

Des Moines Women's Club

October 7, 1908

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Regular Minutes (Original)

October 1908

May 1909

Officers

President	Mrs. A. E. Shipley
First Vice President	Mrs. W. O. Riddell
Second Vice President	Mrs. C. E. Hunn
Recording Secretary	Mrs. W. H. McHenry
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. F. W. Webster
Treasurer	Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth

Mrs. Parley, Chairman, reported for the Calendar Committee. Mrs. Riddell unveiled and presented to the Club a bust of Dante, of terra cotta, from the Der Dan-
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Mrs. Durley, Chairman, reported for the Calendar Committee. Mrs. Riddell unveiled and presented to the Club a bust of Dante, of carra marble, from the Der Damenkranz, a German study class composed of club women. Mrs. Macomber purchased the bust in Italy and gave a sketch of where purchased and who made the beautiful bust. Mrs. Davidson, chairman of the Property Commit-

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tee gave a report and read the list of articles belonging to the Club. Mrs. Brown of the Der Damenkranz, explained that through the generosity of Mrs. Riddle the class was able to present the Dante bust to the Women's Club

The Recording Secretary's report for the year was read. Mrs. Durley adding the name of Mrs. C. C. Nourse, a charter member, to the list of those who have passed away during the year.

Mrs. Peters spoke of the average attendance of visitors to the Art Gallery during the month of May.

The president, Mrs. Mitchell, gave the closing report of her term of office and handed the gavel to the in-coming president, Mrs. A. E. Shipley. Mrs. Still presented to Mrs. Mitchell a beautiful bouquet of roses with the love and appreciation of the Des Moines Women's Club. Mrs. Shipley gave a fine opening address and preented the new officers to the Club. First vice-president, Mrs. W. O. Riddell, second vice-

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president, Mrs. C. E. Hunn, Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. H. McHenry, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. F. W. Webster, Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth, each of whom responded with a few appropriate remarks.

Mrs. D. B. Clark, of Red Oak, treasurer of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, was introduced and made a plea for a ten cent per capita tax for the Iowa Federation. She addressed the club as the largest and strongest club in the state and having much influence.

Mrs. W. S. Brown, president of the Mothers Congress, invited the attention of all present to the meeting of that body which would soon be in session.

Mrs. Kasson announced the program for the Art Committee for the next meeting.

Total attendance, 203.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

There were 191 club members present. Guests, 12,

total attendance 203.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

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The Des Moines Women's Club met at Hoyt Sherman Place, October 21, 1908. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. A. E. Shipley. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A report of the Board minutes was read.

Mrs. Ely announced the Memorial Concert to be given to Dr. Bartlett on Monday evening, October 26th.

Mrs. Henry Wallace announced the coming of Dr. Powers and spoke of the first Art Study Class October 22d. Mrs. Wallace, chairman of the Art Department, had charge of the program. A fine piano selection was given by Miss Genevieve Westerman. Mrs. Wallace introduced Jay N. Darling, the noted cartoonist of the Des Moines Register & Leader. Mr. Darling's subject was "Newspaper Art Advertising" and introduced himself by a very clever cartoon. His remarks were illustrated by many enjoyable cartoons.

There were 191 club members present. Guests, 65, total attendance 255.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

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November 4, 1908.

Meeting of the Board at the close of this session.

The Des Moines Women's Club met at Hoyt Sherman Place, November 4, 1908. The President, Mrs. Shipley, in the chair. Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

A report of the Board meetings was given. Mrs. R. R. Peters spoke of the personal recollection she had of Frank Ashford and explained the picture of this artist that now hangs in the art gallery.

Miss Josephine Taylor, chairman of the History and Literature Department announced the program for the next open meeting.

Mrs. Henry Wallace announced that a special prize of \$25.00 was offered by Younker Bros. for the best water color picture of a scene near Des Moines to be exhibited at the open meeting of the Department, February 3, 1909.

The president, Mrs. Shipley, announced the Seventh District Convention of Women's Clubs to be held at Winterset, November 12th and 13th, 1908, and called a

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meeting of the Board at the close of this session.

Mrs. S. F. Prouty, chairman of the Social Economics and Civics Department, had charge of the program for the day. Dr. Geo. W. Whitterer, of Washington, D. C., president of the National Tuberculosis League was introduced and spoke a few minutes of the betterment of the milk supply and exhibited a few pictures applying to this subject. Mrs. Prouty then introduced the speaker of the day, Graham Taylor, Jr., Secretary of the Public Play Grounds of Chicago. The many wonderful pictures of play grounds and the fine description of Mr. Taylor made an intensely interesting afternoon.

Number of club members present, 139, guests, 21, total attendance 160. Door receipts \$5.25

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

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November 18, 1908.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session November 18th. The minutes of the previous meeting read and approved. Report of Board meeting read.

As Miss Fleming, the elected delegate to the 7th District Convention of Women's Clubs, was not able to attend and Mrs. Lorenz, the other delegate, was not present, President Shipley asked Mrs. Van Slyke to give the report.

Mrs. Haas, for Miss Morton announced the meeting of the City Federation for the next Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Tullis spoke of the entertainment to be given by Mrs. Oberman and her class in dramatic art, December 4th and 5th. Mrs. Kasson announced that the Art Study class would meet the next Tuesday morning with Mrs. Lowell Chamberlain, as Mrs. Chamberlain had three prize pictures by F. S. Church, the artist under consideration, at this time, also that the Frankels and Mr. Lowell Chamberlain had each contributed \$25.00 to the art fund for prizes to be given at the art exhibition, Feb-

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version of the play, "Paola and Francisco", by Mrs. Harp.
ruary 3, 1909.

Visitors 17, club members 118, total attendance 135.
Mrs. Shipley announced the three remaining entertainments in the Central Christian Church lecture course, and the recital to be given by Mrs. Grace Jones Jackson at the Central Presbyterian Church, November 23rd, and that Maj. S. H. M. Byers would give a complimentary reading from his poems for the Women's Club next Tuesday evening, November 24th.

The mention of dues for the year was made, and the President announced her office hours.

Miss Josephine Taylor, chairman of the History and Literature department had charge of the program for the afternoon. Miss Taylor announced the postponement of the next History and Literature study hour to December 3rd. Mr. Louis Gerhardt contributed fine vocal selections, "The Evening Star," and "The Sweetest Flower that Grows," Miss Monroe at the piano. Miss Kyle spoke beautifully of "The Franciscan Theme in Art, Song and Literature." The feature of the afternoon was the fine dramatic reading from Stephen Phillips'

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version of the play, "Paola and Francisca", by Mrs. Hume.

Visitors 17, club members 115, total attendance 132.

The President, Mrs. Shipley, in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and

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approved. A report of the Board meeting was given by the Recording Secretary.

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The Art Department meeting was announced for the next Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Shipley announced that the Club House would be opened during the meeting of the State Teacher's Convention, and that at that time the Fair Brothers of Oakdale would give an exhibit of their pottery at Hoyt Sherman Place.

Attention was called to the Tisset collection of Old Testament pictures to be exhibited during the month of February at a downtown location. During the first week of February the work of amateur artists will be exhibited at the Club House.

The complimentary recital by Major Byers was announced for Thursday evening and an evening of rare enjoyment was assured all that would attend.

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December 16, 1908.

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The Art Department meeting was announced for the next Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Shipley announced that the Club House would be opened during the meeting of the State Teacher's Convention, and that at that time the Farr Brothers of Oskaloosa would give an exhibit of their pottery at Hoyt Sherman Place.

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January 8, 1909.

Mrs. W. W. Witmer announced an exhibition of Mr. and Mrs. Johannson pictures to be held in the club house the latter part of January.

The meeting then passed to Miss Mary B. Williams, chairman of Philosophy and Science department, who introduced Mr. E. R. Harlan, the acting curator of the State Historical Department. Mr. Harlan's subject was "A Philosophy of Frontier Life." This proved to be a most interesting topic and many extracts from letters written by the early settlers of Iowa were read.

Number of club members present, 50, visitors _____
total attendance _____.

Lee series of lectures under the auspices of the City Federation of Women's Clubs.

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Mrs. Hirsch announced the reading of "Cousin Kate" by Miss Sammler on Thursday evening at the Jewish Temple.

It was announced by the President that the Johannson exhibit of paintings would continue for ten days at the Club House, beginning January 23rd. On that date an informal reception will be held.

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January 6, 1909.

The regular open meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club was called to order January 6, 1909, by President Shipley. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A report of the Board minutes was given.

Mrs. Jas. G. Berryhill announced the benefit performance under the auspices of the Associated Charities at the Majestic Theatre on the following Tuesday, and asked the patronage of the club women for this worthy cause.

Mrs. Gardner Cowles mentioned the Guy Carleton Lee series of lectures under the auspices of the City Federation of Women's Clubs.

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January 20, 1909.

A Tissot exhibition of water colors was announced for the month of February, and the musical matinee for the next open meeting, January 20th.

The meeting was turned over to Mrs. A. M. Haggard, chairman of the Home and Education Department. Frederick Vance Evans, of the Drake conservatory, gave two fine vocal numbers and Mrs. Grace Jones Jackson sang three charming selections. The speaker of the afternoon was President Hill M. Bell, of Drake University. President Bell delivered a strong and thoughtful paper on "Industrial Education." At the conclusion of the address the club, by motion of Mrs. Witmer, extended to President Bell, Mr. Evans and Mrs. Jackson, a unanimous rising vote of thanks for the interesting and instructive afternoon.

Number of members present 84, guests 7, total 91.

Luella McHenry
Recording Secretary

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January 20, 1909.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session January 20, 1909. The President, Mrs. Shipley, in the chair. The reading of the minutes of January 6th was postponed until the next meeting. Attention was called to the payment of dues by the first meeting in February in order to entitle members to eligibility for office.

Mrs. Walter Brown announced the convention of Charities and Corrections.

The president gave an explanation of the failure to hold the Tissot exhibit. After all arrangements were made the pictures were called back to New York by the foreclosing of a mortgage on them.

Mrs. Hume spoke briefly of the Johannsen exhibit, her acquaintance with the artists and the reception to be accorded to Mr. and Mrs. Johannsen on the afternoon of Saturday, January 23d.

Mrs. Weitz, of the Music department, presided over the afternoon. The club chorus gave a musical matinee. This was the most pretentious and artistic program of

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of the many fine afternoons given by this organization. The chorus gave eleven numbers and were assisted by a violin quartet, and a violin and piano selection by Mr. and Mrs. Hahnel. The Women's Club is very proud of this department and the appreciation was expressed by the large audience present.

Club members 201, guests 114, total, 315. Amount received, \$27.50.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

After discussion from the club the vote was taken, twenty-eight for and eighteen against.

The President called a meeting of the Board immediately after the session.

Mrs. Wells announced the time of Mrs. Hardy's recital had been fixed for Wednesday evening, March 10th, tickets fifty cents and hoped the club would give their support and cooperation to this artistic event.

Mrs. Kesson, chairman of the Art department had

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February 3, 1909.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular open session February 3, 1909. President Shipley called the meeting to order. Minutes of January 6th and January 20th were read and approved. Report of Board minutes given by the Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Hume spoke in regards to the purchase by the club of a Johannsen picture, and hoped the Board would consider the matter favorably. Mrs. Elbert moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse that the Women's Club recommend to the Board the purchase of a picture from the Johannsen exhibit. After discussion from the club the vote was taken, twenty-eight for and eighteen against.

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charge of the program for the day. Two vocal numbers were given by Miss Mary French, accompanied by Mr. Atkins. Prof. C. A. Cummins introduced Mr. A. H. Griffith, of Detroit, who made the address of the afternoon. A very large audience enjoyed the very interesting and instructive address. Mrs. Henry Wallace spoke of the first exhibition of the paintings of Des Moines' artists and the support it had received and hoped it might be an annual affair in the years to come. Mrs. Wallace presented the first prize of \$100.00 to Miss Belle Hunt on her collection of miniatures, the second, \$35.00, to Mrs. H. C. Everett, a picture of a boat and water scene done in oil, and the third prize \$25.00 to Miss Frances Keffer, a water color, a landscape near the city. A special prize from Younker Bros. Miss McCartney's picture as well as many others, was accorded high praise. Mrs. Kasson announced that Mr. Griffith would speak again in the evening. The committee which passed judgment on the pictures con-

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sisted of Mr. A. H. Griffith, of Detroit, Prof. T. E. Burrows, of Indianola, Prof. C. A. Cumming, Major S. H. M. Byers, Mrs. J. G. Berryhill and Miss Belle M. Gilcrest.

An invitation from Mrs. B. F. Carroll was read extending a cordial invitation to the members of the Des Moines Women's Club and their friends to be present at her informal reception given in the Governor's reception rooms at the State House from three to five o'clock, Saturday, February 6th.

Club members present 204, guests paid admission 108, complimentaries 14, total attendance 326. Collections \$27.00.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

MISS HUNT, MRS. EVERETT AND
MISS KEFFER WINNERS.

FIFTY PICTURES SUBMITTED

AND COLLECTION WAS A MOST
EXCELLENT ONE.

First Amateur Art Day In Des Moines
Is a Big Success, and Sessions
Largely Attended.

Miss Belle Hunt.
Mrs. H. C. Everett.
Miss Frances Keffer.

The foregoing local amateur artists were awarded the prizes of \$100, \$35 and \$25 offered by the Women's club for the best pictures contributed in the Art day contest which was held yesterday at Hoyt Sherman place. Miss Katherine McCartney was awarded honorable mention. Approximately fifty pictures in all were submitted. The committee which passed judgment on the pictures consisted of Mr. A. H. Griffith of Detroit, Mich., Prof. T. E. Burrows of Indianola, Prof. C. A. Cumming, Major S. H. M. Byers, Mrs. J. G. Berryhill and Miss Belle M. Gilcrest.

An audience which taxed Hoyt Sherman place to its capacity and more was in attendance at the meeting yesterday afternoon at which the awards were made. An interesting programme was presented, opening with two vocal numbers by Miss Mary French, accompanied by Mr. Roland Atkins. Prof. C. A. Cumming introduced Mr. A. H. Griffith of Detroit, who made a brief address. In announcing the winners of the prizes Mrs. Henry Wallace spoke fittingly on the first exhibition of the paintings of Des Moines artists, of the support that had been accorded it and of the hope that the event would be an annual affair in years to come. Mrs. Wallace spoke of the rapid strides that American art is making and expressed pleasure in the fact that the city is beginning to realize the possibilities of its home artists. The speaker bespoke the cooperation of the public in fostering the development of local talent and seemed sanguine that yesterday would be an incentive to further activity along this line.

The winning work by Miss Hunt is a collection of miniatures, Mrs. Everett's picture, a boat and water scene done in oil, and Miss Keffer's water color, a landscape painted near the city in accordance with the rules of the contest. Miss McCartney's picture as well as many others were accorded high praise.

In the evening Mr. Griffith delivered a stereopticon lecture on the work of American and English artists, prefacing his remarks with an outline of how the Detroit museum of art, of which he is the director, has grown from a humble beginning to one of the greatest institutions of the kind in the country. The gallery is the property of the citizens of Detroit and is constantly being added to in the way of equipment. Mr. Griffith has devoted eighteen busy years towards the perfecting of his plan and his results speak for themselves. He has interested the people of his city in a project of which any city may be proud. Taken in its entirety the first Amateur Art day in Des Moines was an unequalled success. The pictures submitted will be on exhibition daily for the next week between the hours of two and six.

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February 17, 1909.

The meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club for February 17th under the Economics and Science department, Mrs. S. S. Still, chairman, was omitted on account of the bereavement of the President.

the secretary.

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Recording Secretary

Mrs. Ellyson announced that the reception to be given March 10th, and the reception to be given to the violin artist, Mr. Hoffman, by the Music department that evening.

Mrs. Vorse announced the illustrated lecture by Prof. Henry A. Sanders of the University of Michigan on "The Freer Manuscripts of the Bible," at Hoyt Sherman Place by invitation of the Women's Club.

Mrs. Berryhill called attention to the Ceramic exhibit which opens at the Club House March 22nd, and invited any one owning rare china to loan the same at the time of this exhibit, at that time a collection of the artistic pottery manufactured by Farr, Bros. of Oskaloosa will be on exhibition.

Des Moines Women's Club

March 3, 1909.

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March 27, 1909.

Miss Mary Williams, chairman of the Philosophy and Science department had charge of the program for the afternoon and introduced Miss Stella Campbell, the speaker, who took as her subject "Some Practical Health Hints." Miss Campbell divided her topic into two heads, hygiene and food, and gave many interesting and instructive points that are of practical use in the home and especially in the care of children.

Number of members present 80, guests 2, total attendance, 82.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

Mrs. Sara Marion Moore, chairman of the Home and Education department had charge of the very interesting program of the afternoon. Mrs. Walter S. Brown discussed domestic science in the home. Miss Laird, principal of Kirkwood School, told of domestic science as taught in the Kirkwood and Franklin buildings to one hundred fifty girls. Miss May Goodrell, principal of East High school spoke of the cooking class in that school under the able management of Mrs. Moore. Mr.

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March 17, 1909.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular open session March 17, 1909. President Mrs. A. E. Shipley called the meeting to order. Minutes of the meeting of March 3rd were read and approved. Report of the Board minutes given by the secretary.

Mrs. Kasson announced the opening of the Ceramic exhibit Tuesday morning, March 22nd.

Mrs. Elbert spoke of the Ben Greet players and the Russian Symphony orchestra in "Mid Summer Night's Dream" to be given March 23rd, a percentage on the tickets going to the Roadside Settlement.

Mrs. Sara Wharton Moore, chairman of the Home and Education department had charge of the very interesting program of the afternoon. Mrs. Walter S. Brown discussed domestic science in the home. Miss Laird, principal of Kirkwood School, told of domestic science as taught in the Kirkwood and Franklin buildings to one hundred fifty girls. Miss May Goodrell, principal of East High school spoke of the cooking class in that school under the able management of Mrs. Moore. Mr.

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Lafayette Young spoke of domestic science from a man's point of view, and Mr. Jansen Haines spoke briefly on the work of domestic science as taught in the schools. Miss Margaret Moss sang several numbers. At the close of the meeting refreshments prepared by the girls of the East High School were served.

Members present 140, guests 24, visitors 6, total attendance 170.

Mrs. George Clark of the Adel Women's Club and Mrs. J. W. Fletcher of the Coon Rapids Women's Club were present.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

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March 31, 1909.

The Des Moines Women's Club met for the annual business meeting, March 31, 1909, at 2:30 P. M. President Shipley in the chair. The minutes of March 17th were read and approved.

The president called attention to an exhibit of Turner pictures to be held in the McKinley school building.

The chair announced the meetings of all the departments of the club for Wednesday, April 7th, for the election of chairmen for the coming year.

The names of the board members and the waiting list elected for the next club year was read by the secretary. Mrs. Johnson Brigham resigning the position on the Board, Miss Belle Gilcrest receiving the next highest number of votes filled the place. Nomination of names for delegates and alternates to the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs at Davenport was called for. Mesdames W. G. Agar, I. L. Hillis, M. M.

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Pratt, W. F. Mitchell, C. E. Hunn, S. S. Still, H.

L. Carrell, B. F. Elbert, W. T. Johnson, F. W. Vorse

and B. F. Carroll were placed in nomination. The fol-

lowing tellers were appointed to act under the direc-

tion of Mrs. W. O. Riddell, first vice-president.

Mesdames Welker Given, Henry E. Elliott, Curtis Stream,

J. W. Jenney, A. R. Amos, F. E. V. Shore, Frank McKay,

W. H. Harwood, J. W. Cokenower, M. M. Pratt, A. C.

Miller and Dr. Adele Fuchs. A counting and verifying

committee composed of Mrs. H. C. Wallace, Mrs. Robert

Fleming and Mrs. J. M. Callender was announced. Mrs.

S. S. Still also served on this committee.

The temporary chairmen of the different departments were announced by the president. Philosophy

and Science, Miss Mary B. Williams; Art, Mrs. J. L.

Kasson; Social Economics and Civics, Mrs. S. F. Prout-

y; History and Literature, Mrs. P. J. Mills; Music,

Mrs. G. D. Ellyson; Social, Mrs. C. B. Van Slyke; Home

and Education, Mrs. Sara Wharton Moore.

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April 14, 1909.

Mrs. Hawley called attention to the change in the By-laws in regard to the eligibility of Board members or those that have served on the Board to be elected officers of the club. Mrs. Bailey, chairman of the By-laws committee explained the thought of the committee in this change that any member that has served on the Board was eligible to be elected to any office.

The election of officers resulted as follows:-

President	Mrs. G. D. Ellyson
1st Vice president	Mrs. F. W. Vorse
2nd Vice president	Mrs. W. H. McHenry
Recording Secretary	Mrs. F. W. Weitz
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. F. W. Webster
Treasurer	Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth

Mrs. P. J. Mills, chairman of the History and Literature department announced the appearance of Mrs. Fryberger in a lecture recital on "Pelleas and Melisaude" for the next open meeting, April 14th.

Mrs. H. L. Carrell, delegate from the Women's Club to the City Federation of Women's Clubs, gave a report of the work of that organization.

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April 14, 1909.

Regular open session of Des Moines Women's Club held April 14, 1909. President Shipley in the chair. Minutes of business meeting March 31st read and approved. Report of Board minutes read by secretary. The afternoon was in charge of the History and Literature Department with Mrs. P. J. Mills as Chairman. Maeterlinck's "Pelleas and Melisande" was most charmingly presented by Miss Van Auken at the piano and Mrs. W. O. Fryberger of Minneapolis reader. The afternoon was a rare treat from both a musical and literary standpoint. Meeting adjourned.

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at Hoyt Sherman place. From a literary point of view her subject was interesting. Probably the major part of her audience had not read the play of Maeterlinck, and she told the story well. It must always be a disputed question whether that sort of drama is wholesome, even moral, if one cares to go so far. A study in psychology is the dominant characteristic of "Pelleas and Melisande" and there is little action to develop the theme. Debussy has caught the spirit of the dramatist in a most unusual way and, feeling its tonal value, resorted to the old Greek scales, the Gregorian chants and weird, five-toned Chinese scheme in which to express its mysticism and its subtlety. The finely rendered phrases of Miss Van Aaken revealed the peculiar style of its detached recitative and its excellent expression of temperamental feeling. But, between the ecstatic exclamation of one woman, who evidently felt its quality most deeply, and that of another, who would have all the world turn optimist, will probably come the average opinion of those who listened attentively for its interpretative significance. The first said: "I feel as if he went out of the world for that music. It has affected me deeply." The other followed with: "Well, I believe I sympathize with Schumann-Heink after appearing in the role of Electra in Strauss' new opera, when she declared she would never sing it again, for she would not voice the moans and groans of life." However, it was interesting to hear Mrs. Fryberger's

illuminating analysis of the words and music, and it was educational to listen to the music of Debussy as given by Miss Van Aaken, for he is unquestionably one of the world's greatest composers of the present day. Mrs. Pleas Mills introduced the speaker and, as Mrs. Fryberger advanced to the center of the stage, a woman was heard to audibly whisper: "How like our Pauline Given Swalm she is!" There was a suggestion of Mrs. Swalm in the low, broad brow, with the hair parted and drawn back over the ears, as well as the general contour of face and figure. She is the president of the Thursday Musical club of Minneapolis and has evidently been a close student of the form, history and possibilities of music.

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April 28, 1909.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session April 28th at the Club House, Hoyt Sherman Place, President Shipley presiding. Announcements of the Nyholm-Gelhaar-Holberg exhibit May 7th to 17th inclusive, were made.

The President appointed Miss Mary Williams of the Philosophy and Science department, and Miss Harriet Ankeny of the Home and Education department to act as temporary chairmen of these respective departments.

Upon motion of Mrs. Van Slyke, the President appointed Mesdames Kasson, Vorse and Miss Fleming a committee to draft resolutions concerning the death of Mrs. Henry Wallace.

The President paid a very nice tribute to Mrs. L. F. Andrews, a charter member of the club, upon the attainment of her eightieth birthday.

The Music department having asked for a date in May in which to carry out its program, the Civics department was invited to present the program scheduled

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for February 17th with Mrs. S. S. Still as chairman. Miss French gave a group of spring songs, one by Dudley Buck and one by Charles Willsby, followed by an encore entitled "The Wishing Well." The subject for the afternoon was "Needed Civic Reform." The Rev. Robt. Bell called especial attention to the need for a "detention home," the handling of criminals in the jail, one moral law for both sexes, and the amusement question. Miss Flora Dunlap spoke of the urgent need for a detention home, and the enforcement of the curfew law. Mrs. C. B. Van Slyck offered a resolution "That the Des Moines Women's Club demand that the Board of Supervisors carry out the law relative to a detention home." Mrs. Still offered an amendment that we "earnestly request" the Supervisors to carry out the law relative to a detention home. The amendment carried and the original motion was lost.

The afternoon closed with a piano number from Chopin, by Mrs. Glessner.

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Number of members present, 75, guests, 4, total attendance 79. Collection \$1.00.

Nellie N. Hunn
Secretary pro tem

Nellie A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

Des Moines Women's Club

May 12, 1909.

May 12th, 1909, was the occasion of a children's day program, with Mrs. C. B. Van Slyke as Chairman. She was assisted by Mrs. W. C. Ellis and Mrs. C. M. Friedberg. Drills, music, story-telling and the serving of dainty refreshments furnished the afternoon's entertainment. The affair in all its phases was such a pleasure it will doubtless be made an annual event.

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Recording Secretary

ment that has been in progress for the past month culminated in one of the most delightful afternoons that has ever been held at Hoyt Sherman place. Scores of children belonging to the members of the different clubs were in attendance, all dressed in gala attire and ready to enjoy the entertaining programme that had been provided for them and which had been kept secret until the opening number was given. Rain in the morning threatened to mar the happy event, but the sunshine which broke through the clouds in the afternoon was a most fitting contrast to the gay dresses of the little ones who came to Hoyt Sherman place.

The programme proper was scheduled to begin at 3:45 o'clock, but long before that the children commenced to fill the chairs of the auditorium. Accompanied by their mothers the smaller ones also came, equally interested in the affairs of the afternoon.

After a few remarks and announcements by President Mrs. A. E. Shipley, the programme was placed in the hands of Mrs. Van Slyke, chairman of the day. She announced the first number as a group of children's songs by Miss French. A drill by the girls of the upper grades of McKinley school was the second number on the programme. This drill, participated in by eight girls, dressed in white, was most carefully executed, not a single mistake being made in the entire maneuvering. The girls had been trained by Professor Wendelberg, who directed them personally. Mrs. J. A. Getchell was next to appear on the programme. Mrs. Getchell told the story of "Little Golden Locks and the Three Bears." Miss Koenigsberger then rendered a violin number. She was followed by Miss Ora Davis, who made herself popular on the programme by her apt rendering of children's stories. The feature of the afternoon then followed in a drill of swords executed by the boys of the upper grades of the Kirkwood school. Ten boys participated in this drill, and when they began forming in their pyramids rounds of applause greeted them from the assembly. Another group of songs by Miss French concluded the programme. Mrs. Van Slyke was assisted during the afternoon by Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Freeberg. Dainty refreshments for the little folks closed the afternoon.

This is the first children's day that has been held by the Women's club since organization, but it will now be made an annual affair, since the afternoon of yesterday was so successful.

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May 27, 1909.

The Music Day program scheduled for April 28th was postponed to May 27, 1909, in order that it might be "an out of doors" meeting.

Ingersoll Park was the setting for this matinee and both an afternoon and evening performance was given.

The chairmen for the afternoon were Mesdames G. D. Ellyson and F. W. Weitz, to whom great thanks is due on account of their tireless energy expended in working out the excellent program which follows.

Luella A. McHenry
Recording Secretary

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October 3, 1908, a called meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club Board was held at Hoyt Sherman Place, President Mitchell presiding. A letter of greeting from Mrs. Goodburn was read by the president.

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Minutes of Board of Directors
(Original)

October 1908

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Officers

President	Mrs. A. E. Shipley
First Vice President	Mrs. W. O. Riddell
Second Vice President	Mrs. C. E. Hunn
Recording Secretary	Mrs. W. H. McHenry
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. F. W. Webster
Treasurer	Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth

and approved.

The treasurer's report, showing a cash balance of \$204.00 on hand, was read and accepted. President Mitchell reported the sale of sufficient post cards of the club house to cover purchase price of same and the money from the remainder

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October 3, 1908, a called meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club Board was held at Hoyt Sherman Place, President Mitchell presiding. A letter of greeting from Mrs. Woodburn was read by the president.

Discussion was had as to the advisability of accepting the loan for a year of one of Mesdag's (a Holland artist) pictures, for the payment of the duty, if any there should be thereon, and a motion prevailed to accept the offer, that President Mitchell choose her own assistants and have the matter in charge.

Roll call and the minutes of August 29th read and approved.

The treasurer's report, showing a cash balance of \$304.00 on hand, was read and accepted. President Mitchell reported the sale of sufficient post cards of the club house to cover purchase price of same and the money from the remainder

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would be net to the club. money.

On motion it was decided to give Mr. S. H. M. Byers an evening to be devoted to the reading of his poems, Mrs. Shipley to arrange therefor.

A request from the Misses Foster and Davis that some of the Braun carbon photographs be placed in the small auditorium was discussed and a motion that the request be granted was lost.

A motion to give the members of the Mothers' Congress a reception was considered favorably, but a confliction of dates made the matter impossible.

A motion by Mrs. Durley that the water color pictures in the rest room be hung in the small auditorium if so desired by Misses Foster and Davis, carried.

Mrs. Ellyson requested the privilege on behalf of the music department of holding the meetings in the evening. Granted. The free use of the auditorium was given to the chorus for an entertainment. With the closing of the business the president thanked the ladies for their loyalty and kindness.

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for the purpose of making money. Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Carrell reported Mrs. Hardy would be ready in November to give the club a complimentary concert and Mesdames Stevenson, Ellyson and Weitz were made a committee of arrangements.

The names of Mesdames W. A. Guild, Geo. L. Godfrey, A. T. Bengel, Frederick Delahoyde, Theo J. Worthman, Russell M. Young, W. R. Sterrett, Sidney J. Dillon, Donald M. Douglass, Edwin S. Carpenter, as applicants for membership were read.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Rec. Secretary

Later the club convened and upon a motion that the rules be suspended and the secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the above named, they were declared elected.

With the closing of the business the president thanked the ladies for their loyalty and kindness

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during her official term, and the meeting adjourned.

The ladies assembled in the parlors where with the members of the new Board and Mesdames Elbert and Foster of the Finance Committee they greeted Mrs. G. D. Ellyson and enjoyed her hospitality for a delightful luncheon, after which an original guessing game, music and a general good time followed.

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Recording Secretary

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Dispensed with the reading of the minutes owing to the absence of the secretary who was not in the city. There were fifteen members present.

Mrs. Prouty presented her desire to have G. Taylor, Jr. for the next open meeting. Mrs. Walker moved the action of this be considered favorably and that twenty-five dollars be allowed. Carried.

Moved and seconded the water supplied by Electric Water Company be accepted. The motion prevailed.

It was moved Mr. Byers' lecture be placed in the hands of History and Literature Committee. The motion prevailed.

It was moved and seconded that Monday evening October 26th, be given over to lecture and reading. It was moved a committee be appointed to loan pictures for exhibit each month, and the president appointed the chairman of the Art Committee and three from the Board, Mesdames Durley, Nourse and Walker.

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Carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Wallace and seconded by Mrs. Kasson that a little cabinet in which to keep the dates when the club house was engaged, be placed in the lower hall at the expense of the club.

Mrs. Vorse, chairman of the House Committee, presented her report. It was moved the report be accepted and heartily endorsed. Motion prevailed.

It was moved that the basement be placed in a sanitary condition as soon as we have money, and the House Committee to take charge. The motion carried. Chairman of House Committee be authorized to go on with improvements as recommended in her reports, subject to bids. This motion prevailed.

The names of Mesdames H. M. Patten, Ben Mann, Hebblewhite and DePew as applicants for membership were read.

C. Hirsch

Secretary pro tem

Des Moines Women's Club

October 28, 1908.

A regular meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club Board was held at the Club House October 28, 1908. Minutes of October 3d read and approved. Minutes of called session October 21st, read and approved.

Mrs. Kasson, chairman of the Art Committee spoke of the carriage hire of Miss Westerman and a remittance to be sent Mr. Darling. Mrs. Mitchell moved the carriage hire of Miss Westerman be allowed. Motion carried. Mrs. Wallace was asked to communicate with Mr. Darling and extend the thanks and appreciation of the club and give Mr. Darling the opportunity of stating whether he expects remuneration for his part on the program.

Mrs. Kasson spoke of raising the money for the prize to be given at the exhibition of original paintings by Des Moines artists at the second open day of the Art Department, February 3d. One Hundred Fifty Dollars had been raised, she told of the plan of the committee in expending same. It

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October 21, 1908.

A called meeting of the Board was held after the regular meeting October 21, 1908, to fix the rates for renting the auditorium for regular club meeting twice a month or oftener. Mrs. Riddell moved and Mrs. A. B. Cummins seconded that the renting committee fix a twenty per cent. reduction for clubs meeting more than twice a month. Motion carried.

Mrs. Grefe moved that the president correspond with and secure Lady Randolph Churchill, if possible.

Mrs. Peters spoke of some fine pictures she had in her care she would be glad to place in the club house for the winter. Left to the special committee to approve.

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was announced that Mr. Ives of St. Louis will lecture for fifty dollars, and Mr. Heckler, art critic of the New York Sun might be secured for an art lecture. Mrs. Webster spoke in favor of these art lectures.

Mr. Higginbotham addressed the board for Professor Solomon, offering the services of a concert company of twenty-seven Welshmen, for a concert the 11th of December. The services of this company would be \$500.00. Mrs. Riddell moved a committee be appointed to look into the matter. Mrs. Durley seconded the motion. Motion prevailed. The chair on request named Mrs. Riddell, Mrs. A. B. Cummins and Mrs. Chamberlain as such committee.

Mrs. Fleming, of the Renting Committee, distributed copies of form of contracts and schedule of prices for renting different parts of the club house.

Moved by Mrs. A. B. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Walker, that to a club using only the large auditorium without dressing rooms or any other rooms of

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club house, the price be made \$20.0 per month. Motion carried. the chairman of the Art Department

Minutes of the board meeting of October 14th read and corrected and approved. Mrs. Durley chairman of the Calendar Committee gave her report. Total cost of printing six hundred, \$156.00. And at request of corresponding secretary the postal cards printed was \$6.25. Mrs. Mitchell spoke of the conscientious and fine work of the Calendar Committee. Mrs. Bailey moved the report of this committee be accepted with thanks of the Board. Motion prevailed.

As it was not possible for Major Byers to give his readings on October 26th, the date set, by motion it was left to Mr. Byers and the chairman of the History and Literature Department to fix a new date.

Mrs. Nourse, chairman of the special committee to secure the loan of works of art, reported the committee has examined the pictures at Mrs. Peters' house painted by Frank Ashford, a former resident of Des Moines. The committee was much pleased with the collection of eight pictures and it was by mo-

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tion of Mrs. Still, seconded by Miss Fleming, ~~it~~ was left with the chairmen of the Art Department to have them moved and placed in the art gallery.

Mrs. Nourse reported from the Fountain art collection we could obtain "Old Darby," by Rosa Bonheur, for two hundred dollars a week or three hundred dollars for two weeks. Mrs. Durley reported from Mr. French of the Art Institute, and Mrs. Walker that she had corresponded with Mr. Rickerts for the Moulton art collection.

Mrs. Shipley read a letter from the agent of Lady Randolph Churchill offering a lecture from her for \$350.00. It was decided to correspond and ascertain when she could come.

The chorus of the Women's Club has been asked to sing for the Unity Circle. By motion the arrangement to sign for other parties was left to the chorus.

The names of Mrs. Sproul and Mrs. E. L. Bolton were proposed for membership.

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Secretary

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November 4, 1908.

A called meeting of the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club was held after the open meeting of November 4, 1908.

Mrs. Henry C. Wallace of the contracting section of the House Committee reported the expense of cleaning the basement would be about \$200.00, it might be a little more or a little less. After general discussion Mrs. Still moved the committee be instructed to secure other bids. Motion prevailed.

Miss Jennie Fleming and Mrs. Oliver Lorenz were elected delegates to the District Convention of Women's Clubs to be held at Winterset, November 12th and 13th.

The secretary was instructed to cast the ballots for Mrs. Sproul and Mrs. Bolton for membership.

The names of Mrs. Fred C. Edwards, Mrs. A. W. Rader and Mrs. Harry E. Aldrich were presented for membership.

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November 11, 1908.

A regular meeting of the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club was held November 11th.

Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved. Minutes of the called meeting on Nov. 4th approved.

Mrs. Lorenz told of Mr. Snider, who travels with a fine line of pictures for sale and exhibit, and that he might be secured to exhibit them for the Des Moines Women's Club. By motion it was decided to secure this exhibit if possible, and it was left to Mrs. Nourse and her committee to make the arrangements with Mr. Snider through Baker & Trisler. Mrs. Nourse brought up the subject of lighting the pictures in the auditorium.

Mrs. Riddell, chairman of committee to look into the matter of securing the Welshmen for a concert, reported after conferring with the board it was not deemed feasible to engage them.

Mrs. Webster reported for the Art Committee

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that the pictures by Mr. Ashford had been moved and hung in place in the art gallery.

Mrs. Teachout, treasurer of the Renting Committee, turned into the treasury \$78.50 collected from October 14th to November 11th by the Renting Committee. Report accepted by motion.

Mrs. Vorse, of the House Committee, reported for Mrs. Wallace, that a bid of \$285.00 had been secured from Callan Bros. for repairing and putting in good shape the basement. Mrs. Bailey moved, seconded by Mrs. Webster, that this matter be left to the discretion of the committee having it in charge. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Vorse, chairman of the House Committee, reported an expenditure of \$ 12.80 for the last month.

Mrs. Nourse presented a bill for moving pictures. By motion the bill was allowed.

It was announced that Mrs. Peters would adver-

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tise the Ashford pictures in the Sunday papers.

The Special Art Committee was authorized to investigate the lighting of the picture in the auditorium and ascertain cost of same.

Mrs. Ellyson, of the Music Committee, reported that the time had not been definitely fixed for Mrs. Hardy's recital. By motion of Mrs. Bailey, seconded by Mrs. Nourse, this matter was left in the hands of the Music Department.

Mrs. Mitchell reported that the Mesdag picture could be secured without duty.

The chairmen of the History and Literature Departments, Miss Taylor and Mrs. Pleas Mills, were asked to arrange with Major Byers for a date for his readings. The Corresponding Secretary to notify these ladies.

Mrs. Nourse moved, seconded by Miss Fleming, that we secure a copy of the contract between the Park Commission and the Des Moines Women's Club. Carried. Mrs. Mitchell offered to secure such

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copy.

Mrs. Bailey moved, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, that the resignations of Mrs. M. E. Sherman and Mrs. Henry C. Baumgartner be accepted. Carried. The Corresponding Secretary was asked to notify these ladies to this effect.

Mrs. Hunn moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that a by-law be prepared covering this subject for next year. The chair appointed Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Riddle as such committee.

Mrs. Still requested the use of the large auditorium for an afternoon charity card party to be given for the benefit of the Visiting Nurse's Fund. By motion this request was granted.

The names of Mrs. Frank Wetherell and Mrs. Paul Beer were read for the first time. The secretary was authorized by motion to cast the ballots for membership for Mrs. A. W. Rader, Mrs. Fred C. Edwards and Mrs. Harry E. Aldrich.

Adjourned.

Laura A. McHenry
Secretary

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November 25, 1908.

The Board met in regular session November 25th. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Hollingsworth gave the treasurer's report \$494.24 in the treasury. Report accepted by motion.

Mrs. Hollingsworth spoke of the need of a case or secure place where the books and records and important documents of the club might be placed. Mrs. Vorse moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch that these records be placed in a locker. Motion prevailed. By motion Mrs. Shipley appointed Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Ellyson and Mrs. Hollingsworth as such committee.

The Corresponding Secretary reported that there had been a misunderstanding in regard to Major Byers' new date for his readings. Mrs. Walker was asked to communicate with the chairman of the History and Literature Committee in regard to this date with Major Byers.

Mrs. Riddle moved, Mrs. Walker seconded, that

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that the bill of E. M. Kinzle for \$12.00 for janitor services, and twenty-five cents for gold dust be referred to committee. Carried. Mrs. Mitchell was appointed chairman of this committee.

Mrs. Nourse reported that the bid from the Edison Electric Light Company was \$80.00 total, or the large room \$63.00, and the small room \$33.00. The bid for lighting by the Nernst light would be about \$105.00. Many thought this the better light, the objection being the cost of mantles with the special light for the Inness picture would be \$108.00. Mrs. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mrs. Chamberlain, that this matter be left to the discretion of the committee. Carried.

Mrs. Vorse, of the House Committee reported that Mr. Lovejoy had made a bid for repairing the basement of \$250.00. Mrs. Nourse reported that Mr. Snider had been called to New York by sickness so that we could not secure his pictures at this time.

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Mrs. Riddle reported that the Tissot collection of original water colors , three hundred seventy-two pictures illustrating Bible scenes was now at St. Paul, and we might secure the same for one month for \$500.00 and the express and insurance. It was estimated the total would be \$700.00 or a little less. Mrs. Vorse moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that we secure this Tissot exhibit. Motion prevailed. It was decided to hold this exhibition either in January or February, to be left with the committee. Mrs. Riddle, Mrs. Nourse and Mrs. Witmer appointed a committee to find a place.

Mrs. Mitchell secured a copy of the contract between the Board and the Park Commissioners. Given to secretary for keeping.

Mrs. Walker reported that we might secure the picture by Mr. and Mrs. Johanson for the transportation and insurance. These artists were friends of Mrs. Hume and would be her guests while in the

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city. Mrs. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mrs. Walker, that Mrs. Hume be authorized to make arrangements with these artists for the exhibit of their pictures. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Nourse reported that we might secure a collection of fifty water colors for exhibit. By motion it was decided to defer this offer until next Spring. Mrs. Nourse was asked to correspond with this party.

By motion the Secretary cast the vote for Mrs. Frank Wetherell for membership.

By motion a letter of withdrawal was granted Mrs. Mary M. Hughes with great regret. Mrs. Walker reported for committee, it was better not to have a by-law for letters of withdrawal, but act in each case.

Moved by Mrs. Mitchell we tender a reception to Mrs. Cummins next Saturday or Wednesday. Carried. Mrs. Riddle, Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. McHenry appointed to act with Social Committee.

Adjourned.

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Secretary

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Hoyt Sherman Place, Dec. 9th.

Directory Board of Des Moines Women's Club
was called to order by the President.

Mrs. J. C. Hume being introduced, presented some information concerning Mr. and Mrs. Johanna-son and their pictures, an exhibition of which is to be given in January. Mrs. Hume was invited to speak concerning these people and their pictures before the open club meeting.

Mrs. Teachout presented the report of the Renting Committee, showing \$65.00 income for the month of November.

Upon motion of Mrs. Bailey, an invitation was extended to the Utility Club of the Roadside Settlement, to hold their annual party at Hoyt Sherman Place, with Mrs. Elbert as hostess.

A motion prevailed that year books be mailed to such members of the club as have not yet received a copy.

It was decided to hear Major Byers' reading of his poems Thursday evening, December 17th,

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for Mrs. A. B. Cummins. A motion prevailed that and the president appointed Mrs. Riddle to look after the matter.

Discussion of plans for the Tissot exhibit resulted in a motion by Mrs. Baily, that the president be chairman of a committee to present the matter of the exhibit to the various clubs of the city. Motion carried.

Mrs. Riddle moved the details of the Johanna-son exhibit be left to the Special Art Committee. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Baily that the requisite fee be allowed and the contract of the club with the Park Commission be recorded in the County Recorder's office. Carried.

The president appointed Mrs. Baily to present the matter of subscriptions to the Federation Bulletin at some open meeting of the club in the near future.

Mrs. Riddle gave a report of the afternoon

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for Mrs. A. B. Cummins. A motion prevailed that all flowers purchased by the club shall be disposed of by the president and the chairman of the day. A motion prevailed that the bill of \$5.00 for flowers for the Literature day be allowed. A bill of sixty cents to reimburse the janitor for paper, etc., for the Civics afternoon was also allowed.

The names of Mesdames C. L. Beaty, John Shaw and Geo. M. Farnsworth, proposed for membership, were read for the first time. Miss Edna C. Smith was elected to membership, the rules having been suspended and the secretary instructed to cast the ballot. A letter of withdrawal and a card of introduction was granted to Mrs. E. E. Hughes, now of Albia, Iowa.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secretary pro tem

Des Moines Women's Club

December 16th,

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club was held December 16th at two o'clock P. M.

Mrs. Webster moved, seconded by Mrs. Durley, that Hoyt Sherman Place be opened during the Teachers' Convention. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Durley moved, seconded by Mrs. Grefe, that the Club House be offered the Farr Bros. of Oskaloosa, for an exhibit of their pottery. Motion prevailed.

By motion of Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Souers, it was decided Mrs. Garst, Mrs. Carroll, Mrs. Cummins be invited as honored guests to receive with the officers at the New Year's reception. Mrs. Durley moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that the arrangements for the New Year's reception be left to the Board of Directors. Motion prevailed.

By motion of Mrs. Riddle, seconded by Mrs. Witmer, the Mother's Congress was to be invited to be

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our guest New Year's day and their president, Mrs. Watts to receive with our guests of honor. Mrs. R. J. Fleming, Miss Jennie Fleming and Mrs. Chamberlain were appointed by the chair a committee on refreshments for New Year's Day. Mrs. Hunn and Mrs. Souers were appointed a committee on decorations. Mrs. Durley and Mrs. Riddle were asked to formulate an invitation to be published for the reception and present the same at the next meeting. It was decided to send a carriage for Major and Mrs. Byers.

The rules were suspended and by motion the secretary was instructed to cast the vote for Mrs. G. W. Farnsworth to membership in the Des Moines Women's Club.

Mrs. Vorse of the House Committee reported the purchase of fourteen shades, \$6.30. Additional covers or shades were left to the committee.

Additional steps for the platform were or-

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dered and the purchase of chairs for the officers on the platform authorized.

Adjourned. December 23d, was making arrangements for the New Year's reception, attending to the details for the Johansson exhibit, and securing the Tisot collection of Old Testament pictures.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

The Club House was open during the Teacher's Convention, was also offered to Ferr Bros. of Calico for their fine collection of pottery made in Iowa.

Major Byers was thanked for his charming evening given to the club.

The help in the house and Mrs. Pickett were remembered at Christmas time, also our Club House decorated as was fitting for the holiday season. The Efficient House Committee has provided suitable chairs for the platform. The Sewing Committee has been very busy with the many dates that

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Much of the routine business transacted at the called Board meeting December 16th and the regular meeting, December 23d, was making arrangements for the New Year's reception, the attending to the details for the Johannasen exhibit, and securing the Tissot collection of Old Testament pictures.

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the house has been engaged, and few of the club members realize what a busy place we have here and how much work there is to do.

The new system for the lighting of our pictures will be complete soon. And with the Johanna-sent pictures to be exhibited the third week of this month, the Musical Matinee the 20th inst., the lecture on art, and exhibition of Des Moines' artists early in February, the Tissot collection exhibition all of February, a recital by Mrs. Hardy in March, the Des Moines Women's Club is entering on a busy and helpful new year not only for themselves, but for the benefit of the community in 1909.

Mrs. Geo. Farnsworth, Mrs. C. L. Beatty and Mrs. John C. Shaw have been received into the membership of the club.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

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A regular meeting of the Board was held December 23, 1908. Minutes for the Board meetings of Nov. 25th and Dec. 9th were read and approved. The minutes for the called meeting Dec. 16th were excused until the next Board meeting.

The treasurer, Mrs. Hollingsworth, reported total receipts for the month \$962.96. Disbursements \$499.72, cash on hand \$463.24. By motion the report was accepted.

Mrs. Nourse reported that the special light for the pictures will be perfected so it can be used in January. It was announced that the Johansson exhibit would be the third week in January and that Mrs. Hunn would attend to the insurance of the pictures.

Mrs. Fleming announced the many dates the club house was rented for the next week, and spoke of the club not realizing all that was going on there. Mrs. Fleming moved that the help in the house be

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given some remembrance for Christmas. Motion carried. By motion of Mrs. Riddell it was decided to give Mrs. Picket and son ten dollars and Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Vorse were appointed a committee to procure something for the janitors not to exceed three dollars each. Mrs. Vorse asked if the Board wished some Christmas decorations. By motion the House Committee was authorized to expend five dollars on these decorations.

A note from Mrs. Patchin told of Mr. Adams who had two portraits of a German artist and his wife painted by Marshall Talbot, a very early resident of Des Moines. Mr. Adams wished to give these pictures to the Des Moines Women's Club. Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Witmer and Mrs. Vorse were appointed a committee to attend to this matter.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay the cateress for the last social afternoon.

Mrs. Vorse moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse,

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that we keep open house to the public New Year's day. Carried. By motion the hours were fixed from four to nine. Mrs. Walker was asked to find some one to lead in informal singing on that day.

By motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot to elect Mrs. C. L. Beatty and Mrs. John C. Shaw as members of the club.

Miss Fleming moved, seconded by Mrs. Witmer, that a vote of thanks be written to Major Byers for the charming evening he gave to the Women's Club.

Mrs. Ellyson and Mrs. Hunn will plan for Mrs. Hardy's recital in March.

The Calendar Committee was instructed to send calendars to all members who had not received them.

As President Bell of Drake University will speak at the next open meeting, Mrs. Ellyson was asked to notify the chorus that the Drake conservatory will furnish the music for that meeting.

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The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to notify the first half of the Board to serve from four to six on New Year's Day and the last half to be there from six to nine.

Adjourned.

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Secretary

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A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club was held January 6, 1909, at two o'clock. The minutes of the called meeting December 16th and December 23d were read and approved. A vote of thanks from Mrs. Pickett for her Christmas remembrance was read, also Glen Bannister sent his appreciation for the thought of the Board of him.

Mrs. Teachout reported \$125.40 received as rent.

Mrs. Grefe moved, seconded by Mrs. Fleming, that the Board of the Women's Club extend some kind of a courtesy to the Board of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. Motion prevailed. By motion it was decided to give a tea on Tuesday, January 12th. The chair appointed Mrs. Still, Mrs. Souers and Mrs. Cowles a committee to have charge of this tea.

Mrs. Witmer announced for Mrs. Hume that she

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would like an informal reception for Mr. and Mrs. Johansson on the 23d of January from three to six at which time Mr. Johansson would speak. By motion this request was granted.

Mrs. Mitchell asked for the club chorus that a cabinet be provided to hold their music.

Mrs. Nourse read a letter from Mrs. Culbertson of Carroll, offering the loan of a picture, "Alice in Wonderland," to the club. The chair appointed a committee to attend to this loan. Mrs. Nourse, Mrs. J. C. Cummins and Mrs. Riddell.

Mrs. Witmer from the committee to see the Talbot pictures reported the committee as much pleased with the portraits of Marshall Talbot's instructors in Antwerp, and they would be removed to the club house as soon as convenient.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held in the Club House January 13, 1909, President Shipley in the chair. A communication from Miss Dunlap was read thanking the Board for the use of our club rooms and showing the great appreciation of the Utility Club for the use of same.

Mr. Kinsel's bill for janitor services again came before the Board and was left to Mrs. Mitchell to settle with Mr. Kinsel.

By motion the treasurer was instructed to pay A. L. Juber two dollars for hauling cinders last May.

A letter of withdrawal was granted Mrs. Heinrich Habernicht, and the name of Mrs. Dr. Aldrich was presented for first reading.

Mrs. Ellyson moved, seconded by Mrs. Durley, a note of our sincere appreciation be sent to Fleming Brothers for their generous offer of rooms in their building for the Tissot collection. Unani-

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vail Mrs. Hunn moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that the by-laws be suspended that Mrs. W. D. Evans allowed to become a member of the Women's Club without a year's residence in the city, there being no federated club in her home city. Motion prevailed. *Secretary*

Mrs. Hollingsworth presented a bill of two dollars for express charges on a box of Johannson pictures from New York. Mrs. Riddell was asked to ask Mrs. Hume about the matter. Mrs. Hollingsworth was instructed to have the correct name of roof over the art gallery that the insurance papers might be corrected. The Johannsen exhibit was allowed to remain over the second Sunday but they must be removed early Monday morning, February 1st, to make place for the amateur exhibit. By motion Mrs. Riddell, seconded by Mrs. Hunn, the express from New York on the Johannsen pictures be paid

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but no more be paid from New York. Motion prevailed.

The remainder of the session was spent in naming committee for Tissot collection.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

Mrs. Shipley explained why we failed to secure the Tissot collection of Old Testament pictures. The mortgage on the collection was foreclosed and they were called back to New York.

Mrs. Keith chairman of the Music Department, asked that the club should be allowed to present an opera for their next open meeting. Mrs. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mrs. Morgan, that this request be granted. Unanimously carried.

The treasurer, Mrs. Hollingsworth, reported that the insurance policies had been so fixed that our pictures would be covered anywhere in the building.

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A called meeting of the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club was held January 20, 1909, at two o'clock. President Shipley called the meeting to order. Minutes of previous session read and approved. By motion the resignation of Mrs. A. B. Cummins and Mrs. Homer Miller as members of Board were regretfully accepted.

Mrs. Shipley explained why we failed to secure the Tissot collection of Old Testament pictures. The mortgage on the collection was foreclosed and they were called back to New York.

Mrs. Weitz chairman of the Music Department, asked that the club chorus be allowed to present an opera for their next open meeting. Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that this request be granted. Unanimously carried.

The treasurer, Mrs. Hollingsworth, reported that the insurance policies had been so fixed that our pictures would be covered anywhere in the building.

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Mrs. Kasson made announcement of the plans for the open Art Day February 3d. Mrs. Webster moved, seconded by Mrs. Durley, that the lecture to be given by Mr. Griffith be free. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Durley moved, seconded by Mrs. Fleming, that the expense for a catalogue of the nineteen pictures of Mr. Johannsen and the seventeen pictures of Mrs. Johannsen be borne by the club. Motion carried.

The names of Mrs. P. R. Mosley, Mrs. John B. Sullivan, Miss Katherine Haley and Mrs. W. T. Rich were presented for first reading.

Mrs. J. C. Cummins reported that the picture "Alice In Wonderland" would soon be here. The chairman of the Art Department to be notified about handling the same after the amateur art exhibit.

Mrs. W. D. Dickinson and Mrs. W. R. Marshall

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were welcomed as new members of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club.

A committee of Mrs. Riddell and Mrs. Hunn were appointed by the chair to interrogate the club chorus in regard to the securing other music for our open meetings.

A letter of withdrawal was granted to Mrs. Gaston C. Davis.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

By motion it was decided to order a tablet with names of charter members of the Des Moines Women's Club in Hart Sherman Place. This matter was left with Mrs. Mitchell.

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A regular Board meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club was called to order by President Shipley January 27, 1909. Minutes of the last Board meeting read, corrected and approved. Roll call by secretary, eighteen members present. Mrs. W. R. Marshall was introduced as a new Board member to take the place of Mrs. Homer Miller, resigned. Mrs. Riddell asked that report of the committee in regard to securing music outside of our club chorus for the open club days be deferred until the next meeting. Request granted.

Moved by Mrs. Nourse, seconded by Mrs. Souers, that Mrs. Edith Gould Fosnes be extended privileges honorary of the club while out of the city. Motion prevailed.

By motion it was decided to erect a tablet with names of charter members of the Des Moines Women's Club in Hoyt Sherman Place. This matter was left with Mrs. Mitchell.

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Mrs. Tacitus Hussey was granted the privileges of the club without payment of dues. This motion made by Mrs. Riddell seconded by Mrs. Vorse and carried.

Mrs. Dupree Smith of the club chorus gave a report for that department,-

Members enrolled	37
Members Women's Club	14
Members paying to club	23
	<u>37</u>
23 members at \$2.50 each	\$57.50
Music score taken from club	.15
	<u>\$57.65</u>

Money paid out	
Miss Monroe 5 extra rehearsals	10.00
Postal cards	.75
Stamp	.50
Mrs. Frank Cummins, accompanist	20.00
	<u>\$31.25</u>
Cash on hand	26.40
	<u>\$57.65</u>

By motion of Mrs. Vorse, seconded by Mrs. Souer, the report was accepted and the money left in the treasury of the club chorus until the close of the year.

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Mrs. Souers moved, seconded by Mrs. Cummins that an effort be made to secure the sideboard formally in this house and built to match the dining room. Carried. Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Elbert were appointed & committed to attend to this matter.

Mrs. Hunn asked that a complete file of the Des Moines Women's Club year books be secured. Left with Mrs. Hunn for a later report. Carried. Mrs. Riddell and Mrs. Hunn were to report later on honorary members.

The picture "Alice in Wonderland" had arrived and was hung in the parlor.

The names of Mrs. John Sullivan and Miss Haley were balloted upon and accepted as members by the Board. The name of Mrs. Heilhecker was presented for first reading.

The Corresponding Secretary was asked to write a note of condolence to Mrs. J. T. Barclay on the death of her husband.

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Mrs. Souers was asked to obtain all the information she could in regard to the living pictures that had been given in Chicago.

Mrs. Mitchell reported from the Record Committee that all old books and manuscripts had been looked over, the worthless ones destroyed and those of value placed in drawer in butler's pantry, and recommended that last year's year books be given to the new members.

The Treasurer gave the following report for January,-

Balance December 23d	\$463.24
Dues	565.00
Rent	125.40
Door receipts Jan. 6th	2.00
Door receipts Jan. 20th	27.50
Ficklenstein check	54.70
	\$1238.84
Disbursements	309.27
Cash on hand	
	\$ 929.57

Mrs. Chamberlain recommended that the club purchase the portrait of the "Lady in Green," by Mrs. Johanssen for \$800.00 and one of the Venetian

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pictures of Mrs. Johannsen for \$350.00. To bring this matter before the Board Mrs. Webster moved, seconded by Mrs. Chamberlain, that we consider buying a Johannsen picture. Carried.

Mrs. Ellyson and Mrs. Hunn were asked to fix a day with Mrs. Hardy for her recital.

It was decided to open the club house Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights during the Johannsen's exhibit. Much discussion in regard to purchase followed. Straw votes were taken by the Board and it was left with the president to appoint a committee of artists to select several pictures and recommend their choice to the Board, also to appoint another Board meeting.

Mr. Wesley Ash the city commissioner having the parks in charge, appeared before the Board and showed the plans for the improvement of the grounds of Hoyt Sherman Place. These plans were heartily approved by the Board.

Meeting adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

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A called meeting of the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club was held Monday, February 1, 1909, at ten o'clock A. M. President Shipley in the chair. The meeting was called to consider the purchase of a Johannsen picture. Mrs. Cowles reported for the judging committee.

No. 21, Portrait of a Young Woman, by Mrs. Johannsen, first choice.

No. 11, Autumn Woodland, by Mr. Johannsen, second choice.

No. 25, Mother and Babe, Evening Wood, by Mrs. Johannsen, third choice.

No. 8, Grand Canal, Venice, October Day, by Mr. Johannsen, fourth choice.

The committee considered the Johannsens as two distinct artists. Much animated discussion followed this report. Some of the Board were very anxious to purchase the "Lady in Green," and others were very much against the purchase, feeling we could not take so much money from the treasury.

Mrs. Hunn reported that Mrs. Hardy would like to give her recital the 8th or 9th of March. Report accepted.

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Secretary

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Mrs. Nourse reported that on interview with the Johannsens that we could secure the "Lady in Green" for \$900.00 if we would let Mrs. Johannsen take the picture east for exhibition during the spring. Mrs. Chamberlain moved we buy the "Lady in Green," seconded by Mrs. Nourse. More discussion followed. Vote by ballot followed. This vote was a tie, all not voting, seven for, seven against, seventeen members of the Board were present. A second vote called for nine no, seven yes. Mrs. Cumming moved, seconded by Mrs. Witmer we reconsider vote on the purchase of the "Lady in Green." Carried. Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Cowles, we offer \$800.00 for the "Lady in Green," vote announced eleven yes, four no. Mrs. Riddell was acting as president. Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Shipley this committee, Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Nourse and Mrs. Witmer enter into a written contract with Mrs. Johannsen if this offer was accepted.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

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A called meeting of the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club was held after the open meeting February 3, 1909.

Mr. Griffith, of Detroit, appeared before the Board and was asked his opinion of the Johannsens as artists. He had never seen any of their paintings and only knew of Mr. Johannsen by reading of him in art publications. He counselled to never buy a picture without knowing it a month or more. Mrs. Witmer spoke of the Club instructing the Board on other occasions. Mrs. Nourse moved, seconded by Mrs. Riddell, that we buy the "Lady in Green," after discussion and as there were only eleven members present, Mrs. Nourse with the consent of her second withdrew her motion.

Adjourned.

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Mrs. Gump moved, seconded by Secretary

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Adjourned.

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Mrs. Gump moved, seconded by Secretary, that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to

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The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session February 10, 1909. Mrs. Shipley, president in the chair. The minutes of regular meeting January 27th, the called meetings of February 1st and February 3d were read and approved. A note of appreciation from the State Federation of Women's Clubs to the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club for the courtesy extended to them was read by the president. After roll call a discussion followed in regard to the prolonged absence of members of the Board. Mrs. McHenry moved, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, that Mrs. Bailey's absence on account of her husband's health be considered a satisfactory excuse. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Witmer, seconded by Mrs. Ellyson, that Mrs. Walker's absence from the city be considered a satisfactory excuse. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Riddell, that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to

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correspond with Mrs. Durley and ascertain her pleasure in regard to resigning from the Board as her term of office by limitation would expire this year. Motion carried. At the suggestion of President Shipley, Mrs. Nourse moved, seconded by Mrs. Cummins, that an exhibit of Des Moines artists be made a permanent feature for the art day in February, Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that we give a ceramic exhibit the last week in February or the first of March and that Miss Childs of Chicago be invited to give a lecture on artistic book binding, also an invitation be given Farr Bros. of Oskaloosa to give a pottery exhibit at this time. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Kasson, chairman of the Art Department to have charge of the exhibit and appoint her committees from the art department.

Mrs. Hirsch moved, seconded by Mrs. Hollingsworth, that those joining the Des Moines Women's

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Club after annual meeting shall have the privileges of the club for the remainder of that year and the following year for the initiation fee. Motion carried.

Mrs. Riddell for the committee in regard to examination of the old minutes in regard to honorary members, in the minutes of 1900 it was found that all charter members of the club holding letters of withdrawal or not should be considered honorary members.

Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Ellyson, that the name of Mrs. Clara Lacey Greene be dropped from the membership list if her dues and the penalty were not paid by the first of May. Carried. Mrs. Hollingsworth moved, seconded by Mrs. Vorse the names of all charter members, whether active or not, be included in the memorial list. Mrs. Hunn moved, seconded by Mrs. Riddell, that a by-law in regard to honorary members be inserted in the by-laws for the coming year.

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Mrs. Ellyson announced that Mrs. Hardy requested that her recital might be held in the Unitarian Church. Mrs. Shipley was requested by the Board to confer with Mrs. Hardy in regard to giving her recital in our own Club House, as it was deemed advisable for many reasons.

The House Committee was asked to see to the ventilation in the auditorium and see if it was in good working order.

The secretary was instructed by motion to cast the ballot for Mrs. W. T. Rich for membership in the club. The names of Mrs. J. F. Snoke and Mrs. John Q. Thompson were read for the first time. Mrs. W. D. Evans was received as a member of the club.

Mrs. Vorse reported for Mrs. Teachout that the receipts for rent for the past month amounted to \$104.75. Moved by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Hunn that in case a room was rented and not used the settlement be left to the discretion of the

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Mrs. Hunn reported that Mrs. Carter had a complete file of the year books and histories, and would present the same to the club if we would provide a suitable case for keeping of same. Mrs. Hunn was appointed a committee to look into this matter and present a report to the Board.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

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The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Feb. 24, 1909. President Shipley in chair. Minutes of the meeting of February 10th read and approved. After roll call seventeen being present, Mrs. Riddell announced that she had corresponded with Mrs. Durley and that she would return soon and if that excuse was sufficient would be glad to remain on the Board.

A letter was read by Mrs. Shipley from the Society of Western Artists. Mrs. Souers reported on a letter from Chicago on the living pictures. The expense of giving same was very great. Mrs. Webster moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that we make an effort to secure the Western Artists' exhibition. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Nourse reported a request from the Proteus Club that they be allowed to hang their Inness, and Johannsen pictures in our gallery. Mrs. Hollingsworth moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch that the same

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be granted with pleasure.

Mrs. Nourse, Mrs. Chamberlain and Mrs. Witmer were appointed a committee to attend to the Society of Western Artists' exhibit.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Hollingsworth, reported

Balance January 26th	\$929.57
Dues	900.00
Art fund	160.00
Rent, Mrs. Teachout	104.75
Door receipts	27.25
Rent, Mrs. Watson	25.00
Year book	.25
Total receipts	<u>\$2146.82</u>
Disbursements by list	543.79
	<u>\$1603.03</u>

By motion of Mrs. Ellyson, seconded by Mrs. Webster the report was accepted.

Mrs. Kasson of the Art Department spoke in regard to the prizes and plans for the coming year and in securing an exhibit annually of some noted collection. Mrs. Vorse moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that Mr. Harlan acting curator, be asked to secure if possible, an appropriation for such

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art exhibit in the Historical Building. Motion prevailed, and pledged that the Women's Club would support this movement. Mrs. Kasson was asked to take this matter up with Mr. Harlan.

A lecture by Miss Gertrude Stiles of Denver, on book binding was announced for the coming Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Still, chairman of the Social Economics and Civics Department moved, seconded by Mrs. Ellyson that the rules be suspended and the open club meeting that was postponed on March 3d be dropped entirely. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Nourse spoke of appropriating a sum of money to be given to Chas. A. Cummings to bring back to us copies of some of the noted pictures by the old masters. This matter to be considered at the next meeting.

Mrs. Ellyson urged the Board to take an interest in the recital to be given by Mrs. Hardy and

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help make it a success in every way. Mrs. Ellyson announced that the Women's Club Chorus had been invited to sing at the concert given by the noted violin artist, Arthur Hartman, and asked from the Music Department that the use of the club house be given them to extend to this artist an informal reception the evening of March 3d. Mrs. Webster moved seconded by Miss Fleming that the request of Mrs. Ellyson be granted. Motion carried. Mrs. Ellyson announced that the Chickering Grand Piano that had been rented from the Guest Piano Co. a few times and valued at \$800.00 might be purchased by the Women's Club for \$600.00, and all the time we wished for, to pay for it. Mrs. Riddell moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch that the chair appoint a committee to look into the buying of a piano. Mrs. Ellyson, Mrs. Riddell and Mrs. Vorse were appointed as the committee.

The rules were suspended and the secretary by motion instructed to cast the vote for Mrs. J. Q.

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Thompson and Mrs. J. F. Snoke to membership in the Des Moines Women's Club.

The ceramic exhibit was announced to begin on March 22d. Mr. Trisler brought a picture of a Norwegian landscape to be viewed by the Board. Mrs. Vorse moved, seconded by Mrs. Souers that we invite the gentleman to leave the picture if he wished to. Carried.

Adjourned.

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A called meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club was held before the regular session March 3d at two o'clock. Mrs. Shipley in chair. Seventeen members present.

Mrs. Prouty addressed the Board in regard to the public play ground and what we could do for this worthy object. Mr. Ash, city commissioner in charge of the parks had consulted with Mrs. Prouty as to the feasible plans for the improvement of the play ground and how much the city would invest for this object. As this work had always been in the hands of the City Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Riddell moved seconded by Mrs. Grefe, that the Des Moines Women's Club would stand by the City Federation in their efforts for the public play ground. Mrs. Grefe announced that two weeks from today the chairman of the committee, Mrs. Moore, asked for the use of the dishes, etc. so she might serve coffee and light refreshments without expense to the club. Request granted. Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

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A regular Board meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club was held March 10th, 1909, President Shipley in the chair. Eighteen members present. Minutes of regular meeting February 24th and called meeting March 3d were read and approved. The president was authorized to make a statement to the press in regard to the criticism over the state of the Des Moines women in the Junkin matter. Mrs. P. J. Mills, chairman of the History and Literature Department, asked the sanction of the Board to bring Miss Agnes Friberger, of Minneapolis, for a lecture recital on Pelleas and Mellisande, on their open day April 14th. The expense would be \$50.00 for the lecture, and traveling expenses and local entertainment. Mrs. Hunn made a motion seconded by Mrs. Fleming that this amount be allowed for their department. Mrs. Hirsch moved, seconded by Mrs. Hunn that we fix the admission for non-club members for that day at fifty cents. Carried.

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Mrs. Teachout, treasurer of the Renting Committee, reported \$101.50 rent collected for the past four weeks. Report accepted.

Mrs. Vorse moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that we give the D. A. R. Chapter special rates for renting rooms in the club house. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Fleming, seconded by Mrs. Souers, that when regular clubs rented dishes, etc., they be given a special price. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Bailey moved, seconded by Mrs. Grefe that this matter be left to the discretion of the Renting Committee. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Ellyson reported on the piano considered at the last meeting. Mrs. Riddell of the committee, made a report in writing that after thorough examination she recommended the Chickering grand very highly. Mrs. Hardy was invited to give her opinion and spoke of the excellent quality of the piano and

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thought it an unusually fine instrument. Mrs. Ellyson announced that what we had paid on rental and the agent's commission would amount to \$200.00 and the piano could be secured for \$600.00. Other makes of grand pianos were placed at \$750.00, and the Steinway at \$800.00. It was found that there was a piano fund of \$58.00 at 8% interest, loaned to the club some nine or ten years ago, which would amount to about \$104.00. Mrs. Webster moved, seconded by Mrs. Nourse that we purchase this piano recommended by the committee Mrs. Ellyson, Mrs. Riddell and Mrs. Vorse. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Cummins moved seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that the piano fund and interest be paid now for the piano. Motion carried. Mrs. Cummins moved seconded by Mrs. Ellyson, that further payments be left to the order of the Board. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Ellyson announced that the Unitarian Church sent \$15.00 to the club chorus, and Mr. Na-

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gle had given them \$10.00 from his commissions.

Mrs. Ellyson moved seconded by Miss Fleming, that a note of thanks be sent of their generous appreciation. Carried.

Mrs. Hunn reported for Mrs. Mitchell of the Tablet Committee, that a bronze tablet 26 x 15-1/2 inches containing the names of the charter members would cost from one hundred to one hundred twenty-five dollars. Mrs. Grefe moved seconded by Miss Fleming, that this report be accepted, and the committee continued until they had completed the work.

Mrs. Nourse read a letter from the Western Artists' Association that we could secure the exhibit from Indianapolis the 23d of May, insurance en transit on \$18,000.00, that the pictures be returned from here to their respective owners by the first of June. Mrs. Nourse was asked to continue her correspondence and report at the next meeting.

Mrs. Agar was selected as the hold-over member

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of the Verifying Committee, and the selection of the other two members was left to the Executive Committee by motion of Mrs. Fleming, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch.

Mrs. Marshall spoke of the insurance of the pictures belonging to the Proteus Club. Mrs. Witmer was asked to attend to this insurance and have it included with the club pictures, and report at the next meeting. Mrs. Hunn moved seconded by Mrs. Ellyson that the Des Moines Women's Club pay the insurance on the pictures loaned by the Proteus Club. Carried.

April first was fixed as the club rallying day.

Mrs. Bailey moved, seconded by Miss Fleming that the president be authorized to instruct the chairmen of the departments when they meet the first Wednesday in April, as to their duties and privileges. Motion prevailed.

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Mrs. Ellyson asked for \$4.00 for carriage and flowers for the Hardy recital. Mrs. Hunn moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that this expenditure be allowed. Motion prevailed.

Adjourned to the home of Mrs. Gardner Cowles where a most delightful luncheon was enjoyed.

Mrs. Silver reported Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

Mrs. Xerxes reported in regard to the Eastern Artist exhibition. It was decided the time was too short to hold the exhibit this year but to make an effort to secure this exhibit next year.

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A regular meeting of the Board of the Des Moines Women's Club was held at the club house, March 24, 1909. Minutes of March 10th read and approved. Mrs. Henry Gray addressed the Board asking that the club do something for the Y. W. C. A. Building.

Roll call showed twenty-one members present.

Mrs. Witmer reported in regard to the insurance on the Proteus Club pictures. It cannot be incorporated into our policies for we are not the owners of the pictures. Mrs. Hollingsworth was asked to attend to this matter.

Mrs. Nourse reported in regard to the Western Artist exhibition. It was decided the time was too short to hold the exhibit this year but to make an effort to secure this exhibit next year.

Mrs. Vorse moved seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that a committee be appointed to interview Mr. Chas. Cummings as to the purchasing or securing copies of the

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old masters during his trip abroad, or for the sale of the copies in his gallery. The chair appointed Mrs. Vorse, Mrs. Souers and Mrs. Cowles as this committee. Mrs. Cowles reported for the committee on the Norwegian picture the price was \$375.00. Mrs. Webster spoke in favor of the picture. Mrs. Hunn moved, seconded by Mrs. Webster, that we purchase the Joseph Lee picture. Motion lost. Mrs. Nourse reported that the Ashford pictures were for sale. Mrs. Hirsch moved seconded by Miss Fleming that we purchase the "Italian Boy" for \$250.00. Motion lost.

Mrs. Hunn spoke of Mrs. R. A. Walker who was accepted by the Board some time ago but was then unable to join. It was decided not necessary to vote Mrs. Walker's name again.

Mrs. Ellyson reported that the total expense for the Hardy recital was \$12.23, and the receipts at this time \$76.50 with more tickets given out to

\$82.50 from Hardy recital not included as report

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hear from. Mrs. Webster moved seconded by Miss Fleming, that a vote of appreciation be written to Mrs. Hardy for her complimentary recital. Motion prevailed.

A letter was read from J. E. Labott in regard to giving a lecture on Italy, to the Des Moines Women's Club. Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Still, that Mr. Labott's offer be accepted. Motion lost.

It was decided to publish all members' names having fifteen or more votes for members of the Board.

The treasurer, Mrs. Hollingsworth, gave the following report from February 24th to March 24, 1909:-

Receipts	
Balance on hand Feb. 24th	\$1603.03
Door receipts March 3d and 17th	6.75
Rent	101.50
Dues	53.00
	\$1764.28
Disbursements	366.28
Balance on hand March 24th	
	\$1398.00

\$22.50 from Hardy recital not included as report

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was incomplete. Mrs. Bailey moved seconded by Mrs. Ellyson, that report be accepted.

The names of Mrs. Haupt, Mrs. Newell and Mrs. Reson Jones read for the first time.

Mrs. Bailey moved, seconded by Mrs. Fleming, that we make a contribution to the Y. W. C. A. Building by furnishing a room for \$75.00, to be known as the Des Moines Women's Club room. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Hunn moved seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that we furnish a bed room. Carried.

Mrs. Bailey moved, seconded by Mrs. Riddell, that the rescinding of the motion in regard to the purchase of the "Lady in Green" be left to the next meeting and have the minutes of that meeting there. Carried.

Adjourned.

Luella McHenry

Secretary

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A short called meeting was held after the open meeting of March 31st. By motion Mr. Cook, an artist, was allowed to exhibit some portraits in the art gallery.

The names of Mrs. R. J. Grassly, Mrs. Alice F. Fagley, Mrs. L. Ulrick, Mrs. W. T. Irwin, Mrs. Wm. Francis Lee and Mrs. Geo. A. Boody were read the first time.

Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

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The Board of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session April 7, 1909, President Shipley in the chair. The minutes of March 24th and called meeting March 31st were read and approved.

Mrs. J. S. Carpenter addressed the Board in regard to an art exhibit by Messrs. Nyholm and Gelhaar with no expense or obligation to the club.

Mrs. Teachout, treasurer of the Renting Co.,-mittee reported \$56.00 collected in rents for the past month.

Roll call showed sixteen members present.

The following ladies were elected delegate and alternates to the State Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. B. F. Elbert 90, Mrs. W. F. Mitchell 85, Mrs. B. F. Carroll 84, Mrs. C. E. Hunn 84, Mrs. G. D. Ellyson 82, Mrs. F. W. Vorse 77. Alternates, Mrs. H. L. Carre 11 75, Mrs. S. S. Still 68, Mrs. M. M. Pratt 61, Mrs. W. G. Agar 59, Mrs. I. L. Hillis 58, Mrs. W. F. Johnston 36, Mrs. H. S. Hollings-

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worth 31. Mrs. Cummins moved, seconded by Mrs. Fleming that as Mrs. Ellyson resigned from this delegation to go as president of the Conversational Club, Mrs. H. L. Carrell's name be placed on the list of delegates, and Mrs. Riddell added to the list of alternates. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Cowles reported for Mrs. Vorse, chairman of the Special Committee to interview as to securing copies of the old masters while abroad or of those he already had, that Mr. Cumming would not have time to do that work while he was away. Of the two in his studio one was a fine copy of a Rembrandt and the other a copy of a Valasquez. Mr. Cumming would reframe them in handsome frames and cover them with glass and sell the two for \$450.00. Mrs. Hunn moved seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that we purchase these two pictures from Mr. Cumming. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Ellyson, chairman of the Music Department

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reported that Mr. Buchanan would give Ingersoll Park staging and lighting free and set the day the 27th of May. Mrs. Hunn moved seconded by Mrs. Webster that the date of Music Day be changed from April 28th to May 27th. Motion carried. Mrs. Ellyson, Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Hunn were appointed a committee to complete arrangements for this day and report at the next board meeting.

Mrs. Hunn moved seconded by Mrs. Fleming, that some action be taken by the Board in regard to dropping the civics committee program. Motion carried. Mrs. Cummins moved seconded by Mrs. Fleming, that the Civics Committee be invited to give their program on the regular Music Day, April 28th, if they wished so to do. Carried.

Mrs. Nourse moved seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, to extend to the National Froebel Association the courtesy of the club house and tender them a reception if they held their meeting in Des Moines next

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year. Motion prevailed.

By motion the recording secretary was instructed to cast the vote for the following new members.

Mrs. A. C. Newell, Mrs. H. W. Haupt, Mrs. E. L. Ulrich, Mrs. H. W. Fagley, Mrs. Reson S. Jones, Mrs. W. T. Irwin, Mrs. Geo. A. Body and Mrs. Wm. Francis Lee.

The first reading of the names of Mrs. Phil Schmidt, Mrs. E. M. Werts and Mrs. William Hook followed.

Session adjourned.

Called to order by chair. Mrs. Schmidt, Mrs. Werts and Mrs. Hook were elected to membership in the club. The president, Mrs. Shipley, announced that last year she had appointed Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Quint and Mrs. Marshall a printing committee, they did not serve then and hoped the president elect would concur with appointment of this committee.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

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A short board meeting was called after the open meeting of April 14th. Mrs. Grassley was elected to membership in the club and the first reading of the name of Mrs. Schollenberger was given.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

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The Directory Board of the Des Moines Women's Club met April 21, 1909 at the club home, President Shipley in the chair.

The minutes of April 7th and 14th were read and approved. The President read a letter from the Music Committee of the State Federation asking for contributions of music to aid in the formation of a Traveling Musical Library. Upon motion of Mrs. Still the matter was left to the discretion of the chairman of the Music Department, Mrs. Ellyson.

The President presented an application from Miss Loizeaux for the scholarship in the Cumming School of Art for the ensuing year, which matter was referred to a committee consisting of Mesdames Walker and Souers.

The President announced a committee composed of Mesdames Nourse, Webster and J. S. Carpenter to have charge of the Nyholm-Gelhaar exhibit.

Upon motion of Mrs. Ellyson, supported by Miss

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Fleming, it was decided to invite the presidents and delegates of the various clubs of the City Federation to be guests of the club at the open meeting Wednesday, April 28th. The President chose Mesdames Ellyson, Hollingsworth and Miss Fleming a committee to arrange the details of the payments for the piano. Upon motion of Mrs. Hollingsworth it was voted that the purchase price of \$450.00 be paid to Prof. Cumming as soon as the pictures are delivered.

The president appointed Mrs. Ellyson to correspond with Miss Flora Wilson relative to singing at the May Musical program.

Mrs. Riddell presented her resignation as a member of the By-law Committee, which was accepted and the president appointed Mrs. Durley to fill the vacancy.

Upon motion that the rules be suspended and the Secretary cast the ballot, Mrs. Thos. M. Shallenberger was elected to membership. The name of

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Mrs. J. A. Kellar was submitted for its first reading.

A motion prevailed that the charter members of the club be made "Honorary Members" and as an outgrowth of the discussion of the question, the President appointed Mesdames Walker, Hunn and Cowles a committee to investigate the advisability of showing some act of courtesy to Mrs. L. F. Andrews, a charter member, in commemoration of the eightieth anniversary of her birthday.

The treasurer's report showing a balance of \$1319.60 on hand was read and accepted.

A motion to allow the Art Department \$30.00 for a lecturer for the coming year prevailed.

Adjourned.

Nellie N. Hunn

Secy pro tem

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The Board meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session May 5, 1909.

Miss Flora Henry addressed the Board and asked that \$40.00 be given to the History and Literature Department for Mrs. Stevenson the leader of the study class of this department.

Twenty members responded to roll call.

Letters of appreciation for flowers and sympathy were read from Mrs. Wallace and From Miss Keff-fer for the prize awarded her at the time of the local art exhibit.

Mrs. Walker reported for the committee in regard to awarding the scholarship in the Cumming Art School to Miss Amy Loizeaux. Mr. Cumming and the committee considered her a very worthy applicant. Mrs. Hunn moved seconded by Mrs. Ellyson that this scholarship be awarded Miss Amy Loizeaux. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Ellyson reported that the payments and

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notes for payments on the piano were in the hand of the Treasurer, Mrs. Hollingsworth.

By motion the Board approved a per capita tax of ten cents for the State Federation dues and authorized the delegate from the Des Moines Women's Club to the meeting of the State Federation to vote for same.

Mrs. Cummins asked that the Board members remember Miss Gilcrest and send flowers to her. Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Walker were appointed a committee to attend to purchase and send these flowers.

Mrs. Grefe moved seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that \$30.00 be appropriated for the payment for the History and Literature Department. Carried.

Mrs. Teachout reported rent collected for the past month \$50.00.

Moved by Mrs. Cummins seconded by Mrs. Hirsch that the Board recommend to the House Committee the employment of Bert Williams and his wife. Carried.

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Mrs. Hunn moved seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that Miss Wilson's offer to sing for the club on Music Day for \$400.00 be accepted. Motion lost.

Mrs. Walker, chairman of the By-law Committee, gave the following report, first reading of

an increase in the amount to be given to the History and Literature Department for a leader. Mrs.

Durley moved seconded by Mrs. Bourne, that we reconsider the motion made at the last meeting.

By motion the rules were suspended and the Secretary instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs.

McKellar as a member of the Des Moines Women's Club.

The time for the reception to the artists of the Swedish American exhibit was set for Friday at 8 P. M.

A business meeting was appointed for Saturday May 15th at 10 o'clock A. M.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry
Secretary

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A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club was held at the club house May 15th at ten A. M., President Shipley in the chair. Minutes of May 5th read and approved.

Miss Flora Henry again addressed the Board for an increase in the amount to be given to the History and Literature Department for a leader. Mrs. Durley moved seconded by Mrs. Nourse, that we reconsider the motion made at the last meeting allowing \$30.00 to the History and Literature Department. Motion prevailed. A motion made by Mrs. Cummins seconded by Mrs. Webster to allow the History and Literature Department \$40.00 for their study class prevailed.

Mrs. Bailey moved seconded by Mrs. Durley, that an open meeting be held early in June to hear the reports from the Biennial meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs and other business. Motion carried.

Mrs. Walker chairman and Mrs. Durley secreta-

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ry of the By-law Committee made the following changes in the by-laws which were read section by section and adopted by the Board.

By motion the Music Department was allowed to take the platform to Ingersoll Park for their music day there.

The chairman of the Philosophy and Science Department are Mrs. Fred Hunter and Mrs. Gardner Cowles .

The name of Miss Alice Moss was read for the second time and the secretary instructed to cast the ballot for Miss Moss as a member of the Des Moines Women's Club.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

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A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club was held June 2nd, ¹⁹⁰⁹ vice-president Mrs. Hunn in the chair. Minutes of the called meeting May 15th read and approved.

Mrs. Dorr of St. Paul spoke to the Board of using the "Courant" as the official organ for the Iowa State Federation and for the Iowa clubs.

The names of Mrs. Warren Garst, Mrs. C. Dupree Smith and Mrs. Cora Cavanaugh were presented for first reading. By motion the Board endorsed the selection of Mr. Nagle by the choruse for their leader for the coming year..

Mrs. Grefe moved seconded by Mrs. Nourse that the motion to hold another open meeting to hear the reports of delegates to the State Federation be seconded. Motion carried.

The treasurer, Mrs. Hollingsworth, gave the following report from Mary 15th to June 1st.

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Receipts

Balance	1069.64
Dues	10.50
Gate receipts for Music Day	175.00
Total	<u>\$1255.14</u>

Disbursements	549.81
Cash on hand - - - - -	<u>\$705.33</u>

Report accepted by motion.

Mrs. Hirsch of the History and Literature Department reported \$5.00 from that department to be turned into the club treasury. Report accepted by motion, report to be placed on file. By motion the treasurer was ordered to receive dues from members until time for handing in the names to the Printing Committee.

The Corresponding Secretary was asked to notify the Calendar Committee to report on bids for the work at the next Board meeting.

It was moved that a letter of withdrawal be

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granted Mrs. Suel Spaulding. Motion carried.

Mrs. Dickinson reported we would clear about \$75.00 from Music Day at the park.

The Corresponding Secretary asked that a printed form might be had for letters of withdrawal. By motion the request was granted.

Mrs. Walker reported for the club scholarship in the Cumming Art School and submitted the form of contract to be signed. Two pictures from those who had held the scholarship were presented to the club from Leon Stetzell and Mrs. Katherine Bartlett Usry. Report accepted by motion.

Mrs. Walker moved that the treasurer ask Mr. Nagle to sign last year's contract when he signed the contract for next year. Motion carried.

A motion was made that the Des Moines Women's Club give fifty dollars for prizes at the annual art exhibit. After amending the motion to give one hundred dollars the motion carried.

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By motion the House Committee were asked to have framed the two pictures presented to the club by the pupils of Mr. Cumming and two pictures now owned by the club, the "Immaculate Conception" and "Queen's Drawing Room."

Adjourned.

Called to order by chairman.

By motion the secretary was instructed to cast the vote for Mrs. Dupree Smith and Mrs. Garst as members of the club.

Adjourned.

Balance last report
Amount received

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to be applied on an unpaid bill of \$30.00. The report was accepted by motion.

The monthly report of the Treasurer was read and accepted. Balance last report \$705.35, receipts

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Mrs. Smith, secretary of the Women's Club Chorus made her semi-annual report.

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\$144.05, total \$854.38, disbursements \$214.81 leaving a balance of \$639.57.

The chairmen of the various departments of the club were asked to come before the Board to present an outline of their work for the coming year.

Mrs. Carter spoke for the Social Committee; Miss Henry for the History and Literature; Mrs. Davison for the Art; Mrs. Hillis for the Civics; Mrs. Miller of the Music and Mrs. Hunter chairman of the Philosophy and Science being absent, Mrs. Ellyson outlined their work to some extent. By motion it was decided these plans as outlined should be taken up in detail at the next Board meeting and acted upon at that time.

Mrs. Sheurman of the Art Committee read the rules governing the contest of Des Moines artists at the annual exhibit which had been formulated by that committee.

Mrs. Johnston chairman of the Calendar Committee

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Presented bids for printing the year book from several printing companies, the lowest bids being \$166.00 given by the Geo. A. Miller Co. and J. H. Welsh Co. A motion of Mrs. Cummins seconded by Mrs. Webster to give the work to J. H. Welsh Co. was carried.

Mrs. Ellyson moved seconded by Mrs. Vorse, the style and details of the year book be left with the Calendar Committee. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cummins moved seconded by Mrs. Mitchell, that Mrs. Vorse be reelected chairman of the house committee, and Mrs. Fleming be reelected chairman of the Renting Committee for the coming year. Motion unanimously carried. Mrs. Fleming because of having taken up other work for next year asked to be relieved.

The nominations for the different sections of the House Committee were as follows, Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Douers for the renting section; Mrs. Lit-

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tell and Mrs. John Calendar for contracting department; Mrs. John Gilcrest and Mrs. Wilkins for the property department, all of whom were unanimously elected.

Mrs. McHenry because of absence from the city sent her resignation from the Calendar Committee. By motion of Mrs. Ellyson Mrs. Bailey was elected to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. McHenry's resignation.

A request was made that the Women's Club give \$25.00 for decorating the grounds at the Hubbell house for the Federation lawn fete. Mrs. Fleming moved seconded by Mrs. Webster that \$25.00 be appropriated for that purpose. Motion lost. Mrs. Vorse moved seconded by Mrs. Ellyson that \$10.00 be given the federation for decorating.

Mrs. Webster corresponding secretary, reported she had sent in a subscription for the "Current" for one year to be sent to Des Moines Women's Club

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house. called meeting of the Board of Directors

Mrs. Ellyson reported she had conferred with Mrs. Sweeney of Davenport in regard to the circulating musical library. She found the plans had not been formulated as yet but when done the club would be notified in regard to the matter.

The first reading of the application for membership of Mrs. E. C. Budlong, proposed by Mrs. Homer Miller, endorsed by Mrs. O. H. Davison was presented.

Meeting adjourned.

Aurelia Souer

Secy Pro. tem.

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1909

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club was held Friday morning, June 25th, at Hoyt Sherman Place. Mrs. Hunn, the vice-president, in the chair. Nine members being preseny. Mesdames Mitchell, Hunn, Ellyson, Vorse, Webster, Hollingsworth, Hirsch, Marshall and Souers, and three members of incoming board, Miss Gilcrest, Mesdames Kasson and Weitz.

The minutes of the meeting June 18th were read and approved.

Mrs. Elliott of the Calendar Committee came before the board and asked that the action of the Board in regard to the letting of the contract for printing the year book be reconsidered. Some discussion followed but no action that affected the former ruling of the Board was taken.

The work of the different departments of the club for the coming year was taken up and a certain amount of money was allowed each department with

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which to carry on the work.

The Civics Department asked for a lecture for one open day and a study class under Miss Moulton. By motion the amount to cover this expense was allowed.

The Art Department desired to know if it would work in connection with the Board or have the whole responsibility of the art contest at the annual exhibit. Mrs. Vorse moved, Mrs. Webster seconded, that two members of the Board Mrs. Kasson and Miss Gilcrest be appointed to act with the chairmen of the Art Department in managing this exhibit. Motion carried. Mrs. Webster moved seconded by Mrs. Ellyson, the rules governing this exhibit be left with the Art Department. Motion carried. This department asked to bring an art exhibit here the coming year. By motion this was granted. \$50.00 and expenses was allowed for a lecture by Mr. Ivesdirector of St. Louis School of Fine Arts on one of the open days.

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The History and Literature Department asked \$80.00 for open days. Mrs. Hollingsworth moved, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, this amount be allowed. Motion carried.

The Philosophy and Science Department asked for amount to cover expense of a lecture by Dr. Motion Clark for an open day. Mrs. Hollingsworth moved seconded by Mrs. Webster, this amount be allowed. Carried.

By motion the expense of a lecture by Kato Upson Clark and a study class were allowed the Home and Education Department.

The Social Committee desired to have the duties outlined in regard to serving refreshments on Officers' Day, New Year's day and open club days. Mrs. Vorse moved seconded by Mrs. Webster, the Social Committee have charge of all refreshments served during the club year. Carried.

Mrs. Vorse chairman of the House Committee pre-

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sented the matter of furnishing the small auditorium and asked the committee be allowed the necessary expense. Mrs. Mitchell moved, Mrs. Webster seconded, the House Committee be instructed to furnish the small auditorium and a sum of money not to exceed one hundred dollars be allowed them for that purpose. Motion carried.

Mrs. Mitchell moved seconded by Mrs. Ellyson, a committee be appointed to formulate rules governing the securing and placing of art exhibits and these rules be submitted to the Board for action. Carried. By motion the appointing of this committee was left with the chair.

A suggestion was made that the Finance Committee act in an advisory capacity upon all questions involving the appropriating of money aside from the running expenses of the club. By motion this was referred to the By-law Committee to formulate a by-law to that effect. The first reading of the by-law was presented.

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By motion of Mrs. Vorse the Board adjourned.

Mrs. Hunn the vice-president, called the meeting to order, the second reading of the by-law was made. A motion prevailed that this by-law be adopted.

The names of Mrs. C. E. Budlong, proposed by Mrs. Homer Miller, endorsed by Mrs. O. H. Davison, and Mrs. Emil Palen proposed by Mrs. H. L. Carrell endorsed by Mrs. E. H. Carter, were presented for membership. By motion the rules were suspended and the secretary instructed to cast the vote for Mrs. Budlong and Mrs. Palen.

Board adjourned.

Aurelia Souers

Mrs. Vorse, chairman of the House Committee, called for instruction in regard to the help for the coming year. Mrs. Webster moved accepted by Mrs. Butler that Mrs. Fickett be retained and given ten dollars a month and her room rent. The House Committee to make up a contract as to duties, etc. Motion prevailed. Mr. Ash did not come and the meeting adjourned.

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Mrs. R. P. Mosley was received as a member of the club.

Mrs. Hillis addressed the Board in regard to the work the Civics Committee hoped to accomplish.

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Mrs. Vivad moved seconded by Mrs. Stillman that we grant the use of the club house for the Literary Association the evening of October 4th. Motion carried.

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Roll call was answered by nineteen members of the Board. The resignation of Mrs. Frederick Weitz as Recording Secretary of the Des Moines Women's Club was read by the Secretary. Mrs. Walker moved, seconded by Mrs. Cummins, that the resignation of Mrs. Weitz be accepted. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Webster moved the nomination of Mrs. D. W. Dickinson as Recording Secretary, which was unanimously seconded and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Vorse moved seconded by Mrs. Still, that we grant the use of the club house for the State Library Association the evening of October 12th. Motion carried.

The names of Mrs. Dean Schooler, Mrs. Chas. Wilcox, Mrs. Chas. Cownie, Mrs. Willis Pickett, Mrs. George Carpenter, Mrs. George Miller, Mrs. W.

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S. Donahey, Mrs. L. M. Grimes, Mrs. F. E. Winslow, Mrs. Grace Jones Jackson and Mrs. Mary Naylor were given their first reading.

Session adjourned.

Meeting called to order. Mrs. Bailey gave her report. Mrs. Bailey at the last meeting of the Board was appointed to try and adjust the differences between the Board and the Printing Committee in regard to the awarding of the printing of the Year Book. By motion the report of Mrs. Bailey was accepted and placed on file.

Mrs. Walker moved seconded by Mrs. Hunn that a committee be appointed to arrange for Officers' Day. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Riddell moved that the ex-president be the committee on Officers' Day. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ellyson announced that Mrs. J. W. Campbell had been selected as secretary and treasurer of the club chorus.

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Mrs. Bailey moved, seconded by Mrs. Souers, that the House Committee be allowed twenty-five dollars for a curtain for the small auditorium. Carried.

By ballot the following ladies were accepted as members of the Des Moines Women's Club. Mesdames Schooler, Wilcox, Cownie, Pickett, Carpenter, Miller, Jackson, Donahey, Grimes, Winslow and Miss Naylor.

By motion a unanimous vote of thanks from the Board was extended to Mrs. C. E. Hunn of her ability in acting as President of the Des Moines Women's Club.

Adjourned.

Luella A. McHenry

Secretary

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Madam President and Members of the Board:

As a premise to my report of the result of my efforts to comply with the instructions of the Board at its meeting last Friday, September 24th, that I try to effect a compromise between the Calendar Committee, the Miller Printing Company and the Welsh Printing Company, I wish to say that the Calendar Committee did not know what line of defense I intended to follow at that meeting. I did not confer with them in regard to the matter but simply asked them to be in readiness to appear before the Board if they should be summoned. On reflection it seemed to me that it would be only fair and just that they be allowed to appear and make their statement. That is the usual procedure when parties are called to account for their actions.

In my defense I did not bring out the point that I knew the committee would make if they could speak for themselves which is this: That the club

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is a stock company in which each member holds an equal share with all the others; that when a committee or an individual expends club funds they are responsible to the stockholders for the manner in which they money is spent and are in duty bound to make the best possible use of the money placed at their disposal; that the Calander Committee is as much the creation of the club as the Board of Directors and held equally responsible to the club; that in giving the work to the Geo. A. Miller Printing Company they believed was serving the interests of the stockholders better than they would be doing should they give the work to the J. H. Welsh Printing Co. and that if necessary they will make their final appeals to the stockholders whom they are serving.

The Chairman of the committee does not know (from me) the legal points that I made last week and I have not told her the advantage that the committee has in this controversy.

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The statement made last week that this was promised Mr. Miller last spring is without foundation. He did not know that he was to have this work until it was taken to him week before last. No firms have been consulted since the Welch bill was received. The Welch Printing Company was given the same information that the other printing company received. All were asked to bid on a year book of 96 pages. They all had the privilege of presenting their best ideas and plans. I have taken counsel on the matter and find that under the by-laws the printing committee could legally bind the club, and that if the club refused to carry out their contract with the Miller Printing Company, it can be compelled to pay whatever the damages should be. On the other hand, I have not been able to discover that any one has made any agreement with the Welch Printing Company, that would bind the club. My recollection is that the Board of Directors by vote directed the

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committee to give the work to the Welch Printing Company, but the committee did not do it and no one else had any authority either under the by-laws or by any action of the Board.

That the club is legally bound to the Miller Printing Company and is not under any legal obligation to the Welch Printing Company seems clear.

If the committee had done wrong in the matter in not following the directions given by the Board of Directors that will not authorize the club to repudiate this contract. The only thing the club could do aside from breaking the contract and paying the damages would be to discipline the committee for their disobedience.

The point made that in this case no written contract had been made does not seem to have much force. I find that written contracts for printing the year book have not always been made. No contract was signed with the Lewis & Wallace Printing

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Company when Mrs. Ogilvie was chairman, nor with the Homestead Company when Mrs. Durley was chairman, as I have found by inquiring at those offices and I do not remember signing such contract when I was president. I find that it is not the usual practice among business men to have written contracts for that class of work.

A majority of the members of the committee refuse to recede and I find it useless to make any further attempt at compromise. Mr. Miller would sell his paper but not his ideas.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice A. C. Baily

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session at Hoyt Sherman Place, Wednesday, October 6, 1909 at 3 o'clock, Mrs. Shipley, President.

The first meeting of the year, Officers' Day, is always an interesting one to those who are deeply concerned in the welfare of the Club. The large attendance was an indication of the great and growing interest taken in the Club. The following committees made reports:

Mrs. Vorse of the Copy of Mrs. Fleming, Reporting Secretary.
Minutes of Open Meetings

On motion properly seconded, those of Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Des Moines Women's Club file. The election of 1909 Dickinson for Recording Secretary 1910, caused by the resignation of Mrs. Felts, was ratified by the Club.

OFFICERS by Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Davi-

President, Mrs. Gideon D. Ellyson, 419 East Eleventh St.
First Vice President, Mrs. Frank W. Vorse, 1606 Pleasant
Second Vice President, Mrs. W. H. McHenry, 2901 Rutland
Recording Secretary, Mrs. D. W. Dickinson, 1213 Pleasant
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. F. Wolcott Webster, 820-4th
Treasurer, Mrs. Horace S. Hollingsworth, 702 Maple St. and
encouragement for the coming year.

The remarks of Mrs. Ellyson in accepting the gavel

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session at Hoyt Sherman Place, Wednesday, October 6, 1909 at 3 o'clock, Mrs. Shipley, President.

The first meeting of the year, Officers' Day, is always an interesting one to those who are deeply concerned in the welfare of the Club. The large attendance was an indication of the great and growing interest taken in the Club. The following committees made reports: Mrs. Vorse of the House; Mrs. Fleming, Renting; Mrs. Johnston, Printing and Mrs. McHenry, Recording Secretary.

On motion properly seconded, those of Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. McHenry were placed on file. The election of Mrs. Dickinson for Recording Secretary by the Board, caused by the resignation of Mrs. Weitz, was ratified by the Club.

Announcements were made by Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Davison respectively concerning the Copely Prints on exhibition at Y. M. C. A. and the program for Art day, October 20.

Mrs. Shipley's closing address was a condensed statement of the year's work along the line of Art, full of generous expression for her co-workers and bright hope and encouragement for the coming year.

The remarks of Mrs. Ellyson in accepting the gavel

and assuming the duties of presiding officer for the ensuing year were very dignified, plain and simple, containing many helpful suggestions.

The piano selections of Dean Nagle, valued friend of the Club were warmly received. Miss Tilton added greatly to the pleasure of the afternoon by singing "A Birthday", and "A Night in June".

Numbers of members present 178, guests 11, complimentary guests 7, total 196. Money taken at the door, \$2.75.

An invitation was extended by Mrs. Ellyson to remain and have a cup of tea, the session was declared adjourned to meet in two weeks. The members and friends lingered long over the tea cups and thus passed very pleasantly the first meeting of the new year.

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Number of members present 159, guests 20, total 179. A social hour closed the pleasure of the afternoon.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session, October 20, 1909 at 3 o'clock at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson in the chair. Meeting of October 6th was read and approved.

The following announcements were made. The monthly meeting of the City Federation in this house October 26, in charge of Civics Committee, who have secured Clifford Roe to speak on the "White Star Traffic"; illustrated lecture of Prof. Riddell for the benefit of Children's Hospital; Flora Wilson in concert at Auditorium for the benefit of North Des Moines Methodist Church. Miss Henry for Y. W. C. A. dressmaking class and History and Literature study class.

Mrs. Ellyson conducted the business of the day by introducing Mrs. Jacob L. Sheuerman who had in charge the very excellent program for the first Art Day, and who in turn presented Mr. Charles A. Cummings to a large and interested audience and which never fails to respond heartily to his original and well directed thought. The musical numbers of Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Davis and Miss Koenigsberger were very cordially received. The program was happily planned and most successfully carried out.

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The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Wednesday, November 3, 1909 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson in the chair. Minutes of Board meeting of October 3rd and Art day on October 20th were read and approved. Mrs. Ellyson paid fitting tribute to the memory of Mrs. Galusha Parsons, a former member and ex-president of the Club. She asked for a motion to appoint a committee to draft resolutions and present same to the Club and Mrs. Durley made a motion to that effect. Mrs. Ellyson named Mrs. Durley, Mrs. J. G. Berryhill and Dr. Mary Gaylord to act on said committee and the following resolutions were presented.

"Whereas, Death has removed one of the honored charter members of the Des Moines Women's Club and an ex-president during the early days of this organization.

Resolved, That the Club sincerely mourns the loss of one who gave conscientious effort to the building up along broad lines of this Club in its days of comparative weakness, who was ever alert to do her utmost to advance every movement to strengthen woman's influence for good, whose character and ideals were ever an inspiration to others.

Resolved, That the Club extend sincere sympathy to those who mourn the loss of a noble mother and a valued friend, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent the family and be spread upon the minutes".

Ella H. Durley
Mrs. James G. Berryhill
Mrs. Mary Gaylord

On motion of Mrs. Durley seconded by Mrs. Hillis a copy is to be sent the family and one to be spread on the minutes.

Mrs. Hillis who had charge of the day is well fitted to be at the head of the Civics Department of the Women's Club. Her interest is so sincere and her methods so decisive that, as Mr. McVicker said, he soon saw her way. She regretted her inability to present Mrs. Moulton, but no one at the close of the program expressed any regret that Mr. McVicker and Mr. Wilson had been chosen substitutes. And, we feel sure, those gentlemen never had a more attentive audience than the women before whom they spoke.

The East High Boys' Glee Club was a delight. They charmed us with tuneful songs, with good, fair faces and polite manners. We would have them with us again when they can stay longer.

Number of members 112, guests 8, total 120.

In a visit to Des Moines made by Mrs. Orwig a few months ago, one of the features most gratifying to her was the success of the Club. The last of her family, her mind was inclined to dwell more entirely in the past. We were in a sense her children, and the cause of many pleasant thoughts. Let us revere her memory, and inscribe on our records our appreciation of the good work done by our pioneers.

On account of the illness of Mrs. Miller the study class of Music Committee was postponed. Mrs. Marsh announced an active piano recital by Edward Baxter Perry to be given at the Club House December 13th. Through Miss Lee, chairman, the Club was informed of the change of date of the History and Literature. The open day of that

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Wednesday, December 1, 1909, at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson in the chair. Owing to the inclement weather we had an attendance of only 84 members, 14 guests and 4 complimentary guests as follows; Mrs. J. A. Westfall, Fortnightly Club West Liberty; Mrs. Pierce, Sojourners Club, Kirksville, Mo.; Mrs. Freeman Conoway, Book and Basket Club, Ames and Mrs. Darling, Marshalltown.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

On motion of Mrs. Witmer, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, the following tribute was placed on record.

The recent death of Mrs. Maria Orwig, a gifted and progressive citizen in the early history of Des Moines, and a charter member of the Club, reminds us afresh of the debt that we, the present members, owe to the memory of those of our number who have been called away during the past few months. It is to their good judgement and well laid plans that we owe our present prosperity.

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Department will be the 17th instead of the 15th. Dr. Richard Burton of the University of Minnesota will be the speaker.

Mrs. Ellyson in introducing Mrs. H. L. Carroll expressed the sentiments of the members of the Des Moines Women's Club. Those who have worked with Mrs. Carroll know her to be untiring in her efforts to make her day and every other day a successful one. Dean Nagel has always contributed so generously of his time to us that words fail at this time to the word picture he painted. We thank him. It was plainly visible that Dean Nagel felt much confidence in Mr. Swanitz who operated the pianola attachment in illustration of the second and third movements of the sixth symphony by a Russian composer. Under Mr. Swanitz's skillful manipulation the pianola made many friends.

Mrs. Carroll said it seemed most appropriate that Mrs. Mitchell should present the bronze tablet, commemorating the names of the charter members of the Des Moines Women's Club, to the Club. That while the honored charter members laid the foundation it was through the personal endeavor of Mrs. Mitchell that we have a home in which to place this tablet, a most beautiful token of our appreciation. Generous to a fault, Mrs. Mitchell in reply to Mrs. Carroll said she had been ably assisted in the work, that the demands she made on the time and good nature of her co-workers were unending

and all proved faithful. Mrs. Michell's remarks were beautiful and the warmth with which she spoke met a responsive chord in the hearts of her audience.

A motion made by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Hunn was carried and reads as follows, I move that it is the pleasure of the Des Moines Women's Club to set aside October 14, 1910 as a special day and each fifth year thereafter to be known as "Founder's Day". That a "Founder's Day" committee be appointed by the President to be responsible for all arrangements for the anniversary.

Mrs. L. B. Abdill, a charter member of the Des Moines Women's Club, through Mrs. Mitchell, presented a painting by Charles S. Davis to the Club in memory of and in accordance with the wishes of her husband, Mr. L. B. Abdill. Mrs. Riddell moved that we extend a vote of thanks to Mrs. Abdill that Mrs. Mitchell be asked to convey to Mrs. Abdill the action of the Club.

Mrs. Durley's paper was very interesting. The present Board took time to reflect that the Board of fourteen years ago had a hard time, too. The program closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" by the Club. We were accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Pickett, a club member and our House Secretary.

Mrs. Ellyson, Mrs. Carroll, Mrs. Durley and Mrs. Patchin held an informal reception in the parlor during which time refreshments were served in the dining-room. The Club House was most resplendent in flowers due to the generosity of Guthrie, Lorenze and The Iowa Seed Co. F. Stevenson is appointed to fill the place on the Art

The following ladies have been received as members of the Club.

Mrs. S. B. Williams, Madrid

Miss Martha Stone

Mrs. Minola Wilson

Mrs. M. L. Dudley.

exhibition at the Club House, January 24th. Members were urged to assist in making the evening a success.

Mrs. Carter gave a cordial invitation to members, their friends and families to be present at the Club House on New Year's Day from 7 to 10 P. M.

The business of the day was concluded by Mrs. Ellyson introducing Miss Flora Henry, chairman of the History and Literature Department. Miss Henry presented Dr. Richard Burton of the University of Minnesota, who is not a stranger to the people of Des Moines, but whose lecture, "The Drama as illustrated by the Book of Job", is new and a part from the ordinary. It is regretted that the immediate nearness to the Christmas season resulted in as small an attendance on this day.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Friday, December 17, 1909 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson in the chair. 161 members were present.

Minutes of December 1st were read and approved.

Mrs. Ellyson made the following announcements. Mrs. T. F. Stevenson is appointed to fill the place on the Art committee made vacant by the continued absence of Mrs. Davison from the city. Ito, a Japanese student, has on exhibition at the city Library a fine collection of original drawings. A lecture, "The City Beautiful" by Father Romanelli, at the Club House, January 24th. Members were urged to assist in making the evening a success.

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The vocal numbers of Miss Ruth Easton and the instrumental selection of Miss Simcoke were beautiful and much appreciated. Miss Henry closed the very instructive program by extending an invitation to the audience to meet Dr. Burton.

Mrs. Harsh announced the recital to be given by Mr. Ellis of Omaha at the Princess Theatre January 19th.

Mrs. Ellyson in behalf of the Women's Club accepted a picture "The Gleamers" the gift from Mrs. C. B. Atkins and painted by Miss Alice Beckington a former Des Moines girl. On motion of Mrs. Kasson seconded by Mrs. Purley a unanimous vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Atkins and to be inscribed on Club records. Motion prevailed.

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The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session January 5, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson presiding and an attendance of 253. Mrs. Ellyson in a few appropriate words extended a hearty good will to the "Club Family" and their friends for a happy and prosperous New Year.

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A trio composed of Miss Bernice Stewart, piano, Mr. Morris Mitchell, violin and Mr. C. A. Lamb, clarinette and supplied by Dean Nagel from the Highland Park College of Music rendered the musical numbers on the program.

Mrs. Ellyson and Mrs. Clark composed the receiving line at an informal reception which closed a joyous afternoon.

Mrs. Raymond Bullard,	1816 Center Street
Mrs. George W. Bird,	1394 Pleasant Street

were admitted to membership in the Des Moines Women's Club, January 12th.

Mrs. Crowley made a very plain and satisfactory announcement in the interest of the Art Department.

Mrs. Ellyson's introduction of Mrs. Karan, chairman of the day, Mrs. Charles Hardy accompanied and Mr. Ellis, baritone soloist was happy and much appreciated. The large and interested audience which greeted Mr. Ellis was made up of music lovers and who responded heartily to each number.

There were 260 members present, 216 guests and a guest of a Federated Club from Des Moines.

Mrs. H. Bauman,	1510 Center St.
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Mrs. B. C. Smith,	501 Forest Ave.

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The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session at the Princess Theatre January 19, 1910, Mrs. Ellyson presiding. The change of place was thought an expedient to accommodate the Club members and guests and as proven by the large audience, a very welcome variation.

Mrs. Ellyson announced the lecture of Father Romanelli, the engagement of John Kendrick Bangs under the auspices of the Des Moines Women's Club and the appearance of Tilly Kornen as soloist at a concert given by Women's Club Chorus and under the direction of Dean Nagel.

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Fine Arts in St. Louis was along helpful, attractive, practical lines.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session February 2, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with the President Mrs. Ellyson in the chair. The attendance numbered 164 club members, 108 guests and Mrs. Wilson, president of the Friday Club, Jefferson, Iowa.

The following announcements were made by Mrs. Ellyson. The inability of Father Romanelli to fulfill a lecture engagement at the Club House. A vacancy on the Board caused by the absence of Mrs. Homer A. Miller was filled by Mrs. W. E. Ballard. A gift of a lace table cover to the Club by Mrs. Risha, an importer of fine lace and embroidery.

Mrs. W. H. Younkers, representing the Music Department, announced the coming engagement of Tilly Kornen, at Foster's Opera House, February 17th.

Mrs. Ellyson introduced Mrs. T. F. Stevenson as chairman of the Art Dept. and to whom we are indebted for an interesting afternoon. We enjoyed a double quartette from the Women's Club chorus in two songs, "The Night has a Thousand Eyes" and "Last Night".

Mrs. Stevenson expressed our appreciation of favors received from Younker Bros., Harris Emery and the press. The lecture of Dr. Halsey C. Ives, director of museum of Fine Arts in St. Louis was along helpful, attractive, practical lines.

Good seed was sown to be nourished, we hope, by the Des Moines Women's Club.

Mrs. L. C. Deets, 2834 Rutland Ave., has been elected to membership in the Des Moines Women's Club.

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Mrs. Warren Garret introduced Miss Furwrt, chairman, who briefly outlined a series of lectures on Ford to be given at the Club House beginning February 24th.

Mrs. Ella Hamilton Hurley, chairman of the afternoon, introduced Mrs. L. J. Blifer, a resident of Panama for some time. Her talk on Panama, the people and club affairs was very informal and entertaining.

The Des Moines Women's Club is under obligation to Attorney General Byers for a good speech and we need more of the same kind.

Miss Daisy Binkley contributed very much to the pleasure of the afternoon by singing a group of songs.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session February 16, 1910, at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson presiding.

Mrs. Gardner Cowles reported a balance of about \$75.00 from the John Kendrick Bangs lecture. She also announced the coming of Prof. Angell, March 2.

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Ninety club members and 28 guests were present and Mrs. Byers of the Harlan Federated club.

Mrs. Myra A. Bronson was admitted to membership.

Miss Lee announced the open day March 30 for the History and Literature Dept. to be held at the Knights of Pythias Hall.

Mrs. J. C. Owens as chairman of the afternoon presented an interesting program.

Miss Clara Gray contributed a group of songs. Ruth Veggins, a rare violinist made many friends among her hearers.

In introducing Miss Purvort, Mrs. Owens was very complimentary. Miss Purvort is a bright and dainty young woman and her talk so informal and was received joyously.

The Club adjourned to be the guest of the Home and Education and partake of a cup of tea.

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The Des Moines Women's Club met Wednesday March 30, 1910 in the Knights of Pythias Hall on 8th and Locust Sts.

151 members and 63 guests were present making a total of 214. called the Club to order and minutes of March 30 read

and The meeting was called to order by the President Mrs. Ellyson and the minutes of March 16 read and approved.

The usual announcements pertaining to Club affairs were made.

To Miss Lee as Chairman of History and Literature Dept. and the Gorrick Dramatic Club of Drake University are we indebted for a pleasant afternoon. The West Des Moines High School orchestra furnished the music.

Mrs. Albert Bell, 1735-7th St.
Mrs. Kellar J. Bell, 35th & School
Mrs. H. A. Hurd, 1301-8th St.
Mrs. J. G. Rounds, 708-16th St.
Miss Mary Rounds, 708-16th St.
Mrs. C. B. Dockstader, 1334-E. Grand Ave.
are new members.

Committee Mesdames Godfrey, Harvard and Ford declared the following delegates and alternates duly elected to attend the General Federation of Women's Clubs May 11-15 in Cincinnati:

Delegates		Alternates	
Mrs. G. D. Ellyson	29	Miss M. Anthony	26
" Hollingsworth	20	Mrs. L. F. Andrews	25
Dr. DeFord	20	Miss Jennie Fleming	23
Miss Mary B. Williams	20	Mrs. M. L. Carroll	22
Mrs. Gardner Cowles	27	" A. G. Banner	20

A regular meeting of the Des Moines Women's Club was held at Hoyt Sherman Place Wednesday, April 13, 1910. Ninety-six members and sixteen guests were present. Mrs. Ellyson called the Club to order and minutes of March 30 read and approved.

On motion made by Mrs. C. E. Hunn, seconded by Mrs. W. F. Mitchell that the informal ballot be made the nominating one and those receiving the highest number of votes be declared elected delegates and those receiving the next highest be declared alternates. Motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Mesdames Fred Delahoyde, Charles Cumming, Charles Fleming and Alvin Hammer tellers for the election of delegates.

The Board had previously named Mesdames Ballard Chairman, George Aulmann and W. W. Littell the Committee on election. These Committees together with the verifying Committee Mesdames Godfrey, Harwood and Rood declared the following delegates and alternates duly elected to attend the General Federation of Women's Clubs May 11-18 in Cincinnati:

Delegates		Alternates	
Mrs. G. D. Ellyson	59	Miss H. Ankeny	26
" Hollingsworth	40	Mrs. L. F. Andrews	25
Dr. DeFord	39	Miss Jennie Fleming	23
Miss Mary B. Williams	39	Mrs. H. L. Carrell	22
Mrs. Gardner Cowles	37	" A. G. Hammer	20

in a few appropriate remarks Mrs. Gardner Cowles as Chairman of Philosophy and Science Department introduced Dr. Florence Richardson associate Prof. of Psychology at Drake University. Dr. Richardson is possessed of a pleasing personality and her subject "The Psychology of the Animal Mind" opened up quite a little speculation in the minds of her hearers not in the least complimentary to the human mind.

A sextette composed of members of the Women's Club Chorus furnished two musical numbers and as usual were much appreciated.

At the last Board meeting the following ladies were elected members of this Club.

Mrs. Charles C. Heer	1014 Des Moines St.
" A. S. Kirkhart	1815 Center St.
" Anderson Winterrode	1121 E. Walnut St.

pointed Mesdames Ely, Antes, Hillis and Carrell.

Mrs. Jesse A. Miller, as chairman of the afternoon, believes in giving "honor to whom honor is due" and in introducing Dean Nagel she gave him all the credit for giving the Des Moines Women's Club and its friends one of the cleverest musical programs in the history of the Club.

The meeting closed to give the friends an opportunity to meet the Club Chorus and Mrs. Harry Munison and partake of light refreshments.

The Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Wednesday, May 11, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with the First-Vice President, Mrs. Vorse, in the chair. 233 members were present and 69 guests.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Carter announced the last open day for June 1st in her usual convincing manner.

A motion made by Mrs. Ellyson and seconded by Mrs. H. L. Carrell was carried that the day scheduled as "Children's Day" be abolished.

Regarding the recent sorrow which has come to two of our club members, Mrs. Hillis moved, seconded by Mrs. Ellyson, that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions of sympathy to Mrs. W. H. Bailey and Mrs. J. K. Macomber. In accordance with this motion which prevailed Mrs. Vorse appointed Mesdames Ely, Antes, Hillis and Carrell.

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At a meeting of the Board following the program these names were read the first time.

Mrs. Albert H. Tuttle,	15th & Woodland Ave.
Mrs. Howard Gray,	1136-20th St.
Mrs. Frank Camp,	Oakland Ave.

that ability of uncommon order was required in its President. The demands upon her were exacting, the duties arduous. If Mrs. Elyson were not present, added Mrs. Durley, I could speak of her delightful personality, her admirable executive talent, her ready wit and the fact that she was President of all the Clubs, not of any faction of it, if faction there be, - but Mrs. Elyson is present, therefore I refrain. A rising vote of appreciation was given Mrs. Elyson.

By a unanimous vote of the Club April 31 was declared "Good Fellowship Day."

The Club adjourned for a social hour.

Lena S. Dickinson,

Recording Secretary

Just at this point Mrs. Durley arose and asked permission to occupy a moment in a brief tribute to the retiring President Mrs. Ellyson. She said that the Women's Club had grown to be an institution of such importance that ability of uncommon order was required in its President. The demands upon her were exacting, the duties arduous. If Mrs. Ellyson were not present, added Mrs. Durley, I could speak of her delightful personality, her admirable executive talent, her ready tact and the fact that she was President of all the Club, not of any faction of it, if faction there be - but Mrs. Ellyson is present, therefore I refrain. A rising vote of appreciation was given Mrs. Ellyson.

By a unanimous vote of the Club April 27 was declared "Good Fellowship Day."

The Club adjourned for a social hour.

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Recording Secretary

A song "Blossoms" composed by Mrs. F. F. Webster, music by Miss Evelyn Stenhouse was sung by Mrs. Haines and it was an unusually pleasing feature of the day. The reports of Misses Brown, Bedford and Gatchell and Misses Ankeny and Williams were received enthusiastically and caused much merriment.

The Des Moines Women's Club met at Hoyt Sherman Place Wednesday, June 1, 1910 to participate in the last Club event of the year 1909-10. 168 members and guests were present. The Club was called to order by the President Mrs. Ellyson and the minutes of May 11th were read and approved. A letter to the charter members was read and the answer received from Mrs. L. F. Andrews.

The following department chairmen gave reports; Mesdames Carrell, Cummins, Elliott, Garst, Harsh, Hillis, Hunter, Stevenson and Vorse and Miss Lee.

Mrs. Hillis gave an invitation to the old and new chairmen of the Civics Dept. and those interested to meet at her home the following Wednesday.

Mrs. McHenry and Mrs. Webster spoke briefly.

Mrs. Hollingsworth gave the Treasurer's report and Mrs. Walker of the Auditing Committee verified it. The report of the Recording Secretary was read. Mrs. E. H. Carter had charge of the day.

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The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session October 13, 1909 at North Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson presiding. Adjt. McMillan of Salvation Army extended an invitation to the Board to attend the lecture of and meet Miss Eva Booth at the Auditorium on October 14th.

On motion of Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, a card of withdrawal was given Mrs. D. M. Johnson. Carried. It was moved and seconded by Mrs. Hurn and Mrs. Webster

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Mrs. Henry F. Elliott in the absence of Mrs. Johnson read the report of the Calendar Committee, Mrs. Green and Miss Fleming. On motion properly seconded it was accepted.

On behalf of Mrs. Sarah, Chairman of Music Day it was

OFFICERS

- President, Mrs. Gideon D. Ellyson more than \$10.00 for the
First Vice President, Mrs. Frank W. Vorse
Second Vice President, Mrs. W. H. McHenry city, Mrs. Walker
Recording Secretary, Mrs. D. W. Dickinson
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. F. Wolcott Webster
Treasurer, Mrs. Horace S. Hollingsworth motion carried.

A motion was passed to reinstate Mrs. W. J. Pratt.
A motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Hurn was carried, appointing the Property Committee to investi-

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On motion of Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, a card of withdrawal was given Mrs. D. M. Johnson. Carried. It was moved and seconded by Mrs. Hunn and Mrs. Webster that the janitor be allowed to serve lunch at the Club-House. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Henry E. Elliott in the absence of Mrs. Johnson read the report of the Calendar Committee, Mrs. Green and Miss Fleming. On motion properly seconded it was accepted.

On behalf of Mrs. Harsh, Chairman of Music Day it was moved by Mrs. Weitz, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that she be guaranteed \$25.00 for day and not more than \$10.00 for the expenses of Mr. Ellis. Carried.

Mrs. Hollingsworth, not being in the city, Mrs. Walker gave a verbal report of the Treasurer.

On motion of Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Cummins, the dues of Mrs. Dr. Hughes were refunded. Motion carried.

A motion was passed to reinstate Mrs. W. J. Pratt.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Hunn was carried, appointing the Property Committee to investi-

gate the purchase of a piano to cost not more than \$125.00 and less if possible. Mrs. Weitz to act with Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Kasson, that the Grand Piano be kept locked and covered and Mrs. Vorse, Chairman of House Committee have possession of key. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Hillis was granted \$30.00 and no more for her open day on motion of Mrs. Powell, seconded by Mrs. Prouty.

The Committee, having in charge the Western Exhibit of Artists were asked to continue in this capacity and to embody in their correspondence that they be not bound in any way to purchase a picture. A motion to this effect was made by Mrs. Riddle, seconded by Miss Gilcrest. Motion carried.

On motion of Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Miss Gilcrest the Board was asked to ratify the selection of judges for the Art Exhibit. Mrs. Davison, Chairman of Art Committee. Motion prevailed.

The following ladies were admitted to membership in the Club:-

Mrs. W. F. Barr.....2514 Kingman Blvd.
Mrs. E. R. Beitzell.....1819- 9th St.
Mrs. Geis Botsford..... 702-31st St.
Mrs. A. W. Brown.....1820- 9th St.
Mrs. Lyman Kirkpatrick...1336-23rd St.

that the contract of Bert Williams, janitor, be accepted and that of House Secretary be referred to the House Committee. Mrs. Hillis announced the failure of the committee to

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session at Hoyt Sherman Place Wednesday, October 27th at 10 o'clock with Mrs. Ellyson presiding. A discussion followed as to the advisability of a "Guest Book" to be used by the hostesses of the three open days for Gallery. Mrs. Walker moved that a Committee be named by the President to suggest the best use that shall be made of open days in Art Gallery. Committee to be named later. Mrs. Webster moved that Mrs. Ellyson, President, name a committee to investigate a down-town building to hold a Music Matinee. Mrs. Harsh was asked to act with Mrs. Vorse and Mrs. Cummins on the committee. *new one for \$175.00. Mrs.*

Webster Mrs. Hirsch moved that Father Romanelli be given the use of the Club House for an evening lecture on "The City Beautiful." Mrs. Cummins offered as an amendment that the expense of heating and lighting be taken out of the door receipts. Carried. *of \$2.15 for Art Day. On motion of Mrs.*

Ship Moved and seconded by Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Webster that J. Kendrick Bangs be secured to appear at the Club-House either the 10th or 12th of February at a cost of \$100.00. Motion prevailed. *all bills be O. K. by the Presi-*

dent On motion of Mrs. Webster, seconded by Mrs. Kasson, that the contract of Bert Williams, janitor, be accepted *Mrs. James P. Burling* and that of House Secretary be referred to the House Committee. *Mrs. R. Jesse Miller Meeting adjourned.* Mrs. Hillis announced the failure of the committee to

secure Mrs. Moulton for November 3rd. She also spoke briefly of the work of the Civics Committee during the past months.

A letter read by Mrs. Webster from Mrs. Brenton of Dallas Center calling attention to the 7th District Convention to be held there November 11th and cordially inviting guests aside from the regular delegates. On motion of Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Hunn, Mrs. Walker was chosen delegate and Mrs. Cummins as alternate to the convention. Mrs. Ellyson's alternate is Mrs. Frank Vorse.

Mrs. Weitz reported that we could purchase a good second hand piano for \$125.00 and a new one for \$175.00. Mrs. Webster moved that the President appoint a committee to buy a piano. Mesdames Harsh and Weitz to act with the Property Committee.

Mrs. Carter, Chairman of Social Committee, made a report of expense of \$2.15 for Art Day. On motion of Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Webster, the dues of Mrs. William Hook, 1102-8th St. were refunded. Until the return of Mrs. Hollingsworth, Treasurer it was moved by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch, that all bills be O. K. by the President and sent Mr. Hollingsworth to pay. Carried.

The following names were presented for first reading.
 Mrs. James P. Burling
 Mrs. M. H. Burns
 Mrs. H. Jesse Miller

Meeting adjourned.

Miss The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Wednesday, November 10, 1909 at Hoyt Sherman Place, Mrs. Ellyson presiding and twenty members were present.

On motion of Mrs. Vorse, seconded by Mrs. Grefe, "No extra charge shall be made for the guest of a club member wishing to attend the departments of History and Literature and Art." Carried.

Announcement was made by the Chair that arrangements had been completed with the manager of J. Kendrick Bangs for a lecture to be given by him in the Club Auditorium on Thursday evening, February 10, 1910.

Mrs. Anna Green Wood, upon the request of Mrs. Dr. Hale was presented to the Board to outline the work which she wishes to introduce to Club Women of the City, along the line of Health Culture. Mrs. McHenry, Secretary of the Club for 1908-09 read the minutes of a called Board meeting October 1, 1909.

A motion made by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Webster, that the Hostesses for the Art Gallery be asked to make special effort to be in Gallery two days a week. Motion carried.

A motion that the Art Gallery be kept open Saturday and Sunday was made by Mrs. Hirsch and Miss Fleming was lost.

The following motion made by Mrs. McHenry, seconded by

Miss Fleming was carried:-

I move that the Art Gallery be opened to the public Mondays, Sundays and Saturdays, except when the Club House is rented for Saturday afternoon. Notice that the Art Gallery is only open on that day from 9 to 12 A. M., to be inserted in the daily press.

Mrs. Luella A. McHenry

Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mrs. Webster, that new calendars for the Art Gallery be printed. A Committee consisting of Mesdames Durley, T. F. Stevenson and Watrous was appointed to relist and republish the catalogues. Motion prevailed.

A motion made by Mrs. Fleming, seconded by Mrs. Green to the effect that all applications for membership in the Des Moines Women's Club be posted in the Auditorium over one open meeting to next and this shall be made a part of our by-laws, due notice being made at this meeting. Not passed.

Mrs. McHenry made report of City Federation meeting.

The Women's Club was asked to designate what part it would take in the Fete Day Programme.

Mrs. Hunn was nominated as Mrs. Watkins alternate to attend the District Convention at Dallas Center.

Mrs. Webster read a letter of appreciation from Mrs. W. R. Edwards in response to the word of sympathy extended

to her by the Club in her great sorrow.

The Protius Club was invited to have a table in the annex to display and have for sale their Cook Books, by motion of Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. Cummins read the House Committee report for the month ending and contract of Mrs. Pickett. Carried.

Mrs. Riddle and Mrs. Webster were appointed as a committee to investigate the purchase of a seal for the Club and report on same.

Mrs. James P. Burling, Mrs. M. H. Burns and Mrs. H. Jesse Miller were made members of the Club.

Mrs. R. A. Bullard, Mrs. Gertrude Osburn Coleman, Mrs. J. W. Rehmann and Mrs. Lucius Wilson were names read for the first time.

Meeting adjourned.

Webster was instructed to write a letter. Motion prevailed.

The Amateur Camera Club asked permission through Mrs. Webster to make an exhibit of their work at the Club House. Mrs. Kilyson named Mrs. Webster to act as Chairman. Mrs. Webster also stated that Father Romagnelli would lecture at the Club House some time in January.

The Y. M. C. A. asked for a donation of \$100.00 towards their building fund. It was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Wednesday, November 24, 1909 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson presiding. The following eleven members were present, Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Greene, Miss Gilcrest, Mrs. Hirsch, Mrs. Hollingsworth, Mrs. Hunn, Mrs. Kasson, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Prouty, Mrs. Vorse and Mrs. Webster. Minutes of November 10th were read, corrected and approved.

Mrs. Vorse reported on a down town house for holding a Music Matinee, found that the Congregational Church could be rented for \$25.00 for the afternoon and \$30.00 in the evening. She was asked to make a further report on the Christian Church.

The resignation of Miss Alice Williams was accepted with regret, by motion of Mesdames Hunn and Vorse Mrs. Webster was instructed to write a letter. Motion prevailed.

The Amateur Camera Club asked permission through Mrs. Webster to make an exhibit of their work at the Club House. Mrs. Ellyson named Mrs. Webster to act as Chairman. Mrs. Webster also stated that Father Romanelli would lecture at the Club House some time in January.

The Y. M. C. A. asked for a donation of \$100.00 towards their building fund. It was referred to the Finance Committee.

A motion made by Mrs. McHenry, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch granting Mrs. Carrell permission to use her best judgement in expense for Social Day was carried. The Study Class of the Music Department meets for the first time December 8th. The Committee is allowed to serve light refreshments and use necessary room, through motion made by Mrs. Vorse and Mrs. McHenry. Carried.

Mrs. Hollingsworth, Treasurer reported total Receipts \$777.51 - Disbursements \$302.86 to November 24, 1909.

A motion made by Mrs. Greene, seconded by Mrs. Prouty that the following motion made by Mrs. Fleming be adopted. Carried.

On motion made by Miss Gilcrest, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, Mrs. Fleming's motion was laid on the table. A motion made by Mrs. Hunn, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch that the Women's Club consider the starting of a Library. Mrs. Ellyson named Mesdames Greene, Hirsch and Hunn as a committee to investigate the possibilities of a Library for the Club. Carried.

Mesdames R. A. Bullard, Gertrude Osburn Coleman, J. W. Rehmann and Lucius Wilson were made members of the Club.

The following names were read for the first time.
 Mrs. M. L. Duley
 Mrs. S. B. Williams, Madrid
 Mrs. Martha Stone
 Mrs. Minola Wilson

Meeting adjourned.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Wednesday, December 8, 1909 at Hoyt Sherman Place, with Mrs. Ellyson presiding. Fifteen members were present. Minutes of the meeting of November 24th were read and approved.

A card of withdrawal was granted Mrs. H. W. Fagley on motion made by Mesdames Webster and Witmer.

Through Mrs. Sheuerman, Mrs. O. H. Davison asks that a successor be appointed to fill her place for Art Day. Mrs. Hirsch suggested that it be left with the Art Committee and no action was necessary.

On motion made by Mrs. Hunn, seconded by Mrs. Hirsch "That fifteen dollars be given to the Social Committee for New Year's Day to be used for music in accordance with the suggestion of the Board. Either for the hiring of an orchestra if reception is to be formal or for printing old songs etc. if informal. Motion prevailed. The motion made for the adoption of the amendments to Article VII, Section 1. of the by-laws which would read, "Non-resident women having the customary endorsement may be admitted to membership in the regular way by the payment of the regular fee." Insert this clause in Article VII, Section 1. at the close of the first sentence and change the word "she" to read "applicants" was made and lost.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Witmer that the bill for cateress be included in the bill for Social Day expense. Carried.

Mrs. Cummins reported that the total receipts for the month ending were \$220.75.

Mrs. Webster could not report much concerning the Camera Club, but that Mrs. H. G. Everett is chairman. Mrs. Ellyson asked her to confer with Mrs. Everett regarding the exhibit they wish to make at the Club House. Mrs. Webster also reported that a suitable seal could be bought for \$7.50 or less. It was referred back to the committee for investigation on motion of Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. Riddle moved that the Committee composed of Mesdames Durley, Stevenson and Watrous make further investigation concerning the two pictures given the Club by Mr. Adams and that their request be granted to cover said pictures with glass. Carried.

The Treasurer was instructed to send check to Y.W.C.A. on motion of Mrs. Hunn, seconded by Miss Gilcrest. Mrs. Hollingsworth, Treasurer was also asked to pay for the piano. Carried.

Mrs. Greene moved that a communication be sent Mrs. Byers to the effect that in view of our own entertainments the Board cannot at this time take the responsibility of the

details of Father Romanelli's lecture.

The following ladies were admitted to membership in the Des Moines Women's Club.

Mrs. M. L. Duley

Miss Martha Smith Stone

Mrs. S. B. Williams, Madrid

Mrs. Minola Wilson

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. C. B. Atkins. On motion of Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Yorse the details were left with the President as to how and when it should be presented formally. Carried.

Mrs. Ellison was asked to write Mr. Culbertson officially thanking him for his kindness and generosity to the Club.

Mrs. Webster was asked to write a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Harsh on motion made by Mesdames Walker and Greife. Motion prevailed.

A motion made by Mrs. Witmer, seconded by Mrs. Green was carried, that Mrs. Webster write an explanatory note to each Charter Member advising them of an action taken by the Board by which they were made honorary members of the Des Moines Women's Club and enclosing cards to membership.

Mrs. T. F. Stevenson was made Chairman of the Art Department by that Department to succeed Mrs. Davison.

An Armenian woman was given the use of the Club House for the display of her wares and the details to be left with the President on motion of Mesdames Shipley and Webster. Carried.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session Wednesday, December 22, 1909 at Hoyt Sherman Place, with Mrs. Ellyson presiding and thirteen members present.

A picture "The Gleaners" has been given to the Club by Mrs. C. B. Atkins. On motion of Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Vorse the details were left with the President as to how and when it should be presented formally. Carried.

Mrs. Ellyson was asked to write Mr. Culbertson officially thanking him for his kindness and generosity to the Club.

Mrs. Webster was asked to write a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Harsh on motion made by Mesdames Walker and Greife. Motion prevailed.

A motion made by Mrs. Witmer, seconded by Mrs. Green was carried, that Mrs. Webster write an explanatory note to each Charter Member advising them of an action taken by the Board by which they were made honorary members of the Des Moines Women's Club and enclosing cards to membership.

Mrs. T. F. Stevenson was made Chairman of the Art Department by that Department to succeed Mrs. Davison.

An Armenian woman was given the use of the Club House for the display of her wares and the details to be left with the President on motion of Mesdames Shipley and Webster. Carried.

Mrs. Nourse made a careful report for the Art Department concerning the Western Art Exhibit. The Board gave her official authority to investigate the bringing of an Exhibit to this house. This motion made by Mrs. Kasson and Mrs. Witmer was carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Riddell to the effect that Mrs. Nourse further carry out negotiations with exhibits for admission of Club to Western Association of Artists. Motion carried.

The Catalogue Committee have not been able to find the artist's name who painted the portraits Mr. Adams gave the Club. On motion made by Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Hirsch the pictures are to be properly attended to and oiled if necessary. Carried.

The sum of \$5.00 was given the House Committee to decorate the Club House during the holidays on motion of Mrs. Shipley and Mrs. Grefe, motion prevailed.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Kasson that the Amateur Camera Club be given the use of the South Auditorium for their exhibit at the same time of the Art Exhibit. Motion carried.

A motion made for the purchase of a seal was lost.

Mrs. Pickett and the janitor were each given a check for \$5.00 as a Christmas gift on motion made by Mesdames Hirsch and Shipley.

On motion of Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Grefe it was moved that we make necessary purchases of stationery for the use of officers. Carried. *nine members present.*

On motion made by Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Vorse that the Home and Economics Committee be allowed the use of the Club House at their pleasure. Carried. *and decide*

whether The Corresponding Secretary was asked to extend the hospitality of the Club to the Council Boosters Club for New Year's Day from 7 until 10 P. M. on motion made by *that* Mesdames Cummins and Shipley. Carried. *other than the remov-*

ing of The name of Mrs. George Bird was read for the first time. *and look into using the room upstairs for exhibits.*

Motion Board adjourned. Meeting called to order. After adjournment a motion was made to the effect that the Princess Theatre be secured in which to hold the open day meeting of January 19, 1910. Motion prevailed.

The plans for the Reception by the Women's Club to the wives of the Grain Dealers Association is to be left in the hands of the Social Committee and Hospitality Committee on motion made by Mrs. Powell. Carried.

On motion made by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Witmer the action of the Club Chorus in bringing Tilly Kopper to the City was sanctioned and the details to be left with the Chorus. Motion carried.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session January 12th at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson in the chair and nine members present.

A motion made by Mrs. Vorse, seconded by Mrs. Cummins, that a committee be named by the President to inspect water colors exhibited by Mr. Frazier at the Wellington and decide whether they will be worthy of notice in our Gallery. Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, that the committee must make some provision other than the removing of pictures from the wall and the cost of portable screens and look into using the room upstairs for exhibits. Motion prevailed.

The Treasurer was asked to have a list printed of new members, those reinstated and omitted on motion made by Mesdames Cummins and Green. Carried.

The plans for the Reception by the Women's Club to the wives of the Grain Dealers Association is to be left in the hands of the Social Committee and Hospitality Committee on motion made by Mrs. Powell. Carried.

On motion made by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Witmer the action of the Club Chorus in bringing Tilly Korner to the City was sanctioned and the details to be left with the Chorus. Motion carried.

A special Committee, Mesdames Vorse and Weitz, was asked for to make arrangements for the Bangs lecture. Carried.

On motion of Mesdames Cummins and Witmer, Mrs. Cowles and Miss Henry were chosen to select a committee to act and that the Board suggest the price of \$.50.

The Treasurer reported as follows:-

Total Receipts, December 31, 1909 to Jan. 11	\$1,252.21
Total Expenditures	572.25
Balance	\$ 679.96

\$10.00 additional was allowed Mrs. Clark for a lecture on motion of Mesdames Weitz and Witmer. Carried.

Mrs. Green asked that a letter of withdrawal be given Mrs. George Harter.

Mrs. Bullard and Mrs. George Bird were made members of the Club.

The names of Mrs. Saucerman, Mrs. Smith and Miss Coleman were read for the first time.

Mrs. Pickett's report stated that from October 6, 1909 to January 12, 1910 the Club House has received 169 visitors.

The Chairman of the Art Department asked the Board to approve the selection of Dr. Ives, Mesdames Chamberlain, Hourse, Jesse Stevenson and Miss Hunt as Judges for the Art Exhibit and that Mesdames H. C. Schenk, Seymour, Webster, Tullis and Crowley be named as Hanging Committee. This motion was made by Mrs. Hollingsworth, seconded by Mrs. Witmer. Carried.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session at Hoyt Sherman Place January 26, 1910 with Mrs. Ellyson in the chair and eleven members present.

Moved by Mrs. Riddell, seconded by Mrs. Fleming, that we extend the courtesy of the small auditorium to the visiting ladies of State Medical Society and the Women's Club furnish them luncheon at noon. Motion prevailed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Webster, seconded by Mrs. Powell that "the Charter Members be made active Life Members with full privileges of the Club." Carried.

The difference of \$2.40 was allowed Mr. Ellis on motion made by Mrs. Witmer and Mrs. Vorse.

When two hundred tickets have been sold for the John Kendrick Bangs lecture, the matter of securing another auditorium be left in the hands of a committee on motion made by Mrs. Vorse. Carried.

The Chairman of the Art Department asked the Board to approve the selection of Dr. Ives, Mesdames Chamberlain, Nourse, Jesse Stevenson and Miss Hunt as Judges for the Art Exhibit and that Mesdames H. C. Schenk, Seymour, Webster, Tullis and Crowley be named as Hanging Committee. This motion was made by Mrs. Hollingsworth, seconded by Mrs. Witmer. Carried.

A motion by Mrs. Riddell, seconded by Mrs. Webster that a committee consisting of Mesdames Durley, Nourse and Walker be named to investigate the amount of prizes given by Art Galleries in other cities for local competition. Carried.

Mrs. Herman L. Cook asked that a chairman be appointed to fill her place February 16th.

Mrs. Webster was asked to look into some definite time for the Amateur Camera Club exhibit.

A letter of good cheer and greeting be sent to Mrs. McHenry on motion made by Mrs. Hollingsworth. Carried.

On motion made by Mrs. Riddell and seconded by Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Webster was asked to write a letter of regret to Mrs. Carroll, and resignation be accepted in accordance with the By-Laws. Carried.

Miss Edna Coleman 1510 Center St.
Mrs. Saucerman 1510 Center St.
Mrs. D. C. Smith 501 Forest Ave.
were made members of the Club.

Mrs. L. C. Deets name was read for the first time.

Report, January 26, 1910 for first 4 months
Exp. per month including Help,
Coal, Water, Electricity, Gas, etc. \$108.89
Receipts per month Rents & Door 104.63

Mrs. Nourse correspond further with Moulton & Ricketts regarding an Art Exhibit by them. Carried.

The action of the Club Chorus is approved by the Board

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session February 8, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with 16 members present and Mrs. Ellyson in the chair.

A motion made and seconded by Mrs. Green and Miss Fleming that we extend an invitation and the courtesies of this Club to the wives of officers located at Ft. Des Moines and also to Mrs. Robinson a retired army officer's wife. Carried.

On motion made by Mrs. Green, seconded by Miss Fleming the ushers are given badges and the details be left with chairman. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Bailey has consented to act as chairman for Social Economics and Civics Dept. February 16th. Mrs. Hargis will take up work of the Department. On motion made by Mrs. Hunn and seconded by Mrs. Webster further arrangements for February 16th are to be left with Mrs. Bailey. Carried.

Miss Fleming moved, seconded by Mrs. Grefe that the report of Chairman of House Committee be accepted with pleasure. Carried. The report is as follows. \$507.00. Up to date.

A motion made by Mrs. Vorse, seconded by Mrs. Kasson that Mrs. Nourse correspond further with Moulton & Ricketts regarding an Art Exhibit by them. Carried.

The action of the Club Chorus is approved by the Board

in regard to giving a concert for benefit of Childrens' Home on motion made by Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Green. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Webster that the Women's Club give a reception to Madam Schumann Heink and that the Music Committee be given charge. Carried.

Next Music Day be omitted until such time and place as the Music Dept. may desire to have it. Moved and seconded by Mesdames Cummins and Hollingsworth. Carried.

That the Property Committee be given authority to have proper ventilation made in Auditorium on motion made by Mesdames Foster and Webster. Motion carried.

The following motion was made by Mrs. Hunn and carried. That Mrs. Carter be notified and proper instructions given her to devise means and execute a book case for the Club records and that she be allowed to select her own committee.

Treasurer's report:-

Balance, January 11, 1910	\$ 679.96
Dues	1,150.50
Door receipts	83.75
Art Fund	30.00
Total Receipts	\$1,944.21
Disbursements	541.89
Balance, February 8, 1910	\$1,402.32

Mrs. Keller J. Bell
Mrs. M. E. Brunson

35th and School St.
813 Walnut St.

were read for the first time.

Mrs. L. C. Deets

2834 Rutland Ave.

was elected to membership.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met February 16, 1910 at a called meeting at Hoyt Sherman Place. The President and nine members were present. The object of the meeting was to further discuss plans relative to the Moulton and Ricketts' exhibit.

On motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, that the committee be instructed to go ahead and make plans and contract with the Moulton and Ricketts' firm. Carried.

The chair appointed Mrs. Riddell the successor of Mrs. Walker on this committee in accordance with the motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Hunn. Carried.

A fee of ten cents (\$.10) is to be asked for as general admission to the exhibit. Motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Cummins. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins that a sub-committee be appointed by the chair to print catalogues under the direction of the committee. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins and seconded by Mrs. Vorse, that the By-laws be suspended and the Secretary instructed to cast the vote for Mrs. Myra E. Brunson, 813 Walnut St. Motion prevailed.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, that season tickets, non-transferable, be on sale for fifty cents (\$.50). Carried.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met February 25, 1910 at the Commercial Savings Bank in response to a call by the president, Mrs. Ellyson, to perfect plans regarding Moulton and Ricketts' Art Exhibit. Twelve members were present. On motion of Mrs. Kasson, seconded by Mrs. Green, the matter of Art Exhibit was taken up. Carried.

Mrs. Vorse moved, seconded by Mrs. Dickinson that the committee be instructed to secure a down town and a first floor room as accessible as possible. Carried. Mrs. Webster offered as an amendment to the motion that if the committee is not able to secure the above that it be taken to Hoyt Sherman Place. Carried. Mrs. Shipley was asked to select her own committee and notify Federation Clubs.

The Art Exhibit is to be kept open from 3 to 6 P. M. the first Sunday and free, except, sale of catalogues. Carried on motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Hunn.

On motion made by Mesdames Webster and Hollingsworth that the Art Exhibit be kept open evenings. Carried. The Art Exhibit is to be open every morning at 10 o'clock except Sunday on motion of Mesdames Vorse and Kasson. Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Vorse, that season tickets, non-transferable, be on sale for fifty cents (\$.50). Carried.

The following motion made by Mesdames Shipley and Vorse was carried, that the Women's Club president, the City Federation president and the State Federation president be a committee to make arrangements for the entertainment of the State Federation Board.

The following committees were appointed by Mrs. Ellyson.

Unpacking, repacking securing help

Mrs. Fleming, C.
Mrs. Powell
Mrs. Marshall

Hostesses

Mrs. Kasson
Mrs. Shipley
Mrs. Foster
Mrs. Green
Mrs. Hirsch

Printing

Mrs. Ballard, C.
Mrs. Patchin
Mrs. Charles Cumming

Publicity

Mrs. Weitz, C.
Mrs. Cowles
Mrs. Fleming

Hanging

Mrs. Webster, C.
Mrs. E. Brown
Mrs. Cowles
Mrs. Crowley
Mrs. A. Seymour
Mrs. H. G. Everett
Mrs. L. Chamberlain
Mrs. Stephenson

Telephone

Mrs. Kasson

Insurance

Mrs. Witmer
Mrs. Hollingsworth

Door

Mrs. Hunn
Mrs. Grefe
Mrs. Williams
Mrs. Cummins
Mrs. Benninger

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session February 23, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson presiding. Fifteen members were present. Minutes of February 9th were read and approved.

On motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Fleming, "That the next Music Day be given in our Club House and that a very nice reception be given in honor of Music Department and the Club Chorus. Carried.

That the Home and Education Committee be given the authority to engage Miss Purmont for these lectures and "open-day" at an expense of Fifty-Dollars. (\$50.00). Motion prevailed.

The following motion was made by Mrs. Riddell and seconded by Mrs. Grefe, "That a Committee be appointed to consult with proper councilman or council in regard to omitting free open days when special paid exhibits are held. The President to be Chairman of said Committee." Carried.

On motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Ballard, that the matter of the book case be investigated and Mrs. Hunn offered as an amendment to this motion the following, "That the question of book cases in general be investigated. Carried.

On account of ill health Mrs. Carter asked that she be relieved of her duty as Chairman of Committee. Granted on motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Grefe.

"It is moved that the Art Department be authorized to hold the stereopticon lectures for four Sunday afternoons, if they find it advisable. They to secure slides and lecturers. The Club to bear expense not to exceed \$25.00 for the four afternoons. This motion was made by Mesdames Cummins and Fleming. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Hunn that the Corresponding Secretary communicate with Mesdames Albert Bell and Kellar J. Bell and that the Board suspend action on said names. Motion prevailed.

On motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Webster the History and Literature Committee were given the privilege of securing the Princess Theatre, if for \$25.00.

The amount of \$3.00 was appropriated for the purchase of Longfellows translation of Dante on motion of Mesdames Grefe and Foster.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session March 9, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson presiding and twelve members present.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following motion was made by Mrs. Shipley and seconded by Mrs. Webster was carried, That, "Mrs. Ellyson be requested to act as chairman of a Committee appointed by herself to keep in touch with the Greater Des Moines and Commercial Club Committees in regard to bringing art exhibits here, (said exhibits under the auspices of the Women's Club) in conjunction with large shows, given by the men's clubs."

A motion by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Vorse that "the Club accept all good pictures loaned for use of the Club." Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Kasson, seconded by Mrs. Webster that Mrs. T. F. Stephenson's report as chairman of the Art Department be accepted and that it be spread on the minutes." Carried. The report is as follows:

Moved by Mrs. Riddell, seconded by Mrs. Green, that, "The Home and Education Committee and Social Committee be given the privilege of an open day. The date to be arranged by committees. Luncheon to be served by said committees at \$.25 per plate. Carried.

Auditorium for Sunday. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Hunn that Mrs. George Hallett be given a letter of withdrawal. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Hollingsworth and Riddell that Mrs. A. Grefe be given a letter of withdrawal. Carried. Miss Safferd was granted a letter of withdrawal and her check returned on motion of Mesdames Hunn and Ballard. Carried.

On motion made by Mrs. Witmer, seconded by Mrs. Weitz "that the corresponding secretary be instructed to write Mrs. G. Hallett informing her it is contrary to the by-laws to grant a letter of withdrawal to any member unless her dues for the current year are paid, when said member has been in the city a portion of the year." Carried.

On motion made by Mesdames Riddell and Kasson, Mesdames Witmer and Hollingsworth were asked to look into the insurance for the new pictures under discussion and that they decide the matter. Motion prevailed.

The Art Exhibit is to be kept open from 2-8 on Sunday on motion made by Mrs. Riddell and Mrs. Weitz. Carried.

On motion made by Mesdames Witmer and Hunn, if possible, we allow Mr. Sempler to place his water colors in Auditorium for Sunday. Carried.

The courtesy of the Art Exhibit be extended to the old people of the Home for the Aged for Friday A. M. at 10.

Treasurer's report, March 9, 1910. M. Mrs. Killyan presided

Receipts	\$2,133.85
Disbursements	<u>919.58</u>
Balance	\$1,214.27

Mrs. Killyan presented Mesdames Ballard, Dickson, J. Fleming, O. Green, Hollingsworth, Mann, Kasson, Riddell, Vorse, Webster and Wimer.

Mrs. Dodson of the Finance Committee reported a meeting of that committee in which the Treasurer's books were examined and found that after all expenses of the year were paid the Club had a balance of \$560.00.

A motion made by Mesdames Green and Webster that a Committee on election be appointed by the Board to make arrangements for annual election and election of delegates. Carried.

Mrs. Ballard was made a member of the committee from Board on motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Fleming.

Mrs. Littell and Mrs. Aulmann were made delegates from the Club on motion made by Mesdames Fleming and Webster.

Mrs. Killyan was asked to appoint some one to confer with Miss Loizeaux regarding the gift of a picture on motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Green Mrs. Vorse and Mrs. Stephenson were named.

A motion made by Mrs. Webster, seconded by Mrs. Kasson that the Property Committee be instructed to provide a

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met at the Commercial Savings Bank March 12, 1910 at three o'clock P. M. Mrs. Ellyson presided and the following members were present Mesdames Ballard, Dickinson, R. J. Fleming, F. O. Green, Hollingsworth, Hunn, Kasson, Riddell, Vorse, Webster and Witmer.

Mrs. Dodson of the Finance Committee reported a meeting of that committee in which the Treasurer's books were examined and found that after all expenses of the year were paid the Club had a balance of \$500.00.

A motion made by Mesdames Green and Webster that a Committee on election be appointed by the Board to make arrangements for annual election and election of delegates. Carried.

Mrs. Ballard was made a member of the committee from Board on motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Fleming.

Mrs. Littell and Mrs. Aulmann were made delegates from the Club on motion made by Mesdames Fleming and Webster.

Mrs. Ellyson was asked to appoint some one to confer with Miss Loizeaux regarding the gift of a picture on motion made by Mesdames Vorse and Green Mrs. Vorse and Mrs. Stephenson were named.

A motion made by Mrs. Webster, seconded by Mrs. Kasson "that the Property Committee be instructed to provide a

Bulletin for the Club House." Carried.

Mrs. Witmer moved, seconded by Mrs. Hunn "that the Officers of the Club be asked to negotiate with Mr. Kelly regarding the three pictures." Carried.

The Board adjourned to meet with Mr. Kelly at the Chamberlain later.

The adjourned meeting was called to order by Mrs. Ellyson. The above members were present with the exception of Mrs. Green. General Committee was Mesdames Durley, Vorse and Riddell. Mr. Kelly representing the firm of Moulton and Ricketts presented a proposition from that firm regarding three pictures the Board was considering buying. As a result of this conference the following motion was unanimously carried. (proposition of Mr. Kelly)

On motion made by Mrs. Witmer, seconded by Mrs. Webster "That we accept the proposition of Mr. Kelly regarding the three pictures in question."

"Officers day shall be the last meeting of the year when officers work and reports shall terminate." Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kesson, seconded by Mrs. Webster that "the final day of Club be shifted to meet convenience of Biennial." Carried.

The names of Mesdames Keller J. Bell and Albert Bell were read for the first time.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session March 23, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place, Mrs. Ellyson presided and twelve members were present. Minutes of March 9 and March 12 were read and approved.

Moved by Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Webster "that we accept the offer of Major Byers and that he assume all responsibility." Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Fleming "the action of the officers regarding the repairing of the floor in Annex be approved by the Board." Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Kasson that the rental of Grand Piano be left with Rental Secretary. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Fleming, seconded by Mrs. Vorse that the election of delegates and alternates be on April 13th. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Fleming, seconded by Mrs. Weitz that "officers day shall be the last meeting of the year when officers work and reports shall terminate." Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kasson, seconded by Mrs. Webster that "the final day of Club be shifted to meet convenience of Biennial." Carried.

The names of Mesdames Kellar J. Bell and Albert Bell were read for the first time.

On motion made by Mrs. Webster, seconded by Mrs. Vorse that the Chair appoint a by-laws Committee. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Weitz, seconded by Mrs. Shipley that a committee from the Women's Club be appointed to inspect pictures in Oakland School, by request of Mrs. Bertha D. Smith, Principal. Carried. The Chair named Mesdames Shipley, Stephenson and Witmer.

On motion of Mrs. Weitz, seconded by Mrs. R. J. Fleming that the communication of Dr. F. J. Smith and others opposing a ten months school be taken under advisement. Motion prevailed.

Moved by Mrs. Vorse that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to write a letter cordially endorsing the invitation to be extended the National World's meeting of Kindergartners for next year or year following. Said letter to be sent Miss Lowery. Motion prevailed.

Moved by Mrs. Webster, seconded by Mrs. Foster, that a printed list of members who are ineligible to election to the Biennial meeting be handed to each member present at the election of delegates. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Ballard that the By-laws be interpreted to read, "All delegates elected to the National Biennial, whether they attended or not be considered ineligible". Carried.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met in regular session April 6, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Ellyson and eleven responded to roll call. Minutes of March 23 were read and approved.

On motion of Mrs. Vorse, seconded by Mrs. Prouty that a vote of thanks be sent Mr. C. E. Hunn for the courtesy extended to the Club in making contracts for Moulton and Ricketts exhibit. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hunn, seconded by Mrs. Witmer, that a hearty vote of thanks be extended the telephone company for use of the telephone during the Art exhibit. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Vorse that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to write a letter cordially endorsing the invitation to be extended the National World's meeting of Kindergartners for next year or year following. Said letter to be sent Miss Lowery. Motion prevailed.

Moved by Mrs. Webster, seconded by Mrs. Foster, that a printed list of members who are ineligible to election to the Biennial meeting be handed to each member present at the election of delegates. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Shipley, seconded by Mrs. Ballard that the By-laws be interpreted to read, "All delegates elected to the National Biennial, whether they attended or not be considered ineligible". Carried.

Mrs. Witmer moved that delegates or alternates who actually attended be construed as those exempt. Motion lost.

Moved by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Webster, that all members who were elected and served as delegates at the last biennial be ineligible to election as delegates to the next convention. Carried.

Mrs. Shipley and Mrs. Hunn offered the following as a substitute to the preceding motion. All delegates who were elected whether they attended the last biennial or not are ineligible for election to the present. Carried.

Hostesses were Mrs. Schooler and Mrs. Horton	
Attendance for January	169
Hostesses were Mrs. Worth and Mrs. Aulman	
Attendance for February	241
Hostesses were Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Mosely	
	27
Probably unregistered	25
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On recommendation of Mrs. T. F. Stevenson, chairman of Art Department, the following resolutions were made and adopted by the Board; that the sifting committee be the same as judging committee; that the judges be those who have technical knowledge of art; that we require first prize winners to exhibit in class H. C. so as to keep up standard of exhibition; that the rules governing the contest be made up now and printed copies sent to all known exhibitors; that lists be kept the same; that posters be placed in colleges etc. instead; of depending on news-

papers entirely; that beneficiary of Club be not required to furnish a painting during the first year; that the pictures of same be in portfolios. Should present judges be held over until we have enough prize winners to serve? That we be not governed too much by precedent. If judges wish to they may invite the speaker of the day to confer. That jury be required to vote by ballot on pictures.

A motion made by Mesdames Hunn and Vorse that the Club subscribe for the Current Art Manuel. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hunn, seconded by Mrs. Shipley, that we grant the request of Mrs. Cummins to allow the young women of Business Women's Home the Auditorium one night for a dance. Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mesdames Cummins and Hunn that the name of Mrs. Hurd be considered as read at previous meeting. Carried.

On motion of Mesdames Shipley and Foster that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the following ladies, Mrs. J. G. Rounds, Miss Mary Rounds, Mrs. C. B. Dockstader, Mrs. Albert Bell, Mrs. Kellar J. Bell and Mrs. H. A. Hurd.

The report of Miss Lee, chairman of History and Literature Department was accepted on motion made by Mesdames

Shipley and Witmer. The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to write a note of thanks and appreciation to the Garrick Dramatic Club of Drake University on motion of Mesdames Hunn and Cummins. Carried.

The open day April 13.

On motion made by Mrs. Hunn seconded by Mrs. Vorse that the by-law be waived and Music Day be scheduled May 11, and Social Day the May 25. Carried.

Mrs. Shipley moved seconded by Mrs. Foster, that this matter of date be left with Executive Committee and the Chairman of Music and Social Day to arrange as they think best. Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mrs. Shipley and Mrs. Hellingworth that the Library Committee be continued. Carried.

Mrs. Cummins moved seconded by Mrs. Fleming that a Committee of five be appointed to meet with Mrs. Marshall and decide about the book case and the following Committee was named. Mesdames Killyson, Hunn, Foster, Powell and Fleming. Motion prevailed. The Treasurer reported.

Moved by Mrs. Shipley seconded by Mrs. Fleming that Mrs. McKay be granted the small and rent free for installation of Saturday 24. Motion lost.

Moved by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Hunn that Mr. Cottrell be given the same as we could have gotten the list typewritten. Carried.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met Wednesday April 20, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson in the chair and eighteen members present.

Mrs. Cowles thought the President reported expense for the open day April 13.

On motion made by Mrs. Hunn seconded by Mrs. Vorse that the by-law be waived and Music Day be scheduled May 11, and Social Day the May 25. Carried.

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On motion of Mrs. Shipley and Mrs. Witmer Mrs. Edwards was given a letter of withdrawal Mrs. Witmer and Mrs. Cummins moved that the rules be suspended and the following names be considered the second reading.

Mrs. Charles C. Heer	1014 Des Moines St.
" A. S. Kirkhart	1815 Center St.
" Anderson Winterrode	1121 E. Walnut St.

and they were elected by ballot to membership.

The receipts for February, March and part of April were \$213.00 as reported by Mrs. Souers, Rent Committee.

We were at "peace with the world and its opinions" ready for the work and fatigue of the afternoon - The annual business meeting and election of officers.

Mrs. Ellyson invited the new Board of 1910-11 to meet with the Board of 1909-10 at the last regular meeting, Wednesday June 2, 1910. We had with us on this day, April 27, Mrs. Helen Sherman Griffiths whose girlhood was spent in this house we are so proud to call home. Also our 2nd Vice President Mrs. McHenry after an enforced absence of some weeks - Last but not least Mrs. L. F. Andrews a charter member of this organization and who celebrated her 61st birthday on this day. Mrs. Cummins asked that we give Mrs. Andrews a rising vote of appreciation for her loyalty to the Club.

In approval of her faithful and good work and her helpful spirit in the Club, Mrs. Cummins requested that we give

The members of the Des Moines Women's Club began making their appearance at Hoyt Sherman Place at an unusual hour Wednesday April 27, 1910. We had been told by our hostesses, the Social and Home and Education Departments we would be welcome at eleven A. M. to bring our work, states and pencils and remain for luncheon. Accordingly at half past twelve 215 ladies then assembled, were served quickly and bountifully to a carefully prepared luncheon. At three o'clock when the President called the Club to order we were at "peace with the world and its opinions" ready for the work and fatigue of the afternoon - The annual business meeting and election of officers.

Mrs. Ellyson invited the new Board of 1910-11 to meet with the Board of 1909-10 at the last regular meeting, Wednesday June 4, 1910. We had with us on this day, April 27 Mrs. Helen Sherman Griffiths whose girlhood was spent in this house we are so proud to call home. Also our 2nd Vice President Mrs. McHenry after an enforced absence of some weeks- Last but not least Mrs. L. F. Andrews a charter member of this organization and who celebrated her 81st birthday on this day. Mrs. Cummins asked that we give Mrs. Andrews a rising vote of appreciation for her loyalty to the Club.

In approval of her faithful and good work and her helpful spirit in the Club, Mrs. Cummins requested that we give

our President, Mrs. Ellyson a rising vote of thanks.

The time intervening between the counting of ballots was occupied by Mrs. Hillis and reports of various officers Mrs. Hillis who has been in New Orleans this winter gave an account of the good work being accomplished by the Women's Clubs along civic lines. Mrs. Hillis presented to the Club, Mr. Robinson's original specifications of his idea of what the City should be. On motion a rising vote of thanks was accorded Mrs. Hillis from the D. M. W. C.

Mrs. H. B. Hawley's report as delegate to the City Federation does not need the endorsement of the Secretary. The warm applause it received was invited.

Mrs. C. C. Nourse, chairman of the Art Committee in connection with the Moulton and Ricketts Art exhibit made the following report: Door Receipts \$183.67, Disbursements \$366.42 leaving a balance of \$182.75.

Mrs. J. C. Cummins of the Renting section reported that the seven months ending up to date April 27, 1910 the receipts are \$715.75. Contracts due but not collected \$81.50.

The report of the Treasurer Mrs. Hollingsworth was as follows total Receipts \$4,620.40 total Disbursements \$3,922.86 total balance \$697.60.

According to the by-laws Mrs. Ellyson announced that

Wednesday May 4, 1910 the time stated for the different Departments to meet and elect Chairman for coming year. Mrs. Ellyson appointed Mrs. Stevenson of the Art Dept., Mrs. Gardner Cowles, Philosophy and Science, Miss Lee of the History and Literature, Mrs. E. H. Carter, Social, Home and Education, Mrs. J. C. Cummins, Music, Mrs. F. D. Harsh and Social Economics, Mrs. I. L. Hillis temporary chairmen for the day.

The tellers for the day were Mesdames J. S. Carpenter, Curtis Stream, C. S. Walker, John Montrose, A. B. Sims, I. M. Treynor, W. H. Younkers, Byron S. Henry, V. A. Wilkins, Ralph Bolton, Charles Fleming, Charles A. Cummings, Dr. Cokenower and C. C. Cooper. Mrs. Hargrove, Chairman of verifying Committee, verified the election of the following officers for 1910-11 as reported by Mrs. W. E. Ballard.

The total number of votes cast for President were 174. Mrs. E. W. Brown receiving 69, Mrs. Vorse 36, Mrs. H. L. Carrell 18 and Mrs. W. L. Read 16. On motion Mesdames Vorse and Carrell names were withdrawn, leaving Mesdames Brown and Read the two highest. On the formal ballot 170 votes were cast and the result was Mrs. Brown 111 and Mrs. Read 59. The votes necessary for election 86. Mrs. Brown was declared elected.

For First Vice-President on the informal ballot 136 votes were cast, Mrs. Read receiving 64 and Miss Williams 34. The nominees on formal ballot were Mrs. Read and Miss Williams. Of the 109 votes cast Mrs. Read received 74 and Miss Williams 35. Mrs. Read was declared elected. Miss Williams receiving the next highest was declared elected Second Vice-President.

There were 83 votes cast for Recording Secretary and 42 necessary for election. Mrs. Dickinson receiving 65 and Mrs. Given 12 on the informal ballot Mrs. Dickinson was elected Recording Secretary.

For Corresponding Secretary on the formal ballot 64 votes were cast, 33 necessary. Mrs. Given received 54 and Mrs. Ballard 10. Mrs. Ellyson declared Mrs. Given Corresponding Secretary.

The total number of votes cast on the informal ballot for Treasurer were 66 and 34 to elect. Of these Mrs. Littell received 49 and Mrs. Kasson 15. Mrs. Littell receiving the necessary votes to elect she was declared elected.

At the last Board meeting Mrs. C. E. Hall, 1118-26th St. and Mrs. J. B. Entriiken 105 Park Lane were made members of the Club.

Also that a vote of thanks be given this new committee for excellent service rendered, by motion made by Mrs. Shipley seconded by Mrs. Fleming. Carried.

The last regular meeting of the Board of Directors for the year 1909-10 was held Wednesday May 4, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place with Mrs. Ellyson presiding and nineteen members responded to roll call. By invitation of the President the new Board for 1910-11 was invited to be present. Minutes of April 23, read and approved. Moved by Mrs. Riddell that the matter of ex-presidents pictures being in next years book, be left with the Callender Committee. Carried. Mrs. Foster as a member of the Bookcase Committee that the Committee was not favorable to the two bookcases considered and on motion of Miss Fleming the report of Mrs. Foster was accepted. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Cowles report for April 27.

A motion made by Miss Williams seconded by Miss Fleming that the Board give the Social and Home and Education a vote of thanks was unanimously carried. Mrs. Cummins reported the revenue from Miss Purmort's lectures and her address the open day as follows; Receipts from sale of tickets \$33.25, door receipts the open day \$9.00 making a total of the day \$42.25. Moved by Mrs. Prouty seconded by Mrs. Green that the report of Mrs. Ballard as Chairman of Election Committee be accepted and placed on file. Carried. Also that a vote of thanks be given this new committee for excellent service rendered, by motion made by Mrs. Shipley seconded by Mrs. Fleming. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins seconded by Mrs. Vorse that the Board take charge of the Reception to be given as a courtesy to the chorus and that the Chair appoint Committees to take up the work. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Hirsch as the Treasurer of the History and Literature Dept. reported \$9.75 from the sale of tickets to new members. and a motion made by Mrs. Fleming and Kasson was carried that this report be accepted.

Moved by Mrs. Shipley seconded by Miss Fleming that the rules be suspended and the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Entriken, Park and Mrs. C. E. Hall 26th St. as members of club.

A motion made by Mrs. Cummins seconded by Mrs. Hirsch that Children's Day be omitted and that the Chairman of Social day be privileged to give the kind of an open day they wish.

On motion of Mrs. Walker seconded by Mrs. Hirsch that we approve the suggestion of Mrs. Cummins and the House Committee together with the Board furnish lunch.

The following names were read for the first reading.

Mrs. Frederick N. Shepherd	321 Park Lane
Miss Adah Harris	Masonic Temple
Mrs. Frank Camp	1825 Oakland
Mrs. Albert H. Tuttle	1453 Woodland Ave.
Mrs. Howard D. Gray	1136-20th St.
Mrs. Leo Stevens	Lexington, 1721 Pleasant

The Board adjourned for two minutes.

The Board was called to order by Mrs. Ellyson and the following business was transacted.

If any member so desiring she could have this anniversary calendar-bound in leather at a cost to herself of \$.25.

On motion of Mrs. Walker seconded by Mrs. Vorse *that the Board give an expression as to whether they wish the cheaper or the more expensive year book.* Lost.

A motion made by Mrs. Scipley seconded by Mrs. Hunt that the calendar be left in the hands of the Calendar Committee with the assurance they do the best thing. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hirsch seconded by Mrs. Webster, the book which is the least expensive shall be considered. Carried.

Miss Dorr Secretary & Treasurer of Club Chorus reported a balance of \$14.75 outstanding accounts \$3.25.

This report was accepted by motion of Headmistress Walker and Witner. Mrs. W. A. Hand was reinstated by motion of Headmistress Hunt and Vorse. Carried.

A meeting of the Board of the Women's Club was held Wednesday May 25, 1910 at Hoyt Sherman Place Mrs. Ellyson presided and nineteen members were present.

Mrs. J. K. Wilson of the Calendar Committee presented the following bids from printing companies; Kenyon 500 copies \$175.00 Welch 600 at \$205.00 Arcade 600 at \$205.00 Smith 600 at \$250.00 and G. A. Miller 600 at \$195.00. The same book on cheaper paper at Millers would be \$147.00.

If any member so desiring she could have this anniversary calendar bound in leather at a cost to herself of \$.25 .

On motion of Mrs. Walker seconded by Mrs. Vorse "that the Board give an expression as to whether they wish the cheaper or the more expensive year book." Lost.

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On motion of Mrs. Walker seconded by Mrs. Foster the awarding of scholarship be deferred until something definite be known concerning the plans of Prof. Cummings.

Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Grefe and Miss Fleming Mrs. Guy Burnside was reinstalled. Motion prevailed.

A motion made by Mrs. Webster that the rental of dishes to the City Federation be left with the House Committee. Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Vorse seconded by Mrs. Grefe that the Club appropriate \$5.00 to the City Federation if needed. Motion lost.

A motion made by Mrs. Prouty seconded by Miss Williams that the Club contribute \$10.00 in case the City Federation needed it. Carried.

Concerning the communication from the Secretary of the Civic Improvement Company that we give \$200.00 towards publishing the "Mulford Robinson plans", Mrs. Dickinson moved seconded by Mrs. Hunn that the Women's Club give \$200.00. Unanimously lost.

By motion of Mrs. Walker the time was extended 15 minutes.

Mrs. Shipley moved seconded by Mrs. McHenry that the communication from Curater Harlan be left in the hands of the President. Carried.

A motion made by Mrs. McHenry seconded by Mrs. Hunn that Mrs. Stevenson confer with Miss Leansoux regarding a picture to be given the Club. Carried.

A motion was made that Mesdames Carrell and Carter be allowed what they need for Social Day. Carried.

Mrs. Frederick N. Shepherd

Miss Adah Harris

Mrs. Frank Camp

Mrs. Albert H. Tuttle

Mrs. Howard D. Gray

Mrs. Leo Stevens

were made members of the Des Moines Women's Club.

The Board of Directors of the Des Moines Women's Club met at Hoyt Sherman Place, Wednesday June 1 at 2 P. M. Mrs. Ellyson presiding and fifteen members present. Minutes of May 25 read and approved. The following names were read for the first time; Mesdames Frank L. Hall, W. E. Haugen, A. K. Stewart and Charles Koenigsberger.

On motion of Mrs. Vorse seconded by Mrs. Greffe permission was given Mrs. Stevenson to place the carbons in small and if necessary and the annex to be used for loans. Carried.

The Board was adjourned for one minute. Meeting called to order by Mrs. Ellyson.

On motion made by Mrs. Fleming seconded by Mrs. Shipley that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. Haugen and that she be made a member of

the Club. Carried. The names of Mesdames A. K. Stewart, Frank L. Hall and Charles Koenigsberger were also admitted to membership of the Club.

The bill presented by Mrs. Hillis for stationary in connection with Civics Dept. was allowed on motion of Mrs. Cummins seconded by Mrs. Vorse.

To the Chairman Art Dept. of the Des Moines Women's Club

Madam:

We the undersigned, your committee appointed to award certain prizes to contributors to the second annual exhibition, have examined the various works submitted in competition for the prizes and have to report the following as our decision:

1st to No. 8	\$100.00	Mrs. Mary O. Everett
2nd " " 27	50.00	Miss Theodora Aulmann
3rd " " 24	25.00	Miss Reed
H. M. " 10		Miss Catherine Macartry

Respectfully submitted

Halsey C. Ives
 Elizabeth Nource
 Isabel Hunt
 Mrs. Jesse Stevenson
 Mrs. L. Chamberlain

Sec. 4---In first sentence--substitute fourteenth in place of fifteenth. The annual business meeting shall be the fourteenth meeting of the year.

Sec. 4---Insert "or from those who have served on the Board" after "the Club shall elect the officers from the Board of Directors elect."

Sec. 5---Strike out the sentence "All women who have been members of the club one year or longer are eligible except those who acted in that capacity the previous year", covered by Sec. 2, Art. VII.

The Chairman shall make a report in person to the Board after each open meeting.

Sec. 4 becomes Sec. 3.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES.

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Sec. 3---After Calendar Committee add, "A Printing Committee, whose duty shall be to secure bids for and arrange all printed matter aside from the Calendar."

ARTICLE VII. MEMBERSHIP.

Sec. 7---Insert "in good standing" between "and removing" first line---making it read "A member in good standing removing from the city may, etc, etc."

Add new section "Honorary members" Sec. 9.

Honorary membership shall be limited to Charter members.

ARTICLE VIII. DUES.

Sec. 2---Substitute "second meeting in March" instead of first meeting in February (which also would change the last word, February to March).

ARTICLE IX. MEETINGS.

Sec. 2---Strike out---"but no meeting shall be held later than the week in which the fifteenth of May occurs."

ARTICLE III.

Sec. 2---Strike out - "but no one shall be continued on the board for more than four years."

ARTICLE IV. DEPTS.

Strike out Sec. 2 and 3, substituting the following which shall be Sec. 2.

Chairmen of the various Departments shall be appointed by the President elect, and announced at the open meeting following the annual election. It shall be the duty of these Chairmen to arrange with said Departments for the work of the ensuing year. A Secretary may be elected by the Department if deemed necessary.

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Officers Day.

October 3, 1910

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Des Moines Women's Club

Regular Minutes (Original)

October 1910 May 1911

Officers

President	Mrs. Ernest W. Brown
First Vice President	Mrs. Frank W. Vorse
Second Vice President	Miss Mary B. Williams
Recording Secretary	Mrs. L. J. Kasson
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Welker Given
Treasurer	Mrs. W. W. Littell

Officers Day.

October 5, 1910.

When President Brown called the Club to order October 5th the room was well filled with members and friends. The afternoon program opened with two songs by Miss Margaret Moss "O Mio Fernando" and an encore "Wonderful Land of Dreams". The secretary's report was read and approved.

President Brown then spoke appreciatively of the splendid growth of the club during its first quarter of a century, emphasizing the fact of this year being its twenty-fifth anniversary and contrasting its organization with twenty-two members with its present membership of nearly 600.

As a tribute to the memory and inspiration of the Charter Members, she asked the audience to rise and join in singing "Auld Lang Syne". Dr Cleaves, first president of the Club and one of the organizers, sent a letter of congratulation which was read by the secretary. She also read from an address or toast recently delivered by Dr Cleaves before the West Chester Woman's Club. Subject: Woman-Home, The idealists Heaven, in which she paid high tribute to the Women's Club of Des Moines.

Mrs. Brown then presented to the club a beautiful old Chippendale table, which the club had recently purchased from Mrs. Ashby. The table is of dark mahogany, claw-footed and about one hundred and fifty years old. It has a four leaved top, and by the simple raising of each in turn, becomes a tea

table, card table, writing desk or my ladys sewing table. She then introduced Mrs. Ashby, who told briefly of her visit to the quaint little old lady in Ireland, of whom she had purchased the table. Mrs. Ashby urged the club to add further attractions to its now small collection, and make of it a representative one.

President Brown regretted that the calendars for the year were not yet ready, and announced that Mrs. Riddell had very kindly offered to take charge of some classes in German, either introductory or advanced. The classes to meet from two to four Monday afternoons with a fee of twenty-five cents per lesson, proceeds to be used for the benefit of the club.

Mrs. T. M. Walker and Miss Flora Henry made announcements of the (Burton Lectures) lecture course by Prof. Burton. President Brown gave the announcement for "Art Day" and then read a poem "Philosophy" recently sent the club for its guest book by Mr. John Kendricks Bangs.

The meeting then adjourned for a social hour with the Mrs. Still and Mrs. M. L. Dudley, chairman.

There were 175 members present, and twenty-three guests, with five out of town guests as follows : Mrs. McKee of London, England. Mrs. Hess of Oklahoma City, Okla. Mrs. W.H. Given, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Mrs. Harriet Ryerson of Carthage Mo. Mrs. N. B. Ashby.

Door Receipts \$5.75.

May M. Kason Sec'y

Art Day.

October 19, 1910.

President Brown called the club together Art Day Oct. 19th. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The president then spoke of the fine work done by the Calendar Committee, expressing the clubs' thanks for same. She then made the following announcements:

The Woman's Club would entertain the 7th Dist. Federation meeting Friday, Oct. 28th, at the Unitarian Church, also the 3d lecture by Prof. Burton, Saturday evening Oct. 29th, also the first meeting of Mrs. Riddell's German classes Monday Oct. 31st at 2 P. M. at the club house.

Mrs. Delmudge announced the meeting of the History and Literature committee, and Mrs. Carpenter the opening meeting of the Art Study class Tuesday, Oct. 28th with a talk on Architecture by Mr. Eastman.

Mrs. B. F. Carroll made the announcements for the Mother's Congress, November 1-2-3.

President Brown spoke of a lecture by Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, and of the beautiful basket of flowers sent by Miss Wallace, in remembrance of her mother, and a motion that the club send her a vote of thanks then prevailed.

Mrs. Crowley, as chairman of the day, then took charge opening her program with a violin solo by Miss Koenigsberger, who responded to an encore playing "My Rosary". Mrs. Crowley then introduced Mr. Frank F. Smith, of St Louis, who gave a talk on Textile Art; his subject was "The history, weaving, dyes and collections of Oriental Rugs"

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A lecture so interesting and instructive that many ladies lingered long after the closing of the club to hear more, and examine Mr. Smith's beautiful collection of rugs. In closing the afternoon program Mrs. Crowley read a poem written by Mr. Frank Bonnelle of Boston, following the reading with an invitation to the dining room where Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Vorse served a cup of tea.

There were 91 club members present. 15 paid admission. Visitors from Federated clubs 4. The following ladies from outside the city. Mrs. Sloan, of Santa Fee, New Mexico. Mrs. Fairfield of Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs Goodwin. Mrs. Arthur Leonard, of Grand Forks, Dakota. Mrs. W. F. McCoy of Arkansas City, Kansas. Mrs. W. H. Whallon of Los Angeles, Calif. Door receipts \$3.75.

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors the following ladies were elected to membership in the club. Mrs. S. Baylor Keenan, Mrs. Rebecca Mitchell, Mrs. W. D. Evans, Mrs. Wm. P. Blair, Mrs. A. E. Kepford, Mrs. E.M. Haldeman, Mrs. Carlton Garver, Miss Lottie Granger, Miss Josephine Schiffer, Mrs C. S. Littler, Mrs. F. O. Norton, Mrs. George A. Gruener, Miss Bertha L. Harris.

May M. Kasson Sec'y

History and Literature.

November 2, 1910.

President Brown called the club to order November 2d for the 3d open day.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. She then introduced Mrs. Schoff of Philadelphia, who was in attendance at the Mother's Congress. Mrs. Schoff is a member of the Century Club of Philadelphia and as a club woman gave us a few words of greeting.

Mrs. C. E. Hunn, as delegate, gave a report of the 7th Dist Federation meeting. Pres. Brown then made some announcements calling attention to Article 7 of the By Laws, also to the new arrangement for keeping the front door of the club house locked, visitors to be admitted on ringing the bell.

Mrs. Loring as chairman of the History and Literature committ then took charge of the program which was opened with a solo by Miss Fern Gordon.

Mrs. James P. Stephenson read a paper on Literature in its relation to life. This was followed by a talk from Miss Dunlap on The Influence of Literature on Social Problems. Miss Gordon closed the program with a solo "Good Bye"

Following the program the President made several announcements. There were 83 club members present. Guests out of town 3. Mrs. Schoff, Pres. of Mothers Club, Philadelphia. Mrs. Quint of Chicago. Mrs McKay.

May M. Kason Secy

Philosophy & Science.

November 16, 1910.

The meeting of Nov. 16 was in charge of the Philosophy and Science department with Mrs DeFord and Mrs H. B. Hawley chairmen. President Brown called the meeting to order and after a reading of the minutes, she introduced to the club Mrs Kate Williamson, of Denver, a member of the Denver Woman's Club, chairman of Legislative committee of State Federation of Woman's Clubs of Colorado, and a member of the Executive Board of several other Denver Clubs. She spoke of the work of the Denver Woman's Club and of many things it had accomplished for the betterment of conditions in Denver.

Mrs DeFord introduced Prof. McBride of Iowa City, the lecturer for the afternoon, who, while waiting for the stereoptican gave a philosophical and witty preamble to his lecture on Luther Burbank, whom he characterized as the greatest grafter on the Pacific Coast. He illustrated his talk on plant grafting with the stereoptican pictures, showing the strange and almost inconceivable changes Mr. Burbank has brought about. At the close of the lecture which was largely attended, Miss Stromberg gave several violin selections, and a social hour followed.

Members Present 123.

Paid guests 28.

Complimentary guests 6

Total present 158. Door receipts \$7.

Mary M. Kason Secy

Social Day.

November 30, 1910.

The first social day of the club year was a most attractive one. The coming of the Officers of the General Federation, to our state for their official meeting was an honor for Iowa, and that the Des Moines Women's Club should have the pleasure of entertaining them as guests, meeting and greeting those strong forceful women face to face was an inspiration to our club.

Mrs. Philip Moore, of St Louis, and the fifteen women of the official board came early in the afternoon from Colfax. After inscribing their names in our new Guest book they were greeted by President Brown of the Women's Club, Mrs. Grundy Pres. of the City Federation and Mrs. Berryhill, Ex-Pres. of the State Federation, who in turn presented the guests to the club members. They were then invited to the auditorium where Pres. Brown gave more formal words of welcome, introducing in turn several of the visiting members who spoke to the club.

Mrs. Philip Moore, Pres. of the General Federation, told in a remarkably clear way of the work of the federation emphasizing its three great aims to be , influence-work-co-operation, by which so much has been accomplished in the different departments. It was an inspiring address, nothing superfluous, clean cut and practically helpful in its suggestions for every department.

As a forceful leader may give, so Mrs. Moore inspired her co-workers to greater activity in club life.

Mrs. Josiah Cowles of Los Angeles gave a most cordial invitation to all club members to attend the next biennial at San Francisco, urging them to stop enroute at Salt Lake City, where they would be most welcome.

When Mrs. Blankenburg of Philadelphia came before us her quiet collected manner gave no indication of the surprise she was about to spring upon us with her quick and keen Quaker wit. So clean and wholesome in its clean cut sarcasm that left no sting behind. Indirectly her talk was a plea for a recognition of Woman Suffrage, all so delicately put that friend and foe enjoyed it equally well. Following her came the greeting from the South by Mrs. J. Creighton Mathews, who with her charming southern dialect made us all feel as if we really were kin folks, and after she reported all the good things that our representative club woman, Mrs. Hillis had told we had accomplished, we began to feel as if we too had "Done Things" and maybe they were glad to be "kin folks to you all".

A delightful closing of the afternoon was the introduction by Mrs. Still of Miss Harriet Ankeny, who with nothing lacking but a quaint colonial gown, took us back in spirit to the old fashioned garden of her childhood home where the hyacinths and narcissus bloomed and because the memory of the latter had always been so sweet to her, and in

honor of her mother whose beautiful old age is one of our city's notable traditions she presented to the club a narcissus vase from the famous Rookwood pottery, and in honor of her father Gen. Ankeny presented a blackberry vase of Rookwood. On behalf of the club Mrs. Mitchell gave a response of appreciation with a rising vote of thanks from the club.

Mrs. De Graff always a favorite, sang four numbers at the opening with Mrs. Roy Walker accompanist. At the close of the program refreshments were served by the social committee, Mrs. Still and Mrs. Dudley chairmen, and later the distinguished guests returned to Colfax, leaving many pleasant memories of their visit.

May M. Kasson Sec'y

The sixth regular meeting of the club was held Dec. 14th. Pres. Brown called the club to order and after a reading of the minutes and two letters from the Federation officers in appreciation of their recent visit she called on Mrs. T. M. Walker, who spoke sympathetically of the late Mrs. McHenry, a prominent club member.

Following this came a motion that resolutions of sympathy be drafted and sent to the family. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Witmer were appointed as committee for same. Pres. Brown introduced Mr. Kehford, who made a plea for co-operation in carrying on the war against tuberculosis and for the sale of the Red Cross seals to assist in the work. The president then asked Mrs. Shepard, chairman of Philosophy and Science committee to take charge of the program for the afternoon, and she responded by introducing Mr. Henry Wallace, who spoke briefly of the growth and developement of our city. And in turn presented the speaker of the afternoon, Mr. D. J. Haff, of Kansas City, who told in a very instructive and entertaining way of the developing and beautifying of Kansas City, illustrating his talk with lantern views of the city, "before and after treatment".

This was followed by an informal discussion and a vote of thanks to Mr. Haff in behalf of the clubs appreciation of his fine lecture. Meeting adjourned. Members present 77. Visitors 3. Paid admission 12.

May M. Kason Sec'y

Home and Education.

January 4, 1911.

The regular meeting of the club was called to order by President Brown. After reading of minutes of last meeting announcements were made for "Philosophy & Science" committee and of "Art Day" by Mrs. Crowley, also of "Music Day" by Mrs. Hal Howell. Miss Daisy Binkley opened the program for the afternoon with a group of songs. She was accompanied by Mr. Delmar Youngemeyer.

As chairman of the Home and Education committee, Mrs. Frank P. McKay introduced Dr. Walter Bierring, whose subject for his talk was "The Physician in the Home". The triumph of the nineteenth century is the clearer idea it has given us of the value of simple living as a preventative of disease. Fresh air, sunshine and exercise are three great aids to good health. He believes very little in hereditary disease. The best legacy for a child is to teach him a healthful mode of living, so that he may have strong muscles.

At the close of the lecture the club adjourned.

May M. Kason Sec'y

Music.

January 18, 1911.

The Des Moines Women's Club meeting for January 18th was held in the Auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. It was called to order by President Brown, and the minutes of the last meeting read. Pres Brown then gave notice of the clubs dues now due, and of the coming of Prof. Zolney on the next Art Day, and of the History and Literature study class with Miss Ada McClelland leader for the afternoon. Mrs. Berryhill followed with an announcement of our coming Silver Anniversary, which was further supplemental by Mrs. Durley. Pres. Brown announced February 15th as the date of the all day meeting for the Silver Anniversary, with Mrs. H. B. Hawley of Philosophy and Science committee chairman for that day. The program for the afternoon was then taken charge of by Mrs. Hal Howell, chairman of the Music Dept. Dean Nagel as director, Mrs. Frank Cummings accompanist and Highland Park orchestra, with the club chorus rendered a fine program, and Mrs. Howell was inspired to say a few words of appreciation at its close. Mrmbers present, 203. Guests 168. Musicians and chorus 41. Reporters 2. Out of town guests 2. Total number present 414. Receipts \$42.

Mary M. Kasson Seeley

Art Day.

February 1, 1911.

The Woman's club met February 1st at Hoyt Sherman Place. Pres. Brown called the club to order followed by a reading of minutes.

Mrs. Crowley, chairman of the Art Exhibit, announced the names of the successful competitors in the 3d annual contest for the best picture submitted by a Des Moines Artist, to be as follows:

1st Prize. Miss Louise Orwig. Subject "Conscience" \$100 given by the Woman's Club.

2d Prize. Miss Katherine McCartney. Subject "Hollyhocks". \$50 given by Younker Bros, Davidson Bros, and Mr. J. C. Carpenter.

1st Honorable mention. Mr. August Bilz, portrait of Master Bilz.

2d Honorable mention: Miss Harriett Macy, Home thoughts also commendations to Mr. Linn C Culbertson for A Des Moines landscape and Miss Francis Keffer, Landscape of Beaver Valley.

The exhibition included some forty canvasses and each year the grade of work submitted has improved showing the interest of the Des Moines artists. We shall hope for the fourth annual exhibit still better results.

The judges in the contest were: Mr. George Zolnay, sculptor of St Louis. Mr. Jay N. Darling, cartoonist for "Register and Leader", and Mrs. Alice Seymour, artist, Prof. P. Graham, Mrs. H. G. Everett, artist.

Pres. Brown expressed her thanks to the different hostesses for the Art gallery for their open days, and to the chairman of the Art Dept. Also made announcements for Philosophy and Science Day, and of the Silver Anniversary, and luncheon to be held February 15.

Mrs. Carpenter, chairman of the Art Dept. then introduced Mr. George Julian Zolnay, the noted sculptor of St Louis, who spoke to the club of the "Art of Sculpture" describing it in all its phases, illustrating his talk with stereoptican views of his own work and that of other artists. The club is indebted to the chairman of the "Art Dept" for two very interesting "Art Days".

Members present	182.
Reporters	2.
Musicians	2.
Men	4
Out of town guests	2.
Paid guests	63.
total	<u>255.</u>

Mary M. Kasson Secy.

Silver Anniversary and Philosophy & Science Day.

Several weeks ago the board planned on the celebration of the twenty-fifth or Silver Anniversary of the club, and in lieu of a pretentious entertainment with all its extra work and ticket selling decided it would be a pleasant diversion to ask members of the club to earn a dollar, or more than a dollar if they wished, but at least one dollar, and at a certain time gather together have a luncheon and after telling their experience as to how the dollar was earned, have the money presented to the club and used toward the liquidation of the debt, incurred last year in the purchase of the three pictures for the Art gallery. This was done, and Feb. 15th, 1911 was the date of the celebration. With true school day instinct, not wanting to be tardy, the club members began to come from all parts of the city as early as ten o'clock, and they kept on coming until after twelve. During the morning, greetings were exchanged, new members welcomed, money turned into the treasury, and congenial little groups gathered and found places to lunch together. When all were seated in the main auditorium, the social committee with Mrs Still and Mrs Dudley chairmen, served a delicious two course luncheon. At its close Pres. Brown took her place in the center of the room, near the round mahogany table, which for the occasion bore the beautiful

lace cover, and in its center a huge birthday cake decorated in the white and green club colors, and surrounded by twenty-five green and white wax candles set in cut glass candlesticks. She then called the club to order, and spoke briefly of the meeting to celebrate the twenty-fifth year of our existence as a Woman's Club, expressing her birthday wish thus in closing.

"As I cut our birthday cake, I wish for the future of our club: Renewed enthusiasm, enthusiasm for the principles for which we stand, a new grasping of opportunities, and a broader outlook. A new realization of our desire to serve the best interests of our club, and our city". She then cut the cake and during its distributions several informal speeches were in order.

Mrs. Witmer spoke on good fellowship and her recent visit to Eastern Art exhibits.

Members were then called on to tell how their money had been earned. The responses were numerous, entertaining and witty. Many timid workers received inspiration from the great and unexpected success of sister club workers. A few are still striving to earn their coveted dollar, this we know because the returns are not all in. There were many sacrifices of time and patience. Especially were the tatting makers to be commended for the time they gave. The hand lotion was all sold, the grab bag empty. The cottage cheese, fresh eggs, doughnuts, bread, marmalade, mats and

aprons all disposed of and the silhouette cutter's scissors were still. The luncheon served by the high school club members netted them over \$9. The largest gift to the club was the \$100 earned by Mrs. Irwin. She solicited advertising and gave a percentage on all business she turned in. Mrs Andrews the oldest member of the club, earned her dollar teaching French. Another gift, one of the largest, very beautiful in sentiment, was the purse with twenty-five silver dollars, one for each year of her club membership, presented by Mrs. S. S. Gillette. The list is long and will be preserved by the secretary for future references at the next twenty-fifth birthday.

In recognition of the first gift to the "Art Fund" made by the late Mr. F. M. Gilbert, an honorary membership was unanamously voted to Mrs. F. M. Gilbert, now of Walpole, N.H. A large cake donated by Mrs. J.C. Ford was sold at auction, with Mrs Mitchell acting as auctioneer. The cake was cut in twenty-five pieces and each sold separately. The bidding was lively and entertaining. The enthusiasm of the auctioneer drew the halves, quarters, dimes and nickels out in the spirited bidding, and the auctioneer, tho she didn't take it off really got very warm under the collar and showed a great deal of strength of arms, as she frequently brought the gravel down with a whack, to emphasize her bids and call to order. The cake netted \$18.50 and the treasurer reported the total amount received \$573.85.

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Mr. Wilbur A Reasor, artist from New York, formerly an Iowan, made a short speech. The club then passed a vote of thanks to the many who had assisted by donations and other ways in the success of the day, and the club adjourned for a short time.

At three o'clock Pres. Brown called the club to order. After reading the minutes and making several announcements, she then introduced Mrs. Hawley, chairman for the afternoon, whose program with the topic "Everyday philosophy" was considered in turn by Mrs. F. W. Weitz, Mrs. Frank L. Miner, Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth, and Mrs. W. L. Read. The music for the afternoon was furnished by the Des Moines Woman's Orchestra, which in closing played a collection of old familiar airs, and the audience joined in a hearty way in the singing after which the club was adjourned.

About 200 were in attendance at the luncheon. Later many others came in.

At the last meeting of the Board it was voted that the club join the National Dramatic League.

May M. Kasson Secy.

Social Economies & Civics.

March 1, 1911.

President Brown called the meeting to order March 1st and after reading of minutes of last meeting made announcements of the Art Study class, and of the adjournment of History and Literature class. She also called attention to the beautiful picture "Judith" which had been so kindly loaned by Mr & Mrs Riddell, and was hanging on the north wall in the Auditorium. Miss Henry explained the recent joining of the club of the Dramatic League, and why the advantage to the club in joining same. Pres Brown again spoke of Mr. Brigham's lecture on the Grand Canyon and read a letter from Prof. Parrish of Chicago, explaining a gift he had recently sent to the club of several boxes of "pop sticks" valued at \$5. The gift was accepted by the club and placed on sale later for the benefit of the Art Fund. Mrs. A. H. Weber made announcements of Prof. Forest C. Ensigns lecture on "Some problems of adolescence in Home and School" to be given at the meeting on Home and Education Day.

Mrs. J. H. Ellis, chairman for the afternoon then introduced Judge A. K. Stewart whose talk on how to make a city beautiful contained many helpful suggestions. He was followed by Mr. Ralph Sawyer, whose paper enlarged on the various plans for civic improvement as outlined by the various committees who are working toward that end.

At the close of the afternoon program the president brought up the matter of club dues, now due, after which the club adjourned.

Members present,	74
Paid admission	75¢
Visiting guests	2
Reporters	4
Speakers	2
Total present	85.

Guests were Mrs. F. S. Burberry of Indianola.

Mrs. S. J. Spaulding, Pres. Woman's Club of Basin Wyo.

May M. Kasson Sec'y

Home and Education Day.

March 15,

President Brown called the club to order. Reading of the minutes of last meeting approved. The president made announcements of a concert for the benefit of Children's Hospital Fund, also of the Art study class, of the Dist. and Literature and of the Art Gallery open every Sunday for any visitors.

Mrs Delmedge announced the reading by Prof. Clark of Chicago University .

Mrs. Weber, chairman for the afternoon then introduced Mrs. Robert Bell, who sang most charmingly a group of songs, following it with a lecture by Prof. Forest C. Ensign, of Iowa City, whose subject was Some Problems of Adolescence in Home and School. "That the child needs the directing hand of both parents in the days pressing dilemma". Despite the exacting demands of the modern struggle for existence the speaker believed there is yet a way in which fathers as well as mothers can keep in touch with their boys and girls. Prof. Ensign would guard the companionship of the adolescent child, guide his activities into wholesome paths, and above all else keep his confidence and faith pinned to an honorable and truthful parenthood.

At the close of the lecture Mrs Brown invited all to remain for a cup of tea, and also to attend the meeting on Civic Day.

Members present 79, Guests 30 Total 109.

Collection \$6.

Mary M. Ransom Sec'y.

Civics Day.

March 23.

The meeting March 23d, Civics Day, was called particularly that the club might hear Mr Ray Weirick talk along Civic lines.

Mrs. Frederick Shepherd as chairman introduced Mrs. J. K. Macombe, who spoke with enthusiasm of the growth and possibilities of our city, emphasizing cleanliness of the streets and enforcement of the anti-spitting ordinance, as the prime factor to bring about wholesomeness and a healthful cleanliness in the city. She was followed by Mr Carl Sholz of Chicago, who advised us how to abate the smoke neisance by having the construction of the fire box correct. A remedy so simple that it is hard to convince people that it is a right one.

Mr. Mack Olsen also spoke of some features of a city beautiful. Mr Weirick had with him some fine views which he had collected while abroad, which were to be the basis and illustration of his talk, but was unable to reproduce them successfully. He promises, in the hope of better lantern facilities, to show them to the club at a later day.

No official action was taken on the anti-spitting ordinance, but the club were unanimous that it should be stringently enforced.

It was an open day with a general invitation to the public to attend, and many visitors were present.

Mary M. Kasson Sec'y

History & Literature Day.

April 5,

The club was called to order by president Brown, followed by a reading of the minutes of last meeting.

Announcements of election day was made by the president.

Mrs Hal Howell made announcements for Music Day, and the Pasquali concert. An invitation for the Art Dept to hold its next and final meeting at the home of Mrs Carpenter, was extended by Mrs Crowley. Mrs Delmedge then introduced Prof. S. H. Clark of the University of Chicago, who gave a dramatic and interpretative reading of Materlincks "Blue Birds" which was by far the most delightful afternoon of the year.

The attendance for the afternoon was the largest of the year.

Members 190

Guests 236

Total 426

May M. Kasson Secy.

Open Day.

April 12, 1911.

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Brown, followed by a reading of the minutes of last meeting. The ushers then passed the ballots for the nomination of President.

While they were being prepared Miss Hoyt, president of the local association for the blind, spoke of Mr Campbell and his work for the adult blind, and Mrs Brown asked the club members to announce the coming meeting for the blind at which time Mr Campbell will speak and urged all to hear him.

The result of the informal ballot for President was as follows. Total votes cast 63. Mrs Riddell 47, Mrs Garst 5 Mrs Cowles 8, Mrs Brown 3, Mrs. Garst declined having her name used. On the formal ballot the total votes cast were 65 Mrs Riddell 55, Mrs Cowles 10. Mrs Riddell was elected Pres. to the Women's Club. The informal ballots for 1st Vice Pres. resulted as follows: Total votes cast 70. Mrs Cowles 26, Mrs Homer Miller 12, Miss Williams 17, Mrs Souers 8, Mrs Garst 3, Mrs Carrell 3, Mrs Grundy 1. Miss Williams refusing to have her name used, Mrs Cowles and Mrs Homer Miller were declared the candidates. A suspension of the rules was then asked for and the sec'y instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs Cowles 1st vice Pres. The informal ballot for 2d vice pres. resulted as follows; Total votes cast 72. Mrs Souers 43, Mrs Elliott 11, Mrs Benninger 3, Mrs Homer Miller 6, Mrs Garst 3, Mrs Pratt 3, Mrs Prouty 1, Mrs H. C. Wallace 2. Mrs Souers declining the nomination Mrs Elliott and Mrs Homer Miller were the candidates.

The formal ballot resulted as follows; Total votes cast 68, Mrs Miller 43, Mrs Elliott 24, Mrs Garst 1, Mrs Miller was elected 2d vice president. The informal ballot for Recording Sec'y was as follows: Total votes cast 68, Mrs Stockdale 58 Mrs Elliott 3, Mrs Miner 4, Mrs Lorenz 1, Mrs Wallace 1, Mrs R. H. Howell 1. A suspension of the rules was then asked for, and the sec'y instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Stockdale. The informal ballot for corresponding sec't was as follows: Total votes cast 57, Mrs Elliott 41, Mrs H. C. Wallace 12, Mrs Given 3, Mrs Miner 1, The Sec'y was instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs Elliott for corresponding secretary.. There being no opposing candidate for treasurer a suspension of the rules was asked for, and the secretary instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs W. W. Littell for treasurer. Mrs Riddell was called to the platform and introduced. She spoke particularly of plans for the lawn fete

Mrs Delmedge announced the last meeting of the History and Literature class, and Mrs Miller spoke of the benefit to be given at the Princess theatre.

The new directors were asked to meet with the Board at its next regular session.

Total present 78. Receipts 50¢

There are three vacancies on the old board of directors and the following members fill those places. Mrs H. Carter, J. J. Hamilton and Walter S. Brown.

Meeting adjourned.

Music Day.

April 26,

President Brown called the club to order. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. President Brown made several announcements after which Mrs Haas, chairman for the day took charge of the program, introducing Dean Nagel, The Club Chorus and the Hahnel Quintette. These artists gave a fine program and Mr Frederick Vance Evans rendered a group of songs composed by Dean Nagel.

At the close of the program President Brown spoke in appreciation of all the musicians. Later we hope to hear them again.

Members present 142.

Guests 92. Total 234. Door receipts \$14.25.

Mary M. Kasson Sec'y

SOCIAL DAY

MAY 10, 1911.

Meeting called to order by President Brown.

The program opened with a piano solo by Mr. Frank Lawton, followed by a group of songs rendered by Mrs. F.N. Shepard.

The president gave the notices for the delegates to State Federation meeting at Sioux City. This was followed by the presentation of a bunch of roses to the president from the Board. Mrs. Mitchell spoke of the appreciation by the club of the years work of the retiring president Mrs. Brown, who responded in a courteous little speech of thanks, and then introduced the new president Mrs. W. O. Riddell. The latter responded with greetings to the club in a forcefull speech and with assurance of earnest effort for the coming year.

The annual reports were read by Mrs. Welker Given, Cor. Secretary, Mrs. L. J. Kasson, Rec. Secretary, Mrs. Webb Souers, House Committee, Mrs. Henry Griffith, delegate to City Federation; and Mrs. H. L. Carrell, in the absence of Mrs. Littell, read the report of the Treas.

Mr. Frank Lawton closed the program with a piano solo and the Club was adjourned until October.

Mary M. Kasson, Rec. Sec'y.

Regular Board Meeting.

October 12, 1911

1st Regular Board meeting was held Oct. 12, 1911, and was called to order by Pres. Mrs. Ernest Brown. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Sec'y read a letter from Prof. Cummings commending the work of Miss Pairie to whom the club scholarship of the Women's Club had just been awarded. Announcements were made by Pres Brown of next meeting of Art Dept., and discussion of expense of same. She also spoke of the financial statement recently received from Houlton & Nichols.

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| Treasurer | Mrs. W. W. Littell |

Mrs. Welker moved that the Board authorize the payment of \$1.00 to Mrs. Ashby for the Chippendale table, at once. Motion carried.

President gave notice of the change of time of Prof. Burton's lecture.

Sec'y read the resignation of Mrs. D. F. Dickinson from the Board membership. It was accepted. Also read thirteen new names, first reading for application for membership in club, also letter from Miss Mary Scott.

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Regular Board Meeting.

October 12, 1910.

1st Regular Board meeting was held Oct. 12, 1910, and was called to order by Pres. Mrs. Ernest Brown. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Sec'y read a letter from Prof. Cummings commending the work of Miss Patzig to whom the club scholarship of the Woman's Club had just been awarded. Announcements were made by Pres Brown of next meeting of Art Dept, and discussion of expense of same. She also spoke of the financial statement recently received from Moulton & Ricketts and sec'y read letter from same and also read contract made with Moulton & Ricketts. It was left to the president to advise them that nothing is due now on their bill.

Pres. Brown reported on the repairs on Chippendale table. A motion by Mrs. Walker that the table be repaired but not refinished prevailed, seconded by Mrs. Witmer.

Mrs Walker moved that the Board authorize the payment of \$100 to Mrs. Ashby for the Chippendale table, at once, motion carried.

President gave notice of the change of time of Prof. Burton's lecture.

Sec'y read the resignation of Mrs. D. W. Dickinson from the Board membership. It was accepted. Also read thirteen new names, first reading for application for membership in club, also letter from Miss Mary Scott.

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A motion that the board unite and entertain the 7th Dist. Convention Oct. 28th prevailed. Motion by Mrs. Powell and seconded by Mrs Agar. A motion that the work of the luncheon be left with Social committee, carried.

Meeting adjourned. Members present, 18.

May M. Kasson Sec'y.

Board Meeting.

Oct. 26, 1910.

The regular board meeting was held Oct. 26, 1910. Pres. Brown called the board to order. Report of Sec'y read and adopted. Mrs Howell asked for a larger room for "Music Day", extra expense to be about \$40. Mrs. Crowley reported the expense of "Art Day" to be \$16. Also that Mr Frank S. T. Smith might be secured free of expense to the club for a second lecture on Rugs. Also suggested a letter of appreciation be sent Mr Smith. A motion that such a letter be sent by the sec'y then prevailed. Motion made by Mrs Agar and seconded by Mrs Voarse. Motion that the lecture be given the next "Art Study Day" - carried. Miss Henry reported a change of meeting place for last lecture by Prof. Burton. A motion to that effect was made by Mrs Agar and seconded by Mrs Cummings. Lights were asked to be placed on the front porch. (And a motion that two lights to placed on the porch carried. Motion by Mrs Cummings, seconded by Mrs Prouty.)

The house committee were instructed to see that the electric fan was in order, and also to the proper placing of the lights on the porch. The president spoke of Prof. McBride's lecture on Burbank and expense of same. A motion for the suspension of the By-laws, carried. moved by Mrs Ballard, seconded by Mrs Elliott.

It was decided that no called meetings should be held for the purpose of election of new members. Also that

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Mrs. Minassian come into the club as a new member.

President discussed the proper care of the business papers and a motion that the club have a safety deposit box for same was carried. Motion made by Mrs. Witmer and seconded by Mrs. Vorse.

A motion that a Yale lock be placed on the front door and that it be kept locked was carried. Motion made by Mrs. Witmer and seconded by Mrs. Littell.

Mrs. Weitz reported for the Calendar committee. A motion that the report be accepted and the committee send by mail all undistributed calendars, carried. Motion made by Mrs. Vorse and seconded by Mrs. Littell.

The treasurer then gave a short report after which a motion prevailed that the City, State and National Federation dues be paid at once.

It was decided that Mrs. Riddell be allowed to have the use of any room she wished for her German classes, inasmuch as the club was to be benefitted by them.

Letters of withdrawal were granted Dr. Fuchs and Dr. Harbach. Motion by Miss Williams, seconded by Mrs. Agar.

The Printing Committee were instructed to attend to a new supply of club stationery. The request of Mrs. Howell for \$50 on motion was granted. Motion by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Foster.

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Thirteen new members were elected. Mrs Vorse proposed the name of Mrs Payne of Redfield. The same was discussed thd meeting then adjourned.

Members present 18.

May M. Kasson

Rec. Sec'y.

Board Meeting.

November 9, 1911.

Meeting called to order by Pres. Brown. Minutes read and approved. Mrs. Cummins reported on lights for front door. Treasurer reported expense of 7th Dist. Federation out side of church rental was \$20.70. Motion that the bills for same be allowed. Motion by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Witmer, carried. Mrs. Carroll reported on rental of church. Motion that the club pay \$15 for church rental, carried, Motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Miss Gilcrest. Miss Henry reported that there was already in the treasury over \$100 above the expense of Dr. Burtons lecture. A special vote of thanks was given Miss Henry for what she had accomplished. Motion by Mrs. Vorse, seconded by Miss Gilcrest.

Pres. Brown spoke of the meeting of the National Federation Board to be held at Colfax, and as Mrs. Philip Moore the president could be with us the next social day it was moved and carried that the social day be changed to a regular reception for Mrs. Moore and the Board.

Motion made by Mrs. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Green.

Mrs. Brown spoke of the Social Economies A Civic Day and the coming of Mr. Hoff, also of a concert by and of the contract with Prof. Nagel. After hearing the report of Mrs. Nourse on the Guest Book, a motion prevailed that the matter be left with the Printing committee.

Motion made by Miss Gilcrest, seconded by Mrs. Green.

A motion that Mrs. McColl be granted letter of with-

drawal carried. Motion by Miss Gilcrest, seconded by Mrs. Green.

Mrs. Payne was then voted into membership of the club. The matter of purchasing a black board was left with house committee. Motion by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Carrell.

Reading of two applications for membership. Meeting adjourned. 16 members present.

May M. Kasson Sec'y.

Board meeting.

Nov. 23, 1910.

Pres. Brown called the meeting to order. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The names of Mrs H. J. Tillia and Mrs J. E. Crowe were read for the second time, voted on and the parties elected to membership in the club.

Pres. Brown discussed plans for the next "Social meeting"

Mrs Benninger reported the need of more lighting facilities for the Auditorium and a motion prevailed that the House committee attend to placing of gas lights in the auditorium. Motion by Mrs Walker, seconded by Mrs Vorse.

Sec'y read a letter from the Associated Charities asking for help. A motion prevailed that the club give \$5 to the Associated Charities, or the use of the club house for a reception for them. Motion by Mrs Witmer, seconded by Mrs Miller.

Meeting then adjourned. 15 members present.
Iowa Conference & Charities & Correction.

May M. Kasson. Sec'y.

Board meeting.

December 7, 1910.

Pres. Brown called the meeting to order. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Then followed a discussion about the entertainment "Alice in Wonderland", also of the silver offering. An all day meeting was suggested with gifts. Also that a talk be given on the pictures in our "Art Gallery. Also an evening entertainment with plans for the gentlemen to attend. A motion by Miss Williams seconded by Mrs Agar, that \$15 be appropriated for a christmas gift to the janitor. Motion carried.

A motion that an all day meeting to make plans for the silver anniversary be held Jan 4th. Motion by Mrs Foster, seconded by Mrs Agar. motion lost.

Mrs Souers reported for the House committee. Report was accepted with instructions for committee to go ahead and make needed changes.

Mrs Morris gave report of Rental committee which was accepted with a vote of thanks. Motion by Mrs Agar, seconded by Mrs Elliott. Motion carried. A motion that Mrs Still be allowed \$1.50 for extra help for "Social Day", afterward the House committee to do extra hiring, motion carried.

Discussion of Mr. Evans request for free use of club house, turned down. Another discussion of the work for "Silver Anniversary", Club adjourned.

Members present 11.

May M. Kason Sec'y.

Board Meeting.

December 21, 1910.

President Brown called to order followed by a reading of the minutes of last meeting.

Discussion of plans for the Silver Anniversary, and for the coming Art Day.

Present: Mrs. Littell, Green, Williams, Walker, Witmer Brown, Marshall and Kasson.

Mrs. Carpenter suggested Mr. George Zolney for Art Day sculptor, also Mrs. Macomba.

Amount on hand as reported by treasurer \$312.20.

The arrangement of Art Day to be left with Mrs Carpenter.

The Ex Board granted \$5 to Mrs. Pickett for a xmas gift.

Eight members present. As there was no quorum regular business was not transacted.

May M. Kasson Secy

Des Moines Women's Club

Regular Board Meeting.

January 11, 1911.

Pres. Brown called club to order. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Names of Mrs. L. W. LeQuatte H. S. Clow and F. W. Sprague read and they were elected to membership.

The resignation of Mrs Green was not accepted. Mrs. T.S. Stephenson and Mrs. B. F. Carroll resigned from board. Accepted and places filled by Mrs. B. A. Stockdale and Mrs. Harry Wallace. Mrs. Witmer moved that insurance on "Alice in Wonderland" be transferred to gallery pictures if possible. Motion carried.

Mrs. Howell, chairman of "Music committee" asked for allowance for extra expense for "Music Day" .

Committee for "Silver Anniversary" were called in and discussion of various plans for same. Mrs Durley moved that we have reception in evening and announce how much raised by club members, with wedding procession and living pictures. Motion carried.

Chairmen, Mrs Berryhill, Mrs. Nourse, Mrs Witmer and Mrs Darley.

Meeting then adjourned. Members present 12.

May M. Kasson Sec'y.

Board Meeting.

January 25, 1911.

Pres. Brown called the meeting to order. Minutes of last meeting were read and accepted.

A reading of the letter from Witmer and Kauffman on insurance of "Alice in Wonderland". Mrs Littell explained the letter. A motion that the insurance matter be left with the finance committee, carried. Motion by Mrs. Vorse, seconded by Mrs. Given.

Report of Mrs. Morris, chairman of House Committee, read and accepted. Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Elliot. Report of treasurer was read and accepted. Motion by Miss Williams, seconded by Mrs. Foster.

The names of three new applicants were given first reading. Announcement that \$150 had been raised for Art exhibit prizes.

Report of Miss Phoebe Dorr, of Music Dept, read and accepted. Motion that the request of Mr. Stuart that he be allowed to exhibit some of his pictures was referred to the Gift Committee. Motion by Mrs. Gilcrest, seconded by Mrs. Plumit.

The board on motion was adjourned. Motion by Mrs Vorse seconded by Mrs. Foster, carried.

During the intermission there was a discussion of Art exhibit.

Pres. Brown called the board to order, and the following names were given a second reading, and the

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applicants unananimously elected to membership in the club.

Mrs. Walter V. Sexton, 1318 Harrison Ave. Mrs. S. A. Merrell
1310 Pleasant St. Miss Anna D. Merrell, 1310 Pleasant St.

Motion to appoint committee for Friday evening
reception for Silver Anniversary, said committee to be
appointed by Pres., carried. Motion by Mrs. Vorse, seconded
by Mrs. Foster.

Motion that Mr. Riddell be asked to loan his painting
for the Silver Anniversary, carried. Motion by Mrs Stockdale
seconded by Mrs. Plumb.

Motion that we have an exhibit of Mrs Carpenters
pictures, carried. Motion by Mrs. Vorse, seconded by
Mrs. Carrell.

Meeting adjourned. 14 members present.

Mary M. Hasson Sec'y

Called Meeting. Des Moines Women's Club

February 1, 1911.

Called to order by president. Informal discussion of the Silver Anniversary.

A letter of withdrawal was granted Miss B. H. Bailey. Motion that resignation of Mrs Cummins be not accepted. Motion by Mrs Miller, seconded by Mrs Williams.

More discussion of Silver Anniversary. Motion that reception on Friday evening of Silver Anniversary week be dispensed with, and arrangements to be made for the all day meeting Wednesday, February 15. Carried. Motion by Miss Williams, seconded by Mrs Gilcrest.

Meeting adjourned. 9 members present.

May M. Kasson Sec'y

Board of Directors meet at Hoyt Sherman Place. Pres. Brown presiding. In absence of Sec'y, Mrs Frank Vorse acted as Sec'y.

Report of year was read by Mrs Littell and approved. Balance on hand \$789.60. It was moved by Miss Gilcrest that an extra copy of the Federation Bulletin be subscribed for and sent to Y. W. C. A.

It was moved by Mrs Homer Miller that the Woman's Club join the National Dramatic League by payment of \$2, carried.

The report of the House committee for Feb. given by Mrs. Chas Morris, \$120.50 collected on rentals, report accepted.

The Marshall Field Cook Book proposition was voted down. Notice was given by Mrs Vorse of change in By-laws, Art. 1 Sec. 5, in regard to time of election of delegates to Biennial, Mrs Miller moved, seconded by Miss Gilcrest, that a specila committee with Miss Flora Henry, chairman, make arrangements with Prof. Richard Burton for course of lectures on the Drama next October. Carried. Adjournment.
14 members present.

May M. Kasson Sec'y.

Board Meeting.

March 8, 1911.

The board was called to order by Pres. Brown. Minutes of last meeting read and accepted. A motion prevailed that the Board send congratulations and flowers to Mrs. J. M. Callander, member of board, on the arrival of a young son. Motion by Mrs. Littell, seconded by Mrs. Vorse.

A discussion of plans for Proteus Club to join in the expense and profits of Dr. Burtons lecture next fall resulted in the following motion. The Proteus Club be allowed to co-operate and share in expense and profits of Dr. Burtons lectures. Motion by Mrs. Gilcrest, seconded by Mrs. Vorse. Motion lost.

A discussion on the change of the By-laws in Sec. 5 Art. 9, resulted in the following wording.

Delegates and alternates to the Biennial meetings of the S.F.W.C. and G.F.W.C. shall be elected by ballot at the same time, and in the same manner as the Board of Directors. The names of those who are ineligible shall be printed on ballot. Mrs Carroll and Mrs Vorse were appointed to formulate the change. Motion by Mrs Witmer, seconded by Mrs Foster, carried.

At the request of Mrs Brenton, the following motion was adopted. That \$10 be appropriate for use of State Federation, toward state scholarship fund. Motion by Mrs Carroll, seconded by Mrs Vorse.

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A motion that Mrs. C. S. Hunn be expected to choose her own assistants, and carry out the wishes of the late Mrs McHenry in regard to her sec'y report. Moved by Mrs Littell seconded by Mrs Carroll. Carried.

The president reported on Pasquale and Music Day. Mrs Witmer was appointed to find the frieze and transparencie and report on same. A discussion of election day followed and Mrs Vorse and Mrs Elliott were, on motion, appointed to provide some kind of entertainment for that day during the time the club was awaiting election returns. Motion by Mrs. Kasson, seconded by Mrs Littell. It was not decided just when or how to plan for a talk by Mr. Weirick.

At her own request Mrs Emily F. Winslow was dropped from the club. The report of Mrs Still, chairman of Social committee, showed a balance on hand from the luncheon of \$18. A vote of thanks to the Social Committee was then authorized for their very successful day. Motion by Miss Williams, seconded by Mrs Elliott, carried.

The resignation of Mrs Weitz from the board was accepted.

Meeting adjourned. 16 members present. 2 new members Mrs Grundy and Mrs Wilkins.

Mary M. Kasson Sec'y

Regular Board Meeting.

March 22, 1911.

The meeting called to order by Pres. Brown. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Sec'y gave first reading of Mrs Oliver Fays application for club membership. Also letter from General Federation Bulletin Pub. Co. A motion that the club take one share of the stock of said company was lost. Motion by Mrs Vorse, seconded by Mrs Littell.

Report of treasurer was read and accepted. Amount of silver offering now on hand \$580.85. Mrs Dr. Carter offered to the club valuable books on Art and Architecture of the World's Fair. A motion that the offer be accepted with thanks and that Mrs Vorse be instructed to confer with Mrs Carter, and find out expense of some case or a suitable place for care of books and documents. Carried. Motion by Mrs Grundy, seconded by Mrs Witmer.

Report of house committee presented by Mrs C. H. Morris was accepted. Rents to date \$731.25. Motion by Mrs Stockdale seconded by Mrs Elliott.

Report on Civic Day by Pres. Brown was followed by a discussion for a general Civic Day, with the City Federation and Woman's Club uniting.

Board then adjourned temporarily.

A letter from Witmer and Kauffman on insurance matters were read.

President Brown called Board to order and a second reading of Mrs Oliver Fays application for membership followed, a vote was taken and Mrs Fay was unanimously elected. Board adjourned. Members present 11.

May M. Kasson Sec'y.

Board Meeting.

April 5, 1911.

President Brown called the Board to order. Mrs Garst read a letter prepared by Mrs Shepherd and husband, on the anti-spitting ordinance which was to be presented to the council, and asked for the approval of the Board. A motion that it be approved prevailed. She also spoke of Mr Campbells talk or lecture to be given before the Federation at Sioux City, and asked the club to assist in the advertising or boosting for a similar talk to be given by Mr Campbell in this city.

A motion for a suspension of the rules and that Mrs L. L. Cassidy be elected by acclimation, carried. Motion by Mrs Cummins, seconded by Mrs Littell.

Mrs Haas was granted additional money for Music Day. Motion by Mrs Given, seconded by Mrs Stockdale.

Motion that when the votes are counted and a person elected is unable to serve, the name of such person be added to the list and noted as such. Motion by Mrs Cummins, seconded by Miss Williams.

Motion that if the House Committee found it advantageous to rent the house to Miss Putnam for her dancing class they be allowed to do so. Motion by Mrs Cummins, seconded by Mrs Littell.

Motion that \$6 be allowed to pay for extra help during illness of janitor, Bert Williams, carried. Moved by Mrs Cummins, seconded by Mrs Agar.

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Motion that \$7 be appropriated to pay for refrigerator now owned by Bert Williams. Carried. Motion by Cummins, seconded by Mrs Witmer.

A letter was read by President Brown, asking for a contribution to assist in the preservation of Louisa M Alcotts home. No action taken.

Motion that the use of club house be tendered the Association for the Blind, carried. Motion by Mrs Cummins, seconded by Mrs Williams.

Letters from Mrs Gilbert and Callendar were read.
Meeting adjourned.
15 members present.

May M. Kasson Sec'y.

Regular Board Meeting.

April 19, 1911.

Meeting was called to order by President Brown.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted. A letter from Miss Gilcrest containing her resignation from the Board was read and accepted. Motion by Mrs Vorse, seconded by Mrs Green.

The withdrawal of Mrs L. Mott was accepted.

Mrs Hal Howell again presented plans for the Pasquali concert, and left tickets for same.

Mrs Crowley, chairman of Art Dept, reported on the rules for the "Art Concert".

A motion by Mrs Witmer, seconded by Mrs Vorse, that the chairman of Art Committee to instructed to procure 35ft of wall screen to hang art exhibits on, carried.

Mrs Harwood reported on the election, and recommended that a study should be made of methods to stimulate more interest in the election day. It was moved by Mrs Vorse seconded by Mrs Elliott that the report be accepted, with thanks to the election committee. Carried.

Report of treasurer was read and accepted. Motion by Mrs Stockdale, seconded by Mrs Plumb.

A motion by Mrs Vorse, seconded by Mrs Green, that the Grand Piano be sold was lost.

Notice of a change in the By-laws was given by Mrs Green.

A motion carried that Pres. Brown confer with

Mrs Howell and try to arrange musical matters by next meeting of Board, Mrs Miller, seconded by Mrs Littell.

Suggestions of plans for the Fete here made after the r reading of four new names proposed for membership in the club.

A motion for a suspension of the rules and call for the ballot was made, and the following ladies were elected to club membership. Mrs Chas. L. Waldo, Mrs F. H. Noble, Dr. Nellie S. Noble, Mrs Walter Bierring.

Mrs. Vorse, Crowley and Shepherd were appointed a committee to confer with committee on Federation Fete.
15 members present.

May M. Kasson Sec'y

Board Meeting.

May 3, 1911.

Board called to order by President Brown. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. President Brown reported on letters of congratulation sent to Mrs L. F. Andrews, a charter member, on her 82d birthday. Mrs Green read an amendment to the By-laws. The conductor of the Chorus shall be chosen by the Board of the Women's Club. Motion for its adoption by Mrs Littell, seconded by Mrs Stockdale, carried.

Miss Williams presented the name of Dean Holmes Cowper in nomination for leader of the chorus for the year 1911-12, seconded by Mrs Grundy, carried.

Mrs Green was appointed to formulate a change in By-laws Art 1 Sec 1, motion, that Cor. Sec'y write a letter to Dean Nagel expressing the appreciation of the Board for his efficient work, and the interest he had taken in the Chorus. Motion by Mrs Green, seconded by Mrs Kasson. Carried.

A letter from Mr Clark, sent in by Mrs Carpenter, chairman of Art Dept, presented plans for wall screen and asked to be allowed to arrange for 45 ft instead of 35 ft as previously granted. Motion by Mrs Witmer, seconded by Mrs Agar Agar that additional feet be added. Carried.

Mrs Crowley, Art Dept chairman, asked that a permanent advisory committee for Art Dept be appointed. A motion that the matter be deferred for future action prevailed. Moved by Mrs Kasson, seconded by Miss Williams.

Report of treasurer was read and accepted.

A motion by Mrs Elliott, seconded by Mrs Witmer that \$1000 be paid to Moulton and Ricketts on the note, money due for picture purchased last year. Carried.

Mrs Elliott was appointed to assist in auditing treasurer's book. Mrs Witmer reported on frieze and transparencies. The frieze in storage at tMr Pleas Mills ware house, the transparencies in Mrs A. B. Cummins attic. Mrs Carrell moved, seconded by Mrs Plumb that Mrs ^{Chas. L} Brown be re-instated in the club. Carried.

Three names, Mrs Elmer Lousks, Mrs Jas. Roach and Mrs Will Tone were read for club membership. By-laws were waived and all three voted into the club as members. Mrs Morris reported for renting committee, rents \$900.85.

Motion by Mrs Wilkins, seconded by Miss Williams that orderings of necessary silver and supplies be left with House Committee. Carried.

Mrs Bennenger was elected chairman of House Committee for year 1911-12.

Meeting adjourned. 15 members present.

May M. Kasson. Sec'y.

*Mrs C. L. B.
Mr Chas. Brown.*

Called Board Meeting.

Pres. Brown called the club to order. Minutes were read and approved. Letters read about the Russian dancers and discussion of matter.

A committee was appointed on motion, to arrange for some kind of Silver celebration. Motion by Mrs Vorse, seconded by Mrs Witmer.

Report of treasurer. Balance on hand \$202.87.

Mrs Vorse moved that we have the Russian Ballet, seconded by Mrs Foster. Motion lost.

Pres. Brown appointed Mrs Delmege of Home and Education to ask Prof. Bierring, of Drake to talk, also to ask Prof. Clark for the second day of Home and Education. A motion that the request be allowed made by Mrs Carroll, seconded by Mrs Walker.

Discussion of plans for Social Meeting. Motion that the names in Guest Book be confined to actual guests of club, by Mrs Witmer, seconded by Mrs Elliott, carried. Motion by Mrs Green, seconded by Mrs Ballard, that the corresponding sec'y keep guest book, carried. Plans left with the president for Social Day, also spoke of the hostesses and attractions of Art gallery. Suggestions for procuring famous pictures were made. Board adjourned.

May M. Hasson Secy.

At a called meeting of board in July 1910, Mrs. T. F. Stevenson was elected 1st Vice Pres. Mrs L. J. Kasson was elected Recording Secretary. Mrs T. M. Walker gave notice of change in By-laws, Art 8, Sec. 1.

Mrs J. C. Cummins move the purchase of a fine old mahogany table from Mrs Ashby for \$100, carried. Board was asked to buy History of Gen'l Federation, declined.

Mrs Green moved adjournment at 11:15, carried.

Meeting called to order 11:25 A. M. Mrs Carrell moved to change the By-laws Art 8, Sec 1 to read \$10 instead of \$5. Carried. Mrs Souers reported for House committee. Mrs Foster moved that House committee be empowered to make needed repairs to place house in good condition, carried.

Mrs. J. C. Cummins moved that janitor be given two weeks vacation, with pay beginning August 12th, carried. Mrs Foster moved that Printing committee be asked to provide suitable "Guest Book". Carried.

Resignations from the board were read and accepted by Mrs J. L. Reed and Mrs Lena Dickinson.

Meeting adjourned. Members present 10.

Mary M. Kasson

Called Meeting.

September 16, 1910.

Meeting called to order by Pres Brown. Discussion of place of meeting for the Burton lectures. Motion of Mrs. Prouty that, 'The Burton Lectures be given at the club house, seconded by Mrs Green, carried.

Motion by Mrs Powell that The board of Women's Club tender the use of the house, and unite with the city federation in a reception to the State Federation officers. The City Federation to furnish the refreshments, seconded by Mrs Carrell, motion prevailed.

Discussion of farm loan by treasurer and matter referred to the finance committee. Pres. Brown read a letter from Miss Patzig asking for the Woman's Club Cumming scholarship referred to Prof Cumming for his judgment in the matter.

Discussion of election of 1st Vice Pres. Motion by Mrs Witmer that Mrs Frank Vorse be selected to fill 1st Vice Pres. place, carried.

Discussion of Mr Brigham's illustrated lecture. Motion by Mrs Powell that Mr Brigham be invited to give a lecture, to be arranged for later. Seconded by Mrs Littell, carried.

Mrs Littell read the Davidson bill. Mrs Proutys motion that the bill be paid, seconded by Mrs Carrell, carried.

Mrs Green gave notice of an addition to the By-laws reading thus: Art. 6 Sec. 6. Vacancies in the executive board may be filled by the Board of Directors.

On motion of Mrs Carrell, the Board adjourned for a short time.

Board called to order and a second reading of amendments to By-laws was heard. Mrs Witmer moved the adoption of the proposed change, seconded by Mrs Callendar, motion prevailed.

Motion by Mrs Carrell that the matter of vacation for help be left with the House committee, seconded by Mrs Green, carried. Open day was discussed by Pres Brown. Mrs Carrell moved that the Social committee have the necessary money for Officers Day. Seconded by Mrs Littell, carried. Sec'y read three letters. Corresponding Sec'y was instructed to send letters of condolence to Miss Mary Scott and Mrs Emma Turner Watson.

Meeting adjourned, 10 members present.

May M. Kasson Sec'y

Called Board Meeting.

September 27, 1914.

President Brown called the meeting to order September 27th and after a reading of the minutes of last meeting asked for a discussion of Miss Patzig application for the club's scholarship in the Cummings Art School. The matter was referred to Prof. Cummings for advice. A letter of withdrawal from club membership was granted Mrs George E Hallett.

The resignation of Mrs Leroy Bowen from membership in the club was accepted with regret. After a discussion of a proposed concert by Miss Fornia, the treasurer gave a report of the club finances, this was followed by a motion by Mrs Given, seconded by Mrs Powell, that the club bring Miss Fornia here. Motion was lost.

The application of Mrs George W. Holton for membership in the club received a second reading, was voted on and she was unanimously elected. The application of Mrs. Jas G. Olmstead for membership in the club received its first reading, and a suspension of the rules, the second reading was then moved and carried. Moved by Mrs Prouty and seconded by Mrs Vorse.

A motion that the Sec'y be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mrs Olmstead then prevailed. Moved by Mrs Witmer and seconded by Miss Gilcrest.

A letter was presented by Miss Gregory asking for re-instatement, after three years absence from the city. She was re-instated.

President Brown spoke of Br. Brigham's lecture. The meeting adjourned. 14 members were present.

May M. Kasson Sec'y.

