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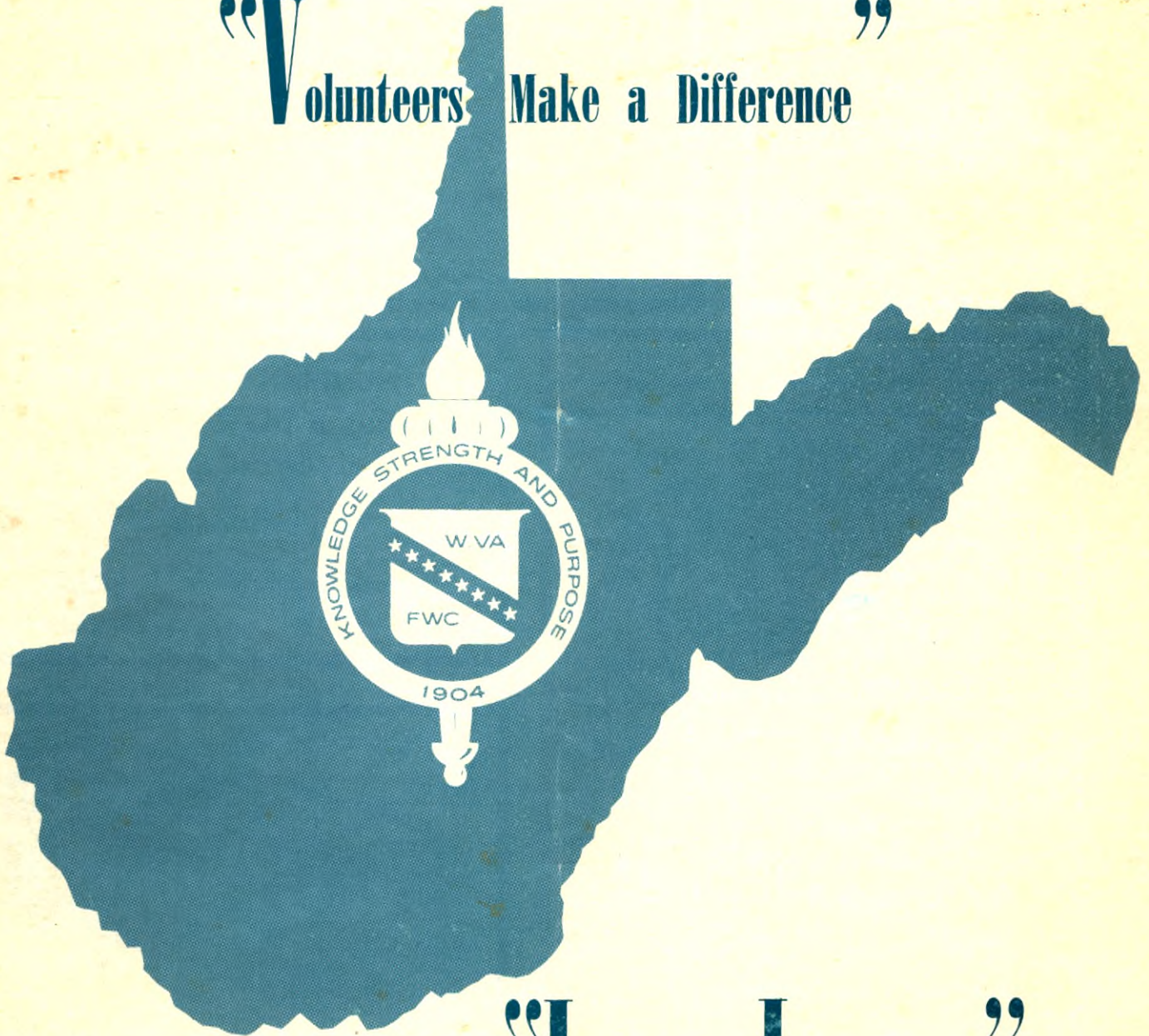
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The cover of this issue was designed by your State President, Mrs. George Hoylman. The GFWC theme "Individual Involvement" will also serve as the convention theme. "Volunteers Make A Difference" has been the state theme of the WVFWC during 1968-70.

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Mrs. George T. Hoylman
 WVFVC President

Dear Clubwomen,

I hope many of you are planning to attend our State Convention, **March 5-7** and we will look forward to sharing a fine program and interesting activities at the Greenbrier. With convention comes the end of this administration, while a few months remain on the local club calendar.

Combining our GFWC and WVFVC themes, we have exercised "**Individual Involvement**" by projects and programs showing "**Volunteers Make A Difference.**"

Involvement has its beginning within each clubwoman. We begin by caring about others, by catching a vision, dreaming dreams. Our visions become goals, which we then work toward achieving. Reaching our goals of community improvements, of whatever changes we wish to make, requires hard work in addition to our dream, vision or plan. You will recall that in Pakistan a bull, with eyes bandaged, works hard to turn a water wheel for irrigation; but he goes in circles and has only meager meals for his efforts. We humans must have vision as well as work as we are involved in affairs of mankind.

Current times demand from each clubwoman a commitment to make her best contribution of her own unique talents, her time, and perhaps at times even money. So together let us continue to dream dreams and make them come true and to hold high ideals which we can communicate to others.

Yes, the challenges of 1970 require effective **communication** — communication within the family unit, between individuals, between the sender and receiver of every message.

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As clubwomen we must form opinions regarding all problems of current society. We need to share our ideas with other members and welcome their ideas. After careful study and club discussions of a community problem or situation, we are ready to take action to make constructive changes.

Reports of clubs for this year do indeed show great individual involvement in each local community. I commend all of you for the efforts you have made and the goals you have reached.

I thank each clubwoman for your excellent cooperation, your friendship, your many kindnesses to me as I have traveled throughout the state and visited your clubs, district conventions, and other events.

My two years as your State President have been happy ones. Yes, of course I have worked hard to fulfill the duties of this office to the best of my ability, but I have enjoyed this work. For some people "happiness is a warm puppy" — but for me "happiness is club work." My experiences have been personally most rewarding and I am grateful and appreciative of the fine teamwork of our officers, Board and Council members, of the leadership of all club presidents, and the efforts of each member.

Yes, ladies, you have accomplished much these two years, 1968-70! May the closing period of this club year give each of you a grand feeling of achievement as you take stock and make your reports. May you indeed feel true happiness for work well done!

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PEARL S. BUCK

The Sydenstricker family came to America from Germany before the Revolutionary war. The Stulting family came from Holland somewhat later. Both left the old European countries in quest of religious freedom.

Both settled in the South, where many of the Sydenstricker family became distinguished in the professions. The two families were united when the next to youngest of the seven Sydenstricker sons married the brilliant daughter of the Stultings. Immediately after their marriage in 1880, the young couple went to China as Southern Presbyterian missionaries.

After twelve years spent in the interior of China, a period which included many hardships, and during which all but one of their children died of tropical diseases, they returned to America on a furlough in 1891. Thus it came about that one, and only one, of their children was born in the old family mansion at Hillsboro, West Virginia, on June 26th, 1892. They named her Pearl Comfort Sydenstricker.

Within five months they were on their way back to China, taking the baby girl with them. Her childhood was spent in the historic city of Chinkiang, where the Grand Canal crosses the great Yangtze River.

She learned to speak Chinese before English, although when it came time to read and write she studied English rather than the difficult Chinese characters. The first story-telling influence upon her was her old Chinese nurse. The child's father went on frequent journeys into remote parts, and brought back tales of his own adventures, some of which took him close to death. And her mother talked to her for long hours, mostly about her childhood in West Virginia, so greatly different from all that the daughter knew. When she was fifteen she went off to boarding school in Shanghai.

Come to The Greenbrier

her first formal schooling, and at the age of seventeen went home to America to enter Randolph-Macon College. She became a leader in college, and president of her class. She wrote for the college paper and in her senior year won two literary prizes, one of which was for the best short story.

After graduation in 1914 she was invited to teach psychology at the college, and did so for one semester. Her mother fell ill, however, and she returned to China, and cared for her mother until recovery. She was married then to John Lossing Buck, a teacher of agriculture, and went to live in a town in North China. Here she lived for nearly five years, until she went to Nanking, and her memories of this region later became the basis of **The Good Earth**.

She knew always that one day she would write, but she did not yet feel ready to write. For some years she busied herself with the care of her home, her children, and her parents, and taught English literature in the University of Nanking and in the Southeastern and later in Chung Yang University.

In 1925 she came to America and took up study at Cornell for her master's degree. On the ship bound for America, she wrote the story which grew into her first novel, **East Wind: West Wind**.

The Good Earth, completed in 1930 won almost unanimous praise from the critics and for twenty-one months it stood on the American list of "best-sellers," a record made up to that time by no other book since **Quo Vadis?** thirty-five years earlier. It was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for the best novel of its year by an American author. It was translated into more than thirty languages, including the Chinese, in which there are several different versions.

In 1938 she received the Nobel Prize for literature, the first American woman to be so honored. The award was made not for one book, as is sometimes mistakenly said, but for the body of her work.

During the course of her distinguished literary career, Miss Buck has written seventy (70) novels. She has received many Awards, Citations, Honorary Degrees and Memberships.

PROGRAM

Thursday, March 5

- 2:00 P.M. Formal Opening
 - Invocation — Mrs. E. V. Core, Chairman, United Nations Division, International Affairs Dept.
 - Business Meeting
 - West Virginia Women in General Federation
 - Reports of Executive Board
 - Membership Awards — Mrs. William Ross, Second Vice President
 - Solo — Mrs. J. Wells Eakin, Chairman, Music Division, Fine Arts Department
 - Presentation of Candidates
 - Memorial Service — Mrs. Arthur Prichard, Chairman, Family Living and Religion Division
- 4:15 P.M. Tour of Hotel, Trellis Lobby
- 8:45 P.M. Processional: Special Guests, Executive Board and Council
 - Shell Oil Scholarship Awards: Mrs. W. D. Roll, Chairman; Mr. L. C. Hull, Public Relations Manager, Shell Oil Company
 - Pearl Buck Awards — Mrs. James Scarbro, Chairman, Pearl Buck Project
 - Poet Laureate — Mrs. John Speed Harvey
 - Vocal Selections — Mrs. Jack Yoho
 - "Women As I Know Us" — Miss Pearl S. Buck

Friday, March 6

- 7:30 A.M. President's Club Breakfast
- 8:30 A.M. Parliamentary Procedure Class — Mrs. Keith Wharton
- 9:30 A.M. Invocation — Mrs. Keith Thacker, Chairman, Home Life Dept.
- News in Review — Mrs. Henry W. Bassell, Jr., Chairman, Press and Publicity
- Business Meeting
- Reports of Executive Board, Continued
- "The Wonderful World of Color" — The District Presidents, Mrs. Harry L. Findley, First Vice President, presiding
- Reports of Department and Division Chairmen, Conservation and Education

March 5, 6 and 7, 1970

Governor Arch A. Moore Jr., was born in Moundsville April 16, 1923. He is of a pioneer West Virginia family. His parents were hard-working people who kept a strict and well-disciplined hand in the guidance of their children.

He attended Moundsville Public schools, was active in various sports, and took a particular interest in the Boy Scouts of America. He is a Life Scout. At an early age, his inner-drive and leadership ability asserted themselves in the community in which he lived.

As a youngster, he carried a paper route and sold magazines. Later, he became an usher and ticket-taker in a local theater. In his senior year of high school, he went to class by day and at night worked an 8-hour shift in a local factory to earn the money that would start him in college. He learned here that success is not easily obtained but comes from application of one's self to long hours of hard work.

Governor Moore attended Lafayette College in Easton, Pa.; however, World War II interrupted his schooling and the future Governor entered the Army where he quickly rose to the rank of

combat sergeant. He served with distinction and honor until he was severely wounded and left for dead on the battlefield. A machine-gun bullet entered the right side of his face, severing his tongue and passed out the left side of his face, breaking the lower jaw. He spent a number of months in hospitals recovering and learning to talk again.

Immediately upon discharge from the Army, Governor Moore entered West Virginia University to continue his education. He received his A.B. Degree in Political Science in 1948 and entered Law School. He earned his Bachelor of Law (LL.B.) Degree in 1951 and was admitted to the West Virginia State Bar.

It was at the University that he met Shelley Riley. They were married in 1949. In addition to being wife, companion and mother, Mrs. Moore travels extensively with her husband on his many official and non-official visits throughout the State, nation and the world; yet still finds time for meaningful service in civic and humane fields of endeavor.



ARCH A. MOORE, JR.

Like her husband, Shelley Moore is a graduate of West Virginia University (B.S. in Education with a math major) and taught for a while in the public schools of Pennsylvania. She is a former Girl Scout Commissioner, a member of the Junior League of Wheeling, a Grey Lady of the American Red Cross and has served on the Montgomery County, Md., Cerebral Palsy Foundation's Board of Directors. Until moving to Charleston, Mrs. Moore devoted one day each week to teaching in the St. Maurice School for Teachable Retarded Children in Potomac, Md.

The Moore's have three children: Arch A. Moore Jr. III, 17; Shelley Wellons Moore, 15; and Lucy St. Clair Moore, 12.

In 1951, Governor Moore went into a family law partnership with his uncle, Everett F. Moore, who probably more than anyone else was most influential in urging him to become a lawyer. Soon after entering the practice of law he was elected vice president of the West Virginia Bar Association.

In 1952, Governor Moore first entered the political arena when he was elected to the West Virginia House of Delegates. In 1956, he was his party's candidate for Congress and was elected. He served six terms in the Congress.

In November 1967, he announced he would be leaving his Congressional post to seek election as Governor of West Virginia. One year later, in November 1968, the people of the State selected him to serve as the State's Chief Executive.

Governor Moore was sworn into office January 13, 1959.

2:00 P.M. Report of Junior Director — Mrs. Edward O. Lewis

Pan-American Student — Miss Sara Bullon; Mrs. E. D. Conaway, Chairman, Pan-American Scholarship

Reports of Department and Division Chairmen Continued: Fine Arts and Home Life

Entertainment: "Caravans and Costumes" — America's Only Dramatic One Man Costume Show — Mr. H. William DeLong

8:45 P.M. Processional — Special Guests, Past State Presidents, Executive Board, Club Presidents Community Improvement Program Awards — Mrs. Arthur G. Baker, Chairman, Community Improvement Division; Mr. George W. Crane, Regional Director, The Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

Organ and piano Duo — Mrs. E. E. Church and Dr. Marie Boette

Address: The Honorable Arch A. Moore, Jr., Governor of West Virginia

Formal Reception — Hostesses: Eastern and Western Districts

Saturday, March 7

7:30—10:00 A.M. — Voting

8:30 A.M. Parliamentary Procedure Class — Mrs. Keith Wharton

9:30 A.M. Invocation — Mrs. Arthur Prichard, Chairman, Family Living and Religion Division

News in Review — Mrs. Henry W. Bassel, Jr.

Reports of Department and Division Chairmen

Continued: International Affairs, Public Affairs, International Clubs, International Hostesses

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

Business Meeting

Installation of Officers — Mrs. Carrolle E. Miller

Solo — "A Collect for Club Women" — Mrs. J. Wells Eakin

Adjournment

2:00 P.M. Executive Board Meeting

Theme:
INDIVIDUAL INVOLVEMENT

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Mr. De Long is known to all as 'Bill of Reading' (Pa.) where he was born and spent his boyhood. He attended St. Mary's University at San Antonio, Texas, the University of Pennsylvania, and various Government Schools in Washington, D.C.

Bill De Long served in World War II in both the Army and Air Force, and this was the beginning of a career which has taken him to 62 countries the world over in a period of twelve years, during which he has represented our Government in the Office of the Military Attache in such Embassies as Amman; the Heshmite Kingdom of Jordan; Damascus, Syria; on various assignments with the Embassy at Beirut, Lebanon; and Warsaw, Poland, at which time he had great opportunities to visit the Iron Curtain countries. He has personally met and worked with many of our great leaders in the world, including the members of royal families in Europe; and he has watched with active interest changing conditions in many countries.

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H. WILLIAM DE LONG

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De Long audiences see elegant brocades from Damascus; rich hand-loomed fabric from North Africa; hear exotic, authentic near Eastern music; view hand-hammered copper trays, ancient wall hangings, and Persian rugs, the envy of treasure hunters.

1. All forms of Arts and Crafts will be accepted, but they must be work of a West Virginia clubwoman and have not been exhibited before at convention.
2. Professional and amateur classes will be judged separately. (Professionals are those who teach or sell their work.)

ART AND CRAFT EXHIBITS at the Greenbrier

GWFC HALLMARK ART CONTEST

1. Hallmark entries **MUST** be high school seniors. If you need additional forms, make copies of the one your club art chairman has.
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Mrs. Daniel Warren

Aspiring to the awesome task of **Junior Director** is Mrs. Daniel Warren (Carole).

Now serving as Associate Director, Carole has been a Beckley Junior for nine years. She has served as chairman of her club and as Southern District chairman.

Carole and her husband Danny are the parents of three children and members of the Methodist Temple.

Her activities in the community include: Girl Scout Leader, member of Camp Galahad's Board of Directors, and work with the W. Va. Heart Association.

She is well qualified and capable to represent the W. Va. Juniors for the next two years.



Mrs. Bert Shea, Jr.

A petite bundle of energy and enthusiasm, Mrs. Bert Shea, Jr., (Judy) is a candidate for the office of **Associate Director**.

Now serving as chairman of Capitol District, Judy has been a member of the Dunbar Juniors for nine years and has held various offices including President. At the state level, she has served as Fine Arts chairman, and is currently working on plans for the 1970 state convention, when her district will serve as hostess.

Other than club work, Judy is active in P.T.A., Girl Scouts and First United Methodist Church.

She and husband Bert, are the parents of two daughters, Becky and Beverly.



Mrs. George Weissert

Now serving as State Corresponding Secretary, or "Shirley's Girl Friday," Mrs. George Weissert (Beverly) is a candidate for **Recording Secretary**.

Beverly is a charter member of the Kanawha Valley Juniors, has served as Treasurer and President, and is now a Juniorette co-sponsor.

She is an active member of Beta Sigma Phi; W. Va. Heart Association; and the First Presbyterian Church. She formerly worked at Union Carbide as a secretary.

She and her husband, George have two children, Teri 4, and Danny 1.



Mrs. William Ours

Ready to take charge of the financial end of the W. Va. Juniors is Mrs. William Ours (Mary Eleanor), candidate for **Treasurer**.

During the ten years that she has been a member of the Buckhannon Juniors, Mary Eleanor has held many offices including President, and is now chairman of North-Central District. Under her leadership as state safety chairman in 1966-68, W. Va. won a first place award.

Her many activities include Order of Eastern Star, P.T.A., Y.W.C.A., Board of Directors, and membership in Central United Methodist Church where she is chairman of Missionary Education in the W.S.C.S.

She and husband Bill operate Strader's Department Store, where she is bookkeeper. They are the parents of two children.

MEET THE CANDIDATES

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

Message from the Junior Editor

It's that **Time** again! The soap boxes are out and the gals are at the starting gate. Time to look over the qualifications and back the candidate of your choice.

All kidding aside, as you can see, these girls have many common virtues: all are homemakers, active in the leadership of their communities, and experienced in clubwork at the local, district and state level. All of them now ask to be officers in the W. Va. Juniors. Do come to the state convention, May 8-9, in Charleston, W. Va., and give them your support!



Mrs. Daniel Morris

Also eager to handle the "checks and balances" of the W. Va. Juniors is Mrs. Daniel Morris (Barbara), candidate for **Treasurer**.

A charter member of the Ohio Valley Juniors, formed in 1964, Barbara has held nearly every office and chairmanship, and was Clubwoman of the Year in 1966-67.

She is now serving as chairman of Northern District.

Not limiting herself to club activities, she has worked with Headstart, Job Corps, Mental Health, and as a volunteer at the Ohio Valley General Hospital.

She and her husband Danny are the parents of three children and members of Elm Grove United Methodist Church.

A total of fifty-one (51) members of the W. Va. Federation were listed in the first edition of "OUTSTANDING WEST VIRGINIANS" and is indeed a tribute to our organization. Inclusion in the cyclopedia is an indication they rank among the first percentile of state residents in terms of achievement. This biennial publication, in permanent book form, will grace the shelves of thousands of public and private libraries throughout West Virginia as well as in countless other states.

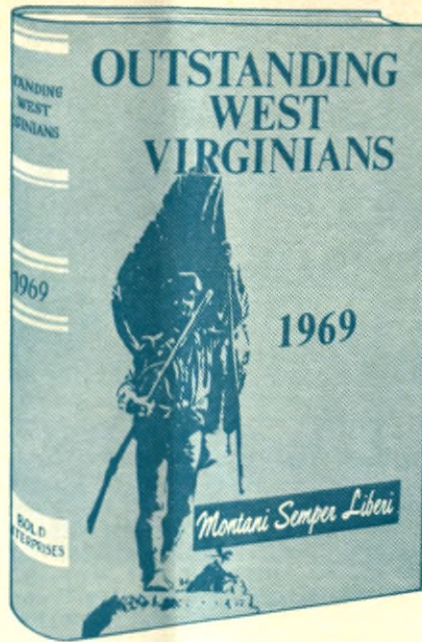
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Members of W. Va. Federation listed in Volume I of "OUTSTANDING WEST VIRGINIANS"

- Alta Hoylman, WVFWC President of Gassaway
 Shirley Lewis, Jr. Director of Charleston (Kanawha Valley)
 Peggy Hamric, Corresponding Secy. of Gassaway
 Blanche Hanger of Ronceverte (District President)
 Cosma Fisher of Grafton (District President)
 Ruby Henritze of Logan (District President)
 Nettie Lee Davis of Weston (President 1948-50)
 Vera Andrew Harvey of Huntington (President 1930-32)

From Huntington Woman's Club:

- Ellen Kraybill
 Ann Rebecca Land
 Hilda Long
 Ellen Martin
 Hazel Agnes Miller
 Marguerite Morehead
 Jessica Payne
 Hallie Oma Purdy
 Jody Smirl
 Lois Smith
 Ethel Stewart
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 Juanita Clark
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 Jeannette Davis
 Dolores Dowling
 Shirley Dudley



Other Federated Club Members:

- Susan A. Bailey of Kenova
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 Patricia Ann Burdette of Pt. Pleasant
 Ruth Jean Dick of Mullens
 Sara Elizabeth Evans of Charleston
 Helen Davis Holcombe of Charleston
 Mary Ann Flesher of New Martinsville
 Henrietta Loy of Romney
 Cecelia May Humes of Follansbee
 Sadie McGhee of Barboursville (Beverly Hills W. C.)
 Reta Shultz of Huntington (Beverly Hills W. C.)
 Marjorie McMillion of Morgantown
 Ottie Mae Perdue of Kermit
 Mary Ryan of Mannington (WVFWC Historian)
 Mary Shipper of Martinsburg
 Orvia Speicher of Dunbar
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JR. DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Mrs. Edward O. Lewis



Several lines from a very familiar song written in 1939 are very appropriate even for the 70's . . . "When all the world is a hopeless jumble and the raindrops tumble all around, Heaven opens a magic lane . . . Somewhere Over the Rainbow skies are blue, And the dreams that you dare to dream really do come true."

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Won't you join us on our "magic lane" to the **END OF THE RAINBOW** . . . Junior state Convention, **May 8-9 in Charleston** with Headquarters at the Daniel Boone Hotel . . . Capitol District's 16 Junior and 8 Juniorette Clubs are "wishing on a star" for the best convention ever. Each club receives complete details and registration forms with a deadline of **April 20**.

A "pot of gold" awaits many clubs with announcements of top awards in . . . GFWC Junior projects, **HOME-TOWN, W. VA.**, Departments and Divisions, and all special areas of project participation. The scoring system for Best Overall Clubs has been revised to include points for all awards won to recognize the top clubs with active

participation in various areas of Federation work including placemat sales and organization of new clubs.

Highlighting our convention program will be the return of **Dr. James Turpin, Founder and International Medical Director of Project Concern**. Awards will be presented to Juniorettes and Juniors by Dr. Jim and Mrs. Paul Garnett of Ohio, GFWC Junior Chairman of Project Concern, for outstanding work.

Meet and greet your candidates for state office pictured in this issue and share the excitement of transition from one administration to another as **Mrs. James Scarbro** conducts the Installation of 1970-72 officers and District Chairmen.

Mrs. Harry Findley, WVFWC President, will deliver the opening address on Friday afternoon; Junior of the Year finalists selected in each District will be announced on Saturday morning and the 1970 winner presented at the final session. Special entertainment from Union Carbide Corporation, an informal party which proved successful last year and a few surprises are sure to delight all participants.

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WHAT'S IN A CLUB NAME...?

Mrs. Henry Bassel, Jr.

"Names," says an old maxim, "are things — and they certainly are influences. Impressions are left and opinions are shaped by them . . ." How true this is when applied to the "names" of the federated women's clubs we have been doing research on.

Our interests in the history of our oldest clubs and those having unusual names have been rewarded as they have opened the doors of their yesterdays and welcomed us inside where we found they possessed such a rich heritage we could scarcely wait to get back to "today" to share with you these intriguing stories.

In early April, 1926, **THE COLONIAL CLUB OF SOUTH CHARLESTON** was organized, when according to their historian, "thirteen brave souls met at the home of Mrs. John Greely." Public spirited and culturally minded, the women sought an appropriate name for the new club — many ideas were exchanged, Greek letters, French phrases and others were considered but no choice could be made. Finally Mrs. R. H. Dunn came up with a unique idea . . . "since we have only thirteen members and our country was originally thirteen colonies why not call it the Colonial Club. . . ." And so it was. The club was organized officially and federated on both state and general federation levels in April 1926. The thirteen members attended the state meeting held in Madison in May of that year and their first fall meeting was an unforgettable event, being a family picnic on Blaine's Island (now Carbine Island) with everyone going across in boats. They are still public spirited and culturally minded — with thirty members they have contributed paintings and works of art to a new community library, they support city landscaping projects and programs for a Youth Education council and participate in all federation programs.

We wondered what a club born in a time of war would be most concerned with and found one we are sure would have won first place in the CIP contest had it been in progress then. "Then" was March, 1916, when twelve women met to organize a woman's club. They adopted the name "**THE MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT COTERIE**" and the place was Parsons. Mrs. H. U. Freeman was elected president and their purpose was to effect community and individual improvement.

Their first project was to clean up town streets (then unpaved) and provide baskets for collecting debris in preparation for a Chautauqua. Next they initiated programs of study in English, Home Economics, music and flower arranging and classes in parliamentary

law. In May, 1916, the club was federated. On February 15, 1918, the club program included formation of a "War Savings Stamps Organization." President Woodrow Wilson's address of January 8, 1918, was read to members and the program included discussions on these vital subjects, "What Can I Do To Make The World Safe For Democracy" and "Living Up to the Standards of America's Great Leaders." Members made shirts and bandages for the soldiers, and gave a farewell dinner for the 66th Division, the first soldiers to leave Parsons.

On April 5, 1918, they voted to change the club name to the "**Parsons Woman's Club**." There are two charter members still active in the club, and the president, Mrs. Elmer Plum, assures us the club continues to support community improvement programs and has sponsored a community library. She adds that though they may not have the same fervor and zealous enthusiasm of their founders they do treasure their great heritage.

Another club founded in the somber years of the early 1900's is the **HUNTINGTON MOTHER'S CLUB**, founded in 1912, they joined the state federation in 1915 and the general federation in 1923. Mrs. E. Wyatt Payne, president, gives us the proud history of this group. She states, "it was originally organized by a group of mothers of small children and met in the homes, but like all mothers who love and cherish their babies they couldn't see any little ones being neglected. After researching the needs of children in local schools and under-privileged homes it was obvious that a greater area of need existed. This led to the establishing of pre-natal clinics in the hospitals. These are organized and staffed by volunteer service of the members. Thousands of mothers and babies receive loving care and attention each year. Local doctors who also volunteer their services have stated publicly that our clinics have saved many lives. It is a people-to-people project which shows tangible proof of its worthy objective — to help those who really need help.

"Thirty-two years of Community Service" is a very interesting book. It is the story of the "**PIONEER WOMAN'S CLUB**" of Dunbar. Every page is filled with record breaking accomplishments which have taken place since they organized and became federated in March, 1938, with twelve members becoming the "Dunbar Junior Woman's Club with Mrs. Edith Speicher the first president. Five of their charter members are still active members — their record? A combined total of 160 years of club service.

In 1941 they changed their name to the Pioneer Woman's Club and there has followed a continuing program of service touching every possible area of community concern, including the sale of \$14,386.43 in stamps and bonds in the "Buy A Bomber" campaign of World War II years, 1941-43 and the additional sale of more bonds totalling \$38,127 during 1943-44. According to

the history of their activities in the years after the war to the present time they have raised and contributed several thousand dollars to community and federation projects and the value of their personal voluntary services can never be assessed. They look with pride on members, Mrs. Phares E. Reeder who has served as a state president of our WVFWC and Mrs. Paul Klein who has been president of Capitol District. Long may this club's flag wave — their's is a true pioneer spirit!

Special honors go to the **WOMAN'S CLUB OF WELLSBURG**, organized in 1899 and united with the general and state federations in 1904. It was founded by a Miss Ellen Hunter Tarr and there were twenty-four charter members. One of these fine women, Mrs. Frances Tarr Cochrane, is still living. They are now fifty strong and very active in civic and community projects. They are represented on the board of directors of the Brooks Arts and Crafts Guild, and in the local Historical Society. They support the library with contributions of books commemorating past members and beautify the city park with flowering trees. Their president, Mrs. Thomas J. Boyd writes they enjoy participating in all community work.

How very good to have joined yesterday and today and now to look toward tomorrow with such faith in the concern of women for their own time and space. . . . What's in a club name? "The honors of a name 'tis just to guard; they are a trust but lent us, which we take, and should, in reverence to the donor's fame, with care transmit them down to other hands. . . ."

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Sara Bullon arrived in Morgantown on December 29th and was entertained several days by Mrs. A. H. Van Landingham, while Mrs. Conaway was enjoying the sunshine in Florida.

Sara's birthday is February 16, she is 5 feet 3 inches tall, her bust measurement is 34. I am sure you will want to remember her on special days.

She is registered as a freshman, since unlike previous girls, she has not had any college courses. She did attend the Franklin D. Roosevelt High School in Lima, Peru. She is interested in Languages, reading, dancing, sewing, travel, pen-pals, etc.

Hopefully, Becky will be able to bring her to the Greenbrier in March so each of you may meet her.

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NEW PLAN TO FIGHT PORNOGRAPHY

The Parkersburg Woman's Club has endorsed the late Senator Everett Dirksen's anti-obsenity bill, S. 1077, which is a NEW PLAN TO FIGHT PORNOGRAPHY. An explanation of the proposed plan appeared in the November issue (1969) of Reader's Digest. By action of the Executive Board, five hundred reprints of this article were ordered. Copies of the article along with three mimeographed letters addressed to The Honorable Ken Hechler, The Honorable Jennings Randolph and The Honorable Robert C. Byrd, were given to each club member, asking them to read the article and to send the letters signifying their approval to the above men in Washington, D.C. The purpose of individual letters was to urge them to support this bill (S. 1077) which introduces a new plan to fight pornography. Copies of the article from Reader's Digest were also given to the following organizations in our community, soliciting their help in our project: Rotary Club, Lion's Club, American Association of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, Business and Professional Women and Kappa Gamma. Dedicated club mem-

bers realize the significance of individual letters concerning a matter of such grave importance.

"A STROLL DOWN CHRISTMAS LANE"

Members of the Westover Woman's Club spent many enjoyable hours at workshops, held two times a week, from October 8, until November 15, creating many beautiful hand-made items for "A Stroll Down Christmas Lane." An Old-fashion Bake Sale was held and lunch was served in the Christmas Coffee Shop.

The special attraction for the event was an original hand-painted 21-piece, ceramic nativity scene, created by two club members, Mrs. Melio Petite and Mrs. Carl Williams. The nativity scene was won by the Special Education Class at Jerome Park School. Members visited the class, set up the nativity scene and gave each child a Christmas gift.

In Memoriam

The West Virginia Federation has been saddened by the sudden death, on January 8th, of Harrison Conaway, Jr., of Fairmont. His wife, June Harney Conaway, has been active in clubwork for many years, having recently graduated from a Junior Club.

Mrs. Wilbur Stump

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2. Mrs. E. D. Conway, Pan-American Scholarship student chairman reports Martha Madrid and her husband David Horgan have a son born November 29, 1969. They are living in Minneapolis where David is working on his Ph.D. and Martha, too, has been working on hers. The baby's name is David Fernando. For those club members remembering Martha Valdivia, formerly of Bolivia, she visited Becky Conway recently as she had come to Louisville, Kentucky to a Librarian's convention. She lives in Los Angeles. (Thanks Becky, for keeping us up to date!)

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