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# THE COVER THIS MONTH

The P. E. O., busy as she is these days with Red Cross work, service center duties, and other interests on behalf of the war effort, still finds time to participate in chapter programs. P. E. O.'s have a wide range of interests — from home-making to travel — and our cover this month is dedicated to one interest that ranks high in local chapter activities . . . and that interest is the Book Review. Through the Book Review we learn of interesting new books, and thus be tempted to read them ourselves. And in any case through these interesting presentations we learn, in capsule form, the gist and the plot and the lessons to be drawn from the great current works of literature and biography and of informed interpretation.

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# From The PRESIDENT of Supreme Chapter

Carrie Bonebrake Simpson (Mrs. Howard E.)

Some P. E. O. Plans Under Way

A REPRINT OF THE PEO CONSTITUTION has been authorized by the Executive Board of Supreme Chapter. This is not a revision, but those members of the Sisterhood who have pasted in their copies of the Constitution the revised wording as authorized in conventions of Supreme Chapter since 1937 know that their books have become bearded with the fluttering slips.

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This method of compiling one's own copy of the Constitution has a limit, and the limit has now been reached. These tiny slips come loose, and not a few presidents have found that they were following out-dated procedure when they thought their copy of the Constitution was complete and correct.

THE NECESSITY FOR A REPRINT was obvious also because the supply of copies now on hand will soon be exhausted. You will enjoy a Constitution with a brighter cover, too, will you not? And isn't it good news that we are to have the plastic binding as well? Several firms were able to bid on the reprint, and the contract was awarded to the Wayside Press of Mendota, Illinois.

THE REPRINT OF THE CONSTITUTION will be completed as near May First as possible. The retail price will be thirty-five cents per copy which is slightly higher than the 1937 revision because of the increase in price for materials and labor. This is an investment which will carry over several years, and it is advisable to get your copy now rather than a year from this time.

EVERY CHAPTER OFFICER and many members will want a new copy of the Constitution as soon as copies are available. There is no other way to be informed on PEO laws and procedure, and out-dated requirements are unsafe guides for chapter action. Orders should be placed with the Executive Secretary in Mount Pleasant, Iowa, at once. These will be filled in the order in which they are received. Will each chapter president see that as large an order as her chapter can use is placed at one time in order to save labor and mailing expense?

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WAR WORK CHAIRMAN for the PEO Sisterhood is Dorothy Lee Weller (Mrs. Frank), First Vice President of Supreme Chapter. Please read her articles in the PEO RECORD and cooperate fully in the plans explained.

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THE POST-WAR PLANNING COMMITTEE authorized by Supreme Chapter Convention is now effectively at work. The membership is as follows:

Emily McConkey Baldwin (Mrs. H. H.) Past President, Minnesota

Maude Gable Brinck (Mrs. Dana) Past President, Idaho Grace R. Eagan (Mrs. J. B.) Past President, Massachusetts

Dorothy Jordan Livermore (Mrs. J. N.) Past President, Michigan

Hope G. Robinson (Mrs. F. W.) California

STATE CHAPTER CONVENTIONS are being planned with shortened sessions and less entertainment in order to reduce expense and effort. Every convention will place emphasis on War Work, offer stimulating and inspiring programs, and give its delegates valuable suggestions as to how they may cooperate most fully in the war effort of the United States and Canadian governments. Every person in attendance should be a missionary for inspiring her chapter and her community at home because she has attended her state chapter convention.

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HOW WELL ARE YOUR LOCAL CHAPTER PRO-GRAMS holding interest these days? Never before has the local chapter program committee had such an opportunity to promote friendliness, interest and chapter morale among the members. The new chapter presidents elected in March should give especially attention to the selection of the program committee. If your chapter is apathetic because the members are tired and anxious this is your chance to serve by better planned programs. The world is bursting with exciting program material. New geographical units are in the daily news; new inventions; new social movements; new art and literature; why not use them?



From a new volume of verse entitled "In My California Garden" by Beryl Star Le Gras comes this choice description:

#### THE NIGHT

By tranquil, moonlit shores I watch the night. Discordant frettings of the day are done And gone the searching rays of heated sun; In odorous air I rest on the calm might Of silence. Listening oak trees hold their breath To catch the melodies of muted song From perfumed breezes ere they go to death In caverns where day's worn-out winds belong. Weird wisps of fog rise from the silent sea Like slim grey ladies from a ghost-like bed; The shadowed moon retreats reluctantly With shawls of silver mist about her head; Night draws the soft grey robe of fog about her And settles down to sleep without a stir.



# OUR UNITED EFFORT In Women's War Work

OUR UNITED NATIONS have just entered a new, and perhaps the most crucial, year of the war, a year of destiny, a year that may decide the kind of a world in which this and future generations will live. It is a year for supreme effort on the part of all our people not only for the winning of the war, but for the winning of the peace as well. In a democracy war is the business of all the people.

#### P.E.O. UNITED VICTORY FUND

P. E. O. to-day is rendering true, patriotic service through its United Victory Fund. This fund was established that our members as a group might contribute to current progressive needs of various phases of war work. To date the strongest appeal has been for Mobile Canteens or Clubmobiles, which the Red Cross has used to take recreational facilities to our fighting men, and to those stationed at posts far distant from civilization. That these units are filling a vital need has been proved by reports from the men themselves. P. E. O. has made it possible for four Clubmobiles to be used on the battle fronts of Africa and Sicily, and at least two are now in operation in Italy. Purchase price and maintenance for one year, totaling \$21,000 each, have been given for two of the units. It is hoped that we may soon be able to purchase a fifth unitthis to be used for service in the South Pacific, probably Australia.

It is not possible for us as mothers, wives or sisters personally to lend a helping hand to our men as they wearily return from front line trenches, or as they sit at far away posts of duty, longing for some contact with home. But how comforting it is to know that from a P. E. O. Clubmobile a refreshing cup of coffee, a doughnut, a magazine, or perhaps a familiar melody can bring the service we would like to render.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Board of Supreme Chapter unaniDOROTH L. WELLER

(Mrs. Frank C.), Chairman

mous approval was given for an appeal to each local chapter for a minimum gift to our United Victory Fund of \$1.00 per month for the present biennium. Many groups will wish to contribute far more than this — surely none will give less. Let us give generously to this fund, knowing that our every effort means greater assistance to the men and women in the service of our countries.

It is our hope that our United Victory Fund may increase in amount and in usefulness until the close of the present world conflict. Even after the actual firing has ceased, the Mobile Units can be used in the work of rehabilitation, and P. E. O. in this way can make a personal contribution to post-war adjustments and the establishment of peaceful relations among the nations of the world.

#### PAPER SALVAGE

Appeals are now being made for the active participation of all P. E. O.'s in the salvaging of paper to relieve the critical shortage now facing our nations. A recent message from Donald Nelson of the War Production Board states that 8,000,000 tons of waste paper are needed in 1944 to satisfy essential military and civilian needs, and that a large part of this paper must come from the homes of our nations. He urges us to cooperate in every way with local salvage committees that the present urgent need for paper may be met.

#### FOURTH WAR LOAN DRIVE ... USO ANNIVERSARY

Many of our members have taken an active part in the 4th War Loan Drive, some soliciting from individuals and groups, others serving on boards and committees. This has been the largest of all war loans in terms of individual participation. The drive has come at a time when the eyes of the world are upon us; the eyes of our friends and enemies, and, most of all, the eyes of our fighting men.

A large number of our members have also participated in the recent Third Anniversary and Open House observed in some 3000 clubs and other operations of the USO. It is believed that the number of volunteers in this line of war service now exceeds 800,-000, many of whom are P. E. O.'s.

#### LOCAL CHAPTER REPORTS

Participation of our members in these efforts should show an increase in the number of members rendering service; in the number buying bonds and stamps; and in the amount of funds invested and contributed. The reports from local chapters reflect the response of our members to all our nations' calls.

The total report for the past biennium showed 91% of our members taking part in some form of war work, and 93% contributing in the purchase of bonds and stamps. Let us strive this biennium to maintain, or even to better this record, that P. E. O. may continue at all times to render true, patriotic service.

For those of us residing in coastal areas, dimouts are now in the past. May the lights be on for all of us as a signal to renewed effort, not that we may bask in over-confidence, but rather that we may better see the opportunities for service, for adherence to the fundamental principles of living, and for the advent of that glorious day when we shall have peace on earth.

Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday, and nothing happened.

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It aint no disgrace for a man to fall, but to lay there and grunt is. — Josh Billings. WHO'S WHO

## AMONG STATE, PROVINCE & DISTRICT PRESIDENTS



Marguerite P. Mayer

#### MARGUERITE P. MAYER

MARGUERITE PECK MAYER, president of Colorado State Chapter, was born in Saginaw, Michigan, daughter of Schuyler Colfax and Therese Ann Peck. When she was eight years old the family moved to Denver, Colorado, where she received her early education. After graduation from high school, she spent a year studying pipe organ and piano at St. Marys in Indiana and then completed a commercial course in Denver, later supplementing this with accredited courses at Denver University.

In 1915 she was married to Emile R. Mayer and in 1917 they moved to Brighton, Colorado, where Mr. Mayer was Vice President of the Kuner-Empson Company, following the tradition of his grandfather who founded the Company. After Mr. Mayer's death in 1941, Mrs. Mayer and her children made their home in Denver.

Her daughter, Margaret Ann, (Mrs. C. H. Christopher) graduated from Denver University in 1940 as a medical technologist, and, until her marriage, was the Milk Chemist for the City of Denver. She is a P. E. O., a member of Chapter BN, Brighton. Her son, John Peck Mayer, graduated from Denver University in 1942 and is now serving with the armed forces.

Mrs. Mayer was initiated in Chapter BN, Brighton, and still retains her membership in that chapter. She has served the state as treasurer, recording secretary, organizer, first and second vice-president and now as president.

While living in Brighton she was president of the school board for several years, P.T.A. president and Regent of Fort Vasquez Chapter, D.A.R. She now is a member of Colorado Chapter D.A.R. in Denver. For three years she served as chaplain on the D.A.R. state board and is now president of the State Officers Club. For the past two years she has been Nutrition Director for the American Red Cross in Denver and is active in the Canteen Corps.

She is a member of the Episcopal Church and the Zonta Club in Denver.

Home, 1009 Grant street, Denver Colorado.

#### BERTHA HUBBARD DODDS

BERTHA HUBBARD DODDS (Mrs. Percy F.), president of Montana State Chapter, was born at Salesville, Montana, daughter of Henry and Alice Hubbard, natives of Illinois but who migrated to Montana via Missouri during the pioneer, coveredwagon days. From Salesville, they moved to Plains and then to Kalispell, Montana, where they resided for many years.

Mrs. Dodds received her education in the schools of Kalispell. After graduating from the Flathead county high school, she took a business course in the Kalispell business college. Later, she decided to enter the teaching profession and taught in the rural and city schools of Flathead county and of Kalispell. She was married to Mr. Percy F. Dodds, who was engaged in the drug business at



**Bertha Hubbard Dodds** 

Whitefish, Montana. He was also postmaster at that city. She acted as assistant postmaster. A group of Japanese located in that vicinity wished to learn English. She undertook teaching them the language of this country.

Mr. Dodds was elected for three consecutive terms to the Montana Legislature as representative from Flathead county. During this period, he served as speaker pro-tem of the House of Representatives. While her husband was serving in the Legislature, Mrs. Dodds became a keen student of legislative procedure and developed a deep interest in political affairs. She was elected vice-chairman of the state Republican organization and later acceded to the chairmanship. It is said that she is the only woman in the United States who has presided over a state political convention, which she did in 1942.

Mrs. Dodds was initiated into Chapter D, Whitefish. Upon the organization of Chapter O, Helena, she dimitted from Chapter D to become a charter member of Chapter O, Helena, where she now holds her membership. In her local chapter, she has held the offices of treasurer, recording secretary, vice-president, and was elected president of her chapter for three terms. She served the Montana State Chapter as treasurer, organizer, vice-president, and was elected president June, 1943.

She is a member of the D.A.R. and of the O.E.S. Her church affiliation is Methodist. She has one daughter, Mrs. Alice Secrest, a member of Chapter AA, Helena.

Mr. Dodds is manufacturer's representative for the McCray Refrigeration Co. and the Hobart Food Preparing Machines.

Home, 814 Gilbert St., Helena, Montana.

(Editor's note: by her friend, Blanche D. Walker)

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#### JESSIE S. GERRISH

JESSIE SMITH GERRISH, president of Utah State Chapter, was born in Chicago, Illinois. In her infancy her parents, Anna M. and Peter N. Smith moved to Minnesota.

She received her education in the public schools of Minnesota, North Dakota and at the Madison, South Dakota Normal. She was married to Frank E. Gerrish who, at the time of his death, was superintendent of the Northern and Dakota Divisions of the Great Northern Railway, with headquarters in Grand Forks, N. D.

They have one son William W. who is an instructor of chemistry in South High School, Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Gerrish was initiated in Chapter G, Tooele, Utah in 1929 and served her chapter in office almost



Jessie S. Gerrish



Nelle G. Thornton

continuously until she moved to Salt Lake City and affiliated with a chapter there. She held the office of corresponding secretary, vice president, president and served for three years as chaplain. In 1942 she moved to Salt Lake City and in the fall of that year dimitted to Chapter N and is now serving as chapter treasurer.

She was first elected a member of the Utah State Board in 1937 to serve as state corresponding secretary. She held this office for two years and then served a year each as organizer, first and second vice president, and was elected State President in May 1943.

She is a member of the Congregational Church.

Home, 1180 East 13th South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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#### NELLE G. THORNTON

NELLE G. THORNTON (Mrs. J. M.) president of North Dakota State Chapter was born near Marshall, Missouri, daughter of James W. and Mary (Elder) Grayson. She attended the schools of Missouri and taught in the schools of that state until her marriage in 1907, to James M. Thornton, member of a Shoe Manufacturing Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where they established their home.

In 1912 the family moved to North Dakota where Mr. Thornton became engaged in banking and management of farm lands.

In 1930, Mrs. Thornton was chosen a charter member of Chapter R, Minot, N. D. She served the chapter as its president for the first two years, and later as corresponding secretary and chaplain. She was elected to the State Board in 1939, and served as corresponding secretary, organizer, second and first vice-president, before being elected to the presidency in 1943.

Mrs. Thornton is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, a past matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, served three years as president of the Y.W.C.A. Board, as president of Minot Art Club and is active in Red Cross work.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton had one son, J. Marvin Thornton Jr., who passed away in May 1943.

Home, 804 Beacon St., Minot, N. D.

#### MARY RUTH KING

MARY RUTH KING (Mrs. James A.), president of Oregon State Chapter, was born in Sioux City, Iowa, daughter of Harry J. and Pearl (Craven) Waldron. She has lived in St. Joseph, Mo. and in the Pacific Northwest in Tacoma and Seattle Washington before the family moved to Portland, Oregon in 1912. She attended Portland schools and the University of Oregon where she majored in Journalism. She is a member of Alpha Xi Delta.

In 1927 she was married to James A. King, a Portland manufacturer. They have one son, William James.

Mrs. King was initiated into Chapter Z, Oregon in 1929. She has served her chapter as treasurer, recording secretary, president and chaplain. She was elected to the State Board in 1938 and has served as corresponding secretary, 2nd vice president, organizer, 1st vice president and was elected president in June 1943.



Mary Ruth King \* THE P. E. O. RECORD



**Otis Watt** 

The Kings are enthusiastic sailors and spend much time aboard their auxiliary sailboat on the beautiful Columbia River.

They are members of the First Congregational Church, in Portland.

Home, 1606 N.E. Buffalo street.

#### OTIS WATT (Mrs. W. E.)

OTIS WATT (Mrs. W. E.), president of Texas State Chapter was born in Terrell, Texas, a daughter of Anne (Fry) and James Route Nichols. She was educated at St. Mary's Academy, the University of Texas in Austin, and Sophie Newcomb College in New Orleans.

Mrs. Watt was initiated as a charter member of Chapter R, Austin in 1929 and was treasurer, recording secretary, vice-president and president of that chapter until she became, by dimit, a charter member of Chapter AZ. She holds the office of vice-president in this chapter. In 1940 Mrs. Watt was elected to the Texas State board and has served as corresponding secretary, organizer, first vice-president and president.

She was married, in 1920, to Dr. W. E. Watt of Austin, and has three children. William, known as Bill, is a tail gunner in the 19th Photo Squadron, en route to the South Pacific, a daughter Otis Neal Benjamin, whose husband flew the author of Guadalcanal Diary out of the islands and is mentioned in his book, and the baby of the family, Elora Jane, is a junior in the University of Texas.

Her hobbies are all things pertaining to the out doors, gardening, golf, fishing, hunting, swimming and boating on the many lakes near Austin.

Mrs. Watt holds a life membership in the Texas Fine Arts Association. During the depression she was chairman of the welfare committee at Mathew's school and for eight years was untiring in her effort to feed and clothe fifty underprivileged children. She is a member of the First Southern Presbyterian Church and an active worker in the auxiliary.

Home, 1502 Marshall Lane, Austin, Texas.

#### ALICE HENDERSON

ALICE HENDERSON (Mrs. Harry B.) president of Wyoming State Chapter, was born in Louisville, Colorado, the daughter of Mary Jane and Charles W. Taylor.

She received her early education in the Louisville schools, attended the University of Colorado and graduated from the Colorado State Teachers College.

After teaching several years in Seattle, Washington, she came to Cheyenne, Wyoming where she met and married Harry B. Henderson, Jr. Mr. Henderson, an attorney, served overseas as an artillery captain during the World War. Their only child, Jane Henderson, is in the sixth grade.

Mrs. Henderson was initiated into Chapter S. Cheyenne in 1929 and served as president two years before her election to the State Board in 1940. She has held all offices on this board with the exception of recording secretary and second vice president.

In addition to her P. E. O. activities, she is a member of the Presbyterian



Alice Henderson

Church, the Music Study Club, Woman's Club, Order of the Eastern Star, Girl Scout Council, and Legion Auxiliary. She also finds time to serve as a Grey Lady in the Fort Warren Hospital and is active in the U. S. O.

Home, 2920 Carey Avenue, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

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#### THE FINEST DRINK

A glass of fresh water, according to a recently returned Boston army nurse who has been in Algiers, is the greatest luxury. Certainly soldiers who have been slogging along in the dust of Sicilian roads, with nothing but chlorinated water or the lava-flavored wine of that island to wet their whistles, would agree with the nurse. The vote would be unanimous among the soldiers, sailors, and marines who have fought their way into the jungles after the wily Jap.

Connoisseurs in water, who exist in greater numbers than connoisseurs in wine, differ on the best vintage of mother nature's purest gift to man. Some say that water from a mountain spring is best. Others prefer it from a well, tasty, to slight degree, with the flavor of moss and stone. State of Maine folk often champion water from a lake, like Portland's famous Sebago. Others, completely citified, insist that water is best when taken from a river and refined, by devious ways of science, into something that will pour easily thru a faucet.

Those who have tramped thru "the bush," whether our own big woods or the dry forests of Central America, know only too well that nothing but water truly quenches thirst. Champagne is all very well for weddings and the tinkle of a properly made julep sounds delightful on a hot day. But what goes down quite so easily as good water, anywhere in the world? Other commodities — cold creams, lipsticks, silk stockings, wines, and caviar are the luxuries which we can do without. Water is the great essential to a man's well being.

A young sergeant just back from Asia sums it all up in his own way in writing to a buddy still at the front. "You'd find a lot of changes coming back to America now," he writes. "But probably more important are the unchangeable little things you never thought about until you got over there. Like the water you can drink from the faucets." — Boston Herald.

Nomination for the frankest woman of our time: The lady who said she already had ordered her tombstone with the inscription: "Here lies — — under the only stone she left unturned."

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# Women and Another War

HONORABLE FRANCES P. BOL-TON, Congresswoman from Ohio, sets a stirring example for those women whose love of the fundamentals upon which this country was founded is strong enough to galvanize them into constructive action.

The day for armchair oratory is gone. The day for pleasant theorizing is gone. The problems that face us are grimly realistic. They concern themselves not at all with party politics or religious creeds. They concern themselves entirely with the American home and its contribution to a normal, harmonious mode of life founded upon a firmly grounded religious faith; with American boys and girls who in another ten or fifteen years will be shaping the policies, economic, foreign and domestic, of this country; with the future attitudes of Americans to the peoples of other lands.

Much of the war effort for which women have been largely responsible has been directed toward salvage. Attention has been concentrated upon fats, tin cans, paper, etc.

What about salvaging the American home? What about salvaging the children within that home?

"Juvenile delinquency" has become a dangerously trite by-word. Educators, psychiatrists, social workers and police authorities are struggling with a situation beyond their control, simply because it stems directly from a source beyond their control, namely, the American home. Laws may govern what we eat and how we behave, but what we are is the direct result of what our homes are, and the responsibility

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for that condition lies primarily with the women of the nation.

According to Mrs. Bolton's remarks made November 30, 1943, in the House of Representatives, "So many homes have become little more than places to hang one's hat when it is convenient. Unfortunately there has been less and less discipline in the home; there has been less and less allegiance to the church, regardless of creed or of religion; there has been less observance of the 'moral virtues,' as we used to call them."

If the American home has become a mere hat-rack, sliding steadily into the discard along with other outmoded institutions, what is the contributing factor to its ignominious exit? Where are the women whose job it is to hold the home together? "In defense plants," you reply promptly, "serving their country." Some of them, yes! Many of them, unfortunately, governed by a less noble motive, are serving an age old god known by a name other than patriotism.

Money put into war bonds, and left there to increase in value — money laid aside for educational purposes money put into the purchase of a small home, — one understands the desires that can actuate such expenditures because they will benefit an entire family.

But does the warmth of a \$900 fur coat on a defense worker shut out the cold, frightening ache of her neglected fifteen-year-old daughter who is in the hands of the law on a morals charge?

Does a \$300 watch, proudly paid for in cold cash, atone for the murder charge against a teen-aged son whose sudden lack of home-life has driven him into the thrilling companionship of a gang composed, like himself, of lonely boys?

If there are men in the world who have gone mad over an insane lust for power, and have thus forced this holocaust of war upon an entire universe, is that a criterion for women so far to forget the obligations of motherhood as to force an era of juvenile crime upon an entire nation?

Youth is fundamentally good, not bad. Youth's problems have been unfairly great, because mature men and women have failed not only to prepare them to meet squarely the exigencies of life, but have failed to give them a spiritual staff upon which to lean. The biggest defense job today and for all days to come is motherhood.

Even should it become necessary to draft the woman power of the country, the biggest contributing factor in the war effort possible to women, would lie in the re-establishment of the American home-life upon the firm basis of spiritual strength combined with loyal family affection.

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DIAMONDS of the World

> By CAROLINE JANE TUCKER Official Jeweler, P. E. O. Sisterhood

Excerpt from a paper in Minnesota Reciprocity File

WHILE DIAMONDS HAVE been found in many parts of the world, there are but a few fields of major commercial importance; one in Asia, one in South America, but the majority of diamonds come from the South African fields of Kimberly. At least three quarters of all the diamonds owned by the human race have come from South Africa, about two hundred million carats.

Foremost among the gems in the matter of romantic history is the *Kohinor*, which means mountain of light. Its authentic history begins early in the fourteenth century. It was in the possession of one of the ancient royal families, the Rajah of Malwar until 1304 A. D., when he took it as booty to Delhi, India.

Its value was so enormous that it was used by rulers in tribute payment, or to settle war indemnities. It passed from one nation to another. By way of India it finally came to the crown of the Queen of England where it now rests. Thousands of Americans have seen it the display of crowns of the Empire in the Tower of London.

The Great Mogul, a stone that in the rough weighed 787 carats was found in the Kollur mine in India in 1650. Its value was estimated at four million dollars. It is said by the best authority that this stone no longer exists; that during the sacking of Delhi by the Persian conquerer, Nadir Shah, the diamond was stolen and to escape detection the thief had it cut into smaller stones or it was lost altogether.

Sancy, the smallest and yet one of the most romantic of the oriental diamonds, weighs 55 carats. It is said to have been cut for Charles the Bold who was killed in the battle of Nancy in 1477. The diamond was taken from his dead body by a Swiss soldier who sold it to a priest.

It came into possession of a French Ambassador, Seigneur de Sancy to the Ottoman court. Henry III of France wore it in his cap. It came again into the possession of De Sancy when Henry IV made him minister of finance and asked that the diamond be sent by a trusted messenger as security for a loan. The messenger was waylaid, robbed and murdered. De Sancy was puzzled by the matter, and ordered the messenger's body dug up and examined. Inside the body was the diamond, which the faithful fellow had swallowed. De Sancy sold the diamond to Queen Elizabeth of England. From her it went to Charles I and James II then to France where it was held by the three Kings Louis. In 1792 it was stolen and appeared in Paris and made its way to Russia, to Bombay. It is said now to be in the possession of the Maharajah of Patiala or Lady Astor. Most experts believe the latter, but the lady American born, won't talk!

The Florentine gem, also known as the Australian Yellow is one of the largest of famous diamonds. It is citron color. It is rose cut and has the form of a star with nine rays. When Frances Stephen of Lorraine became the consort of Empress Maria Theresa the diamond passed from the possession of the Duchy of Tuscany to the Imperial family of Austria and is still one of the crown jewels of Austria.

The Regent of Pitt was found in the diamond mines of central India by a native mine laborer.

It weighed 410 carats and was too heavy for the laborer to conceal on his person. He solved the difficulty by cutting his leg and concealing the diamond in the folds of the cloth that bound the wound.

He made his way to the coast and traded the diamond to an English skipper for "a free passage to a distant land." The poor slave instead was thrown into the sea and the diamond sold to a merchant for \$5000. The merchant then sold it to Sir Thomas Pitt for \$100,000. It was then sold to the Duke of Orleans, Regent of France and it became a part of the French Crown Jewels.

It was stolen with other jewels but the thieves found it too dangerous to sell or to hold and it was found some weeks later in a ditch in Paris. The stone weighed 136 carats and was set in the sword of Napoleon, which sword fell into the hands of the Prussians at Waterloo.

The Hope Diamond is the finest of all blue diamonds and is known as the Hope Blue.

It is of extraordinary sapphire blue, and has a brilliant luster and a fine play of colors. It weighs 45 carats. Its known history began in 1830, when set in a brooch it came into the hands of a London pawnbroker. Later it became the property of Henry Thomas Hope, a London banker whose possession gave it the name the Hope diamond. Later it was bought by Edward McLean for \$30,000 and is still possessed by that estate.

The *Callinan* is of all known diamonds, the largest, it is of 3106 carats and weighs one and a third pounds. It is described as being "as large as a lady's fist". It was discovered in South Africa in 1905. The mine captain, Mr. Wells, returning from the day's work in the pit noticed a bright object gleaming in the sun. He rushed to the spot and with his pocket-knife dug the stone out. It was the largest diamond in size ever found. Mr. Wells received a \$10,000 bonus for the find. It was named for the president of company that owned the mine. It was sold to the Transvaal Colony and sent to England as a present to the crown.

It was presented to King Edward VII in recognition of his grant of a constitution to the colony.

When the diamond was sent to England it went in a tin box as ordinary registered mail to conceal its value. It was carried for a dollar's worth of stamps. Because it had a flaw it was split in three pieces. Two of the pieces are the largest cut diamonds in the world. One is on the English scepter and the other is mounted in the front of the Imperial State Crown. These also are in the Tower of London where they are guarded night and day. The smaller stones cut from the third part of the Cullinan were made by order of King Edward VII into a necklace and pendant for Queen Alexandria.

There are other famous diamonds: the stone that "is as enduring as truth itself".

Standards themselves never die completely and never change at all.

General Lee and Senator Lamar would have been at ease and in sympathy with Pericles and Brutus and Sir Philip Sidney as Washington was with Lafayette. - William Alexander Percy.

#### THE THINGS THAT ENDURE

The simple things are the lasting things, Don't ever lose sight of that;

Strife, dissension, turmoil

Can't make a round world flat; When the smoke of battle has cleared away,

When the roar of the gun is still, Spring will still come to the valleys, The crocus will bloom on the hill.

Don't be disturbed with all of this talk

Of a world that is headed for ruin, We've heard it before, we'll hear it again, But it can't change the course of the moon;

The permanent things, the eternal things, Outlive ambition's thrall:

When the tyrant's heart is but moldering dust

The sumac will flame in the fall.

Yes, the simple things are the things that endure.

Just hold that trust and take heed, Be not dismayed, be unafraid,

Hold fast to faith's simple creed;

When those who are mad with lust for Dower

Lie forgot in a cold gray tomb, Deep in the cool of the forest's heart The wild flowers again will bloom!

-Jazbo of Old Dubuque.

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The Poetry File

#### NO BLACKOUT

No blackout dims the stars this anxious night. Serenely steadfast still, their changeless light Guides beacon-wise across the pathless way, And one shines large and clear and unafraid: -Our sign of faith, in chaos undismayed. In some strange place he sees it, too, and may His periled purpose win, led by this gleaming Star of childhood's peace and manhood's dreaming. -Prudence Tomlinson Lyle, HR, Iowa

#### IF WE KNEW

If we knew the cares and trials, Knew the efforts all in vain,

And the bitter disappointment,

Understood the loss and gain,

Would the grim eternal roughness

Seem, I wonder, just the same. Should we help where now we hinder, Should we pity where we blame?

Ah! we judge each other harshly, Knowing not life's hidden force

Knowing not the font of action

Is less turbid at its source;

Seeing not amid the evil

All the golden grain of good, And we'd love each other better

If we only understood.

Could we judge all deeds by motives That surrounds each other's lives, See the naked heart and spirit, Know what spur the action gives, Often we would find it better

Just to judge all actions good! We should love each other better If we only understood.

-Rudyard Kipling

I have a friend whose stillness rests me so, His heart must know

How closely we together, silent, grow.

I have a friend whose brilliancy inspires And rarely tires When we two warm our spirits at his fires.

I have a friend whose discipline I need. We have agreed

That neither from this schooling shall be freed.

I have so many friends — each one fulfils Just what God wills,

For He through them his best in me fulfils.

And so, twice fortunate am I to find

Friends great and kind; Each one himself, yet part of God's great mind.

-Vlyna Johnston.

"Thy gentleness hath made me great."

Who keep me company,

glow

Author unknown.

#### I VOW TO THEE, MY COUNTRY

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love. The love that asks no questions: the love that stands the test, That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best: The love that never falters, the love that pays the price, The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know, We may not count her armies; we may not see her King; Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering. And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

-Sir Cecil Spring-Rice.

- How venture he among the holy, Rapt citizens of Paradise? But who are these that throng for meeting, With songs, in dazzling vesture clad?
  - What deed of his has won such greeting?

COMPENSATION

A suppliant came to Heaven's portal,

His was no haloed brow, poor mortal,

He bore no palm, no laurel crown.

The gate, a single pearl, swung slowly; The stranger lifted frighted eyes,

A stumbling wight in somber gown,

"We are the joys you never had.

- "We are the love, the wealth, the pleasure,
- The honors missed, the hopes foregone;
- Through us you mount unto your treasure,
  - The Face of God, with veils with-drawn."

Blanche Mary Kelly

#### GENTLENESS

When would-be conquerors complain In loud, imperious shout, I think how gently falls the rain

Bids countless fireflies light their spark.

Oh, may I tune my voice and know

This power of God with me, That hearts may burn with lovelier

While David's words are mine to state:

That brings the flowers out;

How quietly the deepening dark

# As We View It

ISN'T IT QUEER that we so often concentrate upon unpleasant things and lose sight of that which is good? This has been particularly noticeable during the last few months when difficult adjustments and heartaches have come to so many of us.

There is a quotation which says that life is either good or ill depending upon how we view it. This, then, throws the responsibility upon the individual. If life is drab or disappointing, the fault is probably our own, and to effect a change, we must don rose colored spectacles properly adjusted to our own pair of eyes.

We usually find about what we look for. Two persons attend the same party. One waxes effervescent over the lovely flower arrangements, the congeniality of the guests or the pretty sandwiches. The other observes only that the hostess forgot to dust under the davenport, or that the cream on the dessert had been whipped a trifle too long.

If we expect people to ignore us, they will not disappoint us. If we look for snubs we get them. If, however, we expect friendliness, and pave the way for it by showing ourselves friendly, that too will come in good measure. A contingent of soldiers moved into a nearby army camp. The

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men immediately began to fan out into the local spots of interest, and a sergeant and his wife came into our church. The woman was almost poorly dressed, but was so radiant in her personality that she made a place for herself without delay. She was the soul of happiness and friendliness. Her husband was about to go overseas, but she was not looking at the darkness of their separation. She was only supremely happy for the days that she was able to spend with him here and now.

A young high school girl was working on the Red Cross War Drive. She had gone from one business house to another making collections until she was almost exhausted. "Are you working for Red Cross?" someone asked her. "This isn't work," she replied. "This is fun." And a small boy trudged up the hill carrying his baby brother. "That's quite a burden for you, little man," someone remarked in passing. "This is no burden," was the quick reply. "This is my brother". And two women talked together of their household duties. One said: "I hate cooking. . day after day after day. . . more than 1000 meals in a year. . same old menus. . same old things to cook. . same old dishes to wash." To which her friend replied: "I love to cook. Food is the backbone of the family. With every meal I feel the importance of my job, because the kind of meals I prepare determines the health and fitness of my family. . and they are so appreciative, too." Identical duties, but to one they were an irksome job; to the other a pleasant and gratifying responsibility.

A group of women were discussing the need of additional help on a certain type of war work. In the group was a well-to-do woman (not too young and not too old) who said that she thought "later on" she and her husband would buy a few war bonds, but that they had worked hard for their money, and she had served her time and she didn't intend to do any war work because she had earned the



right to have a good time out of life.

In the same town lived another woman who must have reached her three-score and ten years, but who volunteered to work eight hours daily in the polio ward of a certain hospital when that epidemic was at its peak. While she was resting she sewed in the Red Cross Production rooms, made surgical dressings and refinished old furniture for use in the recreational rooms of the Army and Navy fields. She, too, might figure that she had served her time for I am sure she had always been busy at something. She had sufficient income that she too might think she had earned the right to have a good time out of life, or, she might have spent her days being sorry for herself, because sorrow and disappointment had come into her life in large measure, but this is not her viewpoint. She asks nothing of life but the opportunity to do something worth while. And so, she gives and gives and gives of her time, her money, her energy, and her delightful sense of humor. It is a privilege and an inspiration to know such a woman. Her type should be employed to teach the rest of us the "how" of successful living.

Frequently I pass the house of a young man who is totally blind. Not so long ago he was a successful business man. Mentally, he has passed through the "valley of the shadow". For weeks he struggled with himself to make an adjustment to the new order of things, and to form an adequate philosophy. Today he is in demand as a news analyst and fills many engagements as a speaker. He viewed his infirmity as an opportunity rather than as a calamity, and came forth a magnificent conqueror.

The wives of two young lieutenants moved into the same boarding house so that they might be near to their husbands in a nearby Field. The town was not far inland from the ocean and the mornings were often overcast or foggy. One of the young women loathed the town and everything in it, and stubbornly refused to get out of her bed until the sun came out. Gray days were too depressing; she couldn't take it, she said, and often the day was half done before she bestirred herself. The other young woman loved the town and marvelled at the friendliness of the people. She took an adult course offered at the High School and gave three afternoons a week to Red Cross work, feeling that she too had some responsibility toward winning the war. The one left town grumbling, hoping that she would never lay eyes

- Tax on your income, tax on your rent, Tax on your money, the money you've spent.
- Tax on your building, tax on your lot, Tax on the old things you've almost forgot.
- Tax for your oil and tax for your gas. Tax for your talking if you use too much "Sass."
- Tax on your sheep and tax on your dogs,
- Tax on your horses and cattle and hogs.
- Tax on your Packard and tax on your truck.
- If you're not taxed you are just out of luck.
- I'll say you are taxed, you're taxed on your life.
- You're taxed on your Lizzie (I don't mean your wife).

Charles S. Lincoln.

on it again. The other left with a bevy of newly made friends showering her with travelling gifts and wishing her bon voyage. Viewpoint makes such a difference.

There is no end to the illustrations we might give on this matter of viewpoint. There was the young school teacher who took a night course in Nurse's Aides. Her Saturdays and Sundays were spent in service at a County Hospital. She found no time for social affairs. Before she had enjoyed a single day's vacation, the infantile paralysis epidemic broke out and an urgent plea was made for volunteer workers. Immediately she registered for duty and spent the entire summer in the isolation ward, working night and day. She used her lunch hour in which to donate her blood to the Red Cross . . not once but four or five times. . and she could not be dissuaded when her friends argued that she was doing too much. This is my war," she said indignantly. "Everything I love on earth is at stake. I couldn't look a soldier in the face, particularly the men who have served overseas, if I gave less than 100% of my time and strength." If we all had the same viewpoint, how quickly the war might end!

And then there were the two neatly polished little boys sitting in the Sunday School class. After listening to a lengthy talk on the subject of God, the newcomer calmly remarked: "There ain't any God." Across the table a calm, clean little fellow grew red in the face, clinched his fist and cried: "Take that back or prove it," "O. K. I can prove it," said the first.

"I didn't have any dad, and my mother went away with some man that used to beat us kids, and then I had to go to an Instertushun to live. If there is any God kids wouldn't get raw deals like that, would they?"

It so happened that the second little fellow had a bit of a raw deal too. at least he was an orphan who had been shunted from one paid caretaker to another until foster parents finally took him into their home. There he had beautiful care and love and understanding, and as a result of his own experience he was very sure that there was a God who had a real concern for unwanted and unloved little boys.

In a recent magazine, Walter Karig discusses our President. Some friend of Mr. Roosevelt's asked him if he resented the immobility that is now his lot, to which the President replied "One does not resent an asset. Fel-lows with legs," he declared, "rush about exausting themselves and invite heart diseases." Consequently he sits at his desk and people who want to see him are obliged to come to him. Were it not for this opportunity to save himself, it is probable that he could not have endured, physically, the trying years of his administration. Many of us would have been embittered by such an affliction. But with his courageous spirit, Mr. Roosevelt classified it as an asset which saves physical wear and tear and exhaustion to his nerves. Truly, life is good or bad depending upon how we view it.

#### THE PILGRIM WAY

But once I pass this way, And then, and then, the silent door Swings on its hinges -Opens . . . . . closes -And no more I pass this way. So while I may With all my might, I will assay Sweet comfort and delight To all I meet upon the Pilgrim Way, For no man travels twice The Great Highway That climbs through darkness up to light, Through night To day.

John Oxenham

All day she searched through crowded shops

In the metropolis

To find bright beads of amber sheen

To complement a gown of green

- But when she viewed, long after dawn Her own suburban lawn
- She fussed because in frolics bold

October flecked the grass with gold.

- Mildred C. Tallant -

May we be worthy of our ancient inheritance and our fresh opportunity - Crothers.

\* THE P. E. O. RECORD

TOLSTOV

# AND HIS SEARCH FOR TRUTH

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COUNT LEO TOLSTOY, Russian novelist and moral philosopher was born in 1828 and died in 1910, having lived in his 82 years, much more of life than many another, had he lived twice 82 years.

The Tolstoy family came of Russian gentry dating back to the sixteenth century. Peter Tolstoy was created count by Peter the Great; his son who was the novelist's father, married Princess Marie Valkonsky who brought him a substantial fortune. Thus the surroundings in which Leo Tolstoy grew up were those of the upper middle gentry of the last of the period of surfdom. This environment produced in him the peer-and-peasant view of life reflected in his work.

His parents died while he was very young and his early education was in the hands of French tutors, hence his contact with contemporary Russian culture was late and unsympathetic. He very early developed an attitude of contempt for academic learning.

He spent much of his early youth in society and his old age remembered with gratitude those years of unreflecting happiness.

Even in his youth his questioning mind was asserting itself.

Before he was 20 years old he started his diary, a remarkable record of self study and self criticism.

A few years later he went to St. Petersburg frequenting society and literary circles. Their arrogance shocked him and he failed to get on in literary circles.

In 1860 he traveled through Western Europe but brought nothing back with him but disgust for the materialistic and plutocratic civilization of the West.

About this time he began his first

social work. It was a school for peasant children, built on original lines, a belief in the superior value of their natural lights, in contrast with the artifical standards of civilization, as he had observed it.

At this time he was on the verge of an inner crisis which was postponed however by his marriage in 1862, to Sophia Behrs, a young girl sixteen years his junior.

His marriage was a very happy one, his wife wholly devoted to him and to their nine children.

His philosophy was in those years that "one should live so as to have the best for one's self and family and not to try to be wiser than life and nature".

This philosophy found its full expression in the first of his great novels "War and Peace".

In 1873 he began his second great novel "Anna Kerenina". Toward the end of this book he entered on the long and fateful crisis that resulted in his conversion.

He began to feel uneasy about the unreflecting and prosperous life in which he and the Countess lived. The thought of approaching death grew into an obsession and a passionate craving for a religious justification of his life became a dominating force in him.

At first he turned to the orthodox faith of his people, Catholicism, hoping that a religion that made so many millions happy in the midst of their misery would save him. But the proud rationalism of his mind would not accept its rites and fasts. He renounced the church.

Out of his own reading of the Gospels he gradually evolved a new Christianity from which all the metaphysical and non-thical elements were eliminated.

His conversion was complete, so he said, when he realized that the whole message of Christ was revealed in one sentence "That ye resist not evil" (Matt 5:39). Thus (Editor's Note: With the present world interest in Russia, a study of Count Leo Tolstoy, one of the great men of that land, is timely.

That his novel War and Peace was a best seller in 1943 proves that interest in him and in his philosophy still lives.

For that reason this paper was chosen from the Wyoming reciprocity bureau for publication here. Because of the length of the original manuscript we are able to publish only a part of it.)



he developed the doctrine of nonresistance which became the foundation of the creed which became known as Tolstoyism.

At first he took no steps to propagate his new faith until after he made a visit to the slums of Moscow and saw the social misery there.

About the year 1884 Tolstoyism became definitely a sect and began to draw to it proselytes from other churches. Some of the tenets of his creed were: "The aim of man is to achieve happiness which can be done only by doing right, by loving all men, by freeing one's self from greed, lust and anger. All forms of violence are equally wicked. Not only war, but all forms of compulsion inherent in the State are criminal. But opposing the State with violence is also wicked. Revolutionary activity, though it may be based on the good feeling of love for the oppressed is evil because it breeds hatred and violence. The social order can become better only when all men have learned to love each other. Property is the gratification of greed and the assertion of a single man's monopoly over things that belong to all. It is the chief source of violence.'

Tolstoy could hardly be called a social reformer for he set up no plan of a practical nature, to improve social conditions. The direct influence of his teachings in Russia was not great. From the first the Russian Government viewed his activity with hostility, but never attempted to do anything against him. His larger influence however was wide spread and very soon crossed the frontier of his own land. In the last fifteen years of his life he was probably the most venerated man in the world.

He adopted a new mode of life; he dressed like a peasant; did much manual labor, learned boot making and adopted a vegetarian diet.

His wife and children, except one daughter remained hostile to his teaching.

The Countess Tostoy would not hear of his renouncing his wealth and possessions, which she maintained he held in trust for his children. He made over all of his property to her.

However he continued to live for some time in the accustomed affluence of their home, surrounded by his family who violently disapproved his philosophy and teaching.

Finally the situation became unbearable and in 1910 he and his daughter Alexandra left home secretly at night. He had no particular aim in view except an attempt to live in accord with his belief. Broken in health he died Nov. 8, 1910, and was buried at Yasnaya without Christian service.

He is generally conceded to have been one of the world's greatest moral philosophers.

Jane Addams the great social worker in establishing Hull House held to his philosophy and both wrote and spoke in behalf of his teaching.

Ghandi, India's moral philosopher acknowledged his indebtedness to the teachings of Tolstoy whose books he has eagerly read. Ghandi maintains also that the doctrine of non-resistance, the gospel of returning good for evil has support in the Sermon on the Mount.

One of Tolstoy's sons said this of him after his death: "My father enjoyed happiness in his every-day life to an extent rarely experienced. That was perhaps one of the causes of his intellectual and moral strength. That good fortune was exemplified above all in his wife, my mother. 'I am not a saint' my father used to say 'I am a very weak and feeble man who wants to serve the God of Truth but who is continually Stumbling. I am a pitiable but sincere creature who has always with all his soul to become a good generous man, a good servant of God'."

His wife the Countess said this to him: "There is something in you so simple, so good, so naive, so persevering — all this is illumined by a light of sympathy with everybody, and by your look that goes right to the soul".

Thus is the genius of Tolstoy defined.

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How much piecin'a quilt is like livin' a life! You can give the same kind of pieces to two persons, and one will make a "nine-patch" and one'll make a "wild goose chase," and there will be two quilts made out of the same kind of pieces, and jest as different as they can be. And that is jest the way with livin'. The Lord sends us the pieces, but we can cut them out and put 'em together pretty much to suit ourselves, and there's a heap more in the cuttin' out and the sewin' than there is in the caliker.'—Eliza Calvert Hall in "Aunt Jane of Kentucky."

#### A WELCOME

- When I was asked to welcome you, I asked — "What would you have me do?"
- "Talk a bit a minute or too,
- Say some things old and something new."
- To tell you what I'd like to say, I'm sure 'twould take a solid day. We're glad you're here in Michi-
- gan We're henny proud yer proud
- We're happy, proud, yes proud within,
- To have a Sisterhood like you The called out ones who strive to do.
- Tonight you're like a garden fair, So splendid, beautiful and rare,
- Our B I L's look grand tonight, So big and strong and full of might,
- It takes strong men I'm very sure, To live with us and still endure.
- But how we love them, they well know,
- And we reflect them, yes 'tis so. May God keep you, this we pray,
- Possess, surround your every way. We hope you've had a splendid
- time And with this wish I close my
- rhyme.
- May heaven's blessings you attend Until you reach your Journey's End.

{Note: Helen Kibby, president of Michigan State Chapter said that when she was asked to welcome the guests in the Supreme Chapter Convention in Detroit like many "Welcomers" she knew not what to say. Her husband William Judson Kibby came to her rescue and wrote the above.}

#### FRONT PORCH FANTASY

I long for the days of the 15 foot wide front porch, and detest stoops.

If you call on some one who has a front stoop, you climb several concrete steps and stand unprotected and helpless on the stoop while you ring the doorbell. If it is raining you get wet, and if the sun is shining, you sizzle.

Now, you take a nice wide front porch of olden days. If it were inclement weather, you were protected, and if the folks were not at home, you sat yourself down in a nice comfortable rocker, put your feet on the rail and waited until they came home. You did not sit in a contemptible steel contraption which resembles a chair only as a steel trap does.

So, on warm summer evenings, we would sit on our front porch and rock back and forth and say to passersby: "Evenin', Mrs. Jones. Yes, it's warm, but it looks as if it might rain, and then it will be cooler." We went thru it many times with Mrs. Smith, Mr. Porter and others until we all knew it was warm, that it might rain, and that it would be cooler. It was something solid to hang on to.

Nowadays people zoom by and all you hear is "Hi" and a few words a block away, which might be almost anything. They don't bother stopping. They are in a great hurry to get nowhere, and when they get there, do nothing.

The papers say that in the future we shall travel in 300 mile an hour airplanes. Ten hours to London, 15 to Moscow. Then you will not even see people. How could you see any one up in the stratosphere? You will conduct your friendships by television and radio.

My, what a dull world it will be. — Roy Engel.

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"God of lovel We humbly pray, Give us gifts — to give away. Give us thought for suffering brothers.

Give us love for burdened mothers.

- Give us sympathy so keen
- We shall see the need unseen;

Give us power to meet the need-To show Thy love by gracious deed.

Prince of Peace! the world's astray, Lead us on! Thou art the way."

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#### EYES THAT SEE NOT

From angry sea, from air, from sod The souls go winging up to God. They crave to wash them in His Grace, To feel His Love, to see His Face. I wonder will His Face be clear To eyes that never knew Him here? Marjorie F. W.



# FAMOUS

# BELLS

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#### Excerpt of a paper, Missouri Reciprocity File.

HAND BELLS of metal go back into great antiquity. They were neither moulded nor cast, but were sheets of metal beaten to the desired thickness, then clamped together crudely resembling cowbells of the present day.

At first they were supposed to frighten away evil spirits.

In Assyria bells were fastened to the bridles of horses in battle and to the shields of warriors.

Greek foot soldiers carried bells that terrified their superstitious enemies. In Sparta when a king died women went through the streets ringing bells, a command that in every household, one man and one woman should put on mourning.

The Roman sentry wore a set of bells on his breastplate that the Centurian might know he was faithful to duty.

The Turks believed that the souls of the departed wandered through the air and that the ringing of bells disturbed them, so when the Turks took Constantinople, bells were prohibited and none were found in the early churches.

In Rome the persecution of the Christians made secrecy imperative, so that it was not until the conversion of Constantine that bells were used, first as a call to worship and then to tell time.

In the year 400 A. D. in Campania, Italy a bishop conceived the idea of supplementing the hand bells by one large bell fastened in a high place so that it might be heard by all. In this little town of Campania thus was built the first crude support, the forerunner of the campanile, the bell tower of later time.

In 700 bells were brought by the conquering Romans from Italy into England. From there they were carried by missionaries into Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

It is recorded in Irish history that St. Cuthbert and St. Patrick announced their coming by the ringing of hand bells. Some of the St. Patrick bells are still in existance because they were entrusted to a certain family and passed by them from generation to generation. One of these bells is in the Dublin museum encased in a beautifully jeweled shrine. The relic is said to have been buried for a long time in the grave with St. Patrick.

The first church bells of importance were cast in monasteries; they were named, baptized and consecrated with solemn ceremonies. Many legends came of the peculiar supernatural power of these bells.

In Ireland such a bell was stolen and hidden in a bog. On a quiet evening its silvery tone was heard calling across the waste, and was thus recovered.

A bell that had gone down on a ship rang on stormy nights to warn mariners of danger.

There was a certain oath known as the bell oath; one who took it feared to speak falsly because the bell would ring and betray him.

In 789 it was decreed in France by Charlemagne that the christening of bells be forbidden; but the custom of consecrating bells continues to this in both Protestant and Catholic churches.

In Longfellow's "Golden Legend" the Storm Fiends were commanded to destroy the Strawsberg Cathedral but they failed as the stanza tells:

"All thy thunders here are harmless, For these bells have been annointed And baptized with holy water"

A perfect bell has five tones. There is the main tone, near the rim where the bell is struck. Above this are the vibrations in thirds, fifths and eighths, forming a chord.

Below the main tone, an octave, is the deep or "hum" tone that gives strength and beauty to the tone.

The hour of the ringing of bells is interesting.

The Angelus is struck three times three, three times a day. It bids those who hear, cease work and pray while it sounds.

The Curfew ordered first by King Alfred the Great of England, commanded his subjects to bank their fires at eight o'clock and prepare for the night. That custom was brought to this country by the Puritans.

The Vesper bell called to worship at eventime. In some Holland cities and other European countries the Vesper bell still sounds and the faithful wend their way to the cathedral or the chapel. There was an old belief that when Christ was born the devil died and so for an hour before midnight on Christmas eve the bells tolled, but, at midnight, the bells changed to a joyful peel.

With another meaning we have carried the custom over to New Year's eve.

Many cities of Europe and the Orient have famous bells, all having a name and a tradition.

Belgium is the home of the Carillon and has produced all of the really great carilloniers. Perhaps the greatest of these was one Josef Denyn who played in the cathedral at Antwerp.

In this country Anton Breese is the famous Carillonier who has dedicated several of Americas great chimes, among them is the Bok Singing Tower in Florida.

A famous bell well known by tourists is Big Ben that hangs above Parliament House in London.

Giotlo's campanile in Florence hold a marvelous chime of bells, the cathedral and the tower given to the city in compensation for the removal of the capital from Florence to Rome.

In California there still ring the mission bells, in the historic churches and chapels that are still shrines of the faithful.

And finally our own loved Liberty bell which for more than a hundred years called men and women to the loyal support of their country.

It was cast in London in 1753 by Robert Charles at a cost of \$500. It was originally intended to commemorate the landing of William Penn, fifty years earlier. On it was inscribed the biblical text from Leviticus 25:10, "And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants thereof."

The bell arrived safely in America but was cracked being taken from the ship. It was twice recast in this country before it proved satisfactory.

In July 1753 it was finally hung in the State House tower in Philadelphia and on July 4, 1776 it announced the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

When the British occupied the city it was hidden in the Delaware River near Trenton. In 1835 it was broken while tolling for the death of Chief Justice Marshall.

Today it rests in the vestibule of the State house; although silent it yet proclaims liberty throughout the land. I WAS ASKED to write a fifteen minute talk on business. Just now, business is either a military secret or a conglomerate mess. It is all beyond my poor comprehension, so I will just touch the high spots as I see them.

After Pearl Harbor, the United States was plunged into total war, totally unprepared. We had neither men nor equipment. The men had to be trained, the plants and factories found or erected to make the equipment to supply the army and navy. This was no easy task. After consulting with our leading industrialists and his advisors, the President found that many of our automobile plants, steel plants and etc., could be converted into the manufacturing of war time equipment. Thus it was, that we found how closely our businesses were interwoven. For example, with the curtailment of the automobile production, thousands of little business men failed and had to close their shops. On the other hand, thousands of workmen were released for employments in the war plants.

Bureaus were set up in Washington to regulate the business of the nation. The alphabetic organizations were formed. These organizations blanketed the entire nation. Ceilings were put on prices and rationing was instituted. This was made necessary by our Lend Lease agreement with our Allies, and the curtailment of our factory output. This tremendous expansion of government regulation, while entirely unconstitutional, was accepted with more or less good grace by the people, because it was war time. Of course, all

# BUSINESS

#### By HELENE M. LEE (Mrs. Robert E.) Chapter K, Indiana

this manipulation had to be done so hurriedly that many blunders were made. The pattern was largely that taken by England and strangely enough, by that of Mussolini in the reorganization of Italy. Those of you who have read "Italy from Within" will readily recognize the plan:

The man power was the big problem. This was to be managed through the Federal Employment Agency. The men were interviewed at the employment agencies, selected and sent to the plants for hiring. But first, before they were hired, they must join the Union. Thus Organized Labor was given a tremendous boost, and was to become in wealth and membership, a power that even defies the authority of the President of the United States. What we need is a Secretary of Labor who is big enough, fair enough, and has courage enough to make decisions and stick to it. Politics should have no bearing on this matter.

Mr. Lincoln once said "if we know where we are going, we might be able to direct our way". The feeling of futility and loss of confidence has put an end to free enterprise. The rising taxes and cost of living falls heaviest on the great middle class of people.



Of necessity, the large war plants absorb man power. Woman power was called to give help in manual labor for the first time in our history. The Unions have struck time and again for more pay. Whether or not this has delayed the war is a matter of conjecture.

The enormous cost of constructing airfields, roads, pipe lines etc., had to be financed. At the close of 1943, our country had spent eighty-eight billion dollars, and the end is still not in sight. But when you consider the dreadful devastation of other countries, it would be a poor citizen indeed who would not gladly contribute mere dollars. The post war problems that face us are tremendous. It is our personal responsibility to see that when our boys return, that they find the same representative republic that they have been fighting for.

There are so many incongruities in business to-day, that it is all beyond my comprehension. For example, if you travel through our prairie States, you see thousands of sheep grazing on the plains. If you travel through the south, you see thousands of bales of cotton stored in the ware houses. If you travel through the northwest you see millions of feet of lumber piled sky high and the rivers clogged with logs floating down stream. You can't help seeing that we have all the wool, cotton, lumber and etc., in the world, yet when we go into the stores we find material made of this queer synthetic stuff at high prices that isn't worth carrying home. You know it takes as much man power and factory resources to produce one as the other. As for rubber, the plants are built and equipped to start the manufacture of a synthetic rubber that is said to be more durable than the real rubber, but they cannot operate, because the Administration refuses to reduce the tariff on imported rubber that would put it on a parity of our price plus union labor.

The housing problem became so acute around the Kaiser Ship Yards, that whole villages had to be constructed at the expense of the Government. Instead of using the lumber that is piled sky high all over Oregon, fabricated material was sent en-

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tirely across the continent to build these houses at an enormous expense. They are dreary looking houses. Nice looking frame houses could have been built for the same price and time.

Business has had a hard beating in the past year, and doubtlessly has still more grief ahead. We still have a job to do. When all these fine boys come home once more, the business men can best show their appreciation by seeing that every one of them is rewarded by helping each of them find his particular niche in life. As for business, perhaps it needed this shaking up. Business is bound to boom. To readjust business and to care for our boys after this war will be a tre-mendous task. However, we have been through five wars and several national catastrophies and have come up smiling. If every American will give of his best we will, the Almightly willing, build a bigger and better America.

We Americans don't like to be pushed around. We grumble a lot and find fault, but deep in our hearts we love every square inch of our country. It would be a poor American indeed who would not give his last dollar to see that not one hair in Uncle Sam's whiskers is harmed.

Personally, I think a great deal of good will come out of this war. For one thing we have learned a great deal of geography. We have found that strange peoples that live in queer places are real people. We have learned how to have sympathy and compassion for people not so comfortably placed as ourselves. Our contacts are bound to make us a bigger and better people.

Our country is the greatest country in the world today. The whole world is looking to us for leadership. We have wealth, natural resources, courage, enthusiasm, imagination and man power. We have achieved all this under the constitution that our forefathers laid down for us. It says in the Bible that every man is born with one gift inherited from the angels. Just think what a power for peace we would have if each of us would concentrate on that gift just now.

The fact that America is the great melting pot of all nations, has made us versatile. We can do everything from writing jazz music to inventing machinery to revolutionize the world. With all these great gifts there is little fear, but that with the help of God, we will once more assume our old place in the sun. But first we must end this dreadful war. So let us resolve, as a chapter of P. E. O., to do everything we can, in any way we can, to bring a just and lasting peace.

# CONVENTION NOTICES State Province and District Chapter Convention Dates

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STATE Arizona Arkansas British Columbia California Colorado **District of Columbia** Florida Idaho Illinois Indiana lowa Kansas Massachusetts Michigan Minnesota Missouri Montana Nebraska New Jersev New Mexico New York North Dakota Ohio Oklahoma Oregon Pennsylvania South Dakota Texas Utah Washington Wisconsin Wyoming

DATE April 28 & 29 April 7 & 8 June 3 May 9, 10, 11 June 6 & 7 May 9 & 10 April 3, 4 & 5 June 6 & 7 April 25 & 26 May 18 & 19 May 16 & 17 May 4 & 5 May 11 & 12 April 10 & 11 May 4 & 5 April 25 & 26 June 9 & 10 April 18, 19, 20 May 3 May 23 & 24 May 12 & 13 May 31 & June I May 19 & 20 April 18 & 19 June 6 & 7 May 4 & 5 May 8, 9, 10 April 10 & 11 May 27 June 6 & 7 June 20 & 21 June 15, 16, 17

CITY Phoenix Conway Victoria Los Angeles Colorado Springs Washington St. Petersburg Twin Falls Chicago South Bend Marshalltown Atchison Boston Detroit Minneapolis St. Joseph Butte Omaha East Orange Albuquerque New York City Dickinson Sandusky Tulsa Eugene Pittsburgh Belle Fourche Fort Worth Ogden Seattle Superior Cheyenne

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CARRIE B. SIMPSON (Mrs. Howard E), President Supreme Chapter

#### IOWA

The fifty-second annual convention of Iowa State Chapter will be held in Marshalltown, May 16th and 17th with Group Twelve as hostesses.

Registration will begin at 9:00 o'clock Tuesday morning in Hotel Tallcorn, general headquarters for convention.

All sessions will be held in Odeon theatre, except the dinner and program of Tuesday evening, which will be in the Coliseum.

Our Memorial Hour will be observed at 1:15 P.M. Tuesday afternoon and convention will open at 2:00 o'clock.

Guests of honor include Mrs. Carrie B. Simpson, President of Supreme Chapter, Dr. Marjorie Mitchell, President of Cottey Junior College, and Dr. Winona Evans Reeves, Editor of P. E. O. RECORD, and Past Presidents of Supreme Chapter.

Mrs. Ĵosephine O. Talley, 414 Hughes St., Marshalltown, is the general chairman of convention. The hostess chapters and the State Board extend a most cordial invitation to all P. E. O.'s to attend this convention. — Elizabeth M. Young, President, Iowa State Chapter.

#### NORTH DAKOTA

The thirtieth annual convention of the North Dakota State Chapter will be held Wednesday and Thursday May 31 and June 1 in the Congregational Church, Dickinson, with Chapter B, Dickinson, and Chapter C, Beach, as hostesses.

Miss Gertrude Voldal, B, and Mrs. Kathryn Keohane, C, are co-chairmen. Delegates will be housed in the St. Charles Hotel. Visitors desiring reservations will write Miss Gertrude Voldal, Dickinson.

Mrs. Carrie B. Simpson, President of Supreme Chapter, and Past State Presidents of North Dakota will be our guests of honor.

Registration will begin at 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday. Because of the present war emergency, this convention will include only business essentials, with time for vital messages of inspiration. — Nelle G. Thornton, President, North Dakota State Chapter.

#### TEXAS

The 1944 convention of Texas State Chapter will be held April 10-11 in the Texas Hotel, Fort Worth. Carrie B. Simpson (Mrs. H. E.) president of Supreme Chapter will be the special guest of honor. — Otis N. West (Mrs. W. E.), President Texas State Chapter.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA

The twenty-eighth annual convention of the South Dakota State Chapter will be held in Belle Fourche, May 8, 9, 10, 1944 with Chapters L, Lead; N, Spearfish; Y, Deadwood; AR, Lead; AT, Belle Fourche; and AY, Sturgis as hostesses.

Convention will be honored by the presence of Mrs. Bessie R. Raney, Second Vice President of Supreme Chapter; Mrs. Ruth Reed Stewart, Member of Board of Trustees of the Educational Fund and the past presidents of our State Chapter.

Registration will begin at 10:45 a.m. Monday in the Methodist Church where business sessions will be held. Memorial Vespers at 4:15 p.m. Banquet at 6:15 p.m.

Mrs. Mary Smiley of Belle Fourche is General Chairman. Visitors wishing reservations for rooms or Banquet will please write her.

A cordial welcome awaits all P. E. O.'s. — Constance A. Rubertus, President, South Dakota State Chapter.

#### LILLIAN BARTLETT CURTIS (Mrs. Charles Newman) 1855-1943

About one hundred years ago, Ruby Ann Coffin of Mt. Morris, N. Y., a lineal descendant of Tristram Coffin, (the ancestor of Alice Virginia Coffin), was attending the Ladies' Seminary in the little town of Lima, New York. At the Methodist College in Lima, was a young student, George G. Bartlett, whose father was Oliver Cromwell Bartlett, M.D., a descendant of that Robert Bartlett who came to Plymouth in the good ship Anne in 1623, and married Mary Warren, daughter of Richard Warren, who arrived on the Mayflower in 1620.

These two young people, each of esteemed lineage, met, and were married, and lived two years in Lima. Then they left to join a group of friends who had migrated to Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, another college town. Some of these friends became members of the Iowa Wesleyan College Faculty.

Ruby Ann and George Bartlett bought an improved farm six miles north of Mt. Pleasant, and there on December 31, 1855, Lillian Bartlett was born. When she was eight years old, the farm was sold and the family moved to a home in Mt. Pleasant near

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George, and Lillian were encouraged to attend the College exhibitions which consisted of original orations, essays, dialogues, and musical selections - the movies and radio of those early years. When Lillian was about thirteen years old, she attended the graduation of what she always called 'the most illustrious class ever graduated from Iowa Wesleyan College, the class of 1869." In the class of twentyfour, were Mary Allen, Allie Bird, Hattie Briggs, Alice Coffin, and Franc Roads, - five of the Founders of P. E. O. Allie Bird and Franc Roads were her teachers in High School. In her Freshman year, at the College, October 2, 1871, she was welcomed into Chapter Original A, by all of the original Seven. After Lillian left college, (she did

the College Campus. The older son,

Arter Linan fert conege, (she did not graduate), she taught in the city schools of Mt. Pleasant, and in 1883, while president of Chapter Original A, she presided at the Convention in Fairfield, Iowa, where after much deliberation and discussion, the motion was made, seconded and carried to form a Grand Chapter. Sixty years later, in describing the occasion, she said, "For just one second, the question 'What next' was in our minds, then Mrs. Nellie Campbell moved that we resolve ourselves into the Grand Chapter. As on a dark and stormy night, a flash of lightning will illuminate the whole surrounding scene, so, while I was putting the motion, there flashed through my whole being, the realization of what great consequence this act of ours would be to the future of P. E. O., and what a unique privilege was mine to declare the Grand Chapter established and in Convention assembled."

After the Fairfield Convention, Lillian taught in Des Moines, Iowa; in the Model School at Iowa Teachers' College at Cedar Falls; and for three years at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

On July 23, 1891, she was married to Rev. Dr. Charles N. Curtis, Professor of Greek at Iowa Wesleyan College, at his childhood home, in Pittsfield, Mass. They left, at once, for a year of travel and study abroad. After their return, Dr. Curtis held charges in the Troy Methodist Conference for almost forty years, and then they retired to his old home in Pittsfield.

In all the years after she left Mt. Pleasant Mrs. Curtis never lived where there was a P. E. O. Chapter until she returned to Pittsfield where she became a charter member of Chapter F, Massachusetts, and poured on its fortunate members all the released love and devotion of those long years. To Chapter F, her presence was a benediction. There can be no measure of her priceless influence and friendship.

In the early morning of December 7, 1943, Lillian Bartlett Curtis entered Chapter Eternal. Members of her immediate family who survive are two sons, George Bartlett Curtis, and Lieutenant Colonel Karl Warren Curtis; two grand children, Dorothy and Robert, children of her son George; two sisters who are P. E. O.s, Mrs. Edith Bartlett Marsh and Mrs. Ella Bartlett Simmons; and a brother, Walter Bartlett.

"Give her of the fruit of her hands; and Let her own works praise her in the gates."

-Vanna Elliott West

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A boy should have a pocket. Supposing on the road He runs across a beetle, Or a lizard or a toad?

"However will he carry them? Whatever will he do, If he hasn't got a pocket To put them into?"

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Conceit is God's gift to little men. — Bruce Barton.

# TOMORROW IS OURS

#### By ALMEDA ANDERSON Chapter Z, Ohio

DURING THESE PAST MONTHS I have heard this statement repeatedly, "Doubtless we shall be at war again in another twenty years, but what can we, as individuals do about it?" I've said it myself, no doubt you have too, in some version.

Yet, although it is difficult to make one small voice heard in Washington, seventy-nine thousand voices should make a fairly large "murmur."

Even though I am realist enough to know so well that the project may prove a failure — that, despite our greatest endeavors, our plans for world peace may again fall into the discard, I still feel that each of us as Christians, as P. E. O.'s, and as mothers should do everything within our power to promote a lasting peace.

Soon it will be our privilege to elect the statesman who will be, directly or indirectly, responsible for the written conditions of the peace plans. Here we have a definite duty to fulfill.

First, — let nothing keep you from the polls no matter how small or unimportant the election may be. For, if we are to have a working democracy, our smallest official must be as carefully chosen as our highest.

Secondly — before every election study carefully and open-mindedly every available piece of information about the men from whom you are to choose.

Thirdly — after picking the man you think best fitted for the job, tell your friends about him; expound your reasons for believing in him; you'll be amazed to find how widespread your influence will be when you have sound reasoning and knowledge behind your arguments.

Now, don't raise your hands in horror and say, "But politics is crooked and beneath a lady's dignity," as a friend of mine did recently when I suggested that women should become more active in selecting decent and conscientous public officials.

Yes, the political game is dirty and some politicians are crooks; but, by the same token we have some fine, upstanding, and righteous men in public



life. They need our backing, and if we do not use our vote to help them, and raise our voices in an unladylike clamor for a better government and a real attempt at world peace, our sons and daughters playing with wooden jeeps and tanks today will be fighting with steel and flame twenty or thirty years hence.

Perhaps you do all this now, if so, you are indeed a credit to us all.

To those of us who have sometimes neglected our hard earned privilege to vote I make this plea.

Think how far-reaching the effect may be — here we are spread out over the entire United States, a part of Canada, and Hawaii. If we could make our influence for better government felt in each local, state, and national election, how proud our founders would be to find that the small flame of friendship they had lighted had grown to a steady glow lighting the pathway to world peace.

Now then, after we have done our utmost to elect the right statesmen to draw up the peace terms, we must prepare our minds and our spirits to make this a workable peace.

No doubt some of you have felt, at times, that the European situation is hopeless — that the people over there will always be fighting among themselves, and that we would do well to stay out of the mess. I have felt that way myself. But, I have come to the conclusion that, no matter how much we might wish to isolate ourselves as a nation, we shall never be allowed to do so.

The same situation exists among nations as among individuals. No doubt you've all known someone who got sick and tired of having neighbors underfoot all the time, so he bought himself a home in the country far away from any living soul, only to find that his city neighbors found it convenient to drop in for dinner on Sunday after a ride in the country.

Well, the Japs dropped in on us for Sunday dinner and darned near cleaned us out.

So, inasmuch as we must live with our neighbors, let us endeavor to live with them in brotherly love and peace.

No peace made by statesmen will be worth the paper it is written on if the people, represented by them are not behind it heart and soul.

Woodrow Wilson came back from Versailles a heartbroken and weary man. Broken in spirit because all of his fine ideals for world peace had been trampeled under by selfishness and greed and lack of coöperation. It was not that his plans in themselves were of little value, it was the fact that the people, the individuals, did not stand firmly behind those ideals, that made them worthless.

We have learned from bitter experience that lasting peace cannot always be gained by peaceful methods - that sometimes we must fight to maintain peace. We all know now, that if Japan had been persuaded by force to stay out of Manchuria; if Mussolini had been stopped by arms, when he decided to acquire an African empire; if the armies of France had marched when Hitler took over the Rhineland; this horrible haulocaust might never have been.

We know now that we must fight for world peace — just as we Americans have always fought for right.

To us, as individuals, this will mean sacrifices - no doubt our sons and grandsons will have to give a year to military service- and taxes will remain high as long as we must maintain a strong Army, Navy, and Air Force. Yes, it will be unpleasant to fight for peace, as it is unpleasant to fight for victory, but it shall be worth the sacrifice.

Yet, although we must keep strong to maintain the peace, we must never slip into the dark abyss of wishing to dominate the world. We and our allies must simply stand as big sisters ready to protect the weaker members of our family while giving them complete autonomy.

Now then, enough for the physical aspects of our peacetime world, let's turn to the spiritual.

The early Christians were individuals, many of them of small report in their home communities, and yet, because they believed in an ideal, their teachings became known throughout

## Bulletin of Officers, an Extra

The directory of P. E. O. officers of local chapters and other directory features usually published in the May issue of the RECORD will be published this year as a separate bulletin.

Copies will be sent to the following: all local chapter presidents and corresponding secretaries; to all officers of Supreme Chapter; all officers of State, Province and District Chapters; all members of boards of trustees; all standing committee chair-men of Supreme Chapter; Executive Secretary, the President of Cottey college, the Editor of the RECORD.

Any P. E. O. wishing a copy of the bulletin may obtain it by writing to Mrs. Nell Stevenson, 2126 E. 38th St., Tulsa 15, Okla. and enclosing ten cents in stamps and giving her name, address and chapter letter. The request should be made before April first.

The May issue of the RECORD will not as heretofor carry the directory but will appear instead as the other eleven issues of the year. The bulletin is an extra.

the land — their gospel became the greatest single influence for good this world has ever known.

Dr. Irving Langmuir, the great scientist of the General Electric Co., spoke recently in New York, at the annual Herald-Tribune Forum, of the future of electronics. Down in his speech was a little remark, "Electronics can deal with voltages so minute that a thought may initiate an impulse which can actually be recorded." That means that science has discovered that every thought we entertain in our minds sets a wave going in the universe. Thus our thoughts affect the world about us, and that means if we "love our neighbors as we love ourselves"; if we are willing to make sacrifices for their good as well as for our own, we are setting actual forces in motion just by the way we think and feel.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL READING

"We Cannot Escape History" - John Whittaker. Good background reading.

"Problems of Lasting Peace" Hoover & Gibson

"Total Peace" — Ely Culbertson "Make This The Last War" -

Michael Straight

"Many well-meaning books these days speak of the ideal world of tomorrow without reference to the facts, or how to get to that world. This book represents the hard economic truths, and with the eloquence of both fact and faith, it shows how far along toward world liberation we actually are, and how much farther we must go.

This book is a young man's demand for action. It speaks to every individual who truly seeks a free world."

This book is worthy of attention because it is written by a member of the generation which is fighting this war, and, although you may not agree with much that he has written, there is wisdom in many parts of the book.

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"Crisis in Christianity" — Will Durant

August 5, 1939 issue of the Saturday evening post. (Your public library reference department will have a copy of this.)

"Leadership that Fails" - David Lawrence

January 21, 1944 issue of the United States News.

## HOPE

So long as there are homes to which men turn at the close of day;

So long as there are homes where children are, where women stay; If love and loyalty and faith be found

across those sills, A stricken nation can recover from its gravest ills.

So long as there are homes where fires burn,

and there is bread; So long as there are homes where lamps are lit, and prayers are said;

Although a people falter through the dark,

and nations grope, With God Himself back of these little homes, we have sure hope.

-Grace Noll Crowell.

We should be tolerant, God wot, Since most of us are not so hot, But who does not detest the moron Who loves to tell us "there's a war on." -Gloria A. Love.

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# From The EDITOR'S DESK

All copy intended for publication, except advertising, and all changes to the mailing list should be sent to the Editor, Mrs. Winona E. Reeves, Park Lane Hotel, 2842 Sheridan Rd., Chicago 14, Ill.

#### JOY COMETH IN THE MORNING by Helen Welshimer

"This, too, will pass, believe it, O my heart! There will be sunlight on some distant hill; Storms cannot last forever; joy will start And troubled waters some day will grow still.

Hurt is a transient — when it serves its need

It vanishes; relief must follow pain;

Oh, always when the flood goes, tides recede!

No sorrow ever is endured in vain.

Night yields to day and winter ends in spring,

And flowers bloom where meadows have been bare;

Your Heavenly Father notes the sparrow's wing

When it is broken; He will hear your prayer. You'll be stronger for the wounds you've borne

And tears may fill one night with lonely grief,

But always with the coming of the morn There will be joy, O heart, hold this belief!" —Ohio Parent Teacher.

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ONE OF THE MOST DIS-

cussed books and widely read is Gene Fowler's biograghy of John Barrymore, the book "Good Night, Sweet Prince." The words of the title are Horatio's farewell to Hamlet; their choice would have pleased John Barrymore himself, more perhaps than anything else about the book.

To all who are Drew and Barrymore fans the book is a delight. There is good fun in the book and great pathos in the decline of the hero in his later life.

If it be possible for one to be a sinner and a charming sinner, John Barrymore was that.

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#### ▶ ABOUT THE BEST PAID CON-

tributors to the public prints are those who furnish the comic strips so called. While they are called "the funnies", they are about the saddest features in the paper. The characters are in trouble, all the while.

Then too the radio serials the ones that run through mid-afternoon before the news commentators start repeating one another from four o'clock on until it is time for Fibber

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and Mollie or Jack Benny to take over.

The mid-afternoon serials, the so called "Washboard Weepers" are pretty sad.

They are written in such a way that the script would not stand up if run in type. It is the characters, those in trouble, who are said to hold faithful listeners year after year; the characters come to be friends to those who listen and sympathize.

There must be millions who listen or they would not run for years; the young for years upon years holding their youth and the old holding on to life.

However long the story people hold to youth and life the people who read the lines grow too old for the characters and some die but the story continues in the glorification of soap or flour or yeast.

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IN THE MATTER OF LIFE

expectancy it is said that life insurance men hold this formula as a rough estimate. Subtract your present age from 80, multiply the result by seven and divide by 10. The quotient gives the expectancy years.

tient gives the expectancy years. To such as are already living on borrowed time, the men do say, that the formula is not reliable, for strangely enough the longer one lives, the longer one can still hang on.

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#### SINCE PRACTICALLY ALL

publications, the P. E. O. RECORD included, have had their volume of paper allotment regulated by Government restrictions, the policy has been adopted for this year, that convention reports shall be limited to 2,000 words which is about two printed pages.

Will convention reporters for the RECORD please follow the suggestion.

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#### • ONE RABBI FENBERG HAS

listed these five things as essential to man's happiness and well being: "A job for economic security; a hobby for relaxation; a friend for comfort and companionship; a cause to defend for inspiration; a religion for inner peace".

▶ THIS IS TO ASK A FAVOR from anyone who has the knowledge to grant it. We have a card from Grace F. Hinchliff, postmarked Yonkers N. Y. If any reader knows the chapter letter and state to which she belonged, or knows her street address, we shall be grateful to be sent that information. The question has to do with RECORD subscription.

• WILLIAM MAKEPEACE Thackery said this: "Nature has written a letter of credit on some men's faces which is everywhere honored".

▶ HOW ANYTHING SO CRUEL as a war should turn the peoples of the world to the Bible, to prayer and to hymns is one of the mysteries, unless it be to atone for the evils of war, or to escape into another thought-world. There are many radio features which regularly include a hymn along with ballads and war inspired songs. When the men of a camp or naval station choose a song it is many times a hymn that is chosen.

Perhaps it is the same impulse that causes a frightened child to reach for his father's hand, that which for him means safety.

THERE SEEMS TO BE A story or a tradition back of the style of uniform worn by the army and the navy.

The navy uniform worn by the Americans was adopted from the British and is almost identical with it.

The uniform was adopted during the reign of King George II of England. One day along the Row in London he met the Duchess of Bedford who was wearing a riding habit of blue, with the blouse trimmed in white braid. That the Duchess was the wife of the first lord of the admiralty may have had its effect in causing the king to choose her colors for the navy uniform.

Tradition has it that three stripes on the collar and cuffs commemorate Lord Nelson's three great victories and that the black tie is a symbol of mourning worn first at Lord Nelson's funeral.

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JAMES B. RESTON WRITING in the New York Times referring to the Four Freedoms which have been listed as the things for which the armed forces of the Allies are fighting suggests another four.

He calls them "the four decencies": "a decent house, a decent job, decent food and clothing and a decent education for the children.

It is the truth, and we quote: "When a garage man makes a mistake, he adds it on your bill.

- When a preacher makes a mistake, nobody knows the difference.
- When a lawyer makes a mistake, it was just what he wasted, because he has a chance to try the case all over again.
- When a judge makes a mistake, it becomes the law of the land.

When a doctor makes a mistake, he buries it.

But when the editor makes a mistake — heaven help him!"

#### + A REPATRIOT COMES HOME

The members of Chapter K, Macomb, Illinois, had a dinner meeting of unusual happiness on February second when they welcomed Miss Margaret Wyne, repatriot, back to the chapter.

Miss Wyne has been a P. E. O. since 1912. She attended Western Illinois State Teachers College; received her Bachelor's degree from Northwestern University, and took her nurses' training at St. Luke's in Chicago. She has also done graduate study at Columbia.

She has been in Peking, China, since 1924 with only occasional visits home. There she was instructor and supervisor of nurses in the Peking Union Medical College.

She left Peking in November, 1941, enroute home, but was interned in Manila from December until September, 1942. Then she was transferred to Shanghai, leaving there in September, 1943, and arriving in United States December first on the Gripsholm.

The description which Miss Wyne gave of the adaptations to life in an internment camp, the personalities met there, the journey on the horse transport from Manila to Shanghai, and the final long trip home will long remain vivid pictures in the memories of Chapter K.

Miss Wyne is staying for a few months with her sister, Mrs. Sterling Simpson.

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The way to love anything is to realize that it might be lost. — Gilbert.

Customs may not be as wise as laws, but they are always more popular. —Disraeli

# A PHI BETA KAPPA Jamily

In the February issue of the RECORD there appeared a feature under the headline Lillian Gay Berry, Scholar of Classics. It was a review of the story of a P. E. O. a member of Chapter AE Bloomington, Indiana, a woman of remarkable scholarship and achievement. Here is her picture:



Lillian Gay Berry

We there credited the author of the article reviewed, Cecelia Hennell Hendricks, not knowing that she too, is a P. E. O., a Wyoming P. E. O. a member of Chapter P, Powell and for several years recording secretary of Wyoming state chapter. For twelve years she has been in the English department of the University of Indiana. A biographer said of her.

"She is so popular on the campus that her classes are always crowded —students sign up for them in advance of the term's opening. She is intelligent, clever and has a fine sense of humor. Her lectures are always worth listening to; she speaks well and has the human touch which endears her to young men and women of college age."

She is a Phi Beta Kappa which seem to be a sort of family tradition; two of her children are Phi Beta Kappas as are two of her sisters, Dr. Cora P. Hennell on the faculty of the Indiana University and Mrs. Edward H. Ellis a Boulder Colo. P. E. O.

She has three children, Jules her son is an officer in the army. Cecelia — now Mrs. Henry E. Wahl is production manager of the Purdue University radio station. Her husband Ensign Wahl is with the Navy intelligence unit in the South Seas and Anne is a senior in the Indiana University.

Mrs. Hendricks biographer, Jeanette Cavert Nolan, asked her how she had managed the education of her children with such result. Her reply might well be a sort of guide to parents. She said:

"When they were little and came to me with a question, I always stopped whatever I was doing and sat down and answered them in detail, to the limit of my knowledge, on that particular subject. And if I had no knowledge, I immediately looked up the subject, so that I could answer sensibly. As the children grew older, the questions were harder and sometimes required real research on my part. But I don't believe I ever sent the children away unanswered. I thought that was simply my job - to provide the answers."

#### RATIONS

- Rations of meat, rations of cheese, rations of bacon and ham;
- Rations of eggs, rations of milk, rations of sugar and jam;
- Rations of fruit, rations of lard, rations of
- butter and tea; Rations of clothes, rations of boots! Come and go shopping with me.
- Unrationed sky, unrationed sea, unrationed
- sunshine and breeze; Unrationed stars, unrationed clouds, un-
- rationed beauty of trees; Unrationed peace, unrationed hope, unra-
- tioned pardon and love; Unrationed faith, unrationed grace, free

from our Father above. —The Australian Church Record

#### BEG PARDON

January issue P. E. O. RECORD, first column, page 12, in the feature article "Parasites" a line inadvertantly was dropped. The lines should read "prefer to put their money into investments bearing a good rate of interest rather than into war bonds."

In the January issue also in the list of "Organizations of States Chronologically Told" the District of Columbia 1935 was by error omitted.

She was a large, luxuriant woman, rich in vitamins and butterfats, with a survivalof-the-fittest philosophy — chin ahead of mind.



# The Educational Loan Fund

#### RUTH E. STOTLER (Mrs. F. L.), Chairman

At the beginning of this new year, we send greetings to the new officers of the local chapters. May you enjoy the rich experiences of the coming year.

We wish also, to express our gratitude to the chapters for their interest in our educational program during the past year, and to thank especially the local presidents and chairmen of educational committees for their co-operation and attention to correct procedure in sending us applications for loans.

One of the effects of the war upon our fund is that we are receiving fewer applications for loans than before. Many girls are foregoing college to enter war work of some kind; some are entering the service of our country, and some are taking advantage of government programs of education. In 1940-41, from August to June, we granted 470 loans with an amount loaned of \$211,000.00. In 1941-42, during the same period, we granted 402 loans of an amount of \$150,000.00. In 1942-43, during the same period, only 185 loans were granted, of an amount of \$56,000.00. What the report for August to June, 1943-44 will be, it is too early to estimate. And it will depend in some measure upon the vigilance and interest of the local chapters and their educational committees.

It is not necessary to stress the significance of the picture of girls forsaking the long forward look of a good solid educational background for short term positions of high salaries - not to P. E. O.'s, who follow the vision of the star. Will these young women be equipped to contribute to a richer life when the opportunity for that fuller life arrives? Knowledge that aid in continuing her education is available, might tip the scales in favor of college for some girl of whom the entire Sisterhood would one day be proud.

We feel sure, too, that after the cessation of war activities, there will be a large number of girls looking for help toward an education. Chapters must maintain the active interest in their educational fund which will insure its being in a position to answer the demands which will be

made upon it after peace. This privilege brings its accompanying responsibilities. As has been said many times upon this page, the Board of Trustees is largely dependent upon the chapter's investigation and recommendation for its estimate of the worth of an application. However, I would leave this added thought with you. The fact that a chapter has had an unfortunate experience with a previous loan fund girl is not a good reason for refusing to consider a recommendation for a worthy girl who is recommended by the educational committee.

Last year, because of what - for lack of a better expression — we may call the war boom; it seemed expedient to make a most determined effort to collect long delinquent repayments. As you have been informed, the results were most gratifying; not only in that we were able to return over-due money to the revolving fund, but also in the demonstration of the honesty and innate character of so many of our loan fund girls. There is a great personal satisfaction and reward to the Trustees in our contacts with the girls we come to know so well through our consideration of their applications, and a delinquent loan is most distressing to us. Not only because of the possible loss of money, but because it suggests lack of moral stamina in the girl. Of course, there have been some few girls who should never have been granted loans, and these will continue to be delinquent. But many of the girls who had not repaid their loans had suffered grave misfortune in some form or another, and whenever the present increased scale of earning power permitted, they have repaid their loans.

Please do not hesitate to write to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for information or help. The past achievements of the Sisterhood in furthering the purpose of the educational fund not only justify our pride — they point equally to our future responsibilities in the field of education.

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Some would find fault with the morningred, if they ever got up early enough. The fault finder will find fault even in Paradise. — Henry Thoreau.

#### A WRITER OF FEATURE STORIES

Jessie E. Baker, Chapter AJ, Miami, Okla., who began writing only as a hobby, has moved on into the professional class.

She has had feature stories appear in magazines and other types of publication.

She has gathered Indian legends and stories, five of which were published and made a part of the Anthropology Department of Columbia University of New York.

Mrs. Baker's interest centers largely in magazine articles, some of which have been ghost written by her and several under a nom-de-plume. Among the most recent features have appeared in "The Gift and Buyer" and "Popular Mechanics." An article on "Making a Business of Getting Well" will soon appear in Physical Culture. Mrs. Baker collaborated with her husband on articles which appeared in Banker's Monthly, and Public Utilities Fortnightly.

Mrs. Baker's program has been varied. She has interviews and golf stories besides more than sixty short stories for religious publications to her credit.

Her Kindergarten stories have been published in many different languages.

#### FRANCES GERTRUDE HUNTER TOLFORD

#### 1876-1943

Francis Hunter Tolford, a past president of Washington State, known best then as Frankie Hunter died at her home in Blaine, Wash. Dec. 11, 1943.

She was a native of Wisconsin, born Oct. 25, 1876. She had lived in Blaine since 1893.

She was married to C. F. Hunter in 1895, whose death came in 1911. Their only son F. Earl Hunter died in 1932.

Mrs. Hunter married to M. M. Seffern, who survives her.

Mrs. Seffern was active in community and social life.

For some years she was city librarian; was clerk of the school board and for more than six years was city clerk.

She was a member of the First Church of Christ Scientist. — Louise M. Montforth (Mrs. G. D.)

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Live your life, do your work then take your hat. — Thoreau

Laugh evry time you see something funny, and laugh once in a while anyhow. — Josh Billings.



#### ARIZONA

#### P. E. O. BLOOMS IN THE DESERT

Chapter N, Winslow is an isolated desert town in north eastern Arizona, that in spite of the many demands of these war times, has grown in the fellow-ship of the sisterhood. We feel most fortunate in meeting P. E. O.'s from other states and only recently we have added to our chapter roll Thelma Thudin from Chapter BZ of Kansas. Towns are far apart out here in the West; our nearest P. E. O. Chapter is sixty miles to the west at Flagstaff so we do enjoy contacts with visiting P. E. O.'s.

Even though our chapter is small, we have twenty-three immediate relatives in the service. Four of our members have left our community in order to be with their husbands who are in various parts of the country, serving in our armed forces.

Within the last year Chapter N has initiated three daughters, Mary Mae Jackson, Frances Stevens Dowdle and Emily Davis. Emily had a rare honor. Her mother, Edna Davis, the chapter president, presided at her initiation into the sisterhood.—Verla Oare.

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#### ARKANSAS

#### A HOLIDAY INITIATION

Chapter B, DeQueen, for the first time in the thirty years of the chapter, four P. E. O. daughters were initiated.

Mrs. Mae Goodson was hostess for the day. Her home was gay with Christmas decorations. On the mantle were seven gorgeously dressed story book dolls -each one high lighted by a white taper and an artistic star by each bearing a name of a Founder. It was a very im-pressive manner of teaching our new members the names of our Seven Founders

Mrs. Myrtle Alston Edwards had the experience of presiding as president while her two daughters, Katharine and Billye Jeanne were initiated. Mrs. Mae Goodson acted as Corresponding Secretary in initiating her daughter, Betty Ann. Mrs. Floy Park presided at the piano while her daughter, Martha Frances Engstrom was initiated.

Following the ceremony the young ladies' led the way to the dining room where refreshments were served from a table elaborately decorated. The evening closed with a talk given by Mrs. Katherine Huffman who has been a P. E. O. for many years. Her talk was not only delightful but of great value to the new initiates.—Anne McKean Moore.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA

# FIVE P. E. O. CHAPTERS MARK PROGRESS OF 75 YEARS

Five local chapters of the P. E. O. Sisterhood celebrated the 75th anniversary of the order's progress yesterday afternoon in the Princess Charlotte room at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. R. T. Kipling, president of the Victoria Presidents' Council, presided, and honored guests were Mrs. P. B. Scurrah, recording secretary of the Supreme Board; Mrs. H. S. Hurn, recording secretary of the Provincial Chapter, British Columbia, and Mrs. A. E. Taylor, mother of the P. E. O. in Victoria.

Mrs. Harry L. Smith, president of the Provincial Chapter of British Columbia, was the guest speaker. In a review of the activities and growth from 1869 up to today, she stated that the total mem-bership of P. E. O. is now 76,717 and the Educational Fund now amounts to \$848,996. Total number of girls who have received loans is 8,721, and the Cottey College for Girls, a P. E. O. project, has maximum enrollment.

Speaking of the war work of the or-ganization, Mrs. Smith said it has a United Victory Fund of \$50,000, which is buying 12 fully-equipped clubmobiles with all maintenance paid for one year. The British Columbia chapters have already given \$500 to this fund and would shortly be sending a further \$500. The Canadian Chapters have also sent one station wagon to England, and supplied one ambulance and one mobile hospital unit for use in British Columbia.

One of the highlights of the afternoon was a play based on the history, edited was a play based on the history, edited by Mrs. Harry O. English. Costumes were prepared by Mrs. W. H. Wilson, and those taking part were Miss Elsie Smith and Mrs. John Gough, Mrs. John Baxter, Mrs. T. H. Johns, Mrs. J. R. Nicolson, Mrs. John Munroe and Mrs. W. S. Moore. Mrs. S. H. Frame was re-sponsible for the floral arrangements sponsible for the floral arrangements.

Mrs. Scurrah paid a glowing tribute to Mrs. Smith on her leadership as pres-ident of P. E. O. in British Columbia, and Mrs. Hurn presented Mrs. Smith with a small keepsake. Mrs. Paul Green moved a vote of thanks to all who had made the meeting such a success.

Tea was served in the palm room, and those presiding at the urns were Mrs. Herbert J. Pendray, Mrs. Paul Green, Mrs. Harry Dee and Miss Enid McKee.-Isabel Dawson.

#### CALIFORNIA

#### A BUSY INTERESTING CHAPTER

Chapter CO, Los Angeles, has eleven sons in service. Our membership num-bers thirty and all who are physically able are busy with war activities. Under the leadership of Jennie Lee Hobson, our President, our meetings are well at-tended and refreshing. Three gifted tended and refreshing. Three gifted members, Martha Cook Hulett, organist and composer, Ann Thompson McDowell, pianist and whistler, and Alta Turk Everett, singer, contribute much to our programs. In December Dr. Charles Wakefield Cadman brought his protegee Edward Earle, pianist, to us in a delightful program.

June brings a highlight meeting in our annual visit to the California Chapter House in Alhambra where we share the hospitality of our dear May Burkhart.

During 1943, two valued members of our chapter joined the Chapter Eternal. They were Hattie Galighan and Clara Rogers Barnes. Chapter CO boasts of having one member who for fifty years has worn our star. She is Mrs. Blanche James who was initiated in Chapter D at Centerville, Iowa.—Harriet Redline Rackliffe.

#### A PARLOR PLAY

Chapters GH and JN, San Bernardino observed Founders' day at the home of Mrs. Walter More.

Following a welcome by Mrs. J. M. Howson, president of Chapter GH, a parlor one act play was put on under the direction of Mrs. Harry Wood.

All during the act there was played familiar songs of the period of the 60's

Mining solution of the period of the observation, Mrs. Nolte Vaughan, musician. Mrs. P. Y. Gass was reader of the history of the founding of P. E. O., which set the events that followed. The scene was laid in the home of Mrs. F. W. Davidson to whose home there came the Founders day planning committee. Mrs. J. W. Abbey, Mrs. George Bush,

Mrs. D. K. Jamieson, Mrs. Gilbert Pat-ton and Mrs. Wm. Payne. The ensuing discussion emphasized outstanding fea-tures of P. E. O.; the Educational Loan Fund, Cottey College and P. E. O. Homes for the Aged. As the Committee began to plan their program, the lights were dimmed and Mrs. Davidson's dream was enacted, as she dozed in her chair. There appeared before her Mrs. W. M. Lange, robed in white, entered carrying a lighted candle, personifying the "Spirit of P. E. O". Then followed Mrs. Arthur Schaefer, Mrs. J. D. Palmer, Mrs. E. I. Sullivan, Mrs. Katherine Smith, Mrs. O. P. Brooks, Mrs. C. O. Thompson and Mrs. Forrest Page, wearing costumes of the 70's and characterizing the original seven founders, each giving a message of inspiration.

Tea was served at the close of the afternoon. There were given white starshaped favors, with centers of gold were used. When opened they revealed the names of the Founders. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. F. E. Clough, Mrs. W. B. Rohrer and Mrs. E. A. Finney .- Altabel Heard.

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#### THIS CHAPTER EXCEEDS 90%

Chapter HM, San Marino, is a chapter small in numbers but faithful in its contribution to war work. One member, who has been a devoted worker for the Y. W. C. A. for many years, has been very active in U. S.O. in the Los Angeles centers since that organization began to function. She had devoted 1000 hours to this service more than a year ago and received her gold pin in recognition of that service. At the present time, she has contributed over 2000 hours to the U. S. O. Centers.

Another star contributor to war work is a beloved charter member who has given unselfishly of her time since 1940 when she began as Chairman of Production for Bundles for Britain. There she put in long hours for the many months preceding Pearl Harbor. San Marino organized for Red Cross work immediately following the shocking news of that calamity and this faithful worker has served as Chairman of the Knitting De-

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partment ever since that organization. She finally admitted that she has spent a total of 5907 hours.

Now comes word of the new standard for war work, set up by the Government for P. E. O. members — "at least 90% of the membership doing war work." Yes, we have stars, but the whole membership? Of the twenty-six members of Chapter HM three are young women with new babies who naturally have first call on the attention of their Mothers. Of the remaining twenty-three members, twenty-two are active in some form of war work.—Helen Stevenson.

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#### BERTHA K. HOFFMAN A FIFTY YEARS MEMBER

Chapter EB, Santa Monica recently honored Bertha K. Hoffman, one of its members, on her fiftieth anniversary as a P. E. O. The meeting was held in the home of Vonie Gandy who was assisted in receiving by the honoree's daughter, Louise May Lownes, also of EB. The Chapter gift, a lovely golden bowl, was presented by Marion E. Clancy, Pres-

The Chapter gift, a lovely golden bowl, was presented by Marion E. Clancy, President, with words of love and recognition. The honoree, originally of Chapter F, Moulton, Iowa, replied with a brief resume of "The March of P. E. O." stressing her first convention of fifty years ago held at the home of Mrs. Jessie M. Thayer, Chariton, Iowa- She received many congratulatory cards and gifts from chapters she had assisted in forming in other states in the past.

The beautifully appointed table was centered by a large cake, decorated in yellow and white which was cut by Mrs. Hoffman amid a setting of spring flowers and golden bells gleaming in the candle light.

Guests of honor included Mrs. Ethel Desparois, Calif. Past President from Hollywood; Mrs. Ina Fox, State Corresponding Secretary, Beverly Hills; Mrs. Muriel Taft Shutt, President of Santa Monica Reciprocity Bureau; Mrs. Florence Fuller, GA Los Angeles; Dr. Lulu M. Steele, AG Hollywood; Mrs. Ralph Lamb, JQ Santa Monica; Mrs. Frank Sullivan, IT Santa Monica; Mrs. Esther Van Aken, Denver, Colorado. — Edna F. Armitage.

#### ILLINOIS

AN EDUCATIONAL DAY PROGRAM Chapter BG, Genoa, had a particularly interesting Educational day program which included both the Fund and the

which included both the Fund and the college. Letters were read from two of our

loan fund girls, Lt. Annette Heaton and Jane Jackman.

Lt. Heaton is with the American Nursing Corps some place in Italy; she was in North Africa for a year before being transferred to Italy. Her letter was extremely interesting.

Miss Jane Jackman is employed in the main branch of the Chicago Public Library. Her letter was both delightful and interesting.

Miss Jackman is the daughter of Mrs. W. H. Jackman a member of Chapter BG.

For the Cottey College program there were pictures shown of the college and its activities. Mrs. Pflaum gave a description of the pictures as they were shown by Mr. Roberts of the local high school faculty.

Before the picture reels were returned to the college they were shown at the high school in the hope of interesting girls in the college. Committees for the programs were Mrs. Wm. McCoy, Mrs. A. J. Duval, Mrs. M. G. Roberts and Mrs. K. Pflaum. — Eva Stewart.

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#### ANNUAL ROUND TABLE LUNCHEON

The annual meeting of the Past Presidents of the Chicago Round table was held Oct. 27, 1943 at a luncheon in the Wedgewood room at Marshall Field's tea room.

Chapter AU, Glen Ellyn, Dorothy F. Dickson (Mrs. D. L.) president, was the hostess chapter.

Miss Betsy A. Hanson, president of the Round Table presided and introduced Supreme Chapter officers, past and present; state officers, past state presidents; officers of the Round table and past presidents of the Round Table.

Mrs. Dickson, president of the hostess chapter, presided in the program.

A short recital was given by Mida Anderson, vocal soloist accompanied on the piano by Helen Morton.

Mrs. Ruth McAfee, Chapter CR, Wilmette, gave a delightful review of the book George Washington Carver by Rockom Holt. — Jeanette R. Myers.

#### A PROGRAM FROM "THE STORY OF P. E. O."

Chapter CT, East St. Louis, had an unusual and entertaining Founders' day program. Alta Ropiequet, who was in charge of the program, had dressed seven dolls in costumes similar to those worn by the Founders in pictures shown in the Story of P. E. O. The dolls were about inches in height. Their real hair nine was dressed in the fashion shown in the pictures and their dresses were trimmed in the same manner as those shown. Cardboard petticoats had been made, so that each doll stood erect on a table before the narrator as she spoke. Some of the intimate details of the founding of P.E. O. were given, taken also from the Story of P. E. O. The program brought the seven lovely girls who were our Founders very near to us.

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#### INDIANA

DAUGHTER OF CHAPTER PRESIDENT INITIATED

Chapter V, Indianapolis, had the pleasure of initiating its first P. E. O. daughter, Mary Jane Smith Lusher, (Mrs. W. H.), daughter of Mrs. Helen E. Smith the first president of Chapter V. The meeting was held at the Lincoln Hotel January 5, 1944, the first meeting of the new year. Mrs. Smith acted as president in the initiation of her daughter. Mary Jane is the recent bride of Ensign Wilfred H. Lusher, and they are temporarily at home in Cape May, New Jersey.

Chapter V has been interested in war activities, contributing generously to the local Red Cross Blood Donor's fund also the P. E. O. Victory fund, and recently donated cakes, cookies and money and acted as hostesses for a day at a service men's canteen in the federal building.

We are proud of our loan fund girl, Myra McDaniel, a senior at Milwaukee Downer College, who is maintaining a very high scholastic average as well as participating in extra curricular activities, such as president of Glee Club, Play workshop and acting as dormitory supervisor. — Helen Smith.

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#### IOWA

THE FOUNDERS' CHAPTER

Chapter Original A, the only chapter that is really seventy five years old celebrated Founders' day Jan. 21 at the home of Mrs. J. E. Vandagriff (Faith Williams, daughter of Carl Williams).

Fifty members enjoyed the dinner and the program that followed.

A candle lighting service in memory of the seven Founders of the Sisterhood the first members of Original A.

Alice Bird Babb, Mary Allen Stafford, Franc Rhodes Elliott, Alice Coffin, Ella Stewart, Suella Pierson Penfield and Hattie Briggs Bosquet was given in charge of Miss Grace Roberts. Mrs. W. F. Kopp (Clara Bird) niece

Mrs. W. F. Kopp (Clara Bird) niece of Alice Bird Babb, gave a talk about the founders with Mrs. Edith Willits playing soft music on the piano. As each founder's name was given, Miss E. Mae Grau, president lighted the candles in their memory.

The committee in charge of this founder's day dinner and program was Mesdames J. E. Vandagriff, D. D. Knight, C. Van Brussel, V. D. Morris, Stewart Jackson, Waldo Braden and Miss Grace Roberts.

Visiting members present were: Miss Margaret Phillips, new member of the Sarah Porter Beckwith Home; Miss Edith Ferguson, of the Army Nurses' Corps of near San Francisco, Calif., Mrs. Frazer of Wapello; Mrs. Hazel E. Hine, executive secretary; Mrs. Thelma Bedoes of Alta, Ia., who is the supervisor of nurses at the state hospital, Mt. Pleasant and Miss Truth Lamont, member of the Keokuk chapter.

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#### A COTTEY STUDENT INITIATED

Chapter BA, Colfax, had the pleasure of initiating into the sisterhood, Miss Miriam Weirick, who is a third generation P. E. O.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Nelle Weirick and the granddaughter of Mrs. Minnie Turner, both members of Chapter BA. An aunt, Mrs. Mary Burton, is also a member of Chapter BA.

Miss Weirick is attending Cottey College and is an accomplished flutist.—Minnie Sinske.

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#### NEWS OF CHAPTER DD, OF IOWA

Chapter DD, Boone, celebrated the fortieth anniversary of its organization October 19th, at the home of Mrs. Helen Longworth. The chapter was organized by Mrs. Dell P. Glazier of Ft. Madison at the home of Mrs. Gladys Brainard, now a member of the Iowa P. E. O. Home. An appropriate program was given consisting of vocal numbers by a quartette, Mesdames Maude Cooper, Florence Wilson, Blanche Sandell and Hazel Johnson; musical readings by Mrs. Elizabeth Irwin and violin numbers by Mrs. Mary Garvey. The organization and early history of the chapter were reviewed briefly by Mrs. Stella Hunter, a former member of the chapter. Several others joined in the reminiscing of chapter history.

Mrs. Laura Storms Knapp of Ames, Organizer of Supreme Chapter, was an honored guest. She brought greetings from that Chapter and gave a brief account of the Convention of Supreme Chapter held in Detroit.

Mrs. Maude Cooper, past president of Iowa State Chapter, presented corsages to three forty year members, Mrs. Mary Whitehill initiated into Chapter CF, State Center, Mrs. Ella Woodburn, initi-ated into Chapter Q, Des Moines and Mrs. Stella Hunter now of Chapter AA, Ames. Mrs. Knapp was also presented a corsage.

After the program a social hour was enjoyed. Refreshments were served from a beautifully appointed table.served Gwynne Ward. +

#### ACTIVITIES OF CHAPTER AL

Chapter AL, New Sharon paid tribute to our seven founders on January 17th with an appropriate program at the meeting in the home of Helen Sheridan.

Jessie Way as a sixty-niner in costume of that day portrayed the "Spirit of P. E. O." and exemplified the memory of the Founders in a candle lighting ceremony also telling of the origination of our Sisterhood and Helen Sheridan read an interesting paper on the "Personalities of the Seven" while Hattie Vickers spoke of the organization of Chapter AL and its early experiences, displaying pictures of many of our members taken "when our hearts were young and gay". Tea was served from a beautifully ar-

ranged table at which Jessie Way presided.

Chapter AL became a fifty year member of the Sisterhood on August 29, 1943.

One of our own charter members, Mrs. Lillian V. Hubbard, tho not with us now, still spreads her rays of light in Chapter F, California and we are honored to have in our midst the second initiate of our chapter, Hattie M. Vickers, who became a member of Chapter AL, December 11, 1893.

In recognition of Mrs. Vickers' fifty year membership we paid special honor to her in our program December 7 at a meeting in the home of Inez Stillwell.

Musical numbers written especially for her were sung by Alice and Bertha Hudson and a marguerite emblem guard was presented to the honoree with a clever original verse by Retha Osmond.

Mrs. Vickers responded in a gracious manner giving items of interest concerning the chapter's early days and bringing to a close a most pleasant evening .-Inez Stillwell.

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NEWS FROM HD, DES MOINES Chapter HD, Des Moines held its anniversary luncheon on April sixth at the home of Mrs. Lulu McMichael. Following the meeting a program was given closing with a book review of The Robe by Lloyd C. Douglas.

One afternoon a month following a morning meeting the chapter members have given at the Red Cross rooms helping with sewing and other work for the war effort.

In December we entertained the B. I. L's at a dinner after which we had an initiation of one B. I. L., followed by a program of games planned by the social committee.

Our membership has been enlarged by the initiation of three new members this year, Mrs. Eloise Youngerman, Mrs. Nancy Yates and Miss Marybel Jacobson daughter of our recording secretary Mrs. Helen Jacobson.

Our meetings have been well attended

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"The sea is calm tonight.

The tide is full, the moon lies fair Upon the straits; - on the French coast the light

Gleams and is gone; the cliffs of England stand.

Glimmering and vast, out in the tranquil bay." ... "Ah, love, let us be true

To one another! For the world, which seems

To lie before us like a land of dreams, So various, so beautiful, so new,

Hath really neither joy, nor love, nor light, Nor certitude, nor peace, nor help for pain; And we are here as on a darkling plain Swept with confused alarms of struggle and flight

Where ignorant armies clash by night." from "Dover Beach" -MATTHEW ARNOLD

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and the members have taken an active interest in the programs. Our president Mrs. Margaret Scott has kept the chapter interested and has added much to the significance of P. E. O. in the trying period of war.-Mertie D. Jones.

#### OUR YESTERDAYS

Chapter I, Keosauqua celebrated its 59th anniversary, Dec. 27, 1943 in an anniversary — Christmas party at the home of Mrs. F. M. McClurg.

At Chapter I's organization in 1884 it barely missed having Santa Claus for a guest since they were organized Dec. 26 the day after he left. "Our Yesterdays", a history of the

chapter's fifty nine years written by Mrs. Roy Overman, was read in her absence, by Mrs. S. M. Workman.

Miss Stella Sloan, 'the only charter member present, gave reminiscences of the "Grand Chapter" convention held in Keosaugua in 1888.

Another charter member, Mrs. Estelle Bonney Walker sent a letter from New York City where she spends a part of the year with her daughter Dr. Helen M. Walker of Columbia University. Mrs. Walker recalled many happy experiences of chapter life.

Effie McBeth Potter, wife of the late Dr. John Wesley Potter, an early initiate of the chapter, also wrote of the chapter's early history. Effie McBeth was corresponding secretary of the Grand Chapter in 1889 in the presidency of Effie Hoffman Rogers.

There was on display the scrapbook prepared by Mrs. Overman, a very inter-esting history of the chapter's activities particularly such as have been preserved in print.

The McClurg home was gayly decorated in the Christmas theme, and refreshments were served in keeping with the anniversary and holiday setting. An exchange of gifts was held. The committee in charge was Mrs. Roy Overman, chairman; Mrs. F. M. McClurg, hostess; Miss Stella Sloan, Mrs. Estelle Walker, Mrs. Ada Stong and Mrs. Katherine Folker.—Blanche Ovrom (Mrs. F.)

WHY ARE FOUNDERS REMEMBERED

Chapter K, Osceola, celebrated the 75th anniversary of P. E. O. at its Founders day meeting, Jan. 18, at the home of Mrs. Alice Johnson.

A beautiful candlelighting ceremony, "Why Do Our Founders Live", was read by Mrs. Mildred Gibson, assisted by ers: Miss Nellie West, Mrs. Leanore Senholz, Mrs. Lucille Abbott, Miss Edith Brown, Mrs. Eleanore Sanderson, Mrs. Minnie Heitz and Mrs. Zeta Burnett. Mrs. Gibson wore a flame red evening dress and those who represented the Founders wore white evening dresses. Soft music throughout the ceremony was sung by Mrs. Mary Banta and Miss Tot Scott.

Tribute was paid to those members who have been in the sisterhood fifty years or more: Mrs. Frances McDonald, Mrs. Libbie Ross, Miss Minnie Reeves, Mrs. Olive London, Mrs. Mary Simmons, Mrs. Viola Edwards and Mrs. Julia Robinson. Mrs. Robinson brought greetings from Chapter R, Cedar Falls where she has been a member for 55 years.

We are happy to learn that Miss Mary Margaret Simmons has joined a chapter in Evanston, Illinois. Mary Margaret is the daughter of a P. E. O., Mrs. Gladys Simmons and the granddaughter of our own Mrs. Mary Simmons and Mrs. Viola Edwards.

Happy Memories of earlier days was the topic of conversation during the interval of informal visiting, after which refreshments were served. Mrs. Minnie Hertz presided at the tea table.

The Committee in charge was: Mrs. Aletha McIntyre, Mrs. Helen Slaymaker, Mrs. Esther Stansell and Mrs. Hattie Touet.

#### A ONE WOMAN PROJECT

When Chapter Q, Des Moines, was organized in 1888 the name of Mrs. Ava Pickell Reed was on the roll of charter members. She came into Q by dimit from Original A.

Through the years Mrs. Reed has maintained her dignity of character and been a splendid example of a true P. E. O. Last year she became a "one woman" war work committee when she developed the idea of black-out candles. First melt-ing old candle scraps of all colors she molded them into delightful Roman stripe effects that can be useful and are decided-ly decorative. The candles were sold at chapter meetings, at first for whatever members cared to give, later for set prices according to size. All proceeds went into bonds for the Iowa P. E. O. Home and to date Mrs. Reed has raised the funds for five!

No one could do such an important piece of work without wide recognition and when a recent order for black-out candles came from the states of Washington and New York, Mrs. Reed real-ized she had orders literally from coast to coast.

Chapter Q is justifiably proud of this charming lady whose love and loyalty have done so much for her sisterhood .---Katherine Montgomery (Mrs. J. J.)

#### KANSAS

A THIRD GENERATION INITIATE Chapter Z, Goodland, Kansas, had the

pleasure of initiating, recently, Miss Aridith Ann Gettle, a third generation P. E. O. Aridith's mother, Mrs. Neta Dawson

Gettle, left our chapter to join the Chapter Eternal, in 1932. Her grandmother, Mrs.



Nora F. Dawson, has been a member of Chapter Z since 1916.

There was a luncheon in Aridith's honor preceding the initiation at the home of Mrs. Eva Arensberg. The president, Mrs. Pauline Higdon, presided. — (Mrs.) Edith Bridges.

#### KANSAS

#### CELEBRATES TWO EVENTS

Chapter AG, Newton, celebrated the 75 anniversary of the founding of P. E. O. in a meeting at the home of Mrs. W. H. von der Heiden.

Following the business meeting, Nellie von der Heiden, Chapter AG's sponsor and first President, 32 years ago.

Angelina Williams a charter member, Callie Hagan the first initiate, had charge of a beautiful candle lighting service, in memory of our Seven Founders, also lighting candles for the seven charter members of AG, three of whom are still

active in the chapter. During the business meeting we had initiation, using the same table that was used in the organization of the chapter in 1912. It was interesting also the meeting was held in the same house, in the same room in which the chapter was organized.

The entertainment committee, Mes-dames Lucille Puttroff, Freda Oliver, Lois Hetzel, Hattie Corby, Jane Buck, invited the ladies to remain for tea. Angelina Williams presided at the tea table. – Mary Getz (Mrs. J. O.)

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#### A DOUBLE CELEBRATION

Chapter BI, Minneapolis, observed the 75 anniversary of the founding of P. E. O. at an evening party, Jan. 27.

There was a candle lighting ceremony after which Mrs. Everett Lindsey presented to the chapter a framed picture of the Founders.

The program also included a review of the history of Chapter BI, since its organization March 9, 1921.

Yellow roses were given to the charter members who were present.

Refreshments, which included a birthday cake, were served.

The committee that arranged the evening celebration was:

Mrs. A. L. Hawkins, Mrs. Everett Lindsey and Mrs. C. A. Leisure. - Janet S. McNalley.

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#### MICHIGAN

#### A REAL PARTY IT WAS

Ann Arbor's three Chapters — W, X and G went "all out" for the 75 Anniversary of the beginning of P. E. O. We had a joint meeting on the evening of January 24th at the spacious home of our Bess Seeley of G and a grand celebration it was, too, with more than sixty members present.

The evening was divided into three phases.

First was shown a beautiful and picturesque tableau of the seven founders to the accompaniment of a descriptive reading by Geneva Satterthwaite and the lighting of seven candles in a tall candlelabrum. Chapter X, and Madeline Shiel, chairman of the program, are to be thanked for the success of this phase. The solemnity of these scenes was broken thereafter by an entertainment feature in charge of Gladys Hammett and her sis-ters in W, which turned out to be a real

Treasure Hunt with prizes for those with the most discerning eyes. We looked so long and so hard, and chatted so much in between that we were more than ready to be lead out into the dining room where the beautifully appointed table was in readiness to delight our eyes with its graceful centerpiece of spring flowers, and our appetites with tea and dainty sandwiches. . . . G's contribution.

So successful was the party that we hope we have established a custom joint meeting and party every year. -Virginia Kamman.

#### FOUNDERS' DAY IN DETROIT

A luncheon and program sponsored by the Detroit Co-operative Committee was held at the Statler Hotel, January twentysecond, in honor of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of P. E. O.

From 12:30 to 1:00 a reception was held in the foyer with the members of the State Board and officers of Co-operative in the receiving line. About three hundred seventy-five P. E.

O.'s and guests sat down to luncheon at tables centered with a gold star and gleaming candles. Each guest found at her place a beautifully decorated program, which had been made by Meda Ferguson, AU, and her committee.

Lucille Braley, F, led in the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" and "The P. E. O. Grace.

Seated at the speaker's table were: Gladys Doig, V, chairman of Detroit Co-operative Committee; Helen Kibby, B, State Pres-ident and members of her board; officers of Co-operative; Edna Plumb, AD, member of the Board of Trustees of the P. E. O. RECORD; Eva Boyle, J, a past State Pres-ident who gave the tribute to the Founders; Dorothy Livermore, member of post war planning committee of the Supreme Chapter; Dorothy Hemphill, AK, general chair-man of Founders' day and her committee chairmen who were responsible for the occasion.

Mrs. Doig presented Mrs. Kibby who gave a short resume of what P. E. O. has done in the past and challenged us by

asking what we will do in the future. A program, "Mr. Godey Presents" was presented by Mrs. Norma Harrison Thrower and Mrs. Marie Simmelink Kraft, of Cleveland. It was based on excerpts from Godey's Lady's Book. Appearing in authentic costumes — hoop skirts, bustles, crin-oline and lace, finger mitts and plumed hats - the two women sang songs and ballads and gave dramatic readings rem-iniscent of the Ninteenth Century.

It was, indeed, a very fitting way to celebrate the seventy-fifth anniversary of our Founding. - Olive R. Quirk (Mrs. M. J.)

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#### MINNESOTA

#### AN EFFECTIVE PROGRAM

Chapter AR, Faribault, has made some thing very special of every Founders' Day since we were organized sixteen years ago. On Jan. 20th this year, at the home of Esther King, a beautifully appointed dinner was served at 7-o'clock, one of the three we allow ourselves in war-time.

For this seventy-fifth anniversary, the pageant by Alberta Constant of E, Oklahoma, from the Nov. 1943 RECORD, was given most impressively under the direction of Helen Farrar. The effective light-

ing, the star-studded screen, the old-fashioned walnut table holding the rare sevenbranched candlestick, was a setting both simple and lovely. Adah Allen sang the old songs, accompanied by Ruth Traeger.

Afterwards, while the candles burned softly, a little nosegay of violets and rosebuds was laid at the foot of the candelabrum in memory of our own Ione Rustad, and these lines were read: "No funeral gloom, my dears, when I

am gone.

Think of me as withdrawn into the dimness,

Yours still, you mine.

Remember all the best of our past moments, and forget the rest.

And so where I wait, come gently on." - Harriet O. Andrews.

#### MISSOURI

#### A PATRIOTIC CHAPTER

Chapter AL, Maitland, has had for the years study, Our Latin American Neighbors.

The chapter and individual members have purchased war bonds. Two P. E. O. daughters, members of Chapter AL, are WAVES: Margaret Collison Aer. M 3/C Almeda, California; Dorothy Losell, R. M 3/C, Long Island, New York. Four sons and one husband are in the armed New York.

A son of Susan Davis is attending school in Chicago, Ill.

We have initiated Lora Weller, the young daughter of our president, Pauline Weller.

We celebrated our 39 anniversary at a party; and had a guest day, our only social events of the year. Katharine Collison.

#### THEY ARE TWINS

Chapter GA, Joplin, recently initiated Misses Audrey and Ellen Woods, daughters of the president Mrs. J. L. Woods.

The program for the year has been a study of our allies in the war, the people and their way of life. It has been an increasing program as one nation after another has joined the Allies. - Leah Burrow.

#### CHRISTMAS PARTY AND BRIDAL SHOWER

Chapter AM of Linneus, held its Christmas party on December 17. The party not only paid tribute to Saint Nicholas, but honored Miss Helen Neal, bride-to-be. The seven o'clock dinner was served at the Commercial Hotel. Following dinner the members and guests went to the home of Holly Hoover (Mrs. J. P.), where Helen Hoover, small daughter of the hostess, Hoover, small daughter of the noscess, played a piano solo. Geeda Christy, pastor of the Methodist Church, told the story of "The Other Wiseman" by Van Dyke. Myrtle Couch (Mrs. N. G.) sang two Christmas numbers accompanied by Von-Christmas numbers accompanied by Von-dell Grice (Mrs. C.). Miss Elizabeth Bates gave two piano numbers. The annual exchange of gifts followed. Then a large basket filled with packages was placed before Miss Neal. Lavenia Mace (Mrs. V. C.) formally presented the gifts with an original verse.

Miss Neal is a third generation P. E. O., her mother Mabel Neal (Mrs. J. R.) of Chapter AM, and her grandmother the

late Mrs. James Hamilton of Chapter R, Lacled, Missouri.

The party with its romantic interest and background of a home furnished in antiques was a most delightful one.

#### FOUNDERS' DAY PAGEANT

Chapter DW, Nevada, observed Founders' Day at the home of Mrs. Virginia House, with Mrs. Katherine McCaffree as assisting hostess.

The program of the day was a pageant "Yesterday Speaks to Today."

Mrs. House gave the prologue which gave the national and historic background of the time of the founding of P. E. O.

Mrs. McCaffree gave a brief sketch of the lives of the founders, and as the name of the founder was called, a representative robed in white satin came down the stair way and gave her response, lighting a candle. During the presentation the theme was further emphasized by patriotic songs and as the last speaker finished a large silk American flag borne by Virginia Lou House Jager was unfurled bringing the pagaent to a beautiful climax.

The founders were represented by Mrs. Lee House, Mrs. Mariana Logan, Mrs. Jane Berrley, Mrs. Thelma Whiteford, Mrs. Katherine Moss, Miss Dorothy Berrley and Mrs. Bonnie Zion, and the musical numbers were given by Mrs. Amy Logan and Miss Sara Logan with Mrs. Ruth Earp pianist.

Tea was served following the pageant. — Beulah Ballagh.

#### MONTANA

#### CHAPTER X HOSTESS AT TEA

Chapter X, Butte, sponsored a Founders' day tea at the home of Mrs. William O'Kelley. Chapter AC and G were guests and new members of the three chapters were happy to have an opportunity of getting acquainted. A short program was enjoyed and a candle-lighting ceremony given in memory of the Founders.

given in memory of the Founders. Our Reciprocity committee had been considering plans for a project in which we could all have a part and giving a tea proved to be a pleasant and profitable solution. Each member present contributed a dollar which was sent to the United Victory Fund as a gift from the three chapters. Probably other chapters might be interested in the idea. — Clara J. Sten (Mrs. F. J.)

## FOUNDERS' DAY IN GREAT FALLS

Chapter AH, Great Falls, was hostess to chapters I and Q also of that city at a dinner at the Rainbow hotel in celebration of the 75 anniversary of the founding of P. E. O.

Blanche D. Walker (Mrs. J. W.) junior past president of Supreme Chapter was guest speaker.

Mrs. Bertha H. Dodds, president of Montana State Chapter was an honored guest.

There were sixty present to enjoy the dinner and the program.

Arrangements for the event were made by Mrs. O. B. Parham, Mrs. Joseph Hodgson and Mrs. David Davidson.

In the afternoon preceding the dinner a pageant honoring charter members was presented by the hostess group. Reader was Mrs. L. A. Wallace, assisted by Mrs. M. J. Greely. Charter members were represented in costume by Mrs. Frank Bondy, Mrs. Ivan Allred, Mrs. E. W. Heule, Mrs. E. L. Dybdal, Mrs. H. K. Dickinson, Mrs. Don Suhr and Mrs. A. E. Farmer. Mrs. J. P. Greaves was pianist.

#### NEBRASKA

#### NEWS ITEMS FROM SOUTH SIOUX CITY

Chapter DE, South Sioux City, had the pleasure of being inspected by Mrs. Rebecca Lee in October, at the home of Mrs. Vera Murphy, our new president.

Vera Murphy, our new president. A dinner, preceded the meeting, at Green Gables Tea Room in Sioux City, Ia. Mrs. Lee gave an inspirational talk to the chapter.

On December 12, our chapter served a Sunday evening supper at the U. S. O. in Sioux City, Ia.

in Sioux City, Ia. On January 17, 1944, Shirley Smith, a daughter, was initiated. Shirley has an aunt and two cousins who are members of Chapter DE.

We have initiated five daughters into our chapter.

Every member has been doing Red Cross work and many other war activities. — Grace McKinley.

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#### NEW MEMBERS ON FOUNDERS' DAY

Chapter AR. Stromsburg, celebrated Founders' Day by having a special meeting at the home of Mrs. Irene Sharp. Mrs. Dorothy Christensen was initiated into the Sisterhood and Miss Althea Anderson was accepted by dimit from Chapter EA. Mrs. Alice Morrill presided at the business meeting. Following this a candle-lighting service paid tribute to our founders, presented by Miss Martha Smith and Miss Margaret Buckley.

The beautiful candelabrum, which had been given to Chapter AR in memory of one of its deceased charter members Mrs. Mitilda Netsell was used.

Luncheon was served at the close of the meeting — Mildred Ericson.

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TWO THREE-GENERATION GROUPS Chapter CR, Omaha, is proud of its two three-generation groups.

The first, Mrs. Cora Burdic, her daughter, Mrs. Gretchen Daugherty and the grand-daughter, Mrs. Janice D. Bachrach of Corpus Christi, Texas.

The second group, Adeline H. Mc-Culloch, a charter member of Chapter CR, her daughter, Mrs. Mary C. Nixon, president, Nebraska State Chapter, and the grand-daughter, Grace Adeline Nixon, a senior at Knox College.

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#### A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Chapter EJ, Creighton, honored Mrs. Lilles Turner on her eightieth birthday on Oct. 8, '43. Mrs. Turner is a charter member of Chap. EJ, — She presented the chapter with a lovely silk flag and now the flag is displayed at every meeting and the flag salute given — led by a different member. Miss Flora Brown, our president entertained at an anniversary dinner Dec. 6. Mrs. Lee of Fremont inspected our chapter, Oct. 28. — Verna J. Rice.

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#### NEVADA FOUNDERS' DAY PROGRAM IN NEVADA

To observe Founders' day, five chapters of Reno and Sparks, gathered in joint meeting at the Mary S. Doten school auditorium in Reno, on the evening of January 25, as the guests of Chapter B, Reno.

The program, arranged and presented by Mae Schweis and Mary Turner, was "Yesterday Speaks Today" (as given in the November RECORD) with authentic costumes and stage setting. The furniture, Civil War period, was lent by Harriet Mohr, B, and the music was furnished by Mildred Paterson, J, soprano, and Dorothy Herz, B, pianist. Taking part in the play were, Mae Schweis, B, who gave the prologue; Isabella Moulton, B, who lighted the candles in honor of our Founders; Gwen Overton as Alice Coffin; Ruth Ross as Suela Pearson; Harriet Metcalfe, as Alice Bird Babb; Sally Austin, as Hattie Briggs; Gladys Edlind, as Ella Stewart; Toby Morris, as Mary Stafford and Mary Turner, as Franc Roads. All who impersonated were members of Chapter B.

Kate Blakely, Vice-President of Chapter B, presided. She welcomed those present and spoke of the progress the Sisterhood has made during its seventy-five years of existence.

Refreshments were served from a table covered with a lace cloth over yellow, decorated with seven dolls dressed to represent the Founders, and candles and acacia blossoms carrying out our colors. — Adele Liddell.

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#### OKLAHOMA

#### TULSA FOUNDERS' DAY

Tulsa Chapters of P. E. O. celebrated the 75 anniversary of Founders' Day on January 18, 1944 with Tulsa's Central Committee in charge. A seven o'clock dinner was served in Boston Avenue Methodist church to more than two hundred guests with Mrs. Lida Rinker, chairman of Central Committee, presiding. Honored guests were Mrs. Nell F. Stephenson, chairman of the Record board; Mrs. Barbara Chamberlin, State President; Mrs. Margaret Lillibridge, State Treasurer, and Mrs. Jane Donohue, Corresponding Secretary. Many additional guests attended from Skiatook, Collinsville, and Bartlesville.

An inspiring program prepared by Alice Denton of N and directed by Gaye Gilbert of AK reviewed the early lives of our Founders. Those who had part on the program were Mrs. Cecil Traband of BA, who sang "Founders' Day Song" and "To Our Founders," as soloist; Mrs. Jean Thomas of N, harpist, and Mrs. Bess Gowans of BA, pianist. Mrs. Romaine Green of CB was narrator. Seven members of Tulsa daughter's Chapters, Jeta Rutherford, Janet Gaash of DG, Betty Mannon, Mary Alice Shidler of DE, Sue Fisher, Wilma Guthrie of DH, and Irene Brinkley of DC, seated on a stile, represented our Founders. A single large cathedral candle burned in memory of the seven Founders.

The story of the establishment of our projects was presented by five members, each of whom as she entered lighted her taper from the cathedral candle, and placed it in a candelabrum. They were: Mrs. Estelle Johnson of AK, dressed in a costume of '89, represented the establishment of The RECORD; Mrs. Lizzie Bell Leatherwood of BL, costumed in the style of 1904, represented The Educational Loan Fund; Mrs. Juanita Smith of BL in a costume of 1927, represented The Memorial Library; and Mary

★ THE P. E. O. RECORD

Louise Whitely of DG, a student of Cottey College, dressed in the style of 1927, represented Cottey College. Our War projects were presented by Mrs. Isla Tustison, dressed as a Red Cross Nurse.

A white-robed Helen Beatty carried a marguerite torch as she sang "Symbols." At the close of the song she passed the torch to thirteen-year old Romaine Green, Jr. who represented the P. E. O. of the future.

As the flag was lifted by Mrs. Grace Wade of CC, the audience stood to sing "God Bless America." — Rebbecca O. Nelson, BL.

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#### OKLAHOMA

#### ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

Chapter A, Okeene, celebrated its fortieth anniversary Dec. 3, 1943 at a luncheon at the home of Alice Grennell.

Two charter members, Mrs. F. A. Luder and Mrs. E. R. Black, are still members of Chapter A, and with Mrs. Fred Mehew of Kingfisher, they were honored guests.

Two of the early initiates of the chapter shared as honor guests, Mrs. F. B. Allen and Mrs. J. A. Norris.

Much of the success of the day was due to the plans made by the chapter president Mrs. O. E. Durham.

Between courses, there was assembly singing led by Mrs. T. G. Rice, Mrs. H. V. Witt and Mrs. A. C. Mertz.

As the birthday cake with its lighted candles was brought in, Mrs. C. C. Wisdom paid tribute to the memory of the first president of the Oklahoma State Chapter, Mrs. Emma Boardman, and one of the leaders in assembling the charter list for the first chapter in the state.

The chapter history, and a very interesting history it is, was given by Mrs. F. A. Luder (Hope Luder) a past state president of Oklahoma. Chapter A has had three state presidents, Mrs. Boardman, Mrs. Luder and Mrs. F. W. Hoyt.

Mrs. E. R. Moss sang Our Yesterdays and the program closed with assembly singing Now the Day is Over.

#### FOUNDERS' DAY IN TORONTO

The three Toronto, Ontario, chapters joined in their annual Founders' day tea at the University Women's Club, on January 22. The formal meeting was in charge of Chapter A - Mrs. Ruth Jane, the President presiding.

Members of Chapter C were responsible for the program and the Memorial Service, with their newly initiated members taking part. The monologue was beautifully read by a guest, Mrs. Lucille Deming, of Alhambra, California, and Mrs. Helen Carswell sang "Through the Years." We were also favored with two vocal numbers by Mrs. Winnifred Scott of Chapter C, formerly of Winnipeg, Man. Mrs. Mildred Wilson accompanied her-

The tea table was presided over by Mrs. Margaret Burke of Chapter B, while other members of Chapter B acted as tea hostesses.

We were delighted to have Mrs. L. Deming of Alhambra, Cali. and Mrs. E. McDonald of Vancouver, B.C. as our guests on this happy occasion. — Jean Anderson.

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#### OHIO

#### MUSICAL BENEFIT SPONSORED BY CHAPTER AT OHIO

Chapter AT, Mansfield, is fortunate in having two talented musicians in its membership, Mrs. Margaret Hall and Mrs.Thurza Hazeltine.

For our first money raising project we sponsored a duo-piano concert featuring Mrs. Margaret Hall and Miss Thelma Reed, both piano instructors, assisted by Mrs. Thurza Hazeltine, a voice instructor.

Over 400 tickets were sold by our chapter, which has only fourteen members.

The following program was given: Sonata in D Major (Mozart), Allegro Con Spirito, Andante Con Moto, Allegro Molto, by Margaret Hall and Thelma Reed; Care Selve (Handel); DePuis le Jour, from "Louise" (Charpentier), by Thurza D. Hazeltine; Andante and Variations, Op. 46 (Schumann), by Margaret Hall and Thelma Reed; I Am Thy Harp (Woodman), A Birthday (Woodman), Prayer (Guion), My Garden (Hall), The Star (Rogers), all by Thurza D. Hazeltine; Coronation Scene from "Boris Godounow (Moussorgsky), Arabesque No. 2 (Debussy), Le Nuit (Nocturne) (Rachmaninoff), Espana (Chbrier), Rhapsody in Blue (Gershwin), all by Margaret Hall and Thelma Reed.

My Garden is a poem by Mary Seneff, music by Margaret B. Hall, dedicated to Thurza Hazeltine. — Vera Cummins.

#### PENNSYLVANIA

#### A NEW CHRISTMAS EMPHASIS

Chapter I, Philadelphia, gave to its annual Christmas meeting, December 20, special significance this year. Added to the customary carols, candlelight and P. E. O. fellowship was an underlying consciousness of reason for chapter being in the world of today. Following a custom of many years, toys and usable clothing were brought for distribution to the Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind. The third chapter-made afghan of the year was made ready for presentation to the Red Cross. Instead of the customary exchange of gifts, chapter members substituted "white ele-phant" packages from home. Money or-dinarily spent on gifts was used to buy special soldier gifts to be distributed by the chapter's overseas member, Red Cross Hospital Worker, Frances M. Barksdale, to service men who might not receive Christmas packages from home. As a climax to the meeting, twenty-five dollars was voted to the P. E. O. Victory Fund. In keeping with the mood, a special Christmas program was planned by Elizabeth McLeod in cooperation with the hostess, Thelma Brown. Evelyn Martin sang several solos; Ellen Johnston gave the history of a number of carols; and Maroa Baily read several appropriate selections — all in their usual delightful manner. Christmas cookies, ice cream, more carols, the season's greetings — and the chapter was already looking forward to next Christ-mas. — Leah Knox Kevlin.



#### PHILADELPHIA'S FOUNDERS' DAY

Chapters E, H, & I, Philadelphia, observed Founders' Day January 18, with luncheon at Gimbel Brothers' Tea Room. Seventy members, including several unaffiliated members attended.

The program was in charge of Chapter H, whose president, Mrs. Mildred S. Keesey, presided. She chose Stars as her theme and read an appropriate poem. She introduced Mrs. Clara Weakley, president of Chapter E, Mrs. Bertha Weinhold, who represented the president of Chapter I and Mrs. Merle Stanhope, first president of Chapter H. All responded using Stars as her theme.

State officers were then presented,

President Mrs. Marion Blaine; 2d Vice President Mrs. Yolande Judge; Rec. Sec. Mrs. Ellen Johnston; Treasurer Mrs. Mildred Keesey.

We had the pleasure of having as guests:

Miss Eva G. Denny, a charter member of Chapter J, Washington, Iowa; Mrs. Pote of Wilmington, Del., first president of the first chapter in Delaware; Mrs. Ina Taylor, past State President of North Da-



Left to right, charter members, Mrs. Fred Mehew, Mrs. E. R. Black, Mrs. F. A. Luder

kota, who recently has dimitted to Chapter E and Mrs. Bugby of Chapter A, Wisconsin.

A unique feature was the presentation of P. E. O. pioneers, Miss Eva G. Denny of Chapter J, Washington, Iowa, 59 years a P. E. O.; Mrs. Maude Stewart, Chapter H, Philadelphia, 58 years a P. E. O.; Mrs. Elizabeth Ross, Chapter H, Philadelphia, 54 years a P. E. O.; Mrs. Kate Marquis, Chapter H, Philadelphia, 55 years a P. E. O.; Mrs. Bugby, Chapter A, Wisconsin, 53 years a P. E. O.

Out of town guests were each asked to stand, give her name, chapter letter, and length of time a P. E. O. Much merriment was caused when a response of two months was given and in a few minutes, fifty nine years' wealth of P. E. O. experience was expressed.

In memory of Mrs. Ada Stiles of Chapter I, memorial hour was conducted by Mrs. Cornelia Hester and Mrs. Lena Skaggs.

The chorus of Chapter H sang "The Lord's Prayer" by Milotte, and at another time in the program sang "Estrellita" by Ponce.

The candle lighting service was in charge of Mrs. Merle V. Stanhope who directed the pageant "Yesterday speaks to Today." Against a background of blue, on which glistened many stars, the candles in flower holders made an impressive setting.

After an introductory speech Mrs. Merle Stanhope called the two pioneer members to the front, Miss Denny to light the candle of Love, and Mrs. Bugby lighted the five candles representing Faith, Love Purity, Justice and Truth. From the Love candle small tapers were lighted down the entire length of the tables, making a lovely sight as they burned throughout the service which followed. Mrs. Dorothy Keesey sang "Love's Old Sweet Song" after which Mrs. Myrtle Hess gave the prologue and Mrs. Velma Downs was the speaker. The seven Founders were represented by:

Alice Virginia Coffin by Mrs. Dolly Collison; Suela Pearson, Mrs. Clara Diller; Alice Bird Babb, Mrs. Rachel Higgins; Hattie Briggs, Mrs. Phyllis Corke; Ella Stewart, Mrs. Patsy Thomas; Mary Allen Stafford, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanhope; Franc Roads, Mrs. Jean Durant.

During this ceremony Mrs. Jane Drew and Mrs. Dorothy Keesey sang appropriate songs.

At the close of the program the American Flag was placed in front of the stars and they sang "God Bless America", and then joined hands in an unbroken chain to sing "Blest be the Tie that Binds." Mrs. Grace Phelps gave the benediction. — Mary S. Jackson (Mrs. W. B.)

#### + SOUTH DAKOTA

#### NEWS FROM O, MADISON

Chapter O, Madison, had the pleasure of initiating two P. E. O. daughters, at a special meeting on Dec. 4, 1943.

The two sisters, Dorothy A. and Mary E. Sherwood, were initiated at the home of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Sherwood. Both girls are attending College.

Following the meeting a dessert luncheon was served by the officers, honoring the two initiates.—Ella K. Larsen.

#### P. E. O. FIRST AID CLASSES

Chapter AV, Watertown has an interesting project this year. Two qualified first aid instructors Mrs. Vern Wohlheter and Miss Florence Bruhn, following the regular meetings give to the members instruction in first aid. At the close of the series of lessons every member of the Chapter is eligible to take the examination for a First Aid certificate,—Eva Nelson.

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## MRS. RUBURTUS, STATE PRESIDENT, HONORED

Chapter W, Wagner gave a reception in November in honor of the State President Constance Ruburtus (Mrs. F. J.). Neighboring chapters, AG, Platte, AO, Armour and AZ, Tyndall were guests. The president of Chapter W, Virginia

The president of Chapter W, Virginia Stedronsky welcomed the guests and presented Mrs. Ruburtus. She recalled Mrs. Ruburtus service to P. E. O. first as selecting the charter list of Chapter W, then for two years as chapter president, later her work on the state chapter and finally her election as state president. All presidents of the guest chapters spoke briefly and presented gifts to their state president.

A delicious tea was served later in the afternoon.

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#### FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

Chapter C, Tacoma, in connection with the Founders' day program gave honor to the oldest member Mrs. Rose Sulliger.

to the oldest member Mrs. Rose Sulliger. In responding to the tribute given her, she told of how happy her parents were, when as a student at college in York, Neb. in 1885 she was invited to be a P. E. O. At that time the initiation fee was three dollars, which represented a financial problem, she said, in a poor minister's family. The cash income in those days was both meager and uncertain. However, realizing what membership in P. E. O. meant to her at that particular time and knowing what it would mean in future years, the fee was forthcoming and she became a member of the first chapter in Nebraska, organized by Lilly Smith (Brocht) Feb. 14, 1885.

Chapter C feels that whatever P. E. O. has meant to her in her 59 years of membership, for all that she has compensated by her own gracious personality.

To us she is the living personification of the ideals for which P. E. O. stands.

#### + WISCONSIN

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SEVENTY-FIVE GUESTS

Chapter AO, Rhinelander, gave a tea January 15. We felt we had been in the community long enough to give interested people, if they wished, an opportunity to ask questions about our fine organization. The fact that P. E. O. is 75 years old was alone sufficient reason for celebration: The January issue of the RECORD arrived in ample time for us to place the cover, artistically arranged with greens, at eye level on the door of the Recreation Room of the Congregational Church where the tea was held.

Each member invited two guests. The chapter invited representatives of all clubs and organizations that were not covered by the two-per-member guest list.

An exceptional program simplified the ice breaking. Miss Dolly Bishoff, whose hobby is dolls brought her collection of 500 from Ashland to entertain our 75 guests and selves. She talked about them informally. — Ruth S. Bump.

#### WISCONSIN'S NEW CHAPTER

Chapter AS, Milwaukee, was organized December 4 at Kenwood Methodist Church with Mrs. Amy Waterpool, Wisconsin State Organizer presiding.

The following members assisted with initiation: Mrs. Leone B. Schroeder, Chapter I, Vice-President; Mrs. Grace B. Rowe, Chapter W, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Jewell O'Leary, Chapter Q, Treasurer; Mrs. Emeline Barr, Chapter W, Chaplain; Mrs. Vera Thorn, Chapter W, Guard; Mrs. Vera Thorn, Chapter W, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Mildred Stickney, Chapter A, South Dakota, Pianist.

Charter members by initiation are: Freda K. Morin (Mrs. Harry); Paula Parsons (Mrs. George T.); Alberta E. Smith (Mrs. Edward E.).

Others on the charter list are: Mary S. Barber (Mrs. F. D.), Lana S. Hellerman (Mrs. R. O.), Mary Rowe Brewer (Mrs. P. E.), Opal Hubbell (Mrs. R. S.), Ernestine P. Henderson (Mrs. J. L.), Marjorie L. Pierson (Mrs. Ray L.), Dorothy J. Thomas (Mrs. Theodore), Lucile J. Ireland (Mrs. E. B.), Miss Mary G. Gibson. Illness prevented Hattie Dickinson (Wm. E.) Chapter AK, Kenosha from being on the charter list.

A resume of the pre-organization history of the new chapter was given by Mary Barber who had worked for many months not only to assemble the charter list but to help these women, strangers in a large city, to become well acquainted before uniting in one P. E. O. chapter.

Among the guests welcomed by Mrs. Waterpool were: Mrs. Edna Sanborn, Chapter M, Colorado, mother of Mary Barber; Mrs. Edith Handy, Chapter FT, Iowa, mother of Opal Hubbell; Mrs. Mary Scherff, Chapter V, Illinois, mother of Alberta Smith; Miss Mildred Stickney Chapter A, South Dakota, sister of Marjorie Pierson; Mrs. Leone B. Schroeder, Wisconsin State President; Mrs. Grace B. Rowe, Mrs. Leona Koepke, Miss Margaret Sipley, past presidents of Wisconsin State Chapter; the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the Milwaukee, Wauwatosa and Waukesha chapters.

The following officers were elected to serve Chapter AS, for the coming year; President, Mary Barber; Vice-President, Mary Brewer; Recording Secretary, Lana Hellerman; Corresponding Secretary, Freda Morin; Treasurer, Marjorie Pierson; Chaplain, Dorothy Thomas; Guard, Opal Hubbell.

The officers were installed by Leone Schroeder, Wisconsin State President. Following installation of officers, luncheon was served in the church dining room to sixty guests. — Vera M. Thorn.

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The empires fall, and kings envision terror,

Tho men of might succumb to fear and rout,

Tho wise men prattle, seized by final madness,

Tho priests are palsied, prophets yield to doubt,

Tho hope is dim, and faith goes blindly limping,

As Hunger stalks and Death leaves many a sting, The gods still live, and Beauty still

The gods still live, and Beauty still abideth —

Across the waking hills arrives the Spring! — Thomas Curtis Clark.

# P. E. O.'s in Uniform

#### WAVES

Miss Alberta Bess Hollstien, DF, Starton, Nebraska, in training Mid shipmen's school, Northampton, Mass.

Miss Helen McGowen, y 3/c, B, Bloomfield, Iowa, stationed Naval radio, New Orleans, La.

New Orleans, La. Betty Jane Moore, S 2/c, N. A. S., Olathe, Kansas, Chapter W, Wheaton, Minnesota.

Ensign Mary Frances Carhart, GA, Des Moines, Iowa, Naval Communications school, Mt. Holyoke college, Hadley, Mass.

Ensign Mildred McCarrel (Mrs. Ted), BW, Jefferson City, Mo., shipbuilding company, Wickley, Penn.

Ensign Ann Grier, N.N.C., E, Monmouth, Ill., U. S. Naval Hospital Quanteio, Va. Margaret Collison, Aer. M. 3/c, Aero-

Margaret Collison, Aer. M. 3/c, Aerographers office, U. S. N. A. S., Alameda, Calif. Member AL, Maitland, Mo. Ensign Ruth C. Gilmore, BO, Colorado Springs, Colo. Moffet Field Calif. She is

Ensign Ruth C. Gilmore, BÓ, Colorado Springs, Colo. Moffet Field Calif. She is the daughter of Mrs. Ruth C. Gilmore, president of Colorado State Chapter and R. J. Gilmore, who is mayor of the city Colorado Springs.

#### USO

Miss Aletha Worrall, Assistant Staff Officer, U. S. O., in Charge of Programs, Monterey, Calif., member HT, Pacific Grove, Calif. Miss Catherine Garrett, AJ, Fremont,

Miss Catherine Garrett, AJ, Fremont, Neb., head librarian West Garrison library, Camp Roberts, Calif.

#### MARINES

Corp. Virginia E. Lupper, CB, Larned, Kan. Reproduction department Marine Corps, Quantico, Va. Irene J. Lane, Member IJ, Des Moines,

Irene J. Lane, Member IJ, Des Moines, Iowa, Private in Marine Corps Womens Reserve, WR Battalion Area, Co. .A, Barrack 65, Camp Lejeune, New River, N. C.

Corp. Margaret E. Muir, M, LaMoure, N. Dak.; stationed at Marine Corps Base, San Diego, Calif.

#### WAC

Major Mary S. Bell, member of Cedar Rapids, Iowa P. E. O Chapter. Former Dean of Women, Coe College.

Pvt.-first class Barbara R. Bayless, M, Cleveland, Ohio. Army Air Force, Big Springs, Texas.

Springs, Texas. Miss Carolyn Airy, JY, Alhambra, Calif., a 702 701 Wac detatchment, So. Post, Fort Meyer, Va.

#### SPARS

Ensign Doris Larimore, Chapter U, Rogers, Ark., Coast Guard air station, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Miss Helen Elizabeth Reed S/1/C, ES, Burbank, Calif. U.S.C.G. Supply Depot, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Miss Nancy Gingsbury, DX, Sioux City, Ia., is in training with the SPARS at Palm Beach, Florida.A S 1/c Ship's Co., Coast Guard Reserve, U. S. Navy, studying teletype in the Communications Dept.

#### MARCH, 1944 \*

#### A. R. C.

Miss Helen Margaret Smith, BP, Indianola, Iowa, now in India. Assistant program director, recreational field. A third generation P. E. O.

Mrs. Lois S. Johnson, HT, Pacific Grove, Calif., assistant chief, personnel administration to Armed Forces. Her duties take her from coast to coast as she accompanies groups of Red Cross overseas personnel to the various ports of embarkation.

Miss Lora Todd, EF, Independence, Kan., in training American University, Washington, D. C.

Miss Mary Coleman, A, Loveland, Ohio, Assistant director of program and recreation, now somewhere in Great Britain. She is the daughter of Dr. J. M. and Mrs. Julia Coleman, her mother the first president of Ohio State Chapter.

Miss Ada Charlotte Pagenkopf, Chapter BA, St. Paul, Minn., Recreational Director for A. R. C. in China. She was previously in India.

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The real measure of a man's character is what he would do if he knew that he would never be found out. — McCauley.

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There never has been a thirty hour week for men who have anything to do. — Charles Kettering

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"I know a place where the shadows are deep

And rest is a glorified Heaven."

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Iva G. Murphy, M.D., Member of Chapter DD, P. E. O., Aurora, Illinois, who is a Past Ass't Surgeon in the U. S. Public Health Service, has recently been ordered to Washington, D. C., where she is assigned to the Health Dept. of the District of Columbia. In private life, Dr. Murphy is the wife of Capt. A. W. Hill, Medical Corps, U.S.A., who is stationed in North Africa, assigned to malaria control work.

# Courtesies to P. E. O. Relatives in Service

COURTESIES TO P. E. O. RELATIVES IN SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The RECORD is very pleased to carry courtesy notices from chapters concerning P. E. O. relatives in military service, as has been done in all issues of the magazine since December 1941.

Notices as brief as possible are requested.

Because the number of such notices has run into the hundreds and because new notices come every month, the RECORD trustees have adopted the policy that governs other notices published in the RECORD, that is one free insertions and charge made for *repeated* insertions as explained in "Important notice Information" at the head of the regular Notice column.

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Chicago Round Table wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. sons or relatives in service in the Chicago area. Address Mrs. J. M. McAllister, 8100 South Blackstone Ave., Chicago 19, Ill.

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Minneapolis Reciprocity Committee will be happy to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed in Minneapolis area. Address Mrs. Ralph Clem, 3343 East Calhoun Blvd., Minneapolis, Minn. Phone Regent 3125. If stationed in New York, notify Mrs. Joyce Miller Berckmann, 241 Cliff Ave., Pelham, N. Y.

Chapter BH, Modesto, Calif., will be happy to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives located at Hammond General Hospital, Modesto and at Naval bases at Vernalis and Crows Landing. Address Mrs. F. O. Hoover, 165 Santa Rita Ave., Modesto, Calif.

The St. Louis Cooperative Board wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in the Armed Forces stationed in the St. Louis area. Please send names to Mrs. R. P. Johnson, 6314 Waterman, St. Louis, Mo. Phone Ca. 6314.

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P. E. O. chapters of Pueblo, Colo. wish to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in service at the Munitions Depot or the Air Base near Pueblo. Please send names to Mrs. J. Vinson Adams, 2204 Grand Ave., Pueblo, Colo.

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Please send names of P. E. O. relatives in service in Nebraska to Mrs. R. G. Simmons, 2927 Plymouth, Lincoln 2, Neb. State Chairman War Activities. Chapter JC, Westwood Hills, Los Angeles 24, Calif., would be happy to know of P. E. O. relatives stationed in this vicinity. Please send names and addresses to Mrs. D. A. Seibert, 1070 Glendon Ave., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

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Tulsa Reciprocity wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in the Tulsa area. Address Mrs. L. E. Lindsay, 1515 S. Denver, 3-8765.

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Little Rock Cooperative board wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in the Armed Forces stationed in the Camp Robinson area, also to unaffiliated P. E. O.'s living in this vicinity. Address Mrs. G. S. R. Sharp, 910 N. Spruce St., Little Rock, Ark. Phone 3-1072.

The Sioux Falls, S. D. Reciprocity board wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed at the Army Technical school in Sioux Falls. Send names and addresses to Miss Ella Royhl, 320 S. Prairie Ave.

The P. E. O. chapters of Buffalo, N. Y. wish to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed in the Buffalo area. Send names and addresses to Miss Laura King, 63 Claremont Ave., or Mrs. D. K. Segur, 18 Lexington Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

The Denver advisory board wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed in this vicinity. Address Mrs. Richard Osenbaugh, 560 Circle Drive, Denver, Colo.

The Lincoln Round Table will take pleasure in extending courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in service in the Lincoln vicinity. Please send names to Mrs. Hazelle Miller, 4514 Hillside, Lincoln, Neb.

Amarillo Council wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed in this vicinity. Contact Mrs. Wesley Prosser, 921 Rusk St., Telephone 2-0690.

Members of Chapter A, York, Nebraska wish to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in service stationed at the Fairmont Air Base. Please send names to Mrs. Russel Nettleton, R.F.D. 1, York, Nebr.

Chapter N and A, Green Bay, Wisconsin, wish to extend courtesies to relatives of P. E. O. 's, who are stationed at St. Norbert's College in De Pere. Contact Mrs. R. H. Risdon, 1025 Emilie, Green Bay or Mrs. Park Taylor, 942 N. Broadway, De Pere, Wis.

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Please send names of relatives at B. H. O. D. Provo, S. D. to Mrs. Carrie Dengler, Edgemont, S. D.

Chapter K, Prosser, Wash. cordially invite all members of P. E. O., who are strangers in that city to visit the meetings of Chapter K. Please contact Mrs. Myra Nelson, Phone 1163.

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Chapter A, New Haven, Conn. wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in military service stationed in New Haven. Contact Miss Grace Eckelbery, 1285 Boulevard. Phone 5-4773.

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Chapter N, Douglas, Wyo., wishes to be notified of the names of relatives of P. E. O. members, stationed in the U. S. Army at Douglas.

Chapter O, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives who are attending the school at the local airport. Address Mrs. Del Rowland, 321 Drake St., Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.

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Chapters Q and AR Lewiston, Idaho wish to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed in Lewiston or vicinity. Address Mrs. George Wiliamson, 1019 Ninth Avenue or Mrs. M. B. Mikkelson, 1004 Fourth Street.

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Chapter AN, Van Nuys, Calif. will be pleased to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed in this vicinity. Please send names to Mrs. H. C. McDaniel, 14217 Gilmore St., Van Nuys, Calif.

Chapter JW, Vista, Calif. wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives stationed at Camps Vista and Pendleton. Please send names to Mrs. Grace Bracken, Vista, Calif.

Whittier Reciprocity wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in the Armed Forces stationed near Los Angeles. Please contact Mrs. O. A. Redman, 302 E. Beverly, Whittier, Calif. Ph. Whittier 413-591.

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Camp Chaffee — Courtesies extended by Chapter F. Address Mrs. W. W. Vaught, Box 665, Fort Smith, Ark.

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Detroit Cooperative Committee will be happy to extend courtesies to relatives of P. E. O.'s stationed in the Detroit area. Please send information to Mrs. Gordon S. Brown, 19241 Lancashier Rd., Detroit, Mich.

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Wichita, Kansas P. E. O. council wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. sons and other relatives in service in the Wichita area. Address Mrs. R. W. Cramn, 357 N. Delrose, Phone 48281.

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Chapter T, Schenectady, New York wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in service in this city. Please send names to Mrs. W. M. Nelson, 1374 Dean St., Schenectady, New York.

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Please send names of P. E. O. relatives in service in Nebraska to Mrs. R. G. Simmons, 2927 Plymouth, Lincoln, Neb., state chairman War activities.

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Chapter E, Monmouth, III. will be pleased to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives at the Naval Flight Preparatory School, Monmouth college. Address Mrs. Mona H. McGinnis, 309 N. 2 St., Monmouth.

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Chapter AZ, Wayne, Nebraska, wishes to extend courtesies to P. E. O. relatives in service who are stationed at the 349 College Training Detachment located here. Please send names to Mrs. J. M. Strahan, Wayne, Nebraska.

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Chapters A and B of Memphis, Tenn. will be glad to extend courtesies to sons and husbands of P. E. O.'s, also WAVES and WACS. Address or call Mrs. Lera E. Browne, Forest Park Hotel Apts., Memphis, Tenn. Where all men think alike no one thinks very much. — Walter Lippman

No man has good enough memory to make a successful liar. — A. Lincoln.

She went her way alone and built her own lonely altar. She must have been a very Jacob for wrestling with God; but after her youth she didn't wrestle anymore, she merely walked with Him and leaned on Him when she was tired. It is a good thing He was there for she was often tired and she had no one else to lean on. — Lanterns on the Levee by William Alexander Percy.

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"Every man is a missionary, now and forever, for good or for evil, whether he intends or designs it or not. He may be a blot, radiating his dark influence outward to the very circumference of society; or he may be a blessing, spreading benediction over the length and breadth of the world; and a blank he cannot be. There are no moral blanks; there are no neutral characters. . . Being dead or alive, every man speaks." — Thomas Chalmers.

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There is no list of casualties Nor any way to tell The wounded and the missing When word-bombs fell. —S. R. B.

## P. E. O. Personals

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Brake (Emily Brake) of Geary, Okla. celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Jan. 7, 1944. Mrs. Brake is a past state president of Oklahoma P. E. O. They are well known and honored members of their community.

Miss Phyllis DePew, GQ, Inglewood, Calif. is listed in the 1943-44 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She is a senior in the Santa Barbara State College. She is prominent in student activities; president of the Home Economics department; president of the Gamma Delta Chi sorority; a member of Kappa Omicron, national honorary home economics frater-nity; chairman of Activities Board of the Student Council and a member of the Crown and Scepter, honorary senior women's organization.

Mrs. Edith Zimmerman, F, Kansas City, Mo. has been appointed parliamentarian of the American Nurses association. Mrs. Zimmerman is a professional parliamentarian, not a practicing amateur.

Miss Margaret Triplett, EP, Storm Lake, Iowa has been appointed director of the Norwich Art School at Norwich, Conn. For a number of years she had been instructor in the school previous to her becoming director.

Mrs. Eleanora Davis Crawford who was listed in the January Record among Senior Members of P. E. O. writes to say that she was initiated in October 1871 while a student at Iowa Wesleyan. This year marks Mrs. Crawford's 73rd year as a member of the Sisterhood. Her address is still Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Mrs. Lulu Weaver Avery, a member of Chapter D, Chicago, is a well known antiquarian, an authority in particular on coverlets. She is author of *Heir-looms* from *Old Looms* which is a book of authority on the subject. She is one of the four founders of the Coverlet Guild, which has chapters in many parts of America.

Mrs. Avery is a niece of the late Lulu Corkhill Williams and was named for her.

Chapter G, Long Beach, California, is proud to be represented on the faculty of the University of Alaska by one of its members, Miss Dorothy Holverson.

Dr. Holverson is a graduate of Pomona College, Claremont, Calif. and received her M. A. degree from Claremont Colleges two years later. The degree Doctor of Education was granted her by Colum-bia University and in September, 1943, she went to Fairbanks as Assistant Professor of English.

Mrs. May Young Mullen, Chapter DJ, Chicago made the columns of Hobbies, in this interesting hobby.

"May Young Mullen, Chicago collector, reports a new idea for hobbies. She takes old sterling silver match boxes and has them mounted on a neck chain like a locket. In them she carries coins, keepsakes, and they make a fine depository for rings. These silver match boxes are still available at almost any antique shop. Sometimes they can be had in gold."

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Raney (Bessie R.), (who is second vice president of Supreme Chapter) spent some weeks in Sebring, Florida, at Kenilworth Lodge, during January and February.

Carrie B. Simpson (Mrs. Howard E.), president of Supreme Chapter spent two weeks in Florida in February, with her son, Major Robert B. Simpson, who was in the United States for a short leave after overseas duty.

The sophisticated New Yorker recently carried the story of a little hobby horse that Helen Park, Chapter P, New Ro-chelle, N. Y. had made as a favor at her child's first birthday party. One of her friends took it to Schwartz toy store in New York City to ask if they thought it to be as clever as she did.

The hobby horse clicked and orders came not only from New York stores but from Philadelphia and other nearby cities.

She started with a child's party and ended in big business at least as big as she can manage "help being what it is".

High dignitaries of the Episcopal church gathered in Colorado Springs, Colorado, on January 11, for the consecration of the Rev. Harry S. Kennedy, rector of Grace Church, as bishop of Honolulu. The bishop's headquarters are in Honolulu, at St. Andrews Cathedral and he will supervise the work of the Episcopal church in the Hawaiian and Samoan Islands.

Mrs. Kennedy is a member of Chapter CE, P. E. O., Colorado Springs.

Mrs. Reuben E. Knight, Chapter AH, Alliance, Neb. is a candidate for the office of Historian General on the ticket of Mrs. Samuel James Campbell, in the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. The election will take place in April.

Mrs. Bourke B. Hickenlooper, wife of the Governor of Iowa is a recent initiate of Chapter HM, Des Moines, Iowa.

Chapter M, Cleveland, Ohio has nineteen sons, one brother, one daughter and one grandson in service. They range in rank from private to a Major General.

Dr. Kathleen W. Langston, Chapter L, New Westminster, B. C. is now at the plastic unit of Park Prewett Hospital at Basingstoke, Eng., where her husband, Dr. R. Langston, is assistant surgeon to Sir Harold Gillies. They were en route to England for post-graduate study when war was declared and have been working for the British Government there.

When the ambulance from the chapters of Canada went to England it was Dr. Kathleen Langston who presented it to a Canadian hospital in the name of the P. E. O. Sisterhood. It will be remembered that the Supreme Chapter convention in session in Victoria voted \$1000 toward the ambulance.

"There are no hopeless situations, there are only men who are hopeless about them.'

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#### BRINGING EACH HER GIFT

Each brings her gift to P. E. O., Enriching thus her sisterhood; Of mind, or hand, or heart aglow, Each brings her gift to P. E. O. From this united strength outflow Far-reaching energies for good. Each brings her gift to P. E.-O., Enriching thus her sisterhood. -Harriet R. Bean, HS, Iowa-

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"A speech to be immortal need not be eternal.

Chapter Eternal

It is lonesome everywhere, my friend. — Gene Fowler in "Good Night Sweet Prince."

- ADY, Amy (Mrs. Henry), BP, Indianola,
- Jowa, Jan. 8, 1944. Age, 80 years.
   ATWOOD, Miss Birdie, BG, Springfield, Missouri. January 25, 1944.
   BAILEY, Mrs. Louise, AO, Fairbury, Neb.
   Lon 25, 1044 age, 81 years. Initiated Jan. 25, 1944, age 81 years. Initiated
- 1906 BARROWS, Mrs. Nettie, O, Helena, Mont. Dec. 30, 1943. Age 83 years.
- BEDFORD, Nora (Mrs. E. W.), charter
- member AU, Fayette, Mo. Dec. 25, 1943. BIGELOW, Bird (Mrs. C. G.), charter member DL, New Hampton, Iowa. Jan. 21, 1944.
- BELL, Mrs. Minnie, CZ, Jefferson, Iowa, Dec. 18, 1943.
- BOSLEY, Miss Iva, B, Morgantown, West
- BOYER, Gertrude Harlan (Mrs. W. G.), BD, Long Beach, Calif. Dec. 23, 1943.
  BROOKING, Mrs. Cora, AT, La Belle, Mo. Jan. 5, 1944. For 18 years record-ing correctory of the chapter.
- ing secretary of the chapter. CASS, Leila Bentley (Mrs. C. D.), Z,
- Waterloo, Iowa. Dec. 25, 1943.
- COLLINS, Mrs. Ella, charter member I, Wahoo, Neb., Jan. 28, '43. CONE, Ianthe (Mrs. L. H.), BL, Seattle,
- Wash. Sept. 11, 1943. CONRAD, Mary N. (Mrs. J. F.), V, Des
- Moines, Iowa, Jan. 9, 1944. COOPER, Mildred A. (Mrs. Douglas), charter member M, Douglas, Ariz. Jan.
- 24, 1944.
- EMERY, Mrs. Emma, X, Centralia, Wash. Nov. 26, 1943.
- FEE, Gertrude (Mrs. Ira B.), Z, Mis-soula, Mont. Initiated C, Cheyenne, Wyo.; charter member Chapters H and
- Z, Missoula, Mont. Jan. 3, 1944. GAMBLE, Mrs. Ruby Parsons, M, Knoxville, Iowa. Jan. 15, 1944.
- GOOD, Ida (Mrs. E. E.), AU, Peru, Neb.
- REGG, Mary K. (Mrs. A. E.), IA, Sioux City, Iowa, died Jan. 1944 in Ne-braska P. E. O. Home, Beatrice, Neb. GREGG, where she was a paying guest.
- GROVES, Mary Louise (Mrs. Frank W.),
- V, Lebanon, Ore. Jan. 19, 1944. HALDEMAN, Mrs. Annie, charter member AT, La Belle, Mo. Jan. 8, 1944, age 79 years.
- HARROWER, Ella Church (Mrs. O. J.) D, Chicago, Ill. Dec. 8, 1943, age 94 years. Initiated 1917.
- HARTER, Mrs. Emma, BV, Hobart, Okla. March 24, 1943.
- HEINY, Mrs. Florence, ES, Northwood, Iowa, Dec. 17, 1943.
- HELM, Miss Margaret, AY, Webb City, Mo. Jan. 20, 1944.
- HOCKADAY, Sarah U. (Mrs. Edwin), Y, Kingfisher, Okla. Jan. 12, 1944. She held influential position in church, social and financial circles.
- HOOD, Lola (Mrs. C. R. Sr.), DA. Bowling Green, Mo., Dec. 12, 1943.
- JOHNSON, Beulah (Mrs. A. M., Jr.), BE, Spirit Lake, Iowa. Oct. 10, 1944.
- JACKSON, Mrs. Margaret, F, Indianapolis, Ind. Dec. 31, 1943.
- KASSON, Edythe, (Mrs. W. H), BO, Colorado Springs, Colo. Jan. 21, 1944.

- KITTERMAN, Ada (Mrs. S. A.), charter member, HR, Ottumwa, Iowa. Jan. 25, 1944.
- LACEY, Elizabeth (Mrs. Lyman), Y Havana, Ill., Dec. 17, 1943, age 80
- LATIMER, Emma (Mrs. W.), CE, Alhambra, Calif. Feb. 2, 1944.
- LAWRENCE, Miss Margaret, A, Minne-
- apolis, Minn., Dec. 25, 1943. LEIB, Mrs. Laura Buriff, C, Seattle, Wash.
- Feb. 6, 1943, age 86 years. LEWIS, Bessie (Mrs. C. E.), CH, Yates Center, Kan., Dec. 14, 1943. LOGAN, Mrs. Grace Boynton, C, Wash-
- ington, D. C. Jan. 2, 1944. For 45 years she was a leader in club and patriotic organizations. Initiated in P. E. O. in 1913. She was a relative of U.S. Presidents Hayes and Garfield and was a close friend of Mrs. Grover Cleveland. During those administrations was a frequent guest at the White House. MANSELL, Mrs. Ada, BV, Hobart, Okla.
- Nov. 6, 1943.
- MAYNARD, Billy Ann Pennington, wife of Lt. Maynard, D, Chicago, Ill. Dec. 7. 1943, age 22 years. She was a third generation P. E. O. member.
- McCORKLE, Susie (Mrs. C. M.), DA, Hastings, Neb. Jan. 8, 1944.
- MEEK, Mrs. Nora E., AB, Bonapart, Iowa. Jan. 22, 1944. Initiated 1891, when under the old lettering the chapter letter was
- K A P. E. O. member 53 years.
  MOON, Anna (Mrs. L. N.), BC, Long Beach, Calif. Dec. 9, 1943.
  NULL, Mrs. Innis, charter member, F, Huron, So. Dak. Oct. 20, 1943.
  RATTON, Carrie Stille, charter member
  A University Mo. New 2, 1043.
- A, Unionville, Mo. Nov. 2, 1943. Initiated in the first chapter organized in the state of Missouri 1886.
- RICHARDSON, Mrs. Lottie, EL, Webster
- City, Iowa. Feb. 5, 1944. ROBARDS, Phigenia (Mrs. Jesse), char-ter member AU, San Antonio, Texas. Jan. 2, 1944. RUSSELL, Florence E., B, Fort Myers, Fla.
- Nov. 6, 1943.
- SCHAEFER, Effie (Mrs. B. K.), charter member CG, Curtis, Neb. Dec. 29, 1943.
- STEELE, Miss Lois, S, Port Huron, Mich. Jan. 31, 1943.
- SCHOLTE, Mrs. Leonora, BU, Pella, Iowa. Dec. 6, 1943.
- SHERMAN, Miss Flora, former president AF, Chicago, Ill. May 7, 1943.
- SHOPP, Bertha (Mrs. F. B), Plattsmouth, Neb. Jan. 9, 1944.
- SULLIVAN, Alta (Mrs. W. P.), C, Fairfield, Iowa. Jan. 21, 1944.
- SWENGEL, Harriette (Mrs. M. L.), BI, Shelton, Neb. Jan. 6, 1944.
- STINE, Mrs. Mary Fiske, AU, Ottawa, Kan. Jan. 1, 1944.
- SMITH, Mrs. Jennie, BJ, Oklahoma City, Okla. May 18, 1941.
- TYNDALE, Ada, AB, Central City, Neb. Dec. 16, 1943.
- WARD, Florence E. (Mrs. T. J.), Disbanded chapter G, Grand Rapids, Mich. Aug. 16, 1943.
- WHITACRE, Mrs. Olive, AL, New Sharon, Iowa. March 4, 1943. A member since Dec. 27, 1893.
- WORMHOUDT, Elizabeth Elliot (Mrs. H. D.), D, Chicago, Ill. Initiated BU, Pella, Iowa, 1908. Died Jan. 18, 1944. President Chapter D 1926-1930. President Chicago Round Table 1927-1929, which has a delegate membership of 56 chapters.

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- tle fronts today.
- Where bondage bargains freedom for the souls of men,

More than man's substance must be lost or won again.

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- wars can cease. Nor less with arms than faith, in war we
- pray for peace. "God's kingdom come, that His will may on earth be done''!
- Then only will the last, sure victory be won.

- Prudence Tomlinson Lyle, HR, Iowa

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## Marriages

Miss Josephine Harkness, AW, Ka-hoka, Mo. to S. W. Drummond, Dec. 13, 1943. At home, 6618 Seville Ave., Hunt-

ington Park, Calif. Gertrude Grocsfma, W, Mountain Home, Idaho to Thomas J. Stephenson, Dec. 23, 1943.

Miss Bettie Abbie Duncan, BL, Grant City, Mo. to Lt. Earl Vance Kirkland, Nov. 22, 1943. At home, 595 Guenther, New Braunfels, Texas.

Miss Evelyn Ovrom, I, Keosauqua, Iowa, to Ensign John A. Manning, Dec. 25, 1943. At home, State College, Penn.

Miss Gracia Lou Arnold, IG, Keokuk, Iowa to Keith C. Atterberg, U.S.M.S., May 10, 1943.

Miss Hannah Van Nostrand, IG, Keokuk, Iowa to Otto M. Bowling, August 19, 1943.

Miss Frances Anderson, AG, Winterset, Iowa to Lt. Ray Brock, Dec. 8, 1943.

Mrs. Ethelda Coulter, JJ, Santa Ana, Calif. to Frank Leslie Rutter, Dec. 29, 1943.

Miss Mary Langland, AM, Nevada, Iowa to Kenneth L. Hardy, U.S. Naval

Reserve, Dec. 24, 1943. At home, 350 Elm St., New Haven, Conn. Miss Marjory M. Clark, BX, Salina, Kan. to John Franklin Culver, Nov. 19,

At home, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia. 1943. Miss Helen Ida Neverman, M, La-Moure, N. Dak. to Lt. R. F. Wilson, Cherokee, Iowa, July 10, 1943.

Miss Susan Houston, K, Osceola, Iowa to Pfc. James M. Green. Mrs. Green is taking dietetic internship, Minnesota

University hospital. Miss Mary Dorothea Short, BA, Gresham, Ore. to Frank Park Gilmore, Nov. 24, 1943.

Miss Betty Ann Tinsley, Y, What Cheer, Iowa to Forrest E. Brown, Nov. 19, 1943.

Miss Ada Beth Poor, CG, Pueblo, Colo. to Maurice D. Bragg, Jan. 8, 1944. At home 718 W. 13th St., Pueblo, Colo.

Miss Betty Dunning, F, Greybull, Wyo. to D. W. Swearingen, Jan. 3, 1944.

Miss Ruth Annis Chapman, AC, Aurora, Nebraska to Lt. Gomer E. Tudor, December 11, 1943.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Axton, EF, In-dependence, Kan. to Lt. Warren Gaughn, Jan. 14, 1944.

Miss Eleanor Gregory, DY, Omaha, Nebraska, to Campbell Elliott Kropp, AMM 2/C, U. S. Navy, Nov. 24, 1943. Mrs. Marjorie Gilbert, DY, Omaha, Nebraska, to J. H. Rylen, Jan. 8, 1944. Miss Laura E. Koop, P. Washington, D. C. to Edward D. Merikle, Jr., Oct. 23, 1943. At home El Rancho Amisto, North Harrison Road, Tucson, Arizona. Miss Mary Ellen Stoeber, DU, Chi-cago, Ill. to Ensign William Richards,

July 30, 1943.

Miss June Mathews, FY, Chicago, Illi-nois to Dr. H. B. Jubelt, December 27, 1943. At home 1640 W. Adams St.,

Miss Marion Schmidt, GC, Avoca,
Iowa to Lt. John Loucks Dillinger, Air
Corps, U. S. Army, Dec. 12, 1943.
Miss Virginia S. Haynes, U, Canton,
S. Dak. to Charles C. Cone, Jan. 2, 1944.
Miss Carolyn Loutzenheiser, AW,
Contenheiser, AW, Gothenburg, Nebraska, to Lt. Elton Hedstrom, Jan. 9, 1944.

Miss Mary E. Hannah, J, Riverside, Calif. to Ensign Orin S. Thresher, Jan. 3, 1944.

Miss Mary Helen Wilson, BX, Salina, Kan. to Donald Hayman, June 27, 1943. At home 717 S. 10th St., Salina, Kan.

Miss Helen Porter, F, Plattsmouth, Neb. to Leonard Van Spronssen. At home North Platte, Neb.

Miss Helene Perry, F, Plattsmouth, Neb. to Paul Iverson, Dec. 27, 1943. Miss Jeanne Kurtz, HI, Iowa City,

Iowa, to Lt. Frank Seydel Jr., Jan. 10, 1944.

Mrs. Marie Butterly, EN, San Francisco, Calif. to J. W. Poindexter, May 22, 1943. At home 1110 Cavanaugh Way, Sacramento, Calif.

Miss Olive Elizabeth Barnett, Z, Orchard Homes, Missoula, Mont. to Robert H. Rice, December 18, 1943. The bride is a daughter of Elizabeth T. Barnett (Mrs. L. R.) past president of Montana State Chapter.

Miss Virginia Ann Lewis, ER, Benkelman, Neb. to Ensign Lewis Boyd Humphrey, U. S. Naval Air Corps, July 29, 1943.

Miss Elizabeth Perry, B, Ft. Myers, Fla. to S/S Lee Romeis, Jan. 1, 1944. Miss Lucretia Peacock, W. LaJunta,

Colo. to Lt. Robert H. Grigsby, U. S. Army Air Corps. At home 216 E. 5th St., LaJunta, Colo.

Miss Helen Neal, AM, Linneus, Mo. to P. J. McGreger, Dec. 20, 1943.

Miss Dorothy Newell, BK, Emmets-burg, Iowa to John D. Welch, Jan. 2, 1944.

Miss Betty Lee Brammeier, AD, Lakewood, Ohio to George A. Sheets Jr., E. M. 3/c, Dec. 21, 1943.

Miss Margaret Genevra Faber, Chap-ter HN, Ames, Iowa to Mr. Paul C. Dawson, September 4, 1943. At home, 890 S. Corona, Denver 9, Colorado.

Miss Marianne Studt, DA, Indepen-dence, Kansas, to Lt. Marion E. Postlethwaite, January 26, 1944. At home tem-porarily, Elizabethton, Kentucky where the bridegroom is stationed at Fort Knox.

Miss Marjorie Bestor, HS, Newton, Iowa to Donald E. Pohl, Dec. 27, 1943. At home 615 N. Dubuque, Iowa City, Iowa.

Miss Evelyn F. Pollock, CS, Laredo, Mo. of the WAVES, to Russell M. Bassett, Seaman 2nd class, Aviation Machinist Mate, Nov. 21, 1943.

Miss Mildred Reed, AA, Helena, Mont. to George William Pate, Jan. 14, 1944. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Charlotte Reed, past president North Dakota State Chapter. At home 11004 Riviere Place N. E., Seattle, Wash.

Mrs. Cora Amidon, DF, Toledo, Iowa to Bruce Hayes, Nov. 1, 1943.

Miss Marion Louise Heyer, FH, Sum-Miss Marion Louise Heyer, FH, Sum-ner, Ia. to Frank Lee Miller, Jr., August 25, 1943. At home, Beaman, Iowa. Miss Margaret Wescott, FH, Sumner, Ia., to Wayne E. Ebert, Nov. 11, 1943. Mrs. Sara Bennett, Chapter AY, Estherville, Iowa to Dr. W. H. Kender-ding May 13, 1043.

dine, May 13, 1943. At home Spencer, Iowa.

Miss Mary Louise Bailey, ES, Burbank, Calif. to Lt. James Courtney Jones, Aug. 28, 1943.

Miss Helen Hamilton Neal, AM, Linneus, Missouri, to Philip John MacGregor, December 20, 1943.

Miss Marion Melham, AV, Watertown, So. Dak., to Lt. (j.g.) Ross Orvatt, U. S. Navy, Oct. 12, 1943.

Miss Barbara Crankhite, U, American Falls, Idaho to John Morris, Pfc. on Thanksgiving Day 1943.

Miss Miriam Nelson, T, Schenectady, N. Y. to C. Foster Aldridge, Jan. 29, 1944. At home 493 Avondale Rd., Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Mildred Miller, DN, Topeka, Kan. to Roy E. Brizendine, Dec. 10, 1943. At home 2214 Maryland, Topeka, Kan.

Miss Jeanne Danielson, AV, Clyde, Kansas to Captain Samuel Wortham Jr., Jan. 1, 1944.

Miss Martha Adelaide Heacox, GF, Britt, Iowa to Ensign Glen A. Bergan, U. S. N. R., January 22, 1944.

Genevieve Nolan O'Hair, USNR, Chapter I, Greencastle, Indiana, to Walter Andrew Kee, USNR, December 2, 1943

Miss Elsie Beryl Sharp, C, Little Rock, Ark., to Lt. j.g. Kenneth Goss Jones, Medical Corps, U. S. N., Jan. 15, 1944. At home 141 Belle View Dr., San Leandro, Calif.

Miss Gertrude F. Berggren, I, Wahoo, Neb. to Capt. Edwin J. Smith, Oct. 28, '43.

Miss Lottie O.. Klotz, I, Wahoo, Neb. to John Lindley, Feb. 4, '44.

Miss Edna Ann Malone, B, Roswell New Mexico, to Lt. Elmer Leroy Schwarz, Jan. 1, 1944.

Miss Jean Schoenberg, AK, Dayton, Ohio, to Robert W. Weist, Jan. 15, 1944. At home, Muroc, Calif.

Mrs. Daisy Hamit, BO, Arkansas City, Kan. to Samuel Stevenson, Jan. 23, 1944. At home, 231 E 46th St., Kansas City 2, Mo.

Lt. (i.g.) Mary Barnes, Women's Re-serve U. S. N., EJ, Eagle Grove, Iowa, to Lt. William Pitts Baxter, U. S. N. R., Feb. 3, 1944.

Miss Beatrice Elizabeth Johnson, C, Nashville, Tennesse, to Harold A. Meedel, December 26, 1943.

Miss Marilynn Griffith, BN, Omaha, Neb., to Lt. Elmer Nelson Stein, stationed at Garden City, Kan.

Miss Norma Helen Cole, AE, El Reno, Okla to Lt. Anthony John Muntner. Feb. 5, 1944. At home, 832 East Drive, Oklahoma City, Okla.

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