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WORLD PEACE THROUGH STUDY, FAITH AND UNDERSTANDING

A Guest Editorial

By Mrs. Marion J. Bradshaw

When women in the United States were working to secure the right to vote, many used the specious argument that women, because of their greater sensitivity to right and wrong, would have a marked influence for good in our body politic. After twenty-eight years, both men and women are saying that woman's vote has made no significant difference.

Again, it has been thought that women the world over because they, through child bearing, best know the cost of human life, would balance the scales towards peace. The fact seems, rather, that women fail to translate their natural abhorrence of the human waste of war into action for peace. They fail to sense obscure relationships or to grasp the complex underlying causes of war.

And yet, through their own large, national organizations women have opportunity for informed understanding and action. The Public Affairs service of the National Young Women's Christian Association; the Committee on International Affairs and the Committee on Public Welfare of the Federation of Women's Clubs; study classes of the League of Women Voters; and the Women's Action Committee for Lasting Peace offer open doors to understanding, through study, which is a corner stone of faith.

Many churches, too, have commissions or councils for social action to foster an informed, idealistic citizenry. One denomination publishes a brief, monthly, "Washington Report" to keep its members informed of legislation pending in Congress, especially legislation affecting civil rights and

human welfare. Through their own national organizations and through churches women face opportunity for informed action.

By taking advantage of these opportunities millions of women can help to justify the faith cherished by many when they began to vote. It is a long path but with vision, work, and faith in the enterprise an informed and sensitive womanhood will become the social leaven which, as bearer of the race, is her obligation. *"So many worlds, so much to do, So little done, such things to be."*

BROTHERHOOD

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;

As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for ever.

—Psalm 133.

Brotherhood Week, sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, will be observed Feb. 22-29.

Editor.

A communication received by your State President from Mrs. J. L. Blair Buck, President of the General Federation, urges every member club in Maine to carefully study the Marshall Plan.

She also requests members to write Representatives in the House and Senate, urging prompt adoption of a European Recovery Program along the lines advocated by Secretary Marshall and H. R. 4840, a bill now under consideration by the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

State President's Message



Dear Clubwomen of Maine:

Two great Americans, Abraham Lincoln and George Washington, are being honored during February. As we celebrate their birthday anniversaries let us review their accomplishments, and honor them for their courage and devotion.

Your President is deeply grateful to each and every Federation member who sent Christmas messages and New Year's greetings to her desk. Also, for the many year books received from the individual clubs during the past months. They are much appreciated and have been acknowledged, personally, in practically all instances.

Observation indicates that the happy, progressive club is the active club, which has good leadership and a full program, with its members busily engaged in progressive activities.

In a communication from Chairman Charles Luckman gratitude is expressed to the Maine Federation by the Citizens Food Committee in Washington, D. C., for our cooperation in the food-saving program to date. We are asked to intensify our

future efforts under the long-term conservation program in order that the utmost possible amount of grain will be saved for the hungry people overseas.

We have embarked upon a new year. May it be a memorable one for each member in the Federation as we march forward with even greater determination to make our influence felt on the local, state, national and international levels.

The pioneer women who laid the foundation of our Maine Federation fifty-six years ago left us a rich heritage. We must not fail them.

Faithfully yours,
Maude Ethelyn MacKenzie

American Home Day

Part of Farm and Home Week Program to Be Held Tuesday, Apr. 6

Mrs. Herbert Lord, Chairman

Farm and Home Week held each year at the University of Maine during the spring vacation has an appeal to all women throughout the State.

As home-making is a woman's art, those who organized Farm and Home Week asked the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs to cooperate in bringing together the women from the city, from the village and from the farm. Each year, one day of the women's program is under the auspices of the American Home Department of the Federation.

Outstanding speakers who have a message for the home-maker, the mother, and the leader of civic betterment are invited to address this group. One speaker may bring them what is new in interior decorating, or demonstrate new equipment or methods of cookery, another may

help answer problems on child development or religion in the home, while a third may explain civic problems, such as juvenile delinquency or beautifying our highways on which women can help. Whoever the speaker, each will leave us with an idea to ponder over.

Program as follows:

AMERICAN HOME DAY

Tuesday, April 6, 1948

Alumni Hall

Mrs. Hubert Lord, Chairman American Home Dept., Presiding

9:00—Registration, Ellsworth Literature Club, hostess club.

9:45—Club Collect, Mrs. Gilbert Loebs, first vice-president.
Flag Salute, Mrs. Frank T. Higgins, chairman, Dept. of Citizenship.

Greetings, Mrs. Bert MacKenzie, president.

(Before 10:00 is the business meeting.)

10:00—Mrs. Sumner Sewall, "The European Situation from the Homemaker's Standpoint."

11:00—Mrs. N. May Larson, Extension Specialist in Child Development and Family Life Education, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass. Topic on the problem of family planning and co-operation.

12:00—Luncheon, Estabrook Hall.
Alumni Hall

1:30—General speaker, Rev. James Gordon Gilkey of S. Congregational Church, Springfield, Mass. "What I Saw and Heard in Europe Last Summer."

2:30—Clara Dudley of Anderson, Davis and Platt, Inc. "Color Dynamics in the Home."

4:00—Reception. Given by Mrs. Arthur A. Hauck, president's house.

To the many kind and thoughtful members who have taken time to send notes of appreciation and encouragement, your Editor wishes to express sincere thanks.



The Modern Woman and 1948

By Ruth Flanders Loeb

Those who consider the matter at all are compelled to accept the fact that we live in a world of definite moral laws. There are established eternal principles such as kindness, decency, integrity, reverence, fidelity, honor and self sacrifice. Past civilizations, known to man, have crumbled because these basic laws have been broken. We have just witnessed the tragic sequel to many a lesson in ancient history. The world, *Our World*, if it is to survive, must adopt the basic standards which uphold human personality.

Our national purpose should be to insist on national security and the kind of a world in which that security can be taken for granted, a world which will be free from all pressure, military, economic or moral. The situation is serious and the immediacy of the problem demands instant action. This is a strategic time, an urgent time for women to evaluate their status in the world, to decide what women can do to stress those essentials which will make this a secure world in which to live.

The contemporary scene indicates

that the American home or the American family unit, the basis of civilization, is in danger of breaking down. This is due in no small part to new inventions, more leisure time, lack of direction and guidance to provide acceptable outlets for activity, economic and social dislocation, ineffective religious programs and emotional instability. If we are to save ourselves in this new age, and the lives of future generations, then a new pattern for the home must be developed. This is a challenge that the modern woman faces today.

Society has a great responsibility in making it possible for homes to function for the best interests of its children. The United Nations Organization is planning the foundation for permanent peace. The ultimate success of these plans depends on the kind of people our children become for they in turn will be the peace makers. The influence of the home molds in a large measure the future character of the child. Human environment is more important than material surroundings. The children who have matured during our war years, have suffered deep emotional conflicts. Some have had little parental guidance. Children reflect the thoughts, acts and attitudes of those with whom they come in contact. Parents interpret to their children the basic laws of life and religion by their words and deeds. This in itself creates a great responsibility for both men and women to think and act so that another world disaster cannot take place. Whatever security has been obtained, has been developed through the centuries by people who stood for certain moral absolutes and essential character traits which make for greatness. Children must realize this and they must be taught to respect the free enterprise system which gives them the priceless heritage of freedom to guide their own destinies. Children are our most precious commodity. The modern woman must assume the responsibility of assuring *effective action* in each community, for *every* child to have the security of a home, health protection, educational and recreational opportunities.

The failure of the home, school and church to prepare youth for marriage is responsible for the increasing number of divorces, the national tragedy and disgrace of America. Psychologists trace most personality

problems to inadequate family life. This also is the first rating social problem. History reveals there is a direct relationship between successful national life and successful family life. These facts indicate that some preparation for home and family life must be made as a proposed solution to this great problem. Courses on preparation for marriage and problems of family living may be introduced in home economic courses and social hygiene courses as required subjects in the secondary schools. Women's clubs, P. T. A. groups or other organizations may sponsor adult classes and discussion groups to consider such subjects as family finances, family religion, child and adolescent psychology, sex education, recreation and projects in the home. Classes on mental health and clinics can be established in our largest communities.

On November 2, 1948, we will again have the serious responsibility of exercising our citizenship. It is urgent that we vote intelligently, that we know the candidates' ability, both administrative and legislative. We must determine and evaluate the candidates' attitude on the issues of the 1948 campaign. The issues which every woman should be familiar with include taxes, government spending, labor laws, preparedness and foreign policies. Above all, we should elect candidates of moral integrity. The woman of 1948 must "Promote political responsibility through informed and active participation—in government."

Our representatives in Washington need to know how we think and how we wish them to support us on the major issues of the day. Today the press is filled with arguments for, against and about the Marshall Plan. This is not a relief program but aims at the economic and social recovery of Europe. It imposes much responsibility on the European nations themselves for self aid. "The people of the United States know that the recovery of Europe is necessary for our own security and prosperity." This is a program which must have the support of all persons on an intelligent non-partisan basis. The Marshall Plan has been incorporated into the European Recovery Program (E. R. P.). The discussion centers about the administrative problem of E. R. P. and what conditions must be attached to aid given.

A million people who were displaced from their homes by the war are still being maintained in camps in Germany by the U. S. and other countries. For reasons of fear of religious, racial or political persecution these people cannot return to their native lands. The maintenance of these camps is a drain on the budget and is becoming an international problem. Other countries have admitted a quota of these displaced people. Bills (notably the Stratton Bill) which would authorize the U. S. to permit 400,000 of these unfortunate people to come to the U. S. over a period of four years are still pending in Congress and are to be reported on February 10 by a special congressional committee. It means that in four years a family unit of only three persons would be added to a community of 1,000 people.

There exists over 1,100 laws which limit the activities of women as citizens. Thirteen states do not permit women to serve on juries. In some states a married woman wishing to engage in business must obtain permission from the court. Preferred guardianship for men and the sole right to dispose of common property are but two of the limitations imposed upon women. After a long and careful study an amendment was offered to abolish the limitations placed on women's citizenship. Women should know the facts about the Equal Rights Amendment and Status of Women Bill and learn particularly about Maine laws which specify differences based on sex.

These are but a few of the essentials in the 1948 program for women. Many of us will feel inadequate to approach these problems and further to act upon them. We, women of 1948, must keep in mind that however small the contribution we make this year it may be the necessary factor to prevent World War III.

I do wish a very happy year to the club women of Maine.

"Whatever you wish, I wish for you, Whatever you plan, I hope you will do

Whatever you do, I wish you success May the year bring you joy and happiness."

FEBRUARY DREAM

Last night I dreamed
I walked beneath the frozen earth,
Amid the roots of sleeping
Flowers and trees,
And felt these
Ice-bound prisoners stir,
Breaking the silences of their dark
tomb
With faint, sweet murmurings of
birth.
Within the soil's deep womb,
I heard them sigh,
Like children on the verge of waking.
Each was intent upon the task of
breaking
The shell that bound it to the clay.
Each root, each seed, each bulb
Awaited, restlessly,
The faint, sure call of Nature
That would set them free.
And this I learned,
In earth's dark tunnelway:
Though singing streams are stilled
And hills are cloaked in white,
There soon will be an end
To winter's long, cold night. . . .
Spring is not very far away!

—Myrtle Vorst Sheppard

BE OF GOOD COURAGE

Just when the chilling winds of early
spring
Sweep over barren fields and rain-
drenched streets,
When skies weep frequently, no glad
birds sing,
And mood of man the current gloom
repeats,
The sturdy little crocus breaks the
earth
And, head erect, brings color, hope
and cheer;
A harbinger of life renewed, and birth
That follows winter's seeming death
each year.

So in the midst of this poor tortured
world,
When war clouds lower and obscure
the sun,
The petals of the flower of peace,
unfurled,
Will bring a fuller bloom to bless
each one.
There is no fear, disaster, or defeat
But faith can turn each bitterness to
sweet.

Mable Rogers Holt.

Printed in American Magazine.

-- Book Chats --

BOOK CHATS

*Books are keys to wisdom's treasure;
Books are gates to lands of pleasure;
Books are paths that upward lead;
Books are friends—come let us read.*

Emilie Poullson.

They tell me that New Yorkers always want to visit the Boston Public Library to see if it is true that there is a sign reading "Only low conversation allowed here."

However, the conversation at the library in my town is not so low that I can't hear what readers are asking for. Here is one book in great demand:

The Bishop's Mantle by Agnes Sligh Turnbull. (MacMillan)

In this novel we are taken behind the scenes of a large and fashionable city church where we meet the new minister at St. Matthew's, young Hilary Laurens, and his gay and beautiful wife, Alexa. Mrs. Laurens had been a wealthy society girl before her marriage and some of the most interesting complications in the book are presented in Alexa's difficulties in adapting herself to rectory life. Hilary is appealing and intensely human; and the minor characters will hold your interest. There are the autocratic sexton, Hastings; Alvord, the worldly vestryman; the aristocratic and witty old Mrs. Reed; and Samantha Adams with her heart of gold and lapses in English. Two previous Turnbull books were best-sellers, *The Day Must Dawn* and *Remember the End*. This one is near the top.

Esther Forbes of Worcester is one of my favorite writers. So I was glad to read that the \$150,000 plus, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer semi-annual award was given to Miss Forbes for *The Running of the Tide*, which will be published this summer. The setting is 18th Century Salem. Miss Forbes says it is the story of the "struggle between a man and his New England conscience."

The last award by M-G-M went to Ross Lockridge, Jr., for *Raintree County*, published by Houghton Mif-

flin. Legendary Raintree County is in Indiana; and the whole scope of the novel is contained in one day in 1892 when a favorite son and political hero returns for a memorial celebration. The happenings of the years 1840-1892 are shown in flashbacks. In this long novel, we meet Johnny Shawnessy, the dreamer and idealist; Garwood Jones, both kind and unscrupulous and who hopes to be President; Cassius Carney, born to die of "ulcers and success"; and the Professor, who should be the most interesting character when the book is on the screen.

The novel is the Book-of-the-Month Club choice for January; and Henry Seidel Canby, one of the judges, says, "There may be more classical, more profound novels published this year, but certainly none more remarkable than *Raintree County*." For those who like history in their fiction, there is plenty in this book. The most vivid narrative follows Shawnessy to Lookout Mountain and on through Georgia on the famous march to the sea.

Frances Parkinson Keyes is a story-teller to the world. Her books have been translated into ten languages. Her latest, *Came a Cavalier* (Messner), is one that is sure to be popular. The first part of the novel begins at the end of the first World War. The heroine, Constance, is a Boston girl of much intelligence and character. She marries a young French officer and then begins a most challenging experience; she transplants herself for love of her husband to his strange world and makes that world her own. The second part, twenty years later, takes her through the second war. She sees Germans quartered in her Normandy home; the men of her family die in battle; as a young grandmother, she sees the Americans come to Normandy and aids them. Mrs. Keyes' large audience will love this book.

Lent comes in early this year, February 11. The Lenten season is a good time to catch up on serious and thoughtful reading. The National

Conference of Christians and Jews publishes each year a religious book list.

Sooner or later all columnists write a book. Some of my favorite State of Maine columnists should consider this. In the Lewiston Sun, George C. Wing, Jr., has delightful musings: "*From the Sidelines*." One day this inlander yearns for the sea after reading of his trip to the ocean; and another day is soothed by a little classic on Memorial Day, and still another is "bustin' out laffin'" at comments on things in general. Mrs. Bittersweet in the Portland Press-Herald is read by me before trying to cope with the headlines each morning; and if I have plenty of time after reading Dick Kendall's Journal in the same paper, I read the doings of the movie people. Kendall on the Kennebec is recommended for a mental tonic, to be taken before breakfast, daily.

Sara F. Gallagher, Chairman,
Division of Literature.

YOUTH

Youth is not a time of life—it is a state of mind. It is not a matter of ripe cheeks, red lips and supple knees; it is a temper of the will, a quality of the imagination, a vigor of the emotions; it is a freshness of the deep springs of life.

Years wrinkle the skin but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul.

Whether seventy or sixteen, there is in every being's heart the love of wonder, the secret amazement at the stars and the star-like things and thoughts, the undaunted challenge of events, the unfailing child-like appetite for what next, and the joy and the game of life.

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your despair.

In the central place of your heart there is a wireless station; so long as it receives messages of beauty, hope, cheer, grandure, courage and power, from the earth, from men and from the Infinite, so long are you young. When the wires are all down, and covered with the snows of pessimism and the ice of cynicism, then you are grown old indeed and may God have mercy on your soul.

Anonymous.

WOMAN'S PLACE-WHERE?

By Margaret Chase Smith

Representing the Second Congressional District of Maine

"Where is the proper place of a woman?" is a question that I have often been asked. The quizzers have asked this question defiantly, ambitiously, hopefully—and just plain inquisitively. But it has been asked so many times in so many ways and by so many types of people that of necessity my answer has had to transcend the normal and understandable prejudice that a woman might have.

My answer is short and simple. Woman's proper place is everywhere—individually, it is where the particular woman is happiest and best fitted. This may seem to be an oversimplification, but it is a conclusion of mine that has been repeatedly reassured by my experiences in meeting people all over the world.

I think that it is well accepted that the final responsibility for wars is that of the people themselves—not of the leaders of nations. After all, the leaders have only that power which the people have granted to them. If we are ever to achieve permanent peace, it will stem from the will of the people themselves rather than the genius of their leaders.

I think that it is also well accepted that the United States is the most peace-loving nation in the world—that Americans are the most peace-minded of all peoples of the world—that they place the greatest value upon human life.

And what do these observations have to do with the answer to what is the proper place for women? Simply this. America, the peace leader of the world, has granted the greatest opportunity to the woman—and America's peace leadership stems directly from the influence and participation of American women in shaping the decisions of this country.

In too many places that I have visited in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia, and the Pacific, women are little more than slaves. They have no voice—they have no influence—

they are tolerated only to bear and care for children.

The traditional belligerency of most nations is in inverse ratio to the degree of freedom and recognition that the particular nation grants to women. In other words, wherever you find the woman's voice granted even an approach to parity with that of the man's, you will find a more peaceful nation.

But even in America we often hear the comment that "women are all right in their place". But what is their place? The answer of practically all men, and many women, is "The home". Some are willing to expand this concept to permit some venturing beyond the confines of the home by approving of women engaging in non-domestic activities. But this concept is restricted to fields that are considered predominantly feminine—in public life, perhaps as high as State Superintendent of Schools or Commissioner of Charities and Corrections.

You never hear the comment that "Men are all right in their place" because their place has never been restricted. They are certainly not restricted to strictly masculine fields, or more accurately stated, barred by prejudice from the normally-regarded feminine and domestic pursuits. Male chefs are honored for their culinary art although the kitchen is ordinarily considered the women's bailiwick. Tailors enjoy a most profitable business although the needle has come to be considered the tool of the housewife. Yes, tailors can even be permitted the right to share their profession with service in Congress as we have at least one professional tailor in Congress at the present time. In the field of interior decorating there are as many, if not more men, than women.

If there is any one proper role for women today, it is that of alert and responsible citizens in the fullest sense of the word. Citizenship is without sex. It makes no distinction between the rights and responsibilities of men and women—in America.

Since the granting of suffrage to women the only differential between men and women as citizens has been the availability and acceptance of leadership.

Some claim that the availability of leadership to women has been unfairly limited. I have no sympathy with this view because it is only those who "make the breaks" that "get the breaks". In other words, to increase the availability of leadership, women must by their own actions create and force that increased availability. If women are to claim and win their rightful place in the sun on an equal basis with men then they must not insist upon those privileges and prerogatives identified in the past as exclusively feminine.

To some extent women have made the "breaks" for greater leadership opportunities. Especially is this the case in their superb performance in many fields during the war. Their contribution to the war effort was far beyond anything that anyone had even hoped for. Even the hardest cynics ultimately acclaimed their performance.

Maine's official motto "Dirigo"—I lead—is one that the women of America could well adopt. The question is where can they exert leadership. The answer is the same as that I have given to where is the proper place of women—everywhere—(1) in the home as wives and mothers, (2) in organized civic, business and professional groups, (3) in industry and business, both management and labor, and (4) in Government and politics.

Perhaps the most lasting and basic influence of women is in the Home—for behind all men, great or small, are women. This might appear too obvious for mention. But it is too often that we overlook the obvious. The fight for decent conditions in communities, for improvements in food, housing, school, health and recreation facilities must be led by the women of the Home—the wives and the mothers.

Much, if not most, of the past leadership of women in this country has come through civic organizations. The basic ingredient for this successful performance record has been the banding of women together in organized groups to give greater voice and more specific objectives to the

interests and efforts of individual women.

Women have provided leadership in industry and business. This has been heavily on the management side for there is a dearth of women leaders in the ranks of labor. Labor unions need the balanced judgment of more women labor leaders.

If "what's sauce for the gander is sauce for the goose", why then is there a dearth of women in certain fields and why are those fields dominated by men to the almost complete exclusion of women—particularly the field of Government and politics? This is a question that must be faced and a condition that must be analyzed before an answer to the question can even be approached.

The condition is partly historical for women's suffrage is comparatively most recent. Yet this historical fact cannot be accepted as a satisfactory answer because the ascendancy of women to as equal level of acceptance with men in many respects has been extremely rapid. Women have come a long way in a very short time to increasing equality with men in the business and professional worlds.

Why is it then that they have made such little progress in the field of politics, which, ironically enough, was the very arena of their emancipation—the granting of suffrage? The answer lies greatly with the women themselves. In the first place, the meteoric rise of women in the business and professional fields stems greatly from the plain fact that women had the desire for participation and success in these fields. They had sufficient determination to translate that desire into results.

Another controlling factor has been the attitude of the men toward women in the respective fields. To a great extent, men have encouraged rather than opposed the participation of women in business and professions. Initially women served their apprenticeships in secretarial jobs, but their executive abilities imperceptibly began increasing expression and opportunity as the men unconsciously began to delegate more and more of the executive duties to their women assistants. Unknowingly, the secretarial duties expanded into executive duties and before the men realized it, they had come to rely so much upon their women assistants that they

could not do without them and had to accept them in the executive field rather than let them go.

The shadings of development and promotion cannot be as subtle in politics for there is nothing subtle about being a candidate for political office. The old prejudice of men against women is given full warning for resistance. Immediately when a woman candidate announces, the male cry is that "public office is no place for a woman" or "the State is not quite ready for a woman in that office." When asked "why?" the answer is invariably that "she can't hold her own with the men" or "she can't neglect her home duties for her public office duties."

Performances disprove these weak answers. There are many examples of women officeholders who have more than held their own with men. There are plenty of examples of women public officials who have successfully maintained their homes and reared their children. A man legislator's division of his professional time as a lawyer oddly enough is never challenged.

In short, there are two reasons why women have had little past success in politics. The reasons are (1) men and (2) women—men because they vigorously oppose women holding public office—and women because they haven't stood together and exercised their power of the majority voting power.

Whether or not there is a future in politics for women depends upon the women themselves. If they have the sufficient desire and determination to hold not only public office but to organize politically and vote in blocks and elect qualified women candidates, then there is most definitely a future in politics for women. The inescapable fact is that they hold the control of the public offices with their majority voting power.

Will they exercise that power? I think that they will if they are made to realize that they hold the power. Organized women's power has been forcefully proved if the incentive is there. The most graphic demonstration of this was the women's buyer strike against the high price of meat. If they can bring the price of meat down through reorganized efforts, they can certainly be equally as ef-

fective in electing women to public office.

Basically, the incentive and the attraction of more women in higher public offices should stem from the fundamental fact that women are the governors of the HOME. They legislate the rules of the home—they execute and enforce the rules of the home—and they interpret the rules of the home. The importance of their role as governors of the home is that the home is the most fundamental form of Government. Our community governments are no more than federation of individual Home Governments. The HOME then should not be severed from the Government. In fact, there has been too little of the Home in the Government and too much Government in the HOME. The most obvious and natural way to reverse this trend is to put more of the HOME governors in the Government—and that means women.

That is why there is a definite and inescapable future in politics for women. It is only a question of time—only a matter of how long the men oppose women holding public office and more important, how long the women themselves are guilty of such political inertia as not to overcome the opposition of the men.

It is regrettable that so few women have been chosen to participate in the United Nations, and that none sit as members of the Security Council. It is amazing when one realizes that women constitute at least one half of the world's population.

But this can be attributed to women themselves for lack of interest and aggressiveness—and the will to public careers—in this and other countries. Women cannot become leaders of the world until they have become leaders within their own Nation. Our influence upon others must come from within ourselves individually. In as great a measure, our influence, as a Nation upon the rest of the world in creating and maintaining permanent peace, must first flow from within this country.

Joe: "For months, I couldn't discover where my wife was spending her evenings."

Mo: "How'd ya find her?"

Joe: "One evening I went home and there she was."

From Our Past Presidents

In 1925, Miss Witherlee being President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, I began my active association with the Federation. Ever since, with the exception of one administration, I have served the Federation as a chairman, a district director, or an officer. With this long and intimate connection behind me, I will give my observations and suggestions for the Past Presidents' page of the Federation News, as has been requested by the Editor. Whether the meetings of our Federation have been held in our cities, or at our beautiful summer hotels, they have always been enjoyable. There we have heard excellent speakers and music; reports of our concerted efforts for various causes and projects; and have voiced our opinions in the resolutions we have adopted. Our conventions held from Presque Isle in the north to York Harbor in the south, from Rangeley in the west to Southwest Harbor in the east, have enabled us to become acquainted with different regions of our State, to acquire acquaintances and friends on a state-wide basis, and best of all, to exchange ideas and suggestions for club work.

Since our Scholarship Fund is in a very healthy condition, I would suggest that we turn our attention more actively to the increase of our Endowment Fund. Our officers, when planning the conventions, are often handicapped by lack of funds to carry out the programs as they would like to. Then it has always seemed to me that the Federation should bear some part of the entertainment expense of the district directors at the state meetings, but here again lack of funds prevents.

I have often wished that more of those attending a convention could remain for the final business meeting and the adoption of resolutions. That session has often been the most stimulating of all, with its free and frank discussion of policy, its ready give-and-take, its exchange of ideas, and its decisions on business matters.

BLANCHE E. FOLSOM,
President of the Maine Federation
of Women's Clubs, 1943-1945.

PUBLICITY THE KEY TO ORGANIZATION WORK

From Government on through State, National and International affairs, Publicity is the fertilizer which prepares the ground for activities of religious, educational and political fields.

As we stand at the gate of the New Year in this fifty-sixth year of organization of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, we observe that with the advent of District Directors, increased departments of work, and standing committees, Maine has made an appreciable gain in membership over the years through the medium of Publicity.

The Federation now publishes a thirty-two page edition of The Maine Federation News, carrying news of vital interest to its constituents, of which we are justly proud. In close touch through departments of work, The General Federation Clubwoman is available to bring news of the largest woman's organization in the world. Publicity has risen to new heights in this year of 1948.

Seek Publicity, give Publicity to every phase of Federation work. It is not enough to be locally minded—we must be nationally and internationally informed of the developments of the New World of which we all are a part.

Publicity is the key to the Drama of the New World.

MRS. JOHN T. SKOLFIELD

My Greeting to the Clubwomen of Maine is being written just after receiving the December issue of the Federation News, and I feel it is an occasion for sincere congratulation to this administration. For years our State Magazine has been a problem child, causing much concern, and too many entries on the wrong side of the ledger. But with the New Year comes the Federation News with "the New Look"! Its editor and staff deserve commendation for the complete revamping of make-up, contents, and appeal. Our problem child has become a prodigy. With the wealth of information contained in it, the many sources of inspiration for better and more intelligent club work, and the interesting details and pictures of our own "Maine Family," it is a stimulus to clubs and a credit to our Maine Federation. My best wishes to you all for 1948!

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From the Maine Clubs

The Outlook Club of Hartland is having a most successful club year under the leadership of its president, Mrs. Angilee Seekins. Attendance has been large—the club has reached its limit of 50 members—and the varied programs have been of much interest.

Early in December a thimble party for the benefit of the nursery at the Scott-Webb Memorial Hospital was held at the home of the president and many small garments completed. Later in the month the annual Christmas party was held at the Hartland Public Library, with a Christmas program and exchange of inexpensive gifts.

The January meetings, both of which were held at the Library, where most of the meetings are held, were more formal. The first was devoted to a "Club Magazine." The program consisted of an article on "What Is Wrong With Women's Clubs"; a short talk on "Outstanding Clubwomen of Maine" by Miss Iva Furber, second vice-president of the Onawa Union; a series of short poems and prose appropriate to the season; short articles on "Club Manners" and "What Joining a Club Can Do for You"; a talk on "Looking Forward to 1949," at which time the club will celebrate its 50th anniversary. In conclusion, a roll call of humorous and pertinent sayings caused much merriment. Copies of the Maine Federation News and clippings relative to the various officers were on display.

The second meeting scheduled for January 22nd was devoted to book reviews with a roll call by the members telling of some book they were currently reading or wished to recommend to the club.

The 1947-1948 program committee responsible for these interesting meetings was composed of Mrs. Lena Draper, chairman, Mrs. Doris McCrillis and Mrs. Mary Butterfield.

Friends in Council of Camden conducted a Youth Forum at their meeting on January 20, Sylvia Gunderson, Alan Hatch, Joan Connelly and Edward Stanley, seniors in the

Camden High School, taking part under the direction of Miss McCobb, their teacher.

In the course of the discussion the club members were enlightened by the views of these young people on civic and educational subjects, and as one young man said: "Parents should give more time and attention to their children and less to other subjects, because we are the ones who are going to take over this country some day."

JUNIOR CLUBS

Elizabeth D. Payne, Chairman

The Maine Federation has four new Junior Clubs starting out on the path to good clubwomen and better informed citizens in the State and nation. We welcome them and wish them good success and great achievements.

The Carpo Club in Guilford was organized in November with twenty-five members.

Rockland Junior Club, sponsored by the Methenesic Club.

Sub-Deb Club in Bangor with thirty members.

Les Filles Amies Club (Sub-Deb) in West Falmouth with eight members.

Only about half of our Junior Clubs belong to the General Federation and it is hoped that before the club year is over we will have 100% membership in our national organization.

All of our Junior Clubs are supporting our President in her hopes for the State work.

YEAR BOOK CORRECTION

Boothbay Harbor (9)

MONDAY CLUB

Pres., Hazel D. Dickson

17 Howard St., Boothbay Harbor
Sec., Mrs. Mary Greene Higgins

Boothbay Harbor

Rastus: "Ah's sure advanced in de past couple ob years."

Mose: "Well, two years ago Ah was called a lazy loafer, and now Ah's listed as an unfortunate victim of de unemployment siccheevashum."

EPSILON SIGMA OMICRON

Many busy club women desire more opportunity for adult education and wish to do some serious reading under direction. And in partial answer our committee proposes that we set up in Maine a chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Omicron sorority, the ESO initial Greek letters signifying "Enlighten Your Own Pathway." It is felt that many women would not only welcome the honor of belonging to this sorority but would also value the recognition of accomplishment given through membership badges, pins and guards. At any rate the experiment seems worth trying.

Membership is open to any member of a Universal Club who shall have completed two hours of credit in the correspondence courses of the Department of Education of the University of Maine, or four directed reading courses under the agency of the University. The correspondence courses, somewhat limited in number because of the small appropriation for this kind of education, are fully described in University bulletins; the fee is six dollars per hour course, twelve dollars for the two-hour courses required for membership in ESO. The directed reading courses, a list of which will shortly be issued, require the reading of three books selected by the University for each course which the candidate chooses. She will secure the necessary books from the local or state library or by her own means, read them according to directions given and write reports which will be evaluated by someone appointed by the University of Maine. On receiving a certificate that she has concluded her work satisfactorily she will be eligible for membership in the ESO. The cost to the candidate will be one dollar for registration, plus \$1.00 for each course. On this basis the total cost would be \$5.00 for the four courses.

Our committee has sent out to all Club Directors and Presidents letters giving further explanation and information necessary to membership with lists of proposed courses and readings. We urge all club women interested in adult instruction and in sensible, systematic self-education to promote this undertaking enthusiastically.

Edith L. Sills, Chairman

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Resolutions Passed at the Mid-winter Conference at Augusta Jan. 22, 1948

Whereas, the need for more and better educational facilities, for additional building and equipment at our state institutions, and for expansion of social services for the aged, for dependent and neglected children, and for the handicapped is increasingly felt, and

Whereas, the only source of revenue to meet these needs is from taxes, and

Whereas, taxes upon real estate are already so high as to place an unfair burden upon home owners, therefore

Resolved, that Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, in convention assembled in Augusta, January 21-22, 1948, urges each and every member club to give some time to the study of possible taxation and have, during the year, at least one program with a speaker qualified to discuss our tax problems to the end that we may give intelligent support to constructive legislation, realizing that every such appropriation means an addition to the already staggering tax burden on our real estate, for which some solution is so desperately needed.

(Signed) Maybelle H. Brown
Edna Hutchins
Harriett D. Gray
Committee on Resolutions

No. 1

Whereas, women as homemakers could often spare time for lucrative endeavors, and

Whereas, such possibilities could add to our national production with advantage to such individual homemakers without disadvantage to others, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs in convention assembled recommends to its local clubs the study of such possibilities so that they may, as clubs and individuals, be informed on possible legislation to effectuate such a program.

No. 2

Whereas, history shows that women have suffered from discrimination in pay, and

Whereas, there is no adequate de-

fense for such discrimination; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs in convention assembled, January 21-22, 1948, recommends to local clubs and their individual members that they inform themselves as to this unfair status, so that they can act intelligently and within our democratic processes whenever opportunity presents itself to rectify such unfair practices.

No. 3

Whereas, women form a large percentage of the industrial workers in the State of Maine, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs in convention assembled at Augusta, Maine, January 21-22, recommends to its local clubs that a comprehensive study be made of the Maine labor laws, particularly in regard to women industrial workers.

The last three resolutions submitted by the educational department of the Waterville Woman's Club.

(Signed) Elizabeth Julian
Lydia Parsons
Lucille Blake
Committee on Resolutions
for the Department.

American Home Department

Mrs. Herbert C. Lord, Chairman
Have You Selected Your Family?

Every district chairman will want her district represented in our Homes of America. I hope that each club in each district feels that it has a family which would illustrate the united family. Why not have a set of Maine Homes for our own use here in our State besides the ones we send to the General Federation.

Here are more details from our General Federation chairman on this project:

"The following rules will standardize the material so it can be made into a uniform traveling lecture for use.

1. The standard size in the making of these kodachrome, or color slides for screen projection, is 35 millimetre size, which can be shown in the two-inch square mount. This size is chosen because it is the most popular size and therefore a projector can presumably be found in the community, as well as someone who has a 35-millimetre kodachrome camera. These films when processed are returned in cardboard mounts. They must be left in these mounts to prevent the touching of the film surface by careless handling. I am sure we all understand that these Home of America are not black and white photographs, but *colored slides*, to be used with a projector to throw on a screen. Photographic prints would be unsuitable to show to audiences. These 35-millimetre slides are small and packed in compact cases, making a very small package in shipment and are beautiful on the screen. In choosing your homes and families to be photographed and described, please refer to your December issue of the Maine Federation News for basis of choice.

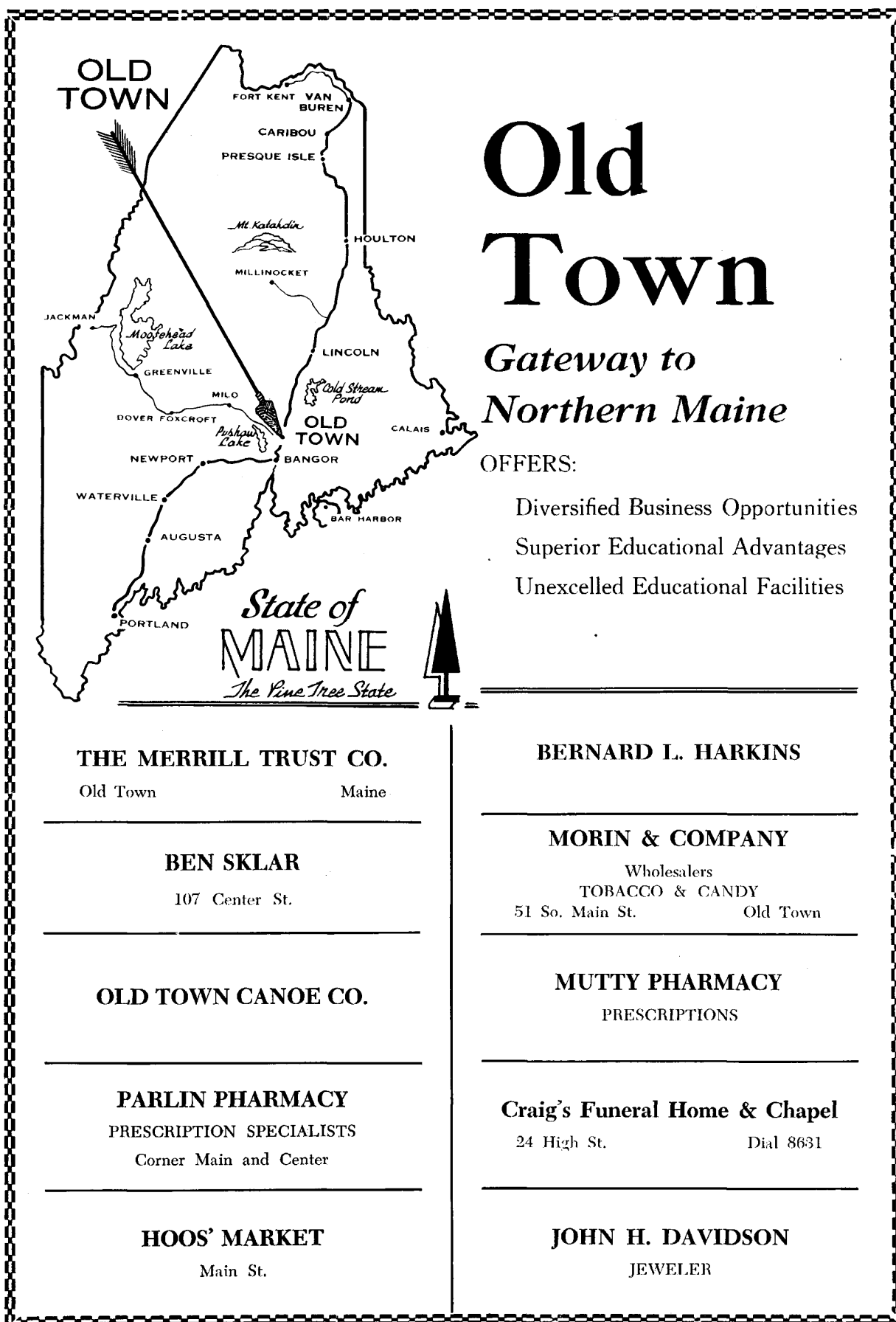
2. You may take as many pictures as you like from which to make your choice. Because of deterioration in the course of use, it is desirable that each slide be taken in duplicate. We hope for ten homes from each State with not more than a total of five pictures of each home and family. If you have slides of more of your homes, you might wish them for your own State set. We wish to set May 1, 1948 as the time when the picture and story of each home should reach me.

3. It is difficult to judge exposure time for color film, so an exposure meter should be used where possible."

If any club wants further information, it should contact its district director or write to me.

A young law school graduate, seeking a town to practice in, wrote to the postmasters of several small towns, picked at random from a geography book. He asked about the professional possibilities which each of the respective communities offered an honest young Republican lawyer. From an Arkansas town he received this reply:

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ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

If there ever was a time when the international picture was not complex, that time is not the present.

Largely because of this, it will take time and concentration to arrive at even the underlying facts which are necessary as a basis either for our own enlightenment or that of others.

So may I give you first of all, and in capital letters, the word STUDY. Get facts from all possible sources. You will need to supplement our American radio and newspapers with sources from other lands whenever possible.

Study what?

1. The United Nations certainly for one thing—its make-up, how it functions. Become acquainted with the work of the Security Council, the Trusteeship Council, and the Economic and Social Council. Know the plans of the United Nations for the Children's Emergency Fund. You can help on this. Keep up with what the Atomic Energy Commission is doing. Learn wherein the United Nations is weak. Work for its strength and betterment. Unless we have the United Nations or a similar organization at work effectively, it may well be the end of civilization as we know it.

2. Become familiar with the European Recovery Program. Having in mind that Europe needs adequate aid, and needs it promptly—that it should be an aid which will enable them to become self-supporting rather than merely one of relief; study the two bills, the Eaton and Herter bills now pending in Congress. There may be some changes made in the Eaton bill. Watch for them. Write your senators and representatives your feeling on the program.

3. Consider carefully the agreements and treaties entered into among the European nations—the one between Bulgaria and Rumania is the most recent. Anything that bears on the economic picture of the world bears watching. If this picture could become straightened out to the detriment of no individual

nation, we would come a long way toward a permanent peace.

4. Another study might well be on our policy in occupied areas—how are we administering in Germany and Japan, for instance. If not well in either area, why not? What can we do about it? "Seek and ye shall find" ways and means.

5. Perhaps your group would be interested to know what the United States' foreign policy as a whole is. This would be a most worthwhile study. Or you could confine it to our relations with the Near East, with other American republics, or even with one country.

6. A companion might be the foreign policy of some other nation.

Please call on, Clubs, if I can be of any assistance to you on programs. I hope each Club will put some time on the United Nations, and then hold at least one other session on International Relations during this year.

When there is so much misunderstanding among nations, it behooves us as individual club members to so acquaint ourselves with the peoples of other lands that we see their viewpoint, and they see ours. Thus, with a mutual understanding here on the civilian level, much can be accomplished toward goodwill.

So, the other suggestion I offer you is to become better acquainted with other peoples. You can do this best by having speakers from other countries address you. There are many in our country at present. It would not be as difficult as you at first might think. A group of clubs, if near enough together, could join in the procuring of such a speaker.

Another excellent way is to correspond directly with some woman in another country. I have a list of clubwomen in France wishing to correspond with American clubwomen. How about it?

Sending packages of clothing and food which is so much needed abroad is a grand way of becoming better acquainted. A correspond-

ence may be developed with these recipients.

We in Maine have chosen as our field of endeavor in this respect for this year—EUROPE.

Any club wishing to participate in this endeavor if they will contact me, I'll be very glad to give you a name and address of some needy family in Europe—a name that has been carefully investigated, and that is not receiving aid elsewhere. I have many such cases in England, France and Greece.

May you send abroad in your contacts with others the picture of an America that has faith in God, not merely in America, and may our own faith be great as we study and work toward a better understanding of world relations.

Bessie L. Cox,

Chairman Dept. Internat'l Relations.

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Sessions of Friday, and Saturday forenoon, will be in Bangor City Hall. The Bangor Federation of Women's Clubs will entertain convention members at tea Friday afternoon in Hammond Street Congregational Church vestry, a few steps from City Hall.

A banquet honoring Past Presidents will be held Thursday evening in Penobscot Hotel. Friday evening there will be an International Dinner in Penobscot Hotel and Youth Conservation Dinner in Bangor House with clubwomen choosing the dinner they prefer.

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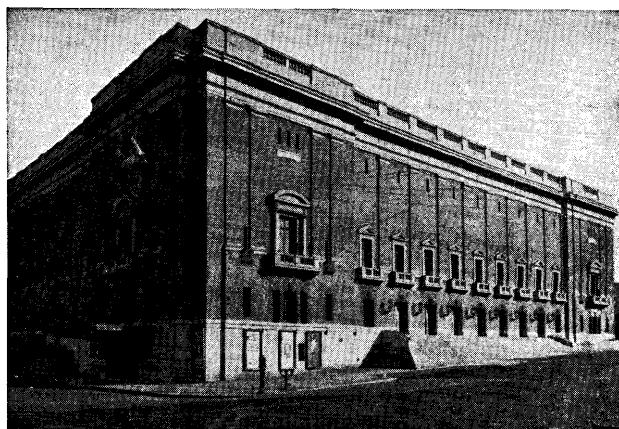
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The 57th annual convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs will be held in Portland, Oregon, May 24-29, 1948. Mrs. J. L. Blair Buck, president, is urging each member club to make plans for representation at this important meeting.

Resolutions which will set policies for programs and legislative action for the coming year will be adopted

at this convention. It is important that each member club have a voice in determining what these policies shall be. Then it is also good for clubwomen from every State in the Union to get together, to exchange views and experiences and to hear leading questions of the day discussed by renowned speakers. Watch this magazine for program details.

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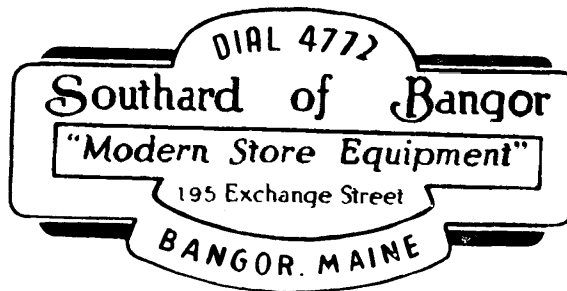
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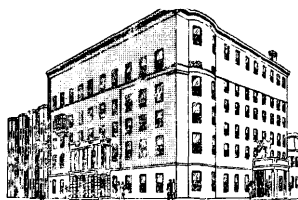


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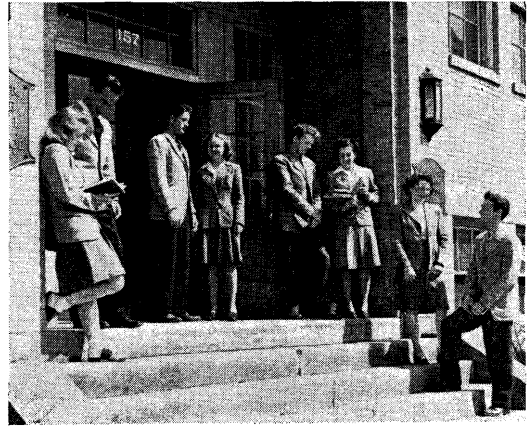
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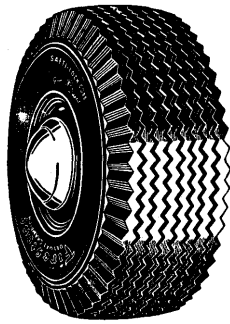
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