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UNIVERSITY CLUB OF MONTANA

THE State of Montana has become the home of a university club, and Butte is its headquarters. The club was formed about a week ago by a number of Yale and Harvard graduates. The name given to the organization is the University Club, and it will be composed of graduates from all the standard colleges in the United States who are residents of the state of Montana.

At least that is the intention of its organizers, who have started out with the object of making it a big, broad and respectable institution, and a club of a dignified and lofty character.

The inspiration to organize, found and set up a university club sprang full-fledged into the world at a dinner held in this city by a number of graduates of the two big universities, Yale and Harvard, last spring. The founders of the club were at the dinner, and the club is the fruit of the inspiration that found life in their breasts then and expression in views then expressed.

At that time those present at the dinner and the subsequent founders of the club thought to confine the membership in the club to the alumni of the leading Eastern colleges. But this view changed later, and it was decided that all graduates of standard places of erudition would be marked down as eligible.

At the first a somewhat exclusive view

of the proposed project, with reference to who should be allowed to become members of the club, prevailed. The fathers of the project wished very much to keep the educational standard up to a high point and it was thought that that was only to be accomplished by limiting the membership to those college graduates whose alma mater was numbered among the great seats of learning named.

It was finally perceived, however, that the original plan was too narrow, and the decision was reached that an elevated standard could be maintained and the alumni of other great colleges not included among those yet admitted.

So the rule was formulated that the graduates of all universities, East and West, of standing and respectability should be held eligible to membership in the club.

It was reported at first that the University of Minnesota would not be classed as a sufficiently elevated institution in the educational world to warrant the placing of its graduates on the membership roll. But when Carroll C. Dolman, secretary of the club, was apprised as to the report, he said it was a mistake, and that Minnesota university graduates would certainly be welcomed into the club.

The club was incorporated when or-

ganized, and its articles of incorporation filed with the county recorder. The directors are eleven in number, and are composed of the following gentlemen: George R. Milburn, George W. Tower, Jr., C. G. Dolman, G. E. Blackburn, C. F. Word, L. P. Sanders, Henry N. Blake, M. A. Walker, G. M. Sinclair, C. E. Sackett and N. P. Nippen. The officers of the club are as follows: George R. Milburn, president; George W. Tower, Jr., vice-president; C. G. Dolman, secretary and G. E. Blackburn, treasurer.

The present organization of the club is regarded as temporary by the gentlemen who brought it into existence, and the list of charter members is now in the course of formation.

The intention of the organizers of the club is to take into it all college men residing in every part of the state. In time, it is hoped, to start branches of the club in other cities in Montana beside Butte, but at present the only organization maintained will be that in Butte.

The objects of the club are to further the social relations among the college men eligible to membership in it, and also to cultivate literary interest. One of the charter members says that it will probably encourage educational matters. There are always many college men in every community who do not make themselves known, and the club founders desire to include them in the organization if possible.

All the graduates of colleges of standing throughout the United States who are residents of the state are cordially invited to join the University club.

It is the intention to set the initiation fee at a reasonable figure, so that it will not form a stumbling block in the way of those who desire to join the club.

Other efforts have been made heretofore without success to form a university club in this state. But the founders of the present organization have set out with the determination to make it a big, permanent, popular and beneficial institution.

ANACONDA WOMEN'S LITERARY CLUB

Anacanda can boast of having one of the strongest literary clubs in the state, in which the membership is confined to women.

The Anacanda Woman's Literary club is now in the fourth year of its existence and on the 5th day of last October took up the subject of Germany for this year's course of study.

The work will include a thorough study of historic, politic and economic conditions of Germany from the reign of Charlemagn to the present.

The members of the club are undertaking to examine in detail the character and work of the famous men and women who have ruled the country at different periods, of the literary light and musical prodigies whose names are linked inseparably with the rise of the German nation.

In like manner the first two years of the club's existence were devoted to France; to its history, the customs and manners of its people, tendency of the national movement, etc. Last year the theme was England, one of the most interesting topics of study; research and investigation within the reach of an English speaking people.

It certainly is most gratifying to the organizers of the club, who four years ago undertook to accomplish a work which would not only benefit the members of it but the community in which it exists. Its scope of usefulness has broadened in many ways.

One of the accomplishments of the past year outside the results attained

from the regular weekly meetings, was the placing in all the public school buildings of the city, as a donation from the club, famous works of art, to the benefit of the teachers and pupils.

The ladies spent much time and labor in raising the fund with which they purchased these pictures and in more ways than one have they shown a feeling of public spiritedness; they have endeavored to promote the cause of education to a marked degree of success; the result of their labors is quite apparent to those who have watched their progression.

The Woman's Literary club of Anacanda was organized April 12, 1898, by Mrs. F. W. Peckover and Mrs. F. E. Sargent, with a charter membership of 48. At the present time there are in the club 53 active members, 10 associate members and two honorary members.

During the existence of the club there have been dropped from its roll the names of 46 ladies, who have resigned either because of change of residence, or in accordance with the wording of the constitution, which makes it necessary to drop from the roll the names of those members not actively engaged in the work of the club. In this manner it has been possible to continue the work steadily, and each succeeding year has seen it increase in thoroughness in keeping with the growth of the interest manifested by the members.

The first meeting place of the club was in one of the front rooms of the Standard building, then used as a lodge room. This proved unsatisfactory as a

meeting place, and quarters were obtained in the Durban building in the rooms formerly occupied by Sisson's Business college.

The first officers of the club were: President, Mrs. F. W. Peckover; vice president, Mrs. H. H. Thornton; secretary, Miss Elizabeth L. Thomson; treasurer, Mrs. George F. Lyman; critic, Miss Virginia Douglas; librarian, Mrs. H. R. Whitehill; chairman of the program committee, Miss Anna Douglas.

The officers for the succeeding year were: President, Mrs. F. W. Peckover; vice president, Mrs. A. R. Whitehill; second vice president, Mrs. T. D. Fitzgerald; recording secretary, Mrs. D. J. McDonald; corresponding secretary, Miss Edna Waterbury; treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Walker; critic, Miss Elizabeth L. Thomson; chairman of the program committee, Mrs. W. H. Dorchester.

The officers for the third year were: President, Mrs. G. B. Winston; first vice president, Mrs. D. Cohen; second vice president, Mrs. J. M. Sligh; recording secretaries, Mrs. W. E. Gally and Mrs. Jerry; corresponding secretary, Miss Edna Waterbury; treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Walker; critic, Miss E. L. Thomson.

The present officers are: President, Mrs. G. B. Winston, first vice president, Mrs. D. Cohen, Sr.; second vice president, Miss Annie Sutherland; recording secretary, Miss Helena Gleeson, corresponding secretary, Miss Edna Waterbury; treasurer, Mrs. D. J. MacDonald; critic, Mrs. Herbert McNulta; chairman of program committee, Mrs. L. G. Smith.