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## SECRET AMBITION DEPARTMENT

There are so many things that some of us yearn to do but never get very far with simply because it costs too much money and too much time to try to do things the hard way all by ourselves. Some of the ideas listed below have been suggested to us as secret ambitions of one or more employees during the past several months. We believe that anything is possible, at fairly reasonable rates, whenever a sufficient number are interested enough in it to make the necessary adjustments of time and place in order to establish a group purchase class or club. If you are interested in any of these items, send your name, bureau, room number and extension to Employees Activities Office, Welfare Association, Room 1011 South Bldg. If you do not see your secret ambition or craft project on the list, call us on Ext. 5611 and we will try to advertise it for you next month.

**FLYING CLUB** - With a dozen or more interested members, the cost can be brought within the reach of many government employees. Several government agencies in Washington have flying clubs for their employees.

**TENNIS LESSONS** - Group instruction class in tennis fundamentals can be started as soon as six more people sign up.

**GOLF LESSONS** - Seventy-five people responded to the group golf instruction series arranged last spring. Another series of golf lessons will be arranged soon if there is sufficient interest. Send in your name.

**HORSEBACK RIDING** - A club can be formed if a few more folks will say they are interested.

**ARCHERY** - Instruction series can be arranged for groups of ten or more. We would also like to know names of archers in Agriculture who would be interested in re-establishing archery clubs.

**CHESS INSTRUCTION** - We already have several people who would like a series of chess lessons for beginners.

**ICE SKATING** - It wouldn't take much to get an ice skating club started again. Nothing will happen though, no matter how much you are interested, unless you send in your name.

**MUSIC** - Several kinds of instruction groups, informal classes on music appreciation, recorded music listening clubs and other activities are being contemplated. If you are a music lover, your help is needed in getting them started.

**ROLLER SKATING** - If you want to be a member of an Agriculture roller skating club send in your name.

**JOURNALISM CLUB** - Agriculture employees could have a better newspaper than the Employees News Bulletin if some of our writers could find the time and interest to get a journalism club organized.

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Most folks who have hobbies enjoy them more when they are with others who have about the same degree of experience and enthusiasm. Many other people have interest in certain activities but have not yet had a chance to acquire experience or skill. Any of the following activities might be carried on, either in club groups with very little or no instruction, or organized as instruction classes for beginners. Indicate which kind of activity would interest you and send us your name:

**SPORTSMAN CLUB** - Hunting, fishing, gun smithing, fly typing, tall story telling;

**EXPLOREERS CLUB** - Mountain climbing, cave exploring, camping and wood craft, safety in the outdoors;

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## DANCE CLUB CREATED

At a Luncheon Meeting on Tuesday, July 14th, officers were elected for a new association to be known as the Agriculture Dance Club. Many of the members of the club's organizing committee were formerly members of Social Dance Classes sponsored by the Welfare Association Employee Activities program. Elected at the meeting were:

		Room	Ext.
President	Jack Anderson, REA	2247	5675
Vice Pres.	Milton Weinberg, PMA	0434	3054
Secretary	Tillie Schlicht, PMA	231W	4276
Asst. Sec.	Lorene Yost, PAI	43E	3726
Treasurer	Amanda Halford, FAR	5059	3835
Club Advisors	Charles H. Cunningham	1011	5611
	Toni DeFelice	341W	5748

The Club has made arrangements with the Hotel Hamilton, 14th & K Sts., N.W., Washington, to hold weekly dances in the air-conditioned Chantilly Room on the Tuesdays during August and the first part of September from 8 to 11:30 p.m. Music by the best orchestras in the country - on records of course. The Hotel will retain the beverage concession in the Chantilly Room. No cover - no minimum - just a Club membership card, price \$1.00, will entitle the bearer to admission to all seven of the dances. Membership cards will not be sold at the door but may be obtained from any officer of the Club or from the members of the Club's organizing committee.

A "preview" dance held on Monday night, July 26th, was enjoyed by members of the Dance Club Committee and their friends who had been lucky enough to get in on the advance sales of memberships.

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**CREDIT UNION** - Are you buying a car? It will be worth money in your pocket to think about the Credit Union first in planning your financing. Loans can be arranged, tailored to your personal needs. Inquire in Room 5433, South Bldg., between 10:00 A.M. and 1:15 P.M.

**FRIDAY LUNCHEON PERIOD MOVIES**  
In order to give the folks with fixed luncheon periods a break, we have planned another series of lunch period movies on Fridays in August, but beginning at 12:30 P.M. instead of 12 Noon. If you are interested in any of the following better mark your calendar now:  
August 6 - Wings to Viking Land  
August 13 - Golf Movies  
August 20 - Sky Ways to Mexico  
August 27 - To be announced later

**MODEL BUILDING CLUB** - Airplanes, railroads, sailboats or what have you;

**SKETCH CLUB** - or Class;

**WOOD WORKING CLUB** - or Class;

**TEXTILE CRAFTS CLUB** - or Classes in any of the textile class: Weaving, hooked rugs, etc. that interest you;

**COLLECTORS CLUBS** - Antiques, coins, phonograph records, china, autographs or what have you;

**COOKING CLUBS** - For amateurs or epicures;

**CANOEING CLUBS: SWIMMING: BICYCLE RIDING: SQUARE DANCING:**

**SAILING: TROPICAL FISH RAISING.**

There are enough folks in Agriculture, interested in any of these activities, to form a club or a class instruction group if they want to do it and will make the effort to say so.

Reports on the Moonlight Cruise on Thursday Evening, July 22, which was sponsored by the AERA, while not yet complete, do strongly indicate that the event was a financial, as well as a social success. 1,096 people were in attendance, including 195 folks who joined the boat ride from the Parents Association of St. Johns College. Members of the Boat Ride Promotion Committee were especially pleased at the last minute response which changed the outlook from what appeared to be a deficit to a situation with a moderate profit. Reports of actual sales at 4:30 in the afternoon indicated only about 560 tickets had been sold and paid for in advance. Fortunately for the Committee most of the people who had said they were coming, who had not purchased their tickets before payday, actually showed up at the dock. Special entertainment by Kay Poppell, singing and playing accordion, and her partner with the guitar, was a feature enjoyed by everyone on the boat. Fortunately for the judges of the dance contest, it was decided that the final selection of the winners would be made by applause from the crowd after the judges had narrowed the field in each contest down to three couples. We didn't get the name of the sailor and his girl friend who won both the straight fox trot and the jitterbug contest but there was no doubt amongst the majority of the on-lookers that they were the pair that deserved both prizes.

REA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION - John W. Scott, Chief, Administrative Services Division, was elected president of the REAAA at the annual meeting last Monday afternoon. Other officers named include:

Vice-President	Tex Williams
Secretary	Florence Cupps
Treasurer	Tom Oakley
Board Member	George Dillon
Board Member	Oz Briden
Board Member	John Tvelia
Board Member	Alta Hamlin
Board Member	Glenn Rendall
Board Member	Bob Robinson
Board Member	Tom O'Riley

**RIDES WANTED:**

Ruth Brenneis, x2614, 42nd and Nicholson Sts., Hyattsville, Md.  
 Joseph Redmond, x3284, 40th and Jefferson Sts., Hyattsville, Md.  
 Mr. E. Lummer, x4822, Colesville Rd & Piney Branch Rd. Silver Springs, Md.  
 Mrs. O'Neil, x5135, Kensington, Md.  
 Miss Crews, x3725, 2138 California St., N.W.  
 Kathryn Tregoning, x6027, 6806 - 44th St., Chevy Chase, Md.  
 Mrs. Ryan, x4579, 3108 Upshur St., Mt. Ranier, Md.  
 Mrs. Evans & 1 or 3 others, x3775, 29th St. & Eastern Ave., Hyattsville, Md.  
 Mrs. Jane Soule, x3801, 310 Tulip Ave., Takoma Pk, Md.  
 Minette Salzman & 1 other, x5933, 4811 N. Capitol St.  
 Dorothy Moss, x4274, 521 Bashford Lane, Alexandria, Va.  
 Mr. Herbert Washburn, x5956, Greenbelt, Md.  
 Jean Pittman, South Capitol & Danbury Sts., S.W. x3756  
 Mrs. Edna M. Hunter, x5867, 5319 - 13th St., N.W.  
 Mrs. Moorhead, x2131, 20th St., & Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, Va.  
 Roy D. Plato, x6240, 8519 Milford Ave., Silver Springs, Md. (Rosemary Hills)  
 Mrs. Mildred Moler & Miss Floy Barney, x3737, 33rd. St., Mt. Rainier, Md.

**RIDE OR ROTATOR WANTED:**

Mr. William Lillieholm, x4757, Chalk Point, near Deale, Maryland

**ROTATORS WANTED:**

Mr. John E. Mason, x2819, 2012 North Kenilworth St., Arlington, Va.  
 Mr. F. R. Donohue, x3269, Acookeck, Md.

The PEABODY CONSERVATORY of MUSIC has announced an award of \$1,000 for an original composition in symphonic form. No limitation as to nationality, sex, race, color, or creed, however, candidate must be between the ages of 21 and 30. Compositions must be postmarked no later than September 1, 1948. Address all inquiries to Joseph Weisman, Peabody Conservatory of Music, Baltimore 2, Maryland.

Annual Music Festival, Sponsored by Nat'l, Negro Opera Company, Griffith Stadium, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, August 7, 1948. Everyone is invited.

**DISCOUNT COMMITTEE** - The AERA Discount Committee, with at least one representative from each of the 10 member employee associations or clubs, is meeting every Friday afternoon in August at 3:00 p.m. in Room 335W. The Discount Committee is embarking on a project of preparing a Buyers Guide Booklet which will expand the discount buying services and it will incorporate the services already offered in the March and June Discount Buying list. A good many of the AERA members have already discovered that by use of their membership card they saved from 10 to 25 times the cost of their membership on purchases of electrical appliances, clothing, radios, refrigerators, tires, outboard motors and television sets. In addition to the persons who have joined the discount buying plan through organized recreation associations within their own bureaus, there have been more than 200 people from offices or bureaus without recreation associations who have joined up in the Welfare Employee Activities Office, Room 1011 South Building. These include about 32 people from the Bureau of Dairy Industry; 12 or more from Entomology and Plant Quarantine; 32 from Farmers Home Administration; 11 from the Office of the Secretary; 17 or more from Forest Service, and the others scattered liberally among the various smaller offices and bureaus. Using your AERA Discount Card is one way to combat the rising cost of living. If you're planning any purchases, other than food, which will cost more than \$10.00, it will pay you to take another look at the buying services available with your AERA membership card. Chances are that you can save at least double the cost of your membership card on your first purchase.

**AGRICULTURE MOVIE MAKERS** enjoyed a lively discussion and some advanced amateur photography at the home of Mr. Frank H. LaMasters of REA on Monday Night, July 26. Some of you may remember Mr. LaMaster's exhibits of stop motion cinematography at the Agriculture Hobby Show. The Movie Club has two projects underway at present. One - A travelogue on Washington, D. C. and the other - a movie of the activities of the Potomac Area Youth Hostellers.

**CHORISTERS** - The Agriculture Choristers, who are continuing their regular weekly rehearsals at 5:45 p.m. on Thursdays, in the Jefferson Auditorium, are also enjoying the weekly, sometimes, publication of their own little news bulletin known as the AC NEWS - publisher, Bob Powers; Editor - Pat Cobsgrrove; Art, Lee Geismar; Printer Bob McMickens. If you would like to see a copy of the AC NEWS call Bob Powers on 3150. Additional new music acquired by the Choristers since our July 1st report includes; "Morning Comes Early" - Czech Folk Song; "Now Let every Tongue" J. S. Bach; "Lo, A Voice to Heaven Sounding" Bertniansky.

**TENNIS** - The Department Tennis League schedule includes matches as follows:

Aug. 3	- Civil Aeronautics vs Agriculture
Aug. 12	- Army vs Agriculture
Aug. 19	- Agriculture vs Navy
Aug. 26	- Justice vs Agriculture
Sept. 2	- Agriculture vs Government Printing

All matches are to be held at 6:00 p.m. on the tennis courts at East Potomac Park, Manager is Elwood Hoeffcker, TOWER 6430, Ext. 80

There will also be a government employees tennis tournament starting August 14, sponsored by the D. C. Recreation Department. Further information is available from the Recreation Department, AD 2050.

**PERSONNEL OPERA** - The newest bureau recreation association now ready to become a member of the AERA is the Office of Personnel Employees Recreation Association (OPERA). At a meeting of OP employees held Tuesday, July 13, 1948, the following were elected as temporary officers:

President	- Joe Ragan
Vice-President	- E. R. Draheim
Secretary	- Melva Mills
Treasurer	- Bill Brown

Anyone who does not already have a membership in the AERA and wishes to join, may do so by seeing either Janie Hill in Room 448W, Toni DeFelice in Room 341W, or Dr. Johnson in Room 334W.

"Mikado," "Iolanthe," Columbia Opera Company, Sylvan Theater, 8:30 p.m., Friday, August 13, (also August 14)

"DON'T FORGET TO DRIVE SAFELY TODAY AND BE ALIVE TOMORROW"

"HOW ABOUT YOUR QUOTA OF SAVINGS BONDS?"