

Y. W. C. A. Notes

Board Meeting

The February board of directors meeting was held at the Y. W. C. A. on Tuesday, Feb. 11. Mrs. E. T. R. Murfey, president, presided while the committees made their several reports and the business of the day was accomplished.

Mrs. Myron C. Rybolt resigned as secretary of the board in order that she might be appointed chairman of an industrial and business girl committee. This will be a new committee in Highland Park but one whose influence will be greatly felt in the growth of the association. With the B. Y.'s, Mothers and Friendship clubs, all of which are steadily growing, as starters, it is certain that a very worth-while industrial and business girl department can be formed in this community. Mrs. Rybolt has had some experience in the past in this field of work so the board is confident that things will soon be happening in her department. As she steps into her new office, she already sees one big project ahead of her to be worked out. The Friendship club has scheduled a style show for the evening of March 27 which will be a larger undertaking than the club has ever attempted in the past.

Mrs. R. Arthur Wood resigned as third vice-president and chairman of the membership committee and was elected secretary to fill the vacancy left by Mrs. Rybolt. The task of secretary is an exacting one and a tedious one but Mrs. Wood is willing to take the responsibility of the office and whatever she does she does well.

Mrs. Harry M. Pier resigned as devotional chairman and was elected to fill the vacancy made by Mrs. Wood's resignation. A third vice-president is only upon rare occasions asked to fill the place of president but Mrs. Pier as chairman of the membership committee will find that she has plenty to do without having to act for the president. The work of this committee, already so well started by Mrs. Wood, is a work that never ends and whose results continue to show as the committee forges ahead.

Mrs. Frank J. Horn was appointed by Mrs. Murfey to fill the place Mrs. Pier had left empty and her title will be changed from devotional to program chairman, thus enlarging her field of endeavor.

Mrs. O. L. Olesen is this year's chairman of finance. This committee has one of the most difficult tasks of the whole organization but its reports and decisions unfortunately are of most vital interest to the board and not to the general public. So although the work of the finance committee is seldom mentioned by the publicity department, be assured that behind the scenes it is functioning and making possible the activities of all other committees.

Mrs. A. S. Burdick, who is again chairman of the house committee which she lead through 1929 with such beautiful success, gave her interesting report of the house for the month of January. Into the statis-

tics of her report, Mrs. Burdick always manages to weave for the board a human interest experience that some young woman has brought with her to our Y. W. C. A. It makes the board conscious of the fact that it is accomplishing something for real, live people and not just setting up a mechanical program of activities and ideals never realized.

"In unity there is strength." That may well be the motto that the Y. W. C. A. board of directors has chosen for 1930. Certainly in only the second month of the year, the board shows that in its unity is its strength. Watch the result of the working together of all the members of this 1930 Y. W. C. A.

Friendship Club

The Friendship club forgot for an evening all the cares and worries of life that each of us has no matter how happy or fortunate we may be to be transported back through the years of the carefree days of childhood, when on February thirteenth they participated in a children's party.

The girls came dressed as little girls and boys or in some appropriate Valentine costume since of course the party was a Valentine party it would have to be that kind when it happened the day before St. Valentine's day. Gingham dresses, big hair ribbon bows, patent leather shoes, and socks were in evidence as the girls appeared. Buster Brown was there and many a Sara Jane. In fact, poor Buster Brown was overwhelmed with requests to adopt each girl as a sister. The sailor boy in his wide bottomed trousers and saucy hat was very popular too with all the young ladies.

The prize for the cleverest costume went to Miss Gertrude Ames who in her little checked dress, big straw hat, and ribbon tied pig-tails was in truth a work of art. Miss Ames didn't forget a thing when she dressed for the party. She even had her pink handkerchief pinned on her dress with a four inch safety pin.

Miss Augusta Shrieger kept the party on the go with her program of children's games that all of us used to love so much. The girls found that they still loved them, from "Farmer in the Dell" to "Drop the Handkerchief."

Ice cream and home-made cake were donated by members of the club and with them was served coffee which is not good for little boys and girls so during refreshment time they had to make believe they had grown up. Miss Esther Suomi had charge of the refreshments and a special committee headed by Miss Lillian Mitchell and Miss Evelyn Suomi formed the clean-up brigade after the party.

Mothers Club

The Mothers club is busily rehearsing the play, "Tuning up for the Wedding" which will be presented at the Y. W. C. A. at 8 o'clock on the evening of the next club meeting which will be Tuesday, March 4. The cast will be announced next week. The proceeds from the play will pay the Mothers club pledge of fifty dol-

lars to the Y. W. C. A. 1930 budget. The play is a comedy and one whose humor will appeal to all-folks both young and old.

Business Girls Banquet

Mrs. E. T. R. Murfey, the Y. W. C. A. board president, Mrs. Myron C. Rybolt, the Y's new industrial and business girls committee chairman, Mrs. E. J. Ginter and Mrs. Wilson Kline accompanied the B. Y. club when it went to Lake Forest on the evening of February 18 to join Waukegan and Lake Forest business girls in the nation-wide banquet. It is an inspiration to the Business Girls club in Highland Park to know that they are finally having the interest and support of members of the board of directors in their club activities.

Swastika Freshmen

The Swastika club on Monday had an interesting program called "Know Your City." Reports were made on the location, character and functioning of the city library, banks and churches.

Katherine Hayward and Lola Alverson, both of whom love the very shelves and door-mats of our library, gave an interesting report upon it and the vast field of study and enjoyment it covers for all Highland Parkers. Marion Tuma and Eva Miller located on the city map all of Highland Park's churches, giving a short summary of the program of each one. Elsie Carlyle, who lives at Fort Sheridan told about the Fort chapel. Ruth Nelson of Deerfield reported on the Deerfield churches and Dorothy Glass, the Highwood churches. There certainly seems to be a church for every creed and if you haven't found yours ask the Swastika girls where it is. Caroline Schemmel reported on the local banks.

Cubs Senior

The Cubs Senior combined a Valentine and birthday party when they gathered at the Y for luncheon on Saturday, Feb. 14. The table was decorated with a runner of crepe upon which could be found Dan Cupid and the hearts his golden arrow had pierced. Miss Marjory Kendall, the club adviser sat at the head of the table but the seats of honor were held by the three young ladies whose birthdays were being celebrated, Juanita Dill, Virginia Bennett, and Stina Leander. Nineteen girls were present and all of them contributed some help in preparation of the luncheon and the sad but necessary "after party clean-up."

Cubs Junior

The Cubs Junior had their Valentine party on their club afternoon February 11. Each girl brought a valentine to put into the club box and after their game the adviser distributed them. Grace Gatewood is still assisting Myra Jane Hutton with this junior group of girls and all of them hope that she is interested enough to continue as Myra Jane's associate adviser.

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At their last meeting the L L Girl Reserves planned a program for the coming three weeks. On February

twenty-first they are to have a Washington's Birthday party with a program appropriate for that occasion. On February 28th they will hold their informal recognition service in the form of an initiation and on March 7, they will participate in their formal recognition service. It is hoped that every L. L. girl will by this last date, have her white Girl Reserve uniform ready and clean for the occasion.

The Y. W. C. A. in Roumania

In Mabel P. Dagget's intimate story of her friend Marie, the queen of Roumania, may be found an interesting account of how the queen in her program of growth and prosperity for her country since the World war, found in Paris an American delegation which she took to Roumania to organize for that people a Y. W. C. A. In a Roumania residence of Arabesque architecture you find it functioning today as busily as in any building in any city in America. Down the long hallway, if you follow the fragrant odor of the green peppers that season all Roumania cooking you will come upon the dining room recently turned into a cafeteria for the native working girl just now arriving in industry. There with her eastern beauty and white crystalline quality of soul, Christine Galitzei, born in Roumania of Greek parents, educated in a French school in Constantinople, later a graduate at the Sorbonne and finally a post-graduate with an A.M. degree from Columbia university in New York, is the Y. W. C. A. secretary, carrying on the work of modernizing Roumania.

From the headquarters in the very old city of Dumbavitga, the Y summer camps are organizing social life for young people. Gymnasiums are teaching them games and athletics. Country branches are carrying hygiene and child culture to the peasant villages. Committees are meeting, classes are organizing. Conferences are assembling even as in New York or Chicago or Rockford or Aurora. An ancient religion of worship is being grafted today a new religion of social service.

Starlings Are Invading State, According to the Illinois Audubon Assn.

Organization of the Waukegan and Lake county districts for the purpose of taking the 1930 government census took definite form Thursday through the visit to Waukegan of Mrs. Estelle Northam, of Evanston, census supervisor for the district which includes all of Lake county and a large portion of Cook.

Mrs. Northam faces the problem of selecting, organizing and educating 69 county residents to canvass the precincts in the county for the purpose of taking the census. These workers will take the field April 1, the deadline set by the government.

Besides getting the number of people an industrial and farm survey will be necessary as well as part of the duty of the census taker.