

Des Moines Women's Club

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Regular Minutes (Original)

October 1906

June 1907

Officers

President	Mrs. F. W. Mitchell
First Vice President	Mrs. A. E. Shipley
Second Vice President	Mrs. E. W. Brown
Recording Secretary	Mrs. C. E. Hunn
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Wm. Woodburn
Treasurer	Mrs. G. D. Ellyson

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Reports were then given by Mrs. Robert Fleming, chairman of the property committee and Mrs. F. W. Vorse of the Printing Committee.

- Mrs. Carrell, retiring president, in a most tactful address spoke of some of the faults of the club, many of its graces and possibilities and urged more concerted action. Mrs. W. F. Mitchell in accepting the gavel brought a message of cheer that thro loyalty

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and faith in each other, we may in the near future have a home for the pictures as well as the club.

The chorus gave two numbers, "In May," and "Water Nymphs," by Rubenstein, after which the club adjourned to the parlors where the new officers received the hand of fellowship and all were served to dainty refreshments. The new dishes and table appointments recently purchased by the club together with flowers, palms, fresh new furnishings of the rooms added much to the pleasure of the day.

Three hundred members and eighteen visitors were present.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

Oct. 3, 1906

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October 17, 1906.

At the instigation of the Board of Directors the regular three o'clock session of the Des Moines Womens Club gave place to a general visitation of the factories of the city by the club women, hence the meeting was called at 7:30 P. M. in Shrine Temple, Mrs. W. F. Mitchell in the chair. Minutes of October 3d read and approved.

The program in charge of the Art Department with Mrs. Welker Given, chairman, being along the line of civic improvement it had been thought best to extend the hospitality of the club to those interested in beautifying and helping the growth of the city. Miss Ellis sang two numbers, after which Mrs. Marion Treadway of Dubuque, Iowa, proved in a most practical but masterful address, the highly important place, civic art holds in municipal affairs. After another song by Miss Ellis, Mrs. W. T. Johnston outlined the work of the Art Department for the coming year. Mr. Luthe, President of the Greater Des Moines Committee talked on what we are going to have in Des Moines.

Mrs. Bicknell, of the Mail and Times told of some of the little but very important things each of Oct. 17, 1906.

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us can do toward beautifying the city. Mr. Nye of the News spoke of the success to be attained by united concentrated effort. Mr. Lafe Young, Jr., of the Capital, reminded us that Des Moines has some historic spots which should be commemorated. Mrs. Ogilvie of the Mid-Western complimented the city on its promising young men. Mrs. Treadway added a few words of advice and encouragement, and the meeting adjourned leaving a larger confidence between the club and the city, and a hope of greater usefulness the one for the other.

Nellie N. Hunn
Recording secretary

October 17, 1906.

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Promptly at three o'clock the meeting of the Des Moines Womens Club for October 31, 1906, was called to order by the president. The minutes of October 17th were read and approved. Following an announcement of the 7th District Convention to be held at Guthrie Center early in November, Mrs. Carrell moved the chair appoint two delegates to represent the Club. The President appointed Mrs. Gardner Cowles and Mrs. Edith Payne Parsons.

Among other announcements Mrs. J. C. Davis, chairman of the Entertainment Committee spoke especially of the Witherspoon Concert to be given November 30th at Shrine Temple by the Club.

Mrs. Edith Parsons, chairman of the afternoon, which was in charge of the Social Economics and Civics Department, introduced Miss Charlotte Goff who gave an illustrated talk on the slums of Des Moines. Dr. Luther Stevens told of some of the sanitary conditions he had met in the homes of the poor in our city, and

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Mr. Kepford spoke of the anti-tuberculosis movement.

Mrs. W. H. Bailey moved the Des Moines Womens Club contribute \$100.00 to the work of the Associated Charities of the city. The motion found a hearty response and was unanimously carried. After the program the club adjourned to the parlors where the Department dispensed hallowe'en refreshments from an appropriately decorated dining room and table.

One hundred seventy-four members present and fifty-three guests. Dorr receipts, \$12.75.

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Secretary

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Shrine Temple, November 14 1906.

November 14, 1906, was Social Day for the Des Moines Womens Club. The meeting was held in Shrine Temple with no program, the time being given entirely to social intercourse. Mesdames Jno. Briar and Harvey Ingham were in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. H. L. Carrell presented the guests to the officers of the club.

In the dining room the table was beautifully decorated with white chrysanthemums and green foliage, thus carrying out the club colors which were noticeable in the refreshments as well. Mesdames F. W. Cherry, J. C. Davis, F. J. Will and E. B. Steere presided over the coffee and chocolate urns.

One hundred seventy-five members and three out of town guests present.

Nellie N. Hunn
Sec.

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Shrine Temple, Nov. 28, 1906

The Des Moines Womens Club met in Shrine Temple with ninety-six members and fifty-four guests present. The minutes of October 31st and November 14th were approved as read.

Miss Richey, with Miss Irma Day as accompanist, gave two very delightful violin numbers. Mrs. A. B. Morse as the club delegate to the City Federation made a report. Mrs. Harsh announced the meeting of the Music Department for December 5th and Mrs. Ellyson called attention to the change of By-laws in regard to club dues. Dr. Jessie Ritchey De Ford, chairman of the Philosophy and Science Department, in a most eloquent introduction presented Prof. Carl Emil Seashore of the State University of Iowa who talked on Hearing, A Study in Experimental Psychology, demonstrating his experiments with the audiometer.

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Nov. 28, 1906.

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The Musical Department with Mrs. F. D. Harsh as chairman entertained the Des Moines Womens Club at its regular session December 12, 1906, with a delightful musical matinee. The first part of the program, consisting of numbers by the chorus, Mesdames Haines, Hesse, Pray and the Misses Richey and Dorr, was greatly enjoyed, but the principal feature of the afternoon was the rendition by the club chorus of Hoffman's cantata, "The Song of the Norns."

The chairman read a synopsis of the cantata which was sung under the direction of Mrs. D. F. Givens, with Miss Edna Tilton and Mrs. Grace De Graff as soloists, Mrs. Frank Cummins accompanist, and Miss Emma Richey violinist.

The minutes of November 28th were read and approved. On motion of Mrs. J. C. Cummins a letter of sympathy and greeting was instructed to be sent Miss Gilcrest, in her bereavement, from the club.

Light refreshments were served. Two hundred fifty-one members and fifty guests were present.

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December 12, 1906.

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January 2, 1907, at the Shrine Temple occurred the regular meeting of the Des Moines Womens Club, the president in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Wallace moved that a letter of sympathy from the club be sent Mrs. Isaac Hillis in the death of her daughter.

The Home and Education department **was** in charge of the afternoon. Miss Edna Tilton with Mrs. J. T. Barnette accompanist sang three numbers. Mrs. Jno. F. Riggs, the chairman, introduced Prof. H. H. Seerley, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, who spoke in a most masterly way of the Greater Problem of Education. Mrs. Wallace and Miss Hopper followed with brief remarks and the meeting adjourned.

Door receipts, \$4.25. Seventy-five members and seventeen guests present.

Mrs. Burbank, of Chicago, Illinois, a former club member was guest of the club.

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Jan. 2, 1907.

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January 30, 1907.

Regular meeting of the Des Moines Womens Club convened at Shrine Temple at three o'clock. The minutes of January 2d and January 16th were read and approved. Mrs. Henry Hirsch, chairman for the afternoon, which was under the direction of the Art Department, introduced Prof. Chas. Weller of the Iowa State University, who talked on "Athens Old and New" showing by the aid of the stereoptican not only the ruins of her historical past but also how the spirit of modern enterprise is pervading the classic borders of ancient Greece. Refreshments and a social time followed the program. One hundred seventy-five members and thirty-five guests were present, and the door receipts were \$7.15, there being four guests from federated clubs.

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A regular meeting of the Des Moines Womens Club was held in Shrine Temple, February 13, 1907, with Mrs. A. E. Shipley, vice president in the chair. Minutes of January 30, 1907, were approved as read. The Social Economics and Civics Department was in charge of the afternoon with Mrs. P. B. Durley as chairman. The program consisted of a group of patriotic songs by Miss Ila Mount, a double vocal number by Mrs. Piper, and an address on "Abraham Lincoln at Washington in 1854" by Mr. Welker Given of Des Moines. A pleasant social time, with tea and wafers followed. 103 members, Mrs. Joseph A. Brown of Chariton, and Mrs. Bertha Tubbs Patrick of Red Oak, and four members of the Grand Army of the Republic were present. Door receipts, \$2.50.

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Shrine Temple, February 27, 1907

Des Moines Womens Club met for its annual business meeting in Shrine Temple, February 27th at 2:30 o'clock. The minutes of February 13th were read and approved. The secretary reported there were one hundred six votes cast for election of the Directory Board and that Mesdames W. H. Bailey, F. W. Bicknell, E. W. Brown, H. L. Carrell, E. H. Carter, Lowell Chamberlain, Gardner Cowles, P. B. Durley, G. D. Ellyson, Robt. Fleming, Theo. L. Grefe, Henry Hirsch, H. S. Hollingsworth, C. E. Hunn, Wm. McHenry, W. F. Mitchell, A. E. Shipley, Clinton Nourse, Henry Plumb, W. O. Riddell, Webb Souers, T. F. Stevenson, S. S. Still, F. W. Webster, Wm. Woodburn, were the twenty-five receiving the highest number of votes. The verifying committee, thro its chairman, Mrs. Theo. L. Grefe, reported the above list as correct, and they were declared elected.

Mrs. Vorse, chairman of the committee to count the ballots for election of delegates to the State Federation meeting reported Mrs. Shipley withdrew her name which left the list as follows:

Delegates,- Mesdames Mitchell, Carrell, Bailey,

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Durley, Still, Ellyson, Hunn.

Alternates,- Mesdames Bicknell, Cowles, Chamberlain, Brown, Prouty, Riddell and Cokenower.

Mrs. Vorse suggested that next year the name of the president be printed in the ballot.

The treasurer, Mrs. Ellyson, gave her report.

Mrs. Carrell, of the Finance Committee, reported the treasurer's accounts accurate in every detail and the club as greatly indebted to Mrs. Ellyson for favors and assistance in making loans. On motion of Mrs. Wallace the reports were adopted. The Club proceeded to the election of officers. The informal ballot for president showed that sixty-three votes were cast, fifty-one of which were for Mrs. Mitchell. Mrs. Carter moved that the informal ballot be made formal and Mrs. Mitchell be elected by acclamation. There was no dissenting votes and Mrs. Mitchell was elected. On the informal ballot for first vice president, sixty-six votes were cast, Mrs. Shipley receiving the highest number. Mrs. Carrell moved the rules be suspended and Mrs. Shipley be elected first vice president. Mrs. E. W. Brown, having received the highest number of votes on the informal ballot for second vice presi-

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dent, was upon motion of Mrs. Carrell elected by acclamation. Upon motion of Mrs. Walker the rules were suspended and Mrs. C. E. Hunn was reelected secretary.

On motion of Mrs. Grefe, Mrs. Ellyson was in like manner reelected treasurer, and on a similar motion of Mrs. A. B. Cummins, Mrs. Wm. Woodburn was reelected as corresponding secretary.

Seventy-five members present.

Adjourned.

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Des Moines Womens Club convened in regular session March 13, 1907, at Shrine Temple at three o'clock, the vice president Mrs. Shipley in the chair. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. The following were appointed by the president as temporary chairmen of the various departments: Mrs. Welker Given, Art; Mrs. Jno. Briar, Social; Mrs. Jno. Riggs, Home and Education; Mrs. P. B. Durley, Social Economics and Mrs. De Ford, Philosophy and Science; Music, Mrs. B. E. S. Ely; Mrs. D. J. Haines, History and Literature.

Philosophy and Science Department, with Mrs. W. S. Brown as chairman, was in charge of the afternoon. Prof. Moorehouse of Drake University, with the aid of the stereoptican gave the program directing the thought along astronomical lines. There was a very small attendance in consequence of a storm. Fifty-five members, eight visitors. Door receipts \$1.50.

Adjourned.

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The regular meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club of March 27, 1907, was in the form of a matinee given by the Highland Park College Orchestra and the Club Chorus. The orchestra under the direction of Professor Louis Rischar rendered four selections and the chorus conducted by Professor Nagle and assisted by the orchestra, Mr. Jack Campbell and Mrs. K. McRae Hesse, soloists, rendered Hadley's Legend of Grenada.

The Vice president, Mrs. Shipley presided; the minutes of March 13th were read and approved. There were three hundred twenty-one members, one hundred eighty-two guests (ten of whom were complimentary) present. The door receipts were \$28.00.

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Secretary

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A social afternoon was indulged in by the Club April 10, 1907, with Mesdames Homer Miller and D. W. Dickinson as chairmen. During the afternoon Mrs. Shipley called the meeting to order and Mrs. Durley made a stirring appeal for help in raising money for the new Y. W. C. A. building. Solos were given by Miss Breeden and Mrs. Piper, and two selections by ten members of the chorus. Refreshments were served and the tea and coffee were poured by Mesdames A. B. Cummins, O. H. Robinson, W. H. Bailey and James Green.

One hundred seventy-seven members and eight guests were in attendance. Door receipts \$2.00

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The Des Moines Womens Club met Wednesday, April 24, 1907, at three o'clock. Vice president Shipley in the chair. Minutes of the two preceeding meetings were read and approved. After a solo given by Mrs. Hesse, Miss Hopper as chairman of the Home and Education Department, introduced Mr. Barrett who gave a very interesting talk on the "New State and the New School." Club adjourned. There were seventy-seven members and eight guests in attendance. Five paid. Three federated. Door receipts \$1.25.

Susan A. Brown

Sec pro tem

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May 8, 1907.

Des Moines Womens Club met at Shrine Temple with the president, Mrs. W. F. Mitchell, in the chair after an absence of three months. The History and Literature Department had charge of the day and Dr. A. B. Storms, of Ames discussed Browning and his dramatic poems. The State Chapter of P. E. O. being in convention in the city and at Shrine Temple were invited to enjoy the afternoon with us.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

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A special session of the Des Moines Womens Club was held June 5, 1907, at Shrine Temple. The program was in the nature of a Thanksgiving celebration that the long-wished for art gallery which has been the ambition of the club for many years is assured and will be built within a few months, and to show the proper appreciation for the beautiful new picture which Mr. D. S. Chamberlain has recently presented to the Club. Short reports of the Federation were given by Mrs. A. E. Shipley, Mrs. H. L. Carrell and Mrs. F. Bicknell. Mrs. Ernest Brown gave a short outline of work done by the club from its organization, showing how much had been accomplished for Art and benevolence. Mrs. J. S. Clark gave a beautiful tribute to woman and named especially those who had been mothers of great men. Hon. Sidney Foster told of some of the plans of the Park Commission for the future and spoke of their pleasure in leasing the Sherman Place to the Womens Club.

Mr. Cumming gave a most interesting explanatory talk about the picture. Another gift to the club was a bust of Sir Walter Scott, presented by Mrs.

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H. C. Potter. At the close of the program a social time was enjoyed and the guests were given an opportunity to view the pictures.

Mr. De Vere Thompson, Mr. F. M. Hubbell, Sidney Foster and W. F. Mitchell were among the guests.

About three hundred were in attendance and the afternoon was a very successful one.

Adjourned.

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Gallery should be open Fridays and Saturdays from ten o'clock A. M. to five o'clock P. M. and Sundays from two o'clock until six o'clock P. M.

A motion carried that the By-laws approved by the Board for the Club Chorus should be printed in the Year Book.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

The Des Moines Women's Club Board met at Saverly House, September 21, 1906, at ten o'clock, with Mrs. Carrell in the chair, and with fourteen of the outgoing and five of the new Board present.

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Minutes of Board of Directors
(Original)

September 1906

August 1907

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Second Vice President	Mrs. E. W. Brown
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Treasurer	Mrs. G. D. Ellyson

Mrs. Walker's motion carried that a committee be appointed to call upon Mr. Sears of Marine Temple and to emphatically state that the auditorium must be given in charge of the Women's Club at twelve o'clock of each regular club day.

A committee composed of the following ladies, Mesdames, Bailey, Walker, Stevenson, Christensen,

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The Des Moines Women's Club Board met at Saverly House, September 21, 1906, at ten o'clock, with Mrs. Carrell in the chair, and with fourteen of the outgoing and five of the new Board present. Minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report read and accepted. It was moved and carried to lay upon the table, the J. B. Stewart property proposition and to send a letter to Mrs. Stewart.

A letter of withdrawal was granted Mrs. Bina M. Wyman. Mrs. Brown moved that the Board have in charge all arrangements for Officers' Day, October third. Carried.

Mrs. Walker's motion carried that a committee be appointed to call upon Mr. Evans of Shrine Temple and to emphatically state that the auditorium must be given in charge of the Women's Club at twelve o'clock of each regular club day.

A committee composed of the following ladies, Mesdames, Bailey, Walker, Stevenson, Chamberlain

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and Cowles was selected to arrange for refreshments officers' day. Mrs. Carter moved the property committee be instructed to purchase the necessary dishes, silver and linen for club use, and to take all dishes, silver, now belonging to the club to Shrine Temple, and place in order for use Officers' Day. Carried. It was moved that this committee purchase dish towels and see that they were hemmed. Board adjourned.

Eliza Cox Mitchell

Secretary

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Upon invitation the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met, for its first regular session for the year of 1906-07, with Mrs. W. F. Mitchell, October 10, 1906, at 10:30. The new president in the chair. Roll call was followed by the reading of the minutes of September 21, 1906. The applications for membership of Mesdames J. M. Galusha, L. H. Chamberlain, A. E. Park, J. M. Parsons and Miss Minnie Snyder were presented. Upon request a letter of withdrawal was granted to Mrs. Bertha Tubbs Patrick and one of dismissal to Miss Elizabeth Perkins. After a general discussion as to the desired size for a "table top," a motion that the order be left as given by Miss Gilcrest, viz., six feet in diameter, prevailed. Mrs. Carter's motion that the members of the chorus who are not members of the club be given tickets of admission to all the meetings of the club was carried. The Corresponding Secretary was in-

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strued to write for Mrs. J. M. Emery and Miss Ankeny, who are leaving the city, cards of introduction. A motion by Mrs. Carrell that the Music Department of the club assist in a "McDowell Benefit Concert" carried. A vote of thanks to Mr. Fred Beaner for the orchestra, Mrs. Sanborn and the Edison Light Company for cakes, and to Mr. Austin for the palms, all of which contributed to the success of Officers' Day, October third, was authorized. Mrs. Shipley moved that Miss Laura Estelle Ellis be invited to sing before the club October 17th and be paid \$5.00 for her services, carried. Mrs. Green moved that the Shrine Temple be secured for the Witherspoon Concert. Carried. Mrs. Durley moved the Board decide the price of ticket for the Witherspoon concert but leave all other arrangements with the Entertainment Committee. Carried. Mrs. Ellyson moved the price of the tickets be the same as last year, viz., seventy-five cents.

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Carried. Mrs. Watrous moved that light refreshments be served at each of the open meetings of the club. Carried. Fifteen Dollars was allowed Mrs. Parsons to cover expense for the meeting of October thirty-first. Mrs. Brown moved the matter of commission due the club from the sale of the copyright of the Moulton pictures be dropped. Carried. Mrs. Carrell moved that the question of moving the club pictures from the Capitol to the Shrine Temple be left to the club as a whole instead of the Board. Carried. Mrs. Conoway moved that the "Guild piano" be moved from the Shrine Temple. Carried.

Adjourned at one o'clock for luncheon. After a most delicious repast the president called the meeting together for a second session. Mrs. D. F. Witter was reinstated to membership. After considerable discussion it was voted that a committee be appointed to investigate the conditions

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necessary to placing the club pictures in the city library building. The president appointed Mrs. Gardner Cowles chairman, Mrs. Plumb and Mrs. Chamberlain as the committee.

Mrs. Still moved the Board ratify the contract made by Mrs. Davis, the chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the Witherspoon concert. Carried.

Mrs. Brown moved the club property, viz., its Histories, etc. now in the possession of Mrs. Elbert remain there for the present. Carried. Mrs. J. M. Parsons, Mrs. L. H. Chamberlain, A. E. Park, J. M. Galusha and Miss Minnie Snyder were unanimously elected to membership.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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At a called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club held October twenty-fourth at Shrine Temple, the president in the chair, eleven members responded to roll call. The minutes of October tenth were read, corrected and approved. Mrs. Bailey's report of expenses incurred for Officers' Day, \$10.24, was accepted with thanks. A letter to Mrs. E. C. Musgrave regretting her resignation from the club was authorized. The applications of Mesdames C. H. Trisler, J. S. Barnett, Jno. H. Cownie, Jr., and H. F. Liebbe were presented. Mrs. Brown moved a reconsideration of the former action of the Board "that the decision as to the changing of the club pictures from the Capitol to the Shrine Temple be left to the club instead of the Board" and the motion carried. Mrs. Bailey moved the Braun carbon photograph belonging to the club be loaned to the Roadside Settlement, and Mesdames Ellyson,

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Bailey and Stevenson were appointed a committee to decide which should be sent to the Settlement House and which, if any, be placed in the Shrine Temple parlors. Having been found necessary to rent a piano, a motion to close a contract with Mr. Evans for one at \$5.00 per month prevailed. Mesdames Souers, Green and Brown were a committee appointed by the chair to prepare as occasion may demand, changes in the By-laws and submit the same to the Board for approval.

Mrs. Ellyson moved a reconsideration of a former action of the Board granting to members of the chorus, not club members, the privilege of attendance upon all open days, and that the clause "also attendance upon all open days" be stricken from Article IV of the club chorus By-laws. Carried.

Art. IV. That the annual dues for the chorus members shall be \$2.50 and shall be paid according

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to the by-laws of that women's club which entitled the member to all the privileges of the music department (also attendance upon all open days).

The President suggested a possible need for immediate action in certain matters looking toward an Art Gallery and upon motion by Mrs. Plumb the Executive Committee was empowered to act in such capacity. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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President called the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club for a brief meeting at 2:15 P. M. on October 31, 1906. The names of Mesdames Jno. C. Simpson, W. H. Thrift and E. T. Hagerman as applicants for membership were read and applications of Mesdames Trisler, Barnett, Liebbe and Cowmie, having previously been read were ballotted on and elected. Adjourned. Later the Board was called together and Mesdames Simpson, Thrift and Hagerman were elected to membership. Mrs. Bailey's motion that the Executive Committee be instructed to investigate all applicants for membership in the club before the names were submitted to the Board for action, was carried.

Adjourned at three o'clock for the regular open meeting of the club.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

DES MOINES WOMEN'S CLUB

Thirteen members of the Board of Directors braved the storm and met in regular session at the Shrine Temple, November 21, 1906. The President presided and minutes of October 24th and October 31st were approved. The Treasurer, Mrs. Ellyson, gave her report which was accepted. Names of Mrs. John Benson, Mrs. M. R. Davis, Mrs. E. J. Davidson, Mrs. W. H. Yonkers, Mrs. W. H. Peiffer, Mary C. Kahler were presented for membership. Mrs. C. H. Getchell was reinstated upon motion of Mrs. Durley. Mrs. Stevenson as chairman of committee to select ^{which} of the Braun carbons should be sent to the Settlement House reported that fourteen were hung in the Shrine Temple parlors and fourteen were sent to the Roadside Settlement. A letter of withdrawal was granted to Mrs. J. P. Steele of Winterset, Iowa, and one of regret to Mrs. J. J. Meyer of Woodland Avenue. The resignations of Mrs. S. G. Watrous and Mrs. Thos. F. Cooke as members of the Board of Directors were

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accepted with deepest regret. Mrs. Shipley moved that the necessary expense, whatever the amount may be, in connection with a lecture on "Experimental Psychology" by Prof. Seashore of the State University for November 28th be allowed to the Philosophy and Science Department with Dr. J. R. De Ford, chairman. The motion was carried. Dr. DeFord reported that it was necessary to meet the expense of chairs for the evening meetings of the Philosophy and Science Department, and it was decided that the amount adequate to this need be allowed. It was voted that the courtesy of the Club be extended to the gentlemen and they be the guests of the Philosophy and Science Departmental evening meeting without payment of the usual fee. Mrs. Clarke moved that the Entertainment Committee be allowed to serve coffee and wafers at a social hour following the Witherspoon Concert to be given November 30, 1906. Carried. The request for the usual contribution (\$3.00) to the

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Y. W. C. A. Magazine Fund was allowed. It was decided that each member of the club chorus should be granted a ticket of admission to the Witherspoon Concert, this ticket to be solely for the personal use of the member and not transferable. Upon motion of Mrs. Carrell it was decided that the club pictures in Prof. Cummins' studio in the Library be transferred to the Capitol and the amount of insurance thereon to be left to the discretion of the Treasurer.

Upon motion Mrs. Ellyson was instructed to look after the printing of the By-laws of the Club Chorus. It was moved and carried that the club's dining room and kitchen property be neither loaned nor rented. A proposition for renting music was referred to Mrs. Givens. Adjourned.

After a social good time and a luncheon served by the Executive Committee, the President called the

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Board for another session. Mrs. Durley asked for the Social Economics and Civics Committee, of which she is chairman, the necessary expense of inviting Mr. Welker given to lecture February, 13, 1907, and the amount of twenty-five dollars was allowed for that purpose. A motion to appoint a "purchasing committee" was carried and the President appointed the four chairmen of the Social Committee. After considerable discussion a motion to reconsider prevailed and in acting upon the "previous question," that a purchasing committee be appointed the motion was lost. A motion to limit each department, other than the Social, to the amount of three dollars for refreshments at the regular meetings prevailed. Mrs. Shipley moved that the Board ratify the action of the Club at the meeting of October 31, 1906, and give one hundred dollars to the Associated Charities of the city. Carried. Upon motion the names of Mesdames M. R. Davis, Mary C. Kahler, Jno. Benson,

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E. J. Davidson, W. H. Peiffer, W. H. Yonkers, were
voled on and all unanimously elected. Mrs. Car-
rell's motion that the Des Moines Women's Club
send a request, along with other clubs who are
doing likewise, that the duty on "Art" be remit-
ted, was carried.

Mrs. W. O. Ridell and Mrs. W. H. McHenry, new
board members were present.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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December 12, 1906, at a called meeting of the Board of Directors held in Shrine Temple at 2:15, ten members responded to roll call. The name of Mrs. Fred Hunter was presented for membership. The Home and Education Committee, through its chairman, Mrs. Riggs, asked that the necessary incidental expenses in connection with a lecture by Prof. Seerly, who donates his service to the club for the open day of January 2, 1907, be allowed and the request was granted.

Minutes of November 21, 1906, read and approved. Mrs. Carter presented resolutions of sympathy from the Board to Miss Gilcrest in the death of her sister, the corresponding secretary was instructed to send the same to Miss Gilcrest. Adjourned.

Later the Board was called together and Mrs. Fred Hunter was unanimously elected to membership in the Club. The question of loaning to Mrs. J. E. Mershon the table belonging to the Club was left to

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the discretion of the President.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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The regular meeting of the Board of Directors for December 19, 1906, was postponed and at a called meeting held January 2, 1907, roll call was followed by reading of minutes of December 12, 1906. The applications of Mesdames Arthur Sherman and Bessie Levinson were read and the meeting adjourned.

The President called the Board for a second session and Mrs. Arthur Sherman was elected to membership. A letter of sympathy was instructed to be sent Mrs. Isaac Hillis in the death of her daughter. Mrs. Carter moved that flowers be sent to Mrs. Hillis, and the president appointed Mrs. Carter to purchase the flowers.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary.

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At Shrine Temple January 9, 1907, occurred the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club. Mrs. Mitchell, the President in the chair. The treasurer's report was read and referred to the auditing committee. Mrs. Bessie Levinson proposed by Mrs. C. E. Risser and endorsed by Mrs. E. S. Frank was elected to membership. Mrs. Carter moved that the Board go into a committee of the whole and the President asked Mrs. Shipley to take the chair. When the committee had risen and the president again taken the chair, Mrs. Durley offered a motion that the Board buy four hundred dollar's worth Greater Des Moines buttons to dispose of at fifty cents each. Mrs. Carter moved an amendment that instead of buying them outright we have the buttons at the club meeting, January 16th and sell as may as possible. The amendment carried. Mrs. Carrell moved that the chair appoint a committee to have the matter of the buttons

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in charge and the president appointed Mesdames Bailey, Nourse and Lowell Chamberlain such committee. A motion that the club pay sixty dollars to aid in opening a Boy's Club was carried. Mrs. Hume asked for the History and Literature Department the appropriation of twenty-five dollars and on motion of Mrs. Carter the amount was allowed. Fifteen dollars was allowed to the Art Department for the afternoon of January 30th.

Mrs. Souers moved that the one hundred dollars to be contributed to the Associated Charities be paid now. Upon motion of Mrs. Shipley the matter of penalty for delinquent dues was left to the discretion of the Treasurer. Mrs. Carrell moved Mr. Louis Rischar be paid ten dollars for his services at the musical matinee. Carried. Mrs. Carrell's report as chairman of the Finance Committee was read and accepted with thanks. Mrs. Nourse reported for the Entertainment Committee. Mrs.

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Still moved the Entertainment Committee go on in its work despite its apparent financial failure and the Board stand back of its efforts.

Adjourned.

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Secretary

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Savery House Club Room

January 21, 1907

A called meeting of the directory board of the Des Moines Women's Club was held with twenty members present. Minutes of January 9, 1907, were read and approved. The names of Mrs. E. J. Macy and Mrs. C. N. Page were presented for membership. The Treasurer gave her monthly report which was accepted. The meeting having been called for the purpose of considering a location for an Art Gallery the afternoon was spent in discussion and at five o'clock adjourned.

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Secretary

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The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met January 23, 1907, at eleven o'clock upon invitation, with Mrs. Lowell Chamberlain. The Vice-president, Mrs. Shipley in the chair. Minutes of January 21st were approved as read. Mrs. Carter reported flowers were purchased and sent Mrs. Hillis. The president of the Art Department asked the privilege of making an open meeting of the Departmental program for March 5th and inviting the public to attend and upon motion the request was granted. Mesdames E. J. Macy and C. N. Page were elected to membership. A motion prevailed that the dues of Mrs. Wm. Bowen for the present year be covered by the payment at the time of her entrance in the club, March, 1906. Mrs. Haines, chairman of the History and Literature Committee reported the expense for January 16th was \$24.91 and the report was accepted. A vote of thanks was tendered to Messrs. Reigelman, Chase & West and the Marshall

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Dental Co. for their assistance and a similar vote to Mesdames Haines and Hume.

Upon request a leave of absence was granted to Mrs. D. F. Givens, directress of the club chorus, with permission to substitute Professor Nagle as temporary leader.

Adjourned for luncheon.

At two-thirty, having enjoyed a beautifully appointed luncheon, the President, Mrs. Mitchell, called the meeting to order with twenty-one members present. General discussion as to a choice of location for an Art Gallery to be erected by the Club was indulged in for a time and upon motion by Mrs. Still the Board proceeded to ballot with the result that seventeen votes were cast for the Sherman Place and five for the Fifth Street location. Mrs. Carter having left her vote with the president, Mrs. E. W. Brown moved to make the vote unanimous, which was speedily done.

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Mrs. Cowles moved a committee of three with Mrs. Durley as chairman be appointed to formulate a resolution expressing the thanks of the Board to the Park Commissioners. Mesdames Shipley and Clark were appointed by the President and the following is the report of the Committee.

WHEREAS, it has come to the knowledge of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club that the Park Commissioners contemplate providing, at as early a day as possible, a location for the public Art Gallery so long desired by the club,

RESOLVED, that the directory Board of the Women's Club appreciate most heartily such effort of the park Commissioners, that the board accepts with thanks and unanimously, the proposition favoring the Sherman site and that, in behalf of the Women's Club, the board pledges immediate and enthusiastic action in providing a suitable art gallery.

Ella H. Durley
Mrs. A. E. Shipley
Mrs. J. S. Clark

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Adjourned.

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Secretary

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A called meeting of the Board was held February 13th at two-thirty preceding the club meeting, with the vice-president, Mrs. Shipley in the chair. Roll call was followed by reading of minutes of the previous meeting, January 23d. Mrs. Durley's motion to discuss informally the matter of extending time of dues was carried, following such discussion Mrs. E. W. Brown moved that new members be allowed the privileges of the club the remainder of the present and all of the coming year for the usual fee of five dollars. The first week of March was fixed as the time to double the membership of the club. Mrs. Durley moved that Mrs. Delmege be appointed to represent the club to arrange for a mass meeting in conjunction with other clubs of the city to investigate the morals of young people. A Verifying Committee consisting of Mesdames Shipley, Chamberlain and Hollingsworth were appointed to count the ballots

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for the Board of Directors. Mrs. Grefe was appointed to take Mrs. Woodburn's place in counting the ballots with the secretary and president. Mrs. Carter moved the president be allowed to make such arrangements for election as her discretion might dictate. It was voted that the President appoint someone to insert notices concerning new members in the newspapers. Mrs. E. W. Brown was appointed.

Adjourned.

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Secretary

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At a meeting of the Directory Board called at the close of the club meeting, February 27th, ¹⁹⁰⁷ sixteen members responded to roll call. A motion carried that the Music Department be allowed not to exceed twenty-one dollars for an orchestra of no less than seven pieces provided their program be given in the afternoon. If given in the evening the orchestra to be substituted by a grand piano.

The following names were proposed for membership,- Dr. Leone Scruby, proposed by Mrs. Slade and endorsed by Mrs. Mitchell. Mrs. Robt. Merritt, proposed by Mrs. Cumming, endorsed by Mrs. Garrell. Mrs. Van Sittert, proposed by Mrs. Hargis, endorsed by Mrs. Mitchell. Mrs. L. W. Smith, proposed by Mrs. Riddell, endorsed by Mrs. Nourse. Mrs. Hill M. Bell, proposed by Mrs. Riddell, endorsed by Mrs. Nourse. Mrs. A. H. Weber, proposed by Mrs. Shipley-Miller, endorsed by Dr. Fuchs.

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Secretary

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Nine members of the Board of Directors met Wednesday, March 6th at two o'clock in Shrine Temple. Minutes of February 13th and 27th were approved as read. The following names having been read at a previous meeting were ballotted upon and elected. Mesdames Van Sittert, Dr. Leone Scruby, Lewis W. Smith, Hill M. Bell, A. H. Weber, and Robert Merritt. A motion to admit free of charge to Music Department meeting of March 6th prospective new members was carried. Mesdames Hill and Weitz asked for the chorus that they be allowed an orchestra to cost twenty-five dollars, a soloist to cost ten dollars and a grand piano to assist in the program for March 27th. Mrs. Durley moved the request be granted. Mrs. Nourse moved an amendment to cut out the grand piano and the motion as amended was carried.

The names of Miss Mabel Childs, Mesdames Thos. W. Carpenter, Alfred Hammer, Oliver Lorenz, H. C.

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Wallace, J. W. Mudge, Homer R. Miller, Crom Bowen, W. E. Anderson, B. A. Stockdale, H. B. Lewis, Jno. R. Hill, H. C. Hargrove, E. A. Nye, E. F. Whitney, Julia Lybyer, J. P. Layman, L. D. Osborn, and the Misses Frances R. White, Bertha D. Smith and Flora J. Henry were presented for membership.

Adjourned.

Later the Board was called together and Mrs. Durley moved the secretary cast the ballot favorably for the twenty-one names read. The first reading of the names of Mrs. Edwards, W. R. Lane and Habernicht was given.

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Secretary

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A called meeting of the Directory Board of the Des Moines Women's Club met March 13th at two fifteen at Shrine Temple. Mrs. A. E. Shipley in the chair. Roll call was followed by reading of minutes of previous meeting. A motion to reinstate Mrs. C. B. Van Slyke to membership in the club was unanimous. The following applications for membership were read. Mesdames C. S. Walker, J. H. Quigley, N. A. Cruzan, J. P. Stephenson, D. P. Reinking, W. S. Hazard, Jr., A. L. Jepson, C. H. Morris, T. M. Langan, A. C. Hanger, Wallace R. Lane, Henry Habernicht and W. R. Edwards. Mrs. Ellyson presented a slight change in the club chorus by-laws. Upon motion it was voted to send flowers to the president, Mrs. Mitchell, as an expression of ~~our~~ sympathy. The Recording Secretary was appointed to purchase flowers. Adjourned.

The Vice-president called the Board together

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and the thirteen names previously presented were upon motion elected by a ballot as cast by the secretary. The following amendment to Art. I. of the By-laws of the chorus was adopted. That our officers consist of a committee of seven (including the conductor and secretary,) etc.

Letters of withdrawal were granted to Mrs. F. D. Harsh and Mrs. C. D. Hirst, who have left the city. Upon motion the rules were suspended and Miss Lydia Burger was elected to membership. Adjourned.

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Secretary.

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March 20th at Shrine Temple occurred the regular monthly meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club Board. Reading of the minutes of March 13th was followed by roll call to which fifteen members responded. Upon motion of Mrs. Stevenson the amount of three dollars was allowed for the extension of the stage necessary to accommodate the orchestra chorus and piano for Music Day, March 27, 1907.

Much discussion was had concerning the fact that the Art Department in carrying out its program on civic art had unconscientiously infringed upon the work of the Civic's Department, and a motion prevailed that an effort be made to right the mistake and the question as to how, upon further discussion was finally tabled. Mrs. Carrell reported that the insurance on the club pictures was about to expire and rates for renewal of the insurance was so much larger than formerly that Mrs. Carrell and Mrs. Ellyson were appointed

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a committee to investigate rates with other companies and report.

The names of Mesdames Dr. Grimes, Willis Proudfoot, D. W. Smouse, Morton Weldy, Robert V. Nicholson and Miss Wilda Smith were read as applicants for membership.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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March 25th a called meeting of the Board of Directors of Des Moines Women's Club was held at the Savery Parlors. Mesdames R. V. Nicholson, W. T. Proudfoot, Morton Weldy, D. W. Smouse, Eli Grimes and Miss Wilda E. Smith were duly elected to membership, the names having been previously read. On motion of Mrs. Brown the rules were suspended and Miss Anna B. Lichty, proposed by Miss Gilcrest and endorsed by Mrs. T. F. Stevenson, was elected to membership. Mrs. Chas. Hardy having offered her services for a piano recital for the benefit of the Art Gallery it was voted to accept the offer and leave the details to be arranged by Mrs. T. F. Stevenson.

A motion prevailed allowing the chorus a grand piano for the program of March 27th. Mesdames Stevenson and Jewett, the chairmen elect of the Music Department were appointed to confer with the chorus and recommend necessary changes in chorus

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by-laws. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary.

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The Vice-president called the Board together at the close of the regular club program of March 27th. The names of Mrs. W. B. Bastian and Mrs. J. T. Sharp as applicants for membership were read. Upon motion of Mrs. Woodburn the rules were suspended and the names of Mesdames Bastian and Sharp were balloted upon and both elected.

Notice was given of change of Art. X of by-laws fixing the admission to the Study classes at ten cents instead of twenty-five cents.

Mrs. Carrell reported for the committee to investigate insurance rates for the club pictures that seventy-three dollars and twenty cents would cover that expense for three years if reinsured in the same company, and a motion carried that the insurance be left where it is.

The privilege of giving the cantata, "The Legend of Granada" for the benefit of the McDowell Fund was granted to the chorus, with the under-

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standing there was to be no expense to the club incurred thereby. Consent was granted that the request to disband the chorus for the remainder of the club year be left to the discretion of the chorus body.

Twelve members of Board present.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

1907

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met for a called meeting, Monday, April 8th at Shrine Temple. The minutes of March 23d and 27th were read and approved. Roll call was responded to by eleven members.

Mrs. Carrell reported the matter of insurance could not be adjusted on the basis previously reported and upon motion the settlement was left to Mrs. Carrell.

Mrs. Bicknell's resignation as a member of the Board was accepted with regret.

Bills for five dollars each for the extension of stage and printing of programs for March 27th were allowed.

A motion prevailed that the club Histories now in the possession of Mrs. Elbert be delivered to Mrs. Woodburn, the corresponding secretary.

The names of Mesdames Spates, Tullis, Berkeley, Haley and Roy A. Walker were read and the

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rules having been suspended balloted upon, were elected. A motion to recommend certain changes, as follows, in By-laws of club chorus prevailed. Adjourned.

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Secretary

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1907

April 17th the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session at Shrine Temple.

Minutes of April 8th were read and approved. Roll call was responded to by eleven members. A bill of six dollars and sixty cents orchestral score for March 27th was allowed

Letters of regret were voted to Mrs. Ralph L. And Mrs. C. A. McCune. A letter of withdrawal was granted Miss Gregory who is leaving the city for Seattle.

Mesdames J. T. Kratzer, S. G. Van Auken and A. U. Chaney were elected to membership in the club. The Entertainment Committee was authorized to perfect and carry out its plans for an evening to be given at the D. S. Chamberlain home. It was moved to have a committee to arrange for an all day meeting of the club and that this committee should be appointed by Mrs. Mitchell. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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The Board of the Des Moines Women's Club met April 24th at two o'clock at Shrine Temple.

Eleven member responded to roll call. Minutes of April 17th read and approved.

A bill of one dollar and fifty cents presented by the Kenyon printing Company for printing ordered by Mrs. Marsh was referred to Mrs. Zeering as secretary of Music Department.

Mrs. Don C. Brainard and Mrs. Dr. Royal were elected to membership. A motion carried to endorse the election of Mr. Nagle by the chorus provided satisfactory arrangements could be made with both parties.

Miss Hopper was allowed one dollar and ninety cents for the expenses of Home and Education Day.

The chairman of the History and Literary Department asked for fifteen dollars for the expenses of May 8th. The amount was allowed.

A bill of two dollars and seventy-seven cents

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was ordered paid to Mrs. Hollingsworth for refreshments purchased for February 13th.

Adjourned.

Susan A. Brown,

Sec. pro tem

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The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club accepted the kind invitation of Mrs. Shipley to an all day meeting and luncheon at her home, May 2d. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mitchell who was heartily welcomed after her long illness. Fifteen members responded to roll call. Minutes of April 24th were read and approved.

The chorus by-laws as prepared by the committee were read and recommended to the chorus.

Mrs. J. R. Chittick and Mrs. Littell were elected to membership.

The President appointed a committee of five with Mrs. Carter as chairman to attend the P. E. O. reception given at the Capitol and explain the Women's Club pictures.

A motion carried to have the plaster statue "Venus" properly cleaned and taken care of.

It was decided to extend an invitation to

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the visiting P. E. O. ladies to the meeting of the club May 8th.

A motion that the Board send a letter of appreciation to Mr. Chamberlain for the picture presented to the Club was carried.

June 5th was chosen for the all day club meeting to be in charge of the Social Committee assisted by Mesdames Souers, Vorse and Davison. Place of meeting to be determined by the committee.

A motion carried that we try to secure a suitable home for Mrs. Hardy's recital and that one dollar be charged for the tickets. Mesdames Durrey, Stevenson, Carrell, Weitz and Nourse were appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

After the arrival of five members of the chorus a delicious luncheon was served by Mrs. Shipley and it is needless to say was very much enjoyed by all.

After the call to order a motion carried that

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the admission to the study classes be ten cents.

A bill of one dollar and fifty cents was ordered paid the Kenyon Printing Company for Music Department.

A bill of one dollar and eighty cents was allowed for ballot box.

After the re-reading of music by-laws it was decided to change Art. II, Section 1 to read the same as in original by-laws. A motion carried that Mrs. Given be paid the remainder of her salary with hearty thanks. Mesdames Stevenson and Ellyson were appointed to confer with Mr. Nagle in regard to the directorship of the chorus next year. A motion carried that the chorus be notified that the Women's Club wish to do everything in its power to make it a success, but that it shall always understand it is subject to this body. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Shipley for her generous hospitality. Adjourned.

Susan A. Brown

Sec. pro tem

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1907
Directory Board of the Des Moines Women's Club met May 29th at the Chamberlain Hotel at ten o'clock A. M. The President in the chair. Minutes of May 2d were read and approved. Mrs. Carrell reported a note of appreciation from Mrs. D.F. Givens in response to a check for her salary as director of the club chorus. Mrs. Brown reported for by-laws committee, four changes, all of which were accepted by the Board.

Mrs. Ellyson reported the balance in treasury from February 26th to date at \$566.50. Finances of the club chorus for the year as follows. Expense, \$339.43, income including membership dues and door receipts for the two music days, \$1111.50, net cost \$227.93.

Mrs. Souers reported for the committee in charge of the extra session of June 5th, the decision to have an open afternoon and serve ice cream and cake.

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Mrs. R. R. Peters was reinstated as a member. The names of Mesdames A. E. Hepburn and F. B. Crawley were presented and upon motion of Mrs. Carter that the rules be suspended and the secretary cast the ballot for them, they were duly elected.

The contract for the lease of the Sherman Place was discussed and approved.

Adjourned to meet Friday, May 31st at nine o'clock A. M. in the Sherman Place.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club was held Saturday, June 1st at nine o'clock A. M. at Sherman Place. As the warmth of a rare June day was indicated only by the calendar, after some time spent in viewing the interior of our future club home, the meeting was called to order by President Mitchell on the sunny south steps. In the absence of the secretary reading of minutes of previous meeting was omitted.

On motion by Mrs. Brown the Board proceeded to ballot for an architect. Mr. Nourse receiving every vote cast it was moved that the informal ballot be made formal and Mr. Nourse declared elected. Carried.

After an informal discussion of a plan presented by Mrs. Carrell for raising funds for the Art building, no other business coming before the Board the meeting adjourned.

Ella W. Woodburn

Sec pro tem

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The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met June 12th at Sherman Place. Mrs. Mitchell presiding. The time was almost wholly taken up by examination and discussion of the plans presented by Mr. Nourse for a new auditorium and the alterations of the present building. Mrs. Harry Ankeney elected to membership.

On motion of Mrs. Ellyson the name of the Room Committee was changed to House Committee. Meeting adjourned.

Ella W. Woodburn

Sec. pro tem

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1907

Twelve members of the Des Moines Women's Club Directory Board met June 15th at the Sherman Place at ten o'clock. Mr. Nourse submitted his plans for the porch and upon motion of Mrs. Carrell it was voted to accept them as presented, but to take separate bids on the west terrace, the porch roof, the outside painting, plumbing, cleaning and repairing, heating, tinning, etc., subject to approval.

Mrs. B. T. Patrick was reinstated.

Mrs. Brown moved Mr. Arthur Barkalow be the recipient of the scholarship in the Cumming School of Art upon the recommendation of Mr. Cumming. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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June 29th, 1907, a meeting of the Board of Directors of Des Moines Womens Club was called at the home of the President. Roll call was followed by the reading of the minutes of May 29th, June 1st, June 12th and June 15th. The names of Mesdames J. E. Cathell, Max Shloss and F. C. Waterbury were presented for membership and upon motion by Miss Gilcrest that the rules be suspended they were elected by acclamation.

It was decided that there should be no reports printed in the Year Book except those given by the secretary and treasurer, and that everything of club interest needful to be reported should be embodied in these two reports.

It was also decided to omit from the Year Book the list of names of the Club Chorus, printing only the names of the officers of the chorus. The matter of time which treasurer's report for the Year Book should cover was left to the dis-

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cretion of the treasurer.

The President reported the gift to the club of a picture from Mrs. Bertha Clapp Harbach, and it was moved that the Corresponding Secretary send her a message of thanks.

It was moved and carried that the president appoint a Building Committee. The following were those chosen:- Mesdames Carrell, Elbert, Sidney Foster, Plumb, Ellyson, Lowell Chamberlain and Green.

A furnishing Committee of five was also authorized to be appointed by the president.

The matter of chairs for the convenience of the Board at the Sherman Place was left to the charge of Miss Gilcrest.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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1907

Eleven members of the present, and three of the newly elected Board met at Sherman Place between three and four o'clock, P. M. July 15th. In the absence of the president and vice-president Mrs. Carrell acted as chairman. Minutes of June 29th were read and approved. Rules were suspended and Mrs. C. D. Rawson was elected a member upon application. She was proposed by Mrs. S. B. Morse and endorsed by Mrs. W. F. Mitchell.

Bids for the erection of the new building and repairing the old one from the following were submitted.

Tousant	\$770'8.00
Benson & Marxer	7085.00
Dagle	5200.00
W. F. Mitchell	4840.00

Mrs. Durley moved to accept the bid of W. F. Mitchell and after some discussion it was decided to leave out the cellar under the new

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part, which would cost \$280.00 and accept this
bid at \$4560.00.

Adjourned

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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Women's Club Directory Board met on the steps of the future club house for its meeting August 2, 1907. Roll call had a response from twelve members. Minutes of July 15th were read and approved.

Mrs. Ogilvie, chairman of the Calendar Committee submitted bids for the printing and binding of the Year Books and a motion prevailed that we accept the lowest bid which was from Lewis & Wallace for ~~one~~ dollar for seven hundred copies and _____ for each additional _____. After some discussion it was decided to order eight hundred copies.

Mrs. S. A. Foster of the Building Committee reported that Belt & Van Sittert would do the necessary painting and decorating of both the old and new buildings for six hundred fifty dollars and as the amount was considered so very reasonable it was decided to accept the offer.

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A motion to leave the color scheme for the buildings to the committee consisting of Mesdames Plumb, Foster and Chamberlain, who have had the matter in charge, carried.

It having been proven to be necessary to provide a new heating apparatus for the buildings it was thought best to include bids on hot air and the architect was instructed to obtain same.

A motion carried that the president appoint a secret committee of three to be called a Gift Committee with the following duties:- It shall be the duty of the committee on gifts to examine all proposed gifts to art collection and report to the Board of Directors whether or not it recommends the acceptance of such gifts.

It was thought best to continue the Building Committee for the year 1907 and 1908, which shall be responsible for the building, including the heating apparatus, repairs, buying of fuel,

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employment of janitor and care taker. A motion prevailed to allow the Building Committee to secure a janitor paying for such service \$50.00 or less per month as seemed necessary. The rules were suspended and Mesdames B. V. Standring, A. M. Piper and Mrs. Summers were elected to membership in the club.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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A session of the Des Moines Women's Club Directory Board was held August 14th at the home of Mrs. E. H. Carter on Woddland Avenue. Minutes of August 2d were read and approved. Mrs. Carter of the renting committee reported and on motion of Mrs. Green it was decided the details of prices and arrangements be left to the discretion of the committee.

The Building Committee reported the necessary expense of \$65.00 for removing a partition in the east room upstairs and \$331.80 for re-shingling the roof and new guttering. Both of which were approved.

Mrs. Albert Grefe was reinstated and five dollars of Mrs. J. W. Robey was accepted in payment of dues for the ensuing year.

A motion prevailed to accept the proposition of Mrs. G. W. Ogilvie, giving to the club ten per cent of the profits from proposed entertainment

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by the violinist, Francis McMillan, on the condition that the proper sort of contract be drawn by the Executive Committee with Mrs. Ogilvie and the Club be no way obligated as to the expense of the entertainment.

Mrs. Carrell reported a desire to change the glass for the windows of the auditorium from the plain to the opalescent. The change was decided upon the the selection left to the Building Committee. Building Committee reported on bids for heating the entire building and that of Green Co. of \$475.00 for hot air was accepted.

An application for the position of janitor at fifty dollars per month was read and a motion prevailed to accept the services of Edward Kinsel, upon thoseterms.

Upon motion the Furnishing Committee was instructed to purchase five hundred chairs.

Upon motion it was decided that the Art

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in the dining room. The Social Committee, in charge of the Social Committee. The home beautiful, and the afternoon being of a purely social nature

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was greatly enjoyed by about two hundred twenty-five club members and friends.

Officers

President	Mrs. W. F. Mitchell
First Vice President	Mrs. A. E. Shipley
Second Vice President	Mrs. E. W. Brown
Recording Secretary	Mrs. C. E. Hunn
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Wm. Woodburn
Treasurer	Mrs. G. D. Ellyson

Hellie W. Hunn

Rec. Secy.

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Officers Day for 1907 was held October 16th at the residence of Governor A. B. Cummins. Mrs. Cummins and the officers of the club received the members. Coffee, candies and little cakes were served in the dining room which was in charge of the Social Committee. The day was ideal, the home beautiful, and the afternoon being of a purely social nature was greatly enjoyed by about two hundred twenty-five club members and friends.

The President called the meeting to order for announcements by the chairmen of the various departments.

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Rec. Secy.

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October 30, 1907, Des Moines Womens Club had the long-hoped for pleasure of meeting in its own auditorium. The room was very attractive with the pictures so beautifully hung and its artistic windows. The President called the meeting to order and the club voiced its appreciation of her efforts in securing such a delightful club home in a round of applause. The minutes of May 8th and October 16th were approved. Mrs. J. B. Marsh, the club delegate to the City Federation reported. A note of congratulation from the Greater Des Moines Committee was read and the secretary instructed to respond with a note of thanks. The President announced plans for a Recognition Day or house warming to be held as soon as the Club House is completed. This was the first regular program of the year and was in charge of the Art Department with Mrs. J. W. Cokenower as chairman.

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Miss Sylvia Garrison gave several vocal numbers. Mr. John L. Shipley talked on the Pre-Raphaelite Movement and Mr. Max Schellner gave a violin number. One hundred twenty-eight members and ten guests were present. Door receipts, \$12.50.

Mrs. John Herrick of Sorosis Club, Bolivar, New York, Mrs. J. A. Treat of Stuart, Iowa, Mrs. Bina Wyman of Los Angeles, Mrs. Ankeney of Clinton, Iowa, and Mrs. Ellen Sprague of the New England Club, Boston, were complimentary guests of the club.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Secretary

DES MOINES WOMEN'S CLUB

The Club convened for its regular meeting at the Hoyt Sherman Place, November 13, 1907. Called to order by the President followed by the reading of the minutes of October 30th which were approved.

Mrs. W. H. McHenry gave a very interesting report of the Seventh District Convention at Indianola. Mrs. S. F. Prouty chairman of the Social Economics and Civics Department presented the program, which consisted of two vocal numbers by Miss Ila Mount, a brief paper by Mrs. C. B. Van Slyke on Free Employment Bureaus, an outline of the Des Moines Plan by Mrs. S. S. Still, and the "Des Moines Plan" from an ethical side by Mrs. J. S. Clark. Mrs. W. L. Read, Dr. A. Fuchs and Miss Ella McToney took part in the general discussion. At the close of the program Mrs. Isaac Hillis moved that the club offer suitable expressions of sympathy upon the death of Mrs. Judge Nourse, who was a charter member of the club. One Hundred forty members and ten guests present. Door receipts \$2.50.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Secretary

DES MOINES WOMEN'S CLUB

At the regular meeting of the Des Moines Womens Club for November 27, 1907, one hundred forty members and twenty-seven guests were present. The President called to order and minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. The afternoon was in charge of the History and Literature Department with Mrs. T. M. Walker, chairman. The program consisted of a brief criticism on the plays of Suderman by Miss Flora Dunlap and a reading of "Magda" by Mrs. J. C. Hume. Refreshments were served in the dining room at the close of the program. Seven guests from federated clubs were present. Door receipts, \$5.00.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec Secretary

DES MOINES WOMEN'S CLUB

December 7, 1907, was a day of great pleasure to the Des Moines Women's Club. At this time the new club home was dedicated by a business session in the afternoon, a luncheon to the Greater Des Moines Committee at six thirty, and a public reception in the evening. President Mitchell called the meeting to order and paid a tribute to those who had helped to make the club home possible. Reports were given by Mrs. E. H. Carter of the Renting Committee, Mrs. J. W. Cokenower of the Printing Committee, Mrs. G. D. Ellyson, Treasurer, Mrs. Carrell of the Auditing Committee, Mrs. G. D. Ellyson of the Building Committee, and Mrs. W. F. Marshall, of the furnishing committee. Eleven Past-presidents each gave two minute talks. Mrs. Durley's thought was the broadened change in the spirit of the club (how the spirit of the club had broadened with the passing years). Mrs. Berryhill's, the Art Gallery, how does the vision of long ago tally

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with the realization. Mrs. A. B. Cummins spoke of the devious ways which the club had been led toward the present attainment and the necessity of concerted action in the future. Mrs. R. R. Peters' thought was of "talking," and how through its instrumentality the Art Gallery was an accomplished fact. Mrs. D. H. Reichard was delightfully reminiscent and congratulatory. Mrs. W. W. Witmer's thought was for the future with the practical suggestion of sharing a portion of the club home with working girls. Mrs. T. M. Walker spoke of the Future of the Art gallery. Mrs. W. H. Bailey, the Exhibition of Mr. Cummins' pictures. Mrs. Elbert offered congratulations for the psychological moment and suggested some departmental changes. Miss Belle Gilcrest's idea was, make the club useful in order that it might be a necessity. Mrs. H. L. Carrell very modestly declined to be classed as a past-president, congratulated herself and

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thanked the club for the honor it had conferred upon her.

The meeting adjourned for the luncheon which followed and which was served at numerous small tables and at the long table in the dining room where the members of the Greater Des Moines Committee, the guests of the occasion, were seated and where toasts were given by Messrs. Isaac Brandt and others. Later the tables being removed the auditorium and parlors were filled, the entire evening with club members and their friends who enjoyed the pictures, the furnishings and a social good time. The following is a list of furnishings donated:

Des Moines Gas Co., two gas stoves
Greater Des Moines Committee, mahogany table
Chase & West, mahogany hall clock
Yunker Bros., rug
Frankel Bros. oriental rug
Robert Bebb, 3 doz. roses
Belt & Van Sittert, decorations of dining room
Mrs. Elbert, jardaniar and chandelier
Davidson Bros., oak hall settee

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At Sherman Place, December 11, 1907, was held held the regular meeting of the Des Moines Womens Club. The President's call to order was followed by the reading of the minutes of November 27th. The Club had the pleasure of hearing a few words of greeting from the president of the Indianola Shakespeare Club and from Mrs. Berry of the Monday Club of Indianola, who were invited guests for the day.

Mrs. W. W. Witmer introduced the program which was in charge of the Philosophy and Science Department ^{and} as follows.

A piano solo by Miss Gladys Monroe, entitled "The Earl King," a double vocal number by Mrs. A. M. Piper, "Love Sings the Lark," and "Spring is Come."

An address by Mr. Henry Nollen on "Some Recent Discoveries in Physical Science." One hundred forty-seven members present. Fourteen paid and forty-five complimentary guests (Shakespeare Club, 12; Monday Club of Indianola, 11; Monday Club, Des Moines, 20;)

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New Year's Day of 1908 was made the occasion
Mrs. Margaret Phillips of Charlotte, Michigan; Mrs.
Hamilton of Cedar Rapids). Door receipts \$4.00

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New Year's Day of 1908 was made the occasion for keeping open house by the social department of the Des Moines Womens Club. The Club House and the Art Gallery were thrown open to the public from three until ten o'clock. Refreshments were served in the dining room from a beautifully appointed table decorated with lillies of the valley and ferns and presided over by Mesdames L. M. Mann, T. M. Walker, C. L. Watrous, W. R. Marshall and Miss Harriet Ankeney. A very informal time was had listening to the music, enjoying the pictures, inspecting the club house and visiting. About five hundred callers were received, among whom were visitors from the Kindergarten Association and Mothers Congress in session in the city.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Sec.

DES MOINES WOMEN'S CLUB

January 22d brought a rain storm and in consequence a very small attendance at the regular meeting of the Des Moines Womens Club. In the absence of the President, Mrs. A. E. Shipley presided. Minutes of December 11, 1907, and January 1, 1908, were read. Announcements as follows. Mrs. Stevenson as chairman of the music department, Mrs. Still of the organization of a German class with Mrs. W. O. Riddell as instructor, Mrs. Ballard as chairman of the Art Department and Mrs. Johnston for Mrs. Pringshein's lecture to be given January 23d under the direction of the Art Department. Mrs. Ella Ford Miller of the Home and Education Department and chairman for the day presented a most interesting and instructive program as follows. Vocal solos entitled "Baby Clovers," "My Lammie," and "The Seamstress" by Miss Gladys Stiles. A talk on music and song for and by chil-

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dren, Miss Frances Wright. Demonstration by Miss Kauffman and her third grade pupils of Garfield School. Illustration of the work as done by Miss Doolittle and her seventh and eighth grade pupils of Summitt School. A motion carried that a note of thanks be sent Misses Kauffman and Doolittle.

Members present forty-five, complimentary guests fifty-five, paid guests four, total one hundred four. Door receipts, \$1.00.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Secretary

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A musical matinee by the club chorus was the entertainment provided for the Des Moines Womens Club on the afternoon of February 5th. The chorus under the direction of Dean Nagle and accompanied by Miss Irma Day, was assisted by Mrs. Katherine Bray Haines, Soprano, Miss Alice Hartmann, pianist, Mr. Eugene Hahnel, violinist, Mr. Wendell Heighton, cello, Mr. W. M. Johnson, flute and Mr. T. Fred Henry, cornet. The program consisting of selections from American composers, was rendered in a most artistic manner and was a great pleasure throughout. The attendance was the largest of the year. Members, two hundred fifty-eight, guests ninety-seven, complimentary guests forty-two, total, three hundred ninety-seven. Door receipts \$24.25. The success of the day reflected great credit upon its chairman, Mrs. T. F. Stevenson. The President was again

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able to be present and preside. The minutes of
January 22d were approved. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Secretary

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Hoyt Sherman Place

February 19, 1908

The Des Moines Womens Club convened for its regular meeting at three o'clock. The auditorium was decorated with cut flowers and palms, the walls covered with pictures, the dining room and parlors were filled with curios and interesting things both ancient and modern which the Art Department had collected for an Arts and Crafts exhibit. After the reading the minutes and announcements, the President presented the request of the Park Commission that we speak of the Hoyt Sherman Place rather than than Sherman Place and stated the proposed gift to the club of a portrait of Mr. Hoyt Sherman.

Mrs. Johnston, president of the Art Department announced at length the various departments of the exhibit and their chairmen and introduced Mrs. J. G. Berryhill who had charge of the program which

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consisted of a double piano number by Miss Longwell, vocal numbers by Miss Helen Zinsmaster, a talk on "The Arts and Crafts Movement" by Miss Florence Weaver, and a paper on "Art as Applied to Life," by Mrs. Phillips of the Michigan State Federation.

There were present two hundred forty-two members, and ninety guests, of whom ten were complimentary, making a total of three hundred thirty-two. Door Receipts, \$20.00. After adjournment the rooms were thronged with spectators who seemed greatly interested in the work of the children as represented by the juvenile exhibit, the needle work, jewelry, china, leather work, wood carving and pictures.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Secretary

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Hoyt Sherman Place

March 4, 1908

President Mitchell called the club to order at three o'clock in the club home. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Mitchell read a letter from Mrs. B. M. Wyman of Los Angeles expressing her pleasure that the club has its home in the Hoyt Sherman Place. Mrs. Horace Hollingsworth, chairman for the Social Economics and Civics Department had the program in charge and introduced Miss Burleigh who gave a piano number by Listz. Miss Margaret Moss who sang three selections, Miss Lilliam Matthews, Probation Officer, who gave a paper on Delinquent Girls, and Miss Forster a deaconess from the Y. W. C. A. Travelers Association who talked on "Things and Conditions in Des Moines." A rainy afternoon was responsible for a small attendance. Members,

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sixty-five, complimentary guests four, paid guests
two, total, seventy-one. Door receipts, 50¢.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Secretary

Women's Club March 11th at the regular meeting, with
a talk on "Old English Pottery," 111
talk from her own collection. Music was furnished by
Miss Isabell McKee, pianist, and Mr. Wm. Downey, Con-
ductor. The afternoon was in charge of the Home and Ed-
ucation Department with Mrs. A. E. Clarke as chairman
and was greatly enjoyed. Minutes of March 4th were
approved as read. Announcement was made of the com-
plimentary concert by Dean Maple and Mrs. De Graff for
Friday night, March 13, 1908. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Secretary.

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Mrs. J. K. Macomber entertained the Des Moines Womens Club March 11th at the regular meeting, with a talk on "Old English Pottery," illustrating the talk from her own collection. Music was furnished by Miss Isabell McKee, pianist, and Mr. Wm. Downey, Tenor. The afternoon was in charge of the Home and Education Department with Mrs. A. E. Clarke as chairman and was greatly enjoyed. Minutes of March 4th were approved as read. Announcement was made of the complimentary concert by Dean Nagle and Mrs. De Graff for Friday night, March 13, 1908. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Secretary.

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March 25th the club enjoyed a spring program studying "The Wild Flowers at Home" with Professor and Mrs. Ricker and the stereoptican. A piano number was given by Mrs. Ada Lattig Kell, and several vocal selections by Miss Fern Gordon. Mrs. F. W. Weitz of the Philosophy and Science Department was chairman of the afternoon. A vote of thanks was extended Professor and Mrs. Ricker for the interesting afternoon. Ninety club members, fourteen guests of which four were complimentary, were in attendance. Door receipts, \$2.50. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Secretary

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The club convened for its annual business meeting April 1, 1907, at 2:30 o'clock with the President, Mrs. Mitchell in the chair. Minutes of March 25th read and approved. The tellers for the day were Mesdames Clinton Nourse, H. S. Hollingsworth, Eli Grimes, J. M. Callender, H. H. Lantz and W. G. Agar. Mrs. S. J. Spaulding of the verifying committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF VERIFYING COMMITTEE APRIL, 1908

Board Members

113 Baily, Mrs. W. H.
95 Chamberlain, Mrs. Lowell
108 Cowles, Mrs. Gardner
84 Cummins, Mrs. A. B.
55 Cummins, Mrs. J. C.
104 Durley Mrs. P. B.
138 Ellyson, Mrs. G. D.
66 Fleming, Miss A. J.
74 Fleming, Mrs. Robt.
93 Greffe, Mrs. Theo.
63 Hirsh, Mrs. Henry
90 Hollingsworth, Mrs. H. S.
97 Hunn, Mrs. Chas. E.
82 McHenry, Mrs. W. H.
68 Miller, Mrs. Homer A.
110 Mitchell, Mrs. W. F.
86 Nourse, Mrs. Clinton
102 Riddle, Mrs. W. O.
127 Shipley, Mrs. A. E.
65 Souers, Mrs. Webb.
77 Still, Mrs. S. S.
59 Vorse, Mrs. F. W.
60 Walker, Mrs. T. M.
73 93 Webster, Mrs. F. W.
71 Witmer, Mrs. W. W.

Members Receiving Thity-five or More Votes

47 Ballard, Mrs. W. E.
46 Briar, Mrs. John
39 Brigham, Mrs. Johnson
35 Brown, Mrs. Walter S.
44 Cokenower, Mrs. J. W.
53 Dickinson, Mrs. D. W.
46 Given, Mrs. Welker
51 Marshall, Mrs. W. R.
36 Powell, Mrs. C. L.
46 Prouty, Mrs. S. F.

Mrs. S. J. Spaulding,
Mrs. W. W. Witmer,
Mrs. W. G. Agar,
Committee.

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The secretary reported Mesdames W. F. Mitchell ex officio, G. D. Ellyson, A. B. Cummins, P. B. Dureley and A. E. Shipley were elected delegates to the General Federation of Womens Clubs and Mesdames W. H. Bailey, Homer A. Miller, C. E. Hunn, Lowell Chamberlain and Miss Belle Gilcrest, alternates. The informal ballot for president was taken and while the votes were being counted the treasurer Mrs. G. D. Ellyson, gave her semi-annual report. Mrs. Carrell of the finance committee reported that the accounts had been audited and were found to be accurate in every detail and the report was accepted. At this point Mrs. Robert Fleming presented a motion of appreciation for President Mitchell, through whose untiring and successful efforts the club is today the possessor of a beautiful home. The motion carried unanimously and Mrs. Mitchell responded thanking the club for its

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words of appreciation.

Mrs. Nourse announced the result of the informal ballot for president. Seventy-seven for Mrs. G. D. Ellyson, and seventy-six for Mrs. A. E. Shipley. The formal vote was cast and while waiting to hear the result the Corresponding Secretary Mrs. Woodburn, gave a report of her work for the year which was accepted. The President announced the temporary chairmen, Mrs. J. W. Cokenower, Art; Mrs. S. F. Prouty, Social Economics and Civics; Mrs. T. M. Walker, History and Literature; Mrs. W. W. Witmer, Philosophy and Science; Mrs. John Briar Social; Mrs. Ella Ford Miller, Home and Education, and Mrs. T. F. Stevenson, Music. The result of the formal ballot showed one hundred seventy votes cast. Eighty-seven for Mrs. Shipley and eighty-three for Mrs. Ellyson, and the president declared Mrs. Shipley elected. Mrs. Ellyson was nominated

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from the floor as first vice-president, but declined and an informal ballot was taken with the result that Mrs. Ellyson and Mrs. Riddell received the highest number of votes. Mrs. Ellyson positively declined the nomination. Mrs. T. M. Walker moved that Mrs. W. O. Riddell be the first vice-president. Carried. Mrs. E. H. Carter moved that Mrs. C. E. Hunn having the next highest number of votes be the second vice-president. Carried. On the informal ballot for Recording Secretary, Mrs. Theo. Grefe and Mrs. F. W. Vorse received the highest number of votes but Mrs. Vorse withdrew as did all the others and a second informal ballot was taken with the result that Mrs. Grefe received seventy-four out of the eighty-three votes cast. Upon motion of Mrs. J. B. Marsh the informal ballot was made formal, the secretary cast the ballot and the president declared Mrs. Grefe elected. The informal

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ballot for corresponding secretary made Mesdames Webster and Lowell Chamberlain candidates with the result that the formal ballot gave Mrs. Webster forty-two of the sixty-three votes cast, and she was declared elected. On the informal ballot for treasurer Mrs. Hollingsworth received forty-four votes and Mrs. Robt. Fleming seventeen. Mrs. Hollingsworth having received the majority of votes cast, the secretary was instructed to cast the formal ballot for her for treasurer and she was declared elected. The club ^{adjourned} having elected

President	Mrs. A. E. Shipley
1st Vice-President	Mrs. W. O. Riddell
2nd Vice-President	Mrs. C. E. Hunn
Recording Secretary	Mrs. Theo. Grefe
Corresponding Secretary,	Mrs. F. W. Webster
Treasurer	Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Secretary

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Hoyt Sherman Place

April 15, 1908

The President called the club to order at the regular time. The minutes of April 1st were read and approved. Mrs. Blake spoke a few words in behalf of the Home of the Aged with the thought of selling some folders of the Home. The President announced that post cards of the Club House as ready for sale. Miss Kyle chairman for the afternoon under the direction of the History and Literature Department, presented a most enjoyable program, being a study of the drama. Miss Margaret Moss, accompanied by Miss Roe, sang a group of Old Shakesperian Songs and Misses Grace Deming, and Josephine Sharp executed a suite from Peer Gynt. Miss Ada McClelland read a paper entitled "Women of the Sixteenth Century," and Miss Flora Henryone entitled "The Modern Drama as a Force in Social Progress." A social hour followed with

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tea and wafers served in the dining room. Mrs. Deal of the Twentieth Century Club, Kalamazoo, Michigan, was a guest of the club. The secretary was instructed to send a note of sympathy to Mrs. A. E. Shipley who was called from the club by the sudden and serious illness of her husband. There were present ninety-six members, eight paid and two complimentary guests, total one hundred six. Door receipts, \$2.00.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Secretary

DES MOINES WOMEN'S CLUB

April 29, 1908, the Des Moines Womens Club met in regular session at the Hoyt Sherman Place. The President was in the chair. Minutes of April 15th were read and approved. Announcement was made of the postponement of the Children's Day program scheduled for May 13th. A letter of congratulation from Mr. Sidney Foster was read by the president.

A musical matinee with Mrs. D. L. Jewett chairman, formed the program of the afternoon, which was given by the Club Ghorus assisted by Miss Margaret Moss, Soprano and Mr. Max Schellner, Violin.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec Secretary

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May 20, 1908, the Des Moines Womens Club held a social afternoon in honor of the lady physicians and wives of physicians in attendance at the State Medical Convention. The meeting convened at three o'clock and the minutes of April 29th were read and approved. The by-laws as revised and adopted by the Directory Board were read by Mrs. Baily, chairman of the Committee on Revision. A collection for the Federation Fund of English Scholarship was taken which netted \$1.90. A reception of the guests with a social hour followed. At five o'clock the President called to order and Dean Nagle and the Club Chorus, Mr. Max Schellner and Miss Edna Means, presented a most delightful program. Dr. Laura Branson of Iowa City in behalf of the visiting ladies and physicians offered a motion of thanks to the club for its entertainment. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Secretary

Oct. 1, 1907.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met at the Chamberlain, Mrs. Mitchell presiding.

The secretary being absent the reading of the minutes of previous meeting was omitted.

Report of Building Committee regarding changes in the interior of Sherman House, and electric lighting

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was given by Mrs. Mitchell.

Minutes of Board of Directors

A bill from (Original) for \$100 in part payment

for services October 1907 to August 1908

A letter from Mr. Walker was read and in recognition

Officers

of his services, gratefully given, in recognition

President

Mrs. W. F. Mitchell

First Vice President

Mrs. A. E. Shipley

Second Vice President

Mrs. E. W. Brown

Recording Secretary

Mrs. C. E. Hunn

Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. Wm. Woodburn

Treasurer

Mrs. G. D. Ellyson

to retain a room in the club house with the understanding

standing that the club have the use of her piano for

rehearsals, until such time as the Board may terminate

the arrangement.

A very concise report was made by the Housing

Committee who presented a schedule of rates for the

Board's consideration, as follows:

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A bill from Mr. Nourse for \$100 in part payment for services as architect was allowed.

A letter from Mr. Walker was read and in recognition of his services, gratuitously given, in inspecting the plumbing of Sherman House it was decided to send to him a letter of thanks.

Mrs. Durley moved that Mrs. Pickett be allowed to retain a room in the club house with the understanding that the club have the use of her piano for rehearsals, until such time as the Board may terminate the arrangement.

A very concise report was made by the Renting Committee who presented a schedule of rates for the Board's consideration, as follows:

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For the small auditorium - - - - -	2.50
For clubs not exceeding 16 members - -	1.50
For card parties all rooms of club house proper - - - - -	20.00
For luncheons or dinners - - - - -	20.00
For large auditorium - - - - -	15.00
For receptions not including china - -	20.00
For auditorium and parlors - - - - -	30.00

Mrs. Bailey moved that the prices scheduled be endorsed. Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Carter it was decided to allow the use of the silver and china for five dollars additional. Mrs. Plumb moved that a discount of 25% from schedule rates be allowed to club members entertaining. Carried.

The committee reported a rental to the Political Equality Club. An offer was made to the City Federation of a rate of \$2.50 for auditorium and twenty-five cents each for buffet luncheon. The offer was accepted by the Federation committee.

Mrs. Mitchell reported for the furnishing committee the purchase of chairs for \$325 and the necessary furnishings for the janitor's room. The committee was empowered to anticipate the club's income to

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the extent of making necessary purchases.

Under suspension of the rules Mrs. Henry E. Sampson was elected to membership.

Mrs. Shipley presented the request of Mrs. Bastian who removed from the city immediately after becoming a club member that her dues be refunded. The request was granted.

A letter of withdrawal was granted to Mrs. Thomas F. Cooke.

No other business coming before the Board the meeting was adjourned. 17 members present.

Ella W. Woodburn
Sec. pro tem

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A delightful one o'clock luncheon was given by Mrs. T. F. Stevenson to Directory Board of Des Moines Womens Club, October 24, 1907. The invitation was extended to the retiring members as well as the new Board, and Mrs. Gertrude Nash, President of the Iowa State Federation was guest of honor. Roll call was followed by the reading of the minutes of August 14th and October 1st. The president in communication spoke of the progress of work at the Club House and mentioned the gifts of a mahogany hall clock, by Chase & West, an oriental rug by the Frankel Bros., and a chandelier for the dining room by Mrs. B. F. Elbert. Owing to the unfinished condition of the Club House and upon motion of Mrs. Brown, at the request of the chairman Mrs. Stevenson, it was decided to defer the regular meeting of the Music Department one month.

The kitchen floor having been left by the

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plumbers in an unsatisfactory condition, some discussion as to a change resulted in a motion that it be left as it is which carried. The President reported a check for \$13.07 secured from the sale of old iron, etc. Mrs. Brown moved that we hold a "Recognition" or "Opening Day" when the club house could be thrown open, the time of which to be left to the furnishing committee. Carried. A motion prevailed to print in convenient form, folders or catalogues for public use containing the needful information concerning the pictures and the Printing Committee with Mrs. Durley, Chairman, instructed to have them in charge. Mrs. Carrell reported December 5th as the date of the recital to be given by Mrs. Hardy, and fifty cents the price of admission. Mrs. Hardy to furnish the piano and her services for the benefit of the Club House. Mrs. Durley was appointed to advertise this recital at the Federation Luncheon, Tuesday, October 29th.

Yellie M. Hunt
Secretary

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The Treasurer gave her regular report which was accepted. Mrs. Shipley spoke of the District Federation Convention to be held at Indianola, November 7th and 8th. The President appointed Mrs. Ellyson delegate from the club. Mrs. Gertrude Nash, president of the Iowa State Federation was introduced and spoke briefly.

Mesdames N. Belle Ritchey, Curtis Stream, Jno. Bebb, E. B. Mendsen and Miss Yettie Sheuerman were elected to membership.

Mrs. Ellyson was instructed to insert the word "chorus" on the club membership tickets, for use of the club chorus. A motion to allow the president a limited number of Year Books for personal use in her official position, carried. Adjourned.

An elaborate luncheon was followed by a social time which occupied the afternoon. All the members of the Board except Mesdames Hirsch and Chamberlain and Miss Fleming were present.

Nellie N. Hunn
Secretary

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Roll call for the meeting of the Womens Club Board for November 4th was responded to by eighteen members. Minutes of October 24th approved. Mrs. Ellyson reported insurance to the amount of \$1000 having been taken out by the club in lieu of other policies held by the Park Commissioners which had expired. She also reported the omission of six names from the Year Book, Mesdames B. E. S. Ely, Chas. Fleming, Will Gaylord, J. G. Grundy, Theo. Greife and B. N. Waller. Expense for Officers' Day was \$10.68.

Mrs. Mitchell reported for the building Committee the contractor's work as completed, though there were still some broken windows to be restored and other little things to be corrected before the work could be considered satisfactory.

Mrs. Durley reported her committee as working upon the catalogues of the pictures. Upon motion of Mrs. E. H. Carter the treasurer was instructed

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to send a check of \$25.00 to Professor Cummings and accompany the same with a note of thanks in appreciation of his services in hanging the pictures in the new auditorium.

Upon motion of Mrs. Grefe it was decided to rent a good piano for the auditorium.

Mrs. Woodburn read a note from Mrs. Pickett offering her services about the building from nine A. M. until three P. M. for \$25.00 per month. The proposition was accepted and the matter of defining her duties was left to the Building committee.

The names of Mesdames H. H. Lantz, L. M. Mann, Fannie Spellman and J. W. Welch were presented for membership. Adjourned.

Later the Board was called together and the secretary instructed to cast the vote for the four names presented. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Sec

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November 22d the Directory Board of the Des Moines Womens Club met with Mrs. C. E. Hunn at ten o'clock. Twenty-one members were present. Minutes for November 4th read and approved. Mrs. Ellyson asked permission to defer sending the check of \$25.00 to Professor Cumming until Christmas time. The request was granted and the corresponding secretary instructed to send a note of thanks at once. The names of Mesdames S. C. Quimby, W. B. Amsbary, E. H. Hazen, Harriet Page and H. C. Baumgartner were presented for membership. The withdrawal of Mrs. J. J. Spellman, who was recently elected to membership and who had never attended any meeting, was accepted and her \$5.00 refunded.

Mrs. Durley moved the exercises for the opening of the Club House consist of a business meeting at three o'clock, a luncheon at six o'clock and a talk upon Art by Father Romanelli at eight o'clock in the evening. Carried. Upon motion of Mrs.

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Hirsch it was decided that the members of the park Commission, the Executive committee of the Greater Des Moines Committee and Professor Cumming be invited to the luncheon. Mrs. Carter moved the Furnishing committee have the canvas on the Auditorium floor stained at once in order that it may be ready for the open day. Mrs. Woodburn moved that the committee be empowered to equip with electric light the ten pictures for which it seems most necessary, and Mrs. Stevenson of that committee should invite the assistance of Mrs. Chas. Cumming. A motion carried that the club members pay thirty-five cents per plate for the luncheon. The president appointed Mrs. W. H. McHenry chairman of the purchasing committee for that day. A motion prevailed that a house committee be appointed to define the duties of Mrs. Pickett and the janitor. Adjourned.

After luncheon a burlesque Board Meeting

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with Mrs. W. O. Riddell as president, was held which far out-rivalled in wit and humor, if not in dignity, the ordinary session of like character.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

Adjourned.

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The Board was called together at the close of the regular meeting of November 27th, to take action relative to the bringing to the city of Madame Sembrich for a concert. The motion to accept the proposition made was lost.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Sec.

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1907

Mrs. Shipley met the members of the Board between the afternoon session and the luncheon at the Club House, December 7th, and a motion to invite the visiting Congress of Mothers, The Teachers and Kindergarten Association to be the guests of the Club at its Social Day, January 1, 1908, carried. Mesdames Page, Baumgartner, Amsbary, Quimby, Hazen and Dr. Ridgeway, were elected to membership and the following applications for membership were presented. Mesdames Andrews, Wm. Carlson, G. E. Walters, Geo. A. Young, Harry Runyon, Elizabeth J. Cook and Miss Elizabeth Haas. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Sec

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Upon special invitation of Mrs. W. H. McHenry, the Board of the Des Moines Womens Club convened at her home No. 2901 Rutland Avenue, December 13, 1907. Meeting called to order by the president. The minutes of November 22d and 27th and December 7th were read and approved. A motion prevailed that with the intent of keeping the club intouch with its affairs, the Recording Secretary announce at its open meetings the names of the newly elected members and the decisions reached by the Directory Board.

Mrs. Souers of the House Committee reported that her committee consisting of Mesdames Elbert, Marshall and Walker had ~~not~~ defined definitely the duties of Mrs. Pickett and the janitor.

Mrs. Stevenson, chairman of the Music Department reported Mr. Nagle as desirous of having an orchestra to assist the chorus at the open day, January 29th. Upon motion of Mrs. Brown it was

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decided to continue to practice economy and that no extra expense be incurred for this day. It was moved and carried that the arrangements be left to the chairman, Mrs. Stevenson.

Mrs. McHenry, as purchasing committee for the open day reported an expense of \$20.80 incurred; eighty people served, and a balance of some five dollars on hand. A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. McHenry for her excellent service.

A letter from Mr. Isaac Brandt was read by the president, congratulating the club upon its new home and offering a bit of history concerning the Sherman place.

The call to a simple(?) luncheon was cheerfully responded to and prolonged for one hour and a half. After the president's call to order a motion prevailed to make Mrs. Mary Calkins Chas-sell, of Le Mars, Iowa, the complimentary guest of the club during her stay in the city.

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Mrs. Durley moved a committee be appointed to procure a design and ascertain the probable expense of a club pin. Carried. The President appointed Mrs. Grefe and Mrs. J. C. Cummins with the power to select another member for this committee.

The treasurer, Mrs. Ellyson, presented her monthly report which was accepted.

Mrs. Woodburn, corresponding secretary, presented a request from Mr. Gale, a student at the Cummings School of Art, that he be allowed the privilege of copying the "Cup of Tea," by B. De Hooze. The request was granted.

The amount of insurance on the house furnishings was referred to the treasurer with power to act.

Mrs. F. L. Scofield was reinstated to membership. Miss Elizabeth Haas, Mesdames E. J. Cook, Harry Runyon, Geo. A. Young, G. E. Walters

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and Andrew Wm. Carlson were elected, and the names of Mesdames Gilbert I Vincent and F. E. Houghton were presented for membership. Mrs. W. Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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Regular meeting of the Des Moines womens Club Board was held January 8, 1908, at Sherman Place. In the absence of the president, Mrs. W. F. Mitchell, the vice-president, Mrs. A. E. Shipley presided. Roll call was followed by the minutes of December 13th which were read, corrected and approved. The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Woodburn, read a letter of thanks from Professor Cumming in response to her note of appreciation.

At her request a letter of withdrawal was granted to Dr. Fosnes.

Upon motion that the rules be suspended and the secretary cast the ballot, Mesdames Gilbert I. Vincent and F. E. Houghton were respectively elected to membership in the club, and the application of Mrs. J. Madison Smith given the first reading.

The treasurer reported the water bill for the month as excessively large and the matter was referred to the house committee for investigation.

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Regarding delinquent dues the treasurer was instructed with the sanction of the Board to print such form of notice as she might deem best.

A bill of \$24.79 was reported as the total expense of the Social Day, January 1, 1908. In order that it might be clearly understood that the club house was open to club members at any time upon presentation of their membership tickets to the caretaker, it was voted that a notice to this effect be inserted in the papers and read from the platform.

Mrs. Durley reported the Art Calendars as ready and in use New Year's Day, the expense for the same being \$11.00. Mrs. Grefe moved that a club member preside over the table with the Art Calendars at every open day and suggested a poster be prepared for the same with price, etc. Carried. A vote of thanks was extended to the Committee consisting of Mesdames Durley, Grundy

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and Hawley, who had prepared the Art calendars.

A motion carried to reconsider the action taken at the last meeting of the Board, relative to having an orchestra on Music Day. Upon reconsideration it was decided that Mrs. Stevenson be empowered to expend the money necessary to make music day an artistic success. A confliction of dates as between Des Moines Womens Club and the Unity Circle and a number of clubs having been discovered it was moved that a committee be appointed to arrange the matter. A motion prevailed that the committee be appointed by the chair. Mesdames Stevenson, Greife (and Carrell of Unity circle) were the committee chosen by the chair.

Mrs. Hirsch of the House Committee reported the moving of the platform as injuring and marring the floor and suggested that ball bearing castors be put thereon. Mrs. Bailey moved that the right

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kind of castors be purchased and put on the platform. Carried.

The Literature Department was allowed \$36.00 for the services of Mrs. F. T. Stephenson leader of the Study class.

Mrs. Souers presented a request from Mr. Lich-ty to place on exhibition in our gallery some pictures in his control. Mrs. Durley moved the pictures be accepted at his risk, provided a committee appointed for the purpose should report them of sufficient art value. Mesdames Stevenson and Webster were made such committee.

Mrs. Shipley was authorized to report to the Art Department the unwillingness on the part of the Board to allow the expense of sending out postal card notices.

Adjourned.

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Secretary

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A called meeting of the Directory Board of the Des Moines womens Club was held January 13, 1908, at the home of the president at No. 1214 Seventh Street.

Mrs. Ballard, chairman of the Art department presented the matter of having an Art and Crafts exhibit for the open day of February 12th. Upon motion of Mrs. Hirsch it was decided to allow \$15.00 for the execution of the plans of the Art Department for an Arts and Crafts exhibit for the open day and two days following. Upon motion of Mrs. Hirsch it was also decided to appropriate \$15.00 for an art lecture to be given by Mrs. Pringshein under the control of the Art Department.

Mrs. Grefe of the committee appointed to arrange about confliction of dates for the open club days, reported the necessity of changing the dates of January 15th and 29th to January 22d and February 5th respectively. A motion

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prevailed to change the time for Art day to February 19th, instead of February 12th as stated in the year book. The minutes of January 8th were read and approved.

It was moved and carried to give a reception in May to the Women Physicians of Iowa who are to hold a convention in the city at that time, provided it does not conflict with any date. The president appointed Mesdames Robert Fleming and Grefe a committee to arrange with the members the time that each should act as hostess at the Club House.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to write a letter to the Park Commission urging the desirability of purchasing at once the lots north and west of the club house.

Mrs. Brown moved to waive the rules and elect Mrs. J. Madison Smith a member of the club. Carried.

Adjourned.

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Secretary

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On February 5, 1908, Mrs. Shipley called the Board together at the close of the music program and fourteen members were present. A motion carried that \$10.00 be allowed for a lecture by Father Rmanelli the evening of February 20th. Moved to defer until a later date. The decision as to an admission fee for the exhibit of Thursday carried.

Letters of withdrawal were granted to Mesdames E. R. Hutchins and M. A. Scoular, if upon consultation with the treasurer their dues were paid.

A motion carried that the Renting committee be instructed to contract for reimbursement for loss of silver and breakage of china.

Application of Mrs. J. P. Fisher, J. G. Henry, M. J. Brackett and Miss Mabel Garton were presented.

Adjourned to meet Wednesday, February 12th at ten o'clock.

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Secretary

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Hoyt Sherman Place

February 12, 1908

Directory Board meeting was called to order by the president. Thirteen responded to roll call. Minutes of January 12th and February 5th were read and approved. Letters of withdrawal were granted to Mrs. William Jacquith, Mrs. Jeanette Neil Stoner and Mrs. D. F. Givens. Mrs. W. D. Dickinson presented some of the needs and conditions which confront the House, Property and Renting Committees. A motion prevailed, the dining room furniture remain in that room and not be removed to other parts of the house. Mrs. Hirsch moved that the Renting Committee be instructed to inform applicants that no smoking is allowed in the house except in the gentlemen's dressing room. Carried. Moved and carried that no more dishes be purchased at the present. Moved and carried that sufficient additional quilted padding be purchased to cover

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the entire length of the dining table.

The services of the janitor were granted to assist in hanging the Juvenal Exhibit for the Arts and crafts display. The privilege of putting in tacks or screw eyes in the tops of the window and door frames was granted to those in charge of the Arts and Crafts Exhibit. A motion to charge an admission fee of twentyfive cents for the lecture of Father Romanelli, February 20th, carried. A motion to accept the services of Father Romanelli with thanks, carried.

A note from Mr. Kinsel asking for more time for himself on Sunday was referred to the House Committee. The treasurer presented her monthly report. A motion prevailed that the pictures loaned sometime since to the Roadside Settlement be placed in the club house after the Arts and Crafts exhibit.

Mrs. Stevenson of the Committee appointed to

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arrange dates of open club days reported as follows:-

January 22 Home and Education

February 5 Music

February 19 Arts and Crafts

March 4 Social Economics and Civics

March 11 Home and Education

March 25 Philosophy and Science

Rest of dates as in Year Book except last day, May 13th instead of May 6th. Report was accepted. Upon motion of Mrs. Baily it was decided that the regular meetings of the Board be held on the Wednesday alternating with the club days. In compliance with a motion deciding that a By-laws Committee be appointed the president chose Mrs. W. H. Bailey as chairman with power to select her own committee. Mrs. T. F. Stevenson and Mrs. F. O. Green were named.

A motion to enclose the back porch, carried.

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Mrs. Chamberlain was appointed to look after same.

Mesdames J. P. Fisher, M. J. Brackett, J. G. Henry

and Miss Mabel Carton were elected to membership

by the suspension of the rules and the ballot cast

by the secretary.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Secretary

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1908

February 26th the Directory Board met at ten o'clock at Hoyt Sherman Place. Roll call was followed by the reading of the minutes which were approved as read. The President gave an informal report for Mrs. Grefe as chairman of the committee to investigate the matter of the club pin.

Mrs. Baily chairman of the by-laws committee gave notice of proposed changes in Art. IV, Sec. 3, and Sec. 3 of Art. VIII.

Mrs. Stevenson reported that upon investigation she thought it advisable to refer the special lighting of the pictures to the Building committee.

Mrs. W. T. Johnston, of the Art Department, reported \$68.72 as the net proceeds of the Arts and Crafts exhibit.

A motion to allow \$5.00 for music for the History and Literature Department having been lost, another motion carried that the secretary be instructed to explain fully the complication that

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would arise with the chorus in so doing.

Upon motion of Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. A. E. Clarke was allowed the necessary expense of packing, hauling Mrs. Macomber's pottery for the open day March 11th.

The matter of collecting and sale of old newspapers was left to a committee with Mrs. C. E. Hunn chairman.

Mrs. Ellyson read the regular report of the club chorus as prepared by the Secretary, Mrs. A. M. Piper, and the same was accepted. Dean Nagel and Mrs. De Graff having offered their services for a benefit recital, Mesdames Stevenson, Carrell, Durley and Chamberlain were appointed to confer and arrange with them, and act.

Mesdames Nourse and Durley were appointed a committee to superintend the putting of a rail in front of the pictures in the auditorium.

A motion prevailed to send flowers to Mrs.

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W. O. Waldron, who is very ill with no likelihood of recovery. Mrs. Ellyson was appointed to purchase them.

A motion carried to have a photograph made of the club house with the further thought of having post cards made therefrom and the matter was left with the President who chose as her assistants, Mrs. Hunn and Mrs. Grefe. Twenty members present.

Mrs. Shipley was made a committee to purchase a mail box and have it placed on the club House.

Adjourned to meet March 4, 1908.

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Sec.

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W. O. Waldron, who is very ill with no likelihood of recovery. Mrs. Ellyson was appointed to purchase them.

A motion carried to have a photograph made of the club house with the further thought of having post cards made therefrom and the matter was left with the President who chose as her assistants, Mrs. Hunn and Mrs. Grefe. Twenty members present.

Mrs. Shipley was made a committee to purchase a mail box and have it placed on the club House.

Adjourned to meet March 4, 1908.

Nellie N. Hunn
Sec.

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Nine members in attendance at the meeting of the Directory Board, March 4, 1908, called for the purpose of acting on the changes of by-laws proposed. There being no member of the committee present and no report therefrom, a motion prevailed that the report be acted upon at two o'clock March 11th at Hoyt Sherman Place.

A motion prevailed that the matter of getting the list of members eligible to election as delegates and alternates to the Federation Meeting be left to the discretion of the Recording Secretary.

Five Dollars was allowed Miss Kyle of the History and Literature department for expense of her day.

Mrs. Mitchell reported the photograph of the Club House was taken and the post cards ordered.

Mrs. Nourse was appointed to take Mrs. Stevenson's place in the committee to arrange for a recital with Dean Nagel and Mrs. De Graff.

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Adjourned.

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1908

Directory Board met at Hoyt Sherman Place March 11, at two o'clock. Minutes of February 26th and March 4th were read and approved. A motion to grant Mrs. Pickett's request, viz., that her husband be allowed to occupy her room in the Club House while she is recovering from an operation at the hospital was carried. The monthly report of the Treasurer read and accepted. The President announced Mrs. Shipley as the hold over member of the verifying committee and Mesdames Hollingsworth and Hirsh were chosen as the two other members of the committee. The By-laws Committee reported a change of Sec. 3 of Art. IV, viz., to strike out the word "officers" and insert in its place "two chairmen" and add the clause "A secretary may be elected if deemed necessary." Upon motion of Mrs. Bailey the changes were adopted. The first reading of the change of Sec. I, Art. V was heard and somewhat discussed. A motion to endorse the work of Dr. Kepford in connection with tuberculosis patients

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carried. A letter of withdrawal was granted to Mrs. F. G. Stevens, who is preparing to leave the city. The following names were presented for membership. Misses Direta Norris, Mary Rose Norris, Georgia Stewart, Daisy Allen, Mary I. Dellarue, Marie E. Welch, Mrs. Fred W. Miller.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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1908

Directory Board of Des Moines Womens Club met March 18th at Hoyt Sherman Place at ten o'clock. Roll call was followed by the reading of the minutes of March 11th. The following changes of By-laws were adopted:

ARTICLE V.

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall appoint annually a House Committee which shall consist of seven members, one of whom shall be general chairman known as House Committee Chairman. Two members of this committee shall be members of the Board of Directors. The House Committee shall be divided into three sections consisting of two members each. One, known as the Renting Section shall have charge of assigning rooms to the various departments and of renting the Club House. A second division known as the Property Section shall have charge of and be responsible for all the furnishings and property including the Art Gallery and upon all the floors including and above the first floor. They shall make purchases only upon approval of the Board of Directors. A third section shall have charge of the basement, in-

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cluding the purchase of fuel, repairs for heating apparatus, gas stoves and lighting fixtures; they shall attend to making contracts with the gas, water and electric light companies, which must be approved by the Board of Directors; this section shall have charge of plumbing and sanitary conditions; they shall appoint and dismiss all employees. This shall be known as the Contracting Section.

The House Committee shall have power to make rules known as House Rules subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. The House Committee shall report monthly to the Board of Directors.

Section 2. There shall be a Calendar Committee whose duty it shall be to compile and issue the Year Book. The Recording Secretary shall be a member ex officio. There shall be a Finance Committee which shall audit accounts, prepare the treasurer's bond, recommend investments and at the first open meeting of the year receive the books from the retiring Treasurer and

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after examination pass them over to her successor. Each Committee shall have three members and shall make an annual report in writing.

Section 2 of Art. V changed to Section 3.

Art. VI Sec. 8 is omitted entirely.

Notice of change was given as follows: Art. VIII, Sec. 2; Art. IX, Sec. 1; Art. X,; Art. VIII, Sec. 2.

Mesdames Hollingsworth and Hirsh and Shipley having offered their resignations as members of the verifying committee it was moved and carried that the Executive Committee appoint the Verifying Committee. Mesdames S. J. Spaulding, W. G. Agar and W. W. Witmer were chosen. Mention was made of the death of Mrs. W. O. Waldron. Flowers were ordered sent to Mrs. Galusha Parsons, a charter member of the club, on the death of her husband and Mrs. Durley chosen to purchase the same.

The President suggested that a scroll in honor of the charter members of the club be placed in the

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Club House, and a motion carried that a committee be appointed to have the matter in charge and Mesdames Mitchell, Hunn and Ellyson were made the committee.

Permission was granted that the money received from the German Class be reserved for some special fund to be designated at a later date.

Mrs. R. W. Harper's name presented for the first reading. Mrs. Fred W. Miller, Miss Daisy Allen, Miss Marie Welch and Miss Nellie I. Delarue were elected to membership. A motion carried that the courtesy of the club be extended to the new members for the rest of the year.

Twenty members present.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Sec.

1908

A brief session of the Board was called for 2:30 at Hoyt Sherman Place March 25th. Mrs. Shipley in the chair. Fifteen members were present. Minutes of March 18th were read and approved: The following corrections, additions and changes in the By-laws have been made up to date.

ARTICLE III.

Officers.

Section 2. There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of twenty-five members, elected annually. Any member of said board having been elected three (3) consecutive years is ineligible to re-election for a period of two (2) years. This rule does not apply to the President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer.

Unexpired terms of Board members shall not be deducted from the three year's term of their successors.

ARTICLE IV

Departments.

Section 3. The Departments shall meet the Wednesday following the Annual Meeting to elect two chairmen and arrange work for the ensuing year. A Secretary may be elected if deemed necessary.

ARTICLE V

Section 2. There shall be a calendar committee whose duty it shall be to compile and issue the Year Book. The Recording Secretary shall be ex-officio member. There shall be a Finance Committee which shall audit accounts, prepare the Treasurer's bond, recommend investments to the Board and at the first open meeting of the year receive the books from the retiring Treasurer, and after examination pass them over to her successor.

Each committee shall consist of three members and shall make an annual report in writing.

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Section 3. These committees, the Doorkeepers and ushers shall be appointed by the President-elect.

Section 4. There shall be two chairmen appointed by the President to provide hostesses for the free open days at the Art Gallery. They shall be required to keep a record of attendance and report same to the Secretary of the Club.

ARTICLE VI

Duties of Officers and Committees

Section 1. The President shall preside at all regular and called meetings of the Club, and at all meetings of the Board of Directors. She shall be a member of ex-officio of all committees. She shall be ex-officio delegate to all conventions.

Section 6. The Board of Directors shall transact the business of the Club and elect members. Vacancies in said Board shall be filled by the Board, from the list of names, on consecutive order, voted

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for as director at the preceding annual election.

ARTICLE VI

Section 8. It shall be the duty of the Doorkeepers to keep a record of the attendance of the Club at each meeting; also to secure names of non-resident guests and report same with place of residence to the Secretary of the club to be announced before the close of the meeting.

It shall be the duty of the Doorkeeper to receive the admission fees at all open meetings and at entertainments given by the Club.

ARTICLE VII

Membership.

Section 2. No member shall be eligible to official position, nor be a delegate to the Biennials of the G. F. W. C. and I. F. W. C., neither shall she propose or endorse candidates for membership until she has been a member of the club one year.

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Section 7. A member removing from the city may, at her own request, receive a letter of withdrawal that will entitle her, without payment of dues during the absence, to resume her membership in the Club.

ARTICLE IX

Section 5. Delegates and alternates to the Biennials of the I. F. W. C. and G. F. W. C. shall be nominated by ballot. All women who have been members of the club one year or longer are eligible. The delegates and alternates shall be elected at the annual meeting.

Section 6. The officers, Board of Directors and all Chairmen shall enter upon the duties of their respective offices the October following their election.

ARTICLE IX

Meetings.

Section 1. The first meeting of the Club shall

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be on the first Wednesday in October each year. There shall be sixteen meetings held fortnightly during the year; but no meeting shall be held later than the week in which the fifteenth of May occurs. There may be a holiday vacation.

Section 4. (3rd and 4th paragraph p. 70 were amended and shall read as follows:)

The officers shall be elected by the Club from the Board of Directors elect. To be eligible to the Presidency, a member must have served at least one year on the Board. There shall be two nominees for each office, these being the two receiving the highest number of votes on an informal ballot.

A formal ballot shall then be taken and the one receiving the majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected.

ARTICLE X

Visitors may be admitted to any regular meeting of the Club and to the various departments upon payment

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of twenty-five cents. The usual admission fee will not be required of a non-resident member of a federated Club, provided she furnishes the doorkeeper with her address and the name of the Club of which she is a member. This address must be given to the Secretary and read before the open club.

ARTICLE XI

In the place of Vice-President, read Vice-Presidents.

The names of Mrs. Langdon R. Davis and Mrs. A. A. Clark were read for the first time. Mrs. Blake was granted the privilege of presenting post cards of the Home for the Aged before the open club. A motion prevailed that Mrs. Stevenson be allowed the money necessary to carry out her plans for the music day, April 29th.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary.

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A meeting of the Board of Directors was held April 8, 1908, at ten o'clock at Hoyt Sherman Place with a small attendance, only twelve being present. Mrs. Mitchell reported the post cards of the club house as ready for sale. She also reported that Dean Nagle would furnish a musical program of one-half hour's duration for the reception to be tendered the lady physicians who are to be in the city May 20th. A motion prevailed to accept Dean Nagle's services and that an invitation be extended to the wives of the resident physicians. It was decided that the Board and Officers constitute the Reception Committee.

The question of allowing Cobert Pickett the privilege of a room in the house was referred to the Building Committee.

Mrs. F. D. Harsh was reinstated and the courtesy of the club extended to her for the remainder of the year.

Mesdames R. W. Harper, A. A. Clark and Langdon R. Davis were elected to membership.

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A motion prevailed that the chorus be continued for another year.

The request of F. J. Campbell that he be furnished with a photograph of "The Cup of Tea," by B. De Hooze for the purpose of publication in the Fine Arts Journal, was granted and the matter referred to Mrs. Webster.

The Secretary was instructed to confer with Professor Cumming as to who should receive the scholarship for next year and report at the next Board meeting.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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April 22, 1908, sixteen members of the Directory Board met in regular session at Hoyt Sherman Place. Roll call was followed by the reading of the minutes of March 25th and April 8th, both of which were approved. A motion prevailed that nothing in the nature of announcements be made of Music Day, April 29th. A motion prevailed that Mrs. Pickett be allowed the use of her room in the building for a brief time before leaving the city.

Mrs. Hirsch reported funds to the amount of \$14.30 turned over to the Treasurer from the History and Literature Study Class. This amount covering a period of two years. The report was accepted. Professor Cumming reported that Mr. Barkalow had been unable to use the scholarship the entire year and he had thought best to substitute a very promising boy by the name of Leon Stitzell, who appeared before the ladies and made a freehand rapid sketch of Mrs. Mitchell in the act of presiding. Mrs. Stevenson reported for

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the chorus that Dean Nagle was chosen director, and Mrs. B. E. S. Ely Chairman, and Mrs. Chas. D. Smith secretary. Upon motion the report was adopted. Mrs. Stevenson also reported for the Music Department that Mesdames Ellyson and Weitz were elected chairmen for the ensuing year.

Owing to the torn up condition of the grounds incident to the construction of the new entrance it was thought best at the suggestion of the Social Committee, to defer the Children's Day program until in September and action to that effect was taken.

Mrs. Baily read a proposed change in the By-laws referring to the Social Committee. Art. IX, Sec. I was suspended and it was decided that the club be called three o'clock May 20th for one hour preceding the reception to the visiting Lady Physicians and at that time the new By-laws read and other announcements of interest to the club be made. May 13th was decided upon as the time to be devoted to the changes of the By-laws. A motion prevailed that a reception

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be held at the close of the program April 29th for the Dallas Center Woman's Club which will visit the Club at that time, and the Music Department have the Arrangements in charge.

The names of Mrs. J. D. Wallingford and Chas. Johnson were presented for membership.

Adjourned.

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Secretary.

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Meeting of the Diredtory Board May 14th, 1908, called to order and roll was called. Mrs. Everett presented the matter of a local exhibit of oil painting to be in charge of the Art Department. The minutes of April 22d were approved. Mrs. Chas. Johnson and Mrs. J. D. Wallingford were elected to membership. The Treasurer's report was heard and accepted.

Mrs. Stevenson submitted the report of the chorus which was likewise accepted. Mrs. Webster reported The Cup O'Tea had been photographed and a copy sent to the Fine Arts Journal.

Mrs. Ellyson presented a letter from Mrs. Conaway asking for a letter of withdrawal, which was granted.

A motion to leave the beneficiary of the scholarship to the discretion of Professor Cumming carried.

The President reported the post cards as ready for sale and urged all to aid in disposing of them.

Mrs. Stevenson reported the expense of Music Day as three dollars. Moved and carried to accept a collec-

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tion of Japanese prints for display on the free days. Upon motion the By-law Committee were allowed to present their recommendations.

Adjourned for lunch served by members of the Board at the Club House.

After a most satisfying, delicious luncheon, upon call of the president, Mesdames Miles A. Thompson, Chas. W. Kendall, John M. Gibson, Will H. Gibson, Noel Griffith, T. Oswald Lorenz were elected to membership.

Mrs. T. M. Walker of the History and Literature Department presented the request for an instructor for twelve lessons at \$3 per lesson, which request was granted. She also reported Miss Josephine Taylor and Mrs. Pleas J. Mills, the chairmen-elect from that department.

The following are the changes made in the By-laws up to date.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS.

By-laws.

ARTICLE I.

Name.

The name of this corporation shall be the Des Moines Women's Club.

ARTICLE II.

Object.

The object of the Des Moines Women's Club shall be the establishment of an organized center of thought and action among women, mutual improvement, benevolence, and the maintenance of a free, public Art Gallery.

ARTICLE III.

Officers.

Section 2. There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of twenty-five members, elected annually. Any member of said board having been elected three

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(3) consecutive years is ineligible to re-election for a period of two (2) years. Officers shall be exempt from this limitation.

Unexpired terms of Board members shall not be deducted from the three year term of their successors.

ARTICLE IV.

Departments.

Section 3. The Departments shall meet the Wednesday following the Annual Meeting to elect two chairmen and arrange work for the ensuing year. A Secretary may be elected if deemed necessary. The Chairmen shall make a report to the Board after each open meeting.

ARTICLE V.

Committees.

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall appoint annually a House Committee which shall consist of seven members, one of whom shall be general chairman known as House Committee Chairman. Two members of

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this committee shall be members of the Board of Directors. The House Committee shall be divided into three sections consisting of two members each. One, known as the Renting Section shall have charge of assigning rooms to the various departments and of renting the Club House. A second division known as the Property Section shall have charge of and be responsible for all the furnishings and property including the Art Gallery and upon all the floors including and above the first floor. They shall make purchases only upon approval of the Board of Directors. A third section shall have charge of the basement, including the purchase of fuel, repairs for heating apparatus, gas stoves and lighting fixtures; they shall attend to making contracts with the gas, water and electric light companies, which must be approved by the Board of Directors; this section shall have charge of plumbing and sanitary conditions; they shall appoint and dismiss all employees. This shall be known as the Contracting Section.

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The House Committee shall have power to make rules known as House Rules subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. The House Committee shall report monthly to the Board of Directors.

Section 2. There shall be a Calendar Committee whose duty it shall be to compile and issue the year Book. The Recording Secretary shall be ~~ex~~-officio member. There shall be a Finance Committee which shall audit accounts, prepare the Treasurer's bond, recommend investments to the Board at the first open meeting of the year receive the books from the retiring Treasurer, and after examination pass them over to her successor. There shall be a Committee on Gifts whose duty it shall be to examine all proposed gifts to the Art collection and report to the Board of Directors whether or not it recommends the acceptance of such gifts.

Each committee shall consist of three members and shall make an annual report in writing.

Section 3. These committees, the Doorkeepers and ushers shall be appointed by the President-elect.

Section 4. There shall be two Chairmen appointed by the President to provide hostesses for the free open days at the Art Gallery. They shall be required to keep a record of attendance and report same to the Secretary of the Club.

ARTICLE VI.

Duties of Officers and Committees.

Section 1. The President shall, preside at all regular and called meetings of the Club, and at all meetings of the Board of Directors. She shall be a member ex-officio of all committees. She shall be ex-officio delegate to all conventions.

Section 6. The Board of Directors shall transact the business of the Club and elect members. Vacancies in said Board shall be filled by the Board, from the list of names, in consecutive order, voted for as di-

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rector at the preceding annual election.

Any Board member who is absent from two consecutive Board meetings without excuse satisfactory to the Board, thus creates a vacancy on said Board. Excuse must be sent to the Recording Secretary before adjournment.

Section 7. It shall be the duty of the Doorkeepers to keep a record of the attendance of the Club at each meeting; also to secure names of non-resident guests and report same with place of residence to the Secretary of the club to be announced before the close of the meeting.

It shall be the duty of the Doorkeeper to receive the admission fees at all open meetings and at entertainments given by the club.

ARTICLE VII.

Membership.

To be eligible for membership in the Club a woman must have been a resident of Des Moines at least a

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year, unless she be a member of a federated club in another town, when she may be admitted on application with the customary endorsement. She must possess a ready sympathy for the objects of the Club and as far as possible actively assist in its undertakings.

The number of members shall be limited to one thousand.

Section 2. No member shall be eligible to official position, nor be a delegate to the Biennials of the G. F. W. C. and I. F. W. C., neither shall she propose nor endorse candidates for membership until she has been a member of the club one year.

Section 7. A member removing from the city may, at her own request, receive a letter of withdrawal that will entitle her, without payment of dues during her absence, to resume her membership in the Club.

ARTICLE VIII.

Dues.

Section 2. Each member shall make an annual payment

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of \$5.00. This payment is due the first Wednesday in October and must be paid by the first Club meeting in February to entitle members to eligibility for office. An increase of fifty cents will be required of members delaying payment of dues after the first meeting in February.

ARTICLE IX.

Meetings.

Section 1. The Fiscal and Civil year shall each begin on the first Wednesday in October.

Section 2. The first meeting of the Club shall be on the first Wednesday in October each year. There shall be sixteen meetings held fortnightly during the year; but no meeting shall be held later than the week in which the fifteenth of May occurs. There may be a holiday vacation.

Section 3. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held fortnightly alternating with the regular club meetings. A quorum shall consist of nine

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members if one be an officer.

Section 4. The Annual Business meeting shall be the thirteenth meeting of the year. Not later than three weeks before the annual meeting there shall be furnished to each member of the club entitled to vote one printed list of all members eligible to election and also one ballot which shall contain the words:

"For Board of Directors, Des Moines Women's Club" and numbered from one to twenty-five inclusive.

Each member voting shall write opposite these numbers such names of eligible members as may be her choice for Directors. All ballots shall be sent to the President not later than one week before the Annual Meeting. These votes shall be counted by the President, Secretary and Corresponding Secretary, and the count shall be verified by a committee of three selected from the Club by the Board of Directors, one of whom shall have served the preceding year. The twenty-five receiving the highest number

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of votes shall constitute the Board for the ensuing year. The Secretary shall announce the names of the new Board at the Annual Meeting, at which time the Club shall elect the officers from the Board of Directors elect or from those who have served on the Board. There shall be two nominees for each office, these being the two receiving the highest number of votes on a nominating ballot. These candidates shall be voted for by ballot and the ones respectively receiving the majority of the votes cast for each office shall be declared elected.

Section 5. Delegates and alternates to the Biennials of the I. F. W. C. and G. F. W. C. shall be nominated by ballot. All women who have been members of the Club one year or longer are eligible. The delegates and alternates shall be elected at the annual meeting.

Section 6. The Officers, Board of Directors, and all Chairmen shall enter upon the duties of their respective offices the October following their election.

ARTICLE X.

Visitors may be admitted to any regular meeting of the Club and to the various departments upon payment of twenty-five cents. The usual admission fee will not be required of a non-resident member of a federated Club, provided she furnishes the doorkeeper with her address and the name of the Club of which she is a member. This address must be given to the Secretary and read before the open Club.

ARTICLE XI.

In the place of Vice-President, read Vice-Presidents.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary

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1908

The Directory Board of the Des Moines Women's Club met at Hoyt Sherman Place, June 17th at ten o'clock A.M. Mrs. Mitchell, the president in the chair. Thirteen members were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The monthly report of the Treasurer was read and accepted. Mrs. Mitchell reported that enough money had been taken in from sale of Club House postal cards up to date to pay for their entire expense. Mrs. Fleming moved the printing of the calendar be left with the calendar committee. Mrs. Durley the chairman, receiving bids for the work from several printing companies, accepting such as she thought best. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Bailey moved a letter of introduction be given members of the club attending the National Federation of Women's Clubs, other than delegates and alternates. Motion carried.

Mrs. Carter moved the Forget pictures be returned

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to Mrs. Lew Smith as requested. Motion carried.
Mrs. Bailey moved the Japanese prints sent to the
Club on approval be returned to Mr. Shima with thanks.
The motion prevailed. Mrs. Carter moved Mrs. Webster
be reimbursed for money expended in making a pho-
tograph of the De. Hoog picture for the Art Maga-
zine. Motion carried. The Art Committee reported
money taken in at door of department meetings during
the year \$3.90, expense sixty cents leaving total of
\$3.30 to turn in to treasurer. Report accepted.

Mrs. Alice Seymour, and Mrs. Parmelia Crandall
were elected to membership.

Meeting adjourned.

Aurelia Clark Souers

Sec. pro tem

1908

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met Wednesday, June 24th at Hoyt Sherman Place. Mrs. Shipley the vice-president in the chair.

The renting committee reported that Misses Foster and Davis desired to rent the small auditorium in the Fall for a private kindergarten, occupying it five days in the week. Mrs. Carter moved we give the proposition favorable consideration.

Mrs. Riddell moved the ceiling of the room under the auditorium be examined by an architect before renting the room for a kindergarten.

Mrs. McHenry moved Mrs. Carter be authorized to call a meeting of the Board if one should be required in the absence of the officers of the club.

The name of Miss Florence Beekman Zane was proposed for membership.

Meeting adjourned.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Shipley

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the vice-president.

Mrs. Carroll moved the rules be suspended and the secretary cast the ballot for Miss Zane.

Mrs. Nourse moved the house committee instruct the furnishing committee to purchase floor wax and necessary house cleaning materials in quantities if advisable.

Twelve members present.

Meeting adjourned.

Aurelia Clark Souers

Sec. pro tem

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The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met Saturday, June 27th at Hoyt Sherman Place, vice-president Mrs. Shipley presiding. Minutes of preceeding meeting read and approved.

Mrs. Simon Casady's name was proposed for membership.

A motion carried that Mrs. Carter be made general chairman of House Committee. Mrs. Carter resigned and her resignation was accepted with regrets. Mrs. Vorse was unanimously elected chairman of House Committee, with Mesdames Lorenze-Black Teachout, Wallace, Hedrick and Fleming as the other members of the committee. Miss Harriet Ankeny was elected to fill any vacancy on this committee should any occur before the next Board meeting. Mrs. Riddell moved the members of House Committee be allowed to choose their work. Motion lost.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Shipley called the meeting to order.

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Mrs. Carter moved the rules be suspended and the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Casady. Motion prevailed. The Secretary was instructed to notify Mrs. Casady of her election.

The Misses Foster and Davis were present to confer with the Board concerning the renting of the small auditorium for a private kindergarten. They stated their charges would be \$50.00 tuition and \$10.00 for materials per pupil for eight months. Mrs. Carter moved that twenty-five dollars per month be our lowest consideration for the rental of small auditorium for private kindergarten or not more than thirty children. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Susan Ankeny Brown

Sec. pro tem

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The Directory Board was called for a meeting August 8, 1908. Sixteen old and two of the new members were in attendance. Roll call followed by the ^{reading of the} minutes of June 27th which were approved as read.

Mrs. McHenry presented a request that the small auditorium be supplied with a piano and platform for the use of the D.A.R. Chapter. The matter was discussed and agreed upon but action was deferred to the renting committee.

Mrs. Grefe having resigned as Recording Secretary an informal ballot was taken resulting in a large majority for Mrs. McHenry and the Secretary was instructed to cast the formal ballot and Mrs. McHenry declared elected.

Owing to the fact that the Committee was still handicapped by the unsettled condition of the grounds the Children's Day program to have been given in September was suspended.

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Mrs. Durley's motion that the "special day" devoted to reports of the General Federation be omitted, prevailed.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Rec. Sec.

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A called meeting of the Directory Board was held at Hoyt Sherman Place, August 29, 1908. President Mitchell in the chair. At roll call responses were given by Mesdames Baily, Brown, Carter, Chamberlain, Cowles, Ellyson, Grefe, Hirsh, Hunn, Hollingsworth, McHenry, Mitchell, Plumb, Riddell, Shipley, Souers, Still, Stevenson and Webster.

Minutes of August 8th were read and approved.

The free use of the club house was granted to the City Federation for Tuesday, September 29th. A motion to consider favorably renting the house to Miss Caroline Putnam for dancing classes, was lost. A motion to give the use of the house to Miss Chambers for a complimentary concert, carried. A proposition from Mr. Weed of Chicago for a lecture on beautifying the city was referred to the Civics Committee.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn
Secy.

