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EXCHANGE PLANS CRIME PREVENTION WEEK OBSERVANCE

Albany Exchangites Friday began formulating plans for observance of National Crime Prevention Week, February 13-19 that is being jointly sponsored with 1,200 other Exchange Clubs in the nation.

“Our purpose during this week” President R. S. Hutchinson told members at the meeting yesterday “will be to alert every law-abiding citizen of the community to the threat of crime and to publicize efforts to stamp out crime at its source.”

J. Neely Peacock, Jr., has been appointed general chairman of the local arrangements committee.

The National Exchange Club initiated the observance of Crime Prevention Week last year and won the commendation of President Truman, Attorney General Tom Clark and other prominent public officials.

“With the nation’s crime rate remaining near all-time high,” Mr. Hutchinson declared, “it is high time that we Americans realize that we are faced with a problem which threatens to disrupt our whole way of life.”

He cited official figures, which show that during 1947, the last full year for which reports have been published; serious crimes of all classifications were well in excess of the average pre-war totals.

Beginning with Go-To-Church Sunday, February 13, special events in connection with the various phases of crime prevention will follow.

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EXCHANGE CLUB SET FOR CRIME PREVENTION

The Albany Exchange Club Friday launched full-scale preparations for an observance of Crime Prevention week in the city February 13-19 with J. Neely Peacock, Jr., general chairman. Sponsorship of Crime Prevention Week is one of the projects of the national organization. Arrangements will be made for a speaker, probably of national prominence, to address a gathering here during the week and ministers of the local churches have been asked to give particular emphasis to the theme in Sunday services.

Local law enforcement officers will be asked to co-operate in the observance and appearances of local Exchangites before organized groups in the city likely will be arranged.

A round-table discussion of the local club’s participation in the Exchange project featured the Friday meeting. Presiding was Vice-President Dr. Roy Schultz in the absence of President R. S. Hutchinson.

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FBI CHIEF WILL SPEAK BEFORE EXCHANGE CLUB

John C. Bills, special agent-in-charge of the Atlanta field division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will address the Albany Exchange Club next Friday. Mr. Bills visit to Albany will be a highlight of the weeklong observance of Crime Prevention week, sponsored by the National Exchange Club.

The observance will begin here today with "Go-To-Church" Sunday, Albany Ministers having agreed to place particular emphasis on this phase of the activity. Exchange speakers who will appear on various programs also will stress the public concern with juvenile delinquency during the week.

J. Neely Peacock, Jr., general chairman of the Exchange Club committee promoting the project here, said Saturday that speakers will address at the Junior High School Thursday and students at the Senior High School Friday. Radio addresses over local stations also have been arranged. The Albany Police Department has invited the public to examine equipment and discuss with police officers the latest methods of crime detection.

Mr. Bills address Friday will deal with the general activities and responsibilities of the FBI for the last eight years. He was transferred to Atlanta from Charlotte, N. C., where he was special agent in charge.

Representatives of all civic clubs in the city will be invited to attend the meeting along with public officials and law enforcement officers of the city and county.

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CITIZENS TO GATHER FOR FBI CHIEF TALKS

Nearly three score civic leaders, public officials and police officers are expected to be present tomorrow at the Exchange Club meeting to hear John C. Bills of Atlanta, special agent in charge of the Federal Bureau Of Investigation in Georgia.

Mr. Bills address will be the climax of a weeklong observance of Crime Prevention Week, a National Exchange Club Project; during which time several addresses were made to students and other civic clubs and organized groups of the city.

Representatives of the Kiwanis, Lions, and Rotary Clubs, Judge Clayton Jones of City Court, Dougherty County Police Chief Royace Hinson, City Police Chief Morton Burnett, local FBI Agents William Lee and Idus J. Lynn will be among the guests present.

Mr. Bills will speak on the activities of the FBI in crime detection and prevention. A native of Florida, he has been with the organization headed by J. Edgar Hoover for the last eight years.

Mr. Bills came to Atlanta from Charlotte, N.C. where he was special agent in charge, replacing Edwin J. Foltz.

Mr. Bills is a graduate of the Boston Law School and before joining the FBI practiced law in Boston.

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WORK WITH YOUTH TO STOP CRIME: FBI

"Prevention" of criminal activity and the elimination of factors contributing to delinquency is the answer to "one of the major problems" of the nation, rather than rehabilitation of hardened

prisoners or fugitives, Exchangites and guests were told Friday.

Crime prevention is a matter of primary importance to the Federal Bureau Of Investigation, Special Agent Byron H. Matthews of Atlanta declared in an address before the Friday club, stressing the point that "if we look at youth today, we won't have to look at crime tomorrow." Of those persons arrested for major violations of the law during the first six months of 1948, he said, 61.1 per cent were young people of 21 years of age or less. Many were cases, which resulted from "sheer viciousness" on the part of young men.

"You can't attribute delinquency to any one single cause," Mr. Matthews pointed out, "but without a doubt we can lay the blame for the most part on broken homes, neglectful parents, lack of discipline in the home, lack of religion, lack of recreational activities and disregard for the importance of schools and teachers in shaping the lives of young people."

Mr. Matthews' address climaxed a weeklong observance of Crime Prevention Week, a National Exchange Club Project. City Officials, Law enforcement officers of the city and county, representatives of all civic clubs and other visitors were guests of the club. A native of Atlanta, Mr. Matthews has been with the FBI since 1940. He was introduced by Agent William Lee of Albany.

Despite the seriousness of the juvenile delinquency problem, it is only a part of the overall crime picture, Mr. Matthews showed.

FBI criminal files indicate, he said, that there is a potential criminal army of six million in the United States with one of every 23 persons having committed a violation more serious than traffic misdemeanors. Their figures reveal, he added, that of those arrested during the first half of 1948, 57 per cent were repeaters.

Mr. Matthews touched on the actual operation of the FBI, referring to the vast store of information, which is at the hands of investigators co-operating with local authorities through the Uniform Crime Reports System established in 1938. He recounted some of the cases, omitting names, which have been brought to light through the efforts of the agency and local authorities and which served to illustrate the "sheer viciousness" of some crimes.

The program was under the direction of J. Neely Peacock, Jr. Preceding the principal address C. A. Smith introduced guests and Secretary W. W. Newsome presented President R. S. Hutchinson with a diamond-set emblem for adding 10 new members to the club roster.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 02-26-1949)

EXCHANGITES PLAN DONKEY OLYMPICS

Exchangites set about in earnest Friday to promote an Olympics for Albany, accomplished not with mirrors but with donkeys. The local share of the proceeds will be given to the Palmyra School for library purposes.

The Donkey Olympics, which will feature numerous acts including tug-of-war, polo and baseball, will be staged Saturday March 5 at the Albany Stadium. Exchange members will ride the mounts, the cream of donkey flesh in the nation.

Sportscaster J. W. (Taxi) Smith, Mayor of Albany, will be on hand to announce the events. Also featured on the program, will be a pep squad and the High School Band to cheer contestants and add color to the event.

Exchange members yesterday heard from Dr. Paul Russell, who spoke in the interests of the

American Heart Association drive now being carried on to gain funds for research in the causes of heart disease and the care of certain patients.

Dr. Russell pointed out despite the fact that heart disease is the foremost cause of death in the nation today, less money is being spent on research to aid in combating the malady than for all other of the leading diseases combined.

Seventy per-cent of the funds contributed here will remain in Albany and Dougherty, he added, no local quota has been set but the goal for the national campaign is approximately three million dollars.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 03-05-1949)

EXCHANGITES REHEARSING FOR OLYMPICS

The final rehearsal for the "donkey Olympics" held last night at the Gordon Hotel was proof positive of the co-operation given among members as they mounted make-believe wooden donkeys and Miss Roe Austin gave instructions of rules and positions of the different events to be featured tonight at the Albany Stadium.

If the sidesplitting rehearsals on stick horses are any indication of the fun to be seen when the Exchangites mount live donkeys tonight, then the "Olympics" will be the comedy frolic of the year in Albany.

It will be brains vs. brawn in the tug-of-war contest with Paul Carson, Harold Glass, Wilson Smith and "Spec" Loosier mounting for the brains while Bruce Jones, Delma Posey, Lewis Martin and Byron Lawson tug for the brawn.

Clod Hoppers vs. Watermelon Pickers in a skilled archery contest are D. S. Hautman, Bill Buntin, Hudson Arthur, Bruce Jennings, Jack Riley, Dr. Tisdale, Dr. Shultz and John Duke. Hudson Arthur and Jack Riley bring Sharkey and Dempsey to life in the boxing highlight of the evening, as they swing blindfolded on their donkeys.

Gordon Stokes, Arthur Lee, J. D. Smith, Royace Hinson and George Duck will compete for the title of Miss Gypsy Rose Lee.

Earl Riley and Bobo Cannon are the black face comedians. Jack Mayer and Walter Flint will be the announcers as Mayor J. W. Smith officiates the ten events.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 03-06-1949)

EXCHANGITES STAGE DONKEY OLYMPICS HERE

Mounted-sometimes on their long-eared steeds, Exchangites last night drew chuckles from a jovial crowd of Albanians as they staged the first Donkey Olympics here. Liniment was sure to prove popular after the show as the balky burros; most un-cooperative at crucial moments during the competition took things in their own hands, or feet as it were.

Umpired by Mayor J. W. (Taxi) Smith, the Exchangites ambled through 10 events. The show as aired by Jack "Bill Stern" Mayer, and Walter "Ted Husing" Flint, who gave a blow by blow account with a musical background furnished by the Albany High School Band.

Zany antics by clowns Bobo Cannon, Julius Benton, and Noel Whittemore had grins spreading over all faces but those of the donkeys.

“Spec” Loosier as “Jack Dempsey” and J. H. Wallace shared top billing with contestants D. S. Hautman, Bill Buntin, Bruce Jennings, Jack Riley, Rat Riley, Dr. Roy Shultz, John Duke, Franklin Rhodes, Paul Carson, Harold Glass, Bruce Jones, Delma Posey, C. A. Smith and Dr. Alvin Tisdale.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 03-19-1949)

EXCHANGE CLUB DONATES \$302 FOR LIBRARY BOOKS

The Exchange Club Friday presented to Miss Willye Powell, principal of Palmyra School, a check for \$302, which will be used to buy books for the library. The money was part of the proceeds from the Exchange sponsored Donkey Olympics held at Albany Stadium recently. Receiving the money on behalf of the school, Miss Powell declared that “you may be sure that it will be put to the best use possible” and told members of the club that books would be purchased this fall when the money can be matched with Federal funds.

“The importance of this fund is incalculable for it adds to a foundation upon which the children can build their education for years to come,” Miss Powell assured the club in her acceptance. R. S. Hutchinson, President, presented the money on behalf of the club. At the meeting Lewis Martin, Jr. initiated into membership and a number of other prospective members were submitted by the board of control for acceptance by the organization.

Exchangites are waging an intensive membership drive, which was launched last September and will end in June.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 03-26-1949)

ALBANY’S STATE ORATORIAL CHAMP SPEAKS AT MEET

Exchangites Friday heard the state winner of the American Legion Oratory Competition, Paul Harwell of Albany; deliver the address, which won honors several weeks ago.

A senior at Albany High School, Mr. Harwell will compete in Birmingham, AL., April 12 with other state winners for a district award. W. Ray Houston, commander of Post 30, American Legion, introduced him to the club.

President R. S. Hutchinson announced next project for the club; a home talent play, “Laugh It Off”, which will be promoted by Exchangites in co-operation with a group of organizers who will come to Albany next month.

Two new members were received into the club, Dermot Hedrick and Jack Mayer, the ceremonies being conducted by Bill Buntin.

Several visitors were present for the meeting, including Bill Bergesch, former business manager of the Albany Cardinals and now business manager of the Winston-Salem, N.C. club of the Cardinal farm system.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 04-30-1949)

RORER TELLS CUB ABOUT URSCHER CASE

W. A. Rorer, who for nine years sleuthed for the FBI, held Exchange Club members and guests in rapt attention yesterday as he related the kidnapping of Charles Urschel, multi-millionaire Oklahoma Oil man, the first of the nation's \$200,000 ransom cases.

Mr. Urschel was spirited away one night in the summer of 1933 by George "Machine Gun" Kelly and his cohorts who later received life imprisonment after a dogged chase by law enforcement officers. Noted in particular by Mr. Rorer, who at the time was chief of bureau in Birmingham, AL., was the detailed report given by Mr. Urschel of incidents leading to the hideaway of the kidnapers near Paradise, Texas, which proved the undoing of Kelly and his aides. Kelly is now serving time in Alcatraz.

Although blindfolded, Mr. Urschel, with his remarkable memory and attention to minute detail was able to reconstruct for authorities an unmistakable picture of the hideaway and its location. Another curious aspect of the case as pointed out by Mr. Rorer was that Harvey Bailey, notorious bank robber and escapee who had been serving a life sentence for murder and theft, also was convicted of the kidnapping after being captured at the hideaway, although it was later found that he was not involved in the kidnapping but had been given some of the ransom money by Kelly. Bailey did not enter a plea at the trial, Mr. Rorer pointed out, reasoning that he would have to go back to prison anyway on the murder conviction.

It was Kelly who hung the tab "G-Men" on the FBI agents who co-operated in the arrest and conviction of the gang, Mr. Rorer added. Kelly was captured in Memphis, TN., where he was seeking refuge on information supplied by an 11-year-old girl.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 05-28-1949)

CIVIC CLUB ACTION URGED FOR SAFETY

Dougherty County Police Chief Royce Hinson Friday night urged united action by Albany Civic Clubs in support of a campaign for public safety-consciousness. Speaking to the Exchange Club, Chief Hinson declared that "safety is of the utmost concern to the police department and it should be to the public."

"We can't cure the traffic problem of enforcement alone," the law enforcement officer continued, "I contend," he said, "that it will be solved only by education, tied in with enforcement, tied in with the courts."

Disparagingly, he pointed out that "it is hard to get a conviction in court for drunk driving.

"This has a tendency," he asserted, "to give the officer the impression that the public does not want the law covering drunken driving enforced."

Chief Hinson referred to manpower "shortage" in the County Police Department. "We can't be everywhere we're needed at every time and we only have to work with what you and the other citizens of the county give us. The police are now being asked for more service than ever before and are hard-pressed to meet the requirements of a demanding public, Chief Hinson declared. He cited the driver-training program being carried on in the public schools as being the "best way" to assure for the future a safety conscious group of motorists. It is a program that should be expanded," he declared. In connection with these remarks, Chief Hinson brought out that approximately \$4,000 damage is counted in Dougherty County each month, as a result of automobile accidents, to automobiles alone, and not counting the financial cost to individuals in hospital expense and time lost from work.

About six to eight persons on the average are injured each month, he said, although only one person has been killed in the county this year.

Delma Posey, program chairman, introduced Chief Hinson.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 07-02-1949)

STATE CHIEF OF EXCHANGE COMES HERE

Joe Pruett of Macon, State President of the Exchange Club, was in Albany Friday to install the new officers here.

C. A. Smith took over the gavel as president from R. S. Hutchinson. Other new officers installed included: J. Neely Peacock, Jr., Vice-President: M. G. Robertson, Secretary: and Hudson Arthur, Treasurer.

Making the trip to Albany with Mr. Pruett were Allen Sanders, State Secretary from the Macon Club, and J. C. Sheehan, President of the Macon Club.

Mr. Pruett told members of the Exchange Club "eight years ago there were only nine clubs in the state, today there are 36. It is my hope that during the coming year Exchange Club members will get to know men from other clubs over the state as well as members from your own club."

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 08-13-1949)

EXCHANGE CLUB HEARS PROFESSOR MILLS

H. M. Mills, teacher in Albany schools for 25 years before his retirement four years ago, enthralled his audience with an interesting reminiscence of his teaching and coaching days at Friday's meeting of the Exchange Club.

Speaking to a group, which contained a number of men who in years gone by sat in the class of this beloved instructor, Mr. Mills took as his topic, "Spirit of the Team."

In the past the educator had many of the Exchangites on his teams and he praised member Earl Riley as one of the best fullbacks I ever had and weighing only 130 pounds. Speaking of Exchange Club member Bill Buntin, Mr. Mills said, "He is the only man I ever awarded a letter before he played a game."

Connecting spirit of the game in football to everyday living, the speaker said, "It is wrong to go off on a tangent, even if one is an intellect. We have to have a balanced life and the nearer you come to such, the better citizen you make."

Joe Wiggerman, Jr., was welcomed into the Exchange Club as a member at Friday's meeting.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 09-03-1949)

EXCHANGE DISTRICT CHIEF HERE

Eugene H. Driver, District Exchange Club Governor and past President of the Thomasville Club, spoke to members of the Albany Club at their regular meeting in Hotel Gordon Friday. Praising the Albany Club, Governor Driver said "the fact that the Albany Club is playing host to the Georgia Exchange Club at its state convention next year, shows that you have a live-wire

club here.”

Outlining the functions of the district governor, the speaker, who has Exchange Clubs in his district located in Thomasville, Albany, Tifton, Valdosta, and Moultrie, said “it is his duty to increase the fellowship, goodwill and co-operation among the clubs in the district, to promote the National Exchange Club’s program of education and strengthen its organization and to help form new clubs in the district.”

The speaker invited members of the Albany Club to present ideas to the district governor’s office to help strengthen the ties between the clubs in his district and enable him to carry out his work as liaison officer between the local clubs and their national headquarters.

After referring to the goals of the National Exchange Club, Governor Driver said, “although each club may not be able to achieve all the goals set up, it should keep its eye on certain ones and work to achieve these.”

President C. A. Smith of the Albany Club said today, “The Albany Exchange Club through its inter-relations chairman, Wilson Smith and the entertainment chairman, Paul Carson, is inviting Exchange Club members from Thomasville, Moultrie, Valdosta and Tifton to join the Albany Club in an “old-fashioned square dance,” to be held at the Shrine Club in Albany on Saturday, October 1, at 8 p.m.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 09-18-1949)

ALBANY PASTOR SPEAKS HERE ON ‘HAPPINESS’

Dr. Jack Hand, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, was guest speaker at Friday’s meeting of the Exchange Club.

Speaking on “The quest for happiness,” The Rev. Dr. Hand employed the quotation “Not what I gain but what I give measures the worth of the life I have.”

The preacher, who said in his 15 years in the ministry it has been his experience to observe that everyone is seeking to be happy, told his listeners that he guarantees happiness for those seeking it if the quotation is followed.

Stating four things, which seem to bring happiness, money, religion, marriage and sports, the Rev. Mr. Hand said none of these things will “guarantee” happiness.

Referring to the church as the greatest organization, the Rev. Mr. Hand reminded Exchangites, “You will get out of religion just what you give to it.”

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 10-09-1949)

INDIANS’ LINE COACH SPEAKS TO EXCHANGE

Paul B. Robertson, Albany Junior High School Principal and Line Coach for the Albany Indians Football team spoke to the Exchange Club Friday, using a blackboard to point out strategy of plays.

The speaker said, “Football has changed in the last few years. The old type game depended on brute force of blocking and tackling.”

Coach Robertson used the blackboard to show the intricate workings of the “T” formation.

Looking ahead at Albany’s prospects in the game between Albany and Waycross, coach said

injured men on the team made Albany's prospects look bad.

"Four or five players have been absent from practice each day in the last week because of colds or injuries," the coach said.

C. A. Smith, President announced that the date and place for a "Turtle Derby", to be sponsored by the club, had been met.

The derby will be a fund-raising event on Wednesday, Oct. 26 at the American Legion Home. Franklin T. Coleman, Jr., is chairman of the committee making arrangements for the derby.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 10-20-1949)

CLUBS ARE ASKED TO RESCUE CHEST

The badly ailing Community Chest campaign will be tossed in the laps of Albany Civic leaders at a mass meeting Friday at 1 p.m., Chairman W. A. Rorer said today.

Chest officials have summoned the officers and directors of 15 Albany Civic clubs to meet with the Exchange Club at the Hotel Gordon.

Mr. Rorer said the officials would be told that the chest, after two weeks of campaigning, has raised slightly more than one-third of its \$34,941 quota.

"From here on out," he said, "the responsibility for the chest and its future in Albany rests with our civic clubs. They were organized to promote the best interests of the community. That is their claim to existence and the reason for their being.

"That being true, we have no other alternative under the circumstances than to present the chest's plight to them and ask that they take action."

To date chest contributions total slightly less than \$15,000, including usually heavy advance gifts.

Chairman Rorer listed clubs whose officers and directors have been asked to meet with the Exchangites as follows:

Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, Touchdown, Optimists, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Salesmen, Life Underwriters, Business & Professional Women, Junior Woman's, Federated Woman's, Community Council, Hospital League and Pilots.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 10-22-1949)

CIVIC CLUBS CHALLENGED TO ADOPT CHEST CAMPAIGN

More than 100 civic leaders met with members of the Exchange Club at a luncheon Friday to hear Chairman W. A. Rorer of the Community Chest campaign challenge them to accept the responsibility of the lagging \$34,941 campaign.

Speaking on behalf of the campaign fund were Dr. Jack Hand, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church; Harold Wetherbee, Immediate Past President of the Community Chest; Mrs. W. F. McAfee, Head of the Women's Division; Judge Hudson Malone, of the Albany Juvenile Court; Lansing Mays, President of the Chamber of Commerce, and Chairman Rorer.

Attending the mass meeting of civic leaders were representatives of Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, Touchdown, Optimists, Junior Chamber of Commerce; Salesmen, Life Underwriters, Business & Professional Women; Junior Woman's; Federated Woman's; Community Council; Hospital

League and Pilot Clubs and Ministers of the Albany Churches.

Leading the plea, Doctor Hand said this group is seeking the support of civic clubs and churches to take the responsibility in the drive. "I want to see Albany go forward and so today, I cast my vote for the Community Chest program. I believe it is a Christian work." Mr. Weatherbee explained why the Community Chest was formed in 1942, "to incorporate the many local drives into one."

Mrs. McAfee said, "The women of Albany have always done their job, but this year they are leaving it up to their husbands. The women should share the burden by giving something from their home," she added.

Judge Malone told of the manner in which the fund keeps children out of his court. Mr. Mays told his audience, "Albany cannot afford to set a pattern of failure in this drive."

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 10-23-1949)

EXCHANGE BACKS 'TURTLE DERBY' HERE WEDNESDAY

A turtle derby, sponsored by the Albany Exchange Club will be held at the American Legion Home at 8 p.m. Wednesday to raise money to be used in the civic work of the club.

Last year the club purchased books and presented to an Albany grammar school with funds raised from their activities.

The 'Turtle Derby' is promoted by Bob H. Elliott of Conyers and features ten races with a grand finale on a 30-foot track. Special features at the show will include the historical race between the rabbit and a turtle.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 10-30-1949)

EXCHANGITES SHAPE PLANS FOR PARLEY

"Ninety to 95 percent of the Exchange Club members of Georgia are making plans to attend the state convention in Albany, June of next year," R. S. Pendleton of Atlanta, Vice-President of Georgia Exchange Clubs, told the Albany Club at a business meeting last week.

"We are looking forward to the largest convention Georgia Exchangites have ever held and members throughout the state are asking about the coming event," Pendleton said.

Mr. Pendleton was in Albany Friday with Joe Pruitt of Macon, State President of Exchange, and Rory Powell of Atlanta, Past President, to make plans for next year's convention.

Mr. Pruitt told of his trip to the 1949 National Convention in Minneapolis last month. Stressing the plans of the Exchange Clubs all over the state, President Pruitt has visited more than 100 clubs since the National Convention.

Mr. Pendleton installed John Aqua and Lloyd Farmer as members of the Albany Exchange Club and read the covenant of service to them.

Exchangite Franklin Coleman, reported on the success of the recent 'turtle derby' presented by the club. Plans were made for the Exchange Club participation in the Southwest Georgia Fair next week.

President Pruitt admonished Albany members to get their wives organized into an Exchangette

club to work behind and with the Exchange Club. He told of the success of the Macon Exchangette Club.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 12-04-1949)

EXCHANGE CLUB WILL SELECT 'MAN OF THE YEAR' IN CITY

Nominations for the "Man of the Year" have been made by the Albany Exchange Club. The man selected for outstanding service to Albany will be presented a "Golden Deed Award" at the Christmas Party of the Exchange Club, to be held December 16.

Last year was the first since World War II that the Exchangites renewed their pre-war selections for the honor, in conjunction with the National Exchange Club, which issues a plaque to the man, selected.

Dr. W. S. Cook was the choice of club members for the 1948 award. The Exchange Club Christmas Party will be a dinner-dance at Radium Springs. Hank Dudley's Orchestra of Americus will furnish the music.

Paul Carson is Chairman of the Exchange Club Christmas Party Committee and Franklin Coleman, Jr., is co-chairman.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 12-17-1949)

MALONE GETS 'MAN OF YEAR' CLUB AWARD

The Exchange Club last night named Hudson Malone, energetic Executive Director of the Albany Housing Authority, long active in civic and business affairs of Albany, "Man of the Year".

The club makes the choice annually. Mr. Malone was presented a "Golden Deed" certificate. The presentation was made to Mr. Malone at the annual Christmas Party of the club held at Radium Springs. He was cited for his outstanding work in the field of housing, juvenile court work, church and other activities. He is Judge of Juvenile Court here.

Exchange member J. Neely Peacock, Club Vice-President, made the presentation of the award, sponsored by the National Exchange Club and with the entire membership of the local club participating in the selection and voting here.

Mr. And Mrs. Malone was a guest of the club at the party last night.

(Taken from The Albany Herald, dated, 12-24-1949)

EXCHANGE CLUB GIVES GIFTS TO STOCKING FUND

A Christmas tree party with gifts for each member was featured at Friday's Exchange Club meeting.

Each person received an "appropriate" toy, which was contributed to the Empty Stocking Fund after the party.

The program got off on the right note with members chiming in on several favorite Christmas Carols. Exchangite J. Neely Peacock, Jr, led the singing.

*President C. A. Smith read a Christmas card from club member Jack Mayer who is now in Rome.
Exchangite Bill Buntin was presented with a past president's pin.*