REMINISCING WITH THE FACULTY WIVES
OF SAN JOSE STATE COLLEGE

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We pay tribute to the Centennial History Committee for the outstanding work they have done in compiling the following data pertaining to the Faculty Wives organization, and to Evelyn Settles, who devoted countless hours to interpreting and writing this material.

Some of the records, especially the early ones, were fragmentary. Should there be any suggestions or additional information, we should appreciate their coming to the attention of the Board, so that they may be incorporated into the records.

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Members of the History Committee gratefully recognize their debt to Evelyn Settles for this volume. The great burden of the work has been hers.

When the committee members first met fourteen months ago to explore the task of writing this record they learned that there was much to re-discover about Faculty Wives' early history and that there were many "unrecorded years".

Evelyn Settles guided the work of collecting reminiscences, finding records, and assembling available data. She organized and wrote the history, giving a summer to the work.

Her approach to her committee and to those others who have generously helped has always been warm and receptive. The result is a book which is both lively and valuable.

Only those who have engaged in a comparable labor can fully appreciate the wholehearted and constant devotion such a service represents.

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The history of Faculty Wives of San Jose State College can be likened to the course of a beautiful river which after the confluence of several rivulets, begins as a lively little brook gaily running its course, ever joined by more and more streams, growing more beautiful and majestic. Each new stream mingles its own ripples and currents to the main river, adding interest and new life as it ruffles the surface of placid waters.

The deep underlying purpose all through the history of Faculty Wives has been to promote genuine friendliness, and a desire each year to make the newcomer feel at home within a group of congenial friends whose husbands share in common their positions on the faculty of San Jose State College.

Not only did it give welcome to the new member, but it also provided an opportunity for all members to get better acquainted and to form life-long friendships.

Naturally, there were differences of opinion that sometimes formed currents, and even swifter crosscurrents. But never was a difference serious enough to interrupt the broad flow of friendliness within the group. It only lent interest and kept the organization growing. How dull life would be without some differences! How uninteresting is a stagnant pool!

The currents that ruffle the surface of a river lend beauty and life to it and keep it flowing—so it has been with Faculty Wives of San Jose State College.
All dates for events given in the history have been verified to the best of the committee's ability. We have used minutes from past meetings for our most authentic data. Where dates were not available from minutes we have depended on the memories of members. But, because few of us are blessed with infallible memories, we have checked and cross-checked with others who remembered about the same incidents, and thus by triangulation, so to speak, we have arrived at the dates used.

Generally, if a member came up with "I know such and such an event occurred in such and such a year, because I was pregnant with Johnny at the time" we felt pretty certain the date was correct.

We hope we have not made too many errors. Prior to 1938 no minutes were kept, or at least none are still in existence. We have interviewed many people, and have received different interpretations of the same events. In writing about these happenings, we hope we have been able to catch the spirit of the times in which they happened.
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The compiling and writing has taken much time, but it has been very interesting work. I hope you will find it worth while.

E.B.S.
Faculty Wives of San Jose State College was formed at the home of Mrs. Edwin R. Snyder, now Mrs. Frank J. Reidy of San Jose, in 1924. As the college enters its Centennial Year of 1956-57, Mrs. Reidy remains the present-day link which connects today's large group with the early 1900's.

The wife of a faculty man in those days was a "faculty wife" in the sense that her husband was on the teaching staff. It was not until 1924 that the term was to take on its present-day meaning of group membership. Most of the teachers on the staff during the Normal School years were women. When, on occasion, there was "women's work" to be done for the school, there were women enough on the staff to do it. This is the reason the records carry so little mention of the first wives.

From 1903 until 1912 Mr. Snyder was head of the Manual Arts Department of the college when it was known as the State Normal School, and Sara Snyder (Reidy), as his wife, was one of the few faculty wives. The Snyders were absent for a period from 1912 until 1923, when Dr. Snyder returned to the school to assume the presidency.

In 1913 Rita Spaulding became a faculty wife as the bride of Benjamin Spaulding.

By 1916 the enrollment was 1,000 and there were 50 faculty members. Very few were men and not many of those men were married. We do know that Edith Minsson, wife of H. F. Minsson, and Rachel Hazeltine, wife of Karl S. Hazeltine, were two new wives.
Frances Jones Dailey, wife of the president of the college from 1900 to 1919, Rita Gosney Spaulding and Rachel Crawford Hazeltine were students at the old Normal School before they married their "professors". Aline Mosher was another Normal School graduate who was to return in 1932 as a faculty wife.

Frances Dailey was widowed by the death of Dr. Dailey in July, 1919, after only a few years of marriage. She, herself, died on another July day at her home in Oakland this year. (1956)

Students searching the records with Dr. Benjamin F. Gilbert for the 1957 Centennial History report have found but one written record of "faculty wives" as a group before 1924. The "Normal Pennant", student magazine of September, 1899, carried the social news that—"Dr. and Mrs. James McNaughton entertained with a reception for students and faculty and faculty wives."

Although the documentary record is scanty concerning the "doings" of the wives of the faculty men from 1862-1921, the State Normal School years, we know that these women, as individuals, had an interest in school affairs.

The school's identity with San Jose was permanently established in March, 1870, when the state legislature designated this city as the site for the yet-to-be-built State Normal School. Up to this time the school had been operated in San Francisco, beginning in 1857 as Minn's Evening Normal School.
It was to operate there, from 1862 to 1870, as a State Normal School. Since then, Washington Square has been its "home".

The picture of Washington Square during the Normal School years may be reconstructed this way: In 1897 San Jose High School occupied the North quadrant of the 26-acre grounds. Also on the square was the Training School, connected to the main building of the college by "The Bridge of Sighs" over which the young and earnest student teachers passed back and forth from the second story of one building to the other.

Being a housewife, before mechanization lightened the task, left little time for leisure. The degree of the several wives' interests outside their homes seems to have depended upon the number of children each had and on the individual family's financial circumstances.

Some of them had children in the Training School and belonged to the Mothers' Club of that school. They were sometimes guests at affairs given by the Faculty Women's Club. Some of them were active in the cause of women's suffrage and some of them were interested in the college Y.W.C.A., which had been on the campus since the 1880's. They were sometimes guests of the several campus literary societies. These groups, and others, met, on occasion, at the homes of the professors and their wives.

The wives and their husbands took their turn at chaperoning student dances. Favorite dances were the two-step and the waltz.
It is hard to imagine that when a special train carried San Joseans to Stanford in 1902 to hear Madame Schumann-Heink in recital, that the wives did not go... or that they never witnessed a "Big Game", ... or that they missed those wonderful afternoon assemblies that former Normal School students and faculty still laugh over.

Beginning in 1891, the custom was inaugurated of taking the Senior Class for a trip to Lick Observatory on a Saturday night in June "when the moon was full". This trip would take all day and half the night during the years when horses had to plod slowly up that twisting Mount Hamilton road. We can hope a wife was invited to go now and then.

Professor and Mrs. Charles H. Allen were hosts in 1903 to the 25th reunion of the class of May, 1878. In 1928 Mrs. L. B. Wilson entertained 12 of those 58 on their 50th reunion at her home at 196 South 13th Street.

The Vendome Hotel was the scene of a large reception given for Dr. and Mrs. Dailey on the occasion of their marriage in 1912. This ornate, Victorian hotel stood in its own park on North First Street in an area bounded by North First Street, Hobson Street, San Pedro Street and Empire Alley. A few weeks before her death Mrs. Dailey described the affair and recalled with pleasure that the faculty at that time had presented them with a beautiful chest of flat silver as a gift.
About this time Naglee Park began to develop and faculty people found it attractive to live in this pleasant area so close to the school. Their California bungalows and roomy two-story houses had ample living and dining rooms and many happy social gatherings were held in these homes.

On campus, faculty dinners became a tradition. Desks in one of the larger rooms would be moved back and tables laid. The faculty men often served the meal and washed the dishes for their wives and lady teacher guests. Sometimes they were the cooks, as well. The men on the faculty were in the minority, remember?

Some of them really cooked well. Not all of them were chefs but their names appear over recipes which were printed in a small booklet called "Favorite Recipes by S.J.N.S.F." which was sold in 1916 to help provide funds for the Health Cottage then being planned.

M. E. Dailey's signature appeared over recipes for buttermilk cornbread and divinity fudge, and that of Henry M. Bland, the poet, over a recipe for popovers. H. Minssen told how to scramble eggs with dried beef, and Karl Hazeltine described his favorite tamale goulash. R. M. Mosher gave away his secret for making hot mashed-potato doughnuts.

Names of their wives also appear with their cooking specialties, as do those of women faculty members.

Trying to finance the Health Cottage was the major interest of all those connected with the school from 1915 until the Edwin Markham Health Cottage on South 8th Street
was occupied on December 1, 1925. This was later to be known as the McFadden Health Cottage.

A Kirmess or Dutch fair, a county fair, and a carnival were student-body and faculty projects undertaken to raise needed funds. The faculty women and faculty men and their wives sponsored sales and auctions, and faculty entertainments were given. Before the permanent health building was established, the project had a year's trial run in rented quarters at 319 South Fifth St. The structure was renovated by students, faculty and janitors to prepare it for use. It was furnished with donated articles--some from faculty wives' homes.

A great need for such a building was demonstrated during the "flu" epidemic in 1918.

Edith Elder, whose husband Dr. Jay C. Elder, was then connected with San Jose High School, describes the epidemic this way:

"In 1918 Jay and I went from house to house at night nursing during the 'flu' epidemic. Realizing he could do more if he had a place in which to care for patients, he got in touch with the college and they offered him the Training School Buildings (one is now the Journalism Building). Jay advertised for help and in one day we cleared the desks out of the room, erased the bunnies from the black boards and put all the beds and bedding (donated) in place. That day we received over fifty bed patients. The next week we had 156 patients. Jay and Katherine Hall put all the soiled clothes through formaldehyde until the city gave us a "jailbird" and one nurse to help. Many of the faculty women ran the cafeteria and Dr. Bullock helped us constantly."

The school had what the student newspaper, "The Times", called a Normal Hospital at 145 South 12th St., where students recuperated from the "flu".
At that time the plight of European war sufferers had aroused the active interest of the campus as well as everyone else. Again, the individual wives had a part. They were interested in Armenian and Belgian Relief, knitting for the men in the services, selling war stamps, collecting "books for the men in khaki", "Hooverizing" and growing victory gardens.

One issue of "The Times" states that members of the Red Cross "were sewing on refugee clothing at the home of Mrs. D. R. Wood". Her husband, Daniel Return Wood, had taught nature study at the school from 1902 until his death on January 2, 1918.

With the coming of the First World War the school enrollment dropped to 414, not to start rising again until 1920. After the war, there was no "G. I. Bill of Rights" and few veterans returned to school.

Between 1920 and 1923 the enrollment began to climb and 48 new faculty members were added to the staff. Of these, only 15 were men, and again, not all of the men were married.

We know, however, of seven who were, for their wives became charter members when Faculty Wives Club was formed.
In 1921, the name of San Jose State Normal School was changed to San Jose State Teachers College. Two years later, in 1923, Edwin Snyder, who was now Dr. Snyder, came back to San Jose to become the new president of the college. Very soon after his return he and his wife started building a new house on the corner of 16th and William Streets. Shortly after its completion, in the Spring of 1924, Mrs. Snyder invited all of the faculty wives to her home, and that afternoon the thirteen who came decided to form a Faculty Wives Club. Their thought was that a club would give them, not only an opportunity to get better acquainted, but also an excellent excuse for lots of parties.

Edith Elder, whose husband was now teaching Biological Science in the college, recalls of those first meetings: "We didn't keep any minutes, but we had fifty-cent dues!" Minutes were not to be kept for many years to come.

From the beginning the women got together at one another's homes or went to places like Allied Arts in Menlo Park, or to the San Jose Country Club for a luncheon. It is recalled that the first meeting in the Fall of 1931 was held at the old Round Table Cafe just off First Street on West San Carlos. The cafe is gone now, but at that time it was new and very popular. Guests sat at a huge circular table while food, on a moving inner circle, passed in front of them. For fifty cents a person could take as many helpings of each tempting dish as he thought he could hold! The place made
money on ladies who counted calories, but lost heavily on the football boys who used to stow away six to eight pieces of pie after an enormous meal. Twenty or more Faculty Wives ate there that day. Another meeting that year was held at Nora Staffelbach's with Betty Kelley assisting.

One day in 1933, Kittie George remembers entertaining so many at her home that she managed only by serving cafeteria style in the kitchen and then having her guests sit in the back yard to eat.

Spontaneity sometimes marked the planning of beach parties or Alum Rock picnics. On a day that promised weather too warm for comfort in San Jose, someone, maybe Kittie George, or Maude Poytress, or Dorothy Heath would start phoning. Soon, a few cars would be loaded with picnic lunches and children -- and off to Santa Cruz they would go. Sometimes, as on Memorial Day, husbands, as well as children, went along for a day at the beach.

No four-lane, high-gear highway cut through the pass to Santa Cruz in the '20's and '30's. A narrow strip of paving wound its tortuous, twisting way up through Holy City and down the other side. Low gear was needed in many places, both for climbing and while braking on the descent. The trip was a beautiful one and, because it had to be taken slowly, one could really enjoy the forests of redwoods and madrones.

Edith Elder remembers one evening party that was held at the Country Club when the husbands were invited. Each
wife was asked to bring either childhood pictures of herself or of her husband or wedding pictures. These were projected on a screen for a "guess-who-this is" game. Once, she recalls, there was a program of music at a party held at President and Mrs. Snyder's home, and she and Lucile Dreskell sang the "Dance Duet" from the opera Hansel and Gretel.

For another party at the Snyders', Edith wrote a little play called "Azure Chinwhiskers" (A Modern Version of Bluebeard). Faculty husbands and wives played the parts and real honest-to-goodness printed programs were handed out.

Charter Members of Faculty Wives And The Dates Their Husbands Joined The Faculty

Mrs. James (Alice) DeVoss 1922
Mrs. Jay (Edith) Elder 1921
Mrs. George (Ines) Freeland 1921
Mrs. Karl (Rachel) Hazeltine 1916
Mrs. Clyde (Iura) McDonald 1923
Mrs. George (Daisy) Matthews 1923
Mrs. H. F. (Edith) Minsen 1916
Mrs. Lee (Olga) Newby 1923
Mrs. P. Victor (Mary) Peterson 1923
Mrs. William (Maude) Poytросс 1923
Mrs. Edwin R. (Sara) Snyder 1923
Mrs. Benjamin (Rita) Spaulding 1913
Mrs. Lewis P. (Alice) Wilson 1895
III
The Course is Set

Dr. Snyder had been president only two years when his health failed and he passed away in January of 1925. Mrs. Snyder became assistant to the Dean of Women that year. In 1932 she remarried and is now Mrs. Frank Reidy. She still lives in her William Street home.

Mr. H. F. Hinssen of the mathematics department, left his position as business secretary of the college and served well as acting president until Dr. Thomas MacQuarrie was appointed president in 1927, (a post he was to hold until his retirement twenty-five years later in 1952). Dr. MacQuarrie's lovely wife, Winifred, joined Faculty Wives Club and became its leader until her untimely death in 1950. Of her, Alice DeVoss has written the following:

"From the time Dr. and Mrs. MacQuarrie came to San Jose State College, Winifred showed real leadership and great interest in the faculty wives. While we had been meeting rather casually before Winifred came, we began to meet more regularly and we felt we were a more important group. Winifred tried always to make the wives feel that because of their husbands' position on the faculty, they had a responsibility both for attending, and for participating in the gatherings of the faculty wives.

We always asked Winifred to give a welcoming talk to the new members at the beginning of each year, at which time she would stress this responsibility. In her speaking, she always had a quiet dignity, but a fine sense of humor. Be-
fore the faculty became too large she more than once entertained the wives for Christmas parties. One year after she and Dr. MacQuarrie had been in Europe, she presented each one of us with a small gift she had planned for us while there. She and her husband were very generous in sharing their home."

Winifred MacQuarrie's interest in the faculty wives was unfailing. From her first years here she wanted the meetings to be kept simple so every member would feel welcome to come, bring her mending or knitting, and enjoy an afternoon of good companionship. She always was concerned about the welfare of the newest members, especially of the young mothers. When the depression years came, she believed that no one should be denied membership because she could not afford to pay dues. She was also concerned about the costs of the luncheons when the club met at public places. If such costs were too much for the young mothers who also had to hire baby sitters, she frequently suggested that the group meet oftener in the homes where delicious, but inexpensive pot-luck dinners could be held.

To do things graciously was her nature. She felt that it was far more friendly to telephone each member and invite her to the next meeting than it was to send her a postal card. She also felt it was more friendly for one of the members to present each mother of a new baby with a little silver spoon than it was to mail the gift.

This was one organization formed for the sole purpose of bringing the wives of the faculty together so they
could get acquainted and form lasting friendships. Since
the advent of paved roads and easy transportation faculty
families have lived in widely scattered parts of the Santa
Clara Valley. Even in those earliest years of the club,
some lived in Saratoga or Palo Alto, some in the Eastern
Foothills, and others in Santa Clara. It was easy for the
wife of a new faculty member to feel lost and alone. It
was wonderful to be taken into the midst of this friendly
group and made to feel welcome in strange surroundings, and
to become a real part of the college family.

Friendliness, simplicity, informality: -- these marked
the course which Faculty Wives were to follow down through
the years. If anyone wished, and many did, to take part
in civic affairs, to help out the Community Chest or Red
Cross drives, to serve on Y.W.C.A., Scout, Camp Fire, or
any other boards, they were encouraged to do so as individu­
duals, but not as representatives of the club.

In 1935 the name of San Jose State Teachers College
was changed to San Jose State College. The curriculum was
expanded and more students were attracted to the school.
This meant new faculty members were needed and many were
brought in from other states. Their wives brought varied
experiences gleaned from other schools and other communities.
It was only natural that new ideas were being introduced
all of the time; many of these were to be accepted, but not
all of them.

New streams were entering the main river, and new currents
were forming. There were bound to be ripples on the surface.
IV
Currents and Crosscurrents

To trace the development of Faculty Wives step by step during the first fourteen years is impossible. In 1935 a legislative enactment gave the college its present name of San Jose State College. At that time 3,000 students were enrolled. Three years later, in 1938, the Faculty Wives started keeping a record, not only of their expenditures, but also of their plans for meetings. The record begins with an acknowledgement of the group having received $24.32 from Florence (Mendenhall). This tells us that accounts had been kept before. However, no amount of sleuthing has revealed a trace of any such book or written record.

The minutes continue, as recorded by Kittie George, Secretary at the time, to tell us that, "according to the new plans this year, of two meetings per quarter, and ten hostesses, named alphabetically on each committee, the first Fall meeting was held October 14th (1938) at the San Jose Country Club." Incidentally, that meal cost 73¢ and the treasury paid for all the new members' meals!

It would seem that planning of some sort had existed before 1938—that committees in charge of the meetings had been selected some other way, but we have found no one who remembers any details.

"At the end of each year we would just do a little 'politicking around' and decide who would be in charge for
the next year," laughed Kittle George in describing those
days, "then we'd just throw the book into her lap and
tell her she was "it" for the coming year." But who were
the "we" who did the 'politicking', and what book was tossed
into the chosen one's lap?

For a long time, we are told, some one at each meeting
would invite the group to her house for the next meeting.
We suppose that if they decided to go to Allied Arts, or
to the Country Club, a few would volunteer to make the
arrangements.

When the school became San Jose State College it was
no longer just a teacher training center. The curriculum
was broadened to include many other fields. The broadened
curricula attracted many more students, especially young
men, and by 1938 there were almost 3,500 students. The next
year there were 4,000. A still larger faculty was needed.
Many more men than women were being hired, and a larger
proportion of them than ever before were married and had
families. The Faculty Wives Club grew accordingly. What-
ever the gradual steps taken through the years toward a
more organized club, certainly by 1938, it was necessary
that committees be appointed to take charge of each semi-
quarterly meeting. There were seventy-one paid memberships
that year.

1938-39

The first meeting in the Fall of 1938 was held at the
San Jose Country Club. As was her custom, Mrs. MacQuarrie
welcomed the new members and introduced them to all the others. She went on to ask everyone to promise to donate a white elephant gift -- worth at least ten cents! -- to the Patrons Association grab bag at its annual dinner in November.

The Patrons Association serves the college much as the Parent-Teachers Association serves the schools. In fact Patrons held membership in the P.T.A., until they withdrew their affiliation in the Spring of 1956. At that time they reorganized the Association, wrote a new constitution and by-laws, and elected new officers. Their objectives are to keep in close touch with college life, aid college authorities and promote the welfare of the student body. They adopted the new name of Patrons of San Jose State College.

Each November its members hold a big pot-luck dinner on campus. Many of the Faculty Wives aid by acting as hostesses at one or more tables, and by being responsible for getting twelve people as guests for each table. Every guest brings a portion of a well-planned dinner, pays fifty cents in addition, and, it is hoped, takes out a membership in the Association. The grab bag was just another way of making a little money. All funds are used to help students in need of small loans. Most of the active members are mothers of students or women of San Jose who are very interested in the welfare of the students.

The welcoming address each Fall by Mrs. MacQuarrie always included the announcement of the Patrons' annual dinner, and everyone was urged to do her share in making it
a success. In later years, sometimes Mary Peterson was the one who made the announcement, and sometimes it was Alice DeVoss or Martha Aspinwall. Martha for years has been a great worker in Patrons. But no matter who makes the announcement, each year it is made, and each year the wives respond. Just prior to writing this two of the Faculty Wives have been elected as president and vice-president -- Sally Benz, and Martha Aspinwall. It is their hope that others of the wives will help more than ever.

During the depression of the '30's some of the students were having a very hard time staying in school. To help them, some co-operative housing was started. The students shared work and expenses and were able to live quite cheaply, but even so, they needed help. Doctor Bertha Mason, herself a physician, whose husband, Dr. Marshall Mason, was at that time the College Physician, was most interested in the welfare of the needy students. At a meeting at the Country Club, the women voted to give her thirty dollars to use as she and her committee of two others saw fit. The money was given to her at the December meeting which was held at Allied Arts in Menlo Park. At the January meeting held at Il Campo Bello near Los Gatos, she reported that the money had been used to pay some Co-op house bills long overdue.

From time to time Faculty Wives were to give generously of their small funds to aid in causes such as these, even though they were not a service organization. Once again,
in 1941 they gave Dr. Bertha another thirty dollars to use for aiding the Co-ops. When the War started, they gave five dollars to the Community Committee which was sponsoring a dance for Moffett Field soldiers. Since their funds were small these were no mean gifts. These are just examples of contributions made, and there is no need to elaborate further.

But to get back to that year of 1938 -- none of the six meetings was held in homes. They met once at the Country Club, twice at the Los Altos Country Club, twice at Allied Arts, and once at Il Campo Fello.

At the last meeting in the Spring the group as a whole approved using the alphabetical order for appointing luncheon hostesses for the next year. This time they were to start with the tenth name down on the list and follow through in that order. Thus the same ten would not have to arrange for the first luncheon each Fall. It was decided that they hold three meetings during the next Fall quarter; the first meeting was to be in September so that new members could be welcomed sooner.

1939-40

College began classes on September 19th in 1939, but the first Faculty Wives meeting was not held until October 4th. The number of hostesses was increased from ten to thirteen. Again the first meeting was held at the San Jose Country Club. This year two meetings were held at the Country
Club, two at the Sainte Claire Hotel, one at Il Campo Bello, and one at Allied Arts. A sixth meeting, held in May, was a picnic; the scene probably was Alum Rock Park—although the place was not mentioned. For two years now, no meeting had been held in a home.

The cost of meals was not more than sixty-five to seventy cents. Dues were still fifty cents per year with a few still not paying, or delaying to pay until the end of the year simply because they had not attended earlier meetings.

Mrs. MacQuarrie had welcomed twelve new members at the first meeting in 1938, and fourteen the Fall of 1939. The paid memberships were now seventy-eight. There should have been more, but there were always a few who forgot, or who just never got around to paying, and, of course, some families moved away to other schools.

These meetings at country clubs or restaurants were lovely, for the committees always had the dining room and tables beautifully decorated. But, more often than not, one could chat only with three or four persons immediately around one, and there was little chance to get acquainted with others sitting a little farther away. When seventy women are talking all at once, it is a bit on the difficult side even to hear your immediate neighbor. After the luncheon an informal business meeting generally was held and announcements were made; then, the women were free to circulate and greet old friends and new. They were still encouraged to bring their mending or needle work and sit and
visit, but too often, the majority would hurry away, pressed by other duties.

This was defeating the purpose of the meetings, and Mrs. MacQuarrie, always the one to want Faculty Wives meetings to be kept as friendly get-togethers, as well as simple and inexpensive affairs, called in a few of the wives to suggest a new plan for the group. These women were Alice DeVoss, Edith Minssen, Maude Poytress, Gretchen Botts, Mary Haworth and Ruth Hartranft. They were the ones to plan the next year's program.

So far as we can find, this is the first time a planning committee was named, although some such committee probably had existed, whether formally recognized or not. Having thirteen members to plan each meeting was abandoned. This committee, after a year of service, was to retire two of its members and select two new ones, a policy which was to be used through 1943. This committee was first referred to as the Executive Board in the 1942 minutes, although some of the secretaries used the term Executive Committee in their records.

Having organized an Executive Board, Mrs. MacQuarrie presented a new plan devised to divide the group into four smaller "rotating" groups that could meet in the homes once more. Four hostesses were to be named to entertain simultaneously each month. She asked Ruth Hartranft to figure out the details of such a plan. Theoretically it sounded easy, but Ruth assured us it turned out to be a real mathematical
problem, and she called upon the Math Department for help. The problem was: How do you get four groups meeting every month during the school year so that each group, each time, is made up of a different combination of women?

1940-41

Ruth said there were almost a hundred faculty wives that Fall of 1940, (of which, the records show eighty-three were paid-up members.) Each name was given a number and the mathematician took the problem from there.

It worked out beautifully on paper. But after that it broke down! The first meeting went off smoothly enough, then someone would decide she didn't want to go to the next meeting she was assigned to because a special friend with whom she wished to be, was assigned to another group, and along she would go with her friend. Hostesses soon were finding themselves with more guests than they had expected, while others prepared for more than came. All sorts of mix-ups occurred.

Only two general meetings were held that year. The first one, to welcome newcomers, was held at the San Jose Country Club on September 30th. Group meetings were held each month, and in May a picnic was held in Alum Rock Park.

At this time, results of an April election were reported. Where, or how, this election was held was not recorded. It was voted to continue the group meetings the following year, and to hold one general meeting each quarter.
1941-42 and 1942-43

These smaller meetings in the homes, even with all the confusion experienced, had been a success. It had been lots more fun to meet with a few in the informality of a home, and lots easier to get better acquainted. Out of twenty-four or five in each group, an average of fifteen or sixteen attended. To make it even easier for those who would be hostesses during the 1941-42 season it was decided that a dessert be served instead of a luncheon. Each guest paid her share of the expenses.

Very little has been recorded concerning these smaller meetings. No mention is made of continuing them in 1942, although they must have continued that year, and with some changes, into 1943.

Soon after the war started gasoline rationing began, and unnecessary driving was frowned upon. Instead of having meetings which might require a member to drive miles to her assigned group, members who were neighbors began meeting in their own areas.

By the Spring of 1943 there must have been some question as to the advisability of continuing at all the next year. Those were the darkest days of the war. But the members voted to continue, and some twenty of the forty-six present at the Country Club the day the decision was made expressed their desire to have quarterly luncheons again. It is interesting to note five of them wanted all meetings held at the Country Club!
They had met twice at the Country Club that year and once at the Sainte Claire Hotel. The Country Club luncheons had cost eighty-eight cents, and the Sainte Claire had charged seventy-seven, including tax. But the members thought the prices exorbitant.

1943-44

Even though some had wanted to meet at the Country Club every time, they went only for the first meeting of the 1943-44 year. Only thirty-four attended — and not entirely because the price of food had climbed to $1.03 per plate, but because the War was really taking a toll. The student enrollment had dropped from 4,000 to 2,310 as the boys enlisted or were drafted and many of the faculty men were given leave for military, government, or Red Cross service. Some of the faculty wives were away with their husbands. Many who were still in town were too busy with War work to attend many meetings for they gave generously of their time to the Red Cross, to the U.S.O.¹ and to the various bond drives. Some helped out in the orchards and on truck farms where the labor shortage was sorely felt. Others helped by "making a home away from home" for service men from nearby camps, and some served on ration boards. But as always, they gave their time as individuals, not as representatives of Faculty Wives. The members were encouraged to take part in War work, but the club remained a medium for friendly meetings.

¹ United Service Organization. Service groups banded together to provide social life for soldiers visiting the city from nearby camps.
And perhaps just such an organization was needed in those trying years, although there were many inside and out of the club who questioned the policy.

The attendance at those 1943 meetings became so small that the group meetings were really no longer necessary. The minutes tell us that there were sixty active members that year. The treasurer's report records only 38 who had paid their dues.

Three meetings were held in homes. The first was a Christmas party at the MacQuarrie's lovely big house in the Eastern Foothills. Six members came in each car -- remember the gasoling rationing -- and each group of six planned a well-balanced pot-luck dinner for most foods were rationed, too. They brought their own service and a ten cent gift to exchange. Debbie Thompson gave a recital of the "Birds! Christmas Carol", and afterwards everyone joined in singing songs.

In February another pot-luck luncheon was held at Dorothy Heath's new home on Arroyo Way, with thirty-three attending. In May twenty-five met at the home of Opal Daugherty out on Cherry Avenue.

It took too much gasoline to drive to Alum Rock Park for a picnic in June, so they planned to hold one on the Roosevelt Junior High School grounds, but it rained and only a few came.
In the Fall of 1944, thirty-eight paid sixty-one cents for a salad plate lunch at the city Y.W.C.A. It was not yet the custom for the Executive Board to plan where each meeting of the year was to be held. Rather, the matter was brought up before the whole group and a majority vote determined how many meetings they wanted and where they would like to go. They still voted for one meeting each quarter, with the Winter and Spring luncheons to be pot-luck affairs at some member's home.

Mrs. MacQuarrie again offered her home for another Christmas party. The Winter meeting was cancelled for some reason, but a Spring meeting on May 22nd -- just twelve days after V-E Day -- was held at Mary Peterson's home on South 16th Street. At this meeting they voted to hold no picnic in June.

They also must have chosen the next year's Executive Board, but no record of the election is mentioned in the minutes. There is no explanation as to why they abandoned the idea of continuing with the seven member board which retired two members each year. Probably it was because this plan had meant that eventually each member had to serve three years, a long time to assume such responsibilities. At any rate a smaller board with a one-year term was appointed. Chosen were Gwen Johnson, Chairman, Dorothy Rendahl, and Vivian Gregory.
1945-46

By the time school opened the next Fall, the War was over. The returning soldiers had their G. I. Bill of Rights and the enrollment jumped to 5,741. Even though the faculty members who had been away on military leave began to come back, more teachers were needed. The teaching staff which numbered less than two hundred during the War grew to two hundred seventy-one members. There were many new faculty wives, but for some inexplicable reason there were but thirty-six paid memberships, and the dues were still only fifty cents. Believe it or not, the total receipts that year were $29.53, and expenditures, including baby spoons and flowers for the ill, amounted to only $13.80. They were able to turn $15.73 over to the next year's committee. Needless to say, the post-war baby boom had not hit the faculty wives as yet, and there must have been little illness that winter.

With the war over and gasoline rationing only a memory, people wanted to get out and go places. The committee felt this need and planned for out-of-town meetings. They met first on November 14th at Allied Arts in Menlo Park. There the group voted to hold two meetings per quarter. It had been so long since they had held six general meetings during a school year, or since they had been farther away from home than the Country Club, the idea seemed almost like an innovation. To the few who had joined the faculty during the War, it was new. They didn't know the club had ever
gone out of town for meetings. It had been five years since it had met at Allied Arts.

There was another kind of restlessness stirring too. Faint inklings of it were felt before the War when new members coming in from other colleges and universities brought new ideas. Some of these were introduced at the general meetings. New streams were flowing into the main river. But the War came and everyone became so busy with War work, and her own War anxieties, that no one paid much attention to the new suggestions.

There were those now who felt the meetings were not interesting enough; they didn't really get acquainted with very many; they wished for some sort of programs. Always there was the cost of luncheons, plus baby-sitters, for the young mothers. Some felt they would rather stay home and read a good book, some had the mistaken idea that their absence from meetings would jeopardize their husband's standing at the college.

So the criticisms went. Just ripples but they suggested rocks of discontent below the surface of the water.

Constructive suggestions were made. Once, as early as October 1943, Martha Pitman, wife of the then Dean of Men, "announced plans", as was recorded in the minutes, "--to start a smaller group within Faculty Wives for all that would like to meet oftener and pursue some interest." The consensus that day was amenable to the suggestion. They thought such groups could be organized within the larger body,
and the general meetings could be held as usual. There the matter rested. Nothing more was said until two years later at a Christmas party held at Alice DeVoss' when Martha once more said she was planning to start a smaller interest group.

Two months later, in February of 1946, a meeting was held in a picturesque little private dining-room at Long Barn near Palo Alto. A fire crackled in the fireplace, and little kerosene lamps on the table shed a soft glow. The luncheon was $1.18 and thirty-six attended.

The Chairman had been asked to inform the Faculty Wives that their help was urgently needed for one day's work at the U.S.O. Should they break precedent and go as an organization to give a day's aid? They discussed the matter for some time and then voted sixteen to six -- the rest abstaining -- to be prepared to give their services for such purposes whenever there was a need and the group wished to do so.

This was a definite change of policy. Feeling was running high, crosscurrents were churning up the surface of the river. Some of the older members were genuinely fearful that such a change would split the organization. It was then that Mrs. MacQuarrie arose, and as the club's acknowledged leader, quietly suggested that the matter be dropped for the present.

It was at this meeting that Martha Pitman announced again that an interest group was planning to form soon. Whether or not she elaborated upon this statement was not recorded in the minutes, for no mention was made as to what the group's interests were, or how definite the plans were
at that time.

The March meeting was held at the International Kitchen near Niles with a luncheon costing $1.10. It was the longest trip yet, but forty-six drove up there, -- some getting lost enroute. The "Kitchen" had a lovely pottery exhibit which the women all enjoyed seeing, and after the lunch, they attended the nearby tulip and daffodil show at the California Nursery.

The last meeting of the 1945-46 season was held at the San Jose Country Club in May, and a new Executive Board was chosen for the coming year. They were Grace Brubaker, Barbara Johnson, and Ella Schmoldt. Again a change was made. In addition to the Executive Board of three, Winifred MacQuarrie, Alice DeVoss and Edith Minssen agreed to act in an advisory capacity.
1946-47

The Fall of 1946 saw the Faculty Wives opening the year with a buffet luncheon at the Los Altos Country Club on October 25th. Both prices and attendance were at an all-time high. Seventy-one women each paid a $1.50 that day.

While the government was combating inflation of prices, the college enrollments all over the country were rising rapidly. San Jose State College registered 5,741 students -- quite an increase over the War years' low of 2,310 -- and seventy-three new faculty members had been hired. Paid memberships in Faculty Wives had been only thirty-six the year before; now there were eighty-nine.

The city itself was starting to burst at its seams too, as thousands of people daily poured into California. Houses for the newcomers were almost non-existent. In Mrs. MacQuarrie's welcoming address that day at Los Altos, she especially emphasized the need of not only making the new members feel at home, but, also, of helping them find houses in which to make homes.

Momentous events were taking place within the club. The first special interest groups were formed. Since 1943 the possibility had been considered; in 1946 it became a reality.

The preceding May the Friday Club had been born, and the Executive Board chairman, Grace Erubaker, was able to
announce that the first meeting of the group would be held Friday, November 2nd, at the home of Louise Smith. She also announced that a faculty social dancing group, "The Dorians", had been formed by a group of interested couples and would hold its first dance early in December. While not a Faculty Wives' section, this group was to continue to be listed along with them in the directories which were soon to make their appearance.

The minutes of the year do not record, and our memories are too hazy to recall, the beginning of the Garden Section, but there is strong evidence that the garden enthusiasts also started meeting in the Fall of 1946, although it may not have been until the next year.

The Christmas party that year at Alice DeVoss' was bigger and more beautiful than ever before. Seventy-four members exchanged gaily wrapped, inexpensive little gifts and enjoyed a pot-luck luncheon.

At the March meeting, which was another lovely affair at the Hidden Valley Dude Ranch near Warm Springs, a musical program given by Edith Eagan was greatly enjoyed. But the price was again $1.50 and the members felt they could not continue paying so much, especially the young mothers. Once again pot-luck luncheons at members' homes were discussed. Ruth Hartranft suggested a hamburger party in her back yard with her husband "Tiny", the six feet-three inch head of the Physical Education Department, to act as chef. It was an invitation accepted with alacrity. May 7th saw sixty-eight
enthusiastic guests greatly enjoying themselves at the Hartranfts'. Some of the members brought cakes, or salads, and the rest contributed fifty cents to defray the remainder of the expenses.

Grace Brubaker announced the new Executive Board for the 1947-48 season. They were Martha Stinson, Chairman, Dorothy Heath, Luella Stevenson, and Dorothy Downey. Dues for the year were trickling in belatedly, and the treasurer reported that they were only a dollar and fifty cents in the black! Then the hard-worked board members chipped in twenty-five cents each so that a little money could be handed on to the next year's Board. It was $3.06 to be exact!

It was no wonder that they were near bankruptcy. They had had the expensive joy of paying $2.75 each for baby spoons, and the post war boom was on! There were seventeen faculty babies welcomed that year.

1947-48

The first meeting in the Fall of 1947 was held at a new place called Lou's Village, out in the then sparsely settled area on West San Carlos Street. Eighty women met and were welcomed by Winifred MacQuarrie. The paid membership roll listed one hundred twenty-three. The College enrollment had climbed another eleven hundred.

That Fall saw an innovation that was welcomed by all, -- the Faculty Wives Directory. It was a mimeographed compilation of all the wives' names, addresses and phone numbers,
and was given to each member. What a convenience! The germ for the idea had originated the year before in the fertile brain of Barbara Johnson whose responsibility it had been to mail notices for each meeting. Because it was very tedious to have to look up each needed address in the telephone book every month, she bought herself an address book and started recording them. From this beginning the directory evolved. Luella Stevenson offered to type and mimeograph the list for the first directory, so that everyone could have a copy. Betty Van Arsdale typed the 1948 directory. All three of these girls were Friday Club members and they generously called their work a Friday Club project.

The Board this year tried hard to keep the costs low. Twice the group held pot-luck dinners in lovely big homes; members met with Aline Mosher in November, and with Mildred Barry in February. Each welcomed sixty or more guests. At Christmas time a box lunch was held at Schofield Hall in the Y.W.C.A. Luncheons were held at Allied Arts and at International Kitchen, but no mention of price was recorded. We can be certain that food prices were not coming down.

Baby spoon prices were lower, though, and it was a good thing, too, for twenty were given that year. Prices varying from $1.50 to $1.88 were paid and this expenditure not only accounted for the largest single outlay of the year, but also accounted for a deficit of $13.44 handed on to the next Executive Board.
Another section came into being the Fall of '47. The Friday Section, Garden Section, and Doriens were all thriving. Now a Book Review Section was organized at the home of Martha Pitman, much to the joy of those who had longed for such a group.

1948-49

The New Board chairman for 1948 was Millie Baird whose husband had joined the College music department just two years before. She knew from experience how lonely new faculty wives could feel in their strange surroundings. Since the first meeting of Faculty Wives seldom was held before the middle of October, her group began the gracious practice of mailing to each newcomer a welcoming letter along with her invitation to that meeting. It proved to be such a nice idea that it has been followed each year since, just as the directory also has been made available every year. Those serving with Millie Baird on the Board were Dorothy Burger, Nell Reitzel, Ruth Gould, and Maxine Somers.

The club dues had been fifty cents a year for twenty-four years, but finally they were raised to a dollar. The small amount of money turned over to the 1947 Board had been too little to pay for the initial expenses of the year and the deficit handed to the 1948 Board forced the issue. The Advisory Committee was still functioning and, with reluctance, they and the Board agreed to the raise in dues.
Eighty-five members attended the first meeting of the Fall at Allied Arts, paid $1.50 for their luncheon and a dollar for dues, and only a minimum of complaint was heard. The vast majority must have welcomed the increase, for, while it is recorded that eighty-five attended, the treasurer's report showed that ninety-six dollars in dues were collected! Were eleven so anxious to pay that they sent their dues by friends?

The membership reached one hundred and thirty-five and all but eight had paid before Christmas. Needless to say that the last year's deficit was paid off immediately after the first meeting, and the year ended with the largest surplus yet recorded -- $69.33.

For the first time a meeting was held every month of the school year. These had not been arranged for in advance; but, as had been the custom, they were planned month by month. Seven of the meetings were in public places, as it was almost impossible for private homes to accommodate so many. Even Alice DeVoss' big living-room and dining-room were packed when eighty-three attended her third Christmas party. And sixty-five pretty well filled the Hartranft back yard, when Ruth and her husband again gave another barbecue in the Spring.

In January the Faculty Wives entertained their husbands with a pot-luck dinner and dance held in the Trinity Episcopal Social Hall. One hundred seventeen attended. It was the first time that husbands had been invited since the early years when the club was small and many more evening
parties were held. The party was a success and was soon to become a regular part of each year's program.

1949-50

The opening meeting on October 18, 1949, was a beautiful luncheon held at the Little Village Inn in Los Gatos. One hundred and seven women attended. The Executive Board had Agnes Israelsen and Betty Kelley as co-chairmen, assisted by Fanny Fitch, Jean Daniels, and Ruth Hartranft. They had taken over the compiling of the directory from the Friday Club, and they not only had a directory ready for each member, but also had a pretty little booklet which listed the tentative dates and places for each meeting for the coming year. Also listed were the Section meeting dates. The cover was of deep blue art paper with a beautiful wood block print in white of the Campus Tower. This was the first time a year's program had been planned before the school year started.

It was becoming necessary to make arrangements for meeting dates a long time ahead, as it was not possible to find public places big enough to entertain such large groups on a specified date on a mere month's notice. Because each of the several Sections was meeting on a regular schedule the Board had the task of trying to select general meeting dates which offered no conflicts.

In addition to planning for all the regular monthly meetings of the year, the Board held two extra parties.
The first was held early in September and was given in honor of the Advisory Committee which was starting its fourth year of service. All the Deans' wives were invited too, and all enjoyed the hospitality of Jean Daniels.

Early in November the Executive Board, together with the Advisory Committee, entertained the new faculty wives and the Deans' wives. This was a beautiful luncheon at the DeVoss home where there was plenty of room to serve forty guests. As a result of this party, the newcomers started a new section for playing bridge. It had a rather slow start, but grew each year until in 1955 two more sections had to be formed.

For the fourth year, the Christmas party was a tea, held at the DeVoss home. It was a lovely affair, where gayety, songs, and colorfully wrapped gifts were enjoyed.

Twelve days later, on January 6th, 1950, everyone was shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Winifred MacQuarrie. She had been the leader for so long, it was hard to imagine Faculty Wives without her.

A husbands and wives party had been planned for the 19th, but was immediately cancelled. In February a luncheon was held at the San Jose Country Club. During the meeting a few moments of silence were observed in her memory; then, Millie Baird read a beautiful and appropriate poem called, "The Inn by the Road".

In March the group met at Allied Arts. It was hard for friends who had known Winifred MacQuarrie for all these twenty-three years to feel the club would ever be the same,
but she would have been the first to insist on the continuation of the luncheons and parties that had done so much to promote friendships among the members.

The third hamburger party was held at Hartranft's on April 25, 1950. Special commendation should be given to Ruth's genial husband, "Tiny", who with perfect aplomb and a smile for all, barbecued the most delicious hamburgers for a back yard full of chattering females. Seventy-two attended this time.

After the delicious dinner, the group retreated from the sun-drenched yard into the cool of the house where a business meeting was held. First, the next year's Board was chosen by ballot, something that had never been tried before. No plans had been made ahead of time for the election, and, while it was the democratic way, it proved such a cumbersome procedure it was never tried again. It was simpler for the out-going Board to help choose the incoming one, with the aid and advice of the preceding year's Board.

After the election, the members turned to the business which was nearest to their hearts. They all felt that they would like to give something as a memorial to Winifred MacQuarrie. After much discussion it was decided that they would like to give a stained glass window in her memory, to be placed in the new Chapel which was being erected on the campus at that time. A committee of four was selected to look into the matter.
Stella Jackson, chairman of the committee has written the following report on the work of her committee:

With the passing of Winifred MacQuarrie, the Faculty Wives of San Jose State College wanted to do something in keeping with the love and esteem in which she was held.

The Chapel was in the process of being constructed and plans were being formulated for its completion.

A Committee was appointed to find out if it would be possible to have a stained glass window as a memorial. At that time small windows were being considered and with the help of Dean Paul Pitman, who was then at the College, the committee found it possible to install a window for around $300.

This committee was comprised of Alice DeVoss, Ruth Hartranft, Stella Jackson, and Maude Poytress.

Mrs. Jackson was asked to contact President MacQuarrie and get his permission for this step. Although he said it was not in keeping with his views, or those of Winifred for any memorial, if the Faculty Wives wanted it, he would give his consent.

Letters were sent out to all Faculty Wives asking them to participate, and either to send or to give their contribution to Mr. Singewald in the Business Office, to be placed in a fund to be known as the Winifred MacQuarrie Stained Glass Window Memorial Fund. The donors and Mr. Singewald to be the only ones to know the amount contributed by each donor.

At the passing of Hartley Jackson in June of the same year, Mrs. Jackson asked that those who cared to, could contribute to this fund. The entire contribution which included Faculty Wives and Hartley Jackson gifts amounted to $340.01.

After the Chapel was well along in construction those in charge decided that the general plan of the Chapel called for plain windows. The Finance Committee of the College Chapel Fund then used the money for the general construction of the Chapel.

Stella Jackson, Chairman
Alice DeVoss
Ruth Hartranft
Maude Poytress

(Dated: April 19, 1956)

The year came to a close after a picnic at Alum Rock Park in mid-May, and a smorgasbord at Rickey's Studio Inn
in June. It had been a busy year, but a saddened one. The paid membership stood at one hundred thirty-eight, with dues still dribbling in as late as June 7th. Eighteen new babies had been given spoons, and the treasury closed with an unprecedented eighty-four dollars and eighty-three cent balance. The Sections were now well-established parts of the club and filled a long-desired need.

Every year, from its inception, the Faculty Wives had striven to provide ample opportunities for members to get acquainted and to really know each other, yet somehow they always fell short of their goal. At least each new Executive Board seemed to think so, for their first concerns always were: How could they make the newcomers feel genuinely welcomed, and how could they ever get some of the older members better acquainted?

Whether an ideal can ever be attained or not is debatable. It is like the "pursuit of happiness"; it always remains a pursuit. The friendly out-going folk make friends quickly, while reserved folk take longer, sometimes much longer, according to the degree of their reserve or shyness.

1950-51

The Board for 1950-51, composed of Mary Purdy, Jean Kibby, Pauline Harris, Maude Poytress, and Lois Reynolds, was alert to the need. They felt that the meetings needed programs, and more opportunities for members to chat after a luncheon or tea. With these thoughts in mind they planned
their year. As their chairman, Mary Purdy said, it was a year of trial and error, with some new ideas being accepted and some being discarded.

The opening meeting was held on a beautiful October day at the International Kitchen with sixty-seven attending. Alice DeVoss welcomed the newcomers into the club. The Section chairmen were introduced and asked to tell of their activities; then, they invited all who were interested in joining one or more of the Sections to sign with them after the meeting. Edith Eagan and Katharine Sorenson gave a delightful musical program.

In November, something new was tried which reminded some of the old-timers of the four meetings Ruth Hartranft had been asked to arrange back in 1940. Instead of one big general meeting, six small pot-luck dinners were planned. One was held at Debbie Thompson's in the Eastern FootHills, one at Aldene Telford's in Naglee Park, another with Jean McGowan in Willow Glen, one at Ethel Miller's in Saratoga, one with Martha Aspinwall in the Rose Garden area, and the sixth with Edna James in Palo Alto. It was an excellent way for the women to get acquainted with other faculty wives in their own vicinities. The meetings in themselves were successes, but, for some reason, were never planned again by succeeding Executive Boards.

At Christmas, for the fifth year, the party was a tea held at the DeVosses'. Instead of the customary gift exchange, the Board asked everyone to bring clothes and other
suitable contributions to be sent to relieve the terrible sufferings of the victims of the Korean War, which was raging at that time. It was a wonderful idea and the seventy-three wives attending the tea gave generously.

A hobby show was held in January at Calvary Methodist Church. The church women provided an excellent dinner for $1.25 and afterward the forty-nine attending went out to the Social Hall where many of the wives had fixed displays of their hobbies. Among them were Lois Suffield's collection of rare dimes, some of Edith Elder's jewelry, and many of her portfolios, Pauline Harris' shell collection and some articles made from them, Jean Daniel's rock collection, and May Stone's beautiful Spanish shawls. Majorie Schmidt had many lovely and unusual flower arrangements. Evelyn Settles showed her colored slides of war-torn Europe taken the summer of 1949. It was a full and interesting afternoon, but a hobby show was not to become an annual affair.

The next month a Valentine party was held for husbands and wives at the Student Union building on campus. This was the first time the husbands had been entertained since the dinner and dance in January 1949. The Board thought that if they themselves, would like to meet the husbands, the rest of the members would, also. A pot-luck dinner was arranged and a fine evening planned with William (Bill) Sweeny of the Education Department emceeing an all-faculty talent program.

The Valentine party has been repeated nearly every year since and stands a good chance of becoming a traditional
affair. So successful was the party that the Board invited the husbands a second time before the year closed.

The picnic which had ended the program each year since 1939 -- with but two exceptions -- was now displaced by a barbecue with the wives and their husbands enjoying a dinner together.

The Board arranged to have the barbecue out at John Crummey's estate in his beautiful garden. The Board husbands barbecued the steaks and won praises of the more than one hundred who attended. And so another tradition was probably born, for only once since, has the year closed without a barbecue.

The Spring meetings of 1951 were interesting. In March, instead of having six pot-luck meetings as had been held in November, two box lunch meetings were held on the same day. One was at Alma Roney's and the other at Louise Smith's.

Then in April at the Little Village Inn a talk by an interior decorator entertained a small but interested group of members after a nice luncheon.

At the "We and Our Neighbors Club" in May, a pot-luck dinner was held and the next year's Board chosen -- this time by the combined 1949-50 and the 1950-51 Boards.

When plans for the Memorial Chapel were completed it developed, as has previously been suggested, there was to be no place in it for a stained glass window because of the simple, modern type of architecture. For this reason
contributions sent in by Faculty members and Faculty Wives for the proposed memorial window were put into the Chapel general fund. Faculty Wives found themselves desiring to do something else in memory of Winifred MacQuarrie. Alice DeVoss led a discussion on the possibility of planting a tree on campus. However, no decision was reached at that time. Later, the Executive Board decided to earmark seventy-five dollars of their treasury funds to be used at a future date for a memorial. As a result out of the year's balance of $103, only $28 remained for the use of next year's Board.

There had been twenty new babies welcomed into faculty families, but they were the last to be given baby spoons for a long time. The price was up again and the spoons had been the largest single item of the year's expenditures.

In 1949 the membership in Faculty Wives had reached one hundred thirty-eight paying members. For the past two years membership had lost ground. There had been one hundred twenty-eight in 1950, and in 1951, there were only one hundred nineteen. What were the reasons? Student enrollment reached its peak with a registration of 8,400 in 1949, and the number of faculty members was up to three hundred fifty-one.

There was a temporary curtailment in student enrollment by the State Department of Education. The Strayer
Committee, in its report on a Survey of the Needs of California in Higher Education, had recommended a 6,000 student registration ceiling for San Jose State College.

The college protested so drastic a reduction, and for the next few years there was much confusion as to how large the school should be. The next year (June 1953) the San Jose Junior College, which had been operated since its inception in 1921, by San Jose State College for the San Jose Unified School District, was moved to a campus all its own. This reduced the enrollment at the college for the moment, but by Fall seven thousand students enrolled exclusive of those registered for night classes, or extension courses. This was one thousand more than the Strayer Report had proposed. The trouble was that the population of the whole state was increasing so rapidly all schools were simply bursting at the seams.

All of these changes being made in the college itself certainly did not offer a reason for the smaller membership in Faculty Wives. Probably one cause was the increase in the number of faculty families with small children, with more young mothers devoting their time to their families and foregoing the pleasures of club membership for a few years. The real reason probably was the great shortage of

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Report of a Survey of the Needs of California in Higher Education, submitted to the Liaison Committee of the Regents of the University of California and the State Department of Education, (Berkeley, California): Committee on the Conduct of the study (George D. Strayer, Chairman), March 1, 1948, p. 21.
teachers in the city and county schools. This factor coupled with the increase in the cost of living caused many faculty wives to return to teaching. It was a way to meet the teacher need, and at the same time help out the family budget.

1951-52

Even though attendance was smaller, the 1951-52 Executive Board presented an interesting series of meetings, with innovations of its own. Sally Benz was the chairman and was assisted by Marie Balgooyen, Dorothy Pratt, Alma Romey, and Beth Williams. The first meeting was a tea held in the patio of the Women's Gymnasium, which was a new addition on campus since the War. There was an excellent attendance that day, and a fine program was offered with Stella Clancy giving some well-chosen humorous readings.

The guests were welcomed by the new Mrs. MacQuarrie. She was the former Edith Minssen whose husband had been Vice President, and who had been acting-president from 1925-1927. Mr. Minssen had passed away in 1943. Edith was a charter member in Faculty Wives, and has been a very active member ever since, having served for years on the advisory committee. Faculty Wives were happy to greet her now in her new capacity. She gave a very sincere welcome to the eighty-five who were present, fifteen of whom were newcomers.
If the year before established a precedent of inviting the husbands twice during the year, this year was to go them one better and invite them to three affairs. The first was a pot-luck supper in November at the Student Union. Theodore Balgooyen, of the Speech Department, was master of ceremonies, and again all faculty talent was used. George Stone of the Natural Science Department led the community singing with Rita Spaulding as the accompanist.

A Christmas program of music was presented at a tea in the Episcopal Church Social Hall. The fires in the two huge fireplaces welcomed the guests to a beautifully decorated room. Only fifty-one were able to attend, but they were treated to the lovely Christmas songs sung by Maurine Thompson from the College Music Department. Rosemary Walters played several exquisite violin numbers accompanied by Edith Eagan — both of these young women being faculty wives. On tables along one side of the room were displayed many easy-to-make Christmas suggestions which some of the wives had originated. Gifts were exchanged and canned foods and used clothing were brought to be given to the needy of the city.

Since programs were being used more and more at each general meeting of Faculty Wives, the Executive Boards did not have far to look for talented entertainers. Within the ranks of the College Faculty, and within their own ranks, could be found a storehouse of excellent talents. When called upon, it was seldom that these good people refused to give generously of their time.
In January after a Hawaiian Gardens luncheon, Dorothy Pratt showed the movies which she and her husband had taken on their trip through France the previous summer.

Another successful Valentine's party was held at the Student Union for the wives and their husbands. Dwight Bentel from the Journalism Department showed a pictorial history of the college to the eighty present, and Jim Martin, the Student 'Y' director, led the community singing.

At the San Jose Country Club in March, a bridge and canasta party was enjoyed after the luncheon. Only thirty-eight were there, probably because the price had risen to a new high, or maybe it was because too many other attractions were being held on the same day.

In all the years of the club, we found no record of the Faculty Wives having entertained the Faculty Women. It was really an inspiration when Sally Benz and her fellow Board members invited all these women to be the club's guests at a tea held in the patio of the Women's Gym. Altogether, one hundred thirteen enjoyed a lovely afternoon of visiting and entertainment, and both groups were enthusiastic about having more such affairs.

The year was closed with the third party for the husbands. A big barbecue was held at the Grummey Gardens which was doubly appreciated when it was discovered that the butcher had made an error and sent far better steaks than Faculty Wives had ordered!
Dorothy Pratt of the Executive Board said that they had had fun out of their year of service and gave much credit to their men-folk by saying that they (the Board members) were "aided and abetted materially and hilariously by their husbands." She further reported that "the really unique aspect of their 'tour of duty' was the pleasure in the parties that they and their husbands enjoyed, and have continued to enjoy each year ever since."

Another year had drawn to a close. Only fourteen babies had joined the faculty families. For the first time since the close of the War, gift spoons were not given. Instead a money gift was presented. It meant the difference to the treasury between solvency and insolvency. While the balance looked large, the memorial fund was still an earmarked part of the whole. The new Executive Board was chosen. Those who were to serve were: Majorie Schmidt, chairman, Louise Smith, Fern Swanson, Frances Moellering, and Dorothy Ellis.

It was in June of 1952 that the College said farewell to Dr. MacQuarrie as president. He retired after twenty-five years of devoted service to the school. Certainly he had seen many changes take place. The enrollment had more than trebled during his administration. The campus had been enlarged by the addition of four city blocks, and an enormous building program was under way.

The college gave a reception for him and his wife, and the Faculty Wives gave Edith MacQuarrie a lovely corsage. At the same time they presented another corsage to Edith
Elder, for her husband had just announced his intention to retire, also. He had been with the College since 1921.

1952-53

Dr. John T. Wahlquist, formerly Dean of the College of Education at the University of Utah, was chosen as the new president and assumed his duties during the summer. While his wife came out to San Jose two or three times to help find a home, it was her task to return to Salt Lake City and dispose of their property there before making the final move. It was later in October before she came to San Jose to stay. Shortly after that, Alice DeVoss, assisted by the Executive Board, Edith MacQuarrie, and the wives of the Deans, gave a beautiful luncheon at her home in honor of both Mrs. Wahlquist and Mrs. Fred Harcleroad. Moyne Harcleroad was the wife of the new Dean of Instruction. It was a lovely way for them to meet a few of the many Faculty Wives with whom they were soon to become so closely associated. Neither of them had been able to attend the beautiful tea held earlier in the month at the First Methodist Church. At that time all the rest of the newcomers had been welcomed to Faculty Wives.

At this tea the new directories were handed out. The Board had followed the precedent set the preceding year when a new face sheet had been added to the regular directory. It listed the meeting places and dates for the year's events, the names of the Executive Board, the names of the Section
chairmen, and the meeting days of Sections. This convenient addition made the directory even more indispensable than before.

In November, at Hydda Lil in Los Gatos, a luncheon was held, and Moyne Harcleroad was introduced to the fifty-three present. It was not until the Christmas Tea held December 12th, at the Campbell Country Women's Club that Grace Wahlquist was introduced to the wives by Marjorie Schmidt, the Board Chairman. When called upon, Mrs. Wahlquist expressed her happiness at being with them, and said she looked forward to knowing each one better.

She was welcomed into the club, and was soon to prove herself an invaluable and understanding friend to any faculty family in time of illness or trouble. She was to share her home, her time and her energies unsparingly, and always with graciousness and friendliness. Her work for years had been with different women's groups, and from her wealth of experience, and her enthusiasms, the club was to receive new zest and verve.

During the afternoon, after a program of Christmas music, a silver offering was collected and with the money some twenty gifts were purchased and wrapped by the Board. These were given to the children detained in the Juvenile Hall over the Christmas Holidays.

In January, a smorgasbord was arranged by members of the Friday Club, assisted by the Executive Board. Maude Poytress was chairman for the day and did a wonderful job
in spite of a broken ankle. The dinner was held at "We and Our Neighbors Club" house near Los Gatos. Some very interesting dishes were prepared which made the fifty members attending happy to get so much for only a dollar.

The Annual Valentine Party for the husbands was at the Student Union, and in March the Faculty Women entertained the Faculty Wives with a beautiful tea held in the Women's Gymnasium.

The luncheon in April at Allied Arts was especially enjoyed, for the flowers in the gardens beggared description. Afterward the women drove over to the new Sunset Magazine House and were given a guided tour through the building and gardens of that unusual place.

For the third year, the closing party was a big barbeque for the husbands at the Crummey estate.

The membership for the year was a little larger than the year before. As usual the Board was concerned as to why more wives did not attend the meetings. The average attendance at meetings during the year was about fifty-six, (not counting husbands.) The committee attempted to phone all the non-attending wives in February and ask why they were not coming. We have already mentioned that some of the women had gone back to teaching. The Board also found out that the critical shortage in school rooms kept mothers at home -- for the schools had to have split sessions in order to make room for all the children, and many mothers had some of their children going to school during the mornings only, while brothers or sisters went afternoons only. There
just was no way for some to get away from home. Many were without transportation -- and it was always a difficult problem to find competent baby sitters.

At the last Board meeting of the year it was finally decided to use the Winifred MacQuarrie memorial fund to buy a beautiful silver tea service which the Faculty Wives could use and cherish for many years to come. The Executive Board added another forty dollars to the fund and appointed Lois Reynolds, a member of the 1950 Board, Alma Romey (of 1951) and Louise Smith (of 1952) to purchase the set during the summer. The Board also voted another twenty-seven dollars for an electric coffee maker. Now no one would have to worry about finding a coffee pot big enough to satisfy the demands of a crowd.

Thirteen babies were added to the faculty family and each was remembered with a money gift and a card.

The 1951 Executive Board was asked to sit in with the 1952 group to select the new Board. Then when the new Board had been chosen, all three groups joined to elect the chairman of the new group. Heretofore, the newly selected Board had had to waste much time and cause itself much embarrassment trying to determine which one was to be chairman. It was felt that once a chairman was selected, the duties of the other members could be assigned more easily.

Pauline Dusel was selected to serve as chairman, with Grace Wahlquist sitting in ex officio. Violet Bruntz, Leah Kartchner, Bernice Rich, and Aldene Telford were the other officers.
The 1953 Board started its year with the new president's wife, Grace Wahlquist, sitting in as an ex officio member. Pauline Dusel, the chairman, says she lent "new impetus and vitality to the planning of the activities of the year". Coming in from the outside, she could give an appraisal of some of the problems of the club.

Everyone knew that the club had grown, but few stopped to think of the complications that that growth caused the Executive Board. Only the Board, struggling to find places large enough to entertain bigger groups, really knew the troubles they faced. To make each meeting unique, they were hard put to it to think up new programs, new ways of decorating, adequate means of taking care of the crowds, handling of name tags, collecting dues and admission fees. They also had to be the gracious hostesses while flying around seeing that all the food was ready for the tea tables, or for the dinner tables, if it were a pot-luck affair. It was an enormous job for five women to assume month after month for eight or nine parties. Small wonder that they were weary when June came each year.

To relieve the Board of much of its work at the various meetings, Mrs. Wahlquist suggested that they call for aid from more members -- why not use the Sections? Let each Section assume responsibility for one party each year? Her theory was a sound one: The more people who actually work to make a party a success, the more enthusiasm is engendered.
Another of her observations was that too much time was
used by a new Executive Board in figuring out what was ex-
pected of each of them. What and how much authority did
a Board member have?

There never had been a constitution, nor a set of by-
laws. Couldn't a set of simple by-laws be made so that
duties and authority to act were specific? The club had
always held that there was no need of a constitution or of
any other rules. It was just a friendly, informal group
of women meeting once a month for the pleasure of seeing
each other for an hour or two and then going their various
ways. "Let's have no encumbering by-laws or anything else.
Above all keep things informal!"

Such were the thoughts of some of the old-timers -- and
of some of the newer members as well. But the Executive
Board, upon whose shoulders fell the almost thankless task
of planning all the meetings each year, felt more and more
the need of some rules to go by.

No matter what one's opinion on the subject, the sug-
gestion now had been made, and it started the women think-
ing. The Executive Board discussed the possibilities of
a constitution in February and decided that it would be best
to pass the problem on to their successors, as it was get-
ting too late in the season to start such a project.

These were but two of several suggestions Mrs. Wahlquist
made. Concerning asking the Sections to assist them, the
Board was a little dubious at first as to what the reactions
might be. But they should have had no qualms. The Sections, when asked, accepted readily. The Bridge Club was the first to assist with the Christmas Tea held in the Music Building. Their duties for the most part, were to be duplicated at subsequent affairs. Some of them took turns pouring at the tea tables, some kept the tables supplied, others handed out name tags, while the chairman was asked to stand in the receiving line -- an informal one, to be sure. The Board had taken care of all arrangements for the tea, and then they were free to be hostesses and mingle with their guests, seeing to it that no one was neglected.

The Garden Club assisted at a tea given in January, and the Friday Club assisted at the tea held in honor of the Faculty Women in April. The Sections henceforth took turns assisting the Board whenever asked, and enjoyed it. The last meeting of the year was at Allied Arts, but if any section helped, no mention was made of it. The members did have to pay $1.65 for the luncheon, it is recorded.

Mrs. Wahlquist, also sitting ex officio on the Faculty Social Committee, heard them planning for the President's Reception which is held each year on the Sunday just before school opens. Since the school had grown so large, it was a big undertaking. She suggested giving Faculty Wives a chance to help out, and they were delighted to assist. To facilitate matters, she invited the Faculty Wives Board and

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1 The Faculty Social Committee is a group appointed by the President to take care of the all-faculty social activities.
the Faculty Social Committee to her home where they were able to plan for the reception together. A beautiful tea was held out of doors in the Outer Quad, and thus another precedent was established. They have helped each year since.

So well had the two committees worked together on the reception, that the Faculty Social Committee said they would like to join with Faculty Wives for two other affairs during the year. The first to be an all-faculty barbecue in October, and the other a tea in February. The barbecue was held on campus and was quite a success with three hundred attending. The February tea was not so well attended, but through no fault of either committee. Alas, the husbands seemed to be the delinquents. The invitations instead of being mailed were deposited in the faculty mail boxes and many of the poor men simply forgot to take them home to their wives!

The meeting following the October barbecue was at the Lyndon Hotel in Los Gatos on November 10th. Eighty members attended the luncheon and the newcomers were sincerely welcomed by Grace Wahlquist. It was at this meeting that the lovely silver tea set was presented to Faculty Wives as a memorial to Winifred MacQuarrie. Alice DeVoss made a beautiful and simple presentation speech. The tea set was later to be used at any Faculty Wives affair where it would be needed -- its beauty always to serve as a reminder of Winifred MacQuarrie's quiet ways and gentle humor.
The programs at the meetings of 1953 were varied and interesting. There had been folk dancing at the barbecue; Nora Staffelbach showed pictures of her European trip at one meeting; Dwight Bentel of the Journalism Department and his wife Edna had traveled over the Lincoln Trail, and had many beautiful slides to show to the February husbands and wives party. In March, Bernice Carey, author of one of the ten best mystery stories of the year, "Their Nearest and Dearest," gave an interesting and amusing talk on "The Trials of a Mystery Writer," and Stella Clancy gave some of her excellent readings at the April meeting.

Leah Kartchner, as publicity chairman, stepped up the amount of newspaper stories and pictures for the club. There had always been a brief announcement of the club meetings in the paper and an occasional picture; now she proposed to have more pictures and more stories. She also started an excellent scrap book for the clippings. Her work has been carried on each year since.

The Evening Section was begun in the Fall of 1953. The young mothers decided that if they could not afford baby sitters for the day section meetings, they could meet evenings while their husbands stayed home with the children.

At the Executive Board meeting in January 1954, was recorded the first mention of writing a history of the club. Mrs. Wahlquist felt that since she was new to Faculty Wives and wanted to know more of its beginnings, perhaps the dozens
of other newcomers might have the same interest. Few records had been kept, but many of the charter members were still active, and it seemed it would be well to capture their remembrances for posterity. In 1957, the College was planning its Centennial celebration, -- why not a history written by then? It was another idea which was to take a year to germinate.

The year had been full of interest, and had not been an expensive one. The Executive Board had made fuller use of the college facilities, for they had met five times on campus. Only two luncheons were held in public places. The dinner at the Lyndon Hotel had been an exceptionally good one which had cost $1.75, but for the first time the Board charged the members only $1.50 and had paid the balance from their treasury. The next year's Board was to do this more often, in an effort to keep costs down.

Thirteen more babies afforded their parents an additional tax deduction, and were given the now traditional card and dollar bill.

Membership in the club was up slightly, (131) but had not yet regained the peak reached in 1949. The treasurer was able to hand over $76.13 to the new Board.

At the last meeting held in May at Allied Arts, the newly selected Executive Board was introduced and Alice DeVoss was presented with a beautiful orchid. Her husband was retiring after thirty years of valuable service to the school.
The new Board had a sixth member. Duties seemed to multiply as the years rolled on, and the work was too much for five people to shoulder.

Shortly after the Allied Arts meeting, they started planning for the coming year. Frances Lanyon had been elected as chairman. Her husband was one of the Art faculty, and she herself had just recently retired as Elementary Supervisor of the San Jose Unified School District, and was able to bring valuable experience and joyous enthusiasm to the new work before her. Other members of the Board were Jeanette Glover, Shirley Goddard, Moyne Harcleroad, and Ruth Reed, with Grace Wahlquist the ex officio member.

1954-55

At one of their first planning meetings, they called in former chairman, Pauline Dusel, all six chairmen from the Sections, and Grace Wahlquist to make suggestions for the coming year. They also discussed plans that the Sections had for their own groups and selected definite meeting dates so there would be no conflicts. From the beginning they realized the great need for a set of rules to guide them, and at a later meeting a committee was chosen to formulate a simple constitution.

They had ideas for a new kind of directory and started plans for one. The perennial problem confronted them as to how to make the newcomers feel welcome and an integral part of the group as quickly as possible. A new problem brought
to their attention concerned the status of the wives of retired or deceased faculty members of the College. Some of the women who had lost their husbands had dropped out of Faculty Wives entirely. The time had come when the men who had joined the faculty in the twenties, were retiring, and often their wives ceased to attend the meetings, or were a little dubious as to their standing in the club. More attention was to be given them by this year's Board and in a splendid way -- but more about that later.

The new directory was really an innovation. It was a small 4 x 5\(\frac{1}{2}\) inch bound booklet beautifully thought out and printed. The mimeographed directories had been such a convenience to own, but they were a bit awkward to handle, and were dog-eared long before June, albeit they had been free. Now came the pocket-sized printed directory that was so easy to carry in one's purse. They were made available for a quarter, although they had cost some thirty cents, and the treasury paid the difference. They should have sold readily, but some members did not like having to pay for them, when the old mimeographed copies had been 'good enough'. Other members, however, bought two: one to carry in the purse, one to keep by the telephone. It was a pity that many copies were left unsold at the year's end and the treasury had to take the loss.

The Faculty Social Committee of the College again wanted Faculty Wives to join them in putting on the President's Reception and they accepted graciously. They helped by giving
name tags to each person, by keeping an even flow of people past the refreshment tables, and by assisting as hostesses.

The first general meeting of Faculty Wives to welcome their own newcomers was held at Marianni's out on the El Camino Real. It was a new place just recently opened. Ninety-six were welcomed by both Grace Wahlquist and Frances Lanyon. The table decorations were very outstanding. Marjorie Schmidt had made 'golden' epergnes filled with fruits and flowers for the head table. The newcomers were welcomed and invited to join any of the Sections of their choosing. Stella Clancy sang a lovely group of songs and Edith Eagan played several beautiful selections on the piano. The new year was off to a good start.

In November fifty-eight couples enjoyed a pot-luck dinner at the Studio Theatre on campus. The Bridge Section assisted and Dean Stanley Benz was master of ceremonies.

There used to be an all-faculty Christmas Tea each year, but it had been discontinued some years before. Many requests for its revival decided the Administration to make it an annual custom again. The Faculty Social Committee, assisted by Faculty Wives, gave a most beautiful tea. The Executive Board helped with the decorating, giving out of name tags, assisting as hostesses, and directing the guests to the Education room of the College Library where the affair was held. The college Music Department presented an excellent program and the Faculty Social Committee served delicious refreshments.
January saw sixty-four of the club at The Red Barn, where they heard Mrs. Winifred Jecker of the Farm and Home Advisor's Office speak on "Art in Your Home". In February, a new kind of party was held. It was in the evening in the new Music building. Appropriately enough the Evening Section was in charge. It was called "Fun Night", and ninety wives left home, husbands, and children to join in the fun. Joan Dolton, chairman of the Evening Section was emcee. Not all the husbands stayed at home though, for a group of them put on a hilarious part of the program. Eleanor Bailey, a new member of Faculty Wives, sang a group of songs and everyone enjoyed her beautiful voice.

The Book Club helped the Board with a tea in March when two of our talented faculty members, Mrs. Noreen Mitchell and Mr. Alden Smith from the Speech Department, read the play "Love is Not Important" by Rosemary Casey. It was so well done everyone enjoyed the afternoon thoroughly.

The Garden Club assisted at the luncheon in April which was held at Allied Arts where the gardens were exquisite in their many tones of blue. This was the meeting the Board had been planning for a long time. It was to honor the wives of retired or deceased faculty members. To each of these wives had gone a special letter recognizing her as a life member, and inviting her as a guest to the Allied Arts luncheon on April 14, 1955. They were welcomed to all future Faculty Wives functions and Section meetings.
Those receiving the life memberships were:

Anita Brauer
Lura Jane McDonald Brown
Edith Buss
Alice DeVoss
Edith Elder
Kittie George
Elthora Halverson
Rachel Hazeltine
Stella Jackson
Edith MacQuarrie
Aline Mosher
Clarice Pickwell
Helen Portal
Sara Snyder Reidy

Mrs. Wahlquist interviewed these women and wrote a short history of each one. She also arranged for some beautiful certificates of membership to be made for presentation.

At the luncheon, the honored guests were given corsages, and later as each one was called upon, the certificate was presented and the thumb-nail sketch of their lives was read. It was a happy occasion for these members who, with their husbands, had contributed so richly to the life of the college and community. Now they felt that they were genuinely welcome to continue with the group which they had enjoyed for so long.

At a barbecue held on campus, the last meeting of the year, Ben Spaulding from Industrial Arts, who was famed for his way with steaks and a good glowing fire, presided as chef, with a crew of other husbands in tall caps and aprons assisting. The Executive Board for the next year was introduced and a program of student talent was enjoyed.

Early in the year the Board had invited Joan Dolton, chairman of the newcomers' group to meet with them and tell of their activities. At that time it was decided to call this group the Evening Section, and it was listed that way in the new directory. During the Fall, interest was expressed
in the formation of a Music Section, and a Crafts Section. In November, a date in February was selected for the first meeting of Music Section. Those interested in a Crafts Section were to make themselves known.

The first Music Section meeting was held at Mrs. Wahlquist’s home on February 10, 1955, where a delicious luncheon and an excellent program got the group off to a fine start. That same month, six met at Cully Plant’s to form the Crafts Section. This group which began small was to increase so rapidly that before a year had passed it was to be divided into three sections with a membership between thirty-five and forty-five.

The new Executive Board for 1955-56 had been chosen and Cully Plant was elected board chairman. Assisting her were Martha Aspinwall, Winifred Brown, Joan Dolton, Edith Kaiser, Mary Mayer, and Jan Pisano.

At this point it seems well briefly to describe the changing economic and social circumstances which had faced the retiring board and which were to plague subsequent boards in making decisions concerning costs. The community was vastly increased in population. Hotels and restaurants with facilities adequate to serve large luncheons were few and were in demand for conventions and other groups. The simplest meals were quoted at $1.75. Baby sitters prices jumped from thirty-five cents to fifty cents an hour.

This, in brief, was why the 1954-55 Board had decided to keep the luncheon costs down by subsidizing some of the
luncheons. This had been done once the year before. Wives attending the meeting held at Marianni's Restaurant, for instance, paid $1.50 for a meal which cost the committee $1.75. This policy also held when the price for the yearbook was set. (Printing the yearbook was a new venture.) It cost thirty-five cents to print and bind; the price was set at twenty-five cents. As a welcoming gesture, copies were given to new members. For these reasons the retiring treasurer was able to leave only $20.16 to her successor.

Members of the two boards met jointly in May and these problems were discussed. At this meeting the report of the constitution committee was read. Its members had written to other faculty wives' organizations for copies of sample rules and had spent considerable time and thought in drawing up a simple constitution. The document was discussed. The old, old problem of the collection of dues was covered in the constitution in this language: "Dues shall be $1.00 per year payable at the first meeting." The new board members felt that no specified amount of dues should be set in a document as difficult to change, should need arise, as an organization's constitution. It was also thought that provisions in other articles needed further study.

The constitution was studied during the summer months and its provisions as to procedure were followed during that Board's tenure in office. Before it was presented to the membership by mail in March, it was re-written by a new committee in the form of a set of simple by-laws which can
more easily be amended than a constitution. A majority of members voted to accept the instrument, thus giving all future Executive Boards a set of governing rules.

Only eleven babies were born during the year, which was the lowest number of little ones to be welcomed by Faculty Wives in nine years.

1955-56

This was the year the College changed from the quarter system to the semester system. Enrollment was up to 8,248 F.T.E., or 16,502 if all of the students enrolled during the regular sessions, summer school session, and for the extension courses are counted. Needless to say the Strayer Committee recommendations had been set aside. There were now 523 on the faculty, about one-fourth of whom were women. In the early years the men had been a small minority, not only on faculty, but also in the student body. Katherine Hall, retiring from the Education Department in June 1956, recalls that during the first World War there was but one man on the faculty.

Since the school had ceased to be solely a Teachers' College in 1935, the broadened curricula had attracted

1 Full Time Equivalent. A full-time student carries fifteen hours of work. Many are only part-time (or limited) students. When all of the hours carried by all of the students registered is divided by fifteen, one gets the equivalent number of full-time students registered. Upon this number depends the amount of funds allowed by the State for the school, and it also determines the size of the faculty.
students interested in other professions, and the number of men students started equalling the number of girls. Of course, during the War, the girls had the campus pretty much to themselves, but when the returned soldiers claimed their "G.I. Bill of Rights" education, they soon outnumbered the delighted girls.

As the College grew and changed, so did Faculty Wives. The old three-member board with a chairman, secretary, and treasurer, now blossomed forth, upon recommendation of the 1954-55 Board, with brand new titles. No longer was there a chairman. Now there was a president, vice-president, secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer, publicity chairman, and a seventh member was added with the title of hospitality chairman.

This last member was surely needed, for there were no less than eighty-seven new faculty wives to be welcomed in the Fall of 1955. Talk about new, fresh tributaries joining the main stream of our ever-growing river! But so smooth-running was the river that it accommodated the new waters with scarcely a ripple. And for that, a great deal of credit must go to the new hospitality chairman, Joan Dolton, and the splendid Board of which she was a member. Cully Plant and her six co-workers guided the Faculty Wives through a very pleasant year.

To begin with they planned a brunch for all the new people, at the Red Coach Inn near Los Gatos. The Executive Board, the chairmen of the various Sections, Mrs. Wahlquist,
and the History Chairman were invited to meet these new women. (A history committee had been selected in May and had begun its work in June.)

The tables were attractively decorated with a straw hat and geranium motif. Side tables had been arranged by each of the Section chairmen with clever exhibits designed to entice the guests to join. A delicious brunch was served, and during the meal Mrs. Wahlquist told of the history and attractions of the Santa Clara Valley. She had arranged with the Chamber of Commerce to furnish many descriptive leaflets, pamphlets, and mementoes of the valley. The History chairman told of the hopes her committee had in gathering material for the History of the club. Each section chairman explained the aims and purposes of her groups and cordially invited all interested to join. Each guest had been given a name tag to make identification easy, and the hospitality chairman was everywhere introducing the guests to one another. Not all of the eighty-seven new women could come, but a total of sixty-three enjoyed a very delightful morning.

Before the brunch the club had again assisted the Faculty Social Committee with the President’s Reception of welcome to the new faculty. It was an unusually beautiful affair attended by almost five hundred guests.

The first general meeting was held on October 6th at the Almaden Country Club with the Garden Section assisting. Tables for eight were handsomely decorated, The Board
felt that small tables would be more informal and would facilitate conversation. Only at this meeting was a head table arranged, and that was so the Executive Board and the Section Chairmen could be introduced to all those present. At all the succeeding luncheons the Board members sat among the guests at the smaller tables. One hundred twenty-eight were there, the largest number ever attending a luncheon. Grace Wahlquist welcomed the newcomers and gave an interesting talk about Santa Clara County's famous Almaden Mines.

All the meetings of the year were quite well attended. The Christmas Tea was held at the San Jose Women's Club with the Board assisting the Faculty Social Committee. No record was kept as to the number attending, but the revived custom of holding an all-college tea seemed to be quite popular.

The brunch held at nine-thirty on the morning of January 12th at Marianni's got Dr. Arturo Fallico, of the Philosophy Department, up a bit early to attend and to give a most interesting discussion on the use of leisure time while modeling a female figure out of clay. The guests sat fascinated by the performance and by the joy he seemed to get out of creating it. They went home with the incentive to try their hands with clay and also to try to get more relaxation and fun from leisure-time pursuits. They probably never got around to using the clay, but many will never forget his philosophy.
At that same meeting, the Craft's Section which had made mobiles for each table as a decoration, also had several display tables exhibiting their own handicrafts and offering many suggestions on the use of leisure time.

For two years there had been no Valentine party for husbands and wives. This year the Book Section did itself proud assisting the Board in putting on one of the most elaborate smorgasbords ever attempted, and much credit should go to the management of Martha Aspinwall and Antoinette Broyles, chairman of the Section. All the Book Club members deserve a pat on the back, too. One hundred forty not only enjoyed a wonderful dinner, but also an excellent program.

In March there was a closed-circuit television demonstration put on by the Speech and Drama and the Audio-Visual Departments of the College, and, after this unusual program, the Music Section served tea to all the guests and the faculty members and students who had given so generously of their time.

In April, Edith Elder gave an informal talk about her wonderful experiences while painting abroad. She also had on exhibition twenty-two of her excellent pictures. The tables were beautifully decorated by Friday Club. They used international dolls in clever settings to complement the European theme of the talk. The meeting was held at Rickey's Studio Inn, and sixty-seven paid two dollars for a very nice luncheon. While the luncheon may have been high for the Faculty Wives' purses, the program was most worth while.
Wives of retiring faculty members who were honored with life memberships at this meeting were May Stone, wife of George Stone, professor of Photography, and Daisy Matthews who was retiring from the Personnel and Testing Department where she had worked since the death of her husband, George Matthews, former professor of Music. Both of these women were present. Also honored, but unable to attend, were Nell Reitzel, wife of Marques Reitzel who was retiring from the Art Department, and Rita Spaulding, whose husband, Benjamin Spaulding, was retiring from the Industrial Arts Department.

As usual, the last meeting was a husbands and wives barbecue held on campus. Ben Spaulding, who was chef again, performed for the last time before his retirement. He had been at the college since 1913, and his wife, Rita, was one of the charter members of the club.

The Executive Board had had a very busy year. They, too, had put out a printed directory. They charged approximately the full price, absorbing a small difference from their treasury, and had only two hundred copies printed. The members had found how very useful and convenient these little books were, and many more than the preceding year wanted two copies. This created a scarcity, and there is nothing like scarcity to make any product desirable. All copies were sold.

The 1950-51 Board had been the last to give baby spoons to the new babies of the year. Now the 1955-56 Board resumed
the practice. They selected a little feeding spoon to present to each of the fifteen youngsters born during the year. To the older members, it was like old times; to many of the newer ones, it was an innovation.

There was quite a growth in the Sections of the club. Crafts had now become so popular that two new groups were formed. Each group met on a night suiting its own convenience. Two more Bridge Sections were needed to meet the demand. One was an afternoon club, the other was a couples evening club.

During the Fall an Art Section was started. Members had their first meeting at Grace Wahlquist's home and outlined a most interesting program. There was another group of those interested in starting a Flower Arrangement Section. Eight of them met at Frances Lanyon's in December and organized the tenth section of Faculty Wives.

Beginning early in the Fall, the Board decided that they would try holding Coffee Hours in order to help the newcomers to get acquainted with the other faculty wives in their immediate neighborhoods. Joan Dolton, as hospitality chairman, did an excellent job of organizing these informal little parties. She had so many offers from wives who wished to be hostesses, she was unable to use them all. But many parties were held and proved very successful.

She has written in her report that, "...a friendly home, a cup of coffee, and a small group do wonders to make people relax," and goes on to say, "There wasn't any planned program;
they just introduced each other and asked where each had come from, which usually brought forth a remark from some­one -- "Oh really, do you know so-and-so there?" -- and they discussed their children and the common problems. They pre­sented. Upon inquiring just where each person was now living, neighbors found each other and were able to arrange rides together to the regular meetings.

"These meetings," says Joan, "were to last an hour or so, however, it seemed as though no one wanted to go home within that time and some parties lasted three or four hours."

"I'm sure," she concluded, "that you will agree with me that a happy wife is a great help to the husband who is also faced with a new position and surroundings, and we (the Board) like to feel that these coffee hours helped many to get acquainted during months that can become quite lonesome when you are new." How true!

And now it is the summer of 1956.

The new Board which was chosen for the 1956-57 year -- the Centennial Year -- already is busily at work planning for the important months ahead. Ruth Clark is the new president, and she has a fine group to work with her. They are: Marilyn Anderson, Vivian MacRae, Evelyn Miller, Leigh Morris, Geraldine Rogers, Betty Van Arsdale, and Grace Wahlquist, ex officio.

In fact, it seems that it would be impossible to ex­press too much appreciation each year to the members of the Board. They literally give the best part of a year of
their lives to planning and presenting as interesting and entertaining a series of meetings as is possible with the means afforded them. Even their husbands and families should be given a vote of thanks for their patience in foregoing a lot of attention due them while their wives make innumerable telephone calls, run endless errands and attend numerous meetings in order to take care of all the details of a monthly party and the other business of the club.

In this late summer of 1956, we come up to date with our story. It is like standing above the bend of the river, and being unable to see whether the course continues smooth and clear, or whether rapids may lie ahead. Faculty Wives begin their thirty-third year just when the College begins a new century. We know that they will go on, but in this atomic age, who can tell for how long or in what new directions their destinies lie?

As a sparkling stream grows into a large and majestic river, always interesting in each phase of its growth, so Faculty Wives has developed from its gay, carefree young days into a more mature but, nonetheless interesting organization. The general meetings are too large to be quite as informal as they used to be, but the programs offered furnish excellent entertainment, and the Sections now provide the informality and fun so longed for by all. In fact, the Sections offer such a diversity of programs that everyone should find an interest in at least one of them. There are ten main Sections, some of which are sub-divided, and still
more are being proposed, so that if any member cared to, she could build her complete social life within the organization. Few go so far, of course, for they also have many other claims on their time. That is good, too, for a well-rounded person does not devote all her energy to one group. The family, the church, the schools, and the community, all demand, and are entitled to, their share of each woman's time. And in these demands lie the answer to the Executive Boards' perennial question as to why the membership is slow to get very well acquainted. It may be months before women who met in the Fall, chance to meet again at some later gathering. This is not the case within the Sections, and that is what makes them so valuable.
THE SECTIONS

There are now ten main interest groups within Faculty Wives which are generally referred to as sections and sometimes as clubs. Each one has its loyal and enthusiastic supporters. Some of these are so popular it has been necessary for them to divide into still smaller groups. So interesting and varied are the programs offered that many would like to belong to six or seven of them, time permitting.

In 1943, when the first mention of starting sections was made, you may remember that those attending the meeting that day agreed that interest groups within the framework of the main club was a possibility. No groups were actually formed, however, until the Spring of 1946. In that interim, some of the older members became genuinely concerned lest sub-divisions split the main club asunder. Fortunately their fears were unfounded, for like the banyan tree whose aerial roots thicken upon reaching the ground and form supporting pillars, each new section has strengthened and supported its parent organization.

Friday Club

The Friday Club was the first section formed, and basically met the need longed for by many to recapture the spontaneity and informality of the meetings the club had enjoyed when it was both young and small.

It has been in existence for ten years and still maintains the spirit of fun and friendliness and an utter lack of serious purpose which has proved to be its main
attraction to a widely varied group of women.

Its inception was hampered in the beginning by some who believed that if a section were to be formed at all, it should be dedicated to service projects first. A questionnaire was sent to the entire membership asking:

1. If the group wanted a service club or a social club?
2. How often per month did they wish to meet?
3. When did they prefer to meet, afternoons or evenings?

The majority of those responding voted in favor of an afternoon social meeting to be held once a month, in some member's home with varied programs of interest to all.

Martha Pitman who had begun three years before to suggest the need of smaller groups did much to help this section get started, and it must have given her a sense of accomplishment when the first meeting was held on May 16, 1946 at Vivian Gregory's home. This Section has continued to meet regularly ever since, ending each year with a combined Friday Club-Garden Club pot-luck dinner and plant exchange out at Marjorie Schmidt's hillside home on Blossom Hill Road.

For all their claims that they were devoted only to fun and banter and sometimes referred to themselves as the "Chip and Chatter Club," they have performed some very thoughtful services. They were the first to make up the directories for Faculty Wives, and for several years each Friday Club member made it a point to contact one or more new faculty wives and escort them to the first general meeting in the Fall.
Membership in Friday Club has always been open to all Faculty Wives. At the first general meeting each Fall the chairman describes the activities of their group to the newcomers and cordially invites anyone desiring to join to make herself known so that notices of forthcoming meetings can be mailed to her. The present membership is around forty, with an average attendance of about twenty-seven. Some homes are a little crowded with so many, but no one will entertain the suggestion that they divide into smaller groups.

Barbara Johnson, who was the club's first chairman, made out the following list of some of the outstanding programs the club has enjoyed:

A reading, with records of *South Pacific* by Mary Jane Lewis.
Still life painting demonstration by Leigh Morris.
Piano and violin recital by Edith Eagan and Carl Lundstrom.
May Stone's magnificent collection of shawls and candlesticks collected during her trips abroad, and also her husband's pictures and talk of literary and sentimental journeys through England.
Edith Elder's collections and hobbies.
Dr. Elton Stinson's colored slides of America.
Dr. Elmo Robinson's talk about the Sierra Club.
Majorie Schmidt's garden talks and flower arrangements.
A wonderful parade of wedding gowns.
Homemaking and sewing hints by members, and by Agricultural Extension speakers.
Accounts by each member of her own summer vacation experiences, "be they wise or witty, grim or gay."

Charter members of the club were:

Cora Belle Atkinson
Edna Bentel
Grace Brubaker
Ruth Boorkman
Betty Butler
Alice DeVoss
Edith Eagan

Winifred MacQuarrie
Dorothy Greene
Vivian Gregory
Barbara Johnson
Gwen Johnson
Clarice Pickwell
Martha Pitman

Maude Poytress
Dorothy Rendahl
Nell Reitzel
Ella Schmoldt
Louise Smith
Luella Stevenson
May Stone
Debbie Thompson
Officers for the 1956-57 year will be:

Jeanne Graf, Chairman          Dorothy Crain, Secretary

Garden Club

The Garden Club, was organized either in the Fall of 1946 or 1947. Several had wanted a garden section but it was not until Dorothy Burger gave Marjorie Schmidt her support that anything was done about it. Forty invitations were sent out announcing the first meeting to be held at Stella Jackson's who lived over on South Eleventh Street at that time. It was a rainy day and only twelve arrived to sit by Stella's cheery fire and talk about gardens and flowers and the specimens each had brought. Stella had prepared for many more guests with the result that she and her husband lived on cake for a week afterwards.

They planned to meet once a month in one another's homes, and to serve only a dessert with tea or coffee. Each member paid just enough to cover the expenses of the refreshments.

Marjorie Schmidt was chosen chairman and because of her enthusiasm for, and her wealth of, knowledge about gardening she was kept on as chairman until 1954, although she annually called for a nominating committee to suggest some one else.

The chairman planned the meetings with help and suggestions from the other members. She often gave short talks on the subject of the day, bringing specimens to illustrate...
these talks. Marjorie Schmidt is an authority on California native plants and has published several articles about them. She is hardly less an authority in many other categories concerning flowers and shrubbery. She maintains a large garden and knows a great deal about solving all kinds of gardening problems.

It is to be suspected the rest of the members were novices by comparison and were more than happy to learn from her. No wonder it was a long time before they would elect one of themselves to take her place.

Besides Marjorie's talks, round table discussions were held also, and these were very stimulating and proved of great value to all. Gradually various members were asked to give short talks on specific topics, such as pest control, fertilizers, soil cultivation, or the growing of certain flowers or plants. There have been few outside speakers. No records of meetings are kept, but it is remembered that once a member of the San Jose Iris Society gave a program. At another time Alma Romey's husband brought at least two dozen varieties of their gorgeous exhibition chrysanthemums and told about their cultivation. And last Spring (1956) Mr. Barnard from the California Extension Service gave a demonstration on the pruning of fruit trees and roses.

After Garden Club had been organized for a few years, and after many discussions about it, they finally made a trip to Golden Gate Park in April of 1953. The Japanese
Tea Garden and the Arboretum were exceptionally colorful. Some ten members went and all of them felt it was a delightful as well as an educational experience. On another occasion the club went to the Saratoga Horticultural Foundation for a guided tour, and to hear from Mr. Van Rensselaer about the work of the Foundation. (They are experimenting with adapting California native plants as well as plants from all over the world to home garden use.)

Two other field days have been held, and more are being planned.

Once the club went to one member's home and helped with the garden planting. The second such endeavor was not too successful, however, because of an unexpected rain on that April day.

Another type of popular program they enjoy is the viewing of some member's colored slides -- generally of wild flowers.

"About two years after the garden section was organized," Marjorie recalls in her report, "We began to meet jointly with the Friday Section at our house for a pot-luck lunch and plant exchange. This joint meeting has become a tradition, and takes place just before school closes marking the end of the seasons activity for both sections. Although any surplus plants are brought to the meetings throughout the year, the plant exchange on this day is always the biggest. It was at the first joint meeting that it started to drizzle right after lunch, and we had to adjourn hastily
into the house. (The luncheon is always served on the patio under a big oak tree.) At the meeting in June 1955, twenty-six members attended, and when all were assembled it was discovered that there were only two hot dishes, and a few salads, and seventeen desserts! Most of these were gorgeous confections, beautiful and highly decorated cakes and rich pies. Such an array would have put a French bakery to shame."

In 1954 Ruth Gould was elected chairman with Jean Daniels as secretary. In 1955 Dorothy Ellis became chairman with Frances Mewaldt secretary. Secretaries during the years Majorie was chairman were: Dorothy Burger, Jean Daniels, Grace Brubaker, Ella Schmoldt, Edna Bentel, Helen Peifer, Beth Williams and Ruth Gould. Dorothy Greene will be chairman for the 1956-57 year with Frances Mewaldt the secretary.

Book Club

The Book Section of Faculty Wives was established in the Fall of 1947. Martha Pitman who had done so much to get the sections started, invited a group whom she thought would be interested to her home which was then on the corner of Ninth and San Antonio. (Since then its been torn down to make way for the expanding campus.) After a luncheon, plans were made for further meetings. No program had been arranged for the day, but each one reported on her recent reading.
The pattern for future meetings was set that day, for Book Club still meets at 12:15 for a light lunch, then a book is reviewed by a member and the meeting is over by three. Every member is obliged to take her turn as a reviewer, and as a hostess or co-hostess. The lunches are kept very simple. No one is to serve more than a salad or a dessert — not both — with rolls and coffee, and each member pays her share of the expenses plus five cents to go into a "kitty" for notification post cards, and other small expenses. Interest is maintained, for while membership does change, there are a number who have remained active year after year — some from the beginning. Any book reviewed is one of interest to the reviewer, and one she wants to share with others. Fiction and non-fiction — books serious or hilarious can, and have been, given. Certainly a catholicity of tastes exists.

Since the Executive Board started asking the Sections to assist with the general meetings the Book Club has taken its share of responsibility with enthusiasm.

The club has met regularly since it began, whether the day was bright or stormy. Dorothy Pratt, in making her report about the Book Club recalls one day when we really had "unusual" weather. "It was in January of '51," she says, "the day the cyclone happened. The group was to meet at Mary Martin's on South Ninth Street. The wind blew!" (Earthquakes may be common, but a cyclone just never happens here, but this one did and it swept across town
felling trees and poles, and swooped just south of Mary's house. Several trees out front were down.) "It broke one of her windows and blew glass and dust all over her rooms, -- rooms so carefully prepared for company! The hastily summoned landlord got a new pane of glass and putted it in -- the Book Club arrived -- and had a very good meeting."

Last December (1955) Antoinette Broyles, the club chairman suggested that the group have a Christmas party and invite their husbands. Blanche and Brooks Walton invited them to their lovely home which is hidden among a forest of oaks in the hills northwest of Saratoga. Dorothy Pratt writes of that party, "Just finding the Walton place for the first time and after dark, was something of an adventure, but the memory that will linger was of the friendliness and hospitality, the good food (pot-luck) and the fifty-cent gifts!"

Officers of the Club have been:

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The Bridge Section

The Bridge Section was started in 1949 by some of that year's newcomers, shortly after they had been entertained at a luncheon at Alice DeVoss' where they had gotten well enough acquainted to want to know each other still better. Pauline Harris was their first chairman.

The club had a slow start. Members met at one another's homes, but at first it was difficult to get enough players for two tables. However, interest grew—just as everything at the College was growing—and by 1954 there were often five tables of players, which crowded some of the homes.

"To take care of the growing popularity of bridge," Ruth Gould tells us in her report, "two new sections were formed in 1955; a second afternoon group, and an evening group for couples."

"The Section organization has been kept very simple. Very light refreshments are served and there has been only one officer whose duty is to telephone members to be sure that the proper number will arrive for the playing."

The Chairmen have been:

1949  Pauline Harris
1950  Eve Jackson
1951  Nora Staffelbach
1952  Bernice Rich
1953  Maude Poytress
1954  Jane MacDonald
1955  Ruth Gould -- afternoon group
       Joan Preston-- couples evening group
1956  Joan Dolton -- first afternoon bridge group
       Aldene Telford -- second afternoon bridge group
       Betty Roark -- first couples evening group.

A second couples' evening group is anticipated, and if it materializes, Joan Preston will organize it and be chairman.
The second Section to be started by newcomers was organized in the Fall of 1953. We will let Blair Ebersole, who was a charter member, tell you about their group:

"In the autumn of 1953 a group of faculty wives new to the community began to meet for impromptu social get-togethers once or twice a month. Since they were mostly young women with small children, they found it easier to get away from home in the evening when husbands were available for sitter duty. As the year went on, they met sometimes for bridge of the more relaxed variety and sometimes for general social chit-chat. Evenings of charades, dancing or pot-luck suppers with husbands also became established as the group grew better acquainted.

"Many of them were new to California and the vagaries of driving out to distant subdivisions that have scanty street markers often caused hilarious treks to all points of the compass but they were worth it in fun and companionship. Much to the surprise of the group, it was asked to become an official section of Faculty Wives the next year, and proved to be but the first of several popular evening sections including bridge and craft sections. While the personnel changes as the activities of the members expand, the atmosphere remains the same -- informality and friendliness."

Late in the Spring of 1956 the Evening Section decided to become an evening bridge group meeting twice a month.
Louise Tidwell was chosen to be the chairman of the 1956-57 season. They anticipate quite an increase in number and it may be necessary for them to form two groups instead of one.

Craft Section

There were a few members very interested in starting a Crafts Section. Their first meeting was held at the home of Cully Plant in February, 1955. The beginning was small, and only six attended the first time. However, the small number produced a wealth of ideas for future meetings.

Cully had the idea that if a Crafts Section was to be enjoyable and interesting, each meeting must see a project completed. She purchased some artificial flowers, tape, glue, and earring backs from Woolworth's for the first project -- spring flower earrings. As the guests arrived she took them to the kitchen and let them find places at her round pine table where they began to work and talk. The ice was soon broken and ideas poured forth. Marie Balgooyen and Luraine Tansey were both so full of enthusiasm and ideas that projects were assured for many meetings to come.

They decided to meet on Monday nights at 7:30 so they could have a long work period. A night meeting assured them of no baby sitter problems, and refreshments were to be kept to no more than cookies with a cup of tea or coffee. They also agreed not to clean house before a meeting. Wise girls!
The first night they made their earrings suitable for Spring cotton dresses and admired their handiwork greatly.

The Section started a Crafts Design Portfolio in which a collection of designs are kept for future reference and suggestions. An effort has been made to keep each project's cost under one dollar, and, so far, only a few times has that amount been exceeded.

It is only a year and a half since its inception and the group has grown to a membership between thirty-five and forty-five. They have had to split into three groups, each meeting on the night of its choice.

Some of the projects the original section has made are:

February 1955  Made flower earrings
March 1955    Painted black serving trays
May 1955      Some stencilled Textile paints on luncheon sets, towels, and boy's T-shirts
October 1955  Some designed gift paper
November 1955 Made copper tooled pictures
December 1955 Made fancy aprons trimmed with sequins and felt
January 1956  Made mobiles for the January table decorations
February 1956 Made ceramic spoon holders
March 1956    Made rock bracelets and earrings
April 1956    Trimmed hats -- bought forms and applied trimming
May 1956     Made woven reed baskets

The charter members were:

Marie Balgooyen
Billie Cockrell
Cully Plant
Luraine Tansey
Mary Lou Thompson
Beth Williams
Two more Crafts Sections are in the planning stage. If they develop, Jeanne Greenleaf will be chairman of a fourth Crafts Section, and Luraine Tansey will be chairman of a fifth Crafts Section to be known as the Minor Arts group. Her meetings will be held mornings and always near the college.

Music Section

We asked Edith Eagan to write for us the history of the young Music Section and we will quote her in full:

"The Music Section is one of the younger groups of the Faculty Wives, having been organized on February 10, 1955, at the home of Grace Wahlquist.

"Membership is open to all those wives who have a talent for performing and to those who have a talent for listening. The meeting day is the third Thursday of each month with dessert at one o'clock in a member's home.

"Talent is selected mostly from our own faculty wives and faculty members. Several husband and wife teams are listed on our talent roster, and non-playing members of the group present talks on the life of a selected composer."
"During the first year the Music Section had the following officers and members:

Grace Wahlquist and Edith Eagan, Co-chairmen
Ella Schmoldt, Secretary
Buelah Burton, Treasurer
Margaret Ernst and Jean Daniels, "Roving" reporters

The charter members were:

Antoinette Broyles  Virginia Harville
Buelah Burton        Frances Lanyon
Grace Brubaker       Mary Mayer
Jean Daniels         Ruth Reed
Edith Eagan          Ella Schmoldt
Celia Einarsson      Evelyn Settles
Margaret Ernst       Lois Suffield
Leah Kartchner       Grace Wahlquist

"This study group heard first a Mozart Trio in E flat played by Frances Robinson, viola, Thomas Eagan, clarinet (both on the Music faculty) and Edith Eagan, piano. Lois Suffield gave an excellent account of the life of Mozart.

"When Katharine Sorensen played her flute and explained her collection of ancient flutes, Grace Brubaker presented interesting excerpts from the life of Berlioz.

"Alma Williams' famous collection of ancient instruments was featured in April and she gave a fascinating talk on the history and background of each instrument.

"As a member of the music faculty, who is nationally known for his band and orchestra compositions, Harold Johnson brought some examples of manuscript writing and told of details involved in publishing a manuscript. He also played a tape recording of a portion of a Standard School Broadcast in which several members of the music faculty were heard in a jug band demonstration."
"Tom Ryan drew a record crowd when he presented a lecture recital on Beethoven's Appassionata Sonata in F minor - Op. 57.

"Scheduled for the remainder of the 1955-56 season is an illustrated talk on opera by Thomas Eagan; the two piano team of Doris and Pat Meierotto; Lila and John Loadwick in a piano and voice recital, and the lovely voice of Doris Swanson with Ethel Miller at the organ."

For the 1956-57 year, Virginia Harville will be the chairman, Celia Einarsson will be her secretary.

The Art Appreciation Section

The Art Appreciation Section is another very new group whose program holds great promise. We asked Frances Snyder to tell us about its beginnings and something about the programs already enjoyed. She wrote, saying, "The Art Appreciation Group of the Faculty Wives met for the first time at the home of Mrs. Grace Wahlquist on October 25, 1955. Mrs. Edith Elder showed us many avenues into this particular area by giving a talk on "Exploring the Arts" and showing many examples of various forms of art that she had collected abroad.

At another meeting a visit to the Art Department Library in our college acquainted us with valuable materials for research in art appreciation. Mrs. Wahlquist gave us highlights on her trip to Norway, showing slides of the Frogner Park with its 150 groups of statuary by Norway's celebrated sculptor, Gustav Vigeland. She also showed views of other
art centers of the country. Mrs. Lyman Daugherty took us into the realms of home decoration, showing us various textures of materials and leading us into a discussion of placement of furniture and combination of colors.

Visits to the Allied Arts in Palo Alto and the Rosicrucian Museum in San Jose completed our season of events."

The charter members were: First officers were:

Mary Lou Barr
Marky Boss
Dorothy Crain
Jean Daniels
Josephine Daugherty
Celia Einarsson
Edith Elder
Mary Mayer
Evelyn Settles
Frances Snyder
Luraine Tansey
Grace Wahlquist
Betsy Williams

Grace Wahlquist
Frances Snyder
Co-chairmen
Marky Boss
Jean Daniels
Secretary

Officers for 1956-57

Marky Boss
Chairman
Mary Mayer
Secretary

Flower Arrangement Section

"The Flower Arrangement Section was organized at the suggestion and under the sponsorship of Frances Lanyon," writes Jan Pisano in her report about this newest Section of the Faculty Wives. She continues, "The first meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Lanyon on December 6, 1955 at 1:00 p.m. where she gave the group a most interesting discussion and demonstration of Holiday arrangements."

Each one brought a sandwich and the hostess served a delicious dessert and coffee. Her home was beautifully decorated as she was getting ready for the Christmas season.
Those present chose Frances for their Chairman for the rest of the school year, Jan Pisano was asked to be Co-chairman, and Bernice Rich agreed to act as Secretary. It was decided that future meetings would be held at 10:00 A.M. on the first Wednesday of each month.

All of the meetings have been most informative, and it is a Section that should grow if all who have expressed a desire to learn about flower arrangements can only find the time to devote to another section.

The charter members were:

Frances Lanyon
Jan Pisano
Gully Plant
Bernice Rich
Marjorie Schmidt
Ella Schmoldt
Evelyn Settles
Grace Wahlquist

Antiques Section

In the planning stage is a new section for those interested in antiques. If enough members sign up for this new section, Alma Romey will be the first chairman, and Juanita Minium will be her Co-chairman. They will probably begin holding meetings this Fall.

The Dorians

The history of Dorians, which is not a Faculty Wives section, is here included because it is of interest to Faculty Wives. Its membership is drawn from the college faculty. Each Fall both men and women faculty people and
their wives and husbands are invited to join.

Ella Schmoldt writes of them as follows:

"The idea of starting a social dance group was first brought up by the Ralph J. Smith's one evening in the Fall of 1946, when they had the Weaver Meadows and the Ben Naylors to their home as guests. Beginning with this idea, eight interested couples, gathered to discuss the possibilities of organizing such a group. The members of this steering committee were: the Ralph J. Smiths, Bob Rhodes, Gordon Van Arsdale, Byron Bollingers, Bill McCallums, Jim Stevensons, Ben Naylors, and Weaver Meadows.

"This committee met in October of 1946, at the Smith's and decided to have their first dance in December of that year. Each couple donated one dollar for operating expenses, out of which came refreshments (cookies and punch), printed programs -- for exchanging dances, and decorations.

"At another meeting at the Stevenson's, the name Dorians was suggested -- they being the ruling class of Sparta.

"The first dance was held in the Student Union and was attended by about twenty or twenty-five couples. The Steering Committee took charge of all dances the first year, and rotated such chairmanships as decorations, clean-up, refreshments, and music. Records from the school were borrowed for the first dance, after which the Dorians built up a record collection of their own.

"The first few years all of the dances were held in the Student Union, with a yearly midnight supper-dance on
New Year's Eve. This one is always semi-formal. All of the food for these suppers was prepared by the wives on the food committee, while occasionally a complete hot supper was bought.

"Gradually, the group started going to various eating places for dinner-dances once or twice a year. They went to such places as the DeAnza Hotel, Marianni's, O'Brien's, La Hacienda Inn, Dinah's Shack, and Chez Yvonne.

"The music chairman always selects the records to be played for the evening and hires a student to bring a record player and amplifying system from college to play the records.

"At present, the annual fee for membership is $1.50 with assessments to cover the cost of food at each individual dance. The first dance in the Fall is free to all new faculty members. Our first dance of this year (1955) was held in the Speech and Drama Building, with a "live" orchestra providing the music. We had the biggest turnout in a long time."

Officers of the club have been men but the wives have done their share of the work. They have been:

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San Jose State College Faculty Wives
Committees and Executive Boards
1938 through 1956

1938-39

Ten new hostesses for each affair -- two meetings each quarter.

Fall Quarter

Aspinwall, Atkinson, Barry, Bertel, Bishop, Blesh, Botts, Brauer, Brubaker, Buss.

Clark, DeVoss, Duncan, Eagan, Eckert, Elder, Faulkner, Freeland, George, Goddard.

Winter Quarter

Grattan, Greene, Gwinn, Hartranft, Haworth, Hazeltine, Heaslet, Heath, Holliday, Horrell.

Hubbard, Lobowski, McDonald, MacQuarrie, Mason, Mendenhall, Miller, Minssen, Richardson, Schmoldt.

Spring Quarter

Moreland, Pickwell, Otterstein, Nichols, Newby, Poytress, Mosher, Meadows, Peterson, Portal.

Sweeney, Rhodes, Slattery, Sotzin, Staffelbach, Stinson, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Wiltberger.

1939-40

Thirteen new hostesses for each affair -- two meetings each quarter.

Fall Quarter

Clark, Daugherty, DeGroot, DeVoss, Duncan, Eagan, Elder, Faulkner (Chairman), George, Gratton, Greene, Gwinn, Haworth, Spaulding.

Gulmert, Hartranft, Hazeltine, Health, Holliday, Horrell, Hubbard, Johnson, Kartchner, Lubowski, Engwicht, Heaslet (Chairman), MacQuarrie.

Miller (Chairman), McDonald, McPherson, Mason, Meadows, Mendenhall, Minssen, Moreland, Mosher, Newby, Nichols, Otterstein, Pederson.
Winter Quarter

Peterson, Phillips, Pickwell, Pitman, Portal, Poytress (Chairman), Reed, Reitzel, Rendahl, Rhodes, Richardson, Sanders, Schmidt.

Weatherford (Chairman), Schmoldt, Settles, Sotzin, Staffelbach, Stevenson, Stewart, Stinson, Stone, Sweeney, Thomas, Thompson, Warner.

Spring Quarter

Aspinwall (Chairman), Wiltberger, Applegarth, Atkinson, Barry, Blesh, Bogosian, Botts, Brakebill, Brauer, Brubaker, Burger, Buss.

1940-41

First planning committee named to serve for a year.

MacQuarrie, DeVoss, Minsen, Poytress, Botts, Haworth, Hartranft.

Hostesses for four groups to meet simultaneously in October.

Group I Botts, Myers, Sanders
Group II Greene, Bentel, Horrall
Group III Reed, Engwicht, Goddard, Sweeney
Group IV Blesh, Burger, McCallum, George

(The other group hostesses for the rest of the year are not recorded.)

1941-42

Planning committee for the year.

Botts, Hartranft, Haworth, Heath, Minsen, Poytress, Spearman.

Hostesses for:

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1942-43

Executive Board (First time called Executive Board)

George, Hartranft, Haworth, Heath, Jensen, Poytress, Spearman.
1943-44
Executive Board
Hartranft, George, Spearman, Heath, Pickwell, Meadows, Burger (Secretary)

1944-45
Executive Board
Heath, George, Elder, Atkinson, Jackson, Moreland, Jacobs.

1945-46
Executive Board
Gwen Johnson (Chairman), Rendahl, Gregory.

In addition to the Executive Board, an advisory committee was set up, composed of Mrs. MacQuarrie, Mrs. Minssen, and Mrs. DeVoss. This committee was to serve for the next four years.

Executive Boards for the following years were:

1946-47
Brubaker (Chairman), Stevenson, Naylor, Barbara Johnson (Secretary), Schmoldt (Treasurer).

1947-48
Stinson (Chairman), Heath, Stevenson, Downey.

1948-49
Baird (Chairman), Somers (Reporter), Burger (Treasurer), Reitzel (Secretary), Gould (Sunshine).

1949-50
Israelson (Chairman), Kelley (Co-chairman), Daniels, Fitch, Hartranft.

1950-51
Purdy (Chairman), Reynolds, Harris, Kibby, Poytress.

1951-52
Benz (Chairman), Romey, Pratt, Williams (Beth), Balgooyen.
1952-53

Schmidt (Chairman), Louise Smith, Fern Swanson, Moellering, Ellis.

1953-54

Dusel (Chairman), Rich, Bruntz, Kartchner, Telford, Wahlquist (ex officio).

1954-55

Lanyon (Chairman), Harcleroad (Secretary), Elizabeth Clark (Social Secretary), Glover (Treasurer), Goddard (Program), Reed (Publicity), Wahlquist (ex officio).

1955-56

Plant (President), Aspinwall (Vice President), Pisano (Secretary), Brown (Corresponding Secretary), Kaiser (Treasurer), Mayer (Publicity) Dolton (Hospitality), Wahlquist (ex officio).

1956-57

Ruth Clark (President), Evelyn Miller (Vice President), Geraldine Rogers (Secretary), MacRae (Corresponding Secretary), Van Arsdale (Treasurer), Morris (Hospitality) Marilyn Anderson (Publicity), Wahlquist (ex officio).
VIII
Faculty Wives of San Jose State College

By-Laws

Article I

Name: This organization shall be known as the Faculty Wives of San Jose State College.

Article II

Aims: It shall be the aim of this organization to promote friendliness, to encourage better acquaintance among the wives, to orient new members, and to be of general service to the San Jose State College. This organization shall not enter into any project which does not further the above objectives.

Article III

Membership:
Section 1. Eligible members in any given year shall be the wives of men who are officially listed as faculty members, administrators, and staff.
Section 2. Members whose husbands have retired or are deceased shall become paid-up life members of this organization.

Article IV

Officers:
Section 1. The officers and their duties shall be:
A. President -- who shall preside at all general and executive board meetings.
B. Vice President -- who shall be responsible for the program and arrangements for each general meeting and preside in the absence of the president.
C. Recording Secretary -- who shall take the minutes of the executive board meetings and be responsible for correspondence, name cards and courtesy cards.
D. Corresponding Secretary -- who shall be responsible for the meeting announcements and the directories.
E. Treasurer -- who shall collect and disburse all money.
F. Publicity Chairman -- who shall direct all publicity for the organization.
G. Hospitality Chairman -- who shall be chairman of the Hostess Committee and shall be responsible for the orientation of new faculty wives.
Section 2. These officers shall form the Executive Board.
Section 3. The new officers shall assume their responsibilities on the first day of June after their election and continue in office until the last day of the following May.
Section 4. Vacancies, should they occur, shall be filled for the unexpired term through election by the executive board except in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, in which event, the vacancy shall be filled by the Vice President until a new President is duly elected to fill the unexpired term at the next meeting of the executive board.
Section 5. The wife of the President of San Jose State College shall be an ex officio member of the Executive Board.

Article V

Election of Officers:
Section 1. The executive board shall appoint a nominating committee, not later than the March meeting, consisting of the President and two members at large.
Section 2. The nominating committee shall present the names of seven members at an executive board meeting which precedes the April general meeting.
Section 3. The election of officers shall be held in April at the general meeting or by mail.
Section 4. The affirmative vote of a majority of those members voting shall be considered sufficient for election.

Article VI

Meetings:
Section 1. Meetings shall be held once a month, from October through May.
Section 2. On questions of order and procedure not otherwise determined by these By-Laws the provisions of the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order shall prevail.

Article VII

Amendments:
These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular meeting, the members being notified in advance and the proposed amendment approved by the executive board.

Article VIII

Special Interest Sections:
Section 1. Special interest sections shall be organized under the sponsorship of the executive board.
Section 2. Each Section shall elect a chairman and a secretary at its May meeting and notify the new board of the names of the new section officers and of the proposed meeting dates.

Article IX

Dues:
Dues of each member shall be payable at the first meeting and the amount shall be decided each year by the executive board.
# Chart IX  

## Meeting Places

Chart showing cost, and attendance at various meeting places. Also listed are total membership each year, and the amount of dues for the year.

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II Amount of dues per year.

III Number of paid memberships each year.

IV Ratio of paid memberships to number of names listed in directory. (Number of names listed in first four directories were not available.)
Name Index

Giving women's names mentioned in this history, and their husbands' names in parentheses, also husbands' department in the College.

Anderson, Marilyn (James)
Aspinwall, Martha (Judson)
Atkinson, Cora Belle (Earl)
Bailey, Eleanor (John)
Baird, Millie (Forrest)
Balgooyen, Marie (Theodore)
Barr, Mary Lou (John)
Barry, Mildred (Raymond)
Bentel, Edna (Dwight)
Boorkman, Ruth (Charles)
Bos, Mary (John)
Botts, Gretchen (Elbert)
Brauer, Anita (Oscar)
Brown, Winifred (James)
Broyles, Antoinette (Oxon)
Brubaker, Grace (Lester)
Bruntz, Violet (George)
Burke, Dorothy (Jay)
Burton, Beulah (Grant)
Buss, Edith (Fred)
Butler, Betty (James)
Clancy, Stolla (James)
Clark, Elizabeth (Grant)
Clark, Ruth (Murray)
Cockrell, Billie (Loren)
Grain, Dorothy (Harold)
Daniels, Jean (Lincoln)
Daugherty, Josephine (Lyman)
Daugherty, Opal (Lyman)
DeVoss, Alice (James)
Dolton, Joan (Leonard)

*Dreskill, Lucile (Kiles)
Dusel, Pauline (William)
Freeland, Inez, (George)
Eagan, Edith (Thomas)
Ebersole, Blair (Frank)
Einarson, Celia (Alfred)
Elder, Edith (Jay)
Ellis, Dorothy (Albert)
Engwicht, Olive (Harry)
Erlendson, Ellen (William)
Ernst, Margaret (Karl)
Fitch, Fanny (Harry)
George, Kittie (Guy)

*Downey, Dorothy (Lyle)
Glover, Jeanette (Ed)
Goddard, Shirley (Wesley)
Gould, Ruth (William)
Graf, Jeanne (William)
Greene, Dorothy (Earnest)
Greenleaf, Jeanne (Floyd)
Gregory, Vivian (Boris)
Halverson, Elthora (William)
Harcleroad, Moyne (Fred)
Harris, Pauline (Hubert)
Hartranft, Ruth (Glenn)
Harville, Virginia (John)
Haworth, Mary (Edward)
Heath, Dorothy (Harrison)
Israelson, Agnes (O. Allen)
Jackson, Eve (Hugh)
Jackson, Stella (Hartley)
James, Edna (Vern)
Johnson, Barbara (Theodore)
Johnson, Gwen (Wendell)
Kaiser, Edith (Carl)
Kartchner, Leah (Wayne)
Kelley, Betty (Arthur)
Kibby, Jean (Leo)
Lanyon, Frances (Milton)
Lewis, Mary Jane (Richard)
MacDonald, Jane (Franklin)
MacQuarrie, Winifred (Thomas)
MacQuarrie, Edith Minssen (Thomas)
MacRae, Vivian (John)
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Layer, Mary (Forrest)
McDonald, Lura (Clyde) Brown
McGowan, Jean (Thomas)
Mendenhall, Florence (Lawrence)
Mewaldt, Frances (Richard)
Miller, Ethel (Harold)
Miller, Evelyn (Melvin)
Minium, Juanita (Edward)
Minssen, Edith (H. F.)
Moellering, Frances (William)
Morris, Leigh (Bert)
Mosher, Aline (Raymond)
Naylor, Mary Jo (Benjamin)
Newby, Olga (Lee)
Peifer, Helen (Forrest)
Peterson, Mary (P. Victor)
Pickwell, Clarice (Gayle)
Pisano, Jan (Rocci)
Pitman, Martha (Paul)
Plant, Cully (Walter)
Portal, Helen (DeWitt)
Poytress, Maude (William)

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Natural Science
Speech
Language
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Administration
Natural Science
Physical Education
Natural Science
Placement Secretary
Psychology
Engineering
Business
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Mathematics
Art
Speech
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Natural Science
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Social Science
Art
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Preston, Joan (Gerald)
Purdy, Mary (Richard)
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Reidy, Sara Snyder (Frank)
Reitzel, Nell (Marques)
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Reynolds, Lois (Jesse)
Rich, Bernice (Carl)
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Romey, Alma (Kenneth)
Saunders, Helen (Willard)
Schmidt, Marjorie (Willard)
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