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Girls' 4-H Club

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I've Looked Quite Far Enough to Find

I was talking with a 4-H girl the other day and she was telling me about her home club.

"My mother just wrote me," she said, "that a certain girl in our club has been elected president. I was surprised. When this girl joined the club, she was so shy and bashful that she couldn't even get up in meeting and make a motion. Now she is president.

"There is another girl in our club—she was terribly bashful, too. Now she is county president, and she is in everything in high school that there is to be in. And it's club work that has done it."

She was right. 4-H clubs do develop confidence, poise and leadership in their girls. To me that is one of their greatest contributions.

I have seen dozens of examples of girls whom 4-H club work have helped to develop. I know one girl who had never had a high school education. She had had little opportunity to mingle with other girls, and she was shy about appearing before people. She was industrious, tho, and eager to learn, and after a year or two in club work and a few months at Ames on a Homemaker's Course (awarded for her club record) there developed a girl who could scarcely be recognized as the same one who had started in club work a few years before. Now she is a lovely mistress of a new home—going about her work with poise, confidence in her ability and leadership in her community.

Club work has done it. It is doing the same thing over and over again every day in every township, county and state where 4-H clubs exist. —H. M.

The annual "Hello Tea," to which all 4-H girls on the campus are cordially invited, will open the social season for the Campus 4-H Club. The tea will be held some time during October and will be featured by the introduction of members of its own "Hall of Fame" who have been outstanding club workers in their own counties. A roll call of the counties represented will be taken and committees appointed for the new year.

Danish Girls Study 4-H Work

Here is another feather in the cap of the Iowa 4-H girl! When the country of Denmark decided to present to its rural boys and girls a program of 4-H club work some time during its organized in the United States—and determined to pattern its organization after that of Iowa. Following this decision, Miss Ulla Christensen, a Danish club pioneer, came to Iowa five years ago and visited clubs throughout the state in order to get "pointers" for the new venture in Denmark.

The organization work among Danish boys and girls is still going on, according to Miss Haren Harrekilde, instructor in home economies in Copenhagen, Denmark, who is on the campus this fall, studying Iowa 4-H club work.

Miss Harrekilde spent a week in Dallas County working with the Home Demonstration Agent, visiting clubs and talking with Farm Bureau women and club girls. She recently visited the National Dairy Cattle Congress at Waterloo, and there attended her first club banquet.

Isn't It Wonderful?

Developing the You-ness of You

By Grace Hoover, Y. M. C. A. Secretary

I know a secret about your roommate. Deep within her she is sure that she could be an ideal person—that there is within her hidden power and loveliness and beauty that no one has looked quite far enough to find. She is sure that if these could be released she would be her "giant self." Sometimes during midquarters or at home she believes her environment is against her, but in honest moments she knows it is something else and asks secretly, "How can I get out of the noisy sickroom of myself?"

Jealousies, self-pity, irritation, a sense of inferiority do make a sickroom of self, but all these ills are better understood when we recognize the demands we make on life. There are certain things in life we demand. When these do not come to our satisfaction we substitute something that will bring a near result. We need to discover also that each of us does the best she knows how to do in fulfilling these demands. If Mary always gets what she wants by "losing her temper," that way works, therefore she should not be blamed for her technique. It is the way she knows it (continued on page 16).