

GAVE PLAY FOR SUFFRAGIST CAUSE

One Act Farce, How The Vote Was Won, Produced by Connecticut Players in Y. M. C. A. Hall—Storm Prevented Outdoor Performance Planned—Mrs. Donald R. Hooker of Baltimore Spoke on Relation of Woman's Suffrage to the Home

Under the auspices of the Norwich Equal Franchise League, the one act farce "How the Vote Was Won," was given on Friday evening in Y. M. C. A. Hall, preceded by an address along equal suffrage lines by Mrs. Donald R. Hooker of Baltimore, president of the Just Government club of that city.

It had been intended to make the play an out-of-doors production, giving it at the home of Mrs. Willis Austin, on Washington street, but the storm made it necessary to transfer the programme to the hall.

Mrs. William A. Norton Presided. At the opening of the programme, Mrs. William A. Norton, president of the Norwich league, introduced those who gave addresses before the play was given.

Mrs. George Day of Hartford spoke briefly, saying: "We may treat the subject of woman's suffrage merrily, but the play will carry its lesson." She told in closing an incident which showed woman's share in the world's work.

Just Government Club President. Mrs. Donald R. Hooker, president of the Just Government club of Baltimore, took for the subject of her address, "The Relation of Woman's Suffrage to the Home."

Justice and government are at the root of all our problems, she began. Voting is the emblem of freedom and the means of holding on to it. Women must be free women. They have the special duties of a mother. Man attends to the pure food laws. He cannot insist upon their enforcement unless he has the housekeepers back of him. People say we don't know about government, so we women can't vote. You may not be able to make good bread, but you know when bread is good.

If women are good and votes are good, why not put them together? We do not wish for men's work, but to follow our children, wherever they go. We must insure good milk, good schools and decent surroundings in our cities.

Men do their work through franchise. Through franchise we can do our work better. One hundred twenty-five years ago we didn't need the vote—we could control our cows, spin our flax for clothes, now government controls everything—the water, the dust in the street.

We women must follow our work wherever it takes us. We are our brothers' keepers. The only way in which we can help the laborer in his nest is through the government. The ballot is the only end of the lever of which we can take hold. Don't you see now that there is a reason back of all this—there is the bitter need of children who labor. We must pay the price to help them, but the suffragists are willing to pay that price.

Questions and Answers. Questions and answers followed this address, which was given an enthusiastic reception by the interested audience.

How the Vote Was Won. This was followed by the one act farce, "How the Vote Was Won," given by the Connecticut Players, to a most interested audience. This is an English farce, the only one of its kind now being given in this state. It is one which Forbes Robertson starred in Haymarket theatre, London, and had a long and extremely successful run. Mrs. Hepburn of Hartford thought of using it for the suffrage movement and while very amusing, it teaches the lesson desired.

Charles Hill, the actor, has helped this cause in its work. It has been so successfully given that an offer has come from a theatre manager to produce the play, sharing the profits.

The Cast. The characters are as follows: Horace Cole, clerk, Walter Emery Gard of Hartford, Ethel, his wife, Miss Louise Gould of Bridgeport.

Winifred, her sister, Miss Elsie Hill of Norwich, Agatha, his sister, Miss Dorothea Morse, New Haven.

Molly, his niece, Miss Theodora Wheeler of Fairfield, Madame Christine, his second cousin, Miss Emily Louise Plumbliey of Stamford.

Maudie Sparks, his first cousin, Miss Anna von Hoogan, New Haven. Miss Lizzie Williams, his aunt, Miss Clara Hill, Norwich.

Lily, his maid-of-all-work, Miss Polly von Hoegen of New Haven. Gerald Williams, his neighbor, Ellaha Dickerman of North Haven. Marquette, Miss Ada Richards' parrot.

Mrs. Willis Austin's dog Pick. Walter Gard of Hartford, secretary of the Society for Social Hygiene of Connecticut, is very good in his leading part. The actress, Miss Hill, is daughter of ex-Congressman Hill. Miss Wheeler is taking a medical course at Johns Hopkins. Miss Anna von Hoogan is a student at Hartford. Miss Plumbliey, editor of the Connecticut Suffragist, has had a good deal of stage experience.

Becomes a Suffragist. In the play great stress is laid on the English law that every male is to care for his female relatives. Suddenly all of Horace Cole's relations appear and demand home and support. He and his neighbors are finally glad to grant votes for women, and, instead of being an anti-suffragist, he develops into an ardent supporter of the cause.

Mrs. Willis Austin kindly offered the use of her house and grounds for the play and entertainment. Electric lights and Japanese lanterns were to have made the scene on the lawn attractive, but the rain prevented.

Catchwords and Mottoes. Y. M. C. A. hall was decorated tastefully, the catchwords and mottoes of the league with their bright colors being in evidence. Ice cream was served at intervals by Mrs. Branch, Mrs. Robbins and Mrs. Lord; cake and candy by Miss Ada Richards, Miss Eliza Avery and Miss Louise Meech; lemonade, Mrs. Lucius Briggs, Mrs. John Mitchell and Mrs. J. Dana Coit. Those assisting in serving were Misses Ruth Lord, Katherine Isabier, Sarah Leving, Eleanor Norton, Marion Ryer, Portia Branch and the Misses Matthewson.

In general charge of the successful evening were Mrs. William Norton, president of the Norwich Equal Franchise League; Dr. Woodward of the Norwich State hospital, Miss Louise Howe, Mrs. Willis Austin, Misses Mary and Ada Richards, Mrs. John Mitchell, Miss Avery, Mrs. Lucius Briggs, Mrs. H. R. Branch, Miss Louise Meech, Mrs. J. Dana Coit, Mrs. Robbins, and William F. Habekottke.

STRANGE SIGHTS IN WILDS OF LABRADOR. Interesting Tale of Experiences Told by E. M. Sweeney Upon His Return.

Edward M. Sweeney, who returned this week to New London after an absence of 12 weeks in the far north, had a series of most interesting experiences during the months which he spent in a motor boat in the wilds of Labrador. Mr. Sweeney left June 10 to inspect timber areas and obtain other data concerning the Labrador coast and inland points rarely visited by other than natives. He journeyed alone to Port Aux Basques, Newfoundland, where he was met by the crew selected for the expedition into the wilds.

The members of the crew were: J. A. McLellan, crown land surveyor; Capt. Norman Butt, navigator; Emanuel Young, engineer of the motor boat; Minnah Pallam, cook. From Port Aux Basques the party set sail in a motor boat secured for the expedition and proceeded along the coast to Flower Cove, where they sailed across the Straits of Belle Isle to Salmon Bay, Labrador, where they made a landing and then sailed up the Esquimo river for many miles until they arrived at a tract of timber containing an area of 1,000 square miles, the inspection of which was one of the chief objects of the expedition.

Mr. Sweeney and his party went as far as the Hudson Bay post, where the mountain Indians exchange furs and pelts for supplies. The day before Mr. Sweeney's arrival their chief had been buried and they were about to elect a new one. C. A. Johnson, in charge of the post, had an elaborate headpiece decorated with gold braid and buttons which was the insignia of office of the head of the tribe and the possession of which is much coveted. Although there are but 38 families of these Indians remaining, they take their governmental customs most seriously and the chief is mayor, common council and generalissimo combined.

Besides the Indians the natives of this section are chiefly descendants of old French settlers and they obtain their living by fishing and hunting. Large families are the rule, few wives having less than eight children, while a young woman proudly boasted of being the mother of 21 youngsters, all of whom were living.

On July 4, Mr. Sweeney was at Bradore, on the Labrador coast. In respect to his nationality, he being the only American present, the customs officer not only hoisted the British flag but on another flag pole beside him hung the Stars and Stripes to the breeze. Mr. Sweeney said that if there was ever a time when he was homesick for Connecticut, it was at that moment when Old Glory fluttered in a breeze mildly suggestive of the north pole. The thermometer on that day was 40 above zero, which is fairly cold for midsummer.

The warmest day of the expedition was encountered at Battle Harbor on July 17, when the thermometer registered 64 degrees. On that day Mr. Sweeney counted 168 separate icebergs off the coast, not to mention numerous small cakes of ice floating down from the north. A couple of days later the fishermen at Bradore were caught napping by an icefield, which suddenly filled the harbor where their traps were set. The result was that about three-quarters of the apparatus was destroyed in the ice which filled every nook of the harbor, burying everything beneath it.

Black flies of very nativity were the bane of existence in this northern region. The members of the exploring party kept their hands and faces enveloped in netting and also bathed themselves in pennyroyal, but even then they were not proof against the onslaughts of the pests and for six days Mr. Sweeney's face was swollen beyond recognition. A feature of the expedition to which Mr. Sweeney is willing to make affidavit is the catching of the new York capital, who financed it, together with Mr. Sweeney's expert report on the timber area and other data.

Visited Royal Arcanum Council. Past Regent William T. Curry and Edward Jones of Thames council, No. 1851, Royal Arcanum, visited Beacon Hill council in New Haven at its meeting last Friday evening.



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