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Chapter BM, of Grinnell, Has Had a Successful Career

July 7, 1898 at the home of Mrs. W. C. Rayburn, Chapter BM. was organized by the State President Mrs. Walter Campbell who was assisted by Chapter AK of Brooklyn. The charter members were:

President—Mrs. W. C. Rayburn
Vice-President—Mrs. W. T. Moyle
Rec. Sec.—Flora Goodfellow (Halsey)

Cor. Sec.—Mrs. W. S. Roby

Treas.—Alma Christian (Lyon)

Chaplain and Journalist—Mrs. Ed Kemmerer

Guard—Mrs. G. W. Cowden.

Four of these are still members of BM. Mrs. Roby belongs to A Massachusetts, Mrs. Halsey to E California and Mrs. Kemmerer to the Chapter Eternal.

The study for the first year was mainly Parliamentary and P.E.O. law, a foundation for good work. Social events were numerous during the first few years. A recital by Carrie

Jacobs Bond to which all Grinnell club women were invited is perhaps best remembered.

Various phases of Social Service have had support. When the first hospital was purchased BM furnished a room which was always kept in repair by a committee headed by Mrs. Roby. The College Chapel pulpit, another special gift was selected by Mrs. Macy.

Since the establishment of the Educational Fund the chapter has annually met her quota and has had the pleasure of securing help for five Grinnell girls one of whom has paid her indebtedness in full already. Mrs. Henely gave six years of hard work on the Loan Board. The Memorial Library at Mount Pleasant was given 100% support.

Mrs. Moyle and Mrs. Henely have both served on the State Board, Mrs. Henely finally as State President.

Present membership is seventy.
