

## BUSINESS WOMEN OUTLINE PROGRAM FOR ADVANCEMENT

Legislatures Are Commended  
for Not Interfering With  
Right to Contract.

By Times Special  
FRANKLIN, Ind., March 20.—A banquet attended by 409 members of the Indiana Federation of Business and Professional Women closed the sixth annual convention Monday. Miss Marion McClellan, Detroit, and William Ganson Rose, Cleveland, were the principal speakers.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected at the closing business session. They are: Mrs. Ethel Bailey, Franklin, president; Stella Clodfelter, Crawfordsville, first vice president; Mrs. Alice Thuma, Anderson, second vice president; Pauline Harrison, Franklin, corresponding secretary; Florence Coffin, Indianapolis, treasurer, and Lucille Palmer, Sullivan, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary Stubbs Moore, first national vice president for Indiana. New directors Elizabeth Radner and Forba McDaniel, Indianapolis; Maude I. Dale, Noblesville; Maude Park, Elkhorn; Daisy Purcell, Logansport, and Mary Kennedy, Lafayette.

### Command Legislature

At the business session in the morning a resolution was passed commanding State Legislatures that have "stood steadfastly against robbing women workers of their constitutional right to contract labor."

The retiring State president, Miss Forba McDaniel, was instructed to send a copy of the resolution to James D. Davis, secretary of the United States Department of Labor at Washington, and to Samuel R. Artman, chairman of the industrial board of Indiana.

### Advise Libery

In another resolution the federation decided that the employers in Indiana be advised through a circular letter and personal interviews that it was to their own interests to be liberal in the granting of leaves of absence so that their employees might attend such gatherings and, asking for the strength to withstand all insidious attacks against their right to contract, wherein the police powers of the State may be invoked to the detriment of the economic advancement of women workers.

Members of the Franklin Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs and Chamber of Commerce were special guests at the dinner given last night. Miss Herriott Palmer was toastmistress and introduced Mr. Rose who gave a talk on "Ephemeralism," in which he stated that "the business women are giving men an awful run for brains, wit and enthusiasm." Enthusiasm he described as "the headlight on the train of progress."

## Martha Lee Her Column

THE in-laws are at it again. It seems as if they simply can not, or will not, realize that one manager is enough for one home.

Every young couple should have a home separate from in-laws, if possible. Then the danger of friction is reduced to the minimum.

And in-laws should remember that the wife has first claim on her husband.

### States Interferes

Dear Miss Lee: I am 34 and have been married four years. My husband is 39. We have been living with his sister since our marriage. For one year we got along fine. But then the differences were too great. His sister seems to think she has as much right to boss my things as I have, because he is her son. She is always trying to leave the room because they say so many things to hurt my feelings.

If you were tired of your husband, you would not want to go to house-keeping alone, so you would see more of him. Tell him that.

If you pay part of the bills, you have a right to expect him to respect your wishes. Try to show him how much happier he could make you by letting you have your own home. You could visit his sister frequently, but there would be no friction.

If your arguments fall; stop paying attention to your sister's slurs, be pleasant to her, and keep your own things locked up, if necessary.

### An Old Story

Dear Miss Lee: I am 32 and have been married four years. I am 5'4" and I was getting along fine. But ever since my mother came to live with us our life has been a misery. My husband is 39. We have been living with his mother and his wife. My wife leaves either my mother gets out or she will leave. It is right to put my mother in a home, but she is angry with my wife and baby. My mother is alone in the world.

ANXIOUS FATHER: I wonder which is at fault, your wife or your mother.

Although it might be argued that your duty is to your mother before your wife, your son cannot be put into second place. You should not let your wife and child go.

Unless there is no other way to fix matters, put your mother in a good boarding house near you. Try to make her see that that is the best thing for all of you, and that she can visit you every day.

You may be able to settle matters without doing that. Perhaps you can get your wife and mother not to interfere with each other's business. Try, anyway.

D. A. D.: Apparently you have written to me before. Please write again, repeating your whole story.

### Contentment Lacking

Dear Miss Lee: I am 21 and married. My husband gives me all the luxuries I want. Still I am not satisfied. I am very him, and also love another. I married mostly for spite. The other fellow also is married.

We have no children and are in business. Should I run off to the other fellow, or have a sport car, but want an electric.

INDEPENDENCE: Evidently you are the "gimme" kind of wife. No matter whether it is a new car or an old sweetheart,

## Girl Was Grown Up Once at 20; Now It's 14, Says Dramatist

BY MARIAN HALE  
NEA Service Staff Writer

"A girl used to be considered grown up," says Rachel Crothers, writer, playwright and theatrical producer, 'at 18 or 20.'

"Now she's mature at 14.

"Unless a mother realizes this, she begins then and there to widen the gap that grows naturally between age and youth.

### Gone for Good

"The sensational modern young woman who flashed before our vision during the war—the product of freedom, reaction and fatalism—has softened a trifle, and will develop into a more normal, healthy personality.

"But we never shall have a return to the pre-war type."

When I asked her what she considers the most dangerous part of our 1922 civilization, Miss Crothers answered:

"Physical freedom, modern dress, dancing, lack of chaperones, the general letting down of conventions and standards.

"But what grown people won't understand is that, while their juniors of today haven't their parents' standards, they have their own.

### Their Own Standards

"The up-to-date young man demands from a girl different qualifications from those his father sought, and women naturally are what men make them. The modern man would rather have a companion than a cook. He wants a girl to be sensible, but he wants some ornamental virtues, too. He



RACHEL CROTHERS

comprehends a girl's desire to have some career besides home and children. He appreciates her need for intellectual companionship. She has learned that, if she has talent, she should not submerge it in marriage.

"If the golden age ever comes, it will be when every woman is economically independent—when common sense and honesty have supplanted the hypocrisy and ignorance that have raised the barriers which separate fathers and mothers from their children, making a 'problem' out of young people."

### Men's Clothes

1. The full dress suit must be perfect in fit, cut and material; it should be made of dull-faced black worsted, with satin facing and collar and wide braid on the trousers, but no other trimming.

2. Jewelry should be worn conservatively; there should be nothing extreme, brilliant or garish.

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