

Lithuanian Union of Higher Education Graduates (1928–1940): Promotion of Women for Intellectual Work, Organization of Cultural-educational Activities

Summary

The Union of Higher Education Graduates of Lithuania (1928–1940) was one of the many educational and „female“ organizations, which distinguished itself in its activities to help women in real life and especially with the focus on their intellectual activities. The activities were facilitated both on national and international levels. Throughout the short period of its functioning the union activities centred on the education of women in a variety of life issues. The Union maintained contacts with other organizations on questions related to women's rights, held discussions, delivered lectures, organized tea-parties, clubs. As an international organization, the union participated in international congresses,

provided information on the possibilities of international traineeships and internships, informed other countries on the situation of women in Lithuania. Among other organizations that worked in the direction of unifying women, the Union of Higher Education Graduates of Lithuania stood out as the organization which centred on intellectual activities in a woman's life. The Union worked actively and disseminated the information via press and radio, organized and delivered lectures. The Union was also actively involved in the organization of studies and traineeships abroad. The Union of Higher Education Graduates of Lithuania is attributed by researchers to educational societies.

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