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## Upton Study Club

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### The Three Arts Club

The Three Arts Club, now widely known as an organization for young women students of music, painting, the drama, and kindred arts, has for its headquarters the old homestead at 2027 Auburn Avenue, formerly occupied by the parents of Judge Rufus B. Smith. The house is only large enough to domicile twelve or fourteen young women. They thoroughly enjoy the sunshiny, homelike surroundings, well-prepared food, and good fellowship of other students.

The club house is open to all members every Saturday afternoon, either for a talk by some well-known person, a program by the students, or a jolly good time with dancing the main feature.

Two Sunday afternoons, the first and third of each month, Miss Hollister conducts a circle formed for the study of the Bible in art. She illustrates with photographs, music, or readings, being enthusiastically assisted by the students.

As most of the young women are studying with a view to self-support, their club dues are very moderate. The chief running expenses are defrayed by the associate members, who pay five dollars a year. Mrs. Olive Thrasher, living at 1955 Madison Road, is the efficient chairman of the Membership Committee, and reports that the list is growing longer than ever.

Other aims of the club are to secure student rates to all good concerts, plays, etc., not within financial reach of members; to furnish any information helpful to young women who are strangers in the city, a bureau for this purpose having been established at the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant; to furnish accompanists, readers, even entire programs for a moderate compensation to the performers; and to afford opportunities of every sort tending to stimulate the ambition, broaden the intellect, and establish the ideals of its young women members. It is allied to clubs of the same name in London, New York, and Chicago, the membership card being an introduction and means of identification in any part of the world.—EDITH S. NEFF, *President*, 104 East Auburn Avenue.

### Upton Study Club

An interested audience listened to Dr. John Robertson's logical discourse of "The Signs of the Times." He led his hearers into the historical past, showing how prophecy became history—as example, the Hebrews foretold of the flaming sword over Jerusalem—accounted for by the appearance of Halley's comet.

As one sign of the times he predicts that as a result of the European conflict of nations either militarism will be destroyed or the Caucasian race will fail in its mission.

Mrs. Cassius M. Fisher and Mrs. E. J. Evans were appointed delegates to the Ohio State Federation, which convened at Youngstown, Ohio.

Mrs. Mary C. Sherwood and Mrs. Harriet V. Caden were chosen delegates to the State Suffrage Convention. Mrs. Sherwood was appointed delegate to the National Suffrage Convention at Nashville.

Refreshments were served by the Executive Board.

Mrs. M. McClellan Brown, president gave a most gracious greeting to guests, and outlined the beginning of the year's activities.

October 22 the Upton Club was addressed by one of our most progressive citizens, Dr. C. W. Blodgett, whose subject was "Women's Ballot and War." He proved conclusively that woman's ballot is a necessity to insure progress and the betterment of not only civic interests, but those of the Commonwealth and Nation as well. Mrs. M. B. Corwin enlightened the audience on the purpose of the organization of a Woman's Rotary Club, which has already assumed an active life and will be an acquisition worth while to the Queen City.

One of the most pleasurable as well as instructive lectures yet heard by the club was given by Mrs. W. F. Robertson, on "Impressions of a Trip to the Orient." Mrs. Robertson in illustrating her discourse used films prepared in Japan from photographs taken by members of their party of tourists, showing the most beautiful natural colors of decorations of exterior and interior of temples and long vistas of public roads and gardens and street life of the various cities visited.

All Japanese people worked as though it were a *delightful* task, and particularly at Kioto cheer and joy was observed everywhere. Kioto itself seemed veritable fairyland. Great flashes of brilliant color soften the Japanese landscape.

The hostesses, Mrs. Endley, Mrs. Peters, and Mrs. Carpenter, had most appropriately used varicolored chrysanthemums as decorations. Two charming young ladies from the Conservatory of Music furnished vocal selections.—  
ALMA KEPHART WILSON, *Corresponding Secretary*.

### The Young Women's Christian Association

The various departments of the Young Women's Christian Association began their winter's work the past week with an unusually fine prospect. The audience at the general rally Monday night was made up largely of girls who are enrolled in the gymnasium, cooking class, dressmaking, millinery, embroidery, elocution, music, first aid to the injured, etc.

The program rendered was unusually fine, comprising music, speaking, and a story given by Miss Susan M. Best, who will conduct a class in story telling this winter at the Young Women's Christian Association.

Clubs have met this week at their usual times. Monday night the Progressive Club, made up of young business women; Tuesday evening, made up entirely of girls from the mercantile world; Wednesday evening, of girls from the industrial world. Wednesday evening the Fortnightly Club also held its initial meeting. The membership of this club is made up of girls of defective hearing, and is under the leadership of Miss Emma Bork.

The English Club holds its meetings Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock, at 1559 Pleasant Street. All foreign girls will be cordially welcomed in this class. Those in the class are greatly interested and showing fine progress.

The party given by the Young Women's Christian Association Wednesday evening, at 1559 Pleasant Street, for the foreigners enrolled in their English classes, was a very successful affair. The women and girls who are members of this class invited their men-folks, and they made merry together, dancing their native dances, singing their own folk-songs, and by way of showing their loyalty to their adopted land, lustily sang "America." Refreshments were served. This very interesting class is under the direction of the Extension Department of the Young Women's Christian Association, and is taught by Mrs. Henry Backus and Miss Louise Roehrig.

Christmas parties for the various groups of the Association girls will be held as follows: December 16, the Extension Department; the party for the House girls, December 19; for the members of the Junior Department on the 22d; for the women and girls employed at the Sutphin factory, and on the afternoon of Wednesday, December 23, the school girls' clubs; evening of December 23 will be the Christmas party for the foreigners, held in the Young Women's Christian Association gymnasium.

The Fortnightly Social Club for girls with defective hearing is under the direction of Miss Emma Bork. These girls will hold their Christmas party at Miss Bork's home on Eighth Street.

The class work of the Educational Department will have a recess from December 19 to January 4.