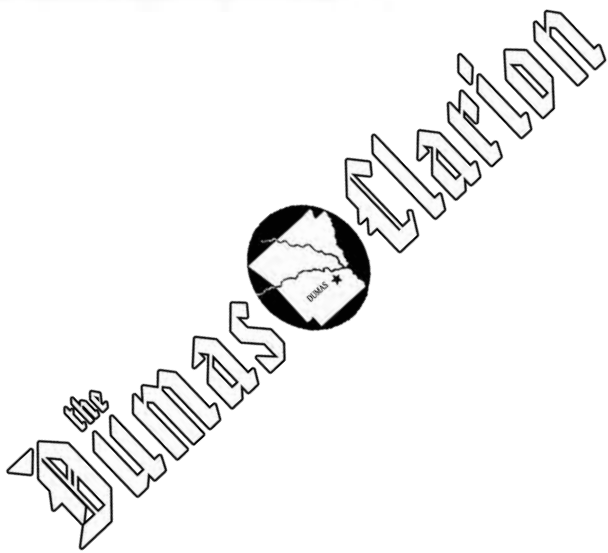
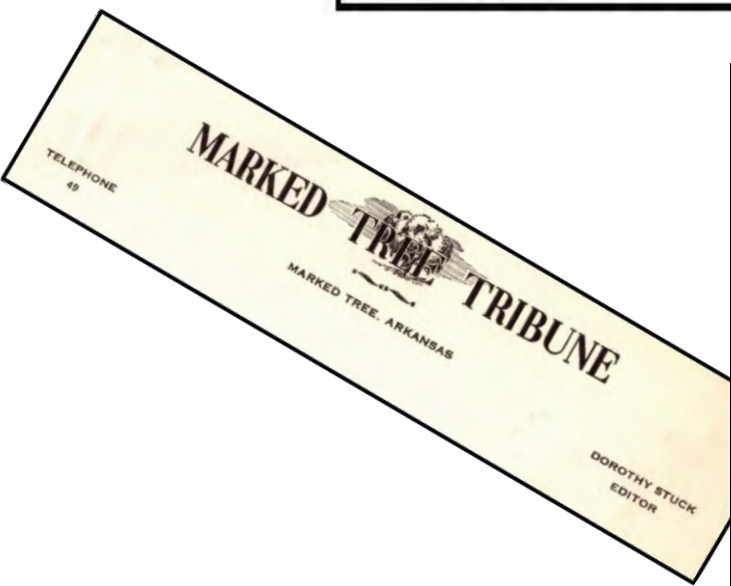


Arkansas Press Women Affiliation with NFPW
1952-1955
A Brief History



Newly Elected Officers, Arkansas Newspaper Women (ANW)

January, 1953

Arkansas Newspaper Women

Ladies Elect 1953 Officers



New officers of the Arkansas Newspaper Women are (seated, left to right) Mrs. Howard Stuck of the Marked Tree Tribune, president; Mrs. A. P. Muray of Wynne, treasurer; and (standing, left to right) Mrs. Eunice O'Baugh of Pocahontas, immediate past president, director; Mrs. Bob Fisher of Danville, director and Mrs. C. A. VerBeck of Fordyce, director. Other officers named were Mrs. O. E. Jones of Batesville, first vice president; Mrs. Charlotte Schexnadyr of McGehee, second vice president; Miss Elouise Castleberry of Little Rock, Secretary and Mrs. Max Hampton of Booneville, historian. The organization held its fourth annual meeting January 9-10 in connection with the Arkansas Press Association convention.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Did you ever watch a pipe smoker? He is continually relighting his pipe, although many times it may not actually have died out and all it needed is a little puffing to get it going. Many of us are a good deal like that in our daily lives. We feel that we need a fresh match or a new goal, when really all we need is to expend just a little more effort on our present task. We only need to try puffing a little harder.

That's all we need to do in the Arkansas Newspaper Women, "puff a little harder". We have a vast store of talent in our membership we have a great deal of enthusiasm that has never been tapped we have the desire and capacity to learn and grow together add effort and active interest to these and we have found the key to building a successful organization.

Our newsletter should lead the way. Through its pages we will be able to know one another better, to build a closeness throughout the state that we have not had before. Its report of the personal activities of members, of ANW progress and activities, of new ideas in the field of journalism will serve to keep alive through the year the interest stimulated in our meetings. We agreed in Little Rock that our organization needs more recognition. Looking twice we will realize, I think, that we cannot expect this without a program of action that merits recognition.

The newsletter will be our first test. I do hope each of us will take the time to answer the requests we receive for items for it.

In closing may I ask that if you do have a new idea, a fresh thought concerning ways we might improve

OFFICIAL FAMILY	
ARKANSAS NEWSPAPER WOMEN	
Mrs. Dorothy Stuck	President
Mrs. O. E. Jones	1st Vice Pres.
Mrs. Charlotte Schexnadyr	2nd Vice Pres.
Mrs. A. P. Murray	Treasurer
Miss Elouise Castleberry	Secretary
Mrs. Max Hampton	Historian
Board of Directors	
Mrs. Joan Fisher	Danville
Mrs. Eunice O'Baugh	Pocahontas
Mrs. C. A. VerBeck	Fordyce

Committees for 1953

Mrs. Stuck has announced the following ANW committees for 1953.

Program

Mrs. Josephine Jones, Batesville, chairman
Mr. R. L. Fisher, Danville
Mrs. A. P. Murray

Classification

Mrs. W. L. Love, Warren, chairman
Mrs. Ethel Cox, Booneville

Resolutions

Miss Margaret Woolfork, West Memphis, chairman
Mrs. Ellis Huff, Newport
Mrs. M. P. Jones, Jr., Searcy

Publicity

Mrs. Tom Allen, Brinkley, chairman
Miss Bobbie Foster, Little Rock

Committee to Contact Other Press Women Organizations

Miss Elouise Castleberry, Little Rock chairman
Mrs. Emma S. Foster, Little Rock
Miss Esther Bindursky, Lepanto
(This special committee was set up for the purpose of gathering information for a report to be made at the summer meeting.)

the organization or broaden its activities, through the days to come, won't you share it with us through the newsletter or in a note to one of the officers. Every suggestion will be welcome and helpful.

Sincerely,
Dorothy D. Stuck

Anything about members is news. Special features in your paper . . . local offices you hold or activities you participate in . . . trips you take . . . items about your family. Please mail them to Mrs. Howard Stuck, P. O. Box 21-B, Marked Tree or Miss Elouise Castleberry.

All ANW members are urged to send their \$2.00 annual dues to Mrs. A. P. Murray, treasurer, in Wynne, Ark. Mrs. Murray has the 1953 membership cards and will mail each member one on the receipt of her dues.

Announced Speaker for June 13, 1953 Breakfast Meeting at Hot Springs
Sue Gentry
Independence Examiner
NFPW and Missouri Press Women member

ANW NEWSLETTER

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May, 1953



MISS SUE GENTRY

PLANS ARE COMPLETE for our Arkansas Newspaper Women's Breakfast on the morning of June 13, at the Arlington Hotel in Hot Springs. Our speaker will be Miss Sue Gentry, city editor of the Independence Examiner, Independence, Mo. Preceding Miss Gentry's talk we will have a musical number by Miss Dora Jane Ledgerwood, Hot Springs vocalist, and a brief business meeting. Following Miss Gentry's talk we hope to have a round table discussion if time allows.

MISS SUE GENTRY is a native of Independence. She went to work for the Independence Examiner 24 years ago on a three months trial and has been there ever since. She is past president of the Missouri Women's Press Club and served one two-year term as secretary. She is an associate member of the Kansas City Alumnae Chapter, national fraternity for Women in Journalism, and is the chapter vice president. In Independence she is a member of the First Christian Church, the Chamber of Commerce and the D.A.R.

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WE HAVE 43 MEMBERS---A report from our treasurer, Mrs. A. P. Murray this week contained that good news. Paying dues this month were: Roberta Clay, Conway; Mrs. J. H. Beerstecher, Malvern; Margaret C. Brown, Wynne; Frances Beerstecher, Malvern; Mrs. Paul Bronte, McCrory and Mrs. Betty Ruth Morris, Clarksville.

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MARGARET C. BROWN of the Wynne Progress has recently been elected president of the Wynne Business and Professional Women's Club. Congratulations!

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MRS. M. P. JONES, JR. of Searcy and one of our past presidents, has much to be proud of in the accomplishments of son, Perrin. Perrin will receive his degree in Journalism from the University of Arkansas this year. In the past year he has served as editor of the Razorback, been an active member of Sigma Chi and co-editor of its magazine, Alpha Phi Omega and Lambda Tau honor fraternities. Recently he has been elected president of Sigma Chi and Delta Kappa, honor fraternity. He plans to return to the University and work on his Master's Degree---after his marriage on June 27th to Tommie Jean Cautrell also of Searcy.

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CONGRATULATIONS, TOO, to Mrs. O. E. Jones, our 1st vice president, who accepted the Sweepstakes Trophy for the Batesville Guard-Record at the annual May Day luncheon in Batesville. Mrs. Jones is president of the Guard Record Publishing Company. The luncheon, for which she had made arrangements, couldn't have been a more enjoyable affair.

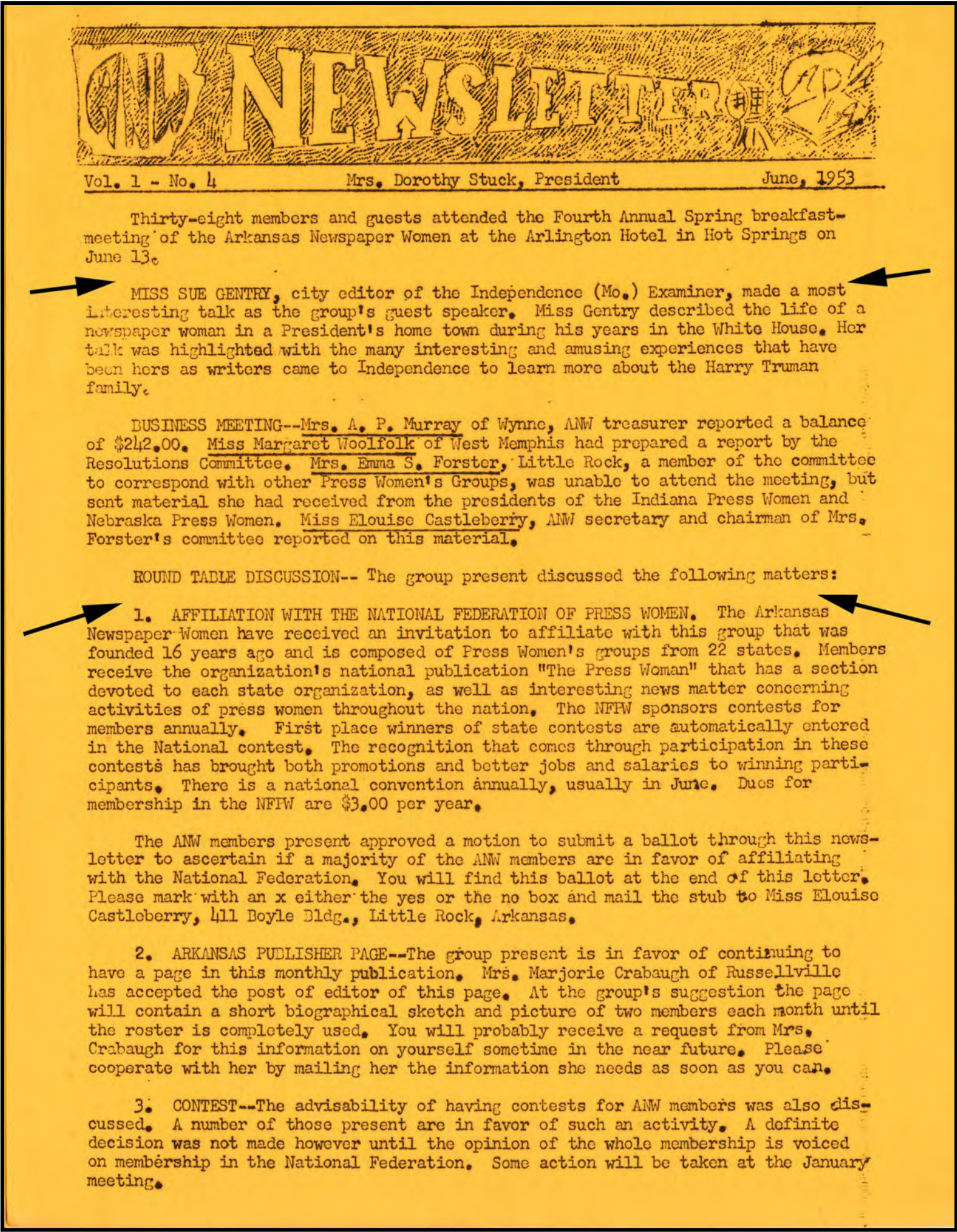
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COME TO CONVENTION--We're going to have an excellent program, not only on Saturday morning in our meeting but for the whole convention. ANW members need to make plans for the rest of the year at this meeting, and we need as many members present as possible to help us in those plans. If you need reservations for the convention, either write the Arlington or Majestic Hotel direct - or write Elouise Castleberry, Arkansas Press Association, 411 Boyle Building, Little Rock.

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4th Annual Spring Breakfast-Meeting (Hot Springs, AR)
June 13, 1953

Speaker Sue Gentry (*Independence Examiner* & NFPW/MPW member)
TO BE FOLLOWED BY ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION OF
ANW AFFILIATION WITH NFPW



Blank Ballot on NFPW Affiliation Included on second page of June, 1953 Newsletter.

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION
OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☐ Signed _____

No ☐ Newspaper _____

**President Dorothy Stuck (Center) and Speaker Sue Gentry with other
ANW Members at 4th Annual Breakfast-Meeting, June, 1953**



ARKANSAS NEWSPAPER WOMEN attending the 1953 Spring Meeting included, top row, (l to r); Mrs. C. E. Palmer, Texarkana; Mrs. Alden Mooney, Hot Springs Sentinel-Record and New-Era; Mrs. Tom C. Mitchell, Clarksville Graphic and Mrs. C. S. Wilkins, Magnolia. The featured speaker for the ANW breakfast, Miss Sue Gentry of Independence, Mo., is shown with ANW president Mrs. Howard Stuck of Marked Tree Tribune and

August, 1953 ANW Newsletter
Describes 27 Affirmative Votes for NFPW Affiliation
Seeks Additional Votes

ANW NEWSLETTER

Volume 1 - No. 6

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 1953

The writer of the Newsletter took a vacation in August from this duty, not so much from the recreational standpoint, as from the dearth of news provided her. The news drought continues this month, but no one in the newspaper business can afford to take more than a month's vacation!

--anw--

Enclosed with this month's Newsletter you will find a blank prepared by Mrs. Marjorie Crabaugh to help her in preparing biographical sketches on members for a page in the Arkansas Publisher each month. Mrs. Crabaugh has been ready to go ahead with this project for sometime now, and has been hampered because a Newsletter was not mailed this last month. Members are urged to cooperate by mailing the information to her as soon as possible.

--anw--

Mrs. Joan Fisher of the Danville Record, member of the ANW Board of Directors, underwent a major operation in August.

--anw--

Mrs. Josephine Jones, of Batesville was appointed to serve on the Arkansas Press Association Program Committee for the Mid-Winter Meeting.

--anw--

Twenty-seven affirmative votes for affiliation of the ANW with the National Federation of Press Women were received in the last two months. Have you sent in your vote? The ballot appears again this month at the end of the Newsletter. Those voting in August were as follows: Mrs. Eunice O'Baugh, Pocahontas Star Herald; Mrs. Craig Lovesy, Russellville Tribune; Mrs. Blanche Murray, Wynne Progress; Mrs. Margaret C. Brown, Wynne Progress; Mrs. W. O. Watt, Dardanelle Post-Dispatch; Marge Lyon, Chicago Tribune; Mrs. M. P. Jones, Searcy Citizen; Mrs. Marjorie Crabaugh, Russellville; Miss Bobbie Forster, KXLR, Little Rock; Mrs. Emma S. Forster; Alta Smith, Hot Springs; Mrs. Claire P. Schultz, Jacksonville News-Progress; and Mrs. J. H. Beerstecher, Malvern Daily Record.

Please mail news for the October Newsletter to Mrs. Howard Stuck, P. O. Box 21-B, Marked Tree, Arkansas

YOUR VOTE: I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes

Signed

No

Newspaper

ANW Votes for Affiliation with NFPW, 1953
(Remaining in APW Historical Files)

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Mrs. J. H. Beersbacher

Newspaper Malvern Daily Record

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Bois L'An

Newspaper Beets News

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Frances A. Bristches

Newspaper Daily Record
Nation, Arkansas

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Louis Strickland Read

Newspaper West N. Ark. Times 27 years

Editor "Ark. Times" (and founded)
press. Editor Capital Springs
Ark. Editor - 7th dist. Bulletin
"Arkansas Intermountain"

339 Washington Ave.,
Little Rock, Ark.
I am only 23 years old
but I am very close
to the N. A. P. W.
club.

you and the majority of the N. A. P. W.
club have helped
me in my
federation
club.

Does in the
Arkansas
Federation
club.

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Mrs. Earl McCassey

Newspaper Lincoln Ledger

Dear Press Gals: - Since this
is neither "news" or "doss"
retaine within the fold of
you in Little Rock or
Arkansas. Welcome to your
meeting. Meeting to all
repets. I could not be present
at Hot Springs, and congratulate
to all in the successful
meeting. Naturally
Louis Strickland Read

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Mrs. Frances Cordell

Newspaper Arkansas Daily News & Evening Times

Date 7-29-53 YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Olivia P. Schmitt

Newspaper Missouri Progress

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Ethel Hale Cox

Newspaper Sanatorium Outlook

Date 7-31-53 YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Alta Smith

Newspaper Metropolitan Newspapers
Hot Springs, ARK

Date August 20 YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Marjorie W. Grabaugh

Newspaper Free lance

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Mrs. Edw. R. Stafford

Newspaper The Springdale News

Note: I am already a member of the National Federation of Press Women-
I joined several years ago and am a member at large with dues of \$ 5.00 a
year.

Date Aug 6-1953 YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Bobbie H. Forster

Newspaper News Editor R. X. P.
1118 La. St. Little Rock Ark

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Marian Lane White

Newspaper Eagle Democrat
Warren

Date Aug 6-1953 YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Emma S. Forster

Newspaper Indicates
1118 La. St. Little Rock Ark

YOUR VOTE

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OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Margaret Woolfalk

Newspaper Crittendon County Times

YOUR VOTE

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ANW AFFILIATING WITH THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Mrs. Lona Love

Newspaper Eagle Publishing Co.
Warren, Arkansas

YOUR VOTE

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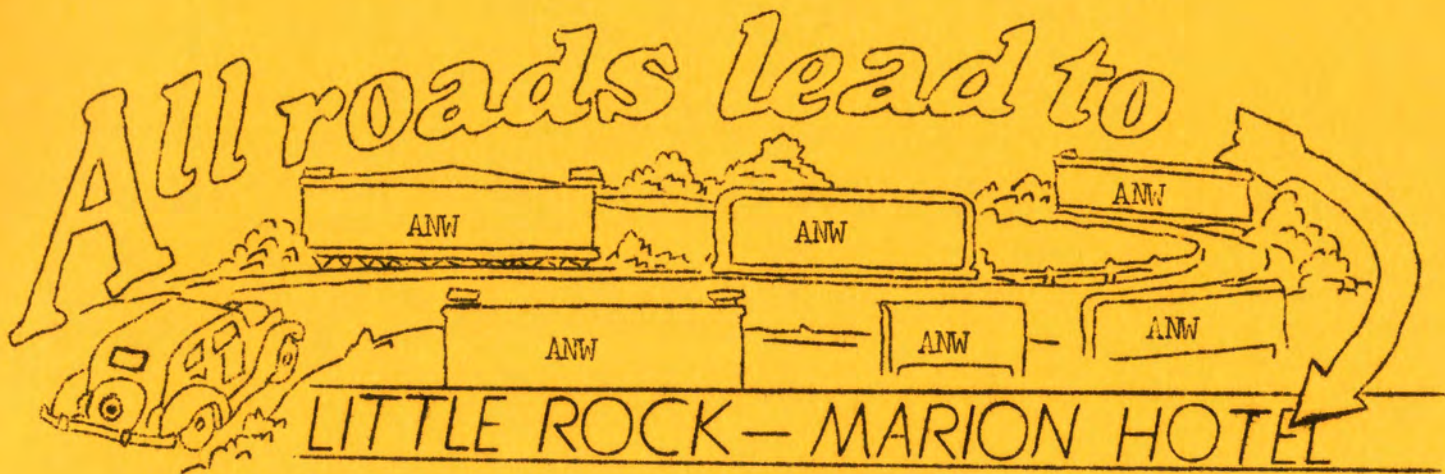
OF PRESS WOMEN.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Signed Mary Louise Wright

Newspaper De Witt Era Enterprise

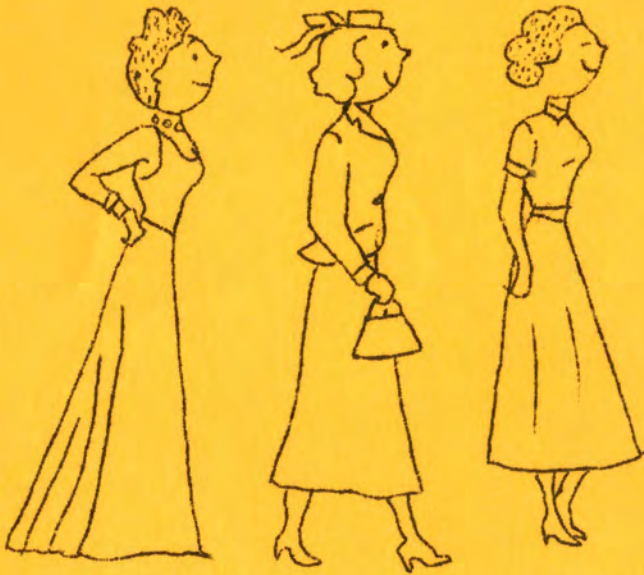
December, 1953 Flyer for January 16, 1954
Annual Meeting In Little Rock (Decision on NFPW Affiliation)



ARKANSAS NEWSPAPER WOMEN, SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1954

President Dorothy Stuck has announced the following plans for the women's meeting Saturday morning. Meeting will begin with breakfast Saturday morning, January 16 at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast will be sponsored by the Arkansas Division of the U. S. Brewers Foundation with genial hosts Haco Boyd and Haynes Richardson on hand.

At 9:00 a.m. hear Miss Willie Lawson, outstanding Arkansas woman, speak on "Women In Any Field". Miss Lawson holds the unique position of being the only woman Highway Commissioner in Arkansas (and possibly the United States).



WANT A GLIMPSE INTO THE LATEST IN
SPRING FASHIONS??????

A fashion show will be given by
Stanley Fine, manager of Mrs. Jack
Fine Dress Shop.

Heading the discussion during the business session will be the question of affiliating with the National Federation of Press Women. We need the presence of all interested members as we discuss plans for affiliation.

Be prepared to pay your 1954 dues of \$2.00 to Mrs. Blance Murray of the Wynne Progress, Wynne, Arkansas.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND.....THE

ARK. NEWSPAPER
WOMEN'S MEETING

**April, 1954 *The Press Woman* Announces Approval of
NFPW Affiliation at January 16, 1954 Little Rock Meeting
Identifies Key Role played by APW Member Esther Bindursky**

**Arkansas Newspaper Women
Affiliate With National**

The Arkansas Newspaper Women, at the annual spring meeting in Little Rock, January 15-16, voted to affiliate with the National Federation of Press Women. For almost a year previous to the meeting, the press women of the state had been considering the question of affiliation with National, following the presentation last summer by Miss Sue Gentry of Independence, Missouri, and Miss Esther Bindursky of Lepanto, Arkansas, a long-time member at large of NFPW.

The newly elected president is Josephine Jones (Mrs. O. E. Jones) of the Guard-Record Company, Inc., Batesville, Arkansas. The other officers have not been reported to the *Press Woman*. Fifteen members were reported at once to the national treasurer and plans were being made for the contests.

THE PRESS WOMAN
April-May, 1954, 4

NFPW PRESIDENT Helen Ankeny Presents NFPW Charter to Newly-Elected APW President, Charlotte Schexnayder at January 7-8, 1955 Annual APW Meeting

Over the States . . . State Presidents
WHAT YOUR NEIGHBOR IS DOING



National President Visits
Arkansas Press Women

Charlotte T. Schexnayder of Dumas has been elected president of the Arkansas Press Women. She took office at the January 7-8 meeting of the group in connection with the mid-winter convention of the Arkansas Press Association.

Mrs. Glenn Ankeny, president of the National Federation of Press Women, was guest speaker for the breakfast meeting of the Arkansas Press Women and presented the membership charter to the Arkansas group. Mrs. Ankeny told of the advantages of membership in the National Federation. She was introduced by Mrs. O. E. Jones, retiring president of the Arkansas Press Women.

The new Arkansas president, Mrs. Schexnayder, joins with her husband, Melvin Schexnayder, in publishing a weekly newspaper, the *Dumas Clarion*. She is a graduate of Louisiana State University, where she did graduate work in journalism and was a member of Theta Sigma Phi.

Other officers of the Arkansas group for the coming year are Miss Margaret Woolfolk, West Memphis, vice president; Mrs. Craig Lovesy, Russellville, second

vice president; Mrs. Andy Murray, Wynne, treasurer; Miss Joan Richardson, Little Rock, secretary; Mrs. Max Hampton, Bonneville, historian; Mrs. O. E. Jones, Batesville, Mrs. Dorothy Stuck, Marked Tree, and Miss Bobbie Forster, KXLR, Little Rock, board of directors.

Texas Press Women Elect
New State President

Miss Mary Elizabeth Fox, director of publicity at Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, has been elected president of the TWPA to succeed Mrs. Madie B. Smith of Belton.

Miss Fox has been active in the TWPA for several years. She has served as secretary and as vice-president. Her work in journalism and publicity took her to Washington, D.C., for some time, where she was an accredited correspondent to the United Nations.

Officers elected to serve with Miss Fox are Miss Laura V. Hammer, Amarillo, first vice-president; Dr. Pearl Ponsfere, El Paso, second vice-president; Mrs. Charles Allen, San Antonio, third vice-president; and Mrs. Barclay Megarity, Waco, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Florence Fenley, Uvalde, recording secretary; Mrs. Fern Pierce, Victoria, treasurer.

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1842 North Laurel Ave.
Phoenix
- Arkansas**
Charlotte Schexnayder (Mrs. Melvin)
Dumas Clarion
Dumas
- California**
Vivian Willits (Miss)
Box 488
Inglewood
- Colorado**
Lucille Hastings (Miss)
760 Marion St.
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- Idaho**
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- Illinois**
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- Iowa**
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- Minnesota**
Harriet Sitz (Mrs.)
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Grand Rapids
- Mississippi**
Lu Hartley Morehead (Mrs. Harry)
Long Beach
- Missouri**
Helen Wright (Mrs. Joe)
Hopkins
- Montana**
Dorothy Von Segen (Mrs.)
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- Nebraska**
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