

Mrs. Mary Pillsbury Lord - of the United States is on a visit to several countries of Asia, Southeast Asia and the Middle East as an American Specialist under the Special Recruitment Program of the State Department. We are glad to welcome her to Korea and especially to the YWCA today.

Mrs. Lord's accomplishments are many and it will take me too long to tell you everything about her. But briefly - Mrs. Lord is considered among the foremost civic and welfare workers in America today. She is presently a member of the New York Governor's Committee on the Education and Employment of women, President's Committees on the International Cooperation Year, the Status of Women, and Foreign Aid. In addition, she is a Trustee of the American University in Cairo and has been a Trustee of Smith College, her Alma Mater.

Her previous experiences include service as the United States delegate to the General Assembly of the United Nations, and the United States representative on the Committee on Human Rights of Economic and Social Council.

Mrs. Lord has been engaged for many years in welfare activities with International orientation and even now, holds membership in over 20 National and International Associations and organizations including the International Division of the YWCA which really makes her one of us.

While in Korea, Mrs. Lord will be kept busy with many speaking engagements. Of particular interest to us is the Seminar which she is leading for the next few days under the auspices of the Women's Council of Korea and participated by Korean women leaders from all parts of Korea. We are indeed privileged to have Mrs. Lord with the YWCA group for an informal lunch and talk today.

Mrs. Lord, we are a group of YWCA volunteers. Some of us are ^{Members} ~~Officers~~ of the National and Seoul YWCA Board of Directors. Others are women who serve on the World Fellowship Committees of both the National and the Seoul YWCA - women who plan and carry out programs to promote international understanding and friendship not only within this country but between Korea and other

countries around the world.

Voluntarism or giving of volunteer service to the community is still a new thought in our country as a whole and which needs to be nurtured among our women. So we are most happy to have you speak to us on the subject of -

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