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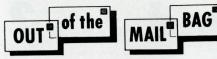
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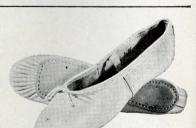
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# OUT OF CONFLICT

#### by RICHARD E. HAMLIN

Sure, it's a true story. It happened right here in Omaha, Nebraska, at the Y.M.C.A. It's a real life example of conflict in a real institution! Only the names are changed — as they say on T.V. — to protect the innocent.

Jan was plenty burned up! And she burned up a lot of telephone wires telling the other Square-Dance Club wives about Ned. He was gumming up the works for sure! He was, she felt, to blame for all the hard feelings between the Y Square-Dance Clubs. After all, he'd railroaded the idea through with his club that they wouldn't co-operate with all the other clubs in sponsoring summer square dancing. And now she was sure he was going to see that his club blocked the others by hanging onto that choice park location they'd reserved a year ago.

Ned felt he was being maligned. He called the program director at the Y.M.C.A. and told his side of the story. Jan had gotten in touch with the program director, too. So had Jan's husband, Bob, and Mrs. Marx, Mrs. Spark-

This article first appeared in ADULT LEADERSHIP magazine. It is a true story of conflict among participants in a YMCA Square Dance program and of how the Y's program director and one of the dancers teamed up to deal with the situation. Richard E. Hamlin, the author, was the program director of the Omaha, Nebr. YMCA when this story took place. He is now a Research Associate for the National Council of the YMCA's in New York City.

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A TRUE STORY

## OUT OF CONFLICT (continued)

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man, and Mrs. Richards. George Sparkman stopped in to talk with the program directors after work one day. Other men on the staff at the Y started getting tales about the trouble, too. There was even some talk of two or three couples pulling out.

Fantastic? Mature adults don't really act that way? But they do! Adults are people, and people are always getting into conflict. So metimes people find satisfactory solutions to their conflicts, sometimes not. Finding the proper solution was the problem facing the program director at the Y. He talked with other staff members. He pulled out a book that had something to do with the theory of working with groups. Combining ideas from here and there, he arrived at what seemed to be a workable plan.

The structure for a council of all the Square-Dance Clubs had already been set up. A meeting or two of this council had been held. It was no difficult task to get the council together again. Getting the people on the council together—this was the way the director was going to attack his problem. Getting the people together and getting all the cards on the table.

The fateful evening arrived. Small talk filled the meeting room as people arrived, but the talk seemed only to cover up the real feelings that people had. The conversation was forced; the atmosphere, strained. Bob chaired the meeting. He'd been over the agenda carefully with the director and knew just what the director planned to do. Knowing helped, because Bob realized that he had a mighty important role to play in guiding this meeting.

"Ned," he began, "I wonder if you'd tell us about that Around-the-World party your club had last week?" Ned, caught off guard a bit, stammered out a couple of sentences and then opened up with enthusiasm about his club's venture. Bob remarked that this could be one function of the council-to exchange worthwhile ideas. He asked if there had been any other interesting events in the club. Mrs. Sparkman told about their club's work on the flood-relief effort. Someone else described some new square-dance music their gang had liked. One by one each club had some chance to be recognized as having done something positive and constructive. The air cleared just a bit. Folks began to feel a little more secure.

Bob asked Mrs. Marx to record some information on a blackboard at the end of the room while the group discussed the next agenda item. He explained that this council, to be effective, had to set some goals for itself for the next year. He indicated that what he wanted to see was some "real projects that the council can tackle this coming year." "Mrs. Marx," he said, "as these ideas for projects come up, will you record them?"

Jan thought that the group could get together on the next annual charity ball that two of the clubs had been sponsoring. "Swell," Bob said, "that's the kind of stuff I mean." Mrs. Marx

## OF CONFLICT AND HOW IT WAS SOLVED

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put it down. Jim, who was from a suburban community, thought that the council could sponsor a new teen-age square-dance group out his way — "The kids are roaming the streets at night. And lots of them would like to square dance." Someone wanted the council to look into the auditorium sound system. And here the group had a chance to take a few healthy cracks at the Y if they wanted to, and some of them did.

One after another, ways in which the clubs could co-operate were listed --co-operate, not get into conflict. Finally Jan said, "How about summer square dancing? That's something we could really get together on!" "Put it down," Bob said. Much discussion followed. Pros and cons were aired. Somehow the static electricity had subsided. The group seemed like an adult group. People were facing their problem realistically. Here and there some comment brought a flushed face, but the flush would fade as Bob saw something humorous to comment on.

Finally Ned made a motion that cleared the way for everyone to work together on summer square dancing. It also contained a fact-finding clause that would help him save face with his club after his stand. The whole group felt that the motion—with its rider—was a fair proposal. After all, there were certain technicalities that had to be answered. The group needed more facts. Bob appointed Ned, Mrs. Sparkman, and the director to uncover these facts and to report back at a future meeting. One or two minor matters were discussed and the meeting adjourned. Ned invited everyone out to Sam's restaurant for a cup of coffee. Most of the people took him up on it.

Looking back on the meeting, the director was glad that the group hadn't had to force a decision that would have eliminated Ned's opinion. He was glad that Bob didn't have to dominate the scene by forcing others to concede. Actually there hadn't been a compromise, because no one had had to give up anything to anyone else. And certainly there was no alliance of subgroups to gang up on Ned. At least for this meeting it looked as though people were in agreement, were united behind their positive decisions for action.

People had come to feel secure through recognition being given their efforts.

Those who were involved in the problem had *participated* in a decision about what to do.

Points of agreement and co-operation were stressed *first*; the problem, *later*.

In *preparing* the agenda, the director had gone over the plan carefully with the chairman.

The chairman had been alerted to see the *humorous* side of things and relieve tension by an appropriate remark.

The group had decided it could make a better decision about an issue if it had more *facts*.

The problem had been recognized as one which would take *time* to solve.



By Hugh Thurston

Every Scot Knows *Petronella*. Not only is it one of two country dances which is (and has been for well over 100 years) a "must" everywhere that Scottish dancing is practiced, but it is dance number one in book number one of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society's collection.

It is a very easy dance: the first couple dance round an imaginary diamond, setting to each other at the corners (this figure being traditionally known as "cutting the diamond") and the dance finishes with the standard pattern of down-the-middle-andup and poussette.

Every New England contra dancer knows *Petronella*. It is one of the real old traditional "kitchen junket" contras, giving the old style dancer a wonderful opportunity to use his repertoire of balance steps. Some dancers boasted that they never used the same balance twice in the course of the dance; others beat this by boasting that they went through the dance without touching the floor.

It is like the Scottish version: the dancers cut the diamond New England Style, i.e., holding right hands and using balance steps; and the dance finishes with the standard pattern of down-the-middle-and-up-and-cast-off and right-and-left.

Is it then Scottish or American? The answer is that the dance is almost certainly English, though the two versions mentioned above are respectively Scottish and American. Its first appearance in print is in *The Ballroom*, or *The Juvenile Pupil's Assistant*, published in 1827 by J. P. Boulogne, a French dancing-master who taught in Glasgow. Among the dances in the book (a very miscellaneous collection) are a number of country dances, some English and some Scottish. *Petronella*, here called *Petronelle*, is among the English ones.

The book gives, in fact, three *Petronelles*. The second is an English quadrille, the third a "Hungarian Waltz." (This can't be a genuine Hungarian dance, of course. Nor, if it is danced to the tune "Petronella" can it be a waltz.) All three dances contain the "cutting the diamond" figure, which is in fact their only common factor. Indeed, it would be fair to say that at this date the name *Petronella* (or *Petronelle*) was not so much the name of the dance as of a figure and a tune.

This is not too surprising: the same applied (and still applies) to *Triumph*. There are many dances of this name, the one thing which they have in common being the figure where two men lead one woman up the middle "in Triumph".

However, all Petronelles except the country dance died out. In England, even the country dance died out - as anyone interested in the history of dancing knows, it was about 1825-1830 that country dancing as a fashionable social dance died out in England, and only a few country dances (not including Petronella) survived in certain villages. Fortunately, before this happened the dance caught on in Scotland and presumably in New England, where it remains alive today. It caught on also in Ireland (it is mentioned in a manuscript collection of dances made by Kate Hughes of Dundalk in 1867) but did not last.

The tune, a delightful and distinctive one, is possibly somewhat older than the dance. At any rate, it first appeared in 1820, in a collection printed by the famous Scottish fiddler, composer and danceband leader, Nathaniel Gow. The title of the collection is a little ambiguous. It reads: "The cries of Edinburgh, to which are added Petronella and a favorite new medley composed and arranged by Nathaniel Gow and performed at his annual ball on Tuesday, 14th March, 1820."

This has led to a belief that the tune was composed by Gow. However, examination of the inside of the book shows that it was only the medley, not the "cries of Edinburgh" nor *Petronella*, that Gow composed. And, indeed, the tune *Petronella* has not the slightest Scottish flavor about it, whereas Gow's own compositions were unmistakeably Scottish. (Of course, any particular performance by a Scottish band has Scottish flavor, just as a performance by Ralph Page's Boston Boys sounds very Yankee.)

The tune was later used for a solo Hebridean ship-dance called Patronella; this dance has nothing to do with the country dance except for sharing the tune. The version Patronella or even Pat'nella is also common in New England. Other forms of the name which I have found are "Patronello" and "Patter Nelly", and I once puzzled for a long time over a dance called "Pattren Nell" before I realized that it was our old friend again. The name itself will be familiar to madrigal fans: it is one of those Italianate female names like Phyllida and Diaphenia, whose owners were continually getting into trouble with shepherds. ("Pearce did dance with Petronella" is probably its best known occurrence.) Why it should occur again at the beginning of the 19th century, I do not know. (The rumor that "Petronella" was a pet name of Mary Queen of Scots is absolutely without foundation.)

In America, the tune was later used for two other country dances, neither very common. One is described in J. A. French's *The Prompter's Hand*- Book, 1893, and has the same figures as "The American Hornpipe"; the other was described in Polite and Social Dances by M. R. Hofer, 1917. The first appearance of the usual Petronella in print in America is in Elias Howe's New American Dancing-Master about 1882. Here it appears among a dozen dances which Howe copied from a Scottish book (H. D. Willock's Manual of Dancing, Glasgow, 1865).

Now, I have not found a firm reference to *Petronella* in America before 1882 so it is possible that the dance did not come from England with the other early contras, but got into circulation via this book. If anyone does know of such a reference I should be very glad to hear of it. I don't think it's likely, because it would be the only one of these dozen Scottish dances to have caught on, and it would have had to shed its poussette.

However, quite recently Ralph Page took another of these Scottish dances from Howe — namely Queen Victoria — replaced its poussete by a rightand-left, and made a very nice New England type contra out of it. So, perhaps some 19th century Ralph Page is responsible for New England having a *Petronella*.

The latest chapters in the history of the dance are quite recent. When the Royal Scottish country dance socity adopted it, they replaced the traditional poussette (which was a two-step or polka in ballroom-hold) by their own four-square pas-de-basque poussette. A new form of the opening diamond has developed "among the Highland regiments" according to a letter in The Reel (No. 18, May, 1954) by W. A. Stevenson. (No one seems to know in which regiments.) In it, both couples take part in the diamond, the second couple moving up to top place and following the first couple four bars behind. They follow the first couple down the middle, too, and form an arch for them to duck under on the way up. This has caused a lively controversy between those who like the new version and those who resist the innovation.

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- and left thru
- Square thru three-quarters round, on to the next
- Square thru three-quarters round, on to the next
- Right and left thru, come right back, suzie que
- Opposite right, right hand around

Partner left, left hand around

Opposite right, right hand around

Partner left with an arm around

- Face that two, do-sa-do a full turn around
- Make an ocean wave when you come down

Go forward up and back

- Square thru three-quarters 'round, on to the next
- Box the gnat, change girls, do-sa-do a full turn around
- Make an ocean wave when you come down
- Go forward up and back
- Half square thru, on to the next
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- Out and in, when you meet her box the gnat

The girls star left, the men stand pat

Girls, it's home you go, do a do-sa-do

Left allemande and promenade your own

Well my heart is down, my head is

turning around

- I left a little girl in Kingston Town. Figure:
- Do-sa-do the corner and you run back home

See-saw your own, the men star right, the girls sway to and fro

Turn partner left it's not too far

- You turn your corner by the right and make a wrong way thar
- Well you shoot that star left and right, box the gnat (when you shoot the wrong way thar you will head in reverse grand right and left direction)

Do-sa-do right after that (same girl)

- Promenade, take her home and swing
- The pretty little girl from Kingston Town.
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One and three go right and left thru Two and four you right and left thru

The head two ladies wheel chain

- The gents follow thru like a dixie chain
- Lady go *right* and gents go *left*, 'round one

Into the middle and square thru

Three-quarters 'round, start counting, man

There's your corner, left allemande, etc. . .

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Turn 'em around, triple star thru

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- Grand right and left you go
- The wilder the heart beats
- The sweeter the love

Swing your honey 'round and 'round Now promenade your turtle dove Promenade around that ring

Take her home and swing and sing

- The wilder your heart beats
- The sweeter your love.

#### **Figure:**

- Head ladies chain straight across you do
- Turn 'em boys and pass on thru
- Both turn right and go around one Do a Dixie chain, let's have some fun
- Lady go left and the gent go right Around just one, down the middle
- vou do
- Box the gnat and face the sides
- And do a right and left thru
- Turn your girl and dive thru
- Square thru, three hands 'round you do

Promenade around the ring

- Take this new girl home and swing
- The wilder your heart beats

The sweeter your love.

(Sequence: Opener, Figure twice for heads, Break, Figure twice for sides. Closer.)

#### WHOOPS

By Fred Applegate, La Mesa, Calif. Four ladies chain across with you Two and four a right and left thru Finish it off with a half sashay The heads go forward, then back away Pass thru and split the floor Go 'round one and line up four Forward eight and back once more Pass thru and go like cain Face to the middle, dixie chain Ends turn back and box the flea Same girl, left allemande, etc . . .

#### NORTH TO ALASKA

- By Vaughn Parrish, Boulder, Colo.
- Record: Blue Star No. 1569-Instrumental/calls by Vaughn Parrish.

#### **Opener, Break and Closer:**

- All four couples promenade half way around the land
- Heads (sides) right and left thru-sides (heads) keep going
- Until you're home again
- Then allemande left your corner, dosa-do at home
- Then swing your little lady just a little southeast of Nome.

#### Figure:

Walk all around your corner girl

See-saw around your taw

- Gents star right in the middle
- Go once around that hall

Take your girl with an arm around

- Star promenade that land
- As you walk around girls turn around
- And you go left allemande
- It's a grand old right and left around
- You're climin' mountains high
- Do-sa-do with your honey
- Then pull her right on by (continue right and left)
- Keep mushin' thru the snow boys
- Until you're free to roam
- Then swing the right hand lady
- Just a little southeast of Nome
- Promenade where it's windin'
- But nuggets they're findin'
- North to Alaska, you go north the rush is on
- Four ladies chain across the ring
- Swing in Alaska, swing north the rush is on.
- (Sequence: Opener, Figure twice, Break, Figure twice, Closer.)

#### SUBSTITUTE QUICKIE

By Buford Evans, Prairie Village, Kan.

Four ladies chain, that's what you do Two and four do a right and left thru The heads go forward, back with you. Then star thru and substitute

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#### WHEEL TO A LINE FIGURES

By Chip Hendrickson, Oceanside, N.Y. Head two couples a right and left thru Same ladies chain is what you do Heads go forward, back with you Go forward again and star thru Right and left thru, turn your Sue Now, forward eight and back in time Double pass thru and wheel to a line Cross-trail thru across the land There's old corner, left allemande... Side ladies chain across the way Turn 'em around, don't take all day Then one and three will bow and swing

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Double pass thru and wheel to a line Then pass thru and bend the line Cross-trail thru across the land There's the corner, left allemande...

#### WHEEL, MAN, WHEEL

By Fred Boiley, North Los Vegos, Nev. The head ladies chain across the ring Turn 'em boys, and hear me sing Same two couples cross-trail thru Face the sides go right and left thru Turn your gals and circle up four Go once around and a little bit more The head gents break to form a line Go forward eight and back you reel Let's pass thru and wheel and deal Double pass thru and keep in time Keep on a-going, you wheel to a line Then cross-trail, start lookin' man Here she comes, left allemande . . .

#### PAIR OFF BASIC

Written by Eddie Gaut, San Diego, California. There are two ways to "pair off". 1) At the command, PAIR OFF, any two facing couples change partners by joining *inside* hands with their opposites and turn one-quarter to face outward from the center of the square. 2) At the command, PAIR OFF — ALL EIGHT OF YOU, given



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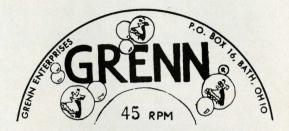
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#### PAIR OFF FIGURES

By Fred Bailey, North Las Vegas, Nev. The heads go forward and back you do Pair off, go right and left thru Dive thru, star thru Cross-trail, look-out, man Allemande left . . . Heads go forward, back with you Star thru, pass thru Pair off with the outside two California twirl and cross-trail man Skip one girl, left allemande . . .

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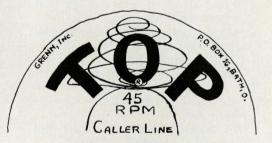
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Footwork: Opposite, instructions for M

#### Introduction:

Wait 2 Meas, bal away (acknowledge) bal together to butterfly pos, M back to COH.

#### Meas

#### Dance:

1-4 Step Touch; Step Touch; Roll, 2, 3; Step Draw.

Step fwd L ft, touch R beside L; step fwd R ft, touch L beside R in back-to-back pos; turning L (WR) make spot roll LRL (W R,L,R) returning to face partner in butterfly pos; M back to COH, step RLOD with R ft, draw L ft beside R.

5-8 Step Touch; Step Touch; Roll, 2, 3; Step Draw.

Repeat action of meas 1-4. Remain in butterfly pos.

9-12 Bal Away; Bal Together (MAN-UV); Pivot, 2, 3; Dip Touch.

Facing partner, bal away; bal together manuv to CP M back LOD; in three steps L,R,L pivot 1/2; dip back on R ft (RLOD), touch L ft beside R.

- 13-16 Reverse Waltz; Waltz Bal Away; Bal Together MANUV. L turning waltz; waltz 3/4 around. M ending with back to COH); bal away from partner; bal toward partner assuming back skater's pos.
- 17-20 Step Point; Step Point; Waltz Back, 2, 3; Step Touch.

Moving diagonally toward wall and LOD step L, point R; step R, point L; waltz bwd (diagonally twd COH and RLOD); step R, touch L beside R.

21-24 Step Point; Step Point; Waltz Back, 2, 3; Step Touch (W Turn, 2, 3)

Repeat meas 17-20. Moving diagonally twd COH and LOD. On meas 24 retaining hold of W's R and M's R hands, W makes 1/2 R face turn L,R,L to assume butterfly pos, M facing LOD.

25-28 Twinkle; Twinkle; Twinkle; Step Touch

Step on L ft diagonally fwd XIF of R (W XIB) step R close L; step on R ft diagonally fwd XIF of L (W XIB) step L close R; step on L ft diagonally fwd XIF of R (W XIB) step R close L; step on R ft touch L beside R.

29-32 Bal Back (Dip); R Turning Waltz; Waltz; Twirl, 2, 3

In CP bal back on L ft with slight dip; R turning waltz, 2, 3; waltz, 2, 3; waltz, 2, 3; (make complete turn); W twirls LRL to M's R side and open pos to start dance again.

#### PATRICIA

By Willie and Vonnie Stotler Northridge, Calif.

Record: Windsor No. 4662.

- Position: Partners facing, M's back twd COH, M's R and W's L hands joined.
- Footwork: Opposite throughout. Directions for M.

Introduction:

No dance action.

Dance:

Meas

1-4 Side, Knee, Step, Step; Side, Knee, Step, Step; Roll, -, 2, -; Side, Close, Side, -;

Step to L side on LOD on L ft twisting body slightly twd LOD, flex R leg and bring R knee up and slightly over in front of L knee while dipping briefly on L leg, face partner and take 2 steps, R-L, in place changing hands during second step to join M'sL and W's R; repeat, starting on R ft and end facing with M's back twd COH; M's R and W's L joined hands joined; swinging hands twd LOD then releasing, partners roll away from each other down LOD with 2 slow steps, M rolling L face and stepping L-R, W rolling R face and stepping R-L, to end facing with M's back twd COH and both hands joined; step to L side in LOD on L ft, close R ft to L, step again to L side in LOD on L ft, hold 1 ct while releasing M's R from W's L hand;

5-8 (Reverse) Roll, -, 2, -; Side, Close, Side, -; Back, Close, Back, Close; Dip, -, Recover, -;

Starting R ft and swinging joined hands in RLOD then releasing, partners make a "reverse" roll away from each other down RLOD with 2 slow steps, M rolling R face and stepping R-L, W rolling L face and stepping L-R, to end facing with M's back twd COH and both hands joined; step to R side in RLOD on R ft, close L ft to R, step again to R side in RLOD on R ft while taking CP and turning about 1/4 face on R ft to face almost in LOD, hold 1 ct; as in a turning "buzz" step, step bwd on L ft turning a little more than 1/4 L fact, close R ft to L, again step bwd on L ft turning more than 1/4 L to face wall, close R ft to L; dip bwd twd COH on L ft, hold 1 ct, recover by M taking a short step fwd twd wall on R ft and holding 1 ct while W takes a longer step bwd twd wall on L and holds 1 ct to end with partners facing, M's back twd COH, M's R and W's L hands joined.

- 9-16 Repeat action of Meas 1-8 except to end in open pos, both facing LOD with M's R and W's L hands joined.
- 17-20 Two-Step FWD; Two-Step FWD (face); Side, Draw, -, Close; Turn, -, Chug, -;

Start L ft and do 2 two-steps fwd in LOD ending with partners facing, M's back twd COH, M's R and W's L hands still joined and extended out at shoulder height twd RLOD; step to L side in LOD on L ft, do a slow and accented draw of the R ft to L taking 2 counts, close R ft to L taking weight on both ft; pivoting on the balls of both feet, make a slow and exaggerated 1/4 turn to face LOD, do a slow chug bwd twd RLOD on both feet;

- 21-24 Repeat action of Meas 17-20 except to end the chug by facing partner, M's back twd COH with M's R and W's L hands joined.
- 25-28 Side, Behind, Side, Behind; Roll, -, 2, -; Side, Behind, Side, Behind; Roll, -, 2, -;

Step to L side in LOD on L ft, step on R ft XIB of L, step again to L side in LOD on L ft, again step on R ft XIB of L; swing joined hands in LOD then release as partners roll away from each other down LOD in 2 slow steps, M rolling L face and stepping L-R, W rolling R face and stepping R-L, to end with partners facing, M's back twd COH with M's R and W's L hands joined; repeat this action starting same ft and moving in LOD but ending in CP with M's back twd COH;

29-32 Two-Step Turn; Two-Step Turn; Twirl, 2, 3, Touch; (Reverse) Twirl, 2, 3, Touch;

Start L ft and do 2 turning twosteps down LOD making 1 complete R face turn and ending with M's back twd COH, M's L and W's R hands joined; M starts L ft and does a 3 step grapevine to L side in LOD and touches R toe beside L ft while W starts R ft and makes a complete R face twirl in three steps down LOD under her R and M's L arm, touches L toe beside R ft as partners change hands to M's R and W's L; as M starts R ft and does a 3 step grapevine to R side in RLOD, touches R toe beside L ft, W starts L ft and makes a complete L face twirl in three steps down RLOD, touches L toe beside R ft, ending with partners facing, M's back twd COH, M's R and W's L hands joined.

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When he moved from Arkansas to California in 1907 he found a different type of square dancing and many varied patterns. He learned to call all of these and began calling in the mining areas and dance halls. Often in the mining areas he would call to all men sets. In the dance halls almost every other dance was a square. There the music was a fiddle, accordian, guitar or banjo and sometimes a piano.

The big social event for many of the ranchers and farmers was a square dance. This would be held on a Saturday night at a ranch house or a farm house and would last all night and into the middle of Sunday afternoon. Time was taken out from the dancing to eat, do the chores, and have a Sunday School lesson. Often the same dance would be done a dozen times in one night. At times, a dance would be called and as soon as it was finished the boys would grab a new partner, set up a new set and yell for the same dance over again.

It was just about the same in the mining camps, but quite a bit rougher. There was an abundance of both "mountain dew" and fights. The caller, however, was never bothered — he was a necessity.

Square dancing didn't move into the towns and cities until the roaring twenties. According to Lee Waddell, there was no dancing in the "speakeasies" during prohibition and this was the separation of square dancing and liquor. Times weren't too good, and there were many older persons in dire need. They were drawn together because of their common need into groups. The largest of these groups was the Townsend Clubs. There were many musicians in these groups and they played for the square dances held by the old folks. They did other dances besides squares, but they had more fun doing the squares. During the depression days there were groups



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• ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION — The 7th Atlantic Square Dance Convention will be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey on September 29-30. It will be sponsored by the Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association.

Watch AMERICAN SQUARES for further details. For reservations or information, write to Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association, P.O. Box 56, Metuchen, New Jersey. — Bud Sibbald

• MRS. FRANCISCA AQUINO TO VISIT U.S. — Mrs. Aquino, authority on Philippine folk dances and folk lore, will visit the U.S. for 6 months beginning March 1, under the sponsorship of International Recreation Association and Folk Dance House.

She will conduct 1, 2 and 3 day workshops. Groups interested in scheduling Mrs. Aquino should communicate with International Recreation Association, 345 East 46th Street, New York 17, N.Y.

• DEEPEST SYMPATHY — For the family of former member of Illinois Square Dance Club, who passed away in January. A Polio Benefit Dance will be held on April 9, and proceeds will be turned over to the family.

For tickets to the dance sponsored by Dudes and Dolls of Bellwood, Ill., send a check made out to the club and a self addressed envelope to Dick Diebold, 335 Kenilworth, Glen Ellyn, Illinois. —*Will and Grace Eriksen* 

• BUCKEYE SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION — April 14, 15 and 16 at the Toledo Sports Arena and Convention Hall will be the setting for the 3rd Annual Buckeye State Square Dance Convention. It will be sponsored by the Toledo Area Caller's Association. Registration fee is \$3.25 per person before March 1, and \$4.00 after March 1. Write to Registration Committee, Box 1323, Central Station, Toledo 1, Ohio. — Tommie Jane and Berle Huffman



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GORILLA BALL - In Oklahoma, Central District square dancers sponsored a Gorilla Ball to raise money to buy 2 gorillas for the Oklahoma City Zoo. Shawnee, Oklahoma held their annual Polio Dance with music provided by Cliff and Smiley. Square dancing artist Marshall Flippo will appear at the Wagon Wheel Club of Oklahoma City March 31, 1961 with caller Jerry Adkin. A special train to the National Convention with conductor Howard Thorton will take an eight day trip. For information, contact Howard Thorton, 2936 Bella Vista, - Odell and Sue Farris Midwest City, Oklahoma.

ILLINOIS SQUARE DANCE FESTIVAL - This 10th annual festival will be held in Pittsfield, Illinois, May 6-7, and will be sponsored by the Illinois Federa-tion of Square Dance Clubs. Guest Caller will be Bob Fisk. Mary and Bill Lynn will conduct the Round Dance Clinic and are bringing an exhibition group called the Roulettes. Host Club will be the Pike Promenaders of Pittsfield. For Motel reservations, write to Gene Seybold of Pittsfield.

- Elmer and Freida Bradbury

"SWINGING THREES" - The dancing recreation book "Swinging Threes" published by the Agricultural Extension Dep't. of the University of Minnesota in St. Paul was presented in a clinical session of January 14, at the State College in Stevens Point, Wisconsin by the writer and compiler, Edmund "Luke" Lukaszewski. Send \$1.00 to the Bulletin Room, Institute of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, St. Paul 1, Minn., for a copy.

EUROPEAN NEWS-The Hanau Area AYA along with Iva and Ernie Shrader, hosted a square dance jamboree for the younger set called the "Junior Jumping January Jamboree", held at the Hanau Community Center. It was attended by children from Hanau, Wiesbaden and Kaiserslautern, Germany. Al - Don Tobkin Spencer of Wiesbaden did the calling.

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AMERICAN SQUARES

• 1961 OFFICERS — The Connecticut Square Callers' and Teachers' Association held its annual meeting in South Meriden and elected Kip Benson, president; Tony De Carlo, vice-president; Frank Minnehan, secretary; Bob Merunka, treasurer and Dave Milford, Member-at-Large. If you live in New England and are interested in locating a square dance that is near your home write to Frank Minnehan, Secretary, Callers' Association, 2528 North Main Street, Waterbury, Conn.

- Frank Minneban

• SUCCESSFUL FESTIVAL IN TUCSON — A hearty thank you from the Southern Arizona Square Dance Festival Committee to all who attended this big festival in Tucson, Arizona in January, 1961. Attending, were more than 2,800 square and round dancers, representing 23 states with dancing called by at least 50 callers. Bud and Lil Knowland and Bill and Mary Lynn did a good job for the round dancers. — Mrs. Mabel Barta

• "61" ALABAMA JUBILEE — The 8th annual Alabama Jubilee, sponsored by the Birmingham Square Dance Association, will begin at 8:00 p.m., April 21, at the Municipal Auditorium. A fashion show; square dancing, called by local and visiting callers, featuring Max Forsyth and Arnie Kronenberger; a round dance workshop, conducted by Manning and Nita Smith; dancing provided for teenagers at the YWCA and a breakfast and after party at the Greek Youth Center will be a Jubilee you won't want to miss. — Joan Landrum

• OHIO STATE CORPORATION OF SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS— Ohio now has an active state square dance organization, holding quarterly meetings with the annual meeting taking place at the State Square Dance Convention. Officers include: Carrie Pitman, president; Glenn Miller, vice-president; Larry Sloan, secretary; Dr. Robert Kuhn, treasurer and Lloyd Harrold, corresponding secreteary. — Martie Best



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If you haven't already registered and sent in your reservation blanks do so now. Just write to Box 2314, Detroit 31, Michigan.

To be better informed on your favorite hobby plan to attend the panel discussions at the 10th National Square Dance Convention in Detroit this summer, June 29, 30 and July 1.

Topics for the discussions will range from sound problems through dance ethics, including the ladies' favorite on dressmaking.

Callers and round dance leaders look forward greatly to these discussions as the place where they can standardize calls and the like.

One discussion that will be particularly interesting will be on the common interest between the caller and the dancer.

Plan to attend one of the panels. Attending will add to the enjoyment you derive from your hobby and the enjoyment you derive from the Convention.

When you're having a good time it's always a supreme effort to go home. It's practically positive that everyone attending the 10th National will have a good time. So — why go home right after the Convention? Plan your vacation time so that you can spend a week or two in Michigan at the many vacation facilities this state 'has to offer.

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#### The Colonel Harris Hornpipe

The true name of this lively sequence is PADDY ON THE TURN-PIKE, but it is a true member of the Harris Regiment. Line up as before (see Feb. AMERICAN SQUARES). On the first note of the first cycle of music each minor section (group of four) circle left and right. Then right and left over and back into line.

Now comes the variation from the General Harris. The ONES literally peal out of the line. They do a 3/4 about fact, turning toward the prompabout face, turning toward the prompter and on around until they face away from the prompter (below) and proceed to march alone down the outside of the line, listening to the music. Turn when the music changes and come back up the outside and into line where you started.

When the second chorus (b) starts, the ONEs step to the center, face below and start down the center taking the TWOs with them on the outside. Again the TWOs swing around the ONEs and duck thru the arch. ONEs also turn in their tracks and all come marching back two by two until you get back to position. Then back into place in line. You are now ready to move out and circle.

#### The Major Harris Hornpipe

Somewhere along the line women asserted their independence and managed to get the cross-over put in the dance. This opened up possibilities

## FOR SQUARE DANCERS

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Line up and count off as before — ONE, TWO — ONE, TWO — etc. Then the ONEs cross over to the other side (men and women exchange places) so we now have mixed lines. On the prompter's right the line is shehe-she-he-she-he. On his left the line is he-she-he-she-he-she. Each person is opposite his own partner.

Circle left, then right in fours (16 cts.) Star left, then right in fours (16 cts.) ONEs down the outside and back [don't forget to peal off] (16 cts.)

ONEs take TWOs down center in fours, ends turn in and pop thru

ONEs take new TWOs back, ONEs walking backward to place ready to circle (16 cts.)

The music sequences goes "A,A,B,B."

This time the TWOs stranded at the head of the line and ONEs at the foot of the line pass the time of day with their partners while they are loafing. During the second "B" or last routine they cross over to opposite sides. On crossing they change identity and the ONEs become TWOs, the TWOs become ONEs. The cross over is simple and adds variety to Contras.

How do you like dancing without calls? It's challenging and different. Next month we'll add a few more Contras to our collection of Contras for Square Dancers.

This Contra article is the third in a series by Ed Moody, Nashua, N.H. Ed is an authority on New England Contras.

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#### MORE ROUND DANCES

"THE TERRY THEME" and "PLEASE BE MY SWEETHEART"—a solid coupling of two highly deserving waltzes. The routine for "The Terry Theme" comes from Bud and Dot Kuhlman of San Diego, while Ed and Helen Palmquist of Temple City, California, contributed a real "slicker" type dance for "Please Be My Sweetheart." Both dances offer a rich diet of fine waltzing for gifted dancers and the music for both numbers comes from the superb Memo Bernabei Band. WINDSOR No. 4664.

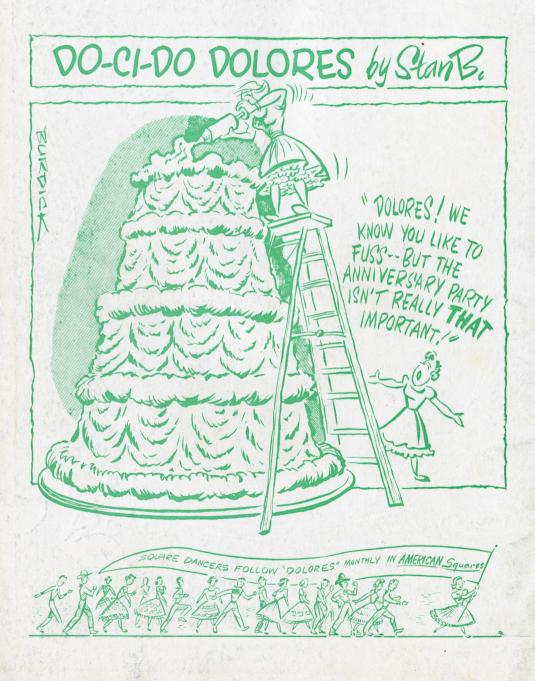
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