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Thursday, March 16

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2:00 P.M. Formal Opening
Reports of Officers
Concert: W. Va. Wesleyan
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"Challenges" of Today" —
West Virginia Clubwomen in the
General Federation
Memorial Service
8:45 P.M. Processional —
Special Guests, Executive Board
and Council
Special Music
Leadership — Mrs. Earl Hazelton
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Community Improvement

Friday, March 17

7:45 A.M. President's Club Breakfast
9:30 A.M. News in Review
Business Meeting
Reports of District Presidents
Address: Mrs. W. Ed Hamilton
General Federation Chairman,
Safety
Reports of Department Chairmen
2:00 P.M. "Junior Time" —
Mrs. Donald Harvey
Pan-American Student —
Juliette Morgan, Chairman,
Mrs. E. D. Conaway
Reports of Department Chairmen —
Continued
Girls Chorus — Charles Town
Communications — Louise Bushnell
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8:45 P.M. Processional — Special
Guests, Past State Presidents
and Presidents
Concert: Mrs. Manning Muntzing
Address: Mrs. E. D. Pearce, President
General Federation
of Women's Clubs
Formal Reception —
North Central District

Saturday, March 18

7:30 — 10:00 A.M. Voting
9:30 A.M. News in Review
Business Meeting
Reports —
Special Committee Chairmen
Jazz Band — Group from
Gauley Bridge High School
Community Improvement —
Mrs. Earl Hazelton
Adjournment
2:00 P.M. Executive Board Meeting
Filmore Room

GFWC PRESIDENT TO BE KEYNOTE SPEAKER

One thinks of magnolias, Japonica blossoms and the nostalgia of wisteria when Mrs. E. D. Pearce, GFWC President, speaks with her soft southern accent. Carolyn Lawrence, who at the age of 19 added Pearce to her name, was born in Molena, Ga., where, with her eight brothers and sisters, she played on a cotton plantation.

Lured by the tropics, Mr. and Mrs. Pearce and their young son, Frank Howard, moved to Miami in 1926. After the duties of motherhood and home-making ceased somewhat, Mrs. Pearce joined the Miami Woman's Club and her club career began. However, her interests have not been entirely confined to club work, for she is a most active member of the Central Baptist Church where she has held numerous offices.

Before long Mrs. Pearce was elected president of the Miami Woman's Club and this was followed by Director of District Eleven, then the two vice presidencies of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs and in 1954 she was elected president of the Florida Federation. During her term as president of the Florida Federation, Headquarters was established at Lakeland.

Her twelve years' service in the General Federation includes: Chairman, Western Hemisphere Division of the International Relations Department; American Home Department and Garden Division; Recording Secretary of the Southeastern Council; and Recording Secretary of the General Federation. In 1960 Mrs. Pearce was elected to fill a vacancy in the office of Third Vice President. She served as Second Vice President, First Vice President, and is currently serving as President.

If the people of Florida wished to name someone to the top post of



Mrs. E. D. PEARCE
President, GFWC

"women who achieve," they would certainly name Carolyn Pearce. You might call her the answer to a governor's prayer, for she seems to be the first person to come to minds of governors of Florida when they need a woman to serve on a state board or committee.

She is a university graduate and teacher by profession. She studied for two years at the University of Georgia and then was married. Always wanting to get a degree she returned to college after her son was grown. She enrolled in the University of Miami taking one or two courses at a time. It took six years, but in 1954 she received the

B.A. degree, majoring in English. Mrs. Pearce has also taken special courses at the Universidad de Bogota, Colombia, South America, and the University of Oaxaco, Oaxaco, Mexico. She speaks Spanish fluently — with a southern accent! She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and the American Association of University Women.

Appointed by the Governor of Florida, Mrs. Pearce is currently serving a nine-year term as a member of the Board of Regents, University Systems, State of Florida. She is the only woman member of the Board.

She holds fast to family life and home ties. Having one son, Mrs. Pearce did not realize what it meant to have a daughter until Frank's marriage to his high school sweetheart, Marilyn Michel. Just as Marilyn is proud of the honors bestowed on her mother-in-law, so is Carolyn's pride in Marilyn well known. Marilyn's beautiful voice has been heard on many of Florida's finest concert and operatic programs.

Mrs. Pearce says that her husband, officer of the Pearce Produce Company, a family firm of pioneer tomato growers of South Florida, and her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Pearce, are her biggest "boosters" and cooperate in every way. Federation friends and international students are welcomed and entertained in the Pearce home.

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Mrs. Dean Coffey

GFWC Junior Home Life Chairman

Since her retirement as West Virginia Federation Director of Junior Clubs, Princeton's June Coffey has continued to "percolate" in women's club activities. At present she is serving the federation in three capacities — on the club level as Mental Health Chairman, on the state level as Parliamentarian, and internationally as GFWC Junior Home Life Chairman.

In addition to membership in a Junior club, she is an active member of the Mercer County Mental Health Association and on the Board of Directors of the Mercer County Cancer Society. She is a member of the Advent Christian Church and attends the Princeton First Baptist Church with her two daughters, Karen Deane, age 11, and Rhonda Jo, age 5.

June has held many positions in church and civic activities, the most recent being Chairman of the first county-wide Mental Health Drive for Mercer County and as house-to-house chairman of the Princeton Cancer Drive. Her present ambition, for her own relaxation and enjoyment, is to become a pianist — at least an amateur one.

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- 1956-58 State Junior Associate Director
- 1958-60 State Junior Director
- 1960-62 GFWC Junior Home Life Chairman
WVFWC Community Improvement Chairman
WVFWC Junior State Parliamentarian
- 1962-64 GFWC National Junior Director
GFWC Executive Committee Member
- 1964-66 GFWC Community Improvement Chairman
WVFWC Corresponding Secretary
President, The Montgomery Civic League
- 1966-68 GFWC Recreation Chairman
WVFWC — Editor of the West Virginia Clubwoman Magazine
Capitol District —
First Vice-President

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Concert Experience:

1. Contracted for frequent concerts at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston.

2. Sang the lead in "Brigadoon," the Broadway musical, in Boston.

3. Did solo work for Daniel Pinkham, composer and harpsichordist.

4. Member of "Low Madrigal," professional madrigal group of Boston.

5. Studied piano for 18 years and did accompanying in Boston.

6. Did radio and television work in Boston.

7. Solo member of Chamber Singers and chorus at New England Conservatory of Music.

8. Gave concerts at Harvard Musical Association.

9. Church soloist for four years in Boston.

10. Gave concerts in Jordan Hall, Boston.

11. Featured concert artist at Clarksburg Arts Festival, West Virginia.

12. Featured artist every fall at The Greenbrier Hotel in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia.

13. Gave concerts at Radcliffe and Harvard.

14. Guest soloist in Faure Requiem and Pergolesi Stabat Mater at Williams College and Colby Junior College.

15. Sponsored by Chromatic Club of Boston as guest concert artist.

16. Soloist at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, Chevy Chase, Maryland.



Nan Muntzing

17. Voice teacher at Holton-Arms School for Girls, Bethesda, Maryland. Taught privately also.

18. Soloist at First Presbyterian Church, Charleston.

19. Soloist in Verdi's "La Traviata" performed with the Charleston Symphony in February, 1966.

20. Solo appearance on television in Charleston. Also radio.

21. Did role of "Kate" in Charleston Light Opera Guild's Production of "Kiss Me, Kate" in May, 1966.

22. Sang female lead in "Boris Godonov" with the Charleston Symphony Orchestra, February, 1967.

23. Member of "Madrigal Singers" of First Presbyterian Church in Charleston, W. Va.

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Mrs. Muntzing is married to L. Manning Muntzing, General Attorney for The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of West Virginia. They have 3 daughters, age 6 years, 4 years, and 1 year. They moved to Charleston in July of 1965.

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We measure the worth and value of an organization by the lives of people who work and serve it. Throughout her years of service Mrs. Stewart led the way with vision, courage and love for hundreds of people. As Woman's Club members we now pay tribute for those years of dedicated service which helped to build a better federation and a better world.

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March is the "not-quite" month — not quite spring, not quite winter. It does give one the feeling there are many things to finish before winter's gone altogether. Not only are there things to finish but opportunities are there as well. Whoever said that opportunity comes but once was not familiar with club work. Quite the opposite is true. Opportunities come again and again to us.

Walter Malone has written:
They do me wrong who say
I come no more
When once I knock and
fail to find you in;
For every day I stand
outside your door and bid you
wake and rise to fight and win.
Wail not for precious chances
passed away
Weep not for golden ages on the wane
Each night I burn the records
of the day —
At sunrise every soul is born again.

The above poem should be our goal for the rest of the club year. What are some of the opportunities waiting for us? Those women that we missed during our membership enrollment must not be forgotten. Aren't you a little short in your subscriptions to the General Federation Clubwoman magazine? In a recent listing West Virginia Federation was behind the Ohio Federation by 88 subscriptions. Won't you please get busy so that all

clubwomen may share the contents of this excellent publication? A good opportunity to subscribe will be given at the Convention.

You are coming to the Convention, aren't you? That really is number one on your opportunity list. You cannot afford to miss it — to receive inspiration, information, sociability, and the rewards I hope will be coming to your club. Remember, if you cannot possibly stay for the entire time you could come for a day at least. Be sure to bring your flag pins. You will have opportunities to wear them.

An opportunity to contribute to our main project, the Pearl S. Buck Birthplace Foundation, is still open. Let us make this contribution really worthwhile.

An opportunity to look forward to with great anticipation is attendance at the annual Education Institute at West Virginia University this summer. More information will be distributed at the Convention so be sure you get it.

And now may I congratulate the officers, club members, department, division and committee chairmen for doing such a splendid job of helping to meet our goals for 1966-67. I know you have been busy doing remarkable things. I am glad for the opportunity to hear about them soon. Keep up the good work!

Mrs. Delmas Miller, President

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Junior Director's Message

"Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life, as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed." Booker T. Washington

To the 1,916 Juniors of the West Virginia Federation, may I say a statement



Ollie Harvey

such as the above most certainly applies to each of you! I recently sat and read report after report, wondering how it was possible to overcome some of the obstacles that faced you as, project upon project, was undertaken in your communities. At times they seemed insurmountable, but almost always you were able to show a mark of success shining through . . . this to me, is so typical of the Junior as I know her.

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I can't possibly begin to put down all of your achievements in this article, but to each of you, may I extend the warm hand of friendship and invite you to state convention where ALL of the year's accomplishments will come shining through in glorious colors! You have worked so hard, and convention is your reward! Through "Springtime Fantasy," the Morgantown girls will treat you royally.

I am so pleased to tell you our State President, Mrs. Delmas Miller, will be

present. Also, our National Junior Director, Jeannine Morrow. Wonderful things are planned for each of you. As Jeannine would say in her true southern accent: "You-All come, now, HEAR?"

Many of you have in the past asked how we began to use the words "Purple Patch" in our Junior Department, and particularly, in the Cancer division. Mrs. John Speed Harvey, past president of the West Virginia Federation, attended the first Junior state convention in Hinton in 1933. She was state president at this time and delivered the main message for the meeting. Her words to those Juniors present must have had great significance, because she mentioned the words "Purple Patch" in her talk. For some reason, the wording stuck. I think she is still quite pleased to know a "lasting impression" must have been made. May I quote to you the passage she used, then go back to the beginning of this article, and see the "Purple Patch" shining through. . . .

"Yes, Every artist builds his tower on a Purple Patch, and in his early working days he sees it shining gloriously through the morning mists.

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Jeanenne's Message

"The expectation and excitement of coming to Morgantown, West Virginia leaves me in a whirl. The only way the Junior leadership can be effective is to be among, hear, and feel with the local club membership—or, if you will, the grass roots. This I really hope to do when I am with you. This will be your opportunity to let the other Juniors, and me, know how you feel on issues; why being a member of the Federation is vital to you; our weaknesses and strength; our one common human heart of sharing.

So I look forward to this opportunity to be with you and I hope by the time we go our separate ways it will have been to the mutual benefit of us all."

All About Jeanenne

Jeanenne Stanley Morrow (Mrs. James R.) is a great believer in college for women and the Presbyterian Church. For where else can one have lots of fun, get an education and find a husband at the same time? She attended the University of Alabama receiving a B.S. in mathematics, was an officer in the Westminster (Presbyterian) group where she met her future husband. He graduated from the University in civil engineering. They were married soon after. Mr. Morrow is employed by U. S. Steel, South, as an engineer in the Rail Transportation Department.

That family life comes first among Junior clubwomen is evidenced in the Morrow home. To quote Mrs. Morrow: "We have two boys of whom we are very proud. Russell, 10, is in the fifth grade and he made such a good report card recently that he wanted us to keep it a few extra days because we might never see another one like it. Stanley, 8, is in the third grade at Hillside School. His Spanish teacher says he speaks Spanish with the most Southern drawl she has ever heard."

The Morrrows live not far from town but in a section surrounded by woods which gives many opportunities for family outings and the boys never want to leave home, for they say that they have everything right there.

Both Jeanenne and Jim are very active in the Shade Valley Presbyterian Church. In fact, it has been said that Jim thinks the doors can't open unless he is there. He has the distinct honor of being elected an elder when he was in his twenties. Jeanenne is the assistant teacher of her couples' class.

Mrs. Morrow is a member and past president of the Elgithin Club, which was started 10 years ago as a daughters' club of the Ninovan Club of which Mrs. Morrow's mother is a member. The Elgithin Club was instrumental in getting a Junior Department set up in the Alabama Federation of Women's Clubs with the Junior members as leaders. This program was initiated in 1960 and Mrs. Morrow served as assistant to the Senior member appointed as Junior Director. Depart-

GFWC Junior Director



Mrs. James R. Morrow

ments were started and Mrs. Morrow was chosen chairman of International Affairs.

In 1962 Mrs. Morrow was chosen the first Junior Director of the Alabama Federation and in 1964 she was appointed Junior Chairman of the GFWC Home Life Department, leading to her election as GFWC Director of Juniors in 1966.

At present Mrs. Morrow teaches the four-year old kindergarten at Hillside as well as art to the second, third and fourth grades. Her hobbies are painting and sewing. She reads about four books a month, for she takes the boys to the library once a month and they come away with about 30 books. She reads to the boys a lot.

"The next most important family activity," says Mrs. Morrow, "is along the musical line. The boys and Jim take music at the college across the lake from us. We also believe in physical fitness so we ride bicycles, jump on the trampoline, swim and do exercises. A fellow Alabama Junior told me once that the service she gave was to pay for the space she occupied. I tell the Juniors this is why I stay so trim, I can't afford any more space."

Stars surely fell on the General Federation of Women's Clubs when Jeanenne Morrow, of Alabama, was elected Junior Director.

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New Haven Juniors have a unique idea for their February meeting. They are planning a World Affairs meeting with each member to be dressed, serve a dish, and have a historical background about the country she represents. What fun it would be to attend this meeting!

The Iaeger Juniors with the aid of their Sub-Juniorettes are promoting education in their community by voluntary work with a traveling Read-O-Rama sponsored by the West Virginia Library Commission.

The Read-O-Rama travels through various communities offering children and adults an opportunity for better reading.

The Juniors and Sub-Juniorettes lend a helping hand by typing cards, taking pictures, and helping interested persons find books on their reading and interest level.



Pictured is a Sub-Juniorette aiding a high school student in checking out a book.

The Williamstown Juniors began the club year with a swim party and Hawaiian luau for 70 members, guests, and husbands.

The Conservation Department of the club sponsored a visit of Smokey the Bear to the elementary school and community kindergarten.

The club has pledged \$500 to the local Jaycee sponsored project of draining and beautifying a swamp area.

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The West Virginia Federation of
Women's Clubs received a Public
Health Service grant for a mental
retardation project from the United
States Department of Health, Educa-
tion and Welfare. The grant of \$22,250
is for a period of twelve months and
will enable the Federation to present
public awareness seminars on mental
retardation in each of our eight dis-
tricts. It provides for an office, director
and paid staff of coordinator and
secretary. The Director will donate
approximately one-fourth of her time
and will be responsible to the Execu-
tive Board of the Federation for the
overall operation of the project. The
office was opened in Charleston on
September 1st.

The project is primarily a statewide
public awareness program to provide
an opportunity for effective participa-
tion in support of the efforts of the
Governor's Commission on Mental
Retardation to develop a compre-
hensive program for the 54,000 mentally
retarded in West Virginia. This project
will create more public awareness at
the grass roots level.

Seminars were held in Moorefield,
Welch, Ronceverte, and Moundsville
during November. "The Community
Acts to Prevent Mental Retardation
and to Help the Retardate" has been
the subject for each seminar. The
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Commission for Mental Retardation — namely: education, health, mental health, rehabilitation, employment security, welfare and public institutions. Also a representative from the West Virginia Association for Retarded Children, Inc., the office of the Commission on Mental Retardation and an out-of-state consultant has had a part on the program. The program participants have reviewed what their particular agency is doing for the mentally retarded, what they need to be doing if West Virginia is to have a statewide and comprehensive program for the mentally retarded and finally, how can the local people at the grass roots level help the mentally retarded and our state to be more comprehensive in its planning for the mentally retarded.

There have been concurrent programs in the schools and at Boy Scout meetings. Also, groups of nurses in training and Girl Scouts have attended the sessions.

The Key words during the programs have been prevention, research and the importance of the role of a local association for retarded children in each county to spearhead and implement programming for the mentally retarded.

The speakers have emphasized early diagnosis, early case findings, public school classes from kindergarten through high school for the retarded, training and hiring of the retarded and seeking foster homes and adoptive parents.

The out-of-state consultants have been pleased West Virginia is thinking of small cottage-type homes and regional residential homes rather than another large institution for the mentally retarded. Mr. Allen R. Cohen, Assistant District Representative, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Region III, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Charlottesville, Virginia, challenged the citizens of West Virginia at the seminar in Moorefield when he asked "What will you do with this seminar? Is it just more talk? Or are you going to act so the mentally retarded are really treated as citizens of your great state?"

Plans are underway for seminars in the other districts. The success of these seminars will depend on the action of the clubs in arousing the interest of the citizens in their communities.

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Prior to her war work, she taught French in New Canaan, Connecticut and in New York City. She was also on the staff of Vogue Magazine. She is a member of the New York League of Business and Professional Women, Inc., the Chautauqua Woman's Club, the New York City League of Women Voters and Soroptimists International of New York. She is also a life member

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An interesting feature of the event was the display from the Public Library of about 40 of her books including fiction, non-fiction and juvenile titles, three books by John Sedges, a pen name, and her biography. The *Exile's Daughter*, written by her sister, Cornelia Spencer. There was also a picture of the house being restored. This exhibit was centered around a cake baked in the form of an open book, with her name inscribed in icing.

A member of the **Parkersburg Civic Woman's Club**, Mrs. Thelma C. Dailey of 530 25th St., Vienna, has been selected as an "outstanding Young Woman of America" and will be included in the 1966 edition of the publication by that name.

THE WVFWC WELCOMES THREE NEW CLUBS into the State Federation. These clubs are: **Trap Hill District Woman's Club** of Glen Daniel in Southern District, **The Valley Junior Woman's Club** of Bluefield in Southern District and the **Hernshaw Women's Club** of Hernshaw in Capitol District.

of the Interalliee — in Paris, France. A native New Yorker, Mrs. Bushnell was educated in New York City and has a degree from the University of Lausanne, Switzerland.

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