

Organization
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THE EBELL

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The Senior Society in California bearing this name was organized in 1876 by Prof. Ebell. This organization in 1880 was the largest society of ladies managed entirely by themselves in the world, numbering two hundred and thirty, and at the present time none is more flourishing.

Dr. Adrion Ebell was born of German parents in Calcutta, and was educated in America. He was a scientist and lecturer, and early noted that womankind studied and read on superficial lines, and that the full development of feminine mentality required the sciences. This discovery led Dr. Ebell to devote himself to lecturing in "Female Seminaries" upon science. Later Dr. Ebell organized a plan of study as broad as the universe, with headquarters in Berlin. Chapters tributary thereto were to be established in every part of the world. One of the first was in Oakland, and was named "The Oakland Chapter of the International Academy of Art and Science of Berlin." The first section of this Chapter was formed for the study of Biology.

On the voyage from New York Dr. Ebell was taken ill, and died in sight of Germany. In tender memory and full appreciation of his worth, the Oakland Chapter changed its name to "The Ebell Society." It is earnestly to be desired that the good work continue until we have not only a Federation of Ebell Societies in California, but that the full plans of the founder may be carried out, and the organization become national and international.

OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	MRS. HARRIET W. R. STRONG, Ranchito del Fuerte	Whittier P. O.
<i>Vice-Presidents</i>	MISS ALICE K. PARSONS	Los Angeles
	MRS. WM. S. BARTLETT	Tustin
	MRS. W. G. COCHRAN	Los Angeles
	MRS. FRANK KING	Los Angeles
	MRS. H. K. PUTNAM	Pasadena
<i>Corresponding Secretary</i>	MISS GRACE A. DENNEN, 1026 S. Olive,	Los Angeles
<i>Recording Secretary</i>	MRS. HUGH VAIL, "The Melrose," Grand Ave.,	Los Angeles
<i>Treasurer</i>	MRS. L. W. BLINN	Los Angeles
<i>Curator and Librarian</i>	MISS E. H. PARSONS, 1026 S. Olive,	Los Angeles
<i>Critic and Parliamentarian</i>	MISS HARRYET R. STRONG, Box 243,	Whittier

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MEETINGS

Regular business meeting, with reports from Sections, last Saturday of each month (except July and August) at 10:30 a. m. Executive meeting same day at 10 a. m.

Social and literary meeting, second Monday of each month (except July, August, and September) at 2:30 p. m.

Sections arrange their own meetings.

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CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.

The name of this society shall be the Ebell of Los Angeles.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society is advancement in all lines of general culture.

ARTICLE III.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Curator and Librarian, and a Critic and Parliamentarian.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Society and Chairman of its standing committees shall constitute its Executive Committee. This Committee shall arrange and control the business and funds of the Society; authorize the formation of Sections, and appoint their Curators; report to the Society all matters of general interest; and at the annual meetings make a full report of its condition.

SEC. 2. The Executive Committee shall incur no indebtedness beyond the necessary expenses of the Society without the consent of two-thirds of the members of the Society.

SEC. 3. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 4. Any vacancy occurring in the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Committee.

SEC. 5. The Curators of the Sections shall constitute an Advisory Committee to be called upon by the Executive Board, when the best interests of the Society shall require their assistance or advice.

ARTICLE II.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers shall take place by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings, call all special meetings, make an annual report, and appoint all committees. The President's choice of committees shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. The President shall exercise supervision over all the affairs of the Society, and shall be an honorary member of all committees. In the absence of the President, her duties shall be assumed by the Vice-Presidents, in the order of their rank.

SEC. 2. The Corresponding Secretary shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Committee on Publication, and shall attend to the correspondence of the Society, and issue all notices.

SEC. 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of the transactions of the Society, and of the Executive Committee, and keep a record of the work being done in the Sections, and of the membership, furnishing a report of the membership to the Corresponding Secretary when called upon, and shall submit an annual report.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Committee on Finance; shall have charge of all the funds of the Society; shall pay all bills audited by the Executive Committee; shall submit a report of all receipts and expenditures monthly to the Executive Committee and annually to the Society.

SEC. 5. The Curator and Librarian shall have charge of all the books, papers, and other property belonging to the Society; she shall receive all applications for the formation of new Sections, and shall keep herself informed of the general character of the work of each Section, reporting the same to the Executive Committee, and shall make an annual report to the Society.

SEC. 6. The Critic and Parliamentary shall be referred to for authorities on the use of language and parliamentary law.

ARTICLE IV.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. The Standing Committees of this Society shall be:

- (1) A Committee on Ways and Means, and Finance.
- (2) Building and Rooms.
- (3) Printing and Publication.
- (4) Lectures.
- (5) Receptions and Entertainments.
- (6) Membership and Ethics.

SEC. 2. The duties of these Committees shall be to consider the subjects of their respective committees, referred to them by the Executive Committee, reporting the same at the next meeting of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE V.

MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. An applicant for membership must have her name presented to the Membership Committee by a charter mem-

ber, accompanied by the names of two more members in good and regular standing. If the name passes this Committee it must be referred to the Executive Committee for final vote.

SEC. 2. No resident shall be made an honorary member of the Society.

ARTICLE VI.

FEES AND DUES.

SECTION 1. The entrance fee shall be \$1.00 each, for the first one hundred members. After the limit of one hundred members is reached, this fee shall be fixed by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. The regular annual dues shall be \$2.00, payable semi-annually in advance. \$1.00 November 1, and \$1.00 April 1. The non-payment of dues for one year shall forfeit membership.

SEC. 3. Any member paying \$30 shall receive a certificate of life-membership, and shall be exempt from payment of dues.

SEC. 4. The Executive Committee shall have authority to remit the fees and dues of any member, when it shall be deemed for the best interest of the Society.

ARTICLE VII.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. A regular meeting shall take place on the last Saturday of each month, except the months of July and August, at 10:30 a. m., for the transaction of business, and for the reports of Sections. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 2. Unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee, a social meeting shall take place on the second Monday of each month, at 2:30 p. m., except the months of July, August, and September, when papers will be presented. At this meeting members will show at the doors their cards of membership.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at 10 a. m., on the last Saturday of each month, and at the call of the President.

SEC. 4. The annual meeting shall be held on the last Saturday of June at 10 a. m.

SEC. 5. Charter Day shall be October 27.

ARTICLE VIII.

Members desiring to invite guests to the meetings must obtain cards of invitation from the Curator.

ARTICLE IX.

All communications on business must be made in writing.

ARTICLE X.

SECTION 1. Copies of all papers read before the Society and in the Sections shall be placed on file in the hands of the Curators, and at the end of one year shall be placed under the care of the Librarian.

SEC. 2. Papers shall be written on legal cap, on one side only, and fastened securely at the top.

ARTICLE XI.

The discussion of politics and religion is prohibited at the general meetings of this Society.

ARTICLE XII.

SECTIONS.

The study of special subjects may be carried on in Sections formed and managed according to the following rules:

RULE 1. All members of Sections must be members of the Ebell.

RULE 2. Members wishing to form Sections should obtain permission to do so from the Executive Board.

RULE 3. Curators shall preside at the meetings of their Sections, plan the course of study and make a full report of the study and advancement of their Sections at each annual meeting of the Society.

Curators shall notify the General Curator of the dates when their Sections meet and when they disband or take a vacation.

RULE 4. Special teachers may be employed by Sections.

RULE 5. No Section nor any officer thereof shall have power to incur any indebtedness or liability binding upon the Society, but shall defray all its expenses not expressly authorized in detail by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XIII.

These By-Laws may be repealed or amended by application to the Executive Committee, signed by not less than nine members, two-thirds of whom shall be charter members. The Executive Committee shall report to the Society for final vote.

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CHARTER MEMBERS

Mrs. J. J. Ayers	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. A. L. Averill	.	.	.	"
Mrs. P. C. Baker	.	.	.	Pasadena
Mrs. W. S. Bartlett	.	.	.	Tustin
Mrs. W. B. Berry	.	.	.	Pasadena
Mrs. L. W. Blinn	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. T. L. Burnett	.	.	.	"
Miss Cash	.	.	.	"
Mrs. W. J. Chichester	.	.	.	"
Mrs. Wesley Clark	.	.	.	"
Mrs. W. G. Cochran	.	.	.	"
Mrs. J. E. Coffin	.	.	.	Whittier
Mrs. J. E. Cook	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. J. E. Cowles	.	.	.	"
Miss Dennen	.	.	.	"
Miss Jeanne M. Dennen	.	.	.	"
Miss Dorsey	.	.	.	"
Mrs. W. A. Elderkin	.	.	.	"
Miss Fremont	.	.	.	"
Miss Frye	.	.	.	"
Mrs. Fuller	.	.	.	"
Miss E. J. Gibson	.	.	.	"
Miss C. S. Gilbert	.	.	.	"
Mrs. C. F. Holder	.	.	.	Pasadena
Mrs. O. T. Johnson	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. C. B. Jones	.	.	.	"
Mrs. L. B. Keating	.	.	.	"
Miss Keyser	.	.	.	"
Mrs. Frank King	.	.	.	"
Mrs. T. T. Knight	.	.	.	"
Miss Knight	.	.	.	"
Mrs. H. T. Lee	.	.	.	"
Miss Ludovici	.	.	.	Pasadena
Mrs. Dean Mason	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. J. C. Merrill	.	.	.	"
Mrs. A. M. Merwin	.	.	.	"
Miss Joan Morgan	.	.	.	Whittier
Miss S. I. Morgan	.	.	.	"
Miss A. P. Murphy	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. H. G. Otis	.	.	.	"
Miss Parsons	.	.	.	"
Miss Alice Parsons	.	.	.	"
Miss Susie Patton	.	.	.	"
Mrs. H. K. Putnam	.	.	.	Pasadena
Mrs. W. C. Read	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. James Rice	.	.	.	Tustin
Miss A. E. Robinson	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Miss Russell	.	.	.	"
Miss Sargent	.	.	.	"
Mrs. F. Sartori	.	.	.	"
Mrs. E. K. Slater	.	.	.	"
Mrs. A. M. Stephens	.	.	.	"
Mrs. C. L. Strong	Ranchito del Fuerte,	San Gabriel Valley		
Miss Strong	"	"	"	"
Miss Georgina Strong	"	"	"	"
Miss Swaine	Los Nietos		"	"
Mrs. Jay Utley	.	.	.	Los Angeles
Mrs. Hugh Vail	.	.	.	"
Mrs. Shirley C. Ward	.	.	.	"
Miss Annie Ward	.	.	.	"
Miss Wedemeyer	.	.	.	"
Miss M. H. Wilson	.	.	.	"
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