid to the founders and nine members. Music by Dorothy Pettigrew, P, and vocal solos by Florence Gillmor, Q, enhanced the service.

Guest of honor, Mary Bowen, brought wit and wisdom to the convention. Her keynote address was both inspirational and challenging.

The model meeting was exemplified efficiently by Chapter W, Ruth Clayton, president, under guidance of Elsie Jones, W.

Throughout all meetings, musical leadership and accompaniment were furnished by Dorothy Pettigrew, Dorothy Ann Bolieau, and Augusta Jackley, P. Jean Jones, Nedra Cooper, Ann Engelby, B, and their accompanist Elaine Jones, B, enriched convention with their beautiful songs.

The B. I. L. banquet was a lighthearted evening of good fellowship. Mary Bowen brought special greetings. A male quartet provided excellent entertainment, as well as Dorothy and Alden Pettigrew.

Blue spruce seedlings decorated each table at the Friday luncheon. Every member received one to plant as a living memorial to our centennial year. Pre-convention activities included an executive board meeting and dinner honoring the guest of honor, the executive board, and past presidents.

Chapter Q, Salt Lake City, tripped lightly onto the stage, carrying large Q-Tips, and extended the invitation for 1970 with a clever song and dance. The new Salt Palace, Salt Lake City, will be the meeting place.

Newly elected officers installed by Mary Bowen were: Elsie Jones, W; Fay Curtis, G; Esther Badertscher, H; Vivian Voorhies, C; Grace Meldrum, E; Sara Keller, U, and Ruth Kilfoyle, B.

The president stated that serving on the executive board for five years had been a rich and rewarding experience. Elsie Jones presented the past president's pin and Mary Bowen the credential. The singing of Blest Be The Tie That Binds and the recessional brought to close a convention truly reflecting Friendship and Growth. — By Margaret Leake, W.



ELEANOR COTTINGHAM

ELEANOR DAWSON COTTINGHAM (Mrs. H. B.) was born in American Falls, Idaho. The family moved to Pocatello, Idaho, then to Salt Lake City when she was seven years old. Eleanor was educated in Utah and graduated from the University of Utah in 1933, in business. She is a member of Kappa

Kappa Gamma fraternity and was charter president of the local chapter at the University.

Her B. I. L. Herb is vice president of Valley Bank and Trust Company. Their son, John, is a sales engineer for Sangemo Electric Company in California where he lives with his family. A daughter, Judith, is married to a student at Northwestern Medical School in Chicago. She has a master's degree in social work and is working with the Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society.

Eleanor was active in Cub and Brownie Scout work, a member of University of Utah Alumni Board, member of Salt Lake Community Nursing Board for seven years, and is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. She has been a member of Chapter D, Salt Lake City, since December 2, 1946, and served as president two terms. She was elected to executive board in 1964. Her mother is a fifty-one year member of Chapter D and takes an active part in the chapter.

INDIANA: West Lafayette, May 15, 16

Hostess Chapters: B, C, D, L, BV Chairman: Ruth Pape; Co-Chairman: Louise McNelly

PURDUE University, celebrating the one hundredth year of its founding, appropriately was the scene of the 46th annual convention of Indiana State Chapter in the centennial year of P. E. O. All meetings were held in Fowler Hall. Meetings were promptly convened and dismissed and business proved stimulating because of the expert handling of parliamentary procedure tempered by the humility exhibited by the president, Marguerite Smith, Z.

A pre-convention party and reception honored the past presidents. Here the first evidence of the centennial theme was noted in the costumes of the hostesses, the centennial museum, and the delightful program of reminiscences and songs of long ago given by Barbara McClannen, L, and Janet Gibson, L. Of interest throughout convention was a display case of interesting antiques, old costumes, and P. E. O. memorabilia collected and arranged by Mabel Henze, L, historian.

Lenore Boyd, C, played for the processional which included the guest of honor, Florence Wallace, third vice president of Supreme Chapter; members of honor, Margaret Emily Stoner, past president of Supreme Chapter, and Mona Dees Clare, trustee, THE P. E. O.

RECORD; 21 past presidents; the state officers; guards and pages. Marguerite Smith brought warm greetings to all those present, and Ruth Pape, L, general chairman, welcomed the delegates from all 97 chapters and 252 guests. The guards, dressed in white skimmers lined with yellow, wearing yellow chiffon scarves and white accessories, marched briskly to The P. E. O. March by C. L. Barnhouse and performed their duties with dispatch.

All special music was furnished by a talented triple trio, The Marguerites, directed by Marjorye Mannering, D, and accompanied by Louise McNelly, L. Their dresses were of calico print in the style of 1869, worn with authentically styled white aprons. Their carefully chosen numbers were appropriately interwoven into a pattern of serenades, choral responses and religious numbers.

Devotions were given by Bettie Tuckett, O, whose subject was Circles of Light and by Emmaline Ridlon, BY, who spoke on Our Commitments. Both were inspirational and thought-provoking.

Two new chapters were presented by the organizer, Eva Mae McMahan, AB — Chapter CR, Bloomington, and CS, Ogden Dunes. The president returned

dispensations to Chapters CO, CP, and CQ.

Florence Wallace captured the hearts of everyone with her sparkling wit and her unlimited knowledge of P. E. O. procedures. Her keynote address brought a warm glow to each P. E. O.

At the Educational Hour an International Peace Scholarship student, Josefa Abrera from the Philippines now studying at Indiana University, told of her plans for the future, and Margaret Robinson, Educational Fund recipient, told of her study on Campus Afloat, sponsored by Chapman College. Cottey area chairmen and former Cottey students were introduced by the state chairman.

The model meeting was presented by Chapter AS, West Lafayette, in a delightful setting of an old-fashioned living room. It was done with precision and dignity.

Susan Hocking, AZ, dressed in heirloom apparel, shared family knowledge of Effie Hoffman Rogers in a clever skit entitled, "Effie and her Record," and read The P. E. O. Creed written by Mrs. Rogers. Lillian Corley, J, read humorous excerpts from an article written by H. B. Williams, the first B. I. L. Kathryn Davis, CI, past president, presided over an impressive recognition ceremony for the 18 Golden Girls.

Vespers of Remembrance was held in the University Presbyterian Church in commemoration of 48 members. Special tribute was paid to Mathilda Lunbeck, J, past president, by Iris Breyding, CO. An inspirational vocal meditation was sung by Kathryn Commers, C; a sermonette was presented by Janet Fruend, C; the invocation and benediction were given by Dorothy Knipe, C.

Martha Fields, D, was mistress of ceremonies for the gala B. I. L. banquet. Each table was centered with a birthday cake topped with a lighted candle in a ring of marguerites. The Purduettes directed by Bruce McGuire charmed the audience. Dr. John W. Hicks, executive

assistant to the president of Purdue, spoke on the topic, What's Ahead. Following the banquet guests were entertained by "the best band in the land", a sextette from Knox.

The Rev. Glenn Alty Crafts, Centenary United Methodist Church, Terre Haute, addressed convention using as his subject, Let Shine the Light.

The invitation to the 1970 convention was extended by twelve young members of Chapters R, BT, BU, BW, and BY, who burst into convention hall dressed in wild mini dresses and gay slack suits, singing "You've Come a Long Way, Sisters" as their sisters dressed in 1969 fashion polished the star.

Officers installed by Mrs. Wallace were: Lillian Corley, J; Miss Helen Bussell, T; Eva Mae Mc-Mahan, AB; Betty Dorsey Smith, CD; Roselyn Baker, AF; Inez Russell, P; Ruth Pape, L. Marguerite Smith was presented her past president's pin by Lillian Corley. Convention was closed by singing Blest Be the Tie That Binds, with the consciousness that it was unique in its spontaneous enthusiasm and the genuine spirit of friendliness. —By Sylva Reiss Jonas, B.

MARGUERITE SMITH (Mrs. L. N.), daughter of the late Julia Bridges and Richard Ellis Hutchison, was born in Syracuse, Missouri. She attended Central Methodist College, Central Missouri State College, and the University of Missouri where she received both



MARGUERITE SMITH

bachelor's and master's degrees and was recipient of the E. M. Carter Award. She pursued a teaching career before her marriage to Dr. Lloyd N. Smith, professor of education at Indiana State University. Marguerite was initiated into Chapter Z, Indiana. She has held several offices in the local chapter and all offices on the executive board.

She is a member of the Alpha Phi sorority; Pi Lamba Theta and Delta Kappa Gamma, honoraries. She served as superintendent of the primary department of Centenary United Methodist Church for a number of years and has held offices in WSCS and the Centenary Guild. She is a member of University Wives Club and has just completed a two-year term as president of the board of directors of the Terre Haute Day Nursery.

Marguerite refers to herself as an avid traveler, an experimental cook, and an amateur antiquer.

NORTH DAKOTA: Fargo, May 7, 8

Hostess Chapters: S, V, AM

Chairmen: Elizabeth Watson, Alphile Larson, Mary Ellen Maltry, Grace Brudvik
Theme: "Our Guilding Star—100 Years."

THE PAST, present and future seemed to meet as we stood between two centuries of P. E. O. at the 55th annual convention of North Dakota State Chapter. The centennial year was in evidence

in the colorful costumes of the guards, pages, tellers and executive board. The friendly charm of our president, Geraldine Foss, was felt as she welcomed us to this assembly. A rousing welcome was given by the Centennial Chorus in The Wells Fargo special number.

The oft-quoted, "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven," seemed fitting as delegates from 48 chapters, visitors, officers, past presidents and our guest of honor convened in the Gardner Hotel.

The convention theme gave us the feeling that the love and devotion which comes from the heart behind the pin we wear is the allimportant thing. During convention the rays of our star shone everywhere - in the thoughtfulness of the hostess chapters; in the love and faith reflected in the moving devotions of Mary Trout, F, and Virginia Homan, M; in the inspiring voices of the soloists; the Verse Choirs; the Centennial Chorus; the pianists and our music chairmen, Margaret Carlson, AM, Charlotte Trautwein, AM, and Dorothy Collins, V.

Our guest of honor, Florence Wallace, third vice president, Supreme Chapter, added great dimension through her wisdom and charm.

Dignity and reverence marked the Memorial Hour with Helen Person, AH, presiding. The promise of eternal life was felt afresh in the meditation by Frances Thompson, AE, and the musical selections. The roll of remembrance honored 17 members.

Charters were presented by Ruthmary Erdahl, organizer, to two new Chapters; AU, Fargo, and AV, Minot. The model meeting was capably conducted by Chapter AS, Jamestown, Bette Woodward, presiding. Chapter AS was organized in 1966.

The B. I. L. banquet held at the Elks Club featured the wit and charm of Marian Lee, V, presiding; the lively response of Ray Larson; the men's chorus from North Dakota State University with B. I. L. John Trautwein, director; our star, Florence Wallace; and the dynamic address of the Reverend Harry E. Olson, Jr., pastor, Messiah Lutheran Church, Fargo.

Attesting to a busy year were the stars of service in a "Today" show production arranged by Margaret Kaiser, second vice president and chairman of the educational projects, and ably presented by Natalie McElroy, AS, Educational Fund chairman, who presented two Cottey students and a clever dialogue on IPS.

The many handmade details, the Humbug singers, the friendly host-esses, the tables with the treasures of the past, and "Hats Off" gave the two luncheons a festive air. Members of Chapters AN, P and B, in song and space suits extended the invitation to jettison to Williston in '70.

In the afterglow, we think of Florence Wallace's gift of radiance; the devotion to service reflected in the dedication of the executive officers, the reports of officers and committees; the beautiful decorations, the guards and pages in old-fashioned dress, the inspiring prayers, our projects display and the love and friendship that has held us together for one hundred years. —By Fern Jansonius, AB, Past President.

GERALDINE FOSS (Mrs. C. P.) is a native of North Dakota and a graduate of Valley City State College, Valley City, North Dakota. She taught in Bruce, South Dakota, Bismarck Junior College and Hankinson, North Dakota. She now works part time at Fidelity Savings and Loan Association.



GERALDINE FOSS

She has two daughters: Cheryl (Mrs. Tom Rowekamp) and Marcia (a Cottey College student).

She has served as State President of the North Dakota CowBelles and has served as State Beef Promotion Chairman; also served as Secretary-Treasurer of the American National CowBelles.

She is active in Community Affairs. She served as Deaconess of the Congregational Church for four years; served as president of the Women's Fellowship of the Church, and at present, is clerk of the Congregational Church.

She is a member of the American Legion Auxiliary—having been Girls State Chairman for many years; Eastern Star and Eagles Auxiliary.

She likes bowling, bridge, crossword puzzles and people. She cherishes the values of friendship very much.

PENNSYLVANIA: St. Davids, May 22, 23

Hostess Chapters: E, O, AH, Al

Chairmen: Barbara Becker, Renelda Rasmussen
Theme: "Sharing In A Century Of Progress."

THE PRINTED PROGRAM for the 35th annual convention of Pennsylvania State Chapter contains a short history of the first one hundred years of P. E. O. under the title "I am P. E. O." The wish and goal expressed for the second century is: "As I mature physically, may I

continue always to possess those virtues which characterized my beginnings, and may my growth in spirit be commensurate to my size."

Preceding convention, the Hour of Remembrance was held in Wayne United Methodist Church.

Ellen Schott, P, was organist and Jeanne Beal, AI, violinist. During the memorial given by Elizabeth Hoven, AI, eleven roses were placed in remembrance. Other pre-convention events were the dinner for delegates and visitors, a dinner for past presidents, and a social hour for delegates and visitors.

Reminding us that Philadelphia is the "Cradle of Democracy," a color scheme of red, white and blue was carried out. The guards, pages and tellers emphasized this decor in dresses of navy and white with just a touch of red, and colorful floral arrangements in these vivid shades were furnished by the

president's chapter, T.

Convention was formally opened by the president, Dorothy Croke, T. Mary Jane Hackett, AK, member of honor, gave the invocation. The "PEOnie Sextette," all members of Chapter N, led by Margaret Murr, enhanced the opening with intervals of song. Eleanor Northrup, AR, led the devotions. Rose Wright, AJ, chairman of the committee on credentials, and Pennsylvania's Mother of the Year, received an honorarium from her chapter for her favorite P. E. O. project.

Edna Cathcart, AM, organizer, presented the charter to Chapter AT, Yardley. Cynthia Gardner, AT, accepted the charter for the chapter, which was welcomed by Margaret Holliday, guest of honor, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Educational Fund, who later addressed the convention. Her topic was "Make Your Life A Masterpiece."

In a tribute by Mary Louise Emmons, AJ, Villa Henderson, G, and Dorothea Keesey, N, were honored as 50-year P. E. O.'s.

Velma Smith, U, presided over the Educational Hour luncheon. Nazreen Fazalbuoy, an IPS student working toward a master's degree in psychology at Temple University, expressed her appreciation, and Margaret Holliday reviewed the administration of the

Educational Fund. Elizabeth Jane Taft, chairman of the Pennsylvania Cottey Scholarship Fund, introduced two Cottey College students who spoke glowingly of the many advantages offered at Cottey. Both students, Barbara Flipse and Marcia Thompson, have been awarded Pennsylvania scholarships for their second year.

The well implemented model meeting by her own chapter, AM, Wayne, was under the guidance of Edna Cathcart, organizer, with Mary Marsland acting as president.

John McQuade, Jr, aroused much laughter at the B. I. L. banquet with his stories - especially those concerning the meaning of P. E. O. The Men of Rose Valley charmed everyone with their varied program of favorite songs.

On the second morning, Molly Snively, D, read a beautiful prayer and devotions were conducted by Margaret Wenger, AO. Mildred Keesey, H, state custodian, prepared an interesting display of the history of Pennsylvania State Chapter. At intervals during conappreciated vention everyone "Sharing of Inspiration," poetry by Gussie Gordon, I.

The Friday luncheon was presided over by Mary Louise Emmons, AJ. Margaret Murr, N, accompanied by Mildred Keesey, H, thrilled the delegation with song. "A Satirical Soliloquy," concerning a delegate attending convention, was cleverly presented by Juliet Schmidt, AH, a Cottey graduate.

Twelve delegates were elected to attend the convention of Supreme Chapter and five past presidents were designated to attend. A total of 185 visitors was reported by the chairman, Barbara convention Becker, AH.

The invitation to the 1970 convention on the campus of Indiana State University was extended in song by Chapters C, R, W and AA dressed as college students. The invitation suggested that we "Come Back Home To Indiana," - the Christmas Tree Capital Of The

World. Jeanette Snyder, AM, accepted the invitation.

The following officers were installed by Margaret Holliday: Velma Smith, U; Darthea Keith, AG; Edna Cathcart, AM; Virginia Hagaman, M; Dorothy Steketee, Q; Clara Sharp, AA; Margie Haroff,

As Dorothy Croke took her place with the past presidents, she was serenaded by the "PEOnies" and presented with several honorariums.

A memorable and colorful convention with just the proper mixture of business and inspiration was closed with Blest Be the Tie That Binds. - By Marie Scott, AQ

DOROTHY CROKE (Mrs. J. A.) is a native Pennsylvanian, and received her education in Pennsylvania schools, including the University of Pittsburgh. At the time of her marriage to James A. Croke she was private secretary to the treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. During most of Jim's business life he was in the office equipment business, and recently retired as president of the James A. Croke Company, Inc., of Harrisburg.

The Crokes have two married sons Lee, a 1969 candidate for the degree of Master of Business Administration at the Harvard University School of Business Administration; and Tom, who is a graduate of Brown University, where he is now an Admissions Officer. There are two grandchildren, Jennifer and David.

In 1948 Dorothy was initiated as a



DOROTHY CROKE

charter member into her present chapter, T, Harrisburg, and has held a number of chapter offices. She has served for the past six years on the executive board of state chapter. In addition to other civic groups in which she and Jim have participated actively,

Dorothy has served as president of the WSCS of Grace United Methodist Church, Harrisburg. She also was elected to the New Cumberland school board, which is now part of the West Shore Jointure, which she now serves as an advisory member.

WISCONSIN: Marinette, May 22, 23, 24

Hostess Chapters: Q, AA, AO, BK, CD Chairmen: Grace Mundt, Doris Boren, Alice Whitford Theme: "Unity Of Spirit."

In weather-perfect May days, the springtime beauty of Marinette greeted delegates and visitors attending the 52nd annual convention held at The Dome and Marinette Campus of the University of Wisconsin, Green Bay. The beauty of the outdoors was carried indoors with a great profusion of lilacs, geraniums and ageratum decorating the stage of the auditorium of the Fine Arts Building.

Throughout the convention, pages and guards, dressed in old-fashioned green calico dresses with white bib aprons, served with alacrity and precision.

Our president, Barbara Oakley, presided with sparkle and enthusiasm. She interspersed the business meeting with gems of "1869 happenings" of ancestors of Wisconsin P. E. O.'s These brought forth many a chuckle and kept us aware of our 100 years.

Devotional thoughts carried out our president's theme, Louise Brown, J, enlarging on Unity of Spirit in Our Country; Marian Wolfe, T, Unity of Spirit in Our Churches; and Marjorie Pierson, BA, Unity of Spirit in P. E. O. The response for this was Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, beautifully sung by Judith Curtis, BA.

A pre-convention dinner for our honor guest, Florence Wallace, past presidents, the executive board, and guests was held in the home of Maryon Boren, BK.

During the Hour of Remembrance held in Zion Lutheran

Church, special tribute was given to R. Faye Jackson, past president, and to 30 Wisconsin members. Chapter BS presented the service and a meaningful meditation was given by June Reed, BS, with organ music by Jean Ranck, BK.

The Educational Projects dinner was arranged by Margaret Bartheld, first vice president, and Betty Sheldon, second vice president. Area chairmen were introduced and Sally Seater gave a charming and enthusiastic talk, I Have Just Graduated from Cottey. Molly McCain, in her usual poised and humorous style, then spoke on After Graduation from Cottey - What? Dorothy Kleinpell, trustee, Cottey College, made us all aware of Cottey's need of all P. E. O.'s. Shirin Walji, an IPS student from Tanzania, gave a delightful talk of appreciation for the opportunity of studying at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and of her future plans. Mrs. Alice Sunstrom, high school guidance counselor, talked on the topic, Using the Educational Loan Fund.

A well-nigh perfect model meeting, with Charlotte Fenlon presiding, was presented by Chapter CC under the supervision of Mary Higley, organizer.

Florence Wallace, third vice president, Supreme Chapter, with her fund of knowledge as well as charm, humor and dignity, was a guide at all times. Her address brought fresh thoughts of depth and challenge to the concept of being an effective P. E. O.

Alice Rinehard gave the tribute to eleven 50-year members. Nettie Fullinwider, B, was the only one able to be present. She was escorted to the platform and seated in a rocking chair captivating all with her gracious charm. Judith Curtis, BA, sang as her response, If We Could Tell You of Our Devotion.

Mary Higley presented the charter to our newly organized Chapter CJ, Sheboygan, with Florence Wallace extending welcome. Edna Johnson, CJ, gave an inspiring response.

At the annual meeting of the Wisconsin State Chapter House Fund, Inc., Barbara Oakley, D, Ann Schneider, CG, and Mary Gibson, CF, were elected to serve on the board of directors. It was voted to form an affiliation with Evergreen Manor in Oshkosh.

The B. I. L. banquet was held in the Silver Dome with 473 in attendance. It was a gala event with the Marinette B. I. L.'s giving an entertaining response entitled, 100 Years of Progress. June Estabrook, AO, was toastmistress; she and the executive board wore lovely 1869 dresses. The Caroling Daisies of CD presented songs of 1869. Mr. Jean Worth, publisher of the Escanaba newspaper, gave an informative and amusing account of the history of Marinette and Menomonie.

Newly elected officers installed by Florence Wallace are Margaret Bartheld, AL; Betty Sheldon, CC; Mary Highley, BK; Grace Miller, AY; Sharon Bitter, L; Edith Churchhill, AP; and Marion Wolfe, T.

Dorothy Kleinpell presented the past president's pin to Barbara Oakley as she concluded a most successful convention. A surprise tribute to Margaret Bartheld was the appearance of a group from her chapter singing, Hello, Margaret, and bringing greetings and gifts.

The invitation to hold the 1970 convention in Platteville was given in song by a group of "miners." The inspiration and challenge of the meetings and the gracious hospitality of our hostess groups will

long be remembered by those attending convention. — By Maloa Dutcher, AT

BARBARA MATTESON OAKLEY (Mrs. J. T.) and her husband, John, a securities examiner for the State of Wisconsin and a Lt. Col., USMCR, both graduated from the University of Wisconsin where they met in 1942. Barbara is a member of Pi Beta Phi, Omicron Nu, and Phi Kappa Phi. They have two sons: Jim, 19, an honor student at Carthage College, Kenosha, and Charles, 4, who has charmed his P. E. O. "aunts." All are active members of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Beaver Dam. They were an AFS host family for Rolf Hichert from Germany the year Charles was born.

Barbara is a member of the League of Women Voters, AAUW, the Society of Mayflower Descendants, and has been on the local school board for eight years. She was initiated into Chapter AL, La Crosse, in 1948, and twenty years later was elected president at the convention in that city. She has held all the executive board offices. She has been a member of Wisconsin chapters AL, O, K, and now D.

Barbara's parents live in Carmel,



BARBARA OAKLEY

California. Her mother, Mary Matteson (Mrs. M. B.), is a member of Chapter BI, Wisconsin, and her greataunt, Ada Bunker, is a 55-year member of Chapter AG, Winterset, Iowa.

Barbara likes to read, sew, knit, play bridge, go family camping, and work Double Crostics.

Hostess Chapters: AL, BC, CY, EL, FE, FN, FX, GB, GD, GI, GM, GP, GR, GW, GZ, HA
Co-chairmen: Isabella Shaw, Lela Mae Young
Theme: "A Centennial Through Faith And Love."

THE CENTENNIAL THEME was in evidence as 216 delegates and 500 visitors gathered for the 67th annual Kansas convention and observed the 100th anniversary of the founding of P. E. O.

Pre-convention activities included an executive board meeting and dinner honoring the guest of honor, Mary Bowen, Finance Chairman, Supreme Chapter, and 18 past presidents. A delightful skit entitled Seven Girls was presented by Chapter EH and a quartet under the direction of Mary Stoskopf, EL, provided music popular 100 years ago.

All business sessions were held in Trinity United Methodist Church. With the stained glass windows of the chancel as a background and the stirring processional music, God of Our Fathers, the guards and pages dressed in yellow gingham of the style of 1869 with matching bows in their hair led the traditional procession. Sarah Butcher, president, was attired in a blue gingham dress, the cochairmen in pink gingham. Valere Sinning, organizer, presented four new chapters: HE, HF, HG, and HH. We wish everyone could have heard Mary Bowen's address to convention. Her warm heart, quick sense of humor, and words of wisdom endeared her to all.

The impressive Hour of Remembrance was arranged by Mary Lee Lindau, FN. Tribute was paid to two past presidents, Mrs. Ottis Strickland, BD, and Mrs. Glenna

Lewis, BQ, by Stella Clapp, BD, past president and historian for Supreme Chapter. Unusually beautiful were organ numbers by Betty Reese, BC; harp solos by Harriet Scarpelli, GP; and vocal prayer by the P. E. O. Choir Trio.

Table decorations for the educational dinner carried out the theme selected by Rebecca Bright, first vice president - lanterns, baskets of apples, and ivy. Yolanda Raffo, IPS student, University of Kansas, delighted all with her talk, My International Peace Scholarship as the Light of Knowledge. A centennial quartette from Chapters GR and FL in dress of 1869 sang An Apple for the Teacher and other selections. Charlotte Street, second vice president, and Jane Woodburn, HC, spoke on Halls of Ivy -Cottey College, Our Concern -Responsibility.

Mary Bowen and Valere Sinning fielded questions presented in the workshops. Exemplification of the ritual under the direction of Valere Sinning, Organizer, was perfectly done by Chapter EB, Sabetha. Thirteen of our 50-year members were paid tribute, and Chapter D, Hutchison, was recognized as a 75 year chapter. These recognitions were followed by a solo, The Spirit of Sisterhood, a prayer written by Mrs. Mamie Parsons, AG, 50 year member, and sung by Betty Durrie, GP. Members of Chapter A, Meade, presented a skit which included their 50-year member.

The B. I. L. banquet, attended by 600, was a festive occasion with table decorations carrying out the centennial theme — covered wagons, shafts of wheat, and dolls appropriately dressed. Convention chairman, Isabella Shaw, presided. B. I. L. Benjamin Schmidtke gave the invocation and Burl Shaw welcomed everyone, Albert Butcher responding. Mary Bowen, in her very witty manner, gave greetings. The Browning Family, who have performed successfully all over the United States, provided musical

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entertainment.

Music throughout convention was under direction of Opal Schmidtke, FN, and was outstanding in performance and selection of numbers. The many handmade details in decorations and exhibits, the special music, the hospitality under Helen Stein, GZ, the thoughts expressed in the meditations, love and friendship, all contributed toward making convention a memorable experience. An invitation by BG, Girard, to meet next year at Pittsburg was accepted.

Officers installed were: Rebecca Bright, DQ; Charlotte Street, K; Valere Sinning, P; Susan Spriggs, FM; Marilyn Snyder, C; Gertrude Goddard, CF; and Jean Lee, FE. -By Jeannette Plump, GD.

SARAH BUTCHER (Mrs. A.), is a native of Kansas. She graduated from Abilene, Kansas, high school, attended Kansas State University, and was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority. Sarah worked as a secretary for seven years prior to her marriage to Albert Butcher who is associated with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in McPherson.

She and her husband are members of the First Congregational Church, both having served all departments of the church. She was president of the Women's Fellowship organization, taught Sunday School, Bible School.

Both were sponsors of the youth group organization for five years. She has been active in Girl Scouts, Rainbow Girls, a member of the Order of Eastern Star, also was a member of Job's Daughters. Working in Red Cross; serving as a Grey Lady; activities in USO during World War II, Blood Bank, and various civic projects have been other interests.

Sarah was initiated into Chapter EU in 1950, serving as president of her chapter in 1955-56. She was elected to the executive board of Kansas State Chapter in 1962 and served all offices. Her hobbies are golf, gardening, reading, and bridge.



SARAH BUTCHER

CALIFORNIA: Los Angeles, May 26, 27, 28

Hostess Chapters: CE, CP, CT, CY, CZ, DA, DH, DQ, DX, EF, EG, EO, ES, EV, EW, EX Chairman: Sally Langmade

Theme: "Faith-A Key To Our Heritage." ******************

IN THE QUIET grandeur of the International Ballroom, International Hotel, the solemn strains of God of Our Fathers opened the 66th annual convention. Gretchen Klinck, DA, with her guards and pages dressed to symbolize the Marguerite - yellow dresses with sparkling white accessories - led the procession including Ethel Gardner, president, Supreme Chapter; Dorothy Weller, past president,

Supreme Chapter; Eva Lindquist, International Peace Scholarship, Board of Trustees; and Marjorie Weirick, P. E. O. Centennial Commission, Supreme Chapter, all members of honor; state officers; and 25 past presidents.

The faith of Marjorie Lamoreaux, president, was evident at all times; her quiet efficiency and charming manner captivated us

The opening meditation, The Measure of Faith, by Sue Kesler, past president, reminded us that the power of faith is eternal and that we must wait for God to give us the right answers in His own time. After her gracious welcome, Sally Langmade, CE, chairman, remained in the background, but the results of her efforts were much in evidence. More than 1,300 delegates and guests witnessed Meredith Giantvalley, organizer, present charters to six new chapters. Ethel Gardner charged each with the responsibility of the sisterhood's growth and ideals for the next century. Shirley Barker, SM, responded.

Margaret McRae, past president, in her stimulating keynote address, An Unending Commencement, stated that the foundations established by our founders are relevant today in a world that needs our heritage of faith.

As a centennial year surprise, Elsie Roemer, past president, presented the first autographed copy of her book, P. E. O. in California, to Ethel Gardner. All delegates received copies.

The ballroom was transformed into a beautiful garden of marguerites for the B. I. L. banquet. Joyce MacKain, Y, and David MacKain, B. I. L., entertained almost 1,000 guests with lovely vocal duets. Norman B. Livermore, Jr., California's Secretary for Natural Resources, outlined the state's conservation plans. He philosophized, "We must have open land with clear air and clear water where man can stretch himself spiritually and physically."

conferorganizer's Through ences, Meredith Giantvalley provided answers to chapter problems and procedures. The Memorial Hour at the hotel was dignified by beautiful organ music by Mary Lou Ellis, ES. Memorial tribute by Velma McCall, past president, honored five past presidents of California State Chapter: Faith Story, Matie Carleton, Luella Miller, Anna Locey, and Eleanor Nichols. Memorial tribute to 348 sisters was given by Marjorie Graham, first vice president.

The growth of our P. E. O. homes, their many activities, and the loving care given residents were documented by Grace Bollenbacher, president, Board of Trustees; Louise Bailey, treasurercontroller; Maggie Bittner, director, San Jose Home; and Emma Leefeldt, director, Alhambra Home.

The model meeting presented by Chapter PN, Palos Verdes Estates, was beautifully conducted and should be an inspiration to maintain this standard of beauty and warmth.

A charming dialogue by Leah Shirey, past president, and Peggy Speir, RV, united all generations. Mary Kay Heidner, second vice president, outlined our projects, and Mary Louise Remy, E, presented 'P. E. O. is a Many Splendored Thing' as she displayed these projects.

Faith - Power Unlimited, closing meditation by Mildred Upton, past president, stressed the fact that faith is God's answer to our needs. Ethel Gardner's closing address promised spiritual growth through practice of kindliness, helpfulness, and love.

Newly elected officers installed by Ethel Gardner were: Marjorie Graham, Meredith Giantvalley, Lena Drummond, Mary Kay Heidner, Ila Lee Ehret, Sue Morgan, and Sally Langmade.

Decorations were beautiful, with yellow and white predominant. To commemorate the centennial year, old-fashioned flowers of our founders' era were used.

Lovely piano and organ interludes were presented each day by Mary Lou Ellis, ES, and Virginia Tobey, HQ. Convention singing led by Glenna Campbell, DX, filled every spare moment. Other gifted musical contributions were by Faye George, AT, Dorothy Lay, PO, Mildred Klaumann, IO, Dorothy Dye, EO, and the Alhambra High School Chamber Singers.

Mary Estes, EO, and Angie Fitzsimmons, ES, who dressed in costumes of our founders to sing delightful old favorites, deserve special mention.

As the guards and pages formed the final recessional, our thoughts of renewed faith in our heritage lingered in the closing moments then leaped eagerly to the 1970 convention at Fresno, May 12, 13, 14. - By Marion Tyrell, CE.

MARJORIE N. LAMOREAUX (Mrs. P. H.), daughter of Ethel and Dr. John A. Nelson, was graduated from Washington State University and taught music in the public schools of that state. She was married to Page H. Lamoreaux, and they moved to California where he was an automobile dealer and cattle rancher.

She is the mother of three children: Barbara Berglund, a former Cottey student and a graduate of the University of California; Philip, married, a graduate of Stanford with a master's degree from Harvard, currently with Commonwealth Mutual Funds in San Francisco; and Bruce, recently married and a June graduate of the University of Pacific. There are four grandchil-

Marjorie was initiated into her mother's chapter, AT, Washington. She was a charter member of KL, Vallejo, and PJ, Napa, where her daughter and daughter-in-law are also members. Before serving six years on the executive board of California, she was an officer of the East Bay Reciprocity, president of the Redwood Empire Reciprocity, president of Chapter



MARJORIE LAMOREAUX

KL and Chapter PJ, and a state check-

Prior to the sudden death of her husband in 1962, Marjorie traveled widely throughout the world with him due to his interest in foreign investments and International Boy Scouts. She is an active member of the First United Methodist Church, on the board of trustees, interested in youth groups, and has been a Sunday School teacher. Her interest in music continues through the Napa County Symphony League. She is a past president of the Napa County Cowbelles, a member of AAUW, Delta Delta Delta, and Mu Phi Epsilon. Gardening, music, and sports are included in her hob-

PRELUDE TO A SUMMER STORM

For weeks, full blaze of sun from brassy sky Baked earth and withered corn.

A stillness broken only by the gentle hum of bees o'er dusty flowers

Made limp by summer's heat.

In western skies dark thunderheads take form.

Rain spatters raise small poufs of dust from roadsides tangled brush.

Rolling, boiling clouds in quiet hush

At last, unleash the fury of the storm.

 Gladys Benthack, GR, Nebraska

50 Year HONOR ROLL



Madeline Hyde California



Hatie Heyer Iowa



Mildred Heyer Iowa

BRITISH COLUMBIA Jamieson, Bessie B. (Mrs. E. A.), C, Vancouver, 1919; same

CALIFORNIA

Berkstresser, Clara (Mrs. J. H.), DX, Sioux City, Iowa, 1919; ME, North

Bigg, Olive (Mrs. W. D.), FD, Sheffield, Iowa, 1918; LI, Canoga Park Cheetham, Jean B. (Mrs. H. N.), P,

Chicago, Illinois, 1919; LA, Santa Mon-

Cobb, Margaret (Mrs. D. N.), X, Mc-

Cook, Nebraska, 1919; RE, Tulare Erb, Gladys, AW, Gothenberg, Ne-

braska, 1919; DF, San Diego Husted, Mary S. (Mrs. G. E.), M, Portland, Oregon, 1919; QK, San Mateo

Hyde, Madeleine C. (Mrs. T. H.), U, Windsor, Colorado, 1919; LH, Beverly

Thomas, Ina B. (Mrs. R. E.), AZ, Inglewood, 1919; GQ, Inglewood

Whitcomb, Madge (Mrs. F. N.), BA, Ashland, Kansas, 1919; DF, San Diego

COLORADO

Penny, Estella, AX, Burlington, 1919;

Schell, Pearl, AX, Burlington, 1919;

Sisson, Justine (Mrs. T. W.), W, La Junta, 1919; DQ, La Junta

IDAHO

Folk, Helen (Mrs. Elmer), H, Boise, 1919; AY, Boise

Gupton, Ella (Miss), A, York, Nebraska, 1906; N, Nampa

Lloyd, Emily (Mrs. W. J.), AF, Oxford, Nebraska, 1919; N, Nampa

Stephens, Anna (Mrs. F. G.), N, Nampa, 1919; same

ILLINOIS

Clark, Ellen (Mrs. P. R.), BB, Abingdon, 1919; FZ, Elmhurst Harris, Zella M. (Mrs. B. A.), BA,

Joliet, 1919; same

Miebach, Harriet (Mrs. H. A.), DT, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, 1919; KI, Palatine

Trigg, Cecillia (Mrs. Alfred), F, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 1918; BT, Aurora

Willard, Florence C., W, Galesburg, 1919; HO, Galesburg

Wittbecker, Jennie (Mrs. Robert), DC, Lansing, Iowa, 1916; DU, Chicago

IOWA

Gravatt, Wanda Arney (Mrs. Howard), BB, Marshalltown, 1919; JU, Marshalltown

Heyer, Hatie (Mrs. Walter), FH, Sumner, 1919; same

Heyer, Mildred (Mrs. Erwin), FH, Sumner, 1919; same

Lee, Cora (Miss), EV, New London, 1919; P, Burlington

Metier, Fay Penney (Mrs. A. R.), DO, Sidney, 1919; AT, Spencer

Zerwekh, Edna (Mrs. R. E.), DE, Perry, 1919; same

KANSAS

Graham, Trean (Mrs. J. D.), V, Columbus, 1919; same

Hood, Beulah (Mrs. G. W.), V, Columbus, 1919; EW, Wichita

Linn, Jemima W. (Mrs.), AK, Halstead, 1919; same

MASSACHUSETTS

Helms, Ruth S. (Mrs. W. P.), ED, Rockford, Iowa, 1919; A, Boston

MINNESOTA

Rost, Nina M. (Mrs. C. O.), K, St. Paul, 1919; same

MISSOURI

Davis, Fay (Mrs. P. C.), BX, Cainsville, 1919; same

Geidner, Daisy, BX, Cainsville, 1919;

Glaze, Harriett (Mrs. L. A.), BX, Cainsville, 1919; same Lamar, Maude H. (Mrs. F. C.), CF,

Kansas City, 1919; same Roberts, Alma (Miss), C, Memphis, 1919; DR, Kansas City

Stark, Marion Wentworth (Mrs.), CF, State Center, Iowa, 1919; IB, Branson Winetroub, Cary (Mrs. Ben), M, Shelbyville, 1919; same

NEBRASKA

Auble, Lillian (Mrs. G.), BB, Ord, 1919; same

Martin, Merle (Mrs. J. W.), EZ, Anita, Iowa, 1919; BS, Omaha

Rooney, Helen M. Mack (Mrs. J. W.), BU, Atkinson, 1919; GT, O'Neill

Schultz, Violet M. (Mrs. W. L.), BU, Atkinson, 1919; same

Vanderlippe, Katherine (Mrs. B. R.), BS, Omaha, 1918; same

SOUTH DAKOTA

O'Rorke, Anna C. (Mrs. E. C.), E, Laramie, Wyoming, 1918; P, Brookings

WASHINGTON

Hartzell, Elizabeth (Mrs.), F, Graybill, Wyoming, 1918; BV, Seattle
Shaw, Maurine K. (Mrs. W. R.), J,
Blaine, 1919; BC, Aberdeen

Siverson, Louisa Grace, Q, Des

Moines, Iowa, 1917; CE, Yakima Turner, Lyle (Mrs. A. L.), AG, Har-

rington, 1919; same

Watson, Caroline (Mrs. John), C, Tacoma, 1919; CC, Wenatchee

MINTA SCHOONOVER, AE, FARMington, Illinois, celebrated her 100th birthday on February 6, 1969. Minta became a 59-year member of P. E. O. in 1967 and served as chapter president. She served for 50 years as librarian of the Farmington Public Library, retiring in 1967, and also that year she retired as Methodist Church treasurer and Cradle Roll chairman after 50 years of service. She now is a resident of a nursing home, continues as an avid reader, and knits, embroiders, and crochets articles each year for the Methodist Church bazaar.

Minta was honored on her birthday at an open house by the WSCS of the church, and by her sisters in Chapter AE at a luncheon meeting where a book, "Illinois, the Prairie State," was presented in her name to the public library. She is a charter member of the Eastern Star, and helped organize the local DAR in 1939. She rode in her first airplane at the age of 97 when she visited the United Nations in New York.

Minta Schoonover, Illinois



Hazel Mitchell, Iowa

HAZEL M. E. MITCHEL, EH, DES Moines, Iowa, 81 years "young" woman still actively engaged in voluntary service. After graduating from Shurtleff College and receiving her master's degree in English from the University of Illinois she taught for six years in Iowa and Minnesota high schools before entering the Des Moines Public School system from which she retired in 1956, teaching more than 40 years at Lincoln High School.

After her retirement she found the "shawl and the rocking chair" most uncomfortable and searched for some way to be useful to her community. She has now served more than 1,000 hours as a volunteer for the Iowa Commission for the Blind and for Tactile Aids for the Blind. She also has contributed 1,227 hours of volunteer service to the Raymond Blank Hospital Guild.

Recently she was named Outstanding Woman of the Year by the Des Moines Jaycee-ettes and was presented an engraved silver bowl and a dozen long stemmed American Beauty roses at their annual meeting. She has been an active member of Chapter EH since 1932.

ISABELLA MOULTON, B, RENO, Nevada, is observing her 70th year as a P. E. O. Born in 1876 in Frontier, Nebraska, her family moved to Leon, Iowa, so the children could attend school. They later moved back to Nebraska where she taught school until her marriage to Burt G. Moulton, who conducted summer sessions for country school teachers as well as teaching himself.

She was initiated into Chapter A, York, Nebraska in 1899 and dimitted to Chapter B, Reno in 1939 where she has held several offices over the years. She has two P. E. O. daughters, Isabella Smith, P, Ogden, Utah, and Harriet Metcalfe, B, Reno. At the age of 93 Isabella is active and attends chapter meetings quite

regularly.



CLEAN SWEEP IN OKLAHOMA

Jarita Askins, EE, second vice president of Oklahoma State Chapter and chairman of the International Peace Scholarship Committee, is shown in action giving her IPS report at the convention of Oklahoma State Chapter. Here's what she had to say: "You will understand, I think, that today I want to clean up my duties as your International Peace Scholarship chairman. So this is PHASE III of my soapbox literathe state of the FINISH. I know it will be a THRILL for you to hear that we donated \$1,763.80 to IPS this year. This is a slight GAIN, so let's keep up the TREND next year. Let's have even more AXION! Now don't start JERGENS your head this way. Start CHIFFON it over this way. Because it TEXIZE and youse to CASCADE IPS funds into COLD POWER.

We realize that when April's over and CAMAY you might forget for a few months about the 99 IPS students you've helped to bring here from 28 foreign countries, places a lot further away than NIAGRA. But still this is not an S.O.S. I'm ZEST hoping next year you'll get DOWNY to business again and STA PUF-fectly loyal to this project.

Now all this SUPER SUDS might BORATEEM of other girls, and they could get me in DUTCH, saying I just tell a PUNCH of LYSOL the time. But I know you P. E. O. KITCHENMAIDS. You're a great CREW — almost FAULTLESS — and I know you won't FLUFF me off. Because you know after today I won't be asking you for any more money as your IPS chairman. This is my FINAL TOUCH!

CHAPTER

Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee withersoever thou goest.-Joshua 1:19

ALABAMA

Isbell, Julia H. (Mrs. C. L.), E, Auburn, May 7

ALBERTA

Jackson, Henrietta (Mrs. F. T.), A, Edmonton, February 15

McClellan, Lena R. (Mrs. W. N.), A, Edmonton, March 14

ARIZONA

Pearson, Edith (Mrs. E. P.), AB, Phoenix, April 28

ARKANSAS

Batte, Josephine (Mrs. C. R.), F, Fort Smith, April 22

Kirkwood, Mary E. Boyles (Mrs. J. W.) C, Little Rock, May 11

CALIFORNIA

Albright, Marjory (Mrs.), IZ, San Diego April 24

Anderson, Stella (Mrs. C. S.), KO, Glendale, April 18

Blindbury, Margaret (Mrs. J. P.), MK, Alhambra, April 16

Burk, Bertha A. (Mrs.), GA, Los Angeles, April 19

Button, Jessie R. (Mrs.), PB, Newport Beach, March 30

Cooper, Elisabeth Parmley (Mrs. J. V.), AF, Long Beach, May 1

Files, Anna (Mrs. J. R.), W, Los Angeles, April 30

Green, Mary Leonard (Miss), KB, Los Angeles, March 21

Hall, Donna L. M. (Mrs. E.), JB, Beverly Hills, April 14

Hamilton, Ophelia Slay (Mrs. C. F.), CY, Los Angeles, April 17

Hartman, Marion Edith (Mrs.), BH, Modesto, March 17

Huffman, Ruth (Miss), CW, Berkeley,

April 23 Johnson, Nelle K. (Mrs.), CW, Berke-

ley, April 15 Laughlin Kathleen M. (Mrs.), LS, Yu-

ba City, April 11 Mason, Claire (Mrs.), FN, Van Nuys,

April 29 McCrery, Florence (Mrs.), CL, Long

Beach, April 20 Mengshol, Lillian O. (Mrs. C. O.), MV,

Oakland, April 30 Norman, Mettie D. (Mrs. Glenn), FC,

Long Beach, April 11

Notmeyer, Vera Neff (Mrs.), PP, Sacramento, April 2

Orvis, Marion T. (Mrs.), OL, Long Reach, April 5

Sowder, Louise M. (Mrs. A. W.), OI, Garden Grove, May 10

Steubing, Leila (Mrs.), AN, Van Nuys,

Stewart, Charlotte V. (Mrs.), EW, Los Angeles, April 8

Teicheira, Mildred (Mrs.), KL, Vallejo,

April 28 Tinsley, Mamie (Mrs. G. F.), JM, Long Beach, December 27, 1968

Vann, Mabel E. (Mrs. F. E.), MQ,

Glendale, May 2 Wayland, Marie S. (Mrs.), CA, San

Jose, March 28 Wheelock, Fayette C. (Mrs. H. K.),

JX, Long Beach, May 8
Willett, Anna B. (Mrs. F. W.), GD, Glendale, May 6

COLORADO

Capp, Ethel (Mrs.), BO, Colorado Springs, April 13

Carr, Mabel Reded (Mrs.), BH, Del Norte, March 22

Coolbaugh, Osie (Mrs. M. F.), ER, Golden, May 11

Fline, Jessie B. Nutting (Mrs.), BS, Littleton, May 4

Hancock, Mary E. (Miss), CT, Denver,

Hasley, Laura May (Mrs.), AD, Rifle,

Hill, Sara (Miss), AB, Eaton, May 2 Montgomery, Margaret M. (Mrs.), BX, Haxtun, May 9

Phillips, Ruth E. (Mrs. G. R.), Q, Denver, April 20

Ross, Pearl F. (Mrs.), N, Grand Junction, April 29

Walker, Jessie (Mrs. R. H.), AW, Denver, April 6

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Ward, Alice A. (Mrs.), K, Washington, March 15

FLORIDA

Loring, Allene S. (Mrs. I. E.), CJ, Ormond Beach, April 17 Payton, Mabel (Mrs. T. F.), X, Ft. Lauderdale, April 17

IDAHO

Davis, Eliza J. (Mrs.), AH, Filer, April McBirney, Clara (Miss), R, Boise, April

ILLINOIS

Beckett, Margaret (Mrs. Donald), JF, Park Ridge, May 11 Bliss, Ethel (Mrs.), BI, Oak Park, April

Brown, Mary C. (Mrs. G. S.), EV, Rockford, April 26

Burks, Blanche W. (Mrs.), GR, Decatur April 22

Byerrum, Florence (Mrs. E. E.), EN, Wheaton, May 14

Deason, Pauline (Mrs. G. E.), IK, Collinsville, May 12

Dubbs, Nano L. (Mrs. J. W.), BV, Mendota, April 15

Fuller, Fleta (Mrs. J. S.), HG, Washington, November 9, 1968

Heilman, Edna M. (Mrs. L. C.), AX, Chicago, March 8

Hewitt, Edna (Mrs. W. H.), EG, Evanston, April 27

Knoblauch, Edna Belle (Mrs.), DI, Downers Grove, April 17

Martin, Mabel Lee (Miss), BK, Rock Island, April 19

Petersen, Elsie T. (Mrs.), AC, Dixon, May 17

Schiffbauer, Lucile J. (Mrs.), CM, Streator, April 10

Shane, Mary L. (Mrs. R. C.), R, Peoria, May 6 Shell, Helen D. (Mrs. F. J.), AD, Chi-

cago, May 18

MY WORTH

If I should go tomorrow And leave my home on earth, How much do I think others Would say my life was worth?

Have I made others happy With kindly words of cheer, A joyous song, a friendly smile, To make it pleasant here?

Have I helped those in sorrow To see the world more bright, Encouraged them to try again, And made their burdens light?

What has my life been worth here? I hope I filled the place God meant for me, so I can be Accepted, face to face.

- Leona Bernell, Chapter BV, Oklahoma

Snyder, Lillian (Miss), AC, Dixon, February 21

Legg, Isabella C. Stewart (Mrs. L. L.), E, Monmouth, April 17

Touzlin, Florida J. (Mrs. L. A.), CW, La Grange, March 22

INDIANA

Griffin, Evalyn (Miss), AK, East Chicago, May 4 Tenney, Irene (Mrs. E. A.), Z, Terre Haute, March, 1969

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