

Mrs. T. A. Iddles 1924-1926

This administration opened with a fine one o'clock luncheon and a splendid program in the Club building with the officers of the Club as hostesses. The activities of the Scott Club through the years 1924-1925 and 1925-1926 have been varied, interesting and of much value. The regular meetings of the club have been devoted to important educational topics of the day. Much of these years' success has been due to the splendid co-operation of the efficient chairmen of the departments of work. Just before election a Federal and State Nominee Day was observed. Department of American Citizenship sponsored a Michigan Day program and a social evening with the Girl Scouts and Camp Fire Girls as guests. On March 7th, 1925, Miss Edith Thomas of the University of Michigan spoke on "Our Civic Responsibility". At this time, the Progress, Deerlick and Fortnightly Clubs were our guests. And Mrs. Louise Campbell, head of the Economics Department of Michigan State College, spoke in an open meeting on the "Statewide Program in Home Economics. Public Welfare Department gave a fine afternoon on Child Labor in Michigan and the Twentieth Amendment and sponsored a Baby Clinic. The Club observed Michigan Day, American Forest week, National Music week, Better Homes week, and Health week, with appropriate programs. The legislation department has given days on Voting, Banking Laws, The League of Nations and The Constitution of the United States, and secured Mr. Stanley Powell, Secretary of the Farm Bureau at Lansing, who spoke in an open meeting on Taxation in Michigan. National Education week was observed by an address by Supt.L.C.Mohr on Tests and Measurements in Education. The Department of Applied Education secured as principal speaker Miss Beulah Schermerhorn of Kalamazoo who spoke on Interior Decorating. Mrs. E.W.Randall of Tekonsha, president of the Southwestern district, made friends by her splendid address. The Melody Girls, under the direction of Mrs.C.O.Monroe, gave three splendid numbers. The Saugatuck Woman's Club were guests at this time. Afternoon were devoted to the American Indian and Negro. Several afternoons were devoted to Drama. Among special meetings, the Scott Club was guest of the Deerlick and Fortnightly Clubs at the home of Miss Ermina Moore; also were guests of the Progress Club at Kibbie Community Hall. Parent Teachers Associations were the Club's guests at a program observing Children's Book Week. The Scott Club joined with the Daughters of the American Revolution and the American Legion in celebrating the 183 anniversary of the

SCOTT CLUB BEGINS YEAR

Hospitable, gay and beautiful in all its effects was the one o'clock luncheon given by the officers of the Scott Club with members as guests at the opening meeting Tuesday, the forty-first anniversary of the club.

The decorations were carried out most beautifully in keeping with the bright autumn colors, and were so artistically arranged as to produce an atmosphere of cheer and happiness.

The luncheon was well prepared and daintily served.

Mrs. T. A. Iddles chose for her topic, "What Of Our Club," a splendid talk, inspiring a new strength of resolution in every mind, and a fine attitude of loyalty to our new president was expressed.

Short talks were given by chairmen of each department, outlining the work to be accomplished this year. which in connection with the scheduled programs in the club calendar will make a continuous program of well balanced work and pleasure.

Miss McWethy and Miss Cogshall furnished music for the afternoon.

Literature is the topic of the Scott Club meeting for October 14.

Mrs. G. N. Hale is chairman, and will give a book review of "The Little Old Log Cabin Lady," an autobiography of an American girl born in a log cabin in the northwest and who is today known on two continents, as a distinguished and charming hostess.

This will be thoroly interesting and will be interspersed with a variety of appropriate music.

The club meetings this year begin at 2:15, Tuesday as usual. The guest fee is twenty-five cents.

DECORATIONS TO FIT DAY

Nature day was observed at the Scott Club Tuesday afternoon. Thru the kindness of Mrs. Woodman Sheffer, the club room was bright with colored prints of birds and butterflies, while baskets of cedar branches filled the air with their fragrance

The program opened with two vocal solos by Mrs. E. B. Emmons, accompanied by Miss Shoemaker; "The Robin Sang in the Apple Tree," and "Four Ducks on a Pond." It is always a pleasure to hear Mrs. Emmons and this time she sang unusually well.

Mrs. Herbert Mitchell's paper on "Butterflies" told in a concise and interesting manner the chief characteristics of the life of a butterfly.

Elizabeth Burge gave as a piano solo a "Melody" by Charles G. Dawes, our vice-president. Its simple but appealing strains were quite charming.

Mrs. E. B. Emmons at this time sang "Robin Sing a Merry Tune."

"Waterfowls" was the topic of the paper by Mrs. John J. Perkins. Many interesting, new, and instructive facts were brought out about that class of birds to which we as a whole do not pay as much attention as we should.

"A Bee For Sale" was a humorous letter read by Mrs. McKimmie, and served as an introduction to the splendid paper on Bees by Mrs. W. B. Sheffer. "The bee," said Mrs. Sheffer "is Nature's cleverest mechanic." And after hearing of the unique things which the bee does during its short life one could easily believe such a statement. Mrs. Sheffer's paper was so interesting that it fairly made one wish for a colony of bees to watch.

The program closed with a piano solo, McDowell's "To a Wild Rose" played by Mary Louise Moore.

PROGRAM BY CLUB GUESTS

South Haven Scott Club ladies were hostesses at a one o'clock luncheon to forty-five ladies of the Women's History Class of Allegan on Tuesday, November 6.

The program was in charge of the visiting club and was as follows, with Mrs. Malcolm Smith, president of visiting club presiding.

Mrs. Ethel Stone in a pleasing manner told of the music of Scandinavia. This was followed by three delightful numbers by Miss Dickinson from the composers Ole Olson and Grieg.

Mrs. Lawrence Born, in costume, took us on an interesting imaginary trip to Norway and Sweden, showing the points of interest in the formation of the country and telling of the customs of those sturdy, ambitious people.

Miss Anna Dietricson, a grand daughter in costume, sang in a charmingway the Danish National Anthem, and a little folk song, about the "Leetle Beeta Man." For an encore she repeated the last number. Mrs. L. H. Mattingly, dressed in costume, took us on another imaginary trip to Nova Scotia, and told of the life of the Acadians, giving some historical points and then gave extracts from Longfellow's Evangeline.

Mrs. Allie Hargie sang a group of Acadian songs before those brave people left Brittany and after their arrival in America.

This closed the program and all felt that a most enjoyable afternoon had been spent and hoped that these visits might be repeated again in the near future.

At last week's meeting the Scott club went on record as being in favor of a county nurse.

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birth of Thomas Jefferson. Bird Day meeting was held in the evening at the Congregational Church. Prof. I.W.Hornbeck of Kalamazoo gave an illustrated lecture on birds. The Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls were guests. Among other activities of the Club mention might be made of the work for the School at Sunny Crest, near Holland; ten dollars was given. One afternoon was devoted to sewing when sheets, pillow-cases were made. These, with blankets and several other useful articles, were contributed to this school. The Scott Club contributed $286.90 in the drive for the Near East Relief. The annual Fruit Shower was held for the City Hospital. Also $10.00 was contributed each year to the Shelter Home for Women in Chicago. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Grady, Christmas boxes were packed and sent to the County Infirmary. The Club co-operated with the Chamber of Commerce and the Community Club in the work for the Beautification of the Highways and other places in the city. The ladies served dinner to the Chamber of Commerce to raise funds to carry on this work. Mrs. E.E.Shaw, Scott Club's chairman, reported co-operation fine and work progressing.
During the spring of 1926 the Club's dues were raised to $3.00.

SCOTT CLUB GUEST NIGHT

One of the most enjoyable of the Scott Club's many programs occurred Tuesday evening when Guest Night was observed. This is an annual affair and is looked forward to each year by the members as their special opportunity to provide pleasure for a number of their friends. This year the program was in the hands of the Music Committee, and was a most enjoyable one.

The first numbers were given by a group of Miss Ware's pupils and showed well her splendid efforts and preparation.

The month of January has been designated by music study clubs thruout the United States, for the special study of Edward Alexander McDowell and his works. In accordance with this provision the second part of the program was devoted to this composer. He being essentially an American composer, his works have an especial appeal to the American people.

The rest of the evening was given over to a social hour after which refreshments were served. Mrs. E. C. Dickerson was the successful contestant in the musical guessing game.

Much credit should be given to Mrs. E. B. Emmons and her committee who were responsible for such an enjoyable evening.

The program was as follows:

Piano Solo, Teddy Bears in Slumberland; Pixies Gavotte—Jean McKimmie.

Piano Solo, Dragonflies—Charlotte Hinz.

Duet, Gingerbread Man, from sketches from Toyland—Marjorie and Dorothy Lundy.

Duet, A Rural Wedding—Lorene and John McCrimmon.

Sketch of Edward McDowell, written by Mrs. Ida Cook, read by Mrs. Lee Musser.

Cradle Song, McDowell—Mesdames Main, Dickerson, Galbrath, Emmons.

Witches Dance, McDowell—Martha Cogshall.

Solo, The Robin Sings in the Apple Tree, McDowell—Mrs. Emmons.

Violin Solo, Cavatina—Mr. Tremaine accompanied by Mrs. Horace Brown.

Folk Songs: 20-18, English; Faithless Lover, Belgian; In the Country, Belgian—Mesdames Main, Dickerson, Emmons.

Reading, The Virginian Judge; The Furnace Door, Guest—Mrs. L. C. Mohr.

Games.

Refreshments.

HEALTH DAY BEFORE CLUB

Those who were unable to attend the meeting of the Scott Club Tuesday afternoon missed a rare treat since the program was an unusually good one.

Mrs. Glenn Robinson opened the program with two songs, "Love Came Creeping Into My Heart" by Helen Brown, and "My Mother's Lullaby," by Castleani, which were beautifully sung. She was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. E. A. Merscon.

Mrs. Ralph Hall and Mrs. Porter gave the delightfully humorous skit, "The Two Lunatics," a drama in one act. The acting of both these ladies was splendid and we sincerely hope that they may repeat the performance at some future time, so that the many who were unable to attend the meeting may have an opportunity to see and hear them.

The rest of the program, capably given by various groups of children from the Hartman school, consisted of exercises and playlets built on the health theme, which were phases of the regular work of the school year. Much credit is due the instructors for the clearness, precision and delightful naturalness of the children's performance.

The first grade little tots with king, queen, fairy and her eager followers presented a play entitled "A Visit to the Health King."

A group of children from the second grade gave an exercise on health hints and sang a group of songs, "Our Dinner" and "Health."

The boys of grade three gave a play in which King Good Health and his sturdy, fearless knights in cardboard armor win a battle against Disease.

Harold Merson and Cecil Myers from grade six gave a good performance with their humorous dialogue, "Mr. Clean and Mr. Careless," and Donna Weed from the same grade, brought the program to a close with a splendid interpretation of the story, "The Jolly Signposts on Healthway."

THREE CLUBS WERE GUESTS

March 16 1926

Another enjoyable meeting of the Scott Club was held the afternoon of March sixteenth, when the Progress the Fortnightly, and the Deerlick clubs were their guests.

The room was made cheery and bright with bouquets of lovely, red carnations given in memory of Mrs. Julia Kenyon and her daughter, Mrs. Antoinette Kenyon Robinson, a beautiful tribute to the true, loyal club women whose memory is cherished by many friends.

Mrs. Gordon Speer, accompanied by Miss Mary Shoemaker, opened the program with two vocal solos, "My Songs of Love," Hahn, and "Madrigal," Chaminade. Mrs. Speer kindly responded to an encore, singing "Pussy-willow."

This was followed by a reading, "Sketches from Ben Hur," given by Mrs. Roy Gibson.

Miss Grettenberger played a piano number, "At Sundown," Butler.

A trio composed of Mesdames E. B. Emmons, E. E. Main and E. C. Dickerson, sang "Snowflakes," Chaminade.

A Literary Game, in which all took part, made a pleasing diversion and gave an opportunity for social contact.

Another number, "The Kerry Dance," Mallon, was sung by the trio. Then Mrs. Emmons sang "Come Back to Erin," Claribel. Miss Shoemaker accompanied at the piano.

At the close of this enjoyable program the social committee in charge, invited the ladies to the dining room where Shamrock ice cream and cake were served from a table, beautifully decorated in keeping with St. Patrick's Day.

Mrs. E. E. Shaw, as chairman for the day, was assisted by Mrs. W. C. Sheffer and by Miss Agnes Dodge Nickel who arranged for the musical numbers. We are indebted to these ladies and to the social committee for a very pleasant afternoon.

GIRLS WERE CLUB GUESTS

The department of Americanization and citizenship of the Scott Club entertained last evening fifty members of the Camp Fire Girls, their guardians and the Girl Scouts and leaders. The evening was spent with singing songs and stunts by the girls, games and refreshments of ice cream and cake.

The Club rooms were prettily decorated with butterflies, waterfowl and cedar boughs which had been used during the afternoon, which added materially to the pleasure of these girls who love the outdoors.

The department consists of Mrs. W. C. Sheffer, chairman, Miss Anna Robinson, Mrs. T. P. McKimmie, Mrs. Herbert Mitchell, Mrs. J. W. Johnson, Mrs. G. E. Chatfield, Mrs. M. Porter, Mrs. A. A. Kellogg, Mrs. E E. Main and Mrs. L. Myrl Phelps, all of whom were responsible and to whom the girls are indebted for an unusually pleasant evening.



1926 = 1927 = 1928.

President, Mrs. Ralph Hall

Secretary, Miss Anna Robinson.

Study for 1926=27, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Department.

Study for 1927=28, Mexico, Central America, Alaska and Department.

Club opened each year with a luncheon at one o'clock.

Club had its first Christmas tree, gifts given to City Relief for Christmas baskets.

Club contributed to Womens Shelter, Chicago; Sunnycrest for girls, Holland; local Boys Union; County Infirmary.

A new furnace purchased by personal gifts and proceeds from Musical Comedy "The Flapper Grandmother". President attended Biennial Council of G.F.W.C. held in Grand Rapids, the first time in Michigan. Music has been in keeping with programs. Average attendance 45.

Meetings with sister clubs always inspirational and happy ones. The most important event described over the page.

1928

CLUB PLANTED TREE TO HONOR DR. L. H. BAILEY

DECORATE SCHOOL GROUNDS FOR THIS CITY'S MOST FAMOUS SON

The Scott Club has just planted on the high school grounds an elm tree in honor of Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey, the most distinguished native son of South Haven.

The tree, a sturdy and fairly large one, was given to the Club by Frank Galbrath, from his farm in Geneva, was taken to the high school grounds through the courtesy of Mayor Charles Funk, and was planted under the supervision of L. B. Karr, teacher of agriculture in the high school. The latter is himself an alumnus of Michigan Agricultural College of which Dr. Bailey is the most distinguished graduate.

The tree was placed midway between two maples along the south side of the grounds, a few feet east of directly opposite the south entrance to the high school building.

The Scott Club could not have selected a more appropriate token to honor Dr. Bailey, whose life has been devoted to the study and classification of growing things. His father, the late Liberty H. Bailey, was one of the leaders in planting the superb rows of maple trees that line Bailey avenue, which was named for the family, and which have afforded so much pleasure for the lovers of the beauties of nature, as they walked or rode about South Haven.

1929

The Scott Club, as the climax of its club year, Friday afternoon, dedicated the two trees recently planted in honor of Dr. Liberty H. Bailey, and presented to the high school a framed picture of Dr. Bailey, underneath which is a brief but sympathetic summary of what he means to South Haven as its most distinguished native son.

The presentation of the picture took place at an assembly of the high school at two o'clock. Mrs. Ralph Hall, who is just closing her second term as president of the Scott Club, made the presentation, saying in part:

"A few years ago a boy lived on what is now Bailey Avenue, grew up in South Haven and went to our schools, wandered through our ravines, always watchful in finding what nature had placed there for beauty and for our enjoyment. Later, he went to college, became a professor, and has written many poems which were inspired by his boyhood memories, also many good books, which deal with nature, flower and plant life, and nature studies.

"Today he is one of the greatest, if not the greatest, horticulturist of the world. He has visited many countries and wandered over their hills and dales in research work.

"This man is Liberty H. Bailey. Many people in South Haven today do not realize what Liberty H. Bailey should mean to this community. Two years ago on a visit here to his boyhood home, the city gave him special recognition, and this year the ladies of the Scott Club have planted two trees in his honor and have framed his picture which they take great pleasure in presenting to the Public Schools of South Haven, with the understanding that it hang in the school library so that our younger children will come to know that a distinguished man, once a little boy, lived and grew up in our city.

"As March fifteenth is Dr. Bailey's birthday, I believe it would be very fitting that a short program on or about that time, be given in his honor. In behalf of the Scott Club, I now present to you Dr. Bailey's picture."

The president of the board of education, in accepting the picture in behalf of the schools, said in part:

"It is very fitting that the Scott Club, with its long record for public spirit and civic achievement, should provide this recognition of the most distinguished native son of South Haven. It is fitting that this picture should be given to and accepted by the school which he attended, and of which he is the most famous former pupil. It is doubly fitting because virtually his entire life has been identified with schools as pupil and teacher.

"From our own school, he went to what was then called Michigan Agricultural College, from which he graduated, and thence to Harvard for graduate work. There he became assistant to Dr. Asa Gray, the foremost botanist of his day. He was called back to M. A. C. as a teacher, and then to Cornell University, where he became Dean of the Agricultural School, and the foremost teacher of agriculture of his time.

"The building, — the Central school,—which he attended is gone, supplanted by a new one. The ravine back of that building one of those through which he used to hunt specimens of plants and insects, bears little resemblance to that of his day. Similar changes have come to the other ravines, and to the woods, and in only little less degree to the marshes, the river banks, and the lake banks, that were his hunting grounds.

"But the man is unchanged. At seventy, he is like the youth of seventeen in his thirst for knowledge, in his zeal to share it with others, in his happiness at living in a world in which he finds so much to do and so much to enjoy. After an illness that might well make him think of retirement, and at the Scriptural age of three score and ten, we find him planning fresh excursions to out of the way places of the earth and fresh excursions into the fields of knowledge that he feels he has as yet only partially explored. For his character and his achievements we commend him to you as an example."

Principal J. R. Hervey, in accepting custody of the picture, said the high school would be proud to have it hung in the library as an inspiration to the students, and that suggestion for a program each year at the time of Dr. Bailey's birthday would gladly be carried out.

After the assembly program, the members of the Scott Club held a program of dedication about the tree recently planted in honor of Dr. Bailey.

The program included the rea ing of appropriate poems, and a stanza of a hymn that serve as a prayer. A similar ceremon was enacted about the evergree tree, given by Mrs. Julia Law an George F. Jillson, and planted o the Scott Club grounds.