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ANNUAL MEETING

The 11th annual meeting of the Farm Credit Club was held in the Little Theatre on Wednesday, June 27. It was noted for harmony and brevity.

The meeting was called to order by Julia Connor, outgoing president, who introduced the Women's Choral Group. The two numbers sung by the Choral Group were warmly received, and there were many flattering comments from those who previously had not had an opportunity to hear the chorus. Miss Connor expressed the feeling of those present when she said that the Club could be proud if it had done nothing more in the past year than to sponsor the Group.

Miss Connor called attention to the special issue of the GRAPEVINE, which had been distributed during the day, and to her promise that there were to be no set speeches. She invited questions or discussions concerning her own and other reports contained in the special GRAPEVINE, or concerning any other phases of the year's administration of Club affairs.

The big business of the day was the election of new officers and directors. The slate earlier posted by the nominating committee had been added to by many nominations from Club members in advance of the meeting day, and there were additional nominations from the floor.

The casting of ballots was followed by discussion and voting on two proposed amendments to the Constitution, which had been previously circulated for consideration of members. With only a minor dissenting vote, motion was carried for adoption of the proposed changes. Hereafter, elected officers and directors shall not serve more than two consecutive terms; and the Grapevine editor will be an



Editorial/Staff

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To conserve the Grapevine paper stock please place your copies of the Grapevine in your out-box after you have finished reading it. More than two hundred copies are needed for mailing to FCA men and women in the service.

VACATION HINTS

If you are thinking of a vacation at a nearby resort this summer, information can be obtained about vacation spots in Missouri, Colorado, Minnesota, and Arkansas, by inquiring in Room 2215, Extension 251.

Alma E. Day Chairman, Vacation Sub-committee Farm Credit Club

News for next issue due July 14

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FCA's Service Star



News From Field And Camp

LETTERS FROM OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

Cpl. David L. Svalberg, 37328448, 96th Fomb Sq., 2nd Bomb Group, AFO 520, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York,

Manfredonia, Italy

Howdy Friends, These few lines are primarily to say just that and - to make known my new address.

Redeployment has set in with a vengeance in this area and has every one in ill humor. Many a well laid plan has gone astray-many so-called "set up" has been destroyed.

The group I'm now in has been committed to the Army of Occupation although I, personally have a 50-50 chance for stateside duty in about six months.

We're located at present east of Foggia

about 10 miles inland from Manfredonia on the Adriatic coast. We'll probably move soon however. Rumor says we're headed for Vienna or Munich. Nothing definite though.

I still hear from Milton Dendy who is still apparently near the Riveria in France. I've lost contact with the rest of the old "gang." Frank Burke was the last I heard from and that was about six months ago.

I still receive the Grapevine regularly, "Malto Grazies" as they say here in Italy.

Capt. W. T. Kane, 0-650420, Hq. 5th Wing, V. S. APO 520, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York.

Have been receiving my copies of the Grapevine very regularly every one of which I have enjoyed a great deal so in order to insure the continuation of same thought I had better get on the beam and notify your office of my latest address.

Thank you once again for the fine publication.

NEW SERVICE ADDRESSES

(Change your directory, or add to it)

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It's a wise girl who nos the boys.

(Continued from Page 1) elected officer of the Club, with a resultant reduction of the directorate from six to five persons.

No new business was introduced in response to Miss Connor's call.

The 234 persons who had voted waited some minutes in the Little Theatre for the announcement of election results. and the time was spent in group singing led by Waverly Haynes, talented director of the Choral Group. It was then announced by Miss Connor that Francis W. Smith will be president for the Club year 1945-46. The election committee reported that it would be some time in counting the remaining ballots because of a wide scattering of votes among the 18 nominees for directors. Upon motion called for by President, the 11th annual meeting was adjourned.

Results of balloting, published later

President Vice President Treasurer Recording Secretary Louise Pressgrove Executive Secretary Katherine Delany Directors:

Francis Smith Agnes Nemanich J. P. Markey F. D. Van Sant R. J. Mischler George E. Olson V. A. Bixler Don Russell John R. Maguire

If FCA's absent-minded professor is tired of eating soup and mush, he can recover his denture at the corner store in the R. E. Lee Hotel where it was left Memorial Day. Or, it can be returned through the Grapevine's confidential "Lost and Found Department" if he will give delivery instructions to the Editor by telephone or note.

Strictly Personal

The J. L. Central Office Accounting. Wilkinson home was made happy by visits from daughter. Mary of the SPARS and son Bob of the Navy. Detailing in Audit Section are Betty DeGraffenreid from Files Section and Mary Margaret Donnelly from Pay Roll Unit ... Encouraging reports are received from recent FCA'er Mabel Kluttz who is presently a patient in St. Luke's Hospital Marian Morelock had as a recent guest Harline Wellman of Kirksville, Mo., who was en route to a girl's camp in Mt. Vernon, Mo...Bill Holman's mother is making a long visit in Kansas City Cecelia DiCanzio spent a few days' vacation helping plan the wedding of her sister. Rosemary Dawes....Bonnie Perry was recently visited by Pfc. Wm. Hills from her home town of Casper, Wyo., who is presently a senior medical student at Colorado University.

Chief Clerk's Office. Like Dagwood, T. L. Piper's troubles are commencing to increase with the acquisition of "Daisy," 7 weeks' old toy-fox puppy.

Cooperative. Hester Eads is spending a week at her home in Kansas City enjoying a visit with her two sailor brothers who are on furlough....From China comes word to Ellis Batten that his brother, who is with the Army, has received a battle commission as second lieutenant...Leora Welch week-ended in Chillicothe, Mo....Alma Day was delighted with a letter received from WAC Gertrude Grove, FCA'er now in Paris, in which she described an enjoyable furlough spent at the Army Recreational Center on the Riveria....Flowers beautifying the office have come from the gardens of Laura Miller and Elizabeth Cawood.

Economic & Credit Research. Lorine Liebst's mother of Olpe, Kans., was a guest of hers for several days...

Martin Planting is combining pleasure with business on a trip East...A weekend was spent by Leota Harman in the Ozarks...R. C. Engberg has returned from an official business trip to D. C. and several districts...Numerous telephone calls from a Naval friend in Seattle have highlighted Virginia Kipp's recent days...Frances Young departed eastward for a visit with her sister and her brother-in-law who has just returned from the European theatre of war.

Emergency Crop & Feed Loan. Vacationist Gardner Walker has returned to his desk. ... A reunion with her brother who had just returned from overseas' duty was a recent pleasure of Mary McElroy.

Examination. The H. M. Shields family is happy in a new home just across the street from the George Bartlett's... Eileen Fascher was on the sick list for a few days as a result of her vaccination "taking"....Agnes Nemanich did some hostessing at the War Bond Premier held at the Newman Theatre on June 19... We hear that Mary Nolz, though still apartment hunting, is happy on her new job in the assistant manager's office of the Veteran's Administration in Minneapolis....V. A. Bixler is "batching" while his wife is in Akron, Ohio, at the home of her father who is ill.... Isabella McGinnis will recuperate from a tonsillectomy at her home in Topeka, Kans....Our sympathy to Kay McCarthy on the death of her mother on June 21.

Finance & Accounts. Dot Baucke, returnto FCA from a spell of housekeeping,
will take over Helen Goswellen's positior
in Calculating Unit. Helen departs for
Washington for a desk job in the Commerce Department...Verna Brewer is back
on the job after a short sojourn in the
hospital...Said goodbye to Kathryn
Vance who transferred to the Veterans'
Eureau.

Marjorie Wiss stopped in Chicago for a day on route to Green Lake, Wis., to attend a church conference....Marian Stolov from Stenographic Section is taking over for Marjorie during her absence A few days at home were spent by Virginia Galloway entertaining her sister who is moving from Iowa to California Meda Martin is spending a few days of rest at her home in Kansas City....Lena Kentts daugher, visiting here while her husband is being transferred in Army camps, was introduced to the section In response to a surprise phone call on a Friday eve, Olga Markham hastened to St. Louis to join her husband who had just returned from overseas' duty.... Opal Brown, who spent a couple of weeks in our midst, departed Thursday to accompany her husband to California.... A welcome to newcomer Ruby Whitaker Lorraine Meuers has returned from her home in Minnesota with the good word that her father, who is presently in the hospital in Rochester, is improving. ...Our sympathy to Mildred Kern on the sudden death of her father.... Hubert Lacey, new field accountant, has collected the rest of his family from Omaha and brought them to Kansas City.... Margaret Roberts has returned from a short visit in Camdenton, Mo., and the nearby Ozarks....Presently vacationing westward are Alma Franklin, Charles Kraus, and Jimmy Pitts.

Governor's Office. Grace Tryon, almost recovered from her accident, is again in our midst and it is our hope that she will soon be able to dispense with the "walking stick"....Following General Eisenhower's return, Lucille Cramer began boasting that Abilene, Kans., is her home.

Graphic. Bessie Docman is recuperating at her home from an operation undergone at St. Joseph Hospital.

Information & Extension. The Jas. L. Robinsons welcomed home for the summer

months daughter Mary from Michigan State College....Presently vacationing in the West is Frances Price...... Catherine Hardy is in a "dither" over President's Truman's acknowledgment of a letter of encouragement sent to him.

Land Bank. Coworkers honored Lila Owens. new bride of "Willie" Campbell, with a miscellaneous shower on a recent eve.... Lucille Holmes acquired a beautiful suntan while vacationing at her home in Kansas City.... A letter from Max Menk in Louisville tells friends he is still among the living ... J. T. Burkett eagerly awaits the return from vacation of Myrle and little Myrle by plane on July 7.... News of the family of Barney Schneckloth includes the graduation of Barney, Jr., from West Point attended by Mrs. Schneckloth and daughter Nancy, and Nancy's thrill in wearing her first formal to the West Point Hop.

Mail. Welcome to new messengers Bill Stevens and Norman Simpson...Presently detailing are Mary Denton in Reports Section and Doris Adams in Stenographic Section...Shirley Ellefson hastened to Tampa, Tex., to proudly watch her brother Teddy receive his wings.....Our sympathy to Kathleen Thomas on the sudden death of her young son, Benton.

Personnel. Rosemary Dawes, bride of Maj. Warren Bales since June 26, was honored with a shower given by Peggy Goodrich and Marie Wassenberg at Peggy's home. Guests were girls of the division and two former members, Lena Sanders Vanderbrink and Martha Tucker... Eleanore Mitchell acquired a banged-up knee when a car recently hit her... Frances Sayre's husband is recovering from an illness at the Olathe Naval Hospital....Back with us again is Phyllis Windrum who has been attending the Missouri University in Columbia.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS Purchase & Supply. Dazzling diamond on Virginia Paine's left hand is a gift of red-headed ensign Kenneth Caldwell, stationed in Pensacola, Fla., who prior to entering the Naval Air Corps in January 1943 was a member of this section...Presently vacationing in the East are Mary Harris and the Francis Smiths....James Green is a new groom, having said "I do" on June 24.

Solicitor's Office. Word has been received by Linus Gardner that his brother, John, has been released from a French hospital and will soon be homeward bound...Present travelers on official business include Ray Mischler to Washington and A. A. Goldman to Montana.

Tabulating. Welcome to a new employee. Helen Vernon, whose husband is serving in Europe....Norma Jeanne Talkington was a bridesmaid at the wedding of former FCA'er Marjorie Shannon on June 23. Marjorie and Eleanor Franklin, also a former employee, visited in the unit....Carroll Thomson is now a student of IBM.... A weekend was spent by Helen Riggs in Springfield with relatives....Dick Robertson's brother sails on the USS Izard, a destroyer now on duty in the Pacific Two of Jeanne Gross' uniformed friends were visitors in Kansas City on a recent weekend, one an ensign of the Navy from Ottumwa, Iowa, and the other a first lieutenant of the Army Air Force departing for overseas' duty....It's not blushes but suntans received on weekends and during the Eisenhower parade that adorn several girls of the unit.

Telephone. "Hello from sunny California," says S/Sgt. Mary McBride on a card to former coworkers....Catherine Donnelly has set the date of her return from an extended rest at her home in Washington as July 7.

It takes real brains to cook a good dinner. It takes more brains to get one to cook.

WASHINGTON NOTES

"Dinty" Moore has left CR&S to accept a position with the College in Corvallis, Oregon. Lee Van Volkenburgh is enjoying a brief period away from the office. A farewell luncheon was held for Alexus Murphy who is leaving for a position in the War Department in San Francisco. The girls presented her with a traveling bag. Dorothy Peffer gave a bridal shower for Nell Mellott who will soon become the bride of Lt. H. S. Pearson (USCG). Among the guests present were: Mary Mathis, Elizabeth Moyer, Grace McGuire, Janet Snyder, Louise Wade, and Mary Epps.

Dear Ma -

Just want to lette you no brother Willie was hear last weak. Now he has went bak to that place he calls Filly Dell Fia. He ment to rite you, ma, but he was two cold and it was to hott. No. that don't sound rite. It must a bin he was to hott and it was too cold no, that aint it neither cause it sure were hott. Enyways he wuz sneesing and sweatin like nobuddies bussyness. wuz sure glad to see him again and just as sorry to see him go back to that wickud city where brothers is supposd to love everyone. They call Filly Dell Fia, Must be quite a horse...Little Willy's Big Brother in Washington

"How old should a person be who was born in 1897?"
"Man or woman?"

Trouble with self-made men - is that they quit the job too early!

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Home Service News

RED CROSS WAR FUND

There is a balance of over \$500.00 still due on our 1945 Red Cross War Fund pledges; why not get busy and start regular monthly or semi-monthly payments and clear up this balance.

The need for funds is as great as ever and we are sure that you will want to do your part in making things a little easier for our folks in the Armed Forces.

M. J. Fraile Room 2149

Two comparatively new assignments for the Motor Corps are the trips to Olathe where the girls meet hospital ships carrying men and supplies, and sightseeing tours in Kansas City for service men and women who have only a few hours leave between trains. The former assignment consists of three runs a day, and as the office hours conflict with the day trips FCA girls are making the night run from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m..... Delta Vaughn on a recent Sunday evening responded to a call from the Red Cross for flood disaster duty in the East Bottoms....Mary Nolz writes from the Twin Cities that she intends to resume her Motor Corps work up there shortly.

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WAGS LAST MEETING

In spite of a teasing shower, that peppered down through the sunshine, the WAGS held their last meeting of the year with a picnic supper served in the picturesque setting of Shawnee Mission, Saturday, June 23.

After members and guests had assembled, a lecture tour of the historic buildings was conducted by Mr. Harry Hardy, caretaker of the grounds. The Shawnee School was founded in 1839. The girls dormitory was the first building to be erected. It was built in 1845 of brick made from clay found on the premises. The building is in an excellent state of preservation and has its original front door of solid walnut. The furnishings, when possible, are either relics in actual use during the existence of the school, or reproductions from furniture used in that period. There is a classroom, complete with hand-hewn desks, an original schoolnasters desk and dunce stool.

It is not difficult to believe that in the little upstairs bedroom. Indian girls at one time actually slept, and later some grew to be elderly ladies before they departed this world, many, many years ago.

There is no end to the store of thrills packed into the chapel, and the WAGS are grateful to Mrs. Percy Miller, Past President of the Shawnee Mission Historical Society, for obtaining from Mr. Kirke Mechem, Secretary of the State Historical Society, permission to picnic on such a beautiful historic spot.

On the steps of the chapel the WAGS had their picture taken, after which the picnic supper was served. Fried chicken, potato salad, soft drinks, home-made cookies and other picnic delicacies,

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Club Room Notes. Orall

New books recently received in the club room include:

UP FRONT by Bill Mauldin
TOM PAINE: AMERICA'S GODFATHER by
W. E. Woodward
LAY THAT PISTOL DOWN by Richard Powell
A. WOLCOTT by Samuel Hopkins Adams
THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF SCIENCE by
Forest Ray Moulton
THE BEST IS YET by Morris Ernst

 New Clubroom Hours
 11:30 - 2:00

 New Library Hours
 12:00 - 1:30

Calling all soft drink bottles.

Please return to the Clubroom any empty bottles taken from there. They are needed for turn-ins so we can keep the soft drink dispenser filled.

Softball - The girls opened their softball season Friday night, June 22, with two teams entered in the league. M. J. Blyholder is Captain of the All Starteam, which includes Nilson, Vaughn, Davis, Feeley, Mountjoy, Morava, L.Meuers, Norton, Carter, and Perkins. The Humdingers are captained by Dorothy Palmer and include Y. Meuers, Muller, Franklin, Lowe, Trout, B. Meuers, Schmidt, Schwendeman, Paine, and Buchanan. The Hundingers won the first game by a score of 19 to 12. The highlight of the game was the home-run hit by Lorraine Morava. The girls will welcome a cheering section at 39th and Gillham Road each Friday night at 6:45 p.m.

SALUDOS AMIGOS

"Mucho gusto en conocerle", "muito prazer," and a "Welcome" and "how-do-you-do?" were the greetings extended to guests and friends of El Club Vespertino on Wednesday evening, June 27. This cosmopolitan group gathered at the Farm Credit Administration to greet the recently arrived students from Latin-America who are attending Kansas City University.

Among the guests were the Reverend Agustin Cuartero of Guadalupe Center; Sr. Eduardo Sanchez, Consul of Cuba; Miss Vivian Nordeen, Director of the Midwest Inter-American Center of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Maria Riggs-Miller and other teachers of Spanish and Portuguese; and a number of Latin-Americans who are now living in Kansas City. Father Agustin and Mrs. Riggs-Miller are natives of Spain.

The students from Brazil were ably entertained by Mrs. Gwendolyn Goode, secretary to Commissioner Arnold, and a brilliant conversationalist in Portuguese, the native language of Brazil, and some members of her Portuguese class.

Motion pictures in English and in Spanish were shown, giving the Latin-Americans an opportunity to see a little of this country and also permitting the students of Spanish and Portuguese a glimpse of the countries south of the border. After the movies, light refreshments were served in the Club Room.

SUMMER SPANISH CLASSES

Would you like to study Spanish this summer? El Club Vespertino has been requested by FCA'ers to organize a summer class for beginners in Spanish. If you are interested in learning to speak Spanish, please contact Isabella McGinnis as soon as possible.



FCA SUMMER BOWLING LEAGUE

Team Standings

Team	Won	Lost	Pin Fall
Tigers Browns Red Sox Yankees Indians Senators White Sox Athletics	16 15 12 12 11 11 11 8	8 9 12 12 13 13 13	15,609 16,288 15,385 15,002 16,048 14,996 14,699 14,719
Records			
HTG HTS	Indians Browns		784 2,206
HIG (men) HIG (women)	Frazee Anderson		256 256
HIS (men) HIS (women)	Frazee Anderson		615 555
Averages			
Men -	Frazee McWhirt Drescher		167 164 156
Women *	Anderson McGee Ross		163 136 132

Golf - The FCA Ladies Golf Tournament has advanced to the finals in both the Championship and Consolation Flights. In the first round Pearl Ferguson and Alma Franklin defeated Vivian Anderson and Bernice Meuers 1 up: Mary Jane Blyholder and Sylvia Mehaffy defeated Eileen Hague and Mary Lee Vincent 2 up and Louise Pressgrove and Beulah Watson defeated Eloise Moss and Norma Shreve 6 up. Delta Vaughn and Helen McCabe drew a bye for the first round of play.

In the second round the Ferguson-Franklin team scored another victory by defeating Helen McCabe and Delta Vaughn 3 up. Blyholder and Mehaffy overwhelmed the Fressgrove-Watson team 11 up and advanced to the finals. The final match in the championship flight will be hotly contested between the Ferguson-Franklin and Blyholder-Mehaffy teams.

In the consolation flight Hague and Vincent advanced to the finals by defeating Moss and Shreve 6 up. The Hague-Vincent team will play V. Anderson and B. Meuers for the consolation prize.

After the final matches are played, prizes will be awarded at a get-together for all participants. The committee has amounced that the next tournament will be on individual scores and details will be amounced later. New players are welcome.

POETS WIN HONORS

Three of the FCA Creative Writers who were members of Miss Myrtes-Marie Plunmer's summer poetry class of 24 placed in the final contest closing the session on Monday, June 25.

Rosalie Carleton won first with her poem WHERE THE HEART IS receiving a \$5 cash award, Catherine Hardy was third with REVILATION winning a book of poems "The Human Touch" by Judge Hunt

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WAGS LAST MEETING (Continued from page 7)

tasted mighty fine, eaten in the open over a carpet of blue grass.

Several new faces made their appearance at the picnic and it is the hope of WAG members that more FCA women will become active members next fall in this organization that boasts no dues and is open to all FCA women.

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POETS WIN HONORS (Continued from page 9)

of Maryland. Kathleen Corcoran's poen PATIENCE placed fourth receiving honorable mention. The two prize-winning poems will be published in August edition of the Kansas City Poetry Magazine. Mrs. Carleton is not now with FCA but was formerly in F&A, and has continued as a member of the Creative Writing Class.

WHERE THE HEART IS

My house will stand where I can see Tall trees and distant hills; Where I can know the sunset's peace, And wonder night instills.

My hands will work at little things, With love and netronome, And glad content will greet you, dear, When evening brings you home.

The waiting years have gone at last; Once more you are with me, And this I know, my house will stand Wherever you may be. RC

REVELATION

At intervals I am afflicted with doubt.

doubt,
As I strive to learn what this life is all about.

I struggle through days of frustration and strain

And I seem to lose sight of what I would gain.

My earnest attempts are directed each day
To final completion of tasks the best way,

And I know that we should endeavor to make

The world a bit better, for everyone's sake.

With all of this knowledge, I still am perplexed.

Quite often I ponder until I am vexed.

When like a flash, I seem so clearly to see

That there is contentment in being just me! CH

TICK-TOCK

A watcher of clocks I would never be, If the "guy who is boss" didn't make one of me,

I must time my arrival to a specified hour

Regardless of weather, sunshine or shower.

My day must be run on a schedule made By the boss, or his own duly authorized aide:

I have ten minutes rost, at a specified minute,

(And although I do, yet my heart isn't in it),

And if for some reason that minute slips by

The privilege is lost - and cokeless

I have 45 minutes for lunching at noon-Bolted food give me heartburn, but time goes so soon.

The day's end is marked by a loudringing bell,

And I leave with the rest, like a bat out of hell!

Oh, I never quite mastered the clockwatching knack

Up to now, but I tell you, and this is a fact.

Just a few more days' practice, and then I'll be able

To clock myself down to the Boss' timetable.

Anonymous

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