

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB 1896-1906

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CLUB

For some time previous to the fall of 1896 the idea of the organization of a club which would be to the Political and Social Sciences at The State University of Iowa what the Baconian Club was to the Natural Sciences had been cherished by Professor Isaac A. Loos, the founder of the Political Science Club. Under discouraging circumstances and amid prophecies of failure he nevertheless resolved to make the experiment. Accordingly, he invited a few interested persons to his own home on the evening of October 9, 1896. Since that time it has been customary to hold the first meeting in each academic year at the home of the founder.

Four meetings of the Political Science Club were held prior to January 1, 1897, when a definite organization was decided upon. A record of these first four meetings is preserved in the hand writing of Professor Benj. F. Shambaugh. The following are recorded as present at the first meeting: "President Schaeffer, Chancellor McClain, Professor Loos, Professor Hayes, Professor Wilcox, Professor McConnell, Professor Wilson, Professor Carrier, Assistant Professor Shambaugh, The Rev. Dr. Bullock, Mr. Rich (Librarian), Mr. Davis (Editor), Instructor Kelly, Instructor Plum, Instructor Merritt, Instructor Treimer, Mr. Van Law (Fellow), and Mr. Brock (Fellow)." Professor W. C. Wilcox read the paper of the evening on *What is Political Science*.

By January, 1897, the Political Science Club had an acknowledged membership, though no one had as yet been formally admitted. On January 11, 1897, a business session of the Club was held in the Political Science rooms (then in the Old Stone Capitol), and the record shows that the following members were present: "Rev. Dr. Bullock, Chancellor McClain, Professors Hayes, McConnell, Loos, and Wilcox, Librarian Rich, Assistant Professor Shambaugh, and Instructors Kelly, Dorcas, Merritt, and Plum." The meeting was called to order by Professor Loos, who was made temporary Chairman. Instructor Plum was made temporary Secretary. Professor Loos stated that the object of the meeting was to discuss plans for definite organization. Dr. Bullock's motion that the Club organize under the name of "The Political Science Club of The Iowa State University" was carried, as was also Chancellor McClain's motion that the temporary officers hold office until further provision be made.

Professor Wilcox moved the appointment of four members who, with the President as chairman, should act as an Executive Committee. The motion prevailed and the following were named: Chancellor McClain and Professors Wilcox, McConnell, and Hayes. Mr. Rich moved that the Executive Committee be directed to report at their discretion a draft of a constitution and by-laws.

Thus, at the end of three months the Political Science Club had an acknowledged membership of about fifteen persons and a definite organization but had as yet no written constitution.

The second annual business meeting records little of in-

terest outside of the reëlection of old officers and the establishment of alternate Monday evenings as the time for holding the regular meetings of the Club.

At the third annual business meeting progress was reported from the Executive Committee; Professor Loos was re-elected President; and Professor Shambaugh was elected Secretary.

At the fourth annual meeting (January 8, 1900) Professor Loos was elected President for the fourth time and Dr. Patterson was elected Secretary. At this meeting the present Constitution of the Club was adopted. It reads as follows:

WHEREAS a Political Science Club was organized at the University of Iowa in November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, of which the following named persons have been recognized members:

Charles A. Schaeffer	Samuel Hayes
George E. MacLean	Joseph J. McConnell
Amos N. Currier	William C. Wilcox
Emlin McClain	Martin J. Wade
Laenas G. Weld	Benjamin F. Shambaugh
Isaac A. Loos	Harry S. Richards
Elmer A. Wilcox	William R. Patterson
Harry G. Plum	Percy L. Kaye
Herbert C. Dorcas	Joseph W. Rich
Fred D. Merritt	Abe E. Swisher
Harry E. Kelly	M. A. Bullock
Comfort H. Van Law	

And WHEREAS, the following named persons have served as officers:

Isaac A. Loos,	President
Benj. F. Shambaugh,	Secretary
H. G. Plum,	Secretary

Isaac A. Loos	}	Members from time to time of Executive Committee
Emlin McClain		
Samuel Hayes		
Joseph J. McConnell		
William C. Wilcox		
Benjamin F. Shambaugh		
H. G. Plum		

Now on this 8th day of January, 1900, for purposes of more definite organization we, the undersigned, members of the Political Science Club, do adopt the following written constitution:

ARTICLE I

This organization shall continue to bear the name: THE POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB OF THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

ARTICLE II

Any person may become a member of the Club upon the nomination of the Executive Committee, the ballot of the Club taken at its annual meeting, and the signing of the Constitution. No person shall become a member who receives three or more negative votes.

All whose names appear in the Preamble and who now reside in Iowa City are members of the Club by signing the Constitution.

ARTICLE III

The officers of the Club shall be a President, a Secretary, and members of the Executive Committee. These officers shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected. The election of officers shall take place at the regular annual business meeting and shall be by ballot.

ARTICLE IV

The ordinary business of the Club shall be conducted by the Executive Committee which shall consist of five members, namely: The President, the Secretary, and three other members chosen by the Club.

ARTICLE V

The regular business meeting of the Club shall be held in the month of January of each year at the call of the President. Special

meetings to fill vacancies in office may be held at the call of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VI

This constitution may be amended by the vote of three-fourths of the members of the Club.

Up to January 7, 1907, the following have signed the Constitution:

George E. MacLean	Henry E. Gordon
Amos N. Currier	Rev. E. M. Barrett
Emlin McClain	S. E. Thomas
Laenas G. Weld	J. E. Conner
Isaac A. Loos	Duren J. H. Ward
Samuel Hayes	Geo. L. Cady
J. J. McConnell	Charles Noble Gregory
W. C. Wilcox	Paul S. Peirce
M. J. Wade	Frank E. Horack
Benj. F. Shambaugh	Merton L. Ferson
H. S. Richards	Barry Gilbert
Elmer A. Wilcox	Margaret A. Schaffner
H. G. Plum	Lawrence M. Byers
Frederick E. Bolton	George R. Burnett
W. R. Patterson	James Burt Miner
H. C. Dorcas	J. C. Monnet
A. E. Swisher	M. G. Wyer
Percy Lewis Kaye	F. C. Ensign
Arthur Fairbanks	C. W. Wassam
J. W. Rich	Horace L. Strain
C. E. Seashore	Lewis H. Haney

In the minutes of the fifth annual meeting, held on January 14, 1901, we find the first record of the admission of new

members. At this meeting Rev. E. N. Barrett, Professor F. E. Bolton, Mr. J. E. Conner, and Mr. S. E. Thomas were elected to membership. Professor W. C. Wilcox was elected President and Dr. Patterson was reëlected Secretary.

At the sixth annual business meeting the following new members were elected: Assistant Professor C. E. Seashore, Professor Arthur Fairbanks, Professor H. E. Gordon, Rev. D. J. H. Ward, Rev. G. L. Cady, and Dean Charles Noble Gregory. Professor Hayes was elected President and Professor Bolton was elected Secretary.

The seventh annual business meeting was held on January 19, 1903. Professor Shambaugh was chosen President; and Professor Bolton was reëlected Secretary. The following new members were elected: Dr. Margaret Schaffner, Dr. Paul S. Peirce, and Dr. Frank E. Horack.

At the eighth annual business meeting in January, 1904, Professor Plum was elected President and for the third time Professor Bolton was elected Secretary. Professor L. M. Byers, Professor Barry Gilbert, and Mr. M. L. Ferson were admitted as new members.

At the ninth annual business meeting the Club elected Professor Bolton, President, and Dr. Horack, Secretary. The members admitted at this meeting were Professor J. F. Brown, Col. Geo. R. Burnett, Dr. Jas. B. Miner, Mr. M. G. Wyer, and Mr. J. C. Monnet. It was voted for the second time that the President give a retiring address at the first meeting after the annual business meeting.

The tenth annual business meeting was held January 8, 1906, at which meeting Dean Gregory was elected President

and Dr. Horack was reëlected Secretary. Professor F. C. Ensign, Mr. C. W. Wassam, and the Rev. Horace L. Strain were admitted to membership.

It was at the tenth annual meeting that steps were taken looking toward the collection of data relative to the history of the Club. A motion was passed that "The Executive Committee be instructed to prepare and publish a pamphlet relative to the organization and history of the Club and that they be empowered to levy an assessment upon members for that purpose." The instructions to the Executive Committee remained unexecuted from January 8, 1906, to October 30, 1906, and might still have remained so had not the Secretary inadvertently called the Committee's attention to the situation at a meeting on October 30, 1906. The Executive Committee at once voted that the Secretary prepare such a paper in accordance with the instructions of the Club and present the same at the second meeting in November.

THE YEARLY PROGRAMS OF THE CLUB

The first and by far the greatest difficulty encountered in attempting to write the history of this Club was due to the lack of a complete and consecutive record of the regular meetings in each year, showing the place of meeting, the name of the reader, and the title of the paper read. From the first annual business meeting in January, 1897, the Record Book is silent as to any other meetings until November 15, 1897. From November 15, 1897, to May 2, 1898, a complete program for the year is recorded, showing the place of meeting, the name of the reader, and the title of the paper. From October 15, 1898, to January 7, 1899, the record is complete; but for the remainder of the academic

year it is a blank. For the academic year 1899-1900 only three papers are recorded; and this record shows intrinsic evidence of being *ex post facto*. The program for the academic year 1900-1901 is again very incomplete. The record itself is proof of the fact that it is *ex post facto*; for on April 8, 1901, the Executive Committee held a meeting and the Secretary records that a motion prevailed directing the Secretary to incorporate in the minutes of this meeting the titles of papers read since the last meeting of the Committee, together with the name of the reader and place of meeting. The papers from February 18 to April 1 were then inserted.

The accuracy of some of the matter that is recorded may be questioned. Indeed, one of the charter members is authority for the statement that several of the earlier Secretaries, overcome with remorse at their sins of omission, tried in various ways to reconstruct the programs during their terms of office. That this was done is evidenced in the Record Book by references made to the *Vidette Reporter* and the *S. U. I. Quill*.

Beginning with October, 1901, the record of meetings and papers read is complete to date.

The problem that confronted the writer at the outset was, therefore, the reconstruction of the program for the earlier years of the Club's existence. It seemed imperative to look through the files of the University and city papers. The result of this search has supplied fourteen omissions and given clues to others. By conferring with the older members, whose interest was also aroused, other omissions were filled and clues supplied. Professors Loos and Wilcox had kept some memoranda of meetings which filled up several

gaps; and Mrs. Currier's diary was of great assistance in locating many of the meetings in time and place.¹

THE CUSTOMS OF THE CLUB

The history of the Political Science Club would be incomplete without some account of its customs, understandings, and usages; for from the beginning the Club has been governed mostly by unwritten law and has developed through custom. A glance at the constitution of the Club will show that it provides simply for organization and nothing more. It names officers but prescribes no duties; and as there are no written by-laws of the Club its policies must be sought in its customs.

Upon the President of the Club has fallen the duty of providing a place of meeting, of selecting a reader for the occasion, and of giving notice to the members of such meeting.

The duties of the Secretary consist in keeping a record of the date and place of meeting, the reader and the title of the paper read, and recording the minutes of the annual business meetings. The Club has never had a Treasurer or treasury.

The policy inaugurated by the founder of the Club of holding the meetings at the homes of the members met with favor from the first; while the suggestion, made in the middle of the first year of the Club's existence, to hold the meetings in the University lecture rooms proved very unpopular. Only one such meeting was held. The policy of meeting at the homes of the members is now regarded as a firmly fixed policy of the club.

That the meeting should begin promptly at eight o'clock

¹ The yearly programs for the past decade as recorded and reconstructed from the sources indicated will be found below at the end of this paper.

is another unwritten law which has been rather rigidly enforced, though not without some difficulty.

It has generally been understood that membership in the Club meant not only a willingness to entertain the Club but also the ability to read a paper. The papers read have as a rule been within the field broadly outlined by the name of the Club. Free and open discussion of the papers has always been invited and encouraged. The custom of applauding the reader of the paper is of recent origin and is much regretted by the older members, since it is feared that papers may be written with a view to provoking applause. Applause has usually been given to guests who have read papers before the Club. A return to fundamental principles in the matter of applause is much desired by the older members. A number of the papers read before the Club have subsequently appeared in print.

The custom of serving refreshments at the close of the discussion dates from the first meeting. Indeed, the refreshment problem was one upon which an early agreement or understanding was reached, namely; that the hostess would not be expected to serve anything beyond sandwiches, pickles, and coffee.

The presence of women at the meetings of the Club is also a custom which developed gradually and is now recognized as firmly established. In only one instance, however, is the presence of women recorded. Among those listed as present at the meeting on January 24, 1898, are the names of Lieutenant Ely and wife and Mr. Rich and wife. At first the hostess invited two or three of the wives of the members to assist in serving the refreshments; and it is stated (upon the

authority of the Professor of History) that at first they remained in the kitchen, or at least out of sight, during the reading of the paper and the discussion which followed.

Later as more women were invited they sat in silence on the back row of seats in the same room with the members; while still later as the number of women attending the meetings increased, the Club, following the tendencies of other educational institutions in the Middle West, adopted the present policy of complete segregation.

In the second or third year of the Club's existence it was felt by some that the presence of women tended to embarrass free discussion, and so the experiment was tried of meeting without them. This proved as unpopular as meeting in the lecture rooms of the University, and the women were again invited and urged to attend the meetings. At first they came only on special invitation; but later the President of the Club in announcing the next meeting would extend a general invitation to the women to attend. This custom has been abandoned, and as one of the charter members remarked "for good and for bad, the women have surely acquired a constitutional status in the Political Science Club." Indeed, one woman, Dr. Margaret Schaffner, was for two years a member of the Club, read a paper, and took part in the discussions of the Club.

It may be safely asserted that the Political Science Club is the only Club in the University which has had and maintained the active working interest of the Presidents of the University since its organization.

The Political Science Club is a fine illustration of an institution which has grown through the processes of evolution,

developing mostly through customary or unwritten law. In the opinion of the writer the success of the Club has been due not alone to the high character of the members and the excellencies of the papers read, but to the happy combination of academic and social features.

OFFICERS OF THE CLUB 1896-1907

Prior to Organization—President, I. A. Loos; Secretary, B. F. Shambaugh.

Elected at the first Annual Business Meeting, January 11, 1897—President, I. A. Loos; Secretary, H. G. Plum; additional members of Executive Committee, Emlin McClain, W. C. Wilcox, J. J. McConnell, and Samuel Hayes.

Elected at the Second Annual Business Meeting, January 10, 1898—President, I. A. Loos; Secretary, H. G. Plum; additional members of Executive Committee, Emlin McClain, W. C. Wilcox, and Samuel Hayes.

Elected at the Third Annual Business Meeting, January 9, 1899—President, I. A. Loos; Secretary, B. F. Shambaugh; additional members of Executive Committee, Emlin McClain, W. C. Wilcox, and Samuel Hayes.

Elected at the Fourth Annual Business Meeting, January 8, 1900—President, I. A. Loos; Secretary, W. R. Patterson; additional members of Executive Committee, Emlin McClain, J. J. McConnell, and W. C. Wilcox.

Elected at the Fifth Annual Business Meeting, January 14, 1901—President, W. C. Wilcox; Secretary, W. R. Patterson; additional members of Executive Committee, I. A. Loos, J. J. McConnell, and Samuel Hayes.

Elected at the Sixth Annual Business Meeting, January 20, 1902—President, Samuel Hayes; Secretary, F. E. Bol-

ton; additional members of Executive Committee, B. F. Shambaugh, I. A. Loos, and W. C. Wilcox.

Elected at the Seventh Annual Business Meeting, January 19, 1903—President, B. F. Shambaugh; Secretary, F. E. Bolton; additional members of Executive Committee, Samuel Hayes, I. A. Loos, and J. W. Rich.

Elected at the Eighth Annual Business Meeting, January 11, 1904—President, H. G. Plum; Secretary, F. E. Bolton; additional members of Executive Committee, I. A. Loos, B. F. Shambaugh, and C. E. Seashore.

Elected at the Ninth Annual Business Meeting January 9, 1905—President, F. E. Bolton; Secretary, F. E. Horack; additional members of Executive Committee, I. A. Loos, L. M. Byers, and C. E. Seashore.

Elected at the Tenth Annual Business Meeting, January 8, 1906—President, Charles N. Gregory, Secretary, F. E. Horack; additional members of Executive Committee, I. A. Loos, H. E. Gordon, and W. C. Wilcox.

Elected at the Eleventh Annual Business Meeting, January 7, 1907—President, I. A. Loos; Secretary, Merton L. Ferson; additional members of Executive Committee, B. F. Shambaugh, Charles N. Gregory, and W. C. Wilcox.¹

¹ At the conclusion of this paper, which was read at the home of Professor and Mrs. Benjamin F. Shambaugh, on November 19, 1906, the ex-presidents of the Club (Professors Loos, Wilcox, Hayes, Shambaugh, Plum, and Bolton) each gave a short address appropriate to the occasion, and the Club presented to its founder, Professor I. A. Loos, a beautiful loving cup bearing the following inscription:

“[*Front*] Presented to Isaac A. Loos, Founder of the Political Science Club, by the members, November Nineteenth, 1906. [*Reverse*] The Political Science Club, State University of Iowa, Iowa City, 1896-1906.”

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PAPERS READ BEFORE THE POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB

DATE	PLACE OF MEETING	READER	TITLE OF PAPER
1896-1897 Oct. 9	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Prof. W. C. Wilcox	What is Political Science
Nov. 2	Home of Chancellor and Mrs. McClain	Prof. I. A. Loos	The Politics of Aristotle
Nov. 16	Home of Prof. and Mrs. McConnell	Prof. S. Hayes	The Common Law
Dec. 14	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Dr. M. A. Bullock	The Civil Code of Moses
Jan. 11	<i>First Annual Business</i>	<i>Meeting held at</i>	<i>the University</i>
Jan. 26	Political Science Lecture Room	Dr. B. F. Shambaugh	The Political Ethics of Her- bert Spencer
Mar. 15 *	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Hayes	Chancellor E. McClain	The Reason of the Law and the Doctrine of Precedent
1897-1898 Nov. 15	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Prof. Jesse Ma- cy, of Grinnell	Education and Democracy
Nov. 29	Home of President and Mrs. Schaeffer	Prof. B. F. Shambaugh	Some of the Psychological and Ethical Aspects of Po- litical Science
Dec. 13	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Mr. C. H. Van Law	Allegiance
Jan. 10	<i>Second Annual Business</i>	<i>Meeting held at</i>	<i>the University</i>
Jan. 17	<i>Adjourned Session of</i>	<i>Second Annual</i>	<i>Business Meeting</i>
Jan. 24	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Mr. H. G. Plum	The Historical Development of the State
Feb. 7	Home of Judge and Mrs. Wade	Mr. H. E. Kelly	Burke as a Political Philoso- pher
Feb. 22	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Hayes	Prof. I. A. Loos	Some Aspects of Modern So- cialism
Mar. 7	Home of Chancellor and Mrs. McClain	Mr. H. C. Dorcas	Education as a State Func- tion
Mar. 21	Home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Swisher	Prof. L. G. Weld	Economic Sciences from the Standpoint of Physical Sci- ences
Apr. 4	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Prof. S. Hayes	The Registration of Land Ti- tles
Apr. 18	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Weld	Chancellor Emlin McClain	Government Regulation of Commerce
May 2 †	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Merritt	Mr. F. D. Merritt	The Quantitative Theory of Money

* It is believed that the program for the year 1896-1897 is complete as here given.

† Last meeting of the year 1897-1898.

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DATE	PLACE OF MEETING	READER	TITLE OF PAPER
1898-1899 Oct. 25	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Prof. W. C. Wilcox	The New School of History
Nov. 7	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Mr. J. W. Rich	Some Financial Legislation and Fiscal Operations of the Civil War
Nov. 21	Home of Dr. and Mrs. Bullock	Chancellor Emlin McClain	Some Considerations as to the Government by the United States of Annexed Territory
Dec. 5	Home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Swisher	Judge M. J. Wade	The Theory of Penalties
Jan. 9	<i>Third Annual Business</i>	<i>Meeting held at</i>	<i>the University</i>
Jan. 23	Home of Prof. and Mrs. McConnell	Mr. A. E. Swisher	The Growth of Corporations and Corporate Law
Feb. 6	Home of Chancellor and Mrs. McClain	Dr. W. R. Patterson	Pawn shops in Europe and America
Feb. 20 *	Home of Judge and Mrs. M. J. Wade	Dr. P. L. Kaye	The Early English Colonies in North America
Apr. 3 †	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Weld		
Apr. 17 †	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Currier		
1899-1900 Oct. 2	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Mr. J. W. Rich	Confederate Finances
Oct. 16	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Prof. L. G. Weld	The Discovery of the Missis- sippi
Oct. 30	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Shambaugh	Prof. B. F. Shambaugh	Politics and Philosophy
Nov. 13	Home of Chancellor and Mrs. McClain	Prof. H. S. Richards	Government by Injunction
Nov. 27 ‡	Home of Prof. and Mrs. McConnell	Prof. W. C. Wilcox	Modern Europe as the Resid- uary Legatee of the French Revolution
Jan. 8	<i>Fourth Annual Busi-</i>	<i>ness Meeting</i>	<i>held at the University</i>
Jan. 15	Home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Swisher	Prof. I. A. Loos	Government by Philosophers: a study in the Republic of Plato
Jan. 24	Home of Pres. and Mrs. MacLean	Miss Jane Ad- dams of Chicago	The 19th Ward of Chicago

¹ The programme of the year 1898-1899 has been the most difficult to reconstruct.

* No evidence that meetings were or were not held during March.

† Recorded in Mrs. Currier's diary; but the reader and the title of paper are not given.

‡ Meetings were probably omitted in December.

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DATE	PLACE OF MEETING	READER	TITLE OF PAPER
1899-1900 Feb. 5	Home of Judge and Mrs. Wade	Dr. W. R. Patterson	The State Board of Control
Feb. 19	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Prof. S. Hayes	Trusts, their Origin and Prob- able Future
Mar. 5	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Weld	Chancellor Emlin McClain	French Philosophy and The Declaration of Independ- ence
Mar. 19	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Currier	Prof. I. A. Loos	Classification of Trusts
		Mr. A. E. Swisher	Some Features of Commerical Conquest
		Prof. A. N. Currier	The Philippine Question
		Prof. E. A. Wilcox	The Pioneer Combination
Apr. 2	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Shambaugh	Judge M. J. Wade	The Federal Control of Trusts
Apr. 16	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Dr. P. L. Kaye	The Roman Provincial Ad- ministration
May 7 *	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Rev. Mr. G. L. Cady	The Limits of Heredity
1900-1901 Oct. 22	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Prof. J. J. McConnell	Some Tendencies in Modern College Education
Nov. 5	Home of Dr. and Mrs. Barrett	Prof. E. A. Wilcox	A chapter out of Practical Pol- itics—a Study in the Con- temporary Political Situa- tion of the State of Rhode Island
Nov. 19	Home of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cady	Prof. H. G. Plum	The Economic Causes of the Reformation
Dec. 3	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Shambaugh	Dr. D. J. H. Ward	The Rise of the Science of Man
Dec. 17	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Weld	Judge M. J. Wade	Some Practical Problems in Sociology and Politics
Jan. 7	Home of Chancellor and Mrs. McClain	Prof. I. A. Loos	A Review of the History of the Club and Comments on Higher Commercial Educa- tion
Jan. 14	<i>Fifth Annual Business</i>	<i>Meeting held at</i>	<i>the University</i>
Jan. 21	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Currier	Mr. J. E. Conner	The Bureau of South Ameri- can Republics
Feb. 4	<i>Meeting omitted—John</i>	<i>Marshall Day,</i>	<i>observed by the University</i>

* Last meeting of the year 1899-1900.

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PAPERS READ BEFORE THE POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB

DATE	PLACE OF MEETING	READER	TITLE OF PAPER
1900-1901 Feb. 18	Home of Judge and Mrs. Wade	Judge Emlin McClain	The Reputed Unwritten Con- stitution of the United States
Mar. 4	Physical Laboratory	Mr. J. W. Rich	Missions of California (illustrated)
Mar. 18	Home of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cady	Dr. W. R. Patterson	Causes of Agrarian Discon- tent in the Middle West
Apr. 1	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Hayes	Mr. S. T. Tamura	The Mission of Japan
Apr. 15	Home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Swisher	Prof. B. F. Shambaugh	Frontier Land Clubs or Claim Associations
Apr. 29 *	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Prof. L. G. Weld	LaSalle in the Mississippi Valley
1901-1902 Oct. 7	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Prof. B. F. Shambaugh	Anarchism
Oct. 21	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Prof. W. R. Patterson	The County Care of Paupers
Nov. 4	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Currier	Mr. A. E. Swisher	The Annexation of Canada
Nov. 18	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Prof. Samuel Hayes	The Articles of Confederation
Dec. 2	Home of Prof. and Mrs. E. A. Wilcox	Judge M. J. Wade	The Articles of Confederation
Dec. 16	Home of Judge and Mrs. Wade	Prof. J. J. McConnell	The Relation of Preparatory Schools to the University
Jan. 13	Home of Dean and Miss Gregory	Prof. W. C. Wilcox	The Possible Solutions of the Eastern Question
Jan. 20	<i>Sixth Annual Business</i>	<i>Meeting held at</i>	<i>the University</i>
Jan. 27	Home of Pres. and Mrs. MacLean	Dean Chas. N. Gregory	The Uses and Abuses of Money in Politics
Feb. 10	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Gordon	Prof. F. K. Saun- ders, of Yale	Some Recent Excavations
Feb. 24	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Hayes	Prof. H. S. Richards	Inheritance Taxation
Mar. 10	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Shambaugh	Prof. I. A. Loos	The Relativity of Economic Doctrine
Mar. 24	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Weld	Rev. Dr. D. J. H. Ward	Anthropology as a Branch of Study

* Last meeting of the year 1900-1901.

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DATE	PLACE OF MEETING	READER	TITLE OF PAPER
1901-1902 Apr. 7	<i>Meeting omitted on ac</i>	<i>count of Death of</i>	<i>Doctor Middleton</i>
Apr. 21*	Home of Dr. and Mrs. Ward	Prof. E. A. Wilcox	Some Legal Aspects of Trusts
1902-1903 Oct. 6	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Prof. F. E. Bolton	Some Facts and Fictions Con- cerning Educational Values
Oct. 20	Home of Dean and Miss Gregory	Prof. L. G. Weld	The French in the Ohio Val- ley
Nov. 3	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Bolton	Prof. Arthur Fairbanks	Political and Industrial Greece of today
Nov. 17	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Fairbanks	Mr. J. W. Rich	A Hoop for the Barrel, or the Evolution of the Protective System in the United States
Dec. 1	Home of Prof. and Mrs. E. A. Wilcox	Prof. B. F. Shambaugh	A Brief History of The State Historical Society of Iowa
Dec. 15	Home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Swisher	Prof. H. G. Plum	The Teutonic Order in Prus- sia
Jan. 12	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Currier	Prof. S. Hayes	The Clearing House
Jan. 19	<i>Seventh Annual Busi</i>	<i>ness Meeting held</i>	<i>at the University</i>
Jan. 26	Home of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cady	Dean Chas. N. Gregory	Sir Samuel Romilly and Law Reform
Feb. 9	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Hayes	Rev. Mr. G. L. Cady	Is Crime Increasing
Feb. 23	Home of Pres. and Mrs. MacLean	Prof. I. A. Loos	A Report on the Michigan Meeting Called to Discuss the Question of Higher Commercial Education
Mar. 9	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Prof. H. E. Gordon	The Higher Education of Wo- men in Spain
Mar. 23	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Shambaugh	Judge Emlin McClain	John Marshall as a Construc- tive Statesman
Apr. 6	<i>Meeting Postponed</i>		
Apr. 20	Home of Judge and Mrs. Wade	Prof. A. N. Currier	A New England Hill Town Fifty Years Ago
May 4†	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Seashore	Dr. Paul S. Peirce	The Freedmen's Bureau
1903-1904 Oct. 12	<i>Meeting postponed on</i>	<i>account of lect</i>	<i>ure by Sir Frederick Pollock</i>

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Nov. 9	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Bolton	Prof. W. C. Wilcox	The Two Conventions (Paris and Philadelphia)
Nov. 13 *	Home of Pres. and Mrs. MacLean	Prof. T. Gregory Foster of London	The English Education Act of 1902
Nov. 23	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Prof. A. N. Currier	Roman Commerce in the first Christian Century
Dec. 7	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Currier	Dr. F. E. Horack	The Recognition of Belligerency
Dec. 21	Home of Prof. and Mrs. E. A. Wilcox	Dean Chas. N. Gregory	Lawyers and their Training
Jan. 11	<i>Eighth Annual Business Meeting held</i>		<i>at the University</i>
Jan. 18	Home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Swisher	Prof. B. F. Shambaugh	The Present Status of Political Science
Feb. 1	Home of Dr. Horack	Prof. H. G. Plum	The Equipment of a Modern University Library
Feb. 15	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Hayes	Prof. F. E. Bolton	Imitation
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Mar. 14	Psychological Lecture Room	Prof. C. E. Seashore	Anthropometric Measurements in Hearing
Mar. 28	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Shambaugh	Mr. A. E. Swisher	Taxation of Property
Apr. 11	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Rev. Mr. G. L. Cady	The Code of Hammurabi
Apr. 25 †	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Ferson	Dr. F. R. Rutter	Sugar Beets and Sugar Production
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Oct. 10	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Loos	Judge Emlin McClain	The History of Law
Oct. 24	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Hayes	Prof. W. C. Wilcox	The Relation between Geography and History
Nov. 7	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Bolton	Prof. B. F. Shambaugh	Assembly Districting and Apportionment in Iowa
Nov. 21	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Shambaugh	Prof. A. N. Currier	Dartmouth College Fifty Years Ago

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Jan. 16	<i>Ninth Annual Business</i>	<i>Meeting held at</i>	<i>the University</i>
Jan. 16	Home of Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Wilcox	Prof. H. G. Plum	The Relations Between Eng- land and Scotland During the Reign of Elizabeth
Jan. 30	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Patterson	Dr. G. L. Cady	The Relation of Economics to the Family
Feb. 13	Home of Col. and Mrs. Burnett	Prof. H. E. Gordon	The Greasers
Feb. 27	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Weld	Dr. D. J. H. Ward	Psychogeny
Mar. 13	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Gilbert	Mr. J. W. Rich	The Bookkeeper and his Art
Mar. 27	Home of Mr. and Mrs. Rich	Mr. J. C. Monnet	Some phases of the Political Philosophy of Thos. Jeffer- son
Apr. 10	Home of Prof. and Mrs. Fairbanks	Dr. Margaret Schaffner	The Doctrine of Conspiracy in Early Labor Disputes
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