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Number 4

THE UNITED NATIONS:

A PLACE TO PROMOTE PEACE

By

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., U. S. Ambassador to the UN

The NEWS presents excerpts from an address given by Ambassador Lodge before the Women's National Press Club Annual Dinner, honoring the American Society of Newspaper Editors. Because it gives us all so much to think about, we urge every club to read this article on

United Nation Day, which is October 24.

As far as the cold war is concerned, we can set down the following thoughts about the United Nations:

It is a place where we can see what the Communists are doing in the war of ideas—and sometimes in other ways. Without it we could not see nearly as much.

It is a place where Americans can see how their American public servants are conducting the American side in the cold war—and it therefore enables us to correct our mistakes.

It is a place where you can get authoritative reactions quickly on the state of opinion in almost any part of the world, which it would take you days, if not weeks, to get otherwise. For example, a few weeks ago Mr. Vyshinsky turned to me and with upraised hand shouted, "You Americans have lost Asia anyway." My answer, of course, was that we Americans were not trying to get Asia, that we did not think of Asia as some prize inhabited by slaves, but as a place inhabited by human beings who wanted to live their own lives, and that the way to regard Asia was as a place to be helped rather than as a pawn in the game of power politics. Within five minutes after I said this there were representatives from Far Eastern nations who, knowing the public opinion in their own countries,

said that my statement would be of such interest that it should be translated into many oriental languages and broadcast on the Voice of America. This was immediately done. It is useful for the United States to have a place where that kind of quick reaction can be obtained.

It is a place where is located the greatest sounding board in the world—where public opinion is developed for the world.

It is a place where the free world gets consolidated.

It is a place where representatives of nations can meet informally, without raising considerations of prestige, and thus settle disputes.

It is a place where we have developed allies.

One gets a sense of how utterly real the value of the United Nations is when it is recalled that in Korea, only five of fifteen divisions in the line are American . . . Sixteen nations, in additions to Korea, have proven by actually sending their manhood that they believe in the principle of collective security.

It is a place in which hypocrisy can be exposed.

It is a place where the threat of war in Iran in 1946 was moderated and gradually extinguished—where Communist encroachment on Greece was prevented in 1947—

which enormously facilitated the advent of Israel into the family of nations—which found the way to give full independence to the 76 million people of Indonesia—which means much to the independence of Libya and will mean much to the independence of Somaliland.

It is a place in which the age-old American belief that a meeting of minds produces more wisdom than the single opinion of even a brilliant mind is often demonstrated.

It is a place in which six of the member nations consist of people who were under alien control when the Charter was signed. Of the 800 million people in the free world who were dependent ten years ago, some 600 million—or three fourths—have won full independence since 1945, and many more have been placed under UN trusteeship.

It is a place which makes it hard for those who want to divide and rule. It is much harder to play this kind of a game when the entire free world is looking on in the glass house on the East River where there are no secrets and everyone can see what you're doing. It is a place which, from the point of view of the Kremlin must be a real headache. They cannot control it; they cannot break it up; they do not dare leave it.

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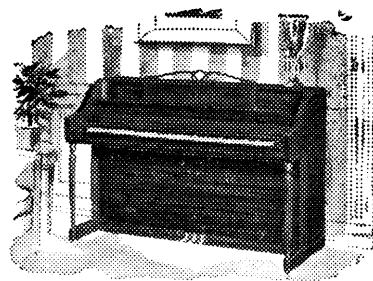
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Independence Hall Restoration

FOREWORD

The cradle of liberty, Independence Hall in Philadelphia, is in need of restoration. It was in this historic shrine that George Washington accepted the appointment as Commander in Chief of the Continental Armies; that the Declaration of Independence was adopted and the Constitution of the United States framed; where the Second Continental Congress met; and where the Liberty Bell now rests.

The Board of Directors of the Federation endorsed the proposal of the Americanism Department that the restoration of this great shrine become a project of the General Federation Americanism Campaign.

The purpose of the Americanism Campaign is three-fold:

1. To acquaint our people as to the challenge to our way of life, by a country whose ideology is the antithesis of ours.
2. To make our people cognizant of the pioneer spirit of our forefathers, who struggled to establish our Democracy in a Republic, and to impress them as to the benefits derived under our form of government and the limitations of a totalitarian government.
3. To increase our citizenship participation in this country, so that the system will function more effectively. A democratic way of life demands an alert, active and informed citizenry.

SARA A. WHITEHURST, Chairman G. F. W. C.

OBJECTIVES OF INDEPENDENCE HALL PROJECT

The Independence Hall Project has a two-fold purpose:

1. To conduct an educational campaign so that every man, woman and child may:

(a) Better appreciate something of the struggles of our forefathers during the establishment of our Democracy in a Republic.

(b) Become aware of the great benefits derived under our Constitutional form of government.

2. To raise enough funds to restore the entire first floor of Independence Hall, which consists of the Assembly Room, where all of the events mentioned above occurred; the Supreme Court Chamber; and the hallway where rests the Liberty Bell. This project is undertaken as a symbol of our belief in, and our support of, great principles which were expounded and developed there, and which now form the basis of our free way of life in the United States of America. These principles face a serious threat today.

PROCEDURE

The Americanism Chairman in each club will be in charge of the project at the community level. All clubs who have not already appointed an Americanism chairman are asked to do so immediately.

The following are some suggestions for club participation.

TIME

The organizational work should start immediately. The actual campaign will start September 17, 1953, during the celebration of Americanism Week. This date is the 166th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COOPERATION

The State Federation should consult the Governor; the District Federation should contact the County Commissioners of the counties in their respective districts; and the city groups should consult the Mayors of the cities, asking for cooperation in this project.

Each official should be asked to issue a Proclamation declaring the week of September 17, 1953 Americanism Week.

INDUSTRIAL AND CIVIC ORGANIZATION COOPERATION

Consult all industrial, men's, women's, and youth organizations in your community, asking them to cooperate in this project: the celebration of Americanism Week and the raising of funds for the restoration project at Independence Hall.

The name of each group participating shall appear on the honor roll which will be kept at the Hall as a permanent record.

PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATION COOPERATION

Seek the cooperation of all patriotic organizations in the cele-

bration of Americanism Week. Make it a community affair, using musicals, especially band concerts, and religious programs, forums, etc. (See suggested Americanism Day or Week programs).

SCHOOL COOPERATION

Consult the state and local school authorities, asking that they cooperate both in securing funds and in celebrating Americanism Week.

The following suggestions are for school participation:

(a) Starting September 17, 1953, have each student in elementary school, high school, and college place one cent each week, during the school year, in a bank, to be maintained by the student at home or at school.

(b) Arrange five-minute patriotic programs each week; as the students leave the room, have them place their pennies in a receptacle obtained for the purpose. This procedure combines both objectives—restoration of the Hall and the educational program.

(c) Each school cooperating will be listed on the honor roll which will be placed in Independence Hall.

CHURCH COOPERATION

Seek the cooperation of all church groups; the threat we face is also a threat to our religious way of life. The churches cooperating in this project will be listed on the honor roll at Independence Hall.

PATRONS

Any individual contributing \$100 or over shall be listed on the honor roll at Independence Hall.

PENNY CONTRIBUTIONS

As this is an educational program, wide participation is most important. Small amounts collected from many people, say a penny a week from millions of citizens, is more desirable than large amounts from a few.

This "penny-a-week" campaign will serve as a constant reminder to the youth of our country of our great heritage, and it will focus attention on the struggles of our forefathers in establishing a democratic way of life—a life that people in other countries desire, but few have.

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The NEWS Presents MFWC

1ST VICE PRESIDENT



MRS. NORMAN F. PLOUFF

PRESIDENT

Mrs. Norman Fay Plouff of Dexter is being sponsored by the Dexter Woman's Literary Club, as a candidate for the office of President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Plouff has had wide experience in club work. She has been an active member of the Dexter Woman's Literary Club for fifteen years, and has served as the President of the Club. She is First Vice President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, and has served the State Federation as Director of District number 2, Treasurer, Second Vice President and First Vice President. She is a past President of the Onawa Literary Union, has served as Chairman of the Governor's Committee on Mental Institutions, as a delegate to the Maine Women's Legislative Council, and at present is Chairman of the Division of Civil Defense for the State Federation.

Her affiliations with other organizations are numerous. She is a member of Rebecca Weston Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and has served as Regent of the Chapter, a member of Wassookeag Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and active member of the Dexter Methodist

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Mrs. Ervin A. Center of Steep Falls is announcing her candidacy for the office of First Vice-President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, the election of officers to take place at the Annual Convention to be held at the Hotel Samoset, Rockland, June 16th, 17th, and 18th. She is endorsed by the Steep Falls Arts and Crafts Club of which she is a Past President.

Active in club and community work for a number of years, Mrs. Center has served the M. F. W. C. as Director of the clubs of District No. 12 (Cumberland County) and as State Chairman of the Departments of Press and Publicity, International Relations and Public Affairs. She is currently serving as second Vice-President and as State Chairman of the Department of Americanism.

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MRS. ERVIN A. CENTER

2D VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Allen F. Garner of Kezar Falls has announced her candidacy for the office of 2nd Vice-President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. She is being sponsored by the Ladies Magazine and Reading Club and the '21 Club of Kezar Falls.

Mrs. Garner is serving the MFWC as Recording Secretary. She has served as Director of District 13 and as President of the York County Union. She is serving on the M. F. W. C. Committee on Correctional Institutions. Last year she served as Chairman of the New England Conference of State Federations of Women's Clubs when Maine was hostess at York Harbor.

Mrs. Garner is very active in the civic, educational and religious activities of Kezar Falls. She has served as President of the 21 Club, Vice-President and Secretary of the L. M. R. C. She is Vice-President of the Kezar Falls Circulating Library. She is a Steward of the Methodist Church, serving on the Finance and Missions Commissions and is Chairman of the Commission on Records and History. She has served as President of the



MRS. ALLEN GARNER

Woman's Society of Christian Service, has been a teacher and Secretary in the Church School for 15 years. She is active in the Kezar Falls P. T. A. She is serving her third term as a member of the School Committee. Mrs. Garner is Chairman of several important sub-committees of the Regional High School Committee which will serve the towns of Cornish, Parsonsfield, Porter and Kezar Falls. She has taken an active part in

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Candidates for 1953-55

RECORDING SECRETARY

The Patten Woman's Club is sponsoring the candidacy of Mrs. Ernest G. Tupper, of Patten, for the office of Recording Secretary of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs.

A native of Cherryfield, Mrs. Tupper was educated at Cherryfield Academy and Eastern State Normal School; attended New England Conservatory of Music; and supplemented her education by summer sessions at U of M and Bates, and by extension courses at the University.

A teacher in the schools of Maine for over 25 years, Mrs. Tupper has always taken an active part in community life and was, for many years, a trustee of the Universalist Church. She is a member of the Southern Aroostook Teachers Club; Maine Teachers' Association; Parent Teacher Association; American Legion Auxiliary; a member and officer of Pleiades Chapter, order of the Eastern Star; past president of the Current Events Club; past president and a founder of the Patten Woman's Club; a member of the Molunkus Valley Woman's Club; a charter member of Nu-Chapter No. 13 Epsilon Sigma Omicron of Maine; and for the past years—has very efficiently served the Federation as chairman of the Education department.

Mrs. Tupper has a deep interest in the work of Women's Clubs and brings to the Federation: ability, enthusiasm, and a sincere desire to serve its needs.



MRS. ERNEST G. TUPPER



MRS. CHARLES W. MILLS

TREASURER

Mrs. Charles W. Mills, present Treasurer of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, is again endorsed by the New Idea Club of Milo as a candidate for reelection.

Mrs. Mills has served as President of the New Idea Club, Necrologist for the Maine Federation, District Director of District No. 3, American Home Chairman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and as Treasurer of the Federation for the past four years.

GIVE THE UN

A BIRTHDAY PARTY

When there is a birthday in your family or your club you bake a cake, throw a party or give a gift. This year you are being invited to celebrate the birthday of the United Nations the same way.

Here are some suggestions for making UN day, October 24, a special day.

1. Have a UN day party in your home for your friends or your club.
2. Give everyone something to do by sending a UN day package, gift or greeting.
3. Invite a guest of honor—an exchange student or teacher or technician, Korean war veteran or displaced person.

4. Cook a UN meal and adapt nationality motifs for the decorations and place settings.

5. Feature at your party UN music, dancing, games and costumes.

For helpful suggestions write The National UN Day Committee, 816 21st Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., for a free copy of the booklet "UN Birthday Parties with a Purpose."

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Editorial Points

We are proud to announce the arrival of Janie Eileen to the Kinney household on February 6. At the hour of her birth her mother's Methebesec Club was in session which should make her a potential clubwoman. At this writing all concerned are in fine health.

Wouldn't you like to go to the convention in Washington in May? It will include special meetings, tours and a visit to the White House. How about some Juniors going.

Keep in mind another convention too, the Maine Federation in June at the Hotel Samoset at Rockland Breakwater. We'll look for you there.

We wish to thank all contributors to the Junior Journal for their news this year. We hope you have enjoyed reading it as much as we've enjoyed editing it. May next year find all Junior Clubs with a regular correspondent to the page.

Have a nice summer.

Betty Kinney



BETTY KINNEY

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Carpo Club—Guilford

A book review "Postmarked Moscow" by Lydia Kirk was delivered at our February 19 meeting by Barbara Troy.

We observed a Husband's Night March 5th. A delicious supper was followed by Dub's Bridge. Prizes were awarded to winning guests.

At our March 19 meeting we had as speaker, Mrs. Harriet D. Gray

of Dover-Foxcroft who spoke on the Mental Institutions in Maine. She told of what is being done for the patients and what needs to be done to better the situation.

Two of our girls went to the Junior Chairman's home in Dexter to discuss the by-laws for the Junior Federation at the meeting held for that purpose. The delegates were Avis Edes and Elizabeth Herring.

Viola Mithee, Correspondent

Twin Village Junior Woman's Club Damariscotta

During the month of February, two Friday night parties were sponsored at the local recreation center.

We entertained the senior club February 16th at which time the speaker was Mr. Fred Holt, supervisor of the Maine State Forestry Department.

A box of woollens, containing thirty items was sent to Korea. We made financial contributions to the Holland Relief Fund, American Red Cross and the Penny Art Fund.

Florence Matthew,
Correspondent

Rockland Junior Woman's Club

President Edith Levenseler, Vera Miller and Georgia Stevens accompanied by Susan Hadlock of the Methebesec Club attended the mid-winter conference in Portland. There were twenty-nine juniors present representing only three clubs; Dover, Rockland and Skowhegan.

After lunch in the Egyptian room we listened to a talk on mental deficiency, which dates back to the Spartans. The first school for the feeble minded was established in South Boston in 1908.

We held our Style Show March 13 for the benefit of the crippled children. It was held at the American Legion Home and was produced for us by Senter-Cranes Department Store. We served refreshments after the showing.

Miss Ruth McBride of the Home Service Department of the Central Maine Power Company was the guest speaker March 10 giving us a demonstration in the Central Maine Kitchen. She prepared an elaborate menu for us and then lucky clubmembers took the food

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home. We certainly enjoyed this program which was different and educational.

Another program of special note was an evening of rug-making with the hooked-rug method being demonstrated.

Georgia Stevens
Correspondent

Wassookeag Literary Club, Dexter

The Wassookeag Literary Club of Dexter has had a very interesting, profitable and varied program this year. Between 700 and 800 stamps for the wounded veterans have been collected so far. One of our most interesting programs centered around the topic of Thanksgiving, its history and contrasting nature with today's celebration. During this program the reading of the Governor's Thanksgiving Proclamation helped to carry out the ideas under religious and moral values as written in the Slide Rule.

The art contest, which consisted of posters on Americanism and the flag, proved to be a big success. Two prizes of money were offered in each division.

The subject "Modes of Travel" provided a very interesting meeting. Each member of the committee described a trip taken by a different mode of travel.

Mary Jewett

WRITERS! READERS!

Everyone interested in writing or in meeting those who do write are invited to attend the Maine Writers Conference, August 5 - 7 at Ocean Park. At the request of those who have attended in previous years, the Conference will begin with a reunion dinner at 5:30 P. M. on the 5th, at the Ocean Park Hotel.

Thursday, which will be Maine Poetry Fellowship Day and Maine Press and Radio Women's Day, will begin with an Editors' Forum at 9:15, continue with a Writers' Forum at 11, and then at 2 o'clock a poetry tournament will be held. Harold Gleason and Robert P. T. Coffin will conduct poetry workshops and Richard Merrifield, editor of Yankee, will lead a feature article workshop. At 8 PM Charles Rawlings will speak.

Friday, Maine Writers Research Club Day and American Pen Women's Day, will feature such writers as Eric Kelly, David Woodbury, Lew Dietz and Betty Finnin, editor of Woman's Day. A Book Fair and reception to noted Maine authors will begin at 3 PM, after the business meeting. A moving picture at 8 PM will conclude the program.

Registration is \$1.50 per day for Thursday and Friday. Further information may be obtained from Doris Ricker Marston, Cape Neddick, Chairman.

Dover-Foxcroft

We opened our Club year with a Treasure Hunt, with our husbands as guests. In November during National Education Week, Mrs. Ola Blood, school principal, was guest speaker at our meeting, and we

also had Dinty Moore night in this month. At our Christmas meeting a Christmas Chalk Talk was given by the Rev. Alan Brough of Dexter.

Other programs have included a talk by our District Director, a talk by Mrs. Mildred Schrupf of Orono on "Party Foods" and a covered dish supper.

A Valentine Party for the Brownies and their leaders was given. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by 68! The Club finished paying for the Grammar School stage curtains in January, a project continued from last year.

We voted 100 percent in the November election. In April our Club conducted the Cancer drive, with Mrs. Charles Bradford as chairman.

Clara Patterson

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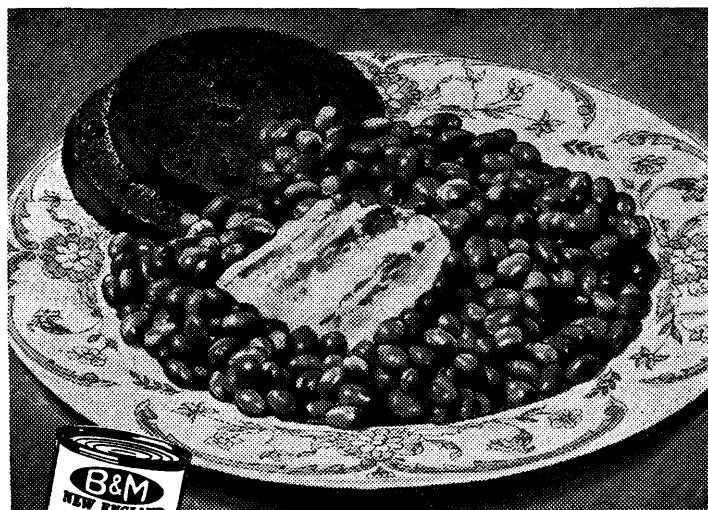
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A Clubwoman Looks At The Schools

Foreword

Ruth Mraz

Dear Clubwomen:

Although 2 Districts (24 or more clubs) have not been heard from, it seems that at least 85% of our clubs—in one way or another—participated in the **Schools** project. Unfortunately, several reports stated simply that "many" visited schools. These visitations, though quite as valuable to the individual clubwoman, could not, of course, be tabulated. However, at this time it is certain that we are responsible for between 3,000 and 4,000 visits to schools.

162 of our 191 clubs report either **visits**, or **Schools** programs on their 1952-53 club calendars. And some have accomplished both.

4 club had 100% participation in visitations.

1 club had 90% participation in visitations.

8 clubs had 50% participation in visitations.

Many clubs have had outstanding and cleverly planned discussions, following their visitations. 8 clubs had **public meetings** with out-side speakers on Education.

I could add many more outstanding accomplishments in Public Education but I prefer to list them in my annual report.

My sincere thanks for your wonderful cooperation, and special commendation for the 100-percenters; the Patten Woman's Club. The Sub-Deb Club of Bangor, the Mocutoc Club of Dover-Foxcroft and the Patawa Club of Bangor.

Seven (7) **Schools** essays were submitted. The following was

(Philomathian Club, Fort Fairfield)

Schools are in the limelight lately; of that there is no doubt. All one has to do is pick up practically any newspaper or magazine, and there will be quite prominently featured an article or two about schools. And most of this publicity has been bad. Downright criticism, and a lot of it unjust. Communist teachers, delinquent students, perverted activities, larceny, dope traffic, biased texts—and the lists go on and on. All this leaves a blazing trail, and undoubtedly the one good thing about it is that aroused readers follow this trail and eventually find the truth. They track down leads, make surveys and visit schools to discover for themselves if in their own particular community this bad publicity holds true. And they usually find out one way or the other. This all makes for aware persons. But sometimes the method used results in a rather abrupt awareness!

What do people find when they visit schools? This is what I found in Fort Fairfield. I found that the best time to visit is not during Education Week or some other designated period—unless, of course, the purpose is just to visit your own

chosen by the judges. Congratulations to the Philomathian Club of Fort Fairfield, and to Mrs. Mraz.

Sincerely yours,

Florence P. Tupper

Chairman Education Dept.
MFWC

child's room for pleasure or past-time. The best time to visit for analytical study is to go unannounced, unheralded, and as some teachers would say, **uncalled for**. Naturally the teacher feels a little the same as an artist feels when someone is peeking over his shoulder; but I, personally, have found that most teachers are very generous about this and carry on their classes practically as if no outsider were there. This is also a sign of a good teacher since her attitude carries weight with the students and soon she can make them forget that a visitor is present. That's the next best thing to being invisible. I found that the students seemed to have respect for their teachers, and were learning their lessons well in clean, well lighted classrooms. Our local school situation has improved steadily since complete consolidation in 1949, and with the addition of two new attractive school buildings and an industrial arts building. A long range building and planning program is being carried out and our capable superintendent keeps various local clubs and organizations well informed as to progress. Our P. T. A. organizations are active and friendly groups, which do much to make for pleasant relationships for all concerned.

Even though our town is small, it was interesting to me to note that all our teachers are what the

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The Sixty-first Annual Convention of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs will convene Tuesday afternoon, June 16, at 1:45 o'clock in the Hotel Samoset Ballroom. General sessions on Wednesday and Thursday will start at 9:00 A. M. A special session for the Junior Membership will be held Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Wallace A. Ripley, Director of District 9, is serving as General Convention Chairman.

The Registration and Credentials Committees will be on duty from 11 A. M. on Tuesday and from 8:15 A. M. on Wednesday and Thursday. The registration fee will be \$1.50 for the entire convention, \$1.00 for a day or part thereof.

Reservations should be made directly with Hotel Samoset where the special convention rates per day, American plan are

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These rates include all meals and the use of all recreational facilities at Hotel Samoset. Those not registered at the hotel should make meal reservations directly with the hotel. For the greater pleasure of everyone **please make meal reservations in advance.** Special rates for meals only are \$1.50 for breakfast, \$2.50 for luncheon, and \$3.50 for Banquets.

Dr. Philip Cummings, noted commentator and news analyst, will be our banquet speaker on Tuesday evening, using as the title of his address, **Horizon Unlimited.** Dr. Cummings has twice addressed General Federation Conventions and is in great demand as an interpreter of contemporary affairs.

Miss Stella Scurlock, no stranger to Maine clubwomen because of her visits here as Youth Conservation Director of the General Federation, will be on our program on Wednesday. Mrs. Fred L. Perkins, Jr., of Warren Woman's Club, who was a speaker at the American Assembly in New York in December, will also be on our program. Wednesday afternoon a symposium with representatives of our penal institutions will consider ideals and realities for our state institutions.

Dr. Harold C. Case, President of Boston University, will address us on Wednesday evening. Dr. Case's prominence and reputation as a public speaker assures us of an outstanding program for this season. A representative of the General Federation is expected and an inspirational address as well as lighter entertainment are included in our plans. Breakfast Discussion Groups on Program Planning and Club Problems are on the program.



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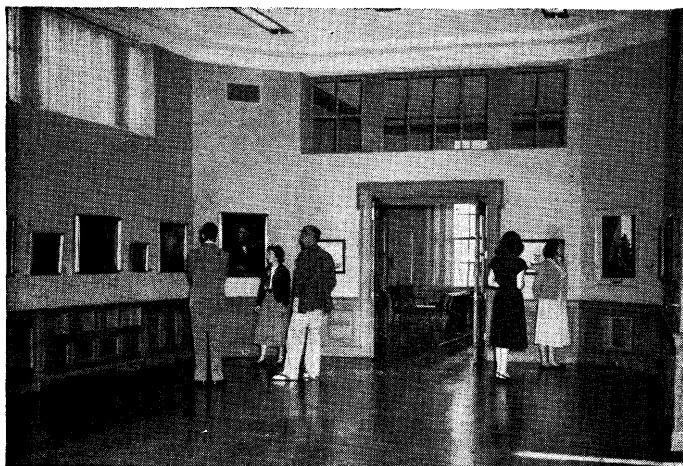
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To Clubwomen, Rockland is also famous for its three clubs: Grandmother Methebesec Club (1895), daughter Rockland Woman's Club (1937) and granddaughter Rockland Junior Woman's Club (1947). The Grandmother club's chief interest is in clothing a worthy girl during her four years in high school. District nursing and the hospital receive much attention from the two younger clubs.

The News thanks Mrs. Edith Levenseler for securing these ads.

Officers, District Directors, and Chairmen will report on the work of this administration and business will be included at each session. Nominations and election of officers for 1953-1955 will be on Wednesday with report of the Election Committee and presentation of newly elected officers on Thursday.

Moments of Remembrance, a memorial service, is being arranged for Wednesday noon and clubs are hereby reminded to send names of members who have passed away during the past year to Federation Necrologist, Mrs. Carrol S. Chaplin, 125 Western Promenade, Portland.

The following proposed change of By-Laws presented as a report of the Policy Committee at the Mid-Winter Conference in Portland in January will be acted upon: "Amend Article 4, Section 1, fourth line, by inserting the words, "a Third Vice President", after the words, "Second Vice President". "Amend Article 5, Section 2, fourth line, by adding after the word "chairman", "The Third Vice President shall be Chairman of the Standing Committees". "Amend Article 8, Section 3, third line, by adding after the word, "office", "If she cannot serve, the Third Vice President shall take office".

Data sheets are enclosed with this Call to club presidents. Please fill out and return as indicated immediately. This is necessary whether or not you elect officers this year.

This Official Call, with credential cards, is sent to every federated club in Maine. All clubwomen, whether delegates or not, are cordially invited to attend these sessions.

Doris L. Cushman,
President

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July 31, August 1 - 2

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ROCKLAND, MAINE



MRS. W. B. CUSHMAN

Dear Maine clubwomen,

This is a difficult letter for me to write—my last to you as president of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. No words of mine can express the warmth of appreciation and affection, as well as pride, I feel for you clubwomen of Maine for your loyalty, friendly consideration, and enthusiastic cooperation in carrying on the program of the Maine Federation and supporting the many and diverse requests which have come to you. It is this spirit which makes our accomplishments possible as we work for our homes, our communities, and for our neighbors farther afield.

The club questionnaires initiated this year have brought together such gratifying and thrilling information. For instance the dollar for Red Cross and another for some other worthy cause has piled up by combining reports to a sum of

over four thousand dollars. This figure does not include money donated to local projects but was for drives, welfare schools such as Opportunity Farm, health funds, and small contributions to youth groups. Also it only represents 82% of our federated clubs and I feel sure that the thirty-four clubs whose reports we did not receive must have contributed to similar causes.

Many more of these statistics along with outstanding concrete examples of worthwhile projects accomplished will be brought out in the reports at our annual convention next month. We do hope that a great many of you will attend this meeting. How thrilling it would be if every club in the state of Maine could be represented by its president or delegate. When the club presidents are honored let's not have one missing. Special recognition will be given to the club having the largest attendance and to the Director having the largest percentage of membership of the district present. Let's have a little friendly rivalry as we endeavor to get as many of our clubwomen as possible to come together this year.

I am happy to know that at this writing many of you are planning to attend the General Federation Convention in Washington. This meeting in our nation's capital will be outstanding, for not only will we have the stimulation and inspiration of programs with outstanding speakers, and the thrill of joint accomplishment from the reports of chairmen and officers, but added to all this will be the opportunity to visit our national shrines

and enjoy the beauties of our capital city. You will want to make at least one visit to the General Federation headquarters to see the material, the pamphlets, exhibits, etc. which you may have for your club and to see the efficient set-up whereby the clerical work, which keeps this great organization moving, is carried on. And you will be thrilled, I know, with the charming and homelike setting in which our officers and other representatives entertain foreign visitors, students or clubwomen, and where all clubwomen of the world are made welcome at any time. Reports of these experiences will be presented to our convention at Hotel Samoset.

I shall look forward to seeing just as many of you as possible on June 16, 17 and 18 at Hotel Samoset in Rockland. Here we shall review our accomplishments of these last two years and receive inspiration and enthusiasm to carry on for the future in this continuing project of community building as home-makers and citizens.

With best wishes for you all,
Doris L. Cushman

CONGRATULATIONS!

The NEWS is pleased to add its congratulations to those which friends of Evariste Laverdiere have already given him for his campaign against suggestive and at times obscene literature (so-called) so often found on newsstands. Mr. Laverdiere has refused to sell such magazines and books in his own stores, and has cooperated with state officials to start a wider battle against them. The NEWS is proud to have the Laverdiere stores among its advertisers.

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N. E. Conference

Miss M. Lois Plumb of Rhode Island, president of the New England Conference of State Federations of Women's Clubs, has announced the tentative program for the meeting to be held at the Mt. Washington Hotel, Bretton Woods, N. H., Sept. 15-17, 1953. Theme is "Know Thyself—Know Thy Country." The key-note address will be given by Sherman Adams, assistant to President Eisenhower at the opening session at two o'clock. Other speakers during the convention will be Charles Ferguson, senior editor of Reader's Digest; Gov. Hugh Gregg; Mrs. Lafell Dickinson; Clarence Mannion, former dean of Notre Dame School of Law; Mrs. Theodore Chapman, first vice president, GFWC; Capt. Louise Wilde of the WAVES. Hotel Rates: \$14-\$16 per day.

Help Your Young People To Win A Trip!

An essay contest on the historic significance of Independence Hall in Philadelphia, open to high school and elementary school pupils throughout the nation, will be sponsored by the GFWC. First prize for the best original essay written by a high school student will be a trip to Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, D. C. First prize for the essay written by an elementary school pupil will be \$100.

The contest closes Jan. 1, 1954. Entries must be between 800 and 1,000 words in length and should be sent to the Americanism Dept., GFWC.

"Best Time Ever"

Reports from those who attended American Home Day at the University of Maine say "The best time ever". The Little Theater was packed for the talks on Antiques, under the direction of our state chairman, Mrs. George Merrill. Mrs. Clarence Cook Little, public relations officer of the Jackson Memorial Laboratory, gave a significant talk on "Your Gains from Research Laboratories." Mrs. Burton Cross was a guest at the club luncheon, held in Estabrooke Hall. Many remained for the general afternoon sessions and for the delightful tea given by Mrs. Hauck, wife of the University president.

FEDERATION HISTORY IS NOW READY

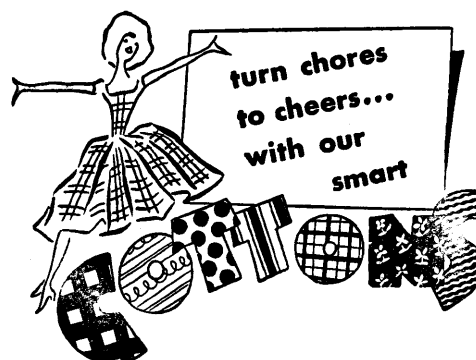
The history of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs from 1923 to 1949, written by Mrs. Charles Flagg, is now available, at \$1.50 per copy.

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UNITED NATIONS

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All this is not to blind our eyes to the failures . . . There have been Communist successes . . . which we would be foolish not to admit.

The United Nations is not a place which in any way destroys United States sovereignty. It is not a place which threatens the destruction of our Constitution. It is not a nest of Communist spies.

It is not a place which is controlled by Soviet Russia and the Communists. It is a rare day when the Soviets can count on more than five votes out of the 60.

None of the 60 nations comprising the United Nations, except for the Soviet Union, is able to maintain its economic and strategic existence alone—and the Soviet Union can only do it by requiring the harshest kind of slave labor. If we were denied as few as 20 essential materials we would be

completely crippled. The only answer to this dilemma is to strengthen the bonds of enlightened self-interest and of mutual self-respect with other nations.

The United Nations is a place where world communism can see us at close range. One reason for the changed appearance of Soviet policy is the strength of America under the leadership of President Eisenhower as this has been reflected at the United Nations where the Soviets have had a good chance to observe it. I think we are giving the impression of a people united as they have not been in a long time behind a leader who has at his command many, many strong tools which he can use to regain the initiative and to build a peaceful world.

With all its faults, the United Nations is a living organization which has gone further toward organizing peace and security than any other body in modern history.

It was possible to get along without a place like the United Nations in the days when the four-and-a-half day boat to Europe was the quickest way to travel across the seas. But now a place like the United Nations is just as necessary in international politics as an airport is in international travel—and for many of the same reasons.

The issue of war and peace depends on the existence of a consensus of moral judgment as to what is right and just. You play a decisive part in developing that consensus. But that is not all. Remember that when the Wright brothers invented the first aeroplane and caused it to fly a few hundred yards at Kitty Hawk, N. C., they did not immediately chop it to pieces and burn it up because it had not flown further. They set about to improve it and so we have the wonderful aeroplanes of today. Let us work together to improve what we have.

Independence Hall Restoration Campaign Programs

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ONE-DAY PROGRAM

- 10:00 A. M. Call to Order
Present Colors—Bugle Call
- 10:10 A. M. Prayer (Use Protestant, Catholic and Jewish clergy during the day)
American's Creed
- 10:20 A. M. Objectives of Americanism Week—President or Chairman
- 10:30 A. M. Greetings: Governor or Mayor
Heads: Veterans, patriotic, church, young people's groups, service clubs, etc.
- 11:30 A. M. Speeches: Our Heritage
- 12:15 P. M. Recess
- 12:30 P. M. Luncheon—Flags behind speakers' table
Pledge of Allegiance
Prayer
Patriotic music during luncheon (Use local band)
Speaker: Representative Government versus Communism
or
Religion and Democracy
or
Democracy versus Totalitarianism
Song: America, the Beautiful
- 2:30 P. M. Forum Have 3 or 4 ten-minute speeches on subjects mentioned in the Kit of Procedures.
Allow time for questions from the floor.
- 4:00 P. M. Adjourn

Note: If a banquet or evening meeting is scheduled, following an all-day meeting, or as a separate meeting, have a processional of flags, using 4 to 8 American flags and 2 to 4 state and local flags, followed by honored guests, officers, etc.

It is recommended that a guard of honor be used in the processional—Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or in case they are not available, use veterans' groups in uniform. If these are not available in small communities, use boy or girl scouts, Campfire girls and 4-H personnel. Use bands wherever possible. Everything should be done to create more patriotic fervor.

AMERICANISM WEEK

(A Week's Participation)

1. Have a meeting of all groups in the community—veterans, patriotic, educational, service clubs, youth and church groups, etc., to plan the program for the week.
2. Appoint committees:
 - Program
 - Organizations
 - Music
 - Flags
 - Poster Contest (Awards given during this week)
 - Tickets (Luncheons and banquets)
 - Arrangement and Hospitality
 - Speakers
 - Radio and Television
 - Processionals
3. Outline:
 - Sunday: Special church services
 - Monday: Observance in all organizations meeting on Monday (Same procedure used by organizations meeting each day that week.)
Parade in every community
Program by all groups participating
 - Tuesday: Programs in all organizations meeting on Tuesday
Special luncheon for women's groups
 - Wednesday: Programs in all organizations meeting on Wednesday
Band concert (patriotic music)
One speaker on Americanism in each organization
 - Thursday: All-day meeting by combined groups (See one-day meeting.)
 - Friday: Radio programs by various groups. Although radio programs are emphasized this day, outstanding speakers should be on the air all week.
 - Saturday: Parade
Band Concerts
Mass meeting of Youth Groups
Speakers on Americanism at youth level of interest

CANDIDATES

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President

Church, and currently serving the Church as a Trustee, a member of the Finance Committee, Lay leader for the church and Conference. She is a member of the Republican Town Committee.

Mrs. Plouff has devoted much time to Civic Affairs in Dexter. She is serving as a Trustee of the Dexter Plummer Memorial Hospital, a Director of the Central District Y. M. C. A., Financial Chairman of the Natarswi Fund for Dexter Girl Scouts, and a member of the Finance Committee of the Dexter Public Health Association Inc.

A graduate of New Hampshire State Teacher's College with further study at Boston University, and Clark University, she taught in Newton, Mass., where she did experimental and demonstration work for Boston University.

Mr. Plouff is Vice President and Treasurer of Fay and Scott.

1st Vice President

Born in Montreal, Canada, she received her education in the Westmount Public schools, at Roslyn Ladies College and McGill University.

With writing as a hobby Mrs. Center is a member of the Maine Writers Research Club and a former member of the Montreal Branch of the Canadian Authors Association. For two years she edited the M. F. W. C. column in the Portland Sunday Telegram.

She has served several years as Easter Seals chairman for Steep Falls and as Captain for the Maine Cancer Society, Inc. in that place. She is secretary of the Cumberland County Republican Committee, vice-chairman of the Republican Town committee of Standish, a member of the Women's Auxiliary to the Maine Medical Association and a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Portland.

Dr. Center is a practicing physician in Steep Falls and a member of the 95th and 96th Maine Legislature. The Centers have one son, Stephen, a freshman at Standish High School.

2nd Vice President

drives for the Red Cross and Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children. She is a Director of the York County Children's Aid Society.

Mrs. Garner is a graduate of Gorham State Teacher's College. Mr. Garner is President of the Kezar Falls Woolen Co., and they have two children, William now serving with the Armed Forces, and Ruth, a Junior at Oak Grove School, Vassalboro.

A Clubwoman

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trade calls, "certified grade A." Our high school courses are diversified enough for a student to prepare himself well for college, or to go directly into stores, offices, on the farm, into the home or shop. Each year the overall plan of education for all the grades draws nearer the goal of a perfect balance between studies, physical education and the arts. I am also very proud of the fact that our town, population 6500, is one of only 30 in the whole state of Maine that feature driver education courses in the high school.

I think the nicest compliment about our schools came from an army wife when she deliberately sought out our superintendent to tell him that her children had been in schools in Texas, California, and the mid-west, but that the schools right here in Fort Fairfield, Maine pleased her and her children more than any they had attended before.

Of course, we have our problems and draw backs, too. With the influx of army personnel and air base workers our classrooms naturally are becoming more crowded with their offspring. This, and an insufficient number of school buses, at the present head the list of problems. But plans are made and in time as our town can afford them, these will be met. Yes, the school situation here looks rather cheerful. But why the fuss and worry about all the bad publicity and blaring newspaper headlines, then? Can't we just sit back and relax now that we know our school are in capable hands? The answer is an emphatic NO. Because the problem that we

face has to do with moral fibers. The complaint seems to be on the type of people turned out from our schools today—the juvenile delinquent type who commits comic book crimes, and then goes on in life only to bring corruption into his business or public affairs. It's time to take the spotlight off the teacher and shine it on ourselves! Too long the teacher has had to be held as the pillar of moral virtue in the community, while parents went unchecked. How often does a child see a teacher outside of the classroom? We've been worrying about teacher's reputation too long and forgotten about our own! The focus narrows down to adult laxness and immorality. Not a very pretty term, but one we all should face. The simple conclusion is that the total education of an individual must be balanced between school and home. Knowledge is what you have learned and intelligence is how you apply it. Our schools are giving our children the knowledge, and it's up to us to set an example for intelligence. I find the schools are doing their part. Are we?

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Program Builders On International Affairs

MYRTIS PETERSEN

For one program or for year long study and discussion, the new manual on International Affairs "Freedom For All Mankind" sets forth clear objectives and practical suggestions. District Directors will have these manuals by now; and they are available free from GFWC Headquarters.

Mrs. Schroeder, General Chairman of the Department, outlines GFWC objectives briefly as follows:

1. To develop through objective study an informed public opinion.
2. To uphold GFWC policies as stated in Resolutions.
3. To further the solidarity of the Western Hemisphere.
4. To encourage and promote foreign trade.
5. To assist rehabilitation of war-torn areas and progress of undeveloped countries.
6. To study and strengthen UN.
7. To extend hospitality to visitors and students from other lands.
8. To encourage organization of clubs in other countries thru GFWC.

Many topics for discussion are listed, especially relating to Organization of American States (OAS—formerly known as Pan-American Union) and Foreign Trade, together with sources of material and information (especially GFWC, Pan American Union, Department of State, Mutual Security Agency, and U. S. Chamber of Commerce,—all in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Carroll, General Chairman of Division of Council of International Clubs stresses:

1. New Clubs—abroad.
2. Scholarships — international — state federations not already having such a program should establish one.
3. Entertainment of Exchange Students.
4. Hospitality to Exchange Teachers.
5. Extension of Hospitality to Visitors from Abroad.
6. Gifts.
7. Correspondence.
8. Special Membership Fund — contributions to help pay dues of international clubs.

Mrs. Davis, Chairman of Projects and Programs, lists Program Aids on Latin America, including art, films, books; and Projects as listed in "World Cooperation" with four additional projects subsequently adopted:

Knitting for Korea (already under way in Maine).

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Mrs. Richardson, Chairman of United Nations at Community Level, outlines the purpose and program of this division in taking the work of the UN and Specialized Agencies directly to the people. Write to her for first steps to be taken in setting up a little UN in your town.

Mrs. Arnold, General Chairman of UN Specialized Agencies Division, asks us to conduct study groups this year for building a "Better You". She stresses "fact-finding—then action" and lists valuable suggestions for study program, including a "Leaders' Manual on UN Specialized Agencies" prepared by her and available from GFWC.

Mrs. Sporborg, General Chairman of Division on United Nations, was Associate Consultant when United Nations was formed at San Francisco and has been a non-governmental observer at UN since its beginning, as well as GFWC re-

presentative on UN National Commission for UNESCO.

Her message to us today: "Let us of the General Federation dedicate our best efforts towards dispelling misconceptions about the United Nations and the attitude of defeatism prevalent in some quarters today. Let us work to correct admitted weaknesses in order to strengthen and make succeed a noble experiment and the world's best hope for peace."

Pertinent "Facts to Bear in Mind" about the United Nations, some thought-provoking "Do's and Don'ts" and advice about "Visits to the United Nations" are listed in addition to a "Working Guide" for study of United Nations, including Mrs. Sporborg's own "The United Nations—An Inventory of Six Years of Achievement".

CLUB LIBRARY

As Chairman of International Affairs, I have been building a file of material which I plan to pass along to the next state chairman in the hope that it will prove of value to her. If each club president or chairman of international affairs would retain all material sent to her, a substantial library of information and material could be carried along from year to year or made available to the club at any time. It could be loaned to the public library for display during United Nations Week for instance, or at some other pertinent time; loaned to the school department perhaps or made accessible to other community organizations similarly interested in International Affairs.

The latest additions to my file have been Manual on International Affairs "Freedom for All Mankind"—GFWC

"The United Nations—An Inventory of Six Years of Accomplishments" by Mrs. William Dick Sporborg—GFWC

"United Nations Specialized Agencies Study Course"—Leaders' Manual by Mrs. Dexter Otis Arnold—GFWC

Program Kits on United Nations and International Affairs—GFWC Report by General President Mrs. Oscar Ahlgren on her recent trip through Germany—GFWC

Some material you may not have had in 1952 can be obtained for 1953 from the following organizations:

Get on the mailing list of National Citizens Committee for United Nations Day, 816 21st St., N. W., Washington 6 DC

(Mrs. Oscar Ahlgren is on Executive Board)

for current Publications List and Leader's Guide for UN Day observances

UN Day Birthday Party book
Posters

What's Your UN-Q?—a UN quiz
A Model Skit for UN Day

American Association for the United Nations, 45 East 65th St., NY 20

What's In It For UE?

United Nations Week program material

United Nations Week—guide for your community campaign

The Church Peace Union, 170 East 64th St., New York 21

Program suggestions for United Nations Week—good ones

United Nations, New York

All kinds of material including Human Rights Day anniversary suggestions (December 10)

How To Find Out About UN

A dramatic documentary about UN—The Story of Interdependence can be obtained from Manhattan Publishing Company, 225 Lafayette

UNESCO

The Miosac Club had as its theme UNESCO, basing at least one program each on food, fashions, music, art, education, Religion and Christmas in other countries, and at their annual banquet the decorations were in keeping with the International theme, and each girl was dressed to represent one of the countries studied.

The Monson Woman's Club, in addition to \$50. for local welfare at Christmas, have started a Nearly New Shop, on a commission basis, as an exchange, primarily, for outgrown children's clothes, thus establishing a real community service.

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