OPEN SCHOOLS TO INSTRUCT WOMEN VOTERS

Non-Partisanship Keynote of First Session at New Hampshire College

PUPILS EXPECT TO VOTE FOR PRESIDENT

Salem, Mass., July 6.—Non-Partisanship was fostered as the keynote of the new term which started yesterday at the New Hampshire State College under the direction of the Women of New Hampshire.

This is the first example of such cooperative endeavors on the part of a state college and women's organizations in the United States. Mrs. Mary P. Wood of Portsmouth is president and in setting forth the purpose of the conference she said: "The women's voting means doubling the voices of men, our object is defeated. We must contribute strength and intelligence of our own. There can be no division upon party lines. There must be an aim of good principles, good men, good government, and when we turn down partisan politics we shall also turn down sectarian religion."

Many Women Register

With over 100 registered already and including in its faculty and associates prominent former suffragists as well as leading suffragists, the school opened under most favorable auspices. Women from all parts of the state and even from other New England states.

President Ralph D. Hildreth of the college has thrown open the college buildings, and the college faculty are offering valuable assistance entirely gratuitously. "Smith Hall" being used to house the guests and "History House", which was established by the Y.W.C.A. during the war, for the S.A.T.C., will be used for the overflow and, indeed, kept open all summer.

The committee of management is composed of Miss Martha E. Mackie, Mrs. Mary P. Wood and Mrs. Helen H. Thayer, all of Portsmouth; Mrs. Frank Knox of Manchester, Mrs. Clinton Cheney of Manchester, Mrs. James W. Hamrick, and Mrs. H. H. Chase.

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Miss Harriet L. Huntress and Mrs. Charles P. Bancroft, all of Concord; Dr. Isais F. Nelson of Dover, Mrs. Charles Simmers of Durham, and Mrs. Vida C. Wells of Lisbon.


List of Patronesses

The list of patronesses includes Mrs. George Bingham of Manchester, Mrs. George J. Carpenter of Woburn, Mrs. Edna Eaton of Nashua, Mrs. R. W. Walton of Tilton, and Miss Winnifred H. Houston of Keene, Mrs. A. H. Harris of Lebanon, Mrs. N. H. Hunt of Manchester, Mrs. David Murray of Derry, Miss A. J. Morris of Manchester, Mrs. Beatrix P. Norris of Portsmouth, Mrs. Howard Parker of Berlin, Miss Mary A. Prentice of Franklin, Mrs. Charles R. Sawyer of Durham, Mrs. Susan Sanford of Conway, Mrs. Leonora Greco of Rochester, Mrs. F. B. Strong of Concord, Mrs. Joseph C. Stock of Rochester, Mrs. A. C. White of New Hampshire, and Miss Sarah J. Shaw of Dover.

On account of illness, President R. D. Huntress was unable to deliver the address of welcome but sent the following greeting:

"I am particularly pleased that New Hampshire College, a public educational institution, should offer its facilities for the promotion of educational work as designed to fit the citizens of our commonwealth for wide direct participation in public affairs. It will be a delight to all who have been interested in this forward looking government."

Expect to Vote for President

One of the significant features of the opening day of the school was the apparent unanimity of belief that ratification of the federal amendment by the necessary 31 states will come so early that women will be able to vote at the next presidential election.

Three daily sessions, morning, afternoon and evening, are being held in the library building of the college, and if the registration continues to increase as rapidly as on the opening day the auditorium will prove to be of insufficient capacity.

Lecturers in no college ever were welcomed with more enthusiasm or given closer attention than today and the keen interest was further evidenced by the volume of questions which followed each address.

A half hour of parliamentary procedure was put in order, conducted by Mrs. Mary J. Wood, dean of the school. Addresses were delivered today by Prof. Ernest Groves, dean of the college, welcoming the prospective voters in the name of President McEwen; by Mrs. Nancy M. Schoemaker on "American Women"; also a second address on "The American Woman"; by Mr. W. C. Babcock on "Municipal Problems"; by Mrs. Helen Hasbrouck on "The Responsibility of Citizenship"; by Mrs. Fred B. Strong on "Social Problems"; by Dr. G. T. Spencer on "The Problem of the Future"; and by Miss Edna Wright of the National Women's Suffrage Association on "The Responsibility of Citizenship."

A special tribute was paid to the address given by Dr. J. M. McEwen, former associate of the Agricultural College, in which she discussed with shrewdness problems of rural life.

What Connecticut Does

of an entire department, the employing of a salaried worker, who gives her entire time to citizenship, and the cooperation we have been able to secure from the political parties, gives our work a kind of support and infuses us in coming to the public spirited citizens of Connecticut with a kindred appeal for moral and financial support.

Intensive Courses

While insisting on non-partisanship, Mrs. Schoemaker announced that the Republican party in Connecticut had voted at the idea of women ever having the vote, and it was only after an appeal to National Chairman Hays that it was obtained. Republican in character, sufficient to balance the progressive freely supplied by the Democratic party. She outlined intensive courses in all sorts of subjects pertaining to the national and the state level, and the new responsibilities which they held being thrust upon them. "We, of course," she said, "that it will make no any happier to learn about the misery of women, but that the chief aim of law workers, that of one of the chief aims of law workers. But when you are once enlisted in the great cause of justice, that right you will feel a deep, deep and high feeling of joy and gladness.

There were many questions asked about the best methods of canvassing all over the state, classes in citizenship, and the best methods of attracting members. Plans are being made to work through the groups and to enlist all sorts of organizations and interests.

Cases of Bad Government

Prof. Babcock, in the course of his address, gave several instances of good government which he believed women would correct when they had the ballot. He referred to one New Hampshire community in which the women of the town were organized into a "constituent" by voting on the water rate and finding the necessary level below the fire service level, so far as the fire service was concerned, ordered the superintendent to stop pumping the drinking water over the river bed and direct it into the reservoir. The superintendent's conscience finallySmuslized that the drinking water be stopped, for the water was polluted and dangerous to health unless filtered. Yet the commissioner, on account of politics, refused to do so.

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