

Jan. 14, 1954.

Dear Ruby,

Chapter BL's second year has been a very full and eventful one. Our working together to knit our group into a smooth running, meaningful P.E.O. chapter has been a valuable experience for all of us.

This year we have had much coming and going of our members. We were sorry to have Beverly Serns move to Alberquerque, New Mexico early in the year. But in April we initiated 2 new members, Mayr Alice Rarick, the daughter-in-law of one of our charter members, Mae Rarick, and Betty Land. Betty's mother, who is an Indiana state officer, was present for her daughter initiation. In May, we initiated Mary Justice. These 3 girls have contributed so much of value to our meetings and to us as sisters.

We were very honored to be ask to give the model meeting at convention in Milwaukee in June. We were also a little apprehensive, or maybe I should say - just plain scared, but what a wonderful experience it was. Jane Dorshel was our guinging light and we did appreciate her help as we made our preperations. Needless to say our biggest problem seemed to be "What do we wear". Buy it was solved and we turned our thoughts toward perfecting our duties. This was truly a chapter project and a chapter achievement. And the thrill that came to each of

As we closed our meeting on the stage in Milwaukee will be long remember.

During the summer we had some sad farewells to say. Three of our officers left Madison. Carolyn Dauner moved to New York City, Dorothy Cole to Normal, Ill. and Dorothy Vickerstaff to Houston, Texas. These girls were so much a part of our chapter life that we miss them a great deal. But we had willing and capable people to step into their offices. In Oct. we started our meetings with an interesting program year arranged by Jane Wilson and her committee. In an effort to have every member participating they have introduced "Conversation" programs, with a moderator to set the topic and trend of the conversation. In October were were inspected and Adelaide gave us a fine report on Supreme convention.

Our first November meeting was a guest meeting. A program of music and readings was presented by 5 of our own members. Our annual Christmas auction was a going a big success both in fun and funds. We are this year exchanging one program with another Madison chapter.

Jan 14. we initiated 3 new members, Nancy Ragat z Edna Rieman and Jane Secord. With much excitement we welcomed to prospective BILs. Marion Caldwell announced her engagement to Harold Mason, the son of our Mary Mason, and Doris Johnston Announced her engagement to Bill Reimen son of our new initiate Edna. We also welcomed 2 future BILs. Sons were born to Jeanette Thomas and to Beth Ross.

Our meetings are also augmented by Madison unaffiliates and we have extended invitations to demit to Carol Wilson and Vivian Lindgren. We hope to be able to invite more to join us.

We now have an active membership of 20, we have begun a savings account with the purchase of a savings bond and we feel our chapter is stabilizing itself and is successfully over the hump of a new organization.

I think the most important thing that I can report in this letter is, that in Chapter B. we are finding more and more each day what P.E.O. can mean to us and what we as P.E.O.s and do for our sisters, and yes, even for our world.

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