

The Canadian Women's Press Club

THREE branch clubs have held annual meetings and elected officers for the ensuing year. The officers of the Winnipeg branch of the C. W. P. C. for 1911-12 are as follows: Mrs. Nellie McClung, President; Mrs. Fred Livesay, Vice-President; Miss Kenneth Haig, Secretary.

During the past season members of the club have, from time to time, given talks on their own newspaper experiences, and Mrs. Osborne suggested that these "experience" meetings be continued, and, further, that the outsiders of journalistic repute be asked to address some of the meetings. Motions were passed provid-



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ing that the club shall meet regularly the third Thursday of each month, and that a programme committee, acting for three months, shall be responsible for the entertainment. A committee was named to approach the other women's societies of Winnipeg in regard to the club-house movement.

The Fort William and Port Arthur branch has for its officers during 1911-12: President, Mrs. A. G. Seaman; Vice-President, Miss Alice Read; Secretary, Mrs. Webster (formerly Miss Sadie Stewart); Treasurer, Mrs. F. S. Knight; Press Correspondent, Mrs. J. M. Sherk. Miss Alice Read, who is the Vice-President for Ontario and Quebec of the C. W. P. C., since her return from a year spent in Great Britain, has joined the staff of the Fort William Times-Journal.

The Vancouver branch re-elected Mrs. C. R. Townley as President. The other officers of the club for the present year are: Vice-President, Mrs. Holt Murison; Recording Secretary, Miss A. M. Ross; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Stoddard.

THE Vancouver Women's Press Club gave a dance on November 3rd for the purpose of raising funds to secure a club room in the Women's Building, which it is proposed to erect in Vancouver. The Women's Press Club has already taken four shares in the Women's Building, and are to be congratulated on the near prospect of possessing a comfortable and charming club room.

THE trip of the corresponding Secretary of the C. W. P. C. to the coast during the last eight weeks was made a delightful progress from city to city of the west, because of the warm hospitality extended by the members of the Press Club in different places. In Fort William the branch gave her an opportunity of meeting old friends and making the acquaintance of new. Mrs. Sherk, the President, was also the hostess one afternoon.

The executive of the branch at Winnipeg met Mrs. Fairbairn at lunch, and she was also one of a party of the members who spent a lovely autumn afternoon at the home of an out-of-town member, Mrs. Vi-loux, of Sturgeon Creek.

The tiniest of branches is that at Regina with its three members, but

what with festivities tendered by each individually, a reception collectively and drives to Parliament Building and Government House, the guest was made to feel the comradeship of the C. W. P. C.

In Edmonton the members gathered at a very jolly and informal luncheon at one of the tea rooms in honour of the visitor, and in Calgary the two members of the C. W. P. C. there invited a number of writers who are possible members to meet Mrs. Fairbairn. As soon as the number is increased they expect to form a branch, which is likely to be an active one, as befits so progressive a city.

Vancouver has a large membership of women writers as well as journalists, and was most hospitable. Mrs. Townley, the President, invited the members to meet Mrs. Fairbairn at tea, and Mrs. Mackay and others gave a tea at the Athenaeum Club. The visitor's one regret was that she did not have longer time to make the further acquaintance of so many interesting and clever women.

THREE new members have been added to the C. W. P. C. this month, two in Winnipeg and one in Toronto. They are: Miss Myrtle V. McLenaghan, reporter for the Women's Page of the Manitoba Free Press; Mrs. Olive Ryckman, on the staff of Country Life in Canada and The Dominion, and Miss C. M. Storey, Toronto, Fashion Editor of Ready-to-Wear, and contributor to The Canadian Home Journal and various other publications.

MISS LILY DOUGALL, the Canadian novelist, an honorary member of the C. W. P. C., has changed her residence from Exmouth, England, to Oxford. She spent the summer months with members of her family on the St. Lawrence.

MISS IDA WILSHIRE, a member of the Vancouver Women's Press Club, who holds a position as Madame Labadie's press agent, has visited most of the branches of the C.W.P.C. within the last year. While in Halifax, she saw Miss Marshall Saunders frequently, and took a snapshot of this well-known writer and enthusiastic member of the club, showing Miss Saunders with a few of her many pets. In Toronto, Miss Wilshire had tea with



NELLIE MCCLUNG
Author of "Sowing Seeds in Danny," etc.

the Toronto branch, when Madame Labadie told the club of her experiences in the Yukon.

MISS PULLEN-BURRY, a member of The Society of Women Journalists, with which society the C.W. P. C. is affiliated, who has been commissioned to write a book on Canada, has been entertained by the branches in Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton, and Vancouver. Miss Marshall Saunders was able to give Miss Pullen-Burry much help and information when she was in Halifax. Miss Pullen-Burry expects to reach Toronto this month.

MRS. COLIN H. CAMPBELL entertained the club at a delightful tea, November 1, when Mrs. MacGregor (Marion Keith) was guest of honour.



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