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## The State of Club Affairs

In this issue of the News, the first of the year, we are indulging in the accepted practice of summarizing last year's activities. On page 5 is a brief financial report covering some of the main Club activities for 1962. As you can see, we are in pretty good shape financially, but we still need YOUR attendance at the Club's activities to cut down on the cost and make each affair better than the last. The Christmas dance was again one of the outstanding features of the year; unfortunately, the weather kept many people away, resulting in a little more red ink than we would expect.

This year we are planning something for all - a children's boat ride and outing at Marshall Hall in May or June; a Spring Dance; a Picnic with added surprises; a Moonlight Cruise; a summer tour to New England; another Grand Tour of Europe; special courses in Investments, Shorthand, Painting, and Languages; a night or two with the Washington Senators; summer musical nights at the Theatre-in-the-Round;

bigger and better ball teams representing FAA in both the Mens' and Womens' Leagues, and Easter Bunny candy for all. All these add up to more reasons why you and yours should join the Club and enjoy the Member's privileges. Join us for your favorite sport, and support the Club!

## CLUB HIGHLIGHTS OF 1962

**JANUARY-MARCH.** Mildred Rice and Audrey Mills start beating drum for the Club's travel plans to Europe. Mexico travel tour cancelled due to lack of cash customers. Investment course gets under way. Social V. P. Jack Grewell announces New Orleans Party on a stationary cruise ship to take place April 29.

**APRIL.** Courses in Painting and Shorthand get organized. Credit Union gets on the Friendly Loan Company bandwagon with a Travel-Now-Pay-Later plan to finance travel. Europe and Middle East tour gets organized. New Orleans party big smasher...held on the Good Ship Mount Vernon (she never left port). This is the same ship, incidentally, that sank so ignominiously in December while tied up at the Wilson Line's dock. (The rumor that the sinking was somehow tied to the FAA's April party is such a base canard that we will not even dignify it with a denial). Steady as a rock she was, and sink like a rock she did.

**MAY.** CAA/FAA's favorite art teacher, Hilda Prevette, retires. Plans for the Club's Moonlight Cruise start to ferment. Betty Matthews takes job as Contact Veep. Plans for Picnic and Christmas Dance announced.

**JUNE.** Moonlight Cruise comes and goes. The FA Club's first Summer Dinner Dance announced for August.

**AUGUST.** Dinner Dance turnout lively and happy, tho small.

**SEPTEMBER.** Picnic well attended, as usual. Lakes of beer and oceans of

## HIGHLIGHTS (CONT'D)

popcorn consumed. Hilda Prevette coaxed out of retirement to teach painting class.

**DECEMBER.** Christmas Dance big blast, in worse weather of the year (it wasn't raining in the Sheraton-Park). New Club Officers introduced. Surplus Club Officers turned out to pasture.

## EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

**Painting.** Those pictures you may have noticed on the walls of the cafeteria during November and December were only the last of a long series produced by dozens of amateur artists in the past 13 years under the inspiring tutelage of Mrs. Hilda A. Prevette, the FA Club's own art teacher. Hilda has been with the CAA/FAA since shortly after World War II. Her job with the old CAA was in the payroll department at first; she filled several other positions in CAA/FAA until her retirement in May, 1962. Hilda comes by her talent and love of art honestly. Her father was a noted Philadelphia portraitist of the turn of the century, Richard Eugene von Schilling, and Hilda studied at the Academy of Fine Arts, the School of Graphic Arts, and the Philadelphia School of Art. While she was not studying art, she majored in psychology and sociology at the University of Pennsylvania and Broad Street College, took a course in nursing, became an ordained minister, and kept the grass from growing under her feet by a lively interest in the Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls, and the YWCA. After her husband was killed, she put in a stint with the Baptist State Children's Home in Florida as a dietitian. As you can see, Hilda has been active, but we suspect from her art teaching activities and enthusiasm, that her main "psychic income", as the management experts like to call it, has come from instilling her love of painting and her enthusiasm into who knows how many students in all those

art classes. Her classes are not high-flown lectures on Art (with a Capital "A"), nor long dissertations on theory-she squeezes out some paint on a palette or a board, sticks a brush in your hand and says "paint!". Ignoramus you may be, but paint you do. This system sounds a little like teaching a child to swim by throwing him in the river, but after surviving this first cold plunge, a lot of people have found it exhilarating and developed an avocation as satisfying as any hobby can be. Even those who have not continued actively have at least gained a valuable insight into what goes into a painting, and are certain to look at pictures in a different way than they did before. So Hilda has done her bit of contributing to Art Appreciation in FAA, and we hereby give her an official FAA salute. Mrs. Prevette is, as you might suspect, planning more classes, to start this spring. Watch this paper for information and if you are one of those who has always talked vaguely about "trying your hand at painting someday", stop talking, enroll, and get with it!

## Russian Language Course

This course is being planned for February, so call and get signed up right away. Depending on the background of applicants, there will be Beginner's and Advanced courses. Sessions will be after working hours Mondays and Thursdays, starting February 11, Room 2022, T-3. Price is \$23.00, including text, for the 3-month course. Interested students call Mr. Stambul-Sheik, Extension 4941.

## Introduction to Investments Course

This popular and informative course will start February 20, 1963. For details call George Pickard, Ext. 3439.

**ARE YOU** interested in an FA Club-sponsored course? On page 7 there is a handy application blank. Tear off and mail to our V. P. for Educational Affairs, Mr. John Cunningham, FT-38.



HAPPY EASTER EGG

Easter Candy will be on sale about March 15 - watch for it.

CONTACT ACTIVITIES - 1962 In 1962, approximately 1100 employees paid their annual dues and became members of the FA Club. We had about 500 associate members join the Club also. This is a total of 1600 Club members which is a drop from the previous year.

Many thanks to all the Contact Reps who helped in this regard and distributed and sold tickets to the various events. Your cooperation was very much appreciated and it has been a pleasure to work with you.

DISCOUNT BOOKS

Your FA Club is in the process of updating and revising the Discount Book.

A letter will be sent to all merchants who have participated, asking for their continued support and interest. Of course, there are a few who have not proven satisfactory which we will delete. It would greatly assist the Club to learn of any experiences members have had in dealing with these merchants, either good or bad.

Any comments should be submitted to Betty Matthews within the next week. Either drop a note to CA-30 or call her on Ext. 3546.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The FA Girls have put a team together again this year and so far their record is 2 - 2. Pretty good, even without a Coach.

The team consists of:

- Sally Devore, FS-13
- Jean Killinger, IM-146A
- Kathy Ladika, FS-13
- Betty Matthews, CA-30
- Rosie Trotta, IM-143A
- Jeanne Vail, MS-155
- Miriam Kilerlane
- Mary Ann Hipps
- Mary Ellen Hartnett
- Jane Neitzey
- Joan Mauck

If anyone would like to watch a game, the schedule is listed below. Win or lose, it's good for laughs.

- Feb. 4 GHI vs. GEICO 7:00 PM  
Capital Nurses vs. FAA 8:00 PM  
IDRA Raiders vs. Army 9:00 PM
- Feb. 11 Army Signal vs. GEICO 7:00 PM  
GHI vs. FAA 8:00 PM  
CAP City Nurses vs. IDRA 9:00 PM
- Feb. 18 Army Signal vs. GHI 7:00 PM  
GEICO vs. Cap. City Nurs 8:00 PM  
IDRA Raiders vs. FAA 9:00 PM
- Feb. 25 GHI vs. IDRA Raiders 7:00 PM  
Cap City Nurse vs. Army 8:00 PM  
GEICO vs. FAA 9:00 PM

All games played at Western High School 35th & R Streets, N.W. (Use the R St. entrance (Girls Gymnasium)).

The Christmas Dance  
(See front page pictures)

Over six hundred hardy souls (624, to be exact) braved their way through the season's first major snow storm to the Sheraton-Park Hotel on December 21 to enjoy the FA Club's Annual Christmas Dance. The Reception, held between 8:30 and 9:30, included, besides the Administrator and Mrs. Halaby, the following from the Administrator's Staff: General and Mrs. Grant, Mr. Alan Dean and his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Shank, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Blatt, Mr. and Mrs. Veirling, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lane. Everyone had a large evening in the spacious Sheraton Hall dancing to the music of Jack Cory and his orchestra. During one of the intermissions, the 1963 Club Officers were introduced (see page 2). Also during intermission, Mr. Halaby and General Grant added considerably to the cheerful tone of the evening by brief speeches on the benefits of our employee organization, the Federal Aviation Club, on the overall goals of the Agency. The upper right hand picture on the front page shows Mr. Hala-

Christmas Dance (Cont'd.)

by introducing Rosina Jacobi to the crowd and giving genial recognition for her efforts in doing so much work for the dance - the recognition was extended to others also who have helped plan and execute the FA Club's affairs. More than thirty door prizes were distributed to individuals, and a Waring Blendor awarded by a drawing from 1963 Club Membership card numbers. Unfortunately, some 200 individuals who purchased tickets elected not to attend the dance due to the inclement weather. This didn't affect the tab, which was guaranteed on the basis of tickets sold, but you missed a grand party if you didn't make it, and we'll just have to look for bigger and better ones this next year. See you then.

FEDERAL AVIATION CLUB ANNUAL REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1962

	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	NET COST ( ) OR INCOME	BALANCES
Beginning Balance Jan. 1, 1962				3977.35
1. <u>Recreational Activities</u>				
Spring Dance	1698.23	1839.57	(141.34)	
Summer Dinner Dance	1156.50	1548.13	(391.63)	
Moonlight Cruise	269.00	492.30	(223.30)	
Picnic	791.13	1632.45	(841.32)	
Christmas Dance	2776.50	1185.95	(794.90)	
Ice Capades Tickets	500.00	500.00	-0-	
2. <u>Educational Activities</u>				
Shorthand Courses	221.00	222.50	(1.50)	
Investment Courses	191.00	256.00	(65.00)	
Portfolio Planning Courses	135.00	121.50	13.50	
3. <u>Sports Activities</u>				
Sponsorship of Men's Softball	-	120.71	(120.71)	
Sponsorship of Girl's Softball	-	172.16	(172.16)	
Sponsorship of Bowling Activities	-	83.25	(83.25)	
Sponsorship of Basketball Activities	-	40.00	(40.00)	
4. <u>Candy Sales</u>				
Easter Candy	448.75	419.05	29.70	
Christmas Candy	1586.20	1481.65	104.55	
5. <u>Miscellaneous</u>				
Sale of Membership Pins to FAA	630.40	-	630.40	
Purchase of Equipment	-	815.53	(815.53)	
Miscellaneous Administrative Expenses	-	598.50	(598.50)	
Christmas Decorations	-	68.21	(68.21)	
6. <u>Major Sources of Income (which Cannot be Identified to Specific Expenses)</u>				
Membership Dues - 1962	2640.00	-	2640.00	
Membership Dues - 1963	716.01	-	716.01	
GSI Contributions	729.83	-	729.83	
Interest on Credit Union Deposit	99.15		99.15	
Interest on Perpetual Deposit	30.00		30.00	
TOTALS	14618.70	14082.91	535.79	535.79





## SPAIN, ANYONE?

Are you thinking about your 1963 vacation? How about a trip to Spain and Portugal? Make those dreams of finding your castle in Spain come true! The 1962 trip was so successful that the Club is again planning a tour through picturesque countries and North Africa.

Details are now being settled...and the itinerary will include Spain, Portugal, Mallorca, Tangiers, the Chateau country of France, Paris and London with all superior first class hotels and plenty of time provided for individual sightseeing and shopping.

Many who took the trip before have expressed a desire to repeat the exciting adventure. This speaks for itself. And it is a chance of a lifetime to go with the FA Group. If you are interested and want some advance information you can call Minnette Rodriguez, who will be the Tour Leader this year, FEDERAL 7-9367...(no office calls please). She will give you all the details!

## MIDDLE EAST

Thanks to the FA Club, you can jet away to the fabulous lands of the Bible, packed with beauty and history. Here, along the shores of the Eastern Mediterranean, crossroads of the world, our Western Civilization was born. Here, some of the most dramatic conflicts of all time were staged. If you wish to see the Pyramids of Egypt, the dazzling white Acropolis of Athens, the stupendous ruins of Baalbeck and the many sacred sites of the Holy Land, the exotic city of Istanbul on the Bosphorus, the beautiful Grecian Islands - come with us and reap your share of unforgettable memories!

We are working on the itinerary now - and you will be advised by flyer and FA Club News in February. In the meantime, any general inquiries may be referred to Lois Heinrichs, Jackson 5-3910 (evenings).

## ALL FA CLUB TRAVEL FANS GET TOGETHER

WHEN: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 5 to 6:30 P. M.

WHERE: TEMPORARY BLDG #3, ROOM 1515

WHO: ALL FA CLUB MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PLANNING NEW AND DIFFERENT VACATIONS, WHO HAVE TIME AND IDEAS TO SPARE - AND WHO WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON



# Travel EUROPE Travel

London, Paris, Jerusalem...wherever you were in Europe last September, you found some happy FA Clubber sightseeing, shopping, and fully enjoying the delights of European travel the FA Way. 236 FA members traveled to Europe on the chartered flights; some were from as far away as Honolulu. All had one thing in common - they had a marvelous time. Many have written telling us the highlights of their trip and praising the Club for the opportunity. We can't say which of

the trips were the most popular, but for the first time we have employees asking when we will have the itineraries ready and when we will accept reservations.

So you can get an early start planning your vacation, here is what is in the mill to date: The Club will charter another Boeing 707 Jet, leaving Dulles for London August 29 and returning from Paris October 1. 34 days of vacation, requiring 22 days of leave. Price for the trans-Atlantic round trip: Approximately \$210 (based on occupancy of the plane). The 10=Country Tour, Iberian Tour, and Middle East Tour will be repeated, and one new tour added this year. Final itineraries and prices have not been determined but Members will receive flyers when the details are available. Individual tour leaders will answer inquiries but please refrain from calling them during office hours.

CONDUCTED TOURS - Members can take the flight only, or a conducted tour, the price of which includes motorcoach and other transportation in Europe, hotels with private bath, three meals a day usually, tips, taxes, portage and transfers, sightseeing with fees paid and a courier or local guide. These tours have the advantages of known cost, congenial groups, and time for exploration and shopping, plus special features and the luxury of being entirely carefree.

CLUB TOUR - London, Lucern, Rome, Paris and a dozen other large cities - a Gondola ride in Venice - a trip to Sorrento and the ruins of Pompeii; the French and Italian Riviervas, shopping in Paris, and four days in London. A truly memorable trip for the experienced or "first time" tripper. Traveling in your own deluxe motorcoach you can relax and spend your entire time enjoying new experiences in all the historic and scenic places you have read and thought about.

## FA Club Membership Drive

The Membership Drive, with one free trip to New York for the winner, has been extended to February 9. As of January 15, we had 550 Regular Members signed up. There are still approximately 2500 employees in the Washington area who are not members - so we expect a lot of activity by our Membership Representatives in the next few days!

This will be the last time the FA Club News gets desk-to-desk distribution. Club Members will have the copies mailed directly to their homes. You won't want to miss out on news of what's going on, will you? Better get signed up - see your Membership Rep. today!

Tear off and return

To: John J. Cunningham, PT-38

I am interested in taking the following FA Club Courses: ☐ Portfolio Planning  
Shorthand: ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Refresher - ☐ Russian ☐ (Other Languages - \_\_\_\_\_) ☐ Painting ☐ Boating ☐ Public Speaking ☐ Reading Improvement  
☐ Square Dancing ☐ Other Courses \_\_\_\_\_ We welcome suggestions for courses which would be interesting and worthwhile for our Club members and Associates.



JOIN THE FUN SEE NEW YORK CELEBRATE WASHINGTON's BIRTHDAY

FEBRUARY 21-24

FA CLUB'S HOLIDAY SPECIAL - DELUXE CHARTERED BUS DEPARTING  
FROM FAA BUILDING T-3 AT 5:45 PM THURSDAY, FEB. 21

Non-stop to New York City  
Arriving 10:15 PM

HOTEL WARWICK - New York's best location - 54th St. at Avenue  
of Americas. Choice twin-bed room with bath  
for three nights (two to a room)

SIGHTSEEING - Special tour of UPPER NEW YORK CITY and  
UNITED NATIONS (Dutch Treat lunch in beauti-  
ful Delegate's Room at United Nations)

THEATRE - Choice center orchestra seats for London's  
hit musical comedy "STOP THE WORLD" (with  
London cast).

FILL IN AND  
MAIL



SURPRISE

PRICE - \$52.50 per person (includes baggage handling at Hotel)  
\$25.00 down with reservation - Balance Feb. 11

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Mrs. Mildred Rice, PT-70  
Chairman, FA Club Travel Committee  
1583 Mt. Eagle Place, Alexandria, Virginia

ENCLOSED IS \$ \_\_\_\_\_ down payment for \_\_\_\_\_ persons for New York Holiday.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
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