ANNUAL REPORT
of the
NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY FACULTY WIVES CLUB
for 1944-45.

The Northeastern University Faculty Wives Club has completed its fourth year of existence. Although the attendance at some of the meetings has been small due to these busy times and to the war time activities of many of the faculty wives, the interest in the Club has not diminished and we hope for renewed interest in the coming year which will help us develop and carry out worth while projects of benefit to the University. Two such projects were started this year - the first our gift of books to the University Library, and second our tea for the upperclass girl students, to be held today. A third project, the establishment of a scholarship or an award, to be given to a girl student, was discussed with Dean Melvin and Dean White, and it was the consensus of opinion of the Club members that this matter should be held temporarily in abeyance until post-war fund raising becomes possible.

To make operative the amendment to our By-Laws adopted at the March meeting, which provides for a Ways and Means Committee, our President named Mrs. Skinner temporary chairman of the Committee. Since this came late in the year no formal report was called for, but Mrs. Skinner's work as chairman of the Committee is much appreciated by the Club.

Mrs. Oberg, chairman of the Program Committee, arranged an interesting and entertaining program for each of our meetings. At the first meeting on October 13, 1944 Dr. Ell showed several reels of his beautiful colored pictures of his trip to California and through the Columbia Ice Fields in the Canadian Rockies.

On November 10, 1944 the Club was entertained by a very comprehensive talk on Wartime Cookery by Mrs. Eva Goodie, representing the Boston Consolidated Gas Company.

Our Christmas meeting was made very enjoyable through readings by one of our own members, Mrs. Rudolph Morris. At this same meeting a Christmas Stocking collection was made and a substantial amount collected. We purchased magazine subscriptions for the veterans in the Waltham Hospital.

January brought our annual party. After a delicious dessert the very fascinating, if not educational, game of "Swapsee" was played.

Due to the blizzard of February 9th no meeting was held, but we were very fortunate in obtaining Mrs. Marion Rudkin for our March meeting. Her book reviews were, as usual, very much enjoyed.

Our first annual tea for the upperclass girl students is being held at our April meeting, giving us a splendid opportunity to meet them and become acquainted with our "Co-eds". A fashion show from the Modern School of Fashion Design will feature the entertainment.

Mrs. Stevenson, chairman of the Membership Committee, has taken care of name plates at the door at each meeting, and wrote eleven letters to the wives of new faculty members inviting them to join our Club.
Mrs. Hultgren, the Corresponding Secretary, has sent out one hundred and forty letters and four hundred and fifty cards notifying us of club meetings each month, and we have appreciated her cheery greetings in verse.

To Mrs. Zuffanti, chairman of the Hospitality Committee, and her committee members - Mrs. Boig, Mrs. Fennell, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Meserve, and Mrs. Vernon - we wish to express our thanks for the excellent teas they have served at our meetings. At the October meeting it was decided, in order to conserve the funds in our treasury, that the refreshments and table center piece for the tea at each meeting during the remainder of the year be donated by our club members. Mrs. Zuffanti’s complete report follows:

October meeting - 25 persons served - $7.81 was received from the Club treasury for the refreshments

November meeting - 20 persons served - refreshments provided by Mrs. Ell, Mrs. Gramstorff, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. White and Mrs. Wilkinson, and $1.41 received from the Club treasury

December meeting - 30 persons served - refreshments provided by Mrs. Churchill, Mrs. Meserve, Mrs. Boig, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Fennell, Mrs. Vernon, and Mrs. Zuffanti - and $.75 received from the Club treasury

January meeting - 25 persons served - refreshments provided by Mrs. Pugsley, Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Oberg, Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Tozer, and Mrs. Hodgdon, and $1.62 received from the Club treasury

February meeting - Cancelled

March meeting - 55 persons served - refreshments provided by Mrs. Churchill, Mrs. Lake, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Luder, Mrs. DuBois, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Zuffanti - $2.52 received from the Club treasury

Total Cost $14.11
Left-over cookies sold to members 1.00
Received from treasury $13.11

A separate report will be submitted for today’s tea.

The Treasurer’s report appears as a separate report, and we thank Mrs. Tozer for the good job she has done.

To our President, Mrs. Churchill, on the completion of her two years in office we wish to express our thanks and appreciation for her kindly guidance and competent leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary