

Y. W. C. A. Notes

Girl Reserves

Mrs. Wilson Kline, the new Girl Reserve chairman on the Y. W. C. A. board of directors met with her Girl Reserve advisors at a dinner in the association club room on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 3. This was Mrs. Kline's first step toward becoming acquainted with the personnel of this important department whose head she has become. With over one hundred girls and already five earnest advisors. Mrs. Kline is visioning a progressive year in the Girl Reserve corps of Highland Park.

Up to date, Mrs. Kline has not assembled her Girl Reserve committee but she is working it out and before long we feel that the girls will have a strong, interested group of women back of them to help them meet their problems and carry on their various programs. Of course, the club advisors will be members of the Girl Reserve committee and also the general secretary of our local Y.W.C.A. Mrs. Bruce Chandler, since she will write up the activities of the committee for the paper will also act as secretary of the committee. So the personnel of the committee is growing and so far includes Mrs. Wilson Kline Mrs. H. E. Meyers, Mrs. Sylvia Martin, Mrs. Bruce Chandler, the Misses Alice Lindberg, Hermina de Hartog, Margaret Adkins, Myra Jane Hutton, Marjory Kendall, Kate Waugman, and Mrs. Lydia Hutton.

Christmas Tableau

At the dinner the most important topic discussed was the Girl Reserve work in connection with Christmas. It was decided that the clubs will join in presenting Helen Durham's version of "The Nativity of the Manger." This tableau is not new and has been used in a variety of ways by various groups. It was put on some years ago by Vassar college and during the war on Christmas Eve in a little town near one of the large army camps. It is beautiful and effective and we are sure that the Girl Reserves can put it on in such a way that it will appeal to one and all. The tableau will be staged in the association assembly hall on the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 15, at four o'clock.

The Deerfield Girl Reserves are responsible for the tableau of the three wise men and for the main vested chorus which will sing during the various scenes. The Cubs Junior will be the smaller choir which sings during the Manger scene and the two Narrators will come from the Cubs Senior.

The Freshman G. R's are working out the shepherd and the angel tableaux and Oak Terrace G. R's are preparing the scene of "Mary, Joseph and the Child." During this tableau Ruth Drake will sing Martin Luther's cradle song "Away in the Manger." The processional and recessional will be a group of 60 Girl Reserves with lighted candles.

Service Work

The "Service for others" upon which the Girl Reserves have worked so faithfully during the past weeks will be on display on the Sunday that those who come may see what the girls have done to make other children happy at Christmas time. Just to make the display a little more interesting each doll that has been dressed, each stocking that has been filled and each scrap book that has been made will be numbered and you may vote on the doll, stocking, and book that you consider most neatly and attractively fixed. The girls will be anxious to see who gets the most votes.

A number of representatives from each club will go with Mrs. Hutton and their advisors to Erie chapel on the Saturday before Christmas to take these gifts to the children. The Swastika G. R. supplying the dolls and toys for Laird house, are also planning a party for the children on Saturday morning.

Interclub Council

As soon as the Christmas activities are over the Girl Reserve clubs will vote in each group for a representative on an interclub council which will be formed to plan large group activities similar to the Christmas tableau, and to discuss problems of the various groups and the best way to meet them. This council will be an important one and each representative must be a girl who can be depended upon and will take her position seriously. The clubs are asked to consider the nominees very carefully before the vote is taken.

Elm Place Group

The Elm Place school girls in seventh and eighth grades who have petitioned the "Y" for a Girl Reserve club are being organized now by Mrs. Wilson Kline, who will act as advisor for the group for a couple of weeks until Miss Margaret Atkins is free to take the advisorship permanently.

Friendship Club

The Friendship club held its regular meeting on Thursday evening, Dec. 5 in the association living room. The attendance was small, only about 20 girls being present as many of them had gone to Chicago to get their Christmas shopping done early and did not get to the meeting. The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Evelyn Soumi promptly on the dot of 8:30 and took care of the business on hand before the real feature on the evening's program began at 9 o'clock.

The program chairman, Miss Augusta Schriffer, was appointed by the president to consult with the B. Y's club upon the possibility of a joint Christmas party on Dec. 19 similar to those the two clubs have enjoyed in the past. Should the B. Y's be unable to participate in the party, Miss Schriffer will appoint her own committee from the Friendship club to plan a party for that evening for her own club.

Plans were made for the club's Christmas service work. The girls are going to make candy for the disabled soldiers at the Veteran's hospital at Lake Bluff. The candy was

to be a Christmas gift but the girls are sure the men won't object to the candy being delivered a bit before the twenty-fifth so they are going to meet at the "Y" on Thursday evening, Dec. 12, to make fudge, sea foam and peanut brittle for the Veterans. A group of girls to represent the club will go with Mrs. Benson to the hospital on Friday, Dec. 13, to take the candy.

After the business meeting, Miss Krueger, from the Highland Park State bank talked to the club about the Christmas Savings clubs. She explained how the clubs worked and how much each amounted to in the year that it runs. She told of the advantages of belonging to a Christmas savings club and the various ways folks have made use of the money they have saved in this way. Miss Krueger answered all of the questions the girls asked and managed to inspire in them a real desire to start a Christmas savings club and learn to save in a systematic way.

Mothers' Club

At the Mothers' club meeting on Dec. 3, the mothers managed to get in a very important piece of club business before the interesting musical program was started. Its been the custom of the Mothers' club since its earliest history to hold a Christmas party at the "Y" for their children. And what more natural annual activity could have been established than a party where a club of mothers plans a good time for those mothers' own youngster? There is no age limit to the children who attended the party but it is one of most vital interest to the smaller children because Santa Claus will be there by a large Christmas tree to hand out a treat for each child. The Christmas party this year will be on the afternoon of Saturday, Dec. 21 at 2:30 o'clock and we are sure that every mother in the club will be well represented. Mrs. Hattie Jones, Mrs. Louis Schemmel, Mrs. Willis Gerkin, and Mrs. Clara St. John are the committee in charge of plans for the party.

Business Girls

A committee of the B.Y's club including Miss Grace Newmeyer, Miss May Hansen and Miss Marguerite Noerenberg met on Friday night at the "Y" to decide upon just what the club will do when it acts as Santa Claus this month for a needy family of seven in Highland Park. This is to be the clubs service work project for Christmas and we feel that the girls in the club are talking upon themselves a most worthy responsibility.

House Girls at "Y"

The resident girls at the Y.W.C.A. are planning a Christmas party of their own this year. The plans are still in the making but we have already been definitely told that it will be in the form of a dinner party on

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