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Juvenile Court Judge Camille McGee Kelley To Speak

Camille McGee Kelley, Judge of the Juvenile Court, Memphis Tennessee, will speak to the men and women attending the Farm and Home Week Program.

Judge Kelley will speak on Wednesday evening, September 1st.

She is a native Tennessean, daughter of Dr. J. P. McGee, who at one time held the Chair of Surgery in the Memphis Medical College. She studied medicine for two years before her marriage to Thomas Fitzgerald Kelley, a prominent Memphis attorney.

She is the mother of three children: Heiskell B. Kelley, an attorney now with the Solicitor of Agriculture, Washington, served as Lieutenant Commander during World War II; Thomas Fitzgerald Kelley (known as Gerald), a newspaperman, formerly with the United Press in Shanghai and at the time of his death in 1939, feature writer in Boston, Massachusetts; and a daughter, Evelynne Camille, who passed away at the age of twelve. Howard Hawthorne McGee, writer and poet, was Judge Kelley's brother. His poems were known throughout the South.

Judge Kelley is a lifetime member of the P. T. A. She is an honorary member of the National Pilot Club; is on the Executive Staff of the National Business and Professional Women's Clubs of America; is a charter member of Iota Tau International Legal Sorority.

Judge Kelley was the first woman south of the Mason Dixon Line to hold the position of Juvenile Court Judge, and the second in the United States. She has been elected seven times without opposition. Her Court is known as the "Heart Center of Memphis."

The National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., appointed Judge Kelley to represent that organization at the Conference on Prevention and Control of Juvenile Delinquency called in Washington in November 1946 by the Attorney General of the United States and the Department of Justice. She was placed on the permanent Committee for Motion Pictures, Press and Radio by this assembly.

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MRS. CAMILLE KELLEY

Mrs. Raymond Sayre, Speaker

The Federation of North Carolina Home Demonstration Clubs is indeed fortunate to have as their guest speaker for the Federation Day Program on September 2nd Mrs. Raymond Sayre, President of the World Organization of Associated Country Women of the World.

Mrs. Sayre is the first American President of this world organization. She is a farm woman from near Ackworth, Iowa, to whom many honors have been given because of her keen interest and outstanding work in rural organizations.

Mrs. Sayre is a capable leader with wide experience in farming. She has the knowledge and belief in the Associated Country Women of the World and a clear insight into the part the Home Demonstration Clubs in North Carolina can take in furthering this organization.

Mrs. Sayre feels that America alone can do the things that need to be done at this critical hour. Every American needs to help. She says that "The world is now at a turning point at which we may use through forces at our command either to ease the ills of the world, or for its destruction." We must have the courage to accept the changes taking place in our world and assume the responsibility for directing these changes through intelligent and courageous action.

You will want to hear Mrs. Sayre when she speaks to the Home Demonstration Club women and friends on September 2nd.

President of The North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs

Mrs. George Apperson, President of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, will preside over the meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs on Thursday, September 2nd. She will also preside over some of the general sessions of the Farm and Home Week programs.

Mrs. Apperson has been a very active president and the organization has progressed under her leadership. The past year has been a very busy one for her. She represented the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs at the meeting of the Associated Country Women of the World in Holland; attended the National Home Demonstration Council meeting; attended a session of the United Nations; represented the rural women of the United States at the Third Citizenship Conference held in Washington during May (around seven hundred men and women from various organizations throughout the country attended this conference).

Mrs. Apperson spoke to twelve District meetings of the Home Demonstration Club women this year.

She also has time for maintaining a farm home, supervising a farm, teaching school and is active in Church work.

Look What's Planned This Year

We believe the Farm and Home Week Program will be just as outstanding as last year. Our two excellent women speakers are: Mrs. Raymond Sayre, President of The Associated Country Women of the World and she lives on the farm. She is a leader and believes in Extension Work, a member and worker in The Grange and Farm Bureau, and a wonderful speaker. She will speak on Federation Day. The second speaker is Judge Camille Kelley of Memphis, Tennessee. She will speak Wednesday, Sept. 1.

Lectures by outstanding national speakers will be given on State, National and international affairs affecting rural people.

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DISTRICT MEETINGS

Twenty-five District Meetings have been held in North Carolina this year.

The keen interest in Home Demonstration Club work is shown in the increase of 1,979 members over last year.

The county reports were outstanding, the spirit of the meetings excellent, and the speakers inspired their audiences to greater work in the coming year. These speakers were: Miss Ruth Current, North Carolina State Home Agent; Mrs. George Apperson, President of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs; Mrs. Walter Pike, a representative of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs to the ACWW conference in Holland last September; Miss Iris Davenport, Editor, Woman's Dept., *Southern Agriculturist*; Mrs. Harriett Pressly, Director of the Public Service Program, Radio Station WPTF; Miss Lucy M. Holt, Principal of the Ocean View Grammar Schools; Mr. David C. Mobley, Interior Decorator of New York City; Chancellor R. B. House, University of North Carolina; Mr. F. H. Jeter, North Carolina Extension Editor; Dr. J. D. Messick, President of Eastern Carolina Teachers' College; and Dr. Leo W. Jenkins, Dean of Students of Eastern Carolina Teachers' College.

They are Making Things Better

The one hundred counties in North Carolina celebrated National Home Demonstration Week this year. It was forcefully brought out through this observance that when 40,669 rural women are actively working through community Home Demonstration

For The World's Children

In February of 1947 the United Nations approved a plan to get aid to the one group of persons in the world who are above all political controversy—the children. It directed that a world-wide appeal be made to provide critically needed food, milk, medicine and clothes and shoes to some thirty million children in Europe and more than thirty million in Asia. This drive, to be known as the "United Nations Appeal for Children," would ask every contributing person to give one day's pay (or its equivalent in goods) for relief in the war-ravaged areas. The bulk of the contributions would go to the International Children's Fund; the remainder would be allocated among voluntary relief agencies engaged in foreign relief.

This is one drive that will have tremendous personal appeal to those Americans—and they are legion—who believe that "Charity also begins abroad." Above all, every pound of food and ounce of cod-liver oil may save children's lives. The International Children's Fund, which depends upon governments to make allocations, originally asked U. N. for some \$400,000-000. Its work has been all but crippled because pledges from member governments will apparently not exceed 70 million. The difference between 400 million and 70 million can be counted in terms of human lives.

Home Demonstration Clubs, to date, have contributed \$960.40 to this fund. Have the clubs in your county made a contribution? If not, would they not like to do so?

The North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs accepted the sponsorship of the United Nations Appeal for Children in North Carolina. They, in turn, are asking Home Demonstration Clubs not only to get contributions from their own members, but to carry the drive into rural sections and villages and towns where women's clubs are not organized.

Mrs. Eva U. Person, Route 2, Louisville, North Carolina, Treasurer of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, has been appointed Rural Campaign Treasurer for North Carolina.

This is a real challenge. What amount can you raise in your county?

Clubs to make homemaking better, the future of the farm home in North Carolina is indeed bright.

And we want to pay a tribute to these club women and the Home Agents who advise them.

THESE ARE STARK FACTS!

Infant mortality in Europe and Asia has jumped from 40 deaths per 1,000 of live births, to as high as 330 deaths per thousand—compared with the United States rate of 38.3 per thousand.

Tuberculosis has doubled in many areas, especially among children. Lack of food has vastly increased such diseases as rickets, scurvy, pellagra.

Physical examinations in one zone showed that boys 14 years of age are three inches shorter than boys of similar age four years ago. This is the direct result of malnutrition.

In some areas half the physicians were killed; teachers, nurses and those trained in child care are also sadly lacking.

Many hospitals, orphanages, schools and colleges have been destroyed or wrecked, and much equipment has been damaged or destroyed.

These are the disasters which the private voluntary agencies of American Overseas Aid, Inc., and the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund can help relieve if only the necessary funds can be obtained.

"What use is the best of all possible worlds if the children do not exist?"

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Talks and discussions will feature new and improved methods and procedures for farm and home activities, including crop and livestock production, farm mechanization, rural health, family relationships, house furnishings and other points involved in better family living.

Exhibits and demonstrations on home equipment will emphasize electrical appliances. Others will include the latest in farm machinery. There will be a number of demonstrations of interest to both farmers and homemakers.

Tours will be made of historical sites in Raleigh as well as to the College and Experiment Station farms.

Recreation will include singing, square dances, and other enjoyable features.

Contests will be held and valuable prizes awarded to the winners.

Let's start right now giving publicity, talking at clubs, civic clubs, community meetings, on radio, etc., etc., about Farm and Home Week.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, will be the site of the next meeting of the National Home Demonstration Council and Country Women's Council in October, 1948.

Take Time For Ten Things

Take time to work—it is the price of success.

Take time to think—it is the source of power.

Take time to play—it is the secret of youth.

Take time to read—it is the foundation of knowledge.

Take time to worship—it is the highway of reverence.

Take time to help and enjoy friends—it is the source of happiness.

Take time to love—it is the one sacrament of life.

Take time to dream—it hitches the soul to the stars.

Take time to laugh—it is the singing that helps with life's loads.

Take time to pray—it helps bring Christ near and washes the dust of earth from our eyes.

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Judge Kelley is an author, Her latest book is entitled DELINQUENT ANGELS. She has contributed to a number of national magazines, and has been the recipient of many local and national honors. She was one of fifty women in the United States awarded the Scroll of Honor in 1942 by the Federated Clubs of America in recognition of outstanding service, and was selected as the Woman of the Year in 1947 in Memphis. Kelley-GRAMS, a unique selection of bits of philosophy from Judge Kelley's public utterances in the form of a hard-backed booklet, came off the press New Year's Eve, 1948.

She has spoken on numerous forums, including the Women's Forum under the auspices of the New York Times in 1943 and the Philadelphia Bulletin's Forum in April 1947. She has addressed leading "Town Hall" groups throughout the country.

In April 1946, four national magazines featured Judge Kelley and her outstanding achievement in dealing with juvenile delinquency; *Cosmopolitan*, *The True Detective*, and *Case and Comment*. A condensation of the *Cosmopolitan* article appeared in the May *Reader's Digest*. She has been written up in two London magazines recently.

In January 1945, Judge Kelley instituted a Counsel Guidance Clinic in conjunction with her Court in Memphis. Here parent, student and child may come in for informal conference before they become entangled in the meshes of the law.

In June 1947, Southwestern University bestowed upon Judge Kelley an honorary degree, Doctor of Civil Law. Also, in June 1947, a portrait of the

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Brief But Important

Food for Multitudes

"By and large, and over a period of years, the desirable changes in the average diet are more milk, eggs and meat, more fruits and more vegetables," states Sherman E. Johnson of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture. "But if necessary to conserve foods cheaper cuts of meat can be used and more cereals, potatoes and breads, and we could make more use of skim milk powder in diets.

"If we made such changes, it is estimated that enough food for 25 to 30 million additional people could be provided for, compared with the 1946 consumption; and our average diet could still be adequate.

"A reasonably rigorous, sustained effort to reduce losses and wastes might provide food for several million people. On farms the harvests are often incomplete and spoilage and pests cause losses. Transportation, processing, wholesaling and retailing each has its losses, and waste of food occurs in many homes and public eating places."

Nash County Home Demonstration Clubs Assist With Foreign Relief

In response to a request made by Mrs. George Apperson, State Federation President, that Home Demonstration Clubs in North Carolina assist families in war-torn countries, eleven Nash County Home Demonstration Clubs have chosen families in the Netherlands to assist from time to time—sending them packages through C A R E and writing personal cards and letters. The Benvenue Club was the first to receive acknowledgment and thanks for their Food Package.

The following clubs are working on this worthy project; Avention, Benvenue, Deans, Dortch, E. V. Gordon, Gold Rock, Hornes, HyWay, Middlesex, Oak Level and Philadelphia, each taking one of the twenty-four families listed.

Receives Honorary Degree At Clemson

We congratulate Frank H. Jeter who was recently awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Science by Clemson College, his alma mater, and thus became the first college agricultural editor in the nation to receive such an honor.

Dolls—13 Good-Will Symbols—Are Sent Here by Dutch Women

BETTY ANNE RAGLAND

Thirteen carefully-dressed little Dutch dolls on a good-will mission have arrived at the home of Mrs. George Apperson at Mocksville.

Made and dressed by the rural women of Holland, they have been sent to this country for distribution. North Carolina's quota—the 13 received by Mrs. Apperson—are to be auctioned off next month at the Annual Farm and Home Week at Raleigh, and the proceeds they bring are to be returned to the Dutch women.

The idea for the dolls originated last summer when the international conference of Associated Country Women of the World met in Amsterdam—a meeting at which Mrs. Apperson, president of the North Carolina organization was present.

It was agreed that 100 dolls should be prepared and sent to America to help defray the expense of the conference—and more important, to symbolize the unity and the friendship of Holland and the United States.

Thus it is that an international-minded Davie County woman is the proud—but temporary—possessor of 13 dolls.

The Dutch women's persistence in making and clothing these dolls for Mrs. Apperson were symbolic of their activities during the war. The Dutch Country Women's Organization had existed for 10 years when the Germans overran the Country. But with the coming of the Nazi a request came that a Nazi woman be admitted as an executive in the association. The Dutch women refused, and shortly afterwards their organization was forced to go underground.

They played a valuable role in resistance activities—caring for evacuees and Jews, hiding allied airmen and underground workers, smuggling parcels to concentration camps. It was a tough job, immediately after their hardships, to invite a world conference to Holland. But they did and now with the dolls, they made it even more memorable occasion for the American Country women who attended it.

—Salisbury Post, July 4.

NOTICES!

National Home Demonstration Council meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 4th-7th.

North Carolina Farm and Home Convention August 30th-September 2nd.

The Third National Conference on Citizenship

One of the great goals of our Democracy should be to train each individual to be a good, intelligent, active citizen. The importance of this was forcefully brought out at the meeting of the Third National Conference on Citizenship held in Washington, D. C., on May 16-19.

The Conference drew more than seven hundred delegates, representing two hundred fifty national organizations from all over the United States, and for the first time the United States Department of Justice came forward as co-sponsor with the National Education Association in promoting this important program.

Some of the Nation's best authorities on what it takes to make a good citizen function were on the three-day program of the Convention.

It was Dr. Richard B. Kerman, Director of Citizenship Conference Program for N. E. A., who, a few years ago, sensed the idea of keeping alive patriotic enthusiasm after the war had been won. He thought citizenship training was not something to be learned in school, and then forgotten, but that it should continue as an important part of each individual's life. A first step in this direction was made when National Education Association joined with the American Legion in sponsoring a National Citizenship Day. It was about this time that some society in California came out with a celebration of "I Am An American Day" ceremony. The three organizations joined efforts in promoting this patriotic program, and with the approval of Congress, the "I Am An American Day" became an established ceremony. Used as a preliminary opening at each of the other two conferences, this celebration was to have been repeated at the opening of the Third National Citizenship Conference on Sunday afternoon in the beautiful Sylvan Theater, Washington Monument grounds, but was disrupted by a down-pour of rain.

The first National Conference on Citizenship was held in historic Philadelphia, and the second in Boston. Both of these meetings were considered a success, and so our beautiful nation's Capitol was selected as the meeting place of the Third Citizenship Conference.

The program of the Conference centered around the theme, Citizenship Rights and Responsibilities, and the objectives in brief were:

1. To re-examine the functions and

duties of American Citizenship in today's world.

2. To assist in the development of more dynamic procedures for making citizenship more effective.

3. To indicate ways and means by which various organizations may contribute to the development of citizenship.

In addition to the general sessions of the Conference in which a number of the nation's most outstanding authorities took part, there were small discussion groups where all of the delegates have the opportunity for actual participation. These group discussions centered around: The World-minded American Citizen, Basic Human Rights and Attendant Responsibilities, and Citizenship in Action in Local Communities.

Dr. John W. Studebaker, Commissioner of Education, presided over the first general session. Music by the United States Army Band, and the massing of the colors by the American Legion's National Guard of Honor were impressive parts of this program.

Attorney General Tom C. Clark brought greetings from the President, and a genuine welcome to the conference delegates.

Judge Carl B. Hyatt, one of the leading figures of the entire group, spoke to us on the theme of the conference.

Dr. William Carr's address on "The Ten Marks of the World-minded American" was outstanding.

Among the many fine addresses of the Conference was that of the Hon. Robert G. Simmons, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nebraska, who spoke on "A Practical Experiment in Citizenship Training on the Local Level." He gave the Conference the story of a group of Nebraska High School students, organized in a clinic where they were actually taught the democratic way of carrying on their local government. They not only observed how the machinery of their government was run, but they became a part of it. Nebraska is proud of the results of this experiment, for by gaining knowledge of how their local government operates, the young people realize the importance of the maintenance of the system of government for free men.

On Tuesday evening Constitution Hall was the scene of another great gathering. The music of the United States Marine Band, the massing of the Colors by the Junior Daughters of the American Revolution, the National Anthem, and the Pledge of Allegiance by the entire assembly were most colorful. At this meeting At-

torney General Tom C. Clark spoke on "No Greater Joy, No Greater Duty." Following Mr. Clark, Dr. George V. Denny presented "America's Town Meeting of the Air." Senator Robert Taft, Representative Richard Nixon of California, Ralph McGill, Editor of the *Atlanta Constitution*, and the Hon. Thurman Arnold participated in the discussion on "How Should Democracy Deal with Groups That Aim To Destroy Democracy." These men answered questions put to them from many in the great audience.

The Thumbnail reports of the Conference discussion groups were given by Dr. Ruth Commingham, Associate Professor, Teachers' College, Columbia University. She very clearly summed up the thinking of the groups and presented this to general session. The gist of these, as she put it, was: "We have taken a tuck in time, we have put a pleat in space; if we are to live comfortably in this tight world, we must let out the old seams of our thinking." Dr. Cummings always delighted her audience.

A luncheon at the Hotel Willard on Monday, a banquet at the Statler that evening, lunch at Hotel Washington on Tuesday, and President Truman's reception at the White House broke the working hours of the conference and gave the delegates an opportunity for meeting and enjoying many of the prominent leaders in the Third National Conference on Citizenship.

The keen interest, and friendly spirit of Attorney General Tom C. Clark who attended all the general sessions of the conference was recognized and appreciated by all of the delegates. In summing up the conference, Mr. Clark had this to say: "The enthusiasm engendered by the give and take of the conference discussions, the fine discourses, and the other parts of the program should help us all in our effort to carry out our responsibility as citizens on local, national and international levels."—Mrs. George Apperson, Delegate from The Country Women's Council of the U. S. To the Third National Citizenship Conference in Washington, D. C.

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Judge was unveiled in the State Capitol at Nashville, Tennessee. It was presented by the Tennessee Historical Commission. Judge Kelley is the only woman whose picture hangs in the Capitol.

Judge Kelley is in *Who's Who in America*, *International Who's Who*, and is a member of *The American Platform Guild*.