

KFKU BROADCAST - May 18, 1944

Mrs. Anne Livingston

Announcer: As a public service feature of KFKU, we are most happy to have with us in the studio this evening, Mrs. Anne Livingston, National Recreation Association, of New York City, who is conducting recreation leadership training classes each evening this week in Robinson Gymnasium at the University of Kansas, for all the people of Lawrence and nearby towns who are interested in recreation for youth - recreation for adults.

Mrs. Livingston, tell us, - just what is the National Recreation Association?

Mrs. Livingston: Well, Mr. _____, the National Recreation Association is a private agency supported solely by private contributions raised by volunteer sponsors whose only goal - and this is true since 1906 - has been working with the 8,000 communities of these United States to help them, to quote our charter, "find the most satisfying use of leisure time; that every child in America shall have a chance to play."

Announcer: That is a most noble goal, and one that we can see the value of in these trying days of broken families, men and women in war service, and industrial concentration in our cities. But how does the Association do this?

Mrs. Livingston: We do this by working with the local forces. We believe that every organization has much to contribute to this. The programs of the Y.W.C.A., the Y.M.C.A., the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, the 4 H Clubs, the schools, the churches, the city recreation councils, the youth committees of civic clubs, the Parent-Teachers Association -- are all worthy of all the aid that we can give them through our field service. We believe that recreation, as religion, Mr. _____, is the responsibility of the local community. They must decide