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President's Message

I am always so very proud of you! Every club enrolled in the Community Achievement Contest, bless you, so we are half-way to the goal of \$500. I just know every club will report THIS MONTH to the CAC State Chairman, Mrs. Charles Henry, Clarksburg; am positive there will not be a single club to list in the March issue as failing to report on time.



The sales of our West Virginia pictorial brochure, or magazine, are still mounting. Some clubs made the list for special citations, based on advance sales prior to December 1, and most clubs did have a selling campaign underway by then — and are continuing to take orders not only to help

boost West Virginia but increase the club treasury with the commission allowed.

The Holidays are over (hope they were happy ones for you) and time rushes us toward two important gatherings at The Greenbrier. I am looking forward to greeting many of you there February 18-20 when we will be hostess to the Southeastern Council and to seeing hundreds of you at our state convention March 17-19. The formal opening of the Council will be the morning of February 19, with adjournment following the afternoon session the next day.

Again we hope for beautiful weather during convention. This is a big year with an important election as well as many special awards and citations. Convention will be interesting from that first afternoon, when CARE citations will be presented, right through to the installation of officers Saturday morning — and will end before noon Saturday for the convenience of those who want to register at the hotel Thursday morning and be ready for the opening session that afternoon. Many of the Juniors plan to join us on Friday — make them welcome, they're wonderful!

You are reminded to keep informed and let members of the State Legislature know what you think, both as clubs and as individuals, about pending legislation. Legislators do what the folk back home want so let them know.

Check the Honor Points — make reports — sell West Virginia — then come vacation at the Southeastern Council and the State Convention. I want to see YOU there.

A New Year — a new chapter in our history. Let us reaffirm our faith in God as we rededicate ourselves to increased efforts in meeting "Our Responsibility." May the challenges of 1960 be successfully met — and happiness a gift to you and yours.

Mary Katharine Barnes

West Virginia Brochure

Clubwomen are still busy selling West Virginia, the pictorial brochure which should be off the press before long. A dummy copy, such as shown on the cover of this issue of the Clubwoman, was displayed at all district conventions.

Several clubs qualified for the special citation offered to clubs selling an average of two copies per member by December 1. The citation will be awarded during the convention.

All clubs are urged to continue the selling campaign which will not only be the biggest advertising campaign we can conduct for our State but one of the best money-making plans for individual clubs as they receive a commission on all sales.

The magazine can be purchased only through a Federated Club. If sales continue after orders are filled, a second printing can be completed. Every member and every club should be active in this major effort for West Virginia.

Four O'Clock Club Honored

The Four O'Clock Club of Point Pleasant was honored during the Southwestern District Convention, October 24, at Hamlin.

The State President presented the club a Certificate of Honorary Membership. The Executive Board of the West Virginia Federation had approved the certification of the Four O'clock Club as the First Honorary Club and the certificate stated that:

"This Honor is bestowed by the Federation in recognition of the oldest club in the State of West Virginia for its outstanding contribution to its community and to the Federation."

Mrs. William Meade is president of the Four O'clock Club which was organized in 1892 and Federated in 1907; there are at present eight members in the club.

Coming Events

Southeastern Council Conference, February 18-20, the Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs.

West Virginia Federation Women's Club Convention, March 17-19 the Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs.

GFWC Convention

The Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C., will be the convention headquarters for the 1960 General Federation, June 13-17. Make your reservation early if you want to be in the headquarters hotel.

Candidates

For State Offices

Mrs. John F. McCuskey Will Seek Presidency

The Woman's Club of Clarksburg presents Mrs. John Fulton (Christine Young) McCuskey as a candidate for President of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. McCuskey's service record to her community, state and nation has been varied in scope and into many fields of activity. She has given unselfishly of her time and talents to youth projects, health, education, and is known throughout the state as an outstanding speaker on government and education. Consequently, many honors have been bestowed upon her.

In 1952 the United Church Women of America awarded her a National Citation for her day by day participation in Christian Citizenship; 1956 she received the first State Citizens Award for meritorious achievement in the field of Public Health. Governor Cecil Underwood has appointed her a member of the 1960 White House Conference on Education. She served as State President of the Woman's Auxiliary to the State Medical Association, National Treasurer of the Auxiliary to Southern Medical, and Regional Chairman of Nurse Recruitment for the American Medical Auxiliary. She served as President of the Clarksburg branch, American Association of University Women, is currently President of the Parent-Teachers Association Council, President of the St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary and State Public Relations Chairman for the Union Protestant Hospital. She is a member of the Salvation Army Board and the Stealey Methodist Church Board.

Mrs. McCuskey participates actively in many sports. She was President of

West Virginia State Golf Association, 1954, and is one of the state's best tournament golfers.

Mrs. McCuskey taught for many years in the public schools of West Virginia, holding A.B. and B.B. degrees in languages and music. Many more of her presidential qualifications could be cited. Undoubtedly, each individual Woman's Club member could contribute to this summary of her unselfish service to mankind.

Mrs. McCuskey has a son, John Fulton McCuskey II, a seventh grade student at Central Junior High School.

Mrs. McCuskey's husband, the late Dr. John F. McCuskey, prominent Urologist and surgeon, was tragically killed in an automobile accident in October 1958. His death was a great loss to the medical profession and to his many friends—quoting the Clarksburg Exponent: "Today we sadly join the thousands who mourn throughout the State and Nation the passing of this great man—great as a friend, as a medical leader, and as a father, husband and family man."

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Mrs. John F. McCuskey

Reports Are Due

January is the month when reports are due to all the Division Chairmen.

Questionnaires as the basis for all reports were distributed to club presidents at the fall district meetings. The first Certificates of Award in the history of the West Virginia Federation will be awarded at the state convention and will be based upon the reports made this month by club presidents. Many projects and activities can be reported in

more than one Division of work and it is suggested that club officers and chairmen meet together to compile the reports so nothing is overlooked.

Check the HONOR POINTS carefully. 100%-Plus Honor Club ribbons will again be awarded clubs earning more than 100%. Review the November issue of the West Virginia Clubwoman so there will be no oversight in complying with rules of any contest.

REPORT PROMPTLY ! !

Mrs. Scott Presented For Vice-Presidency

With pride and pleasure the Oak Hill Civic League presents Mrs. John Scott as a candidate for the office of First Vice-President of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

A compound of energy, personality, and efficiency, Sue is a natural-born club member, leader, and officer. Furthermore, she is a capable speaker, welcomed in all parts of the state.

A charter member of the Civic League, she served for two terms as its president. From the local club presidency she advanced to the presidency of Capitol District, thence to the treasurership and second Vice-Presidency of the West Virginia Federation.

A member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of West Virginia, Sue has served as president of Unit 59, president of Third District, Department Chaplain, and Girls State Staff member.

She has been a member of the Oak Hill Methodist Church choir, the secretary of WSCS, the director of the youth department, the WSCS chairman of Missionary Education, and the Official Church Board.

She is also a past worthy matron of the Eastern Star.

A teacher of history at Collins High School in Oak Hill, she is the sponsor and spark of the Student Council. She is also Executive Secretary of the West Virginia Association of Student Councils.

Club and association work are incidental only to Sue's interest in her home, family, and community. She is a devoted wife and mother, a perennial poll clerk, a member of the Fayette County Fair Committee, and a willing worker for any and all community projects.

These then are her recommendations: her record of service and efficiency; her enthusiasm and willing spirit; her personality, poise, and speaking ability; her love for people. We of the Civic League feel we can do no greater service for the West Virginia Federation than to offer Sue Scott for election to the First Vice-Presidency.



Mrs. John Scott

New District Officers Elected

The eight districts in the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs elected officers during the fall meetings. The new officers will begin their two year term at the close of the state convention. Listed below are the names of the new officers and meeting places for the 1960 conventions:

CAPITOL DISTRICT

President: Mrs. Harold Beattie, Widen; **Vice-President:** Mrs. Harry Conner, Sissonville; **Secretary:** Mrs. George Fordham, Montgomery; **Treasurer:** Mrs. Carl Vickers, Fayetteville; and **1960 Convention:** Clendenin.

CENTRAL DISTRICT

President: Mrs. Nunley B. Snedegar, Elkins; **Vice-President:** Mrs. Henry Bailey, Sutton; **Secretary:** Mrs. Ira M. Spurgeon, Weston; **Treasurer:** Mrs. Delvin Goff, Parsons; and **1960 Convention:** Parsons.

EASTERN DISTRICT

President: Mrs. O. S. Bloom, Charles Town; **Vice-President:** Mrs. George Tobias, Berkeley Springs; **Secretary:**

Mrs. Carlton Bell, Piedmont; **Treasurer:** Mrs. Sam Skinner, Shepherds-town; and **1960 Convention:** Charles Town.

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

President: Mrs. M. Y. Sutton, Bridgeport; **Vice-President:** Mrs. J. W. Ruby, Morgantown; **Secretary:** Mrs. Max Barker, Salem; **Treasurer:** Mrs. Harold Watson, Reedsville; and **1960 Convention:** Grafton.

NORTHERN DISTRICT

President: Mrs. Peter Davis, Weirton; **Vice-President:** Mrs. J. Wells Eakin, New Martinsville; **Secretary:** Mrs. Guy William Knapp, Moundsville; **Treasurer:** Miss Ruth E. Henderson, Sistersville; and **1960 Convention:** No invitation.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

President: Mrs. Wayne Reynolds, Beckley; **Vice-President:** Mrs. Hensel B. Poling, Rupert; **Secretary:** Mrs. Mark Gee, Ronceverte; **Treasurer:** Mrs. Herman L. Akers, Mullens; and **1960 Convention:** Bluefield.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT

President: Mrs. Percy M. Booton, Huntington (Beverly Hills); **Vice-President:** Mrs. Elizabeth Ast, Holden; **Secretary:** Mrs. Harold Vanhose, Man; **Treasurer:** Mrs. Andrew Spangler, Huntington; **Historian:** Mrs. C. W. Ferguson III, Wayne; and **1960 Convention:** Wayne, with Lavalette co-hostess.

WESTERN DISTRICT

President: Mrs. A. Neal Allen, Williamstown; **Vice-President:** Mrs. William Woodcock, Vienna; **Secretary:** Mrs. C. B. Kessel, Ripley; **Treasurer:** Mrs. Luther Piggott, West Union and **1960 Convention:** West Union.

State Convention Set March 17-19

Mr. Richard Thomas, foreign correspondent and news analyst, will be featured speaker the opening night of the state convention, March 17-19, at The Greenbrier. The Challenge of Communism Division of the Federation will receive special attention as this dynamic speaker, with wide knowledge of the world and pleasant humor too, presents a vivid picture of "An American Reporter Behind the Iron Curtain."

Mrs. Carroll E. Miller, Second Vice President, will come from Montana to represent the General Federation as speaker.

The CARE citations will be present-

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Candidates For Second Vice-President



Mrs. Fred Hurt

The Woman's Club of Beckley proudly presents Mrs. Fred (Elinor) Hurt as candidate for Second Vice President of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Hurt has a commendable record of service in Woman's Club work at all levels. She has served as Treasurer of the Federation for the past two years, and has served previously as chairman of Family Life Division and chairman of Public Health. She is a past Director of the West Virginia Federation of Junior Clubs and Capitol District Juniors.

She was President of the Beckley Juniors, 1933-35 and the Woman's Club of Beckley, 1949-51. She has been chairman of the Civic Department and served on many committees.

Mrs. Hurt is a leader in community affairs. She is the organizer of Teen Town, Inc., and the League of Women Voters. She has served as officer and member of the PTA, Raleigh County Chapter American Red Cross, Raleigh County Park Board, and is now President of the Raleigh County Health Council. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church and active as Sunday School teacher and circle leader.

Mrs. Hurt, a happy combination of wife, mother, church-woman, civic worker, clubwoman, and career woman, proves her efficiency in her work

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Mrs. J. E. Rupert

The St. Marys Woman's Club wishes to endorse Mrs. J. E. Rupert for 2nd Vice President of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

Thelma Rupert has served in many capacities as a clubwoman being a Past President of St. Marys Club and of Western District and serving the W. Va. Federation for the past two years as Recording Secretary in an efficient and commendable manner.

Mrs. Rupert is a native of Fairmont, received an A.B. Degree from Fairmont State College and a M. Ed. Degree from the University of Pittsburgh. She has taught and holds a Life Certificate in W. Va., and this past year filled an emergency vacancy for seven months in the St. Marys High School. She was an instructor in the University of Chicago for a number of years, is a member of Alpha Psi Omega, Fairmont, and Delta Delta Lambda, Pittsburgh, and of the National and State Education Associations.

In addition to Federation activities, Mrs. Rupert is active in the Garden Club, American Association of University Women, Daughters of the American Revolution, was appointed by the Mayor to a two-year term on the City Planning Commission, and this month became the Vice President of

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Search On For 1960 State Mother

Mrs. O. L. Stewart, 119 Nicholas Street, Clarksburg, Chairman of the American Mothers Committee, Inc., for the State of West Virginia, has announced the launching of the search for the 1960 Mother of West Virginia.

Nomination blanks are available on application to the state chairman or any member of the committee. All nominations must be filled out in detail and returned to the chairman not later than March 1, 1960.

Mrs. Stewart has already named the following who will serve on her Selection Committee to research the nominations received: Mrs. E. D. Conaway of Morgantown, the state's first mother-of-the-year and a past president of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. Fred L. Perry, Huntington, President, West Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers; Mrs. Clyde H. Huffman of Clarksburg, regent of State of West Virginia National Society Daughters American Colonists; Miss Mary Katherine Barnes of Charleston, president, West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. C. F. Davis of Bluefield, a past department president of the American Legion Auxiliary; Mrs. Marjorie Van Court of Princeton, governor of First District Quota International, Inc.

The standards that must be met by nominees for State Mother have been set up by the Mothers Committee as follows:

First that she be a successful mother, as evidence by the character and achievements of her individual children.

Second that she be an active member of a religious body.

Third That she embody those traits highly regarded in mothers; courage, cheerfulness, patience, affection, kindness, understanding and a homemaking ability.

Fourth that she exemplify in her life and conduct the precepts of the Golden Rule.

Fifth that she have a sense of responsibility in civic affairs and that she be active in service for public benefit.

Sixth that she be qualified to represent the Mothers of America in all responsibilities attached to her role as the National Mother.

The Mother who will be chosen will
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"Creativity" Is Subject For GFWC Poetry Contest

"Creativity" is the subject for a new Poetry Contest sponsored by the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. G. William Jones, St. Johnsbury, Vt., chairman of the GFWC Fine Arts Department, will present a suitably inscribed silver "Paul Revere Bowl" to the winner during the GFWC Convention, June 13-17, 1960, at Washington, D. C.

Every club member, including those in the Junior Department, is eligible to enter the contest. Only one entry may be submitted by any member and it may be any type except light verse, not to exceed 32 lines.

Poems must be typewritten, with five copies of each entry submitted: the title of the poem to be printed at the top of the page. Contestants are told not to use title pages or pseudonyms, or to write name on entry. Inside a sealed envelope accompanying the entry enclose a paper listing the name of the entrant, her address and club affiliation. On the outside of the envelope, write only the title of the poem.

The contest will be a special classification in the annual poetry contest of the West Virginia Federation. The winning entry will be forwarded to the GFWC contest. Poems should be sent not later than February 25, 1960, to the state chairman of Literature and Drama, Mrs. James H. Nelson, 921 Beech Avenue, Charleston.

W. Va. To Entertain Southeastern Council

The West Virginia Federation will entertain the Southeastern Council for the Mid-winter Conference, February 18-20, at The Greenbrier. All club-women are invited to attend the conference and hotel rates will be the same as for the state convention.

Mrs. John R. Childress, Greenville, South Carolina, is Council president and will preside at the Board meeting February 18 as well as the general sessions beginning Friday morning and extending through Saturday afternoon.

Three prominent West Virginians will be featured as speakers: The Honorable Cecil H. Underwood, Governor of West Virginia, on Saturday afternoon; Judge Elizabeth V. Hallanan, Judge of the Kanawha County Juvenile Court, Friday night; and Mrs. Helen Holt, Assistant Commissioner of Public Institutions, Saturday morning.

Candidate For Secretary Treasurer



Mrs. Robert van Blaricom

Mrs. Robert (Janice Kirk) van Blaricom, nominated for the office of Recording Secretary, has had wide experience and keen interest in the work of women's clubs and civic affairs. Mrs. van Blaricom came to Huntington in 1945 from Fredericksburg, Virginia, where she was parliamentarian of the woman's club.

Since that time she has served the Woman's Club of Huntington as Vice-chairman of the Evening Forum Department, Chairman of the International Affairs Department, First Vice-President, and President. Mrs. van Blaricom has been District and State Chairman of International Affairs; State Chairman of Religions of the World (West Virginia received a citation from the GFWC). Currently she is President of the Southwestern District of the West Virginia Federation.

She is a member of Johnson Memorial Methodist Church, has held various offices in the Woman's Society of Christian Service and is a circle chairman and member of the Commission on Missions. In 1958 the van Blaricom family was elected "Johnson Memorial Family of the Year."

Mrs. van Blaricom, a native of Columbus, is a graduate of the Ohio State University and is permanent secretary-treasurer of the Alumni

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Miss Betty D'Aiuto

The Romney Woman's Club is pleased to present, Miss Betty D'Aiuto, as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

Betty is presently serving the Eastern District as President, and has served as District Vice-President, is a past President and Treasurer of the Romney Woman's Club.

Interested in community affairs, Betty has been active in health programs, helping with Cancer and Polio Drives, Red Cross, Red Cross Bloodmobiles, is now Secretary of the Hampshire County Chapter of the American Red Cross and is a past Secretary-Treasurer of the Hampshire-Hardy County Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

A member of the Romney Presbyterian Church, she has served as Circle Chairman, and active in other church activities.

A graduate of Romney High School, she attended Potomac State College, and Martinsburg Business College.

Betty has been chief cashier and bookkeeper for the Potomac Light & Power Company in Romney for the past fourteen years; her experience in this field would be a valuable asset in fulfilling the duties of the office of

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Candidates For Office Of Historian



Mrs. George T. Hoylman

Mrs. George T. Hoylman has been indorsed for State Historian by the Woman's Club of Gassaway. Now President of Central District, previously its Secretary, she was co-hostess for the 1958 State Convention, State Chairman of Motion Pictures, 1955-57, and a delegate to the 1959 GFWC Convention.

Becoming a member of Sharples Woman's Club in 1941, Mrs. Hoylman was active about four years until her husband entered Medical College. In 1950 Dr. and Mrs. Hoylman and two daughters, Carol, now seventeen, and Vera Lou, now twelve, moved to Gassaway. Since then she has had almost perfect attendance at club meetings, District and State Conventions, and has served her club as chairman of various committees, Vice-President, and President, 1953-56.

Educational background of the former Alta Bennett from Parkersburg includes attending West Virginia Wesleyan College, West Virginia University, and Charleston School of Commerce. After a brief period of teaching and office experience, she devoted her full time to homemaking and community activities.

Mrs. Hoylman has been Treasurer and President of Central West Virginia Medical Society Auxiliary.

A member of Gassaway Methodist Church, Mrs. Hoylman has been Presi-

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Mrs. Fred A. Weser

The Woman's Club of Beverly Hills Huntington presents Mrs. Fred A. Weser for the office of Historian. Being a charter member of her club, she has served on the board as chairman of various committees and as an officer.

Activities of Mrs. Weser have been numerous and varied. While Youth Conservation Chairman, she searched for youth talent, and for years produced shows in the state; she was accompanist as well as director of these musical shows. She has prepared and participated in several radio and television series, and spoken on the national network on two occasions while in New York accepting an award from the National Council of Women's Society for Christian Service for work with mental patients, and the Mary Margaret McBride award for having done outstanding work in community betterment. She has had much experience in writing articles and press releases and in preparing press books.

At the present time, Mrs. Weser is State Mental Health Chairman. She is past president of the West Virginia Association for Mental Health and is a member of the National Board of Directors, and a national committee member. She is a Camp Galahad Board Member, treasurer of the West Virginia Committee of National Federal Health

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Have You Entered The Vogue Sewing Contest?

Have you entered the Vogue Sewing Contest? If not, buy a pattern, get out your scissors, needle and thread and start stitching your way to the Greenbrier next March and maybe to Paris. Who knows???

Select a pattern which you think is the "Ideal Costume for the Clubwoman's Wardrobe." Each outfit will be judged on the basis of versatility and appropriateness for club occasions, becomingness to wear, overall fashion effect, and workmanship.

The winner in the contest in your club will compete with the winners of other clubs in your District and then the winner from each District will compete for the State Junior Winner. The State Junior Winner and the winner of the State Federation will then be judged and be rated first and second place. This first place winner will be judged nationally.

An award will be given to the State Junior Winner at the Junior Convention and she will go to the Greenbrier for one day of the State Convention and model her outfit.

Get busy girls. Your costume should be ready for judging in January. This doesn't give you too much time. Check the date for judging in your club and District.

More Citations To Be Given For Stamps Project

More citations in recognition of the School Savings Stamps Project will be awarded clubwomen this spring by the United States Treasury Department, it has been announced by Mr. R. A. Thom, area manager for the School Savings Stamp project, and Mrs. H. C. Myers, state chairman for this Federation project.

If clubs sponsoring the Savings Stamps program in public schools will submit a list of the outstanding workers at the time annual reports are sent Mrs. Myers in January, the citations will be prepared by the Treasury Department for women who have conducted the stamp sales throughout the state.

The last issue of the Clubwoman listed the Woman's Club of Moundsville as the recipient of a citation for work last year but the Treasury Department has advised that the Moundsville citation went to the Tuesday Arts Club. Individual citations were also made to two members who conducted the Savings Stamp sale there, Mrs. Guy William Knapp and Mrs. Herold Littell.

From The Editor's Desk

Happy New Year. Hope every one had the finest kind of a Holiday Season. Sure was fun playing Santa and having all the family home again. If you did not get my greeting it was because a check went to CARE and not for the cards and stamps.

Since we are hostess to the Southeastern Council at its mid-year conference, February 18-20, we hope many of you are planning to attend. You will enjoy the program and meeting the clubwomen from the other states. You will find more information in this issue regarding this meeting.

This issue carried the candidates for state office. This is election year so again mark your calendar and plan to attend the convention at the Greenbrier March 17-19. Study these candidates' qualifications and come to vote for the one you consider the best for the office. The officers you elect will carry the work during the next administration.

Congratulations to Mrs. Hazel Bregg Davenport. She has been selected to be West Virginia representative in the 1960 National Teachers of the Year project conducted by McCall's magazine. The final selection will be announced in the April 1960 issue of McCall's magazine, together with an honor roll of other outstanding teachers from the roster of nominees. Mrs. Davenport was named West Virginia Teacher of the year by the State Federation in 1958.

Time is passing and if you have any revisions or resolutions that should be considered, please send them in writing to the chairman of these committees. They have a dead line to meet in order to be ready for presentation at convention.

Let me remind you it is report time and that is most important. How can we tell of your good work if you do not send a report of your outstanding activities.

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. Frank C. Madden, Glen Dale, who died November 14 following an illness of several days. Mrs. Madden, a past president of the Woman's Club of Moundsville, was state chairman of General Federation Emblems at the time of her death.

Deep sympathy is also sent to the family of Mrs. Ira A. Spurgeon who died unexpectedly November 18 several hours after suffering a heart attack. Mrs. Spurgeon has twice served the Weston Federated Club as president and

at the time of her death was treasurer of the Presidents' Club of the West Virginia Federation as well as treasurer of Central District; she was secretary-elect of Central District and the change of offices would have been made at the state convention.

Both ladies were active in community affairs and each served the Federation in many capacities during the years; they will be greatly missed by the Federation and their clubs.

Our sympathy also to Mrs. John W. Pence upon the sudden death of her husband on Nov. 25. Dr. Pence was President of Fairmont College at the time of his death. Mrs. Pence (Helen) is a past state treasurer.

Clubwomen Honored

Congratulations to Mrs. Sterling M. Hamlet for her election to the office of vice president of the Chautauqua Woman's Club of Chautauqua, N. Y. The more than 1,000 members represent every state as well as several foreign countries. Mrs. Hiram C. Houghton, former president of the GFWC, was appointed club president by the Chautauqua Institution and the four vice presidents were elected by the membership, no two being from the same state.

Mrs. Herberta Ann Leonardy of Coral Gables, Fla., recently elected president of The National Association of Parliamentarians, has appointed Mrs. Hamlet State Chairman and Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe State Vice Chairman for the Association.

Mrs. Hamlet, immediate past president of the Woman's Club of Huntington, is a former Advertising Chairman for the West Virginia Clubwoman. Mrs. Holcombe, member of the Woman's Club of Charleston, is State Regent of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

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Junior Editor

Junior Director's Message

First of all, may I extend to you a wish that this year of 1960 will be a "Banner Year" for you and your club. A HAPPY NEW YEAR to each of you. I hope you have enjoyed the Holiday Season and received many Blessings.



Mrs. Scarbro

With the holidays behind us it is now time to begin thinking about our reports which are due FEBRUARY 1. Give your reports much thought and remember that there are many activities that may be reported in more than one department. Questionnaire forms for making reports were mailed to you in December. If you have not received forms, please write me at once so I may forward another form

to you. Attach newspaper clippings to your reports. If you have nothing to report in a particular department or division, be sure to return form to the chairman noting that you have nothing to report. Good luck to you in making your reports and let's have 100% reporting again this year.

Plans for the West Virginia Federation Convention to be held at the Greenbrier on March 17-19 are nearing completion. Our State President has plans for a most interesting and entertaining convention. I hope you will attend.

The Southeastern Council Meeting will be held at the Greenbrier on February 18-20. This meeting will give you an opportunity to meet Juniors from our other states in the Southeastern Region and members of the other State Federations. I do hope you can be with us. We will have a Junior Party on Friday evening. Girls wanting to come to both the State Convention and Southeastern Meeting may be interested in knowing you can stay at the West Virginia Hotel in White Sulphur at the cost of two persons in a double bed for \$4.00 per night and one person in a double bed \$5.00 per night. Twin beds \$7.00 per night. These prices include baths. The W. Va. Hotel is next door to the Greenbrier. There is a dining room and plenty

of parking space. Barbara Bowling tells me the food is delicious and very reasonable. Address reservations to Bill Thompson, W. Va. Hotel, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. You will not miss out on any of the activities of either of the meetings by staying at the W. Va. Hotel as no banquets or dinners in a group are held at the Greenbrier. You can stay at the W. Va. Hotel at less cost, register for the Convention by paying \$2.00 and then attend all functions. I hope to see you at both meetings.

Our Junior Convention will be held at Beckley on May 6-7. I am meeting with the Beckley Juniors this month to make final plans. The convention promises to be fun for everyone. Start making plans now to be with us in Beckley.

Are you collecting stamps for our Wounded Veterans? We are going to have a STAMP CHAMP at our Convention this year. A nice gift will be given to the Junior collecting the most stamps in the state this year. Be sure to give your stamps to your Public Affairs or Club Stamp Chairman and see that she sends them to Mrs. S. E. Barnett our State Public Affairs Chairman. Date for receiving stamps for this year will be April 15th.

Are you selling subscriptions for the West Virginia Magazine? We will also have a State Champ for selling the most magazine subscriptions in the state. Keep a record of how many subscriptions you have sold by April 15th and give to your club president. Keep selling subscriptions. This is a good money making project for your club and it will help publicize our state.

It was so very nice to visit with you again at the District Meetings. Everytime I write my Junior Message I feel like I am just sitting down with a cup of coffee and having a talk with you.

It is not doing the things we like to do but liking the things we have to do, which makes life blessed.

Happiness grows at your own fireside and is not picked up in stranger's gardens.

May this be one of the outstanding years for you all, is my wish. God Bless You.

LOVE — Maxine Scarbro

Junior Club Chatter

Charleston Juniors represented by Mrs. F. H. Winterkamp presented a gavel to Mrs. Regis Heinzer, first woman to be elected President of the City Council of Charleston.

Charles Town Juniors sponsored the Beard Growing Contest for the Harpers Ferry Centennial. Members are now pooling their time and talents to make draperies for the recreation room at Children's Haven. In addition a linen shower is planned. Clothing was collected to send a package to flood victims in Japan.

Clarksburg Juniors are being inoculated against Polio — two doctors and

a nurse who is a member of the club are donating their services. In conjunction with National Education Week all Clarksburg teachers received billfold size merit cards commending them individually for outstanding service in the field of education.

Fairmont Juniors at their meeting received several pointers on how to arrange flowers — several members bought floral arrangements at auction. (Congratulations to you on the grand job you did as District Convention Hostesses.)

Jaeger Juniors led by Mrs. Bobby Allara lighted the first candle in a special Thanksgiving "Count Our Blessings" program. This dedication was to send CARE Self-Help to people

around the world.

Montgomery Juniors entertained 75 children of Marmet Hospital with a cook out — hot dogs, cake and milk for everyone. Mr. Neil Penn of West Virginia Tech presented an excellent talk on Communism at their club meeting.

St. Albans Juniors gave a single rose to teachers and during American Home Week all members attended church.

Warwood Juniors have been busy sponsoring a card party. Miss Agaath Westerdium, a speaker at their meeting, is visiting this country from Holland and is a member of a Woman's Club in Holland.

Weirton Juniors sponsored a Style (Continued on next page)

MEET MRS. JOSEPH F. CLARK OF TAMPA, FLORIDA. Mary is State Junior Director of her state and Second Vice President of the Southeastern Council which will meet at the Greenbrier Hotel, White Sulphur Springs on February 18-20, 1960.



Show which was most successful. The proceeds will be used to finance forthcoming projects. In addition a Christmas party for indigent children was held at the Community Center.

Wellsburg Juniors dressed 38 dolls for the Salvation Army which were given to needy children at Christmas. Sponsored a Thrift Sale, profits of which went toward building tennis courts at the city's recreation center. Are making plans for a teen-age record hop.

Wheeling Juniors worked hard on their fire prevention program. Fire department, radio, newspapers and schools all cooperated in giving 6,346 school children literature and check lists. Their conservation exhibit won a special award. This is especially significant since no special award had previously been given in the history of the flower shows held by the Wheeling Garden Center. This exhibit is now on display in the Ohio County Public Library.

White Sulphur Springs Juniors sponsored a wrestling match featuring some of W. Va.'s well known wrestlers; proceeds to their Memorial Park. Also sponsored the comedy "Born Yesterday" at the Greenbrier Hotel Auditorium.



THE OBSERVANCE OF "WE COUNT OUR BLESSINGS" PROGRAMS throughout the state during the month of November was stressed by the Juniors. Shown above are at left: Mrs. Clarence Anderson of Charleston, State Junior International Affairs Department Chairman, and Mrs. H. Robert Gibson of South Charleston, State International Clubs Chairman.

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WARWOOD JUNIORS HONOR TEACHERS during American Education Week by presenting each teacher at the Warwood schools with a leather General Federation of Women's Club desk portfolio with their name in gold on the cover. Mrs. Earle Schoolcraft, left, president of the club, presents the gift to Miss Marion Gibbs, teacher at Warwood Grade. Mrs. William Schodder, American Homes Chairman looks on.

"GIVE ME . . .

(This Prayer was given at the Civic Woman's Club Meeting in Parkersburg, by Mrs. A. K. Summers, President)

"Give me, amidst the confusion of my day, the calmness of the everlasting hills. Break the tension of my nerves and muscles with the soothing music of the singing streams that lie in my memory. Help me to know the magical restoration power of sleep. Teach me the art of taking minute vacations— of slowing down to look at a flower, to chat with a friend, to pat a dog, to read a few lines from a good book. Remind me each day of the fable of the hare and the tortoise, that I may know that the race is not always to the swift; that there is more to life than increasing its speed. Let me look upward into the branches of towering oak and know that it grew slowly and well. Slow me down, Lord, and inspire me to send my roots deep into the soil of life's enduring values, that I may grow toward the stars of my greater destiny. Amen."

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SEARCH ON FOR MOTHER

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be especially honored at fitting ceremonies in her own state. She will be considered with the Mothers of the Year selected by all the other states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico for the honor of being the National Mother of 1960. The choice of the National Mother is made on the opening day of the annual Mother's Conference which will be held in New York at the Waldorf-Astoria, May 2nd to May 6th, 1960. All the State Mothers are honored during this Conference.

The primary objective of the American Mothers Committee, Inc., is to develop and strengthen the moral and spiritual foundations of the American home. Its basic program is Counselor Service to young Mothers and young girls contemplating marriage. Full information is available upon request to the National Headquarters, 525 Lexington Avenue, New York 17, N. Y.



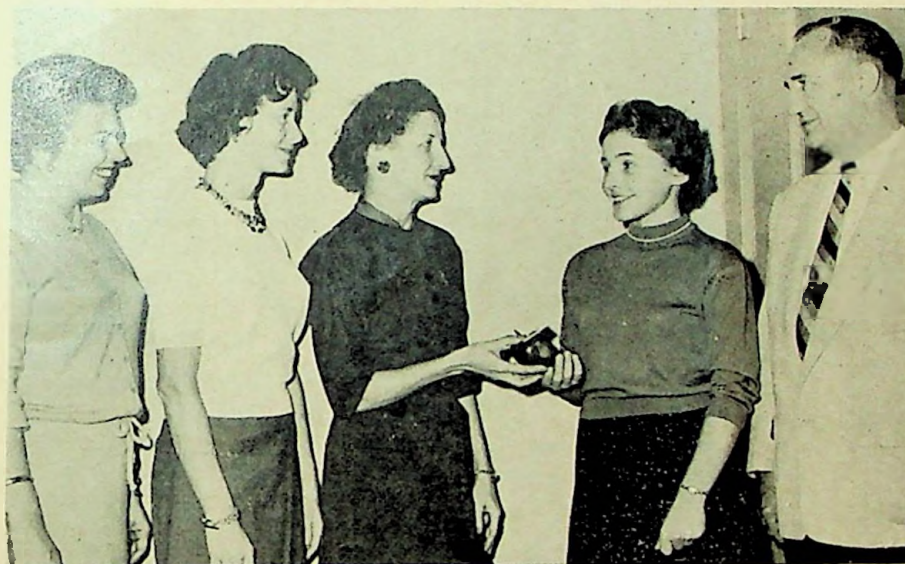
MRS. DAN KENNEDY OF FAIRMONT, STATE AMERICAN HOME DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN, and her family are shown carving the family turkey for Thanksgiving Dinner. Mary Kay did a wonderful job in promoting the observance of American Home Week over the state November 22-29.

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Community Achievement Reports Due Feb. 1

Reports for the Community Achievement Contest must be postmarked no later than February 1. They are to be sent to Mrs. Charles Henry, 260 Parkway Drive, Clarksburg, Contest chairman.

Even though all our clubs have entered the contest, they must all report if West Virginia is to be awarded \$500. So, please make every effort to help us win.

Reports may be in the form of a summary report. However, most clubs will want also to use a scrapbook to tell the story of their projects. It is important that you follow the rules you have received from General Federation headquarters. It is suggested that clubs insure or register reports for mailing.

A representative of Sears-Roebuck will award prizes to the winning clubs at the State Convention in March. Five State awards will be made. First prize is \$300; Second prize, \$200; Third prize, \$100; and Fourth and Fifth prizes, each \$50. Honorable mentions will be cited although no monetary prizes will be given.

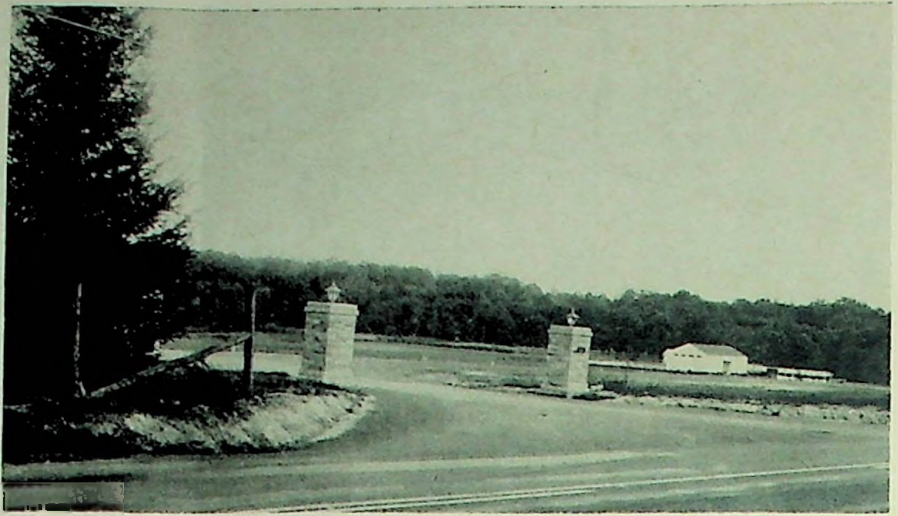
The president of the First Prize winning club will have her expenses paid to the General Federation Convention by Sears-Roebuck.

It is hoped that every club will report on time so that no club will be listed in the March issue as the reason West Virginia does not receive the \$500.00 reward. Clubs failing to report in the Community Achievement Contest by February 1 will be listed in the next issue of the West Virginia Clubwoman.

STATE CONVENTION Cont. from p. 5 ed by a representative from CARE the first afternoon of convention and the following night the Community Achievement Contest winner will be announced by a representative from the Sears, Roebuck Foundation.

A reception after the Thursday night session and special music is being planned by the hostess Southwestern District. Many Juniors are expected to join us on Friday and State Junior Director, Mrs. James A. Scarbo, will report for the Department that evening.

The West Virginia Teacher of the Year will be introduced, as will the winner and runner-up in the state division of the Vogue Sewing Contest. In addition to the 100% and 100% - Plus Honor Club ribbons, a Certificate of Award will be presented by each Division chairman.



NEW ENTRANCES WITH POOL AND BATH HOUSE in the distance at Nicholas County Memorial Park. This community project was promoted by the Summersville Woman's Club.

New officers will be elected and installed on Saturday morning with the convention scheduled to adjourn before noon for the convenience of members who wish to register at the hotel before noon on Thursday to be on time for the opening session that afternoon.

MRS. RUPERT (Continued from p. 6) the Woman's Association of the St. Marys Presbyterian Church.

Because of her continued attendance at General Federation, State, and District Conventions, the St. Marys Woman's Club feels that Thelma Rupert is well versed in affairs of the Federation and would make a good 2nd Vice President.

MRS. HOYLMAN (Cont. from p. 8) dent of her class, a substitute teacher for several years, director of Vacation Bible School three years, and is now Youth Secretary (Womens Society of Christian Service). Always she is ready to help—whether to chaperone a party or sew angel costumes! Active in 4-H work for nine years, she has been leader of a high school club for five, and is a member of the Parent-Teacher Association.

MISS D'AIUTO (Continued from p. 7) treasurer.

Betty will serve our State Federation with the same sureness of purpose, faithfully, cheerfully and to the best of her ability as she has served in other activities.

She is a great asset to the club and the District. The Romney Club is proud and happy to have such a

personage to present to you for consideration as a State Officer.

MRS. WESER (Continued from p. 8) Agencies, and an appointee to Governor Underwood's Conference on Mental Health.

Mrs. Weser lives with her husband at 2929 Washington Boulevard, Huntington. They have one son and two grandchildren. Mrs. Weser belongs to the Beverly Hills Methodist Church.

MRS. HURT (Continued from p. 6) as Deputy Clerk of Raleigh County and secretary of the County Court for the past sixteen years.

The Woman's Club of Beckley highly recommends this personable and talented member as one who will continue to make an outstanding contribution as an officer in the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

MRS. VAN BLARICOM

(Continued from page 7) group in Huntington. She is a member of the A.A.U.W. and active in that organization.

She is a past-president of the Woman's Inter-Club Council, Cammack P.T.A. and Pan-Hellenic. She is President of the Huntington Council of Camp Fire Girls, advisor to Sigma Kappa sorority and serves on the Marshall College Artists Series Board.

Her husband is a field representative for Durametallic Corporation of Kalamazoo, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. van Blaricom are the parents of four children; Nan, at Miami University, Katrina and Kirk, in high school, and Dan, in the seventh grade.

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