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MAINE FEDERATION NEWS LETTER

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Dear Maine Clubwomen:

This is my final message to you by our Newsletter. I hope you will accept it as a personal one as I would write to you individually. Serving as your President has been such a wonderful privilege and a rewarding experience. The many courtesies entended and the fine spirit of cooperation will be long remembered.

Truly no President could wish for a finer group of officers, directors, department and division chairmen and special committee chairmen. Every one accepted her responsibility with great determination to accomplish worthwhile goals. My grateful thanks is extended to the individual club and clubwomen who worked untiringly throughout the two year administration to promote our program.

For our State Theme I chose "Broadening our Horizons through Faith, Education and Service" for I felt that without these three, no woman can take an active part in Federation today. Faith is made up of the things we hope for and only becomes a reality as we work to accomplish these things. Armed with Faith we can face any challenge made to these beliefs we hold most dear in life and go forth with new energy to help remake the world.

The difficult era through which we are living poses many problems. We must have education and become educated to the solution of these problems. We must work together with tolerance, kindness, and fortitude to succeed.

The individual may be powerless to shape events but the sum of these individuals organized in high endeavor may have the power and knowledge to be of real service. Knowledge

is the first essential of Service for if we are to perform valuable service we must fully understand. With Faith, and Education let us go forward to broaden our Horizons through Service.

Many thanks for your kindness and your thoughtfulness to me. I have many cherished moments to remember.

Faithfully,
Eleanor Syphers Garner

CONVENTION REMINDERS

All Scrapbooks to be judged must be at the Eastland Hotel not later than June 17th. See March Newsletter for rules.

Certificates for increases in membership will be given each club which has added three or more members above the number reported last year in Year Book. Notify Mrs. Ervin A. Center, Steep Falls before June 1.

Certificates for completion of club histories will be awarded. Please send completed histories to Mrs. Frank McGouldrick, Dixfield, by May 1.

PROGRAM FOR 1958-59

As there is a new administration to be elected in the GFWC in June plans and programs for next years work may be late in reaching our Maine Chairman. I have understood that many objectives of these last two years will be continued. Please consult your work manual (yellow booklet) for suggestions for your club.

Mrs. William H. Berry

The Women's Club of Gorham is sponsoring Mrs. William H. Berry for the office of President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs for 1958-1960.

A native of Kansas, Mrs. Berry was educated in the schools of Kansas and Missouri. A graduate of Kansas, she is also a graduate of Joiners Business College of Joplin, Missouri.

Mrs. Berry has served the Maine Federation as District Director of District 12, Third Vice-President, and is currently serving as First Vice-President. Mrs. Berry has been a member of the Educational Loan Committee, a delegate to the Women's Legislative Council, Chairman of the Endowment Fund Committee and has served on the Correctional Institutions Committee.

Active in community affairs, Mrs. Berry is Vice-President of the Gorham Health Council and Vice-Chairman of the Republican Town Committee. She is the founder of "Good Citizenship Day" which is observed annually by the Women's Club of Gorham.

Mrs. Berry is a member of the Women's Legislative Council, a member of the Woman's Literary Union, and the Women's Republican Club of Portland, and the O.E.S. of Medford, Mass. A member of the First Parish Church of Galena, Kansas, she attends the First Parish Congregational Church in Gorham.

Mr. Berry is a retired Lieutenant Commander of the U.S. Navy.

Mrs. Stephen Patrick

The Waldoboro Woman's Club and the Lincoln County Union of Women's Clubs is sponsoring Mrs. Stephen Patrick for the office of First Vice-President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Patrick is a native of Maine, a graduate of Arrostook State Normal School, and holds a Bachelor of Education and a Master of Education degree from Boston University. Her work has always been in education and for

last twelve years of service she was with the State Department of Education.

Mrs. Patrick has served as President of the Waldoboro Woman's Club, Lincoln County Union of Women's Clubs, Director of District #9, Recording Secretary of the Maine Fed. and is currently serving as Second Vice-President.

In 1943 both she and Mr. Patrick retired from the State Department of Education and moved to Waldoboro where she has become active in local and county affairs.

Mrs. Aubrey E. Snowe
The Women's Literary Union of Lewiston-Auburn is sponsoring Mrs. Aubrey E. Snowe for the office of 2nd Vice President of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Snowe has served as director of Dist. 11, Chairman of the Religions Div. and the American Home Department and as 3rd Vice President of the M.F.W.C. She is Past President of the Women's Literary Union of Androscoggin County and a Trustee for seven years. She is Past President of the Lewiston-Auburn College Club, the Lewiston-Auburn Council of Church Women. She is a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority, the American Association of University Women, Board of Managers of United Church Women, Lewiston-Auburn League of Women Voters, Board of Trustees of Lewiston-Auburn Y.M.C.A., Androscoggin County Womens Republican Club. Mrs. Snowe is a graduate of Colby College and lived in many states before returning to Maine to live in 1940. The wife of Dr. Aubrey E. Snowe retired from U.S. Public Health Service, she has been active in other community affairs. They have one daughter and several grandchildren.

Mrs. Alva Appleby
The Skowhegan Women's Club is sponsoring Mrs. Appleby for the office of 3rd V. Pres. of the M.F.W.C. Mrs. Appleby is a Past President of Skowhegan Women's Club, and has served the M.F.W.C. as director of Dist. 4 and chairman of Health and Welfare Division.

Mrs. Appleby is a native of Maine, educated in the schools of Madison. She was graduated from Oak Grove School, Lassell Seminary, Bates College with an AB degree Cum Laude and a BS Degree from Simmons College.

The wife of a dentist and mother of two children, Mrs. Applby also finds time for church work, singing in the choir, teaching a Sunday School Class of high school teen-agers and is President of the Women's Alliance.

Mrs. Guy R. Smith

The Outlook Club of Hartland is sponsoring Mrs. Guy R. Smith for the office of Recording Secretary of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Smith is a native of Maine and a graduate of Hartland Academy and has served as President of the Academy Alumni Association. She is active in community affairs, is a member of the St. Albans Union Church and the Women's Auxiliary of the church. She is a member of the St. Albans P.T.A. and of the Scott Webb Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Mrs. Smith has served as President of the Outlook Club and as Treasurer of the Onawa Literary Union. She is currently serving the M.F.W.C. as Chairman of Penny Art Fund.

Miss Hortense York

Miss Hortense York, present Treasurer of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs is again endorsed by the Woman's Literary Club and the Activity Club of Mars Hill for re-election.

Miss York is a graduate of Aroostook Central Institute, attended Abbot Academy, Andover, Mass. and is a graduate of Bryant and Stratton Business College, Boston.

She is a member of Friendship Chapter, O.E.S., a charter member of the Community Welfare Club and an active member of the Methodist Church.

Miss York has served as President of the Mars Hill Woman's Literary Club, Director of District

#1, State Chairman of Community Affairs, Division Chairman of status of Women and as Treasurer of the Federation since 1955.

OBSERVANCE OF FIRST LADY'S DAY

It has been suggested that a day be set aside in recognition of the vital part women have played in shaping the destiny of our nation. The historian, Richard C. Richardson of Virginia, who is responsible for this suggestion, chose June 2, the birthday of Martha Washington, as the appropriate day.

Clubs can have their program at any time during the year not necessarily on June 2. Three programs have been prepared and are available at G.F.W.C. Headquarters. They are in the form of dramatic plays. 1. Martha Washington Program, 1 scene, 2 characters, 20 to 30 minutes. 2. The Abigail Adams Program, 6 scenes, 4 Characters 40 to 50 minutes. With or without music. 3. Dolly Madison program, 2 scenes, 4 characters, 50 min.

CLUB PROJECTS

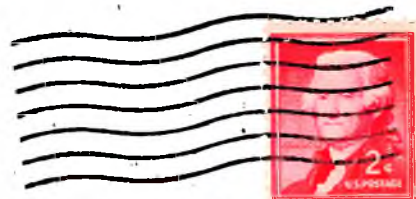
You will soon be deciding upon your club projects for another year. What is needed most in your community and what can you as a club do about these needs.

First of all, you will want to look at your community as a whole to see what you feel is the most urgent need within the scope of your group. Perhaps you will want to undertake a City Beautiful Project such as removal of litter, a clean-up or planting roadsides, improvement of vacant lots, etc.

The Gerontology Division might give you ideas for work with senior citizens or a committee to visit homes for the aged.

Are you interested in the Health and Welfare of your community? You plan a career day in your local high school, give a nursing scholarship, sponsor a home nursing class. You are truly blessed in your club membership when you are doing for others. You are making your community a better place in which to live because of your efforts.

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