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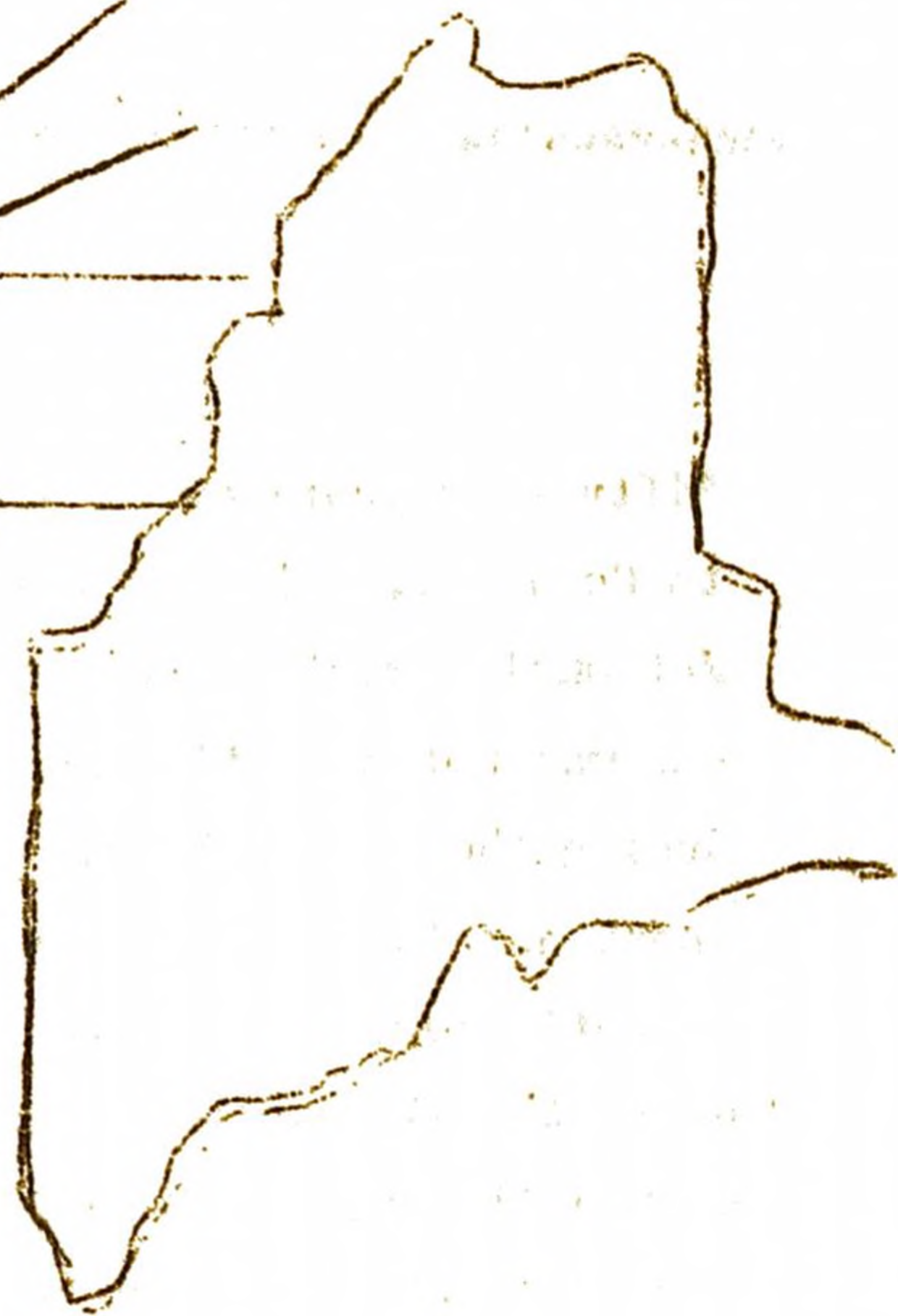
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FALL 1977



OCTOBER 22, 1977 FALL WORKSHOP UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
FARMINGTON, DINING CENTER, SOUTH STREET, STUDENT CENTER
FARMINGTON, MAINE

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

- 9:30-10:00 Registration (with coffee & doughnuts)
- 10:00-10:30 Counterpart sessions
- 10:30-12:00 Public Relations and Membership Workshop
- 12:00-1:30 Lunch and fellowship speaker
- 1:30-3:00 Financial Management for Women Workshop

The Public Relations and Membership workshop is an outgrowth of a resolution passed at the spring convention in Caribou to begin a membership drive to increase the membership to 1,000, with at least one new branch.

Lois Meng, member of the Mid-Coast Branch, will lead the Public Relations section of the workshop. Lois has worked in public relations for 20 years, until 1976 at the National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, as a public information officer. She is also a member of the National Press Club and the Public Relations Group of the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Agnes Patterson, of the Orono-Old Town Branch and Maine Division Second Vice President, will direct the Membership portion of the session.

We are most pleased to have as our lunch time speaker, a fellowship recipient, Natalie Harris of Waterville. She is pursuing a Ph. D. in English from Indiana University

The afternoon will feature two speakers on different aspects of financial management, especially pertaining to women. Time will be included for questions and discussion. This workshop is the result of a challenge given the delegates in Minneapolis by Judith M. Walsh, AAUW member and Chairman of the Board of Julia Walsh and Sons, an investment firm. She dared women to take an active role in their own financial management, saying that for too many years we have let men do it for us.

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IN MEMORIAM

ALICE PAUL

Fifty four years after her draft of the Equal Rights Amendment was first presented to Congress, Alice Paul, 92, died in a New Jersey nursing home. A founder of the National Women's Party in 1913, she spearheaded the suffrage movement. However, she was not satisfied and undertook a more comprehensive view of equality, introducing the ERA in 1923. Alice Paul never lost sight of her goal. Although she spent her last years in a nursing home, she watched the ratification struggle and recently remarked, "After the first great battle was won we asked, 'What can we do that will give women not only the right to vote but every other right: to earn a living, to spend the money they earn--complete equality in every way?'" AAUW's reaffirmation of the ratification of the ERA as the number one legislative priority is a true tribute to Alice Paul.

FELLOWSHIPS

Although we have not received the totals for Maine from the Educational Foundation, in June they reported a receipt of \$7,365.74 from our State. Of this sum \$500.00 went to Project Renew from the Bath-Brunswick Branch, designated to honor Miriam Stover Thomas. Franklin County honored Agnes Mento and Margaret H. Hodgkins with their contributions of \$1,650.31 to the Dr. Elizabeth Russell Endowment. Waterville Branch honored Ninetta M. Runnals, former Dean of Colby College with their contribution to the Russell Fund.

Accordingly we enriched the Russell fund by \$6865.74, a large part due to the sales from afoot in maine.

Our per capita for the state was \$8.35 and eight branches went over a per capita of five dollars.

With a second grant to Maine from the Research and Project Funds coming after the success of af in maine, I urge every Branch to consider a permanent broadening of their support for the Educational Foundation yearly with the annual Fellowships giving augmented by some funds for the Research and Projects Grants. To me the development of this latter project is the one most dramatic thing AAUW has done to make every individual member feel that she can be recognized and her project or plans can be evaluated and rewarded.

Mary Herrick O'Halloran
Educational Foundations Chairman

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NOTES FROM THE DIVISION PRESIDENT

ASSOCIATION CONVENTION....Among the more than 2,400 AAUW members (the largest number ever) was a marvelous band of Maine Division members: Connie Carlson, University of Maine Orono-Bangor; Ann Castonguay, Bath-Brunswick; Sarah Clark, Orono-Old Town; Karen Damren, Franklin County; Rachel Dutch, Bath-Brunswick; Peggy Hodgkins afoot in maine, Franklin County; Ann Leahy, Gorham-Cape Elizabeth; Betty Jane Meader, Waterville; Carolyn Millis, Maine Division and Caribou; Arnette Nelson, Bath-Brunswick; Nancy Rohrer, Cape Neddick; and Lou Smith, Maine Division and Waterville.

It was a very exciting convention as you might have surmised from reading the very extensive coverage in the AAUW Journal, August, 1977.

ACHIEVEMENT CITATION....Now is the time to start preparing nominations for the Achievement Citation that will be presented to an outstanding Maine woman at the Division Spring Convention.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE....Begin thinking of suggestions for the nominating committee for people to fill Division President, Division Second Vice President-Membership and Division Corresponding Secretary (same branch as nominee for Division President)

WINTER BOARD MEETING....Saturday, February 4, 1978 at the Penobscot Valley Country Club, Bangor is the date and place to remember.

FALL WORKSHOP....This will be a special opportunity for all members of the Maine Division to come together and get some information about public relations, how to encourage women to join AAUW, advice on managing your own financial affairs, and meet an AAUW Fellow. I am hoping to see lots of new and not so new friends in Farmington, October 22.

LOU SMITH

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FALL 1977 afoot in maine REPORT

afoot in maine continues to enjoy wide public acceptance and steady sales from the Smithsonian to the Harvard Coop and Sturbridge. Our gross sales have been \$20,140.21 from nearly 5,000 books. In May we contributed \$4,606.06 to the Elizabeth Russell Endowed Fellowship, topping last year's contribution.

Peggy Hodgkins, Wilton, 04294, took afoot to the Minneapolis Conv. and sold 85 books plus many of the other items including the apron she wore to show off the logo and identify herself with. Think ahead to the holidays and buy a T-Shirt, decal, or notepaper in addition to a copy or two of the book. All will be available at the Fall Workshop in October or through the mail. T-Shirts-\$3.50; iron on decals-\$1.25; notepaper-\$1.25.

An interesting development of the trip to Convention is contact from the Illinois and Missouri divisions interested in a similar project in their states.

The Prime Resource Center in Portland is video taping 20-25 of our articles, to be made available to schools and libraries and seen on PTV. Lauds og to Tess Paras, Portland, organizing this massive effort, and to the Maine Division members narrating the segments.

The Natural Resources Council and the Eastern Maine Wellesley Club are taking advantage of the 15% share of the profits per book we are offering any group willing to review and include a copy of the flier in their publications. If any of you have an idea of an organizations that might be interested in helping us and raising some money themselves, let Vici Robinson, Kingfield, 04947, know.

Schools and Libraries are our number one priority this year. We are represented in 108 schools and 50 libraries. afoot has been used enthusiastically in Maine Studies classes, remedial reading and general studies. Contact your local schools to make sure they have enough. Talk it up to the town librarians, too.

Don't forget to give afcot in maine to all those who love Maine. What easier way to give a Christmas or birthday gift than to drop an order in the mail for a guaranteed hit when the paper comes off on that special day?

Vici Robinson, Editor

Maine St., Kingfield 04947

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The afternoon session will include half hour presentations by two women followed by dicussion groups. Leading us will be: Catherine Rotroff, an attorney from Waterville, (She is one of three women practicing law in Waterville. Ms. Rotroff received both her B.A. and law degrees from the University of Cin innati.); and Judy Trumpler of Brunswick, Assistant Treasurer of the Brunswick Savings Institute. (Ms. Trumpler is the only female head of an installment loan department in Maine.) She received her B.A. from the University of Rochester and in 1963 received a one year diploma form the Sorbonne. Active in community affairs, Ms. Trumpler is treasurer of the United Way and a member of the National Association of Banking Women.

Both women are very knowledgable and will be stimulating and informa-
tive. Both le gal and common sense aspects of finances will be covered. What are
the ways of applying for loans? What are Your credit rights? How do single women
cope with regulations made for married or male people? Come and find out.