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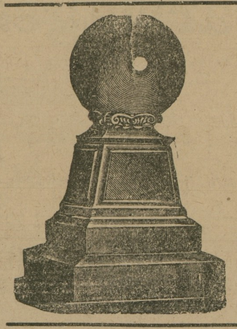
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WOMEN'S FEDERATED CLUB

Report of the Women's Federated Club For Year 1915.

The report of the Federated Club of Chestertown closed last year with an account of two lectures, Mr. Walter Miller, of the State Roads Commission to talk upon the importance of paved streets, and Mr. Hall from the State Board of Health to talk upon Sanitary engineering. The ladies rented the Lyceum Theatre for these talks, the object being to aid the Town Commissioners to secure a bond issue for paving the streets and to secure a new sewerage system. We now have the paved streets and the sewerage system, whether our lectures aided or not is immaterial.

Our last report also gave an account of the strenuous campaign the Federated Club has made to secure a State road from Chestertown to some point on the bay, either Tolchester or Rock Hall A running fire of correspondence and interviews was continued with the State Roads Commission, both before and after the Legislature met. We now have three miles of stone road costing about thirty thousand dollors, which Mr. Miller, of the State Road Commission stated in a lecture in Chestertown was due to the initiative work done by the Federated Club.

Notwithstanding this public utterance on the part of one of the State Road Commissioners, some gentleman in true manly fashion came out in print and claimed the road for their political factions.

A special meeting was called on May 21 to adopt Resolutions of Respect upon the death of our honored State Federation Pres., Mrs. William Elliott. These resolutions were read and adopted, a copy sent to Mr. William Elliott and to the Secretary of the State Federation.

Miss Rankin, Secretary of the Consumers League of Baltimore, addressed the Club at their next meeting. The Consumers League work of placing tags upon all sanitary made garments was a new idea to many of the Club

In September Mrs. Edith Elliott Smith of the Rural Progress Association of Pennsylvania, gave a talk on the relation of the town and the county. Mr. Walker, one of our progressive farmers, made a few remarks and after the meeting a reception was given to Mrs. Smith.

Our next endeavor was Forestry work. In our county is old St. Paul's Church, built in 1713, one of the oldest buildings now used for public worship in Maryland. In the church yard surrounding this old Parish is the largest collection of old oaks in the State of Marwland, so conceded by Mr. Besley, Chief of the Bureau of Forestry. Those learned in forestry estimate the largest of these trees to be four hundred years old and it measures 32 ft. in circumference one ft. from the ground and 20⅞ ft 4½ feet from the ground the diameter of the spread of branches being 128 ft.

Most of those giant oaks are badly in need of a tree surgeon, as there are decayed places that are eating into the bodies of the tree. St. Pauls Parish not being financially able to undertake this work alone and knowing that this grove of trees is a very important asset to the county, the Federated Club aroused interest in these old giant oaks by having Mr. Beasley deliver a lecture with slides, inviting the members of St. Pauls to hear him.

The work was then initiated by appointing a committee of Federated Club members to act jointly with a committee from St. Pauls Parish. Through the co-operation of Mr. Percy G. Skirven, of Baltimore, and Mr. Hubbard, of Chestertown, handsome lithographed plates have been secured of both the old church and the largest oak, which the ladies are presenting to all who make donations to the work. Circulars have been sent throughout many States to families who have buried in old St. Pauls and liberal contributions have been received from St. Louis, Atlanta, New York, Philadelphia and a number of liberal donations from Baltimore. The tree surgeon will begin this restoration work next month.

The war in Europe and its attending horrors next solicited our sympathy and the Club agreed to become one of the units of Mrs. Harrison Garrett's relief work. We agreed to sew for the infants, as the babies seemed to have been neglected by the other sewing units. A committee was appointed to do the cutting and the sewing was done at weekly meetings held at private houses Some lectures were given on the war while the garments were being made and tea was served.

A box valued at two hundred dollars was sent consisting of outing flannel slips, outing flannel skirts and the little woolen shirts. Blankets were donated mufflers, sewing bags with all the contents of needles, thread, thimbles, etc. This work was continued until we adjourned for the holidays.

We must also tell of our failures as well as of our successes for we worked just as hard over the failures. A Bond Issue has been voted on for a new High School building and a building committee appointed, all gentlemen. The ladies conceived the idea of making this building serve a three fold purpose. A High School, a Social Centre and to procure if possible a Carnegie Library as a seperate wing of this building to be used by both the town and High school. We could thus secure a saving to the taxpayers of the town and county by making the same heating, lighting, librarian and janitor services serve the purposes of all.

We wrote for information to the Social Centre department of the Wisconsin University, the Social Centre department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the Social Centre Department of the Russell Sage Foundation all of which responded, approving our plan as being most efficient and economical. We had plans for buildings presented from an architect in Chicago and before we could receive a reply from Mr. Carnegie, the building committee purchased a lot on the outskirts of town, where they could have a larger base ball field, the distance precluding the possibility of ever using the building as either a Social Centre or a library. We feel that if the Building Committee had not been so hurried in their actions a useful building to the community might have been obtained.

A Rest Room for farmers wives has been a recent project of the Club. A heated and lighted room in the centre of the town was kindly presented to the Club by a public spirited lady. The walls have been done over, new curtains, rugs, easy chairs and couches have been secured by the committee in charge.

A formal opening of the room with a tea was well attended. A care taker has been placed in charge and the usefulness of the room has already been demonstrated. This room is also used for Club purposes. A special committee started this project and they are to be congratulated upon their success.

Capt. Thompson, president of the Steamboat Line running to Chestertown, has presented the Club with a bed of planting one hundred and fifty barberry plants, now making a pleasing approach to the steamboat landing and this added to the painting and re-arrangement for the grounds last year make an attractive landing, where a year ago it was unsightly. The Club and Chestertown are most appreciative of the beauty spot Capt. Thompson has added to our river front.

At our last meeting a committee was appointed composed of the doctors wives of the community to start a movement to purchase a pullmoter for the use of the town and county. Our river has for several years taken its toll of life, in summer with the swimmers and in winter with the skaters. There is nothing in the town or county to resuisitate these victims should they be rescued in time. Last winter a threatened disaster of such proportions occured when a number of young people skating were blown entirely across the river on a field of ice suddenly loosened from the shore by a wind-storm, and the ladies feel that the time has arrived when some action should be taken. Some money has already been subscribed and the gentlemen of the town seem actively interested and we are hoping soon to have this added to the list of things accomplished.

We are now making an effort to secure the co-operation of the various charity organizations of the town together with the Federated Club to subscribe a fund to have a survey made of the blind of the county and a teacher brought to them where they are too old to go to the school for instructions to the blind.

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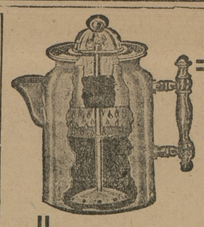
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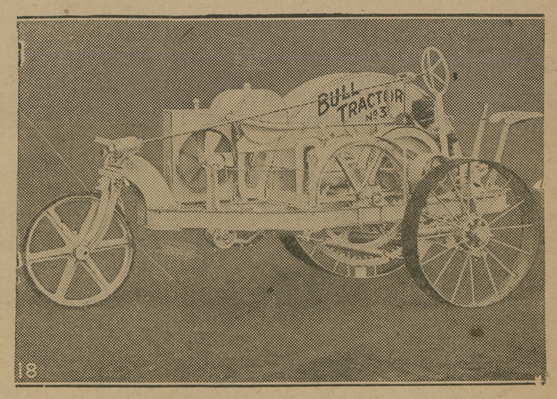
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