



First Meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs

Mrs. A. G. Reed, President Louisiana Federation of Women's Clubs, left on Tuesday to attend the District meeting of Women's Clubs of the State.

The first meeting will be held in Alexandria; Mrs. James Wade Bolton, District President; Mrs. S. B. Staple, Second Vice President. State President's message will be delivered by Mrs. A. G. Reed of Baton Rouge.

Round table discussion will consist of Parent-Teacher Association work: From the Parent's Viewpoint—Mrs. J. H. Overton, Alexandria. From the Teacher's Viewpoint—Mrs. John Peters, Jr.

Short talks: Music—Mrs. J. G. Thompson; Geographic Circles—Mrs. G. R. Rossman; Housewives League—Mrs. C. M. Flower, Alexandria; Civic Pride; Sewing and Millinery Classes; Community Service; Girl Scouts.

The annual District Convention of the Federation of Women's Clubs will meet in Lafayette on April 4th and 5th, 1922. One of the interesting numbers on the program will be the address of Mrs. A. F. Storm, who will have as her subject "How Can We Get Our Clubs Interested in Department Work?"

Mrs. A. G. Reed, President, will address the Convention on Tuesday evening. The program contains many features of interest.

Seventh District Convention will be held in Lake Charles, April 6th, 1922.

The special subjects to be discussed at this convention are:

Work and Parent-Teachers Association—Mrs. Bland Vinton.

Parish Extension Work—Mrs. Springer, Lake Charles.

Legal Disabilities of Women—by Mrs. Potter, Lake Charles.

An address will be made by Mrs. A. G. Reed, State President on Thursday evening, April 8th.

A step toward Rural organization, very interesting to those who believe in the power of women's organizations for good, is the gathering of the women of the Shady Grove High School neighborhood under the supervision of Mrs. Giesen of the Extension Department of L. S. U. and Mrs. Kirk, Home Demonstration Agent of Iberville Parish.

The Shady Grove High School, to an outsider, is quite a wonderful place, an inspiration to those who are interested in the advancement of the rural schools. It is a consolidated school, serving the people of three communities, Gros Tete, Rosedale and Maringouin; a beautiful old plantation home, with great rooms thirty feet square that have been turned into school rooms, light, airy, cool in summer, warm in winter, lovely in

proportions, and surrounded by great trees that are worth more than money can express; for no amount of money can cause one to grow in less than a generation. On the same ground is a new building of plaster construction which comprises a large auditorium and several school rooms. This auditorium belongs to the people of the community for meetings of all kinds, entertainments, dances, and it was here that I met the women of the three communities and spoke to them briefly on the value of rural organization while Mrs. Giesen demonstrated to the the choosing and making of a new spring hat.

The high school girls were there and the members of the Plaquemine Reading Club and it seemed a real neighborhood gathering. The spring day was perfect, the mothers brought their little children, the older ones were already there at school and everybody seemed to have a good time. I wish that such a center could exist in every parish as it must give a vast amount of pleasure and do an incalculable amount of good. There is no reason why the enterprising men and women of the state should not duplicate Shady Grove in many places. If more would visit there I am sure there would be many duplicates.

Another new club has been added to the Federation roster in the last few days, the Civic League of Eunice, Mrs. J. W. White, President.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the State Federation will be held in New Orleans, Friday morning, April 7th, at which important matters will be discussed. There will be at least two new District Presidents eligible for this meeting, Mrs. Hill of Hammond, the newly elected President of the Sixth District and the new president to be elected in the Third District where Mrs. Edwards has served the limit of her term.

The programs of the Eighth, Third, and Seventh District Conventions have been arranged and are substantially as follows:

SMILES.

O, you cold and cruel Winter,
O, you grippy, fluey Winter,
So you thought you had us down
But behold, we bob up smiling,
Thoughts of joyous spring beguiling.
Search us for a trace of frown.

That's Why.

She coughed . . . And all eyes in the church
Were turned on her at that.
Was the poor soul embarrassed? No!
She wore her new spring hat.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I am announcing myself as candidate for mayor of Baton Rouge, subject to the white Democratic primary to be held in May.

I pledge myself to be the responsible head of this city government if elected, and to devote all my time to the office.

R. W. MCBURNEY.

EASTER FLOWERS

Dear blossoms, once again you come
Your story to repeat,
Too often, dears, you cannot bring
The Easter message sweet,
Of beauty springing ever new
From loss, and grief, and gloom;
Of joyful resurrection from
The darkness of the tomb

—Mary F. Butts.



AMONG LOUISIANA CLUBS

ENTERPRISE CLUB ENTERTAINS CLUB WOMEN

The Enterprise club of Lake Charles was hostess recently at the El Casa to all the club women of the parish. Invitations had been sent to Vinton, Sulphur, Billis, Community Chapel, Iowa, English Bayou, Hayes, DeQuincy, Calyss, Bell City and Westlake and nearly every place sent a representative, some of their quite a number. Guests were made welcome at the door by Mrs. Springer and Mrs. Bertha Knox, and after registering were seated in the parlors, which were beautifully decorated with spring flowers for the occasion.

The program was opened with a short address of welcome by the president, Mrs. John Springer, who outlined the purpose of the meeting. Her speech was not only a welcome to those present, but should be a message of fellowship to every woman in the parish. Mrs. Springer said in part: "You no doubt are familiar with the story of the old miser who kept a tame jackdaw that used to steal pieces of money and hide them in a hole. The cat, observing this, asked 'Why do you hoard up those round, shining things, which you never use?' 'Why,' replied the jackdaw, 'my master has a whole chest full and makes no more use of them than I do.' 'Every woman here has a whole chest full of good things—energy, enthusiasm, perseverance, and high ideals. You and your clubs are aware of some of this wealth; we in ours are acquainted with some of our valuable chests, but it has occurred to us that we are hiding our pieces of shining gold from you, and that you in turn are hiding yours.

"We know what happens in the money market when money ceases to circulate—panic or near panic. We need every piece of shining gold in every woman's chest to 'put over' the work of women, for women. Now the first piece for us to take from our chest is friendship, pure gold, and today we are offering you ours in its great abundance, and your presence here is proof that you have brought yours with you. So we, the Enterprise club of Lake Charles, welcome you most heartily this afternoon."

Mrs. Springer introduced Captain Woosley who spoke on "Neighbors," and the need of knowing each other, and the need of team work if anything is to be accomplished. He emphasized the point that we do not live for ourselves but for our children. "Let us make the world a better place

for them," he urged. In conclusion Captain Woosley gave the oath of the Boy Scouts.

Mrs. O. K. Lake then gave a charming reading, accompanied by Mrs. Stubbs on the piano, entitled "Take Me Back to Baby Land," and as an encore, "Dear Little Old Fashioned Girl," which were greatly enjoyed.

Two of the workers of the extension board of L. S. U. were the next speakers. Mrs. Mary Barrow Giesen spoke on the woman's part as an assistant to the producers of the world. "The farmer's wife," said the speaker "in making a home, makes possible the farmer's ability to raise great crops; even though she may never go into the field. The importance of her job can not be over estimated." Mrs. Giesen paid a tribute to the man who started extension work in the south, Bradford Knapp.

Miss Flavia Gleason then spoke of fellowship and its importance, telling a story to illustrate her point.

The program was concluded by everyone standing and singing "America," after which the entertainment committee served dainty refreshments in the dining room, and the rest of the afternoon was given over to getting acquainted.

Those assisted in serving were Mrs. S. T. Woodring, Mrs. C. B. Tobin, Mrs. W. B. White, Mrs. W. E. Garret, Mrs. J. D. Thompson, Mrs. M. H. Bass, Mrs. F. B. Lewis and Mrs. C. P. Stewart. Mrs. M. Uhry poured tea, while coffee was served by Mrs. Fred Hart.

Those present were: Mrs. J. H. Zabel, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Chas. J. Fremaux, Mrs. H. J. Welsh, Mrs. B. J. Blanchard, Mrs. J. N. Wetherill, Mrs. W. B. Lyons, Mrs. J. J. Bland, Mrs. O. H. Castle, Mrs. F. H. Mertz, Mrs. D. Moser, Mrs. J. Pearson, Mrs. W. S. Young, Mrs. P. H. Pipkin, Mrs. Harry Miller, Mrs. E. M. Venable, Mrs. S. T. Woodring, Mrs. C. B. Tobin, Mrs. Frank Gunn, Mrs. C. J. Daddison, Mrs. F. A. Hart, Mrs. M. Uhry, Mrs. E. Lanterstine, Miss Yetta Jacobs, Mrs. L. R. Hiscock, Mrs. W. J. Miller, Mrs. Ed Bower, Mrs. Tom Carnahan, Mrs. May Belle Chaney, Mrs. Geo. B. Wasey, Mrs. Wilmer Perkins, Mrs. J. F. Reaney, Mrs. A. H. Forman, Mrs. Duncan Currey, Mrs. Geo. W. Schunz, Mrs. M. J. Kaufman, Mrs. Ashley Hall, Mrs. J. J. Nelson, Miss Inez Schindler, Mrs. Roy B. Hall, Mrs. C. J. Clemons, Mrs. O. J. Traher, Mrs. A. A. Simmons, Mrs. J. H. Ford, Mrs. H. J. Nelson, Mrs. D. M. Lyons, Mrs. Elmer Shutts, Mrs. O. K. Lake, Mrs. E. L. Stubbs, Mrs. W. D.

WISCONSIN'S EQUAL RIGHTS LAW PROVES BENEFICIAL BY TEST

By Mrs. J. D. Wilkinson, Chairman, Louisiana Branch, National Woman's Party.

Wisconsin's equal rights law passed June 21, 1921, has proven its value by actual test of eight months' operation. The measure which in general terms, has done for Wisconsin women what the Woman's Bill of Rights, which the Louisiana Branch of the National Woman's Party is sponsoring, will do for Louisiana women, reads as follows:

"Section 1. Women shall have the same rights and privileges under the law as men in the exercise of suffrage, freedom of contract, choice of residence for voting purpose, jury service, holding office, holding and conveying property, care and custody of children and in all other respects. The various courts, executive and administrative officers shall construe the statutes where the masculine gender is used to include the feminine gender unless such construction will deny to females the special protection and privileges which they now enjoy for the general welfare. The courts executive and administrative officers shall make all necessary rules and provisions to carry out the intent and purposes of this statute.

"Section 2. Any woman drawn to serve as a juror upon her request to the presiding judge or magistrate, before the commencement of the trial or hearing, shall be excused from the panel or venire."

It will, of course, be remembered that, in Louisiana, the matter of jury service for women is taken care of by legislative enactment, but undoubtedly interest will be felt in the working out of this phase as well as others of the Wisconsin law.

Mrs. Mabel Raef Putman, chairman of the Wisconsin Branch of the National Woman's Party reports excellent results from the equal rights measure.

"Eight Months Experience of the Wisconsin Equal Rights Law," writes Mrs. Putman, "the act conferring upon women equal personal and property rights with men, has been chiefly notable for the appearance of women on juries, in both civil and criminal cases, in many of the counties of the State, especially in the larger cities, and the press of the State, watchful to report anything sensational that might develop in connection with the service of women on juries, has found nothing of that nature to report. Women jurors have served as quietly and competently as men. They are praised by the courts for their intelligent service. Judge Belden, of Kenosha, says that they have distinctly elevated the tone of court procedure. Women have been, as was expected,

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HOOPER, Mrs. M. H. Bass, Mrs. F. B. Lewis, Mrs. W. J. Lowe, Mrs. E. B. Longenbech, Mrs. M. Moore, Mrs. E. M. Talbot, Mrs. B. F. Head, Mrs. J. W. Lewis, Miss Ora Lare, Mrs. J. E. Kraft, Mrs. W. C. McElveen, Mrs. W. T. Burton, Mrs. W. D. Pottell, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. J. D. Tuten, Mrs. Floyd Hillsman, Mrs. L. A. Warren, Mrs. Wm. Smith, Mrs. Glen Great-house, Mrs. Headley Peterson, Mrs. William Whittle, Mrs. M. M. Rybiski, Mrs. T. J. Clooney, Mrs. Ruth Brice, Mrs. Berry Fecke, Mrs. E. H. Northrop, Mrs. C. P. Stewart, Mrs. Bertha K. Knox, Mrs. J. D. Thompson, Miss Flavia Gleason, Mrs. Mary B. Giesen, Mrs. E. N. Airhart, Mrs. M. J. Greer, Mrs. H. W. Lanz, Mrs. Frank Shutts, Mrs. B. H. Farquhar, Mrs. Victor Johnson, Mrs. W. M. Bradley, Mrs. W. H. Smith, Mrs. G. O. Nalf, Miss Esther Nickel, Mrs. J. J. Vincent, Jr., Mrs. Oscar LeBlanc, Mrs. J. A. Crawford, Mrs. A. H. Lafarque, Mrs. H. L. Robinson, Mrs. L. A. Stebbins, Mrs. J. H. Wigzell, Mrs. E. Claude House, Mrs. Mamie Lanterstein, Mrs. A. Shepard, Miss Blossom Shepard, Mrs. L. Seiss, Mrs. A. B. Glenn.

OPELOUSAS WOMEN'S CLUB

Opelousas, La., Mar. 29, 1922.

The Opelousas Woman's club held its regular meeting on Saturday, March 18, at the home of our president, Mrs. J. P. Saizan, with nine members answering to roll call. The secretary read the minutes; report was made by the treasurer, in which she stated that \$50.00 had been (Continued on Page 5)

The Woman's Shop

Misses Effie and Fannie Rex announce that they will sell out the contents of their department consisting of cotton and silk underwear, hosiery, corsets, brassiers and corset department specialties.

Big Reductions Sale now on. Must be disposed of by July 1st.

Thanking you for past patronage, we cordially invite you to take advantage of the wonderful bargains we have for you.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself as candidate for the office of City Judge before the white Democratic voters at the approaching City Primary.

T. SAMBOLA JONES.