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THE
CULTURE
CLUB



1940-1941

CULTURE CLUB

Organized and Associated

January 11, 1924

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Club Motto

"To Labor is a Pleasure"

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Club Colors

Blue and Yellow

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Club Flower

Violet

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Meetings--1st & 3rd Wednesdays
from September through June

OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

Lonora Gaskin.....	President
Christino Elkins....	Vice President
Cecil Berry....	Recording Secretary
Jennie Jameson...	Corres. Secretary
Zepha Baker.....	Treasurer

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<u>Program</u>	<u>Membership</u>
Verdelle Rutherford	M. Hardy
Lulu Gragg	Della Williams
Mercedes Hardy	V. Rutherford

<u>Hospitality</u>	<u>Good Cheer</u>
Lula Gragg	Ellen M. Dancy
Mary Alexander	Christine Elkins
Mercedes Hardy	Estelle Gragg

<u>Art Department</u>	<u>Parliamentarian</u>
Mercedes Hardy	Ruth Flowers
Letitia Brock	News Commentator
Emma Walker	Letitia Brock

<u>Critic</u>	<u>Culture Corner</u>
Zepha Baker	Emma Walker

<u>Joyous Living</u>	<u>Custodian</u>
Verdelle Rutherford	M. Alexander

I PROMISE MYSELF

I promise myself to be so strong that nothing can disturb my peace of mind!

I promise myself to help all my friends to know that there is something good in them!

I promise myself to think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best!

I promise myself to forget the mistakes of the past and press on to greater achievements of the future!

I promise myself to be too wise to worry, too understanding for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble!

I promise myself to realize that no man is my better, no man my

inferior, and all men may be my teachers!

I promise myself to live in the faith that the whole world is on my side so long as I am true to the best that is in me!

I promise myself to love everything both large and small for the good that is in them!
--G.E.K.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Luncheon
2. Program
3. Roll Call
4. Reading of Minutes
5. Unfinished Business
6. Bills--Communications
7. New Business
8. Guessing Box
9. Adjournment

MODERN ACHIEVEMENTS

Sept. 4 Hostess-Mary Alexander
Annual Reports
=====

Sept. 18 Hostess-Zepha Baker
Officers' Election News in Review
=====

Oct. 2 Hostess-Letitia Brock
Colored Americans Mercedes Hardy
Verdelle Rutherford
=====

Oct. 16 Hostess-Ellen May Dancey
Interior Decoration Letitia Brock
=====

Nov. 6 Hostess-Christine Elkins
Color Schemes Mary Alexander
News Commentator
=====

Nov. 20 Hostess-Melba Flowers
Floors, Walls, etc. Zepha Baker
Joyous Living
=====

Dec. 4 Hostess-Ruth Flowers
Windows and Doors Ellen May Dancey
=====

Dec. 18 Hostess-Lulu Gragg
Christmas Party
=====

Jan. 8 Hostess-Thelma Flowers
Furniture--How to Select C. Elkins
=====

Jan. 22 Hostess-Lenora Gaskin
Draperies and Carpets M. Flowers
*Charm
=====

January Formal
=====

Feb. 5 Hostess-Estelle Gragg
Negro History Week Ruth Flowers
Current Topics
=====

Feb. 19 Hostess-Mercedes Hardy
Dining Rooms Thelma Flowers
Living Rooms Jennie Jameson
=====

March 5 Hostess-Jennie Jameson
Kitchens Lenora Gaskin
Current Topics
=====

March 19 Hostess-V. Rutherford
Bedrooms Lulu Gragg
Culture Corner
News Commentator
=====

April 2 Hostess-Della Williams
Bathrooms Estelle Gragg
=====

April 16 Hostess-Emma Walker
Halls and Closets Cecil Berry
Negro Health Week
=====

May 7 Hostess-Culture Club
Mother's Day Tea V. Rutherford's
Residence
Culture Corner
Harmony Trio
=====

May 21 Hostess-Cecil Berry
Negro Life Della Williams
Current Topics
=====

June 4 Hostess-
Colored Americans Contributions
by All
=====

June 18 Hostess-Culture Club
Picnic
=====

Alexander, Mary Flowers, Ruth
3956 NE 12th 1806 NE Victoria
GA 5871 TR 6553
=====

Baker, Zepha Flowers, Thelma
6535 NE Grand 3 N. Halsey
TR 2930 EA 9817
=====

Berry, Cecil Gaskin, Lenora
7128 SE 17th 4054 NE Union
LA 5925 GA 8945
=====

Brock, Letitia Gragg, Estelle
734 NE Shaver 4903 NE 29th
TR 7394
=====

Dancey, Ellen M. Gragg, Lulu
6134 NE 13th 4902 NE 30th
TR 9496 GA 2709
=====

Elkins, Christine Hardy, Mercedes
7034 NE Knowles 1936 N. Vancouver
MU 8683 TR 6018
=====

Flowers, Melba Jameson, Jennie
1815 NE 1st 1329 N Ross
TR 7656 TR 4615
=====

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Rutherford, Verdelle
833 NE Shaver
GA 3037
=====

Walker, Emma
4836 N Borthwick
GA 6456
=====

Williams, Della
3222 N Gantenbein
=====

Article I Name: This organization shall be called "The Culture Club".
Article II Objects: The club shall study History, Civics, Public Welfare, Community Recreation and any other chosen studies to improve our locality and to promote cooperation among the members.

Article III Membership: (Section 1) The membership shall consist of not more than (20) members. (Section 2) Names of candidates for membership having been nominated and seconded at a regular meeting, shall be submitted to the membership committee, and upon a favorable report, shall be elected upon receiving a majority of votes of the members present.

(Section 3) Any member who has been absent (3) consecutive meetings without excuse, may be dropped from the roll by a vote of the majority present at any regular meeting.

(Section 4) Any member who cannot attend a regular meeting must notify the hostess at least (24) hours before the time, or be subject to a

fine of (25¢).

Amendment 1 Any member leaving the city and unfinancial, her name will be dropped from the roll and on returning, shall make application for membership. (Section 5) (5) members shall constitute a quorum. (Section 6) Dues shall be (25¢), payable the first meeting of the month. Any member having dues unpaid for (2) months, may be dropped from the roll by a vote of the majority present at a regular meeting. (Section 7) "Social Membership" will be extended on request of any present or past member in good standing who has regular employment which prevents her from attending regular meetings, or who resides out of the city of Portland. Membership shall be determined by a majority of votes of members present. (Section 8) Annual dues of (\$1.00) to be paid with the acceptance of application. (Section 9) All members will be expected to contribute to our annual art exhibit. (Section 10) Mem-

bers will be permitted to attend any social function if assessment has been paid, or if there is no assessment, the members are welcome to attend. Amendment 2 A charter member becoming unfinancial, her name shall be dropped from the roll, and upon applying for membership shall be considered in preference to anyone else. Amendment 3 Any member's moral behavior that is below the standard of the club, shall be automatically dropped. (Article 4) Meetings: (Section 1) The club shall meet the 1st & 3rd Wed. afternoon at 1:00 p.m., from Sep. to June, inc. (Section 2) The first meeting in Sep. shall be the "Annual Meeting" for the reports from the Officers and Standing Committees. (Section 3) Any regular meeting may be postponed by the Pres. with the concurrence of the Vice Pres. and Sec. (Section 4) Special meetings may be called at any time by the Pres., with the concurrence of the Vice Pres. and Sec. (Section 5) Visitors' Day will be the 2nd meet-

ing in the month, to be limited to (5) visitors. Article V Officers: (Section 1) The officers shall be a Pres., Vice Pres., Rec. Sec., Corr. Sec., Sec. and Treas. Their duties being such as are customary for such officers. (Section 2) The officers shall be elected by ballot the 2nd meeting in Sep. Article VI Committees: (Section 1) The Standing Committee of (3) each shall be elected by ballot, annually at the 2nd meeting in Sep; they shall be as follows: Membership, Program & Hospitality. (Section 2) The Membership Committee shall consider all names nominated for membership and report to the club. (Section 3) The Program Com. shall have charge of the arrangements of programs at each meeting. (Sec. 4) The Hospitality Com. shall attend to the social life of the club. Article 7 Amendments: The Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a 2/3 vote of members present, notice having been given at preceding meeting of the club.

CLUB SONG

(Tune: "The Old Refrain")

With heart and hands we strive to
do the best;
Our eyes upon the highest peak doth
rest;
Honor and culture both we have in
view,
Friendship and loyalty and culture,
too
As onward up the path we daily go;
We falter much our steps are often
slow,
But for God's helping grace we
daily pray;
His hand for us will ever point the
way;
So to our tasks we go without a
fear;
We know "To labor is a pleasure
here;"
A smile and song for all along the
way--
The Culture Club lives on from day
to day. --Emma Walker

DUES

Member	Amount	Month
		September
		October
		November
		December
		January
		February
		March
		April
		May
		June

Rutherford

17 members