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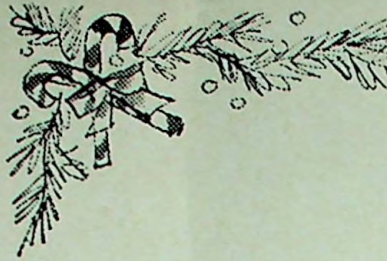
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President's Message

You have given me another valuable experience and opportunity to learn and serve. I have just returned from a joint session with the National Council of Canadian Women. In our 70 year history of the General Federation, this is the first time the official board has met outside continental United States.



The International Conference was in Montreal at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. Here we learned more about our Canadian neighbors in panels of international cooperates on economic affairs and on education to meet the modern world. This carried out our

General Federation President's idea of doing away with the one-speaker method. This is becoming a thing of the past. Women want both sides of a question today.

Traveling to another country for the purpose of cementing our relationship with club women from Canada, while high drama was being enacted on a world tensioned stage, is truly sobering an exciting. Such drama of world-wide meaning — the "Great Debate" to be aired to our citizenry — spectacular new issues and themes, perhaps hitherto hidden, may emerge, for this sobering world drama we have our invention — the television that will hold huge audiences, making it possible for a larger public understanding of the character, intellect and ability of the leaders of our country. All this drama is informative and enlightening — the goal so near to our hearts, so important to our survival — sounder governance for the voter to choose wisely and well on November 8th.

While on another stage, Mr. Khrushchev placed in the way of the purposeful objectives of the United Nations, obstacles created solely by the Soviet Union, coming from a land where people are told, not asked, what to think. Into the international scene of the Federation our study and emphasis on new nations of Africa, where Mr. Khrushchev is wooing. Africans turn to us for loan of personnel and advice on how to run a post office, set up public health centers, how to dredge a harbor, how to train an army, recruit teachers, set up a national budget, print currency.

However, it seems that if our organization, the Federation of Women's Clubs, and the United Nations are to function at all during these troubled times, we must all be more than a debating society. If we are to serve effectively we must, as the U. N., have an effective channel for legislative action and have the machinery so in order to take swift and immediate action. Any club having by-laws to stalemate such action must get its house in order.

The Federation family organization has an enviable record since its very infancy in the support of state and international scholarships. While the total in dollars has mounted over a period of years from your local support, we cannot evaluate this program in the terms of dollars and cents but in the education of our own children and our foreign neighbors' children. This effort is the bulwark of our democracy.

JOIN THE PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS PARTY on Christmas Eve — CARE and SCHOLARSHIP DOLLARS for Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men. My message to each of you for Christmas and through the New Year:

"I am thinking of you today, because it is Christmas, and I wish you joy. And tomorrow, because it is the day after Christmas, I shall wish you joy. Mayhap I cannot tell you about it from day to day for you may be far away, or we may be entangled with the things of life. But it makes no difference — my thoughts and my wish will be with you. Whatever of joy or success comes to you, I shall be glad clear through the year, without pretense, I wish you the spirit of Christmas." . . . Henry VanDyke

And this is my wish for you.

It is a tradition of this organization that we do CARE for others. Mrs. Ozbirn's idea for progress in a lasting peace for the world is by our help in the western hemisphere. By scholarships to erase ignorance of these freedom loving peoples so they will be more effective in dealing with our common enemy, and by our CARE program, this administration, giving to the South Americans financial aid, that they may raise their low standards of living and gain self respect as individuals. In the spirit of "Peace on earth, Good will toward men," a few days before Christmas, place one dollar or whatever you wish to give for CARE and SCHOLARSHIP and send it your District President. By this effort we will each feel the real spirit of Christmas by sharing with others.

Let us consider not sending cards this year to each other but filling this Care and Scholarship envelope at a time when it will be felt to help ease the tensions of a troubled world.

Your Peace Dollar will be your club's donation to Care, Scholarship for the Americas, state and international scholarships.

Please let us all join whole-heartedly in this project. "It is not what we give, but what we share — The gift without the giver is bare."

On Christmas Eve, District President, please call me collect and report your contributions for Peace.

Christine McCuskey,
Your President

Pan-American Scholarship Program Through the Years

BY REBECCA C. CONAWAY, STATE CHAIRMAN

Almost two decades have passed since the Board of Directors of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs voted to establish a Pan-American Scholarship. To be exact, it was nineteen years ago this past January that this Board decided to bring a girl student from South America, Central America or Mexico. Our State President at that time, Mrs. J. Maurice Bodkin, had attended a General Federation Board meeting just previous to January 1941. At that meeting it was urged that all states not having a Scholarship, try to set one up for that fall. We gladly complied with this request, since World War II was still being fought and it was important that the United States have a good relationship with all countries to the south of us.

During the first five years of our Scholarship, Mrs. George West of Clarksburg and Mrs. W. S. Downs of Morgantown were appointed to look after our girl while she was here in school. After my own State presidency was finished in 1946, your present chairman was asked to assume these duties and has functioned ever since. Mrs. C. G. Comuntzis, and later Mrs. J. S. Ruby of Morgantown, and whoever was Director of the Juniors have acted as assistants.

In the spring of 1941 Mrs. Bodkin sent a request to the International Institute of Education in New York, for applications from which a girl might be selected. All our girls with the exception of Lucia Montoya of Columbia, have been selected from applications furnished by this Institute. Lucia came to us from the Farm Women's Group. These girls are carefully chosen by the Institute and have the finest references as well as being excellent students and representatives of their various countries. Consequently, all have been highly satisfactory.

The girl chosen in 1941 and who started her school work in September of that year, was Odilie Cantillano of San Jose, Costa Rica. Our fourteenth girl has arrived this September 1960.

The amount of our Scholarship was originally set up at \$500.00 which, at that time, covered room and board in Woman's Hall for nine months. Mrs. Bodkin made an arrangement with the University whereby our foreign student would be permitted to have a room in the Dormitory — there was only Woman's Hall at that time. Since Arnold Hall has been completed our girl has resided in it. The University also agreed to waive her tuition. The length of our Scholarship was for nine months but might be extended for a second year if the student wished to remain that long.

The Institute specified that we keep them not longer than two years and we have always complied with this request. Some have remained only the nine months; some



Mrs. Conaway

have stayed twelve months; and some have been here for twenty three or four months. Naturally, since some did choose to remain for the summer terms we gradually increased the amount to cover the summer expenses. The University kindly continued to waive the summer tuition. However, this year your Chairman has been notified that henceforth if she remains for the summer, either she or we must pay that tuition.

Even more recently your Chairman has had another letter from the Registrar informing her that an order of the Board of Governors says that in the future we must select only undergraduates as our students, and said student cannot remain for further study after receiving a bachelor's degree.

Added to the above amount your Chairman has recommended to our Board that our Federation pay for the necessary books, around \$75.00 per year, and any special fees, such as Laboratory or Activity fees. The Activity fee is \$16.00 per semester. We also have given our student a Christmas present of around \$25.00, which is sometimes a needed article of clothing, or maybe cash which is often used for a Christmas trip to Washington or New York. We have also given about the same amount for a "Going-away" present. The various clubs too have been just wonderful in their continued interest, and many birthday as well as Christmas gifts of toilet articles, clothes and money are sent.

Some of our club members have invited the girls to their homes and given parties for them, or have taken them to places of interest. I remember that one club member thoughtfully paid a long distance call to Mexico for Surya Peniche. A local TV ham operator has placed calls for two girls to their homes in South America. Quite often University girls take our student to their homes for week ends or vacations, especially so if they are roommates. Of recent years our girl has always had a roommate.

Perhaps I should tell you that there was a period, before the two new dormitories were built, that it was often difficult to obtain even half a room for our girl — the theory being that West Virginia girls should be taken care of first. Your Chairman has worked hard to retain this privilege, but now again the dormitories are full and a place is at a premium.

The girls, of course, are kept in my home until such time as they can go to the dormitory. In the meantime we take her about and begin to acquaint her with our town and some of our customs. She is always asked to stay with us during vacations if there is no other place she cares to go — sometimes she does not have money to take trips, for these are not rich girls and but for your generous Scholarship they could not be here.

I should tell you too that Braniff and Pan-American airways have been most generous to many students, giving free plane trips, and quite a number of our girls have received these free round-trip tickets. Even the State Department has cooperated at times and this summer our newest girl, Blanca Ramirez, was given almost a month's orientation at the University at Austin, Texas.

So when we count up all the various sums that are given, this Scholarship is really quite a nice one, averaging between \$2,000.00 and \$2,500.00, depending in part on how far the girl has traveled to get here plus whatever amounts of money and gifts the clubs send. One girl who had little money, was given around \$300.00 in money alone. A "Money-tree," that the Huntington Clubs so cleverly created, yielded almost \$100.00 and was a great help in meeting her incidental expenses that year.

How surprised and delighted all these girls have been with these gifts and attentions, as well as the kindness of their instructors at the University, and even just strangers they meet from time to time. I have always thought it must take a brave heart and a yearning for adventure to start these girls on their long trip to the United States and eventually our own University.

I am certain that one thought must be uppermost in their minds and that is "Will the club women and the students accept me?" Perhaps in some small way your Chairman has already helped to assure them that they will be most welcome and that there are many who wish to make their stay a pleasant and memorable one. We have found that it is the dream of many, many girls and boys to find a way to come to the United States, but for only a small few can this ever be realized.

Where does the Federation obtain the money for this Scholarship? It is your club's money and your own personal gifts that make it possible. This is not my Scholarship, nor my girl — I just mother her for the Federation! No club is asked for any specific amount, though by giving, you not only earn an honor point but you help to make a dream come true for some far-away girl and thereby make a lasting friend.

The name Pan-American was given to this Scholarship at the beginning, then in 1956 was changed to International, but this year (1960) it was restored to what was originally intended for it to be, a Pan-American link of friendship with our southern neighbors.

If I were to write down the many, many things that a Chairman should or could do for the stranger within our gates, there would be a list as long as one's arm! Naturally the first thing, is to arrange for a room early enough to be sure to have one, for again the University has a long list of applicants. As soon as the Institute permits me, after our selection has been made, the application turned in to Mr. Long, the University Registrar and the Institute notified of our choice, I write to this girl and welcome her as our future student.

In this letter I try to give her some idea of what life will be like on our campus — the mode of dress; size of student body; rooms at dormitory; pictures and clippings of the University; the fact that she can stay nine months or two years; that she may obtain a degree if she so chooses; exactly what expenses the Federation will pay and about how much per month her incidental expenses will run, but above all, I try to make her understand that there will be many friends just waiting to make her happy.

Then comes the waiting period which I might compare



Mrs. Conaway (at right) is shown with Martha Valdivia of Bolivia

to the time one waits for a new baby — only in this case we do know beforehand what the sex will be! We do wonder about her, just as I know she must be wondering about us — will she be attractive? Will some of the left behind clothing fit her? (the girls can never get everything into their bags when they go home). Will she be happy here? Will she and her unknown roommate be congenial? Will she like me? And will I love her as much as I have all the previous ones? I have loved them all, just in the way one loves one's own children. Each makes a place in my heart.

Finally I get the letter that tells when and where and how she will be arriving — many times this is in the middle of the night. It would be sad, wouldn't it, if there were no "Mamacita" there to meet her? I remember so well going down at 1:30 A.M. one year to meet a bus and lo! a lovely red head appeared. I could hardly believe my eyes and thought at first this must be the wrong girl, but it was Ilza Mylius of southern Brazil. Ilza I found was of German descent which accounted for her blond coloring. Some of these girls have been of Italian, some of Spanish and some of French descent. Since countries to the south of us are predominantly Catholic, all except Ilza, have been Catholics. Ilza was Lutheran.

Some of the things that bewilder and amuse these girls are the inevitable first questions — "Do you like it here?" and "How old are you?" Our customs are very strange — eating only three meals a day, instead of their customary four; our wearing a hat to church; our usage of words, especially college slang — one student puzzled for many days as to what "didja" meant; our love of hot dogs and hamburgers; raincoats worn or carried no matter

what the weather; sweaters adorned with letters; Bermuda shorts; the close relationship between the professor and students; the helpfulness of strangers.

One student in her farewell message to the club women wrote, "I thought it would not be difficult to say good-bye, but I find it very difficult indeed for I feel only 50% happy at going — 50% wants to go and the other 50% wants to remain. I'd like for every one to know that they have not lost a foreign student but have gained a true friend." A few words taken from a letter written by our past year's student, Susana Gentile, said, "I wish I could find the words to express my gratitude to everyone. It was your organization's kindness and generosity that

made my fondest dream come true — but the reality has far surpassed the dream. How could I ever know that I was going to feel so much at home 9,000 miles away from my real home, that people I had never seen were going to be so helpful, that I was going to have a "Mom" to care for and love me. Thank you all for making me so happy."

Your Chairman in 1955 certainly found that we did have many friends when she visited these girls in their own countries of South America. It was a thrilling experience to not only receive the warm welcome and love of these girls but also of their families and friends, all of whom have the warmest feeling towards West Virginia for the kindness shown to their own child.

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Scholarship Girls From 1941 to 1960

I wish it were possible to have space to go into much detail about each of the fourteen girls we have had since 1941, for I do try to keep in touch with each one, but that would take too much space so I will be brief.



ODILIE CANTILLANO
San Jose, Costa Rica
1941-1943 — A.B. and M.A

1. Odilie Cantillano. San Jose. Costa Rica-Central America-1941-1943, B.S.; 1958, M.A. Odilie taught in her home country for a time after returning, then received a Scholarship to Nottingham University in England and was there for a year. When she returned home, no desirable place being available, she went to Venezuela to teach and remained for several years.

In September 1957 she returned to WVU to work on her Master's. Since then she has been teaching Spanish at WVU and living with your Chairman.



ZOILA REYES
Bogota, Colombia
1943-1945 — A.B. and M.S.

2. Zoila Reyes. Bogota, Colombia, S. A., 1943-1945. While here Zoila completed an A.B. and M.S. Later she was able to get a Scholarship at Johns Hopkins and finished her Doctorate. She has done chemical research for a number of firms and now is with the Stanford Laboratories at Menlo Park, California.

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3. Maria Castro, Tegucigalpa, Honduras, C.A., Jan. 1940-June 1947. Marie was our youngest girl, being only eighteen when she arrived, and was the choice of your Chairman as State President. Since going home she has taught in the "Escuela Americana" where she eventually became assistant principal. In 1957 she married Gordon Ellison a young man from the States who was teaching in the same school. They have a little girl and a brand new son named Michael. At the present time Gordon has been working on another degree and they are living in Cincinnati. He plans to go with the F.B.I. as an interpreter.



MARIA CASTRO
Tegucigalpa, Honduras
1946-1947



MARIA BRANCO
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
1947-1948 — A.B.

4. Maria Branco, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, S.A., 1947-1948, A.B. Maria taught for a time after returning home but later began working for two firms — part-time for each. Two years ago (1958) she was married to Senor Mirenda.

father's office. Later she went to Europe and toured a number of countries. She stayed on for two years as a employee in the Argentinian Embassy in London. Later she has been doing secretarial work in a school in Buenos Aires, Argentina.



MARIA MUNOZ
Valparaiso, Chili
1950-1951 — Cert. Social Work

6. Maria Munoz, Valparaiso, Chili, S.A., 1950-1951. Certificate of Social Work 1951. Maria completed one year at WVU towards a Master's then transferred to the University at Salt Lake City for a half-year of further study. In December 1951 she married Leo Bocage who had been a student instructor at WVU while she was here, and who was teaching in a College at Pocatella, Idaho. They were there two years and Larry was born. Leo also had two children by a previous marriage, who were with them. In the fall of 1954, Maria being again pregnant, returned to Chili. Leo finished the school year and went down in June 1955. While in Chili Leo taught in a college at Concepcion. In 1957 they returned to New Jersey where Leo is teaching and working on his Doctorate. They have four boys, besides Leo's two children.



SURYA PENICHE
Mexico City, Mexico
1952-1953

7. Surya Peniche, Mexico City, Mexico — 1952-1953. Surya studied Library Science at WVU and when she returned home was employed to help start that beautiful new Library near Mexico City — the one we see pictured with the beautiful murals on the outside walls. Later she married Joaquin MacGregor and they have a baby girl born in 1957.



FANNY PALADINA
Santa Fe, Argentina
1949-1950 — M.A.

5. Fanny Paladina, Sante Fe, Argentina, S.A. 1949-1950, M.A. Fanny taught for some time after returning home, then worked for awhile in her

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SUSANA GARCIA
Buenos, Aires, Argentina
1953-1954

8. Susana Garcia, Buenos Aires, Argentina, S.A., 1953 - 1954. Susana has been doing secretarial work for an

Importing firm where her knowledge of English is very useful.



ILZA MYLIUS
Porto Alegre, Brazil
1954-1955 — M.A.

9. Ilza Mylius, Porto Alegre, Brazil, S.A., 1954-1955, M.A. Ilza taught in Porto Alegre in a Lutheran school after she returned home also in another school at night. While at WVU Ilza met Wayne Wood an Engineering student. In early 1957 she returned and they were married. She taught English at WVU for one semester while Wayne finished his degree. Later they went to MIT and lived near Boston for a year. At the present time they are in Heidelberg, Germany where Wayne is stationed in Army service. Unfortunately they lost their baby boy in June 1959.

10. Zayhda de la Paz, San Jose, Costa Rica, S.A., 1955-1956. Zayhda is teaching in the same school that she was in prior to coming here, Colegio Anastasio Alfaro. She is married to Senor Sydney Brautigan.



ZAYHDA DE LA PAZ
San Jose, Costa Rica
1955-1956

June of this year (1960) she is back in Washington, D.C., where she has a position as assistant Librarian at the University of Maryland.



LUCIA MONTOYA
Medellin, Colombia
1958-1958 — B.S. Home Ec. & B.S. Business Ad.

12. Lucia Montoya, Medellin, Columbia, S.A., 1957-1959. B.S. Home Economics and B.S. in Business Administration. Lucia was the only girl not chosen through the Educational Institute. She had been the Farm Women's Scholarship student the previous year. She is now at her home.



MARTHA VALDIVIA
La Paz, Bolivia
1956-1958 — A.B.

11. Martha Valdivia, La Paz, Bolivia, S.A., 1956-1958 A.B. Martha was a Librarian in the Centro Boliviano Americano. Later she resigned and became a Spanish teacher for American technicians who work for the United State Operation Mission. Since



SUSANA GENTILE
Galvez, Argentina
1959-1960

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13. Susana Gentile, Galvez, Argentina, S.A., 1959-1960. While in the States Susana was fortunate to have the opportunity to go on a two-month tour of Mexico, Canada and a great part of the United States. She returned to her home this September 1960.



STELLA RAMIREZ
Asuncion, Paraguay
1960

14. Blanca Stella Ramirez, Asuncion, Paraguay, S.A., 1960 — Blanca arrived on September 11th. She had been at Austin, Texas for almost a month's orientation. She hopes to obtain a Master's in Sociology while here.

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While it takes a lot of adjustment, and often much homesickness, to learn to follow our way of life, unfortunately it also takes a great amount of adjustment to fit back into the home pattern when they return home. Many have longed to come back, and some have. Some have gone back with one or maybe two degrees — some with only a better understanding of spoken English. Many have been teachers before coming here and some will teach upon their return; others have gone into offices where their knowledge of English is a help to their employers. Above all, they go back feeling that West Virginia is the best State in the United States and that West Virginia University has been a wonderful experience.

It has been pure pleasure to work with and know these girls over the
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**Legislative Chairmen
Urge Voting Project**

Do you have any "nosey" neighbors? Obviously you do not appreciate their interest in your private affairs. However, "Public Affairs Are Private Affairs" and we should be "nosey". From the time you get up in the morning until you go to bed at night your life is continually affected by decisions made by officials that you have elected. Therefore, it is of the utmost importance that only those officials who are capable and qualified are worthy of your vote; **USE IT WISELY!**

We are free citizens in a free country, but citizenship is not free — it has been dearly bought by those who have gone before and it is up to you and me to keep up the payments. If there are conditions in our state which you do not like, whether it be roads, schools, mental institutions, or our economic picture, we would urge that you become informed so that you can use your vote intelligently. We, as women voters, have the power to change the things we do not like.

We would suggest that each club institute a "Get Out The Vote" project. There are so many possibilities in a project of this kind; a baby sitting service, providing transportation to and from the polls, a telephone committee to urge your friends, neighbors and club members to vote, and to volunteer your services to the party of your choice.

We are sure there are women candidates for office in your county and in your local community. Find out who they are, and if they are qualified, give them your support. It is hoped that each and every West Virginia club woman will become an alert and active citizen.

Women, as never before in our history, are a force to be reckoned with in this election. For the first time we will cast more votes than the men since for the first time there are more women than men in the country. This is a responsibility which should be taken very seriously by each of us.

Mrs. E. K. (Virginia) Stevens and Mrs. J. R. (Marian) Louis, Chairman and Co-Chairman of Legislation.

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MRS. MILLER

Mrs. H. G. Muntzing, Southeastern Council President, a past president of the West Virginia Federation and former editor of the Clubwoman, attended the funeral of Mrs. Carroll E. Miller, first vice-president of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs, in Missoula, Montana.

During the past year Mrs. Miller traveled 50,000 miles to meet speaking engagements. She was in demand as a speaker because her talks had that common touch that reached the everyday woman, and West Virginia's club members will remember her presence at the State Convention in March of this year.

Those who knew her reported she was deeply concerned over international relations, with a strong interest in national affairs. They said trips she had made to Europe and the Far East convinced her that the international relief project, CARE, is a vital force for friendship and goodwill. As a consequence she championed it and supported it as a GFWC project, they stated. She was also vitally interested in conservation.

Mrs. Miller's death brings on overwhelming loss to the General Federation, but her spirit and drive will continue to be a real inspiration to club members throughout the nation.

Vogue Contest Expanded To Include Student Division This Year

For its fourth consecutive year, the General Federation, in cooperation with Vogue Pattern Service and the Woman's Club Service Bureau, will sponsor the exciting and popular GFWC Fashion-Sewing Contest. In addition to the usual club contest to select the Ideal Costume for the Club Woman's Wardrobe, the Federation takes added pleasure in announcing that the 1960-61 Contest will be expanded to include a brand-new High School Student Division.

There will be the same prizes for the adult club division as in last year's contest, including prizes and cash awards for clubs and state federations, and a dream-come-true, three-week trip to Europe (with a companion) for the club woman who wins first place in the National Judging. At the same time, more than \$14,000 in prizes will be awarded in the student division to the high school winners, their schools and the clubs sponsoring them. A \$1,000 scholarship to the school of her choice is the top award in the student project.

Procedures for this new division will be simple. Each interested club can sponsor a student contest either as an additional feature of its own GFWC Fashion-Sewing Contest, or as a separate activity if it is not planning to participate in the club contest. In this way, it will be possible for many clubs which have not previously found it practical to participate in the "adult" event to take part in the program by supporting the student division only. Special cash awards will be made to state federations having the highest number and highest percentage of clubs participating in the student division, similar to those already being made in the club division.

The General Federation welcomes the Student Division of the Fashion-Sewing Contest to its long roster of activities in community service. Here is a new way for our clubs to cooperate with education in helping schools interest young girls - America's future homemakers - in one of the essential homemaking arts.

Complete details concerning both divisions of this year's GFWC Fashion-Sewing Contest will be contained in a contest working kit to be distributed to all Federated clubs.

School Savings Stamp Program Again Adopted



Mrs. Hu C. Myers

The West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs has again adopted the United States School Savings Stamp program as one of its major projects for the 1960-61 school year and it will again be under the direction of Mrs. Hu C. Myers of Philippi.

More than 30 women's clubs throughout the state participated in the program last year in more than 49 communities.

Plans for the coming year were discussed and approved during a special meeting in Clarksburg recently which was attended by Mrs. John McCuskey, Chairman Myers, State U. S. Savings Bonds Director Thomas H. Vanderford, and Savings Bonds Area Manager R. A. Thom.

W. Va. Representatives Attend Montreal Meeting

The West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs was represented at the General Federation board meeting at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal, Canada, by Mrs. John F. McCuskey, state president; Mrs. H. B. Sullivan, state Junior Director; Miss Mary Katharine Barnes, immediate past state president and now chairman of the GFWC Safety Division; Mrs. James A. Scarbro, immediate past state Junior Director, and now GFWC Junior Chairman of the Home Life Department; and Mrs. H. G. Muntzing, past state president and now member of the GFWC convention committee as chairman of pages and ushers.

Mrs. Scarbro and Miss Barnes both made reports during the board meeting, held September 28 and 29, and for the first time outside the United States; Miss Barnes also presided at the Safety luncheon given on Thursday by the Automotive Safety Foundation for all board members.

On September 30 and October 1 board members participated in an International Conference with the Canadian Women. The conference closed with a reception given by the Mayor of Montreal following the Saturday luncheon program.

Mrs. Dexter O. Arnold, Concord, New Hampshire, was elected first vice presidency to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mrs. Carroll E. Miller (one of the 1960 convention speakers at the Greenbrier); Mrs. Arnold will serve in her new capacity until the office is filled by vote of the convention next June in Miami. The office of second vice-president remained vacant.

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Scholarship Project To Be Emphasized

Scholarship will be one of the projects emphasized in the plans of the Federated clubs. Through the Scholarship Division of the Education Department comes the announcement that all clubs are being asked to plan and set up a scholarship program in which at least one student each year can benefit from some financial assistance and progress in acquiring an education beyond high school.

The funds may be arranged by the individual club, in cooperation with other community organizations, or, the club may interest and receive aid from business and industry in the community. Scholarships may be given outright or as a loan.

Mrs. H. G. Muntzing, Scholarship Division chairman, says, "The number of young men and women eager to attend college is rapidly increasing. During the term of 1957-58, the first-time enrollment in institutions of higher learning set new records for the nation. Despite this tremendous increase

in college and university attendance, there are nearly 200,000 of our most capable young people missing out on educational opportunities beyond high school, chiefly because of lack of funds. This figure grows yearly.

"Rising costs have made the financing of a college education a serious problem for most families. Because of mounting costs, higher tuition fees become mandatory.

"Scholarships constitute a very small per cent of the income to students and are seldom adequate to supply even the most basic needs of an average student, but this type of aid often provides the necessary supplementary funds which can mean the difference between going on to college or not being able to enroll.

"Clubwomen make a real contribution toward solving this problem through scholarships which enable needy students to obtain a higher education."

Treasurer Gives Deadline For Dues

To function properly, every organization must have a sound fiscal program. Every clubwoman should study the Treasurer's Report and Budget, which are carried in the Directory, to understand the financial structure of the Federation, and realize the need for contributions.



Miss D'Aiuto

To Club Presidents:

1. Give the General Information Page for Club President and Treasurers found in the Directory to the Treasurer of your club.

2. Contact her later to be sure the dues have been paid.

To Club Treasurers:

1. Follow instructions on the General Information for Club Presidents and Treasurers page found in the Directory.

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Thanksgiving is almost here and I do hope that each of you will have a wonderful day! Let us all remember to give thanks.

November is a very busy month. Be sure and have a get-out-the-vote campaign. Most important let's have 100% voting. This is also the month for National Teachers Day. Remember your teachers in a special way.

I have had a wonderful time attending your district meetings and getting to know you. The enthusiasm you have shown tells me that we are going far in the state this year. Thank you for your friendship and cooperation.

Please remember to enter the Community Improvement Contest. You should have received your information and entry blanks by now. We want to be 100% participating. Let's see how fast we can achieve this.

All dues are to be paid by December 1, 1960. Try to have them in by November 15th. Also, if you have not sent me your year book, do so right away.

It was quite a wonderful experience attending my first GFWC Board Meeting in beautiful Montreal, Canada. I feel that I learned quite a lot from this meeting.

Audrey Springer, our Associate Director, is really on the ball with our state project. We are very pleased with the response that you are giving this worthwhile project.

Please continue to save your stamps for the wounded and send them to Corri Reding.

Girls, have you entered the Vogue Sewing Contest yet? Get out your needle and thread and start sewing. There are tremendous prizes in store for the winners.

I am enjoying reading your club news letters and bulletins very much. Keep them coming.

Christmas is just around the corner. I can hear the Christmas carols already. I shall not be getting my next message to you before then, so let me take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you a very, very merry Christmas.

Love, Bobbe'



WARWOOD JUNIOR CLUB'S NEWEST PRESIDENT PRESENTING OLDEST PRESIDENT with gavel, reading left to right — Mrs. Gerald De Pasquale, Past President; Mrs. J. Francis Mazena, Past President; Mrs. Ray Walters, Present President; Mrs. Russell Kleives, Oldest Living President.

WHEELING JUNIORS

SPONSORS PEACH FESTIVAL

Wheeling Juniors sponsored a Peach Festival in August — rides, games, and our specialty, "Peacheroos."

In September the annual style show and card party were held at Ogelbay Park. To help publicize West Virginia we added "Visit West Virginia This Year" to our stationery letterhead. The Conservation Chairman, Miss Kay Bullard, is using this as a project and has written to a large number of businessmen suggesting that they add this to their letterheads.

Mrs. Edward C. Schultz,
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Warwood Junior Club

Observes 25th Anniversary

The Junior Woman's Club of Warwood observed its 25th anniversary by honoring all Past Presidents and Charter members of the club. Press books for most of the 25 years were on display.

The Past Presidents were presented with miniature gavels, and the Charter members were given pink roses, the club flower. There was a short program, and a history of the club given.

A social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

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Juniors Take Weston Hospital As State Project

The Junior Department of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs voted at a board meeting to accept the Weston State Hospital as its state project for the two-year administration.

Mrs. H. G. Springer, associate director of West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs Junior Department, says.

"This means that the 58 clubs throughout the state, consisting of about 3,000 clubwomen, will support this institution, both financially and through service, during the two years. The amount to be sent to this institution as a state project will run about \$1,500 per year (\$3,000 for the two-year program). This may fluctuate a little, depending on the membership."

"In addition, most of the clubs take individual projects at the institution. This is entirely separate from the state project and the monies spent on these do not have any connection with the figures I have given above. For example, during the past two years the Bridgeport Junior Women installed a commercial type washer and dryer at Pruntytown; Clarksburg built and equipped a hospital ward at St. Mary's, and Fairmont completely equipped a modern physical therapy department at St. Mary's complete with whirl-pool bath and other equipment. These are but a few examples of the individual club projects. Of course, many of the smaller clubs cannot do projects of such scope, however, many of them offer their time in services and like to supply small personal effects for the patients."

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PAN AMERICAN (Cont'd. from p. 9) years. I feel that my life has been greatly enriched by this privilege in serving as your Chairman and I do thank you for this opportunity. During all these years I have tried to be a real "Mom" or "Mamacita" — as many have called me — to do for them just as I would hope that someone might do for mine when away from home.

I could not end this article without a word of grateful appreciation to the many others that helped — the clubwomen, the University Professors, officials in various capacities at the University, especially the Registrar, Mr. J. Everett Long, all of whom have given so much consideration and kindness to these girls and to me.

Any correspondence or gifts should be sent to Arnold Hall, Price Street, Morgantown, or to me at 667 Price Street. Don't forget that the dormitories close early for the Christmas Holidays. Also that Blanca's birthday is March 10th.

As the years go by, more and more I am convinced that as long as we continue this Scholarship it is very necessary to have someone who is deeply interested living near the

Conservation Workshop Held At State Park

Mrs. Kenneth Chaffin, State Junior Chairman, Conservation of Natural Resources, presided at the 3rd Annual Conservation Workshop, held at Blue Stone State Park, Hinton, W. Va., September 16-18.

Mrs. H. B. Sullivan, Junior Director, extended greetings from the Junior Department.

The outstanding guest speakers were: Dr. Warden Lane, Director of Conservation; Mrs. Fleetwood Guthrie, State Chairman of Conservation; Topsy O'Dell, West Virginia State Projects Chairman.

A buzz session was held, and all clubs attending exchanged ideas on conservation plans.

Forty-three attended, but everyone agreed that a wonderful time was had by all. Mrs. John Deeds, Jr., president of the Hinton Juniors, had arranged for a tour of the dam. Also the Boat Club was standing by and took everyone boating. A few brave souls went water-skiing.

Mr. George Shiel of Hinton, taught everyone to square dance on Friday and Saturday.

A special thanks goes to Mrs. Dean Coffey, Southern District chairman, Hinton Juniors, and Mrs. Kenneth Chaffin for a very successful outing.

University and always available to the student, to act as the Chairman. I do want to also say that Odilie Cantillano has been a very great help in making these girls feel at home here.

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Richard Thomas Shows Russians W. Va. Brochure

Richard Thomas, who addressed the 1960 convention of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs and also spoke at the West Virginia dinner during the GFWC convention in June at Washington, cabled "Greetings and Best Wishes to all All West Virginia Clubwomen" while touring in Cuba and Russia.

After leaving Russia, Mr. Thomas wrote from Paris: "Here's one thing you can say about your wonderful West Virginia brochure: I took my copy with me all through Russia, showed it to hundreds of natives in Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev, Stalingrad, Rostov, Sochi, and to virtually every passenger and crew member on my three-day Volga cruise. It would be a very conservative statement to say that now — thanks to your booklet and the wonderful story it tells — more than a thousand intelligent, thinking Russians have learned the truth about the natural beauty, the industry, and the progressiveness of West Virginia. I was very proud to be the unofficial spokesman for your fine state during my month long stay behind the iron Curtain and later in other countries."

Mr. Thomas addressed the Southwestern District convention October 15 at Wayne. He is also scheduled for talks at Bridgeport, New Martinsville and Parkersburg in November and December.

Mr. Thomas addressed the City of London Club the latter part of September at a meeting in the ancient Fanmakers' Hall. His talk relative to Soviet Russia, followed by a question period, was so well received that he was invited to speak at the Lord Mayor's Dinner at the House of Lords on October 7. Due to speaking engagements in this country, he had to decline the invitation to return to this country October 1 but has expressed pleasure at the invitation as few persons not in Parliament are ever invited to address the House of Lords.

MISS BARNES ATTENDS THREE SAFETY MEETINGS

Miss Mary Katherine Barnes, GFWC Safety Division Chairman, represented the General Federation at the awards sessions of the National Youth Traffic Safety Council, August 27 at Ypsilanti, Michigan; the Safety Seminar of the President's Committee on Traffic Safety, September 25-27 at Omaha, Nebraska; and the National Safety Council, October 16-21 at Chicago, Illinois.

DATES TO REMEMBER 1961

January 17-20—Southeastern Regional Council, Point Clear, Alabama.

March 16-18 — State Convention, "The Greenbrier", White Sulphur Springs.

April 28-29 — State Junior Convention, Fairmont.

June 5-10 — General Federation, Miami Beach, Florida.

The Education Department announces November 6-12 will be observed as American Education Week.

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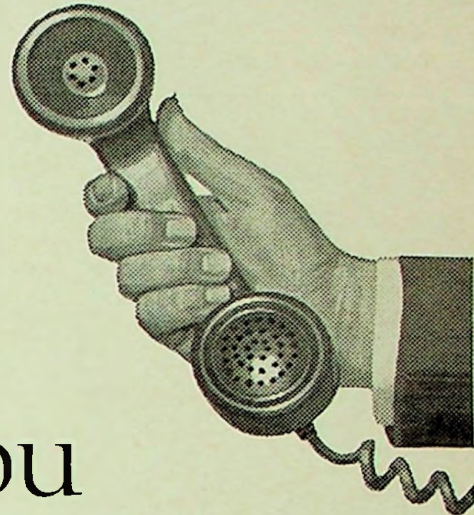
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