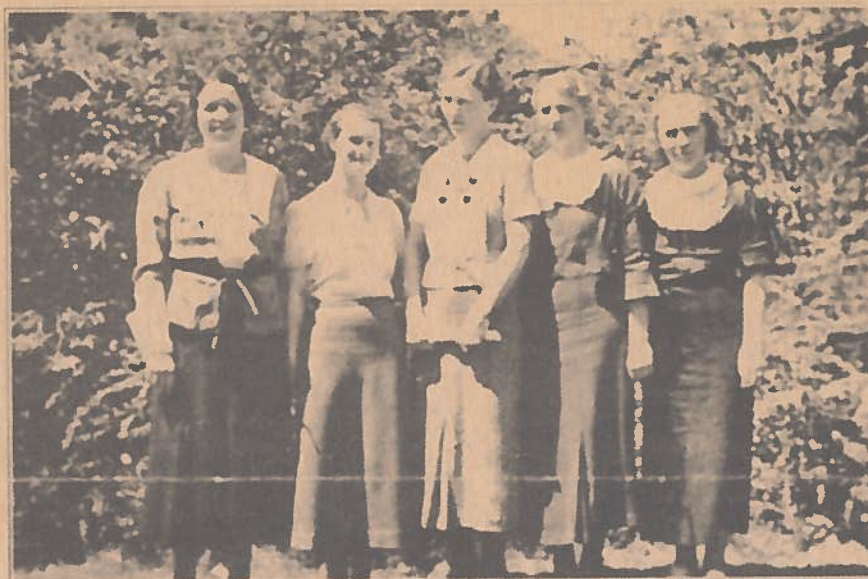


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This photograph taken in June 1934 shows the officers of the first Business and Professional Women's Club of Albion. With twenty-seven members enrolled, a charter was granted to them at the annual State convention of the Confederation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs held May 25-27 at Rochester. From left to right the picture shows: President, Clara Passarelli Amerose who worked for Dr. David G. Cooper; Vice-President, Lucille White Bullock who worked for John Derrick at the Public Welfare Office in the old County House; Recording Secretary, Catherine Matthews who was Secretary to the Child Welfare Agent; Corresponding Secretary, Avis Wilson Lattin who worked in the Home Bureau office and Treasurer, Geraldine Barry who worked for Burt Ludington, the county treasurer. It is believed that this first BPW club of Albion dissolved sometime during the 1940's.

In October 1957 thirty-three women met to discuss and organize again a local BPW. The result of that meeting was climaxed on April 28, 1958 when a charter dinner was held with fifty-seven members. The objectives of the club are:

To elevate the standards for women in business and the professions.

To promote the interest of business and professional women.

To bring about a spirit of cooperation among the business and professional women of the United States.

To extend opportunities to business and professional women through education along lines of industrial, scientific and vocational activities.

Among the many activities of the club over the past, is the awarding of scholarships annually to worthy students.