

Sixty Women Coming for Jewish Meeting

Sixty women, members of the board of directors of the National Council of Jewish Women, representing two hundred sections totaling forty thousand members, are coming to Chicago to attend the quarterly meeting of the board to be held at the Palmer House, Sunday, January 31, through Wednesday, February 3. This is the first time that the national board has met in Chicago in the last twenty-five years.

Mrs. Arthur Brin of Minneapolis, who is national president, will preside at all sessions. Other national officers who will be in attendance are Mrs. Maurice L. Goldman of New York, first vice-president; Mrs. Joseph H. Welt of Detroit, second vice-president; Mrs. Alexander Wolf of Washington, third vice-president; Mrs. Benjamin Marvin of Hollis, Long Island, treasurer; Mrs. Herman Levine of West Englewood, New Jersey, financial secretary; and Mrs. Gerson B. Levi of Chicago, recording secretary. Mrs. Samuel Alschuler of Chicago also is a member of the Board. Mrs. Marion M. Miller of New York, executive director of the National Council of Jewish Women, will also be in attendance.

The meetings of the national board are of extreme importance because the organization only holds its national conventions once every three years. Plans for the next Triennial at Pittsburgh, in 1938 will be considered.

The Chicago section of the council, Mrs. Harry J. Myerson, president, will entertain the visiting directors at a dinner on the evening of Tuesday, February 2, at the Covenant club.

Neighbors Club Embarks Upon Trip to Many Lands

Introduced by means of "Bon Voyage" place cards, new members of the Neighbors of Kenilworth, directors, and hostesses of the day embarked together upon a trip to foreign ports at the annual breakfast Tuesday noon, the first stop being Honolulu. The president, Mrs. G. W. Vaught, placed leis around the necks of new members, these being worn during the remainder of the afternoon. Games followed which took the party to points all over the world at the same time acquainting fellow travelers.

At the regular afternoon meeting Healani Mackenzie completely captivated his audience. With an introduction of Hawaiian music, he gave a brief historical, religious interpretation of ancient Hawaii, even including meanings of certain "hula" steps. He used his musical program as a background for many beautiful pictures of the Hawaiian Islands, their houses, churches, gardens and flowers, their people and customs in days of yesterday and today.

High School Hop at Shawnee

Shawnee Country club is expecting a very large crowd for its next High School hop on Friday evening, January 29. The music for the party will be provided by the Melody Commanders, the orchestra which has been so popular with the young people at former dances.

Mrs. Wallace L. Miller of 610 Forest avenue was hostess to eight friends for luncheon and bridge in her home Tuesday.

At Catholic Club

Out of reports at the monthly meeting of the Woman's Catholic Club of Wilmette last Friday afternoon, several events of future interest were noted. Mrs. Harry L. Barker, was, at the most recent board meeting, appointed program chairman for another year. Members are asked to save Friday evening, February 5, for a party given to benefit the Sanctuary department. The next fine arts meeting is on February 12, with Mrs. Frank Thale in charge of the book reviews which will constitute the program.

Crime, which is on the increase, is a problem toward whose real solution we have made very little progress, although millions have been spent in endeavor, the speaker of the afternoon, the Rev. Ralph A. Gallagher, eminent sociologist, told the members in his talk on delinquency in boys and girls. It's everybody's problem, it is a problem of youth, of young people, and while it may touch this vicinity only lightly, "club women should be interested, catholic women should be interested" in this problem and its solution, in those measures which, by improving living conditions and educational facilities, may help to lessen it. "To remember that all criminals are human beings—to try to understand the mind of the criminal boy and criminal girl—to try to understand what they've done and why," are suggestions the speaker offered in an effort to try to solve crime problems. "To try to understand the cause in the life of a criminal, to try to get his slant—to let delinquent boys and girls and criminals know that somebody is interested in them somebody will make an effort for them," and, what is very important in the speaker's mind, "to try to introduce to them a type of moral restraint of moral training, a religious background, something for which to work," all these things, according to the Rev. Mr. Gallagher, are really needed in approaching the solution of crime.

The problem of home environment and training, ("sixty-five percent of delinquent boys and girls in courts today are from broken homes") is a vital factor, the speaker pointed out. To clear the slums, to establish a decent background, to work for education of children in all "four phases of everyone's life; the intellectual, or at least the rational side; the physical life; the emotional life, and the moral life," in order to achieve balance, inasmuch as those trained only in the first phases have warped development—these are aims for which to work in trying to wipe out crime. "To demand the same standard for the man in the slums as in the rich area," is vital, according to the Rev. Mr. Gallagher.

"Laws, for the most part, have not abolished crime," he said, "most penal institutions are failures." Punishment in itself is not enough and often adds to crime. It is hard to reform a criminal; work should be done for the delinquent boy and girl of today who is the potential criminal of tomorrow. From his years of experience in penitentiaries and in jails, where he has served as chaplain, from years of work with delinquent children, from hearing their confessions, their reasons for going wrong, he evolves his own ideas to help solve the problem of crime, which is here today, a living, growing thing.

Members lingered around the tea table for their usual social period.—J. T. B.

Eleanor Perkins Next Book Review on Poetry

The fifth morning book review by Miss Eleanor Ellis Perkins given under auspices of the Evanston Friends of the Chicago Junior school occurs Wednesday, February 3, at the home of Mrs. Harley L. Clark, 2603 Sheridan road, Evanston. Taking for her general theme, "Poetry," Miss Perkins will discuss "Enjoyment of Laughter," by Max Eastman; "More Poems," by A. E. Housman; "The Bad Parents' Garden of Verse," by Ogden Nash; "Strange Holiness," by Robert P. T. Coffin; "The People, Yes," by Carl Sandburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Ide, Jr., formerly of 1332 Forest avenue, Wilmette, have moved to Gary, Ind.

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