

Writers Forum

by George B. Russ

success of this Circle's success. Of kindness, Walter S. Landor once said: "Kindness in ourselves is the honey that blunts the sting of unkindness in another."

The "U. B. W. Ws" are courteous. No matter what reason one gives for being odious, there is always time for courtesy. Justice Felix Frankfurter had this to say about courtesy: "courtesy is the lubricant of society."

The line-up of Willing Workers who shared with their families and friends an evening of fellowship, food, and friendship: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jones; Rev. and Mrs. Napoleon B. Sanders; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pratt; Mr. and Mrs. George B. Russ; Mrs. Elnora Ransom; Jimmy Lyons; Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Daniels;

Mrs. Temple Young, Annie Muse, Irene Hall; Moselle Flintall; Mr. and Mrs. McKinley Cates; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Partin; Mrs. Pauline Boxley, Elsie Harris, Willie Mae Fields, Mr. and Mrs. McDuffie Holmon; Mrs. Madie Tucker, Doris P. Holland, Lois Brown, Annie Mae Gilmore, Gracie Jones, Sadie L. Thompson, Joe Decatur; Mrs. Ola Hargroves-and, I cannot pass on without saying something about his lady, Mrs. Hargrove has the wit, beauty and charm, graceful manners and decorousness of dress that escapes many persons of any age; and she speaks in a modulated tone of voice that is pleasing to the ear. At present, "Miss Ola" lives in Boston, Mass., with Mr. and Mrs. Joe

Decatur, Sr., and grandchildren. We talk at length about old times at Union Baptist where she was an active member for a goodly number of years-at the present she is a member of People Baptist Church where she has become a dedicated worker-Rev. Owen is her pastor.

Mrs. Celestia Sanders, president of the Willing-Workers' Missionary Circle, thanked our host and hostess for an enjoyable evening and, for the use of their splendid facilities. She thanked the W. Ws' for their fine cooperation; and, she thanked all the guest for taking time off to come out and share the fellowship, food and friendship of the Willing-Workers.

W.W. C's affairs apart from the average, are: helpfulness, kindness, and courtesy. About helpfulness, G. Bailey says, "it is one of the most beautiful compensations of life that no man can sincerely try to help another, without helping himself."

Kindness is another contributing factor in the



MRS. OLA HARGROVES

By the time the 4th of July holiday rolls around, all the cookouts and picnic-spreads seem to follow a general pattern and you conclude that, after you have attended five, you've made the circuit. The logic may be a little warped but there is a hint of truth in the observation. But, you really haven't made the circuit... summer outdoor cookouts until you've put in an appearance at the Willing Workers' Circle of Union Baptist Church.

In all honesty, there is something uniquely different about these annual convivial outdoor picnic spreads. The frankfurters, hamburger patties and steaks aren't any better nor are the many side platters of goodies; potato salad, sandwiches, the assortment of desserts-all homemade, all oozing with the taste of something mother made.

The Willing Workers are a well organized Missionary Circle. A nifty group of "young marrieds." The young marrieds idea began many cookouts ago. Dr. A. S. Croom envisioned a need for organizing this category of women into a Missionary Circle designed especially for them.

A standard of excellence has earmarked this group throughout the years; they have followed, to the letter, the precepts of their founder. "Making use of what you have" is their underlying theme. While many of the charter members continue to identify with the W. W. C., an influx of new blood has joined to insure its posterity.

The beautiful, spacious, neatly clipped lawn of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jones of 1514 Rosewood Avenue, was the colorful background for this year's celebration.

The call to grace was executed by Rev. Napoleon Sanders. He thanked God for His many blessings and for the bestowal of the abundance of food for this occasion and asked for His continued blessing of the wondrous fellowship of the Willing Workers' Circle.

One outstanding feature of the picnic was the beautiful, well-dressed, well-mannered children; yesterday's tiny-tots are today's pretty Misses wearing flamboyant Mod-fashions: Robin and Allison Thrope, Cathy Parrish, Sharron Pratt, Pamela Gail Hill, Medessa and Travesa Tucker, Brenda and Ethel Chavis.

The fellows haven't changed a great deal, except for borderline Afros, wide belts, baggies and flared trousers, they are still at the wild Bill stage-big appetites and strong bodies to keep things at a precarious topping stage: Lynn Edward, Hill, Jr., Anthony Parrish, Willie E. Muse, Curtis Tucker.

Mrs. Sandra Lindsay, Dana and Eddie, her two lovely children, are visiting with their parents, the Jones; and, it was heart warming to talk with "Sandra" on a grown up basis. Only a few, seemingly, summers ago, she was one of our Junior Missionary girls; cute as a button, shy and withdrawn. Mrs. Lindsay lives in Piscataway, NJ.

Aside from Dana, a former model for a Fab Detergent Commercial and a child fashion model for a mens-brother Eddie, there were other tiny tykes present: Deanna Pratt, "Miss Durham Ushers' Union of 1973" and Shawn Geter--Writers Forum's "Autumn Girl."

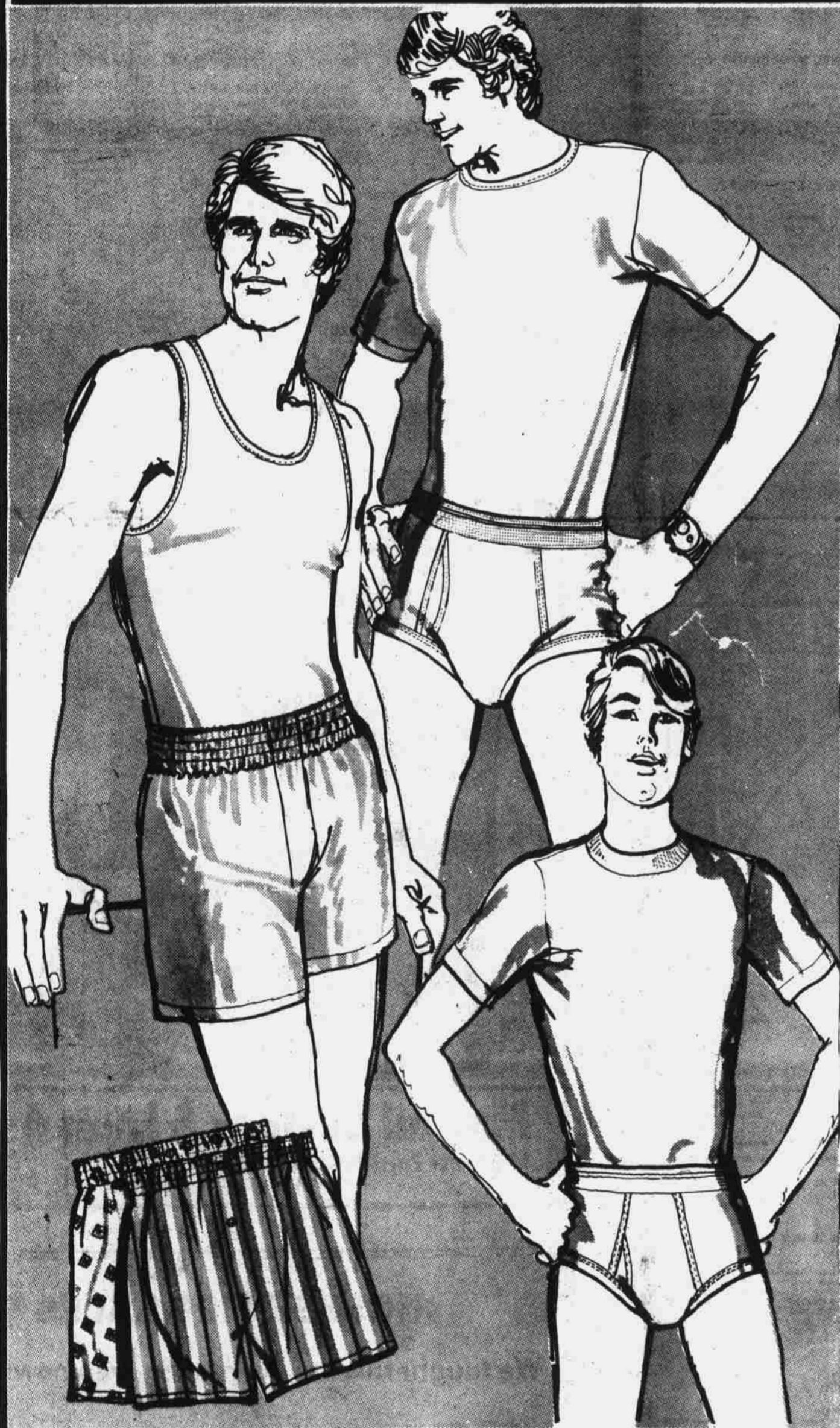
Mrs. Doris P. Holland is Social Chairman of the W. W. C. Aside from seeing that everything is in readiness for the occasion, Mrs. Holland also assists the host and hostess in making everyone welcome.

Mrs. Mary Holman and Mrs. Christine Mitchell were the pretty, charming ladies who served at the food laden tables. Perhaps, the main ingredients which set all of the

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