

Business Federation Praised by Young for Aid in City's Growth

Commissioner John Russell Young told the Federation of Business Men's Associations last night that civic and business organizations such as the federation provided valuable co-operation and support in the development of the National Capital.

He expressed appreciation for the work of the federation on many occasions. Mr. Young was among the District officials and business leaders attending the federation's annual banquet at the Mayflower Hotel.

President Inducted.

John L. C. Sullivan of the Northeast Businessmen's Association was inducted as new president of the federation, and the outgoing president, Jerome B. McKee of the Georgetown Businessmen's Association, was honored for his two and a half years of service.

Other officers inducted with Mr. Sullivan were: Horace J. Meyers, first vice president; Joseph Burke, Jr., second vice president; Mr. Kathryn Everhart, secretary; Isadore A. Perry, treasurer; J. Nelson Anderson, general counsel; Soterios Nicholson, associate general counsel.

35 Groups in Federation.

Arthur Clarendon Smith, Jr., one of the founders of the federation and its first president, was introduced. He recalled that the federation started with four member associations and around 360 members back in 1931. Today it has 35 member associations and more than 3,000 members.

Among the federation's guests were Thomas J. Groom, president of the Washington Board of Trade; Maj. Robert V. Murray, new District Superintendent of Police; George Keneipp, District traffic director; James H. Flanagan, chairman of the Public Utilities Commission; Vernon West, District Corporation Counsel; Dr. J. Ross Veal, new president of the Federation of Citizens' Associations.

Frank Sinatra Arrives With Ava in Frankfurt

By the Associated Press

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 12.—Frank Sinatra and his bride, Ava Gardner, arrived by plane in a pea-soup fog today to play for American airmen in Germany.

"Gee, I thought we'd never get down," Sinatra said as the couple posed for photographers at the Rheinmain Airfield.

Their first engagement this afternoon was at a Wiesbaden Air Force hospital. They will fly back to London tomorrow.

Australian Town of 20 Can't Attract Labor

BRISBANE, Australia, Dec. 12 (CDN).—Nobody, it seems, wants to come to Birdsville, Queensland's most isolated town.

Birdsville (pop. 20) advertised for carpenters recently. It even offered to pay the carpenters \$22.50 a day, tax-free, and give them their keep as well.

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McKeldin to Help Dedicate New Shady Side Center

By the Associated Press

SHADY SIDE, Md., Dec. 12.—Gov. McKeldin and the president of Kiwanis International will help dedicate the new \$50,000 Shady Side Community Center on December 21.

The Governor and Claude B. Hellman of Baltimore will deliver the main addresses at ceremonies formally opening the building, a project of the Shady Side Kiwanis Club.

A. L. Fleming of Salisbury, district Kiwanis governor, also will speak.

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Military Studying Plan to Stagger Holiday Leaves to Avoid Tieup

The Defense Department is studying a plan to stagger Christmas leaves of servicemen so as not to overload transportation systems, officials said today.

They pointed out that no military travel priorities are being employed and added that by staggering the departures of servicemen from camps it was hoped that the holiday load would be equalized.

Kenneth L. Vore, chief of the department's military traffic service, has worked out the plan and expected to confer with Defense Secretary Lovett today.

All training by the Army and Air Force has been suspended for the period December 22-January 2 and transportation officials had expressed the fear that this deluge of servicemen would cause the worst traffic tieup in years.

About 2 million men and women are now in service and many of them will be given holiday leaves by the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps.

While local commanders were cautioned some three weeks ago to release personnel at staggered departure intervals to avoid transportation congestions, many of them had planned to let the men go at the beginning of the training shutdown.

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