HOMEMAKER AS CITIZEN

By HARRIET COOKINHAM

THE annual convention of the State League of Women Voters was held in April in Des Moines with headquarters at the Hotel Savery. Convention delegates were inspired by the important issues of the program. Two of the outstanding issues were the necessity for continued work on the Child Labor Amendment and the instruction of women in methods of voting.

The convention delegates were much interested in the advancement our local league has made since organization two years ago, in the stand we have taken on women's suffrage, and in our efforts to stimulate interest in college elections.

Governor John Hearn, Albert E. Caryns, United States senator from Iowa, Dr. Shambaugh, head of the political science department at the State University of Iowa and Harriet Taylor Up- ton, nationally known leader were among the prominent speakers at the meeting.

Onica Prall, president of the Iowa College chapter for this year, Elea­ nor Tregoning, president elect, Garet Tissue, first vice-president for next year, and Deiga Anna E. Richardson, chairman of the education committee of the league, were the delegates from Ames.

The session closed with an election of officers. Mrs. Max Haynie, mayor of Des Moines, who has been active in the league for several years was elected president.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ELECTION

The annual election of the League of Women Voters was held recently and those elected to office were: Eleanor Tregoning, president; Garet Tissue, vice president, and Max Haynie, secretary; Laudies Scotton, treasurer and Mary Talbot, secretary.

The League of Women Voters is an organization on the campus for the promotion of good citizenship and interest in voting among the women students.

This organization has been the means of bringing many interesting lecturers to our campus, and although the organization is not very old, they have accomplished much toward interesting Iowa State College women in political questions.

FIRST WOMAN OF CONGRESS

When Jeannette Rankin gave her lecture on "New Factors in World Affairs", the students and faculty of Iowa State College and citizens of Ames had the honor of hearing the first woman member of Congress and also a nationally famous woman's suffrage and social worker.

Miss Rankin began life on a ranch near Missoula, Montana, June 11, 1880, and lived there until she was thirteen. Her college work was done at the University of Minnesota, getting her degree of Bachelor of Science in 1902. She was a student of the School of Philosophy in New York during the years 1908 and part of 1909, spending the remainder of that year as a social worker in Seattle, Washington. The following year she took up woman suffrage work in California, then in Montana and in 1918 she led the women of Montana to a victory in franchise. She was a member of the first Congress, the first woman ever elected to the United States Congress. At present she is field secretary of the National Consumers League.

Miss Rankin gave the greatest problem of the day—that of maintaining peace. At the present time she says, there are more men under arms in Europe than there were in 1914, and the militaristic spirit is much worse, even in America.

Miss Rankin considers the world peace organizations, universal woman suffrage, and those elected to office, those elected to the establishment and maintenance of peace.

GOVERNOR FERGUSON RESTORES CITIZENSHIP TO HUSBAND

"Ma" Ferguson, Governor of Texas has just recently signed a bill passed by the Texas legislature restoring citizenship rights to her husband, former Governor of Texas who lost the right to hold office on charges of forgery and public Funds. A recent issue of "Woman Citizen" states that this marks a milestone on the road of women's actual partnership with men. Who could have dreamed only about a dozen years ago, that the first timid suffrage procession was jeered at in the streets of New York and Washington, that such a short space of time would see women voting all over the United States and in most of the civilized world; would find two women governors in the United States, four women in the British parliament, and many more in the German Reichstag, and other foreign legislative bodies?

JUDGE OF JUVENILE COURT

Kathryn Sellers, has just been re-appointed Judge of the Juvenile Court of Washington, D. C., after six years of service.

In 1918 she was first appointed, and on account of her very great success as a judge, she has just recently been re-appointed.

An article in the "Woman Citizen," states that a day in her court is a refreshing and stimulating experience to anyone familiar with the intricacies, the dull monotony, and the delays of ordinary court procedure. She hears most of the cases in a high ceilinged room at one side of the formal court room. Gladly the black of official robes, she sits in a big chair at the middle of a long table.

She has made many changes to secure greater efficiency in handling cases, and finer consideration for the needs of the children who come before her.

STATE FAIR PREMIUM BOOK

The Iowa State Fair premium books for 4-H clubs are now available for every club girl. These can be obtained from the state fair secretaries office, Mr. A. R. Core, State House, Des Moines, or from the county farm bureau office.

I T WAS a beautiful May Day. Groups of girls filled the green beneath the Campanile. A hushed, breathless feeling was in the air. Girls looked at each other as if for the first time, each wondering if the other would be one of the chosen. Finally the sound of soft singing reached them and they saw the slowly advancing line of girls, some in caps and gowns, some carrying Jack o' Lanterns. On they came singing softly, passing thru the arch of the Campanile and taking their places near it.

Amid breathless silence Dorothy Mc­ Carrol, president of Morton Board, na­ tional women's honorary organization, and Daisy Davis, president of Jack O' Lantern, junior women's honorary organization, stepped forward and read from their scrolls the names of those chosen as members of the organizations for the coming year. One by one the new members received their caps or jack o' lanterns and took their places in their respective group. Then softly singing their welcome song the long line with its new followers, passed slowly on beneath the trees.

The pledging of Morton Board and Jack O' Lantern beneath the Campanile on May Day is one of the traditions of Iowa State College. The night before the pledging the members of the organizations serenade each house or hall where a prospective member lives. Two by two o'clock on May Day all the girls of the college gather beneath the Campanile for the pledging. No girl knows until her name is called whether she is one of the chosen.

Members of Morton Board are chosen from the junior class on the basis of activities, personality and scholarship. Those pledged this year were: Kathryn Ayres, Josephine Chambers, Ethel Green­ way, Grace Heldbruder, Jessie Hill, Kathryn McCarthy, Eliza McNeil, Jean Mc­ Call, Florence McKae and Estella Sill.

Members of Jack O' Lantern are chosen from the sophomore class on the basis of scholarship interest in college activities, personality and learning applied to living.

Those pledged this year were: Mable Blom, Margaret Cleghorn, Virginia Buck, Eva Donnien, Helen Edall, Sadie­ belle Frodley, Ruth Ginger, Ione Hemingway, Dee Himmel, Maurine Hoskins, Virgil Kelley, Charlotte King, Jennie Kock, Gladys Koenik, Ruth Macy, Marjorie Mc­ Alpin, Dorothy Mollenhoff, Jane Rhoads, Angelene Schoeh, Susan Sturr, Violet Siemens, Alice Stiel, Frances Swenson, Mary Talbot, Garet Tissue, Florence Wilson and Eleanor Winton.