

Literary Arts Club
HONORING
S. Louisa Conklin
SEPTEMBER 10th, 1948



Dixie Club Picks Teacher, 83, as Woman of the Year

Tribune Special

ST. GEORGE, Sept. 15—In keeping with their annual program, the St. George Literary Arts club selected Miss Sarah Louisa Conklin, 83, as the special woman of the year to be honored.

For the event, more than 60 women, including club members and their guests, assembled recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Atkin, where a program of instrumental music, singing and readings paid special tribute to this octogenarian, who though a native of Long Island, N. Y., has devoted the past 45 years of her life to the service of her church and to giving children of St. George pre-school kindergarten training.

Born March 1, 1865 in Cold Harbor, Long Island, N. Y., Miss Conklin was a small child when her family moved to Roslyn, N. Y. At the age of 17 she began her career as a school teacher, in connection with the program of the Presbyterian church, of which she is a member. This work took her to New Mexico, Havana, Cuba, and Gunada, Ariz., much of her work being with the Indians, Spanish and Mexican people.

On Jan. 18, 1903, she came to St. George where she had been

assigned by the board of directors of her church as a resident missionary and community worker. In this capacity she has served faithfully, her jovial disposition and ready wit bringing happiness to many who were afflicted or in sorrow.

Along with her regular duties she has taught 15 to 20 kindergartners each year, giving them the rudiments of the three R's plus music and Biblical readings. Among the young mothers who attended the program in her honor, were several whom she taught in kindergarten, some of whose children are now in her care.